



(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

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NL 118, 28th November 2022

Present: 22

Apologies: Bill Appleton, George Arulanantham, John Paul Goulding, Paul Jenner, Craig Jones, Cat Levine, Rob Lyons, Duncan Macdonald, John Mamea-Wilson, Ant Martin, Iain McCrae, Trevor Mosley Richard Ryan, Deidre Shea, Jeannette Thorne

Sergeant's Fines: \$74.10

AGM

President Quentin welcomed everyone to the 2022 AGM which was well attended.

Confirmation of last year's AGM Minutes were moved and seconded with no Matters Arising.

Immediate Past President's Report for the year 2021-22

– Past President, Robin Hulford -

During October/ November 2021, and again in February March 2022 we were affected by Covid. A member contracted it and others had close contacts but we had good Zoom meetings that improved with practice. Thanks to Tony for managing those meetings, Noel for his leadership of them, and to Bede and Duncan for arranging guest speakers. Needless to say, several of our normal activities did not take place as schools, collections and parades were cancelled. One of those was a new commitment to support the Epsom Normal Primary School and its speech competition. Fortunately, that was recovered this year.

This took us close to Christmas but Covid re-emerged in February 2022 with another general outbreak. As a result we cancelled the Book Fair because, while we could collect and sort books, we would not have been able to manage the public.

From time to time in the past, the club's name had been brought up. With closure of the Epsom Club and some of its members joining us, the name was reviewed again. This became a drawn out process with Covid interrupting our meeting pattern again, but a survey and discussions produced a general agreement on "Maungakiekie". To comply with Rotary Rules we had to formally notify the members, wait two weeks and then have a vote at a meeting. Finally, this was achieved and the change was made withing days of applying.

During the year our membership increased by eight members. There we some health issues among members but all except one recovered, though our friend and colleague, Trevor Mosley did deprive us of his company for quite a while. We were very please to see him back as the current year got going.

I have reviewed our finances in conjunction with our Treasurer Bruce. In my view the accounts show what we might expect with reduced activity, and I have been quite happy to sign them.

Finally, thankyou all for the cheerful flexibility and good attendances that got us through a difficult year. In many ways we have come out unscathed with further new members and the beginnings of improved gender balance.

Review from the President Quentin Jay

Months of Covid Lockdown gave special impetus to one of the main functions of Rotary: Social Interaction for social good. For that reason, one of the aims of my tenure has been to increase the amount of teamwork done at Committee Level. Teamwork fosters engagement of more members, some of whom come for the social benefits the club brings.



To this end we have increased the Membership Committee to several members and have added new teams for the Environment and for Seniors. A large team is tasked with helping Cat with the Mental Health Project. I have encouraged these teams to meet at Living Rooms or Cafes to increase the social focus.

We have welcomed several new members, since winning the membership growth award for the district and we would like to thank all the former members of the Epsom Club for their support.

We are also pushing to create a Satellite Club of younger members, an idea of the irreplaceable Neil Reid, so that we can be sure of a new generation to come in in several years.

With the encouragement of our District Governor, we have pushed to join other Rotary Clubs in joint activities such as clean-ups, social events and fundraising activities. With numbers showing action out in the Field we can increase our presence and become more relevant to the next generation.

Our activities so far:

- Continuation of the Te Tai Tokerau Mental Wellbeing Northland Project
- Books for Life educational books delivered to Tassiriki Pre-Primary School, Vanuatu
- Website upgrade
- The 2 Day of Action Projects:
 - Ellerslie Spring Clean-up
 - Onehunga Public Garden weeding and planting
- Child Cancer Fundraising
- Movie social at the Ryder theatre
- Kids to Camp – five days at Willow Park, Eastern Bach
- Onehunga High School house build
- Onehunga High School Construction Awards
- Reading Enhancement at PASS
- 70s Club Fund raising Event
- Updated Rotary Club shirts with new club logo
- Sponsorship of Stephen Lashham's book: Onehunga's Changing Foreshore

- Christmas Puddings sales
- Funding the Royal Oak Primary and Intermediate students Tournament of the Minds competition
- 2022 Giant Book Fair and book donation to the Pacific Islands

Still to come before breakup:

- Supporting The Lost King Polio Fundraising Movie event
- Staging the 2022 McKeever, Haskell, Wall Student Awards night
- Joining in the 2022 Onehunga Christmas Parade
- Dining out for our end of year Christmas Party
- Funding two students to attend the Auckland University 2023 Summer Science and Technology Forum

We are looking like that Club in Gary Atkinsons video (*Gary's video was about the club he met with in India who had more projects on the go than you can count!*)

Lastly, I want to thank the Board for their energy and dedication.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK - provided by Quentin Jay –

If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.
(Mark Twain)

Snaps from the week

Book Fair Report next week



DUTIES

Unable to attend? Apologies to Noel Carey: noelcarey@hotmail.com

Unable for a duty? Arrange your own replacement & text Noel Mb: **0274 509 845**

**2022 McKeever, Haskell, Wall
Student Awards:
Mon, 5th Dec 2022**

Sergeant: Noel Carey
Attendance: Gwynyth Carr
Hospitality: Deidre Shea & Cat Levine
Equipment/Photos: JP Goulding & Peter Mayow
Scribe: Barry Stafford
Host, Thanks & Thought: Quentin Jay

**Last Meeting of 2022:
Mon, 12^h Dec 2022**

Sergeant: Noel Carey
Attendance: Lloyd Albiston
Hospitality: Rod Kestle
Equipment/Photos: Noel Carey
Scribe: Barry Stafford
Thought: Robin Hulford



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