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Rotary Club of Preston 9790 COMMITTEES: 2022/23

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Bulletin **J McCarthy** P Peyton P Gilbert	**Public Relations** **R. McCall** E Price E Higgins & any club members to assist	**Attendance** **G Mogford** G McIlvenna P Smarrelli	**Programs** **G.Mogford**	**House** **Joe Morris** P.Peyton D De La Coeur
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	District Conference **G McIlvenna**	**RIMERN** **R McCall** Julie Morris Joe Morris E Price All members invited to assist in Volunteering		**Secretary** G McIlvenna **Treasurer** F Smith **Special Projects** P Smarrelli

We acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation and we pay our respects to their Elders past and present.

SPEAKER LAST WEEK

PREP - **Packaging Recyclability Evaluation Portal:** Speaker **Anthony Peyton** is a Director at PREP. Anthony's aim last week was to explain the PREP plan for assessing the manner of disposing of waste products.



This field is multifaceted. There is the packaging, the local council education programme, the consumer awareness and finally the recycler responsibility. Everyone has a part to play. Until now, there has been no way to access clear, consistent and validated information about the recyclability of specific packaging formats nationally and internationally. In the absence of such a resource, companies have been unsure about the specific packaging formats that are recyclable. Nor are they aware of how combinations of manufacturing materials are likely to act throughout the recovery and recycling process.



Anthony gave numerous examples of the markings on commercially bought containers and the abilities of recycling machinery where size and shape determine the sorting. Currently Australian producers are working at proper markings of their packaging but much more has to be done. Consumers also have a task. They have to read the outside packaging and act accordingly. An example was the packaging of Colgate toothpaste – the box, the

paste container and the cap. Anthony asked all to study the symbol and the size. He took all through his plan of marking symbols that are available on his website.

PREPDESIGN

PREP has entered the field to help businesses in their claims of recyclability, as there is still confusion as to where their product may end up. While there is no Australia-wide specific sign language, PREP aims to offer their solution.

THE ROTARY FAMILY

John McCarthy 31/3/87

Veronica and David De La Coeur 29/3/69



SAD NEWS it was to hear that Erica Higgins' husband passed away recently. He had been suffering cancer for some time. Members recognise Erica's strength and we stand by her in these trying days.

VISITORS LAST WEEK: Ray Ingwersen (State Manager Vic Steel-Line Garage Doors), Heather Harris (Rotary Pascoe Vale), Ruth Morris with baby Joseph.



DOCTOR CHRISTINA PEYTON: Another string to her bow. Last Friday Christina was awarded a Doctorate for her research into the life-styles of Generation Xers, those born between 1965 and 1980. Acclamations go out to Dr. Christina.



THE FAREWELL TO PETER LAMERS has been celebrated in so many ways, many of which were videoed by Gerry Lyons. These have been given to Peter's family. Pres. Ruth voiced her thanks to GMan.

CLUB NEWS

UPCOMING SPEAKER:

29 March Andrew Atkinson Police Veterans

RIMERN (Rotary Inner Melbourne Emergency Relief Network) has been the centre of many photo-shoots in the past week, both for the International Convention and for local Rotary In Action. Interestingly, it has stood out as an outstanding example of community action towards persons in need. Some club members have been involved and Pres. Ruth would be happy with more participants.



IN THE THE TOP 7% of primary schools across Victoria for NAPLAN in 2022 is Sacred Heart Primary School, Preston. GO PRESTON!

HELP NEEDED at Rimern, 32 Lincoln Street, East Brunswick, Thurs. 30th March. RIMERN is calling on Preston Rotarians to help in the warehouse. Pres. Ruth will be attending from 10 am-1pm.There are a variety of tasks- such as packing up kitchen- ware, sorting donated linen. Roz McMaster is the "Warehouse Extraordinaire" and highly organised! Please help if you can. If interested or available, please let Ruth know in advance.



DONATIONS IN KIND: The Rotary Club of Preston is a financial supporter of DIK and a regular user of their warehouse and vehicles to carry out our own projects. Members please pass around news of what DIK is offering and how our club has used its availability and its services - 4 recent examples:

- We were able to fill 3 x 20 foot shipping containers and send them to Jacob's Well in India for Rotarian Joan Roose.
- We use the trucks every fortnight to carry out our Foodbank program for Reservoir Neighbourhood House.
- We used their vehicle to travel to Trundell in NSW when the drought was at its peak.
- We have used the vehicle on numerous occasions to move furniture to set people up in their flats etc. and we have stored many items for safekeeping until used at the warehouse.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONERS INDIGENOUS NIGHT OUT: Monday, May 29, the night the club was planning, is more in doubt given the recent offer of a dinner planned by the William Angliss Institute.

RADIO 3KND has just been awarded a Special Commendation in the 'Community Group of the Year' by Darebin Council. They were named at a large event held at the Narandjeri Stadium Thurs 23rd March. Zion Akarana, a recent employee of 3KND, was awarded 'Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Emerging Young Community Leader of the Year'. Preston Rotary offers top congrats to boss GMan and Zion.

Weekly Roster February - March 2023

If unable to attend please find substitute

DATE	WELCOMES	CASHIERS	SERGEANT	CHAIRPERSON
Mar-29	Peter Peyton	Peter Lamers Natalie Au	Peter Byrne	Claude Verrocchi

SUNBURY ROTARY - 50: Celebrations Saturday April 1, 2023. Time: 7pm to 10pm. Donation: $70 per person. Location: Roomba's Mt Aitkin, 33 Cadana Road, Gisborne South.

https://www.trybooking.com/CFNBB

BUNNINGS BARBIE: 8th April – Easter Saturday

NATHALIA ROTARY 60th: The club will celebrate with an evening at the Nathalia Recreation Reserve, Saturday 15th April at 6.30pm. A 2-course meal at $35 per head. Prestonians and friends most welcome – RSVP 12th April by 6pm.

Contact Loula Oliver – 0418 147 977.

RIMERN NEWS – March 2023: Intro to enthusiastic letter as emailed by Sec. Geoff. *"As promised, we plan to send a RIMERN newsletter every couple of months to keep you up to date with all that's been happening with VOLUNTEERS, DONATIONS, WELFARE AGENCIES & CLIENTS, and the many exciting things ahead"!*

THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION is the biggest event of the year and it's coming to us in Australia, 27-31 May. Thousands of Rotary members and Rotaractors from across the globe will be arriving in Melbourne, giving us a tremendous opportunity to welcome, network and learn from fellow people of action.

Let's show our Australian spirit while enjoying the extraordinary convention that will feature notable speakers, energising breakout sessions, and ample opportunities to brainstorm ideas for Doing Good in the World.

Among the speakers and learning opportunities scheduled:

- Keynote speaker Leymah Gbowee, Nobel Peace laureate from Liberia
- Climate activist Nakeeyat Dramani Sam of Ghana
- Breakout sessions on leadership, membership, service and projects, the environment, public image, and more

Whether we are on the convention floor, in the House of Friendship, or at one of the exciting events planned by the Host Organising Committee, the 2023 Rotary convention is the ideal place to share ideas and expertise. It's also our chance to be a champion for Rotary in Australia and make an impact that lasts far beyond four days in Melbourne.

Register today for savings! The reduced rate **expires 31 March**.

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For member donations - Australian Rotary Foundation Trust
Bendigo Bank BSB 332 084, A/c 551 038 195



Rotary is about helping others and improving our world.

No matter what area your interest lies within, it is bound to be an area that Rotary is already working in.

We serve local communities, international communities, people, the environment and peace.

This coming Wednesday

The Rotary Club of Preston welcomes

Peter Sambell