

Bulletin

Tuesday 27 May, 2025

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Programme (upcoming)

Greeter

10 June	The Hub (BYO meals) (Board meeting afterward)	John Strongman
17 June	Fairview Club CHANGEOVER (Partners evening)	
24 June	The Hub (Platters) Speaker - Sue Hannah from Flame, Cambodia (Committees meet)	Jerry Payne

Our Greeter John Dallimore

You can take the boy out of the country but you cannot take the country out of the boy and that is no less true for John who spoke with a deep knowledge and with pride and with passion on the South Canterbury area from whence he came. John provided us with a strong insight into the formation of the area that the South Canterbury region is today, including Timaru and its port which in the mid 1850's was predominantly the site of a whaling station, and the changes that were then required in order to accommodate the increasing trade in the area

Local industry included flour milling, dairy, meat, wool, pottery¹, and salt production and Timaru owes rapid growth in the 1870's to its port and Timaru became a city in 1948. John named many local identities whose names are synonymous with us today, with the creation and the establishment of early New Zealand. They ranged from the Rhodes brothers who established an area known as The Levels in order to enable the formation of the town and people like aviator Harry Wrigley, Richard Pearse who is (probably) the very first airman and William Hamilton the creator of the Hamilton jet, and so many others

Both John's and particularly his wife Josie's families are deeply entrenched in the area and its history and John grew up in the area and attended Timaru Boys High and enjoyed sport there

Something that we might not have been previously aware however, is that the men from Timaru have lifted the Ranfurly Shield twice during their proud history, firstly in 1950, and again in 1974

¹ Established in the 1930s but while electrical conductors were initially produced, Temuka Pottery is still popular today

Committee reports

Club Service

We were reminded of the importance and the relevance of maintaining high standards which will help to enhance and protect the reputation of our Club, including:

- Projecting a professional image at all times
- Observing formalities at meetings
- Due attention to the introductions and caring for our guests at these meetings

Community Service

Have a number of projects both ongoing and in the pipeline including

- Cans for Cause collection (current)
- Henry Road works (current)
- End of Wharawhara Road works (current)
- Humes Fun-Run/Walk (planning phase)
- 150th Celebrations (preparations ongoing)

International

It has been a very busy year and our budget was fully spent (and more) and new projects include:

- Assisting our recent speaker (Glenys Parton) with distribution of 180 boxes of books and
- Science materials donated by the University of Waikato, also to Pacific communities to Pacific Island communities

Separately, matters are well advanced and on the way toward enabling a further PHF award to be made by our Club in the not-to-distant future

Membership

Current work in respect of 3 prospective new members looks encouraging

Youth

Julius' visit is coming to an end and the last hosts to engage with Julius on a very busy New Zealand visit will not be members of Rotary but will get to meet them at our Changeover event next month

And looking ahead – a prospective young woman has emerged within our District and is showing a keen interest in what we can offer her

Our July 8 meeting instead of being held at the Hub

Will be a joint dinner meeting together with Paeroa Rotary - at the Waihi Beach RSA

And our speaker will be Scott Simpson, MP for Coromandel and Minister of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

District Training at Taupo with weekend

For anyone still contemplating joining us at District Training this weekend –

Phone Jenie who is organising some car-pooling

District Training Assembly

Saturday 7th June 2025, at

Tauhara College, 101 Invergarry Road, Taupo

9.30am Registration / Coffee, tea etc 10.00am Welcome and programme for the day.					
10.05am District Governor Elect: Goals for incoming year Ken Smith					
10.20 – 10.40am District Budget and District Insurance Keith Arden					
10.45 – 11.55am First Breakout sessions					
Breakout Rm 1	Breakout Rm 2	Breakout Rm 3	Breakout Rm 4	Breakout Rm 5	Breakout Rm 6
Office Holders: Youth	Office Holders: Secretaries	Office Holders: Treasurers	Membership : Connecting Your Club to your Community	Rotary Foundation Introduction to Foundation Grants	ClubRunner and IT Practical Support
12 noon All participants break for Lunch and Chatterbox time					
12.40pm Plenary Session – Foundation Contributions and Youth Protection – Ross Pinkham Regionalisation and Constitution Update – Bill Robinson Cans for a Cause -					
1.25pm Second Breakout sessions					
Breakout Rm 1	Breakout Rm 2	Breakout Rm 3	Breakout Rm 4	Breakout Rm 5	Breakout Rm 6
Office Holders: Fundraising or Projects: Local or International	Public Image:	Q&A for President Elects: Open Session	Membership : New Club Opportunities in Metro Centres	Rotary Foundation Introduction to Foundation Grants	ClubRunner and IT Practical Support
		Chatterbox time	2.35 – 2.45pm		
2.45pm Mário César Martins de Camargo RI President 2025 - 2026					
3.10pm Wrap up and closing: Session leaders; Training Coordinator; District Governor-Elect 3.30pm – departure time					

Changeover



The Rotary Club of Katikati invites you to attend the:

2025-2026 Presidential Changeover

Tuesday 17th June 2025

Fairview Country Club, Sharp Road, Aongetete

Please join us in welcoming Patricia Ann Owen and James (Jim) Bremner to the 2025-2026 Club President's role and acknowledge the exceptional work of our outgoing President, Jennifer (Jenie) Strongman.

6 pm Mix and Mingle

6.30 pm Dinner followed by Awards and Changeover formalities

Dress Code - Jacket & Tie

Bookings Essential - Numbers limited, book early.

Registrations close: 3 pm, 13th June 2025

RSVP: presidentrotarykk@gmail.com

Please note: Booking Registrations and enquiries to President Jenie Strongman, **Not** Martin Hawke, as he will be away on Holiday.

Battle site visit

Through the NZ History group of U3A there is an opportunity for our members to visit battle-sites from the Waikato Land wars

Our group would be accompanied by well-known author and expert on Maori history, Buddy Mikaere and would likely overnight in the area

Actual date & costings yet to be advised – if interested, please Contact Ann

This Friday evening!!!



Parting thought from John

*One of the advantages of being disorderly
Is that one is constantly making exciting discoveries*

Author - AA Milne