

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

NOVEMBER: ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH
NEXT WEEK: OUR IYE STUDENT – CECILE

Venue: Swanson RSA



The Swanson RSA has recently undergone a major makeover (to be completed in about a month) and next week is an excellent time to investigate what they are up to and whether or not it would make a good "home" for us.

Date:	Wednesday 9 th November
Time:	5:45pm for 6:10pm
Venue:	Swanson RSA
Address:	663 Swanson Road, Swanson

Currently the RSA is not open for public meals on a Wednesday (this will change when the renovations are complete) but as they are making an exception for us next week a good turnout would be appreciated! By all means bring partners and guests (but let Heather know extra numbers please!) We've heard the food is well worth the visit.

NOTE: The main doors (up main ramp to left of building) can be opened by pushing the visitors' button to the left of the door.

To get back out the button is on the wall opposite the door.



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CALENDAR

9TH NOV

Our IYE student: Cecile

SAT 12TH NOV

Massey Treasure Hunt

16TH NOV

Massey Indoor Bowls

FRI 18TH NOV

*Cecile off on IYE South
Island trip*

23RD NOV

**Foundation for Youth
Development – Amanda
Bennett**

SAT 26TH NOV

Henderson Santa Parade

30TH NOV

**Elizabeth Brown – WDHB
– new pilot bowel
screening program**

7TH DEC

AGM

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?

ALTERNATIVE VENUES

The general feeling is that we don't want to become "The Wandering Rotary Club" drifting from venue to venue, hanging out in pizza palaces and gate crashing the neighbours (sounds like fun for a few weeks but a bit wearying if it goes on for too long). Christmas is fast approaching so it would be good to assess a few venues and settle on a permanent one by then ready for the new year.

The current plan is to try 2 or 3 venues and see what our members think. "The Den"? ... Somewhere else? ... We won't know till we try a few.

Date	Venue	Speaker / Event
9 th November	Swanson RSA	IYE Student: Cecile
16 th November	"The Den"	Indoor Bowls next door in the hall after dinner
23 rd November	? Possibly Massey Rugby Club ?	Youth Foundation
30 th November	??	WDHB
7 th December	??	AGM
14 th or 17 th December	??	Christmas Party

We may find the perfect solution in the next 3 weeks... or there again we may not. So put your thinking caps on.

Options are:

1. Restaurant / Bar
Issues could be finding a private room, minimum required numbers and meals being on the expensive side (off putting for both our members and potential members)
2. Sports Club / RSA
Issues are finding one with food available on a Wednesday – and a suitably sized spare room in the right location
3. Community Hall with our own caterer
Issues are storage for plates, glasses etc; a good kitchen and if our caterer leaves...
"The Den" is on the small side, others may be too big.

If anyone has any good ideas and suggestions – contact Craiger.

A question came up as to how we would deal with a choice on a menu versus a fixed selection at a fixed price. There are a range of solutions that have been thought of from organizing a fixed choice to pieces of paper and amending the spreadsheet. All this is solvable. First let us find our venue...

BULLETIN ERROR

How to find out who reads the bulletin:

- Make some big glaring error – and wait for the laughing emails to come in.



Last week I published this photo.

The person on the left helping Sarah is actually NOT Terry's wife Irene but Rotarian Marrea Osborne

Apologies to both Irene and Marrea for this ☺

MASSEY TREASURE HUNT

The Treasure Hunt is rapidly approaching with a date of Saturday 12th November so John brought the organizer, Richelle, to tell us a bit about it.

The first Treasure Hunt was run in Pt Chevalier, the second in McLaren Park – and the third one is coming up in Massey.

The goal is to set up a number of “stations” along a walking route with various organizations providing interesting displays. Participants in the walk get to find out what is happening behind the scenes in their area.

There are two routes – a long one and a short one. Along these routes 17 stations will be set up. As 41 organizations are involved there will be compatible sharing of the stations.

We have been offered The Den to set up a Rotary Display along with one or two other users of this room. SBD, Vanuatu ... We have a lot of things to display.

In the main room of the Massey Birdwood Settlers Hall there will be displays of Kung Fu, Line Dancing and Bowling <Is it only my imagination that can picture what would happen if they conflicted over space and ended up at war with the song “Kung Fu fighting” playing in the background?>

The Event starts at 10am and finishes around 1pm. John will be looking for helpers to run a Rotary Display and Massey Matters are looking for a few volunteers to man 4 separate pedestrian crossings.

Contact John if you can help with this.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Our various committees met and reported back at the end – verbally so I may have missed things.

CLUB SERVICE

This committee has two members – Patrick and Heather - and between us we promote the Club through our newsletter and website. We are also both active with the Soapbox Derby. Our report? “All is well and er, what are we supposed to be doing again?... If we ever had the time!”

COMMUNITY

Community House Kitchen

- Deferred till next year by the organizers

Community Garden

- Now that winter is over work is underway
- Kerry dropped off a 10 cubic metre load of donated garden mix on Tuesday
- Timber is required to continue making raised beds. If anyone has any spare 125 x 125 treated timber lying around then the committee would like to hear from you. Otherwise this will be purchased at a cost of around \$300 per bed
- Richelle told us that there are 3 or 4 community gardens in our area and that the organizers of the long established one are helping with mentoring for the newer ones

INTERNATIONAL

Vanuatu School

- Kerry is in the process of getting a quote for a kit set building supplier who make kit set buildings for use in the islands.

- He is also working out a materials schedule for foundations etc
- Once he has costs he will be applying to The Rotary Foundation for assistance to build this.
- Several Clubs have shown an interest in helping construct this.

VOCATIONAL

RYLA

- The forms for RYLA will be coming out shortly
- We have funding, thanks to the Westie Trust, to send up to 4 students
- Students must be aged between 19 and 26, have left school (tertiary students OK) and show leadership potential
- Put your thinking caps on, see if you know of any suitable candidates and contact John or Bob for details

YOUTH COMMITTEE

Books for Prisons

Last week a request went out for spare books for this project and several of our members produced a few this week. If anyone has any others please bring them to our next meeting.

2012 Challenge Camp

This year Waitakere Rotary organized the District 9910 / 9920 Challenge Camp for our IYE students paired with physically challenged students with a venue of MERC. Next year is Newmarket Rotary's turn using the Willowpark camp and it will be a 4 day camp from 6th to 9th May.

Their letter had the following sentence in it:

Please click on <http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz/our-projects/challenge-camp-2011> to help you understand the value and learning experience possible for students, campers and Rotarians participating.

All the Rotary Clubs in the two districts contribute to the costs of hosting the IYE students, individual Clubs sponsor the campers - and our Youth Committee have agreed to us sponsoring a camper.

Campers are aged around 18 and include those with impaired speech, hearing or sight, and those with muscular and neurological disorders. If anyone knows of a suitable candidate – see Sheena.

OUR WEBSITE

The regularly updated pages are:

- Our calendar
- Our newsletters
- And, strange this, the Soapbox Derby pages ☺

Pages that could definitely do with an upgrade are the "Our Projects" pages – one for each of the 5 avenues of service.

Can each of our Directors please look at their page and think about what they want to say about their area and forward any content to Heather.

GRANDMA'S HOUSE

When we completed this Heather sent an update to Joanna at the Waitemata District Health Board who originally approached us over this. Joanna was on leave at the time and replied last week.

Her reply included the following:

From our perspective, there is no doubt that Merle has benefited from your input. Of course, life is hard and the loss of her daughter has left a great hole in her life which will always be hard.

However, the improvements that you have done to the property have provided her with considerable relief in that much of her concern has been for the boys and their inheritance. She has also commented that the time the boys spent in the company of your guys was invaluable for David in particular and in her opinion will have a lasting impression. Her depression certainly lifted somewhat around the time that Rotary became involved.

And in a follow up she said:

On a personal note – I have been inspired also to the point where I look forward to joining a Rotary group myself some time in the future.

Naturally I followed up on this one ☺ but got the reply:

Thanks Heather – I am tempted – but live on the shore so will look into it over there (although you Westies are much more fun!!).

Cheers,
Jo

KENT'S LEAVING PARTY

Kent had his last day at Rotary on 5th October prior to his departure to Wellington. Kerry took a few photos and has finally found them and sent them in.



DEREK

Derek rang earlier in the week to say he was off to Australia for three weeks. His Travel Agent told us tonight that his flight out is booked for Friday. Our best guess was that when Derek was told to "put his clock back by three hours" he accidentally put it back by three days.

Question for the night: Is Derek sitting at Auckland airport wondering where his plane is?

<Or, come to think of it, did he tell me he was having a family dinner at home on Wednesday before heading off?>

ALLURE BURLESQUE

Linda heard about this and mentioned it at our meeting for those interested in going.

Founded 2011

Description Allure Burlesque is a new group created to give you a once in a lifetime experience at an evening out complete with drinks, food, atmosphere and our amazing dance performance. Our items will give you a taste of our girls spectacular dance technique whilst giving you a laugh... and a little bit more with our flaunty, flirty dance moves. Be prepared to step outside your comfort zone while engrossing yourself in the girls, the make up, the costume... Allure!

Products Our show "Voulez-Vous" opens early November. Shows are on 4th of November at 8pm and 10pm & 5th of November at 6pm and 8pm.

Singles are \$28 table of four are \$100 and table of ten are \$240. For tickets please contact erin via phone or email. But be quick tickets are going fast!!
No Refunds after ticket has been purchased.

Email Allure.Burlesque@gmail.com

Phone 02102673495

Saturday is apparently booked out but other details are:


Date: Friday 4th November

Venue: [Carrington's Pump House](#),
Gate 3, Building 33, Unitec Campus, Carrington Rd, Auckland

Restrictions: R18

More info: <http://www.eventfinder.co.nz/2011/voulez-vous/auckland/mt-albert> or

<http://www.facebook.com/search.php?q=allure%20burlesque&init=quick&tas=0.6806304134328973#!/pages/Allure-Burlesque/192723160787466?sk=info>

PARTING THOUGHT		Our meeting was so interesting and in depth that we just ran out of time for a sergeant's session or parting thought. "Fines" were a quick collection of loose change	
RAFFLE WINNER	STATISTICS	RAFFLE TOTAL	FINES
Bob	H, T, H, T	\$39.20	\$27.40
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, David B, Linda C, Roger F, Craiger H, Terry H, Patrick H, Kerry M, Graham N, Alan P, Heather P, Jack R, John R, Sheena S, Domenic W
President Elect / Sergeant	Patrick Howard	Apologies:	Derek G, Monique M,
Vice President	Derek Gee	Guests:	Cecile Struvay, Richelle Kahui-McConnell
Secretary	Bob Benzie	Missing in Action:	Peter S,
Treasurer	Alan Pattison	Make Ups	
Community Director	Phyllis Anscombe	Attendance:	18/21 86%
International Director	Kerry McMillan		
Vocational Director	John Riddell		
Youth Director	Sheena Spittles		
NEXT WEEK'S MEETING DUTIES		WEBSITE ADDRESSES	
Squire		Waitakere Rotary http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz/	
Squire		Rotary International http://www.rotary.org/	
Greeter		Rotary NZ http://www.rotary.org.nz	
Grace		District Governor's newsletter http://www..rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10	
Introduction		Rotary Downunder Magazine www.rotarydownunder.com.au	
Thanks		Rotary NZ Promotions and Information www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=1364	
Parting Thought		Admin page and information http://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=180	
Dealer		Future Vision www.rotary.org/future_vision	
Joker		Rotary E Club (for make ups) http://www.rotaryclubone.org/	
Joker		Dare West http://darewest.org.nz/	
			
COUSIN GEORGE:			
Bank robbers give a bad name to people who just want to deposit their cheque with a mask on.			
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