

Rotary Club of Wellington (RCW) Annual Report 2024-25



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Is it the **TRUTH**?

Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?

Will it build **GOODWILL** and
BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all
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The Rotary Four Way Test

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THE YEAR IN A PAGE – POSITIVE CHANGE

Supporting 55 charities to run programmes for women, children and education \$145,000 (John Ilott Trust)

Strengthening democracy for over 100 senior Wellington Region secondary students (\$5,000)

Supporting vulnerable adults -Sisters of Compassion – Soup kitchen \$2,000

Supporting public health services - Wellington Hospitals Foundation \$18,079

\$830 fundraised for End Polio Now

Research & services improving lives of older Wellington adults \$12,000

Supporting education for youth at risk: Te Ara School Supporting Te Ara school with sporting equipment & books \$4,000

Developing youth leadership – RYLA Rotary youth leadership programmes (two) and two RYPEN participants \$2,500

Develop female senior school science students Innovative Youth Minds scholarships (1) \$1,150

Youth mental wellbeing uplifted Rotary Lifting the Lid \$10,000

Wellington Heritage Week Festival revitalized 150 events in 2024

Jumbo Tennis – fundraiser \$13,000 for Wellington Children's Hospital

Revitalisation of club, new members, whole club effort, stopped decline.

Pacific children's lives saved - vaccination programme achieved its goals,

Uniforms for students at 18 Decile 1-3 schools \$138,753 facilitated 2024-25 Via J.R. McKenzie Trust Youth Education Fund.

\$7,000 New initiative to support older Pacific people in Porirua through social engagement

Fellowship & Membership

26 club meetings, with broad and varied speakers

Memorable fellowship cultural activities,

Paul Harris gatherings, book clubs

Enduring Club financial and trust structures

John Ilott Charitable Trust Deed - new deed submitted.

Review of club constitution.

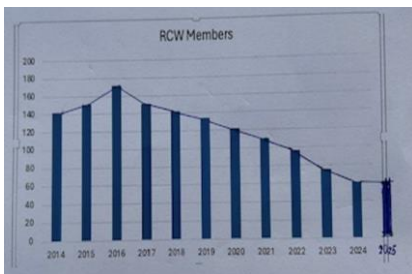
President's report 2024-25 year



Ngā mihi nui i
karapu Rotari o Te
Whanganui a Tara

When I became
President in June
2024, I said my
priority would be
'Revitalising

Membership'. The challenge we faced is shown in the graph below. In 2014, our Club had 140 members. It grew to 170 members by 2016. From 2016 to 2024, we had a trend line of net loss of 14 members each year down to 60 members at the start of 2024/25.



I enlisted the help of 8 Club members on a President's working group. Four of us interviewed almost all of the current, and past members who had left since January 2023. Thank you to all of you who gave us your free and frank feedback!

The Task Force divided actions into three workstreams: 'Recruitment', 'Retention', and 'Actions to increase the Club's credibility and visibility'. We started off talking about 'Revitalising Membership'. We quickly realised our task together was "Revitalising our Club".

President Elect Lynn McKenzie, as our Membership portfolio leader, ensured that all new members were actively welcomed and given a significant role in the Club. In the 6 months to the end of 2024, we had more people joining the Club than leaving the Club - for the first time since 2016.

We listened to what our Members wanted. The first big decision was to change the venue back

to the Wellington Club, for its greater accessibility. Also, Jane McCann facilitated 'World Café Conversations' to get feedback from all Club members on our future directions.

Jumbo Tennis on 7 March 2025 was a big success, thanks to Peter Steel and a great team, and we raised \$22,792 for the Hospitals' Foundation, 'Lifting the Lid' supporting youth mental health and Central Tennis.

Allan Frost and the Community Services Committee, and Club Trust Committee Chair Joan Smith, led our Club's kaupapa on Community Service with total grants of \$55,559 in 2024/25.

John Boshier led revitalising the Club's 'having more fun' social programme. Past President Julie Haggie and Lee Wilkinson revitalised our website, and Lee and Ayesha Shakya re-energised and extended our social media presence into LinkedIn and Instagram. Janice Wilson reenergised our Lunch meetings with top speakers on topical subjects.

The RCW Board commissioned Treasurer Allan Frost to undertake a review of our Club fees, which led to Board approval of a reduction by \$120pa of Club fees to \$492pa, and commitment to an annual review of Club fees to seek further reductions.

By the end of the 24/25 year we had 59 members plus Tamatha Paul MP an Honourable Member. That brought us level with our membership of 60 members at the start of the 24/25 year. If we had done nothing in 2024/25, we would likely have followed the trend line of net loss of 14 members per year, and be down to 46 members and probably worrying about the survival of the Club. Instead with President Lynn's 'ginger group' on membership exploring innovative opportunities, I am sure we are looking forward to growth of the Club again.

Roger Blakeley
President 2024-25

Satellite Club



During the fiscal year the Rotary Club of Wellington agreed to sponsor the establishment of a Satellite Club to be led initially by PDG Gillian Jones and to be physically based in the Wairarapa.

This Club, with a required minimum membership of eight, is currently in the process of building its membership and clarifying its direction.

This new style Club will be cause-based, rather than traditionally administered and its focus will be Literacy – a key Rotary emphasis worldwide. All current Wairarapa Clubs have been included in communications re development and support for working together where appropriate is being encouraged.

New rules

In anticipation of the receipt of a new model Rotary Club Constitution and associated Bylaws, the Board undertook an initial review of the Bylaws and how they should be amended. A new constitution - complying with the requirements of Incorporated Societies Act 2022 - along with a new set of Bylaws, will be presented to the members of the Rotary Club of Wellington for approval in late 2025."

Thanks to Derek Gill for leading this project, and Anthony Scott for leading at the District Level.

Communications & Social Media 2024-25

Led by Lee Wilkinson, this year we have increased our presence on social media with two Facebook and one Linked In posts per week. We're focusing the Face Book posts at older potential members and keeping current members engaged. With LinkedIn, we're targeting younger professionals. Instagram is also up and running and anecdotal evidence that this social media effort is playing an important part in attracting and retaining new members.

The newsletter has been shifted to Clubrunner which makes it easier to connect to members. Thanks to Ayesha Shakya, Ben Mack and Lee Wilkinson.



Grants & Service

Nā tō rourou, nā taku rourou

ka ora ai te iwi

With your food basket and my
food basket the people will thrive

Community Services Committee (CSC)

Allan Frost – Chair

Members: *Allan Frost (Chair), Raewyn Hailes, Christine Hurley, Jane McCann, Lynn McKenzie, Susan, Lady Satyanand, Joan Smith, Dr Janice Wilson, Dr Neil Matson and Robin van Ausdall.*

The Community Services Committee exists to support our Rotary Club of Wellington lead positive social change in the communities in which we serve. Particularly to consider diverse, disabled and disadvantaged populations in our ‘service’ work and in our funding.

We aim to judiciously manage, monitor and steward the three funds that we make recommendations to, through the RCW Board. These are the RCW Trust Fund, the Bernie Knowles Bequest and the Knowles-Salmon Bequest – each has its own funding criteria – Joan Smith as RCW’s Granting Director plays a major role administering these funds.

Our goals include supporting social enterprise (funding medical scholarship research on the needs of the elderly). Supporting the building and work of the City Mission-Whakamaru; supporting youth to stay out of the justice system through Te Ara School and helping the Compassion Soup Kitchen clothe the homeless.



Whāia te iti kahurangi Te Ara School

Te Ara takes up to 20 teenage students who are referred there for behavioural reasons by a cluster of local secondary schools. It provides a mix of education, personal development and career-focused activities to help the students either reintegrate into mainstream education or move on to paid employment or work-related studies.

Over the years, our Club has contributed funds for IT systems, computers, books (including those designed for autistic readers), arts materials and sports gear. We have also collected practical items donated by individual Rotarians in response to the school's specifications. Committee members keep in regular touch with the school and its needs.

In 2024 our Committee proposed a three-year grant of \$6,000, with \$2,000 to be disbursed annually. The first tranche of funds in 2024/25 was used for specialised books, sports equipment and other activities. On 12 May 2025, Director Donna Murray and one of her students addressed the Club in a well-received talk about the scope of Te Ara’s work and its high success rate.



In March 2025 the Soup Kitchen put out a call for warm clothing and sleeping bags for Wellington’s most needy citizens. Our Club stepped up and provided:

Warm men’s shoes – new	12	Sleeping Bags	4
Parkas – waterproof	22	Hygiene Products	5 boxes
Waterproof jackets & leggings	31	Toothpaste & Brushes	60
Fleeces	11	Hats/scarves	38
Merino jerseys	48	Warm Socks - pairs	80
Woollen jumpers thick - outer	33		

We collected warm clothes from club members, our local communities (churches and book clubs) and donated \$2,000 from the Wellington Rotary Charitable Trust. Pictured here Robin van Ausdall presenting our donation to Sam Johnson, Manager Soup Kitchen. Huge thanks to Bunnings Warehouse Petone for their generous donation of socks, hats, waterproof jackets and leggings.



The Committee and Club continued to strengthen and support the work of the Wellington City Mission. President Roger Blakeley and President Elect Lynn McKenzie and Committee members Janice Wilson and Joan Smith attended the opening of Whakamaru, the City Mission’s new office, cafe and community services building in Mount Cook, in October 2024.

The Bernie Knowles and Knowles-Salmon bequests provided a grant of \$50,000 to fit out one of the medical rooms.

The CSC Committee held its May 2025 meeting at Whakamaru.

Public Health Medical Scholarships funded by the Knowles-Salmon Bequest

The Committee continued its strong relationship with Otago University’s School of Medicine at Wellington. The Knowles-Salmon bequest funded two student summer scholarships to research two key issues for older Wellingtonians.

Michael Lau researched the access of older Wellingtonians to health services via public transport. Kathy Nam researched the trends and implications of housing tenure of older Wellingtonians. A key finding was that older people living in central Wellington had the best access to health services via public transport. Another key finding was growing numbers of people over 65 years are living in rented accommodation.

OMAI FA'ATASI - COME TOGETHER - Aged Concern Pilot on Reducing Loneliness with Older Pacific Island People

A grant of \$7,000 was given to Aged Concern in the 2023-24 year to undertake a year-long pilot programme addressing loneliness with older Pacific Island people in Cannon's Creek. Aged Concern provided a once-a-month programme of activities ending with exercises and lunch.

The programme included speakers who discussed how to navigate the social welfare and health systems for older people and a trip to Te Papa to discuss the cultural meaning and use of Pacific Island artifacts with museum curators. The programme has been expanded to Waitangirua in Porirua and to Naenae in Lower Hutt.

The pilot highlighted several unexpected challenges and barriers to participation in activities especially transport and physical disabilities.

As a result of the pilot the focus of the programme will pivot from group activities to a one-on-one service focused on navigating the social welfare and health systems for older people.



Other Service Work

Our Committee's other acts-of-service involve us supporting our own and District clubs with Jumbo Tennis helping to fund the Children's Hospital Foundation. We stretched ourselves with quiz nights raising



money for suicide prevention (supporting Rotary's regional initiative Lifting the Lid on Suicide).

Club members also rattled the bucket for Heart Kids,

packed the bus for the City Mission, and wrapped presents for children and families.

Thanks and Appreciation

Special thanks to President Dr Roger Blakeley for his leadership this year

I would also like to thank the members of the Committee. I am always surprised with their passion and energy to make Wellington a better place for all. A special thank you goes to Jane McCann who provides the secretariat backbone to the Committee

Wellington Rotary Charitable Trust

Trust members 2023-24: Joan Smith (Chair)
Gray Hughston, Joy Tracey, Andrew Austin,
Brent Allcock, Jon Beck

Purpose:

The Trust's purpose is to enable the members and friends of the Rotary Club of Wellington to fulfill their mission to assist deserving communities in Wellington and nationally across New Zealand and the Pacific. The Trust invests capital funds received from members and friends' bequests to generate income which together with fundraising by the Rotary Club of Wellington and members donations are distributed for charitable purposes. Grants are made to organisations and individuals on the recommendation of the Club's Board.

Sources of Trust Income

The trust has the following sources of income:

- *Investment income* from its investment portfolio (\$1.78 million at 30 June 2025) managed by Forsyth Barr. Includes dividends on the Rangatira shares gifted by former club member Sir Roy McKenzie. Income received in the 2024-25-year net of investment and trust administration expenses was \$38,320 (\$30,493 in 2023-24).
- *Regular donations* from Rotary Club of Wellington members - \$10,180 (\$12,650 in 2023-24).
- *Fundraising* by Rotary Club of Wellington - \$20,822 (Jumbo Tennis & End Polio Now Donations) (\$7,267 in 2023-24).
- *Bequests* received by the Trust (capital is inflation indexed) – No new bequests.

Grants made in 2024-25

With the last of the Centennial grants being paid in 2023-24, the focus of grants made by the Trust returned to youth projects, research and services to improve the lives of older and other disadvantaged Wellingtonians and international Rotary projects. No call was made on the ERKS (Emergency Relief Kits) provision of \$12,000 for cyclone damage in the Pacific.

The tables on the next page below have details of the grants received by organisations and Rotary programmes in the 2024-25 year and budgeted to receive grants in the 2025-26 year

Other Trust Activities

Drafting of a new Trust Deed started in the 2023-24 year was completed in the 2024-25 year. The new deed was registered with the Companies Office on 4 December 2024. It includes changes in charities and trust legislation and improvement to the governance of the Trust.

With the merger of the trust's investment manager, Hobson Wealth into Forsyth Barr, the trust reviewed the performance of its investment advice and management arrangements. Following the review Investment advice and management was moved to Forsyth Barr Lower Hutt. Forsyth Barr manage the trust's investment under a Discretionary Investment Management plan following a balanced income and growth portfolio plan.

Grants made in 2024-25 by category and outcomes.

Category of Charitable Grants	Amount \$	Outcomes
Rotary Community Grants supporting democracy & vulnerable Wellingtonians	25,079	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joint Cullen-Rotary Club of Wellington Strengthening Democracy project for senior Wellington Region secondary students (\$5,000) • Supporting vulnerable adults -Sisters of Compassion – Soup kitchen (\$2,000) • Supporting public health services - Wellington Hospitals Foundation (\$18,079 - \$5,000 held over from 2023-24)
Rotary International Grants	830	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ending Polio Now • Note \$12,000 for ERKS in Pacific not needed.
Research & services improving lives of older Wellington adults	12,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two summer student scholarship; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Accessibility of Wellington public transport to health services for older adults ○ Trends & implications of housing tenure of older adults
Youth Support	17,650	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting Te Ara school with sporting equipment & books (\$4,000) • Developing youth leaders -Scholarships (3) to Rotary youth leadership programmes -RLYA (2) & RYPEN (1) (\$2,500) • Innovative Youth Minds scholarships (1) to develop female senior school science students (\$1,150) • Funding Rotary's "Lifting the Lid" project to improve the mental health of school students (\$10,000)
Total	\$55, 559	

Grants to Organisations and Rotary Programmes in 2024-25

The table below has details of the grants received by organisations and Rotary programmes in the 2024-25 year.

Organisation/Rotary programme	2024-25 Year	Fund Source
Rotary Community Grants: Strengthening Democracy Project	5,000	Trust Club Funds
Sisters of Compassion/DCM	2,000	Trust Club Funds
Wellington Hospitals Foundation &/or other community groups (Jumbo Tennis)	18,079	Jumbo Tennis fundraising
Otago University Summer Student Scholarships \$6k each	12,000	Knowles – Salmon Bequest
Improving services to older Wellington adults	Nil	Bernie Knowles Bequest
Rotary International Emergency Response Kits (ERKs) for Pacific Islands disasters (as needed)	Nil	Trust Club funds
End Polio Now	830	End Polio Fundraising
Lifting the Lid Youth project	10,000	Trust Club funds
Rotary youth leadership & science programmes	3,650	Trust Club Funds
Te Ara School – supporting secondary school youth	4,000	Trust Club Funds
Total	\$55,559	

John Ilott Charitable Trust

Trustees 2024-25: Roger Blakeley (Chair), Julie Haggie, Lynn McKenzie

Advisory Committee: George Fairbairn (Chair), Duncan McDonald, Irina Francken, Ute Partridge, Neil Matson, Joan Smith

The John Ilott Trust was established in 1960 by Sir John Ilott (1884-1973), a keen Rotarian. The initial small bequest was grown by Jack Ilott, John’s son and other Ilott family members, and now sits at just under \$4 million.

Under the Trust Deed the Trustees are the sitting President, the immediate past-President

and the President-Elect of the RCW. The Trustees are responsible for overall governance of the fund including grant-allocation decisions on the advice of the Advisory Committee (also RCW members),.

The funds are managed by Forsyth Barr Investment Services and Craigs Investment Partners. As well as grant allocations, the funds are used to pay expenses incurred in managing the Trust.

During the year the Trust also proceeded with its court application to update the Trust Deed.

2024 Application round

	2024 grant round (2024-25 year)	2023 grant round (2023-24 year)
Number of applications received	122	110
Amount sought	\$394,000	\$394,986
Grants approved -number	55	63
Grants approved - value	\$139,000	\$152,220
Rotating Grant	\$6,000 (CCS)	\$6,000 (Hearing Association)
Total Grants for the year	\$145,000	\$158,220

During October 2024, the John Ilott Charitable Trust received 122 grant applications from registered New Zealand-based charities. It approved 55, totaling \$139,000.

A further \$6,000 was granted to CCS, which is one of the five recipients identified by former Trustee Jack Ilott, for additional funding on a rotational basis.

In 2024, the most frequently identified criteria applied to grant applications is “Social Connection and Parenting”, used in 83 applications. This is followed by “Family Support” in 72 applications and “Community Education” in 58 applications.

Four organisations were approved for \$5,000 grants, two were approved for \$3,500 grants,

28 were approved for \$2,500 grants, and 21 were approved for \$2,000 grants.

In 2024 charities in Auckland received the most grants (15); charities in Wellington received 13. 71% of the applications came from the North Island, 9% fewer than last year. No applications were received from organisations in Gisborne, Hawkes Bay, Taranaki, Marlborough, Southland or West Coast regions. There are no geographic restrictions in making the grants and the Advisory Committee made efforts to ensure the funding round was well known.

There are always more applications than funding available. Those less likely to be approved include financial reasons such as ‘Poor financial Base’; or failures to meet the criteria.

Examples of grant use in 2024

"Thanks to the generous support of The John Illott Charitable Trust, Women's Support Motueka was able to run our "Understanding Trauma and Dealing with Disclosures of Family Violence" workshops in September 2025. These workshops strengthened our community's ability to respond when someone discloses family harm and gave participants the confidence and skills to recognise trauma and respond with empathy."

"Providing student financial assistance has enabled seven young learners to access the support they need, which they otherwise would have missed out on due to the cost locally. Providing PD for our teachers contributes to the ongoing betterment of teachers who need information and understanding of SLD and how to identify it in their students/classrooms."

"We sought funding to support the Nest Collective's operating costs. The funding went towards expenses such as administration, salaries, volunteer support and community outreach. The central operations are integral to our organisation's ability to meet the growing demand for our packs. With support from JICT and other funders, we will be able to meet demand and look to grow our footprint from a solid foundation."

"Kaibosh purchased 12 new trolleys - four for each of our sites in Wellington, Hutt Valley & Kāpiti at a value of \$3508 (excl GST). We utilised the \$2000 grant from JICT to help purchase these trolleys. The new trolleys have become an essential tool in our day-to-day operations."

"The grant was used to deliver a six-week Toolbox parenting course, 3x parenting workshops, and six drumming workshops for kids during 2025. The grant was spent on Parenting Place license fees, food, parenting resources, course administration, and guest speaker and facilitator costs. The purpose of the Toolbox parenting courses & workshops is to support parents to stop abuse & violence in their homes, and help them raise children to live flourishing, abuse-free lives."

"The grant supported Cholmondeley Children's Centre's Intermediate Boys' Weekends. These three-night stays are held quarterly for tama (boys) aged 10-13 and are designed to build confidence, resilience, and wellbeing during the challenging pre-teen years. The grant enabled Cholmondeley to provide engaging and meaningful activities that encouraged the boys to step outside their comfort zones in a safe and supportive environment, while also giving their whānau a period of respite."

"The funding was used to support the purchase of items included in care packs (essential items such as clothing, shoes, toiletries and bedding and books, toys and something to cuddle) , for children aged newborn to 17 years old, who are being raised in care. Two seasonal care packs are distributed annually to children registered for ongoing support , as well as one-off emergency packs that enable children to transition into care just a little bit easier."

"This grant allowed us to provide our tāngata whai ora with healthy meals during the six-weeks they spend on their programme at Whakamātūtū (Building depression recovery through nutrition and community connection). There is a strong link between nutrition and mental health, with high intakes of fruit, vegetables, whole grain, olive oil, low-fat dairy and antioxidants and low intakes of animal foods being associated with a decreased risk of depression."

RCW Youth focus

*Khudi ko kar bulund itna ke har taqdeer se pehle
khuda banday se khud poochay, bata teri raza
kya hai*

Raise your Selfhood to the level at which, before scripting every destiny, Providence itself asks you, 'tell me what you wish'.

A couplet in Urdu (Pakistan's national language) by the twentieth century poet-philosopher Iqbal
Contributed by HE Faisal Ahmed, RCW member 2025

Strengthening Democracy

Peter Cullen Donna Dentice. Lynn McKenzie

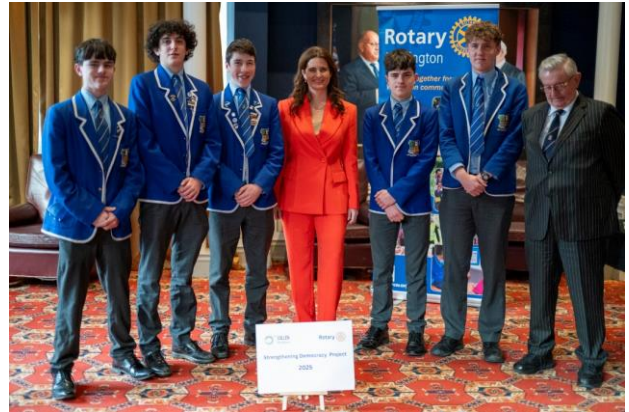
This 5-month programme continued in its third year to encourage senior secondary school students to increase their understanding of democracy; to identify its strengths and weaknesses; to appreciate the way the democratic process plays out and to encourage active participation in the democratic process

The programme was conceived by, and is led by Peter Cullen.

Our club contributed \$5,000 to this year's Democracy Project, which has a total budget of \$12,000. The project involves 69% of senior secondary schools in Greater Wellington and is free for students. Members of RCW contribute to the voluntary powerhouse behind the project.

This year students were given a democracy-focused topic *"Design a project for a particular demographic or group to help them understand our political and constitutional structure so that they realise they have a "position in politics" and a vested interest at some level."*

On Tuesday, 22 July 2025 Hon. Nicola Willis presented certificates to participants. Later in July, winners spend an action-packed day at Parliament, meeting with political parties, Supreme Court officials, and the Ombudsman.



The winning team was from St Patricks, Kilbirnie. Targeting new migrants, they created an interactive app showing how votes turn into parliamentary seats and how under MMP that leads to the need for coalitions.



Hon Nicola Willis & Organising Team

Just a few of the Strengthening Democracy speakers in 2025

Colin Keating spoke on international perspective on threats to democracy and how this impacts NZ.

Una Jagose KC, Solicitor-General spoke on her role, the rule of law, including the independence of the judiciary and our system of government according to law.

Jacqui Caine (Ngāi Tahu, Kāti Māmoe, Waitaha) was the NZ Ambassador to Chile. She talked about the importance of the Treaty of Waitangi to New Zealand democracy.

Sir Anand Satyanand spoke on Strengths and weaknesses of democracy in a multicultural society

Hon Chris Hipkins talked about why he became involved in politics and what he has achieved.

Katherine Rich Business New Zealand and Richard Wagstaff New Zealand Council of trade unions spoke about how their organisations strengthen democracy.

Hon Tama Potaka, Minister of Māori development – the Treaty of Waitangi

Tamatha Paul, MP for Wellington Central

Anita Baker, Mayor of Porirua City, talked about democracy at the local level.

Richard Chambers: Commissioner of Police talked about upholding democracy.

David Farrar: Political Polster and Commentator talked about challenges to democracy.

Judge Peter Boshier, former principal Family Court judge, Law Commissioner and recently retired Chief Ombudsman spoke on democracy and the law.



Students at the Supreme Court



Richard Chambers, Police Commissioner 1



Students at the Supreme Court

J.R. McKenzie Trust

Youth Education Fund

Donna Dentice (Chair, J.R.McKenzie Youth Education Fund) Denise Church, Jordan Shaw, John Boshier

The J. R. McKenzie Youth Education Fund works to provide needy students with school uniforms in an effort to encourage those students to attend school more regularly. As a result, it is hoped that they will gain better academic qualifications which, in turn, should lead to better outcomes beyond school.

The J. R. McKenzie Trust provides the income to the fund, and in the 2024-25 year it contributed \$108,000 to District 9940, for which the fund, the schools, the students and their families were very grateful.

This, combined with the \$30,753.79 residual in the account, meant Rotary District 9940 had \$138,753 to distribute in the second half of 2024-25 year.

The Fund provides funding through two channels: Individual student applications (accompanied by third-party endorsements); and Bulk funding provided to low decile, mainly public, secondary schools in the District 9940 area which runs from New Plymouth to Taihape, down to Dannevirke and through the Wairarapa to Wellington, and then up through the Kapiti Coast to Whanganui.

This current list of bulk funded schools is

- Patea Area School
- Whanganui City College
- Whanganui Girls' College
- Rangitikei College
- Queen Elizabeth College
- Manawatu College
- Horowhenua College
- Waiopahu College
- Porirua College
- Mana College
- Bishop Viard College

- Taita College
- Naenae College
- Makoura College
- Wainuiomata High School
- Taihape Area School
- Ruapehu College
- Taumarunui High School
- Tararua College

The Fund is very pleased to report that, with the inclusion of Tararua College in the stable, it has all decile one to three schools in the Rotary District 9940 involved in the scheme.

Funding allocation is based on roll numbers. The Fund was also able to give each school a mid-year top up of 20% of their base grant.

Each school distributed their funding in a way that was appropriate to the culture of the school, and the needs of its' students.

Each school provides an annual report detailing how the funding had been used. The Trustees then considered each report, and schools were not refunded unless their reports were approved.

This system proved to be a particularly successful way of getting funding to the most needy students.

Individual Applications

This financial year we received 41 individual applications, 3 of which were declined and 5 withdrawn. Those that were approved and paid totalled \$9000.

This leaves residual funding in the scheme at \$9973.79, which should be adequate to allow funding allocations to be made for individual applications before the next allocation of funding income.

Donna Dentice
Chair, J. R. McKenzie Youth Education Fund
Rotary District 9940

Lifting the Lid on youth mental health In Wellington



The Lifting the Lid programme is now three years old having been launched in August 2022 by the Rotary Club of Port Nicholson.

The project was developed to provide

funds to colleges and schools so they can source additional or complementary interventions for students who have or are at risk of developing mental health issues. RCW provides \$10,000 funding each year.

Our Why

The Unicef report on child wellbeing of 36 OECD countries published in 2025 highlighted amongst other things that New Zealand is bottom of the ranking for mental wellbeing; and has the highest suicide rate in the OECD survey of 36 countries for 15–19-year-olds.

Key Achievements and Progress

The programme went live in August of 2022 with 4 schools. 9 further schools were added in 2023/24 and one in 2025 (10 Colleges and 4 Intermediate schools).

All seven Wellington Rotary Clubs are supporting the initiative, and all funds are used for Wellington schools. As at 31st of December 2024, 623 students were supported through approximately 600 sessions. As of August 31st, 2025, 526 students have been supported through 683 sessions. In total, since the inception of the

From the relentless onslaught of online bullying to the anxiety of climate change, together with after-effects of the Covid pandemic, our rangatahi face pressures like never before. School resources are overstretched, leaving many students without the support they desperately need.

programme, Lifting the Lid has supported 1293 students through 1537 sessions.

In addition to psychiatric services for such illnesses as eating disorders, self-harm etc the programme has also underwritten programmes for equine therapy, boxing programmes, cyber security, neurodiversity programmes, canine therapy etc.

The feedback and comments from the schools continue to be positive and most encouraging. Clearly the programme is having a significant impact on the schools and their ability to address students with mental health issues.

Financial Performance and Budget

In 2024 the programme raised \$58,000 of which \$48,328 was used to support the students with mental health issues. In 2025 the budget is \$90,000. In addition to the funds provided by the combined Rotary Clubs of Wellington the programme has benefited from generous donations from two Trusts and Charities to the tune of \$25,000.

The LTL team are now assessing how to measure the social impact of the programme, and to raise its profile in the media.



Rotary Youth Leadership Award 2025

RCW sponsored two RYLA participants this year. Julie Haggie and Richard Munro worked on this project

Tara has undertaken several leadership roles including head of international



students at her school. She participated in the Strengthening Democracy Project and that gave her an insight into the importance of democratic system and leaders. This inspired her to improve her own personal leadership qualities.

Leo was keen to develop and expand his leadership skills, gain confidence in communicating with larger groups, and learn strategies to inspire positive change across different



groups. By doing so he hopes to further his goal for spreading disability awareness and making sports accessible to everyone. He is also hoping to meet new people, develop new connections and make new friendships.

RYLA 2025 was a huge success with 26 participants sponsored by 20 Rotary clubs in D9940, including two by Rotary Club of Wellington: Tara Bayly and Leo Hoffman.

RYLA is designed for young adults 18-24 years. Participants may be in employment (from trades to professionals), undertaking study, competitive sport, recipients of community awards or similar.

It is a challenging annual five days live-in experience designed to help individuals develop growth within themselves and their communities through harnessing their leadership potential.

“The enthusiasm that these young people showed and the involvement they were prepared to have in the programme, proved the value that RYLA has in supporting and nurturing youth and leaders of the future.

The quiet individuals who arrived on Wednesday left on Sunday as a chatty, happy, cohesive group of young people - they they took away much to think about in terms of their own personal development, and their leadership skills.” (Shirley Stratton, organiser)



Innovative Young Minds

Innovative Youth Minds scholarships aim to develop female senior school science students specifically in STEM subjects. This year RCW club sponsored Charlotte Lee, Year 12 at Waiopahu College, Levin.

To the Rotary Club of Wellington



"..As a student from Levin, I am appreciative of the change to represent my community...Your belief in me and investment in my future means a great deal, and I am committed to giving my best. I myself volunteer, I want to make not only my community a better place but also the world.

That's why I aspire to be a heart surgeon. Thank you once again for your kindness and generosity."
Charlotte Lee



RYPEN

RCW funded one place for a young person to attend the District 9940 Rotary Youth Programme of Enrichment (RYPEN) in early October 2024. RYPEN is aimed at young people in the 13 -17 age group who are still at school and are not likely to be selected for Youth Exchange or later for RYLA, but who possess qualities of decency, persistence and application and who deserve further encouragement. RYPEN stands for Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment. It's an inspiring initiative designed for young people aged 13 to 17. During this weekend camp, participants

engage in a blend of lecture-style sessions and adventure-based learning



RCW Eureka Trust

The Trust operates on a calendar year basis. In the 2025 year the Trust Board was depleted with the migration of Alexandra Hare to Australia; and in January the tragic passing of Distinguished Professor David Johnston. Shortly after, our Rotorua-based Trustee Kelvin Tapuke resigned due to whanau commitments. All three had served with exemplary dedication to the purpose of Eureka over several years, most recently focussing on a reboot of Eureka in a new environment.

Fortunately, Ute Patridge and Dr Murray Milner have joined John Boshier and Anthony Scott. The new members bring national and international experience in STEM and the business environment. The Trust is in discussion with a national STEM body to form a partnership to develop and deliver a new format of what Eureka was set up to do. More to come!

International focus

Rotary - where my skills meet the needs of the world.

contributed by Helen Algar, RCW member

International Projects

RCW International Committee

Nick Hurley (Chair)

Strategic Focus

The International Committee met only virtually in the period. It continued to focus mainly, but not exclusively, on the Pacific, consistent with the Club's strategy.

Emergency Response Kits (ERKs)

Support for ERKs remains a core focus of the International Committee's strategy to support relief efforts in our priority region after natural disasters caused by tropical cyclones, tsunami, earthquakes and volcanic eruptions. The kits are a uniquely Rotary NZ product designed, assembled and delivered specifically for the Pacific in consultation with Pacific governments and MFAT.

In this period, the region fortunately was little affected by cyclones. It was therefore decided not to call upon the Club's in-principal commitment to fund \$12,000 annually for ERKs this this fiscal year.

End Polio Now

The Club made a small donation towards the on-going Rotary International project to eliminate of polio. The small number of cases of Wild Polio are proving stubbornly difficult to reduce. The latest figures for 2025 show an increase to 12 cases but still well below the 99 cases in 2024.

Rotary Give Every Child a Future 2024-25

To mark Rotary's centenary in Australasia in 2021, Rotarians across New Zealand and Australia, with the support of the Rotary Foundation, raised some \$NZ 7.6 million to vaccinate 100,000 babies and children against three life-threatening diseases in nine Pacific countries. As one of the four

centennial clubs, RCW contributed \$120,000 over three years to the programme.

The RGECAF supervisory committee has continued to monitor implementation through UNICEF as the technical delivery agent. In May 2025, a team from Rotary and UNICEF visited Kiribati and attended vaccination sessions in schools and health facilities.

Rotary Foundation cadre, Patricia Canning, was commissioned to report to the Foundation on the programme's outcomes. She shared the following update:

The project is on track to meet its stated goals, and we can see significant positive impact already. It has been truly inspiring to witness the dedication and reach of Rotary and UNICEF in action — bringing vital healthcare to some of the most remote parts of the world. In a country as geographically dispersed as Kiribati, this has been no small feat, by teachers, medical staff, nurses, health workers, parents, community leaders, Rotarians, UNICEF partners and the Ministry for Health. This effort not only advances public health but also stands as a powerful example of what can be achieved when communities and global partners work hand in hand. This project is a shining example of how, through shared purpose and working in unison and harmony, we can make the world a better place.

The endorsement of our largescale international project, with its impact on children and the health sectors of our Pacific neighbours, is something our Club can be extremely proud of.

Christine Hurley

Wellington Representative RGECAF



Kiribati Child Health



Pakistan Polio Eradication



Rotary partnering with UNICEF in Kiribati

Passion for Wellington

Taonga tuku iho

Protect our heritage

(Heritage NZ Whakatauki)

Jumbo Tennis

Peter Steel, Project Manager

Peter Steel, Derek Gill, Youseff Moura, Kathryn Mooney, William Sommerville, and many other club volunteers

Jumbo Tennis has been RCW's main fundraiser for many years. The day event requires a great deal of planning from a broad team of people. This year was no exception.

The event on the day was very positive with great weather, and generated \$13,079 for the Wellington Hospitals Foundation as well as \$6,913 for Lifting the Lid from the Jumbo Tennis raffle.

This fundraising total is a substantial increase from last year and was the result of work to increase the number of team entries and the decision to move from hiring food trucks to having our team of volunteers undertake all the catering.

The event was coordinated by a committee led by Peter Steel, with input from Youssef (Youie), Moura and Kathryn Mooney from Nonsuch plus William Sommerville, Bill Day, Nick Hurley, Derek Gill, Debbie Chin, John Boshier, Hadleigh Pethrick, John McKinnon and Neil Matson.

Our catering, led by Debbie Chin and Nick Hurley required lots of volunteers as well as the BBQ sponsored by Mitre 10 Crofton Downs. We received numerous complements on the food from participants. – we would like to thank all those who helped as well as our sponsoring suppliers of food and refreshments, including New World Thorndon, Lion Nathan, Youi Mourra, Ken Wilson Meats, Harrington Smallgoods, Dragon Restaurant,

With food and drink supplied by many RCW members and other volunteers, there are too many people to thank for their input, but we would like to specifically mention the work of key catering team members including William and Jackie Sommerville, Bill Day, and Debbie Chin, Christine Hurley, Janice Wilson, Lee Wilkinson, Marie Whitney, Raewyn Hailes plus Murray Milner and Rob Whitney at the bar.



We are grateful for sponsorship, prize contributions, or strong team engagement from Bayleys, Chris Parkin, Foxplan, New World Karori, Bunnings, Chocolate Fish Café, Lee Kum Kee, Lexus, Lighthouse Cuba, Marsden Books, NZSO, NZME, Penthouse Cinema, Royal Wellington Golf Club and the James Cook Hotel and publicity signage provided by Lowe & Co and Hadleigh Pethrick.

I would also like to thank everyone who assisted in managing the Jumbo Tennis raffle and selling tickets, particularly Kerry Prendergast and Rex Nicholls. We are also extremely grateful to our Raffle prize donors – The Bay of Many Coves, The Wellington Club, the QT Hotel, and the Wellesley Boutique Hotel.

Also, thanks to the many other volunteers who worked to make the day a success, including, Liz Gibson, Lynn McKenzie, James Austen as MC Lou Shields as photographer, Denise Church, Joan Smith, Geoff Shaw, George Fairbairn, Julie Haggie, Jane McCann's comedian team, and all Volunteer Umpires

Peter Cornish has retired from involvement in preparing the draw and assembling the results, and William Sommerville and Youseff Moura and Kathryn Mooney of Nonsuch have indicated that they want to reduce their input for future years. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Peter, William, Youie and Kathryn for their many years of vital input to the success of Jumbo Tennis.

Jumbo Tennis 2024



Carbon Zero

In 2018/19 RCW became the first Rotary Club in the world to become a certified Carbon Zero Organization, certified by environmental accrediting agency Toitū Envirocare. This required:

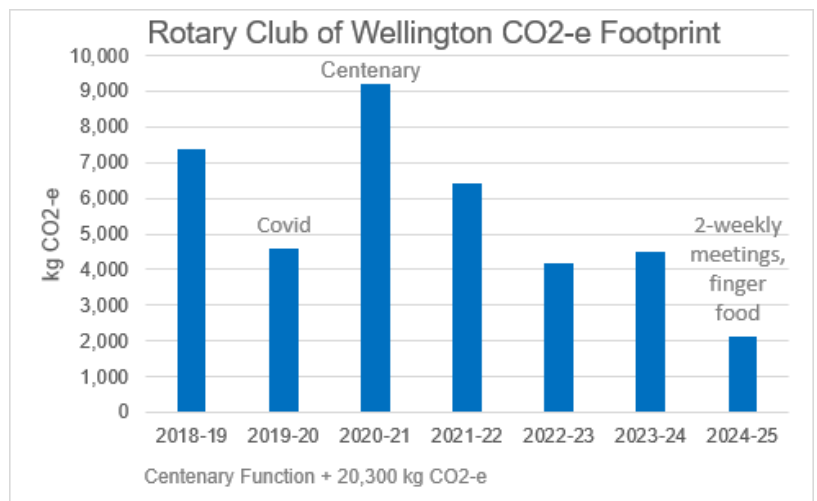
- calculation of carbon emissions associated with transport by members or guests to and from events, and type/quantity of food eaten, electricity consumed at events and waste created over the course of a year.
- Preparation of a Club Emissions Reduction Plan, including engaging members in considering opportunities to reduce their emissions.
- Offsetting residual Club carbon emissions by purchase of carbon credits eg carbon credits for regenerating native forests, which will sequester an equivalent weight to the Club's emissions.

The Club's leading role in this approach has been recognised internationally by ESRAG (Environmental Sustainability Rotary Action Group for Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands). Our Club's work has also been noted the highest levels of Rotary International, including the development of a carbon calculator that is available on the ESRAG website and can be used by any Rotary Club to calculate its carbon footprint.

Since 2018/19, this work has been led by the Club's Climate Change Committee chaired by Roger Blakeley. Rob Davison and Joan Smith have monitored carbon emissions from Club meetings and fundraising events, and calculated our carbon emissions using the carbon calculator. Each year the RCW Board has

agreed to the purchase of equivalent carbon credits, mostly from regenerating native forests in New Zealand. Although these were initially purchased with voluntary donations of Club Members, in June 2024 the Board agreed that from then on the costs of carbon credits will be paid for as an operating expense under 'business as usual'. That is, we are a net Zero Carbon organisation.

The graph shows the pattern of reducing carbon emissions over the last 7 years. There have been several causes of change. In 2018/19, our Club emitted 7.3 tonnes of carbon dioxide. In 2019/20 our emissions reduced because of Covid requirements for online meetings. Our emissions in 2020/21 increased to 9.2 tonnes of carbon dioxide, because of the Centenary celebrations that required some air flights from Australia and Auckland. In 2024/25, the Club's emissions reduced to 2.139 tonnes of carbon dioxide, with the move to 2-weekly meetings, in particular to reduce costs for members, with a shift also to finger food. Overall, we are reducing our Club's emissions as well as offsetting them, which is something our club can be commended for.



Fellowship & Meetings

*The foundation upon which Rotary is built is
friendship;
on no less firm foundation could it have stood.*
(Paul Harris)

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"A vessel filled with water does not make a
noise when shaken": (*Those with little
knowledge talk too much, while the well-
informed remain silent*). (Sri Lankan proverb,
contributed by H.E. Prasanna Gamage, RCW
member 2025)

Fellowship Programme

John Boshier, with thanks to Lynn McKenzie, Jane McCann, John Prebble, Ayesha Shakya and Janice Wilson

A foundation of our fellowship activities is small regular gatherings which bring people together and also regular annual events and cultural outings

Book Clubs organised by Lynn McKenzie and Jane McCann for women.

Paul Harris lunches, convened by John Prebble KC and Jane McCann. These are a member-led initiative, involving current & past members of the Rotary Club of Wellington and other Rotary Clubs. They are held on the weeks when Rotary Club of Wellington does not hold its regular meetings. The aim is to socialise over a light meal. The Paul Harris lunch team appreciate the Wellington Club managing the attendance and registrations of these meetings.



President chain handover 2025

The President's handover dinner is a well-attended event led where the President's chain is handed on to the next President. And where Paul Harris Fellows are recognised and celebrated.

Christmas lunch, is always popular and this year Murray Edgridge, Wellington City Missioner was our guest speaker.



Christmas Lunch 2024

Fellowship Events July 2024-June 25



Tosca Opera



Billiards Evening



Big hats fundraiser



Quiz Evening Fundraiser



Blithe Spirit at Circa

Club Meetings and Speakers Programme

Janice Wilson

We have a great team working on Speakers this year, led by Janice Wilson supported by Suzanne Snively, William Sommerville, Peter Cullen, with ideas from other members. Speakers cover a balance of cultural and community issues, human interest, politics and international affairs.

The full club had 26 meetings during the fiscal year. In addition, the 'Paul Harris Club' meets usually twice a month, for a social get-together. We shifted our lunchtime meetings from the Boatshed to the Wellington Club in January, and having one venue has been much more settled.

Speakers and Topics – Highlights



TE RINA LEONARD

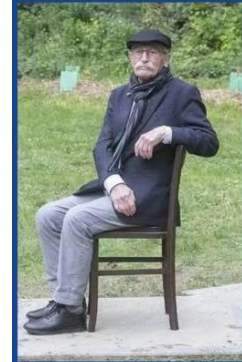
Chief Executive of Te Kura, New Zealand

Murray Edgridge, City Missioner, a regular attendee at our club events, led the Christmas lunch. We heard from Te Rina Leonard, CEO of Te Kura School, and Donna Murray talked specifically about Te Ara School. Anil Thapiliyal, from the Mental Health International Collaborative explained

Digital Mental Health, while Gregor Coster outlined challenges in the health system. Elizabeth Lester from the Dwell Housing Trust explored current housing challenges and Tracey Martin talked about aged care housing issues.

From an international perspective, Vangelis Vitalis spoke about trade in turbulent times, and Brian Lynch gave some great anecdotes from his life as a diplomat. Locally, Carolyn Young talked about business challenges in the retail sector.

Minister Chris Penk, spoke about heritage in a joint session with the Wellington Club, and Tamatha Paul, MP for Wellington Central outlined her political endeavours. Andy Foster talked of his life as a new MP, and Max Rashbrooke explained the aim of his new thinktank "IDEA" (Institute for Democratic & Economic Analysis). Boyd Klapp gave a personal story as an immigrant entrepreneur and Anthony Scott explained the structural changes in the science sector.



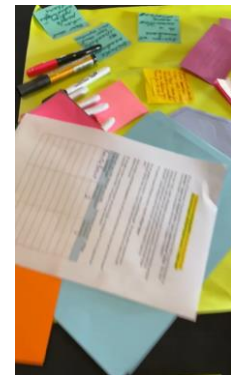
BOYD KLAPP

From culture and music, James Judd Music Director NZSO gave an engaging presentation on conducting



and Diana Marsh from Tumu Whakarae talked about promoting Wellington arts and activities.

We also spent time just on members lunches with our 'café's where we talked together about how we wanted to see our club develop.



Thanks to John Gibbons for providing so much support for the Boatshed, and to Louise, Manager at the Boatshed who could always find an extra sandwich.

Thanks also to Jane McCann and to Jane, the Function Manager at the Wellington Club.

Rotary Club of Wellington

Board and District Representatives and Events

RCW Board from July 2024- June 2025

Roger Blakeley (President), Lynn McKenzie (President-Elect), Julie Haggie (Immediate Past-President & Secretary, Allan Frost (Treasurer), Derek Gill, Denise Church, John Boshier, Nick Hurley, Joan Smith

RCW Members also providing service as Rotary District Officers and Directors, 2024-25

[Mark Wheeler ONZM](#): Director on three Rotary New Zealand registered companies: Rotary Oceania Zone Operations (ROZOPS); Rotary Oceania Zone Events and Rotary Oceania Zone Youth Programmes

[Anthony Scott](#) Council on Legislation District Representative, Chair, District Risk & Finance Committee)

[Nick Hurley](#), Chair, District 9940 Services Committee and Chair, RNZWCS Board

[Helen Algar](#), District Risk & Finance Committee

[Gillian Jones](#), Chair, District Governor Selection Committee

[Christine Hurley](#), Rotary Give Every Child a Future (RGECAF) Supervisor Committee

[Irina Francken](#), District Rotary Foundation Chair (DRFC)

Thanks also to all our District Representatives for the 2024-25 year including:

[Jocelyn Hogg](#), 2024-2025 · District Governor.

[Carol Green](#), District Governor Elect 2025-26

[Brent Gerrard](#), District Governor Nominee

[Wayne Gordon](#), Immediate Past District Governor

[Adrian Gregory](#), District Executive Secretary

[Graham Stevens](#), District Treasurer

[David Shackleton](#), District Membership Chair

[Tony Heywood](#), Deputy Chair of Rotary Zone 8 Regional Council

[Tony Robinson](#), Rotary Community Leader

[Richard Stephens](#), District 9940 Chair Technology

[Michael Weeks](#), District Liaison Insurance

Notable Events

During the 2024-25 year the President, President Elect, Past President attended cross-District/regional Rotary meetings, training and RYLA awards.

Awards and Recognition – Paul Harris Fellows

At the President's handover in June 2025 and at a regular lunch three members of the club were recognized with a Paul Harris Fellowship Award:

Donna Dentice

Donna Dentice has been a tireless worker on Rotary Club of Wellington Club projects over her 19 years of service to the Club, since she joined in November 2004. She has no previous Paul Harris Fellow recognition. Donna has brought her former experience as a school Principal and Chief Executive to lead and support projects for our Rotary Club.

Donna has personally led a high impact change in the JR McKenzie Education Trust programme, forming partnerships with low decile secondary schools so that young people from low income families can attend school fully equipped with the necessary school uniform items.

She has also co-lead the "Strengthening Democracy" project with Peter Cullen.

Jackie Sommerville

Jackie Sommerville is not a Member of our Club, but she is a very active participant in Club events with her husband William Sommerville who has been a very active member of the Club for 40 years since

November 1983. She has not previously received a Paul Harris Fellow Recognition.

We note that the "Club Recognition Summary" provides for a category of "N = Non-Rotarian". Jackie has worked tirelessly in supporting our Club activities over that period of 40 years.

A recent example is our Club organised an event called "Jumbo Tennis", which is played on a tennis court but with large size racquets, which makes it a lot of fun. In March 2025, \$23,000 was raised to go to our Wellington Hospitals Foundation and 'Lifting the Lid', a Joint Rotary Clubs' project to support adolescents with mental health challenges. Jackie won the award for best whitebait fritters!

John McKinnon

John already has a Paul Harris Fellowship conferred in April 2021 for his personal financial contributions to the Rotary Foundation. This Paul Harris Fellowship recognises his meritorious services over 14 years since he joined our club in May 2010.

John was President of our Club in 2021/22. A highlight of his term as President was celebration of the Rotary Club of Wellington's Centennial Celebration, along with Auckland Rotary Club, in June 2021. The

celebration included the launch of a book "Mana Tangata People of Action", a history of Rotary Clubs in New Zealand and the Pacific. John has also brought his skills and contacts from his extensive diplomatic career to support club membership endeavours, speaker programme and projects,



Donna and Jackie at the handover. 1

In Memoriam

Prof David Johnston



David's sudden passing on 19 Jan 2025 caused great sadness for club members.

David was Distinguished Professor of Disaster Management at Massey University, Wellington. He was always interesting company at our club. His field of research meshed in well with Rotary's focus on community.

David worked in the field of human responses to natural disaster warnings, crisis decision-making, and the role of public education in building community resilience.

David's 25 years as a scientist at GNS ALSO meant he could make a valuable contribution as a trustee for the RCW Eureka! Trust.

***Living a life of purpose is
the truest form of success.***

Paul Harris

Bill Boyd QSM, CNZM



Bill passed away January 22, 2025. Bill's Rotary career spanned over 50 years beginning as a member of the Rotary Club of Wellington North in 1971 from whence he became District Governor in D-994 in 1983. His transfer to Auckland came about through his extensive career with Gordon and Gotch. Since 1985 he was a Rotary Club of Pakuranga.

Bill held multiple international and local roles in Rotary. He was Rotary International President 2006-2007 and RI Director (1999-2000).

He was also NZ Polio Committee member, International PolioPlus Task Force and Committee member, Chair of the Rotary Foundation and Rotary International Treasurer.

2025 Financial Statements

Rotary Club of Wellington
For the year ended 30 June 2025

Prepared by Moore Markhams Wellington

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Compilation Report

Rotary Club of Wellington For the year ended 30 June 2025

Scope

On the basis of information provided and in accordance with Service Engagement Standard 2 Compilation of Financial Information, we have compiled the financial statements of Rotary Club of Wellington for the year ended 30 June 2025.

These statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies described in the Notes to these financial statements.

Responsibilities

You are solely responsible for the information contained in the financial statements and have determined that the Special Purpose Reporting Framework used is appropriate to meet your needs and for the purpose that the financial statements were prepared.

The financial statements were prepared exclusively for your benefit. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the financial statements.

No Audit or Review Engagement Undertaken

Our procedures use accounting expertise to undertake the compilation of the financial statements from information you provided. Our procedures do not include verification or validation procedures. No audit or review engagement has been performed and accordingly no assurance is expressed.

Independence

We have no involvement with Rotary Club of Wellington other than for the preparation of financial statements and management reports and offering advice based on the financial information provided.



Moore Markhams Wellington Limited
Chartered Accountants
Wellington

Dated: 20 August 2025

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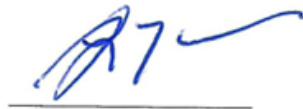
Approval of Financial Report

Rotary Club of Wellington For the year ended 30 June 2025

The board are pleased to present the approved financial report including the historical financial statements of Rotary Club of Wellington for year ended 30 June 2025.

APPROVED

For and on behalf of the Club



Lynn McKenzie (President)

Date 21/8/25



Allan Frost (Treasurer)

Date 21/8/25

Statement of Club Operations

Rotary Club of Wellington
For the year ended 30 June 2025

	NOTES	2025	2024
Statement of Club Operations			
Lunches			
Lunch Income			
Meeting Income Members		14,919	17,443
Meeting Income Visitors		2,482	2,913
Total Lunch Income		17,401	20,356
Less Lunch Expenses			
Lunch Costs Members		15,806	17,963
Total Less Lunch Expenses		15,806	17,963
Net Surplus/(Deficit) Lunches		1,595	2,394
Levies			
Rotary Levies			
Membership Levy - RI & RDU Magazine		10,345	11,307
Membership Levy - District		3,569	4,274
Total Rotary Levies		13,914	15,581
Less Levy paid out			
District & Magazine Levies		6,032	6,975
International Levy		9,622	9,192
Total Less Levy paid out		15,654	16,167
Net Surplus/(Deficit) Levies		(1,740)	(587)
Subscriptions			
Subscriptions		17,359	21,798
Total Subscriptions		17,359	21,798
Xmas Event			
Xmas Income			
Xmas Event income		3,735	-
Total Xmas Income		3,735	-
Xmas Expenses			
Xmas event expenses		3,414	-
Total Xmas Expenses		3,414	-
Total Xmas Event		320	-
Other Revenue			
Donations from members		945	-
Other Revenue		2,061	10,127
Investment Income		250	394
Total Other Revenue		3,256	10,521
Expenditure			

	NOTES	2025	2024
Accounting fees		2,169	2,604
Bank Fees		348	834
Bad Debts		-	587
Committee Expenses		98	-
Carbon Credits		-	405
DPS - Payment Express		100	550
Donations other		930	-
General		482	1,925
Interest Expense		-	1,366
Loss on disposal		-	58,624
Mana Tangata Books Disposal		-	1,100
Rotary Foundation Club Donation		2,083	-
Storage Locker		1,388	1,330
Stripe Fees		58	-
Subscriptions		627	-
Website & Telecommunications		64	1,199
Total Expenditure		8,347	70,523
Net Surplus/(Deficit)		12,443	(36,398)
Net Surplus/(Deficit) after tax		12,443	(36,398)

Statement of Club Charitable Income and Expenditure

Rotary Club of Wellington
For the year ended 30 June 2025

	2025	2024
Statement of Club Charitable Income and Expenditure		
Revenue		
Sergeant Sessions *		
Sergeant Fines - by account	10,079	12,647
Total Sergeant Sessions *	10,079	12,647
Income from Fellowship Income	6,981	5,892
Income from Fundraising Events	-	1,935
Income from Jumbo Tennis	29,512	19,176
Income from Donation	90	1,650
Co Funding Income - External	-	2,088
Total Revenue	46,662	43,388
Less Expenditure		
Sergeant Sessions - Donated to Trust *	10,079	12,647
Co-Funding Project Costs	250	-
Fellowship Event Costs	6,237	4,762
Fundraising Event Costs	-	1,742
Fundraising proceeds tfr to Trust	19,992	7,268
Jumbo Tennis Event Costs	9,521	14,037
Joint Funded Projects	-	1,855
Total Expenditure	46,079	42,309
Net Surplus/ (Deficit)	583	1,078

Statement of Financial Position

Rotary Club of Wellington
As at 30 June 2025

	NOTES	2022	2021
Assets			
Current Assets			
Bank	3	35,094	21,787
Accounts Receivable	4	3,459	1,985
Income Tax Receivable	5	45	130
Total Current Assets		38,597	23,902
Total Assets		38,597	23,902
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable		2,461	1,810
GST Payable		4,531	3,512
Total Current Liabilities		6,992	5,322
Total Liabilities		6,992	5,322
Net Assets		31,606	18,579
Equity			
Represented by:			
Retained Earnings		31,606	18,579
Total Club Equity		31,606	18,579
Total Equity		31,606	18,579

Depreciation Schedule

Rotary Club of Wellington
For the year ended 30 June 2025

NAME	COST	OPENING VALUE	DISPOSALS	CLOSING VALUE
Computer Equipment				
Laptop	1,350	-	-	-
Total Computer Equipment	1,350	-	-	-
Jumbo Tennis Racquets				
Jumbo Tennis Racquets	8,696	-	-	-
Jumbo Tennis Racquets purchased in 2014	7,524	-	-	-
Total Jumbo Tennis Racquets	16,220	-	-	-
Total	17,570	-	-	-

Notes to the Financial Statements

Rotary Club of Wellington For the year ended 30 June 2025

1. Reporting Entity

Rotary Club of Wellington registered under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.

These special purpose financial statements have been prepared for the members of Rotary Club of Wellington Incorporated and should not be relied upon for any other purpose.

The special purpose financial statements have been prepared for the purpose of reporting the assets and liabilities of the club as at 30 June 2025, as well as reporting club operational and charitable revenue and expenses for the year ended in accordance with the stated accounting policies.

2. Statement of Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the stated accounting policies.

Historical Cost

These financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis. The financial statements are presented in New Zealand dollars and all values are rounded to the nearest NZ dollars.

Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognised when the club is entitled to the proceeds and the economic benefits can be measured reliably.

For subscriptions and levy income, revenue is recognised in the period to which it relates carrying forward as income in advance in the Statement of Financial Position any amounts received for a future period.

For income from fundraising and events, revenue is recognised when money is received.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivables are recognised at net realisable value. Individual debts that are known to be uncollectable are written off in the period that they are identified.

Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure directly attributable to the acquisition of assets, and includes the cost of replacements that are eligible for capitalisation when these are incurred.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no further future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition of the asset (calculated as the difference between the net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset) is included in profit or loss in the year the asset is derecognised.

Upon derecognition, the asset revaluation reserve relating to the asset disposed shall be transferred to retained earnings.

Depreciation

Account	Method	Rate
Computer Equipment	Straight Line	25%
Jumbo Tennis Racquets	Straight Line	20% - 25%

Income Tax

The Society is subject to Income Tax from 26 March 2025 as it has lost not for profit entity status. The entity entitles them to remove items of income and expenditure that directly relate to the members from the calculation of profit.

Goods and Services Tax

All amounts are stated exclusive of goods and services tax (GST) except for accounts payable and accounts receivable which are stated inclusive of GST.

Changes in Accounting Policies

There have been no changes in accounting policies. Policies have been applied on a consistent basis with those of the previous reporting period.

Subsequent Events

No significant events have occurred after reporting date (2024: Nil).

	2025	2024
3. Bank		
ASB 00 Working Acct	13,816	10,715
ASB Sav Account	21,277	11,072
ASB Transfer Account	-	-
Total Bank	35,094	21,787

	2025	2024
4. Accounts Receivable		
Aged Debtors per Xero Report	1,946	1,985
Total Accounts Receivable	1,946	1,985
	2025	2024
5. Income Tax Calculation		
Net Surplus for the Year per Financial Statements	13,026	(35,320)
Additions to taxable surplus		
Non deductible expenses	88,652	145,862
Total Additions to taxable surplus	88,652	145,862
Deductions from Taxable Surplus		
Non taxable income	101,533	111,249
Loss Brought Forward	1,283	577
Total Deductions from Taxable Surplus	102,816	111,826
Net assessable income	(1,138)	(1,284)
Income tax expense @ 28%	-	-
Deduction from Tax Payable		
Resident Withholding Tax Paid	45	130
Total Deduction from Tax Payable	45	130
Income Tax Payable (Refund Due)	(45)	(130)

The Club has a loss to carry forward of \$1,138 (2024: \$1,284).

Activities within the circle of membership, i.e. the receipt of income from members and the provision of services to members, are not taxable.

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