



Newsletter to Keep the Wheel Turning



President: Jeanette Thorne


Secretary: Richard Ryan


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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AUGUST IS
MEMBERSHIP & NEW CLUB
DEVELOPMENT MONTH

"IT HAS BEEN THE WAY OF ROTARY TO FOCUS THOUGHT UPON MATTERS IN WHICH MEMBERS ARE IN AGREEMENT, RATHER THAN UPON MATTERS IN WHICH THEY ARE IN DISAGREEMENT."

- PAUL HARRIS

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Present: 22 + Mahesh (visitor)

Apologies: Llyod Albiston, Gwynyth Carr, Bruce Glegg, Cat Levine, Rob Lyons, Duncan Macdonald, Ant Martin, Bruce Murdoch, Derek Neutze.

Apologies: \$76.60

President's Announcements

President Jeanette warmly welcomed everyone and Guest Speaker Dominique Bonn to the meeting. Unfortunately, our special North American Rotarian visitors who were in NZ supporting the US FIFA Women's World Cup team but were unable to attend tonight.

It was also good to welcome guest Mahesh who saw our website and contacted Secretary Richard.

We were reminded **fund raiser Movie night on Monday 21 August**. (Details have been in the last few bulletins. Invite friends and neighbours. Thank you, Gary, for organising and please contact him for info)



Gary advised 70-tickets of the 140 Lido Movie Event 140 tickets have been sold. The manager says that's not a problem and the complex is ours for the night anyway.

**1-MINUTE
SPOT**

It was good to see **Rod Kestle** tonight.



Phil mentioned Cat has gone back up north to continue with the Te Tai Tokerau Mental Wellbeing Project at the local schools. (What a dedicated woman especially so soon after such a serious medical event!)



**guest
speaker**

DOMINIQUE BONN

**President, Greenwood's Corner Epsom
Business Association**

Brian introduced Dominique who is Managing Director of Urban Jungle Group Ltd., an Auckland-based property development and management company. Dominique is also a registered lawyer in both NZ and the UK. He and his family are longstanding commercial landlords in the area. Dominique co-founded the business association

with the aim of helping to promote and enhance the Greenwood's Corner business area.

The Association in turn is governed under the Greenwood's Village Epsom Business Association Incorporated.

(An Incorporated Society gives the group its own legal identity, not for profit, can lease, buy, sell property, borrow money, its property is held by the society and not its members, members can change but not be liable for the society's debts, is likely to be operating for a long period - [Ref: Incorporated Societies Act 1908](#)).

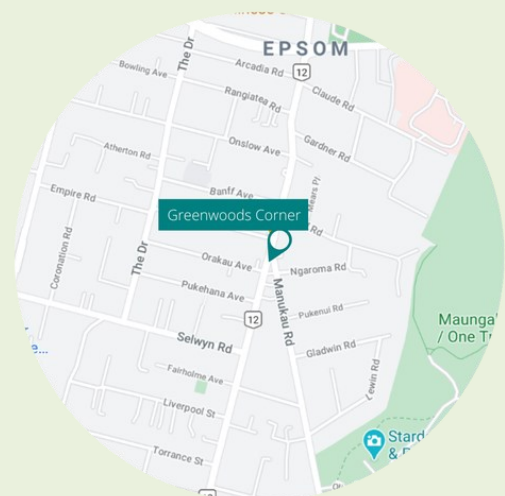
The executive is made up of seven volunteers who own or are a premises tenant, and who have a desire to promote Greenwood's Corner. The Association is funded by member subscriptions and the Albert-Eden Local Grant.

Six primary purposes (Constitution Rules):

1. Assist and guide the development and advancement of commercial interests in the Greenwood's Corner Business Area;
2. Foster and promote the welfare of the business community within the Greenwood's Corner Business Area;
3. Improve the environment of the Greenwood's Corner Business Area to attract and retain business, drive employment and economic growth;
4. Capitalise on the unique assets and amenities of the Greenwood's Corner Business Area and its surrounds;
5. Make arrangements with and/or advocate to the Government, local authorities and/or other persons, corporations or associations for the improvement of amenity, streetscapes, utilities, transport, services or other infrastructure, and for lighting, surfacing, security and cleaning to the benefit of the Greenwood's Corner Business Area; and
6. Do all things that are, or may be incidental to, or conducive to, the attainment of these purposes.

The Greenwood's Corner Business area as contained in the Constitution, is a 600-meter radius of the intersection of Manukau Road and Golf Road in Greenwood's Corner, Epsom.

The association has grown from an original 17-businesses to 42. Although originally intended to be kept small, the intention is to grow their area.



The logo has special meaning and takes the shape of the intersecting roads (Pah Rd & Manukau Rd) and a tree symbolising the nearby Cornwall Park.

Achievements

Online presence

The development of their online presence occurred during COVID after a media contractor was employed to develop and promote the area. At this point their FB and Instagram sites became a reality. Now, there are ongoing monthly promotions of the various small family-owned businesses including interviews with locals promoting their services. Other initiatives included arranging for the painting of local birds on the Chorus fibre cabinets dotted around the area.

(see: <https://www.chorus.co.nz/community/cabinet-art-programme>).

Historic Walks app.

On the website [home page](#) there is a **History** section which will guide you through its 120+ years of change from the tram era to the present day. But to get the full history experience you need to use the app at <https://greenwoodscorner.stgry.app/1>.

The historical walk app was built by an Auckland University student and the 14-Historical Walks took 2-years to develop with input from the [Epsom & Eden District Historical Society](#).



To use a QR code – try it:

1. Open your camera app on your mobile
2. Point camera close to this pattern.
3. A Webpage location should appear on the camera screen.
4. Tap the message to go to the website

Greenwoods Canopy

The canopy (which could have been a bit greener) is located at the intersection and shelters pedestrians waiting to cross the junction to during Auckland's intermittent winter showers or scorchingly hot summer days. If you're there, be sure to take time to explore the history app by way of the QR symbol on the wall.

Local AED

An Automated External Defibrillator device (AED) was funded for along with training of the local shop staff and is located at the Physiotherapist on the corner (rather than outside due to the risk of theft).

Events

Spring Festival, 10am – 3pm Saturday, 16th September. A whole family event with live music, entertainment, retail and hospitality specials and an EGGS (Epsom Girls Grammar School) school fundraiser on the day.

Christmas 2023: Christmas stencils will be put up in shop windows and there will be a special treasure hunt, for Children.

Challenges

Security: As with many places in Auckland, security is an issue and the association is working with [Nextro](#) (local telecom, network/security, services provider) to develop a plan that will work with available funding.

Parking/ Footpaths/Pedestrian: Shop owners want to keep the parking spaces. There is an ongoing discussion with Auckland Transport who want to remove them. *(Greenwoods Corner is listed by [AT as a Tier 2 area](#): optimising parking, time limited parking, increase parking charges, some parking spaces repurposed to improve travel choices).*

Colin thanked Dominique and added that Greenwoods Corner is indeed a destination, and is very well known, and congratulated him on pulling the 48 businesses together.



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

The easiest way to the top is to find the bottom and REVOLT!

Craig Jones

COMING UP



Movie: The Miracle Club

When: 6:30 pm, Mon 21st August (in lieu of club night)

Where: Lido Theatre, 427 Manukau Road, Epsom, Auckland.

Club Event: Fill the whole 140-seat theatre. Invite neighbours, friends and friends of friends to achieve 140 sales.

MAKE IT A SELLOUT

Synopsis: There's just one dream for the women of Ballygar to taste freedom: to win a pilgrimage to the sacred French town of Lourdes. With a little benevolent interference from their local priest, a group of close friends get their ticket of a lifetime. A little Irish film with a better cast than most about four women on a trip to Lourdes.

Starring Kathy Bates, Laura Linney and Dame Maggie Smith.

Tickets: \$16.00 each

Payment to: The Maungakiekie Rotary Club

BNZ a/c: 02-0208-0417745-00

Particulars: Lido movie

Reference: (your name)

Code: -

Contact: Gary Hays (ghays@xtra.co.nz) with numbers you will have attending.



Cancer Society Daffodil Day

Peter Mayow has asked members to pencil **Friday 25th and Saturday 26th of August** into their calendars.

We need 12 or more collectors who will be stationed at a stand outside the Onehunga Countdown. Volunteers would be rostered on one or more 2hr shifts.

This is a most enjoyable and fun time together especially when meeting the very friendly and supportive Onehunga community.



DUTIES

Unable to attend > apologies to Noel: noelcarey@hotmail.com

Unable for a duty > arrange own replacement & text Noel: Mb: 0274 509 845

6:30pm Mon. 21st Aug. 2023
MOVIE NIGHT FUNDRAISER
LIDO Theatre
(in lieu of Meeting - see details above)



Meeting: 6pm Mon. 28th Aug 2023

Club Forum Night
Review strategic plan

President: Jeanette Thorne
Sergeant: Noel Cary

Attendance: Gary Hays
Hospitality: Robin Hulford

Equipment: Peter Mayow
Scribe/Laptop: Tony Rayner

Thought: Bruce Murdoch

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An Englishman and a Scotsman go to a pastry shop.

The Englishman whisks three cookies into his pocket with lightning speed.
The baker doesn't notice.

The Englishman says to the Scotsman:
"You see how clever we are? You'll never beat that!"

The Scotsman says to the Englishman:
"Watch this, a Scotsman is always cleverer than an Englishman."

He says to the baker, "Give me a cookie, I can show you a magic trick!"

The baker gives him the cookie which the Scotsman promptly eats.
Then he says to the baker: "Give me another cookie for my magic trick."

The baker is getting suspicious but he gives it to him. He eats this one too.

Then he says again: "Give me one more cookie... "

The baker is getting angry now but gives him one anyway. The Scotsman eats this one too.

Now the baker is really mad, and he yells:
"And where is your famous magic trick?"

The Scotsman says:
"Look in the Englishman's pocket!"

oops

