



THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAITAKERE

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

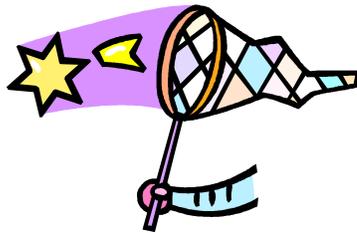
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FEBRUARY: WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH

FUTURE EVENTS

NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY 2ND MARCH

The Fishy Stars!



Date:	Wed 2 nd March
Venue:	Stardome Observatory 670 Manukau Rd
Info:	www.stardome.org.nz
Times:	6:15pm Meet in the Observatory carpark for a Fish and Chip meal 7pm Observatory Movie "The Ancient Egyptians and the Stars" 8pm Return home
Costs:	Club Members \$25 Adult Guests \$20 Children \$15 This covers the cost of the fish and chips and the show.
RSVP	To Derek (Heather will also pass on any RSVPs to him)

NOTE: One or two people would like to carpool. For those who need a ride please ring Graham. He will meet those who want a ride at 5:30pm in the Stadium Car park

WED 23RD FEBRUARY: PDG MERV HUXFORD



Merv, seen here with Past RI President Bill Boyd and a soapbox derby car, was our guest speaker this week.

Merv came to our Club to speak to us about his passion – The Rotary Foundation.

Rotary International is in many ways an administrative organization. Our annual fees go to costs in running Rotary.

WED 2ND MAR

Observatory trip

WED 8TH MAR

Optional meeting:
New Lynn to hear Bill Boyd

WED 9TH MAR

Chris Hotchkiss

SUNDAY 20TH
MARCH 2011

Our 8th Annual
Soapbox Derby

WED 23RD MAR

St John – accidents in
business

SAT 26TH MAR

Massey High Gala

WED 6TH APRIL

Visit to Henderson
Film Studios

8TH TO 10TH APRIL
2011

District Conference – at
The Trusts Stadium,
Henderson

10TH APRIL

NZ SBD Finals

16TH TO 21ST
APRIL 2011

RYLA

27TH APRIL 2011

Dr Roger Grace
QSM and Marine
Biologist

7TH MAY

Massey Matters Treasure
Hunt

The Rotary Foundation is a separate arm of Rotary and is funded by donations, largely from members. Donations can be made by

- Purchasing a Paul Harris Fellowship (either individually or as a Club)
- Direct contributions through the Centurion scheme
- General donations
- Bequests

The main goals of the Foundation are to help solve world problems of

- Health (including eradicating polio)
- Water
- Hunger
- Education

The Rotary Foundation is currently funding just under 5,000 programs throughout the world, many of them through matching grants with local Rotary Clubs.

Merv gave us a lot of food for thought and actively promoted the Centurion Scheme. For those who wish to partake in this a donation form is at the end of this bulletin.

More information on what The Rotary Foundation does is available at:

<http://www.rotary.org/en/AboutUs/TheRotaryFoundation/Programs/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

OPTIONAL JOINT MEETING – NEW LYNN

Normally when we are invited to hear of an excellent speaker at another Club we accept with alacrity and cancel our own meeting that week.

However Kent has organized a great speaker for March 9th so we can't do this. Instead we can offer the following as an "optional extra". Craiger needs numbers by the 1st March.



AN INVITATION

President Barry and the members of **The Rotary Club of New Lynn** wish to invite all visitors to hear an address given by

Past R.I. President Bill Boyd

Bill is speaking on "Future directions for Rotary". He is incoming Rotary Foundation Chairman and will probable touch on Foundation.

Date/Time Tuesday 8th March 2011, 5.30 onwards, for 6.15pm Dinner

Place: Titirangi Golf Club, 11 Links Rd, Titirangi

Cost: \$30.00 per person.

R.S.V.P. to:

Reception Ph:820 9191

By:10.00 am Monday 1st March, please.

CLUB NEWS

- Craiger, Bob, Sue, Patrick (and Linda) are keen to go to the Conference
- Graham will be organizing two Trees for Survival planting days in June. Volunteers needed (details closer to the time)
- We have been invited to a joint meeting with the Lions at the end of May
- Past member John Watkins has been in and out of hospital lately.
- We are planning an induction for new members on 9th March

- Monique is hoping to be back with us in a month or so
- Sponsors are still needed for the Soapbox Derby. If you have any leads please contact Kerry

REQUEST

12 minutes after the last bulletin went out I received a one line email from my daughter in the UK: "Wheres the photos?? I like the photos..."

Anyone else got a camera to help out on this?

9910 DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

The February edition of "Maxine's Bytes" is now available at <http://www.rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10>

The website has two copies of this – one in English, the other French.

IYE NEWS FROM FRANCE

Graham received the following email from Elsa, a Rotary Exchange Student who stayed with members in 2005:

Hi!

Last year I did the 5th year undergraduate at The Political Sciences Institute. At the end of this year I went to Togo to work 3 months in an NGO in the savanna (at 450 km away from Togo's capital). I was in charge of 2 projects. The first one was a project financed by United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) to fight against child malnutrition.

The second one was a project financed by the European Union to help little groups of women to develop remunerative activities to improve their life conditions.

This practical experience was most rewarding. I have learned a lot. However, it was a bit difficult at the beginning to live in the same conditions as the native people in the bush. I lived in a hut of the village. I could only use water in the well. I eated "fufu" (dough made with yam) and dough made with corn (which are the base of their food) but also lizard, agouti (big rodent),... and everything with my hands. During the night, I could hear tom-tom (african drums) used to celebrate funerals. The most difficult was to stand the heat (until 45 degrees).

But after few weeks I got totally used to these new life conditions and everything went well. Furthermore, people were very warm and nice.

In October 2010, I obtained my diploma of Political Science with honours. Very interested by the field of development (in the development countries) I started in October a little specialization in health economics in developing countries. But in January I received an offer from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for a mission in Haïti (during at less 1 year). It was for a job in the "development and humanitarian action" department in the French Embassy in Port-au-Prince.

I couldn't turn down this offer. I had so nice memories of my work experience in the French Embassy in Paraguay 3 years ago. Moreover, the situation in Haiti aroused all my interest. This job could give me opportunity to work in the same time in the two fields I prefer: Diplomacy and Development.

So, in January I finished the first part of my specialization and I accepted the offer of the Foreign Office. My mission in Haïti starts on the 1st March.

I will be in charge of the FSD (Social Development Fund) which aims at promoting local initiatives from Haïtians, coordination of french NGO, representation of the Embassy in meeting with others development partners (international organisations, states, NGO, etc.), etc.

Concerning my family, everybody is doing well. My mother and father are still teaching. My sister Diane is doing a two-year course of personal assistant. She has a passion for English. She did a work experience in a University in England last year and she will do another one in an Anglophone library

this year. She spends her free time watching movies in English, reading books in English...She can't imagine her life without English and her dream is living in England....

My brother Théo started high school this year.

I will never forget you.

Take care

Love

Elsa

CHRISTCHURCH

From our Rotary NZ Website:

Canterbury's Devastating 6.3 Magnitude Earthquake on 22 February

The Rotary family's thoughts are with Canterbury Rotarians, their families and communities at this challenging time.

How can you help?

Please make donations to the Rotary New Zealand Canterbury Earthquake Appeal via:

- **Rotary New Zealand World Community Service www.rnzwcs.org where there is a PayPal credit card facility**
- **or internet banking telegraphic transfer to Westpac Bank, Bishopdale, Christchurch 03 1702 0192208 02 (international donors will require Swift Code WPACNZ2W)**
- **or by cheque made payable to RNZWCS Limited posted to PO Box 20309, Christchurch 8543, New Zealand**

Your donations are tax deductible, and 100% of donations will go to Canterbury Earthquake recovery projects via Rotary.

Thank you!

INFO FROM ROTARY NZ WEBSITE

CANTERBURY'S DEVASTATING EARTHQUAKE ON 22 FEBRUARY 2011

NEWS UPDATES AND COMMENTS FROM ROTARY SOURCES

Comments for inclusion can be submitted by emailing berylrobinson@rotarydownunder.co.nz

NEWS

Rotary Club of Christchurch were at their lunchtime meeting when the Canterbury Earthquake struck on 22 February at 12.51pm. They said "it was a meeting they won't forget!"

"I have been in Christchurch today. I had never experienced an earthquake, so **today was very scary**. I was just about to jump out of my rental car for a meeting, when it felt like the car was moving. I thought it had somehow jumped out of park, so immediately put my foot on the brake. When the car & myself continued to move it was only then that I realized that this wasn't normal. It lasted for what felt eternity, & when it finally subsided, all of the building had evacuated. The worst was seeing the faces of so many South Island staff who were so concerned for their families, as this was big, many already saying much worse than September last year. Many were crying, some in shock. I just can't imagine how Christchurch will recover from this & **hope that everyone we know is safe.**" - Past District Governor Leanne Jaggs (who lives in Auckland) on 22 November

"We are ok but very stirred and shaken ... many others are far worse off. **It was frightening ... and still is.** Aftershocks are still continuing. Yes has been and still is horrendous and tragic. How we recover from this I know not. We have power and water (it seems) but no waste water or flushing of toilets. We

may lose power again when the bell tower to the church just across the road from where we live collapses as 'should' any time soon! We live about 15minutes walk from the City centre so not far away ... What isn't yet being revealed is what has occurred in the suburbs, particularly our hill suburbs and eastern area." - Assistant Rotary Coordinator Ross Skinner from Christchurch on 23 February

Offers of accommodation please - Rotary District 9970 Governor Margaret Reeve and Past District Governor Stuart Batty will be working with other agencies in the coming days with a view to **offering short term breaks outside of Christchurch** to firstly affected Rotarians and their families and then to others to assist them in their recovery from the trauma they are undergoing at this time. Rotarian families outside Christchurch who would be willing to open up their homes [or holiday accommodation], are asked to email stuart.batty@rnzwcs.org with their details to include in a data base. We are not sure as to the level of need, but clearly many are going through a good deal of personal anxiety at this time. - From RNZ WCS Limited (Rotary New Zealand World Community Services) Director PDG Stuart Batty on 23 February

"In association with Rotary District 9980 Rotary New Zealand World Community Service are collecting a data base of **caravans that are available for loan to displaced families in Christchurch** as a result of the Earthquake. Rotary Clubs in Christchurch who are aware of people who would benefit from the medium to long term use of a caravan should email stuart.batty@rnzwcs.org in the first instance stipulating the number of berths within a caravan that would be required, the approximate term of use, and contact details." - Also from RNZ WCS Limited Director PDG Stuart Batty on 23 February

ShelterBox team aids New Zealand earthquake victims - From <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-cornwall-12540612> on 23 February: The New Zealand ShelterBox team of Walter Kley, Arnold Kelly and Lyndon Tamblin are working with the authorities in Christchurch to assess and prioritise the immediate need. Some emergency shelters have already been erected, but more will be needed. "It's being called the darkest day in our history. We're in shock - it's something you don't expect to see in your own country" Mr Hamblyn said. **ShelterBox was founded in 2000 by Rotarian Tom Henderson** and adopted by the Helston-Lizard Rotary Club [and is supported by many other Rotary clubs around the world including New Zealand] . ShelterBox sends boxes of aid to people made homeless by natural or man-made disasters across the world. Boxes are tailored for each disaster but typically contain a 10-person tent, sleeping bags, water purification, cooking utensils, a stove and a basic tool kit.



Rotary District 9940 Governor Howard Tong has blogged Canterbury Earthquake press releases at <http://howard-actionscount.blogspot.com>. District 9940 are looking at setting up a **ShelterBox** in the Wellington CBD for public support and they also have an **Emergency Response Kits (ERKs) appeal** running at Wellington Railway Station on Friday 25 February morning as part of their **District Project Day** planned for Saturday 26 February across their district.

Rotary Down Under March 2011 page 9 includes the **UTTER DEVASTATION AFTER ANOTHER EARTHQUAKE IN NZ** cover story about the fatal 6.3 magnitude Canterbury Earthquake on 22 February 2011 by Rotary International Public Image Resource Group Zone 7B Regional Coordinator Felicity Anderson, plus the **WITH THANKS FROM CANTERBURY** letter from District 9970 Governor Margaret Reeve after the previous 7.1 magnitude Canterbury Earthquake on 4 September 2010. This magazine issue went to print on Rotary's 106th birthday on 23 February, and **RDU MARCH** will also be available on-line at www.rotarydownunder.com.au

MESSAGES OF SUPPORT

"I am amazed at the messages I am getting from so many places around the world. **Rotary is a great family!**" – Past Rotary International President Bill Boyd on 22 February

"This really is another bad time for your district, following the earlier earthquake and the [Pike River] mine disaster. I just want you and all my Kiwi friends in that part of the world to know that **the entire Rotary world is thinking of you** in your collective sadness. I am in Chicago as Moderator of the RRFC Institute

and this morning we stood for a moment of silence in respect for those lost in the quake and in solidarity with our NZ brothers and sisters. PRIP Bill Boyd and RRFC John Cole were in the group, and have been overwhelmed with messages of support. This is the family of Rotary at its best. Keep your chin up, and if there is anything I can do please let me know." - Rotary International Past Director and Treasurer Ian Riseley on 23 February

"We trust you and your families are all safe after this latest devastating disaster- what a nightmare. It seems so unreal to us that this has happened in NZ. It appears the city will never be the same, ever- it must have been so terrifying to experience. We know there'll be tragedy amongst many Rotarian families in the city. Please know we are thinking of you all and let us know just what we can do to help in any way that we can. No doubt the **Rotarians will be on the ground helping as soon as possible** – please keep us posted on what you need as the next days and weeks unfold. With our love and thoughts at this time." - Rotary International Director Stuart and Adrienne Heal on 23 February

ROSS

Our past member, Ross, is currently living in Rangiora. We've heard the family is OK but when the quake struck Ross fell off the couch.

The reason for being on the couch in the first place? Time off work due to a Rotator Cuff injury (falling off the couch probably hasn't helped!). Ross is currently off work due to his injury; Vicki is working but has been ordered home for three days thanks to the quake.

MASSEY HIGH YEARBOOK

The following appeared in the Massey High 2010 yearbook

SOAP BOX DERBY

The call for Year 9 and 10 Soapbox Derby drivers went out and after a few weeks of training and trials the two final teams were entered in the Waitakere City Rotary Soapbox Regional Competition. The boys (as disappointingly no girls trialed) gradually increased their skills and their speeds so confidence was up for the big day. Unfortunately, despite having a new sponsor and body kit, the lack of weights to bring us up to the competition mass left us at a huge disadvantage. However, the boys kept their chins up, competed well and although not making it to the podium we did get a top placing of fifth.

Soapbox derby team members: James Foley, Cory Johnston, Brandon Lunny, Patrick McGilp, Rory O'Connor, Samuel Pink, Shyran Sharma and Brayden Swindells.

Senior mentors: Matthew Clapson and Christopher Etherington.

The Rotary Club members were really impressed by Massey High School senior students mentoring the younger students, so big thanks go to Matt and Chris for their coaching and expertise. Massey appears to be leading the way as one of the only high schools to involve the older students, giving them a great opportunity for developing their leadership skills.

A big thank you must also go to Ms Buchanan, Mrs Etherington, Ms Kevany, and all our sponsors; MD Aluminium Limited, Kumeu Taxation Service, Waitakere Testing Station, Massey & Birdwood Settlers Hall for their generous support.



Mrs D Kevany, Mrs S Etherington, James Foley, Rory O'Connor, Samuel Pink, Cory Johnston, Ms K Buchanan, Patrick McGilp, Christopher Etherington, Matthew Clapson, Shyran Sharma

We would like to thank Kelly McIntosh and Ian Lonergan from Taupaki Primary School for the help with lending weights to reduce the Massey High School students' weight disadvantage.

Finally a huge thank you goes to Errol Cooper and Alan Pattison who helped prepare the Massey Soapbox derby cars for racing.



Davis Funerals presents
"Jazz in the Vines"

Raising funds for the
West Auckland Hospice.

Come and join us for a relaxing afternoon of Jazz and sunshine at our picturesque Henderson venue which reflects the viticulture of the area and therefore looks and feels like a Tuscan winery experience.

And with that in mind, bring yourself, your partner or the whole family. Bring a picnic rug a few snacks and maybe a bottle of wine and enjoy!

Provided is a great venue, the Jazz, and free tea and coffee.

"Jazz in the Vines" with The Trusts Waitakere Brass will
be held on the 6th March 2011 between 2-4pm.

Venue: Davis Funerals, 150 Central Park Drive, Henderson. Tickets essential and only \$10.
Call us today. Phone: (09) 835 3557 or email henderson@davisfunerals.co.nz



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of the District 9910 Centurion programme*

The Centurion Donation

*Thank you
for your
commitment
You are now a
Centurion Champion
for The Rotary
Foundation!*

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ROTARIAN
EVERY
YEAR



Rotary International
District 9910

The CENTURION
Donation



a personal invitation to contribute



As a Rotarian you are invited
to make a personal contribution
to the Rotary Foundation

For the cost of **\$100**^{NZD}
you could dine out
buy a pair of shoes
see a **SHOW**
buy some wine

For that same **\$100**^{NZD}
**GIVE SIGHT TO THREE
PEOPLE IN INDIA**

**FURNISH A CLASSROOM
IN AFRICA**

**PROVIDE MOSQUITO
NETS FOR A PACIFIC
ISLANDS VILLAGE**

*And unlike many other Programmes
over \$90.00 goes into the Projects!*

Yes I would like to become a donating member of the District 9910 Centurion programme

The Centurion Donation

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I enclose a cheque for \$
or please send me a bank automatic
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Send to:
Trish Reid
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PO Box 511
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For electronic transfers of funds

ANZ Bank Account: 010125 0146572 02
Rotary District 9910 Foundation Committee
(CENTURION ACCOUNT)
Onehunga Branch 192 Onehunga Mall

Consider the following:

*80% of the world's population live in sub standard housing.

*70% of the world's population are unable to read.

*50% Of the world's population suffer from malnutrition.

Consider also:

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

You and I are part of:

*25% of people with food in the refrigerator, clothes on our back, a roof over our head and a place to sleep.

*1% of people who own a computer.

We invite you as Rotarians to make a personal contribution to the Rotary Foundation. A contribution of \$NZ100 or more annually will enrol you as a member of the Centurion Programme. Your partner and family are also welcome to join. Friends, colleagues and companies can join. All members will receive certificates and distinctive lapel pins. Donations to the Centurion Programme will be receipted to enable Tax rebate.

The Rotary Foundation, through its Humanitarian, Educational and Peace Programmes, plays a significant part in the future of our world. We owe it to our children and their children to be part of that contribution to humanity. By joining the Centurion Programme you will be playing a small but vital part in this effort.



Why not become a Centurion Champion!

**RAFFLE
PARTING THOUGHT**

Winner: Kent
 Statistics: T, H, H, H
 Sheena: It is better to keep your mouth shut and thought to be a fool than to open it and remove all doubt

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?

Final Word: If the world was a LOGICAL place, MEN would ride horses sidesaddle.

NEXT WEEK'S MEETING DUTIES:

Squire	Phyllis
Squire	Alan
Greeter	David
Grace	Kent
Introduction	Domenic
Thanks	Derek
Parting Thought	Sheena
Dealer	Kerry
Joker	
Joker	

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THIS WEEK'S MEETING:

Present:	Jim A, Phyllis A, Bob B, David B, Kent F, Roger F, Derek G, Craiger H, Terry H, Patrick H, Kerry M, Graham N, Alan P, Heather P, Jack R, Sheena S, Domenic W
Apologies:	Mike A, Peter S, John R, Monique M,
Late Apologies:	
Guests:	PDG Merv & Bronwyn Huxford, Jenice and Cedric (Hosted by Domenic) Robson (Hosted by Kent) Linda (Hosted by Derek)
Attendance:	17/21 81%

SUNSHINE FUND:

Raffle:	\$47.00
Fines:	\$120.10

APOLOGIES AND RSVPS TO:

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:

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<http://www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz/>
 Rotary International
<http://www.rotary.org/>
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 District Governor's newsletter
<http://www..rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10>
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