

# The Pascoe Post

Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Pascoe Vale – June 27, 2024

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

Contact the editor for more details

Pascoe Vale  
**Rotary**



A member of District 9790

## This Week

Hello Fellow Rotarians,

At last, we've passed the winter solstice! What a relief to know Old Sol is on his way back down south and we can now look forward to longer days. Yes, there's a cold old winter to be lived through yet but at least we'll see daylight longer in the evenings as the weeks pass (and even in the mornings when you're all going for your 6 a.m. bracing run!)

Last week we received a resignation from one of our most esteemed members – Bruce Browning. After two decades of Rotary service, Bruce has decided to pursue other avenues. He will be sorely missed by all of us. Bruce has held many positions including President, Sergeant at Arms, Youth portfolio and served on our Board for most of that time. He distinguished himself in each role. He is one of those quiet achievers who just gets on with the job, and on behalf of all of us I want to thank you Bruce for all your sterling work and wish you every good fortune in your future. Thank you – for your faithful service over the years.

Heather Harris PHF, President, PVRC

Deborah & Bruno D'Aprano  
– Rotary International  
Convention Singapore 2024





## Upcoming Events

27 <sup>th</sup> June	Deborah & Bruno D'Aprano – RI Convention
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Club Meeting
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Changeover at Pascoe Vale RSL 6.30 for 7pm
18 <sup>th</sup> July	Peter Dell – Dream Cricket and Special General Meeting
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Science and Engineering Challenge (on a Monday - help needed – contact Aaron)
25 <sup>th</sup> July	Amber – Youth Exchange
1 <sup>st</sup> August	District Governor Visit
10 <sup>th</sup> August	DIK (Donations in Kind) Open Day
21 September	Hearing Tests
11–13 April 2025	District Conference Albury

## THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS:

### Birthdays:

None

### Anniversaries:

None

## Last Week

It was an honour to present George Georgiou with the Rotary “SHINE ON AWARD” for 2023 – 2024. The award -Focus on the Abilities of the those with Disabilities! Sport has played a big part in George’s life and he was one of the founders of the East Coburg Cricket Club. George was named President in 1982 and continued in the role after his diagnosis of Multiple Sclerosis, only stepping down in 2020. George’s volunteer contribution spanned a remarkable 38 years & although he is no longer President, he still supports the Cricket Club. He is fondly called the “super-glue” that created a multicultural and inclusive Club that keeps people together!



July 13  
Corpus Christi Primary School  
Widford Street, Glenroy  
8.00am Start  
Everyone Welcome!  
Contact Gerard for details.

We also heard from Sara’s daughter who told us about her STEM project. A budding Rotarian.





## RSL News

Last week Marissa retired from the RSL and we wish her well in her retirement.



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EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES: Rotary exchange students (from left) Bridget Pizzini, Abbey McLaughlin, Ruby Bastin, Sophia Gomes and Sophia Rey from both the Appin Park and Milawa Oakey Rotary clubs. Ruby and Abbey have received honorary Rotary membership.

### Youth Exchange Ambassadors awarded honorary Rotary memberships by club

THE Milawa Oakey Rotary Club has awarded returning exchange students, Ruby Bastin and Abbey McLaughlin, two-year honorary Rotary memberships.

Ruby spent her exchange year in Switzerland, while Abbey immersed herself in the culture of France.

Club president, Amanda Campbell said the "Magic of Rotary" is already working in Milawa Oakey as the club plans for the coming year.

"Our local 'Magic' is embodied in our returning and outbound Rotary Youth Exchange students," she said.

"As incoming president, I am proud to award a two-year honorary membership to Ruby and

Ruby in recognition of their contribution to the family of Rotary, both here and in their host countries.

"These exceptional young women have not only represented the club but have also been outstanding ambassadors for Australia during their time abroad."

Both Ruby and Abbey are excited to take on new roles within the club and are eager to plan and manage projects of their choosing, continuing the tradition of "Service Above Self" that is at the heart of Rotary.

Ruby said she is grateful for the opportunity and excited to see what she can contribute to help Rotary.

"Since coming back from ex-

change, I feel so much more aware about world issues, and I am keen to explore how I can help," she said.

Abbey said she is really grateful for all the Rotary club's support.

"Being given the honorary membership means a lot to me so I can continue working with this great club in making a difference in the community," she said.

Ms Campbell said the Milawa Oakey Rotary Club is all about community and connection and is always welcoming new members.

For more information visit [www.rotaryclubofmilawa-oakey.org](http://www.rotaryclubofmilawa-oakey.org) or email at [milawa-oakeyrotaryclub@gmail.com](mailto:milawa-oakeyrotaryclub@gmail.com) or call 0408 597 451.

## Rotary Pascoe Vale Changeover

This year for Changeover we are having a set meal from the RSL to alleviate any money needing to change hands on the night. Should you wish to attend please book and pay through TryBooking (either the link or QR code).



<https://www.trybooking.com/CSZAP>







## International Toast

This week we toast the Rotary Club of South Queensferry in Scotland. The home of RI President Gordon McNally.

Founded in 1977 they have 30 members and they meet on Thursdays 6.45 for 7pm at Thirty Knots. Their Handover is tonight when Neil McKinlay hands over to Sybille Handley-Schachler.

Sunny weather brought smiles to members of Rotary South Queensferry last week. A visit to Scotland for her daughter's wedding allowed the President of the Moscow East club, Svetlana Tugusheva, to meet up with fellow South Queensferry Rotarians. Coffee, conversation, and an exchange of banners, were the order of the day. A timely reminder how Rotary can bring international members together through shared goals and values.



## **Zoom meetings on hold until camera is fixed**

### Club Messages/Cards –

If you know of any Current, Honorary/Past Member or family or friends of our 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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