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Meetings on
Mondays at 12.30 pm
(except public
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Sudima Hotel
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to apologise if unable
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Rotary Club of Rotorua

Monday, 22 June 2015

President's Pen



I was very pleased to be able to announce last Monday that our Club's succession plans for 2016/17 and 2017/18 are now in place with Allen Foote and Russell Burton agreeing to take on the role of First Vice-President and Second Vice-President respectively. Allen has a long history of service to Rotary and has undertaken a number of Director and Officer roles previously. Russell is a newcomer to Rotary and is on a self-confessed fast learning curve but has plenty of experience in governance and leadership roles and will quickly come to grips with the workings of Rotary and the Club. I know you will give your full support to Allen and Russell who have agreed to take on these important roles for Rotary and help prepare them for their year leading the Club.

John Heaton's talk about Rotary 40 years ago gave us a good insight into how Rotary and society have changed over this time. Men-only meetings, dinner meetings in breach of the licensing laws, increasing membership with new Clubs being spun off and all night "business" meetings with some Directors driving home as the sun came up contrast with today's more staid style. And of course Club membership was over 100 with 75% attendance at Club meetings being the norm. Thanks for sharing these memories with us John and I think there are some important learnings for us in looking at the future of the Club.

Don't forget to let President-Elect Ray Bloomfield know if you will be attending Club Change-over on Monday, 29 June so that he can confirm numbers. Also please let Kierin Irvine know if you are keen on biking the Pureora Timber Trail in October.

On a member for member basis, the Lakes Club is putting us to shame in the billeting of Lincoln students. This is an easy fund raiser for the Club so please think again if you can assist and let me know as soon as possible if you are able to host one or a few students. We still need another 25 billets.

President Russell

Notices and reminders

Biking in Pureora Forest

Kierin Irvine is beginning to organise a two-day biking trip in Pureora Forest on 10 and 11 October 2015. As he would like to make early bookings of accommodation and shuttles he would like to know soon if you plan to participate. Please let Kierin know by email on kj.irvine@hotmail.com

Orange picking

The Club's regular orange picking on Kierin Irvine's farm north of Tauranga has been scheduled for Sunday, 16 August 2015. Please put this enjoyable Club activity, which is also a good fundraiser thanks to Kierin's generosity, into your diary now.

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.

Birthday wishes

Happy Birthday to:

- Lauri Clemens (23 June)
- Hugh Reynolds (27 June)



From the previous meeting

Quotes of the week from Dennis Marriner

It's not a crime to make a mistake but it is a crime if you don't learn from it. - Anonymous.

Don't throw away the old bucket until you know if the new one holds water. - Anonymous.

Guest speaker John Heaton

John Heaton was born in Hastings. He has been a member of the Rotary Club of Rotorua for 49 years. In drafting his talk he had made extensive use of the book compiled by Gary Spence for the 75th Anniversary of the Club and our archives now held at the Rotorua Library. At a meeting of Rotorua citizens called in 1927 it was decided to set up a Rotary Club. The first meeting place was Te Runanga tea kiosk. Early members included a forester, general practitioner, newspaper editor, a staff member from the Tourist Department, a seed merchant, electrician, farmer, land agent, hotel owner, the headmaster of the high school, a pharmacist, mill manager, and the postmaster. A letter from 1929 expressed concern about the interest in the Club not being maintained; apologies were not always received for non-attendance; and attendance at meetings was poor. By publishing percentage attendances, the number of members at meetings was lifted. Golf has always been to the fore in the Club, with social tournaments being played in the 1940s. John's interest in Rotorua started when he attended father/son meetings while he was still at primary school. He joined Jaycees and served as President. After attending a Rotary Change-over he was invited to join our Club in 1966. His induction included a fireside talk in which his responsibilities were clearly spelled out. The last men-only Change-over was held in 1974. He has participated in fundraising for the Aquatic Centre, YWCA and various other community projects. Harold Holmes was an outstanding programme organiser and Bulletin editor. By 1965, just before the Rotorua West Rotary Club was chartered, our Club had as many as 120 members.

Club Speaker Robin Findon

Robin and Christine are active members of the NZ Motor Caravan Association which was founded in 1956 and now has 60,000 members with 10,000 of these having joined in the past two years. Members have access to excellent caravan parks around NZ including a new one at the Ngongotaha sales yards. Members receive an interesting magazine and discounts at service stations, Bunnings and Noel Leeming. Membership is only \$80 per year. It will take the Findons many years to visit all the places they want to see, travelling in their motorhome both in NZ and in countries such as Scotland, Japan, and Russia. Having their garden in the Rotorua Festival of Gardens later this year keeps them busy between their trips.

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.

	22 June 2015 at 12.30 pm at the Sudima Hotel	29 June 2015 at 6.15 pm at the Sudima Hotel
Guest Speaker	Bruce Thomason: Skyline and Rotorua 2030	President Russell Dale President Elect Ray Bloomfield
Introduction	Ann Nicholas	
Vote of thanks	Ian McDowell	
President's table	Martin Kinder	
Club speaker	Tony Hill	
Fellowship/badges	Karl Meyer	Dennis Neilson
Quote of the week	Murray Patchell	Ian Pound
Fining officer	Ian Pound	
Committee report	Martin Kinder	

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