

Rotary Club of Katikati New Zealand

Bulletin

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N.B. — Covid Lockdown Level 2

Our next meeting will again be a **Zoom** online meeting. Instructions on how to join the meeting are included below.

Programme:

20 September - Our District Governor Ross Pinkham

21 September - Batteries load-out at Morison residence



To Join the Online Meeting:

The meeting will begin at 6:30pm To join in click on this link. You may then be prompted to:

- Click on a "button" labelled" Join Meeting
- Enter the Meeting ID: 825 3757 3678
- Enter the Passcode: 871479

If you require assistance you can phone Sandra Haigh on 021 106 5972

Club Notes:

Surplus fruit/veges still required for the local Food Bank. John Bothwell can arrange collection.

Speaker — Toni Millar, Convenor for the upcoming Garden Ramble

Toni gave us a presentation on the planning for the "Up the Garden Path" ramble in 7 weeks time:

A "Heads-Up" for all members!

The roster for manning the 24 gardens <u>requires more</u> assistance please. The remaining gaps are:

Saturday 6 November 9 am – 1pm: Garden No. 24 Work Rd area.

Sunday 7 November 9 am - 1pm: Garden No.1 Athenree Garden No.2 Athenree,

Garden No.10 Noble Johnston Dr. Garden No. 14 Beach Rd,

Garden No 16 Fairview Rd Garden No.17 Middlebrook area

Garden No.24 Work Rd area.

Sunday **7 November** 1pm - 5pm: Garden No. 4 Woodland Rd Garden No. 7 Highfields

Garden No. 10 Noble Johnston Dr. Garden No. 11 Noble Johnston Dr.

Garden No. 12 Pukakura Rd Garden No. 13 Pukakura Rd.

If you can assist by taking on any of these 14 slots please contact Brien James 0274 549083

This is **CRITICAL** towards the success of our largest project!!

The organizing committee was formed 8 months ago to review experience <u>since 1997</u> & identify **opportunities** to improve some elements of the event , e.g. :

- Double the **number of gardens** to 24
- professional branding, marketing & promotion with assistance from Katch Katikati & Design
 Juice
- more **media promotion**: 3 magazines, web, social media, radio, local papers, posters in regional towns
- 4 much larger (2.4m X 1.2m) town signs & larger (0.9 X 0.6) signs at each garden gate
- Larger more comprehensive **20 page glossy booklet** for ticket buyers
- More sponsors (Primary: Tall Poppy), Tui Garden Supplies, Grower Direct, Katch Katikati, One Source Printers & Design Juice
- "Early Bird" **prizes** for tickets purchased at the Katikati Information Centre & spot prizes at gardens
- Include promotion of a compatible simultaneous *Garden Ramble Sustainability Workshop* and opportunities to visit <u>other local attractions</u>
- Numbered wristband tickets (\$30) with same numbered booklet
- Refreshment and toilet **locations** on the brochure map
- Separate QR codes & sign-in sheet at each garden for **Covid tracing**. Also hand sanitizer and first aid kit.





Rotary Stortford Lodge Rowing Teams

Hard at work, working up a sweat is the Rotary Stortford Lodge men's over 100kg Rowing Coxless Eights

Bitter determination and Tennent's Bitter Ale spurs the team to higher and higher attainments.

Finishing last again was put down to not having a boat.

Meanwhile, the women's sculling fours seemed all at sea around the scone table but managed to win First in Their Class (whatever class that was).

A Fun Competition for our **Zoom** meeting next week?

Jenie has offered a



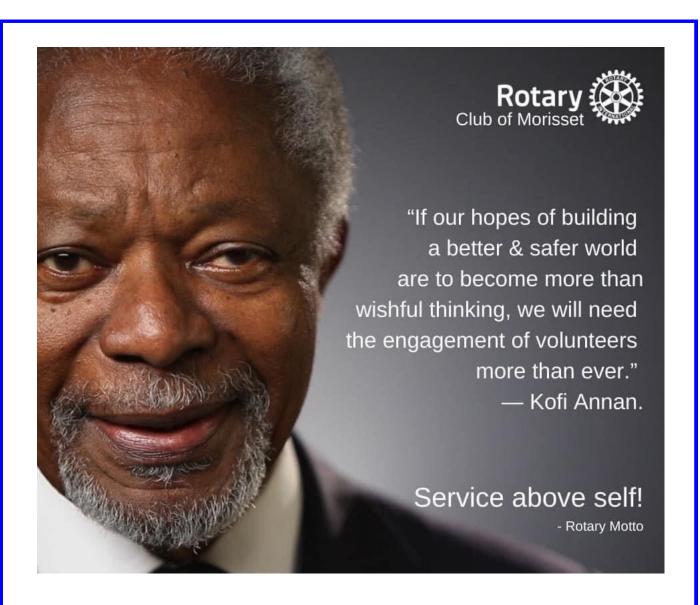
to the geek who likes playing with photos and would enjoy the

challenge of creating "the best <u>virtual background"</u> for their appearance next week. **Everyone** will have a vote to decide the winner.

Easy to follow instructions on how to do this here.

Community Committee Update

Roy Robinson recently lead a small team (Lawrie Donald, John Bothwell and John Strongman) to remove the Pipehenge from Katikati Primary School. The henge was a Rotary donation to the school around the year 2000. It is used as a daytime teaching aid to practical astronomy, but had not been used as such for some time. The foundation's where first exposed and Roy then cut through the pipe with an angle grinder. The whole assembly was then placed on a trailer and taken to Roy's home to be prepared for remounting in its new location at the Aongatete Outdoor Education Centre. An excellent morning tea was provided by Barbra Robinson. The area at the school is being redeveloped as an adventure playground, by the same firm that recently completed the new play area by the Arts Junction/Museum.



Parting Thought from Peter Mackay

God Almighty first planted a garden, and indeed it is the purest of human pleasures

Francis Bacon