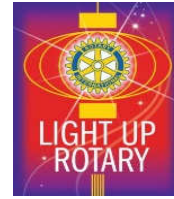
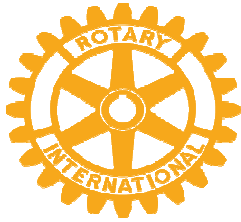


Rotary



Waitakere News

Last Week

It was Rotary, projects, education and programmes last week and an interesting talk from Assistant Governor Murray Allison on Romac

Up Coming

Date: Wednesday 8th October		Vanuatu Trip and slide show
Meeting Manager	Derek	
Sergeant	Dominic	
Speaker	Rotary projects, education and information evening	
Greeter – Introducer	Heather	
Grace	Kerry	
Squire 1	John	
Squire 2	Roger	
Thanker	Luke	
Parting Thought	Shenna	

October - IS VOCATIONAL MONTH

And so we are visiting Whenuapai Air Force Base on the 15th October give your names to Luke of your going and Maxine from the Massey Employment Group on the 22nd October.

Past Presidents



Bruce Coker President 1970 to 1971 – our first President

Hi all

If you read the DG's newsletter, you will be aware that Browns Bay are running the inaugural Spring Step Out community walk at Long Bay this Sunday. Could I ask you please to attach the article to your bulletin this week, or forward the email to club members, and encourage them to come along. Register up to Saturday on www.rotarybb.kiwi. Thank you to the North Shore clubs who have volunteered to help run the event. To clubs up North – if you happen to be in Auckland for the weekend we would love to see you there.

Regards, Tony

Rtn Monique Van Lier,

Rotary Club of Waitakere, Auckland

Dear President,

I believe some of you will be visiting Turkey for the centennial memorial day of the Dardanelle war.

We as Turkish Rotarians, would like to organize a fellowship event with you during your visit to Gallipoli. For organizing this event, we need to know when you will be arriving Gallipoli, and how long will you stay there.

We know that some of you will arrive Gallipoli with cruises, some with buses; some of you will be able to attend the ceremonies, some will not. On the other hand, some of you who will be coming with cruises, will be arriving without customs clearance, therefore these fellows will not be able to land.

We would like to arrange the schedule of the event or events according to the schedule of our ANZAC fellows. Please take a few minutes to answer the survey in the special website (www.gallipoli-100.org – Fellowship Event) . One or more of the events will be organized according to the results of this survey.

Please review your schedule and check the probable events in the survey, to which you are able to attend. Also please be informed that two way shuttle bus transportation will be provided from the ANZAC Bay to the place where the hospitality event will be held.

Please also note that the survey will be available until November 30th, 2014.

Sincerely Yours in Lighting Up Rotary

Rtn Korhan Atilla Governor (D2430) Direct link:

http://gelibolu.rotary2430.org.tr/?page_id=32

District 9910 Literacy Committee 2014/15

Newsletter Number 1 2014.

Greetings to all Presidents, Secretaries and Rotary Club Members,

The D9910 Literacy Committee is here to support clubs with projects and initiatives with a literacy focus, please feel free to contact the committee with your ideas and any requests for advice you have. This newsletter is to keep you up to date with what is happening and what we are aiming to achieve this Rotary year. Please share with your club members.

The D9910 Literacy Committee has a number of goals and projects for the current year and expects to develop more as time goes by, we look forward to your input.

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1. Literacy Teaching Matters.

A presentation was given to the committee by Literacy Teaching

Matters, a group of Vancouver educators who are in NZ to study our early childhood literacy programmes. Vancouver has a very similar population demographic to Auckland.

New Zealand is known for its effective early literacy practices and this group was visiting Auckland to study the way literacy is taught in our primary schools. 20% - 25% of Vancouver students struggle with literacy, across all grade levels. Early preventative intervention at the primary levels can greatly improve literacy levels. There is a need in Vancouver for literacy practices that address the needs of our struggling primary learners

Some of the group has been in Auckland before and has found that the application of their NZ learnings in Vancouver schools has made an appreciable difference to children's literacy levels.

The group is working with a Vancouver Rotary club and is hoping to that their project to expose Vancouver educators to NZ literacy teaching methods might qualify for a Foundation grant. Over time NZ educators could begin an exchange programme in order to study Canadian teaching methods. The group made some very useful Rotary contacts while they were here. Past DG Bob Baird has formed a sub-group of the literacy committee to maintain contact and carry the programme forward.

2. Seminar outlining the role of the Committee in February, Literacy Month.

DG Bruce attended our first meeting and was impressed with the range and depth of the committee's projects. He suggested that the committee organise a half day seminar to promote the work of the committee and to solicit ideas from D9910 and potentially 9920 clubs. The seminar is planned to be held during February, which is Literacy Month, and it is proposed to run it in both Auckland and Whangarei.

3. Summer Reading Programme/Dare to Explore.

For the last 2 years the committee has been working with Auckland Libraries and its summer reading programme Dare to Explore. The programme is designed to keep children reading over the summer holidays which are a time when a marked slump in children's reading ability can occur if they take a reading break. Last summer the programme reached over 8000 children aged from 7 to 13 years old. The committee has worked with 9910 clubs to raise money to support the programme.

4. Rotary Dictionaries.

The committee strongly supports the ongoing programme of supplying Usborne illustrated dictionaries to each Year 3 student in low decile schools. The dictionaries are an extraordinary bargain at only \$10.00 each and the children really look forward to receiving their copy. This is an easy and cost effective way for each club to make a difference to children's learning. Dictionaries are available via Bronwyn Ellison – Bronwyn@otsi.co.nz

5. Prison Support.

Supporting prisoners to raise their literacy levels has been a long standing committee objective. This year the committee will be organising a project to gather in old English dictionaries that for whatever reason people are no longer using. Dictionaries are a much prized possession as they allow prisoners to be able to write coherent letters to their children.

6. Dolly Parton Imagination Library

Dolly Parton grew up in rural Tennessee in a home devoid of books. She says "my dad couldn't read or write. It was very crippling for him" Dolly's vision is to address the problem of homes without books and children who cannot read. The Literacy Committee is in discussion with United Way to introduce the Dolly Parton Imagination Library into NZ. The Dolly Parton Foundation operates in the US, Canada, UK and Australia. The programme is universal (not based on socio economic conditions) and provides each registrant with a book every month from birth to when they reach five, 60 books in total. In Australia United Way and Rotary work in partnership to operate the programme and to raise money to help support it. It is hoped that the NZ version will follow the same model. Check out the website at <http://www.imaginationlibrary.com/> this gives great idea of what is expected.

7. Real Men Read

Another simple project the committee is promoting is the Real Men Read programme. This is based on an observation by an Australian school principal who observed that children were mainly read to by women and hence they grew up thinking reading is a female activity. Her response was to go into the community and encourage men – both famous and also those who were interested – to offer their reading services to preschools and primary schools. Again this is an easy programme for clubs to take up, the committee will be producing some guidelines with some background to help clubs get started. http://www.educationworld.com/a_admin/admin/admin551.shtml for a taste of what is possible.

8. Developing Community Relationships.

The committee will be continuing to work with groups it has established links with including The Vancouver based Literacy Teaching Matters, Literacy North Shore, Pupuke Rotaract, One Tree Hill College and working with committee member Jerry Norman and Lance O'Sullivan on Far North issues. We are also looking to establish links with the South Auckland Poet's Collective - <http://www.sapcnz.com/who-are-we.html> - who promote literacy in low decile schools.

Please feel free to contact me, or any other committee member with any ideas comments or questions you have. **Geoff Chamberlain Chair**
District 9910 Literacy Committee

Fund Raising – 18th October – Quiz Night

To raise funds for the Waitakere
Rotary Learn to Ride Track

Where – Henderson Intermediate

Theme – Pasifika

Cost - \$20 per ticket Tables of 8

