



Steaming ahead to 2021 – The District 9940 DG Train

Mark Wheeler 21/22, Gillian Jones 20/21, Marilyn Stevens 22/23, Marion Johnston 2018/19 and John Mohi 2019/20

At Wellington Bridge Club

Thursday 5th November
 Andrew Hoggard
 President, Federated Farmers

DUTIES

Greeter	Stephen Brazier
Host Speaker	Margaret Emerre
Attendance	Maurice Scott
Reflection	Rory O'Connor
Happy Dollars	Colin Lawton
Thank Speaker	Kerry Ansell
Parting Thought	Ross George

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

Thursday Fellowship
 This week 29th October 10.30
Le Marche Francais
 Woolstore - 262 Thorndon Quay
 Upstairs – Lift available

At Wellington Bridge Club

Thursday 19th November
 Brent Beaven DOC
 Predator Free 2050

DUTIES

Greeter	Zaheda Davies
Host Speaker	Brian Poole
Attendance	Peter Shanahan
Reflection	Terry Pinfold
Happy Dollars	Maurice Manttan
Thank Speaker	David Bennett
Parting Thought	Pat Helm

Thursday 26 November 7pm at Khandallah Presbyterian Church

Ralph Chapman
 Sustainable cities and
 spatial planning

Pizza and drinks \$15 per head

CINDERELLA IN DECEMBER



Circa Theatre has allocated Wellington North the Matinee performance at 4pm on Sunday 6 December 2020. Tickets will be Adults \$50 and Children \$20. Booking requests to David King using "rotarypanto2020@gmail.com" and an orderly process will follow. This is a traditional pantomime and hopefully we can fill the house.

NEXT LUNCHEON GUEST SPEAKER ANDREW HOGGARD



Manawatu dairy farmer, located in Kiwitea Manawatu, Andrew Hoggard is National President Federated Farmers (NZ). Prior to this role he was Vice-

President for a three-year term, Andrew has proved himself as an energetic and able representative, especially in his roles as spokesperson on climate change, commerce and connectivity. He was Chairman of Dairy Industry Group 2014-2017 and has been Farmer Representative to Scientific Programme Coordination Committee, International Dairy Federation, for the past four years. He was educated at Heretaunga College and Massey University

Andrew says. "I want to continue that work, and also the advocacy we've been doing with central and local government politicians and officials, on getting them to recognise that policies and regulations need to achieve a balance between protecting the environment and preserving livelihoods, always keeping practicality and cost-effectiveness in mind."

NEXT EVENING GUEST SPEAKER RALPH CHAPMAN



Dr Ralph Chapman is Associate Professor and Director of the Graduate Programme in Environmental Studies at Victoria University of Wellington. He is a frequent writer and speaker on the policy

implications of climate change for New Zealand, particularly in the areas of energy, transport, housing and urban policies. His experience includes being a negotiator of the Kyoto Protocol for the New Zealand government. Ralph was a member of the research team who were presented with the 2014 Prime Minister's Science Prize.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



At our last luncheon, we welcomed the Sinclair family together with Wendy Creurer and David Buist who were present to mark Laury's retirement from the

club. I had pleasure in presenting Laury with a certificate to mark his being granted honorary membership of the Club. We also welcomed Tahir Nawaz as guest speaker. We look forward to cementing our relationship with the Kilbirnie Mosque.

The club received District Governor, Gillian Jones, at a special evening meeting on 19th October. I know some members would have preferred Gillian's visit to have been arranged for a regular Thursday lunchtime meeting, but her preference was to attend an evening meeting when she could meet our new ex Kau Kau members. In the event it was a very enjoyable occasion attended by our four former DGs. It was also good to have Beth Pethig and Jenny Middlemass with us for this occasion.

Gillian spoke to us about the wider world of Rotary, our own Zone's and District's centennial projects. She also said her challenge to each club in District 9940 was to adopt a project as part of the centennial celebrations, possibly focussed on a need arising from the Covid-19 and the numerous societal effects of the pandemic. The Board, in consultation with other clubs in Networks 1 & 2, is still exploring possible projects. If any members have suggestions, Lionel Nunns would like to hear from you.

The last two monthly evening meetings were replaced by our club forum in September and the DG's visit this month which has, to some extent, disrupted our routine of holding a normal club meeting one evening a month.

The intention is to retain the pattern of monthly evening meetings although the Automat Café as a venue has proved to be unsuitable for speakers. We are currently looking for a new regular venue. In the meantime, our November meeting will be held on Thursday, 26 November at 7pm at KPC, when our speaker will be Ralph Chapman, talking about sustainable cities and spatial planning.

It is hard to believe that we are already approaching the end of the year. From the perspective of our Rotary activities, the year will culminate in a visit to Circa Theatre for the Pantomime on Sunday, 6 December, the Khandallah Fair on 13 December and our Christmas luncheon on 17 December.

David Young

OCTOBER 8th LUNCHEON MEETING

Gerald McGhie was welcomed back after a reconstruction sojourn following his being knocked off his bicycle by a wind gust in the vicinity of Evans Bay. Steve Spence gave the reflection on Elections with reference to USA and NZ, commenting how sane the NZ campaign was compared to the former.

LAURY SINCLAIR STEPS ASIDE



On the occasion of his retirement from the Club, there was a special welcome to Laury and several members of his family. There was a big surprise for Laury with the arrival of Healthy Heroes Trustees, Wendy Creurer and David Buist, who had flown up from Christchurch for the occasion. Both Wendy and David spoke glowingly about Laury’s inspiration and service to Healthy Heroes, which has now spread widely throughout the country. They concluded with the presentation of a Healthy Heroes Achievement Award to Laury.



Laury and Pam with Wendy and David

The tributes were followed by President David presenting Laury with a certificate to recognise his becoming an honorary member of the Club. Laury responded by reflecting on his 25 years of membership and the satisfaction he had received from it.



Laury and Pam would welcome visitors at their home, 7 Conifer Grove, Parklands, Waikanae Phone 04 293 1446

GUEST SPEAKER TAHIR NAWAZ



Tahir was introduced by Lionel Nunns, who described him as the Current President of the International Muslim Association of New Zealand, Senior Analyst of Muslim Affairs of NZ and Adjunct

Research Fellow at Victoria University. He is actively involved in the interfaith communities and is a current member of the Wellington Abrahamic Council of NZ.

Tahir spoke of the origins of Muslim migration into New Zealand, initially from South India. He thanked Wellington North for its contribution to vocational training opportunities and looked forward to future co-operation with the Club. He went on to refer to the March 2019 Mosque Shootings and the significance of Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern’s statement “They are Us”, which made the Muslim community feel that they have become part of our country. Tahir finished by issuing an invitation for the Club to visit the Kilbirnie Mosque. Graeme Waters gave the vote of thanks.



Kilbirnie Mosque

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT



The Club's monthly evening meeting was special in that it was the occasion of District Governor Gillian Jones visit. Gillian, who was accompanied by her husband Kevin Prestney, was introduced by PDG John Mohi. The meeting, catered for by Automat, was held at Khandallah Presbyterian Church. As well as the DG, Assistant Governor Helen Agar was welcomed to the meeting

Prior to the meeting, Gillian met with members of the Board when various club projects were discussed. She showed particular interest in the inclusion of ex Kau Kau members and the developing relationship with the Kilbirnie Mosque.

In her after dinner address, Gillian referred to RI President Holger Knaack's desire to advance Rotary by making things different. "With Rotary celebrating 100 years in New Zealand and Australia next year, we need to look 100 years ahead and ask what we could do differently to ensure a sustainable future." Gillian went on to discuss a number of District projects including 'Give every child a future' and the Whanau rooms at the new Wellington Children's Hospital.

Amongst a number of challenges, Gillian referred to End Polio Now, becoming a Centurion Club and buying a box of Mana Tangata books, the 100-year history, lavishly illustrated, of Rotary in New Zealand. Finally, she encouraged early bookings for the 2021 District Conference in Carterton 19-23 March. Dress for the Saturday night function is suggested to be representative the decade in which the respective clubs were chartered.

PDG Tony Fryer gave the vote of thanks. He said that he would be rounding up the club members for the Conference.

TELLING OUR STORY OF ROTARY...



In 2021, we will celebrate one hundred years of Rotary serving our communities in New Zealand and the South Pacific Island nations. Our clubs are all descended from the original Clubs - Rotary Club of Wellington and Rotary Club of Auckland. Wellington North gets several mentions. Pre-ordered copies at a special price will be available through the Club.

KHANDALLAH VILLAGE FAIR



Kesh and her band of helpers are busy on the arrangements for the fair. Amongst the happenings are –

- A Facebook page has been set up. **Please say you're going, share it.**
- Flyers, printed courtesy of PDG Simon Manning, are ready for distribution. Jane Bambery has organised routes. Distributors wanted.
- This is a major fund-raising event for the club. A large turnout of club members will be required on the day.



The Fair is a major fund raising and community support project for the club that also enhances its profile in the community. Contact Kesh at kesh.gilmour@gmail.com or 021 02244763 to register your area of interest in the planning and on the day.

Fair Planning Meetings

F2F - 8 Whitu St. 7pm-8.30pm, 12 October,
9 November, 23 November, 7 December.
ZOOM - 6 November, 30 November.

NEWS FROM GRENADA



In the month of September, KCA's volunteers rescued and redistributed 18,155 kgs of food in 541 banana boxes to 18 agencies within the Wellington City boundaries. The biggest single recipient, Wellington City Mission, received 190 boxes. The reopening of the Johnsonville School Sunday Farmers Market has increased the source of supply.

In less than seven months this year, KCA has rescued and redistributed more food than in the whole of the previous 12 months. This is despite the restrictions of Lockdown.

As well as food KCA has distributed a lot of non-food items, including toiletries clothing, car seats etc.



Boxes of clothing etc. awaiting distribution

SUPPORT LOCAL – 'OF MICE AND MEN'

A social gathering opportunity for Club members



The best laid plans ... This poignant 1930's story of loneliness, friendship and dreams is deservedly a classic novel, still read by millions. Just as powerful and just as compelling is the stage version, also written by John Steinbeck.

Thursday 12, Friday 13 and Saturday 14 November 7.30pm
Sunday 15 November 4.00pm
Thursday 19, Friday 20 and Saturday 21 November 7.30pm
Tickets waged \$22 / unwaged \$18

Book on-line Email your name, phone number, performance date and the number of seats you want at each ticket price to katbookings@gmail.com and direct credit to: Khandallah Arts Theatre, ASB 12 3223 0021419 00 Enter your name in Reference and Mice Tix in Code.

Book by phone 021 889 821

Door sales from half-an-hour before a performance.

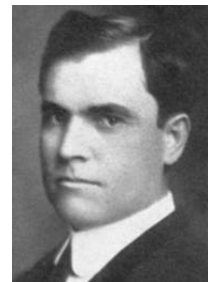
www.kat-theatre.org.nz

PARTING THOUGHT

From Tony Fryer

'Men build too many walls and not enough bridges' Joseph Fort Newton

Joseph Fort Newton was an American Baptist minister. He was born in Decatur, Texas, the son of a Baptist minister turned attorney. He attended Southern Baptist Seminary, and Harvard University.



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