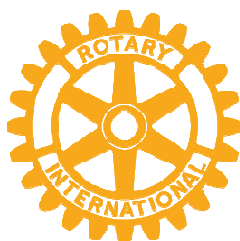


# Rotary



## Waitakere News

November 20<sup>th</sup>



Our speaker this week was Alan Bainbridge from "Positive Money New Zealand". Alan talked about the way money is 'organised' in New Zealand (and overseas) and included some interesting food for thought:

- "Only 2.6% of our money is held in notes or coins, the rest sits around in computers"
- "Our domestic credit (which is actually debt) is currently \$320billion and grows by around \$17billion per annum."
- The growth in inequality in the world because of our monetary systems is increasing rapidly
- Money in NZ is mainly created in Real Estate (if petrol prices had risen at the same rate as housing, we would now be paying around \$15 a litre for fuel)
- Our current system isn't good for the environment, or for people - 'You can't continue to have infinite growth on a finite planet'. (For more information visit: [www.positivemoney.org.nz](http://www.positivemoney.org.nz))

It was great to be able to welcome three more prospective new members this week:



Fabian Max, who we met at our Trivia Night on Saturday, Noel Cooper, who has been a regular visitor and helper for some time now, and Ross Dallow, who used to be a member of Panmure Rotary.

A big welcome to each of them.

### COMMUNITY NEWS:

Sheena explained that we have been 'busy behind the scenes' in the last month or so, and have

- Sponsored a Liston Student to attend MUNA (Model United Nations Assembly) in The Hague.
- Donated \$500 to Monte Cecilia Trust towards the Christmas Party they arrange for the people living in the caravan park in Swanson
- Donated \$200 to the Salvation Army Christmas Food Hamper Appeal (and some Christmas Puddings!)
- Donated \$2000 to the Philippines Disaster Relief fund



## RIDDLED WITH TRIVIA:

A big 'Thank You' to all those who participated in our evening on Saturday night ... and special thanks to:

- Craiger for organising the whole thing
- Vincent (our IYE student) for selling the raffle tickets
- Graham for helping with the marking all evening
- Peter Beveridge for being the Quiz Master
- Derek for collecting the tickets and money at the door.

There was a great atmosphere on the night, lots of fun and laughter, and we raised just over \$900 for our projects! Well done everyone.

The winning table was the "Mad Hatters" organised by Kerry, with 'ring ins' (Warren Sly, President of Kumeu Rotary, and his wife Jeweline) ... and 'the cat in the hat'



Runners up were "The Wild Westies", organised by Sheena ... some of our members were easy to recognise on the evening, others less so...



## THIS WEEK:

This week (Nov 27<sup>th</sup>) we are having a Fellowship Evening with dinner at Sheena's Place (8 Amreins Road, Waitakere) ... 6pm for dinner at 6.30. There will be 'Petanque' for those who like a challenge (it's never a level playing field in Waitakere) Who knows, you could become the world's first "Waitakere Petanque Champion"!!

## WEDNESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER:

Notice is given to all members of the Rotary Club of Waitakere for the Annual Meeting to be held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December immediately following the normal club meeting, to be held at Starling Park, Glen Road, Ranui.

SUNDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER: Mark this day in your calendar for our Christmas Lunch at 'The Brigham'

[apologies@details.co.nz](mailto:apologies@details.co.nz) (Remember if no apology is received you will be charged for a full meal, and all extra guests need to be advised PRIOR to the evening.)

Date: <b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December</b> <b>Projects Night and Annual Meeting</b>	
Meeting Manager	Derek
Sergeant	Mike
Speaker	<b>Directors: Alan, Craiger and Kerry</b>
Greeter	
Grace	Sheena
<b>Squire 1</b>	Peter
<b>Squire 2</b>	Craiger
<b>Thanker</b>	
<b>Parting Thought</b>	Jim

Have a great week everyone!

Sheena