

ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.

District 9790

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PO Box 299, Preston, 3072

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Darebin RSL Bell St, Preston

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Director: Julie Morris

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<u>Christmas Luncheon</u> L. Woodland	<u>On to Conference</u> G. McIlvenna	<u>RI World Conference</u> P Gilbert	

NB: Wednesday, March 29.
The meeting will be at the RSL as normal and
not at the Town Hall as programmed.

SPEAKER LAST WEEK

The **ALOLA FOUNDATION** was originally created to raise awareness of the widespread sexual violence against women and girls in Timor-Leste (formerly East Timor) during the militia attacks of September 1999.



Formed in 2001 by Kirsty Sword Gusmao, then First Lady of East Timor, the Foundation was named after Juliana 'Alola' dos

Santos, a 14 year old girl who was brutally raped and taken to Indonesian West Timor during that terrible time.



The Alola Foundation has grown from a budget of a few thousand Australian dollars and a team of a handful of volunteers in 2001, to one of the nations' most reputable NGO's and an

employer of some 100 staff. While this is a key issue of the Foundation, **CHRISTINE PERKINS**, a Lola Board member,

outlined a wide-range of support services offered to the women and children of Timor-Leste.

Christine gave concise account of the country's history through many migrations, colonizations, the wartime Japanese control, the brutal bloody Indonesian takeover and scorched earth departure, to its present day independence.

However, let not the above overshadow the intense, ongoing and successful main drive of Alola. Christine's expansive explanation of Alola's 4 point programme demonstrates Alola's service to the women and children of Timor-Leste.

- 1. Advocacy (Leadership Training)**
- 2. Economic Development (Empowerment)**
- 3. Education and Literacy**
- 4. Maternal and Child Health**

Those present were much privileged to hear Christine's story giving well founded hope and a warm invitation to learn more and maybe give more for the advancement of the women and children of Timor-Leste.

It should be added that Christine was an exemplar of service on a day when her husband was recovering in hospital.



International Women's Day 2017

'Strong Women, Strong Nation' **'Feto Forte, Nasaun Forte'**

FAMILY OF ROTARY

Birthday	Marilyn McIlvenna 19/3
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MODERN MEDICINE: Two Members are experiencing attention in these days. **Melody Musgrave** was present at last week's meeting still a bit lame but looking great.

Meanwhile, **Frank Brass** could not make the meeting as he had to return to the Austin for further treatment.

Ken Kirby has had a recent medical intervention and all members join in sending Ken this 'get well' message.

CLUB NEWS

VISITORS LAST WEEK: Kay Feain (A.G. Group 3), Kay Gauci (A.G. Group 1), Christine Twinning (Alola Foundation), Melody Musgrove, Doris Warry, Margaret Smarrelli, Marilyn Woodland, Barbara Gilbert, Jack Wilcox

MOONEE VALLEY ART SHOW: Built in 1888, the one-time residence of brewer and sportsman Andrew McCracken is the venue for this Art Show presented by the Rotary Clubs of Kailor East and Essendon. 24-26 March (check times on internet), 69 Woodland St, Essendon.



ANZAC DAY: The usual Barbie etc. at the Northcote Park will be hosted by volunteers from the Club. It's an early start on April 25. Paul Josephson has a roster in preparation.

STOLEN: An estimated 4,000 children were forcibly taken away from their families during the Indonesian occupation. Decades later, many families in Timor-Leste continue to search for their missing children. Today the population of Timor-Leste is 1.2 million with 75% living in outback mountainous rural regions.

DIARY DATES

DATE		
March 15	Chair	David Warry
	Speaker	Peter Peyton
	Topic	Mature Rotarian behind the Badge
	Welcomes	Elaine Price
	Sergeant	Les Woodland
	House	Bernie Lamers
March 22	Chair	Paul Josephson
	Speaker	Inspector Charles Allen
	Topic	Rotary Peace Fellowships
	Sergeant	Ian Musgrove
	House	John McCarthy
	Welcomes	Rosemary Wilcox
March 29	Chair	Asha Pahuja
	Speaker	Yvonne Donegan
	Topic	Thank You - Reservoir Neighbourhood House
	Welcomes	Julie Morris
	Sergeant	David Sullivan
	House	Norm Pinder

NOTE: March 29 Meeting at RSL as usual.

FIRE DANGER: In its struggle for independence and during the withdrawal of Indonesian forces in 1999, 95% of Timor-Leste schools were destroyed.

COMING EVENTS

DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2017: Shepparton-on-the-Goulburn, March 15-19, 2017.

Club accommodation - Paradise Lakes Motel, Kialla. It's on the Goulburn Highway and barbie there on Friday night.

THE ROTARY SKILL WORKSHOP GRAND OPENING & COMMUNITY MORNING TEA. March 21, 2017, 1-3 Sylvester Grove, Cnr Highview Road Preston, 11.30am to 1pm. Students Family and Members of our Community

DISTANCE DARWIN TO DILI is 720kms - equal to the distance MELBOURNE TO ADELAIDE.



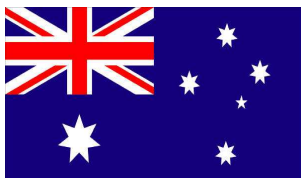
ROTARY GRACE

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					
Paul Harris Fellows		Year Awarded	Paul Harris Fellows		Year Awarded
PP	Alf Bean	17/12/1975		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	PP	David Warry	27/06/2012
♦	Gladys Morris	13/05/1992	PP	David Sullivan	27/06/2012
♦ PP	Vin Murphy	24/06/1992	PP	Hillary Ellis	27/06/2012
♦♦♦ PP	Peter Peyton	24/06/1992	PP	Eric Thornton	27/06/2012
♦ PP	Max Kirwan OAM	30/06/1993	PP	Vin Ross	27/06/2012
♦♦ PP	Paul Smarrelli	29/06/1994	PP	Arthur Grubb	7/11/2012
♦♦	Joy Crampton	29/06/1994	▲	Alf Armstrong	7/11/2012
♦	Jess Cleland	28/06/1995	♦♦ PP	David De La Coeur	17/04/2013
♣	Peter Gilbert PDG	28/06/1995	♦	Gerry Smith	18/12/2013
♣	Barbara Gilbert	15/09/2010	♦	Lenore Thornton	25/02/2015
PP	Neil Grierson	28/06/1995	♦	Kim West	24/06/2015
♦♦♦ PP	Paul Josephson	28/06/1995	♦ PP	Peter Byrne	26/8/2015
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♦♦	G. McIlvenna PDG	26/06/1996		Margaret Smith OAM	16/12/15
♣ PP	Bernie Lamers AM	08/05/1997		Jack Wilcox	9/3/2016
♣	Gerry Lamers AM	08/05/1997		Norbert Schaber	6/7/2016
♦	Norm Pinder	25/06/1997			
♦ Denotes Sapphire Pin ▲ Denotes Ruby Pin = 6 Sapphire Pins ♣ Denotes Major Donor					

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.