

Youth project

3 of the 4 Katikati students who have been selected for the NZ team to contest the [Ultimate Frisbee World Champs](#) in Poland, along with their coach Peter Besley presented a short video and explained the self-refereed Ultimate Disc game further. Katikati won the national secondary school championship and having 4 students selected in the NZ team is a huge honour. To date they have had to attend training camps throughout NZ at their own expense. They are attempting to raise \$24,000 to assist the Katikati students getting to the World Champs.

Our Youth Committee chair Henry Kruger proposed that the club provide each of the 4 students with \$500 to assist with their expenses and this was passed by members.

Club Survey Results

86% (38) of our members participated in the survey. Of **members** surveyed:

- 22% are female, • 78% are aged 61-80
- 33% have had membership for more than 20 years, 31% for less than 5
- 50% have lived locally for less than 10 years, 39% longer than 20
- Fellowship & community involvement were the two key drivers for joining Rotary

Projects with most participation: Garden ramble (28 members), Battery load-out (13),
Cycle track (12), Working bee (11), Community breakfast (8), Waipuna collector (8)

Possible **activities** supported: Joint activities with other groups (76%), Social events (68%)
Fundraising (54%)

Meeting format: possible merging of Sergeant and Greeter not supported (67%)

Strong support for: new member mentoring, availability of club information and
committee involvement.

Five Minute Talk from Hugh Morison

Hugh was Born in Pahiatua and grew up on the family sheep and beef farm in the Pori district near Pahiatua. Back then the district was vibrant with a great community social life.

Last year he revisited the area for the school jubilee, staying in the old farm shearers quarters. The school roll has dropped from 50 in his day to only 7 now. It was shocking to see the extent of the recent conversions of traditional farms to pine forest "carbon farming".

Funds raised at last meeting:

Raffle - \$87.00 (for Foodbank & Community Breakfast)

Fines - \$38.00 (Presidents Sunshine Fund)

Rotary Foundation - \$18.00

Parting Thought from **Hugh Morison**

There is no real ending. It is just the place where you stop the story.

Frank Herbert

Our new Rotary International President — Jennifer E. Jones

From Ontario, Canada

Jones is founder and president of an award-winning media company in Windsor and has chaired the board of governors of the local university and the regional Chamber of Commerce. She has been recognized for her service with the YMCA Peace Medalion, the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal, and Wayne State University's Peacemaker of the Year Award, a first for a Canadian.



As the first woman to be elected president, Jones believes "that diversity, equity, and inclusion ... begins at the top and for us to realize growth in female membership and members under the age of forty — these demographics need to see their own reflection in leadership," Jones said. "I will champion double-digit growth in both categories while never losing sight of our entire family."

Jones has been a Rotary member since 1997 and has served Rotary as vice president, director, training leader, committee chair, moderator, and district governor. Jones has also received Rotary International's Service Above Self Award and The Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service.

Presidential initiatives 2022-23

Jones imagines a Rotary where members act to make their dreams become reality and they make the most of their club experiences. She urges members to engage more with each other and use these connections to build partnerships that change the world.

Diversity is one of Rotary's longstanding core values and greatest strengths. Jones knows there is more to be done to ensure that Rotary's culture exemplifies our values of [diversity, equity, and inclusion \(DEI\)](#).