



District 9940 – New Zealand

**NINETY-SIXTH
ANNUAL REPORT**

For the year ended 30 June 2017

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Thank you for the privilege of being the Clubs 96th President. One of the strengths of our club is its strong succession planning. Following Kerry Prendergast, I took over a club that was positive about its future, and engaged in using its influence for good. I tried to build on this base. The Rotary International theme for 2016/17 was Rotary Serving Humanity and we have been successful. I wish Peter Lawson every success and Marion Cowden who is waiting in the wings.

As a club we have a nice model where the President from five ago is the Vice President. Thanks to Hewitt Humphrey my very sage Vice President for his sound advice and mentorship.

It has been rewarding to be the President of such a productive club, as it really is five clubs in one, and what we do is motivating. Membership is the area of concern where we can all help.

The legacies previous members have entrusted to us are all financially sound making a valuable contribution, including the John Illot Charitable Trust, Salmon Trust, the Knowles Trust, the Eleanor and Huia Hill Trust and the Rotary wide JR McKenzie Trust. All of these make amazing differences to communities.

This year we received a bequest from club member Sir John Todd that we are planning to use to seed a new Trust, with the aim to raise social enterprise in a programme called 'Elevate.'

Thanks to the Board for long dedicated hours. A special thank you to our outgoing Treasurer Wayne Morgan, who after seven years is finally retiring to Wanaka. The club owes Wayne a debt of gratitude, as our accounts have never been better managed.

Through John Key, the Prime Minister, we recognised seven Paul Harris fellows as individuals who have truly made a difference to our club. Five club members: Helen Algar, James Austin, Joan Smith, John Emanuel, and Susan Satyanand; two non-club members Rodney McCann (Singers to listen for) and Nicky Riddiford (Skilled Migrants), and our own Club Secretary Rebecca Maresca for outstanding service to the club.

In the background the Board has overhauled our web site (thanks to Fraser Carson, Michaela Draper and Rebecca Maresca). Thank you to the selfless effort put in to achieve a great platform for the future.

We surveyed members on their preferences. This is an area where we have further to go. We included it in a refresh of the strategy and Peter is now running with the new strategy. Thanks to Jane McCann, Peter Cornish, Helen Algar and Peter Lawson.

Our club chartered in 1921 has a history of helping pioneering service organisations. (*Which include: Karitane/Plunket in 1921, Milk in Schools in 1924, Crippled Children Society in 1935, Meals on Wheels in 1951, Outward Bound in 1961, and the Children Development Foundation in 1987 to name but a few*).

In 2016/17 our club has continued to make a difference through

- Continued support to RI Polio Plus, combined with the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to end Polio Now
- Our Eureka Trust, which increased young New Zealanders interest in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths subjects and fostered a new class of young leaders able to communicate STEM
- The Akina kick-start social enterprise awards. Our winning venture LearnCoach, delivered online NCEA tutorials at no cost to students. Over the last year NCEA students watched over 1,000,000 tutorials on the LearnCoach website.

- Our Forum, which is our not for profit activity, continues to generate social discussion on key issues delivered its fifth Forum, and is now planning our sixth Forum
- Our two major Fundraisers went from strength to strength, with the fifth Jumbo Tennis tournament, and
- Our Singers to listen event helping young emerging opera singers, is now planning its third event, and I hope has the aspiration of being an established event on the Wellington Arts calendar

In addition, we have supported:

- SCOPE the Young Executives organisation with Kaka nesting boxes, 3D Printers and Chrome Notebooks into two schools. 3 D printers into schools is a joint Rotary and Richard Taylor from Weta Workshops initiative.
- Establishment of a Probus Club of Wellington Central, for the almost 4,000 retirees now in Wellington Central
- Further purchase of Rotary Emergency response Kits and Sky Hydrant water processing units
- Two classes of the Skilled Migrants programme
- Youth Programmes such as Outward bound scholarships

As a club we have also made a direct contribution to: Gillies McIndoe Research Institute, Wellington Soup Kitchen, Kiri Te Kanawa Foundation, Needs of the homeless, People with disabilities, Marine Education Centre, Wellington Children's Hospital, Wellington Men's Shed, and hundreds of other organisations through management of the trusts

I am not fully retiring. With our Centennial coming up in 2021 I have joined Colleen to help President Peter deliver on our major centennial programme, underway which includes:

- Project Hope; a US\$23M US international project with the other three inaugural Australasian Centennial Clubs Auckland, Melbourne and Sydney, the Asian Development Bank and UNICEF, which is aimed to support an estimated 100,000 children and adolescent girls across nine Pacific Countries through the introduction of three new vaccinations.
- Helping Richard Norman with his native forest of 100,000 trees at the heart of Wellington, along with vermin trapping. In conjunction with the Wellington City Council and Conservation Volunteers NZ 45,000 down - 55,000 to go, and
- In 2016/17 we also created Disaster Aid New Zealand in a collaborative relationship with Rotary NZ World Community services with the international aim to build a better future for the Pacific region, with a focus on potable safe water for every child.

Members, be proud to make a difference and be ambitious in our goals of Rotary serving humanity. I wish President Peter and the RCW every success in 2017/18.

Mark Wheeler
President 2016-2017

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Over the 2016-17 year the Club welcomed fifteen new Rotarians, however this was offset by the departure of fourteen members, leaving the Club with 135 current members. While the profile of recruitment was lifted during the year it has been evident for some time that to make real progress towards the Club's strategic goal of 221 by 2021 some significant changes would need to be made.

Under the initial leadership of then Membership Committee Chair, Martin Matthews a discussion group was held to canvass what could make the Club more attractive to potential members. A paper was developed for the Board identifying potential barriers to growing membership. This became one of the catalysts behind the Club's strategic plan refresh which took place during the year and should result in a more appealing environment for potential and current members. In particular, it recognises that the nature of membership is changing and the Club has to provide for more flexible ways of engaging with and participating in Club activities and projects.

During the year the Committee:

- Ran induction workshops for new members
- Held exit interviews to identify any issues members were having
- Checked in with new members after a few months to ensure they were engaged and enjoying their club experience
- Contacted members that did not appear to have attended any club meeting for at least six months.

Over the next year the Committee has a significant workload building on the strategic objective to enhance RCW as a vibrant and sustainable Rotary Club.

Thank you to all of the Committee members for their efforts over the past year. Please remember that all members are urged to identify prospective members and to make new members welcome in all aspects of Club activities.

Peter Cornish
(Chair)

YOUTH COMMITTEE

Two objectives to be continued in 2017:

1. Continue to build links with Wellington young people through SCOPE, Rotoract and our awards and scholarships alumni
2. Ensure that students in lower decile schools are supported to seek nomination for Rotary scholarships and awards

Awards and Scholarships

We received a small number of nominations for all scholarships and awards from a small number of schools.

The nomination process clearly relies on individual teachers who know about the scholarships and awards and appreciate the opportunities.

We have put a process in place for 2017 to promote the scholarships among lower decile schools in our catchment area. We will support this by offering to pay some additional costs for nominees who cannot afford the full cost.

– **RYLA**

This year we sent two candidates: Hannah Brightley and Kat Griffin, both VUW students. Both got a lot from RYLA. Kat will attend the Monday evening Youth event planned for October 2017. Hannah has been studying overseas and is unable to attend.

– **National Science & Technology Forum**

This year we received two high quality applications and supported one Science forum student, Daisy Abraham from Wellington High School. Daisy got a tremendous amount from the experience and will attend the October youth evening.

– **Outward Bound**

A bequest from JR McKenzie fully funds several Outward Bound places nationally each year and our Club administers the selection process for District 9940. We emailed the opportunity to all high schools in the District. We were allocated 3 places from the national scheme and received 22 applications. Ultimately we were able to send 4 of our preferred applicants due to one other District not filling a place. We funded places for: Hannah Evans, Horowhenua, Courtney McAllister, Whitby Marsden, Cameron Arp, Naenae College and Alana Barnes, Fielding High.

– **Global Grants and Scholarships**

We received one application from Kurt Ward for a Rotary Foundation Global Scholarship.

SCOPE

There are at least 6 on the SCOPE committee and they meet fortnightly and have a mail-out list of over 100. They're planning a 'dinner with 12 strangers' on Sept 18th, and will promote RYLA among their cohort. They're keen to engage with the Club and will join us for the October Youth evening. They're still working on the kaka project and are liaising with Helptank and Workerbee on other projects.

Rotaract

I have had no contact with Rotoract since I took over the committee late 2016. We will invite them to the October youth evening and revitalise our connection with them this year.

Tracy Brown
(Chair)

VOCATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

The Vocational Services Committee (VSC) has continued along with its strategic intent to focus more on Social Enterprise, whilst at the same time supporting one of the clubs most successful programmes, the Skilled Migrants programme.

The Skilled Migrants programme which is run in conjunction with Victoria University has again in the last 12 months been successful with a wide range of support from members from across the club. This assistance makes great use of the different vocational skills through a variety of different means including coaching, mentoring and work placement.

The VSC move into supporting Social Enterprise which commenced about 4 years ago is now gaining momentum and continues to attract a lot of focus both internally and externally to the club. The initial Kick-start awards run in conjunction with Akina, which are also replicated by the Newmarket club in Auckland continue to be popular.

This year the award was by Zeal a group of passionate, creative misfits who believe that every young kiwi is creative and who dedicate their lives to helping them discover, express and develop their unique creativity. Zeal are launching a studio that will deliver creative design services while employing youth. Zeal were awarded \$7,000 with the monies going towards customer acquisition costs in the start up phase.

The runners up this year were Collaborate Wellington who offer a mobile app that matches young people with volunteer opportunities that are relevant to their skill set and interests. Collaborate Wellington received \$3,000 and these monies will go towards developing the product from its current prototype.

The whole evening of competitors in the Kick-start also included finalists Tane Kaha, The Fresh Desk and NISA Clothing, who all presented three-minute videos and spoke to club members before votes were cast to determine the winners.

The next stage of supporting Social Enterprise has commenced and this will include supporting an 'Elevate' programme which is a 5 week, semi-structured, cohort based growth course run by Akina for new Social Enterprises. The intent is for the club to provide funding to run one course per annum which would include the "Kick-start" finalists.

Other developments under way to support Social Enterprise include utilising the different vocational skills within the club to assist and guide them to become successful. It is anticipated that we will develop seminars on video and make use of social media so that members time commitment is reduced but also reach a wider audience, including other organisations that the club supports.

Andrew Miller
(Chair)

CLUB SERVICES COMMITTEE

The Club Service Committees are a group of smaller committees that enable the club to function on many levels. Some rarely need to meet but run by email or phone follow up. While the President Elect is the chair, it is in reality a coordination role that is largely done by our club administrator Rebecca Maresca that ensures this all runs so smoothly. On a weekly basis members such as Bob Stannard, Denzil Brown, George Fairbairn, Grant Uridge, John Gibbons, John Nimmo, Johnny Johnson, Patrick McArdell, Peter Bushnell, Lee Wilkinson and Ramsey Margolis and many others ensure our Visitors are greeted, club members greeted, sergeant's sessions are coordinated, introducers

and thankers are rostered, grace is offered, the room set up and powerpoint presentations are set up on the programme and our newsletters are produced.

The Fellowship Committee were again busy during the year organizing a range of activities to enhance fellowship, including the regular Third Thirsty Thursdays, Wine Options, Melbourne Cup, Guess who is coming to Dinner, Walking Groups, and Claytons Billiards.

There were two major fundraising activities. The first long-standing event was the Jumbo Tennis Tournament. Superbly run by Hannah Carter and her dedicated team, they again raised over \$21,600; with \$10,840.50 going to the Marine Education Trust, \$8672.40 to the Wellington Children's Hospital, \$2168.10 to Wellington City Menz Shed, and \$2,300 to Wellington Junior Tennis.

The second major fundraising activity was Singers to listen for, which held its second event show casing young opera singers and raised over \$28,000. Funds were raised for the Gillies McIndoe Research Institute, and the Kiri Te Kanawa Foundation. The event is an outstanding fundraising activity that fits in with Wellington being the Arts Capital. Congratulations to John Boshier, Rodney McCann and the committee for building that event into a great ongoing opportunity.

The Sergeants convenor Grant Uridge, and all the Sergeants raised over \$20,000 that went to the Trust to enable grants to be made to a wide range of good causes that the club is keen to help in our communities.

The Inductions Team led by James Austin provided a professional entry into the Club. We all need to support the membership committee to have more new members to induct.

The Speakers Programme team led by Susan Satyanand provided a wonderful year of quality speakers – such an important role in creating an environment members want to come to and bring a guest to on a weekly basis.

Thank you to all involved in all these activities to ensure our club continues to prosper.

Peter Lawson
(Chair)

Speakers Programme

04-Jul-16	Jon Johansson - 'July 4th: A Two Hundred & Forty Year Experiment Faces Its Most Challenging Test in Election '16'
11-Jul-16	Hone McGregor - CE Forest and Bird - 'The Future for nature in New Zealand'
18-Jul-16	Elizabeth Tennet - 'What Pay Equity Really Means'
25-Jul-16	Matt Clarke, Chief Commercial Officer, Wellington Airport - 'The Future of Wellington Airport'
01-Aug-16	Mark Binns, Meridian Energy - 'The electricity industry in New Zealand. Outdated, about to be revolutionised by innovative new technology? Not yet!'
08-Aug-16	Dr Barrie Gordon - 'Sport and the promotion of positive socialisation: Fact, fallacy or simply wishful thinking.'
15-Aug-16	Charles Finny - 'Brexit.' Opportunity or risk for New Zealand?
22-Aug-16	Andrew Little - 'The future of the NZ economy and the New Zealand Labour Party's plan to back the Kiwi dream'
29-Aug-16	Mayoral candidates evening - Justin Lester, Nick Leggett, Andy Foster, Nicola Young, Jo Coughlan
05-Sep-16	Derek Nind - 'An Update on Centreport'
12-Sep-16	Chris Whelan - 'Towards 2025: Building a Prosperous Future for Wellington'
19-Sep-16	Jonathan Sinclair, British High Commissioner - 'After the Referendum, what next for the United Kingdom, European

	Union and New Zealand
26-Sep-16	Dame Suzie Moncrieff - 'The World of Wearable Art'
03-Oct-16	Greg O'Connor - 'General Reflection on Policing in New Zealand'
10-Oct-16	Nicky Riddiford - Skilled Migrants Programme
17-Oct-16	Peter Miskimmin - Sport New Zealand
26-Oct-16	Rotary Club of Wellington Akina Social Enterprise Awards
31-Oct-16	James Shaw - 'What is the Greens' Vision for the NZ Economy?'
07-Nov-16	Sir Anand Satyanand - 'The Commonwealth in an Important Year'
14-Nov-16	Kirsten Smith - Evolving to meet the growing needs of Wellington's young people
21-Nov-16	Anya Satyanand - 'Ara Taiohi - Youth Peak Body'
28-Nov-16	Francis Wevers, Russ Ballard and Andrew Tang - Eureka!
05-Dec-16	Judge Andrew Becroft - 'Better out comes for NZ's under 18 year old: some nip & tuck, or radical surgery required?'
12-Dec-16	Rev Allister Lane (St John's in the City)
24-Jan-17	Kirk Hope - 'Outlook for Growth and Success in NZ 2017'
30-Jan-17	Judge John Walker, Principal Youth Court Judge
13-Feb-17	Gerry Forde - 'Million Dollar Original Fundraiser'
20-Feb-17	Rachael Holderness - 'The Power of Humanity - a Red Cross presentation'
06-Mar-17	Dr Brian Ensor, Director of Palliative Care, Mary Potter Hospice - 'Living and Dying, the pros and cons, and who wants to know'
13-Mar-17	Brian Lynch - 'The Times They Are A Changin''
20-Mar-17	David Rutherford - 'Human Rights Challenges for NZ'
27-Mar-17	Professor Gregor Coster - 'Health and Wellbeing in Wellington: Can we do better?'
03-Apr-17	Rotary Club of Melbourne - Project Hope
10-Apr-17	Fraser Carson - New Website for the Club
24-Apr-17	Phillip Meyer RS&A - 'Contemporary reflections on the Anzac Spirit'
01-May-17	Ross Teppett - 'NZ Council of Trade Unions'

08-May-17	David Cameron - Social Enterprise Kickstart Award 2016 Winner: LearnCoach Update
15-May-17	Sir David Carruthers - 'Police, People and Possibilities. An end of term reflection'
22-May-17	Nicky Riddiford Skilled Migrants Programme
29-May-17	John Milford - 'New Zealand, The Exporter'
12-Jun-17	Howard Broad - 'The National Security System'
19-Jun-17	Robert and Charlotte Fisher - 'Iran-Persia Paradox'
26-Jun-17	Sir Wira Gardiner - 'Reflections on the Life of POWs in Nazi Germany prison camps WWII'

COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE

During the 2016-17 year, the community Services Committee (CSC) refined its business processes to be able to deliver on projects as well as undertake responsibilities for the club to over-see certain Trust Funds. The principles for work done by the CSC was to focus on longer-term work that could achieve greater impact of change in the community; and to prioritise work that was with communities that are of emergent need in their sector, and not larger enterprises with private or ready funding from elsewhere.

Homelessness project – Te Whare Okioki

(The place of rest and rejuvenation)

The relationship with Te Aro Health Centre did not continue as a funding one but did continue in terms of offering support and introduction to other business support partners. Through this, the CSC investigated with the Downtown City Mission (DCM) what would be a purposeful project to support in relation to the Homeless population without any fixed abode in central Wellington. This led to meeting with the then new Wellington Mayor, Justin Lester, and after due discussion, the CSC leading the RCW into a partnership agreement with the City

Council and DCM to champion the setting up on Te Whare Okioki which is planned to be a Home for Life for men living on the streets in central Wellington with severe mental health and addictions needs. This place of rest and rejuvenation will provide wrap-around services including access to controlled and supervised use of legal substances. Some residents may need to move onto different more intense care and some may rehabilitate to more independent living. RCW will provide advocacy for the value of the community and bring networks of support. It started doing that by gaining the support of the CCDHB to support the project by agreeing to be clinical providers for the project.

Bernie Knowles Trust

Starting in 2016-17, the CSC worked through intermediaries to find suitable beneficiaries for the Bernie Knowles Trust rather than generally advertise. The CSC supported an elderly daycentre in Newtown that is used, run and self-funding by the elderly Pacific members of the local community. The funding granted was able to provide for some minimal administration support and support for some very innovative approaches for the daycentre to reach out to the Porirua Pacific community for helping the daycentre achieve sustainability. The Trust is likely to be needed to give further support next year as the daycentre refines the type of service it provides beyond one day a week, whilst establishing a long-term sustainable plan.

Salmon Trust

The CSC considered the challenges of use of the Trust funds in a large and competitive field for medical research. Given the desire to make a significant difference, the CSC decided that there would be merit in trying to work with the University of Otago School of Medicine Wellington. The partnership that was explored was to have the Trust

funds used for a RCW PhD Scholarship in elderly medicine. This would result in new knowledge in the research field targeted by the Trust and support young people establishing their career. During 2016-17, the idea was explored, the RCW club gave its support for the approach as did the RCW Trust and the initial process to set up the scholarship initiated.

Appeals

The CSC directly organised volunteers for annual Stroke Foundation Blood Pressure Campaign – again successfully helping find people on the day who needed immediate attention.

We also organised donations for Pack the Bus, Anglican Christmas Mission. Food, toys and other goods to the value of over \$1000-00 were donated.

We also kept club members informed of other opportunities to volunteer on street appeals during the year.

During the year the RCW Board set up a different approach so that the CSC did not have to be the sponsor of other projects to the Board for funding.

Karen Coutts
(Chair)

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

Strategic Focus

The Club's over-arching vision is to "Build a better future for the Pacific region" with particular focus on the provision of healthier potable water.

To support the Club's vision the committee's strategy for the next three years focusses on two key projects:

1. to seek water purification projects in the Pacific involving the use of Sky Hydrants. This latter strategy fully supports the mission of Disaster Aid Australia (DAA) which is "Safe water for every child". RCW has become the host club for Disaster Aid in partnership with DIA (operated by DAA).
2. the continuing provision of Earthquake Response Kits (ERK's) in response to disasters in the South Pacific and

Establishment of Disaster Aid New Zealand (DANZ)

The establishment of DANZ was the major activity for the International Committee during the 2016/17 year.

The purpose of DANZ is to:

- Raise funds and volunteers for Disaster Aid International (DAI), and
- Co-ordinate selected Disaster Aid projects with the key focus being on funding and installing Sky-Hydrant systems in selected Pacific and Asia markets.

DANZ is operated by RCW in collaboration with Rotary New Zealand World Community Service (RNZWCS). RCW and RNZWCS will share a range of responsibilities for the effective running of DANZ. RCW will be responsible for governance, the DANZ Management Committee and an annual administration fee payable to RNZWCS (7.5% up to \$250,000, scaling down on higher funding amounts).

The DANZ Management Committee comprises representatives from RCW and the Rotary Club of Port Nicholson which has provided invaluable strategic and operational support to the establishment of DANZ.

RNZWCS contributions will include a range of administrative and financial services (e.g. overseas money remittances, dedicated DANZ bank account and insurances for overseas aid work), and primary interface with Ministry of Foreign Affairs & Trade (MFAT).

Both parties have entered the 2017/18 year committed to identifying and then supporting projects in the Pacific first and foremost. Possible projects in Fiji and Papua New Guinea have been identified and are being scoped. However, possible water projects in other regions such as Asia (e.g. continued support in The Philippines and a new market, Cambodia) will also be scoped in the event projects in the Pacific are not identified. RCW has set aside \$10,000 towards water projects and the Rotary Club of Hornby (Christchurch) has also expressed interest in the project – they have budgeted \$10,000 - \$15,000 for an international project.

Work on a draft DANZ promotional plan was completed including updated brochures, fund-raising activities and the development of a presentation on the Sky-Hydrant/water projects that can be made to Clubs around the Country to raise funds once new markets have been qualified.

For the complete background to the DANZ structure and the agreed RCW/RNZWCS operational and financial structures, refer to the RCW/RNZWCS MOU and Operating Rules which were approved and signed by both parties on 14 July 2017.

Philippines Water Projects (Sky-Hydrants)

In April 2016 the Club provided \$6,000 towards a joint water project in the Philippines in conjunction with the Rotary Clubs of Port Nicholson, Meppen (Germany) and Makati South (Philippines). The project provides clean and safe drinking water through the provision of water

pumps for the communities of Sasmuan and Angeles City in the province of Pampanga on the Northern shore of Manila Bay. This was our Club's first Sky-Hydrant project.

It is understood that around sixty Sky-Hydrants have now been installed (and more are planned) each one providing safe water for around 6000 villagers. The water purifiers owed their success to the villages' strong determination to get safe water, underpinned by strong local and regional leadership and village (barangay) structures.

Disaster Aid / Emergency Response Kits

In the past the Club has provided ERK's following the earthquakes in Nepal and Cyclone Winston which devastated areas of Fiji as well as Vanuatu, Tonga and Niue. The RNZWCS in Christchurch organise the packing of ERK' s and their pre-positioning in various Pacific locations. The Club offered an ERK to help with the aftermath of the Kaikoura quakes but with support very fast from local (including Rotary) and national agencies, our support was not required on this occasion.

The provision of ERK's remains a core strategy of the International Committee and renewed fund-raising efforts are planned for the 2017/18 year.

Conclusion

The Sky-Hydrant appears to have delivered strong benefits in The Philippines. The fundamental reason for its success is local ownership based on very strong community organisation. At a technical level, the product also works because the water sources are primarily adjacent and freely available.

A core challenge now for the Club, DANZ and RNZWCS is to identify a clear need in the Pacific. Part of the validation process must be to check

that the “success factors” in The Philippines exist, namely water availability, an unmet need and strong local management to maintain the Sky-Hydrants and community involvement.

Laurie Wilson
(Chair)

STRATEGY COMMITTEE

The Strategy Committee’s role is to bring enhanced focus on strategy and vision for the Club. In 2014 the Club’s strategic intent was developed looking forward through to 2021. President Mark Wheeler, however felt that after three years it was timely to take stock and ensure progress was being made in the appropriate areas. Accordingly, during the year a Strategy Refresh was undertaken to validate, amend and introduce new strategies that the Club needs to plan for and the actions required to take the Club forward through to its centenary year in 2021. Several sessions were held with members of the Club, expertly facilitated by member Jane McCann. Out of these sessions a revised mission and the following six key strategies were developed.

Mission: Rotary Club of Wellington - leaders of positive social change

We will lead social change by:

- supporting social enterprise
- using our influence to identify new opportunities
- taking direct action to support community wellbeing
- fundraising and making grants
- being a vibrant, and sustainable club
- taking a leadership role within the Rotary community.

These strategic goals are now with individual committees to develop action plans to put “flesh on the bones” and advance the objectives.

The strategy committee will be involved in monitoring progress and assisting President Peter Lawson with various new initiatives.

Thank you to Youssef Mourra for your support and input to the Committee and welcome to Sam Williamson who has asked to join the committee.

Peter Cornish
(Chair)

PROJECTS COMMITTEE

The projects committee was formed four years ago to allow the growing number of one off projects organised by the club to be represented and accountable to the Board.

It is an oversight committee and under my Chair seems to work best as a committee of one which allows the various special projects to get on with their tasks with minimal oversight and with my involvement restricted to Board accountability and some action if things are not progressing as they should. In all cases, we need to ensure our club’s reputational and financial risk is minimised.

Rotary has a standout reputation for service which is often epitomised by fundraising for worthy causes within their community. Our club with its size and history undertakes more than that with its special projects which are often direction changing and offer community leadership within those areas we target. You can be rightly very proud of our club for our significant involvement here.

All projects have a natural lifespan but our club has been exceptionally fortunate in initiating some major projects which have long term and productive futures.

The Forum partnering with Victoria University continues to challenge the thinking within the greater Wellington community. Participants are grateful for this opportunity to keep our city at the cutting edge of future development, security and prosperity.

Eureka under the well-established leadership of Russ Ballard and Francis Wevers keeps growing as it expands into other segments of education. The Government and the science community in general are very supportive of this competitive programme with the alumni growing their involvement. This is a significant financial investment by the club which has exceeded expectations and is well governed and managed.

The Club is well advanced with its Centennial plans working closely with Auckland, Melbourne and Sydney Rotary Clubs with a number of projects in the Pacific and more locally.

Tree planting continues under Richard Norman as part of our Centennial plans and Mt Victoria is showing the benefits of our investment here.

Jumbo Tennis under Helen Hancox and ongoing oversight from Founder William Sommerville is an enjoyable and significant contributor to our annual charity fundraising. It combines its activities with a raffle which involves all members of the club and fierce completion to see how many raffle books are sold. Its reach is growing throughout the Rotary community.

John Boshier's annual "Singers to listen for" is now into its third year and portrays the growing depth of talents amongst our young singers. MC Rodney McCain was granted a Paul Harris Fellowship for his work here and is responsible for contacts and auction items help

with the Dame Kiri Te Kanawha Foundation. A must attend event for all Rotarians.

Our Rotary Club is defined by its Special Projects and makes us outstanding leaders in a number of fields.

Thank you to all Rotarians for their involvement.

James Austin
(Chair)

WELLINGTON ROTARY CHARITABLE TRUST

On behalf of the Trustees of the Rotary Club of Wellington Charitable Trust I have great pleasure in summarizing the activities of the year.

Trustees

During the year we had a number of Trustee changes. Peter Lawson stood down as Chair late in November 2016 to avoid any conflict of interest with his Rotary presidential role. Tricia Walbridge on retiring from her current work role also retired from Rotary and subsequently her Trustee role with WRCT. This ended her tenure as the longest standing trustee by my records. Alex Hare and Joan Smith joined as new trustees and Andrew Austin took up the role of Chair. Finally, Wayne Morgan resigned from his role as club and Trustee treasurer as of end June 2017; he will transition his successor before eventually moving to Wanaka late 2017.

Current Trustees are Andrew Austin (Chair), Helen Algar, Wayne Morgan (Retiring Treasurer), Alexandra Hare, Martin Lenart, Kate Mitchell and Joan Smith. We meet as Trustees quarterly (February, May, August and November) and transacted by email on any issues arising between meetings.

Funds Management

Hobson Wealth (previously Macquarie Private Wealth) have again managed our funds this year, with their representative, Curtis O'Connor, reporting once per annum to the Trustees in person. We receive quarterly valuation reports and annual performance.

In addition to the income earned from the portfolio of investments, we oversee the donations received from club members to the trust, and we oversee the use of those funds predominantly in the same year as gifted. These funds can include regular weekly donations, one off lump sums, and in some cases the proceeds from fund raising events.

The portfolio totals approximately \$1.4M of combined funds as of June 2017.

Investments

Hobson Wealth continue to maintain a moderately conservative portfolio appropriate to the risk profile of the Trust. The asset allocation was set at 55 income /45 Growth and throughout the year and appeared to have been maintained broadly to this ratio*. Although overall returns from the portfolio have been strong this year, corporate debenture rates (fixed interest) have continued to decline. This has been offset by improved returns from equity investments.

*Late in the year the Trustees reviewed the Statement of Investment Policies and Objectives (SIPO) and determined that the portfolio had moved away from guidelines and was growing in risk within its fixed interest portfolio. Hobson Wealth confirmed the portfolio contained 67% subordinated securities versus the 40% maximum targeted by Hobson Guidelines (27% more than our SIPO range). Fixed Interest securities are included in a portfolio to protect the portfolio when

equity markets are weak; too high a level of subordinated debt (which more closely replicates equity performance) negates the purpose of fixed interest securities. The Trustees have sought to rectify this moving into the 2017/2018 year and will be implementing tighter protocols.

As the new chair, an immediate focus is to utilise my experience in investment management and strengthen the Governance structures and processes for the Trust. This includes revising and aligning the SIPO, reviewing communication processes between WRCT & the investment manager and finally ensuring strong visibility for all Trustees on investment decisions.

Annual Work Plan

The annual work programme was re-introduced this year and will be reviewed at each quarterly Trustee meeting to ensure that the work of the Trustees fulfilled the requirements of the Trust Deed and operating manual.

Grant Applications

The Trustees advised the Rotary President that funds available for distribution during the 2016/2017 year would be approximately \$70,000.

We have advised the same level of \$70,000 will be available to the president for the 2017/2018 year, with the potential to review and increase. We note that the portfolio has had excellent returns in the past 3+ years and therefore surplus is available. The Trustees will review and determine appropriate levels to hold back for future years (noting returns will not always be this strong) and what can be gifted now.

Promotion of the Trust and growing the Capital Fund

The Trust reports back to the Club from time to time with a presentation at a lunchtime meeting, both to demonstrate what has been achieved through grants made, and to encourage club members to consider supporting the Trust through either regularly pledged weekly donations at meetings, a lifetime gift, a bequest in their will, or a combination of these.

The Trustees discussed continuance of the discreet and confidential process to approach appropriate members (this was managed by Tricia Walbridge prior to her departure). It was determined this initiative would be put on hold for now and we would focus on improving the message presented quarterly to the members and explore stronger messages via the website.

Grants

Specific grants made from Trust accounts and paid in YE June 2017 were:-

Grants carried over from 2016 year

Autism New Zealand	\$10,000
Marine Education Centre	\$10,000
Wellington Free Ambulance Fit out	\$15,000
Tree planting – Rodent Control	\$3,000
Tree Planting – Trees	\$2,342
Linden 3D Printer Scope	\$1,879
Sky Hydrants – water projects	\$4,000
Emergency Response Kits	\$5,000
Sub Total	\$51,221

Grants Made from Bequest Accounts and paid in YE June 2017

Akina Awards (Learn Coach; Sub Urban)	\$10,000
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Skilled migrants support (lunches)	\$600
Tagata Matutua PIPC Newtown	\$5,000
Age Concern Newtown Older Adults Exercise Group	\$2,500
SCOPE establishment	\$1,932
Youth Awards	\$5,000
Kaka nesting boxes	\$2,500
Sub Total	\$17,532

Payments made from fundraising/Member Donations/Centenary funds

Gillies McIndoe Research Institute	\$11,339
Wellington Soup Kitchen	\$920
Kiri Te Kanawa Foundation	\$9,715
Sky Hydrants - water projects	\$4,000
Marine Education Centre	\$10,841
Wellington Children's Hospital	\$8,672
Wellington Men's Shed	\$2,168
Sub Total	\$47,695

Total paid in 2017 \$116,408

Grants approved in YE June 2017 but still to be paid from the Trust funds were:-

– Tawa schools for 3D printer	\$ 1,725
– Linden School for Chrome Books	\$ 3,000
– Total	\$ 4,725

Our sincere thanks

The continuing link between the Rotary Club of Wellington and the Wellington Rotary Charitable Trust is very important to the club and its

members. We, as Trustees, value the continuing ability to assist worthy groups and organisations because of the very good work by the Committee Chairs and the great work of their committees in finding worthy recipients and because of the generosity and foresight of earlier members and the ongoing generosity of existing members who donate funds to the trust.

I personally thank the Trustees for their commitment this year and acknowledge in particular Tricia and Wayne for their lengthy service to the Trust and the Club.

Rebecca Maresca's services were again invaluable in administering the Trust.

Andrew Austin
(Chair)

J R MCKENZIE YOUTH EDUCATION FUND

The committee continues to act on behalf of the JR McKenzie Youth Education Trustees in distributing funds for the purpose of school uniforms. Following the trial two years ago to bulk fund schools with a high need as measured by the decile rating we have now adopted this model across our region.

While we are still happy to receive request for funding directly or through local rotary Clubs we have found by utilising the school directly they can target those children that need uniforms and supply what's needed. We know the different schools have used different criteria for them uniforms. Some schools have brought a pool of uniforms that are

then allocated out while others use a more targeted approach by supplying individual uniform items to pupils.

For 2017 we have made 172 individual applications totalling \$31,305, and 10 applications were declined.

Bulk funding: \$34,000

Rangitikei College	\$2,000
Wanganui City College	\$2,500
Patea Area School	\$1,000
Wanganui Girls College	\$2,000
Paraparaumu College	\$ 3,200
Porirua College	\$ 3,500
Naenae College	\$ 3,500
Taita College	\$ 3,500
Bishop Viard	\$ 2,500
Mana College	\$ 3,000
Horowhenua College	\$ 3,500
Manawatu College	\$ 2,000
Makoura College	\$ 2,000

Once again a big thank you to my two fellow trustees for making this committee work so well.

Donna Dentice and Denise Church. We could not make such a difference without their hard work.

Grant Uridge
(Chair)

JOHN ILOTT CHARITABLE TRUST

One of the privileges of being elected President of the Rotary Club of Wellington (RCW), is that you get to be a member on the John Ilott Charitable Trust (JICT) for three years, and chair of the Trust in your year as President.

This meant that for 2016/17 the remaining JICT Trustees were Kerry Prendergast, Peter Lawson, Denis Kirkcaldie, and Administrator Rebecca Maresca.

Until I became a Trustee I didn't appreciate the deep relationship between the Ilott family and our club. John (Bert) Ilott was a charter member and subsequent president, and a District Governor when NZ was one District, going onto become Vice President of Rotary International. Bert hosted Paul Harris on his visit to Wellington in 1933. Bert's son Jack joined RCW in 1963 and was President in 1978. In 1992 the family handed control of the trust to RCW. In addition to the trustees, and recognising the limitations provided by an ever-changing trust board, the provision of an advisory board of not less than 2 and not more than 5 was established to maintain continuity.

For 2016/17, the John Ilott Advisory Committee (JIAC) was chaired by George Fairburn, supported by Peter Halstead, Grey Hughson, Keith Newell and Sue Patterson. The JIAC are the Trojans and backbone of the decision-making, reviewing all applications, which takes days. The JIAC tireless service before self is appreciated. For 2016/17 Craigs Investment Partners led by David Cheape provided outstanding service and advice to the trustees.

The JICT advised the JIAC that they had up to \$175K for distribution in 2016/17, and confirmed an upper limit per grant of \$2,000. In the end,

the JIAC received 162 grants, and approved 92 to a total of \$165,871.08. The balance was reinvested taking the portfolio value to \$3.754M.

Peter as the new Trustee, with his specialist background, reviewed the portfolio from inception into today's dollars. The review noted the original grants were \$1,000 to \$1,500, and today those grants would be \$1409 to \$2113, therefore the upper limit of \$2,000 was appropriate. Peter's review also highlighted that the total value of the fund is up \$700,000 in terms of real dollars, which highlights long-term good management of the trust is sound.

During the year, the asset allocation was reviewed and set at 50:50. It was also agreed to reduce NZ shares weighting and increase global shares. The JICT members congratulated Craigs on the performance of the portfolio, as the Trust is getting a good return while remaining reasonably conservative. While acknowledging this, the trustees discussed that as we have been with Craigs about seven years, and in the interests of good governance, that management of the fund be put out to the market in 2017/18.

Also during the year, the Administrator Rebecca refreshed the JICT Governance Manual. The Trustees acknowledge the effort required to achieve this.

Members of the RCW should be proud of the active and selfless dedication our club has to making a difference to humanity while honouring the intent on the trust. I thank members of both the JICT and the JIAC for their service. I wish President Peter and trustees every success in 2017/18.

Mark Wheeler

(Chair)

J R MCKENZIE TRUST REPORT

1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017

The Trust's Vision and Focus

The Trust's vision, adopted in 2010, is "A socially justice and inclusive Aotearoa New Zealand" with a focus on disadvantaged children and their families, and/or Maori development. The Trust makes responsive grants for projects that develop the capacities of organisations and their communities', Maori development projects and projects advocating for social change. It also funds the JR McKenzie Youth Education Trust that is administered entirely by Rotary.

The Trust's has two proactive work programmes. These are:

- The **Connecting Education and Communities** programme that seeks to enhance the long term opportunities for disadvantaged children and youth by strengthen the ownership of education within communities and strengthen the connections between communities and education. Joan Smith chairs the Committee governing this work programme.
- **The Te Kawai Toro** programme that lead's the Trust's involvement in Maori development. Trust Deputy Chair, Manaia King, chairs the Committee governing this work programme.

A Year of Personnel Changes at the Trust

Ian Hines, the Trust's long serving Executive Director, stepped down from this role in April 2017 and took on a new role as Project Manager for the Peter McKenzie project. Iain has been a leader in philanthropy in NZ and for the Trust. In recognition of his contribution to philanthropy in NZ Iain was awarded a Life Membership of Philanthropy NZ.

On 1 May Robyn Scott joined the Trust as its new Executive Director. Robyn brings a lot of experience and knowledge of philanthropy, NGOs and youth development to the Trust. She was CEO of Philanthropy NZ for 10 years, CEO of Aged Concern, a former Families Commissioner and Director, Ministry of Youth Development prior to being appointed Executive Director of the Trust. Robyn knew Sir Roy McKenzie well.

The Trust's long serving Administrator, Alison Glen, retired in February 2017. Helen Anderson is the Trust's new Administrator.

International Funders for Indigenous Peoples (IFIP) Pacific Regional Hui

In 2012 Berl undertook a survey of "Philanthropic Funding to Maori" for the Trust. The survey showed low rates of funding to Maori. As a result, the Trust set a goal to increase philanthropic funding to Maori.

On 8 & 9 May a very successful indigenous funders Hui was held in Otaki to encourage New Zealand and international funders to fund more indigenous groups and projects in New Zealand and the Pacific. 183 people registered for the Hui, one third from overseas. The Hui was a partnership between the Trust, the International Funders for Indigenous Peoples, Te Wanaga o Raukawa, Philanthropy NZ and Generosity NZ. The Hui exemplified why an Indigenous and intercultural valued-based approach to philanthropy matters said Lourdes Inga, Chair of IFIP. Holding the Hui at Te Wananga o Raukawa, NZ's first Indigenous university, gave participants an opportunity to see and experience the results of an Indigenous development plan(Whakatapuranga Rua Mano), begun 42 years ago.

Peter McKenzie Project

In early July 2017 the Trust launched the Peter McKenzie project that will fund good ideas that can reduce poverty. It is named after Sir Roy McKenzie's late son, Peter McKenzie, who died in 2012. Peter McKenzie seeded the idea of spending all of the funds of the Jayar Trust on one complex social issue over 20 years. Reducing poverty and other complex problems need thoughtful, joined-up solutions and a long time to turn around. Most funding doesn't have those long-term horizons. Rather than fund projects with a direct impact, like school lunches, the project is looking for ideas with "significant impact" that will positively change the way New Zealand operates. These ideas could be ones that change New Zealand's economy, education, employment, benefit or health systems.

Poverty Action Projects and Social Justice Projects

A number of the groups that the Trust has funded that advocate for social change to reduce child poverty and the disproportionately large number of young Maori imprisoned have successfully influenced the social policies of the newly elected Labour-led government. These groups include the Child Poverty Action Group (CAPG); The Living Wage Movement; JustSpeak and ActionStation. For the past five years the Trust has also jointly funded the production of the annual Child Poverty Monitor with the Office of the Children's Commissioner and Otago University's NZ Child and Youth Epidemiology Service.

Grants

In the year ending 30 June 2017 over \$2.6 million of responsive grants were made to community groups, social service organisations and Maori organisations for projects that contribute to the vision of the

Trust. Seven new grants totalling \$0.812m were made to organisations in District 9940, one in Whanganui, one in Otaki, two in Porirua and four in Wellington.

Organisations funded in District 9940 during the year were:

- ActionStation Aotearoa
- Ara Taiohi Incorporated
- Blueprint Community Trust
- JustSpeak
- Kites Trust
- Living Wage Movement Aotearoa New Zealand
- Mana Tane Ora O Aotearoa
- NZ Drug Foundation
- Presbyterian Support Central – Family Works
- Te Reanga Ipurangi Otaki Education Trust & Te Mana O Kupe
- The Children's Commissioner and the NZ Child & Youth Epidemiology Service
- The Maoriland Hub
- Tu Kotahi Maori Asthma Trust
- Waipesi
- Wesley Community Action

Joan Smith

Trustee JR McKenzie Trust and Chair, Wellington Regional Panel

COMMITTEES – 2016/2017

DIRECTORS

Community Service

Karen Coutts (Chair), Roger Blakeley, Sue Elsworth, David Henderson, Raewyn Hailes, Martin Lenart, Wayne Nyberg, Joan Smith, Brian Steele, Janice Wilson

International

Laurie Wilson, (Chair), Peter Bushnell, Charles Finny, John Fletcher, Peter Lawson, John Luxton, Youssef Mourra, William Sommerville, Brian Steele, Sam Stevens, Neil Taylor, Karen Thomas

Membership

Peter Cornish (Chair), Roger Miller, Kate Mitchell, Youssef Mourra, Rama Ramanathan, Prashanta Mukherjee, Geoff Shaw

Strategy

Peter Cornish (Chair), Grant Foggo, Peter Lawson, Youssef Mourra, Owen Gibson

Vocational

Andrew Miller (Chair), Siah Hwee Ang, Andrew Austin, Bice Awan, Geoff Bascand, John Emanuel, Derek Gill, Graeme Hall, Ramsey Margolis, Murray Milner, John Prebble, Rachel Qi

Youth

Andrew Jackson (Chair), Dean Blair, Tracy Brown, Hannah Carter, Wheldon Curzon-Hobson, Karen Doucas, Tony Hassed, Olivier Lacoua, Terry Shubkin, Mark Stephens

Projects

James Austin (Chair)

Forum

Tony Hassed (Convenor), Mark Woodard (Lead), Helen Algar, Roger Blakeley, John Cook, Karen Coutts, Alexandra Hare, Kevin Lavery, Grant Uridge

Eureka

Francis Wevers (National Convenor), John Emanuel (RCW National Events Coordinator), James Austin, Russ Ballard, John Boshier, Stephen Brown, Alexandra Hare, Andrew Jackson, Peter Lawson, Patrick McArdell, Kate Mitchell, Lesley Moffat, Anthony Scott, Joan Smith, Laurie Wilson, Euan Wright

Tree Planting

- Ongoing Planting and Maintenance: Ian Prisk (Convenor), John Rowe, Susan Satyanand
- Forest at the Heart of Wellington: Richard Norman
- Vermin Trapping: Donna Dentice

Jumbo Tennis

Hannah Carter (Event Convenor), Helen Hancox (Franchising Convenor), Peter Cornish, Gray Hughson, Oliver Ibbetson Tuku Kururangi, Duncan McDonald, Youssef Mourra, Keith Newell, John Rowe, William Sommerville

Club Service Committees

Peter Lawson (Chair)

Fellowship

Geoff Eades (Convenor), Stuart Brooker, John Cook, Michaela Draper, Robert Fisher, Ralph Green, Peter Halsted, Helen Hancox, Gillian Jones, Lesley Moffat, Keith Newell, Sue Paterson, John Rowe, Susan Satyanand

Fundraising

John Boshier (Convenor), Russ Ballard, Leanne Dey, Alexandra Hare, Gillian Jones, Olivier Lacoua, Duncan McDonald, Andrew Miller, Murray Milner, Sue Paterson, Mark Stephens, Suzanne Snively, William Sommerville, Heather Verry

Website/Public Image/Communications

Michaela Draper (Convenor), Marion Cowden, Alexandra Hare, Grant Foggo, Susan Satyanand

Newsletter

Leanna Dey, Ramsey Margolis, Rachel Tilghman, Susan Satyanand, Lee Wilkinson,

Door Welcoming

Johnny Johnson (Convenor), John Nimmo, Euan Wright

Inductions

James Austin (Convenor), Russ Ballard, Tony Hassed

Attendance Desk

Bob Stannard (Convenor), George Fairbairn, John Hall, Johnny Johnson

Introductions

David Wells (Convenor), Joan Smith

Luncheon Arrangements

John Gibbons, Patrick McArdell

Luncheon – Grace

Denzil Brown (Convenor)

Member Support

George Fairbairn (Convenor), Jenny Button, Brian McKeon, Colleen Singleton

Music/ Premier House Function

Sue Paterson

Speakers' Programme

Susan Satyanand (Convenor), Russ Ballard, Karen Coutts, Marion Cowden, Lesley Moffat, Colleen Singleton, Joan Smith, Suzanne Snively, Mark Wheeler

Sergeants

Grant Uridge (Convenor), James Austin, Tracy Brown, Duncan McDonald, William Sommerville

5 minute Talks

Peter Bushnell

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Centennial

Colleen Singleton (RCW Convenor), Marion Cowden (RCW Zone Rep) Helen Hancox, Brian McKeon, Richard Norman, Sarah Owen, Lee Wilkinson (RCW Zone Rep)

Club Records

Brian McKeon (Convenor), Helen Hancox, Euan Wright

John Ilott Advisory Committee

George Fairbairn (Chair), Peter Halsted, Gray Hughson, Keith Newell, Sue Paterson

John Ilott Charitable Trust

Mark Wheeler, (Chair), Kerry Prendergast, Denis Kirkcaldie, Peter Lawson

J R McKenzie Trust

Joan Smith

J R McKenzie Youth Education Fund

Grant Uridge (Regional Chair and National Trustee), Denise Church, Donna Dentice

Wellington Rotary Charitable Trust

Andrew Austin, Helen Algar, Alexandra Hare, Martin Lenart, Kate Mitchell, Wayne Morgan

ADVISORS TO THE BOARD

Honorary Solicitor

Roger Miller

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Honorary Members

Prime Minister, Rt Hon John Key
Celia Wade-Brown, Mayor of Wellington
John Dew, Archbishop of Wellington
Justin Duckworth, Bishop of Wellington
Grant Robertson, MP for Wellington Central

MEMBERS ON DISTRICT COMMITTEES

Marion Cowden – District Foundation Committee, Scholarship subcommittee Chair
Donna Dentice – RYLA
Ray Matthews – RYLA
Anthony Scott – Secretary, District Advisory Committee and Minutes Secretary, District Board
Joan Smith – District Trustee, JR McKenzie Trust
Lee Wilkinson – District 9940 Assistant Governor