

Whakamaru –The new multi- purpose facility being developed for the Wellington City Mission

At Wellington Bridge Club

Thursday 6th May
Zaheda Davies
Reflections on a Pre Covid Life

DUTIES

Greeter Brian Poole
Host Speaker Tony Fryer
Attendance Maurice Manttan
Reflection Paul Tipping
Happy Dollars Alan Fraser
Thank Speaker Rory O'Connor
Parting Thought Peter Shanahan

Apologies and Guests to Maurice Scott mjpbscott@gmail.com by 10am Wednesday

Sailing Away [and Back]

instead of a meeting on the fifth Thursday this month (April 29) there will be



an informal casual lunch for Club members, family, and friends at the Pavilion Cafe at Days Bay, meeting at 12:30 pm. Attendees can drive to Days Bay, or get the 12 midday East by West ferry. Return by ferry or bus.

At Wellington Bridge Club

Thursday 20th May
Marc Taddei
Conductor
Orchestra Wellington

DUTIES

Greeter Maurice Scott
Host Speaker Pat Helm
Attendance Gerald McGhie
Reflection Graeme Waters
Happy Dollars Tony Fryer
Thank Speaker Terry Pinfold
Parting Thought Stephen Spence

LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD

The **Club Forum** at Khandallah Presbyterian Church **has been set for 27 May**. President Elect, Stephen Spence, will be presenting his plan for the next Rotary year.



The Club
Changeover will
be held at the
Wilton Bowling
Club, next to

Otari Reserve, on 1 July at 6.30pm.

NEXT LUNCHEON SPEAKERZAHEDA DAVIES



The daughter of a Rotarian, and soon to be President Elect, Zaheda grew up in Bombay, India and moved to live in Russia in the late '80's for a few years. Zaheda experienced life in communist USSR during the

turbulent years where worked for Lufthansa (German Airlines). She moved to NZ, 21 years when she was a corporate travel consultant with a boutique travel agency. She then met Chris, her husband, who is a plumber and gasfitter. After the arrival of her twins, Zaheda decided to go independent and work for herself as a Travel Advisor/Broker. Running her own business for the last 12 years, she has corporate and leisure clients and is also a Virtuoso Luxury travel advisor. Now, in these Covid 19 days, while working on existing bookings to be put on hold, she is focussing on domestic and Trans-Tasman travel as well as promoting future travel, further afield – Covid 19 willing.

RECENTLY

APRIL 15th LUNCHEON MEETING

Morris Robertson outlined the forthcoming exhibition celebrating 100 years of Rotary in New Zealand and the South Pacific, including the request for the participation by Wellington North members. See later item.

GUEST SPEAKER



Mark Evans OBE has been a member of the Police Executive since June 2011. As Deputy Chief Executive Service Delivery, he is responsible for several key areas including Police's property portfolio, fleet, information technology, performance insights,

intelligence, deployment and the Evidence-Based Policing Centre. Mark spoke about the advances in facial recognition and the conflict between the technology and the need for privacy. At the speaker's request, the Chatham House ruled applied, hence no detailed report.

Graeme Waters gave the vote of thanks

APRIL 22nd EVENING SPEAKER



Visitors from
Khandallah
Presbyterian and
Ngaio Union
Churches joined the
club for a pizza and
salad meal before
adjoining to the KPC

Gathering Space for a most informative and enthusiastic talk from the City Missioner, Murray Edridge.

Murray gave a background to the Mission, it's 117-year history to help the most vulnerable in the community. Throughout his talk he frequently used the words 'respect' and 'dignity' when referring to those in need. Together with DCM, the Mission seeks to provide services for, and house, the homeless.

The Whakamaru project, shown on the headline banner, formed the main part of the talk. This multi-story building, currently under refurbishment, will house a social supermarket, community café, chapel, social services office, 35 supported housing units, bathroom and laundry facilities, and a community conference centre. \$21 million of the \$30 million needed to complete the facility has already been raised.

NEWS



& the Pacific



By now club members will have received their invitations to the **Centenary Exhibition Opening** and the book launch of *Mana Tangata* at the National Library on 12 May. As there is already strong interest and the numbers are limited to 150, an early RSVP is recommended.

The exhibition will run from 13 – 26 May. Opening hours are 9am to 5pm weekdays and 9am to Noon Saturday. The exhibition will be manned by local clubs, Wellington North included. A full briefing will be provided for the volunteers.

VERA BOYDEN 100 NOT OUT



Vera, the widow of our late member Ken Boyden, recently celebrated her 100th birthday with a surprise gathering of family and friends. We offer our congratulations to Vera.

ROTARY PROMOTION OPPORTUNITY



Re the above: the 9940 contact is Jack Cranston email <u>jackcra1@gmail.com</u> or 027 483 4192

PARTING THOUGHT FROM 15 APRIL MEETING



Maurice Scott selected several options in relation to the theme of facial recognition. This brief one, from Groucho Marx, makes the point

I never forget a face, but in your case, I'll make an exception.

ROTARY TREES

President David and Steve Brazier have been looking at potential sites for Wellington North's contribution to the Rotary tree planting project. The next Bulletin will provide an update on the project

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Playing soon in the Club's Territory for you to have an enjoyable evening of theatre.



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