

BULLETIN

ROTARY CLUB OF WELLINGTON NORTH DISTRICT 9940



31 May 2019

Rotary

Wellington Bridge Club 17 Tinakori Road Noon for 12:25 PM

NEXT MEETING

Thursday 6 June Lance Walker **Wellington Economic** Development

Reflection **Brian Poole** Introduce Speaker Laury Sinclair Vote of Thanks Parting Thought Attendance Fellowship AV

Adrian Ellingham Gerald McGhie Kerry Ansell David King Bob Laybourn

Apologies and guests advise **Maurice Scott** by Noon Wednesday.

FUTURE EVENTS

Lunch Sunday 7 July 2019, 11:45 a.m. for Noon to 2:30 p.m.Combined Club/District Changeovers. Venue Makaro Room Ground Floor, Wharewaka on the waterfront. Club members and partners have all been registered to ensure they can attend. If you will attend see the email message



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you received or the website for payment details. If you will not be going let Ross Foubister know.

Lunch MeetingThursday 20 June Julia Whaipooti - Justice Issues

John Mohi will introduce Julia Whaipooti a Wellington social justice warrior who wants to reshape the 'pale, male, stale' world of law. Julia channels this passion in her role as the chair of JustSpeak. She sees many of the issues in our criminal justice system as a reflection of social justice failures in broader society and believes young people deserve a voice in the criminal justice conversation and strives to make those voices heard.



Julia has been involved in the Community Law movement for 7 years as a volunteer, advocate, lawyer and up until most recently as the Kaitakawaenga/National Maori Coordinator at the Community Law Centres of Aotearoa.

FORUM

Changeovers

The forum on Thursday evening started with President Elect Lionel Nunns going through some of the details for the joint changeovers on 7 July. There will be one outside speaker, an historian who is writing a book celebrating 100 years of Rotary in New Zealand. We were reminded that parking can be difficult on the waterfront and club members might wish to use public transport.

Website

Ross Foubister showed us pages from the website and answered questions about it. He will sent out information to members to enable us to log in which many had found difficult.

The Royal Commission of Inquiry into the Attack on Christchurch Mosques on 15 March 2019 The draft submission prepared by Gerald McGhie et al that had been circulated to members was endorsed unanimously by the forum.

Revitalisation Project

Margaret Emerre spoke about the results of the survey earlier this year to see if changes had taken place following the recommendations that had been adopted. She also distributed a paper based on responses from the conveners of the various committees on their progress with the tasks allocated by the President.

Members will have their own views on the outcomes. It is clear that changes have been made and these have generally been accepted as positive. Other recommendations are more objectives still to be achieved or practices still to be adopted.

The paper outlines the longer term options for the club. Only one of the options offers a long term existence and that is growing the club. We are not yet on a growth path but we have made changes that have improved the club for its members and if we continue to do that we may make it more attractive to potential members as well.

Margaret was applauded for the work she has put into the revitalisation project.

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LOSS OF OUR PRESIDENT MICHAEL GORMAN

Message received today from Lionel Nunns.

On behalf of Vice President Brian Poole it is my sad duty to let you know that our beloved president, Michael Gorman, has died.

As was made known on Thursday at the club Forum, Michael had been failing, but the end has come more quickly than expected.

Michael actually died around the middle of the day yesterday, Friday, but by Barbara's request public notification has been held back until all the Gorman family could be reached and told.

Just when the funeral will be held is not known yet, but we will send out another notice when known. You can keep an eye on the DomPost as well.

Our thoughts are now with Barbara and the family as they today are gathering here in Wellington to support each other in their grief and loss.

Sadly, we have lost our leader and another wonderful member of our Rotary family. This we will feel for some time yet, and so it will be good to be together on the day of the funeral. I'm sure you will want to be there.

With warm best wishes to you all as you take in this sad news.