



Mataiki – The Maori New Year and the Rotary New Year

At Wellington Bridge Club

Thursday 7th July

Tony Hildyard

Inflation, Growth and Markets

At Wellington Bridge Club

Thursday 21st July

Nick and Christine Hurley

China and the Pacific

DUTIES

Greeter/ Happy \$\$	David Pickering
Host Speaker	Maurice Manttan
Attendance	Laurie Bond
Reflection	Steve Brazier
Thank Speaker	Peter Shanahan
Parting Thought	David Young

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Host Speaker	Gerald McGhie
Attendance	Brian Poole
Reflection	Stephen Spence
Thank Speaker	Paul Tipping
Parting Thought	Colin Lawton

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

EDITORIAL DISCLAIMER

With this issue being produced while under the
 influence of Covid, I apologise for lateness, any
 errors, omissions and some guesswork. *Morris*

NEXT LUNCHEON SPEAKER



Tony Hildyard is a Senior Portfolio Specialist for Harbour Asset Management limited, responsible for the management of Harbours Global Bond Offering following the purchase of the Fund from Hunter Asset Management Limited. Prior to Joining Harbour, Tony was the Managing Director of Hunter Investment Management Limited. He has had broad Fund Management experience spending 20 years with Tower Asset Management Limited, the last 3 years as CEO of Tower's

investment businesses, Tony developed specialist investment skills having had portfolio management roles in both domestic and global fixed interest, currency management and New Zealand commercial property as well as more general asset allocation total portfolio oversight. Tony then spent 7 years working for the US based Global Bond Firm, PIMCO where he was their sole representative in New Zealand.

16 JUNE MEETING



Thanks were expressed to the hardy souls who braved the rain while collecting parking fees, both weekends, at the Waterfront Market.

GUEST SPEAKER SARAH FITT



Sarah was appointed Chief Executive of Pharmac in January 2018, having been Pharmac's Director of Operations since 2013. Under Sarah's leadership, Pharmac has: expanded the

number and range of funded medicines available to New Zealanders, widened access to currently funded medicines, managed funding medicines in all New Zealand public hospitals and laid the groundwork for Pharmac to manage hospital medical devices.

Sarah spoke about the improvement programme to make Pharmac's decisions clearer and faster as well as a commitment to reducing inequities of access to funded medicines.

Sarah spoke about the issues which faced Pharmac, such as the heartfelt calls for specific, but expensive, medications for specific diseases. She noted that there were pills, which are targeted at specific conditions, but cost \$1,000 each. Covid had thrust a spanner in the works with the need to import vaccines and anti-viral drugs. Sometimes, there was a cost benefit in provided costly medication in lieu of the alternative cost of hospitalisation. Morris Robertson gave the vote of thanks, noting that most of the audience would be good customers of Pharmac.

PARTING THOUGHT

Recently, my doctor told me that one of the side effects of a new medication he supplied me with was an increased urge to gamble. I said that I would bet \$50 that it wouldn't happen to me.

Adrian Ellingham

MINI FORUM - SCHOLARSHIPS

A mini forum, chaired by David Young, followed the meeting in order to further discuss the future of the Scholarship Trust. Since the Trust was established in 2005, in honour of the Club's 50th Anniversary, it was felt that circumstances had sufficiently changed to warrant a review.

A key issue was to allow for additional disbursements to be made from the increased capital value. There was also consideration of the potential for funding for life skills and providers. There was also the opportunity to outsource selection and management processes, while still having general control.

CHANGEOVER

Outgoing President, Stephen Spence, welcomed members and guests to the annual event. This was followed by a buffet meal prepared by caterers Roger and Lily Chapman.



April Phillips - Entertainer



Buffet Dinner

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIP AWARDS

Outgoing President, Stephen Spence presented two PHF Awards



The Club award was made to **David Young** as immediate Past President. David was an excellent President who works tirelessly in

the interests of our Club. As chair of the Scholarship Trust David has continued to work on adapting the Trust to more effectively serve the increasing demands of the present day for people who want to improve themselves through training and skills development and potentially widening the range of good causes we are able to support both financially and by direct assistance. He has led the Speakers Panel and worked hard on a range of Community projects from supporting Women's' Refuge to planting trees in the Odell Reserve.



The Community Paul Harris Fellow award was made to **Wellington City Missioner, Murray Edridge,**

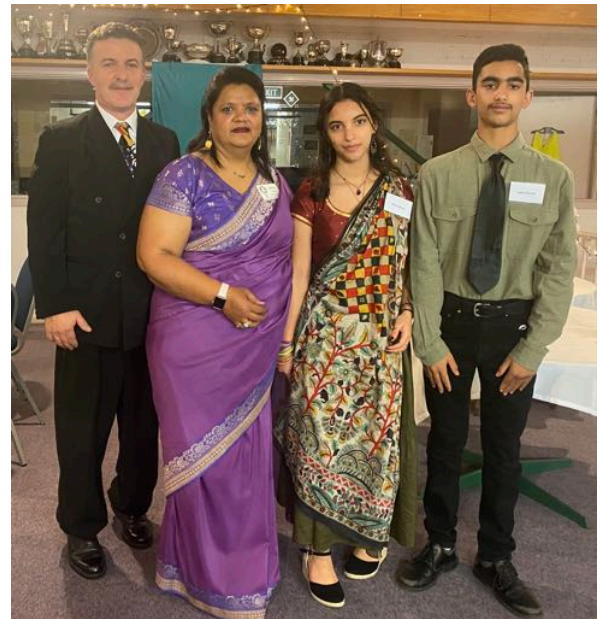
who was nominated as a person who exemplifies the meaning of Community Service in our City. Murray has had a distinguished career in business as well as the public service with a strong focus on youth support. Murray's involvement in a wide range of community focussed organisations includes: Chief Executive of Wellington City Mission since 2018, Chief Executive of the Genesis Youth Trust (2017-2018), Deputy Chief Executive of the Ministry for Social Development (2012-2017) and Chief Executive of Barnados NZ (2003-2012). Murray is a Chartered Accountant and holds a Bachelor of Commerce and Administration from Victoria University

STAND IN GUEST SPEAKER

Ex-Governor General, Sir Anand Satyanand, was to be the after-dinner speaker but at the last minute, had to withdraw when he contracted Covid. The Club sent Sir Anand our best wishes for a speedy recovery. In his stead, Murray Edridge, the Wellington City Missioner, stepped

in at 24-hours' notice and gave an inspirational, thought-provoking and entertaining address. In his childhood Murray's father had been a Rotarian and so he was familiar with the ethos of Rotary. Murray's own life has been devoted to community service. He reminded us that, while the current cost-of-living is impacting us all, the impacts are not even. For some who do not have the "dignity of choice" it is disastrous. He encouraged us to treat "others" with dignity, with respect and without judgement."

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Presidential Family - Chris, Zai, Nisha and Isaac

Tena koutou Katoa,

We had a good turnout at this year's Changeover despite some of the challenges. The first one being that our Speaker, His Excellency Sir Anand Satyanand and Dame Susan were casualties to Covid just the day prior. With the quick thinking by David Young and Graeme Waters we pivoted to request Murray Edridge, City Missioner to honour us with his wit and experience. It was so lovely to see the fellowship of Rotary, which was very heart-warming especially with some partners and guests. We also enjoyed good background music from Nathan Parker and April Phillips.

My Thanks to Past President Stephen Spence whose attention to detail and careful planning at every stage helped to overcome our obstacles to make it an enjoyable evening for all members, partners, whanau and guests. A Big Thank You, also to Hilary Young for valuable help behind the

scenes to make it all look perfect. The Closing speech by Murray Edridge as he took us on a journey of Rotary connections and travels and brought us back to the reason for being Rotarians was humbling and entertaining all in one.

For me, the hair-raising moment came when John Mohi stood up to lead a Waiata in response to my opening speech and to hear everyone's voice as we all joined in.

As I gave my address to all present, I was very aware and mindful of the experience and expertise of all in the room who have left large shoes for me to fill over the years. I am heartened to have a very supportive board. I will do my very best to lead the club towards new beginnings and carry on the good work we all strive for our communities.

TŪTIRA MAI NGĀ IWI, TĀTAU, TĀTAU E – COME TOGETHER AS ONE - Zāi

DISTRICT CHANGEOVER



The DG Chain: DGN Joycelyn Hogg, DGE Wayne Gordon, DG Marilyn Stevens and PDG Mark Wheeler



The 9940 District Changeover, from Mark Wheeler to Marilyn Stevens, took place in Otaki on Saturday 25th June. The day's programme, enjoyed by the large gathering, mostly comprised presentation of projects, particularly those comprising District and International involvement. In accordance with tradition, a number of awards were made to clubs and individual. Our neighbouring club, Karori, received the award for the greatest growth in membership.

WOMEN IN ROTARY



Do you want an opportunity to work with other Rotary women across the District? We're planning a Women in Rotary stand at the Wellington Women's Lifestyle Expo 23 & 24 July. This is a great opportunity to get to know a group of motivated members and to get the Rotary brand in front of a lot of women. There are plenty of resources to create an interesting stand and Rotarians will share out the staffing of the stand with a dynamic Rotary presence. For further details contact: gillian.rotary9940@gmail.com

KCA – TRACY REPORTS

Tracy has received a much deserved Covid Response Award from the Mayor of Porirua. KCA is also a finalist at the Wellington Airport Regional Community Awards for its work in the region.



The long-awaited porta-lodge finally turned up. Alas, it wasn't the colour they ordered and the electrical box was on the wrong side so it's not easy for to plug it into the electricity. It is up against the landlord's containers. Tracy is pleased to announce that KCA now has a full time paid storeman called Pankaj, who had been a full-time volunteer for the past 12 months.



Delivery of the Portalodge

Despite all the precautions taken, Tracy and her family are all suffering seriously from Covid. We wish them all the best for a speedy recovery.

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL VISIT



Trustee Adrienne Murray hands Bill Day the modern equivalent of a cheque to recognise Rotary's contribution of \$5 million



RI Director for Oceania, Dr Jessie Harman visited Wellington recently. As well as attending part of the District 9920 [Auckland,

Northland and Eastern Pacific] Conference, which was taking place at Te Papa, Jessie visited a number of local projects including a tour of the almost completed Children's Hospital. The Rotary District has raised \$5 million and growing to provide Whanau rooms and items of equipment for the project. Foundation Chair, Rotarian Bill Day, with your Bulletin Editor as photographer, hosted Jessie and a group of the Rotary Funds Trustees. It is a truly impressive facility complemented by the contribution from Rotarians.

WHY ARE INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS SO HIGH?



RIDE THE TRAIN TO END POLIO

Riding the train to enable others to walk



Ride the Train to End Polio is to take place on Sunday 4 September, departing Paekakariki at 7.50am to Taihape return. The train will be stopping at Levin, Palmerston North and Marton, and people can join at those locations. The cost is \$160 per person, via the following link <https://www.eventspronto.co.nz/ridethetrain> The Organisers will provide regular newsletters to those that have booked, including a timetable, and events. *Chris Tchernegovski,*

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