

*What future for electric vehicles in oil rich Dubai?*

**At Wellington Bridge Club**

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May  
 Robyn Galloway  
*Travelling to Europe  
 in a Covid World*

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 Paul Aitken  
 Royal Society  
*Scientific Research*

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Host Speaker	Roy Ferguson
Attendance	Paul Tipping
Reflection	Graeme Waters
Happy Dollars	Colin Lawton
Thank Speaker	Rory O'Connor
Parting Thought	Zaheda Davies

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Thank Speaker	Terry Pinfold
Parting Thought	Margaret Emerre

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 by 10 am Wednesday [Live meetings only]

Contributions for The Bulletin please by the  
 Tuesday following a luncheon meeting or the  
 Tuesday in the week prior to a meeting.

**At Khandallah**

**Presbyterian Church**  
 Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April 6.30pm  
 The Hon. Peter Dunne  
*The Social Needs of Middle Income  
 Communities*

## NEXT LUNCHEON SPEAKER

**Robyn Galloway**



Travelling to Europe in a Covid World  
It's a long way on a camel!  
No biographical details received  
or found on Google

## 21st APRIL MEETING BY ZOOM

### FORUM DATE CHANGE

Deferred due to clash with Top Gun. Now to be incorporated into the 2 June luncheon meeting.



Following a reflection from Paul Tipping who referred to his Mother's generation, which had experienced two World Wars, Gayleen Hughes from Hutt City Club zoomed in to encourage sales of raffle tickets for the Rotary facilities at the Children's Hospital. She said that door to door selling had been very successful and even resulted in some new members for Rotary. The Rotary contribution is intended to fund Whanau rooms and a portable ultrasound machine. The raffle closes on 9 May.

In response to a comment from PDG John Mohi, Gayleen spoke about Innovative Young Minds

which has grown from a Hutt project into a national programme, offering both on-line and residential courses with participation of Alumni. Gayleen is now National Chair.

Margaret Emerre is still seeking a successor for the sale of virtual entertainment books.

A successor to Grant Hassell is being sought for the Scholarship Trust.

David King conducted Happy Dollars. Please make your payments to the Club account 03 0525 0338282 00 Ref Happy D.

## GUEST SPEAKER

### MELTING OF THE ICE

Margaret Emerre introduced **Ed Forsman**.



Do you know the vehicular difference between ICE, HEV, PHEV and BEV? With the aid of extensive slides, Ed endeavoured to demystify the subject, together with the transition, which is rapidly overtaking the

ability of the conventional motoring manufacturers.

To explain –

**ICE** – the internal combustion engine, classified as a dinosaur.

**HEV** – has an ICE engine plus a small battery pack eg. a Toyota Prius

**PHEV** – like HEV by can be recharged from a wall socket.

**BEV** – no ICE components, solely battery pack and electric motors

New industries have been set up to manufacture electric powered vehicles. The legacy manufacturers are losing out and their products are rapidly diminishing in resale value. However, it's not all straight forward as there are developing problems in the supply chain, which is dependent on the supply of nickel, lithium and cobalt. A consequence is the need to develop new mines and all the problems they cause. Thus, in the end, it is battery supply that will dictate the speed of change.

Gerald McGhie thanked Ed for his comprehensive overview of what lies ahead.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

### *Kia ora*

Just as we have settled in to carrying out our Rotary business on-line, we now plan to move back to the real, face to face version for next Thursday evening's talk by Hon Peter Dunne at Khandallah Presbyterian Church. This should be a really good evening and we are fortunate to have a guest speaker of Peter's calibre.



Moving from on-line was not the easiest decision by the Board. It was balancing, on the one hand, the relaxation of Covid rules and the desire of people to get back to normal, with the virus spreading through the local population and the resulting effect on at-risk people, including many Rotarians.

The Board was clearly minded to move on however, and that seems to be the way other Rotary clubs are going. It won't suit everyone I know, but if we don't move now, when do we? The experts tell us Covid won't be going away any time soon but that infections have peaked.

We had a full Board agenda last Tuesday as always seems to be the case. It never ceases to amaze me how much goes on in a Rotary club! Items included discussion on excellent reports by Morris Robertson and Maurice Scott on a future vision for Wellington North which looked at a potential role for the club in the light of declining traditional membership and the relaxation of the Rotary International rules on how a club can operate. The Board agreed the reports should be the basis for a renewed effort to ensure the club goes forward with a positive future.

The Board endorsed the Movie Night on 25 May as the chosen fundraiser to make up the shortfall from the Khandallah Fair cancellation. This means the planned Forum the following evening will now be incorporated into the 2 June lunchtime meeting at the Bridge Club when we'll hear from the Scholarship working group and make a decision on whether to go for some level of outsourcing of the Scholarship administration. We'll also hear from President-Elect Zai Davies on her plans for the next Rotary year.

Graeme Waters reported on a successful working bee on 4 March to weed the garden

area at the Odell Reserve which was planted last August with 200 native trees as part of the Forest of Peace and Remembrance initiative. Help was provided by a KPC based youth group. An excellent example of a joined-up community.

Last but not least, Treasurer Maurice Scott demonstrated his customary adroit financial management by announcing a likely end of year surplus to go to our Charitable Trust.

See you on Thursday and don't forget your Flu jabs.

*Nga mihi nui*

*Stephen*



Breakfast Meeting at Samuel Marsden College

Guest Speaker: Dr. Danielle Shanahan, Chief Executive, Zealandia

Topic: Zealandia, Moving Forward

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 7.00 – 8.30

Samuel Marsden College Cultural Centre

No parking on site. Continental breakfast \$19pp.

RSVP By Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April. Email with names

[KaroriRotary@gmail.com](mailto:KaroriRotary@gmail.com)

Payment by Internet Banking to the RC of Karori 03-1540-00141171-00. Include name and BB2205 in reference.

## THEATRE EVENING - TOP GUN MAVERICK AT THE PENTHOUSE 25<sup>th</sup> MAY



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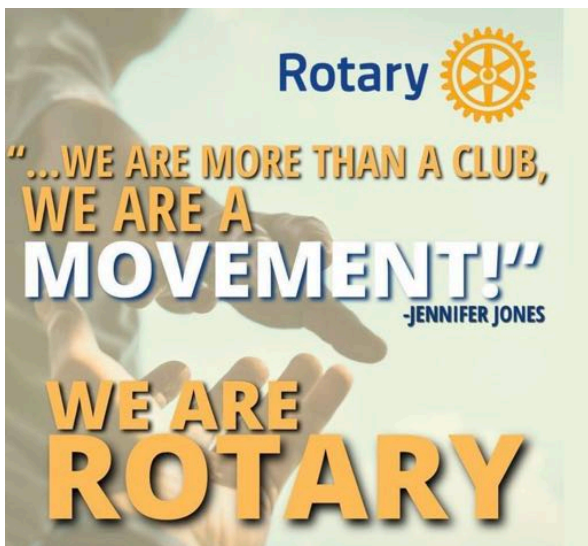
TOP GUN  
SUPPORTING COMMUNITY PROJECTS BY

**Rotary**   
Wellington North

Wednesday 25th May  
Arrival time: 7:30 pm  
Session Time: 8:00 pm  
**Price per ticket \$25**

Incl. a glass of bubbles/beer/OJ on arrival  
Phone Queries: 021 022 44763 - Kesh

**WHERE TO FROM NOW?**



At a District 9940 Conference about 20-years ago, a group of young Rotarians formed a panel to discuss what they wanted to achieve as members. Their message was clear. **"We will trade our time for an outcome"**. The question arises when seeking membership growth, should we be endeavouring to grow members to attend fortnightly luncheon meetings or join in our portfolio of community support?

**Kaukau Rotary Club** had the right idea. The glue that held it together was volunteering. It came unstuck through coping with the traditional RI bureaucracy. Just maybe, it should have absorbed Wellington North – not the other way, which has led to the dilemma we are facing today. RI has given clubs carte blanche to develop what is best for them to serve their communities. **Let's make the leap!**



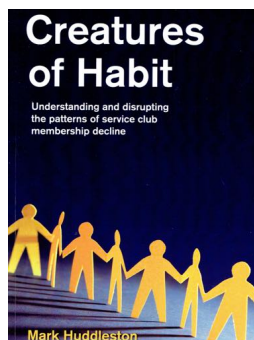
RI Regional Director, **Jessie Harman** has a message for us all.

As we emerge from the pandemic, we need to focus our attention on a different challenge for Rotary – namely, the changing nature of volunteering. Report after report is telling us that people are preferring to volunteer differently: people want more flexibility about how they volunteer and more meaningful volunteering roles. Jessie asks clubs to respond to the changing nature of volunteering in five key ways:

**More** ..... Read page 5 of the March RDU

**If we really want to fix our membership problem; our obsession with meetings is the single biggest issue we need to address.**

The foregoing is a quote from **Creatures of Habit**, a 360-page book by Australian Rotarian, Mark Huddleston. Our club has a copy, which is currently being circulated.



Mark, who has 33 years combined experience in Rotary and Rotaract, is a much sought after strategist, a presenter and trainer in membership development. He has spoken on over 200 occasions at clubs and

conferences throughout Australia and New Zealand. In **Creatures of Habit**, Mark shares his insights on why so many clubs are struggling with membership, and more importantly, what can be done to turn the situation around.

In his piece in this week's Bulletin, President Stephen commented on two papers discussed by the Board at its most recent meeting. These suggest ways we could move forward as an innovated club with a strategy for growth.

**The Club fiddles while Rome burns!**

**CHANGING THE GOVERNANCE**

The 2018/19 RI Board comprised entirely men. In 2021/22 the President Elect, Vice President and five of the fifteen Directors are women

## THE UKRAINE CONNECTION

### JOHN HEWKO



John Hewko is the General Secretary and CEO of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation. He leads a diverse staff of 800 at RI World Headquarters in Evanston and seven international offices.

Although he has been based in USA for many years, John was a charter member of his home Rotary Club of Kyiv, Ukraine. He has had a stellar career across a number of international roles including VP of the Millennium Challenge Corporation, a U.S. government agency established in 2004 to deliver foreign assistance to the world's poorest countries. At MCC, he was the principal United States negotiator for foreign assistance agreements to 26 countries in Africa, Asia, South America, the Middle East, and the former Soviet Union.

Prior to joining MCC, John was an international partner with the law firm Baker & McKenzie, specializing in international corporate transactions in emerging markets. He helped establish the firm's Moscow office and was the managing partner of its offices in Kyiv and Prague. While working in Ukraine in the early 1990s, he assisted the working group that prepared the initial draft of the new Ukrainian post-Soviet constitution.

John Hewko has been a public policy scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, an adjunct professor of law at Georgetown UniversitySP and a visiting scholar at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. He holds a law degree from Harvard University, a Master's in modern history from Oxford University and a bachelor's in government and Soviet studies from Hamilton College in New York.

Given the perilous stake of his home country, our thoughts are with John Hewko and his family.

## LOOKING AHEAD

Future lunchtime Guest Speakers include –

19 May – Paul Aitken, Royal Society  
Scientific Research

2 June – Ralph Stewart, Lifetime Retirement  
Providing a steady retirement income

16 June – Sarah Fitt, Pharmac  
Funding Medicines

## ROTARY IN RUSSIA

In the April RDU, page 25, Aslan Gulgev, a Rotarian based in Chechnya and Editor of the Russian Rotary magazine gives his guarded view of the current situation. While it is clear, between the lines, that he and fellow Rotarians are opposed to the invasion of Ukraine, he knows that if he spreads “fake news” he will be liable for 15-years in prison.

## PARTING THOUGHT

From Lionel Nunns



*An electrical engineer, a mechanical engineer and an IT guy are in a car that won't start. The electrical engineer*

*says, "It has to be the battery. Let's check that." The mechanical engineer replies, "No, I think it's the engine. Let's check that instead." The IT guy says, "No no. This is how you do it. We all get out of the car and then get back in again – that'll fix it."*

## THE LAST WORD

What would you change about Rotary?  
*Compose a Letter to the Editor*

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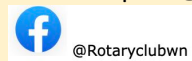
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