



ECB celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> year. The Club normally meets Monday at Pupuke Golf Club, 231 East Coast Rd, Mairangi Bay  
[www.ecbrotaary.co.nz](http://www.ecbrotaary.co.nz)  
 Apologies to Lynette  
 0274 958 220 by 5pm Sunday. By **Text, phone or email.**



This month's Rotary District 9910 area of focus is Maternal and Child Health.

**Next Meeting;**  
**Monday 12 April**  
**5.30 for 6pm**  
**Birkenhead - Enditnow**  
**(Cure Kids)**



Wasn't it a great night on Monday -great atmosphere and a large crowd from Browns Bay visiting. Thanks to President Derek for bringing some of his team along. He mentioned a Sound of Music Fundraising event they have on the 30th of April. It would great to get some members and their families along to a fun event. They are supporting a youth wellness project in conjunction with Long Bay College and LB Baptist Church. See later.

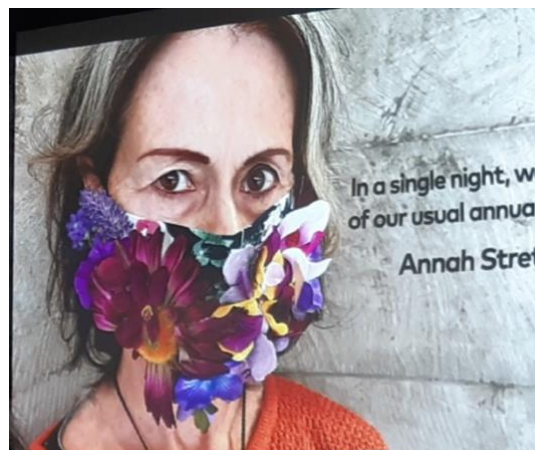
Next week promises to be a great week with Birkenhead visiting to tell us about their latest project. Check out [enditnow.org.nz](http://enditnow.org.nz) to find out more. Lucy will also outline some of her learnings from South Pacific President-Elect Training that she attended a month ago.

Vicky and I and a number of members from the club last weekend attended the District Conference in Waitangi. It was a great event well organised by DG Elaine and her team. Thanks to Stephen, Lucy and Peter for their specific help. We all came away with lots of good ideas and opportunities. There was a strong theme of the new seventh avenue of service, " Protecting The Environment ". A brain researcher was excellent.

I have agreed with Browns Bay that we will share with them the laying of a Wreath at Browns Bay on ANZAC day so I hope there will be a number of members with me at dawn to join me.

As I mentioned on Monday we have a couple of Environment events happening in the next few months. On the 3 July we are planting in Centennial Park with other North Shore Rotary Clubs. Please advertise this to friends and family- it should be a fun event. The second one will be in Clean up NZ Week in September when once again the North Shore Clubs will be coming together and hitting all the beaches and parks on the Shore.

Attached is a link to the Programme and we have few dates empty at the moment in May and June so any ideas please share with Therese.



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	19 April	26 April	3 May	10 May
	<b>Birkenhead - Enditnow (Cure Kids)</b>	<b>No Meeting Anzac Day Observance</b>	<b>Committee Meetings Zoom Meeting</b>	<b>Meeting and Venue to be confirmed</b>
Invocation	Keith Young			
Reception	Monica Webb			
Attendance	Lynette Miller	Lynette Miller	Lynette Miller	Lynette Miller
Cash Desk				
Fellowship	Ian Collard			
	Paul Asquith			
	Keith Young			
Stewards	Jim Mayo			
	Martin Reiss			
	Bernie Woods			
3 Min. Talk				
Speakers Host	Fay Norman			
Thank Speaker	Robyn Young			
Parting Thought	Dave Pennycuick			
Raffle Ticket Seller	Jim Mayo			
<b>If you cannot carry out your allocated duty, it is your responsibility to arrange for someone else to do that duty</b>				

Jo Davis (see photo) and David Downs gave us a ‘tall’ two man show about success stories during Covid last year. Jo thanked Rotary for their programs and support for Coast Guard. Jo said the advent of the first lockdown meant the end of a world tour for his business and wondered what they could do next if anything. His firm had a team talk and one of the people there told a romantic story to which he replied that was a great story somebody should write a book and by the end of the meeting he was writing a book. Within the next couple of days he had a co-author in David and a publisher. So Silver Linings was born. He reminded us that this time last year was day 18 of the first lockdown and we had 1330 covid cases. He and his wife Michelle thought they might have to shut down Nanogirl Labs but they reinvented themselves as an online service with one dollar an experiment cost. They had 140,000 online customers spread over 129 countries.

Annah Stretton top fashion designer lost 25% of her custom overnight but found a new market in high end face-masks.

Soul machines – digital writers – Greg Cross contacted WHO who said they needed a more human face for their webpage and so they were able to use their avatar technology to produce a person on the screen to answer questions.

A Christchurch architectural firm boss was regularly travelling to China and then back again for design work but was able to convert that to a 3-D visual to complete the mall sized headquarters for a Chinese firm. Much less travel is involved.



An online phone medical service realised they needed 800 more staff so contacted House of Travel and utilised their call centre staff.

David told us about designing a website so that coffee shops could sell vouchers that would keep them going during lockdown and would be available to be cashed in when we reached a lower level. He started with 20 and very quickly had two hundred.

In Tonga there was a vanilla bean farm employing 120 people. They branched out into room fresheners and now makes moisturising cream all with the vanilla smell. He said there was a realigning of values for the "new normal" and essential workers are not always what you expected.

Rotary Browns Bay would like to invite ECB Rotary Members to a social/fundraising event that we are running on **Friday 30th April** 6.30pm at Outram Hall, [478 Beach Road, Murrays Bay](#).

The evening is a **Sound of Music Sing-a-long**, Buffet Dinner, Dress up if you wish.

Funds raised will be for the benefit of the 24-7 Youthwork organisation which is supporting students at Long Bay College in Mental Health and Wellbeing, in conjunction with the Long Bay Baptist Church.

Cost for evening is \$30 a head. Children 10 years or under \$10.

There will be a prize for best Sound of Music costume. There will be a raffle also: tickets \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00 so some cash needed for this!

Please advise names/numbers to Lynne Taylor [alantlynnet@gmail.com](mailto:alantlynnet@gmail.com)

Payments for ticket please to RBB a/c 12 3042 0026245 00. Mark deposits Music Night, with your name.