

# Rotary Club of Katikati

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## Bulletin for Tuesday 24th February, 2026

The Rotary Club of Katikati Bulletin provides a summary of recent and upcoming club activities, meetings, and announcements relevant to our members and community.

## March meetings

No meeting this week

Mar 10<sup>th</sup> at the Hub. Greeter – Barry Denton

Mar 17<sup>th</sup> at Fairview. Speaker – Wendy Christie. Greeter – Robyn Walker

## U3A Katikati

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March at 11 am at The Hub. Donna Forde presents the Memory Trunk programme. The full meeting begins at 10am and the door charge includes morning tea if you arrive before 10:30am.

## Tauranga Book Sale

Just a quick update on the Book Fair - only five (5) more days to go and things are really starting to ramp up. Our DG, Ken on arriving back in the Waikato put out some feelers and has secured another 62 Boxes of books thanks to the generosity of the Rotary Club of Rototuna who held their own bookfair at Te Rapa last weekend

Anyway here's the crunch - we will be working every day this week from 9 - 12 and if you have some time to spare it would be appreciated. The work isn't heavy but rather more in the nature of sorting and rearranging books by title/author etc in order to make them presentable and to get the best price. Remember, our Clubs will be generously rewarded for our efforts.

Monster book sale organized by Tauranga Rotary is open at the Seeka Coolstore at Harvard Way in Mt Maunganui on Saturday Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> and Sunday Mar. 1<sup>st</sup>.

## DG Ken's Visit

DG Ken Smith was our speaker for the night. He gave us his personal history, then talked about the challenges facing Rotary today. In Australia and New Zealand membership is declining and clubs are closing. We need to find ways to arrest this decline and bring in younger members to revitalise our activities.. However internationally Rotary is thriving in Africa and India.so Rotary

International is vibrant and growing. Regionalisation is here and very soon changes will be announced that will affect us. Our District will change and be merged; it may be that NZ will become a single district. Future DGs will not visit every club during their term.

## Paul Harris Fellow

Congratulations to Jose Dallimore, who was awarded a Paul Harris fellowship at our last meeting for her stellar contributions to the organization of The Garden Rambles.



DG Ken pins the PHF badge on Jose Dallimore



Rod Calver, Chair of the Garden Ramble with PH Fellow Jose

Rod Calver's remarks:

After raising a family Jose worked as medical receptionist and then in community education. Her experience at the medical practice helped her in her role of secretary of the Katikati Community Health Trust. Since 1994 she has very much been the "Managing Director" of John's insurance business Health Management Insurance Services.

Jose was always a keen Girl Guide and has taken many leadership roles within the organization and eventually became a District Commissioner. In the 70's and 80's she was heavily involved in the establishment of many community facilities in her Pakuranga community such as kindergarten establishment and the primary school committee all this at the same time as her involvement with Girl Guides. Jose was always a keen supporter of her own children's sporting achievements. Throughout the 1980's and 90's Jose did a lot of pioneering work around New Zealand in drug education for the Foundation for Alcohol and Drug Education (FADE) Jose spent 8 years as a member of the Pakuranga College Board of Governors and she also spent many years working in community education at Pakuranga College.

Jose has always been a great supporter of all John's Rotary activities. Since our 2021 Garden Ramble I have really got to know Jose. She did an amazing amount of work in ensuring the success of the last 3 Garden Rambles. We are so proud of the organization that the Katikati Rotary Garden Ramble became. Much of this professionalism was due to Jose's efforts and this is why I nominated her to be the recipient of a PHF.

## RYDA Courses in 2026

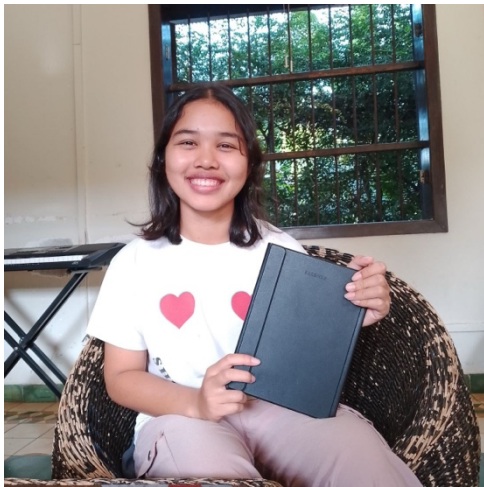
**If you are able and willing to volunteer for any of the course dates listed below – please contact the coordinator Jerry Cowper asap at [cbas@actrix.co.nz](mailto:cbas@actrix.co.nz)**

If you have never attended a RYDA Course then don't be concerned - our role as volunteers is super easy. Our job is to chaperone the classes from each course segment to the next and assist the **Road Safety Education facilitator** to keep to timetable with their presentations

**Starting** at 8-30am and finish around 2-30pm / 3-00pm

**Morning Tea and Lunch are supplied** (and you too will probably learn something!!)

- Tuesday 17/03/2026 Papamoa at Gordon Spratt 6 groups - 10 volunteers required
- Wed. 18/03/2026 Te Puke at Orchard Church 6 Groups - 10 volunteers required
- Thursday 19/03/2026 Tauranga Boys at BBC 12 Groups - 16 volunteers required
- Wednesday 25 /3/2026 Aquinas at Aquinas College - 10 volunteers required.
- Thursday 26/03/2026 Waihi College at Waihi 6 Groups - 9 volunteers required



17 yr.old Lisa enjoying her new tablet at the Little Hearts organisation, Cambodia