



Rotary Club of Rotorua

Monday 25 February 2019

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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 – Russell Burton

Russell welcomed members and a guest Rotarian from the Shetland Islands, Robbie McGregor and his wife Mary.

Guest Speaker – Julian Dean

Julian is well known to local cyclists as one of New Zealand's most successful professional road cyclists who has spent 20 years on the international circuit. He now lives in Rotorua and took the opportunity to speak of his riding experiences and recent involvement with an Australasian based cycling team, Mitchelton-Scott.

His international career began in 1999 with the infamous US Postal team though he spent most of his career with other European squads. In 2012 he joined the new Australian registered Orica-GreenEdge team (Mitchelton-Scott's predecessor), first as a rider then as the performance manager. He explained this team had a unique organisation where the riders were more involved in team culture with the motto "All for One". His performance manager role was key in ensuring that the riders trained effectively and shared their coaching inputs. Next year he will become a directeur sportif which is the key leader and organiser on the ground at a given race.

Julian gave some interesting insight into how the professional cycling world operates. Firstly, there is no overall owner of the system like in Formula 1 or football – just a sanctioning body (the UCI) and a myriad of races around the world. At the top are the three grand tours in France, Italy and Spain lasting three weeks. Then there are 10 one-day classics held in the spring. After that there are a number of so-called world tour races that typically last a week, such as the Tour of Britain, Tour of California and of course Australia's Tour Down Under.

Each team has 26 riders but only eight participate in any given race thus the team could be racing in three events at the same time. The Mitchelton-Scott team has three large trucks to transport equipment,



two buses, 24 cars/vans and over 100 bicycles (each rider has up to five). Annual team budgets can vary from 8 to 30 million Euros which is typically covered half by the sponsors and half by the team owner; in Mitchelton-Scott's case that is Jerry Ryan, the proprietor of the Mitchelton Winery in Victoria. All in all, it was a fascinating insight into the world of professional cycling and Julian's experiences in it.

Andrew Orme

President Russell took great pleasure in inducting Andrew Orme into Rotary. Andrew is a solicitor at Tomkins-Wake in Rotorua and is keen to participate in all aspects of our club. Club members are urged to make Andrew welcome and take the time to get to know him better. We all look forward to his classification speech.



Margriet Theron

Margriet was recently nominated for Senior New Zealander of the Year and the club took the opportunity to recognise this achievement by presenting her with a bouquet of flowers. Margriet was surprised and appreciative but was equally perplexed as to who or what organisation might have nominated her. At any rate it was all well deserved.

Quote of the week – Martin Kinder

“I prefer not to think before speaking. I like to be as surprised as everyone else by what comes out of my mouth.”

“Marriage tip: Your wife won't start an argument with you if you're cleaning.”

NOTICES AND REMINDERS

Swim the Lakes

Katrina Allison is working hard to make this event a success on 10 March. A Japanese film crew will be coming along to record their five swimmers. Plus an eat street restaurant will be on hand with victuals while the Rotorua Aquatic centre will provide inflatable floats for children's entertainment. However, she did ask if anyone could provide kayaks on the day.

RFE from York

The club will be hosting an RFE team of 12 from York, arriving from Tauranga on Monday 25 March and passing onto a Napier club on Thursday 28 March. Margriet Theron has organised an itinerary for the team.

Gardening project

Robyn Murphy reminded club members of the gardening day on 23 February at Elaine Hill's place (41 Tilsley St) starting at 9am.

District Governor

District is calling for nominations for the DG for 2021-2022 period. Nominations are due by February 28 so if there is any interest with members they need to get back to President Russell as soon as possible.

Birthday Best Wishes

None

UP AND COMING

Club meeting	25 February	4 March
Guest speaker	Simon Cornwall – Ships that serve the poor	TBA
Introduction	Katrina Allison	Russell Burton

Vote of thanks	Doug Clemens	Fergus Cumming
Club speaker	Richard Pryce	Doug Clemens
Fellowship badges	Robin Findon	Allen Foote
Quote of the week	Ashwin Jaiswal	Barry Lane
Fining officer	Bruce Rykers	Ann Nicholas
Room set-up (PowerPoint)	Roger Willard	Garth Wilson

Looking forward: long term view of our agenda for the year.

Date	Meeting / Event / Rotary Theme / Chair	
February	Peace & Conflict Prevention/ Resolution Month	Club Meeting Chair: Ann Nicholas
23 or 24	Gardening - Elaine Hill property	
25	Meeting – Simon Cornwall, Ships that serve the poor	
March	Water & Sanitation Month	Club Meeting Chair: Barry Lane
4	Meeting	
10	Swim the Lakes	
11	Meeting	
18	School leaders lunch	
25	Meeting (York RFE team arrives)	
April	Maternal & Child Health Month	Club Meeting Chair: Kierin Irvine
1	No Meeting	
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	