

Rotary Club of Katikati

New Zealand

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Programme:

11 April - Alan Goodyear: "90 years in 6 countries – a fulfilling life."

Tues 19 April - Lions / Rotary combined meeting

Partner Night **Greeter***

Graeme Ginn

29/30 April - Club working bee - house move for Ann & David Owen

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

- 1. Put out the <u>Club Equipment</u>*
- 2. Greet members as they arrive
- 3. Give the 5 minute talk
- 4. Assist the Sgt-at-Arms with fines
- 5. Introduce (& thank?) the speaker
- 6. Give the "Closing Thought"
- 7. Put away the Club Equipment*
 - * name badges, bell, gavel, computer, projector, **2 microphones & stand**, raffle box.

Club Notes:

Zoom address for the next meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87100861176?pwd=ZkNqb09laEFuNlFyQmgvTVJhWHcxUT09 Meeting ID: 871 0086 1176 Passcode: 866361

A record Zoom attendance of 30 was achieved at our last meeting.

Apology?

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

Mike Seawright, Founder & Executive Director of the international organisation ReliefAid joined us by a Zoom connection from the city of Lviv in Eastern Ukraine.

John Dallimore put to him a series of questions about his current activities in the war zone and the situation as he sees it:

- ReliefAid's mission is to work in selected countries to help in saving lives and alleviating the suffering of people affected by armed conflict and natural disaster. It is an NZ-based charity founded by Mike in 2014. It is not government funded. It is currently assisting with the distribution of material assembled by **ShelterBox**.
- 18 large truckloads of relief supplies have reached the Polish border from Belgium. From there smaller shipments are taken over the Ukraine border to areas affected by the Russian invasion. Trucks are expected in Lviv this week.



- Up to 6 million people have had to move away from their homes, the largest such mass upheaval in Europe in 70 years.
- Lviv is the largest city in Western Ukraine and refugees have more than doubled the population of the region. Banking and food distribution infrastructure is overstretched.
- The national morale, aided by the Herculean efforts of the armed forces, is high and the general support of the populace for humanitarian assistance to refugees is very strong.