



Waitakere City Rotary Club Bulletin

Making A Difference In Our World

This Week's Meeting

When:	Wednesday 30th September 2009 5:30pm
Where:	The Pattisons
Web site:	www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz
Guest Speaker:	

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

Wed 7 th Oct	Darren Eckford – Account Manager, Outward Bound Trust
Wed 14 th Oct	Meeting Cancelled
Thurs 15 th Oct	Joint meeting – Henderson HEB Project – <i>details below</i>
7 th to 8 th May 2010	District 9910 Conference – Noumea
20 th to 23 rd June 2010	Montreal Conference

It was a dark and stormy night and two men walked into a bar... No hang on, that isn't quite right, start again...

It was an extremely wet evening in the school holidays at the beginning of daylight savings. People scattered in all directions – Thailand for the sun, Ohakune for the snow, Napier for the children to see their grandparents – leaving a few hardy Rotarians at home.

Ever ready for a spot of adventure these few headed to the edge of civilization for dinner. All survived an enthusiastic welcome from 3 large dogs (and two rather disgruntled cats) and dined on ham, chicken and a few salads rather than the threatened pizzas. Cheese, crackers and an ice cream on a stick rounded off the meal. The enthusiasm with which the ice creams were received shows the child is still alive and well in all of us.

For those who didn't quite catch up with the extra visitors they were:

- My daughter Jen with husband Mike, 4-month old son Alexander and 2 dogs (thus the disgruntled cats). Jen had her appendix removed in the weekend and, as she needs help lifting the heavy baby, is home for a few days whilst recovering. Mike's back problems means he can't lift him either.
- Heidi and Kelly Vinsen. Their parents live opposite and, having grown up with our two children, they came over to see Jen. By one of those interesting quirks of fate the Vinsens are related to the McMillans. Please note that the fancy hairdos weren't actually due to the importance of a Rotary meeting but are because Kelly is a hairdresser and was experimenting.
- Kerry's daughter Fiona. Kerry's daughters bought a house further up the road two weeks back and Fiona went through teacher's college with Jen.
- Jo Howard, Patrick's wife
- Graham Foden and his partner Julie
- Martin Anscombe, an old friend and (currently) ex-Rotarian.

We enjoyed ourselves, and hope that all around us did too. The chatter and laughter seemed to indicate that everyone did.

As for other Rotary news – between drains and children I'm now officially two weeks behind.

District News:**District 9910 Friendship Exchange Committee**

Greetings. It would be very much appreciated if you could arrange for the notice below to be published in your Rotary Bulletin. Kind regards,

Alan Boniface District 9910 Friendship Exchange Committee

" The District Friendship Exchange Committee has received an invitation from District 5110 (Part of California and Oregon) to partake in a Friendship Exchange. That District will be visiting our District in March 2010, and our return visit to them is scheduled for September 2010. To register your interest in joining the tour to District 5110, or obtain further information, please either E-Mail Alan Boniface at aljoy@paradise.net.nz or telephone 09 4256696. By registering your interest, there is no commitment at this early stage, just that you will be placed on a list, in order of receipt, and be kept informed as more information is received "

Parting Thought (last week): John Riddell

I asked John to email me his parting thought last week. He said he would, but only remembered (at 2:18am on Friday morning) AFTER I sent out the Bulletin:

"I never joined the army because at ease was never that easy to me. Seemed rather uptight still. I don't relax by **parting** my legs slightly and putting my hands behind my back. That does not equal ease. At ease was not being in the military. I am at ease, bro, because I am not in the military."

[Mitch Hedberg quotes](#) (American Comedian, 1968-2005)

Meeting Times and Contact Details

Rex Davy Lounge,
Lower Ground Floor at The Trusts Stadium,
Central Park Drive, Henderson

Board Members

President	(Terry)
Vice President / Sergeant	Derek
Secretary / Bulletin Editor	Heather
Treasurer	Alan
President Nominee / International Director:	Craiger
Club Service:	Bob
Community Director:	Patrick
Vocational Director:	John
Youth Director	Kent

Apologies**Apologies:****Contact:**

Heather at apology@details.co.nz
Ph 8109 589 or 0274 719 569

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!

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

Late apologies are an appreciated courtesy

Duty Roster

Date	7-Oct	14-Oct
Event	Guest Speaker	Joint Meeting - Hsn
Squire	Peter S	n/a
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Greeter	Jim A	n/a
Grace	Bob B	n/a
Introduction	David	n/a
Thanks	Patrick	n/a
Parting Thought	Monique	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	30/09/2009	
Speaker	Fellowship	
Meal Cost		
Meal Levy		
Apology Levy		
Members	25	
Attendance	9	14
Percentage	36%	
Guests		5
Members	Guests	
Mike A	Apology	
Jim A	1	
Bob B	1	
David B	1	
Kent F	Apology	
Roger F	Apology	
Derek G	1	
Craiger H	Apology	
Terry H	Apology	
Patrick H	1	1
Steve L	No Show	
Monique M	Late Apology	
Kerry M	1	1
Alan P	1	
Heather P	1	2
Jack R	No Show	
John R	Apology	
JR	Apology	
Peter S	1	
Ross W	Apology	
Domenic W	Apology	
Friends of Rotary		
Graham N	Apology	
Non Attending Members		
Jim B		
Tony S		
Ivan Y		
Speaker		
Paying Guests	2	1
Prospective Members		
Club Guests		

Guests

Graham Foden
Julie
Martin Anscombe
Jen Triggs
Mike Triggs
Jo Howard
Fiona McMillan