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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

NL 63 16th August 2021



Turning!

August is-

23rd August No Meeting! No Zoom!

Social Event .Cancelled

The Shades Concert

Q Theatre

Queen Street, Auckland City

30th August will have to be a Zoom Meeting.

Meeting Report ---

16th August 2021

Members Present 23

Visitors: Sita Selupe - Guest Speaker and husband Saia

Apologies:

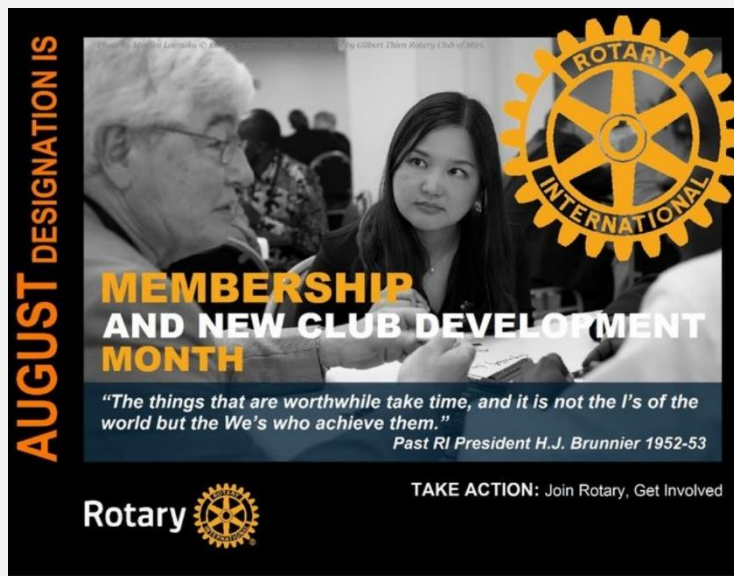
Rod Kestle, Duncan McDonald, Derek Neutze, George Arulanantham, Ant Martin, Trevor Mosley, Deidre Shea, David Taylor.

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Sergeant Noels Sunshine fund fines. \$126.40

Scribe: Lloyd Albiston

President Robin welcomed everyone to the meeting with special mention of our keynote Speaker Sita Selupe and her husband from the Rise Up Academy. He gave an update on the Northland Primary Schools project advising Rod Kestle was looking to raise funds and was making application



for a Rotary Global Grant. Robin informed us the Onehunga Primary School lunches programme was having some issues which were being investigated by Derek Neutze to see where our Club could assist.

Finally, he mentioned we would be supporting the 9910 District Foreshore Rubbish Collection in September and that volunteers were required to form a select committee to organise it. He and Peter Mayow were looking at a couple of suitable sites on the Manukau harbour. Please see Peter if you can assist.

One Minute Spots

Barry Stafford advised 'The Shades' Gratitude Tour has been a great success in Nelson, Napier and other cities. The final 2 concerts are in Auckland. Our Club has 60 tickets available for the concert on Monday 23 August...cost is \$10 per ticket. See Barry if you want tickets, but you'll need to be quick.

Noel Carey advised there would be no meeting next Monday substituted by 'The Shades' concert and the 'Kids to Camp' programme will take place in October and that we would be sponsoring students from St. Josephs and Oranga Primary schools. This year's theme will be 'Jurassic Park'.

Notice :*Paul Jenner is looking for people able to help* with the painting of the rotary diggers.

Please contact Paul. email: hoseman@xtra.co.nz or
Mob 021 295 4333



Five Minute Speaker



President Robin presented a brass 'Port Hand Light' with its red beam (as opposed to a Starboard Hand Light which is green) and proceeded to detail its fascinating history. He thoroughly confused most of us explaining the difference between north to east at 90 degrees and other degrees of difference. (Very pleased he knew what he was talking about!) The light came from a trawler the 'South Seas' which was owned by the South Seas Fishing Company in Wellington but seconded for surveillance patrol during the second world war. Tragedy struck the vessel on 9th December 1942 at 8.34 am whilst patrolling Port Nicholson when it hit the old 'Wahine' and sunk. Robin's dad was a Master Mariner at the time and assisted in the recovery of the boat and in the process acquired the 'Port Hand Light'.

Guest Speaker

Our guest speaker Sita Selupe Principal of the **Rise Up Academy** (a Charter school based in Mangere for new entrants to year 8 students) was introduced by **Parehuia Enari** who described her as being a highly respected school Principal as well as a pillar in the Pasifika community for her service through education and mentoring of others.

Sita described her cultural heritage as a mix between her Tongan father (also a school Principal) and her Niuean mother. After graduating as a primary school teacher, she taught Year 2 students at a Mangere school where she developed a programme which encouraged critical thinking and leadership.

In 2006 she recognised there was a need in the Pasifika and Maori communities for more leadership training, so she started a home school programme called 'Aunty Sita's Home School' (later renamed after the death of one of her students). In 2007 following representation from a number of parents she initiated the 'Hearts and Minds' based curriculum designed to raise a new breed of Pasifika and Maori learners.

By 2008 she was working with 100 families across Auckland on the programme. Application was made in 2009 to the ASB Community Trust for 5 years funding for the Rise Up Trust. This was successful and in 2012-13 the Rise Up Academy School was proposed with Sita as the inaugural Principal.

Four months after the proposal, with the support on many including the Ministry of Education and heaps of hard work, the Charter School was born with a vision of an academy for Pasifika and Maori students. Central to this was the premise that 'when you enrol your child you enrol your whanau'. Opening day was in 2014 when the **Rise Up Academy** was officially established with 35 students. As with several other Charter Schools the Academy transitioned to the State sector in 2018.

Many challenges have arisen including location with the school site being sold under them. Numerous options were considered including application to the High Court, splitting the school up, commuting daily to another site in Flat Bush....all of which were rejected. In May 2019 the Academy was temporarily co-located to the Sir Douglas Bader campus in Mangere. A permanent home is still to be decided, but notwithstanding the distraction of location a 'learning revolution is happening in Mangere' according to Sita.

She gave an example of students entering an App design competition which she has every confidence of success. Sita finished by stating there are a New breed of Pasifika and Maori leaders coming up who will reflect the school vision and mission of -

SHARP minds, STRONG bodies, and GOOD hearts, by RAISING Leaders one child at a time.

Sita was thanked by **Colin Tea** for her time and for sharing her passion. He congratulated her for her tenacity and drive in setting up the Rise Up Charter school which was very interesting and 'opened our eyes' to what is happening with Pasifika and Maori education.

Thought for the week from Tony Rayner:

Experience without Theory is Blind. Theory without Experience is mere Intellectual Play.
(Immanuel Kant. 1724 – 1804)

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Notice: from Bill Grayson: A report of a fabulous week for 40 STEMM Students

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Duties

30th August

This is to be a Zoom Meeting
(Courtesy of Covid)

Equipment:

Attendance:

Hospitality:

5 Minute Speaker:

Guest Speaker: Rev Stan Thorburn

Subject: The Journey to being a Judge

Host: Rod Kestle

Thanks: Bruce Murdoch

Thought for the week : Barry Stafford

Scribe: Quentin Jay

6th September

NOT ZOOM (Covid willing)

Equipment: Bill Grayson

Attendance: Ant Martin

Hospitality: Peter Mayow

5 Minute Speaker: Bruce Murdoch

Guest Speaker: Sharon Crean

Subject: Beyond Water - East Africa

Host: Paul Jenner

Thanks: Ernie Meyer

Thought for the week : Neil Reid

Scribe: Barry Stafford

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

Members will be emailed a “link” to join the 30th of Aug Zoom Meeting.

Scheduled programme

30th August	The Journey to being a Judge	Rev Stan Thorburn
6th September	Beyond Water - East Africa	Sharon Crean
13th September	Being Governor General	Anand Satyanand
18-21 September	Neighbourhood /Beach Clean-up Week	District 9910 Event
20th September	Public Speaking	Epsom Schools
27th September	Epsom Normal School	Dillon Rungan

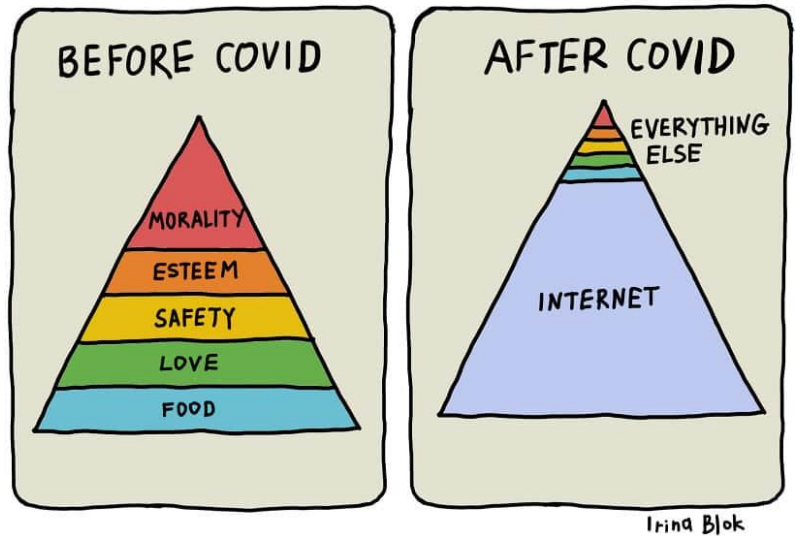


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