



Towards a new era

At Wellington Bridge Club

Thursday 6th October

Chris Martin

Super Grans

Sharing Generational Knowledge

DUTIES

Greeter/ Happy \$\$	Maurice Manttan
Host Speaker	Graeme Waters
Attendance	Maurice Scott
Reflection	Paul Tipping
Thank Speaker	Michael Hinds
Parting Thought	David Pickering

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At Wellington Bridge Club

Thursday 20th October

Cheryl Young

Nutrient Rescue

GodZone

DUTIES

Greeter/ Happy \$\$	Stephen Spence
Host Speaker	David Young
Attendance	Colin Lawton
Reflection	Brian Poole
Thank Speaker	Lionel Nunns
Parting Thought	Adrian Ellingham

THE KHANDALLAH VILLAGE FAIR NEEDS



AND YOUR PARTICIPATION

NEXT LUNCHEON SPEAKER

Chris Martin will speak to us about SuperGrans, which was first established in 1994 in Lower Hutt



by Erin McMenam who at the time was volunteering for the local foodbank. Erin noticed that people were removing items

from their food parcels that they were unsure of how to use. Erin was concerned that half of the food parcel was being returned so thought that this was where we can do the best to help people and communities and so the concept of SuperGrans was born. Their wish is to see communities thrive by engaging and empowering people to strengthen their own skills and knowledge and to have the confidence to use them.

15th SEPTEMBER MEETING

In the absence of President Zai and Deputy President Lionel Nunns, Past President, Stephen Spence chaired the meeting. Steve Brazier read a reflection on behalf of Steve Lawton.

BRIDGET JANES – INNOVATIVE YOUNG MINDS

Graeme Waters introduced **Bridget** who had been sponsored by Wellington North to attend IYM.

Bridget described Innovative young minds as a STEM (science, technology, engineering, maths) focused camp where 40 high school aged young women from across Wellington come together for a week. During the week, they get the chance to explore a vast variety of sectors within STEM, and talk to the people in those vocations. The programme aims to encourage women to pursue STEM careers.

Bridget said. "Innovative young minds was a valuable experience which connected me with like-minded women. Together we were empowered to pursue our mutual STEM interests, and I found reassurance in meeting students with such similarities. We explored specialties such as robotics, where I learned how to construct, and connect a circuit board to



create a functioning robot. This was an exciting way to engage in an area of STEM I had not considered for my future. More of my favourites included our marine biology, and astrobiology explorations, however my highlight was a site visit to "Callaghan Innovation." We gained first-hand exposure to the workplace, and roles of chemical, structural, aerospace engineers, and more. The person who really sparked my interest was a food engineer, and since talking to him, I've begun looking into degrees that would lead me to his work."

A worthwhile investment by the Club

REGIONALISATION - CREATING TOMORROW

Morris Robertson spoke briefly on the proposed vote, with reference to his presentation at the 1st September meeting. He then moved the motion, seconded by Tony Fryer – *That the Rotary Club of Wellington North, at its meeting of 15th September 2022, vote to support the 3-year Creating Tomorrow pilot study to be undertaken in the Oceania Region.* The vote was passed unanimously including four votes from members not able to be present at the meeting.

GUEST SPEAKER



Barry Brook is a professional director and agribusiness consultant with extensive experience in agribusiness both in New Zealand and internationally.

His governance experience includes being Chair of Carrfields Limited, Chair of Bonavaree Farm and Chair of two investment programmes within the MPI Sustainable Food and Fibres programme. Previously, Barry chaired AGMARDT, Synlait Farms Ltd, Creative Headquarters Ltd, and was deputy Chair of the Primary Growth Partnership Investment Advisory Panel and Chair of the Lincoln University Foundation.

Barry initially spoke about the conflict between the importance to the country's economy of agricultural exports and the need to reduce carbon emissions. This was followed by a rather complex explanation, backed by charts, of trading carbon credits. In order to achieve the

necessary credits, massive plantings would be required. Again, there was conflict between fast growing pine forests and slow growing indigenous trees. Conflict again arose with agricultural land being taken over for pine forests, leading to rural depopulation and loss of continuing export opportunities.



A final statistic, which surprised many was that while CO2 in the atmosphere was long lasting, 65% of methane was gone within 12 years. Happy cows!

The vote of thanks was given by David King

22 SEPTEMBER EVENING MEETING DULCE PIACENTINI, CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU



Dulce first spoke of her upbringing on the island of Florianopolis, off the coast of Southern Brazil, population 500,000 surrounded by 60

beaches. Dulce graduated in Law back in Brazil and her inclination has always been for the area of human rights, especially the matter of women's and children's rights, which were the theme of her Master's research

She talked about her work as Manager of the CAB in Johnsonville. She started by briefly explaining the scope of CAB which included family matters, renting and flatting, immigration, income support. Employment and consumer rights. Cases included mental health, digital exclusion, benefits and cost of living. They also operate a small foodbank. Services provided include JP Clinics, budget advice, dressing for interviews and a legal clinic.

Dulce then used information from some anonymous real client interviews to show social and economic needs of the community.

Following several questions Lionel Nunns gave the vote of thanks.



CLUB HAPPENINGS

YOUTH INVOLVEMENT IN GARDEN OF PEACE AND REMEMBRANCE



All 217 trees provided this year by WCC have been planted, with the help of club members and outside volunteers (including Hub Youth). Hub Youth has been enlisted to help with follow up maintenance work at the Odell reserve.

KIWI COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE VISIT



Club members are invited to visit KCA in Grenada on Wednesday 9th November at 6pm. Watch for further details.

Tracy has also sought our help to be a conveyor belt and pack 200 bags worth of items from the Sofitel Hotel - toiletries and hair brushes from another person that have been donated. These will be delivered to Kesh's home in Aotea, probably in mid-October or early November. A packing bee will be arranged, day and time to be confirmed. Potential volunteers please contact Kesh.

ROTARY SCHOLARSHIPS REVIEW

We are now online with Universities NZ, who are set to receive applications on our behalf up to the end of October. The Trustees invite applications from individuals within the Wellington region who, because of financial hardship, need assistance to enable them to undertake a tertiary or vocational education programme or a life skills course. The Trustees will take account of financial hardship, academic records, and community service and sporting achievements. Our club website has also been updated to match.

READING IN SCHOOLS

This has been on hold for the first three terms, but with the lifting of Covid restrictions the signs look positive for a start back at the two Wainuiomata schools early in the fourth term.

WIDER ROTARY EVENTS

DISTRICT 9940 AGM

The AGM will be held, as last year, by Zoom at 10.00am on Sunday 20th November. The Quorum for this meeting will be 21 Clubs represented by Officers or a Member holding a Proxy vote (details on Proxy voting will be circulated in late October).

2023 DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The Conference will start on the evening of Friday 17 March 2023, at Nga Manu Nature Reserve in Waikanae, and continue through Saturday 18th and Sunday 18th March at Southwards Car Museum... further details to follow.

2023 RI CONVENTION – MELBOURNE



RYLA empowers 18-24 year olds to grow and harness their leadership potential. The RYLA programme includes a range of presenters from local communities, cultural organisations, as well as business, civil and national leaders. RLYA 2023 is being hosted by the Rotary Club of Kapiti and will be held at Forest Lakes, Otaki from 25 to 29th January 2023.

Wellington North is seeking suitable young leaders and potential leaders currently engaged in community activities to apply for the 2023 awards. View www.ryla9940.co.nz for details and applications, which must be completed by 30/9.

Contact Graeme Waters for assistance or guidance.



Sunday 11 December 10am – 2pm. Ganges Road Khandallah, Stalls Live Entertainment, Food Trucks. All proceeds to local causes.

This fair is a major fundraiser for the Rotary Club of Wellington North. A big thank you to the Khandallah Community and local businesses for their support in us holding this fair on Ganges Road.

There is a role for all Wellington North Members. Join one of the teams

Chair – Kesh

Stall Holders - plus Food Carts and

Communications - Kesh

Entertainment – Michael Hinds

Site Management – Graeme Waters and Roy Ferguson

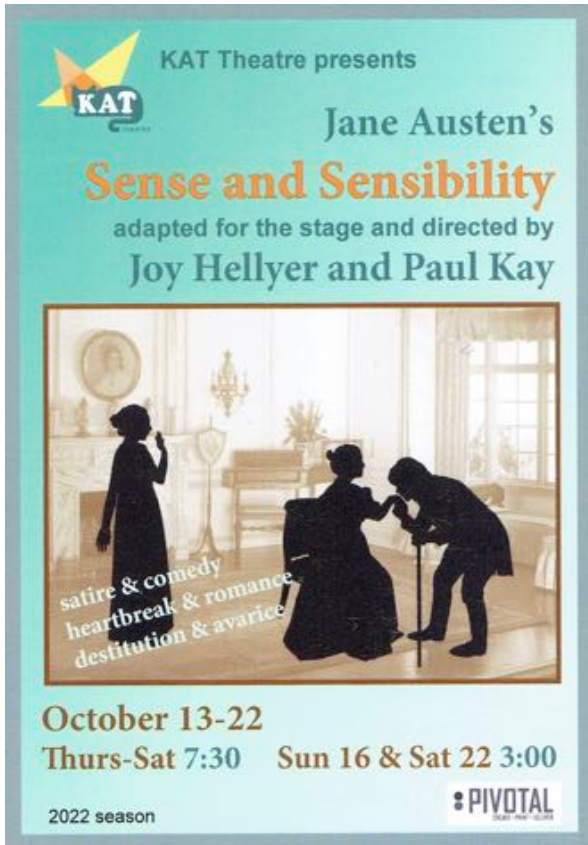
Finance – Nigel Sercombe

Rotary Liaison – Maurice Manttan



A special thanks to Kesh for the tremendous work she is putting in to organising the fair. If you haven't yet volunteered for a role please contact Kesh on 021 02244763

KAT - SENSE AND SENSIBILITY



Book through iTICKET
For further details visit kat-theatre.org.nz

JUST PLANE BRASS - NOVEMBER 2022



Trust Porirua City Brass is presenting a musical world tour - *Just Plane Brass*. The show is on at 7pm on Saturday 19 November, at the Aotea College Auditorium in Porirua. Fasten your seat belt, make sure your folding table is in the upright position, sit back and relax as this concert takes you on a journey across the globe to discover the music of different cultures and countries. Hear the beauty of Swedish hymns, dance with Latin fever in Brazil, and bask in the chorus of the savannah in Tanzania. They would like to offer you a special group discount rate of \$16 per ticket, for any groups of more than 6 people. Contact Letitia Garrett. <https://events.humanitix.com/just-plane-brass>

PRESIDENTIAL GREETINGS FROM PARIS

A quick note to you all from our holiday. Life



here is as normal as pre-covid. The odd person seen with a mask 😊 otherwise one wouldn't know we've just had a pandemic. The most important

thing is to keep oneself safe from pick pockets as we found that my brother in law's iPhone got stolen on the Paris metro. It meant the loss of half a day as the mood changed and they had to go to the police station to report the loss, apart from feeling violated that someone's hand reached deep into his pockets.

Many thanks to PP. Steve Spence and VP Lionel Nunns for stepping in my place for meetings and all things Rotary.

Please do consider nominating someone to be on the committee to select our next PE for 2023-2024 so we can get right onto it when I'm back. If we don't have any, you might be shoulder tapped.

Next week I'm on my Rhine Cruise ... more in the next bulletin Take care and keep well.

Zai

PARTING THOUGHT ?

Not captured! Conveyors of parting thoughts either email a copy to the Bulletin Editor, hand him a copy after they deliver it or put it in their pocket and leave the room before the Editor can catch them.

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