



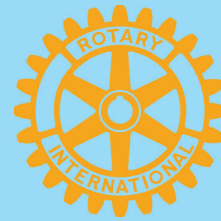
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Rotary Club of Katikati New Zealand

Bulletin

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Programme:

25 June

Changeover Night



Partners night

Dress code - jacket & tie

2 July - Laurie Donald on *Waitekohekohe Recreational Park*

9 July - Jenie Strongman on *New Leadership in Rotary*

Greeter*

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John Dallimore

David Owen

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

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

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

Club Notes:

John Buchanan introduced us to an exciting new joint international Club project. The idea came from **Bethlehem College** and **Omokoroa Rotary**. Suva, Fiji has a lot of solo mothers who have been abandoned to a miserable life. The project is to assist them with childcare and training in life skills.

About 10 refurbished laptop computers are to be offered to the project and in the August school holidays will be taken to Fiji by a group of staff and students from the College. They will be used on the 20 week training course, although some will go to a local secondary school which has few teaching resources.

Apology ?

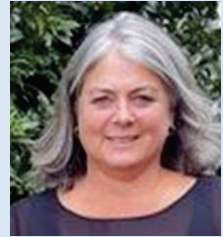
Members— If you are unable to attend a meeting please contact **Martin Hawke** by **3.45pm** the previous Friday night.

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Speaker

Jacqui Knight on *Katch Katikati* activities update



Over Jacqui's 14 years with [Katch Katikati](#) she has spoken to us many times and we welcomed her back to update us on what is happening around the area. While Katikati is her hometown she lives at Waihi Beach and the central focus of her job is in Katikati.

Katch Katikati is in the business of events, promotions, community development, managing the *Visitor Information Centre* and overseeing the [Arts Junction](#). The facility enjoys some 30,000 people visits per year. The team's mission is to bring the town together. help promote the local region, local businesses, local events and be the glue that binds the community together.

Activities within her purview include:

- creating, managing and supporting a wide range of local [events](#) throughout the year. She acknowledged and thanked the Club for our continuing sponsorship of the monthly [Business Breakfasts](#);
- driving a number of [projects](#) within the community and collaborating with other organisations;
- Supporting and strengthening the efforts of locals and organisations around town to meet [community](#) needs and make a difference;
- a range of local businesses are [members](#) of *Katch Katikati* and enjoy a range of membership benefits which help to profile and promote their business.

Member's Talk

from **Barry Denton**

Barry continued the saga of his working life in the electricity generation industry. His last talk ended when he was working with Italian tunnellers on the Tongariro power scheme.

Around 1973 he moved to a new position building a new power station at New Plymouth to supply increasing demand in the Wanganui region. This was originally designed to be a coal-fired plant with coal shipped from the West Coast. Around the time he took up this position oil and gas had been discovered offshore at [Maui](#). It was decided to change the design and use oil from this huge new resource, which would come on-stream before gas. Barry was the engineer in charge of the construction of this steel-framed (steel imported from India) powerhouse building. The local winds were so strong one of the construction cranes blew over, damaging another building. One of Barry's challenges was managing the friction between staff of his Electricity Department and the Ministry of Works staff also on the site. Barry also had to learn new skills in public relations.

Barry's next career jump was to Huntly where he was the second person appointed to a senior on site position as construction started. His job included welcoming visits from Prime Minister Bill Rowling and opposition leader Rob Muldoon, just before an election. Other challenges included industrial relations and contract disputes.

Barry will tell us about his following positions at the Wairakei geothermal project next time!

Parting Thought

from **Barry Denton**

The future is not what it used to be