



Waitakere News

April 2nd



This week we welcomed two new members to Waitakere Rotary: Angus and Joy Thomson, who have been active in the Waitakere community for many years were inducted at our most recent meeting.

This week we also invited two of the young people we've assisted with sponsorship this year, to come and talk to us.

Peter Robinson (from Rutherford College) attended the two week Rotary Summer Science Forum in January. He found the experience exciting and enlightening – as he was able to experience so many different aspects of science while there. His interest has been particularly whetted by such diverse fields of engineering as biomedical (including equipment to assist wheelchair bound people to walk) and bioenvironmental (turning waste gases into usable fuel.) His career path will probably be in one of these areas.



Our second speaker, Phoebe Stone spoke very enthusiastically about her time at Outward Bound, which she rates as the best experience of her life. She briefly outlined the programme at Anakiwa before explaining the personal challenges she faced and the changes she's felt since being pushed to the limits ("you have more in you ...") and given so much time to reflect upon her life.

Both young people have expressed interest in joining Rotaract, which is great to hear.

Another young person who has taken 'another step' towards his chosen career as a diplomat, took the opportunity to rub shoulders with our esteemed Prime Minister recently! Congratulations Vincent!



Our raffles continue to provide some hilarity

Spot the person who thought (wrongly) that they'd just won a bottle of wine and the person who thought (rightly) that he'd just missed out on 'The \$150 kitty' in our 50:50 Polio Plus Raffle this week!



Remember to check out our web site: www.rotarywaitakere.org.nz for up to date news and upcoming events (just click on the 'Calendar' ...)

Please advise Alan if you will **not** be attending on Wednesday (or if you're bringing a guest)
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Date: Wednesday 9th -		Grant Smith : Rotary Foundation and Rotary International.
Meeting Manager		Derek
Sergeant		Mike
Speakers		Grant Smith
Greeter - Introducer		Alan
Grace		Jim
Squire 1		Roger
Squire 2		Domenic
Thanker		Kerry
Parting Thought		Peter

Dates to remember

April 12th – Rotaract Pillow fight Aotea Centre

April 18th – Good Friday

April 25th – Anzac Day

April 26th – District 9910 Conference at Waitangi

May 10th – District Fellowship Quiz at Matakana (Can we field a Waitakere Team??)