

The Pascoe Post

Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Pascoe Vale – November 30, 2023

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



This Week

New Meeting Link

Let's see how we go with this one

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/89097292529?pwd=Y2NWNFFFeHFpGgJMENTNnZtUE9XUT09>

This Week

The West Gate Bridge Disaster

A Failure at the Engineering, Organisational, and Personal Levels

Richard Olive will share with us his understanding of what caused the West Gate Bridge disaster.

Greetings fellow Rotarians

I hope this finds you all well. Tis the season of markets, fairs, art shows, school graduations, and very shortly, carols. As the month ends and our calendar is overflowing with social commitments, I do hope you are all not too run off your feet.

Last week Pat and I attended a “thank you” luncheon at the Audiology Department of Melbourne University. It was attended by other Rotary club representatives and was interesting to hear how they ran their own programs. The Faculty expressed their gratitude at our contribution to their student’s clinical practice and it’s hoped we might expand the program further.

There are only another two dinner meetings left before we also take a break. Both meetings will have very interesting speakers – one this week about the collapse of the Westgate Bridge and next week, about a Rotary program in Cambodia. I do hope you can all come.

Stay safe and well.

Heather Harris PHF,
President,
Pascoe Vale Rotary



Upcoming Events

30 th November	The Westgate Bridge – Richard Olive
3 rd December	Xmas Break up, Sunday Lunch – details below
7 th December	Royce Abbey Information Presentation
14 th December	Cambodian Project – Robyn Angus Last Meeting for 2023
17 th December	Merri Creek Clean Up, Dechene Reserve
30 th December	Bunnings BBQ
2024	
18 th January	First Meeting for 2024 – Picnic, details TBA
26 th January	Bunnings BBQ
April 2024	2024 District Conference Shepparton, 19 th , 20 th & 21 st

THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS:

Birthdays:

Gerard Hannan

Anniversaries:

Bob and Elsa Valastro



ALARE - REPORT
SEPTEMBER 2023
 By social worker Aisha



Alare is a copy of Dolphin our eldest in drawing. He likes drawing so much. Provided he gets the drawing materials, you will see him paying a lot of concentration while the other children are watching. You may wonder what he is doing or maybe is completing his assignments at school only to find out that he is busy drawing. He has not developed the skill of drawing something out of his head yet. What he does is taking another picture and tries to copy it. He also uses colours to paint the pictures.

He also likes reading story books with pictures. He is the only child whom I am seeing who really loves more than the others story book reading. After doing their homework they are always done with reading and will either play or watch TV.



Was there such a thing as “Movember” in 1995?





This week is the Christmas Break Up!

Alare also plays different games with the other children. He is now grown up and will play peacefully with the other children and you won't hear him crying because of silly issues. He also plays drafts with other children. He has not learnt how to play it well and thus just makes moves how he thinks is right. The good thing is that his opponents also have no idea on how to play it thus no one is there to complain as they all sail in the same boat.

Alare will soon be taken where he belongs for a visit. He wants to go and visit his mother who he has not met since she abandoned him and his twin Alexis at 5 months of age. This month he asked me that soon they will be closing school for holidays, and he would wish if he were taken and stay there over the holiday until when the school opens that's when he can come back? Since he was brought to Umoja, he has not visited where he is mother stays thus, he is curious to see what kind of life maybe the other children who are staying with their parents have and what his mother is like. I understand him and we will organize at holiday time that he and Alexis see their mother (if she will have them), so that he can see the difference between Umoja and his home and hopefully build the start of a relationship with his mother. For sure I don't have any idea about the life his mother is living whether it's a harsh life or a comfortable one and that is for me to check on a social visit when we find her how her life is. I am sure when the mother is told to pick him straight, she

won't come as she doesn't want responsibilities and it seems she doesn't want people to know that she has children. She has never visited her children here at Umoja – not once. But its high time she must play part in parenting of her innocent children, and I am quite sure that she cannot harm them at this juncture.

He has been healthy for the whole month. He only has some ringworms on his head which he is using ointment as medication.

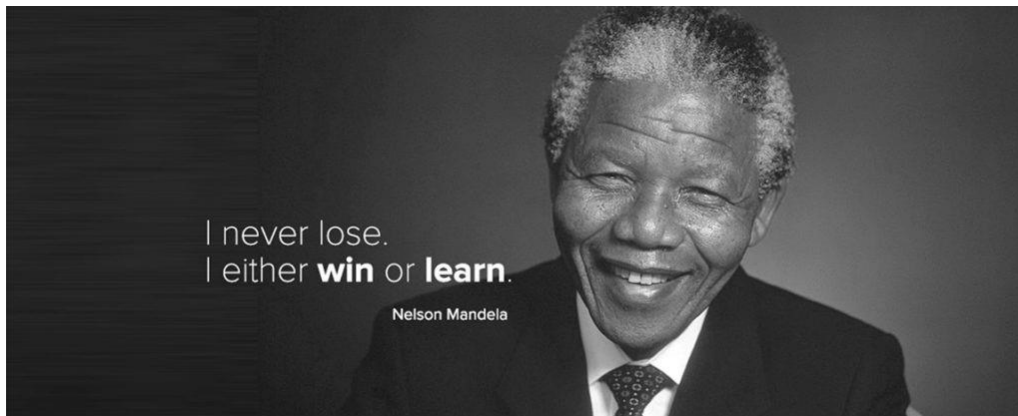


Our Rotary end-of-year meal will be held at Pascoe Vale Hotel, Railway Parade, Pascoe Vale, on Sunday, December 3rd. at 12.15 pm

Confirmation of numbers is required by November 24th.

Have you booked with Heather, yet?







CHRISTMAS party

10 DECEMBER
10AM - 12 NOON

Pascoe Vale Senior Citizens
20 Norton Street Pascoe Vale

EAT, DRINK AND BE MERRY!
RSVP: 05/12/2024



Hi everyone

I hope you are well. I can't believe that the end of the year is near.

We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to our Christmas / End of Year party at the Pascoe Vale Senior Citizens Centre at 28 Camdon Street Pascoe Vale. Come and join us for some refreshments, drinks, and lots of joy. In attendance will also be some of our past participants.

Please see the attached invitation for details.

Best wishes,

Mandy Gosetti
Founder and Passionate Advocate
I'M STILL LEARNING INC



Join us online!

We continue to search for the best option for our online presence. Our trial with Microsoft TEAMS has proved unsuccessful, so we have reverted to ZOOM

ZOOM meeting details

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/89097292529?pwd=Y2NWNFFFeHFpcG9JMENTtNnZtUEgXUTog>

Click on the link to join our meetings, everyone is welcome.

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 Lia Wolfe (P.P. Pat's daughter) who will arrange for an appropriate card to be sent on behalf of our Club.

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