

ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.
District 9790

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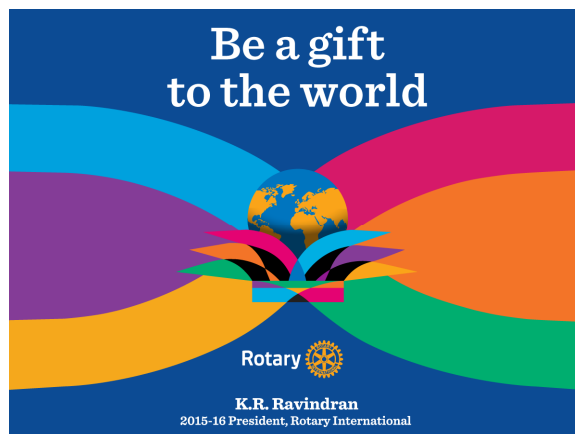
Meets Wednesday, 12.30pm
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BOARD

Paul Smarrelli, Geoff McIlvenna, David De La Coeur,
Peter Peyton, Julie Morris, Peter Byrne, Frank Smith,
Carla Finocchiaro, Elaine Price, Wayne O'Neill

SPEAKER LAST WEEK

OPERATION CLEFT - GIFT A SMILE FOR LIFE: Once again the audience heard the opinion: *"Money for overseas projects seems to be drying up"*. One could ask *"Are you referring to countries with large Muslim populations?"* or *"Are Australians worried more about their own financial future?"* or

Established by the Rotary Club of Box Hill Central in 2006, OC has been a most successful Rotary International Project. It has been filled with mission, education and outcome. **Mission** sees the medical teams working in rural/outback Bangladesh where medical intervention is less likely. **Education** with Bangladeshi Professors training doctors in specialist cleft palate work. **Outcome** sees 10,000 operations having been performed since OC founding.

Fortunate last Wednesday were members to hear **Vici Funnell**, Chair of Operation Cleft, Australia. This was her second meeting for the day! She opened with a clear picture of the Bangladeshi nation followed by basic information on the causes, economic and social effects for a cleft palate sufferer. For 90% of sufferers any operation would cost a year's wages making it impossible for rural families.



Why does OC operate in Bangladesh? Initially it was Vietnam and now South Korea has entered the field. Then it was Sri Lanka where, with the Government and the Tamil stand-off, it became too dangerous. Selecting Bangladesh with its 160 million and internal migrations, the need was obvious. Community education was vital. Better understanding of cleft palates was urgent. Training of Bangladeshi doctors was essential. Now Professors are paid and the learning doctors and nursing staff give their time for free.

Since 2006 Australian and New Zealand Rotary has been involved in over 10,000 operations - life-changing gifts. \$300 will pay for surgery for 1 child. Vicki and Rotary serve well those children but more finance is needed in a world of diminishing overseas financial interest!

www.operationsmile.org/

FAMILY OF ROTARY



A note of **GRATITUDE** from Jill and Norbert was read by President Paul at the meeting. They were deeply thankful for the Club's presence at Gladys Morris's farewell back in November. Gladys input in the community was unbeatable and, with Jack, they were such a warm presence in the life of the Club over so many years.

ROTARY OCEANIA MEDICAL AID FOR CHILDREN ROMAC

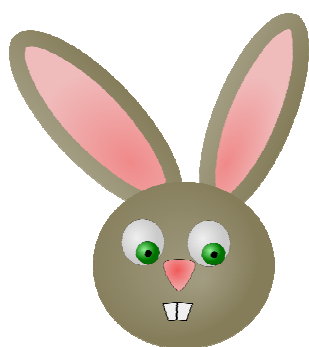
ANOTHER GRAND-DAUGHTER! That's how grandad Peter Gilbert joyfully announced the birth of Evelyn Grace Patel.

MIRACLE SMILES RETREAT: That's the new name of the Children First Foundation Farm at Kilmore. Cf Looking Forward

WELCOME BACK last Wednesday to Asha Pahuja, looking fit for the challenges of Rotary life.

ANZAC DAY MARCH: Rotarian Frank Brass has accepted the call for a Club member to represent the Club at the Anzac Day Ceremony starting at 10.30am on Sunday, March 17.

GUNFIRE BREAKFAST BARBIE - Anzac Day: Members, partners and friends; it's an early morning start. It involves about 3 hours and is followed with a social coffee after. Paul Josephson has it in hand and he will be seeking names of assistants in these days.



TRIVIA NIGHT - April 15. Chris Shields is seeking response from partners and friends to form a table or two on the night all in support of the Ivanhoe Rotary Club. See particulars in LOOKING FORWARD.

Birthdays	Ken Kirby 31/3, Rosemary Wilcox 5/4
Rotary Ann.	John McCarthy 31/3/1987

KATHERINE BAVERSTOCK is this week's guest speaker and will be talking to the Club about ROMAC, a project launched in 1984 by the Rotary Club of Kangaroo Flat, Victoria. Katherine Baverstock is a



charter member of the Rotary Club of Greensborough Central, and was formerly a member of the Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga.

Katherine has been a member of the D9790

ROMAC Committee since late 2014. Katherine initially trained as a pharmacist in Adelaide She has been working as a Lecturer in Pharmacy Practice at RMIT University, Bundoora.

She feels lucky to have fallen into a career she loves and uses her now famous teaching skills to spread the word about ROMAC.

DIARY DATES

DATE		
March 30	Chair	Julie Morris
	Speaker	Katherine Baverstock
	Topic	Romac
	Welcomes	Sean Walsh
	Sergeant	Les Woodland
	House	Geoff McIlvenna
April 6	Chair	Peter Byrne
	Speaker	Jack Richards
	Topic	Burnett Institute
	Welcomes	Carla Finocchiaro
	Sergeant	David De La Coeur
	House	Paul Josephson

WHERE DID THEY GO? In 2015 there were 8 long term Outbound Youth Exchange Students and 12 long term Inbound. The Inbound were sponsored or hosted by a total of 13 District Clubs. This year 9 long term students from the District are being hosted by Rotary Clubs in France, Switzerland, Italy, Sweden, Germany (2), Brazil (2), and Denmark.

LOOKING FORWARD

March: Water and Sanitation Month

INCOMING BOARD 16/17: District Assembly at Benalla 10/4/16.

TRIVIA NIGHT: Rotary Club of Ivanhoe, Friday, April 15, 6.45 for 7. BYO food. Drinks/coffee at bar prices. East Ivanhoe Bowling Club, 153 The Boulevard. Raffles/Prizes. Entry \$20.

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OPEN DAY AT THE CHILDREN FIRST FARM, KILMORE: 17 April, 12-4pm. 190 Saunders Road, Kilmore East - exit the Hume Freeway at Clonbinane.

BRINGING THE LIGHT - Story of Seven Women: Thurs. 26 May, 6.30. ACMI Cinema, Federation Square

<http://www.trybooking.com/KLFK>

CLUB CHANGEOVER NIGHT: 28 June at a venue still to be nominated.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2017: 16-19 March at Shepparton - Paradise Lakes Motel already booked for the Club.

ROTARY GRACE

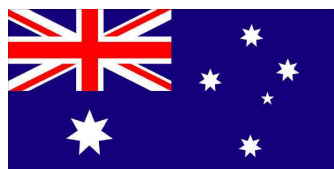


**O Lord and Giver of all good
we thank Thee for our daily food.
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways
help us to serve Thee all our days.**

Rotary Club of Preston 9790 COMMITTEES: 2015/16

<u>International</u> Director Chair: P Byrne Dep K Agarwal B Lamers A Pahuja P Gilbert G McIlvenna	<u>Youth Services</u> Director Chair: E Price Dep P Josephson K Kirby P Donovan D Warry C Shields Joe Morris N Orchard	<u>Vocational</u> Director Chair: C Finocchiaro Dep D Sullivan L Woodland F Smith N Schaber N Pinder S Makris	<u>Community</u> Director Chair: Julie Morris Dep B Allchin R Wilcox P Josephson W O'Neill D De La Coeur C Verrocchi A Pahuja S Walsh Frank Brass	<u>Club Admin.</u> Director Chair: G McIlvenna
<u>Foundation</u> Director Chair: P Peyton P Gilbert G McIlvenna R Wilcox C Shields E Price	<u>Membership & Classifications</u> Director Chair: D De La Coeur Deputy: I Musgrove L Woodland K Subramanian N Schaber B Allchin N Orchard	<u>Fundraising & Circus Quirkus</u> Director Chair: W O'Neill P Peyton P Gilbert	<u>Public Relations</u> Chair: K Subramanian E Price I Musgrove L Woodland F Brass	<u>Cashiers</u> J Crampton N Schaber R Wilcox P Josephson D Sullivan C Verrocchi Joe Morris S Walsh
<u>Bulletin</u> J McCarthy P Gilbert E Price D De La Coeur C Finocchiaro	<u>IT/Website</u> K Sabramanian D De La Coeur P Josephson K Kirby N Orchard S Makris	<u>Attendance</u> G Mogford P Peyton I Musgrove	<u>Programs</u> Ian Musgrove L Woodland E Price B Allchin C Shields N Orchard	<u>House</u> N Pinder N Schaber G McIlvenna P Josephson L Woodland C Verrocchi Joe Morris S Walsh
<u>Fellowship</u> P Josephson B Lamers P Gilbert	<u>Club History</u> P Gilbert P Peyton P Josephson G McIlvenna	<u>Family of Rotary</u> P Peyton E Price D Sullivan L Thornton	<u>Sergeants</u> D Sullivan I Musgrove L Woodland D De La Coeur Peter Byrne Julie Morris	<u>Welcome</u> B Lamers C Finocchiaro Julie Morris B Allchin J Morris S Walsh
<u>Christmas Lunch</u> L Woodland	<u>Conference</u> G McIlvenna	<u>Life Education</u> C Finocchiaro	<u>Exodus</u> P Josephson	<u>Birthday Cards</u> G Smith
<u>Rotary Info</u> P Gilbert G McIlvenna P Peyton I Musgrove				

Rotary Club Of Preston					
Paul Harris Fellows			Paul Harris Fellows		
		Year Awarded			Year Awarded
PP	Alf Bean	17/12/1976		Kevin Aylward	24/06/1998
♦PP	Ron Grierson	22/11/1978	PP	John McInnes	15/09/1999
♦PP	Perc Cleland	11/03/1981	PP	Rod Draper	15/09/1999
♦PP	Roy Kilkenny	07/04/1982	♦♦	John McCarthy	05/07/2000
♦PP	Mark Crampton	10/08/1983	♦PP	Les Woodland	05/07/2000
PP	Bill Wonder	01/05/1985		Rick Kirwan	26/06/2002
	Laurie Jones	01/03/1986	♦♦	Wayne O'Neill	26/06/2002
	Cliff Kendall	01/03/1986	♦♦	Frank Smith	26/06/2002
PP	Arthur Morgan	01/03/1986	♦PP	Ian Musgrove	25/06/2003
♦PP	Jack Morris	01/03/1986	♦PP	Rosemary Wilcox	25/06/2003
♦PP	Ian Cleland	24/07/1987	PP	Lindsay Gale	12/07/2006
♦PP	Ken Land	24/07/1987	♦PP	Carla Finocchiaro	12/07/2006
PP	Norm Griffiths	30/09/1987		Peter Lamers	12/07/2006
PP	Keith Porter	30/09/1987	♦♦ PP	Elaine Price	04/07/2007
PP	Bryan Steele	16/12/1987	PP	Richard Gozdzik	28/06/2008
PP	Reg Dick	26/04/1989		Pauline Josephson	16/06/2009
	Lyall Dexter	27/06/1990	♦PP	Les Price	05/08/2009
▲▲▲	Alf Osborne	26/06/1991	♦♦♦	Barbara Gilbert	15/09/2010
♦	Gladys Morris	13/05/1992	PP	David Warry	06/2012
♦PP	Vin Murphy	24/06/1992	PP	David Sullivan	06/2012
♦♦♦PP	Peter Peyton	24/06/1992	PP	Hillary Ellis	06/2012
♦PP	Max Kirwan	30/06/1993	PP	Eric Thornton	06/2012
♦PP	Paul Smarrelli	29/06/1994	PP	Vin Ross	06/2012
♦	Joy Crampton	29/06/1994	PP	Arthur Grubb	11/2012
	Jess Cleland	28/06/1995	▲	Alf Armstrong	11/2012
▲▲ PP	Peter Gilbert	28/06/1995	♦♦PP	David De La Coeur	17/04/2013
PP	Neil Grierson	28/06/1995		Gerry Smith	18/12/2013
♦♦♦PP	Paul Josephson	28/06/1995	♦	Lenore Thornton	25/02/2015
♦♦♦PP	Geoff McIlvenna	26/06/1995		Kim West	24/06/2015
▲▲▲ P	Bernie Lamers	08/05/1997	♦ PP	Peter Byrne	26/8/2015
▲▲▲	Gerry Lamers	08/05/1997	♦	Margaret Smith	16/12/15
	Norm Pinder	25/06/1997		Jack Wilcox	9/3/2016
♦ Denotes Sapphire Pin			▲ Denotes Ruby Pin = 6 Sapphire Pins		



Advance Australia Fair

Australians all let us rejoice, for we are young and free;
 we've golden soil and wealth for toil; our home is girt by sea;
 our land abounds in nature's gifts of beauty rich and rare;
 in history's page, let every stage Advance Australia Fair.