## **Rotary Club of Katikati**





# **Bulletin**

Tuesday 11 March, 2025

#### **Programme**

Greeter

18 March Partners night at Fairview

Speaker John Clements (Katikati Community Board - Chair)

Lynley Ackerly

25 March The Hub (Platter night)

Committee meetings – Presentation Robin Walker

8 April The Hub (BYO) ENVIRONMENT Ann Owen

**Board Meeting afterward** 

## Our Speaker Paul Lassman – Membership Committee

At our last meeting Paul gave an excellent talk on the challenges of finding new members. He summarised the many experiences around membership challenges and successes in the various Rotary clubs that he has belonged to. He has a wealth of experience in this regard and has challenged other clubs about how to be more diverse in membership. A relevant comment for our town was that we should aim to harness retirees arriving here at 65 years of age as they have 10 more years at least to give to projects and Rotary. Paul made a suggestion that we invite friends/prospective members to our Fairview speaker meetings but that we need good speakers to be the attraction. Paul also noted that we need to also think about a visible project to attract some younger members.

### Our Greeter Martin Hawke

Martin talked about growing up in a small village in England, about 30km NW of London. It was after WW2 and there was food rationing. He recalled Flying Bombs exploding in the field next to their garden and was told they were meant to be aimed at The Grange, a large house in a local forest where Queen Wilhemina of the Netherlands was hiding.

## A parting thought Martin Hawke

'You can't go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending' – C.S.Lewis

#### **Apologies and Opting in**

If unable to attend a Hub Meeting – Contact Martin If 'Opting in' for a meal at Fairview – Contact Martin

All communications with Martin to be made by 3pm on the Friday previous to phone 027 289 7785 or Email: martin.hawke@xtra.co.nz

## A joint meeting with Paeroa Rotary

At our last meeting there was some discussion regarding holding another joint meeting with Paeroa Rotary. Further discussion has now taken place with Paeroa Rotary and it is likely that this will take place at Waihi Beach RSA on July 8<sup>th</sup> and that Scott Simpson, MP for Coromandel will be our guest speaker. Confirmation will follow in due course

#### District 9920 & 9930 Conference 2025 - Programme!

Join Us for an Unforgettable Conference Experience – Better Together

We're thrilled to share exciting updates for the District 9920 & 9930 Conference 2025, happening May 16-18 in Rotorua. Get ready for an inspiring weekend of leadership, learning, and cultural celebration!

Our programme has been published!

Please find attached a PDF version and you can find programme updates here.

Island Night Conference Dinner – A Must-Attend Social Event!

Join us for a vibrant showcase of Pasifika culture with stunning décor, captivating entertainment, and a shared island feast.

Dress Code: Island Night (Prizes for the best-dressed club!)

#### Activities – Friday afternoon

We have many activities available on Friday afternoon from Acts of Service through to Golf, Mountain Biking and more!

Activity Spotlight: District Governor Golf Tournament

Nestled in the heart of Rotorua, Springfield Golf Club offers a stunning 18-hole championship course that caters to golfers of all skill levels.



Price: \$40-50 approx. (Actual cost will be advised and payable on the day).

Timing: Tee times available from 10.30am

**To book:** Please ensure you select this option during registration to confirm your spot. If you are unsure if you have chosen this option or wish to add it to your registration, please email registrations@hpce.co.nz and we can help.

Rotary Contact: John O'Hagan

#### **REGISTER NOW!**

Secure your spot today and be part of an incredible Rotary conference experience.

#### But wait there's more...

In keeping with our theme of 'Better Together', and taking account of the capacity of the Rotorua Events Centre and the exciting programme we have to offer, we have extended an invitation to our fellow Rotarians in Districts 9910, 9940 and 9999 to join us at the conference.

Need Assistance? Our Event Management Team is here to help: Registration Queries: Teleios Papuni – registrations@hpce.co.nz

Exhibition & Sponsorship: Vanessa Huntley – <a href="mailto:events@hpce.co.nz">events@hpce.co.nz</a>

Thank You to Our Sponsors!

We appreciate the generous support of our sponsors in making this event possible.

https://district9920and9930conference.co.nz/sponsors-exhibitors

## **And finally**

Success for another of our valued projects - RYDA

## Young BOP drivers benefit from road safety grant

A record number of Year 12 students from across the Bay of Plenty will receive potentially lifesaving road safety education this year thanks, in part, to a \$6000 grant from BayTrust.

https://www.sunlive.co.nz/news/362254-young-bop-drivers-benefit-from-road-safety-grant.html

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