



## 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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**YOUTH SERVICE MONTH**

**Meeting Report ---  
3rd May 2021**

**Scribe: Barry Stafford**

### Attendance

**Members** 23 members present.

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**Apologies:** Pat Anelay, Bede, Bruce Clegg, Quentin, Duncan MacDonald, Derek Neutze, Deidre Shea, Guests as below Derek, Rebecca, Luke, plus Senikau, DGE Grant Smith, Tony Rayner (Honiara club).

**Sergeant: Sunshine Fund Collection** – produced \$169.70

**Visitors:** The sergeant welcomed his visitors the District Governor elect Grant Smith from the Albany Club, Tony Rayner from Honiara, Derek Ion from Epsom Club, Rebecca Hayes, and Luke Taumihau who both were helpers at the Book Fair, and former President and life member Dieter Dyck and his wife Senikau.

There were apologies from Deidre Shea, Duncan Macdonald, Pat Anelay, Derek Neutze, Bede Brittenden and Quentin Jay.

There were 22 members plus Tony from the Honiara Club and seven other visitors.



## President's announcements

Bruce Murdoch thanked Rebecca and Luke for doing a magnificent job at the Book Fair for us. As Bruce remarked book fairs just don't happen, they require a lot of effort and the club had appreciated Rebecca and Luke's assistance before and over the whole weekend.

The Book Fair had made a net profit of \$11,705 and the Board had at its last meeting made the following distributions.

- i. \$2,500 to the Onehunga Community House to go towards the cost of sealing the yard to the left-hand side of the building.
- ii. \$1,000 to the Royal Oak Scouts for their help with the distribution of the Book Fair notices.
- iii. \$500 to the Child Cancer Foundation. This follows the club helping to collect \$1,800 on the national collection day.

Bruce had a special welcome for Grant Smith, DG elect, who was invited to come when he attended the RYLA dinner a week ago. Grant took the opportunity to briefly outline his goals for the 2021/22 Rotary Year which are as follows:

- 1) Serve to change lives.
- 2) To have more fun and connect more people.
- 3) Serve the community more and invite other people to assist us with what we do; and
- 4) Make more use of the amazing on-line training system in the Rotary website.

## One-minute spots

Neil Reid reminded everyone about the interest night for new members on Wednesday 12 May at 5.45 pm at Room 7 in the Community House. Finger food would be provided.

Noel Carey reported on attending the RYLA dinner the previous Friday. It was an entertaining night and Noel said apart from being impressed by the talent of the attendees it was also humbling to meet and intermingle with them. This year's group had already started up a Facebook club to keep in touch with one another. Noel noted that Luke had attended the course. Something to sing about. This year's RYLA cohort created a waiata (Song) and have gifted it to future RYLArians.



## 2021 Book Fair Review

Robin Hulford started by noting that success has many fathers, and the Book Fair organisation was an example. It was a true team effort.



Robin gave special thanks to Luke who worked day after day on the book sorting and also to Rebecca and her lovely daughter whose contribution to the book sorting was noticeable. Robin also thanked Derek Ion from the Epsom Rotary Club for his contribution, and also to the St Andrews Church for storing some of the books for the Fair for the club.

Robin had special mention for Chris and Mary Fleming, and Glen and Candy Edmund for the assistance they provided in sorting and categorising all the CDs.

Also, the student team from Onehunga High School, Construction School department under Ernie Meyer's guidance.

Paul Jenner again provided assistance with the collection and delivery of banana boxes as required. Bill Grayson also provided a horse float at College Rifles Club and he and Shirley delivered the majority of the books received there.

Lloyd Albiston thanked Robin on behalf of the club for a superb job. Robin was always there, and his experience was invaluable. Lloyd noted that we were unable to have the Book Fair last year because of the pandemic. Lloyd said that the community involvement and support was outstanding. Finally, everyone who participated had a lot of enjoyment and fun.

Then followed a presentation of books to members, these were selected by Lloyd during the preparation for and the weekend of the Book Fair and allocated by Sergeant Noel and President Bruce.

- What Do Women Want – Bill Appleton
- Dealing with Difficult People – Parehuia Enari
- Too Scale, Too Late? – Ernie Meyer
- Seniors Survival Guide (contains whole chapter on how you do your first text) – Trevor Mosley.
- How to Lose a Husband and Gain a Wife – Diane McRae
- Grumpy Old Women – Paul Jenner
- It's all in a Lifetime – Dieter Dyck
- Early Manukau – Neil Reid
- The Ant – Ant Martin
- Book of Lists – Bruce Murdoch
- Ecclesiastical History of the English-Speaking People – Bede Brittenden
- Good in Bed – Lloyd Albiston
- A Short History of Drunkenness – Barry Stafford
- Rotary Song Book – Lloyd Albiston

Recipients made the appropriate donation to the Sunshine Fund.

### **5-Minute Spot: - Barry Stafford - South Island notes**

Barry and Bev have recently spent a month in the South Island. They based themselves at Blenheim where their daughter lives and made three trips. The first was to Christchurch and then on to Lake Tekapo. The second was over the Easter weekend to Marahau in Nelson Bay, the starting point for people walking the Abel Tasman Track or alternatively canoeing by sea. Finally, they did a week's trip into the West Coast down as far as Franz Joseph.

**Who's travelling?** Obviously, it's us locals who are travelling and there is reasonable number around, including plenty in mobile homes. The roads are a delight to travel on with very light traffic and good surfaces.

**How are People coping?** Everywhere we went we asked how are you coping? All of the places we visited were heavily reliant on tourism and have had to adapt. One example is that all accommodation outlets no longer require deposits where booking in advance and you cancel without penalty. A more extreme example is the helicopter company in Franz Joseph, where there are four other competitors, reducing their staff from 14 to 4. The West Coast is a hard place to make a living so the people who

live there have always been resilient. They look for other opportunities. In the case of the helicopter company, they have bought a gold mine which consists of a dredge and a couple of trucks.

**How do the Facilities Rate?** All of the tourist facilities we visited and used were of a high standard, including the Punakaiki Rocks, Shanty Town near Greymouth, the Tree Tops walk in Hokitika, the helicopter flight at Franz Joseph and an eco-tourist experience on Lake Okarito.

### **Some things worth Noting.**

The restoration of State Highway 1 from Picton to Christchurch is an incredible achievement. I haven't seen any final figures but understand the cost to be about \$2 billion. The engineering feats are on a world scale and the road is critically important.

The Christchurch rebuild is well under way but there is a long way to go. A huge new convention centre is about to be completed in the centre of Christchurch. It has been built by the Government in Wellington, not the local Council and just how it will fare remains to be seen.

Earthquakes are part of living in the upper half of the South Island. The tectonic plates that comprise the mountain range running from north to south are forever on the move. The fault lines are well known. As a parting reminder, we were in central Blenheim on the last day of our visit and found some historic photos near what was the old town wharf. The first couple were of the damage caused by an earthquake in 1853 which flattened the young township as it then was. The old name "The Shaky Isles" was not coined without reason.

### **Thought for the Week.**

"We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give." *Winston Churchill*



## ***Rotary Club of Onehunga One Tree Hill***

### **Duties**

#### **17th May**

**Equipment:** Alistair Grundy  
**Attendance:** Bede Brittenden  
**Hospitality:** Paul Jenner  
**5 Minute Speaker:** Colin Tea  
**Guest Speaker:** Linda Walls:  
Personal Consultant  
**Subject:** Business and stress  
**Host:** Neil Reid  
**Thanks:** Robin Hulford  
**Thought for the week:** Derek Neutze.  
**Scribe:** *Lloyd Albiston*

#### **24th May**

**Equipment:** Ant Martin  
**Attendance:** Alistair Grundy  
**Hospitality:** George Arulanantham  
**5 Minute Speaker:** Lloyd Albiston  
**Guest Speaker:** Dr Simon Thornley  
**Subject:** Auckland Public health  
**Host:** Duncan McDonald  
**Thanks:** Rod Kestle  
**Thought for the week:** Neil Reid.  
**Scribe:** *Quentin Jay*

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

**Onehunga One Tree Hill Rotary Facebook page Link:** (ctrl and click to follow link)  
<https://www.facebook.com/rcooth/>

## **10<sup>th</sup> May**

**Equipment:** Bill Grayson  
**Attendance:** Alan Bannin  
**Hospitality:** Bill Appleton  
**5 Minute Speaker:** Barry Stafford  
**Guest Speaker:** Robin Hulford  
**Subject:** Book Fair Report  
**Host:** President Bruce  
**Thanks:** Lloyd Albiston  
**Thought for the week:** Trevor Mosley  
**Scribe:** Barry Stafford

### **Program for the balance of this Rotary year**

31-May-21 Maddison Chang Water safety Consultant / Drowning Prevention  
7-Jun-21 **Queens Birthday**  
14-Jun-21 Karen Chhour MP Act Political Party  
21-Jun-21 Joseph Mayes IHC Consultant / IHC in the Community  
28-Jun-21 **Changeover Meeting**



*The Enri's Let out of School!*

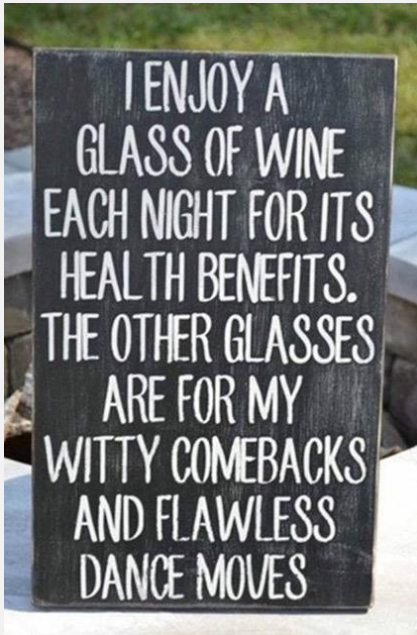


*"Rebecca, of Book Fair Fame", with Senikau Dyck*



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# Bede's Funnies



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