

Onehunga-One Tree Hill Rotary Club



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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 Turning!

February is-

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Apologies: Trevor Mosley, , Bruce Clegg, Ant Martin, Fatu and Parehuia Enari, , Derek Neutze, Derek Atkinson, David Taylor, Cat Levine ,Neil Reid, Bill Grayson. Gwynyth Carr

Members: 20

Visitors: Guest Speaker N/A

Sergeants Fines: \$181.30 Club topped up to \$300.00 sent to Child Cancer Foundation appeal

Presidents Announcements

Robin welcomed back Duncan and Alistair after their absence due to health issues. Good to see them back on deck.

Robin asked if members were able to volunteer to support a Child Cancer Foundation appeal brochure delivery in our area in March. Several members indicated that there is enough support for the club to be involved. Robin thanked the members for their involvement. Rotary Club information could be included in the deliveries. Details to be announced shortly.

A survey of the board members by Robin, asking for their recommendations on running the **Book Fair** this year, indicated that most felt that the risks and complications under code Red were too high to justify the expense and work involved. At least two felt that it would be unsafe for them to attend. Robin has also had advice from a Senior Medical Microbiologist in Wellington who says that community cases are rising and are likely to continue to do so for the next 8 weeks. We are at the point of having to commit expenditure for fliers, signs, etc and a commitment for the use of the Community House.

Taking all this into account, I believe the only option at this point is not to run a book sale this year.



In light of the 2022 **Book Fair** cancellation **Bruce Murdoch** has available a storage facility, that will enable the club to collect, and store donated books for the **2023 Book Fair**. Please contact Bruce for details.

Club Forum

The first item for discussion was the name change for the Club. The members present decided unanimously to adopt the name, "**Rotary Club of Maungakiekie**". The club will vote on this proposal in 2 weeks' time on 28 February. If approved by the members, the required form will then be submitted for the consideration of the District Governor and RI Board of Directors.

President Robin chaired the discussion and update of the Club Strategic plan. Items for attention were:

1. Update on Community projects - cancelled and still to come -
2. OHS Student Building project -
3. PASS School reading team -
4. Summer Science -
5. MUNA -
6. RYLA and Kids to Camp -
7. Constitution and By Laws update
8. Book Fair -
9. Membership -
10. Public Image -
11. Manukau Bridge Project
12. Sandpit Diggers -

1-Minute Tractor Trek info.

Email received on Thursday 17th from Gary Hemmings AG District 9930 Napier, The Tractor Trek is on its way. Left New Plymouth with 13 tractors, 1 has blown a head gasket and 1 a gearbox but they are approaching Feilding as I write. They expect to arrive at Kennedy Park by 12 noon on Saturday and after a quick change and a bite they will make their way to the Taradale RSA. (They will provide a briefing on the trip and the project.)



Rotary District 9910 Annual Conference Cancelled

It is with great sadness that we wish to advise that the Rotary District 9910 Annual Conference which was planned for 8-10 April 2022 in Tauranga has been cancelled due to COVID.

Based on the Government's decision to put the whole country into the red traffic light setting (under code "red" public events are limited to a maximum of 100 persons) along with current COVID modelling suggesting that the major Omicron outbreak will occur at the end of March, our Conference team have been left with no option but to cancel.

The Government has indicated that the country will remain in red for many weeks so we cannot continue to plan for the Conference. The health and safety of our amazing Rotarian members along with the organising committee and wonderful guest speakers is paramount.

This is a huge blow for all those people who have worked so hard to pull this event together, and we thank all of you for your time and energy in trying to create this event.

For those of you that have booked accommodation at Trinity Wharf Hotel, you will be contacted within the next two weeks by the hotel with an accommodation cancellation confirmation. If you do not receive confirmation of cancellation within the next two weeks, please contact the hotel directly.

If you have paid your Conference registration this will also be refunded to you directly.

At this stage we are looking into the possibility of holding a Virtual Conference on the same weekend dates, but should this not be possible there will be no annual conference this Rotary year.

Kind regards

Grant Smith
District 9910 Governor 2021-22

5-minute Speaker Bruce Murdoch

Bruce shared with the members his past yachting experiences during a trip back to Auckland from Bay of Islands.

It was 20 years ago; Dick and I had spent a couple of weeks sailing in the Bay of Islands. No dramas, apart from nearly being run down by a non-piloted gin palace. But that's another story.

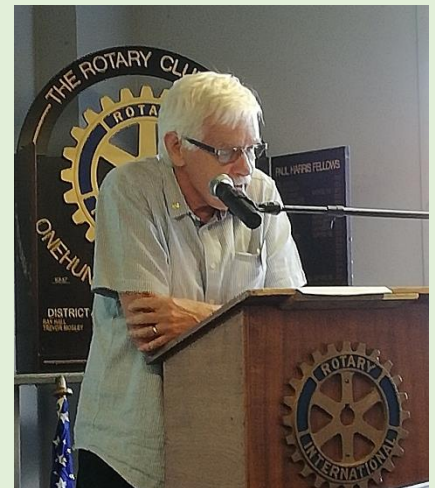
Set out from Okiato (Opua) to return to Auckland and beat our Way out of the Bay into an 8 knot Nor'easter. Cleared the Hole in the Rock, set the spinnaker and ran down the coast to Whangamumu Harbour where we planned to spend the night and catch up with friends ashore. Which we did by rowing ashore and securing the dinghy, which remained ashore secured (unlike Bill Grayson's recent experience!).

The following day, with the light Nor'easter, we continued down to Tutukaka Harbour, made famous recently by the tsunami surge. Anchored overnight with 5 metres of chain down and plenty of warp to counter the tide. Still no dramas, until the early morning when the tide whistled in from the sou'west.

The tail of cyclone Betsy had arrived. Not weather to go sailing!

Spent that day sailing around the anchor under bare mast, driven by a 50 knot wind coming from all directions down the valleys. Sailed nearly a mile that day and didn't go anywhere.

The following morning the wind had abated somewhat, so we set out under reefed



main and furled genoa for Kawau. Beating across Bream Bay, around Cape Rodney and into Kawau, the wind was about 30 knots - a wild ride, shipping the waves green across the bow. Oh, and ham sandwiches are not the best doused by such a wave. Cell phones do not appreciate slopping around in the bilge!
Coming into Mansion House Bay was like turning of the fan, calm and peaceful. The rum and cokes were welcome that evening!
The next day the wind had dropped further, but still an interesting ride across to Whangapararua and into Gulf Harbour.

Home is the sailor, home from the sea.

Thought for the week Quentin Jay

The mind is not a vessel to be filled, but a fire to be kindled
(Plutarch)

Duties for February

Date: 21st February

Attendance 1 Colin Tea

Attendance 2 Verifier and Vaccination List Ticker Off: Gwynyth Carr

Equipment: Paul Jenner

Hospitality: George Arulanantham

5-Minute Speaker Ernie Meyer

Guest speaker: Phil Sai Louie

Subject: AUCKLAND PLACE NAMES

Host: Lloyd Albiston

Thanks: Gary Hays

Thought for the Week: David Taylor

Date: 28th February

Attendance 1 Paul Jenner

Attendance 2 Verifier and Vaccination List Ticker Off: Bruce Murdoch

Equipment: Gary Hays

Hospitality: Ernie Meyer

5-Minute Speaker Barry Stafford

Guest speaker: PDG Peter Garnett

Subject: ROMAC

Host: Tony Rayner

Thanks: Quentin Jay

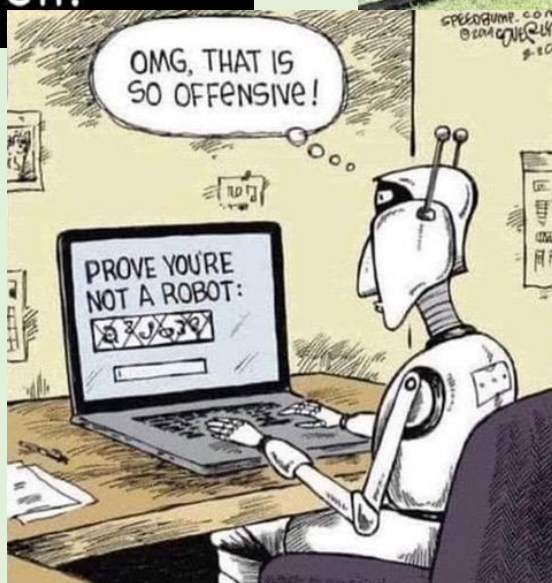
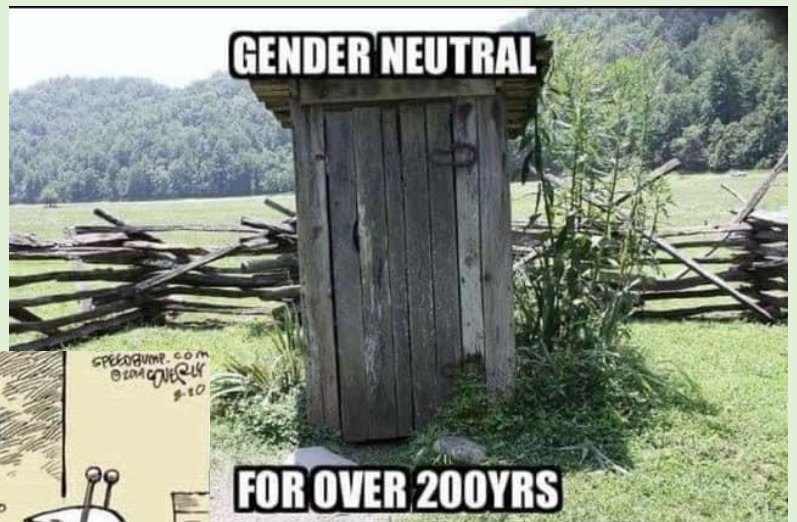
Thought for the Week: Bill Appleton

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

A Touch of Humour!



AND SO ENDS
ANOTHER WEEK
WITHOUT ME
BECOMING
UNEXPECTEDLY
RICH.



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