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Club meetings

Mondays at 12.30 pm (except public holidays) Rotorua Golf Club, 399 Fenton Street, Rotorua. Phone 07 348 1174 to apologise if unable to attend.





Rotary Club of Rotorua

Monday, 7 November 2016

President's Pen

What a great night we had with the visit of DG Keith Owens. The combined Club meeting went well and proves how much we can enhance our Rotary experience by sharing as we did.

In our Board meeting with DG Keith and ADG Todd Mountfort, we had the opportunity of sharing the new look for our Club, our meeting at the golf club and the more relaxed atmosphere it engenders. I have certainly noticed the result in an openness and enthusiasm that can only mean a positive future for us.

The vision for a single Rotary identity in Rotorua was also talked about. By 'single' we suggest that the community needs to identify with Rotary as a united service, even though it is a shared by five Clubs at present. The recent tabloid newspaper presentation helped towards that view.

More and more we are experiencing a working together by all five Clubs. A number of projects are being shared. I would like to think that we could all feel free to be supportive of, and involved in, projects no matter which Club is organising them.

This weekend the RYPEN camp is on. I am looking forward to experiencing it and hope that we will hear a report of what happened there, at our next Club meeting. RYPEN is one of the quality programmes that Rotary has developed over the years.

More good news about the Kiwi Can programme that Dan Allen-Gordon introduced to us a few weeks ago. Another school has asked for the programme. Finance is coming together, with local funding charities giving generously. I see a very positive outcome for many children in our community. That can only count for good.

I am continually looking for practical ways of serving our community, needs that require some hands-on help. Like the fence that needs building at a home to protect a vulnerable child. Once I find the finance, I need the hands on to put it up. There's a couple of other needs that I know of that need some dollars to complete. There are lots of needs out there.

The year is fast coming to a close and plans are being finalised for the Christmas Party. Katrina is organising this. I hope we can see the year out with a great time together. In the meantime I want to say how much I have appreciated the support of Club members. Your fresh enthusiasm is making my year much easier.

President Allen

Notices and Reminders

Dinner meeting with Lakes on 14 November 2016

On Monday, 14 November 2016, our Club will be having a joint dinner meeting with the Rotary Club of Rotorua Lakes at 5.30 for 6 pm at the Distinction Hotel. Meals are ordered and paid for at the D Bar near the entrance to the hotel on Sala Street. The prices for the meals start at \$16 for a vegetarian pasta dish. Members are asked to contribute a \$2 per person room charge. The speaker will be Detective Senior Sergeant Craig Hamilton who will talk about the seizure of assets (including illegal drugs) by the Police.

Toi Ohomai charity house auction

The building and construction students at Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology on Mokoia Drive are building a house that will be auctioned for charity on 4 December 2016. This is a good opportunity to buy a house to serve as a bach or an extra home on your property. Please contact Sue Gunn at Toi Ohomai for details.

Guess Who Is Coming To Dinner on 19 November 2016

The list of hosts and guests will be finalised at the Club's meeting on 7 November 2016.

Rotary Charity Lunch: volunteers wanted

The Rotary Charity Luncheon will be held on Friday, 11 November 2016. Volunteers are needed to help with room set-up, meeting and greeting the guests, and handling cash. Please contact Russell Burton if you can lend a hand.

Needs in our community

Many Rotarians contribute to the work of voluntary organisations in our community. President Allen would like to hear from you if you are aware of needs in our community which Rotary could address.

Civic Bonding

You are invited to share a drink and a chat with other members of the Club and their spouses at the CT Club in Moncur Drive at 5.30 pm on Friday afternoons.

Happy birthday

No birthdays this coming week. It is Rona Heaton's birthday on 18 November 2016. We are sending her and John our love and best wishes for a speedy recovery for her.

From the previous meeting

Guest speaker: District Governor Keith Owens

DG Keith commented on the strong, positive spirit among the five Rotary Clubs in Rotorua and the way in which we are working together. The name of Rotary is more important than the name of any individual Club. He mentioned the upcoming Rotary Charity Lunch and that District 9930 had donated \$10,000 to KiwiCan. The Rotorua Daily Post's supplement was an excellent promotion of the work of Rotary in our city. He is making good progress with visiting all the Clubs in the District; only nine remain on his to-do list. Before starting his term as DG, he had an apprenticeship of two years, including a Governors Elect Training Seminar over three days with other DGs from around the world and attending Rotary Institute where past, present and incoming district and senior Rotary leaders meet to share information, build connections and exchange ideas about Rotary International and the Rotary Foundation. This was followed by Assembly where 1,400 Rotary Presidents met. One of DG Keith's goals is that half of the Clubs in District 9930 will earn a Presidential Citation. The required activities include membership development, Foundation giving, online tool adoption, humanitarian service, and enhancing the image of Rotary International. The target for Foundation giving for District 9930 is \$200,000. This year, 26 new cases of polio have been reported worldwide and Rotary's battle against the disease continues. In terms of ways in which membership of Clubs can be grown, DG Keith mentioned that only 23% of members are female and that there is a lack of ethnic diversity in most Clubs. The 2017 District Conference will be held in Whakatane from 31 March. The registration website has opened; early bird registration is \$180.

Duty Roster

If you cannot do your duty, please arrange a replacement and advise Sergeant Peter Spurdle on 027 7787353 or spurdle.family@xtra.co.nz

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

If you are unable to attend and to avoid paying for your meal, please send apologies to Martin Kinder by the Friday before the meeting on mkinder@deloitte.co.nz

	7 November 2016 at 12.30 pm at the Rotorua Golf Club	14 November 2016 at 5.30 for 6 pm at Distinction Hotel
	Nicola Dale, Kiwi Food	Detective Senior Sergeant Craig
Guest Speaker	Technologist Working for	Hamilton on asset seizure
	Suntory in Tokyo	by the Police
Introduction	Tom Davies	Robin Findon
Vote of thanks	Ann Nicholas	Bruce Scott
President's table	Ann Nicholas	Bruce Scott
Club speaker	Peter Baars	-
Fellowship/badges	Doug Clemens	Martyn Craven
Quote of the week	Peter Spurdle	Roger Willard
Fining officer	Russell Dale	Tom Davies
Room set-up	Noel Lamberton	-

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