# The Pascoe Post

Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Pascoe Vale - November 21, 2024

The Club meets at the Pascoe Vale RSL each Thursday night at 6.30 pm. We have some great speakers. Visitors\* - Please join us for dinner.

Contact the editor for more details.



A member of District 9790

## President's Post

Hi All

Hello fellow Rotarians

This past week I joined District CL Pat S's combined President's meeting. Always good to hear how other clubs are progressing and what they are working on. Moreland RC is arranging a Mental First Aid course in the New Year. We await further information on the dates, but it sounds a very worthy project to do. Preston RC is working with local police on ways to get local school non-attenders back to school, involving car pickups, mentoring and school supplies. I was unaware of the high school non-attendance rates in some parts of the community and I assume the story is similar in our area.

This week sees a Board meeting and our AGM – another busy week coming up. Last week we also joined the DG's Membership Zoom meeting – I am pleased to report that PVRC had 7 people attending. Well done PVRC! Ways of increasing memberships were discussed and several unique suggestions tabled. Saturday night found 12 of our members joining together for an end of year meal at the Calabria Club in Bulla. A pleasant evening for all. Many thanks to Gerard H for arranging this. Stay safe and well

Heather Harris PHF President Pascoe Vale Rotary Club

### This Week











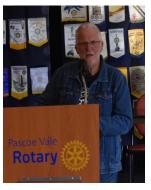








In Photo with Pat & Heather meeting involved **Moreland Rotary Club**, planning a **Mental First Aid course** for the new year, and **Preston Rotary Club**, collaborating with local police on community initiatives.







Reports on last weeks club meeting from left is Bob V. Matthew W. & Steve P.



Gerard H





# Laughter is still the best Medicine! Part 1

1"Santa asked Rotary for advice on logistics—because delivering service is our forte!"

2"Rotary sleighs: They come in the form of bicycles we donate to kids worldwide." 3"Forget mistletoe—Rotarians spread goodwill with service and silent auctions!"

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#### **Upcoming Events**

21st November	AGM
26tht November	Meeting at RYLA, Malmsbury.
	Meet at RSL at 5.00pm to arrange car pool. BOOKINGS
	REQUIRED at https://ryla9790.org.au/dinner-booking/
28st November	NO MEETING
30th November	Last working bee at Coburg North PS
8th December	Bunnings BBQ
11-13 April '25	District Conference - Albury



## **Spreading Joy This Christmas Season!!!**

This year, the Rotary Club's Christmas celebrations is indeed an extra special, reflecting the true spirit of giving and fellowship. Members have gathered at the Calabria Club, a fitting venue for our annual Christmas party, where laughter, camaraderie, and gratitude have shined brightly. It was a time to pause, celebrate, and reflect on the year's accomplishments while looking forward to the programs that lie ahead.

Our Christmas cheer extends beyond just one night. Last weekend, a dedicated group of Rotarians carried the festive spirit into their community service. With tools in hand and hearts full of purpose, they worked tirelessly to refurbish portable classrooms at Coburg North Primary School. The day was filled with

## THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS:

**Birthdays:** 

Anna DeAmicis -25th Nov Gerard Hannan 1st Dec

**Anniversaries:** 

- Bob & Elsa Valastro 2nd Dec

# INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

21-25 June:Calgary:Canada













meaningful work, laughter, and shared stories, strengthening bonds of fellowship and exemplifying the Rotary motto: *Service Above Self.* Special thanks go to Steve, Faye, Colin, Matthew, Bruno, and Gerard for their efforts and enthusiasm.

This season, Rotary reminds us that the holidays are not just about celebration but also about extending kindness and making a tangible difference. As we have gathered for our Christmas party, we carry with us the joy of service and the hope for a brighter tomorrow and a community service for all.





## Laughter is still the best Medicine! Part 2

- 1 "Rotary's version of Christmas: Serving turkey dinners with a side of clean water projects."
- 2 "Why does Santa love Rotary? We know how to fundraise without a chimney!"
- 3 "Rotary elves don't rest; they're busy raising scholarships and spreading cheer year-round!"
- 4 "Who needs gift lists when Rotary checks community needs twice?"
- 5 "Rotary stockings are filled with grants, goodwill, and maybe a little eggnog."











### "Walk Together Against Family Violence"



Minister for Prevention of Family Violence

1/2 Treasury Place, East Melbourne 3000

#### Dear President,

In recognition of the many Rotarians who have been active to end family violence, I warmly invite you and your club to join me and Victorian community members on Friday 22 November at 11:00AM for the  $16^{th}$  annual Walk Against Family Violence.

The walk marks the beginning of the official 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence – a global campaign run by the United Nations for the prevention and elimination of violence against women and girls.

The 16 days begin on Monday 25 November, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women and ends on Human Rights Day, 10 December.

Rotary Clubs are important community leaders and a point of connection for many, and I hope you will join me as I walk with other community members on Friday 22 November.

Details for the walk are as follows

Date: Friday 22 November Time: 11:00AM – 12:30PM

Location: Beginning at Birrarung Maar (Upper Terrace), ending at Treasury Gardens

Attire: Please wear something orange and suitable walking shoes

Further information: https://www.respectvictoria.vic.gov.au/campaigns/walk-against-

family-violence-202

I look forward to your company on Friday 22 November as we walk together to end gender-based violence in our communities and keep all Victorians safe.

Yours sincerely

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Vicki Ward MP

Minister for Prevention of Family Violence

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## Club Messages/Cards -

If you know of any Current, Honorary/Past Member or family or friends of or Rotary Club who could benefit from a card or message, please get in touch with Pat Solibakke who will arrange for an appropriate card to be sent on behalf of our Club.

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