



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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TUES 14TH
JUNE

Trees for Survival
planting day –
Matipo Road
School

15TH JUNE

Sandra and Grant
Clendon from the
Green Been Co

22ND JUNE

Club workshop

29TH JUNE

Changeover

3RD JULY

District
Changeover

JUNE: ROTARY FELLOWSHIP MONTH

FUTURE EVENTS:

NEXT TUESDAY: TREES FOR SURVIVAL PLANTING DAY

Waitakere Rotary, with Graham at the helm, sponsors two schools in the "Trees for Survival" program.

On Tuesday the kids from Matipo School are off to Wainui to plant the tree seedlings they have grown at the school. Graham will be borrowing a Ritchies bus for the day and welcomes the company of any Rotarians who would like to participate.

The bus leaves the school at around 9am and returns by 3pm. If you would like to join Graham and the kids for the day give Graham a call for details.

NEXT WEDNESDAY: GREEN BEAN COMPANY

Sandra and Grant Clendon from the Green Been Co. They are going to enlighten members on the art of roasting your own coffee beans – methods etc and making us a flat white at the end

THIS WEEK: RYLA – EDDIE TUIAVII



Eddie, our RYLA candidate, came in buzzing to tell us all about his recent experience at RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) and how wonderful both it and Rotary are.

Eddie was Head Boy at Kelston Boys; is a university graduate and has been to a number of leadership courses, retreats and seminars in the last few years.

When it was first suggested that he go to RYLA his initial thoughts were, "Hmm, another Leadership Course" <yawn>... but due to prompting applied anyway.

His first hint that Rotary was not a stuffy organization and all would not be quite as expected came at the interview when he met Derek and the team. With Derek involved the questions naturally started in a most unexpected manner...

Arriving at the six day camp he settled down for a bit of same old, same old in the way of training and very quickly found that RYLA was something completely different. His expectation, based on past experience, was that they would "Learn names, read papers, sign papers and go home".

The reality proved to be completely different. Great speakers, challenging tasks, problem solving in groups, interaction with the community...

The students were all up to 3am each night (well past lights out) evaluating what they had learnt and building on it amongst themselves (And the friendships they made have lasted beyond camp)

One of their biggest challenges and greatest eye opener was in group work. When a group of natural leaders have to problem solve – which one of them takes charge? How do the others cope when things aren't done "their way"?

Eddie at 21 is a very confident fantastic speaker and there is no doubt that he has already set out to "Make a Difference in our World".

Oh, and Eddie's solution for world problems? "Make it compulsory for everyone to join Rotary and the World will be a better place!"

CHANGEOVER

Changeover will be held on Wednesday the 29th of June 2011 and will be a great night to join with current, past and future Rotarians, Friends and Partners.

The venue is: Allely House
Address: 393 State Highway 16, Kumeu, Rodney District

Arrive 6.30pm
Start 7:00pm
Dress: Smart
Cost: \$35.00 per person
Cash Bar available, with local wines

SOAPBOX DERBY – TRACK WANTED

This year we had an official objection to the road closure in Westgate Drive. The Council granted us permission to use it with conditions (that we met). These conditions included free access to the Leisure Centre car park and the result of this was that the start and pit crew areas were very tight for space.

The Council checked on us and both they, and the other users of the Leisure Centre, were happy but the Objector has said that he still wants us gone and will object again next year.

Aside from the Objection I do tend to agree that we should look for a new venue as the track is really not quite long enough, the start area is compressed, the road and surrounding areas are becoming congested and we don't really have enough room for a major "Event"

The following has gone to contacts at Action Traffic, the Council and our Police friends but no one has come up with a solution.

If anyone in their travels comes across a possible site could they please let me know?

DATE: 3rd Sunday in March each year
TIME: 6am to 3pm or so

IDEAL SBD TRACK SITE:

- 1km long (500m minimum)
- Sloping downwards for gravity controlled cars (similar slope to Westgate Drive)
- Straight (A preference - so everyone can see the top and the bottom from any point)
- Smooth surface (Essential: no stone chips or potholes)

- No islands or roundabouts (we can dream)
- Large grass or paved area at top - for car "pit stops", scrutineering and assembly
- Large grass area (preferably flat) at side or bottom for amusement rides/stalls
- Plenty of space either side for spectators
- Plenty of parking

- Not a main thoroughfare (essential)
- Central to West Auckland (preferably)
- No driveways accessing it (wishful thinking – but the less impact on neighbours the better!)
- A side road for car return (although cars can be returned up the track between races if necessary)

The absolute ideal would be a dedicated track with permanent track with built in barriers... (Know of any sponsors who would do this???)

Any help with this would be gratefully appreciated – by not only Rotary but also by the residents of West Auckland who are currently hindered in their travels!

**RAFFLE
PARTING THOUGHT**

Winner: Kerry

Statistics: H,H,H,T

Derek – with a joke

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?

Cousin George: You're not finished when you're DEFEATED... you're only finished when you QUIT.

NEXT WEEK'S MEETING DUTIES:

Squire	David
Squire	Phyllis
Greeter	Alan
Grace	Roger
Introduction	Domenic
Thanks	Derek
Parting Thought	Heather
Dealer	Mike
Joker	Peter
Joker	Jim

BOARD MEMBERS:

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THIS WEEK'S MEETING:

Present:	Mike A, Jim A, Phyllis A, Bob B, David B, Roger F, Derek G, Craiger H, Patrick H, Kerry M, Graham N, Alan P, Heather P, Jack R, John R, Sheena S, Peter S, Domenic W
Apologies:	Terry H, Jennice M, Monique M,
Guests:	Eddie Tuivai [RYLA], Frances
Late Apologies:	Kent F,
Missing in Action:	Linda C, Cedric M,
Attendance:	18/24 75%

SUNSHINE FUND:

Raffle	\$39.00
Fines	\$42.70
Auction (Rotary beanie - Bob)	\$44.00

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:

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
Rotary NZ Promotions and Information
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
Rotary E Club (for make ups)
<http://www.rotaryclubone.org/>
Dare West
<http://darewest.org.nz/>