



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

8TH JUNE

Club Night

TUES 14TH
JUNE

Trees for Survival
planting day –
Matipo Road
School

15TH JUNE

Sandra and Grant
Clendon from the
Green Been Co

22ND JUNE

Guest Speaker (?)

29TH JUNE

Changeover

3RD JULY

District
Changeover

JUNE: ROTARY FELLOWSHIP MONTH

FUTURE EVENTS:

NEXT WEEK: CLUB NIGHT

THIS WEEK: THE NZ USAR TEAM



Dave Carroll, Paul Callaghan and Mike Harwood from the NZ Urban Search and Rescue team came to tell us all about what they do.

Dave is a station officer in the NZ Fire Service based at Central Fire Station, Pitt St. Auckland. He joined the brigade in 1974, and served all his time in the Auckland area.

He is a graduate of the Institution of Fire Engineers, and currently studying for a graduate diploma in emergency management at Massey University.

Dave is also the equipment manager for NZ Urban Search and Rescue Task Force 3 which is based in Auckland. He and the team responded to the Christchurch earthquake on 22nd February, and also went to Japan after the earthquake and tsunami hit there.

He came accompanied by two USAR technicians, Paul Callaghan (the tall one) and Mike Harwood (the vertically challenged one) - <Dave's words> - who are both skilled in the technical aspects of collapsed building rescue.

Okay, so who are these guys, what do they do and where do they come from?

Creating USAR teams were first thought of at the end of the 20th century and the 9/11 disaster in 2001 kicked the whole scheme into high gear. Many countries throughout the world created teams and NZ currently has three. Our three are based in Auckland, Palmerston North... and Christchurch.

All the teams carry standardized gear, follow the same training paths and can mesh together and with other emergency services (and other USAR teams from around the world) when the needs arise.

The team showed us slideshows of the earthquakes in both Christchurch and Japan – and these images were so powerful they silenced us completely.

The boys in their talk also gave us glimpses into some of the stories behind the newspaper headlines

One thing that came out is that the teams are completely self supporting. All gear - from tents, portaloos, tools, heavy duty cutting gear, to specialized listening gear - is packed away in heavy duty plastic boxes ready to be loaded into trucks at a moment's notice. Once on site they are completely self contained, complete with tools and food, to survive totally independently for 72 hours. This enables them to get straight in to work on arrival without loading extra stress, or need for resources, onto survivors in the disaster area.

It was an extremely fascinating talk and we were privileged to have them come to us to talk about their work.

More info at www.usar.org.nz

OTHER STRAY NEWS

- This week's guest, Graeme Smith, is a past Rotarian and current member of the Te Atatu Peninsula Businessmen's Association
- Kerry and Craiger are off to Vanuatu for a week on 19th June to start the school project
- Grandma's house: Whilst we are planning a working bee round there Challenge Camp and the weather have prevented this happening... yet.
 - o In the meantime Kerry got their car back on the road and cut down some vegetation that was leaning on the house - and left it in the middle of the lawn. Due to a patch of dry weather mid week Alan and Heather went round with the mulcher and cleaned this up.
 - o A working bee will happen but with the forecast currently changing hourly it is impossible to plan a date too far ahead. Next weekend is currently forecasted as "showers, westerlies" but as this weekend was supposed to be heavy rain all weekend (and the sun has been shining all day) - who knows?

CHALLENGE CAMP FEEDBACK

Hi Heather

Congratulations to Waitakere and Alan in particular for what looks like a spectacularly successful Challenge Camp. This has to be one of the best projects Rotary does, I really hope it keeps going.

Cheers
Toni Alexander

Hi Alan,

Just a few lines to thank you very much for having Alex at this years camp. I have never seen him so exited before - couldn't stop talking about all the things he did at camp. He loved it, and said he wanted to stay another week!

Thanks for sending the disk with the photos - great to see him participating and doing things he's always been too scared/unable to do. Just goes to show that he can do these things with help - especially from ones his own age. Seeing other kids trying with their disabilities is encouraging too.

Who decides who attends these camps? is there a possibility he could go again?? He never wants to do anything twice, but is asking if there will be another camp?

Many thanks to all those who give their time to make this all possible and successful.

Kind Regards
Rolien

Hi

I hope you have recovered from the Challenge Camp week.
Our students didn't want to come home!
They had such a good time.

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Thanks Alan
Jude [Homai]

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Mike has given Alan a cheque for the profit from the entertainment books. This brought in \$104. Thank you to Mike for organizing and running this.

SOAPBOX DERBY

Yes I know we're barely over the last one but...

This year we want to get underway early with sponsors so a meeting was held on Wednesday night to get things started. A draft brochure is on our website and will be printed shortly.

DISTRICT UPDATES

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

Wanted, any person travelling to **VANUATU** or **NEW CALEDONIA**, during July - We need someone who can take a small package of District Directories to the appropriate AG's. Please reply to rotaryron@orcon.net.nz

Shelterbox Newsletter - Shelterbox Newsletter will from next month be in a different format to reduce the size of the file. Please forward this newsletter to friends and those who may not receive it and remember you can get shelterbox news from the blog site at www.shelterboxnz.blogspot.com. View a copy of the Shelter Box newsletter on etcetera ...

Vote NOW - please let's get votes for Divya - for anyone who was at conference where Divya spoke will know what an amazing, talented, selfless lady this is and she deserves all the support we can give her. Take just a moment and vote and give back something to someone who has already given much to the world and has wonderful talents to do so much more -

Vote Divya for AMP Scholarship - Hi friends, family and colleagues. I apologise in advance for the self-promotion. I figured I might as well try my best, or I could end up regretting it. I am asking your help to help me live my dream to end extreme poverty by improving global health. Please VOTE for me at Divya AMP Scholarship <http://www.doyourthing.co.nz/2011-03095/divya-dhar> - If you have already voted please consider sharing this email or alternatively invite people to Facebook <<http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=165345610194334>> event. As many of you will know I have been lucky enough to be selected to complete a Masters in Public Policy at Harvard University. It's a 2 year program which costs about \$80,000 per year. I already have a MASSIVE student loan because I spent my uni days volunteering rather than doing paid work. So now I really need your help to get this loan DOWN by \$10000. All you have to do is vote for me, and it'll be the biggest gift you could give. Please vote so I can research at Harvard how to get medical drugs to developing world countries. I'm researching policies that would increase the funding for research and development of medical drugs for developing world countries. Currently 90% of global disease burden only has 10% of research funding allocated to it. We need this to stop! I'm interested in designing public-private partnerships that would enable this and make economic sense for New Zealand and other developed countries. HELP me live my dream to end extreme poverty through improving global health... Please let me know if you have any questions or suggestions. Thank you for all your help and support in advance! Best regards Divya Dhar, CEO, P3 Foundation, e: divya@p3f.org, m: +64 (0) 22 434 8923, w: www.p3foundation.org - 'Young people creating a world without poverty.'

REMINDER - 2012-13 DG Bulletin Editor - Position Vacant, An opportunity to become DG Bulletin Editor for 2012 / 2013 Rotary Year, successful applicant must have flair, creativity and a bucket load of humour, to compose a riveting Newsletter of must read proportion, comprising of lots of content from Rotary Clubs eager to supply content. Interested applicants, please contact DGN Lindsay Ford at ford.rotary@optusnet.com.au

DISTRICT CHANGEOVER 2011 - District Changeover this year will be on Sunday 3rd July at Mid-day in Warkworth – more details on [etctera](#). Book now.

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If links fail to work an online version of this is on the District Website:
<http://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=1364>

DIVYA

We have had three requests to vote for Divya for an AMP Scholarship, one above and two other follow ups:

Hi Bulletin Editors - please put this notice in your next bulletin and let's get votes for Divya - for anyone who was at conference where Divya spoke will know what an amazing, talented, selfless lady this is and she deserves all the support we can give her. Take just a moment and vote and give back something to someone who has already given much to the world and has wonderful talents to do so much more. Thank you.

Sarah Carr
District Admin

Hi All !

A bit of an unusual note from me but

Please open up the above newsletter (sent today) and enter the article for DIVYA. She was our speaker at District Conference. She is an amazing Kiwi. Please take the 30 seconds to read and vote for her! She intends on spending her life in NZ to help all of us.

I thank you for this simple task!

Craiger

ROTARY DOWNUNDER

June is Fellowships month in Rotary and this month's edition of Rotary Down Under is full of information and reports from various Rotary Fellowships and details about how you can join a fellowship to suit your interest.

There are fellowships to suit all interests, and it may surprise to find just how extensive the list of activities and interests covered by such fellowships. According to a list compiled by Governor Marilyn Mercer, of District 9690, there's even a Fellowship of Mountain Gorilla Tracking Rotarians". Fair dinkum! For those of a more sedate inclination, there are fellowships for covering everything from amateur radio to yachting, caravanning to wine appreciation, chess to old and rare books. Read all about them in this month's Rotary Down Under:

<http://flipflashpages.uniflip.com/2/26587/49598/pub/>

[Hmm... Mountain Gorilla Tracking Rotarians... Where can I sign up???
And if that doesn't sound like you how about "Gourmets", "Wine", "Magicians"...]

**RAFFLE
PARTING THOUGHT**

Winner: Sheena

Statistics: T, T, H

Alan: Every day you get a day older

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?

Cousin George: When things seem easy to do, it's because you haven't followed all the INSTRUCTIONS.

NEXT WEEK'S MEETING DUTIES:

Squire	Mike
Squire	Graham
Greeter	Kent
Grace	Jim
Introduction	Heather
Thanks	Derek
Parting Thought	Bob
Dealer	John
Joker	Domenic
Joker	Roger

BOARD MEMBERS:

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THIS WEEK'S MEETING:

Present:	Mike A, Jim A, Phyllis A, Bob B, Linda C, Kent F, Roger F, Derek G, Craiger H, Patrick H, Kerry M, Alan P, Heather P, John R, Sheena S, Peter S, Domenic W
Apologies:	David B, Terry H, Jennice M, Graham N, Monique M,
Guests:	Dave Carroll, Paul Callaghan, Mike Harwood, [Speakers], Sue Benzie, Graeme Smith, Pene Burridge
Missing in Action:	Cedric M, Jack R,
Make Ups:	
Attendance:	17/24 71%

SUNSHINE FUND:

Raffle	\$23.60 (25 people???)
Fines	\$90.40

APOLOGIES AND RSVPS TO:

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!

WEB SITE ADDRESSES:

Waitakere City Rotary
<http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz/>
Rotary International
<http://www.rotary.org/>
Rotary NZ
<http://www.rotary.org.nz>
District Governor's newsletter
<http://www..rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10>
Rotary Downunder Magazine
www.rotarydownunder.com.au
Rotary NZ Promotions and Information
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Admin page and information
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