



Rotary Club of Rotorua

Monday 6 August 2018

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Club Meetings

Mondays at 12.30 pm

(except public holidays)

Rotorua Golf Club,

399 Fenton Street,

Rotorua.

From the previous meeting

Guest Speaker President Russell Burton

The idea for planting a billion trees over the next ten years in New Zealand had come from Winston Peters but the implementation has been handed over to Shane Jones. This has become one of the memorable targets set by the Labour Government. The framework for measuring the achievement of the targets includes social, human capital, environmental and economic aspects. Existing replacement plantings will take care of about half of the target of 100 million trees per year. The most challenging part of the target is to plant native trees to achieve one third of the billion trees target. There is a focus on Maori land to contribute to the target. Officials are working hard to reach the targets. Current incentives are not working particularly well and the forest industry is negotiating new incentives with the Government. Forests are good for water and soil protection, land stability and eco-tourism.

Club Speaker, Denis Marriner

Dawson Insurance Brokers recently relocated to Whakaue Street with Craigs Investment Partners as their neighbours. Moving into open plan offices was a big change for some of the long-standing employees. With fewer large insurance companies now located in Rotorua, Dawson has to train its own staff. There will be a 40% increase in the levy on home insurance to help cover the restructuring costs of Fire and Emergency New Zealand and a further increased in the earthquake insurance levy resulting in a \$100 annual increase in home insurance. New technology built into side mirrors and windscreens of cars has resulted in substantial increases in replacement costs, putting pressure on insurance premiums.

Quote of the Week, Margriet Theron

Forests may be gorgeous but there is nothing more alive than a tree that learns to grow in a cemetery. – Andrea Gibson.

Notices and reminders

Lincoln Billets, 21/22 August 2018

This is another fundraising opportunity for the club as we earn \$60 per student by providing a meal and a bed for the night of 21 August and breakfast on the morning of 22 August. Hosts will also need to fetch the

students from the Sudima carpark around 5pm and return them at 8 am. If interested, please contact Martin Kinder for further details.

Tree Planting, 28 July 2018

The tree planting at the Murray Patchell Ranch was very successful. Acting President Peter commented that projects like these make Rotary membership worthwhile.

Speech Contest, 13 August 2018

Past President Peter Spurdle reminded the club that the Speech Contest will be held at the Rydges Hotel on Monday, 13 August 2018 at 6 pm. The cost will be \$35 per person and partners and family are invited to attend. Numbers to Peter, please.

District Governor Visit, 21 August 2018

The DG's visit will be held on 21 August 2018 with all of the Rotorua clubs present. Sunrise club will host the event at the Princes Gate Hotel at 7 am.

Birthday wishes

Robyn Spurdle
Jan Wilson

Louw van Wyk and Margriet celebrated his birthday and their 40 years in New Zealand over the weekend.

Up and Coming

Club meeting	6 August 2018	13 August 2018
Guest speaker	Megan Kusabs – Update on Kiwi Can in Rotorua	Speech Contest – Rydges Hotel
Introduction	Bryce Dunn	Russell Burton
Vote of thanks	Kierin Irvine	
Club speaker	Denis Marriner	
Fellowship badges	Ian Pound	Garth Wilson
Quote of the week	Peter Spurdle	
Fining officer	Bob Allison	
Room set-up (PowerPoint)	Doug Clemens (yes)	

Looking forward: long term view of our agenda for the year.

Month	Date	Activity	Location/Comment	Contact
	28	Tree planting	Murray Patchell's place	Russell B
	30	Glen Downes	Introducing Lakes Medical Services Trust	Garth
August	6	Megan Kusabs	An Update on Kiwi Can in Rotorua	Garth
	13	Speech contest, 6 pm	Rydges Hotel	Peter S
	20	No meeting		
	21	DG visit	With Sunrise Club	Russell B
	27	Elizabeth Wright	Interplast	Garth
September	3			
	10			

Month	Date	Activity	Location/Comment	Contact
	17			
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October	1			
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	22	Labour Day	No meeting	
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November	5			
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December	3			
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January	7			
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April	1			
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May	6			
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June	3	Queen's Birthday – no meeting		
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	17			
	24	Changeover evening		