



*Local in Action, Global in Vision.*



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The Club normally meets Monday at Pupuke Golf Club, 231 East Coast Rd, Mairangi Bay.



This month's Rotary District 9910 area of focus is **Youth Services**.

**Next meeting 6 for 6.30 27 May meet at Waitemata Golf Club. John Tamihere**

**3 June Queen's Birthday**

From President Jennifer. There were three interesting articles I noticed over the weekend, not linked, but in a similar vein.

The most lighthearted was a Herald article about a group called "The Wild Mob" - a not-for-profit Australian organisation running conservation based working expeditions, most recently to the Hauraki Gulf Islands on a weed busting trip. Fascinating that we have Australian tourists coming over to do some of our conservation work for us. And of course there are many, many conservation groups around the country enhancing their local habitats. This weekend we have our chance to help a very local group with their conservation work in Bush Glen in Brown's Bay.

A local North Shore eye surgeon runs "The Valley's Conservation Project" - a group of like-minded friends who helicopter themselves in to a remote Fiordland valley at regular intervals to lay and reload self-setting rat and possum traps - to enable to native wildlife, especially the Whio, to survive. ( It features on the New Zealand \$10 note)

This week we have the highly respected primatologist Jane Goodall visiting NZ. She has devoted her life to the study of chimpanzees, but this tour is not about the chimpanzees per se - it is to promote awareness of the effects of climate change and loss of biodiversity that is a serious threat to life as we know it on Earth. Sadly, she comments that the chimpanzees are not directly affected by climate change at the moment, but she is pessimistic about their survival because of loss of habitat they live now in small "islands" of forest widely separated by farmed land.

Then I read an interesting editorial by Virginia Larson in the latest North and South magazine as she contemplates the way NZ has become a nation of recreational shoppers. She reads that mankind uses more resources than the Earth can replenish in a year - apparently by 1st August overall. But Australia, and she assumes NZ is right there beside it, uses up its share of resources by 31st March!! Sobering cause for thought.

	27 May	3 June	10 June	17 June
	<b>No meeting at PGC Meeting at Devonport Rotary Club at Waitemata Golf Club. Auckland Mayoral candidate John Tamihere speaking</b>	<b>No Meeting. Queen's Birthday Holiday</b>	<b>Darius Lehman Our IYE Student 2018/19 My Year in New Zealand. Farewell Speech Partners Invited</b>	<b>MUNA Experience. The Clubs MUNA Participants speak about their MUNA experience.</b>
Invocation			Sean Harris	Kumar Naik
Reception			Lynette Miller	Beverley Lea
Attendance	Steve Jenkins		Steve Jenkins	Steve Jenkins
Cash Desk				
Fellowship			Warwick Moulton	Ian Collard
			Paul Asquith	Murray Thoms
			Sue Yi	Amanda Chambers
Stewards			Martin Reiss	Jim Mayo
			Alan Astrop	Stephen Wheeler
			Barry McLean	Bernie Woods
3 Min. Talk				
Intro. Speaker			Sean Harris	Steve Goeldner
Thank Speaker			Bruce Dunlop	Paul Asquith
Parting Thought			Robyn Young	Doug Dempster
Darius	Paul Asquith		Alan Astrop	Ian Collard
<b>If you cannot carry out your allocated duty, it is your responsibility to arrange for someone else to do that duty</b>				
<b>Darius is currently with: Carol &amp; David Seymour, 48 Fitzwilliam Drive, Torbay. (Carol's Mobile is 021414293)</b>				
<b>His contact details are – Mob: 021 1486600. E-mail: <a href="mailto:darius.lehmann@stud.kslzh.ch">darius.lehmann@stud.kslzh.ch</a></b>				

She quotes environmentalist Paul Hawken as saying “We’re stealing the future, selling it in the present, and proudly calling it GDP”.

And how to turn the tide? Jane Goodall calls for us all to be thoughtful about our consumption. The catch cry of reduce, reduce, reduce, and only then re-use and recycle. But it does require a massive change of attitude. And it requires a bold change in direction for governments worldwide. The technology is out there now to make major steps in preventing disastrous environmental damage, what it needs is change of mindset for us and for our governments - looking to the future rather than living in the past - not carrying on as if there is no tomorrow - literally.

Notices.

District changeover is on Sunday, 30 June. Our club is the proxy home club for the new DG Ian Kiernan.

Midwinter Christmas dinner for ECB is on 24 June.

This week we have an away meeting with Devonport club at Waitemata Golf Club. 6 for 6.30.

Kieran our exchange student to Chile has made friends and feels much less of an outsider. His second family are treating him like a son which may mean not so much freedom.

Peter G introduced Monique van Veen who is applying for a Rotary Peace Foundation Scholarship. It is very competitive with much essay writing and only 100 per year worldwide. She is hoping to go to Queensland or Sweden.

**Bush Glen Reserve Working Bee. Sunday 26 May 9.30am – 12pm. Meet by the entrance next to 40 Helvetia Drive.**

**We will be chopping up and clearing 2 fallen wattle trees and hopefully removing some of the other weeds. Bring gloves, spades or other diggy tools, gumboots, maybe a couple of saws or chainsaws too.**

**Also a request to our handy Rotarians - Is anyone keen to help make wooden Rat Trap Tunnels? Materials and instructions provided.**

**Kimberley Chew** told us about her week at Ryla. She works at Chelsea Sugar in customer complaints and project work.

Day 1- reflection. What are you going to do differently tomorrow?

Day 2 was about self-discovery. She needed to be more assertive and take short mental breaks.

Day 3 – bravery, passion and character. Although she is scared of heights she did the tree adventure and eventually completed seven of the ten levels.

Day 4 – keep searching and you will find. They took part in a real search and rescue test.

Day five – each team with a mentor had to come up with a business idea/concept.

Day six Cam Calkoen spoke – dream big and achieve much. They also organised a dinner for 90 people that night.

Day seven – was about sustainability and they did a beach clean-up.

She thanked Rotary for the opportunity.

**Leah Harris & Charlotte Bell- RANZSE.**(short 3 month swap Year 10 or 11)

Charlotte has two sisters and lives in the Hunter Valley. There are 12,000 people involved in gourmet foods, vineyards and horse breeding. She grew up with exchange students and her older sister had done the same exchange in Wellington. She has found the Harris family welcoming and they have introduced her to tramping. Her Australian school only has 750 students compared with Rangitoto's 3000+.

Leah is looking forward to the time in Australia. She is used to having extra people in the family giving her a great cultural experience. She hopes to share New Zealand with Australians and wants to be more confident.



**RYLA Day 2**

- Personality test
  - Basic concern for care, growth and general welfare of others
  - Things being done accurately and in an orderly fashion
  - For growth, need to be more assertive & change behavior to match the other person's style