

WAITAKERE ROTARY CLUB

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR WORLD

Normal Venue: Rex Davy Lounge, Lower Ground Floor, The Trusts Stadium, Central Park Drive, Henderson

RWC Temporary Venue: "The Den" Massey and Birdwood Settlers Hall - Corner Don Buck Road and Redhills Road

Time: 5:45pm for 6:10pm

Address: PO Box 104 017, Lincoln North, Auckland, 0654
www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz or www.soapboxderby.co.nz

SEPTEMBER: NEW GENERATIONS MONTH
NEXT MONTH: VOCATIONAL MONTH

NEXT WEEK: CLUB NIGHT

What Rotary is about – getting involved in Club projects

KENT'S FAREWELL – 29TH SEPT

If you haven't yet done so... RSVP

What:	Kent's leaving party at AGC Sunderland (drinks & nibbles)
When:	Thursday 29 th September
Time:	6pm to 7:30pm
Who:	Staff, Parents, Friends and of course the Waitakere Rotary Club members
RSVP:	Kent's PA: Catherine Ferguson - catherine.ferguson@acgedu.com Phone: 838 7070

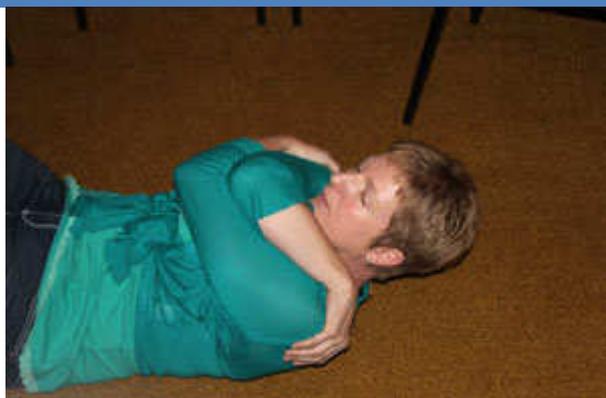
SHEENA'S RWC GUESTS

Sheena has visitors through the Rotary RWC hosting program and has offered a couple of meals for us to meet them.

Dates are:

- Friday 7th October 6pm for 6:30pm – Pot luck dinner
- Sunday 16th October – lunch

THIS WEEK: PIA WITTWER-BLASER



Pia Wittwer-Blaser M^Ost (Hons) is a registered Osteopath working in West Auckland.

She studied at Unitec and finished her Master of Osteopathy in 2008.

Pia is registered with the



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CALENDAR

29TH SEPT

Kent's leaving do at AGC Sunderland

5TH OCTOBER

Club Night

7TH OCTOBER

Pot Luck dinner at Sheena's

12TH OCTOBER

St Johns

SUN 16TH OCT

Lunch at Sheena's

18TH OCTOBER

Fellowship Night at Graham's to meet his RWC guests

19TH OCTOBER

No Meeting

26TH OCTOBER

Our IYE Student: Cecile

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?

Osteopathic Council of New Zealand and accredited with ACC and a member of ISOP (International Society for Osteopathic Practice; one of the two professional societies for osteopaths in New Zealand).

Before immigrating to New Zealand she gained a Master of Science in Molecular Biology in Switzerland but decided not to stay with this career.

As a mother of three she has a lot of experience with pregnancy, unsettled babies, children's development and the stresses of being a working or studying mum. Her last child was born during her 4th year of study ☺

High quality health care, prevention and posture related issues are very important to her and she strives to give the best possible care to all of her patients.



Rather than just "tell us" what to do Pia had us all standing, bouncing and generally trying out a few techniques (although none of us were game enough to try the floor exercises in public)

In Pia's off- time she runs for fitness and has taken on the challenge of running the New York Marathon to raise money for CatWalk- the spinal cord injury trust. CatWalk aims to get people with spinal cord injury back on their feet and Pia believes this is a cause well worth supporting <and Craiger presented he with a cheque from the Club to help this cause>

A couple of points to note:

- Every 5 days one person in the country suffers from a spinal injury
- The best position for our bodies to be in is the next one

OVERSEAS IYE STUDENT: ELISE NOTHER

I was thinking that I hadn't heard from Elise lately when lo and behold an email appeared out of the blue. I didn't even prompt her for this. Honest!

Just letting the club know I'm still alive... I am in a new school now, very happy as it is a School of Art so half my classes are to do with art. I am in my new family though it is a very separated family it is very close to my school, 3 minute walk. Had a great Independent's weekend here. Spent it in a little country side town. Very festive with huge carnivals and parties. I actually spent it with a girl that was in NZ last year from Chile. Great

GRANDMA'S HOUSE

In the beginning Waitemata Health came to our Club asking if we could help a Grandmother left to bring up two children after her daughter died suddenly in her sleep. Top of Merle's wish list was to repaint the exterior of the house before the rot set in completely, repair the deck before it collapsed and generally tidy up a little bit – starting by water blasting the slippery paths, steps and drive.

The sheer quantity of things that needed doing was depressing for anyone – let alone someone in her 70's who unexpectedly had to return to being a Mum with the pension being the only source of income to feed the family on.

Kerry did things like fix the gate, get their car running and repair a few tools; Alan got stuck into the painting – and taught the boys how to do it; Alan and Craiger fixed up the deck and Heather mulched a lot of branches and made some areas easier to mow.

Along the way Domenic replaced his kitchen and offered his old one to the project. Alan and Craiger installed this last week – and found a friendly floor sander (Bernie through Carpet and Matland in Henderson) to help with the kitchen floor (timber with odd bits of old vinyl stuck to it). Once sanded Alan gave it 3 coats of varnish. One of Craiger's builders also donated a recently replaced stove.

Well, a few months later and the work is (almost) complete. A kitchen cupboard needs a back (Craiger says he will install this next week).

Alan, Heather, Kerry and Phyllis went round for coffee with Merle on Wednesday to say goodbye and wish her luck with the future. She is very, very happy with all the work our Club members have done to help her and the boys out and said "Words just cannot describe the difference the Club has made".

Following are a few photos:



BEFORE: Front of house

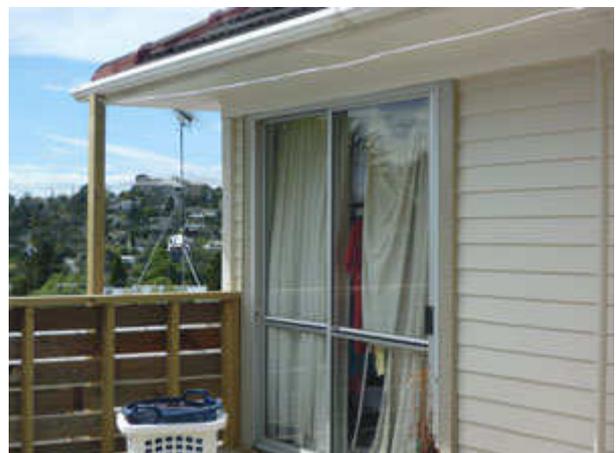


AFTER: Front of house

What you can't see in these photos is the state of the paintwork on the walls and windows and the lack of secure catches. This has all been repaired – along with the gate.



BEFORE: Back of house



AFTER: Back of house

This wall being the north one suffered the most sun damage. The deck is now a far more relaxing place to sit without the deteriorating paintwork over shadowing all.



The kitchen. This was an extra due to Domenic's renovations. No "before" photos unfortunately but it really was a mess! One of the pantry doors (battered dark varnish) had fallen off and the kitchen benches cupboards, cupboard doors (again battered dark varnish) and stove had definitely seen better days – along with the floor! Alan repainted the walls, ceilings and all the donated cupboard and existing pantry doors and it is now bright, fresh and inviting with a far more functional layout. And the floor looks positively amazing with heaps of character!



HENDERSON ROTARY SANTA PARADE

We are approaching that time of year when Rotarians put away their signs saying "Beware of the leopard" <refer last week's bulletin> and come out into the open.

Each year we support Henderson Rotary in the Parade by providing a float with a soapbox derby car on the back. As Kerry shouldn't be allowed to keep all the fun stuff to himself we like to call on volunteers in our Club to take part. If you have a spare child or grandchild who would like to sit in a SBD car on the back of a float and wave to the crowds – contact Kerry and volunteer!

Also, our tinsel is looking a trifle worn these days. Has anyone got any Christmassy decorations they would like to donate to the float? Creative ideas for jazzing it up? If so, contact Heather on this one.

When:	Saturday 26 November 2011
Time:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9.00am Floats, Trucks & Trailers • 9.30am Walking Groups • Parade starts at 10.30am sharp
Where:	At the Falls Hotel Car park (Cnr of Edmonton Rd and Sel Peacock Drive)

WHANGAPARAOA ROTARY RWC SOAPBOX DERBY

Whangaparaoa Rotary in conjunction with the Council is holding a Special Soapbox Derby at Labour weekend as part of the Rodney Events to celebrate the Finals of the World Cup Rugby.

6 teams from Whangaparaoa, 1 from East Auckland and 2 from West Auckland (Riverhead Scouts and Henderson Intermediate) will be taking part in this fun event. Details below:



While the world watches, Rodney rocks

Your last chance to get into the Rugby World Cup is here with Rodney's final Real New Zealand Festival event coming this Sunday, 23 October at the Stanmore Bay Reserve and Leisure Centre.

This family-friendly event celebrates Kiwi things we love the most – the beach, music, rugby, food and wine - and best of all entry is **FREE**.

Bring a blanket or beanbag and enjoy the carnival atmosphere, activities for the kids and big-screen outdoor entertainment.



For more information visit
aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/events

RUGBY FEST



**All festival events are licensed - strictly no BYO alcohol. Bag checks will be undertaken and only sealed bottles of non-alcoholic beverages will be permitted. Conditions of entry apply at all venues.*

STANMORE BAY

- **3pm** enjoy 'have-a-go' sports for all the family, trolley derby races, exhibition ripper rugby and tag league games at Stanmore Bay Reserve.
- **3.30pm** beach action including a mini surf carnival, demonstrations by Coastguard and Orewa and Red Beach Surf Life Saving Juniors, and Thundercat racing.
- **5-9pm** a wine festival gets underway inside the Stanmore Bay Leisure Centre while outside you can enjoy a picnic, carnival rides, food, local live music, and a twilight farmer's market.
- **9pm** the ultimate in outdoor, big-screen entertainment kicks off.



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WESFARMERS INDUSTRIAL AND SAFETY NZ CHARITY GOLF DAY 2011

An invitation came in via John Riddell to the Wesfarmers Industrial and Safety for their fifth annual charity golf day. Any golfers around who want to take part in this?

This year they are raising funds to support the following charities:

- Cancer Society
- St John

Registration is \$50 and this may be made payable to the charity of your choice from the two above.

Venue: Manukau Golf Course, 1/1 Great South Road, Takanini, Auckland

Date: Thursday 17 November 2011

Time: 11.30am registration and barbecue lunch followed by shot gun start at 12.30pm

Format: Team Stableford (best 3 out of 4 scores per hole)

Refreshments will be served during the round and food will be available at the club house afterwards.

An auction to raise further funds will be held as well.

Further info for keen golfers available from: Keryn McCracken, Fax 09-526 6755 or keryn@wisnz.co.nz

Registrations required by Thursday 3 November

PARTING THOUGHT		Sheena: When Phyllis said "Alan had worked a miracle at Grandma's" Sheena had a thought. 2 more miracles and Alan can be declared a saint.	
RAFFLE WINNER	STATISTICS	RAFFLE TOTAL	FINES
Alan	H,H,H	\$46.00	\$52.30
APOLOGIES:			
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		ATTENDANCE	
President	Craiger Hargesheimer	Present:	Mike A, Jim A, Phyllis A, Bob B, Linda C, Roger F, Derek G, Craiger H, Patrick H, Kerry M, Graham N, Alan P, Heather P, Jack R, John R, Peter S, Sheena S,
President Elect / Sergeant	Patrick Howard	Apologies:	David B, Kent F, Terry H, Monique M, Domenic W
Vice President	Derek Gee	Guests:	Cecile Struvay, Pia Wittwer-Blaser <speaker>
Secretary	Bob Benzie	Late Apology:	
Treasurer	Alan Pattison	Missing in Action:	
Community Director	Phyllis Anscombe	Attendance:	17/22 % booked 17
International Director	Kerry McMillan		
Vocational Director	John Riddell		
Youth Director	Sheena Spittles		
NEXT WEEK'S MEETING DUTIES		WEBSITE ADDRESSES	
Squire	Linda	Waitakere Rotary http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz/	
Squire	Bob	Rotary International http://www.rotary.org/	
Greeter	Derek	Rotary NZ http://www.rotary.org.nz	
Grace	Mike	District Governor's newsletter http://www..rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10	
Introduction	Peter	Rotary Downunder Magazine www.rotarydownunder.com.au	
Thanks	Phyllis	Rotary NZ Promotions and Information www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=1364	
Parting Thought	Kerry	Admin page and information http://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=180	
Dealer	Jim	Future Vision www.rotary.org/future_vision	
Joker	Sheena	Rotary E Club (for make ups) http://www.rotaryclubone.org/	
Joker	Jack	Dare West http://darewest.org.nz/	
			
COUSIN GEORGE:			
Today is the first day of the rest of your life but so was yesterday and look how you messed that up.			
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