



### This Week's Meeting

<b>When:</b>	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2010
<b>Where:</b>	Rex Davy Lounge, The Trusts Stadium
<b>Web site:</b>	<a href="http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz">www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz</a>
<b>Guest Speaker:</b>	Bill Boyd

**Visitors Welcome:** Local business people, stray Rotarians... are welcome to attend our meetings.

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### Important Dates and Events

<p><b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> Feb</b></p> 	<p><b>Jim's Birthday</b></p> <p>Jim has extended an open invitation to Waitakere Rotarians to join him to celebrate this milestone birthday</p> <p>When: This Saturday night Time: 6pm onwards Where: HQ (Headquarters), Beaumont Street, Westhaven Contact Jim: 837 7323 if you need details.</p> <p>Some food and first round of drinks are on him. Let the night progress from there.</p>
<p><b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Feb 2010</b> 9am to 3:30pm</p> 	<p><b>Walk West!</b></p> <p>Ever heard of a fish ladder? Do you know what it is used for? Now is your chance to find out!</p> <p>The new, mid-construction Hobsonville motorway is open for one day only for walkers to check out the 6km route, see the heavy machinery up close, find out how new motorways are constructed... and have a great family day doing something completely different.</p> <p>Cost: \$5 per adult, gold coin donation per child Start: Sinton Road Details: <a href="http://www.walkwest.co.nz">www.walkwest.co.nz</a></p> <p>A joint West Auckland Rotary project Proceeds to St Johns and Hobsonville Volunteer Fire Brigade</p>

#### ERRORS AND AMENDMENTS TO CALENDAR

I knew there would be an error... somewhere.  
The Whangaparoa SBD is on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March, not the Sunday.

The calendar has been abbreviated; details will be added back as time progresses.  
(check last week's bulletin for more intense details if you need them)

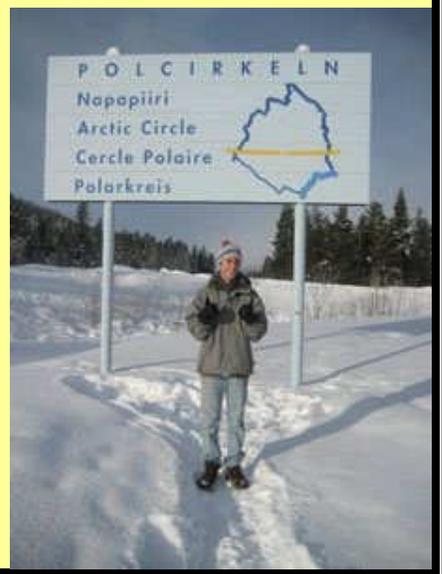
A few extras have been added:

- A trip to the Helicopter Base at Mechanics Bay
- A Movie night
- A couple of speakers in April and May (to be confirmed)

<p>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February</p>	<p>Rotary Club of Waiuku Sunset Coast Walk <i>Details in 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb bulletin</i></p>
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Wednesday  
17<sup>th</sup>  
February

IYE Outbound Student, Jack Young  
- Presentation about his trip to Sweden



Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>  
Feb

**Walk West Project**



Date:	Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2010
What:	A chance for the community to walk, cycle and look at a motorway under construction and check out those really cool big diggers
Who:	Three local Rotary Clubs in conjunction with NZTA and HEB Construction
Helpers Required:	Volunteers are required to help monitor the day – provide information, point people in the right direction, and keep an eye out for any trouble
Contact:	Kerry <a href="mailto:clanmcmillan@xtra.co.nz">clanmcmillan@xtra.co.nz</a>

Tuesday  
23<sup>rd</sup>  
February

World Peace and Understanding Night  
The Falls Hotel  
Guest Speaker – John Wordsworth

Wed 24<sup>th</sup>

No meeting due to 23<sup>rd</sup> event

Wednesday  
3<sup>rd</sup> March

Guest Speaker - Rod Oram  
The Falls Hotel

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>  
March

"Special Event at West Harbour" – To be advised

10<sup>th</sup> March

Helicopter Base Visit

Visit the Westpac ARHT Base and chopper, including flight simulator rides for two lucky attendees

We depart the Trust Stadium car park at 1810, (By car or bus). Travel to Mechanics Bay and Chopper base. TOUR by Westpac Copper Staff, Dinner at the Restaurant next door (Set meal @ \$30 – cash bar) Return to Stadium Car Park (By Car or bus).



Wednesday  
17<sup>th</sup> March

Soapbox Derby Brief

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup>  
March



Waitakere City Soapbox Derby

Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	- Whangaparaoa Soapbox Derby  - Te Raa Mokopuna at Moire Park from 10am to 3pm (request for volunteer helpers. <i>See below</i> )
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Leadership Elect Training (LETS)</b>  East Auckland Soapbox Derby
Wed 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Fellowship and Partners Night – Movies Derek is currently reviewing available movies
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> April	GSE team from District 1760 (Marseille - South France) arrives at East Coast Bays
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> April 6pm	Official welcome of the GSE team hosted by East Coast Bays Rotary Club - The Pupuke Golf Club. East Coast Road. Mairangi Bay
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April	Guest Speakers: GSE Team At The Trusts Stadium
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April to Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>GSE Team</b> Waitakere City Rotary will host the team from Wednesday AM 14 <sup>th</sup> April – Saturday AM 17 <sup>th</sup>
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	<b>Guest Speaker: Ian Grant</b> <b>Founder of Parents Inc</b>
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	CAKE COUTURE - Partners' Invited evening (date to be confirmed)
7 <sup>th</sup> to 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2010	District 9910 Conference – Noumea
Wednesday May 12 <sup>th</sup>	Davis Funeral Home – trends in the business (date to be confirmed)
20 <sup>th</sup> to 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2010	<b>Montreal Conference</b>



**The Calendar:**

The eagle eyed amongst you may have spotted that we have two events in one week on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> March.

After Bob organized, with great effort, a trip to the Rescue Helicopters we were advised by District about the Special Event on the 9<sup>th</sup>. Toni is being highly mysterious about what it is but has told us that it is really *very, very, very* special and asked that we *please, please, please* attend it.

Rather than cancel the trip to the Rescue Centre, who have gone out of their way to book us in, we therefore have two special events in one week.

<b>This Week's Meeting:</b>	Bill Boyd
Present:	Mike A, Jim A, Bob B, Roger F, Derek G, Craiger H, Terry H, Patrick H, Monique M, Kerry M, Alan P, Heather P, Jack R, John R, Peter S, Domenic W
Apologies:	David B, Kent F, Steve L, JR, Ross W
Late Apologies:	
Missing in Action:	
Guests:	Bill Boyd, Hew, Geoff Dainty, Sue and Marcus Benzie, Jo Howard
Attendance:	16/23

**Acting President:** Derek

**Acting Sergeant:** Kerry



*John Key, Merv Huxford and Bill Boyd (with Kerry standing in the background) at the lunch in Feb last year*

### **Bill Boyd**

In 2006 to 2007 Bill had the Top Job in the Rotary world – Rotary International President (One of only two New Zealanders to hold this position since Rotary started)

These days he is an active member of Pakuranga Rotary Club and has his fingers in many pies – including initiating the Dictionaries for 9-year old project in 2008.

We were really honoured that he braved the Auckland rush hour traffic and came to talk to us.

Bill's style is laid back. Bob found him a bar stool, Bill sat on it – and spoke to an enthralled audience.

His topic was The Polio Eradication initiative.

Polio has been around for 4,000 years judging by some very old hieroglyphics. Only humans can contract it and there is no cure. But there is prevention in the way of vaccines.

Back in the 1970's Rotary was well established and decided the time was ripe to take on its first, and so far only, major corporate project – eliminating this extremely nasty disease from the world.

Health Departments around the world looked at the Rotarians strangely, said, "It won't work", turned their backs and went back to normal business.

Rotarians tend to be quite tenacious when they think of something so ignored this comment and set out in the early 1980's to prove the experts wrong by eliminating it in the Philippines. That done they went back to World Health and asked them to reassess their view. Thus began a major joint project.

Along the way there have been triumphs and despondent moments, and as yet the world isn't quite polio free - but it is getting there with the support of many people.

One of the final 4 countries to conquer is Afghanistan. How do you inoculate children in a war torn country? The answer is to deal with the War Lords and Taliban. (A certain army wasn't too happy about that).

A big Thank You to Bill for taking time from his busy schedule to head Out West to see us.

## **Director's Updates:**

### **Bob: Dictionaries**

4 schools were given dictionaries last year but the problem is: 9-year olds turn into 10-year olds and more are needed.

Further dictionary presentations will be made shortly (keep an eye on our rather full calendar for dates as they are booked)

### **Bob: GSE Team**

If you haven't caught on to this one by now you need to be aware that we are hosting the French team for a few days in April. There will be 5 team members and a team leader. Bob will be ringing around looking for hosting beds sometime in the next few weeks.

### **Kerry: Soapbox Derby:**

The team this year consist of Kerry, Alan and Heather along with Mary.

Planning is well underway and for those who missed the SBD newsletter, need an on-line copy of the brochure, other information – or just want to reminisce on last year's event by looking at the photos – check out our website.

### **Kerry: Walk West:**

This joint project is a week away, plans are falling into place and it should be a very entertaining and interesting event. Profits from the day go to St Johns and the Hobsonville Fire Brigade.

### **Patrick: Community/Youth:**

- We are part sponsoring a student to Outward Bound with help from both the Chenery Trust and the JR McKenzie Trust
- The committee are still working on their trailer raffle

### **Craiger: Vanuatu:**

Another trip to Bongabonga will be underway sometime soon to sort the tanks and try to sort the school. New Lynn Rotary Engineers may be able to help with this. Details are still to come.

## **ROMAC**

Geoff Dainty from New Lynn Rotary has asked for our help with a child from Vanuatu who is in need of surgery to remove a large growth on his face known as a brain hernia.

The child and his mother come from a very remote island in northern Vanuatu. They could be in for a bit of a culture shock! All the paperwork – visa, travel details, surgery bookings etc - are still to be arranged so their visit will probably be 2 or 3 months away.

They will be in NZ for approx 5 to 6 weeks, will largely be staying in the Ronald McDonald house but need the help of a host club for airport pick up and delivery and possibly some accommodation, clothing, food and small amount of spending money.

More details once we know more.

## **Apologies Notice:**

Jim was most disappointed that he was listed as "Missing In Action" last week. The week before, as the Apology officer wasn't around, he told All and Sundry that he would be in Sydney that week.

Unfortunately All and Sundry failed to pass the message on and a meal was booked on his behalf.

On another recent occasion a message was given to a member to pass on to us. The messenger "remembered" at 4pm on the Wednesday and emailed a message through to us. Again a meal was booked for the absent member.

Please note that if we are away, and haven't nominated someone else to do the apologies, the technological leash is still with us. We check our answer machine remotely and also check emails through the cell phone network.

Apologies to [apologies@details.co.nz](mailto:apologies@details.co.nz) or to our phones.

<b>Raffle:</b> Winner (Coin statistics: T, T, H, H) Winner: Sue	
<b>Parting Thoughts:</b> Craiger Two thoughts tonight: - "Women need love, not understanding" - "Never go to bed angry. Stay up late and plot your revenge".	
<b>Sunshine Fund:</b>	
• This week's Raffles:	\$32.10
• This week's Sergeant's Fines:	\$77.00
FINALLY people have stopped travelling, doing housework and fishing out old coins from couches. For once it can all be banked!	

### Volunteers needed:

Te Raa Mokopuna is held at Moire Park from 10am to 3pm on Saturday 27 March and 2010 is in its fourth year. It is a community event, showcasing services through stalls, food and entertainment and lots of activities and interactive opportunities for adults, youth and children.

They have a need for volunteers doing a variety of tasks during the day and were wondering if any members of Waitakere Rotary reside in Massey and would like to support their local community?

If you can help with this contact: [Linda.Shaw@waitakere.govt.nz](mailto:Linda.Shaw@waitakere.govt.nz)

[NOTE: This request came through John R so he will no doubt appreciate some company there]

### District Emails:

#### **Rotary District 9910 Conference Noumea 07 & 08 May 2010.**

Do you or your members propose going???

**Book by 15 February 2010**

**I have been able to extend the deadline**

I am obligated to release the seats we are holding on Air Calin by that date.

We have seats available for a departure from Auckland Sun.02 May and Thurs. 06 May  
and for departures from Noumea Sun.09 May and Thurs.13 May

**We have sold our allocation of seats on the flights on Tuesday 04 May and 11 May,  
but they can be booked and ticketed with Air New Zealand  
Who will require payment 24 hours after reservation.**

**Therefore if you are planning to go to Conference you need to  
book and pay a deposit NOW !!**

(Ask Heather for the Flyer featuring the Packages and a four night self-drive Package for those  
that want to tour New Caledonia)

Kind Regards

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<b>Meeting Times and Contact Details</b>	
Rex Davy Lounge, Lower Ground Floor at The Trusts Stadium, Central Park Drive, Henderson	
<b>Board Members</b>	
President	(Terry)
Vice President / Sergeant	Derek
Secretary / Bulletin Editor	Heather
Treasurer	Alan
President Nominee / International Director:	Craiger
Club Service:	Bob
Community Director:	Patrick
Vocational Director:	John
Youth Director	Kent
<b>Apologies</b>	
<b>Apologies:</b>  <b>Contact:</b> Heather at <a href="mailto:apology@details.co.nz">apology@details.co.nz</a> Ph 8109 589 or 0274 719 569  No later than <b>12 noon</b> on the <b>Monday</b> prior to the meeting	<b>Late Apologies and No shows will, of course, be charged for their meal as it has been booked and paid for!</b>  <b>AND:</b> If you are bringing guests, including family members, please let Heather know this also.  Late apologies are an appreciated courtesy

<b>Date</b>	<b>17-Feb</b>	<b>23-Feb</b>
<b>Event</b>	Jack Young	World Peace
<b>Squire</b>	Terry H	JR
<b>Squire</b>	Steve L	Peter S
<b>Greeter</b>	Patrick H	Ross W
<b>Grace</b>	Monique M	Domenic W
<b>Introduction</b>	Kerry M	Mike A
<b>Thanks</b>	Alan P	Jim A
<b>Parting Thought</b>	John R	Kent F

<b>Rotary</b>	<b>Website</b>
<b>Waitakere City Rotary</b>	<a href="http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz/">http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz/</a>
Rotary NZ	<a href="http://www.rotary.org.nz">http://www.rotary.org.nz</a>
Rotary NZ Promotions and Information District Governor's newsletter Admin page and information	<a href="http://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=1364">www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=1364</a> <a href="http://www..rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10">http://www..rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10</a> <a href="http://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=180">http://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=180</a>
Rotary International Future Vision	<a href="http://www.rotary.org/">http://www.rotary.org/</a> <a href="http://www.rotary.org/future_vision">www.rotary.org/future_vision</a>
Rotary E Club (for make ups)	<a href="http://www.rotaryclubone.org/">http://www.rotaryclubone.org/</a>