

# Rotary Club of Onehunga One Tree Hill Inc.

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Club Meets at Royal Oak Bowls 146 Selwyn Street, Onehunga, Auckland

Each Monday evening 5:30pm to 7:30pm, including dinner.

## Newsletter to keep the Wheel



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# Meeting Report --- 29th March 2021

#### **Attendance**

**Members 22** 

Visitors: Leanne Jenner, Maureen

Meyer

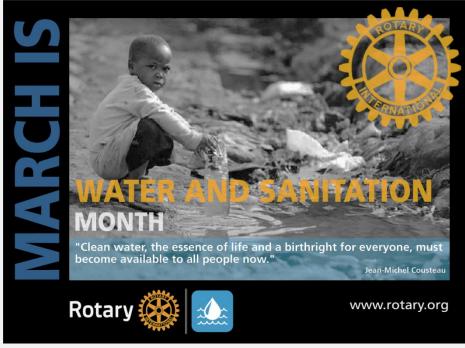
Apologies: Peter Mayow, George Arulanantham, Pat Anelay, Lloyd

Albiston, Gwynyth Carr, Fatu & Parehuia Enari, Quentin Jay, Barry Stafford, Rod Kestle.

Sergeant: N/A

# Meeting at Onehunga High School Hosted by the Food and Hospitality Department.

Happy and smiling senior students welcomed their guests and directed us to the venue.







Once seated we were welcomed by students Benjie and Paige who outlined the program for the evening. They also drew our attention to the well-presented menu, prepared by the Food and Hospitality department. Each table had their own waitress for the evening and the food was excellent. We did hear someone say they would like more of the delicious dessert, but they were too full.



### **Guest Speakers**

The first speaker for the evening was **Daisy Fuavao** who had received the Rotary Scitech Summer Camp 2020 award, sponsored by our club.

Daisy is an outstanding student who has also been awarded the Blake Inspire Leadership Program with a focus on Environmental science issues.

Daisy spoke to us of her experiences at the Rotary Summer Science Program 2week camp.

She was introduced to the many different aspects of science and thanked Rotary for the opportunity.



This forum allowed for new connections from the nationwide aspect of the Rotary attendees. Daisy felt that it is important that Pacifica students were represented in an area where they were not usually encouraged to be part of.

The students were domiciled at the Grafton Study Hall which had great rooms and amenities.

The experience of University life, with 3-hour lectures took some getting accustomed to.

Daisy will not miss the everyday early morning runs!

Her take-away from this is a feeling of independence and a different view of the student's interest in the Health Sciences.

A big thank you again to Rotary for this opportunity.

Diedre introduced **Linda Melrose** as our second speaker for the night.

Linda leads the biggest Community Education program in the country. Her work covers Onehunga High, Aorere College and Rosehill High.

In the 1970's, the government offered money to run night classes and 225 schools, including Onehunga High, took advantage of the offer. In 2009 the government, after indicating otherwise, discontinued this funding.

In recent years the upskilling push by the government has resulted in establishing the Adult Education program. After a lot of groundwork in Wellington, Linda was successful in procuring funding for the program. This program replaces the old, discontinued night classes.

This is a great way to utilise High school assets as a community facility.

People often come back to school for further education. There is a comprehensive list of courses

available on the school website.

These include: Computer skills, Te Reo, Welding, Sewing classes, Yoga etc.

60% of the courses are run from the school site with more run from other community assets.

Linda gave an example of her widowed mother studying accounting and went on to run the family business.

In 2019 Linda attended an International Conference on the Challenges of the Future, with a big place for Adult Education.

A speaker at the conference was Distinguished Professor Paul Spoonley, from Massey University, who issued a number of challenges to the attendees.

One of these was: "Why do planes have windows?" The plane does not need them, the pilots do not need them. We need them as a comfort. We are not ready for the available technology. He talked about demographics and lifelong learning.

By 2050 there is the possibility of only 6 Universities left worldwide. Information is now available on different platforms. He also spoke of population decline. 23 countries have declining population. Immigration changed NZ. We are now more diverse. In the 2018 census more than 27% were born overseas. More than 40% for Auckland. The 2030 generation will see 36% Asian, 11% Pacifica and 1 in 5 will be Maori.

Younger generations will have a high proportion of Maori and Pacifica and it is important that they stay connected.

Adults in Community Education should Celebrate our Cultures and behaviour and work towards a future that is going to be better for everybody.

Deidre thanked Linda for her presentation and commented that as a Secondary School we work towards providing a safe and inclusive learning environment. The ACE program is a good example.

The big team of the Hospitality Department was acknowledged by Deidre and HOD Ryan Thom thanked the Hospitality team for their magnificent effort and one they should be proud of.

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President Bruce thanked Daisy for her presentation to the club on her Scitech experience.

Bruce acknowledged the new leaders who could not attend due to other commitments.

Bruce commented on the new build and asked Deidre how the club could contribute. Stage 1 is to be complete in January and stage 2 18 months later.

He thanked Linda for her address and the school for another excellent hosting.





### **One Minute spot**

**Robin Hulford** 

### **Book Fair**

Come along whenever you can as there is less time for sorting this year than we had last year

### **Duties**

12th April 19th April

Equipment:
Attendance:
Hospitality
5 Minute Speaker
Guest Speaker

**Host: President Bruce** 

Thanks:

Thought for the week:

Scribe:

**Equipment:** Trevor Mosley

Attendance: George Arulanantham
Hospitality: Duncan McDonald
5 Minute Speaker: Ernie Meyer
Guest Speaker Madison Chang
Subject: Water Safety

Host: Neil Reid Thanks Colin Tea

Thought for the week: Bill Appleton

**Scribe Lloyd Albiston** 

(Remember, if you are **not** available for a duty, **please organise a** replacement and advise Alan and Noel.)

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The Hospitality Team











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