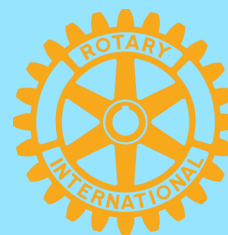




Rotary Club of Katikati New Zealand



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Programme:

Greeter*

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John Dallimore

Bronwyn Webster

- 24 October -** Labour Day — no meeting
- 31 October -** Rick Burke on environmental issues in agriculture
- 7 November -** Rodger Stiles on the Katikati Men's Shed

***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:

1. The club has been awarded the Waipuna Hospice "Community Group Supporter of the Year" award for our fundraising on their behalf late last year.
2. Laurie Donald presented a report on the recently completed three phase project to upgrade the [Wharawhara Road end reserve](#) (photos in last week's edition). More than \$500 has been spent at this old sawmill site, providing information panels, an 80 metre gravelled path and a substantial steel-framed picnic table fabricated by Roy Robinson. It is worthy of inspection.
3. David Foris updated us on [polio eradication](#). "Wild" polio is now restricted to 2 isolated cases in Afghanistan and Pakistan. [Vaccine-derived polio](#) is however a continuing challenge in Africa. Video to be found [here](#) ("Rotarians are the glue". Watch the final minute.)

Apology ?

Members— If you are unable to attend a meeting please contact **Barry Denton** by **6pm** the previous Sunday night.

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Biographical Talk from **Martin Hawke**

Martin was born in London during World War 2, was schooled at St Albans before starting a career in agriculture as a student farm worker in England and Scotland. He then attended agricultural college and, aged 23 years, emigrated to a government job in Invercargill. There he developed his other interests in skiing, climbing and a season in Antarctica.

Martin spent 47 years in Rotorua as an agricultural scientist, initially specialising on farm shelterbelts. In the 1970s he spent 15 years researching “agroforestry”. This attempted to blend the technologies of plantation forestry and pastoral agriculture. His conclusion was that it essentially was not feasible.

He then spent another 12 years investigating the use of urban waste effluent to irrigate and rapidly grow pasture which can be cut for “baleage” stock food. Before retiring from full-time paid work he also worked on mitigating the effects of waste pollution in dairy farming. More recently he has been helping to introduce dung beetles to pastoral agriculture.

Martin joined Rotary in 2001, sold his Rotorua lifestyle block in 2018 and moved to Katikati with Bronwyn. He has also travelled extensively, including a more recent Rotary trip to Port Vila, Vanuatu.

Parting Thought from **Martin Hawke**

If you need something to believe in, start with yourself.