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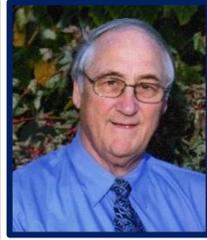
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Club meetings

Mondays at 12.30
pm (except public
holidays)
Rotorua Golf Club,
399 Fenton Street,
Rotorua.
Phone 07 348 1174
to apologise if
unable to attend.



Rotary Club of Rotorua

Monday, 14 November 2016

President's Pen

What a privilege it was to spend some time at the RYPEN camp over in the Kaimais. Such a beautiful setting for a start. A place where I could willingly spend some quiet time relaxing.

Not quite so for the students who spent a regimented weekend of activities that tried their energies and teamwork. I came away very positive about the ability of these young people to rise to the challenges before them.

The army cadets from Opotiki were a great crew. They not only barked out their orders but were also a good support team giving plenty of encouragement to the students as they faced their challenging tasks. The Rotary team was also a great support.

Listening to Alan Solomon on Saturday evening was an inspiration. He reminded us that we don't win by walking away from a negative situation. We take it as a challenge. One of the students wanted to leave but, with encouragement from one of the team leaders, became a leader in her team.

I was led to think back on my own challenges in life, especially what happened twenty years ago when my "boss" took away my job. I remember sitting in my car for an hour after the termination meeting, frustrated, confused, discouraged. I said to myself, "I suppose I could go and drive a bus!"

But then there was a very powerful thought that came to my mind. My work was my calling. That came from a higher power. That was a life calling. I couldn't deny it, and I determined that I wouldn't! That negative, traumatic situation became a challenge that has widened my vision of service and redirected my life in many ways.

Another thought I picked up from RYPEN was a comment on "purpose". The quote on the screen said, "This is your greatest adventure – to find out why you are on planet earth, and then find the HOW."

That should challenge all of us to work out our real life values, especially as Rotarians, and then put our hearts and souls into the HOW of transmitting those values into a practical application of what we believe in. Real service comes from that kind of genuine evaluation. Thanks, RYPEN, for the personal challenge.

President Allen

Notices and Reminders

Dinner meeting with Lakes on 14 November 2016

On Monday, 14 November 2016, our Club will be having a joint dinner meeting with the Rotary Club of Rotorua Lakes at 5.30 for 6 pm at the Distinction Hotel. Meals are ordered and paid for at the D Bar near the entrance to the hotel on Sala Street. The prices for the meals start at \$16 for a vegetarian pasta dish. Members are asked to contribute a \$2 per person room charge. The speaker will be Detective Senior Sergeant Craig Hamilton who will talk about the seizure of assets (including illegal drugs) by the Police.

Toi Ohomai charity house auction

The building and construction students at Toi Ohomai Institute of Technology on Mokoia Drive are building a house that will be auctioned for charity on 4 December 2016. This is a good opportunity to buy a house to serve as a bach or an extra home on your property. Please contact Sue Gunn at Toi Ohomai for details.

Guess Who Is Coming To Dinner on 19 November 2016

The list of hosts and guests have been finalised. More directions to come at the next Club meeting.

Club's Christmas Dinner

The Club's Christmas dinner will again be held at Rainbow Springs. The ticket price is \$55 per person which includes \$20 per person for entry to the Springs. Please let Katrina Allison know if you will be attending. The date for the dinner is Monday, 12 December 2016, and guests can bring their own wine. More information to come at the Club's next meeting.

Needs in our community

Many Rotarians contribute to the work of voluntary organisations in our community. President Allen would like to hear from you if you are aware of needs in our community which Rotary could address.

Civic Bonding

You are invited to share a drink and a chat with other members of the Club and their spouses at the CT Club in Moncur Drive at 5.30 pm on Friday afternoons.

Happy birthday

Rona Heaton (18 November)



From the previous meeting

**Guest speaker:
Nicola Dale
from
Suntory, Tokyo**



Nicola is coming to the end of a three-year secondment to Suntory in Tokyo, the parent company of Frucor New Zealand where she had worked in Auckland as a food technologist. She holds a four-year Bachelor of Food Technology degree from Massey University. She enjoys the creative part of her job, working on the colours and flavours of beverages. She had studied Japanese at school and now enjoys working in a global product development team. Suntory, a family business started by Mr Shinjiro Torii in 1899, is well-known for its whiskey. The company introduced western-style alcoholic drinks to Japan and moved into soft drinks in the 1970s. It is now widely diversified with an annual turnover of US\$22 billion. Its tagline is *Follow Your Nature* and it shares its profits with society with involvement in opera theatres and forest restoration. Canned coffee is the biggest product, followed by unsweetened bottled tea. Orange drinks from France and Spain are popular, as are hydration drinks. Watermelon-flavoured Ovi, which Nicola helped to develop, is on sale in New Zealand. Some of the international growth themes in food are health, wellness, fresh, natural, organic, artisan, local, authentic, and design-your-own. The product development process includes idea generation, feasibility testing, ingredient development and sourcing, consumer tasting, storage testing, and commercialisation. There are big differences between New Zealand and Japanese culture: much less talking and more body language communication in Japan; and no interruption, little discussion at workplace meetings, no conflict, lots of emphasis on knowledge, lots of rules, and less emphasis on individual responsibility in Japan.

Club speaker: Ray Bloomfield

Past President Ray recently returned from a Chaplains' Conference in the USA. He enjoyed his visit to the Grand Ole Opry – a weekly country-music stage concert in Nashville, Tennessee. He liked his visits to the huge American shopping malls in spite of the strict security measures including bag-checking. He had lunch in an aquarium. While staying with a cousin in Connecticut he encountered some bears on the street. He went canoeing with dope-smoking relatives in Massachusetts, flipped out of his canoe twice, and lost his glasses. In London he was impressed by the architecture of St Pancras, a restored international railway station. In Paris, surrounded by a lot of very visible security staff, he got lost until the free wifi at a Starbucks Café enable him to find his hotel on a map on his phone.

Duty Roster

If you cannot do your duty, please arrange a replacement and advise Sergeant Peter Spurdle on 027 7787353 or spurdle.family@xtra.co.nz

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

If you are unable to attend and to avoid paying for your meal, please send apologies to Martin Kinder by the Friday before the meeting on mkinder@deloitte.co.nz

	14 November 2016 at 5.30 for 6 pm at Distinction Hotel	21 November 2016 at 12.30 pm at the Rotorua Golf Club
Guest Speaker	Detective Senior Sergeant Craig Hamilton on asset seizure by the Police	Mary-Beth Acres, Arts Village Manager, on her RYLA experience
Introduction	Robin Findon	Margriet Theron
Vote of thanks	Bruce Scott	Peter Spurdle
President's table	Bruce Scott	Margriet Theron
Club speaker	-	Tony Baker
Fellowship/badges	Martyn Craven	Fergus Cumming
Quote of the week	Roger Willard	Garth Wilson
Fining officer	Tom Davies	Robin Findon
Room set-up	-	Noel Lamberton



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