



Oriental Bay – Little houses on a hillside. Inset - Tree planting

At Wellington Bridge Club

Thursday 1st September

District Governor

Marilyn Stevens

Visit to Club

*Partners, widows
and friends welcome*

DUTIES

Greeter/ Happy \$\$	Lionel Nunns
Host Speaker	John Mohi
Attendance	Tony Fryer
Reflection	Roy Ferguson
Thank Speaker	Morris Robertson
Parting Thought	David King

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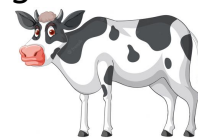
At Wellington Bridge Club

Thursday 15th September

Barry Brook

Ex CEO PGG Wrightson

*Emissions Challenge for
the Agricultural Sector*



DUTIES

Greeter/ Happy \$\$	Kerry Ansell
Host Speaker	Laurie Bond
Attendance	David Pickering
Reflection	Colin Lawton
Thank Speaker	David King
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NEXT LUNCHEON SPEAKER



MARILYN STEVENS



We look forward to welcoming **District Governor Marilyn Stevens and Wayne** to our next luncheon meeting. As this is a special occasion in the Rotary Year, we

extend the invitation to partners, honorary members, widows, Community PHF members and other friends. Please let Steve Brazier know if you are coming [details on page 1], the lunch cost for visitors \$25 cash or by direct credit to 03-0518-0023645-00

Marilyn has been a Rotarian since 1993 and was a charter member of the Hutt Valley Breakfast club.

She has been a member of several clubs in the District and a Past AG. She led a Rotary District 9940 Group Study Exchange to Sweden. She has served on and chaired several District Committees, especially in the youth area.

Marilyn's working life has included management in the early childhood sector and also a local electrical company. She has been in joint ownership with her husband, Wayne, of a compressed air and construction equipment company, motel owner and a field officer for the NZ Cancer Society.

CLUB HAPPENINGS

18 AUGUST MEETING

Adrian Ellingham began the meeting with a reflection on how technology has changed our lives.

GUEST SPEAKER



Due to illness, our scheduled guest speaker, Cheryl Young, had to drop out at short notice. We were fortunate

that Rotarian **John Boshier**, who was due to speak on 6th October, was able to join us at short notice. Cheryl will speak at a later date.

David Bennett introduced John, who was born in Gisborne and graduated Master of Engineering at the University of Canterbury in 1970. He was awarded a two-year graduate apprenticeship to Reyrolle and Co. in Newcastle, England. Subsequently, with a Harkness Fellowship, he went to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston for 18 months and studied how energy policy changed after the 1973 oil crisis and the Three Mile Island nuclear accident.

This lead directly to becoming Director of Planning in the new Ministry of Energy. The Muldoon Government embarked on its Growth Strategy in 1980, part of it being the Think Big energy projects. John was the lead writer of the annual Energy Plan until 1985.

Everything changed for the Ministry in 1987 when electricity and coal became corporations. John left government service and became general manager of the Wellington MED, which became Capital Power Ltd. When it was sold to TransAlta of Canada he became a general manager of the Electricity Corporation. Since then, he has held CEO roles and company directorships in Australia and New Zealand. John's talk revolved mostly around the politics of the day and its effect on energy outcomes. A number of Government decisions proved to be unfortunate due to international energy price movements

These experiences as an insider enabled John to write *Power Surge – How Think Big and Rogernomics transformed New Zealand*. Graeme Waters gave the vote of thanks.

MINI FORUM

Following the meeting the second of two mini forums was held on suggested changes to the deed of the Scholarship Trust. The main proposal is to extend the scope of the causes to which the

trust fund can be applied to include grants to organisations which develop life skills and grants to our own Charitable Trust. Another proposal is to allow for the distribution of some of the capital of the trust fund, as well as the fund's earnings. Consideration is now being given to the feedback from members by the trustees who will report back to the Board. Any changes to the deed require the approval of not less than 75% of the Board. *David Young*

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Last Bulletin, I mentioned CHANGE. This really is uppermost to mind especially after attending the Membership Workshop with Maurice Manttan over the weekend that was run by PDG

Andy Rajapakse from Queensland.

We've picked up some gems when thinking about how we can make the changes and the best elevator pitch we can develop when talking about what we do and bring to our communities to even interest someone to look at joining Rotary. I request you all – to consider the future of our club and to ensure its longevity by assisting Maurice in his efforts to find contacts and ways to promote our projects and draw new volunteers.

At the last meeting, I mentioned that I will be away in the next couple of months. We are all getting excited at the prospect of travel albeit a bit unsure about having to wear a mask through the flight! We're going to be in the UK visiting my family who are well spread out there and seeing them all after 5 years, so it's well overdue. While we're there, a trip across the channel is also on the cards, so we're looking forward to a good trip. My heartfelt gratitude to VP Lionel Nunns and PP Stephen Spence who will step in during my absence. I am very fortunate to have both these experienced and capable gentlemen support me.

We have DG Marilyn Stevens and her husband, Wayne, will be joining us for our next meeting. We are planning for a very festive atmosphere, so we have something very pleasant and fun to look forward to. Let's make it a memorable one for them to remember our club's welcome. 😊

Ma te wa. 😊 *Zai*

ROTARY MEMBERSHIP ROADSHOW



President Zai and Maurice Manttan attended the presentation on Saturday 17th. It covered two subjects, starting a new-style Rotary Club, and Club rejuvenation. Rejuvenation was our interest in the proceedings, and the following issues were presented:

- Change is recommended towards a lifestyle club and to aim at diversity, in particular more women members. One interesting comment was, "if you want to attract members don't take them to a Rotary meeting". We should also aim at fellowship and activities away from formal meetings.
- To attract young professionals, focus on issues that they have identified with, in particular social justice and the environment. We met two young Rotarians who joined after attending volunteer exposure at University. We should follow up university student volunteering and employability attendees, e.g. the Victoria Plus programme in Wellington.
- In that vein, identify issues and causes in our community that we can take ownership of.
- Use the Rotary website to access tools to create a customisable club brochure, club health check and community assessment.
- Have a recruitment pitch that doesn't 'Sell' Rotary but rather talks of what Rotary does for them – connect them to help a Cause that's close to their heart. Climate Change – planting trees, Education – Scholarships, Women and children – Women's Refuge.

Most of the presentation covered areas well flagged to the Board and members by Morris Robertson in recent months. So, we have a good template to build on.

We now, need a YOU - Club members - with persuasive skills and access to the local community, and to Victoria University, and through our youth oriented activities (RYLA, RYPEN etc.) to use these valuable resources to bring these people together. **LET'S CHANGE THE MINDSET and get the ball rolling**
President Zai and Maurice Manttan

CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR HEALTHY HEROES



Healthy Heroes, the brainchild of Laury Sinclair, was founded by Wellington North. The management of the programme subsequently moved to Christchurch, where it has flourished. As it is now in the progress of going on-line, the Trustees approached Wellington North with a request for a financial contribution to assist the development of the web site to support the new environment. This was agreed by the Board. The Trustees have sent the following response to Stephen Spence.

“Please pass on to your Board and members huge thanks from all of us on the Healthy Heroes Committee for your generous donation to enable us to complete the transition of this wonderful programme to a digital environment. We all, and especially the teachers on our Committee, are very excited at the prospect of being able to not only more readily attract other schools to take up the programme, but also to make it easier for other Rotary Clubs to “sell” and support it, which we have struggled with in recent times.

As the founding club you must be extremely proud of developing this programme and we look forward to being able to spread its uptake ever more widely in the future.”
Wendy Creurer and David Buist

MORE TREES

After two weather related postponements, a small enthusiastic team made a good start on Sunday 14th August, planting the next batch of trees at the Odell Reserve. 190 trees were planted leaving another 27 still to be planted.

John Handiside, an ex Forester and friend of the club, was there to provide expert advice and Beth Pethig proved that age is not an impediment, as shown [left] in the photograph.



The group of Rotarians was reinforced by a youth contingent from local churches and President Zai’s own household.

From David Young and Graeme Waters

Rotary
 Wellington North
Khandallah Fair
 Established 2018



SUNDAY 11 DECEMBER

10am -2pm

Kesh is building up the roster for the fair. Please let her know that you will be available to assist with the preparations and on the day by registering your interest via info@khandallahfair.nz

RAIN, RAIN GO AWAY!



KCA has not been immune to storm damage. **Tracy reports** – “Thanks to three of our board members who will be keeping an eye on our warehouse over the weekend as it continues to rain.

The resilience of our team who just keep putting one foot in front of the other to ensure we can continue to operate is a testament to our commitment to the community. We will be emptying the dehumidifiers, relocating the commercial fans, mopping up the water coming in. Plus monitoring the slip coming down from above at the back of our warehouse. We are hoping that a digger will be arriving on Monday to clear the fall as it’s blocking one of our fire exits.”

RI PRESIDENT NOMINEE



Stephanie A. Urchick, of the Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania, USA, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International for 2024-25, a decision that would make her only the second woman to hold that position.

Stephanie is partner and chief operating officer of Doctors at Work LLC, a consulting and training company. She holds a doctorate in leadership studies from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. She is active on numerous community boards and committees, and has been honoured by organizations including Zonta International and the Sons of the American Revolution.

With the world facing incredible challenges, including the COVID-19 pandemic and disasters driven by climate change and conflict in many regions, Stephanie says Rotary's leaders can offer a vision and a plan for overcoming these challenges. "Measures taken by Rotary leadership to survive and end critical challenges often make our organization stronger and more resilient for future events. Because Rotary operates in more than 200 countries and regions, it is vital to recognize that the organization has the potential to become more efficient and effective by understanding and reacting to how regional differences affect the way Rotarians work together to address providing service, promoting integrity, and advancing world understanding, goodwill, and peace."



Bridget Janes, St. Mary's College, who was sponsored by Wellington North will be speaking during DG Marilyn Stevens visit to the club on 1 September. **Anna Lee**, Newlands College, whose application the club topped up through the Crabtree Trust, has written to us about her experience. An edited version follows.

"Hello, I am Anna, a year 12 student from Newlands College. I moved to New Zealand from South Korea almost five years ago. Thank you so

much for your financial support for me for this year's Innovative Young Minds program.

I really enjoyed and had a lot of fun at IYM. I learned so many new things and also met a lot of new awesome people there. They were amazing and it was easy to make connections with them as we had similar interests. They motivated me during the programme. We hyped each other up when we were doing something in front of people, we supported each other and agreed or disagreed on some ideas, with respect.

We made a lot of site visits, like chemistry/biology labs, Victoria University, FNZ, etc. I found the labs and Victoria the most interesting as I am into medicine and desired to go to medical school. This specifically made me feel really excited about doing science related things like these site visits where I could really see up close the fascinating things those experts were doing.



IYM has made me think about working in a lab, which would be fun and interesting, for example developing vaccinations for viruses like covid-19. I'm slowly realising how big the world is, how there are so many other things besides medicine and that there are many pathways that I could take.

Overall, this programme was so helpful as it was the opportunity for me to find out what I was most interested in and to meet all the great people in and from beyond Wellington. Thank you so much for letting me have all these precious memories from IYM 2022. This was one of my best experiences here in New Zealand."
Sincerely, Anna Lee

FORMER ROTARY SCHOLAR CONTINUES STELLAR CAREER



In June Associate Bishop **Eleanor Sanderson** in the Diocese of Wellington was announced as the next Bishop of Hull in the Diocese of York of the Church of England.

Eleanor Sanderson grew up in Derbyshire. She attended Bristol University, where she graduated with a Bachelor of Science in geography. After having first visited New Zealand on a backpacking trip in 1996, she later returned to study geography at Victoria University of Wellington. She graduated with a Master of Development Studies with distinction in 2002 and a PhD in 2007. She also holds a Master in Theology degree, and was a fellow of public theology at Virginia Theological Seminary.

In 2006, Ellie was ordained to the priesthood. She was vicar of St Alban's Anglican Church in Eastbourne and was chaplain at Wellesley College. At Victoria University, she was a teaching associate for the School of Religious Studies. Nominated for the position of assistant bishop, Ellie was consecrated at the Cathedral of St Paul in Wellington on 2 June 2017,

Ellie's first exposure to Rotary was as an exchange student to Southern Africa. Later, she came to New Zealand as a Rotary Foundation scholar in 2003 and became a member of Port Nicholson Rotary Club where she will be honoured by that club on 24th August. She has been a guest speaker at our club. As Ellie had a strong interest in development projects, she was invited to join Rotary NZ World Community Service. She is married to Wellingtonian Tim and they have two sons.

BANNERS ON TOUR



The exhibition celebrating 100-years of Rotary in New Zealand which was first displayed at the National Library and opened by Sir Anand Satyanand has been subsequently

touring the country with some added local material. It has most recently been seen at the Turanga Christchurch Central Library. The 15 banners are travelling the South Island over the course of this year telling our Rotary story.

Wellington North holds a display set of the banners [reduced size 42x19 cms.] If the club would like to use them for a display at any time please contact Morris Robertson.

Copies of the centenary book, *Mana Tangata*, are still available at \$55 each. Please contact John Mohi to purchase copies.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION UKRAINE GRANTS UPDATED.



During its appeal in March and April, The Rotary Foundation raised more than US\$15 million to support humanitarian relief efforts by Rotary clubs in Ukraine and elsewhere. To date, 209 grants have been awarded, totalling \$6.7 million to support activities for Ukraine in 28 countries

PEACE CENTERS – A MASSIVE GIFT



Each year Rotary awards up to 130 fully funded fellowships for dedicated leaders from around the world to study at one of its Peace Centres. Since the program began in 2002, the Rotary Peace Centres have trained more than 1,500 fellows who now work in over 115 countries. Many serve as leaders in governments, NGOs, education and research institutions, peacekeeping and law enforcement agencies as well as international organizations like the United Nations and the World Bank. This year, the program will select 50 MA fellows and 80 certificate fellows to participate in the fellowship at one of the seven Rotary Peace Centres around the globe.

The Trustees have gratefully accepted a record-breaking **US\$15.5 million pledge** from the Otto & Fran Walter Foundation to establish the **Otto & Fran Walter Rotary Peace Centre**.

This transformational gift allows TRF to make progress toward its long-term goal of expanding RPCs in key geographic regions. It is anticipated that the new centre will receive its first cohort of fellows by early 2025.

ROTARY FOUNDATION – THE SUPPORTERS



A major highlight for the 2021-22 year was the Life Changing results achieved by **Zone 10A – the Philippines** – in their support of the Foundation. In dollar terms, Zone 10A ranked:

- number 6 in giving to the Endowment,
- number 5 in total giving, and
- number 4 in support for the Annual Fund – only exceeded by the USA, Korea and Japan!

The Foundation has congratulated the Rotarians and leaders in the Philippines for these outstanding outcomes, especially as 2021-22 was such a challenging year.

RIDE THE TRAIN



Rotary District 9940 is pleased to announce that **Professor Michael Baker**, world renowned epidemiologist

who is instrumental in providing advice for the COVID-19 Pandemic, as the VIP Conductor for the End Polio steam train excursion on Sunday 4th September. Help raise funds for Polio eradication by joining us on a steam train ride from Paekakariki to Taihape and return, operated by Steam Incorporated. The train will have a club car with food and beverages for sale. Please follow the link for booking details 🙌
<https://www.eventspronto.co.nz/ridethetrain>

WHERE HAVE THE ADVANCES IN COMMUNICATIONS LED US?

PHONE BOOTH
IN 1992



PHONE BOOTH
IN 2022



PARTING THOUGHT

From Tony Fryer on behalf of John Mohi
Terms such as kinetic, potential, wasted or thermal, may have led us to believe that there are different forms of energy. Not so. Energy is energy is energy.

The total amount of energy in the universe is always the same. How we use it, now there's the challenge.

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