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## Rotary Club of Katikati New Zealand

### Bulletin

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## Programme:

**7 March -** District Governor's visit postponed due to contracting Covid. NO dinner meeting at RSA.

We will have a **Sundown Fellowship Rotary Picnic** at the **Ongare Point Reserve**, adjacent to John & Rae Buchanan's residence at 22 Esplanade Rd. Please bring all your own food, drink, chairs etc. All welcome. John will provide a barbecue for your use.

**14 March -** **Scott Simpson**, MP for Coromandel

## Club Notes:

1. Appeal Notices for both the Australia Floods and the Ukraine Humanitarian Situation—see page 3.
2. Dry firewood, donated by David & Anne Owen, can be delivered by **Rod Calver**, in return for a donation to the *Men with Cancer Exercise Class*.
3. An update on the proposed SH2 roundabouts south of Katikati can be viewed [here](#).
4. Bike for Blokes men's health sponsorship - details [here](#)

## Speaker

**Lori Luke**, CEO of the [Acorn Foundation](#) last spoke to the Club in 2018, just after she was appointed to her position. Since then the size of the business has almost doubled. Some highlights:

- For nearly 20 years Acorn, the first and largest of the 17 community foundations in NZ, has been encouraging local residents to set up bequests to be professionally invested in perpetuity to provide long term funding to local causes of their own choosing.
- Acorn now has over \$55m in funds under management and distributes more than \$2 million each year in grants, scholarships and awards.
- Around \$4,000 is distributed every year for each \$100,000 that is invested in a particular endowment fund.
- Some donors do not wish to select specific charities but are happy to leave the decision to the Acorn Distributions Committee. Grants are selected from the many applications and carefully evaluated to provide maximum benefit to the community.
- There is no fixed charge to set up an endowment fund with Acorn. Acorn receives just 1% of the value of the fund annually for its operating costs.

## Five Minute Talk

**Lawrie Donald** gave us a full account of his activities over the last four days. This was centered around the Project Parore programme of monitoring the diversity of living things on the bottom of the local streams.

## Parting Thought from **Lawrie Donald** (*abbreviated*)

Your children are not your children. They are the sons and daughters of Life's longing for itself. They came through you but not from you and though they are with you yet they belong not to you.

[Khalil Gibran](#)



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**APPEAL NOTICE**

**Australian Flood Appeal No. 0110**

- Summary:** To raise funding to provide financial assistance to flood victims in Queensland and Northern New South Wales - March 2022
- Challenge:** Around 15,000 homes have been flooded and some owners will be needing assistance to clean and refurbish their residences.
- Solution:** Individuals who are adversely affected and require assistance will be identified and be given funds to help with their recovery. It is RAWCS priority to get funds quickly to those who are in need to help them with the clean-up and damage caused by the floods.
- Long term impact:** The aim is to assist those affected to get their lives and businesses back to normal as soon as possible.

**Ukrainian Relief Aid Appeal No. 0115**

- Summary:** To meet immediate lifesaving needs of the crisis-affected civilian population in Ukraine & provide early recovery assistance as soon as feasible. To save & preserve lives, ease suffering & promote self-sufficiency.
- Challenge:** To provide humanitarian aid to all affected by current events
- Solution:** Initially funding will be required.
- Long term impact:** To save & preserve lives, ease suffering & promote self-sufficiency in the long term.

**Donation options:**

- RNZWCS Limited Westpac: 03 1702 0192208 01 Swift Code WPACNZ2W placing above Appeal No. in the reference field
- through the website [www.rnzwcs.org](http://www.rnzwcs.org) by CREDIT CARD by pressing the DONATE **NOW** button under Disaster Relief
- Givealittle at <https://givealittle.co.nz/org/rnzwcs>

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