



This Week's Meeting

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| When: | Wednesday 30 th June 2010 |
| Where: | Rex Davy Lounge, The Trusts Stadium |
| Web site: | www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz |
| Guest Speakers: | Changeover |

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

For information contact: Kerry McMillan 832 3229 or Mobile 021 416 777

Important Dates and Events

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| Thurs 1 st July | Kumeu Rotary – John Key dinner (optional extra) |
| Sun 4 th July | District Changeover – Whangarei |
| Wed 7 th July | Phyllis – Introducing Community Project |
| 8 th , 9 th , 10 th July | Northcote Rotary Book Fair |
| Wed 11 th Aug | Trees for Survival – Te Atatu School. Rain date 18 th |
| Sat 28 th Aug | West Harbour Rotary Book Fair |

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| Present: | Jim A, Bob B, David B, Roger F, Derek G, Craiger H, Terry H, Patrick H, Graham N, Alan P, Heather P, Jack R, Domenic W |
| Apologies: | Mike A, Phyllis A, Jim B, Steve L, Monique M, Kerry M, John R, JR, Peter S, Ross W |
| Late Apologies: | Kent F |
| Guests: | Joanne Hurley, Caitlin, Marisa, Brook, Joanne Howard, Toni & Don Alexander, John & Jill Watkins |
| Attendance: | 13 / 24 54% |



Terry bidding a fond farewell to his Chains of Office...



...And bestowing them on Craiger

Community Directors Report by Patrick Howard

I am pleased to present the following:



Dictionaries

The dictionary project was very well received by the schools and community. Some of the "Dictionaries for 9 year olds" to Year Four Students were given to:

- Henderson Primary
- Pomaria Road School
- Henderson North Students

In addition dictionaries were bought by Rotarians such as Peter Smith and given to other worthy causes outside of Waitakere.



Hospice

August 2009 Waitakere Rotary presented a cheque for \$10,000 to Waitakere Hospice for the purchase of Pain Relief Pumps. There was a presentation of the cheque to Hospice with Rotary DG and Rotary Assistant DG present

Other Activities the Community Director was involved in were:

- GSE Selection Process
- Outward Bound selection and Interviews
- Assisting with the Rotary 40th Anniversary
- Providing support with designing certificates and providing the Waitakere Rotary Website
- Being appointed as Co Chairman of DARE along with Kent Favel

WAITAKERE CITY ROTARY 2010 TREES FOR SURVIVAL REPORT

By Graham Nicholson



Waitakere City Rotary Club sponsors two Schools in the Trees for Survival programme, Matipo School and TeAtatu School.

In the last twelve months The Club has assisted with:

- Planting day for each school by providing transport in the form of a bus.
- Also provided the Trees for Survival Programme with assistance on three occasions with deliveries of seedlings and potting mix to six schools.

The Trees for Survival Propagating Units at the schools teaches children how to nurture plants and then the experience of planting them to help the environment. They learn the reason behind preventing erosion, controlling the runoff water and providing natural habitat for birds etc. Last but not least how areas can be changed into visibly attractive places that help everyone.

It is of interest that the children in the Trees for Survival Programme over the years have this year planted the one millionth tree.

Let's hope that with our continued support this number will continue to grow and our young will encouraged to protect their environment.

Vocational Report for the Rotary year ending June 2010

by John G Riddell



Late in 2009 I was asked if I would like to take on the reins of the Vocational Director. Gee what the hell do I do?

I accepted, and as one of the first vocational jobs I arranged a visit to Waitakere's Civil Defense HQ. This proved popular, and it combined as a fund raiser for the Salvation Army as they cooked us a dinner at a price, that you might experience stuck in a hall somewhere, no home left and all you have left as the other people around you are the clothes on your back. Mother Nature had done her worst.

Next on the agenda was to arrange an interview panel (Derek, Patrick and myself) in a search for a GSE candidate for the club to send to France. Only one candidate and they unfortunately did not meet Rotary's stricter criteria and missed out becoming an exchange student. Ah well.



More successful was our selection of Alex Hawera as Rotary Youth Leadership Awardee. Alex enjoyed his experience at Ryla and it changed his views as to what he thought about Rotary. Ryla was an experience for me back in the mid 1970's when I was sponsored by the Henderson Rotary Club to attend. Perhaps Alex will be a future member?



guest speaker a few weeks, the questions just kept coming from members on this night.

Lined up in a couple of weeks is Thea Poole to speak to us on the 14th July. Not because she is a good friend of mine, but the career the business she has built up, started as a hobby and is tale of a single mother of two deciding not to be on the benefit, but to work at tutoring in the art of cake decorating, actual cake decorating and moving from a home business to a shop and producing a cake worth over \$5000 for the King of Tonga. Thea will show us a little of her skills, and we need her wives, spouses, partners, girl friends and others perhaps from neighbouring clubs to come and experience what will be a very entertaining hands on night.

And on the 28th July we will have David Thornton come to talk to us about what it might be like if you wanted to be on a member of a Local Board. David is on the Glenfield Community Board, has written many articles for the Herald and been interviewed on the Radio and quite involved with other members of the executive of the Auckland Community Board Association in helping to change the Government legislation into legislation that will see your views, and those of local organisations being listened to and heard and advocated by Local Boards to the new Auckland Council.

The club being small does not provide for standalone committees at present, and I am looking forward therefore to working with Craiger and all club members in advancing Vocational awareness in the community, and representing members on the Board as we prepare for the 41st year of our clubs service.

2009/10 Youth Committee Update

Members: Kent Favel, Bob Benzie, Patrick Howard, Tony Scott, Darren (Outward Bound)

Outward Bound

Assisted St John's Ambulance Paramedic, Ari Peach, to attend the 21 Day Outward Bound Course in early 2011.

Waitakere City Library Summer Reading Program

Again contributed financially, \$1000 to the summer reading programme that is co—ordinated by the Henderson Rotary Club.

DARE

Youth Committee members, Patrick Howard and Kent Favel, both nominated for the co-chairmanship of the DARE committee. Heather Pattison was nominated for the treasurers position. Olwyn Grant is the secretary nomination. We have been working with Constable Luke Paterson to re-establish the committee and make it an incorporated society. Also the Web Company has spent time on designing and establishing the DARE West website.

Youth Support – Rotary International Youth Exchange

Have supported and assisted Year 12 student, Elise Nother, from ACG Sunderland College to successfully be selected to be the club's exchange student to Chile from January 2011.



Soapbox Derby

By Heather Pattison

I have been asked to give a report on the Soapbox Derby. For anyone who isn't up to date with this – Welcome to Planet Earth.

The Soapbox Derby is not only our major fundraiser for the year but also an amazing project in itself with a huge impact on the families that get involved. The feedback that we have received from the schools has been excellent. Financially we have made around \$20,000 from this. Not as high as previous years but not bad during the recession.



Waitakere Primary spent 4 hours last week with a crew from Maori TV filming a short segment for a show to do with graphs and timing. The kids raced their car against the presenter on a foot powered scooter (the SBD car proved to be far safer than the scooter. The presenter fell off). This will be aired either at the end of this season or the beginning of next but Waitakere have been promised a copy on DVD once the segment has been completed so we may get a sneak preview.



Henry and Shawn Dyer from Riverhead School are all set for America and leave New Zealand on the 16th July. They are beyond all doubt the most experienced team we have ever sent to the States – Shawn has been managing the Riverhead team for 7 years and Henry grew up with the car in the living room. The odds of them winning aren't great as Americans, who race all year round with qualifying races, have always won but one never knows... We can't forget the America's Cup!

International Report - 2009-2010

By Craiger Hargesheimer



An amazing year for those who took part and a success story for Waitakere Rotary to be proud of.

Kerry, Heather, Alan and Craiger went back again to Bongabonga Village in June 2009 to complete the First Aid Station. A hard week saw them complete everything to a very high standard. The week before our arrival a huge earthquake shook the island and ruined most water tanks and left the main hospital unusable.



Quick decisions and fast work with the villagers joining in saw two water tanks delivered, installed and filled with water in 3 days, crisis averted and a story the village will tell for years to come.

Our main goal, to finish the Aid Station, then became more urgent as our little village would now be responsible for the majority of the medical needs for much of the island. Once finished, dignitaries from all over Vanuatu came to celebrate the opening.



Waitakere City handed over the keys to the Chief Health officer for Vanuatu and the next day the nurse had her first patient.

The trip home was dangerous, took forever and left us beaten; battered and bruised, worthy of a movie but that is another entirely different story!

May 2010 saw Craiger, Kerry and Phil-from-New Lynn head back to the island to repair the Bongabonga Village main tank and once again the villagers came to watch, help and learn new skills from the Kiwis. Another great trip with a totally successful outcome.

The Waitakere City Rotary First Family



Craiger wearing the presidential chains whilst flanked by his family

Apology for Changeover from Monique:

Dear Heather,

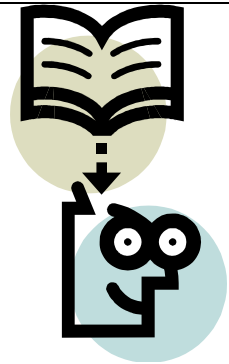
I would like to come, but I have strict orders from my Dr. not to leave the house while I am on Chemo. Please say hallo from me and I wish Craiger all the best for his year as President. Miss you all.

Kind Regards,
Monique

WORK WANTED

Monique's son-in-law is looking for work.

For the last few months he has been helping at Euro Tattoo with various odd jobs, paperwork and updating the website. Monique says he has great I.T. skills and speaks three languages – English, French and Arabic. Work sort is anything from lawn mowing to computers. If you have any work that would suit, or need more info – please contact Monique.

**Northcote Rotary Bookfair**

Thursday 8 July - 1 pm - 8 pm
Friday 9 July - 9 am - 8 pm
Saturday 10 July - 9 am - 3 pm

NORTHCOTE COLLEGE HALL
Onewa Road, Northcote
ENTRANCE VIA KAURI GLEN ROAD, OFF ONEWA

Come Along - Enjoy - Browse - Buy

Raffle: Winner: Roger (for the second week in a row)

Statistics: H, H, H, T

| Sergeant's Fund | |
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| Raffle | \$45.20 |
| Fines | \$65.40 |

Parting Thought: Domenic

In the Universe we may be alone, or we may be but one life of many. Either prospect is equally terrifying.

| Board Members | | Meeting Venue and Time |
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| President / International | Craiger | Rex Davy Lounge, Lower Ground Floor The Trusts Stadium, Central Park Drive, Henderson Time: 6pm for 6:10pm |
| Vice President / Sergeant | Derek | |
| Secretary / Bulletin Editor | Heather | |
| Treasurer | Alan | |
| Community/Youth Director: | Patrick | |
| Vocational Director: | John | |

Apologies:**Contact:**


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

Late Apologies and No shows will, of course, be charged for their meal as it has been booked and paid for!

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

Late apologies are an appreciated courtesy

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| Date | 30-June | Duties: If you are unable to complete your duty next week – please contact the Joker and ask him/her to fill in for you.  |
| Event | 7th July | |
| Dealer | Roger | |
| Deputy Sergeant | Domenic | |
| Squire | Bob | |
| Squire | Patrick | |
| Greeter | | |
| Grace | Derek | |
| Introduction | Heather | |
| Thanks | Graham | |
| Parting Thought | Jim | |
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| Rotary | Website |
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| Waitakere City Rotary | http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz/ |
| Rotary NZ | http://www.rotary.org.nz |
| Rotary NZ Promotions and Information District Governor's newsletter Admin page and information | www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=1364 http://www..rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10 http://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=180 |
| Rotary Downunder Magazine | www.rotarydownunder.com.au |
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