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Meetings on
Mondays at 12.30 pm
(except public
holidays)
Sudima Hotel
1000 Eruera Street
Phone 07 348 1174
to apologise if unable
to attend.



Rotary Club of Rotorua

Monday, 20 July 2015

President's Pen

Last Saturday PP Russell Dale, Don MacFarlane and I spent three hours marshalling at the Redwood Forest for the Midwinter Glo-Walk. This was the first time that it had been held and about 500 people walked through the forest to see all of the lights. It was a great success and will become an annual event. It is a fact that you can learn from anything, and I learned that I needed a new pair of gloves to keep the cold out. Apart from the cold, it was a great evening. There were people of all ages making the walk, and everyone said "Thank you" as they emerged from the forest.

The Sudima Hotel has raised the price of lunch for our Monday meeting. The cost has gone up to \$20. We have signed a new contract with them, and we have to pay for a minimum of 25 people, whether or not there are 25 people present. Can I ask you to make a point of attending meetings? If we don't get 25 present, then the Club will be out of pocket.

I would like you to give some thought to a major project that we can do locally as a Club. I am certain that there are lots of ideas that members have, and to that end, you will find a piece of paper on the table on which you can write your suggestions. Please leave it on the reception table at the end of Monday's meeting.

The Directors met on Monday evening and the main focus of discussion was around the new contract with the Sudima Hotel. The Directors will be contacting members of their Committees to arrange meetings very shortly, and then we will be back to full steam ahead. I have been amazed at how much email comes to me about Rotary, and my main job last Monday evening was passing on the emails to the relevant Directors.

One thing that I did say to the Directors was that I wanted to focus on a local project rather than giving to individuals. It will be by doing this that the profile of Rotary will be raised and we will be impacting our community in a positive way.

Please note that Monday's meeting will be a lunchtime meeting as per normal, and not an evening meeting. I look forward to seeing you there.

President Ray

Notices and reminders

Civic bonding

Informal get-together of members of the Club for a drink and a chat at 5.30 pm every Friday at the Sudima Hotel.

Orange picking

The Club's regular orange picking on Kierin Irvine's farm north of Tauranga has been scheduled for Sunday, 16 August 2015. Please put this enjoyable Club activity, which is also a good fundraiser thanks to Kierin's generosity, into your diary now.

Birthday wishes

Happy Birthday to:

- Denis Marriner (21 July)



From the previous meeting

Guest speaker Kirsty Gerlach: One-2-One Charitable Trust

Kirsty Gerlach's relationship with the One-2-One Charitable Trust which supports Cambodia started when her brother, a dental technician, became involved in projects there in a refugee camp. One-2-One seeks to meet the needs of the poor and vulnerable in Cambodia: the orphans, street children, people with HIV, and prisoners, meeting their dental, medical, educational, vocational and physical needs. She sees Cambodia as a sad country with lots of potential. The migrant people of Little Cambodia in Long Beach, California are high achievers, but in their home country there is much hopelessness and poverty. They are still recovering from the Civil War when the Khmer Rouge was responsible for one of the worst genocides of the 20th Century. Kirsty's brother is training dental assistants after the trained dentists had been exterminated. No family had been left intact; all were reduced to agrarian peasants in a huge social experiment. One-2-One is a faith based NGO providing free dental and medical care and supporting new micro enterprises. Medical and dental students from many countries come to help, as have Kirsty's two sons. They also work on leadership development, and re-establishing values such as trust and integrity. The large number of NGOs in Cambodia are not collaborating. A programme working with prisoners have been stopped because of high demands for bribes. There is now some order in Cambodia, but still lots of corruption.

Club speaker Martin Kinder

Martin Kinder works at Deloitte where he is involved in the management of Maori trusts. He has a staff of 30, some of whom manage the share registries of trusts, enabling the distribution of money to shareholders. He works closely with the Chairmen of the trusts, implementing policies made by the Trust Boards. As an example, there is a new partnership among seven Maori trusts with \$2 million to spend on investments, including the purchase of a dairy farm. The old BNZ Building on the corner of Fenton and Hinemoa Streets, which belongs to a Maori trust, has been upgraded and a key tenant, an insurance company, with soon move in.

Duty roster

If you cannot do your rostered duty, please arrange a replacement and advise

Sergeant Denis Marriner on 027 478 3106 or denis@dawson.co.nz

Club speakers to advise Margriet on theronm@yahoo.com if they require the data projector.

	20 July 2015 at 12.30 pm at the Sudima Hotel	27 July 2015 at 12.30 pm at the Sudima Hotel
Guest Speaker	Graham Smith: State of the Nation – farming	Elly van der Laan: Visit to Nepal
Introduction	Russell Dale	Allen Foote
Vote of thanks	Tom Davies	John Heaton
President's table	Karl Meyer	Dennis Neilson
Club speaker	-	Ann Nicholas
Fellowship/badges	John Powell	Bruce Rykers
Quote of the week	Bruce Scott	Ian Smith
Fining officer	-	Perry Stevens
Committee report	-	Allen Foote

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