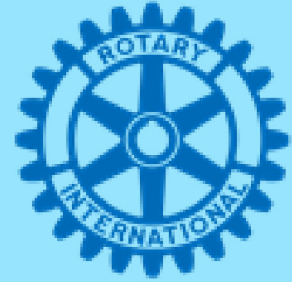




Rotary Club of Katikati New Zealand



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Programme:

Mon 22 July - President Jenie's learning session (see p.2)

23 July - Nicky Austen from Katikati Community Centre

30 July & 6 August - no meeting

Partners night at Fairview

13 August - Committee Presentation/Discussion at **The Hub**

Greeter*

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Allan Sole

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Ian Stevens

***Duties of the Greeter: (if you cannot attend it is your responsibility to delegate)**

1. Put out the Club Equipment*
2. Greet members as they arrive
3. Give the 5 minute talk
4. Assist the Sgt-at-Arms with fines
5. Introduce (& thank?) the speaker
6. Give the "Closing Thought"
7. Put away the Club Equipment*

* name badges, bell, gavel, computer, projector,
2 microphones & stand, raffle box.

Club Notes:

See **page 2** for:

- A **NEW** (3 weeks in the month) club meetings format. Big Changes ahead!
- Monthly opportunities for learning more about Rotary with President Jenie!

Apology ?

Members— If you are unable to attend a meeting please contact **Martin Hawke** by **12 Noon** the previous Friday.

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New Club Meetings Format

At this weeks meeting the members present approved the proposed new club meeting arrangements as follows:

1. Club meetings will continue to be held on **Tuesday** evenings.
2. Only **3 regular meetings** will be held each month.
3. **2nd** Tuesday - **Committee Presentation/Discussion** at **The Hub** (next to the Library). **B.Y.O. food & drink** for Fellowship. No apology necessary for these meetings.
4. **3rd** Tuesday - **Partners Night** at **Fairview** Golf Club (as "normal"). **Apologies by 12 noon** preceding Friday.
5. **4th** Tuesday - **Committee & Board meetings** at **The Hub**. Food provided (a selection of "Deli platters"). **B.Y.O. drink** for Fellowship. **Apologies by 12 noon** preceding Friday.

Please Note that the Board is doing its utmost to limit the rising costs of membership. Each meeting at The Hub will cost \$25 (Venue 15, Raffle 5, Fine 2, Foundation Centurion 3).

President Jenie's "Rotary Learning Monday" Sessions

From Monday 22 July 2024, & then on every fourth Monday morning of each month, President Jenie will be at the **Red Cross Building**, 33 Middlebrook Drive, Katikati, from 10 am - Noon to **guide Members, Directors and Officers** through:

- the websites of [My Rotary](#), [Learning & Reference](#), and [Clubrunner](#)
- the understanding of committees

These sessions will be voluntary "open sessions" catering to each member's requirements.

Please Let Jenie know you are coming **and** bring your device (PC, Tablet, or Phone and Charger). Tea and Coffee facilities will be available."

Parting Thought from Jerry Payne

Nothing in life is so exhilarating as to be shot at without result.

Member's Talk from Jerry Payne

Jerry completed the talk he started in October 2023 about his experiences in the Royal New Zealand Navy. He joined up as a 17-year-old junior seaman radio operator, served on **HMNZS Royalist**, for a year, eventually rising in 1985 to the position of **Boats Officer** at the Tamaki Boatyard at Devonport, responsible for all navy vessels less than 120 feet in length. His total "fleet" was some 60 boats and a staff of 20 at Torpedo Bay in Devonport.

Of most interest were the **four 72-foot motor launches** (a type known as "**Harbour Defence Motor Launch [HDML]**") also used for submarine detection. These had a beam of 16 foot and a draught of 5 foot and a top speed of 10 knots powered by twin Foden diesel engines. There was a crew of 10 and cooking was carried out on a very hot oil-fired stove. Of the 486 HDMLs that were built, 332 were built in the UK, 73 in USA and the remainder were built elsewhere in the Commonwealth.

16 were allocated to NZ, all built in the USA and shipped as deck cargo. Jerry underwent early seamanship training, longer periods on Fishery Protection duties, and many later annual exercises in the Marlborough Sounds with the Naval Reserve force on these vessels. Of the original 16 HDMLs there are 8 remaining, 2 in "original" condition.



Jerry spent a lot of time on the HDML **HMNZS Paea** and became so attached to it that he decided to build a model. Good things take time. the build started in early 1978 and was eventually finished about 1996, and it has survived two marriages! It is fully radio controlled, and all the lights work. Jerry was then asked to make another HDML model and it is a "work in progress".