

ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.

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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

<p><u>International</u> Director: P Peyton J Roose S Still E Boateng G Mogford K Agawal</p>	<p><u>Youth</u> Director: G Lyons E Price P Conte N Lyons</p>	<p><u>Vocational</u> Director: Chris Shields C Finocchiaro N Schaber C Verrocchi Joe Morris J McCarthy E. Stevens</p>	<p><u>Community</u> Dir: P Smarrelli M Walsh D De La Coeur D Sullivan N Pinder E Price (Police Awards) Abdulkadir Hassan</p>
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CLUB ADMINISTRATION: Gerry Lyons

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

AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH

New members to the club could be asking what last week's **LIFT THE LID – HAT DAY** was all about. Rosemary Freeman from the Rotary Club of Moreland and member of the ARH Board has written:

“Australian Rotary Health (ARH) is one of the largest non-government funders of mental health research in Australia and is a community service programme in all Rotary districts. Its mission is to create better health and well-being for all Australians through improved education and the advancements in knowledge gained from medical research.

In addition to mental health research, ARH also provides funding for general health research, scholarships for rural medical and nursing students and Indigenous health scholarships.



ARH was established as a charitable fund in 1981 by Rotarian PP Ian Scott and the Rotary Club of Mornington, to research Sudden Infant Death Syndrome. Over the following 40 years, with the generous support of Rotarians and the Rotary Clubs and Districts, ARH has funded more than \$48 million in research.

*The **Lift the Lid on Mental Illness Campaign** was launched by ARH in 2016 and has become a national campaign. All Clubs are asked to participate in this programme”.*

Last Wednesday, those present at the club meeting participated in enjoyable fundraising activities. Coins were rolled along the dining-room floor seeking to be nearest to the bottle. Items were auctioned especially donated wines, champagne and Bunnings vouchers. Hats were raised.

THE FAMILY OF ROTARY

Joe Morris 19/10/10

Gerry Smith 19/10



Erica Higgins 18/10/17

Gerry Lyons 18/10/17

CLUB NEWS

CHILDREN FIRST FOUNDATION: As announced at last week's meeting, Children First Foundation's Kilmore Retreat on its 24 acres and its current operation are under serious discussion. District 9790 Rotary and Preston Rotarians past and present have a very deep involvement in the development and management of the Kilmore property.

Last Wednesday Sec. Geoff echoed the current "*thinking*" on the future of the Kilmore property. Those present were stunned. As this goes to print, the Foundation is still receiving donations. More information will be printed as news comes to hand.



Weekly Roster October - December 2024

PLEASE ARRANGE A REPLACEMENT IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND

	WELCOMES	CASHIERS	SERGEANT	CHAIRPERSON
Oct 16	Eileen Stevens		Max Walsh	Ruth McCall
Oct 23	Chris Shields	Norbet Schaber & Paul Smarrelli	D De La Coeur	Gerry Lyon
Oct 30	Norm Pinder	Gary Mogford & Peter Peyton	Ruth McCall	Peter Peyton
Nov 6	Carla Finocchiaro	Peter Gilbert & Gary Mogford	Peter Byrne	Chris Shields
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

FOODBANK: Foodbank delivery to the Reservoir East Neighborhood House, Tuesday 22nd October. Truck will arrive between 10.30am and 11am.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS

Oct-16	Old folks lunch	NB: Location
Oct-23	Koori court	
Oct-30	Lemur	Paul Lloyd
Nov-06		
Nov-13	Police Awards	Community

MEMBERS N.B.: Wednesday meeting October 16

St Georges Restaurant at NMIT

Arrive 12 – 12.15, closed 2pm

DISTRICT CONFERENCE – ALBURY 2025

Friday 11th - Sunday 13th April

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 by members or contacts. Why not send a ticket to someone overlooked or needing contact The raffle is drawn New Year’s Eve.

Prizes - Mooroopna Raffle

1st Prize valued at \$30,340

Kia Stonic Sports Car



2nd Prize valued at \$1,000

Store Voucher. Your choice of supermarket or hardware store

3rd Prize valued at \$1,000

Store Voucher. Your choice of supermarket or hardware store.

4th Prize valued at \$1,000

Store Voucher. Your choice of supermarket or hardware store.

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



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 30mins 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



WORLD POLIO DAY IS 24 OCTOBER



DISTRICT POLIO CHAMPION MELISSA HEBBARD writes:

“During the week of World Polio Day, which is the 24th October, or anytime in the month of October, take advantage of the longer afternoons and gather amongst the spring blossoms, spread out a picnic rug, bring some yummy picnic goodies to share and have a picnic. Wear your End Polio Now t-shirts to raise awareness of our Major Project. Remember to take lots of photos to share on social media”.

Club member Ruth McCall has expressed her interest in the idea. Ruth has suggested getting together for a picnic maybe in the Darebin Parklands. She has suggested a ‘hands up’ next Wednesday to gauge members’ interest.

Since 1988 Bill and Melinda Gates (\$1 for every \$1) together with Rotary have reduced the number of polio cases worldwide by 99.9%.



