

WAITAKERE ROTARY CLUB

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR WORLD

Venue: Starling Park Sports Club
34 Glen Road
Ranui

Time: 5:45pm for 6:10pm

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

JULY: NEW OFFICERS BEGIN THEIR YEAR OF SERVICE

SATURDAY 14TH JULY

What:	RAP house working bee
When:	Sat 14/7/12: 9am to 12 noon
After:	Pot Luck Lunch at Bob's – to formally welcome Gabriel
Details:	<Below>

NEXT MEETING:	Tuesday 17th July 2012
Time:	6pm for 6:15pm
Venue:	Lincoln Green
Speaker:	District Governor
Who:	Rotarians, Partners and "those interested in Rotary"

THIS WEEK: DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT

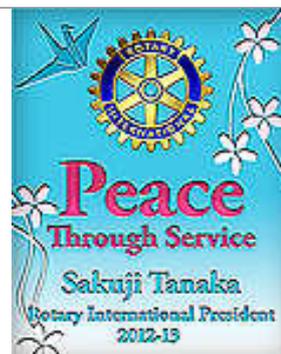


Our newest Honorary Member – Paula Bennett with President Heather

This week we welcomed 5 special guests – our new District Governor Lindsay Ford and First Lady Alison; Paula Bennett MP with new husband Alan – and Ollie, a past RYLA Awardee.

Lindsay and Alison came at 5pm and met with the President, Secretary and Treasurer. We talked about our current plans and passed over our Strategic Plan for the coming year (The Club's help with preparing this is gratefully appreciated).

The rest of the Board then joined us at 5:20 and Lindsay outlined his strategy for the coming year. He has made it very clear that he sees his role as one of support for the Clubs. He will be living in Auckland for the next 5 months and Rotary is his primary focus. If we need help he will come running ☺



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CALENDAR

JULY: NEW OFFICERS BEGIN THEIR YEAR OF SERVICE

14/7/12

*RAP house working bee
Lunch at Bob's*

TUESDAY 17/7/12

**Joint meeting at
Henderson Rotary –
District Governor**

18/7/12

<no meeting>

25/7/12

**Skycity Breakers: Richard
Clarke**

**AUGUST: MEMBERSHIP &
EXTENSION MONTH**

1/8/12

Rotary Projects

3/8/12

*Trees for Survival Planting
Day – Te Atatu Intermediate*

6/8/12

Board Meeting

8/8/12

IYE Gabriel Alemeida

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?

We then joined the Club for an excellent dinner (Wes is enjoying himself trying out different recipes for us) – and then to the meeting.

First off was a re-run of our Changeover video to introduce our members and show the projects we have been involved in through the last year.

Then each of our members was asked to speak briefly on one Rotary highlight. Whilst I'm sure many of us could speak for an hour and still barely scratch the surface a one minute talk gives a very tantalizing glimpse into what Rotary means to us. Thank you to everyone for helping with this. Our Rotary World is indeed a special place.

Having introduced ourselves we then asked Paula if she was still keen to join us as an Honorary member and her reply was a heartfelt "Yes please!" Regular meals with us is not possible due to her other commitments but we look forward to her joining us for odd meetings when she can manage it.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

One of our goals this year is to give \$3,000 to the Rotary Foundation in November – Rotary Foundation Month. As this donation isn't expected to come as a cheque from our big fundraiser - back in February I asked our Treasurer, Alan, to dream up ways to make this donation.

He has been squirreling away the odd bit here and there (with Board approval) and the total as of yesterday afternoon was \$1,170. This was rounded up to \$1,200 and a cheque for this was presented to Lindsay as Stage 1.

Last night Mike gave Alan a cheque for the Entertainment Books and Christmas pudding sales so the Stage 2 November donation is underway.

OLLIE VOVCHENKO



In April 2005 Waitakere Rotary ran District RYLA and Ollie was the Waitakere Rotary Awardee (seen here at right). We also helped sponsor him on an Outward Bound course.

After RYLA he joined Rotaract – and is now thinking of joining Rotary. He joined us this week to find out more about us.

For more info on our RYLA camp:

<http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz/our-projects/vocational/ryla>

MEETING PHOTOS

(Thank you to Alan for these)



Heather called on our expert Bob to explain the meaning of Honorary membership and help to welcome Paula.

One of the strengths of our Club is the wide range of knowledge on various subjects and I'm actively looking forward to everyone helping out with their specialities.



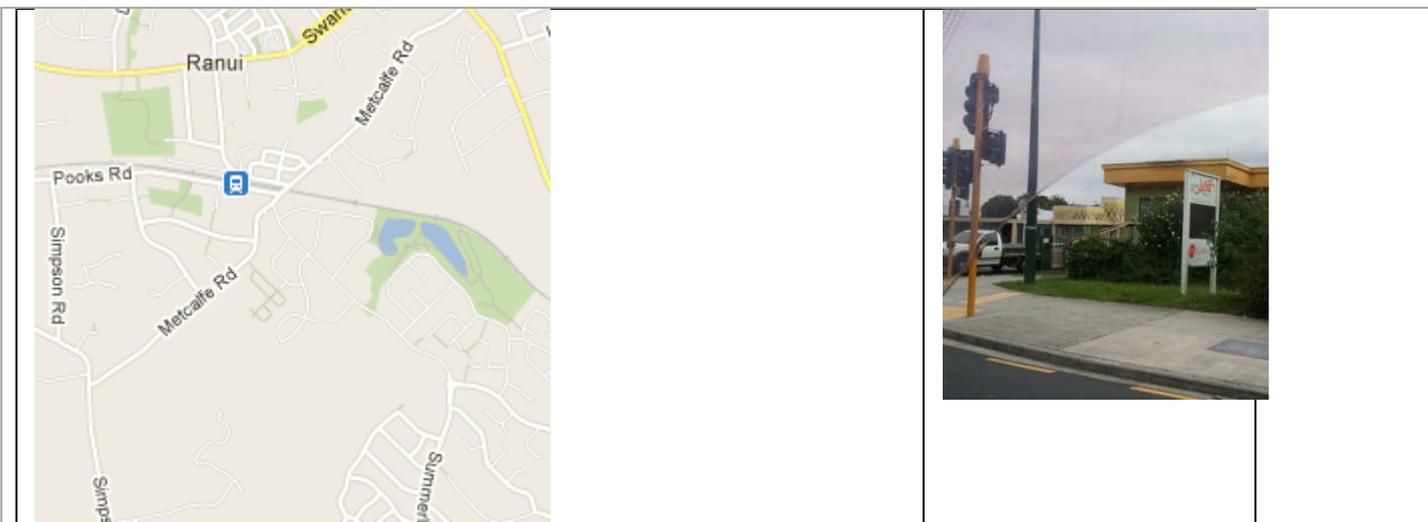
Craiger arranged three bouquets of flowers – one for Alison, one for Paula and one for Mary who is the Starling Park volunteer behind the bar. There's nothing quite like a young man on his knees for presentation...

RAP HOUSE WORKING BEE

COMMUNITY PROJECT: RAP House, Ranui, Garden Makeover

This is a chance for us to get involved in sprucing up a community-owned property in Ranui.

When: 14 July 2012, 9am – 12pm (possibly later if necessary)	Who:	
Where: RAP House, corner of Swanson Rd and Ranui Station Rd, Ranui village	Phyllis & helper	Derek
What: cutting back, pruning, chipping and weeding	Alan	Patrick
Bring: garden gloves, rain gear, secateurs, spades and anything else appropriate (not the kitchen sink)	Heather	John
Expect: scones and cuppa (thanks to RAP House committee)	Craiger	Graham
	Sheena	Linda & Noel
	Kerry	



IYE GABRIEL

GABRIEL'S LUNCH

Traditionally we welcome our new exchange students with a meal – often a meal at their host's house. This year Gabriel was with us for a few weeks, went to Norfolk Island and returned whilst Cecile was still with us and the formal welcome didn't quite happen.

Bob and Sue have come up with A Plan. After the working bee at the Ranui Action Project house on Saturday they will host us for a pot luck lunch at their house.

Come to the working bee, pull a few weeds, take a few photos, meet the locals – then go back to Bob's for lunch.

And if anyone is short of ideas for lunch – the Ranui bakery opposite the RAP house has a good selection of bread, pies, cakes and sandwiches. Just don't leave it too late if you want to select from the range.

For those who can't make it in the morning – come to lunch anyway.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



Hi Heather.

So I can tell a little bit about my holidays.

At the beginning I went with Marcus to the movies, it was pretty good!

On Wednesday I went with Sam (from France) and Marcus to the movies, but the difference was that we watched Spider Man on Imax, that was awesome! haha. In the afternoon We went to the airport to say goodbye to the Canadian girl, that's why *I missed the meeting, sorry about that :(*

Thursday Sam and I met the other exchange students from our District and 9920 in Town. That was sad, because they are leaving now... At night, I met my Brazilian friends (without the exchange

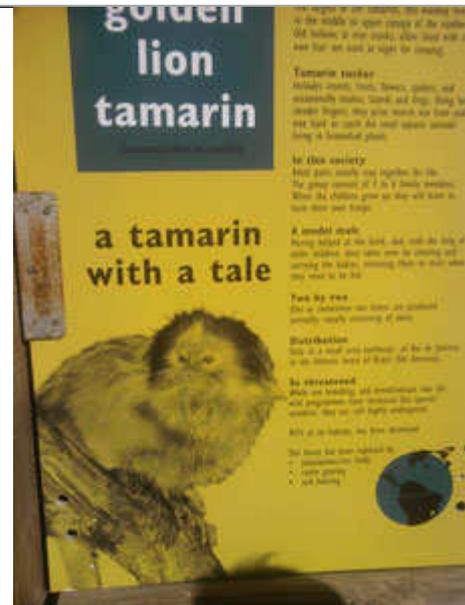
students) and We went to a Brazilian restaurant (good but expensive haha).

On weekend Sue, Marcus, Bob and I went to Whangarei to Sam's birthday/farewell. I really enjoyed knowing the city and the national parks and the party was very good.

Yesterday (Monday), Marcus and I went to the Zoo. It was good! I could see a Kiwi for the second time and the Golden Lion (from Brazil) there.

So yeah, it is been busy for me, but that's good! I'm enjoying this holiday :D
There are some pictures of the things I've done so far...





ROTARY NEWS

Our Rotary World works as follows:

Rotary International (RI) - Rotary Zones (South Pacific) – Rotary Districts (9910) – Rotary Areas (Area 6) – Rotary Clubs (Waitakere)

Our Rotary Zone have sent me a newsletter with lots of interesting things:

- Key Dates
- Rotary Foundation Update
- Polio Update
- Membership Statistics
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In honour of "Dial Up Derek", "I-phone Mike", "I-phone Linda" – and all the others that are now checking their emails on the move but would prefer to download newsletters in their own time I have uploaded it to our website:

<http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz/uploads/news-rotary/RI%20Newsletter-July%2012.pdf>

3 Archibald Road

Kelston

16 May 20112

Dear Rotarians

My name is Helen Bae. I am twenty years old and I am Deaf. I go to Kelston Deaf Education Centre and I am in Transition. I come from Korea and I moved in New Zealand in 2001 when I was nine.

Last week I went to Rotary Challenge camp at Eastern beach. Thank you for paying for me.

I met my partner. Her name is Cecile Struvay. She came from Belgium and she is eighteen years old. My partner was amazing because she learnt sign language fast, when I taught her sign language for six days. She was interesting and motivated to learn sign language. Sometimes, she asked me a word in sign language. We communicated well and talked a lot. I was happy to meet my amazing partner and I really enjoyed spending time a lot. We made memories a lot.

We did lots of different activities. I enjoyed teaching sign language class, rock climbing, walking on a beach, ten bowling, doing concert, sitting on wheelchair play basketball in Gym, indoor and outdoor games. My favorite's activity was rock climbing and teaching sign language because I really enjoyed and heaps of fun for me.

I really enjoyed camp because I was looking forward to going camp and meet my buddy. A lot happened to me in camp. This camp was really best for me and I would like to go there again. I wanted to say a big thank you for pay to me could go camp. I couldn't forget camp in my life. I got a lot experience and memories from camp.

Yours Sincerely



Helen Bae

ST DOMINIC'S COLLEGE

Founded by the Dominican Sisters



28th June 2012

Rotary Club of Waitakere
PO Box 104-017
Lincoln North
AUCKLAND

Attention: Mr Hargesheimer

Dear Mr Hargesheimer

On behalf of St. Dominic's College, I would like to thank the Waitakere Rotary Club for sponsoring the delegations of Guatemala and New Zealand at the Model United Nations Assembly 2012.

St. Dominic's College has a proud tradition of involvement in this fantastic event, and I would like to take the time to acknowledge the generous support your club has given us. Without your club's kindness and generosity, we would not have been able to participate in two life-changing days of lobbying, debating and negotiating.

MUNA 2012 was an amazing experience for us all. I gained an astonishing reservoir of knowledge about the United Nations as well as an open mind towards different cultures & values and how these can influence decision-making. Not only that, I made several new friends, accepted many bribes and took plenty of photos featuring the fantastic costumes on display.

Again, thank you once more to the Waitakere Rotary Club for helping us to attend MUNA 2012. I can speak for both teams when I say that it was a wonderful experience that we will remember for a very long time to come.

Yours sincerely and gratefully

Caitlin Smart
Honourable Delegate of Guatemala

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SOAPBOX DERBY NEWS

Our NZ Champion, her mother and two Westies – Shawn Dyer and partner Debbie – are heading off on Friday 13th July for the World Finals in Akron.

Shawn dropped by to pick up a couple of items and told us that Gemma had appeared in the East and Bays Courier. Isn't the Internet wonderful? The article was found on-line – on the front page of the

East & Bays Courier



www.aucklandnow.co.nz

Friday, July 6, 2012

YOUR PLACE, YOUR PAPER



American adventure: Gemma MacDougall of St Ignatius School is off to Akron, Ohio. She is pictured with the school's soapbox team who all contributed to the school's win at the nationals in April. Photo: JASON OXENHAM

Gemma ready to roll

By CATHERINE HEALY

IT WILL be the trip of a lifetime for 10-year-old Gemma MacDougall of St Ignatius School.

Next week she departs for Akron, Ohio, United States, to represent New Zealand at the 75th All-American Soap Box Derby. St Ignatius won the national event held at Stonefields in April. Each soapbox crew is made up of drivers, a pit crew and cheerleaders but only the fastest driver from the win-

ning team goes to the US. Teacher Christine Lawson says the team of 14 has been incredibly supportive of Gemma. "When she won they were crying with excitement. "We've been practising after school in Stonefields. Some of the kids will come down to support her and help us drag the car back up the top of the road." St Ignatius competed in the Pak n' Save Glen Innes Eastern Suburbs Soapbox Derby for the first time this year.

"We were shocked to win. We just did it for a bit of fun really," Mrs Lawson says. It was the school's caretaker Joe Rehu who suggested the idea after hearing about the derby at a Rotary meeting. A soapbox car has no engine. They are released from the starting blocks and drivers must hold a straight line while gravity does the rest. "You have to look straight ahead, be confident and try and get down low, just leav-



ing a little space so you can see," Gemma says. Her two weeks in the US will be action-packed. The itinerary includes a welcome parade for drivers through the main street of Akron, a

pancake breakfast, a trip to see a baseball game and all the pageantry that surrounds the race day. "It's serious stuff. Once Gemma and the mechanic go through the gates, no-one else can go with them," Mrs Lawson says. "The car will be locked away until it's time to race." St Ignatius' soapbox car has already departed for the US. It takes six weeks to be freighted there. It was originally decorated with the school values but has had a

slick new paint job and now sports a silver fern. Gemma has been told the event will get a lot of media coverage in the US and she should prepare for television interviews. Her classmates have been making pamphlets about New Zealand that Gemma can give out. The Rotary Club of Auckland East organises the regional soapbox event for east Auckland schools. Any schools interested in taking part next year should contact Sam Mukhtar on 520 0439.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL

11.05.12

To whom it may concern,

We would like to thank ROTARY INTERNATIONAL for their support following our success in the PaknSave Soap Box Derby.

We had a lot of fun on the day and we appreciated having such a great experience.

Our driver, Gemma McDougall, is now going to represent our school and NZ in Ohio at the World Soap Box Champs and is looking forward to taking part in such an amazing event.

We could not do this without you so THANK YOU!

From Room Rongo Soap Box Team
St Ignatius Catholic School



FYD "WACKY WEDNESDAY"

Westie Wednesday 13 June 2012

He aha te mea nui o te ao?

He tangata! He tangata! He tangata!

What is the most important thing in the world? It is people! It is people! It is people!

THANK YOU to all of the people in the Waitakere Community for making Westie Wednesday 2012 such a success!

We are delighted to tell you that the number of supporters doubled in this our second year and with your support we will double that again in 2013. We now also have an additional \$7000 to put into our programmes that help grow "Great Kiwi kids". What an amazing supportive community we have in West Auckland. Thank you to all the people who played a part - from Auckland Council for their generous Event Grant to all the businesses, schools, kindys, organisations and every single person who donated a gold coin or an item for our Auctions. When we all pull together we are amazing!

**Nā tō rourou, nā taku rourou
ka ora ai te iwi**

With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive

Next year “Westie Wednesday” will be 12th June 2013. Register by 31 July at fyd@fydwaitakere.org.nz and be in the draw to win 2 free tickets to the Sir Graham Henry Business Breakfast in September 2012. Sir Graham has a long standing connection with Kelston Boys (one of the schools that we work in) and is supporting us to raise awareness and provide programmes in West Auckland. It will be a great event and you will shortly be able to book a table at west.ateed@aucklandnz.com

Westie Wednesday is just one of our ways in which you can show your support. There are numerous ways that we can work together and add value to each other’s organisations. Please contact Jane Edwards to discuss at jane@fydwaitakere.org.nz 021 420959 09 412 9439.

Lock 12th June 2013 into your calendar NOW and use Westie Wednesday to have a “*team building fun day*” in the middle of winter and donate a gold coin to support the Foundation for Youth Development in Waitakere.

The winners of our prizes for “Westie Wednesday” 2012 were;

Best dressed: 1st Prize Monique (Vivo Beauty Westgate):2nd Prize Ant Griffiths :3rd Prize Rosemary Hassan

Raffle winners: Wine Hamper (thanks to Lion Breweries) went to Vivo Beauty Team

Food Hamper (thanks to Pak n Save Lincoln Road) went to Mary -Jane Richards

School/Kindy Prizes Blues Tickets: Rutherford College & Best Dressed Westie at Rutherford College: June Daniels-Strickland

Take a look at some of the “Wackie Westie’s” in Waitakere on 13 June 2012! (attached)

With sincere thanks from the team at the Foundation for Youth Development Waitakere



PARTING THOUGHT	The happiest people do not necessarily have the best of everything. They are the ones who make the most of everything.
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RAFFLE WINNER	STATISTICS	RAFFLE	FINES
Lindsay	T, T, H, T, T	\$37.60	\$40.10

APOLOGIES:
apology@details.co.nz or ph 8109 589 no later than **5pm 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!

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Grace	
Introduction	
Thanks	
Parting Thought	
Dealer	
Joker	
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Waitakere 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.rotarysouthpacific.org/newsletter.cfm?District=10>

Rotary Downunder Magazine
www.rotarydownunder.com.au

Rotary NZ Promotions and Information
www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=1364
 Admin page and information
<http://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=180>

Future Vision
www.rotary.org/future_vision
 Rotary E Club (for make ups)
<http://www.rotaryclubone.org/>

Dare West
<http://darewest.org.nz/>

COUSIN GEORGE:

Today's housekeeping tip: Always keep several get-well cards on the mantle. That way, if unexpected guests arrive, they'll think you've been sick and unable to clean.

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