

WAITAKERE ROTARY CLUB

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN OUR WORLD

Venue: Starling Park Sports Club
34 Glen Road
Ranui

Time: 5:45pm for 6:10pm

Address: PO Box 104 017, Lincoln North, Auckland, 0654
www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz or www.soapboxderby.co.nz



MAY: ENVIRONMENTAL MONTH

NEXT MEETING

NEXT MEETING:	16th May 2012
Venue:	Starling Park Sports Club
Event:	Paula Bennett MP

THIS WEEK: CARISSA SAN DIEGO – MUNA



Carissa attended MUNA in Auckland as a representative of St Domenics school.

From there she was selected to attend MUNA in Wellington, and then later at the International MUNA at The Hague.

The Rotary Clubs from West Auckland all contributed to the funding of this trip.

The New Zealand MUNA representatives, 11 people, were away for three weeks.

First there was a two week study tour when they visited Hong Kong, Paris, Geneva (including a trip to Red Cross HQ), Berlin and Amsterdam.

This was followed by the one week conference where they met the NZ Ambassador, visited the Human Rights Commission and met at the International Court of Justice.

Each team of students represents one country and in Carissa's case this was Malta.

Overall it was an extremely successful trip and will have a major impact on Carissa's current studies – a Law and Politics degree at Auckland University.

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CALENDAR

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SAT 5TH TO SAT 12/5/12

Vanuatu Trip 1

12/5/12

Stroke Foundation
Awareness Day

SAT 12TH TO SAT 20/5/12

Vanuatu Trip 2

16/5/12

Hon Paula Bennett MP

23/5/12

Club Night

28/5/12

Board Meeting

29/5/12

*Trees for Survival Seedling
Pickup*

30/5/12

RYLA students

Rotary Youth Leadership
Awards

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?

WHAT IS MUNA?

From an Australian Rotary Website:

Rotary Model United Nations Assembly or **MUNA** is all about building bridges of goodwill for world

peace and understanding in the minds of our youth.



Regrettably many leaders have exploited differences of race, religion and nationalism among their followers simply to consolidate their own power.

The lessons from two great world wars and numerous lesser conflicts should be absorbed by our youth so that they can avoid repeating the mistakes of history.

MUNA challenges our youth to respect and tolerate differences of race, religion and nationalism whilst retaining their own individualism and the best of their national traditions.

MUNA as a concept arose in North America from the desire of young people to simulate the great debates of the United Nations Assembly.

MUNA was first conducted in Rotary by Rotary at Winnipeg in Canada, and introduced to Australia by the Lake Cargelligo Rotary Club in 1980.

In 1988 Forbes Rotary Club realised the potential for Rotary to spread MUNA more widely and undertook MUNA 88 - a Rotary Bicentennial Project for Youth. The challenge issued by Forbes has been taken up by many Rotary districts so that now MUNA has spread throughout Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and world wide. The first National MUNA was held in the Australian Parliament in August, 1997

The United Nations has given enthusiastic support for the ongoing growth of this very worthwhile project for youth.

In 1989 President Royce Abbey of Melbourne placed MUNA on the World Youth Activities Committee Agenda for Rotary International, and it was fitting that MUNA was included as part of the Rotary International Conference conducted in Melbourne in 1993.

In June, 1995 a MUNA delegation of five students representing Australia attended the Rotary/United Nations Presidential MUNA celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the signing of the U.N. Charter in San Francisco.

Rotary MUNA is now conducted in all five continents of the world and aims to operate in each of the existing 518 Rotary Districts world wide.

Rotary with over 28,000 Clubs spread across over 154 countries and having over 1.2 million membership committed to service has a unique potential to bring the message of world peace and understanding to youth through MUNA which encourages them to communicate their knowledge and idealism by the shared exhilaration of debating significant social and political issues.

More info: <http://rotarnet.com.au/users/m/MUNA/index.htm>

NEW GENERATIONS (YOUTH) NEWS

- Dictionaries will be going to a school shortly
- Sheena has received another application for Outward Bound funding
- Challenge camp is on this week at Willowpark for our IYE students and physically challenged campers. Bob spoke briefly to Cecile who is getting on extremely well with her camper buddy.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

VANUATU – ORAP SCHOOL

The Before Photos



The first team of Alan and Craiger – with Marie (a French speaker) and two men from Dunedin North Rotary are currently at Orap School on Malekula Island in Vanuatu repairing and completing an unfinished dining hall.

The Dunedin Rotarians are a retired builder and a vet. Marie is from Auckland University and has been to the island in the past.

Craiger and Kerry went to the school last June to start the work and found a fairly shaky looking building.

The foundations and roof were OK but they weren't at all happy with the bits in the middle - columns, beams and roof supports (see photos)

Not wanting to put the Rotary name to finishing this (on the off chance that a decent earthquake or hurricane would demolish it) they are putting in new external timber columns, new beams – and tidying up and adding to the roof supports.

Craiger rang Kerry at Rotary with an update.

8 local builders have appeared to help and all is going well and according to plan. They are working so well they could have used a second skill saw.

The big advantage of Rotarian builders working with the locals is the learning curve that goes on. Our Rotarians learn a lot about life in the islands and their needs – and the local builders learn how to read plans and various building skills.

Craiger has also been approached by a Chief from a village in a remote area asking if we can help with a water project.

The boys have cameras (and strict instructions to use them!) so with luck we shall have new photos next week (these ones came from their last trip).

Craiger returns next Wednesday, Alan the following Sunday. Sheena and Kerry fly over on Saturday for a week.

VOCATIONAL NEWS

- The two RYLA students that we sponsored are coming to speak to us on 30th May

COMMUNITY

TREES FOR SURVIVAL

NOTE FOR KERRY:

TREES FOR SURVIVAL PLANTING DATES

Tuesday 19/6/12 Matipo School

Friday 22/6/12 Te Atatu Intermediate

I heard that Roger and Domenic went with Graham to do the Trees for Survival seedlings pickup and they are now completely happy to do the next one on 29th May whilst Graham is away.

(For those not is the know Graham is off to Hong Kong and China for a few weeks).

TFS CORRECTION:

The Trees for Survival article said that Graham had won "the Auckland Council Ecowise Community Award". John pointed out that it was actually "the Keep Waitakere Beautiful Ecowise award". KWB is part of Keep NZ Beautiful and receives funding from the Auckland Council.

OTHER COMMUNITY NEWS

- Phyllis is waiting on Alan's return before proceeding further with the Ranui Action Project (RAP) house renovations.
- The community garden is currently "well watered"

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

The April newsletter is now on-line at <http://www.rotary.org.nz/newsletter.cfm?District=10>

In deference to "Dial Up Derek" who has jammed his email server up with 87 emails that he can't download and clear I've given you the link rather than forwarded it on.



President Craiger and the Board cordially invites

You, your partner & friends,

**To join the members and partners of the Waitakere Rotary
Club Inc.**

To hear



**Guest Speaker: The Hon. Paula Bennett, MP for Waitakere
and Minister of Social Development.**

**She will discuss the government's welfare reforms and
the Green Paper for Vulnerable Children.**

Wednesday the 16th of May 2012.

Venue: Starling Park Club. 34 Glen Road. Ranui.

Arrive: 5:45 pm Pre dinner drinks. (Cash Bar).

Official Welcome: 6.15pm – Dinner – Speaker – & – Fellowship.

Cost: \$30.00 per head

RSVP by Wednesday 9th May 2012.

Bob Benzie – 021 434 611 or bob_suebenzie@clear.net.nz

PARTING THOUGHT	John: "Be Safe"
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RAFFLE WINNER	STATISTICS	RAFFLE	FINES
Jack	H, H, H, H	\$33	\$75.50

APOLOGIES:
apology@details.co.nz or ph 8109 589 no later than **5pm 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!

BOARD MEMBERS		ATTENDANCE	
President	Craig Hargesheimer	Present:	Mike A, Jim A, Phyllis A, Bob B, David B, Linda C, Roger F, Derek G, Patrick H, Kerry M, Graham N, Heather P, Jack R, John R, Peter S, Sheena S,
President Elect	Heather Pattison	Make ups:	Alan P, Craig H (Vanuatu project) Roger F & Domenic W (TFS)
Vice President	Derek Gee	Apologies:	Terry H, Cecile (Challenge camp), Alan P, Craig H
Secretary	Bob Benzie	Late Apologies:	
Treasurer	Alan Pattison	Guests:	Carissa and her parents
Community Director	Phyllis Ancombe	Leave:	Monique M, Domenic W
International Director	Kerry McMillan	Attendance:	20/21 95%
Vocational Director	John Riddell		
Youth Director	Sheena Spittles		
Sergeant	John Riddell		

NEXT WEEK'S MEETING DUTIES	
Squire	Mike A
Squire	Jim A
Greeter	Phyllis A
Grace	Derek G
Introduction	Linda C
Thanks	Cecile
Parting Thought	Bob B
Dealer	Roger F
Joker	
Joker	



WEBSITE ADDRESSES

Waitakere 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.rotarysouthpacific.org/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/>

COUSIN GEORGE:

**Don't worry about bitin' off more than you can chew...
 Your mouth is probably a whole lot bigger'n you think.**

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