



# Rotary Club of Rotorua

Monday 16 March 2020

## World President

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Peter Maxwell

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Tom Davies

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Robyn Murphy

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Russell Burton

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## Officers

### Facebook

Margriet Theron

### Website

Murray Patchell

### Archives

Russell Burton

### Bulletin Editor

Derek Lang

### Programme Coordinator

Garth Wilson

### Club Meetings

Mondays at 12.30 pm (except public holidays)

Rotorua Golf Club,  
399 Fenton Street,  
Rotorua.

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**CHECK FACEBOOK AND  
OUR WEBSITE**

[www.rotaryrotorua.org.nz](http://www.rotaryrotorua.org.nz)

	16 March	23 March
Chair	Murray Patchell	Murray Patchell
Guest Speaker	School Leaders	Peter Fitchett & Robyn Skelton
Topic	Personal Goals	Parksyde update
Introduction	Ann Nicholas	Margriet Theron
Thanks	Tom Davies	Erika Raubenheimer
Club Speaker	Bryce Dunn	Kierin Irvine
Quote	Derek Lang	Fergus Cumming

### PLEASE NOTE

I set these duties up 3-4 weeks in advance so if you are planning to be away PLEASE let me know in plenty of time to arrange "fill-ins"

### Last Meeting - 09 March 2020

Murray welcomed members and guest's AG Pauline Evans, Garth's wife Jan and Ramesh Thaker. The Berryman's to be introduced later.

In the absence of Dennis for the quote Murray commented on some topical issues including his expensive water system that is saving ratepayers heaps of money! He also spoke of the coincidence of the birth of their first daughter and cyclone Bola in 1988, I discovered that one of them caused \$82m of damage!!

Derek introduced Eugene and Tina Berryman and whilst Tina managed the website photographs Eugene spoke of his ancestry and the background to wakas, of which there were more than I knew. The war canoe can only be paddled by males but there are also "family" canoes and transport canoes, and these may be paddled by either sex. The Polynesian version the waka ama is the outrigger version.

The Berryman's established Ki Te Hoe (Waka paddle Rotorua) at the Lakefront in Rotorua to provide an opportunity for anyone to experience paddling. In the process they learn of the history and connection to the Lake, the evolution of the waka and the technique and safety issues associated with paddling.

Last summer was a trial and the operation will start again in the coming summer and requires the support and marketing of local organisations to promote Rotorua and its cultural background

Check the website at [www.wakapaddlerotorua.co.nz](http://www.wakapaddlerotorua.co.nz).

Russell B thanked the Berryman's for their presentation.

### Club Speaker - Martin Kinder

Martin spoke of RYLA which started in Australia in 1959, and for person from 20-26 to learn to become leaders.

The course is held at the Epworth Recreation Centre at Lake Karapiro every April

## Political Pearls

“It is axiomatic in government that hornet’s nests should be left unstirred, cans of worms should remain unopened, and cats should be left firmly in bags and not set among the pigeons. Ministers should also leave boats unrocked, nettles ungrasped, refrain from taking bulls by the horns, and resolutely turn their backs to the music”

You probably get the message!

Sir Humphrey Appleby K.C.B Secretary to Cabinet

## Looking Ahead

March	Club Meeting Chair – Murray Patchell	
16	School Leaders Lunch	N
17	Road Safety Youth Expo @ Events Centre	
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23	Peter Fitchett & Robyn Skelton Parksyde Centre Update	Y
30	Social Night – NO LUNCH MEETING – Social Club (Old Lonestar site)	
April	Club Meeting Chair – Kierin Irvine	
6	TBA	
13	No Meeting – Easter Monday	
15	Driver Directions @ Go Kart Trust Site see Ray above	
16	Driver Directions @ Go Kart Trust Site	

### Notices:

Russel B spoke of the upcoming **Gardening sessions at Parksyde**. Two dates: March 26<sup>th</sup> at 4pm and March 28<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. Let either Russel or Robyn know if you can make it.

Tom spoke of the **District Conference** early bird closing date for Conference and the **Rotary Information Workshop** on 28/29 March. And **Covid-19 precautions**  
Ann spoke of the **School Leaders lunch** at next meeting so far one school to confirm.  
Murray spoke of a **website update** and consensus is that more members use Facebook to keep up to date

Remember also that we may be asked to billet Conference speakers.

## March is Water & Sanitation Month



RI President asks Rotarians to strengthen the many ways that Rotary Connects the World, building the connections that allow talented, thoughtful, and generous people to unite and take meaningful action through Rotary service.

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