



Rotary
Club of Maungakiekie



(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 \$21 dinner

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



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Newsletter 122, 27th February 2023

Present: 23

Apologies: Derek Atkinson, Bede Brittenden, Gwynyth Carr, Bill Grayson, Robin Hulford, Quentin Jay, Cat Levine, Rob Lyons, Duncan Macdonald, Ant Martin, Barry Stafford, Rhett Stephens, Sharlene Wagner.

Sergeant's fines: \$94.10

Hi folk

Welcome back to our regular Monday meetings after a round of Public Hols and Summer BBQs.

This summer however, won't be remembered for its sunshine but instead wide spread devastation by barometer challenging cyclones that hit many areas causing life, property loss and misery to many. Indeed Sharlene, one of our members, is still cleaning up the mess. There'd be few Members who didn't know of someone who hadn't been impacted and our thoughts are with those who have.



Club members and Board responded quickly organising fundraising and funding:

- Club donation to specific Rotary clubs in Gisborne and Hawkes Bay
- Half time collection at the SHADES Tour Concert for Rotary clubs in affected areas
- Club member Phil Aish's offer of his digger and bulldozer.

Also, in spite of the weather, two very important Projects stayed on track:

- 2023 Waikato Feelings For Life Tractor Tour (13-25 Feb 2023)
- Launch of The Rotary Foundation Te Tai Tokerau Tamariki Project (3 March 2023).

We thank Phil, Cat/Dawn, Rod, the TTTT Project Team and their respective backing teams for their enormous commitment and effort, which should not be underestimated.



ACTING PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lloyd Albiston's step in as Acting President for the other Acting President Barry Stafford tonight while the Real President Quentin is in Greymouth for work.

Quentin asked for the following to be mentioned:

International Women's Day (Sun 8th March)



What is it? It is a non-political event where Nicola Willis will be talking about leadership (not politics). This will be a great networking and inspiring occasion for our women Rotarians. Ladies are invited and **is a great opportunity to invite someone who isn't a Rotarian to come and join us.**

How do I attend? Tickets can be purchased here: <https://events.humanitix.com/rotary-women-in-leadership-brunch>. If the 'buy tickets' link presents any problems, please contact Asst DG Judy Lawley: judylawley18@gmail.com.

The Big Mission Home (Sat.25th March)

(Auckland City Mission (ACM) fundraising walk)

Rotary is one of the many charity organisations and individuals who are helping the ACM raise funds.

Who's organizing it for Rotary?: Westhaven Rotary Club who have registered for Rotary

What is it?: A 17km fund-raising walk. 17km represents people sleeping rough walk up to 17km each day for life essentials like food and a safe place to sleep.

When/where is it?: Starts 12:00 pm Saturday 25th March, from a café in Onehunga tba by Judy Lawley Mb: 027 293 1747

When/where does it end?: Ends approx. 5:pm at HomeGround (Auckland City Mission's new hub) at 140 Hobson St, Auckland CBD

How do I/we donate?:

Bank a/c Name: Rotary Westhaven

Bank a/c No.: 12 3012 0797671 00

Details: Maungakiekie (Club name)

Reference: ACM

More info here: <https://www.aucklandcitymission.org.nz/event/the-big-mission-home/>



CLUB ANNOUCEMENTS

60 SECONDS

ONEHUNGA FESTIVAL 2023 (4th March)

FREE ENTERTAINMENT & ACTIVITIES!

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SATURDAY 4 MARCH
10:30am - 3:00pm
Onehunga Bay Reserve

Jeannette reminded members about the event and to attend if only as local support.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2023

Craig reminded us of the upcoming **District Conference 2023**.



 <p>Rotary District 9910</p>	<p>IMAGINE INSPIRE INNOVATE</p> <p>District Conference 2023 28-30th April 2023</p>
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Date: Fri 28 – Sun 30 April:

Where: Alexandra Park

MC: Pio Terei MNZM

More details: <https://www.rotaryconference9910.org.nz/>

Please cc Quentin if you are going.

Programme

Friday

4pm: Registration Opens

5pm: Powhiri, followed by drinks and canapes in Tasman Room

6pm: Friday Night Trots Harness Racing

Saturday

9am – 5pm: Conference

6pm for 6.30pm start: Dinner, drinks, ent, live music and dancing

Theme: 1980's Fashion in the Fields – Race Day Attire

Sunday

8am District 9910 Annual General Meeting

9am-12.30pm Conference

70s CLUB DRAW

Lloyd got the 2nd draw for the year under way.

The following winning numbers were pulled out of a bag by members at the meeting.

3rd place \$50: Ticket #21 - Ant Martin

2nd place \$100: Ticket #27- Neil Reid

1st place \$150: Ticket #38 - Barry Stafford

For the first time ever, none of the winners were actually present.

Congratulations to winners and to the others there's still a next time and thank you for contributing to this fundraising activity.

The next draw will be in MAY.

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS – ROTARY NUMBER PLATES

Rod distributed these very smart car number plate surrounds to members.



For those who don't already know here's some background info.

For several years Matamata (NZ) Rotarian David Hulme has wanted to promote Rotary through car number plate surrounds, in the same way as many businesses do.

The specially designed centennial plate surrounds are manufactured in New Zealand and have been selling for \$15 per set. **They are free to our club though – see Rod if you want one.**

Their website explains: "To date we have sold approximately 1200 sets and donated more than \$5000 in profits to Rotary Give Every Child a Future," David says. "This gives Rotarians the opportunity to not only promote Rotary but also support a wonderful life changing and in some cases life-saving project in the Pacific – it really is a win/win on all fronts. "It has also allowed many of our members to visit other Rotary Clubs so the social side of the project has been an unexpected bonus."

David says there are still sets available for purchase. "If you are new to Rotary or your club has not seen this promotion and would like to take part, we would love to hear from you. Every six sets we sell help us donate a vaccine for one child."

There is also an opportunity for clubs to purchase sets and include them as part of their new member induction packs.

"This is a really simple way of getting new members to immediately feel that they are part of your club and Rotary,"



HEART FOUNDATION: BIG HEART APPEAL (24-25 FEBRUARY)



Peter said there was a good turnout for the **Heart Foundation: Big Heart Appeal** on Friday 24th outside the Onehunga Countdown. Unfortunately due to a robbery at the Countdown that night Saturday was cancelled as the area was roped off, however \$594.90 was still raised.

Big-hearted thank you to Members who volunteered their time and to those who kindly donated – you have helped to save lives.

CHILD CANCER FOUNDATION APPEAL (10-11 MARCH)



Peter is looking for more Member who can afford 2-hrs of their time to collect. It's looking this year may need to cancel as Peter has only received 7-responses for the 16x2hr slots.

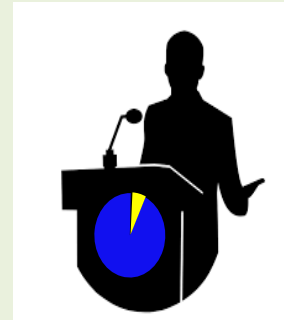
If you can help out, please contact Peter Mayow now on:

Mb: 021 976 224

email: mayows@gmail.com

CRAIG JONES

Report on the State of the Nation Charity Dinner



5-minute Speaker

Craig came up with the original idea after approaching **David Seymour, Member for Epsom, ACT Party**, at a fair one year.

Craig asked David if as ACT Party Leader he would consider delivering his annual State of the Nation speech at a Rotary Charity Dinner event - as a Guest Speaker. David agreed and the rest is history.



This year's event took place on 23rd Feb at the Sorrento in The Park, One Tree Hill. There were 109 guests and was a great start and with more publicity has potential to grow.

A great night was had by all and was topped off with a successful Auction then followed by an informative Q&A session.

Craig wanted to extend his thanks to Barry "a most able MC for the night", Gary for handling the admin and "putting up with countless calls from me". Bruce on accounts, Tony for coming up with our graphics, Paul for erecting the banners and Club Members Craig badgered into coming along with mates to fill tables.

David has committed to the next two years and the club is already looking forward to a bigger and brighter occasion next year.





guest
speaker

PHIL AISH
CAT LIVINE
ROD KESTLE
2023 Feelings for Life Tractor Trek

Rod introduced **Phil** who has been a neighbour for 41-years. Rod shared a particular story involving a noisy bull parked overnight in a trailer outside Phil's place in their residential area that led to a complaint to the Police who stated "you can't park that here". The ever-resourceful Phil promised to sort it out and snuck the bull into nearby Cornwall Park, with no one any the wiser.

Both Rod and Phil are committed Christians and have worked together on many projects including Vanuatu.

Phil recapped on his association with Tractor Treks which started back in February 2018. *(For a recap on Phil's background please refer to Newsletter No.100 11 July 2022 – Ed)*

This the Trek visited 22-schools in the Waikato district and had a good amount of publicity aided by David Hume who has a Journalistic background and had Cat appear on a Morning radio show.

While tractors were the main point of interest even to rural kids Phil's Humee also attracted attention where on one occasion 32-kids managed to jam themselves in. Along the way they stopped and spoke at Rotary Clubs and took every opportunity to promote the cause (Childrens Mental Health and Wellbeing) and promote the Rotary organisation.

Every tractor had a Rotary sign on the front with the drivers wearing the familiar bright green hi-vis Feelings for Life jackets.



The weather was bad at times but didn't deter the Deputy Mayor of Cambridge turning up along with drenched kids who still enjoyed the day.

Rod said, Cat drove her tractor in the morning and he it in the afternoon. Along the way they met a man who said his son committed suicide at 45-yrs just showing that mental health can happen at any age.

Rod emphasised Members need to get behind Cat and continue to support her as much as we can.

Cat wanted to share the 3-important stats relating to Child mental wellbeing in NZ and each of which has personally impacted Cat personally.

1. 1-in-4 children will experience mental health issues before they're 18-yrs
2. 50% of mental health issues start at the age of 12-yrs
3. 15 young people are hospitalised with self-harm every day in NZ

Cat has already trained 250-teachers and spoken to over 5,500-children this year already and will shortly be visiting 16-schools in Northland in March & April this year as part of The Rotary Foundation sponsored Te Tai Tokerau Tamariki Mental Wellbeing Project (launched this week on 3rd March 2023 at the Mania View School, Whangārei).

Part of the planning of the Waikato Tractor Trek involved the local Rotary Clubs contacting their local schools and booking a time for Cat to visit them.

Cat is having an impact on schools who are now **including Cat's course material** alongside the Ministry of Education Positive Behaviour for Learning scheme (PB4L). Find out more about PB4L here: <https://pb4l.tki.org.nz/>

Next year's Tractor Trek planning is already underway which will be in Papamoa, Western Bay of Plenty.

Gary thanked Phil, Cat and Rod and commented on how many things Phil has achieved in his 76-yrs and more recent years.



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Love many, trust few, and always paddle your own canoe. *(Be kind, but not naïve, and take responsibility for yourself)*

Origin unknown. circa: 1850's



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**

Meeting: 6pm, Mon, 6th Mar 2023

Acting President: Bill Grayson
Sergeant: Noel Carey

Attendance: Rhett Stephens
Hospitality: Bruce Clegg
Equipment/Photos: JP Goulding
Scribe: Tony Rayner
5-min Speaker: Richard Ryan
Host: Phil Aish
Guest speaker: Henni Goldsmith:
The Shamed Life of a Māori Girl
Thanks & Thought: Bruce Murdoch

Meeting: 6pm, Mon. 13th Mar 2023

Acting President: Barry Stafford
Sergeant: Noel Carey

Attendance: Paul Jenner
Hospitality: Craig Jones
Equipment/Photos: Rob Lyons
Scribe: Tony Rayner
5-min Speaker: Gary Hayes
Host: Bill Grayson
Guest speaker: 2023 Summer
Science School (3-Students)
Thanks: Duncan Macdonald
Thought: Ant Martin

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