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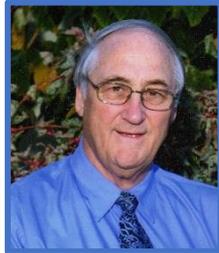
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Club meetings

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, 19 June 2017

President's Pen

How nice it was to receive a letter of appreciation from Chapman College thanking the Club for supplying 15 tickets to Cirkus Quirkus. I am sure there were many others who could have replied with the same enthusiasm and appreciation.

One of the positive results from feedback is to motivate us to go and do more for people. As we carry out our projects it is important to keep the members informed so we can constantly assess our success and worth. It's not that we want a pat on the back, so much as to be inspired to commit our time and effort to produce more and improve what we are already doing.

I was so gratified to read an email from RI President John Germ with a report from the RI Convention in Atlanta outlining the funding to cover the final steps in the eradication of polio, a project Rotary International has worked on since 1985. The list of donors is staggering.

The Bill and Belinda Gates Foundation has added another \$450 million to the fund. RI has pledged \$150 million, 15 governments have donated \$533 million between them, eight other business or philanthropic organisations have added \$64.3 million, plus an anonymous donor has gifted \$15 million. That's a total of \$1.2 billion dollars.

The polio eradication programme has been described as "The World's Largest Health Initiative Ever". What a project to be part of! What an organisation to belong to! Be thankful for the vision of Rotary that focuses on "Service Above Self."

I hope you have taken the time to read your June 2017 issue of Rotary Down Under. Of all the recent issues this one is a great revelation of Rotary service at its best. I am inspired by its content and want to be even more involved in promoting and experiencing first hand the answer to many of the issues that face our community. So get reading if you haven't already, and enjoy what is presented.

Very soon now we will appreciate a transition to what I see as a very positive step forward in our Rotary experience as a Club. I ask you, challenge you, to get behind Russell and his new team. I'm looking forward to supporting him and seeing a good vibrant experience ahead.

Make sure you book in for the changeover night and enjoy the fellowship, as well as the usual features of a changeover programme. Russell has a great evening planned that will climax the Rotary year.

President Allen

Notices and Reminders

Dinner with the Rotorua Multicultural Council

On Monday, 10 July 2017 at 5.30 for 6 pm our Club will join with the Rotorua Multicultural Council for a dinner at Teal Kitchen, 1213 Hinemoa Street. Ten migrants from ten countries will talk for two to three minutes each about their journey to Rotorua and the contribution that they are now making to our community. The confirmed speakers include Toni Li from China, a forest economist with PF Olsen; Lily Joy Al Omari who was a nurse manager in Saudi Arabia and is now the owner of Teal Kitchen; Elena Mezentseva from Russia who was an English language teacher in Moscow; Juan Nieuwoudt from South Africa who is a mechanical engineer at Red Stag; Carla Garcia from Argentina who is co-owner of a sports management business; and Mohabat Khan Malak from Uganda and Afghanistan who co-owns the first halal butchery in Rotorua. The cost of the dinner is \$30 per person; spouses and partners are very welcome. Martin Kinder will take the bookings and payments.

Best wishes to departing Club members

Paul Wilson, Richard Fullard and Martyn Craven have resigned from the Rotary Club of Rotorua. The President, Directors and other members of the Club thank them for the contributions that they have made to the meetings of our Club and to our various projects. We wish them well as they continue their contributions to our community in other forums.

Guess who's coming to dinner

PP Richard Pryce announced that there will be a Guess who's coming to Dinner event on 22 July 2017. Please let Richard know if you would like to be a host or a guest for this event which involves two couples coming to the home of the hosts with a first course and a dessert.

Birthdays

Lauri Clemens (23 June)



From the previous meeting

Quotes from Murray Patchell

“Scientific evidence suggests that the human brain functions at a higher level around attractive objects. That backs up what I've been saying all along: I was never dumb at school, my teachers were just ugly”
- Anonymous

“A sure cure for seasickness is to sit under a tree” – Spike Milligan.

Club speaker: Ray Bloomfield

PP Ray talked about the obvious joy of the families who had attended Circus Quirkus. He reminded us of Robyn Murphy's classification talk: Rotorua has 23 Decile 1 to 3 schools while Tauranga has only nine. Ray recently read an article in the Ministry Matter magazine which reminded him that people are worth more than the worst thing they have done. There are very few evil people. He recently met a patient in an isolation ward who insisted that he was a bad person; Ray tried to persuade him that he was a good person who had done bad things. Any of us could become a bad statistic; it is important to keep on breaking down the barriers between them and us.

Speaker: Past President Richard Pryce

Attending the US Masters at Augusta has been on Richard's bucket list, possibly since as a young fellow in Wellington he discovered an annual showing of a film of the US Masters. The course at Augusta was built in 1930 by Bobby Jones, an amateur golfer and practising lawyer just like Richard. The course is very beautifully landscaped and maintained. After 81 years the event is tightly and efficiently organised and tickets are now highly sought after, and priced. Richard obtained his through a tour company, Fanatics. He described how you can buy a chair which you can place at any key location and reclaim later in the day.

Richard purchased and placed such a chair ... but never found it again in the crowd! Richard clearly experienced the sheer joy of being there!

Duty Roster

If you cannot do your duty, please arrange a replacement and advise Acting Sergeant Barry Lane on 021 741264 or b.lane@ilescasey.co.nz

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

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

	19 June 2017 at 12.15 pm at the Rotorua Golf Club	Tuesday, 27 June 2017 6 for 6:30pm at the Rotorua Golf Club
Guest Speaker	Dennis Nielson WWI sites in France	<i>Change-over Dinner</i> organised by Incoming President Russell Burton.
Introduction	Richard Pryce	
Vote of thanks	Martin Kinder	
President's table	Martin Kinder	
Club speaker	Tony Baker	
Fellowship/badges	Tom Davies	
Quote of the week	John Powell	
Fining officer	Robyn Murphy	
Room set-up	Peter Spurdle	

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