



# THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAITAKERE CITY

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR WORLD

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**Venue:** Rex Davy Lounge, Lower Ground Floor, The Trusts Stadium, Central Park Drive, Henderson  
**Time:** 5:45pm for 6:10pm  
[www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz](http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz)



## FUTURE EVENTS

### NEXT WEEK: VANUTU TEAM

Peter Wilson (Whangaparaoa Rotary) and others from the team will come to speak to us about their trip to Vanuatu

### THIS WEEK – YVONNE JELLIE: WONS



21 years ago a couple of nurses saw a real need for early nursing assistance in the community and set out to fill it. WONS was born and over time has evolved into a business model and now employs 31 staff members.

Partial funding comes from contracts with the DHB and Ministry of Health but extra fundraising is required to fulfil all the needs.

So what do WONS do?

WONS is a charitable trust committed to working with and assisting the community and other service providers to keep our women and their families well.

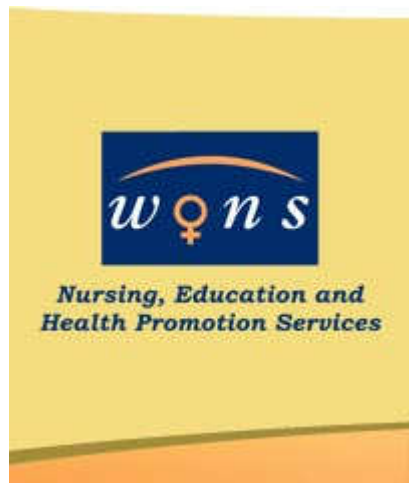
For a great many women, particularly in lower income areas, getting to the Doctor for a health check is an unaffordable luxury. WONS has therefore stepped in to take health checks into the community Free of Charge.

Health checks are run in various places all over town. Workplaces, churches, maraes, supermarkets... Where there is a need the WONS team try to be there.

Originally a massage table and a suitcase were packed into a station wagon and taken to these various locations. These days they have more equipment and are currently fund raising for a new van.

A current fund raiser is Trade Me Auctions running until the 12<sup>th</sup> November. If you would like to support them and fancy a game of golf, a haircut or one of various other donated items they can be found at: [www.trademe.co.nz/wons](http://www.trademe.co.nz/wons)

More info on the services they offer at: [www.wons.org.nz](http://www.wons.org.nz)



27<sup>TH</sup> NOV

Henderson Santa Parade

1<sup>ST</sup> DEC

**David Slinger** an experienced speaker on the increasingly topical subject of EMF radiation.

10<sup>TH</sup> DEC

Swanson Santa Parade

Te Pai Christmas event

12<sup>TH</sup> DEC

David's Christmas Party

SUNDAY 20<sup>TH</sup>  
MARCH 2011

Our 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Soapbox Derby

8<sup>TH</sup> TO 10<sup>TH</sup>  
APRIL 2011

District Conference – at The Trusts Stadium, Henderson

16<sup>TH</sup> TO 21<sup>ST</sup>  
APRIL 2011

RYLA

## ALISTAIR MORTON RUTHERFORD SCHOLARSHIP



Every year we use the interest on the scholarship account to fund a Year 13 Scholarship at Rutherford High. This year we had 3 successful applicants to the Summer Science Forum so directed the scholarship their way to help with the fees.

Michaela Spencer, Pang Yuk Cheung and Pang Ying Cheung were the three successful candidates and they, along with their parents and teacher Robyn, came to tell us what they intend studying and how the Science Forum will help them.

## JOHN RITCHIE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Massey High Prize Giving was held in the evening of Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> Nov.

John Riddell emailed Thursday morning to say that the scholarship had gone to Amy George. He told me that he had enjoyed being there and afterwards he caught up with friends on the staff and board.

An earlier snippet of information had already come in. After the prize giving I received a text from my teacher daughter (and no, Massey don't know I have a spy in their ranks):

"They gave your scholarship to a girl in my form class. Well deserved!"

I asked Jen if they read my info on the award or just gave it out. Her reply was:

"They gave the big speech. Spent a lot of time saying how much they appreciated the fact it was going to keep going and then gave out the award. They made a big deal about it which was cool"

## CHALLENGE CAMP

Thank you to everyone who has put their name forward to help with this. There is a meeting at 2pm at the Pattison's house for those who can attend.

## FUN DAY AT THE BEACH

Fancy a fun day at the beach watching people overexert themselves? Have children/neighbours/friends who need an outing by the sea?

The Cure Kids Walk/Run is on this Sunday – 14<sup>th</sup> November – and they are looking for volunteers to help man the event. Details were in the 27<sup>th</sup> October bulletin and can also be found at:

<http://www.walkonthewildside.org.nz/>



Also watch out for Red Noses. This is also a Cure Kids fundraiser and they are on sale till 19<sup>th</sup> November.

Details at: <http://www.rednoseday.org.nz/>

## RYLA

The District 9910 Rotary Youth Leadership Award (a week long leadership course for students aged between 18 and 24) is to be held next April. Dates are: April 16<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> 2011

We haven't received any applicants to date. Does anyone know of a suitable candidate who would benefit from this?

More details at: <http://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=790>

## VANUATU NEWS

### WHANGAREI SOUTH ROTARY CLUB PRESS ARTICLE

# Reopening school a moving experience



Hiwelo School on arrival



And during renovations

The opportunity to join a Rotary aid party to Tongoa Island in Vanuatu was jumped at - and resulted in a challenging and most rewarding experience for a Whangarei Rotarian Laurie Young. Vanuatu is one of the three Pacific Island territories comprising part of our Rotary District 9910.

The May 2009 earthquake that hit Vanuatu resulted in damage to 80% of the water tanks on Tongoa. With no rivers on Tongoa the 14 villages rely heavily on the significant Pacific rainfall so the Rotary Clubs of Waitakere City and New Lynn have contributed valuable assistance in remedying damaged and replacing some of the water tanks on the Island.

In addition the 50 pupil 2 roomed Hiwelo School was declared a Disaster Zone and closed. For the past 18 months the children have been having lessons on the floor of the three roomed house supposed to be occupied by the teacher.

The damage was not structural however, consisting of cracked concrete columns, walls and floor. Rotary dispatched an engineer to scope the damage and assess the repairs needed. His report was submitted to the Vanuatu Department of Education and with liaison with the Rotary Club of Port Vila. galvanized steel plates were fabricated in New Zealand and shipped over with steel cable, framing timber, corrugated iron, cement, plumbing materials and paint, in preparation for a team of Rotarians to visit. Work demands in New Zealand (significantly the Canterbury earthquake) prevented the originators of the project from making the trip. Assistance was therefore obtained from fellow Rotarians, mainly from Whangaparaoa Rotary Club, hence an opportunity for a lucky Whangarei Rotarian to join them.

The Hilwelo School serves two villages Bongabonga and Meriu, about two kilometers apart in very steep terrain, so, the work was undertaken with a large team of the local Nivan people organised by the local school teacher. Because of thorough planning and preparation a lot was achieved. About 40 plates were bolted to the concrete structure, broken concrete and floor cracks were filled and ground smooth, the roof, the exterior and interior were painted. Having no windows the push-out shutters were in significant need of repair as was the 2m x2m x3m concrete water tank that was cracked and empty. Steel cable bracing was installed and the tank ground smooth and lined with a double liner and mosquito proof roof constructed. A new toilet was built in a more appropriate location and water piped so the children could wash their hands.



Metal plates attached in damaged areas



New Water tank liner

There being no electricity (apart from a small generator, run when they have petrol) the team took over a solar energy panel, regulator and inverter donated by the Rotary Club of Whangarei South which, with ancillary equipment enables the school to now run a DVD and two halogen lamps, one above the teacher's desk in each room. Cell phones operated through a Chinese constructed network, are a valuable means of communication in this isolated part of the world, can also be charged. Other gifts donated by Rotarians taken to Tongoa were a battery operated blood pressure monitor for the nearby Aid Station, a used laptop computer, carving tools, football jerseys, a box of bras, embroidery material, sundry tools and food items plus materials for the school and gifts for use as rewards at the school.

The Official Opening was a large, elaborate and quite moving affair, reflecting the significance to the two communities, of the work accomplished.

Not one of the eight members of the Rotary party could have avoided being affected by the emotion of the occasion as teachers, parents, Chiefs, Pastors and children and fellow and neighbouring villagers rejoiced in the accomplishments and all shared the joy and satisfaction of being part of a cooperative effort of Rotary in Action.

#### WHANGAREI SOUTH ROTARY CLUB BULLETIN

The following is an extract from their Bulletin. (Laurie also apologized for the lack of mention of the other Clubs involved in this – like Kerry from our Club who organized it all)

#### **LAURIE'S WORKING VISIT TO HIWELO SCHOOL ON TONGOA ISLAND, VANUATU.**

Apart from the physical work undertaken, gifts donated by Rotarians taken to Tongoa Island by Laurie included a battery-operated blood pressure monitor for the nearby Aid Station, a used laptop computer, carving tools, football jerseys, a box of bras, embroidery material, sundry tools and food items plus school supplies.

The Official Opening of the restored school building, catering for 50 students from 2 neighbouring villages, was a large, elaborate and moving affair, reflecting the significance to the two villages of the work accomplished. Teachers, parents, Chiefs, Pastors, children and neighbouring villagers rejoiced in the accomplishments and all shared the joy and satisfaction of being part of a cooperative effort of Rotary in Action. The success of the mission was largely determined by the detailed planning and preparation that had gone into it.

#### **Summary of Main Work Programme carried out by the team of 8 Rotarians, aided by local islanders.**

Repair earthquake damage to school to make safe. Drill 400 x 12mm holes to depth of 100mm; bolt 50 prefabricated steel plates to cracked concrete beams and columns; repair concrete floor; replace rusted



roofing iron; repaint building exterior; repair shutters.







Repair water tank cracked by earthquake. Bind tank with steel cables; line with polythene; install mosquito proof cover; plumb for new water supply to toilet tap.

Construct toilet in new location. Relocate ½ tonne concrete toilet throne – 20 islanders hauled the throne up one gully then lowered down another; construct building and clad with woven palm leaf matting; install water stand for hand-washing.

Install solar power unit. This was donated by Whangarei South Rotary, to augment petrol-generator to provide lighting over teachers’ desks, power for chargers for laptop and cell phones.

Deliver donated goods.

These included a laptop computer, wood carving tools, rugby jerseys, bras, school supplies, etc.

	<p>Exterior of Hiwelo School. Repaired shutters are opened to let light in – there are no windows.</p>		<p>Bolted, prefabricated steel plates provide structural strength where the concrete pillars and beams had cracked.</p>
	<p>Rotarians install a solar power unit donated by Whangarei South.</p>		<p>The classroom interior with desks assembled by locals under Rotary supervision, from kitsets provided by China. The single light shines above the teacher’s desk.</p>
	<p>Woven mats are installed to provide screening around the walls of the relocated toilet unit.</p>		<p>The qualified teacher and her partly-qualified husband were the key local people. They were very emotional when thanking Rotarians for their efforts</p>

**ALSO FOUND IN THE WHANGAREI SOUTH ROTARY BULLETIN:**

**HOW TO START A FIGHT:** (1) My wife and I were watching “Who Wants To Be A Millionaire” while we were in bed. I turned to her and said, 'Do you want to make love?' 'No,' she answered. I then said, 'Is that your final answer?' She didn't even look at me this time, simply saying, 'Yes.' So I said, "Then I'd like to phone a friend." And that's when the fight started...

(2) My wife and I were sitting at a table at her high school reunion, and she kept staring at a drunken man swigging his drink as he sat alone at a nearby table. I asked her, "Do you know him?" "Yes", she sighed, "He's my old boyfriend.... I understand he took to drinking right after we split up those many years ago, and I hear he hasn't been sober since."

"My God!" I said, "Who would think a person could go on celebrating that long?"  
And then the fight started...

## DISTRICT NEWS

Hi All – Just our **regular update** with - some friendly reminders and general information for your attention (still lots happening – busy time of year!) –

**Cycling New Zealand** - Two young men are cycling the length of New Zealand for PolioPlus - they would love support from all clubs in New Zealand for one of their 13.4 km legs - please check out and help these great lads – more information on [etcetera](#) ...



**ROMAC Support** - Please go to this website and vote for Simon Gault. ROMAC will be the beneficiary if he wins!!! Romac gets tickets for two to go anywhere in the world – which the committee can auction off through Rotary or whatever. So get voting!!!  
<http://www.mondobucketlist.co.nz/celebritycompetition/>

**Shelter Box Support** - Super Typhoon Megi- The Philippines Government has formerly requested the support of International Aid Agencies following Typhoon Megi which lashed 10 provinces in Northern Luzon, in the Philippines.



Kiwi ShelterBox Response Team members (SRTs) Arnold Kelly (Springs Junction) and Lyndon Tamblyn (Bulls) flew to Manila at the end of last week to co-ordinate the ShelterBox response in the stricken areas where over 1700 families are sheltering in evacuation centres.

An initial 200 ShelterBoxes have been despatched to the devastated areas. Today, a third Kiwi SRT Walter van der Kley (Ashburton) leaves for Manila to help deliver the boxes into what is reported to be a large area of devastation. Donations to help replace the allocated boxes can be sent to P.O.Box 306 Mosgiel 9053 or deposited into the ShelterBox donations account 06 0939 0071143 02 or please find our Donation Form attached. Other ShelterBox deployments:

Benin (West Africa) <http://www.shelterbox.org/news.php?id=499>

Just completed: [www.shelterbox.org/news.php?id=497](http://www.shelterbox.org/news.php?id=497)

Check out the photos of the amazing work of ShelterBox around the world on <http://www.flickr.com/photos/shelterboxuk/sets/> - Donation forms available on [etcetera](#)

**SHELTERBOX PROMOTION THE LENGTH OF NEW ZEALAND** - On November 1st Rotarian Rick Stacey, (aged 65) from Kerikeri, starts an epic journey leaving from Bluff, on a bike towing a ShelterBox trailer, for Cape Reinga. Passing through many centres where he will be promoting ShelterBox and Rotary's involvement in this project. Offer your support to Rick at <http://www.fundraiseonline.co.nz/Ricks-ride2010>. Or just follow him on his website <http://www.bluff2cape.org.nz/>

**2010 Manual of Procedures** - The new Manual of Procedures is now available and can be viewed on the Rotary International website at [http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en\\_pdf/035en\\_full.pdf](http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/035en_full.pdf)  
- link also available on [etcetera](#) ...



and Districts in their completion. To liaise with governments and other bodies and/or departments

**Rotary New Zealand World Community Service (RNZWCS) is 25 years old** - Principal Objectives: To encourage Rotarians, Rotary Clubs, Rotary Districts and others to participate in meaningful World Community Service projects. To assist the World Community Service activities of Rotary Clubs and Districts when called upon. To seek and select suitable World Community Service projects and to seek the co-operation of Rotary Clubs

concerning requests for overseas assistance and all matters consistent with the objects of RNZWCS Limited. As a birthday present why not personally donate \$600 to RNZWCS to supply further funding for Emergency Response Kits - Just visit this site [www.rnzwcs.org](http://www.rnzwcs.org) to 'deliver' your birthday gift ...

**Rotary Down Under - November 2010** - In Rotary Down Under and Rotarian Life November 2010 you will be pleasantly surprised to see many more than usual articles and photos from New Zealand and the SW Pacific - well done! Please keep those articles and photos coming, after reading our [www.rdu.rotarysouthpacific.org](http://www.rdu.rotarysouthpacific.org) Submitting Articles (which includes text in English and French) plus our Useful Downloads How to get published information, and then submitting your articles and photos via [berylrobinson@rotarydownunder.co.nz](mailto:berylrobinson@rotarydownunder.co.nz).- download a copy on [etcetera](#)

**International Convention - New Orleans - 21-25 May 2011** - Information is available on the International Convention to be held in New Orleans from 21-25 May 2011. We have set up a page on the website where you can download the brochure and find out all the information you need as well as a contact for promotion of the Convention within your club - check this out by [CLICKING HERE](#) ...



**Christchurch Earthquake Hosting Appeal** - To all 9910 club members ... At the request of District Governor Margaret 9970 Christchurch, District 9910 is setting up an R & R hosting programme and you can help.... Have you got a holiday home, a flat or a spare bedroom and would like to share this for a few days with our southern neighbours in need of a break. While we are a long way away, we can do something positive to help, "how many aftershocks have they had", by all accounts these have been quite distressing. Forward to me details of what you can offer, I will be acting on your behalf as 9910 hosting coordinator. Ian Carpenter - Email - [dougalthecat@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:dougalthecat@vodafone.co.nz) - ph 0942 62 149

**REMINDER MONDAY NIGHT - Devonport "Special Rotary Only" Invite to New Zealand Sculpture on Shore** - Devonport Rotary invites all Clubs in 9910/20 to attend a "Special Rotary Only" evening at NZSoS on 8th November, 6pm till dark. All proceeds from this Biennial Event go to NZ Women's Refuges. Cost \$25 instead of \$35 - for further details see [etcetera](#)

**Rotary exchange rates** - New Zealand NZD 1.40 - 0.71428571 - Australia AUD 1.14 - 0.87719298

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Sarah Carr  
District 9910 - District Administrator  
ROTARY - Building Communities, Bridging Continents

**RAFFLE  
PARTING THOUGHT**

Winner: David  
Alan: Many kids have everything they need to go back to school, except the right attitude. The 3 Rutherford students here tonight are an exception to this rule!

Statistics: H, H, T, T

**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?*

**NEXT HOME MEETING'S DUTIES:**

Deputy Sergeant	Patrick
Squire	Roger
Squire	Domenic
Greeter	Bob
Grace	Jim
Introduction	Derek
Thanks	Kerry
Parting Thought	Kent
Dealer	Mike
Joker	David
Joker	Peter

**BOARD MEMBERS:**

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**THIS WEEK'S MEETING:**

Present:	Mike A, Jim A, Phyllis A, Bob B, David B, Kent F, Roger F, Derek G, Craiger H, Patrick H, Kerry M, Graham N, Alan P, Heather P, Peter S, Sheena S, Domenic W
Apologies:	Jim B, Terry H, Steve L, Monique M, John R,
Late Apology:	Jack R
Guests:	7 guests from Rutherford, Yvonne Jellie
Make Ups:	John R (Massey High)
Attendance:	17/23 %

**SUNSHINE FUND:**

Raffle:	\$35.50
Fines:	\$77.60 Plus one carwash token and an Australian 5c coin. Thanks guys.

**APOLOGIES AND RSVPS TO:**

[apology@details.co.nz](mailto:apology@details.co.nz) or ph 8109 589  
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!

**WEB SITE ADDRESSES:**

Waitakere City 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..rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10>

Rotary Downunder Magazine  
[www.rotarydownunder.com.au](http://www.rotarydownunder.com.au)

Rotary NZ Promotions and Information  
[www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=1364](http://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](http://www.rotary.org/future_vision)  
Rotary E Club (for make ups)  
<http://www.rotaryclubone.org/>  
Dare West  
<http://darewest.org.nz/>