

ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.

District 9790

CHARTER GRANTED 21-12-1960
PO Box 299, Preston, 3072

Meets Wednesday, 12.30pm
Darebin RSL Bell St, Preston

District Governor:
Tony Bramley (Pamela)

Assistant Governor:
Kay Feain

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District 9790 Governor: 1997-98



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D. De La Coeur, W. O'Neill, E. Price, F. Brass

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

Rotarian Behind The Badge

Mel Riel's address was an off-the-cuff account of his much trafficked journey so far. In a way, his was a story similar to those of the parents, grandparents, great-grandparents of his listening audience. However there was one subtle difference - Mel's story is written mostly in capitals.



Born in the Philippines, Mel was the 5th of 6 children. They lived in a village, Balud, out of Tacloban City on the island of Leyte, General MacArthur territory. Tacloban City was totally destroyed in 2013 by Typhoon Haiyan with over 6,000 loss of life. On that occasion Rotary partner ShelterBox committed aid for 4,000 families in the form of emergency shelter and other relief assistance.

Mel's father died tragically when Mel was aged 4 so he and his younger sister were happily cared for by grandmother and uncle. Secondary school saw him in Manila 360 kms away.

Now a "true blue" for 33 years, he has studied numerous university courses while working frantically in the hospitality industry. Mel's life was shifting constantly, taking on new jobs and keeping his ear to the ground for his next move - Brisbane, Gold Coast. He knows Australia well. Mel calls it "winging it". It now has come to a stop. At Melbourne



Polytechnic he is Manager of the Hospitality Department and

serves on the Polytechnic Board of Management. He and his wife, Sonja Barbis, are well settled in Melbourne. His mother, two brothers and a sister are in Australia while two brothers have remained in the Philippines.

Mel finished on a philosophical note: "*Sonja is happy so I am happy; work hard and you will succeed; respect others and they will respect you*".

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CLUB NEWS

ROAD SAFETY EDUCATION - RYDA: Given the speaker's topic this coming Wednesday, the email sent out recently by Paul Smarrelli (Vocational Committee) bears summarizing. Speaker Catherine Smith is a member of the Rotary Club of Brighton North and Victorian co-ordinator of RYDA.

Paul writes that 13 secondary schools in the local district have been invited each to send 10 students for a full day programme on driving. The Club will meet the fee of \$25 per student with sundry expenses of travel etc being funded by the schools. Courses are run from The Meadows Greyhound Racing Club in Broadmeadows.

INNER NORTH COMMUNITY FOUNDATION (INCF) has written



to the Club outlining its current solid financial status. J.B.Were and Equity Trustees are managing the Sub Foundation of which the Club is a member. Their aim is to grow the funds versus inflation and to invest the funds to maximize interest.

The INCF is a local philanthropic trust that supports people in Moreland, Yarra and Darebin. It funds the practical and life-changing programmes of community organizations, with a focus on breaking down barriers to employment (Pathways to Employment). It has invested more than \$1.1 million in the local community over the past five years through providing grants to non-profit organizations in the region.

The Foundation is grateful for the Club's part this year and has issued an invitation for two end-of-year events: Supporter Event Oct 27 at SisterWorks Richmond and Christmas Drinks, Dec 6 at Peacock Hotel, Northcote. Contact: Chris Shields



URGENT APPEAL

Haiti Cyclone Matthew

Total destruction. A replay of Mel Riel's Tacloban City in 2013. Frank Smith has circulated a [Disaster Aid International](#) (R.C. of Endeavour Hills) donation form.

No doubt this disaster will also figure highly in the [ShelterBox](#) talk scheduled for October 26. What if each member/family put in 1/10th of total horseracing bets this Cup season?

ROTARY CLUB MEMBERSHIP: When time is available this website is worth a studious read: *membership/my rotary* then click on *membership/my rotary*



Members are invited to give due consideration to the call from DG Tony Bramley for nominations to the position of District Governor for the Rotary Year 2019-2020.

DIARY DATES

DATE		
Oct 19	Chair	Paul Smarrelli
	Topic	Catherine Smith
	Speaker	Road Safety Education
	Welcomes	Kanan Subramanian
	Sergeant	Claude Verrocchi
	House	Peter Byrne
Oct 26	Chair	Carla Finocchiaro
	Speaker	Steve Crosling
	Topic	ShelterBox
	Welcomes	Asha Pahuja
	Sergeant	Ian Musgrove
	House	Brett Allchin
Nov 2	Chair	
	Speaker	Jack Richards
	Topic	Burnet Institute
	Welcomes	Julie Morris
	Sergeant	Les Woodland
	House	David De La Coeur

EXODUS ROSTER: October 19 - Wayne O'Neill and Peter Peyton.



THE NEXT STEP is moving from Mahoney's Road to Epping. This is good news as it means client numbers are climbing speedily. Packers would be a great help, especially Thursday 27 Oct. No heavy hauling/lifting but packing etc. More info: Geoff McIlvenna

FAMILY OF ROTARY

VISITORS LAST WEEK: Gerry Smith, Anne Morton

KEEPING UP with the Verrocchi's: Now Veronica and David De La Coeur also can announce the arrival of their fifth grandchild. This time a girl - **Charlotte Susan**.

Birthdays	Gerry Smith 19/10, Joe Morris 19/10
Wedding Ann.	Marilyn and Geoff McIlvenna 19/10 Rosemary and Jack Wilcox 19/10

BARBIE AND INTERVIEWS: Vacancies are available for Paul Josephson (Barbie) October 22 (11am-2pm) ; Elaine (Interviews) December 12.

LOOKING FORWARD

Economic and Community Development Month

CLUB ASSEMBLY: November 16

POLICE AWARDS: November 23

SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS DINNER: November 30

FAMILY DAY: January 22, 2017, at Funfields, Whittlesea. Geoff has 50 tickets (if not used on the day they can be used any later day).

DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2017: Shepparton, March 16-19, 2017.

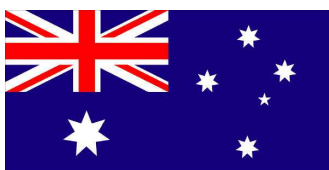
ROTARY GRACE

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	17/12/1976		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



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.