



*(As of 1 July 2022, the Rotary Club of Onehunga – One Tree Hill was renamed the Rotary Club of Maungakiekie)*

## Newsletter to keep the Wheel Turning



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**Club Meeting location:** Royal Oak Bowls, 146 Selwyn Street, Onehunga, Auckland

**Time:** Monday evening 5:30pm for 6 p.m. start to 7:30pm, includes \$20 dinner

**Mail:** PO Box 29086 Greenwoods Corner, Epsom

**Web:** <https://www.rotarymaungakiekie.org.nz/>



## NL 109, 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022

**Present:** 26

**Apologies:** Phil Aish, Derek Atkinson, John-Paul Goulding, Paul Jenner, Craig Jones, Cat Levine, John Mamea-Wilson, Ant Martin, Bruce Murdoch, Deidre Shea, Colin Tea

**Sergeant's Fines:** \$116.20

## In Remembrance of the passing of Queen Elizabeth II

President Quentin welcomed everyone with, “**Kua hinga he tōtara oTe Waonui a Tāne**” (the tōtara in the great forest of Tāne has fallen).

*(A totara is a huge native tree that grows for hundreds of years in New Zealand. For one of them to fall is a great tragedy. This proverb is said when someone of importance passes away).*

### “LONG LIVE THE KING”

One-minute silence was followed by the following poem, read by our Sergeant, Noel.

### A Poem for Queen Elizabeth II

Originally written by Joanne Boyle - 9<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022

*(This poem is written from the perspective of the Queen)*

Philip came to me today,  
and said it was time to go.  
I looked at him and smiled,  
as I whispered that, “I know”

I then turned and looked behind me,  
and saw I was asleep.  
All my Family were around me,  
and I could hear them weep.

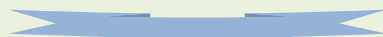
I gently touched each shoulder,  
with Philip by my side.  
Then I turned away and walked,  
with My Angel guide.

Philip held my hand,  
as he led the way,  
to a world where Kings and Queens,  
are Monarchs every day.

I was given a crown to wear  
or a Halo known by some.  
The difference is up here,  
they are worn by everyone.

I felt a sense of peace,  
my reign had seen its end.  
70 years I had served my Country,  
as the peoples friend.

Thank you for the years,  
for all your time and love.  
Now I am one of two again,  
in our Palace up above.



## PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Onehunga Peoples Garden - Working Bee:

**Date/Time:** 10am – 4pm Sunday, 18<sup>th</sup> September

**Location:** 64 Arthur St, Onehunga

**Activity:** Planting and weeding

**Bring:** Gumboots, gardening gloves, protective clothing, spade, fork, something to kneel on



Coming up: 1<sup>st</sup> Oct, Sat midday: Ellerslie Spring Clean Day

### Zone 8 Regionalisation Project

Our Club has agreed to proceed with the pilot which is about changing the level above Clubs, to develop, test and evaluate the new structure to ensure a thriving Rotary and Rotaract for future generations.

For more detail refer to [Newsletter NL101](#).

### Give Every Child a Future (GECAF)

A Rotary Auckland initiative to provide [three vaccines](#) over three years in nine Pacific Island countries:

- Rotavirus to prevent rotavirus diarrhoea
- Pneumococcal to prevent pneumococcal disease
- HPV to prevent forms of cervical cancer

A \$45 donation will protect one child.

Our club could assist with a separate fund-raising effort or possibly a straight donation from club funds.

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## SEPTEMBER IS MOVIE MONTH!

Rotary Waitakere - [Charity Screening](#)

**Movie:** ELVIS

**Rating:** 7.5 Rating by IMDB = very good!

**Date:** 6pm, Wed 14<sup>th</sup> September

**Location:** Event Cinemas Westgate

**Tickets:** \$30

**Contact:** Desmond Foulger Mb: 021 722 216

A JOINT EVENT HOSTED BY...  
Rotary Club of Waitakere  
COMMUNITY IN OUR COMMUNITY

Audience says: "Like the man himself, Elvis delivers dazzling, crowd-pleasing entertainment that provokes a wide range of emotions."

CHARITY SCREENING  
PROCEEDS FROM THIS EVENT WILL BE DONATED BACK TO THE COMMUNITY THROUGH THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAITAKERE

ELVIS  
AUSTIN BUTLER, TOM HANKS, JESSIE LUDEMAN, JESSIE LUDEMAN, JESSIE LUDEMAN

Date: Wednesday, September the 14th  
Time: 6.00pm for 6.30pm start  
The movie will start on 6.30pm, no adverts before the movie.  
Location: Event Cinemas Westgate  
Tickets: \$30.00 (includes a free ice cream or popcorn of your choice)

PAY ONLINE  
Waitakere Rotary Bank Acct - 38-9020-0414004-01 Ref# "Your Name" and the word "Movie"  
Contact Desmond (021 722 21) for any questions

## Rotary Westhaven – Lunch & Movie Day!

**Movie: What we did on Our Holiday**

**Rating:** 6.9 Rating by IMDB = pretty good!

**Date:** 11:15 am, Sun 25<sup>th</sup> September

**Location:** JC Ryders Cinema, Avondale

**Tickets:** \$40 incl Museum > Hot Roast > Raffle prize > Movie & Ice cream > (a lie down - phew)

**RSVP:** [cdaji19@gmail.com](mailto:cdaji19@gmail.com)



## CLUB ANNOUCEMENTS



### GLOBAL GRANT UPDATE

**Rod Kestle** recapped on the Te Tai Tokerau Tamariki Mental Wellbeing (Northland) Project.

- Feb 2022: \$600,000 grant approved
- Feb 2023: 9030 Tractor Trek
- March 2023: Cat starts to deliver her message to 25x Northland Schools then a revisit in Terms 2 & 3. The lessons will be in the mornings followed by Rotarian led Fun Games in the afternoon

Rotary Dargaville's 11-members will be running school games in 3x schools over one week, and **they need our assistance**. Members would stay there for the week. Further details to come from Rob and Peter Mayow.

Part of **Cat's** delivery includes a number of short videos specifically made for the various age groups. Funding for the Production costs are separate from the Global Grant and are being raised through personal donations and the Tractor Trek.

### MEMBERS INTEREST MEETING

**Bill Appleton** reminded members the new members meeting is on:

**Date:** Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October

**Location:** Onehunga Community Centre

**Please provide the team with potential member names & numbers.**



# guest speaker



**Paul Janman:**

## **Onehunga Peoples Garden**

Paul's wife, Echo Janman, was the original inspiration for **the Onehunga Peoples Garden**.

The garden was started 15-yrs ago when the two arrived in Onehunga and discovered this 1.2 hectare, flood plain, owned by Kiwi Rail.

The reserves entrance is located on Arthur St between Normans Hill Rd and Quadrant Rd (good parking there).

Echo wondered how the reserve could be used to help educate the local community on Urban Regeneration. It took six more years to get ownership from the Council, who placed a rateable valuation on this piece of swampy land, of \$6,000 p.a.

Echo's goal is to regenerate a natural, native canopy, which after 6-10 years will begin to naturally suppress endemic, exotic weeds.

Their first job was to remove tons of rubbish along which included old TVs and washing machines. Paul & Echo went about engaging with neighbourhood kids and parents. Local Boards provided funding for trees and shrubs which were planted by the neighbouring community.



**Onehunga Peoples Garden**

There are many benefits in operating a community garden which

include providing an opportunity to educate children on the local biodiversity and to identify and learn about the benefits of native plants and the need to eradicate noxious weeds.



**Typical Working Bee Day**

A small, crystal-clear stream runs from top to bottom in which some native trout have been found.



Echo wants to ensure any clearing and replanting doesn't interfere with the stream's natural course no matter how may want to change direction over time. The stream goes underground at one point and then eventually out into the Onehunga Lagoon.

The reserve's current ecological health rating is set at 91.50 on the Taxon-Independent Community Index (TICI).



*TICI is a method, newly developed by Wilderlab (NZ), to produce a single metric, from a large amount of DNA sequenced information, from large to small organisms, and so is very sensitive when it comes to tracking small environmental changes over time.*

Some schools have taken responsibility of maintaining small quadrants. One Intermediate school pupil even set up a small “weeding club”.

As an academic, Paul also wanted to learn more about local Māori history, especially around the large “grassy knoll” found at the northern end of the plot. The knoll has a direct line of sight to Mangere Mountain, and story has it that the reserve may have been a site of one of Waikato Chief Te Wherowhero many whare.

An archaeologist is due to perform a survey using ground penetrating radar to see if underground objects or foundations can be identified.

The biggest challenge to the project is to ensure the area is maintained over the long term.

More information can be found on their [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/OnehungaPeoplesGarden) page.  
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**ONEHUNGA PEOPLES GARDEN WORKING BEE**  
**Sun 18<sup>th</sup> September 10am–12pm & 2pm-4pm**  
**Bring boots and garden gloves for weed pulling. Spade, forks, weed bags also useful.**

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## THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

- provided by Gary Hays -

***Never complain, never explain*** (The Queen - unofficial royal motto)

***You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough*** (Mae West)

# DUTIES

## Unable to attend?

Email apologies to Noel Carey: [noelcarey@hotmail.com](mailto:noelcarey@hotmail.com)

## Unable for a duty?

Please arrange your own replacement and advise Noel Mb: [0274 509 845](tel:0274509845)

<p><b>Meeting: Mon, 19<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022</b></p> <p><b>Sergeant:</b> Noel Carey <b>Attendance:</b> George Arulanantham <b>Hospitality:</b> Alan Bannin <b>Equipment:</b> Bill Appleton <b>Scribe:</b> Tony Rayner</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Peter Mayow <b>Guest:</b> Helen Charles: Tripping the South Island</p> <p><b>Thanks:</b> Robin Hulford</p> <p><b>5-Min Talk:</b> tbc <b>Thought:</b> Rod Kestle</p>	<p><b>NO MEETING: Mon, 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022</b></p> <p><b>Meeting: Mon, 3<sup>rd</sup> Oct 2022</b></p> <p><b>Sergeant:</b> Noel Carey <b>Attendance:</b> Gary Hays <b>Hospitality:</b> Craig Jones <b>Equipment:</b> Bill Appleton <b>Scribe:</b> Tony Rayner</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Bill Grayson <b>Guest:</b> Trish Gribben: The Ross Charity</p> <p><b>Thanks:</b> Bill Grayson</p> <p><b>5-Min Talk:</b> tbc <b>Thought:</b> Cat Levine</p>
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