

**ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.**  
District 9790

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Meets Wednesday, 12.30pm  
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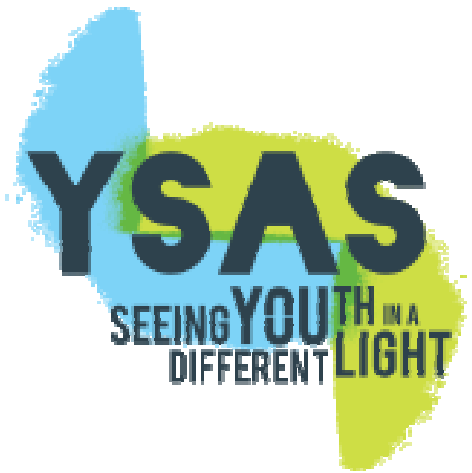
**BOARD**

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

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## *SPEAKERS LAST WEEK*



### YSAS - Youth Support + Advocacy

Service: Speaker Peter Wearne has been there from the start - founder of St Kilda Youth Services and with YSAS since its foundation in 1997. Chair David De La Coeur introduced Peter as having a wealth of experience; his entire working life of 40 years. Virtually Victoria based, shortly YSAS will have a base in Preston to cover the Darebin area.

YSAS works with 9-25 year olds; all within the youth justice system. Peter reeled off amazing facts and statistics in the drug and alcohol abuse fields. Cannabis dependency involves on average 30 bonges a day. The second in line is alcohol where the dependants take up to 27 standard drinks a day. The distant third most common is Ice. This means that the dependants are always in search of their drug.

He sees any intervention for the drug dependent clientele to be not the alcohol or the drug but the person using the substance. Those who are dependent are not dictated to by the substance rather by their own mental/psychological demands. Alcohol does not cause violence but what the person brings to the drug causes the violence. YSAS are on the road 24/7 attempting to care holistically of those in danger. He works in training staffs and with families who have little or no support. His residential withdrawal centres housed 5,000 in the past year. Darebin is rated as a high risk location in Victoria.



Treatment changes peoples lives. Recovery is visible. The major part of his custom is police/custodial/court-ordered. Perhaps the most positive aspect of Peter's talk was his statement that, 90% of those who have finished their time, stay on for continuing treatment!

Peter is keen to form a relationship with Rotary when YSAS establishes a base in the Preston area. In concluding Peter outlined with enthusiasm the renowned work history of Rotarian Joe Morris in youth services and youth rehabilitation.

**PAVILLION SCHOOL:** At the opening of the meeting last Wednesday **Michael Scicluna and Andrew Zeraffa** gave a brief outline of their current exciting project - the funding and building of a Skills Shed and so complementing the present school's facilities. This would be a copy of the Mens Shed idea giving the students the chance of hands-on trade training as against the literacy and skills centrality in the normal schools curricula. They have seen the difficulty their students are experiencing in the current transition.

The school is aimed at re-engaging with students who have been alienated from normal school engagement. This new step is aimed at giving a more mature and skilled training for work life in the community. Costings have been researched and \$15,000 has been mentioned. This Skills Shed will also generate the need of community members to contribute with their skills - professional, trade, etc. The students, male and female, will have better hand skills and emotional preparedness for adulthood. An extra step will be a garden to host horticultural skills and future employment.



E-MAIL to all members from President Paul: *This facility can also be used by other organizations such as YSAS (note - speaker Peter Wearne*

*observed that they could also put money into the project). WeCycle Bike project and Darebin Youth Centre also could be involved and use the Facility.*

## FAMILY OF ROTARY

**Wedding Ann**

Veronica and David De La Coeur



District Governor  
Nominee **Bernie Bott**  
seen here at last  
week's Club meeting  
with **Julie Morris**  
President Nominee.  
Both Bernie and Julie  
will take office in the  
Rotary Year 2017-  
2018. Bernie is a  
member of the Rotary  
Club of Yarrawonga-  
Mulwala.

**AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH:** **Bernie Lamers** was present last Wednesday both with voice and mobility! His big news was that the combined effort of the Tasmanian expedition has now exceeded the goal of \$20,000 for Australian Rotary Health. Never a slacker, Bernie said that contributions are still being accepted (to David De La Coeur) and are tax deductible.

An unsolicited and very public admission was made by new **ROTARIAN FRANK BRASS** last Wednesday. Frank confessed to being a supporter of the team which finished 18<sup>th</sup> on the ladder last year. This leaves Frank with higher hopes in 2016. It all starts this Thursday. As they say - *Mens Sana . . . . .*



**PRESTON'S ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY** has sent its gratitude to Ray White and the Club for the donation of gifts for last Christmas. Julie Morris named the beneficiaries as a Refugee Centre, a Mental Health Hostel and a Women's Refuge

**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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### **DIARY DATES**

DATE		
<b>March 23</b>	Chair	Peter Gilbert
	Speaker	Victoria Funnell
	Topic	<b>Operation Cleft</b>
	Welcomes	Julie Morris
	Sergeant	Ian Musgrove
	House	Norbert Schaber
<b>March 30</b>	Chair	Julie Morris
	Speaker	Katherine Baverstock
	Topic	<b>Romac</b>
	Welcomes	Sean Walsh
	Sergeant	Les Woodland
	House	Geoff McIlvenna

SAVE THE DATE

*Bringing The Light*

the story of Seven Women

SCREENINGS:

Melbourne: ACMI Cinema, Federation Square,  
Melbourne | 6:30pm, Thurs 26th May

**FIJI CYCLONE DISASTER:** Cyclone Winston the worst storm recorded in the southern hemisphere. The 300 island population is in need of any assistance possible.



The Club International Committee Chair, Peter Byrne, has announced that the Board has approved the following funding through RAWCS: \$4,000 from Special Projects and \$1,000 from International Committee budget.

## **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,

**OPEN DAY AT THE CHILDREN FIRST FARM, KILMORE:** 17 April, 12-4pm.  
190 Saunders Road, Kilmore East.

**BRINGING THE LIGHT - Story of Seven Women:** Thurs. 26 May  
<http://www.trybooking.com/KLFFK>

**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. Ahmed Kelly will be one of the guest speakers.

**ROTARY GRACE**



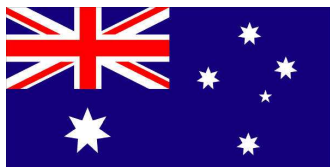
**O Lord and Giver of all good  
we thank Thee for our daily food.  
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways  
help us to serve Thee all our days.**

## Rotary Club of Preston 9790 COMMITTEES: 2015/16

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

## Rotary Club Of Preston

Paul Harris Fellows		Year Awarded	Paul Harris Fellows		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.