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Monday 20 May 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 guests then invited Robyn Murphy to distribute a sign-up sheet for projects to champion next year.

Guest Speaker – Amanda Vercoe

Amanda spoke to the club on the activities of Asthma NZ as the local nurse for the Rotorua area. She is born and bred in Rotorua so has good knowledge of the community and its needs. She has been in her role for the last 12 months.

Asthma NZ is an educational organisation and doesn't get involved in direct therapy work with clients. Instead it works with individuals and groups to explain asthma's causes and how to mitigate them with health strategies and medications. Often the living conditions in a home can exacerbate asthma such as having pets or poor ventilation causing mould. Asthma is estimated to cost the country over \$1 billion annually through 500,000 work absences per year.

Amanda has recently been conducting a campaign in high schools to speak with all year 9 students about the what and whys of asthma and how to look after themselves and access medication when needed. Of particular importance is avoiding mouth-breathing as this

can misalign developing teeth and mouth structures as well as constrict breathing.

The club has voted to assist Amanda in her work by donating \$1500 toward her acquisition of a laptop computer.



Club Speaker – Denis Marriner

Denis gave an update on the insurance industry explaining that the good weather and lack of disasters like earthquakes over the past 12 months has seen the insurance industry ease back on premiums. However the industry is moving toward risk-based pricing whereby homes and commercial buildings in high risk areas such as Wellington or Christchurch will be paying higher premiums than other parts of the country. An interesting insurance statistic was that the Christchurch earthquake was the highest payout event in history.

Quote of the week – Doug Clemens

“When I was a boy of 14, my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when I got to be 21, I was astonished how much he had learned in seven years”. Mark Twain

NOTICES AND REMINDERS

Osbourne Dictionaries and RYPEN

Ann Nicholas announced that the club had five boxes of dictionaries for distribution at Rotorua Primary and the 7th Day Adventist schools. Also RYPEN would be held over the weekend of 18 October.

Chaplaincy Quiz Night

Robyn Murphy indicated that a second team still needs two volunteers to participate in the Chaplaincy Quiz Night scheduled for 23 May.

Circus Quirkus

Members are reminded that Circus Quirkus is coming up on 31 May.

Birthday Best Wishes

15 May – Necia Marriner

UP AND COMING

Club meeting	20 May	27 May
Guest speaker	Bob & Katrina Allison – Our Friendship Exchange to Brazil	TBA
Introduction	Tom Davies	Bryce Dunn
Vote of thanks	Allen Foote	Mark Gould
Club speaker	Robin Findon	Allen Foote
Fellowship badges	Robyn Murphy	Robyn Murphy
Quote of the week	Murray Patchell	Richard Pryce
Fining officer	Katrina Allison	Russell Burton
Room set-up (PowerPoint)	John Heaton (yes)	Kierin Irvine (?)

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

Date	Meeting / Event / Rotary Theme / Chair	
May	Youth Service Month	Club Meeting Chair: TBA
20	Bob & Katrina Allison – Our Friendship Exchange to Brazil	
27	Special Meeting	

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31	Circus Quirkus	
June	Rotary Fellowships Month	Club Meeting Chair: TBA
3	No Meeting – Queen’s Birthday	
10	Phil Wharekura	
17	Brigette Nelson	
24	Changeover	