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VISIT LAST WEEK

*“We cannot improve the world
if we are conformed to the world.”*

– Neal A. Maxwell



Last week's club visit to the **CHURCH OF CHRIST, THORBURY**, demonstrated the authentic universality of the Gospel message. The energy and warmth offered by the welcoming team and the manipulation of the modernized church building made members comfortable.

17 Rotarians were present on the day. Welcomers were Senior Pastor **Sue** Maric, assistant Pastor **Maree** Vase and Secretary **Lorna Sleightholm**. The church building is easily visible on St Georges Road. On entering, the floor holds round tables very well set for homely dining. The same area houses the

church services which can be very informal but always Gospel centred.

'Customers' are not necessarily 'needy looking' which demonstrates the financial and residential challenges of these times, especially after Covid. The needs are in so many fields that the service is developing day by day, materially, mentally and residentially. The leaders are so full of confidence that their cry is "God looks after us".

With the backing of volunteers, food donors from all fields, nursing and specialist medical personnel, hundreds are being served each week. The overall move is to engage with more and more organizations and the community at large. As in Rotary, no club is self-dependent or solely introspective.



FAMILY OF ROTARY

Christina and Peter Peyton 16/11



Melody Musgrove is still on the mend while she thanks members for their ‘*Get Well*’ messages.

CLUB NEWS

Weekly Roster October - December 2024

PLEASE ARRANGE A REPLACEMENT IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND

	WELCOMES	CASHIERS	SERGEANT	CHAIRPERSON
Nov 13	Abdulkadir Hassan	Norbet Schaber & Peter Gilbert	Gerry Lyon	Elaine Price
Nov 20	Eileen Stevens	Norbet Schaber & Elaine Price	D De La Coeur	K Subramanian
Nov 27	Ian Musgrove	Peter Gilbert & Peter Peyton	Max Walsh	Paul Smarrelli
Dec 4	Norm Pinder	Gary Mogford & Chris Shields	Gerry Lyon	Ruth McCall
Dec 11	Carla Finocchiaro	Peter Gilbert & Elaine Price	Ian Musgrove	Peter Byrne
Dec 18	Abdulkadir Hassan	Norbet Schaber & Peter Peyton	Peter Byrne	Chris Shields

Upcoming Speakers

Nov 13	Police Awards	Community
Nov 20	A.G.M.	
Dec 4	Vinnies Soup Van	Community
Dec 11	Preston Garden Club	Bill Chamberlain
Dec 18	Christmas Break Up	



CHILDREN FIRST FOUNDATION - What is ahead? C.F.F. could well be described as the heart of Preston Rotary. From day 1, past and present members have given of their best in all departments. Now that the Foundation's future operations are under discussion, it is essential that members keep themselves directly informed and daily updated.

Members should read the latest information circulated by Peter Gilbert (7/11) and the very clear brochure released by the Board of C.F.F.

ANNUAL RAFFLE BY ROTARY CLUB OF MOOROOPNA: A share in the profit goes to Preston Rotary. Sec. Geoff has a bundle of raffle books awaiting collection.

TABLE TOP MOUNTAIN CHARITY WALK: Sunday 17th November, 9am. The walk commemorates the visit by Hamilton Hume and William Hovell on Sunday 14 November 1824. Place a stone on a cairn at the top. About 30 mins from Albury. Turn right off the Olympic Highway at the Peregrines Reception Centre. \$35 per car. After the walk, barbie and raffle tickets available. Albury North supporting Regional Cancer Fund. rouvrayw@bigpond.net.au

Support The Rotary Foundation on
GIVING TUESDAY
A GLOBAL DAY OF GENEROSITY

Tuesday, 3 December is the global day for Rotary International to raise awareness and funds for The Rotary Foundation. Prestonians are invited to be a part of this year's fund-raising. **\$1,956,240.40** was the total donated in one day in 2023 to Rotary Foundation. This global day of generosity is an opportunity for all members to make a big impact with a gift of any size. A donation to [Annual Fund-SHARE](#) supports projects that clubs are passionate about, both in the local community and worldwide. A gift to [PolioPlus](#) helps transport vaccines and immunize children to keep them safe.

More information on donating contact Foundation Director Kannan Subramannian.

TO WALK AND TALK FOR MENTAL HEALTH: 17th Nov. 9.30am start. 5.8km. Meet at Kinglake Community Centre, 1 Exton Road, Kinglake Central. Entry Fee \$30. Guest Speaker – Warren Davies – “The Unbreakable Farmer”. Free BBQ lunch for all walkers. www.liftthelidwalk.com.au

MULTI DISTRICTS EMERGENCY SERVICE AWARDS: District Clubs have been invited to join in the membership of the awards programme. Sec. Geoff has circulated information regarding the programme. At the Club meeting on Nov. 20, members will be able to vote on the matter. More information has been circulated by Geoff, 8/11.

FOODBANK delivery Tuesday 19th Nov.

BUNNINGS will be on Sat. Nov. 9. Members are asked to note the Christmas Barbie will be at Bunnings on Monday 23rd Dec.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE – ALBURY 2025: 11th- 13th April

ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON WEBSITE <https://rotary-prestonaust.com/>

VICTORIAN POLICE AWARDS – PRESTON, 2024

The Award Day has arrived again, November 13, 2024. It is the day that the Club reaches out to all serving members of the Victorian Police Force, especially those serving in the District of Darebin. The Award includes the stations in Preston, Reservoir and Northcote.

The year's awardees are nominated after consultations with local serving members. The Club members responsible for its organization are under the guidance of **Elaine Price**.

The tasks of today's police are somewhat similar to earlier times though the local awareness of family and female violence, illegal youth activities, business premises destruction and aggressiveness towards service personnel seem more oppressive and numerous.



In recent times police out-reach is developing week by week. Police members are working with community organizations in a creative and positive way. Emergency accommodation, Council services, educational facilities and youth clubs all fit into the developing police service model.

An Awards day openly recognizes the overall service past and present police officers have given and continue to give so generously, to make public safety the norm and community peace the fruit of their works.

Maree Vase
and
Sue Maric



Wayne

Maree

