

DISTRICT 9920

Foundation Newsletter

Message from the District Foundation Chair

PDG Willard Martin

With Christmas way behind us we now head into the final quarter of this current Rotary Year. This Newsletter features just a few of the many Rotary Programmes that our District is involved in. These include District Grants, Global Grants and the End Polio Campaign.

What we need now from nearly ALL of our Clubs is traction to meet our giving goals for Foundation and Polio so our District can continue to support these great Rotary Projects.

Our last Newsletter recorded 17 Global Grants underway worth US\$1,355,000 plus applications pending totalling over US\$1million.

We have 52 clubs in the District and to date 15 Clubs have collectively given \$58,245 to our Rotary Foundation. This was made up from Members contributions of \$28,660 and Club contributions of \$29,585. Remember that member's donations generate a tax rebate of 33%. Make your donation before the end of this month and qualify for a rebate in this financial year. We have a target for Foundation giving of \$190,000 so we do need the rest of our clubs and members to give generously NOW.

POLIO

We have included a full Report on where Polio is at. We are nearly there! But we do need your generous tax deductible donations for the final push. To date 12 Clubs have between them contributed to a total of \$17,000, which leaves 40 clubs to give \$53,000 if we are to equal last year's total of \$70,000.

We call on all Rotarians to help make the world a better place.

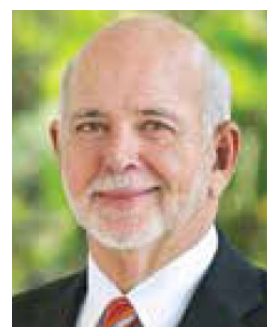
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District 9920 Foundation Chair

To find out more about our Foundation or to arrange a speaker on a Foundation programme, please contact Foundation Chair Willard Martin - 4kiwimartins@gmail.com mobile 029 57666437 or any Foundation Committee member (for details see the last page of this newsletter or the District Directory)



BE THE INSPIRATION



RI President Barry Rassin



DG Ingrid Waugh



PDG Willard Martin

A District Grant project to assist a local community



Mt Eden Rotary Garden Shed Project

"For the Love of Bees" is a collaboration facilitated by Sarah Smuts-Kennedy, and supported by Auckland Council, which aims to improve the city's ecosystem through community-led actions including bee conservation.

The collaboration has a number of projects underway, including transforming the Symonds Street Junction Community Garden (at 257 Symonds Street, Eden Terrace) into the first inner city Organic Market Garden (OMG) and community teaching hub.

The aim of the OMG is to break the myth that industrialized food production is the only way. Inspired by sustainability and wellness, the OMG will be a living example of the role of urban farming in achieving a sustainable and regenerative food system for Auckland.

"For the Love of Bees" wishes to inspire local residents, businesses and communities in the uptown neighborhood to learn new concepts and gain practical skills, on how to grow nutrient dense food by using organic and biodynamic principles, in an open access teaching hub.

However, in order to achieve the transformation, the OMG site really needed a storage shed for gardening tools – as a number of the volunteers walk and cycle to the site, and this is difficult with tools.

Mt Eden Rotary saw that the OMG project would help meet the needs of the local community in a number of ways, including fresh vegetables, healthy living education, volunteering opportunities, beehive opportunities and community development. The club was therefore delighted to help out with a baked goods stall in November 2018 as a fundraiser for the garden storage shed and associated flooring materials.



Mt Eden Rotary is particularly grateful for the support provided by Bunnings Warehouse Grey Lynn and the Rotary Foundation which allowed them to achieve their fundraising goal of \$1,800.

A Global Grant project update

Onja Madagascar

'unlocking Africa's next top coders'



The Rotary Club of St Johns is the International Club for this global grant . There was also support from other Clubs and with District Designated Funds (DDF) from D9920, D9940, D9970 and D9980. The amount received from Rotary International was \$40335 USD and along with existing funds, this gave about \$100,000 USD to cover 15 months of operations and to bring 30 students to English fluency. In the following 12 months students will study coding (computer programming) and later begin working, earning a life-changing income, and pay forward their opportunity for the next wave of talented students.

As part of preparation for this project over 1500 letters were sent to students in Madagascar's Toamasina region inviting them for an initial phone interview. More than 300 phone interviews were done to identify students for this educational opportunity. Following this a month was spent 'on the road' to screen opportunity-poor, talent-rich students for their suitability to become great computer programmers.

The sleepless month on the road was spent conducting the final test sessions, examining and interviewing 132 top performing students who lacked an opportunity to continue their studies. Some students travelled for up to three days to attend the sessions. Their travel costs were reimbursed and an additional allowance made for food while they were travelling to make sure that it didn't cost them anything to attend the sessions. The team spent the month working tirelessly to keep to a fixed schedule and often having to sleep on the sometimes freezing concrete floors of the local classrooms that the Ministry of Education kindly provided as a place to stay.

Students were selected from thousands of their peers for academic excellence and top scores in coding aptitude exams - which were administered all over Toamasina (a province similar in size to Ireland). Despite their talent, these students can't afford to continue studying and mostly work low-skilled jobs.

In September and October 2018, two 'coding and leadership' camps, with a total of 42 students participating. Students were very clearly captivated, inspired and all-in. That really set the tone of the camp which played out to be a fantastic learning experience for students and the Onja team alike!

The camps consisted of two parts: leadership and coding. The first was a gift to these students. The second was a chance to further assess student coding potential. The way it was explained to students, was that they we needed to check "They are suitable for coding, and coding is suitable for them" - after all it's not a career path meant for everyone.

Sam Lucas is leading the project and for more information on the progress and vision for this project go to www.onja.org.

Sam is sometimes asked why they go to such lengths to find students. He thinks it's a crucial part of their model. The better our students are, the better coders they'll become. With great coders our social enterprise will generate strong revenue and we'll be able to bring opportunity to many more students in future.



END POLIO



An article from Rotary International (12 February 2019)

Rotary's top global initiative is polio eradication. While there is still work to be done to finish the job, we can be proud of the incredible progress we've made, working with our partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI). As we begin 2019, here are five ways Rotary is making progress toward our top goal.

1. We've come a long, long way

In 1988, the year when Rotary led the formation of the GPEI, the world had 350,000 cases of polio in 125 countries where polio was endemic. In 2018, there were 33 cases of wild polio in two countries, Afghanistan and Pakistan, which represents more than a 99.9 percent reduction in global polio cases.

2. Nigeria remains at zero

Although Nigeria is officially on the list of countries where polio is endemic, it is approaching the third anniversary of its last reported case of wild polio. Steady scheduling of immunization days, routine surveillance, and engagement at all community levels and institutions are a few of the reasons for Nigeria's success.

3. Bold strategies are widening our reach

The GPEI is using new approaches aimed at reaching more children. Some are high-tech, such as using geographic information system mapping. Others are low-tech — yet just as critical — such as deploying boats to deliver vaccines to the remote islands of the Lake Chad region.

4. New solutions are advancing our work in Afghanistan

Rotary is doing its part to turn obstacles into opportunities in this war-torn country. Afghan Rotarians are working side by side with the government and other GPEI partners, often in dangerous places, to meet with local leaders who can foster community acceptance of the vaccine. Rotary-funded permanent transit points also help reach populations on the move between Afghanistan and Pakistan.

5. Complementary service projects are bolstering eradication efforts.

Polio is not an isolated problem. The communities where polio thrives are also affected by other health issues and lack clean water and proper sanitation. To respond to multiple health needs at the same time, Rotary is focusing on projects that complement polio eradication efforts — putting the "plus" in PolioPlus. One example: In Pakistan, Rotary clubs have partnered with The Coca-Cola Company and the United Nations Development Programme to build water filtration plants in Karachi's highest-risk areas.

The Rotary International website www.rotary.org website provides regular updates about the initiatives being taken to raise awareness about Polio and the funds required to eradicate this dreadful disease. Every \$1 contributed by Rotary is be matched by \$2 from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation which is an added incentive.

Clubs have many interesting ways of raising funds and increasing awareness of the END POLIO NOW campaign.

The Rotary Club of Ellerslie Sunrise once again enjoyed their 1st Club meeting of the Rotary New Year. Catching up with all the latest news and telling tales of their summer break. The evening was hosted by Willard & Gabrielle Martin who supplied a wonderful array of food: of course, there is always the Rotary Christmas Pudding for dessert smothered with custard, ice cream and fresh fruit! **The dinner raised \$1,000 which was donated to the District 9920 Polio Fund. Such an easy way to raise awareness for Polio and have fun at the same time!**



Paul Harris Society



What is the Paul Harris Society ?

The Paul Harris Society (PHS) recognises Rotary members and friends of The Rotary Foundation who contribute US\$1000 or more each Rotary year to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus Fund, or approved Foundation grants.

PHS became an official Rotary Foundation recognition programme in July 2013. Its purpose is to identify, engage, and thank members who have the ability and desire to make substantial annual gifts to help communities around the world.

You will recognise these donors by the PHS pin.



We have already welcomed a number of new D9920 PHF members in this Rotary year.

Join the Paul Harris Society

Donate US\$1,000.00 each year – approximately NZ\$1,530 . This is a tax deductible donation , so less the 33% rebate \$505, the net cost \$1,025.

Exit Strategy - This is an annual commitment so simply stop paying.

The easiest way to make a personal donation to the Rotary Foundation is by credit card.

Log onto My Rotary, go to donations and follow the instructions..

If you haven't got your My Rotary Log In either contact your Club Secretary or PDG Willard Martin
4kiwimartins@gmail.com

A couple of Tips

Paul Harris Society – set up a payment of \$115 each month so each 12 months you are a paid up PHS Member PLUS it qualifies for the 33% tax rebate.

Consider becoming a **Major Donor** – entry is US\$10,000. That's about NZ \$15,300 BUT again the donation qualifies for the 33% tax rebate (check your earnings first) and you get a rebate of ~\$5,050.

Consider becoming a **Benefactor** – make a Codicil to your Will for what you want to give to the Foundation – you can also donate property if you wish.

If you are interested in the option of being a Major Donor or Benefactor we do have Rotarians with experience in this area that are happy to have a chat about options and how to complete the forms.



How to donate

Donations to Rotary Foundation and Polio Plus - New Zealand based 9920 Rotary Clubs

Tax Credit for Donations / Tax receipts

New Zealand based Rotary Clubs can send their donation and contribution for Annual Giving and Polio Plus by internet banking, or cheque direct to the Rotary Foundation Administrator 9920, stating what the amount is for, whether donating from your Club or Charitable Trust. Tax receipts are forwarded in August/September.

Charitable Trusts

Nearly all clubs have a Charitable Trust. Rotarians should donate through their Club's Charitable Trust, who can issue individual Tax Donation receipts. The Club's Charitable Trust then forwards the total amount on to the Rotary Foundation Administrator 9920, and emails an Excel spreadsheet with the Rotarians' name, ID numbers and amounts to Peter Wilcock. The donation will be credited under the Rotarian's name with RI.

Tax Receipts

Once Rotarians receive the Tax Donation receipt they can claim the tax credit of up to 33%. For full details Google "ird tax credit for donations"

Tax receipts are forwarded in April/May

How to pay

Internet banking

Clubs or individual Rotarians wishing to pay through Internet banking:

Bank Account "Rotary Foundation 9920"

02 0256 0333474 00

Reference box "Club name" or "Rotarian name"

Please email pdmwilcock@gmail.com the amount and the allocation

i.e. Annual giving or Polio and the Club or Charitable Trust name.

Credit Card - Global payment System

Rotarians can donate direct to the Rotary Foundation. Login with your account user name to the RI website "My Rotary" go to "The Rotary Foundation" "GIVE" tag.

There are no credit card fees.

Scroll down to "donation" or "recurring donation", select the NZD amount equivalent to the USD amount that you wish to donate

For a donation on behalf of your Club or members, scroll down and tick that box

Cheques

Cheques to be made out to "Rotary Foundation 9920" and posted to:

The Rotary Foundation Administrator 9920

Peter Wilcock

17 Crescent Road, Parnell, Auckland 1052 Mobile: 027 285 1763

Note: The donations are transferred to RI Parramatta before the 20th of the month, any donations after that are at the Rotary exchange rate for the next month. Cheques have normally three-day clearance.

Donations – Paul Harris Society (PHS) Members and Sustaining Members

These donations can be paid directly to the Rotary Foundation Administrator 9920 or by using the credit card Global payment system (as per above)

Peter Wilcock

Rotary Foundation Administrator District 9920

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District 9920 Foundation Committee

The table below shows the contact details for members of the D9920 Foundation Committee for 2018 –2019.

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