



Rotary Club of Rotorua

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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 special RFE guests from York, plus ADG Pauline Evans.

RFE from District 1040 York, UK

Fergus Cumming introduced Stewart Gilbert, the team leader for the York RFE. Stewart expressed how pleased his team was to be in New Zealand and with the warm welcome extended to them. He then spoke passionately about York and Yorkshire in general. Some of highlights of note:

- Yorkshire is known as “God’s Own County”,
- York was a former capital of England,
- 800 year old York Minster is the largest Gothic cathedral in Northern Europe,
- York minster took 250 years to complete,
- James Cook’s ship the *Endeavour* was built in Whitby, Yorkshire,
- Clifford’s Tower overlooks York and was built by William the Conqueror in 1069,
- York’s Railway Museum has over 200 locomotives.



After a short video on the sites of York, Stewart passed the presentation over to each of the RFE couples who told of their backgrounds and interests. They were:

- Stewart and Eileen Gilbert
- Cliff and Jane Gladwin
- Colin and Ruth Perrott
- Phil and Margaret Cox
- Robert and Jane West

Colin Perrott closed the presentation with a rather pithy aphorism: “You can always tell a Yorkshireman, but you can’t tell him much.”

Club Speaker – Fergus Cumming

Fergus extolled the virtues of Rotary Friendship Exchanges and pointed out how rewarding they were for those who participated – both visitors and hosts.

Fergus also informed the club that former member Mike O'Boyle is recovering well from a recent hip operation.

Gardening

Robyn Murphy thanked the members who helped tidy up Elaine Hill's garden recently. She also indicated that the pot luck dinner for the visiting York RFE would be on Wednesday, 5:30 for 6:00pm.

Quiz Night

Pauline Evans urged members to support this event to be held on 29 March. Teams of four (\$20 per head) will compete at the Princes Gate Hotel starting at 6pm. Proceeds will help support RYPENS.

Quote of the week – Denis Marriner

"I object to violence because when it appears to do good, the good is only temporary; the evil it does is permanent."

"You must not lose faith in humanity. Humanity is like an ocean; if a few drops are dirty, the ocean does not become dirty."

NOTICES AND REMINDERS

Driver Directions

Message from Ray Oakley :

Driver Directions will be held again on Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th April at the Mamaku Kartsport track. We have good numbers have registered for both days and will need 7 Rotarians from 8.30am to 3.30pm to assist each day at the reversing, vehicle maintenance and truck stations as well as the kitchen for tea/coffee and BBQ lunch.

Ray can assist with transport to and from Mamaku if needed and tea/coffee and lunch is provided each day. If you are able to help with this worthwhile project for young drivers who have a Learner or Restricted licence it would be appreciated.

Birthday Best Wishes

Barry Lane – 27 March
Linda Neilson – 1 April

UP AND COMING

Club meeting	1 April	8 April
Guest speaker	Derek Lang Classification Speech	TBD
Introduction	Doug Clemens	Fergus Cumming
Vote of thanks	Tom Davies	Bryce Dunn
Club speaker	Russell Dale	Tom Davies
Fellowship badges	Ashwin Jaiswal	Derek Lang
Quote of the week	Robyn Murphy	Ann Nicholas
Fining officer	Peter Spurdle	Margriet Theron
Room set-up (PowerPoint)	Fergus Cumming (no)	Russell Dale

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
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	