

Programme:	
	<u>Greeter*</u>
29 August - David Foris. Living with a preliterate people in Mexico.	Barry Denton
5 September - Scott Simpson, M.P. with Arona (Youth Parliament)	Brien James
12 September - Club Forum	Bruce Calder
*Duties of the Greeter: (if you cannot attend it is your responsibility to delegate)	
1. Put out the <u>Club Equipment</u> * 6. Give the "Closing Thought"	
2. Greet members as they arrive 7. Put away the <u>Club Equipment</u>	*

3. Give the 5 minute talk

Club Notes:

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- 4. Assist the Sgt-at-Arms with fines
- 5. Introduce (& thank?) the speaker
- * name badges, bell, gavel, computer, projector,
 2 microphones & stand, raffle box.

Zoom address for the next meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81133400767?pwd=c3Z6aUcwenVVbDBiZFc0MIVoamNDdz09 Meeting ID: 811 3340 0767 Passcode: 950119

- 1. *Paul Harris Fellowship* awards were presented to Pat and Mick from <u>AutoSuperShoppe</u>, Katikati which has, for many years, <u>generously supported</u> our recycled battery fundraising project.
- 2. **Sean Dercksen** was inducted as a new member. Sean recently moved to Katikati from Rotorua, where he lived for 4 years after immigrating from South Africa.
- 3. A \$1,000 grant has been made to a disabled local person towards the cost of an assistance dog.
- 4. 4 of the 20 PC computers available have already found new homes.
- 5. Volunteers are required at the new *Community Shop* at Waihi Beach.

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

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Speaker Matthew James on Manawa Energy

Matthew worked for more than 20 years for *TrustPower*, until it was purchased by *Mercury Energy* this year. Manawa Energy commenced trading in May this year and now manages 26 smaller hydro generation schemes (including **Kaimai** and **Matahina**), throughout NZ. These represent around 5% of our national electricity generation capacity.

Manawa has developed wind farms at Tararua and Mahinerangi in New Zealand (197 MW capacity) and Snowtown in Australia (370 MW capacity). It plans to develop further new renewable (wind or solar) generation assets when market conditions are suitable.

Manawa's customer focus is on commercial and industrial companies, many of whom are looking to "decarbonise" their process heat away from coal or diesel. There is strong competition between generating companies and the opportunity for building new generation capacity is complicated by the uncertain futures of the Bluff <u>aluminium smelter</u> and of the possible huge <u>Lake Onslow</u> pumped hydro storage project.

Five Minute Talk from Peter Mackay

Peter talked about his experience in organizing seasonal labour prior to the Recognised Seasonal Employer Scheme. In 2006 he was labour coordinator for Aongatete Coolstores when he was asked to become the National Seasonal Labour Coordinator for the horticultural and wine industries.

Forty years earlier, when Peter was a manager in the dairy industry, he became involved in a similar scheme involving Fijian labour during the peak annual milk processing season. It was only to last about five years before being curtailed by high unemployment in NZ.

It was soon realized that such schemes had the additional benefit of reducing the entrenched practice of providing monetary aid to our Pacific island neighbours where employment opportunities were lacking.

Funds raised at last meeting:

Raffle -\$79.00 (for Foodbank & Community Breakfast)Rotary Foundation -\$68.00 (sustaining membership)Fines -\$58.00 (Presidents Sunshine Fund)

Parting Thought from Peter Mackay

Yet true it is as cow chews cud, and trees at Spring do yield forth bud,

Except wind stands as never it stood, it is an ill wind turns none to good.

Thomas Tusser (1557)