



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Rotary Club of Katikati New Zealand

Bulletin

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Programme:

15 November - James Denyer, *Three Waters* observations

Tues 23 Nov - Combined meeting with Paeroa Club
at [Waihi Beach RSA](#)

29 November - to be confirmed

Partner
Night

Greeter*

Ian Noble

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Carol Freeman

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

1. Put out the Club Equipment*
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, "bear"
microphone & stand, fines box, raffle box.

Club Notes:

1. Raffles & the fines session are transitioning to **cashless events** which will be associated to your meal account.
2. John Bothwell proposed a members motion to support his case for an **Avocado Sculpture** in Diggleman Park. After discussion the motion was passed unanimously.
3. Toni Millar thanked her **Garden Ramble** organizing committee for their hard work towards a most successful event (see message from hosts below). Preliminary ticket sales total about 650, generating some \$19,000.

Apology ?

Members— If you are unable to attend a meeting please contact **Barry Denton** by **6pm** the previous Sunday night.

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Speakers

New member thumb-nail talks

1. **Sandra Haigh** was born in the Netherlands, schooled in Japan and York (U.K.), studied languages in London, travelled/worked in Austria and Greece and arrived in the Bay of Plenty in 1991 as a tourist. She gained NZ residency the following year, working in the hospitality industry until 1997, and then commenced her librarian career.

2. **Rupert Jacks** was born on a sheep/potatoe farm in Herefordshire (U.K.), travelled to NZ as a child via Portugal, schooled in Tauranga, studied management (including accountancy & computer science) in Hamilton, graduating in 1987. He became fascinated by computers and programming at an early age and managed the payroll system at Fischer & Paykel before heading overseas, marrying in the U.K. and bringing his family (then 4 under 4!) back to the Bay of Plenty. He has been closely involved in the scouting movement and now runs an orchard which includes backpacker accommodation.

Five Minute Talk

Nigel Williams

Nigel described a recent “overseas” trip to the Republic of Whangamomona, involving a slow (max 20 km/hr) 120km railcart journey commencing at Stratford, overnight at the Whangamomona Hotel and ending at Taumaranui (once a major refreshment stop for passengers on the main trunk line). The Taranaki line was built 1900-1930 and closed in 2009, included 20 tunnels and a similar number of bridges. It was the most expensive railway per kilometre in the country.

Parting Thought

from **Nigel Williams**

A politician is asked to stand, wants to sit, and is expected to lie.

Winston Churchill

An appreciation from a Garden Host for The Ramble

To the Rotary Club, , the organising committee, logistics crew, and volunteers.

We wish to thank you all for your efforts for "*Up the Garden Path Ramble*" over the past weekend.

From the canvassing of the neighbourhood, the information meetings (with yummy refreshments), the correspondence, the advertising, the support and encouragement to all and overall organisational details.

Katikati has once again given the general public a wonderful experience. The majority of the complements heard, were of the high standard of gardens, the friendliness of all and the value of toilet and refreshment facilities.

It was good to exchange feedback with other gardeners, and drinks and nibbles at the lovely residence of Moira and Brien.

We have enjoyed the privilege of being involved in this wonderful event.

Regards