

# Rotary Club of Onehunga One Tree Hill Inc.

PO Box 13271, Onehunga, AUCKLAND 1643

Club meets: Monday 5.30 pm for 6.00 pm at

Royal Oaks Bowls Clubrooms at 146 Selwyn Street, Onehunga, Auckland

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Club Website: <https://www.rotaryonehungaonetreehill.co.nz/>

PARTNERS, FRIENDS & VISITORS ALWAYS WELCOME



**BULLETIN NO: 192010**

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

## PROGRAM

### 9<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Attendance: Trevor Mosley

Hospitality: Gwynyth Carr

Equipment: Derek Neutze

5 Minute Speaker:

Barry Stafford

Host : Deidre Shea

Speaker: Robert Jones

Subject: Butterflies !

Thanks: Bruce Murdoch

Thought for the Week :

Colin Tea

### 16<sup>th</sup> September 2019

Attendance: Bruce Murdoch

Hospitality: Bruce Clegg

Equipment: Bruce Passau

5 Minute Speaker

Alistair Grundy

Host : Barry Stafford

Speaker : Dennis Oliver

Subject: Glaucoma

Thanks: Derek Neutze

Thought for the Week :

Rex Wood

## APOLOGIES

If you can't make it, or, wish to bring a partner &/or visitor to our meeting,

**please advise**

Alan Bannin [abannin2013@gmail.com](mailto:abannin2013@gmail.com)  
09 624 9020

**Before Noon of the Friday preceding the meeting so our caterers can provide. We need to be more accurate with advice**

**Failure Will Incur a Meal Cost!!!**

**DUTIES:** If you can't perform your duty, please arrange a substitute & advise Secretary Gwynyth & Sergeant Noel

**CLUB ALMONER** is Robin Hulford. Please ring him if any member (past or present) or their families are suffering illness, injury, bereavement or having a happy event

**LAST MEETING: 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019**

**Attendance: 17**

**Visitors:**

Keith Woodmass, Guest of John Tapu

**Apologies:** Parehuia Enari, Colin Tea,

Lloyd Albiston, Ant Martin, Deidre Shea

Gwynyth Carr, George Arulanantham,

Deiter Dyck, Bede Brittenden, Quentin

Jay, Duncan McDonald, Trevor Mosley

**Sgt. Raised This Week \$126.10**

**September**

**Basic Education  
and Literacy  
Month**



## Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019 Meeting report

### **President Bill: Announcements**

The President has two tickets for a function for Te Whakaora Tangata at Alexandra Park on Friday 6 September 2019. Anyone interested should contact Bill.

Bill reminded members of the invitation from Epsom Rotary to meet at the Epsom Bowling Club on Tuesday evening to hear and question Phil Goff and John Tamihere, the Auckland mayoral candidates.

Bill has been contacted by Jude Walter of Brain Fitness who spoke to the Club last year. She has asked if the Club would provide support to 14 children from Royal Oak Primary School to attend a national quiz competition in Wellington in about 3 weeks' time. Last year we had given \$2100 on very short notice. Bill said he was unsure about providing assistance again and asked members to indicate those in favour. There was a majority for helping out again

### **D9910 Foundation & Membership Training Seminars**

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2019 - Waitakere College, 42 Rathgar Road, Henderson, AUCKLAND 9:15 - 14:30 (Lunch provided)

Representatives from Onehunga One Tree Hill Rotary are attending both these workshops.

### **Future dates.**

**24<sup>th</sup> October is World Polio Day.** Look for District events in October/November

### **Request from the Treasurer** Trevor Mosley.

Two deposits were made to the Club bank account on the 10 July 2019 without references.

The first is a cheque for \$120 and the second is a lodgement for \$530. Please advise Trevor if you can identify these items.

## **Five-minute speaker David Eastwood**

David spoke about his love of our national game. As a youngster he had been on his way to Mangere Mountain to join the Soccer Club when his grandmother intervened. Instead he found himself at Potters Park playing for Manakau Rovers in the 16<sup>th</sup> grade.

His grandfather provided some early monetary incentive which dried up when David enjoyed unexpected success. His brothers also started playing.

After David volunteered to go on the Junior Rugby Committee, he found himself involved in helping host a visiting schoolboy team from Australia containing Mark and Glen Ella, later to star for the Wallabies. David went on to play for Pakuranga and to make the first XV at school.

David has fond memories of the 1987 World Cup Final at Eden Park, the 1991 Springbok Flour Bomb test at Eden Park, and in 1994 when the OHS XV beat AGS, an historic first. He also had experience of coaching at OHS, including Isa Nacewa, who went on to play for Auckland

For a while David also took up refereeing. It gave him the opportunity to give something back to the game, and also allowed him to get out of the house. His involvement has given him much entertainment and friendship and he counts himself as especially blessed as his wife loves rugby as much as he does.

## **Guest speaker - John Tapu with guest Keith Woodmass**

John returned from his leave of absence during which he not only coached his daughter's soccer team on Monday evenings but also resigned from Sky TV after 22 years with the company.

John has formed a new venture with Sky in a company whose objective is to make television content focussed on the Pacific and its people. He is excited about the opportunities for the company. As an example of what can be done, he instanced the success of the cartoon Moana created by Hamiltonian Lin Manuel Miranda. Moana has received international success at the box office and critical praise for its stories and music

Another objective for the venture is to breakdown prejudices and improve the acceptance and tolerance for and of the many cultures which make up our nation and with whom we all have close ties and contacts especially in the South Pacific. For John this is a case of dreams do come true.

Keith Woodmass was persuaded by President Bill to speak to members. He is a friend of John's from 20 years back and is also now his minder. Originally a Geordie from the North East of England, Keith is a tv and film producer with a broad range of experience around the world including in the US and Australia.

Keith enjoyed his previous experiences in NZ and is attracted to the openness and warmth of the people. The club wishes John and Keith every success in the new undertaking.

## **Thought for the Week John Tapu.**

Make your Life a Masterpiece.  
Imagine no Limitations on what you can Be, Have or Do!



## Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children (ROMAC) D9910

### Jasminah



At the invitation of D9910 District Chair Barbara Watt, the District Governor, Ian Kiernan, and his wife Jasmine, recently visited Ronald McDonald House in Auckland.

They got an overview of the wonderful service this facility and its team provide to the region and to ROMAC families, and caught up with two of our patients in residence.

Jasmine, a passionate supporter of ROMAC, embraced the opportunity to interact with the children. Jasmine has her own project this year - creating and selling ceramic tiles - with the proceeds going to ROMAC.

Photo: DG 9910 Ian Kiernan and his wife Jasmine with little Jasminah and her mum Angelina.

### Ben



Nineteen-month-old Ben arrived in New Zealand from Vanuatu in July with his mother Mayling. Ben was born with a hole in his heart which required surgery. He was accepted as a ROMAC patient and his Rotary host was **Elizabeth Thomson** from Downtown Rotary who tells the story of how Ben fared:

"I joined other Rotarians at the Airport to meet Ben and Mayling and took them to Ronald MacDonald House. I had done a supermarket shop and bought some warm clothing for them before they arrived. He was to have his surgery about two weeks after his arrival.

Ben had three appointments at Starship prior to his surgery which I attended with him. While he was waiting, we went on a few outings. We visited a playground, several times, went shopping and went to Kelly Tarlton.

The day of the surgery was very stressful for Mayling and while we waited to hear that all had gone well, we visited the Museum.

Ben made a remarkable recovery and was only in hospital 3 days! During his stay there I spent most of the days with them. Mayling speaks very little English and I think she was grateful of the support. Ben needs to stay in New Zealand for about six weeks after surgery. He has three appointments which I will attend and we are planning outings to the zoo, and a few other places and I need to top up the grocery stocks from time to time.

Ben would not have been able to have this surgery in his own country and thanks to ROMAC he is now able to go home and lead a completely normal life."

Photo of Jasmine Kiernan playing with Ben by Bill Horne





Due to our Caterer being indisposed, a Catering Emergency was successfully averted by catering staff stepping up to the Plate!  
(Pun intended)

(That's the one on the left! Not Barry)



*A Happy President!*



*Is this a **Yellow** card or a **Red** card send off?*

