



Waitakere City Rotary Club Bulletin

This Week's Meeting

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| When: | Wednesday 9 th September 2009 (9/9/9) 6:00pm |
| Where: | The Trusts Stadium, Central Park Drive |
| Attendance: | Listed at end of bulletin |
| Guest Speakers: | Logan from Rotaract; Kerry McMillan on Motor homing in America |
| Web site: | www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz |

Visitors Welcome: Local business people, stray Rotarians... are welcome to attend our meetings.

For information contact: Kerry McMillan 832 3229 or Mobile 021 416 777

Important Dates and Events

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| Wednesday 16 th Sept | Bill Potter <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">Bill Potter is considered by many to be the best business speaker in New Zealand. His material is always original, timely and inspiring.</div> <i>See Bulletin 26th Aug for details</i> |
| Wednesday 23 rd Sept | Jim Hainey, Auckland Central Rotarian: "Humour in business" |
| Saturday 26 th Sept | West Harbour Beerfest <i>info below</i> |
| Wednesday 30 th Sept | Fellowship night |
| 7 th to 8 th May 2010 | District 9910 Conference - Noumea |

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Ross has resigned as Attendance Officer.

For the time being please contact the Secretary with apologies and guest numbers.

To ensure apologies don't go astray please email to apology@details.co.nz For next week, if you have to phone, ring 0274 719 569 rather than my home number (we are away for a few days but can sort it long distance). The above email address has been set up so others can check it in the future if required.

I've also been tinkering with a spreadsheet to try to streamline communication between the Attendance Officer, President, Secretary and Bulletin printout. Rather than introduce mistakes in the Bulletin I will now use a copy and paste to include relevant data from the spreadsheet into the Bulletin.

This will also be used to create duty rosters so if you have a regular meeting on, for example, the third Wednesday of each month let me know now so I can include this in advance.

A printout for September is included at the end of the Bulletin. If you believe any entry to be incorrect please contact me within 7 days so that it can be corrected.

Also big thanks must go to Ross for his work on this over the last few years. It isn't an easy job and the tidy files he handed over show the huge amount of work that he has put into this task. Ross has found the last few weeks very stressful with work commitments as well as this and has earned a well-deserved break from it.

Next Week's Speaker

Bill Potter is by all accounts an excellent motivational business speaker who usually charges \$150 to \$200 to speak. For info on this fantastic speaker see [Bulletin 26th Aug](#)

Visitors are very, very welcome. Please contact Heather, by 12-noon Monday, with RSVPs and apologies.

Rotaract

Logan came to speak to us about how the new Rotaract group is going. Their first meeting brought out a large number of Rotarians from the various Clubs – and four prospective members. Several prospective members have contacted them since then. They are having their second meeting in the weekend as follows:

Rotaract BBQ news

Aged 18 to 30? Then this is for you.

A new Rotaract Group is forming in West Auckland. For details contact Logan on 021 1168 377 or by email logan@ilisten.co.nz

Their second event since forming last month is as follows:

What: A "get to know you better" BBQ

Where: Massey & Birdwood Settlers Association Inc Hall
corner of Don Buck Road and Red Hills Road

When: 12 September 2009

Time: Midday - Early Evening

Who: Future Rotaract West members and Existing Rotary / Rotaract Members

Info: Bring a Plate (Nibbles) or Tray (Meat), BYO (Drink). Lets sit down and get to know each other better. We will be talking about the future of Rotaract West and what we might aim to achieve during our time with Rotaract.

Kerry on Motor-homing in America:

Kerry and Jen store a home away from home in America. Every so often, when Rotary and Soapbox Derbies don't get in the way, they use it. The last time was two years ago – but they are planning on another trip next year if we can't think of some highly compelling Rotary reason to keep them here.

Owning a vehicle in another country can seem a daunting task for those who have never done it. Buying a vehicle, pink slips, needing a zip code address for registration, storage (which side of which border for registration? Cheap storage areas versus expensive storage areas), insurance, smoke tests etc. Kerry has done it and knows the answers. If anyone is planning on doing this, contact him and he will be happy to help you through it.

Kerry's comment is that if you are planning a few weeks, or months, tour of the States then owning your own motor home is far more cost effective than hiring one – particularly if you are planning on returning for another go. Vehicles and maintenance are far cheaper there than here and storage costs him \$US18 a month. (\$US 5,000 for an older van? In NZ we are looking at \$NZ 50,000 or more! Where can I get one?)

Memories from their trip:

- Zooming through the border from the States to Mexico without stopping on the freeway
- Stopping for passport control on the way back
- Huge wind farms marching across the plains into the distance
- Following the Alaskan Marine Highway
- Stopping for a flutter in Las Vegas
- Visiting Yellowstone National Park
- ...

If you are planning a trip to the States contact Kerry and he would be delighted to share the memories and help you with motor home details.

Meal Account:

A discussion was held about our meal account and how to charge members for meals in a fair way with minimum stress to the Attendance Officer and Treasurer. Expect an email on this in the next few days.


Raffle winner: John Riddell

Parting thought: Derek

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| <p>Question: Why does a plumber keep an empty bath in his back yard?</p> | <p>Answer: So he can sit in it on his 40th Birthday</p> |
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Happy Birthday Ross



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|  | <p>Dictionaries:</p> <p>Bob picked up 600 dictionaries some weeks ago and has had them in secure storage, his house, ever since. He is now organizing presenting them to schools.</p> <p>If you would like to be a part of the team presenting them contact Patrick. It would be great to see a group of Rotarians at each school supporting this.</p> |
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The four Presentation of "Dictionaries for 9 year old" to Year Four Students that have been arranged so far are:

- Henderson Primary, at 2 PM Friday 11th September – 30 x Year 4 students
Location: Montel Ave, Henderson
Presenter: Kerry
- Nga Kakano Christian Reo Rua Kura, at 9am Monday 14th September
Location: 27d Waipareira Avenue, Henderson
Presenter: Bob
- Pomaria Road School Students at 2.00pm, Friday 18th September.
Location: School Hall, Pomaria Road, Henderson – 65 x Year 4 students
Presenter: Patrick (with Heather and Alan hiding in the background)
- Henderson North Students at 9:30am, Monday 21st September.
Location: School Hall, Norval Road. Henderson – 70 x Year 4 students
Presenter: Derek Gee

Other lower decile schools in our area that have received dictionaries are:

- Royal Road: West harbour Rotary has provided Dictionaries.
- Birdwood: Henderson Rotary has provided Dictionaries
- Ranui: Henderson Rotary has provided Dictionaries
- Henderson South School: Henderson Rotary has provided Dictionaries

Henderson apparently provided 300 dictionaries in total, but we haven't heard how many Rotary provided overall. (Kerry found more back ground from the RI Web Site and our Past RI President Bill Boyd introduced them into New Zealand.)

Bluelight info:

On the 7th August Rohan, a police officer with Bluelight, sent out the following request to all of us on the Bluelight mailing list:

Birdwood School are having a hangi fundraiser on Friday 11/9/09 to raise money for the kids who can't afford to go to camp (which by my reckoning is most of them).

Birdwood have great initiatives underway to reward good kids and promote leadership, including police education programmes, Junior Neighbourhood Support etc.

They are asking for contributions to the hangi fundraiser and to the camp.

Not so much a Bluelight thing but again all the people I would have thought of happen to be on this address list.

All I'm asking is could you please forward this to anyone you know who may have an interest in helping them.

Patrick read this and actioned it quietly in the background. (The first I knew about it was this week when copied into a couple of emails):

Hi Mike,

Just to follow up from my phone call to you today. The Web Company has arranged for 30 Ten Pin Bowling Family Passes to be given to Birdwood School (they will be sent by courier tomorrow morning). The passes are valued at \$56 dollars each so the total donation value is \$1680.00. We wish you all the best.

Patrick Howard

Hi Patrick, that is incredibly generous and this will be so appreciated by our families and children. A gift like this can give a family a day out that can bring them together without financial pressure and can provide a great platform for building positive relationships with each other. It also encourages families to

then carry on doing things as a family in the future after having a positive experience like this. Thank you once again Patrick for organising this. I have added you to my newsletter email list and also a copy of our last one.

Kindest regards Mike

Mike Carswell - Principal mike@birdwood.schoolzone.net.nz

District Governor's Newsletter:

This was emailed to all Waitakere City members. It is also available on the District web site at: <http://www.rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10>

Update to this:

Hi there

There is an error in the current DGs Newsletter. At the bottom of page 2 there is a reference to doing make-ups on line. The link is wrong and takes you to a holding page with all sorts of topics - some of them inappropriate.

The link you need is www.rotaryclubone.org Note the additional e after Rotary.

Also, not an error, it was correct at the time. Please use D9910admin@rotary.org.nz for the District Administrator.

Kind regards

Stephen Wheeler,

West Harbour Beerfest:

Hello to you all,

I know that some of you know about our Beerfest night, but for those who don't I would like to invite you, your club members, friends and associates to join us for a fun night on the 26th of September. We have a 7 or 8 piece band who I have seen perform before and they are fantastic. We know it will be a real fun night. We have made it BYO so that people can bring along their drinks of preference and also keep their costs down. We will be providing nibbles, finger food and Hot Dogs throughout the evening. The \$40 cost includes all food.

I do know that some of the people coming are dressing up so if you decide you would like to do so I can assure you that you will not be the only ones.

I hope we will see lots of you as this will be a great fellowship night. Can you please advise me as soon as you can if you think you will have people interested. I am putting posters up around our village today and I know our locals love their Beerfest evenings so there could be demand for tickets. I can get tickets to you at any time.

Kind regards

Carol

President West Harbour Rotary Club

West Harbour
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Hosts

Beerfest

Food Served

Compa Band

Dress Up (Optional)

Tickets available now **\$40**
BYO Drinks, Food Served

Phone
Carol/Dave 09-413-8492
Coralie/Don 09-416-3926
Lyn 09-416-0669
Dennis 09-416-7692

BYO
Drinks

Greenhithe Hall 7:00pm Saturday 26 September 2009

Calendars:

A few weeks ago we had an offer of Rotary calendars to sell from Auckland Rotary. Although widely advertised in the Bulletin it didn't bring a huge response. Seven calendars were ordered with a net profit to the Club of \$32.

Can we do better with the following? Christmas, and the last minute rush to find presents, is fast approaching.

Dear Club Secretary,

I am emailing from Birkenhead Club, we have a fund raising project that your club maybe interested in, this is a chance for your club to make some money easily.

We offer these lovely cakes and puddings all made here in New Zealand at a time when we are all trying to buy locally and support other New Zealander's at the same time.

This is our introductory letter, we are happy to come and visit your club with samples of products for you to taste after mid October when the Christmas spirit is starting to kick in.

Our club has run this project for the last two years and one of our members companies supplies these lovely cakes, puddings and this year we have added the lovely boxed/tinned hand crafted chocolates.

We have found from our own members feedback and other clubs that have brought these products that these make impressive corporate gifts as well as personal thoughtful gift when you are caught short.

Any queries or interest that you may have please don't hesitate to get in touch, we are happy to send/visit you and show your club first hand how you may access these products.

Orders will be sent back to us via this easy order form (see attached) and will be delivered to you mid December, taking the hassle out Christmas.

Regards
Julie Wilson
President Elect
Birkenhead Club.

**Christmas Gift
Corner**

A great gift idea from Birkenhead Rotary for the well organized "shop in advance from the comfort of your own home" Rotarian.

If interested contact Alan
alan@details.co.nz
with your order.

**ROTARY FUNDRAISER
Clubs Recommended Selling Prices**

CHRISTMAS CAKES, CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS, BRANDY BUTTER, HANDCRAFTED CHOCOLATES

(All product is NZ Made to NZ food specifications)

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|  | 1kg Christmas Cake (boxed) \$29 RRP |
|  | 340g Christmas Cake \$15 RRP |
|  | 700g Christmas Pudding (boxed) \$17 RRP |
|  | 110g Brandy Butter (jar) \$10 RRP |
|  | La Maison du Chocolat Handcrafted chocolates Large Cube (300g) \$40 Medium Cube (140g) \$23 Distinction Box (140g) \$18 |

Spotted in our local paper:

Shelter from the storm

By Les Watkins

Destruction and despair can not be adequately captured by pictures in newspapers or on TV.

So says Silverdale-based firefighter Ross Mackenzie who has just returned from a 15-day mercy mission to the typhoon-ravaged Philippines.

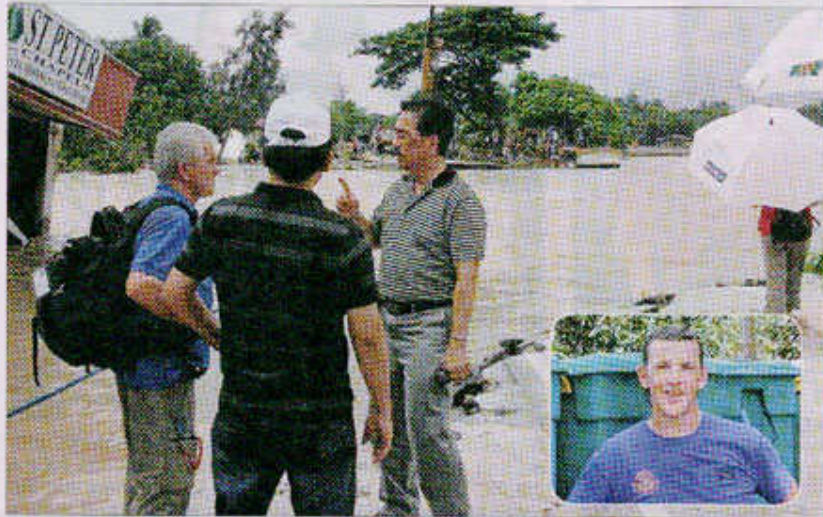
"More than 2000 homes had disappeared completely from the little town of San Juan where I was working," he says. "They'd been swept out into the South China Sea after a dyke burst its banks during the typhoon."

This was Ross' first assignment as a volunteer in a remarkable emergency aid programme mounted by Rotary.

Orewa Rotary Club provided one of the \$1500 ShelterBoxes for the Philippine mission. In each there's a big tent, 10 sleeping bags, a multi-fuel cooker and eating bowls. There are also the basics a family requires after losing everything in a disaster - including tools and a children's activity pack.

Ross is one of five Kiwis selected from 25 volunteers as the most suitable for the arduous task of helping survivors.

"The work was a big challenge, physically as well as emotionally," he says. "One day we started at six in the morning and because



Help needed: Peter Pearce, left, from Rotary Australia confers with Rotary members from the Philippines as they stand near the river-like floodwaters, the aftermath of the typhoon. **Inset:** Rotarian and Silverdale-based fireman Ross Mackenzie of Torbay spent 15 days getting ShelterBoxes to flood victims. "Dry land suddenly became a raging river nearly a kilometre wide," Ross says.

of the desperate urgency we worked through until four in the afternoon the next day, snoozing when we could while travelling in the truck."

It took Ross and three Rotary colleagues from Australia, Britain and the United States nine hours to get from one side of a town to the other.

"Families needed help fast because their situation was

desperate," he says. "But a great river, fast and wide, was covering what had been dry land."

"It was impossible to get trucks across and so we had to take a huge detour over mountain roads."

The team provided 334 ShelterBoxes and eight classroom tents.

"The classroom tents mean that despite the horrors around them, the chil-

dren can continue with some sort of education," says Ross.

The ShelterBox scheme has assisted more than 600,000 people in nearly 50 disaster-hit countries since its launch in 2000.

■ Orewa Rotary Club aims to provide a second ShelterBox and would like help. Cheques made out to ShelterBox can be sent to Orewa Rotary, PO Box 97, Orewa.

| Meeting Times and Contact Details | | | |
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| Where: | Rex Davy Lounge, Lower Ground Floor at The Trusts Stadium, Central Park Drive, Henderson | | |
| Sergeant | Derek Gee | 412 7904 (home); 0274 120381 | |
| Board Members | | | |
| President | Terry Hodges | 0274 312 374 (mob) terryh@unitedtravel.co.nz | |
| Vice President | Derek Gee | 412 7904 (home); 0274 120381 | |
| Secretary / Bulletin Editor | Heather Pattison | 8109 589 (home); 0274 719 569 heather@details.co.nz | |
| Treasurer | | | |
| President Nominee / International Director: | Craiger Hargesheimer | 833 6854 (home); 021 636 854 (mob) Craiger@ihug.co.nz | |
| Club Service: | Patrick Howard | 412 7933 (home); 027 4838383 (mobile) Patrick@thewebco.co.nz | |
| Community Director: | Steve Lewins | 833 4168 (home); 021 795661 (mob) steve@lewinselectrical.co.nz | |
| Vocational Director: | Ross Ward | 837 0133 (home); 0274 936 144 (mob) Baywest.plumbing@xtra.co.nz | |
| Youth Director | Kent Favel | Ph 849 5025(home); 0273 693 972(mob) kfavel@sunderlandcollege.school.nz | |
| Apologies | | | |
| Apologies: | | Late Apologies and No shows will, of course, be charged for their meal as it has been booked and paid for! | |
| Contact: Heather at apology@details.co.nz Ph 8109 589 or 0274 719 569 | | AND: If you are bringing guests, including family members, please let Heather know this also. | |
| No later than 12 noon on the Monday prior to the meeting | | Late apologies are an appreciated courtesy | |
| Duty Roster | | | |
| Date | 16-Sep | 23-Sep | 30-Sep |
| Event | Bill Potter | Jim Hailey | Fellowship Night |
| Squire | Jim A | Monique | n/a |
| Squire | Bob | Kerry | n/a |
| Greeter | Kent | Alan | n/a |
| Grace | Roger | Heather | |
| Introduction | Craiger | JR | n/a |
| Thanks | Patrick | Peter S | n/a |
| Parting Thought | Steve | John Riddell | n/a |
| Rotary | | | Website |
| Waitakere City Rotary | | | http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz/ |
| Rotary NZ | | | http://www.rotary.org.nz |
| Rotary NZ Promotions and Information District Governor's newsletter Admin page and information | | | www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=1364 http://www..rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10 http://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=180 |
| Rotary International Future Vision | | | http://www.rotary.org/ www.rotary.org/future_vision |
| Rotary E Club (for make ups) | | | http://www.rotaryclubone.org/ |

September

| Date | 9/09/2009 | | 16/09/2009 | | 23/09/2009 | | 30/09/2009 | |
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| Speaker | Rotaract; Kerry | | Bill Potter | | Jim Hainey | | Fellowship | |
| Meal Cost | | \$ 20 | | \$ 20 | | \$ 20 | | \$ 20 |
| Meal Levy | | \$ 5 | | \$ 5 | | \$ 5 | | \$ 5 |
| Apology Levy | | | | | | | | |
| Members | 25 | | 25 | | 25 | | 25 | |
| Attendance | 12 | | 0 | | 0 | | 0 | |
| Percentage | 48% | | 0% | | 0% | | 0% | |
| Members | Guests | | Guests | | Guests | | Guests | |
| Mike Angland | Late apology | \$ 25 | | | | | | |
| Jim Annison | No Show | \$ 25 | | | | | | |
| Bob Benzle | 1 | \$ 25 | | | | | | |
| David Butler | Apology | \$ - | Apology | \$ - | | | | |
| Kent Faval | Apology | \$ - | | | | | | |
| Roger Froes | Apology | \$ - | Apology | \$ - | Apology | \$ - | | |
| Derek Gee | 1 | \$ 25 | | | | | | |
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| Terry Hodges | Apology | \$ - | Apology | \$ - | | | | |
| Patrick Howard | 1 | \$ 25 | | | | | 1 | 20 |
| Steve Lewins | Apology | \$ - | | | | | | |
| Monique Mataga | Apology | \$ - | Apology | \$ - | | | | |
| Kerry McMillan | 1 | \$ 25 | | | | | | |
| Alan Pattison | 1 | \$ 25 | | | | | | |
| Heather Pattison | 1 | \$ 25 | | | | | | |
| Jack Riddell | No Show | \$ 25 | | | | | | |
| John Riddell | 1 | \$ 25 | | | | | Apology | |
| John Ritchie | 1 | \$ 25 | | | | | | |
| Peter Smith | 1 | \$ 25 | | | | | | |
| Ross Ward | 1 | \$ 25 | | | | | | |
| Domenic Wood | 1 | \$ 25 | Apology | \$ - | Apology | \$ - | Apology | \$ - |
| Friends of Rotary | | | | | | | | |
| Graham Nicholson | Apology | \$ - | Apology | \$ - | Apology | \$ - | Apology | \$ - |
| Non Attending Members | | | | | | | | |
| Jim Brown | | \$ - | | \$ - | | \$ - | | \$ - |
| Tony Scott | | \$ - | | \$ - | | \$ - | | \$ - |
| Ivan Yukich | | \$ - | | \$ - | | \$ - | | \$ - |
| Paying Guests | 1 | \$ 20 | | \$ - | | \$ - | | \$ - |
| Club Guests | 1 | \$ 20 | | \$ - | | \$ - | | \$ - |