

# ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.

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PO Box 299, Preston, 3072

**Meets Wednesday, 12.30pm**  
Darebin RSL Bell St, Preston

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## CLUB BULLETIN

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**We acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of  
the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation and  
we pay our respects to their Elders past and present.**

## OFFICE BEARERS & BOARD DIRECTORS

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## CLUB ADMINISTRATION: Gerry Lyons

<p><u>Youth Exchange</u></p> <p>E Price P Gilbert</p>	<p><u>Bulletin</u></p> <p>J McCarthy P Peyton P Gilbert</p>	<p><u>Fundraising &amp; Circus QuirkuS</u></p> <p><b>Chair: W O'Neill</b> F Smith G Mcllvenna P Smarrelli</p>	<p><u>Attendance</u></p> <p>G Mogford G Mcllvenna P Smarrelli</p>	<p><u>Cashiers</u></p> <p>P Gilbert N Schaber G Mogford E Price P Conte M Walsh</p>	<p><u>Programmes</u></p> <p>G Mogford R McCall P Smarrelli P Gilbert</p>
<p><u>Family of Rotary &amp; Club History</u></p> <p>P Peyton P Gilbert G Mcllvenna P Smarrelli</p>	<p><u>IT / Website / Facebook / Public Relation</u></p> <p>R McCall G Lyons N Lyons</p>	<p><u>Club History &amp; Information</u></p> <p>P Peyton P Gilbert G Mcllvenna P Smarrelli</p>	<p><u>Sergeants</u></p> <p>D Sullivan D De La Coeur P Byrne</p>	<p><u>RIMERN</u></p> <p>R McCall E Price</p>	<p><u>House</u></p> <p>Joe Morris N Pinder D De La Coeur G Mogford G Mcllvenna  P Smarrelli</p>
<p><u>World Conference</u></p> <p>P Gilbert</p>	<p><u>District Conference</u></p> <p>G Mcllvenna</p>	<p><u>Fellowship</u></p> <p>E Price P Byrne G Mcllvenna</p>	<p><u>Police Awards</u></p> <p>E Price G Mcllvenna K Subramanian P Smarrelli</p>	<p><u>Birthday Cards</u></p> <p>G Smith</p>	<p><u>Welcome</u></p> <p>P. Peyton Joe Morris E Price C Finocchiaro</p>

# 13<sup>th</sup> COMMUNITY POLICE AWARD DAY

A major event in the Club's calendar year. It has been finalized by Elaine Price and her team together with the co-operation of all ranks of the police officers in the Darebin area and guided by Inspector Graham Guy. A number of police officers attended this important meeting. The RSL kitchen served up its usual best. 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 Award day openly recognizes the overall service past and present police officers have given and continue to give so generously. They make public safety the norm and community peace the fruit of their works.

**Operation Catch Can – 2024** is a joint operation between Darebin Police Service and Transit Protective Service Officers operating out of Northcote. This is in response to the increasing number of incidents around transport terminals as at Northland, Fairfield railway, Northcote Plaza and Reservoir railway. This Transit/PSO/Darebin specific

relationship is one of a kind in the state and the efforts of the members are reflected in their statistics. Senior Sergeants Steve Evans and Andrew Hiam were awarded Highly Commended awards for their work in this area.



**ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON COMMUNITY POLICE AWARD 2024** went to Sergeant Nick Bailey for his work in **2024 Operation Aurora**: police response to the high demand for attendance and investigation of Family Violence incidents. To streamline processes and to improve every interaction with Aggrieved Family Members, a holistic response is required in line with the Family Violence Command Action Plan.

Senior Sergeant Van Rooyen established Operation Aurora driven by Sgt Bailey, the Reservoir Family Violence Liaison Officer. Some facets of this work are:

- apprehension at the earliest opportunity from time of reporting
- Medium Risk Persons management
- engagement and support from Family Violence Analysts, Orange Door, Berry Street . . . . .

Given the growing impact of family violence in the community and the shortage of police in the state, Sgt. Bailey’s work has been recognized by his fellow members. His work has made a significant impact in protecting people who are vulnerable including the youth of today. It has been breaking the cycle of violence and has been praised by the Vic. Police Executive Command. The perpetual trophy will be displayed at Reservoir Police Station over the next 12 months.

## FAMILY OF ROTARY

Gerry Lyons 23/11



- ❖ Great it was last week to **WELCOME** two Honorary Members – Margaret Smith and Gerry Lamers.
- ❖ Barry McLean the brother-in-law of Julie Morris, recently passed away and members all offer Julie and Joe their sympathies.

## CLUB NEWS

**CLUB CHRISTMAS BREAK UP** will be an evening dinner on December 18. The first Club meeting in the New Year will be Wednesday, January 15. The week prior will see some members enjoying an informal lunch at the R.S.L.



# Weekly Roster October - December 2024

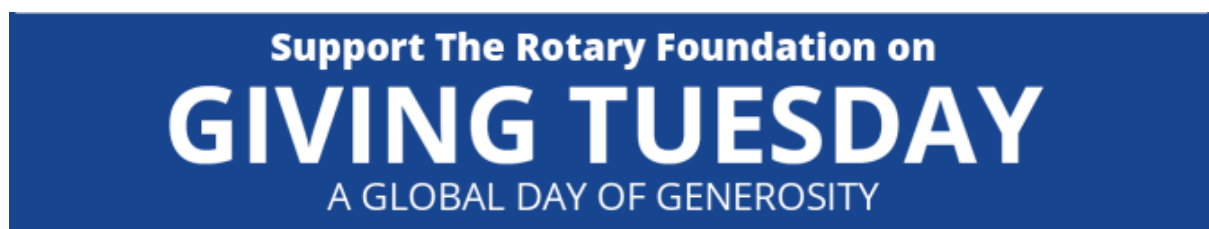
**PLEASE ARRANGE A REPLACEMENT IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND**

	<b>WELCOMES</b>	<b>CASHIERS</b>	<b>SERGEANT</b>	<b>CHAIRPERSON</b>
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 20	Sequel Home Care	
Nov 27	A.G.M.	K. Subramanian
Dec 4	Vinnies Soup Van	Community
Dec 11	Preston Garden Club	Bill Chamberlain
Dec 18	Christmas Break Up	

**ANNUAL RAFFLE BY ROTARY CLUB OF MOOROOPNA**: Sec. Geoff reminds all who have taken a book or two that the butts must be back with him by December 4. Geoff describes that date as a **DEADLINE**!



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 [Polio Plus](#) helps transport vaccines to immunize children to keep them safe.

More information on donating contact Foundation Director Kannan Subramannian.

**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 Dec.4, members will be able to vote on the matter. More information has been circulated by Geoff, 8/11.

**FOODBANK** delivery Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Nov.

**BUNNINGS** will be on Sat. Dec 14. Members are asked to note the Christmas Barbie will be at Bunnings on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec.

**RESERVOIR NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE** will have their annual open dinner December 6<sup>th</sup>.

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

### **Rotary at a Glance**

Rotary brings together a global network of volunteer leaders who dedicate their time and talent to tackle the world's most pressing humanitarian challenges.

Rotary connects 1.2 million members from more than 200 countries and geographical areas. Their work impacts lives at both the local and international levels.

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



The Team 2024



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