



# THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAITAKERE CITY

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR WORLD

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**Venue:** Rex Davy Lounge, Lower Ground Floor, The Trusts Stadium, Central Park Drive, Henderson  
**Time:** 5:45pm for 6:10pm  
[www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz](http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz)



8<sup>TH</sup> DEC

**AGM**

10<sup>TH</sup> DEC

Swanson Santa Parade

Te Pai Christmas event

12<sup>TH</sup> DEC

David's Christmas Party 5pm

SUNDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2011

Our 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Soapbox Derby

8<sup>TH</sup> TO 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2011

District Conference – at The Trusts Stadium, Henderson

16<sup>TH</sup> TO 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2011

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## DECEMBER: ROTARY FAMILY MONTH

### FUTURE EVENTS

NEXT WEEK: 8<sup>TH</sup> DEC 2010

#### AGM

#### CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 5pm at David's property in Kumeu

### THIS WEEK

Our original speaker was unable to make it and David Clendon, who was going to speak next year, came early.

#### DAVID CLENDON: GREEN PARTY



David is the Green Party spokesperson for: [Environment \(Waste, RMA\)](#), [Corrections](#), Commerce, [Small Business](#), [Tourism](#), [Tertiary Education](#), [Research Science and Technology](#) (Assoc), [Transport](#) (Auckland), [Pacific Island Affairs](#) (Assoc), Ethnic Affairs (Assoc)

David came to give us a talk on the proposed rail loop in Auckland's CBD.

As we all know some years ago the Britomart Rail Station replaced the old Auckland Railway Station and in the process brought trains into the heart of the CBD. Unfortunately although it is a station for modern times it is a dead end – trains have to go back the way they came in. This creates a bottleneck and limits the number of trains that can use the station.

Way, way back in 1929 there was a proposal that an underground track be provided to join up the main station with the Mt Eden one. Bringing trains into the city one way and then carrying on to Mt Eden would eliminate this bottleneck and allow for a far more efficient train system. It didn't happen.

Robbie revisited the proposal again in 1973. Once again it didn't happen.

An above ground monorail was looked at – but there is nowhere to put it – so that didn't happen either.

In 2005 the ARC started an investigation on the subject, in 2006 ARTA joined in with a rail plan including a loop and in April 2009 a multi-organization task force started a big feasibility study to see if it could be done, how much it would cost and what the cost benefits would be.

An answer to these questions has finally been found. Although it would cost a LOT of money the return on investment would range from a worst case \$1.25 savings from each dollar spent to a maximum of \$3.50 saving for each dollar spent. This return on investment is far higher than a few other major projects – like extending the Northern Motorway and Wellington’s Transmission Gully.

A few statistics show that doing this really should be a top priority for Auckland.

- 2003: 2.3 million passenger rail trips per year
- 2010: 9 million passenger rail trips per year
- 2010: Current population of Auckland 1.5 million
- 2012: Oil prices expected to rise significantly
- 2031: Estimated population of Auckland 2 million
- 2041: An extra 200,000 people expected to live within 30 minutes of the CBD

If and when the rail loop does get approval then it would take 7 to 10 years to build.

Paying for it is of course another story and the Green Party believes that it should be funded by both Auckland Council ratepayers and Central Government.

The recent amalgamation of Councils makes the likelihood of it happening far more achievable so we live in hope that this will finally get underway – thus helping to free up Auckland’s roads.

David also filled us in on things like the North Shore dedicated Bus lanes (so successful that the Park and Rides are filled to capacity and need extending) and the role the improved railway stations have played in encouraging people to use trains (modern well lit clean facilities do a lot to encourage patronage)  
A very informative evening.

## THIS PAST WEEK

### HENDERSON ROTARY SANTA PARADE

Craig and Kerry went to the parade and declared it good. Following are a few photos from the Riverhead team and Bill Horne – the Henderson Rotary photographer; Craig and Alan

Constable Luke Wilson led the parade in a Police Car – towing the DARE SBD car



Shawn Dyer and the Riverhead team turned out in force complete with cars, trophies and kids





And David turned out with his grandchildren to display the Future Cuisine car on Kerry's truck



Craig on crowd control duty grabbed a quick cellphone photo as the Police car came through

Alan caught David with his grandchildren (and Kerry in the background) all set to leave for the parade with the Future Cuisine SBD car on Kerry's truck



## CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS FOR GREYMOUTH

Craiger received the following email last Thursday from the Ellerslie Sunrise Rotary Club – the organizers of the Christmas puddings. An email survey of the Board brought a resounding “yes” and a cheque for \$180 for 12 puddings has been sent.

Dear Craiger Hargesheimer

I have just been talking to Valerie from Milford Rotary Club. Her club is going to donate 24 puddings to Greymouth. I think this is a really nice idea and as Rotarians we should unite and do as Milford Rotary Club. So, my goal for today is to get at least 1,000 puddings into Greymouth – let’s get together and extend to them what Rotary is about!

I am asking your club to commit to buy 12 puddings (two cartons) and let see if we can get in excess of 1,000 puddings down to Greymouth next week (cost to your club \$180.00 - my company will cover the freight charge).

Just reply to this email with "Yes" and I will organise everything.

Will probably work with the Salvation Army and ask them to distribute them into the local West Coast community.

I hope for your affirmative reply -

Yours in Rotary

Chris Woudenberg  
President - Ellerslie Sunrise Rotary Club  
"Lets make it happen"

A second email came on Monday saying:

Hi Craiger

As a follow up to my earlier email. There has been a fantastic response.

As of 9 am this morning I have commitments from 46 Rotary Clubs for 552 puddings, which is over half way towards our Club's goal of getting 1000 puddings down to those west coast families.

Many of us feel incredibly saddened and helpless and this is way to express in a practical way our thoughts for them.

So as a commitment to all the families, my club today has sent 1000 puddings down to Murray Cave, President of the Rotary Club of Greymouth.

We are confident another 45 clubs from our neighbouring districts of 9910, 9920, 9930 and 9940 will want to join us in this gesture.

So I thank all the clubs that have said yes, if you have not come back to me yet, I implore you to consider it and become part of this fantastic Rotary project.

As individuals not so much, but together we can make a difference.

Yours in Rotary

Chris Woudenberg  
President Ellerslie Sunrise Rotary Club

If any individual Rotarian would also like to contribute to this (cost \$20 per pudding) then you could send a cheque to the following address:

President Chris Woudenberg  
Ellerslie Sunrise Club  
PO Box 11 466,  
Ellerslie  
Auckland 1542

The Van Lier nursery also donated a day’s picking of roses to Greymouth. They were sent to a local florist for distribution as required.

## CASH DONATIONS FOR GREYMOUTH

An email came today from Sarah, our District Administrator:

I have had information by DG Margaret Reeve 9970 re donations

Margaret has been in contract with the President Rotary Club of Greymouth Murray Cave and he has asked that Cheques be made out to Trustpower West Coast Lend a Hand Foundation and Post to Secretary Rotary Club of Greymouth PO Box 276 Greymouth 7840.

The foundation has been established in conjunction with the Rotary Clubs of Westport, Hokitika and Greymouth. This will enable Rotary Clubs to target specific needs of their community.

## ROTARY DOWNUNDER

Although Club members get a copy of these magazines in the mail a copy is also available on the Internet for friends, family members and others interested in Rotary events. If you know of someone who would be interested – or want to forward an article of interest on – send the link to the on-line version.

The December issue is at <http://flipflashpages.uniflip.com/2/26587/49598/pub/>

They have also produced a new magazine – Rotarian Life and Leisure  
<http://flipflashpages.uniflip.com/2/26587/49992/pub/>

And of course there is the new business directory for Rotarians. If you want YOUR business listed in this please send me back the form I emailed to you the other day. It is a FREE listing and will be up and running in the new year. To date I've received copies from Kent and Mike.

## DISTRICT UPDATE

Hi All – Just our *regular update* with - some friendly reminders and general information for your attention –

**District Constitution** - The District Constitution is an important document which is public and can be referred to by any members when required. This document can be found on the District website by [CLICKING HERE](#) - Other important documents that can also be found on this site page include the District by-laws and Manual of Procedure

**Albany Rotary Fun Night** - It is with regret that Albany Club advise the cancellation of the Albany Rotary Fun Night planned for Thursday December 9th. Despite a sterling effort from Natalie Smith and her team to encourage other Rotary clubs members to come along and participate, the club just could not get sufficient numbers confirmed to allow us to proceed with the event. Maybe next year?

**Pike River Mining Disaster** – No doubt clubs will be supporting families and funds in their own way. One way to support is through the Ellerslie Sunrise Christmas pudding donation – Ellerslie Sunrise club are asking our clubs to join and commit to buy 12 puddings (two cartons) to aim for in excess of 1,000 puddings down to Greymouth. Cost to clubs is \$180.00 – no freight charge. If your club wants to support this please just advise Christ Woudenberg on [chris@cps.co.nz](mailto:chris@cps.co.nz) **as soon as possible**.

**Rotarians In Business** - Recently Rotary Down Under posted to all clubs the Rotary Down Under subscription kits for January – June 2011. Included in these kits is a letter from the Associate Editor, regarding the new initiative Rotarians In Business (Yellow Pages). If any businesses in your club would like to be included please ask them to complete and return the form, a form is available on [etcetera](#) and also attached is a word format form

**New Leisure Magazine for Rotarians** - The exciting news is that from December 2010 Rotarians will receive the new publication Rotarian Life and Leisure with your monthly Rotary Down Under magazine. The new magazine was developed in response to feedback from readers who want the lifestyle aspects of Rotary and leisure opportunities expanded in their monthly Rotary magazines. All Rotary Down

Under magazines are also on-line at [www.rotarydownunder.com.au](http://www.rotarydownunder.com.au), so please share this web address with your partners, friends of Rotary, and prospective members. The RDU Board of Directors, New Zealand RDU Promotion Committee and RDU staff wish all Rotarians, Probians, Inner Wheelers, Rotaractors and families a happy summer holiday and a successful 2011.

**District Conference** – You can now register for this online and check out what will be happening. Please forward the link to all your club members and start thinking about registration. The Conference is from 8-10 April 2011 at The Trusts Function Centre, Waitakere City. You can view full details and online registration on the District Website under "Events" and by [CLICKING HERE](#).

**Cycling New Zealand – Journey of Hope – Please support** - Two young men are cycling the length of New Zealand for PolioPlus - they would love support from all clubs in New Zealand for one of their 13.4 km legs - please check out and help these great lads – more information on [etcetera](#) ...

**Henderson Rotary Charity Golf tournament** - Thursday 17 March 2011( St Patricks day). For entry details contact Pene Burrige [penekeay@xtra.co.nz](mailto:penekeay@xtra.co.nz)

**Shelterbox Promotion the length of New Zealand** - On November 1st Rotarian Rick Stacey, (aged 65) from Kerikeri, starts an epic journey leaving from Bluff, on a bike towing a ShelterBox trailer, for Cape Reinga. Passing through many centres where he will be promoting ShelterBox and Rotary's involvement in this project. Offer your support to Rick at <http://www.fundraiseonline.co.nz/Ricks-ride2010>. Or just follow him on his website <http://www.bluff2cape.org.nz/>

**International Convention - New Orleans - 21-25 May 2011** - Information is available on the International Convention to be held in New Orleans from 21-25 May 2011. We have set up a page on the website where you can download the brochure and find out all the information you need as well as a contact for promotion of the Convention within your club – check this out by [CLICKING HERE](#) ...

**Rotary exchange rates** - New Zealand NZD 1.40 - 0.71428571 - Australia AUD 1.14 - 0.87719298

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Sarah Carr  
District 9910 - District Administrator

## FAMILY MONTH

In the Rotary calendar December is Family month – and what better way to show it visually than by photos? Monique has sent me a few more sheep photos from her day at David's. See... Monique is still thinking of us.



**RAFFLE**  
**PARTING THOUGHT**

Winner: Derek  
Alan: For every Action there is an equal and opposite Government Reaction

Statistics: T, H, T

**ROTARY 4 WAY TEST**

*Of the things we think, say or do:*

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

**Final Word: Consciousness: That annoying time between naps.**

**THIS WEEK'S MEETING:**

Present:	Phyllis A, Jim A, Bob B, David B, Roger F, Derek G, Craiger H, Patrick H, Kerry M, Graham N, Alan P, Heather P, John R, Jack R, Peter S, Domenic W
Apologies:	Mike A, Kent F, Terry H, Monique M, Sheena S,
Missing in Action:	Bob B
Guests:	David Clendon and partner Lindis; John's granddaughter – and Jack's great-granddaughter (aged 5)
Attendance:	16/21 76%

**SUNSHINE FUND:**

Raffle:	\$ 21.50
Fines:	\$ 45.40

**APOLOGIES AND RSVPS TO:**

[apology@details.co.nz](mailto:apology@details.co.nz) or ph 8109 589  
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!

<b>NEXT WEEK'S MEETING DUTIES:</b>	
Deputy Sergeant	Kerry
Squire	Domenic
Squire	Roger
Greeter	Jim
Grace	Peter
Introduction	
Thanks	Alan
Parting Thought	Heather
Dealer	Patrick
Joker	Phyllis
Joker	

<b>BOARD MEMBERS:</b>	
President / International	Craiger Hargesheimer
Vice President / Sergeant	Derek Gee
Secretary / Bulletin Editor	Heather Pattison
Treasurer	Alan Pattison
Community/Youth Director	Patrick Howard
Vocational Director	John Riddell

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District Governor's newsletter <a href="http://www..rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10">http://www..rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10</a>
Rotary Downunder Magazine <a href="http://www.rotarydownunder.com.au">www.rotarydownunder.com.au</a>
Rotary NZ Promotions and Information <a href="http://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=1364">www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=1364</a> Admin page and information <a href="http://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=180">http://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=180</a>
Future Vision <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>
Dare West <a href="http://darewest.org.nz/">http://darewest.org.nz/</a>