



Waitakere City Rotary Club Bulletin

This Week's Meeting

When:	Wednesday 28 th Jan 2009 6:00pm
Where:	Rex Davy Lounge, The Trusts Stadium, Central Park Drive
Guests:	Patrick Howard (potential new member)
Attendance:	16/27 60%
Make Ups:	
No Shows:	
Apologies:	Mike Angland, Jim Annison, Jim Brown, Robert Langlois
Guest Speaker:	

Important Dates and Events

4 th Feb 2009	Meeting at Rex Davy Lounge
13 th Feb 2009	The 2009 Casino Royals night. 6:30 pm onwards. Great prizes. Supported by the Rotary Club of Waitakere City and Sunderland School and College.
21 st & 22 nd Feb 2009	Devonport Food, Wine and Music Festival (See 15 th Oct bulletin for details)
Sunday 15 th March 2009	Soapbox Derby
17th April 2009 to 19th April 2009	District Conference – Whangarei Registrations are being taken now
Tuesday 28 th April 2009	12 th Annual Don Page Golf Tournament

Derek was acting sergeant and kept us on our toes. Did anyone NOT get fined??

President's Notices:

- Terry reminded us that he has 5 months and 2 days left as President.
- He then welcomed us all back after the break with special mention to Patrick, our guest, Monique and Scottie
- Aqua Boxes:
 - o At the Board meeting at 5pm the disaster in Fiji was discussed. It is two years since we last donated an Aqua Box and it was agreed that we should donate two now.
 - o There are two options:
 - Donate \$600 per box
 - Buy two boxes, for \$85 each, and fill the boxes ourselves. Contents usually cost around \$100 (see the last bulletin for a content's list)
 - o We would rather fill them ourselves, but finding someone to spend the time running round filling them can be a problem
 - o Craiger has kindly volunteered his two daughters for this task and assured us that they will be thrilled
 - o The money raised from our weekly raffles and fines (the Sunshine fund) will be used to pay for these
- Recent resignations from Rotary: Jill Jones and Angela Brown
- Venue:
 - o After our problems last year with the upstairs caterer, Cero, we tried a few alternative options and came to rest in the Rex Davy Lounge. It was looking good and everyone was happy but there was one concern – the Caterer was due to change in the New Year to the Bar Manager. We therefore held off confirming the move until we had tried her meals. Tonight's meal was excellent so, after a show of hands, we will now formalize the move.

- We have been offered free use of the room, a cupboard to store things and wall space to hang regalia in exchange for painting the walls. More on this once the change has been formalized (i.e. we will be looking for paint brush wielding volunteers at some point. Watch this space.)
- Minimum numbers are less than upstairs and the food is cheaper. Any profit in the next month will go towards the shortfall at our Christmas function (about \$200).
- Rugby Club Membership
 - As most of you are aware, using the Rex Davy Lounge also requires all members to join the Rugby Club (The cost per member is minimal and will be paid with Club funds). The perks of this mean cheaper tickets to games that are held at The Stadium. If interested, see Terry for details.

Soapbox Derby Update: Kerry

- Promotions before Christmas included 5 Santa parades, ANZ Henderson have a car on display in their foyer and United Travel have the “Winners Group” car that went to the States on display in their window.
- The date is Sunday 15th March 2009
- We have 20 cars participating (one has dropped out but Taupaki want a second car and have provided their own sponsor for it)
- All schools are in The Licensing Trust’s area
- We currently have 10 confirmed sponsors (including the new Taupaki one)
- The current state of the economy isn’t helping with sponsors. ASB have stopped charitable donations in the short term and The Trusts, our key sponsor, are studying our application with a magnifying glass looking for errors and duplications.
- 10 sponsors are still required (we are \$30,000 short) so if anyone has leads please contact John Ritchie
- Mary will be returning shortly to work on the project now her kids are back at school and the key team will have a strategy meeting in the next week
- DARE are looking to sponsor a car. This would be painted up like a police car and used by them for the rest of the year in their school’s program (now all we need are ambulance, fire engine and “patched” sponsors...)

Other Rotary Clubs with SBD involvement:

- Whangarei have pulled out this year. They had 10 cars and charged sponsors \$1,000 a car. They made a loss and cannot continue it in the current economic climate
- Orewa are in for their second year
- Auckland East will be running their first one this year
- North Shore will be running their second one this year and also doing the finals

Golf: Craiger

- The golf day will REPLACE our normal meeting that week

	<p>Preliminary Golf Details:</p> <p>12th Annual Don Page Memorial Golf Day Date: Tuesday 28th April Time: 12:30pm shotgun start, day finishing after dinner Venue: Redwood Golf Club Cost: \$300 plus GST per team (game plus on course drinks) Prizes for all golfers Meal cost: \$20 per head Golfers contact Terry Hodges: terryh@unitedtravel.co.nz Sponsors contact Bob Benzie: bob_suebenzie@clear.net.nz</p>
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International: Craiger

- Before Christmas Amanda, the Peace Corp worker at Bonga Bonga Village, asked for \$200 to run a camp for the kids of the two villages. Craiger has organized the cheque

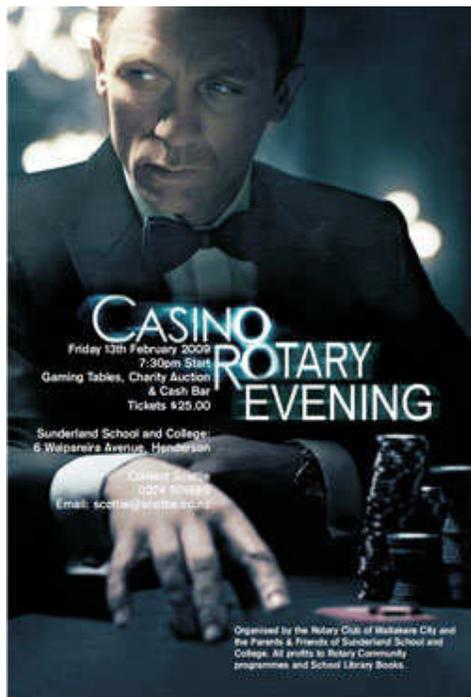
John Key Speech: Bob Benzie

- This is being run by Waitakere Business Enterprise at lunchtime next Wednesday.
- It is fully booked and Rotarians have 5 tables
- Those who are going need to be seated by 10:45am for security reasons. The speech will start at 11am
- We look forward to an update on this at our meeting next Wednesday night

Casino Night: Scottie

- Tickets and posters have gone out, now all we need is to sell the tickets
- 200 ticket sales cover the costs, profit comes from extra ticket sales, raffles, drink and food
- The Trusts are providing the drinks at cost on a sale or return basis
- The Sunderland School caterer is providing the food at cost
- Scottie also ran through the plans for the evening and how it all works
- All profits are split between Rotary Dictionaries for 9 year olds and Sunderland School Library Books. The ratio depends on ticket numbers sold by each group.

Waitakere Rotary Casino Evening



Friday 13th February 2009
7:30pm Start

Gaming Tables, Charity Auction
& Cash Bar
Tickets \$25.00

Venue: Sunderland School and College:
6 Waipareira Avenue, Henderson

Contact Scottie 0274 501889
Email: scottie@scottie.co.nz

Organized by the Rotary Club of Waitakere City and
the Parents & Friends of Sunderland School & College.

All profits to Rotary Community projects and School
Library books

Youth Committee News – Heather

- RYLA is on from Saturday 8th March to Saturday 14th March
- Apparently they are still accepting late applicants
- We haven't had anyone apply so if you know someone who would benefit from this – contact Heather URGENTLY

Photos from the night:



A warm summer's evening is a great time to talk about Aqua boxes



A pleasant background for a chat about SBD progress



After meeting chats continue



Bob collecting up his casino night papers – and his phone which kept ringing for some reason

Raffle winner: David Butler. No prize though

Parting Thought: Derek “My luck is so bad that if I bought a cemetery people would stop dying”

Emails:

From Bob Benzie:

Mini Orientation For South Americans - 21-22 February

Bob sent this to all members of the Club (if you didn't get it – have a few words with Mr. Benzie)

Summary:

- Help required with catering for this event. If you can help email Bob or Craiger

From John Riddell:

John has been asked to present the Art Competition prizes for the Libraries Summer Reading Program at the Te Atatu Peninsula Community Centre on Thursday 5th April.

To Bulletin Editor:

I received the following on Thursday:

Hi,

I had a copy of your club bulletin given to me, and I wanted to compliment you on the publication, it's great! I also wanted to thank you for including all the Fuji flood stuff and that from Ian re. Emergency boxes.

Yours in the fellowship of Rotary,

David Hutcheson
Chairman
WCS Committee
DISTRICT 9910

And finally, some really important stuff from the District:

If the people cannot trust their government to do the job for which it exists - to protect them and to promote their common welfare – all else is lost. - Barack Obama

STOCK MARKET QUOTES

1. The US has made a new weapon that destroys people but keeps the buildings standing. It's called the stock market. - Jay Leno
2. Do you have any idea how cheap stocks are? Wall Street is now being called Wal Mart Street. - Jay Leno
3. The difference between a pigeon and a London investment banker: The pigeon can still make a deposit on a BMW.
4. What's the difference between a guy who lost everything in Las Vegas and an investment banker? A tie.
5. The problem with investment bank balance sheet is that on the left side nothing's right and on the right side, nothing's left.
6. I want to warn people from Nigeria who might be watching our show: if you get any e-mails from Washington asking for money, it's a scam. Don't fall for it. - Jay Leno
7. President Bush's response was to meet some small business owners in San Antonio last week. The small business owners are General Motors, General Electric, and Century 21. - Jay Leno
10. What worries me most about the credit crunch is that if one of my cheques is returned stamped "insufficient funds". I won't know whether that refers to mine or the bank's.

NEW STOCK MARKET TERMS

- CEO - Chief Embezzlement Officer
- CFO - Corporate Fraud Officer
- Bull Market - A random market movement causing an investor to mistake himself for a financial genius.
- Bear Market - A 6-to-18-month period when the kids get no allowance, the wife gets no jewellery.
- P/E Ratio - The percentage of investors wetting their pants as the market keeps crashing.
- Broker - What my broker has made me.
- Standard & Poor - Your life in a nutshell.
- Stock Analyst - Idiot who just downgraded your stock.
- Financial Planner - A guy whose phone has been disconnected.
- Market Correction - The day after you buy stocks.
- Profit - An archaic word no longer in use.

Reporter was interviewing a 104-year-old woman:

'And what do you think is the best thing about being 104?' the reporter asked.
She simply replied, 'No peer pressure.'

THE SENILITY PRAYER:

Grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked anyway,
The good fortune to run into the ones I do, and
The eyesight to tell the difference.

Two guys are out ice fishing at their favourite fishing spot, just fishing and quietly drinking beer. Almost silently, so as not to scare the fish, Bob says 'I think I'm going to divorce my wife - she hasn't spoken to me in over two months.'
Earl continues slowly sipping his beer, then thoughtfully says, 'You better think it over - women like that are hard to find.'

A blonde wanted to go ice fishing. She'd seen many books on the subject, and finally getting all the necessary tools together, she made for the ice. After positioning her comfy footstool, she started to make a circular cut in the ice. Suddenly, from the sky, a voice boomed,

"THERE ARE NO FISH UNDER THE ICE!"

Startled, the blonde moved further down the ice, poured a thermos of cappuccino, and began to cut yet another hole. Again from the heavens the voice bellowed,

"THERE ARE NO FISH UNDER THE ICE!"

The blonde, now worried, moved away, clear down to the opposite end of the ice. She set up her stool once more and tried again to cut her hole. The voice came once more,

"THERE ARE NO FISH UNDER THE ICE!"

She stopped, looked skyward! and said, "IS THAT YOU LORD?"

The voice replied,

"NO, THIS IS THE MANAGER OF THE SKATING RINK!"

Meeting Times and Contact Details

Where:	Trusts Stadium, Waitakere City		Committee Members:
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Duty Roster and Calendar:

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Date	04 Feb	11 Feb	18 Feb
Guest Speaker			
Grace	Craiger	Heather	Domenic
Introduction	Peter H	Jack	Mike A
Thanks	Bob L	John Ritchie	Jim A
Squire	Steve	Peter S	Bob B
Squire	Kerry	Theo	Jim B
Parting thought	Alan	Ross	David

Venue:

Rex Davy Lounge, Lower Ground Floor at The Trusts Stadium,
Central Park Drive, Henderson

Apologies:

You all know the drill:

Contact:

Ross Ward at
baywest.plumbing@xtra.co.nz or
837 0133

No later than **12 noon** on the
Monday prior to the meeting

AND: If you are bringing guests,
including family members,
please let Ross know this also.

**No shows will, of
course, be charged
for their meal!**