



Ahuriri Argus

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Rotary Club of Ahuriri



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WATER FOR WCCC TONGA

Ever wondered where our overseas aid funds go, especially those targeted to the South Pacific? Well here is solid evidence of just how some of our funds are helping the Women's and Children's Crisis Centre Safehouse in Tonga.

Some months ago the Club voted

\$1000 to provide a 3000 litre water tank to the centre. Until recently they had to buy water to the safehouse through the town water supply. This is expensive, especially when the house is full of clients and children (and unfortunately Xmas and New Year holidays are traditionally times when the number of clients in the safehouse is at its peak). The installation of a water tank for rainwater catchment would greatly assist in reducing the water expense at the safehouse.

In conjunction with the Rotary Club of Nuku'alofa our club forwarded the funds over to the club, and with one of their Club members installing the tank all was completed with minimum of expense to the delight of all.

Isn't it wonderful how the installation of such a simple thing as a water tank can help people so much - but isn't that what Rotary is all about - doing good in the world. Our club can be proud to help in this way.



...at Wairoa

Improving literacy in our youth is something that requires a commitment for the long haul. And for over 14 years the Rotary Club of Wairoa has supported the Wairoa Library "Summer Reading Programme".

So while most clubs in our district were taking a holiday break, 140 kids in Wairoa were involved in a great summer reading programme to maintain their literacy levels, and even build on their progress.

Wairoa Rotarians recently held a gala "Finale Party" to recognise and reward the children for their completion of the programme.

The Library Manager pointed out something that Rotarians often fail to realise when she said "It is this act, that an unrelated adult is proud of their achievement, that makes a huge impact on the kids."

BLOGS FOR YOU TO FOLLOW

The Rotary Foundation <http://9930foundation.blogspot.com/>
Rotary Rocks - Raewyn Kirkman's blog (worth a look) <http://rotaryrocks.tumblr.com/>



Coming Up

February 6	Waitangi Day, no meeting.
February 20	Visit from Havelock North club.
February 27	We visit Havelock North club.
March 12	Chris Tremain
March 19	Megan Williams - Disputes resolution.
March 26	Sam Tripp - Exchange student.

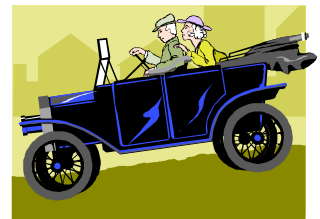
Attendance

PRESENT AT LAST MEETING			
Active Members	28	LOA	5
Hon members	1	Membership Total	50
Apologies	8	Make Ups	0
Exempt	3	Visitors	1
Silent	1	Total Attendance	30

DUTY ROSTER	6 February	13 February	20 February
Guest Speaker: Topic:	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; color: red; text-align: center;"> Time for another holiday, guys. Please don't turn up at Rotary 'cause we won't be there. Next meeting 13th February. </div>	Martin Cockerell Visiting Rotarian from Yorkshire	Visit from Havelock North Club. Jenny Ryan - Takaro Trails
Set up - 5:15 pm start		John Lightfoot Don Alexander	
Visitors/Host and Microphone		Ray Cooper Lew Willoughby	
Cashier & Raffle 5:15 pm start		Margaret Mitchell Peter Taunton	
Grace and Thanks		Philip Stephens	
Introduction		Jim Taylor	
5 Minute Speaker		Angela Pidd	
Sergeant	Sue Page		

MEMBER'S INFORMATION

- **News from Ian Findlay** - Doing well, expected back next meeting.
- **And from Robert Benjamin** - also making a great recovery and will be back with us at Rotary just as soon as he can. We look forward to seeing you Robert.
- **Jack Dunlop** has not been do well lately. Best of wishes for feeling better soon, Jack.
- **Angela Pidd** has been in hospital for a wee operation. Wishing you a fast recovery, Angela.
- **Member's Anniversaries for Feb** - Birthdays to **Lyn Davies** (1st), **Bill Ballantyne** and **Peter Dawe** (2nd). Congratulations to all.
- **CAR MARSHALLS FOR ART DECO WEEKEND** - Many thanks to those who have offered their services, but if others would like to participate in this great Art Deco event and I haven't yet contacted you, please don't hesitate to give me a call or email.
 We have a marshalling info meeting on 13 Feb at 5pm before Rotary at the Quayside - please try to be there to get all the instructions. Many thanks fellows.
- **Old photos of Napier.** For those interested in Napier's history and heritage Caroline has a pile of old photos of Napier, full A4 size. Those interested can buy them for the cost of a gold coin. Apparently they are left overs from a project held some time ago.
- **Exchange student Sammie** has been busy lately. Firstly on the South Island tour during which she admitted to experiencing a bungy jump, and then off to Oz with Ian Mayne and family to spend some time on the Gold Coast/Sunshine Coast.
 She is now with the Parkes and enjoying the presence of 2 older "sisters" to relate to.
- Congratulations to **Jim Gaudin** for winning the weekly raffle - #19. Well done Jim.



The Treaty of Waitangi - February 6, 2012 marks 172 years since the signing of the Treaty of Waitangi. In 1840 representatives of the British Crown met with over 500 Maori chiefs in Waitangi, Northland, to sign what is considered to be New Zealand's founding document. Waitangi Day has been a public holiday since 1934. This year there are hundreds of ways to celebrate New Zealand's cultural diversity. The theme of these events is one of unity; a coming together of peoples, communities and families to commemorate the official formation of a unified nation.
 I wonder how you will celebrate?

That's all folks - Ed