

**Fitzroy**

**District 9800**

Established 8<sup>th</sup> August 1968



**2025-2026**

## **December Rotary Bulletin 2025**

### **Rotary Foundation Month**

#### **President's November Report**

Hello everyone and welcome to **Mary Guiney** our newest member who was inducted by the District Governor, Peter Shephard on 17 November 2025.

Thanks to those who attended the **Cup Eve event**, on 3 November. More than \$700 was raised. Only about 25% of the attendees were club members, but it's good to have social events, which include friends and family and other members of the community, and other clubs. There were many positive, happy comments about the night. Thanks to Pat and Barrie for organising the sweeps for the Phantom call and Steve for calling the Phantom race and Rhonda for the DJ. Pity he didn't play my request -Purple People eater.

Our participation in the **bookshop** continues to be a success with the club earning \$1,800 dollars for the month of October.

Members hopefully received the email from Lesley McCarthy at **Donations in Kind** or via Pat. DIK is seeking funding for the shipping of medical supplies to Cambodia, but importantly, as far as individual members are concerned, DIK is also **seeking volunteers to help pack the goods. Please let me know if you would like a copy of the email.**

Our club has, for the 25<sup>th</sup> year, been asked by MS to provide the catering for the **MS Megaswim, which will be held at the Fitzroy swimming pool, on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February to 21<sup>st</sup> February.**

Please put the dates in your calendar, as I will be **calling for volunteers**, closer to the event.

Our club plans to hold another **Crackerjack** at the bowling club, on a Friday twilight/evening in March 2026. Rally your friends and family together for this fundraiser.

On this **Monday night our guest speaker is Snr Sgt Peter Given**, a delightful fellow who will speak about his more than 53 years in the police force. Peter is currently the second longest member of Vic Pol. This will be our last formal meeting for the year.

THIS MEETING WILL BE PRECEDED BY A BOARD MEETING STARTING AT 5.30 PM. Everyone is welcome.

**Our club's Christmas lunch at Rhonda and Geoff's home** at 222 Tyler Street Preston will commence at 12.30 to 1 on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December. That means if you come at 12.30 you get an extra ½ hour to have drinks. HO HO HO.

If it is hot and you would like a swim, bring bathers AND towel.

RSVP by Wednesday **3<sup>rd</sup> of December** please.

Our club is bbqing for the Geeks' events at St Josephs on **2 December** and Atherton Gardens on **13<sup>th</sup> December**. I think Sue has organised enough volunteers but if you would like to help, please contact Sue.

All being well **Steve** will host a bbq at the bowling club on Monday **15<sup>th</sup> December**. Members will be asked to contribute salads.

Cheers  
Anthea



**Merry Christmas and a  
Happy New Year to All.**



Pictures from  
our successful  
Cup Eve  
function.

The District Governor, Peter  
Shepherd visiting our Club and  
inducting Mary Guiney, our  
newest member.



## Christmas Cake Raffle

Beverley has generously cooked another Christmas cake this year and is raffling it as a fundraiser for the Stroke Foundation.

Tickets available at Rotary from Monday Nov 17th, 2025  
\$5 each or 3 for \$10

Prize winner to be announced at our last meeting in December

## December Birthdays

Rita 3rd                  Peter Don 6<sup>th</sup>  
Phil Hill 11<sup>th</sup>        Claire Hill 30<sup>th</sup>

## Reminders:

- Geeks BBQ at St Joseph's PS Collingwood from 1.30 – 2.30 pm Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Christmas Cake Raffle donated by Beverley and drawn at the last meeting
- December 7<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party at Rhonda & Geoff's 222 Tyler St. Preston 12.30 start
- December 13th Soccer Cup at Atherton Gardens and a special celebration for the Yarra Towers organised by the Yarra Council
- Remember, everyone who volunteers for Rotary must have a current Working with Children check.

## Club Program and Calendar

### December 2025

#### Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

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| 1 Dec  | Guest speaker will be Sergeant Peter Given, Police<br>Board meeting 5.30 pm  |
| 2 Dec  | Geeks BBQ at St Joseph's PS Collingwood.<br>1.30 – 2.30 pm. This involves St Joseph's PS<br>and Sacred Heart PS sporting activity. |
| 7 Dec  | Christmas lunch at Rhonda and Geoff's 222 Tyler St. Preston  |
| 13 Dec | Yarra Towers Celebration Day and Geeks Soccer Cup  |
| 15 Dec | BBQ at the Bowling Club Steve Earl to organize<br>(This is to be confirmed)  |

### Board Members

President	Anthea MacTiernan
President Elect	Tba
Secretary	Pat Morton
Past President	Denise Charman
Treasurer	Wallace Lehmann
Community	Anthea & Sue
Membership/ Youth	Peter Hille
Web & Social media	Barrie Morton
Foundation & Fundraising	Jonathan Thick
Bulletin	Ann Haynes

**Assistant:** Social Services    Menka Simmonds