



## Waitakere City Rotary Club Bulletin

### This Week's Meeting

<b>When:</b>	Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2008 6:30pm
<b>Where:</b>	Langtons on Lincoln
<b>Guests:</b>	23 guests
<b>Attendance:</b>	20/29
<b>Make Ups:</b>	
<b>Absent:</b>	
<b>Apologies:</b>	Mike Angland, Peter Hatch, Terry Hodges, Rosemary Langham, Monique Mataga, Graham Nicholson, John Riddell
<b>Guest Speaker:</b>	Merv Huxford – Past District Governor

### Important Dates and Events

3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec 2008	<b>Guest Speaker:</b> Kirk Smith, the winner of the 2008 Soapbox Derby, and his mother, Marie, are coming to speak to us about their amazing trip to Akron, USA to participate in the All American Soapbox Derby World finals. <b>Venue:</b> Rex Davy Lounge, lower ground floor at The Stadium
5 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2008	National Jandals Day
7 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2008	Sunderland School Movie – Madagascar 2
17 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2008	<b>End of Year Function – preliminary details below</b>
21 <sup>st</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb 2009	Devonport Food, Wine and Music Festival (See 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct bulletin for details)
17 <sup>th</sup> April 2009 to 19 <sup>th</sup> April 2009	District Conference – Whangarei

### Meeting:

The food and venue were excellent and there was plenty of good cheer and fellowship.

**Merv Huxford**, Past District Governor, gave an interesting speech about the Rotary Foundation. Realizing that there were several new members in the audience he went into some details about Rotary and how the bits fit together.

- Rotary was started by Paul Harris at the beginning of the last century
- Originally it was a networking organization so various business leaders could get together
- Charitable works came later (and started with a public toilet in Chicago)
  
- Rotary International takes care of the Admin side - membership etc.
- The Rotary Foundation is the charitable side of Rotary.
  
- The bank balance of the Foundation is currently around \$US 210 million.
- 96% of the money in the Trust goes on programs, 4% on administration
- Currently of the money spent each year 36% goes to the Polio eradication program (these days polio has been reduced to isolated pockets in 4 countries. The goal is to eliminate it from the world totally), 37% on humanitarian programs and 27% on education.
- We also picked up some useful tips on the Foundation and how to apply for grants and matching grants.
- Many clubs, particularly overseas, encourage members to pay \$US 1,000 to become Paul Harris Fellows. Here in NZ we tend to use it as an award for exceptional service to Rotary and the Club buys one for presentation to worthy recipients. Craiger received one this year.

One very good suggestion is to find a member who wants to take on Rotary Foundation as a project. If we understand the Foundation and help to raise both awareness of it and funds for it then the knowledge gained will help us with our own projects.

Merv commented extremely favourably on our video of Tongoa. For those who haven't seen it, or would like to see it, the sequel (and the Soapbox Derby one come to that), they are available on YouTube <http://nz.youtube.com/user/Cazatina> (The ones on disk are higher quality due to file size issues)

If you would like to contribute to the Rotary Foundation info on the Centurion scheme is attached. Donations through wills are also much appreciated.

**Jack Young**, the young man from Kelston Boys who is about to embark on a Rotary exchange for a year to Sweden, spoke to us about his forthcoming trip. He has been learning Swedish for the last 5 months and has some concerns about how close Sweden is to the Artic Circle. Current temperature is minus 20.

### End of Year Function: 17<sup>th</sup> December 2008



Preliminary details are:

The venue has been booked but Terry is being thoroughly mysterious about it (and the image to the left is not a clue!)

In order to keep it a surprise he is busy trying to book a Ritchies bus, and stray Rotarian bus driver, to pick us up from Sunderland, take us to it and return us to our cars later. He has promised faithfully that we will like the surprise ☺

Pick up will be 6pm, there is a half hour bus ride and dinner will be served at 7:30pm. The evening finishes at 10pm

Partners and guests are very welcome.

Costs are \$30 per member, \$40 per spouse and \$50 for other guests

Also if everyone could please bring a \$5 gift to go under the tree (men a man's gift, women a woman's gift)

RSVP to Terry by 3<sup>rd</sup> December so we can confirm numbers

### Photos from the Night:



Merv and Ross



Merv's partner Bronwyn



Andreas, a prospective new member, with Kerry



Jack Young with his Dad



A group deep in discussion with Bob



Jack with Roger



Merv in discussion



Jack Young

**Raffle Winner:** No Raffle.

**Parting Thought:** Kerry: “Ah, ah, ah... I’ll pass this on to Derek”

Derek Gee: “Never put off till tomorrow what you can do today. If you like it you can always do it again tomorrow.” Also, “Age only matters if you are a cheese”

**Bulletin Error:**



Last week I accidentally showed all apologies as absent. The chocolate fish award goes to Peter Hatch for pointing this out. At least **someone** is awake and reads the Bulletin.

**Youth Update:**

Our Karate Kid, Toni James, tells me the World Championships will be held in Melbourne next August

**International Update:**

Amanda, the Peace Corp worker from Bonga Bonga Village in Vanuatu was in Auckland on Saturday for a few hours during a stop over on her way to the UK.

Alan and Heather broke with normal protocol of rising at noon, met her at the airport at 6:30am and brought her back to Waitakere. Kerry appeared at 10:30 and took her off for a short tiki tour then reappeared along with Craiger and the Van Liers for a potluck lunch.

Having only had one hour's sleep on the plane over, an afternoon sleep on the couch preceded a shower - hot water, not a bucket in sight - before Kerry reappeared to return her to the airport.

A great day with lots of laughter and it was great to catch up on the doings of the village.

Amanda will be returning to Vanuatu and stopping over again in Auckland on Friday Dec 12 from 9:30 a.m. until 10:40 a.m. the next day if anyone would like to meet up with her.



Amanda on arrival. Tucked up in a blanket in our new lazy boy in front of the fire.  
We cooked.

**Old Glasses:**

We talked to Amanda about sending over a box of used spectacles. She is really keen so if you have old spares floating round in drawers - contact Craiger.

**Soapbox Derby Update:**

- The brochures have been printed so if anyone knows of a potential sponsor contact John Ritchie or Heather Pattison
- A newsletter has gone out to the schools listing our contact details and showing progress to date
- A grant application has gone to Massey Matters
- Kerry has been organizing Christmas Parades

Also, due to a minor flood in Kerry's storeroom - the upstairs tenant did something strange with a tap - Alan and Heather made the most of the opportunity to get in there, tidy it up and make an

inventory of contents. In amongst the SBD stuff there are a few golf prizes and 181 beer mugs. The SBD car is there after its return from the States and will go on display shortly.



Alan taking a break and wondering why he started this.



The After photo

### **Fund Raising Compost:**

Theo - <http://vanlier.co.nz/> - has very kindly donated some compost for fund raising. This is listed on Trade Me but if you want some contact Theo now on 832 3044 (home) or 0275 485 951. Also, if you are capable with a tractor Theo may be interested in help on Saturday mornings loading it.

Details are:

<http://www.trademe.co.nz/Browse/Listing.aspx?id=190177242>

Pumice Compost for sale

- Excellent for planting and breaking up soil
- \$45 metre
- Tractor available to load
- Pick up only on Saturdays from 9 –12
  
- Over 70 cubic meters available

Compost is surplus to requirements and has been donated to Rotary by a leading West Auckland nursery.

### **Trade Me:**

On the subject of Trade Me, Alan is still keen to list items that members wish to donate. Currently there is Theo's old desk: <http://www.trademe.co.nz/Browse/Listing.aspx?id=189911918>



## **United North Piha Lifeguard Service Inc.**

**Volunteer Lifeguards Patrolling North Piha Beach, Auckland.**

**Post:** P.O. Box 6778, Wellesley Street, Auckland.

**Web:** [www.unitednorthpiha.org.nz](http://www.unitednorthpiha.org.nz)

**Phone:** (09) 812-8706

21 November 2008

To Whom this May Concern,

### **National Jandal Day**

#### **Join us on December 5th 2008!**

Celebrate summer and show your support for Surf Life Saving by joining us on National Jandal Day – 5th December 2008. Each year more than 2.3 million people enjoy New Zealand's favorite playground at least once during summer, either with friends, a family day out or the iconic kiwi holiday. But beaches can be treacherous and your support will help equip local volunteer Surf Lifeguards with essential rescue skills and equipment. The beach, it's our favourite playground and with your support we can ensure it's safer for everyone.

Get your [workplace / school / community group involved](#)

[Make a donation!](#)

#### **Register your workplace!**

Introduce jandals to the office!! Workplaces can get involved by encouraging staff to come to work wearing jandals in return for them making a National Jandal Day donation.

Registrations – head to [www.nationaljandalday.co.nz](http://www.nationaljandalday.co.nz)

**REMEMBER** when you register, please put our club **UNITED NORTH PIHA** in the box that says 'Club/ District I support'.

#### **Become a volunteer collector!**

Street collectors are the real movers and shakers on National Jandal Day. Whether you're willing to collect for the whole day or just over your lunch break, we need as many people on the street in lifeguard uniforms with collection buckets as possible.

Keen? Reply to this email with the following details:

**REMEMBER** when you register, please put our clubs **UNITED NORTH PIHA, PIHA, KAREKARE, BETHALLS, MURIWAI** in the box that says 'Club/ District I support'.

**NAME:**  
**CONTACT NUMBER:**  
**EMAIL ADDRESS:**  
**AREA I'D LIKE TO COLLECT IN:**  
**TIME I'D LIKE TO START COLLECTING:**  
**HOW LONG I'D LIKE TO COLLECT FOR:**  
**CLUB: UNITED NORTH PIHA, PIHA, KAREKARE, BETHALLS, MURIWAI,**

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Thank you very much for your time and support

Yours Sincerely,

Caroline Wulf-Phillips  
Recruitment Officer, Club & West Auckland Co-ordinator National Jandal Day  
UNITED NORTH PIHA LIFEGUARD SERVICE  
8178828 / 0274339043

**Movie Time:**



Sunderland School and College Parents and friends presents

The Advanced Premier Screening of Dream Works MADAGASCAR 2 – Escape Africa.

SKYCITY CINEMAS – Albany  
Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2008 @ 10am  
COST: - \$15 per person

This is a great Kids / family Movie

Seats are limited so order your tickets now from  
Bob Benzie – [bob\\_suebenzie@clear.net.nz](mailto:bob_suebenzie@clear.net.nz) or  
021 434 611

## Meeting Times and Contact Details

<b>Where:</b>	Trusts Stadium, Waitakere City		<b>Committee Members:</b>
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## Duty Roster and Calendar:

Date	03 Dec	10 Dec
<b>Guest Speaker</b>	Kirk Smith	
<b>Grace</b>	Kerry	John Riddell
<b>Introduction</b>	Alan	Theo
<b>Thanks</b>	Heather	Ross
<b>Squire</b>	Jack	Domenic
<b>Squire</b>	John Ritchie	Mike A
<b>Parting thought</b>	Peter S	Jim A

17<sup>th</sup> December 2008 – Christmas Party

2009

Date	21 Jan	28 Jan	04 Feb	11 Feb
<b>Guest Speaker</b>				
<b>Grace</b>	Bob B	Craig	Heather	Domenic
<b>Introduction</b>	Jim B	Peter H	Jack	Mike A
<b>Thanks</b>	David	Bob L	John Ritchie	Jim A
<b>Squire</b>	Kent	Steve	Peter S	Bob B
<b>Squire</b>	Roger	Kerry	Theo	Jim B
<b>Parting thought</b>	Derek	Alan	Ross	David

## Apologies:

You all know the drill:

### Contact:

Ross Ward at  
[baywest.plumbing@xtra.co.nz](mailto:baywest.plumbing@xtra.co.nz) or  
837 0133

No later than **12 noon** on the **Monday** prior to the meeting

**AND:** If you are bringing guests, including family members, please let Ross know this also.

**No shows will, of course, be charged for their meal!**



*I would like to become a  
"Centurion"  
so that I may personally support the  
great humanitarian programmes of  
The Rotary Foundation*

*To achieve this end I commit myself  
to a contribution of \$100 per year as  
long as I am in a position to do so.*

Name .....

Address .....

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Phone .....

Club .....

Signature .....

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Please find enclosed cheque for \$100

**(Make your cheque payable to;  
Rotary District 9910 Foundation  
Committee)  
and mail to;**

**Rotary District 9910  
Centurion Co-ordinator  
Pete Roffey  
15 Kerikeri Grove  
Kerikeri  
Bay of Islands 0230**  
*Your donation is tax deductible. A  
receipt will be issued to you*

## THE ROTARY DISTRICT 9910 Foundation Committee

*Is extremely  
grateful to you for  
your interest in  
"The Centurion  
Scheme"*

Rotary District 9910  
Foundation Committee  
District Chairman PDG Michael Hill  
E mail [michaelhill@xtra.co.nz](mailto:michaelhill@xtra.co.nz)

## Rotary International Foundation

District 9910

Centurion

Scheme



We invite you,  
as Rotarians,  
to make a personal  
contribution to our  
Rotary Foundation

A \$100 donation  
will allow you to  
be a member of the  
Centurion Club

You are welcome  
to make your partner  
or members of your  
family a member also.

Consider the following:

- 80% of the worlds population live in sub standard housing
- 70% of the worlds population are unable to read
- 50% of the worlds population live in houses with earth floors

Consider also:

If you have never experienced the danger of battle, the loneliness of imprisonment, the agony of torture or the pangs of starvation – you are ahead of 500 million people in the world!

YES, you and I are part of:

- 25% of people with food in our refrigerator, clothes on our back, a roof over our heads and a place to sleep
- 1% of people who own a computer
- 1% of people who own a microwave
- 1% of people who have access to tertiary education.

How would you spend \$100 on yourself?

- Treat yourself or your partner to a "hair do"?
- Go out for dinner?
- Buy a bottle of scotch and a bottle or two of wine?
- Maybe a cheap pair of shoes?

But did you know that \$100

- Will return the eyesight of 3 people in India
- Will furnish a classroom in Africa