



Rotary Club of Rotorua

Monday 26 August 2019

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Club Meetings

Mondays at 12.30 pm (except public holidays)

Rotorua Golf Club,
399 Fenton Street,
Rotorua.

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www.rotaryrotorua.org.nz

	26 August	02 September
Chair	Robyn Murphy	Russell Dale
Guest Speaker	Social Night	TBA
Topic	Great Eastern Taphouse	TBA
Introduction		Andrew Orme
Thanks	Everyone	Martin Kinder
Club Speaker		Peter Spurdle
Quote		Margriet Theron

Last Meeting – 19 August

Welcome – Robyn Murphy

Robyn welcomed members and guests. Bob Martin and Lynn Benfell as guest speakers and some visiting guests including Louw van Wyk standing in for Margriet who has a broken foot.

Quote of the Day – Derek Lang

Continuing with the theme of Sir Humphrey Appleby. KCB (Secretary of the cabinet)

“Wearing two hats is not difficult for those who are in two minds or have two faces.”

“Being an MP is a vast subsidised ego trip. It’s a job that needs no qualification, it has no compulsory hours of work, no performance standards, and provides a warm room, a telephone and subsidised meals to a bunch of self-important windbags and busy bodies who suddenly find themselves being taken seriously because they’ve got the letters MP after their name.”

Guest Speakers - Bob Martin and Lynn Benfell (Parawai Youth Group/Centre)

Tom Davies introduced the speakers and Bob spoke of the Ngongotaha history Ngongotaha being the Mountain and Parawai the actual town.

Bob then spoke of the problems that they have had getting a lease from the Rotorua Lakes Council on the land for which they have plans for a purpose-built centre for their group. So far, the delays have spanned 3+ years.

Lynn spoke of her background in education and her passion for dealing with the youth of Ngongotaha concentrating on steering them in the right direction. Lynn mentioned that they were now dealing with the second generation of youth and after utilising several rented properties really need this purpose-built Centre to carry on their work.

Ann Nicholas thanked our speakers.

Birthday Best Wishes (26 August-02 September)

28 August Richard Pryce

Political Pearls

“If you are not happy with a Minister’s decision there is no need to argue him out of it. Accept it warmly and then suggest he leaves it to you to work out the details”

Sir Humphrey Appleyby K.C.B (Secretary of the Cabinet)

Looking forward:

August	Club Meeting Chair: Robyn Murphy
NOW	Pay your sub and meal fee account
26	No Lunchtime meeting SOCIAL NIGHT at Great Eastern Taphouse
September	Club Meeting Chair: Russell Dale
02	TBA
09	TBA
16	TBA
23	TBA
27	Kaumatua Olympics – Energy Events Centre Team names to Andrew
30	No Lunchtime meeting SOCIAL NIGHT

Frank Devlyn (World President in 2000-2001) wrote a book called Frank Talk.

Doug Clemens owns a copy of this book and thinks that some of Frank’s comments are still valid since written in 2002.

Supporting President Tom’s comments on meetings.

Frank says

“If you miss a meeting here and there, it’s no big deal.

But think about this; every human being on earth is given precisely the same amount of time each day. We all get 86,400 seconds as the clock strikes midnight – and there is no carrying over allowed. How we spend that 86,400 seconds is up to us”

Frank goes on to say;

“I don’t go to Rotary with the same sense of obligation or dread that I have when I have a dental appointment. I go because I *want* to go. I know that I will have some fun, learn something new, meet some pretty neat people, help some people in need and I will always pick up something that will benefit me. Rotary is not a tiresome obligation, it’s the bright spot in my week.

There is also a very interesting section on Rotary’s origins with a slightly different slant on what you may have heard before and I intend to reproduce it as a separate document soon.

Please also remember that the Bulletin, as sent by email, is also on the Club Website