



*At the Forum - Club President David Young [second from right] flanked by his in-house "Advisers", PDG's Tony Fryer, Morris Robertson, Ross George and John Mohi*

## At Wellington Bridge Club

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October  
 President Tahir Nawaz  
 International Muslim Association

### DUTIES

Greeter	David Bennett
Host Speaker	Lionel Nunns
Attendance	Morris Robertson
Reflection	TBA
Happy Dollars	David King
Thank Speaker	Graeme Waters
Parting Thought	Tony Fryer

Apologies and Guests to Maurice Scott  
[mjpscott@gmail.com](mailto:mjpscott@gmail.com) by 10am Wednesday

### NOTE !

For this meeting only, apologies to  
 Adrian Ellingham  
[raellingham@xtra.co.nz](mailto:raellingham@xtra.co.nz)

## At Wellington Bridge Club

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> 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

## Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October

7pm at Khandallah  
 Presbyterian Church  
 District Governor Gillian Jones  
 Partners, Widows and Friends  
 encouraged to attend

RSVP [royfergusonnz@gmail.com](mailto:royfergusonnz@gmail.com)  
 for catering purposes by Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October  
 Cost including drinks \$35.00 per person  
 Pay to 03 0518 0023645 00 or by cash

## DG GILLIAN JONES

Gillian grew up in the Wairarapa. After attending



local schools, she moved to Wellington to train at Teacher's College as a primary teacher. She taught in Wellington, then married and,

through work opportunities, travelled to Sydney, then to London, enjoying the proximity of Europe for adventures.

Gillian returned to New Zealand and, with two young daughters, continued to study, completing a B Ed, then a M Ed and a post graduate Certificate in Counselling. This led to school counselling roles before Gillian changed her focus from students to adults.

For the last twenty years she has focused on Organisational Development, including through her own business, *Change by Design*. She specialises in Career and Leadership coaching and change management, working with government agencies and corporates.

At the same time as changing her career direction she met her husband Kevin Prestney. Kevin comes from a sales and marketing background, bringing over 20 years' experience as an Account Director for a large Wellington based advertising agency. Kevin and Gillian married in 2008 and, after enjoying apartment living in Wellington for several years, moved back to the Wairarapa, now calling Greytown their home. Between them they have four successful adult children of whom they are very proud and six gorgeous grandchildren.

Gillian became a Rotarian in 2003. She was President of the Rotary Club of Harbour City in 2006 and Assistant Governor of Wellington Cluster 2 in 2009 -10. She joined the Rotary Club of Wellington in 2014. She has held Director roles and for the last two years has been the Co-Chair of the Rotary Leadership Institute for District 9940



## 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](mailto:rotarypanto2020@gmail.com)" and an orderly process will follow. This is a traditional pantomime and hopefully we can fill the house.



Wellington North members are urged to be part in an event on 23 October, whether that's collecting on a station, assisting with the BBQ at Wellington Station (coordinated by AG David Shackleton and Linda Wellington), attending the Luncheon post the ride. End Polio T-shirts are the ticket to "Ride the Train" for free, and are also a great way to promote our cause with a sea of "RED" riding en mass on the rail network. For further information contact PDG John Mohi.



## KHANDALLAH VILLAGE FAIR 2020

Planning continues for the 13<sup>th</sup> December Fair Kesh Gilmour, who is co-ordinating the planning, has scheduled face to face [F2F] and Zoom planning meetings through to December as follows –

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

**ZOOM** 7pm for 40 minutes 27 October, 6 November, 30 November.

There are still a number of tasks to be allocated, both during the lead up and on the day.

This is a major fund raising and community support project for the club that also enhances its profile in the community. All club members are urged to volunteer and participate. Contact Kesh at [kesh.gilmour@gmail.com](mailto:kesh.gilmour@gmail.com) or 021 02244763 to register your area of interest in the planning and on the day.

### 1st OCTOBER LUNCHEON MEETING

President David told us that Laury Sinclair had announced his retirement from the club. Laury was President on 2000/01 and will be best remembered for his founding of Healthy Heroes. Laury will be appropriately farewelled at the 15 October meeting

John Mohi asked for support for the Ride the train on 23 October. Lionel Nunns will need helpers with the Bar- B-Q at Wellington Station in the morning.

### GUEST SPEAKER

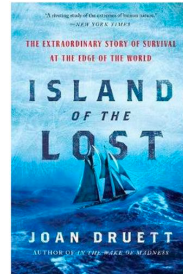


**Joan Druitt**, speaker and author, seen here with Margaret Emerre, told us the story she published about leadership and shipwrecks in the Southern Ocean.

In 1864 Captain Thomas Musgrave and his crew of four aboard the schooner Grafton wreck on the southern end of the island. Utterly alone in a dense coastal forest, plagued by stinging blowflies and relentless rain, Captain Musgrave - rather than succumb to this dismal fate - inspires his men to take action. With barely more than their bare hands, they built a cabin and, remarkably, a forge, where they manufacture their tools.

Under Musgrave's leadership, they band together and remain civilised through even the darkest and most terrifying days. Incredibly, at the same time on the opposite end of the island

- twenty miles of impassable cliffs and chasms away - the Invercauld wrecks during a horrible storm. Nineteen men stagger ashore. Unlike Captain Musgrave, the captain of the Invercauld falls apart given the same dismal circumstances. His men fight and split up; some die of starvation, others turn to cannibalism. Only three survive.



Musgrave and all of his men not only endure for nearly two years, they also plan their own astonishing escape, setting off on one of the most courageous sea voyages in history. Using the survivors' journals and historical records, award-winning maritime historian Joan Druett brings this extraordinary untold story to life, a story about leadership and the fine line between order and chaos.

### CLUB FORUM

#### September 28th at the Khandallah Bowling Club

President David Young welcomed the 24 members present followed by a meal cooked and served by Automat. This was followed by the cutting of a cake to celebrate Ross George's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

*Ross cutting the birthday cake, assisted by Morris Robertson, who joined the Club shortly after Ross.*



Ross was introduced into the club by Ron Potts on 13<sup>th</sup> October 1977. Ross served as President in 1982/83 and District Governor in 1987/88, the year Polio Plus was launched. He subsequently served in international roles including representing District 9940 at the RI Council on Legislation.

**International:** John Mohi began the presentation of Directors' reports assisted by Tony Fryer, generally on The Rotary Foundation and Morris Robertson on the value of project through partnerships and Rotary Foundation grants.

**Vocational and Youth:** Graeme Waters said the Club had good relations with several primary schools and were beginning to develop connections with St Mary's and Queen Margaret Colleges.

**Community Service:** Lionel Nunns said that the Khandallah Fair is the big upcoming project. Kesh gave an update on planning for the fair and will distribute a work sheet for members' information. Assistance from members not already involved will be needed on the day. Lionel said that, with money we have, it is time to meet some Covid-19 hardships. Another need is support for Pacifica students.

**Fund Raising:** A proposal from David King to run a raffle to raise funds was accepted and he and Stephen Spence were asked to implement it along the lines set out in his paper.

**Charitable distributions:** The proposal, which had been discussed by the Board and circulated to members, to budget on \$25,000 being available to the Charitable Trust for distribution was accepted as was a 50/50 split between Club and wider Rotary causes.

**NOTES FROM 5 OCTOBER BOARD MEETING**

At the meeting this week, the board resolved, in accordance with the consensus reached at the Forum that, as soon as the funds are received from the KauKau Club, to recommend to the trustees of the Charitable Trust, the following distribution of the \$12,500 was allocated to District and International projects:

- Rotary Foundation                     \$3000
- Polio Eradication                       \$1500
- Give Every Child a Future             \$4000
- Wellington Children’s Hospital     \$3000
- Emergency Response Kit               \$600

Matters discussed included the outcomes of the Revitalisation Report, current and future projects, meetings schedule and locations and social gatherings.

**THE PRESIDENT’S CORNER**

It is wonderful that this year we can anticipate that the Charitable Trust will have significant funds available to support a range of needs internationally, nationally and in our own community.



The contribution to the Rotary Foundation continues the club’s longstanding support of the Foundation recognising that, in turn, this money comes back to be available to support district

and club projects as well as wider Rotary International projects. Similarly, Polio Eradication and Emergency Response Kits are longstanding projects which the club has supported, and it is very pleasing that this year, with added demands for grants for other causes, the club can continue to support these projects.

Give Every Child a Future and the Wellington Children’s Hospital are both Centennial projects. Our Charitable Trust made substantial grants to both these projects last year and it is wonderful that we can continue to support these worthy causes this year.

District Governor, Gillian Jones, who will be visiting the club on 19 October, has challenged all clubs to identify some club specific Covid 19 project(s). The needs arising from Covid 19 are overwhelming and the Centennial projects are exciting. We can be pleased that this year we can make meaningful contributions across that range of causes which our club supports locally, nationally and internationally.

*David Young*

*A suggested answer on what we could most effectively do for the Covid-19 response is contained in the next story. Ed.*

**KIWI COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE VISIT**



*Michelle briefing the WN Team*

Earlier this week a group from the club visited Kiwi Community Assistance to view the new and enlarged premises at Grenada. In the absence of Tracy, who was taking a much-needed holiday prior to her forthcoming back operation, General Manager Michelle gave a guided tour and update on KCA’s expanding operations. The new premises feature a cool store, freezer room, office and toilet facilities. A new donor on the scene is the recently opened nearby Countdown E-store.

Post Lockdown, KCA has been able to resume receiving and storing donations of household goods and clothing, much of which will go out for Christmas.

A telling statistic was that, compared with a year ago, the demand from foodbanks that KCA supplies has doubled, largely as a consequence of Covid-19. While KCA has generally been able to source general food, canned and other dry goods are falling short of requests, leading to the need to buy in stocks at negotiated prices. This, in turn, leads to an on-going need to pursue funding avenues.

**THUS** – There are several opportunities for our club to continue its support for KCA, both financially and physical participation. The previous rice filling and warehouse packing working bees were great fellowship occasions. More such opportunities await us, such as the packing of Christmas boxes.

This could be a very efficient and rewarding way to make our contribution to support the fallout from Covid-19. As well as club support generally, there is opportunity for individual contributions through KCA's Give-a-Little facility. Go to [KCA.org.nz](http://KCA.org.nz) – help us. Charitable donation receipts will be issued.

### POSTER BOY



An article in this week's Independent Herald highlights our former member, Peter Spearman, in an article promoting Enliven's Huntleigh retirement apartments in Karori. Peter, who was a former Ministry of Works Mechanical Engineer, recently turned 95. A long-time member of the Club, Peter was President in 1991/92. Our best wishes go to Peter.

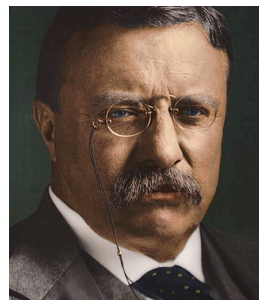
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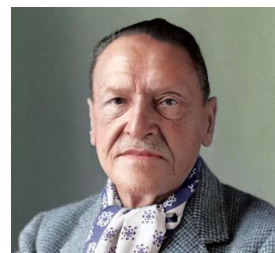
During a recent storm, there was news of a tree, toppling. Located on Council road reserve, it unfortunately landed on Kesh Gilmour's car, causing the roof to collapse. We extend our sympathies to Kesh.

### PARTING THOUGHTS

*From Ross Foubister*



If you could kick the person in the pants responsible for most of your trouble, you wouldn't sit for a month.  
**Theodore Roosevelt**



There are three rules for writing a novel. Unfortunately, no one knows what they are.  
**W. Somerset Maugham**

### REMINDER

*RSVP by 15 October for District Governor's visit*

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