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Meetings on
 Mondays at 12.30 pm
 (except public
 holidays)
 Sudima Hotel
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 to apologise if unable
 to attend.



Rotary Club of Rotorua

Monday, 8 June 2015

President's Pen



In April Pam and I visited the Kawasaki Takatsu South Rotary Club in Kawasaki, a suburb of Tokyo. We were made most welcome at their meeting and I was given the chance of speaking about Rotorua and our Club. I suggested a friendship or sister Club arrangement with their Club. The President, Mitsuyuki Mochida, has since written to me, thanking us for our visit and agreeing that they would like to form such a relationship with our Club.

On Thursday 21 May 2015 members of our Club assisted with the annual Circus Quircus event at the Howard Morrison Performing Arts Centre. About 400 children from less privileged backgrounds were able to attend thanks to the generosity of Rotorua businesses that supported the event. It was satisfying for Barry Lane, Dennis Neilson and myself to have the children coming up and showing their gratitude after the show. Thanks also to Club members who attended Jan Rykers funeral last Thursday and supported Bruce and family at this very sad time.



The new DG's personal theme for the year ahead is improving the health of Rotarians. The outgoing Directors discussed and provided some suggestions to incoming President Ray for the year ahead. One of these is to bike the Pureora Timber Trail in early October. Let Kierin Irvine know if you are interested in this reasonably easy two-day ride through Pureora Forest.

A big thanks to Peter and Robyn Spurdle for kindly hosting Club members on the Friday night of the Chiefs/Bulls rugby match. The \$300 proceeds from the dinner will be our Club's contribution to the World's Greatest Dinner, a Rotary International fundraising event to support the End Polio programme.

President Russell

Notices and reminders

Update of directory

The directory which lists the members of the Rotorua Rotary Clubs is being updated by Tony Baker. If your address, phone numbers, email, or other details have changed since the 2014/15 directory was compiled, please send Tony an email with the correct information.

District change-over

Club members and their partners are invited to attend the combined changeovers for the Rotary Club of Ahuriri and District 9930 from 11 am to 2.30 pm on Sunday 28 June 2015 at the East Pier Hotel, Hardinge Road, Napier. The cost is \$35 per head including the buffet lunch, tea and coffee. Payment on arrival. Please RSVP by Friday 19 June 2015 to Judith Buckeridge at j.buckeridge@xtra.co.nz or 06 8446886. Dress code is smart casual.

Rotary Club of Rotorua golf tournament

Past-President Richard Pryce reminds members of the golf tournament that will take place on 14 June 2015, starting at noon. Please support this event, and invite friends and family to join you for a round of golf on the day.

Nominations are open for RANZSE

Max Patmoy has sent us information about arrangements for RANZSE, the **Rotary Australia and New Zealand Student Exchange**, a three-month exchange for 13.5 to 16 year old students to experience an exchange with a family in the other country. This year District 9930 will match a student from NZ with a student from Australia. In 2016 the matched Australian student will come to New Zealand and stay a term with them in their own house (from April 2016). The following term the NZ student will travel to Australia with their Australian match and stay a term in the Australian student's own home. There is very little cost and administration for the Club. There is more information at www.ranzse.org. Max has sent documentation to the principals of all of the high schools in our District. Expression of interest forms for the 2016 year must get back to Max by 30 June 2015.

The Club's contact for this worthwhile programme is Don Macfarlane.

Billets for Lincoln University students

About fifty farm management students from Lincoln University will be in Rotorua on a North Island study tour on 24 to 25 August 2015. Their lecturer, Bob Simpson, is looking for billets, from 5 pm on 24 August to 8 am on 25 August. Hosts will be expected to pick their student/s up, give them an evening meal, a bed, and breakfast, and drop them off at the pick-up point. The idea is to organise this as a fundraiser for our Rotary Club, at \$50 plus GST per student. Lincoln University hopes that this could become an annual arrangement with our Club.

President Russell will seek indications of interest at our meetings.

Birthday wishes

Happy Birthday to:

- Bob Allison (3 June)



From the previous meeting

Quotes of the week from Dennis Neilson

I myself prefer my New Zealand eggs for breakfast. – Queen Elizabeth II.

New Zealand is a country of 30 million sheep, 4 million of whom think they are human. – Barry Humphries.

I think for the most part people are proud of the bicultural foundation New Zealand is built on and the fact that we are a multicultural society. – Prime Minister John Key.

Guest speaker William McDonald, President of the Rotorua RSA

President William McDonald spent 22 years in the New Zealand army. He has also built a retirement village in Christchurch. He believes that the public hold Rotarians in high esteem and that we have a responsibility to mentor young people. Since the age of two he lived with foster parents. At St Andrews College in Christchurch the mentoring by the Masters had a significant impact on his life. Those men provided him with an example of what it is to be a man – without them, he might well have ended up with a criminal record. The Rotorua RSA is in financial difficulty and is searching for ways to overcome it. He believes that publicity and activity, leading to increased membership, will be the solution. The mostly elderly members have to demonstrate their commonality with the young people whom they want to mentor. In response to a question he said that gambling machines at the RSA would provide an additional income stream but that they are a real pain to manage. A new constitution is being drafted to ensure that members without military service would also be able to vote. In the weeks before this year's ANZAC commemorations, the RSA was asked by 11 local schools for input into their events. Membership fee is only \$35 per year.

Duty roster

If you cannot do your rostered duty, please arrange a replacement and advise

Sergeant Denis Marriner on 027 478 3106 or denis@dawson.co.nz

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

	8 June 2015 at 12.15 for 12.30 pm at the Sudima Hotel	15 June 2015 at 12.30 pm at the Sudima Hotel
Guest Speaker	Martin Kinder: Gallipoli 2015	John Heaton: 40 years in Rotary
Introduction	Ian Pound	Bruce Rykers
Vote of thanks	Kierin Irvine	Fergus Cumming
President's table	Tony Hill	Kierin Irvine
Club speaker	Robin Findon	Allen Foote
Fellowship/badges	Don Macfarlane	Ian McDowell
Quote of the week	Ann Nicholas	Mike O'Boyle
Fining officer	Denis Marriner	Dennis Neilson
Committee report	Fellowship: Peter Spurdle	Garth Wilson

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