



# THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAITAKERE

## 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)

**SAT 26<sup>TH</sup> MAR**

Massey High Gala

**WED 30<sup>TH</sup> MAR**

SBD Debrief

**WED 6<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

No Meeting

**THURS 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

Joint Meeting – Henderson Rotary

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

District Conference – at The Trusts Stadium, Henderson

**10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

NZ SBD Finals

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

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**27<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2011**

Dr Roger Grace QSM and Marine Biologist

**7<sup>TH</sup> MAY**

Massey Matters Treasure Hunt

**18<sup>TH</sup> MAY**

Challenge Camp dinner

### FEBRUARY: WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH

#### FUTURE EVENTS

**WED 30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH**

Soapbox Derby Debrief: A chance to look at improvements for next year.

Suggested topics are;

- Sponsorship
- Marketing
- Grants
- Prizes
- Setup/Labour/Volunteer support
- Venue
- PR

Penny Hulse will also be a guest visitor

#### THIS WEEK

#### WE WERE SPEAKERLESS (ALTHOUGH NOT SPEECHLESS)

Deputy President Bob:

- President Craiger gave a late apology. Reason? An unexpected family "Do". As it was his daughter's 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday you'd think with 23 years notice he would have remembered this earlier...
- Bob welcomed two guests – Past Member Bob Langlois and Patrick's daughter Ella.
- Centurions – can those who have agreed to join the Centurion program but haven't yet paid please pay Alan ASAP

And now for what you've all been waiting for (but didn't know it)... a selection of SOAPBOX DERBY PHOTOS!







## MASSEY HIGH GERMAN TRIP FOOD STALL THANK YOU

Hi Heather,

Thanks so much for letting us run our stall again this year.

It is less than 2wks until the Massey High School German Trip, our students are getting really excited. The funds raised at the Soapbox Derby will help with spending money. Thanks again for the opportunity.

Regards,  
Sue McElroy  
MASSEY HIGH SCHOOL





### KELSTON BOYS VOLLEYBALL TEAM EMAIL

We called on the Kelston Boys Volleyball team to help with lifting the cars onto the back of the return trucks – a heavy job

Kia ora Heather

Thanks for your patience with me over the past couple of weeks [we played telephone tag for a bit]. We turned up with a reduced number of boys on Sunday, but in the end, it was clear that their quality was unquestionable. A great time was had by all, and we all returned home to sleep well Sunday night.

The boys are really grateful for the opportunity to raise their own money, especially during this time, when money is in very short supply for them all. Please keep us in mind for next year. . .I'll remind Dominic

If they need lifters for the finals, please give them my e-mail address. . . now that volleyball is over, I get to check it every day! I'm sure we could organise something.

Again, thanks for the opportunity

Noho ora mai

Sharon Mackey  
Kelston Boys High School





## WAITAKERE PRIMARY THANK YOU(S)

Hi Heather

On behalf of everyone at Waitakere Primary School, I would like to thank you and all of the other organisers for another great event. You put so much time and work into making this a great opportunity for our kids.

Kind regards

*Karen Windross*

Associate Principal  
Waitakere Primary School

And...

Thanks Heather

Once again congrat's to you and your team for a fab event!

[Rest of email about the Finals etc]

Louise



## WESTERN LEADER

Hi Heather,

How are you? I just want to pass on my congratulations to you and the rotary club for pulling off another successful event - it was a good turn out on such a beautiful day.

I want to let you know that the Majority of Page 23 (inside back page)- Western Leader Published today (Tuesday 22nd March 2011) SPORTS feature is mostly dedicated to the Soapbox Derby - with great photo shots.

**P.S. Did you know you can now receive the online digital Western Leader **direct to your email?** - It's **FREE** to register - you can either go to [www.westernleader.co.nz](http://www.westernleader.co.nz) and click onto latest edition, or go through hyperlink below my signature. See below for the latest update. **CHECK OUT OUR LATEST - SPECIAL INSERT PUBLICATIONS ON OUR WEBSITE - SPECIAL MAGAZINES TAB.****

Kind Regards,

**Shannon Jones**  
**Advertising Sales Consultant**  
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#### PHOTO CREDITS

The above photos are a selection from the 366 received to date (anyone want a slide show evening?)

Photos came from:

- Auckland Sports Photography [www.aucklandsportsphotography.com](http://www.aucklandsportsphotography.com) who once again gave up their Sunday morning for free
- NZ Race Director Terry Clarkson
- Phyllis
- Heather

Our other photographers, the Police, have been very creative with some infringement notices for the drivers

#### WESTERN LEADER ARTICLE

The Western Leader had a full page article on the soapbox derby. A copy of it is on our website at: <http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz/news/articles>

## OUR OPPOSITION

Whangaparaoa Rotary is also getting articles about their derby in The Rodney Times. This year they will hold their races on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> April. They will then host the Finals on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> (complete with brass bands, marching teams and other activities).

6 RODNEY TIMES, MARCH 22, 2011

NEWS

# Students gearing up for soapbox derby race

By MICHELE ONG

Schools around the Hibiscus Coast area are ready to race at the Rotary Club's annual soapbox derby on April 9 in Stanmore Bay.

Stella Maris Primary School won last year's event, clocking 66kmh down Brightside Rd.

The school will compete again this year, together with Red Beach School which won in 2009.

Wentworth College is seeking sponsorship from parents and local businesses to help fund, promote and support their team.

Businesses get to have their logo painted on the side of the trolley.

A group of enthusiastic year 8 and 9 Wentworth College students have been trialing with hopes of filling the role of driver, mechanic, decorator or support crew.

They will be supervised by year 13 technology student Hayden Purdy, who also managed the college's 2009 soapbox trolley.

About 10 schools will be competing this year with Wainui School entering two teams. There are 18 trolleys registered so far.

Winners of Saturday's race will compete in the New Zealand finals on April 10, starting with a parade of champions.

"It'll very much be like the

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ones in America, with cheerleaders and a band playing," soapbox derby organiser Terry Clarkson says.

Mr Clarkson says Rotary is still accepting entries.

Contact Wentworth College on (09) 424-3273 if you can help with their soapbox trolley.

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**Vroom vroom:** Orewa Primary School students, from left: Diaz and Suma Thompson, Sam Mackereth, Liam and Lucy Hansard, and Rugby Beentjes, competed in last year's Rotary Hibiscus Coast Soapbox Derby race. The school will be competing again on April 9. The pupils are pictured with the adults who helped out, from left: Barry Smith, Wally Thompson and David Hansard.





President: Kevin Hood Secretary: David Oliphant

## An Invitation

President Kevin and the members of The Rotary Club of Henderson wish to invite you to join the visiting GSE Team from Area 6000 (Iowa, USA) when they visit our club.

Date/Time: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> April 2011, commencing 6:00pm for 6:15pm meal  
Location: Lincoln Green Conference Centre, 159 Lincoln Rd, Henderson  
Cost: \$30.00 per person

RSVP: By 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011 to David Oliphant, ph: 3005331 (b), 8385491 (h) or  
Email: [secretary@hendersonrotary.co.nz](mailto:secretary@hendersonrotary.co.nz)

### STARDOME

Stardome have now added me to their email list:

Stardome is a non-profit organisation whose mission is to share knowledge of space in ways that inspire, challenge and educate. We see a synergy between Rotary clubs and ourselves, and would love to facilitate an outing for your members to visit us some time in the next few months.

We have a special new show which I thought you and your fellow Rotarians may be interested in. '**Stories of the Stars**' is a presenter-led astronomy show in our planetarium. In it you will discover legends of giants, maidens and monsters of historic civilizations. This show would be ideal as something unique for a club activity!

Almost every culture throughout history has looked up at the stars and created pictures from their patterns. Some star groups have been significant to entire civilisations, but with many different meanings and legends. In 'Stories of the Stars', your guide will talk you through the beautiful and sometimes complex tales hidden in the stars ... legends of giants, maidens and monsters.

This show plays on the third Tuesday of every month, so the upcoming sessions are **Tuesday the 19<sup>th</sup> of April** and **Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup> of May at 8pm**. Each ticket includes a complimentary brownie and hot chocolate with marshmallows. If the weather permits, there is also free telescope viewing in our courtyard after the show.

Tickets to this show are \$25 and it is suitable for anyone aged over 12 years. To make a group booking, please call me on 09 624 1246 ext 212 or email [events@stardome.org.nz](mailto:events@stardome.org.nz)

For further information about Stardome and our shows visit our website: [stardome.org.nz](http://stardome.org.nz)

**RAFFLE**  
**PARTING THOUGHT**

Winner: Roger  
 Bob L: Life is so short keep running, driving or cycling as fast as you can  
 Bob B: Keep living until you die

Statistics: T, H, H

**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: An unbreakable toy is useful for breaking OTHER toys**

**THIS WEEK'S MEETING:**

Present:	Jim A, Phyllis A, Bob B, David B, Linda C, Roger F, Derek G, Patrick H, Kerry M, Jennice M, Cedric M, Graham N, Alan P, Heather P, Jack R, Sheena S, Domenic W
Apologies:	Mike A, Terry H, Monique M,
Late Apology:	Kent F, Craiger H, John R
Missing in Action:	Peter S
Guests:	Bob L, Ella H
Attendance:	17 /24 71%

**SUNSHINE FUND:**

Raffle:	\$43.00
Fines:	\$55.90

**NEXT WEEK'S MEETING DUTIES:**

Squire	Alan
Squire	Domenic
Greeter	Bob
Grace	Derek
Introduction	Kerry
Thanks	Phyllis
Parting Thought	Cedric
Dealer	Heather
Joker	
Joker	

**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!

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

President / International	Craiger Hargesheimer
Vice President / Sergeant	Derek Gee
Secretary / Bulletin Editor	Heather Pattison
Treasurer	Alan Pattison
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