

ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.

District 9790

CHARTER GRANTED 21-12-1960

PO Box 299, Preston, 3072

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Tony Bramley (Pamela)

Meets Wednesday, 12.30pm

Darebin RSL Bell St, Preston

Assistant Governor:

Wendy-Grace Williams

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Club President: 1994-95

District 9790 Governor: 1997-98



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

CHANGEOVER 2016/17

Professionally M.C.'d by Rotarian David Sullivan, the night at the Olympic Hotel was happy, comfortable and dynamic.

Incoming D.G. Tony Bramley and Pamela attended. Tony reminded all of the recent endeavors and achievements of Rotary in recent times. He concluded with an enthusiastic encouragement to all visitors present to become Rotarians.



Outgoing President Paul Smarrelli gave a reflection on the actions and support he had experienced over the 12 months of his presidency. He spoke of the promotion of awareness of Rotary locally and world wide, the promotion of fellowship and membership, seeking out new connections,

financial stability and a number of other matters.

Paul is very proud of the Club, its top level practice and its international connections. *"It is a really good Club"*. He did mention a few challenges the Club is facing, particularly better social communication and an increase of female members.



Incoming President Geoff McIlvenna summed up his serving life so far as being "*a blast*"; from his early days in Rotaract with fellow-member Marilyn, to his present second time role as Club President.

Geoff described a number of events and moments which have consolidated his thoughts on service. With numerous examples he enforced the value of Bryce Courtenay's *Power Of One*, published 6 years before Geoff's first Club presidency. "*It only takes one person, one thought, one act to get it going*" Geoff repeated.

Geoff outlined the challenges facing directors and committees. He foretold the fun and strength of District Conferences. In concluding, he outlined the three-word Rotary mottos that have led his three Rotary leadership roles - BE A FRIEND, SHOW ROTARY CARES and this year's ROTARY SERVING HUMANITY.

On the night, two Rotary recognitions for remarkable service were made. A Rotary Sapphire Pin was presented to **Joy Crampton** (introduced by Rosemary Wilcox) and a Paul Harris Fellow to **Norbert Schaber** (introduced by Chris Shields masquerading as Banjo Patterson).

MEETING June 29



This was a timely and meaningful moment for District 9790 to thank **Rotarian Frank Smith** for his service as District Treasurer in recent times.

To mark its importance **DG Richard Luke** attended the meeting and presented Frank with

a Sapphire to be added to his Paul Harris.

KHOI CAO-LAM is a lawyer who holds a Bachelor in Business Studies. He was born in South Vietnam where his father was in the army and his mother was a Lawyer. In 1984, at the age of 3 years, he and his family came to Australia via a refugee boat that broke down in the South China Sea, was rescued and spent time in a Malaysian Refugee camp. His parents worked in factories, bought a Milk Bar in Heidelberg Heights and eventually saved for a house. With a will to study, Khoi entered



Monash University to study Law. After qualifying he worked in

Corporate Law for a few years finally leaving ANZ to work as a UNICEF volunteer in PNG documenting the conditions for women and children as well as other project works. In PNG he met his partner. On his return to Australia he decided his career was to work with disadvantaged people in society and, in 2009, worked with the North Melbourne Legal Service, later the Inner Melbourne Community Legal Service. He is particularly interested in solving the homelessness problem by bringing together experts in a variety of fields (e.g. engineers, planners and welfare people) to seek solutions.

To seek further solutions he has been offered a place at Cambridge University to do a Master's degree involving research into homelessness and how the variety of professionals from a broad spectrum of disciplines can achieve this. To take up this offer he is seeking a Rotary Global Grant Scholarship of US\$68,604. The Rotary Club of Preston through Peter Peyton and Rotary Foundation is officially supporting him in his Application for a grant.



Paul Harris Fellow Norbert Schaber and Supporters



Board and Office 2016/17



**AG Wendy-Grace Williams, Julie Morris, Geoff McIlvenna,
DG Tony Bramley**

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.

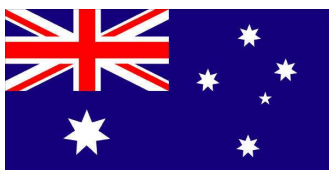
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Paul Harris Fellows		Year Awarded	Paul Harris Fellows		Year Awarded
PP	Alf Bean	17/12/1976		Kevin Aylward	24/06/1998
♦ PP	Ron Grierson	22/11/1978	PP	John McInnes	15/09/1999
♦ PP	Perc Cleland	11/03/1981	PP	Rod Draper	15/09/1999
♦ PP	Roy Kilkenny	07/04/1982	♦♦	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
α	Alf Osborne	26/06/1991	PP	David Warry	06/2012
♦	Gladys Morris	13/05/1992	PP	David Sullivan	06/2012
♦ PP	Vin Murphy	24/06/1992	PP	Hillary Ellis	06/2012
♦♦♦ PP	Peter Peyton	24/06/1992	PP	Eric Thornton	06/2012
♦ PP	Max Kirwan OAM	30/06/1993	PP	Vin Ross	06/2012
♦ PP	Paul Smarrelli	29/06/1994	PP	Arthur Grubb	11/2012
♦♦	Joy Crampton	29/06/1994	▲	Alf Armstrong	11/2012
♦	Jess Cleland	28/06/1995	♦♦ PP	David De La Coeur	17/04/2013
α	Peter Gilbert PDG	28/06/1995	♦	Gerry Smith	18/12/2013
α	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
♦♦♦♦	G. McIlvenna PDG	26/06/1995	♦	Margaret Smith OAM	16/12/15
α PP	Bernie Lamers AM	08/05/1997	♦	Jack Wilcox	9/3/2016
α	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

α Denotes Major Donor



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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.