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Monday 25 March 2019

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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

Chairman – Barry Lane

Barry welcomed members and our many guests from all seven high schools in greater Rotorua. He then turned the meeting over to Ann Nicholas to comper the talks from the school leaders. She indicated that the students would have four minutes each and schools would go in reverse alphabetical order.

School Leaders' Presentations

Western Heights Head Girl Emily Wharekura gave a spirited talk on her goal of bringing the school and the wider community closer together to help celebrate diversity and create opportunities for all.

Rotorua School for Young Parents Head Student Taleea Reihana spoke passionately about her commitment to gain UE while at the same time raising her 4 year old daughter and helping new young parents as they enter the school environment.

Rotorua Lakes Head Boy Taylan Onan acknowledged the Christchurch tragedy and how with his Turkish background it has reinforced his efforts to reach out and cooperate with all Rotorua high school students through sport, debating and other interactions. Head Girl Ila Ford-Robertson also acknowledged that embracing diversity helps to make better students especially through fostering leadership qualities.

Rotorua Girls Senior Leader Atera Apirana spoke of the need to establish strong connections amongst students, teachers, parents and the wider community in order to foster communication and avoid the misunderstandings that lead to extremist tragedies.

Rotorua Boys Deputy Head Prefect Manukau Whata ardently expressed pride in his Maori upbringing and the values that it instilled



in him. His responsibilities at school have instilled him with great confidence as he aspires to be a role model for younger Maori students.

Reporoa College Deputy Head Girl and Boy, Anahita Ropitina and Ashley Snookes, acknowledged that though their school is small, it offers great opportunity, especially for youth from deprived circumstances. Students are encouraged to respect differences whilst celebrating each person's strengths.

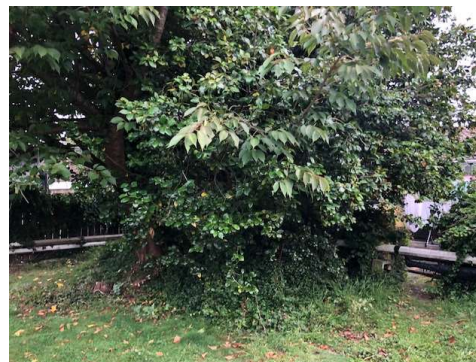
John Paul College Head Boy Kuljyot Lall stressed that cultural education can lead to better understanding and acceptance of differences amongst the wide range of ethnicities in the community. Head Girl Anna Douglas reinforced this and was proud that JPC has a positive and friendly environment right from year 7 to year 13.

Ray Bloomfield

Ray has been diagnosed with Mantel Cell Lymphoma (an aggressive form of blood cancer). The haematologist indicated that only six sessions of the chemo will be state funded. To have more chemo he will need to pay for it (\$30,000). Through his own efforts, he has raised \$18,500 but needs to raise the other \$11,500. A "Givealittle Page" has been setup if you wish to support Ray in his time of need. The link is <https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/beloved-minister-and-hospital-chaplain>

Gardening

A large team of members showed up on Saturday to finish the gardening at Elaine Hill's home. Here are a few shots from Andrew Orme showing the challenge:



UP AND COMING

Club meeting	25 March	1 April
Guest speaker	RFE team from York, UK	Derek Lang Classification Speech
Introduction	Barry Lane	Doug Clemens
Vote of thanks	Barry Lane	Tom Davies
Club speaker	Fergus Cumming	Russell Dale
Fellowship badges	Kierin Irvine	Ashwin Jaiswal
Quote of the week	Denis Marriner	Robyn Murphy
Fining officer	Andrew Orme	Peter Spurdle
Room set-up (PowerPoint)	Doug Clemens (yes)	Fergus Cumming (no)

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

Date	Meeting / Event / Rotary Theme / Chair	
March	Water & Sanitation Month	Club Meeting Chair: Barry Lane
25	Meeting (York RFE team arrives)	
29	Quiz Night – Princes Gate	
April	Maternal & Child Health Month	Club Meeting Chair: Kierin Irvine
1	Meeting – Derek Lang, Classification Speech	
7	Daylight saving ends	
8	Meeting	
15	Meeting	
22	No Meeting – Easter	
29	Meeting	
May	Youth Service Month	Club Meeting Chair: TBA
6	Meeting	
13	Meeting	
20	Meeting	
27	Meeting	
June	Rotary Fellowships Month	Club Meeting Chair: TBA
3	No Meeting – Queen's Birthday	
10	Speech Contest	
17	Club Meeting	
24	Changeover	