

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

NEXT MEETING:	Wed 1st August 2012
Venue:	Starling Park
Speaker:	Rotary Projects

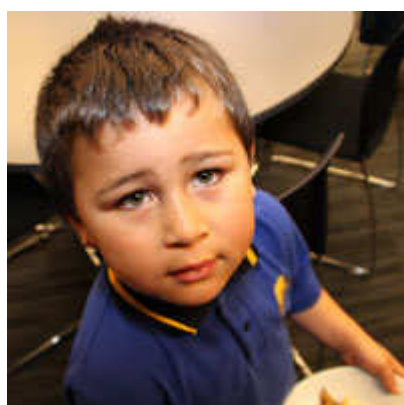
THIS WEEK: VIDEO NIGHT



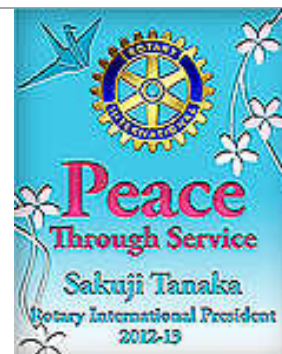
Our guest speaker having gone down with the flu at the 11th hour we were left without a speaker for the night so... video night.

As we had three guests – Roger’s sons and a prospective member Gene Andrews who had been hearing all about our Vanuatu trip over dinner we did a replay of the Vanuatu trip.

Other videos were a past video of the Kumeu River project from 2008 and, as some of our members may not have seen the Breakfast TV show back in March featuring Tamati Coffey and our Soapbox Derby cars, we played that one too.



The two small people occupying themselves quietly in the far corner belonged to our chef and bar staff. With their interest in the soapbox derby video are we looking at future drivers? Or perhaps Rotarians?



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25TH JULY 2012

CALENDAR

28/7/12

Gabriel’s 17th birthday

29/7/12

Pot luck lunch at Bob’s

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

15/8/12

Project Twin Streams: Mandy Patmore and Dot Dalziel from Auckland Council

22/8/12

Guest Speaker

29/8/12

Fellowship Night - Movies

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?

GABRIEL'S BIRTHDAY

Gabriel, our International Exchange Student, turns 17 this Saturday. To celebrate Bob has asked us all to a Pot Luck lunch at his place at midday on **Sunday**

TREES FOR SURVIVAL

FRIDAY 3RD AUGUST 2012

Graham is once again involved with a Planting Day for Trees for Survival in a week's time and would love some Rotarian company.

The bus will leave Te Atatu Intermediate at 9am and return by 3pm so if you can help with this – give Graham a ring.

Tools and lunch will be provided so all you need is:

- Clothing that can survive a planting day
- Jacket
- Sturdy footwear
- Gardening gloves
- And, of course, a camera

The goal of the day is to plant trees that have been grown at the school and to learn about erosion. For some of the kids it will also be the first time they have visited the country and met stray things like "sheep"

RAP HOUSE



I looked at their (out of date but soon-to-be-renovated) website and was left wondering – what do they actually DO in the RAP House?

It is a community owned building that was bought around 10 years ago with all sorts of grants from various organizations. The Ranui Action Project received 3 years funding to identify the needs of the community, set up plans and start making a difference.

Excellent, so what does this actually mean and who uses the house? Linda sent me the following list:

- Tuialepa Youth Mentoring Service
Robson Tavita came to one of our meetings to tell us what they do
<http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz/uploads/news-bulletins/WCRB-2010-11-24.pdf>
- Niu Ola Trust - cervical screening
- Healthwest - retinal screening
- Labtests
- Monte Cecilia Housing Trust - housing help
- Waitakere Community Law service - legal advice
- Back2Back project - neighbourhood development activities
- Maori Women's Welfare League

One of two of these groups are there full time, others come for once a week visits.

The current RAP Board are working to update the Action Plan, identify other needs in the community and add services to meet them.

Ranui has a large proportion of low income rental properties and although many people have cars, quite a few do not. Buses and trains serve the area but with the layout of Auckland it can be a real mission to get to various places – like specialized medical services or WINZ – without a car. The goal is to bring more of these to Ranui through the RAP House.

RAP HOUSE RENOVATION

Stage 1	Waitakere Rotary to clear the jungle so painters can paint the walls	Done
Stage 2	The RAP House have received a grant for painters to paint the exterior of the building Mark, our newest member, has his team from Impact Painting doing this (it was through the quoting process that we met Mark and asked him to join us)	The building has now been water blasted Painting to be done in next few weeks
Stage 3	Tidy up the grounds. The RAP Board have requested Rotary help with the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Build seats - RAP don't have capacity to design but will talk to art teacher at Ranui Primary to see if the kids could design a motif or something to go on seats along with Rotary wheel etc. Two seats best maybe with arms so skaters can't use them. 2. Create raised garden in the v of the deck between seats with Macrocarpa sleepers suggested by Patrick and plant a suitable tree under planted with some mondo grass or some such. 3. Cut out some dirt to create shell path to and in front and maybe under the seats to deck wall. 4. Then sort out grass once all else is complete and we assess what state the grass is in then. 	To be done once painting is complete
Stage 4	Interior painting The Waitakere Lions are sourcing paint. We may or may not be called on for help with applying it.	To be advised

ROMAC

In 2010 we acted as the Host Club for Litiana, a Fijian child with cerebral palsy who had a twisted foot. Liti and her mother Emma came to New Zealand for an operation to correct this. Geoff Dainty approached us at last week's joint meeting about hosting another child and sent through the following email:

This Rotary year ROMAC is hoping to help perhaps 18 cardiac patients that need life saving surgery at Starships new cardiac unit. The children are mainly from Samoa and Vanuatu. Each child is matched with a host Rotary club and ROMAC is currently seeking help from interested clubs.

Waitakere club successfully hosted Litiana and ROMAC is very grateful for their help. We were especially pleased with the help and concern shown by Craiger. It is hoped that the hosting of a cardiac child will not be as onerous or time consuming as an orthopaedic patient such as Litiana. Rather, each cardiac child is accompanied by a guardian and may stay in Auckland for only up to 5 weeks. Unlike a 12 month international student, they will not be hosted at a Rotarians home, but rather, either stay in a close by motel or with friends or relatives.

However, much like IYE, ROMAC exists to give Rotary clubs a project. Without club involvement ROMAC does not exist. ROMAC already has a number of volunteer helpers and carers to assist chaperoning and looking after the patients throughout their stay in Auckland, but feel it is more important that clubs also participate and become involved. It is ROMACs hope that clubs may consider it a privilege and honour to help a disadvantaged neighbour and, like an IYE student, to form some bond and ownership and club pride with the child.

A representative from the host club is normally on hand to meet the child and guardian at the airport, to ensure that they are comfortable fed and warm etc, to advise them of their treatment program and ensure that they are delivered to their accommodation. The representative also ensures that all hospital appointments are met and that the guardian, if not home hosted with friends is looked after.

Towards the end of the stay, some city sightseeing and a club visit is normal. ROMAC is pleased to have a ROMAC representative visit your club and more fully explain the obligations should you wish.

ROMAC hopes that the Waitakere club can help and become one of perhaps 18 Auckland based ROMAC host clubs this 2012-13 year.

Regards
Geoff Dainty
ROMAC Chairman.

THE INSOMNIACS FILE

THE ALL AMERICAN SOAPBOX DERBY

At midnight we logged in to check out the Akron races. First of was the opening ceremony. Five traffic officers led the parade with the letters A K R O N on the front of their bikes. They were followed by a band, a few mascots and then all the Champions. This was followed by the usual stuff – the organizers and sponsors sending across their important messages whilst the kids fidgeted. Then, very quickly they ran back up the track and were into the races. Kerry pay attention please – races lasted just under 30 seconds and turnaround wasn't that much slower – about 10 seconds between races.

At 1:40am (with Alan snoring louder than the dog) it was Gemma's turn.

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	2	173	Gemma McDougall	New Zealand	INT	0.00	0
	3	209	Sara Rokosz	Valparaiso	IN	0.00	0

As you can see Gemma was beaten to the finish by a local Akron kid. We've been told it wasn't by much, just enough. Ah well, there's always next year...

At this point the need for sleep became more important than watching races so the computer went off.

7a.m. and Alan was bouncing round asking how things went. We logged on for an hour or so to see the remainder of the races but saw no more of the NZ team.



Gemma with her trophy

Later in the day Shawn rang us on Skype to fill us in on their week and Race Day. At around midday their time (4am ours) the International race was run. The kids who raced in this came from Canada, French Canada, Germany, Japan and New Zealand. Gemma won! The team had been told that there would be a trophy and that it would be presented that night.

Shawn was full of their week and couldn't stop talking to take a breath. A few of the things he told us:

- In the past there have been issues with the NZ car being VIP'd prior to their arrival and restricted access to the car (not good for safety reasons seeing the car gets tossed around on the ocean). This year there were no problems, lots of access so they could strip and rebuild the car and plenty of help and good will.

- Gemma has been a great kid to deal with and is very photogenic. TV cameras were around and Gemma was selected to appear in an American Sports Documentary – a task that included racing down the track a few times with a TV camera attached to the car.

The team have also sent through a few other photos and these are on our website:

www.soapboxderby.co.nz

We will find out more about the trip when the team return.

ANOTHER PHOTO FROM OUR MEETING



Linda and Jack

WEST AUCKLAND ROTARY PRESIDENTS



Eric Horne from Henderson sent through this photo of the Presidents.

Les Barber (Kumeu),
Heather Pattison (Waitakere),
Roger Laloli (Henderson),
Alison and DG Lindsay Ford,
AG Pene Burridge,
David Whitley (New Lynn)

OUR FRIENDS

AMANDA PRASOW



Many of you will remember Amanda – the Peace Corp worker who helped us with the Aid Station Project on Tongoa Island.

After her year in Vanuatu she came back to New Zealand to pursue her acting career and, along with her coming to one or two of our meetings, we saw her in the lead role in "Sylvia" in June 2010.

<http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz/uploads/news-bulletins/WCRB-2010-06-02.pdf>

I've just received the following email from her:

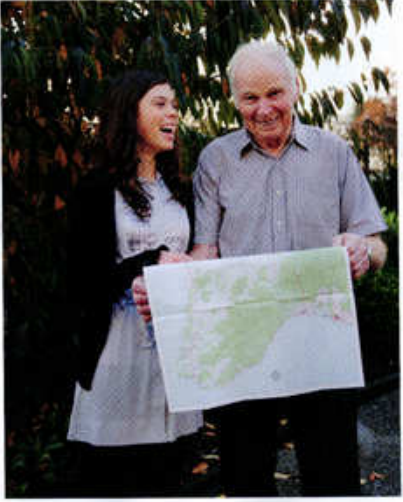
After five years in the South Pacific, I recently left New Zealand and returned to the United States in May. I've moved to **New York City** to focus full-time on acting and the performing arts. It's an amazing time to be here and I'm really excited about doing the work I love: telling powerful stories through theatre and film.

OUR MEMBERS

TOM PEARCE

Tom was a founding member of our Club, one of our longest serving members and is currently an Honorary Member.

Look what we spotted in this month's AA Directions Magazine:

<p>COMPASS</p> <h3>CLUBBING TOGETHER</h3>  <p>22 AA Directions Winter 2012</p>	<p>This issue's cover feature looks at clubs around the country, which got us thinking about our own Association. The AA is New Zealand's largest club and, for many Members, it's the club they've been part of the longest.</p> <p>One such Member is Tom Pearce, who joined the AA back in 1943 at the tender age of 16. Like many people at that time, he joined out of fear that his car – a fairly old and decrepit Morris Cowley – would break down.</p> <p>"Back then cars were cheap," he explains. "For five or 10 pounds you could get a good car... Well, not a good car – but a car that went, with a bit of luck."</p> <p>"Everything I owned was in that car, and I thought, 'Well I can't walk away and leave it on the side of the road somewhere'. The AA's tow-home service sounded pretty good, and so, for a guinea a year, I joined up."</p> <p>To this day Tom has never had to use the tow-home service – he went on to work as a mechanic so fixed most of his car troubles himself – yet he's never considered leaving the AA.</p>	<p>"I've always kept up my Membership over the years because the AA has been fantastic. Not only here, but I've travelled extensively overseas and, because of the affiliation with the AA, I've had wonderful service wherever I've gone. The maps are superb too."</p> <p>Erica Dawson, Tom's 17-year-old granddaughter, joined the AA even younger than he did. She signed up when she got her restricted licence at the age of 15 and, like her grandfather, joined because she was nervous about her car going kaput.</p> <p>"My car isn't that reliable," she says. "It's pretty old! And I know my parents have needed the AA quite a few times before, so it made sense to join up."</p> <p>While Erica is only in her second year of AA Membership, Tom has been part of the club for 69 years. He's not planning on leaving any time soon, either.</p> <p>"I'll probably keep up my Membership even after I stop driving," he says. "Just because I've been a Member for so long, and because they've always given me such excellent service."</p> <p>➤ Turn the page to read our feature on clubs.</p>
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DISTRICT NEWS

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

This is now out and on the District Website: <http://www.rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10>

Contents include:

- An introduction by our new DG Lindsay Ford
- An introduction by our new RI President Sakuji Tanaka
- A reminder about RDU (choice between print copies or on-line)
- The Norfolk Island Rotary history (why a Club in "Australian territory" is a New Zealand Club)
- GSE – Incoming and Outgoing to Korea
- Tramping with the IYEs – a summary of their Tongariro Crossing
- Photos of District Changeover
- Info on next year's conference

EARTHQUAKES

Join New Zealand ShakeOut – the country's largest ever earthquake drill!

We're inviting all the New Zealand Rotary Clubs to join us in the world's first nation-wide 'ShakeOut' earthquake drill where we aim to have 1 million people in New Zealand do the Drop, Cover and Hold

drill at **9.26am on Wednesday 26 September (9:26-26:9)**.

The experience of Christchurch and internationally is that most people and businesses survive a major earthquake - how well, and how quickly they recover, is usually based on how prepared they were.

New Zealand ShakeOut is an opportunity for Rotary members to be better prepared for an emergency. It can be as simple as having members and families do the drill on 9:26-26:9. If you want to do more, it is also a great opportunity to look at your emergency procedures and business continuity planning, and even practise them.

Our campaign is based on the highly successful Great California ShakeOut, which, last year, involved 8.6 million people. Key to California's success has been businesses and other organisations registering and encouraging others to register - we are aiming to replicate that success here in New Zealand. One of the changes being seen over time in California is businesses and organisations realising they cannot stand alone and would need each other after a major earthquake. They are using their ShakeOut not only as an opportunity to review and practise their emergency and business continuity plans but also they are beginning to work together on emergency and business continuity plans.

How you can help?

1. Lead by example and sign up now by going to www.getthru.govt.nz (it only takes two minutes)
2. Spread the word about ShakeOut to your districts' clubs (share it with your members, staff, clients, customers, suppliers etc via word of mouth, posters, staff intranet, your website, Rotary club website, emails, Facebook, Twitter etc)
3. Do the Drop, Cover and Hold drill at 9.26am on 26 September 2012.

The New Zealand ShakeOut national planning team has created a variety of resources to help businesses register, share information with staff, customers, suppliers and others, and do the drill. These include:

- "Countdown to New Zealand ShakeOut for organisations" <http://www.shakeout.govt.nz/downloads/shakeout-organisations-countdown.pdf> – Use this countdown to ensure everyone in your organisation takes part in the New Zealand ShakeOut earthquake drill.
- Flyer for Service Clubs - [http://www.civildefence.govt.nz/memwebsite.nsf/Files/Shakeout/\\$file/Shakeout-volunteer-clubs-flyer.pdf](http://www.civildefence.govt.nz/memwebsite.nsf/Files/Shakeout/$file/Shakeout-volunteer-clubs-flyer.pdf)

Building up to **9:26-26:9** we will be working across a wide range of groups to promote discussion on earthquake planning. In addition to the ShakeOut website we have a Facebook page and Twitter account. There will also be paid advertising starting in July building on the established Get Ready Get Thru campaign, and a range of promotional activities.

Join in, be part of a nationwide campaign to make our businesses and country safer in an earthquake, and take the opportunity to make your part of New Zealand ShakeOut your own. At the time of writing this email only Rotary Club of Hutt Valley have registered.

Where to get more information

Website www.getthru.govt.nz		NZ Get Thru		@nzgetthru
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I look forward to your support.

Yours sincerely
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PARTING THOUGHT	Sheena: William Glasser "I have noticed that happy people are constantly evaluating themselves, and unhappy people are constantly evaluating others."		
RAFFLE WINNER	STATISTICS	RAFFLE	FINES
Sheena	T, T, H, H	\$35	\$30
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!			
BOARD MEMBERS		ATTENDANCE	
President	Heather Pattison	Present:	Mike A, Jim A, Bob B, David B, Linda C, Roger F, Derek G, Craiger H, Terry H, Patrick H, Kerry M, Graham N, Alan P, Heather P, Jack R, John R, Sheena S,
Vice President	Derek Gee	Late Apologies:	Peter S,
Secretary	Sheena Spittles	Apologies:	Phyllis A
Treasurer	Alan Pattison	Missing:	Mark M
Club Service Director	Bob Benzie	Guests:	Gabriel, Roger's sons, Gene Andrew, Martin Ancombe
Community Director	Phyllis Ancombe	Leave:	Monique M, Domenic W
International Director	Craiger Hargesheimer	Attendance:	17/22 77%
Vocational Director	John Riddell		
Youth Director	Patrick Howard		
Sergeant	John Riddell		
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.rotarysouthpacific.org/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	
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