



The Rotary Club of Tawa Inc.

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NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 12 2024

MEETINGS

Apologies to tawa.rotaryapologies@gmail.com by 12 midday on the Monday prior to the meeting. Please notify if you are bringing anyone.

- 12 Nov Indian themed dinner for Polio Campaign
SGM
Board Meeting
- 26 Nov The Rotary Foundation
- 1 Dec (Sun) The Tempestuous
- 7 Dec Santa Comes to Tawa
- 10 Dec Volunteer Evening
- 14 Dec Club Christmas Party



ROSTER FOR 12 NOVEMBER

- Front Desk - John Melville
- Raffles - Judith Havill
- Set up - Karen Searle Tim Davin
- Photos - Richard Herbert
- Open / parting - Joe Asghar
- Intro / thanks - Pat Waite
- Greeter

26 NOVEMBER

- John Melville
- Carolyn Crutch
- Karen Seale Tim Davin
- Laura Sommer
- Judith Gray

- Martin Garcia

PRESIDENT'S PIECE



I was privileged ton Friday to deliver a tribute for Richard Hutchinson at his funeral service at St Paul's Cathedral on behalf of our members both present and past. It was a very moving ceremony with our club members, neighbours, NZ Police where Richard worked, family and friends of Richard and Mary fulling the Cathedral. I listened to Richard's daughter Connie talk about her Dad, and the times they spent together – a moving tribute to Richard. We will miss him. In the almost 40 years of membership of Tawa Rotary he certainly made an impact on us all and his presence will always be part of the fabric of our Club. Our hearts and love go to Mary, Connie, Alister and Richard's brother Ian. The family asked that in memory of Richard, donations could be made to Gillies McIndoe Institute – a very worth cause. You will remember Dr Swee Tan talking about their research and treatment for cancer.

As you may know I have been working with Joe Asghar for some time on the consequences and outcomes from the Report of the Royal Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in State and Faith Based Care. The national apology led by the Prime Minister will be made the morning of our meeting. I will be in Wellington to witness that moment and meet survivors of the abuse. Whilst it will be a watershed moment, work needs to continue on for all of us to make sure that our young people, our tamariki are safe and are cared for.

This Tuesday meeting, we will be raising funds from our meal and raffle (thank you Elizabeth for organizing our meal) as well as the Tempestuous outing for Polio Plus. As you know I grew up in a polio family with Dad and his youngest brother having had polio and both suffering the aftereffects of the disease. Melva and me, Elizabeth and Victoria as well as Gaylene Lines joined some 20+ Rotary member from around the country to a polio immunization programme to India in 2011. It was the second immunization trip (2009) for Melva and I. Boy did we see the terrible impact of the disease around us particularly in New Delhi. Sadly, Polio is on the growth again judging by the latest data from Rotary International. Let's do everything we can to keep it away from our shores and from our loved ones and to help those in parts of the world where the disease is spreading.



We will be holding a Special General meeting after dinner. We need to talk about the future for our club so please come along with an open mind, ideas are welcome. We don't expect a decision on the night, but it is helpful for your Board when we meet later that night to have with us your views on the issue.



See you Tuesday. If you can't make the meeting, please feel free to send to Judith or I your thoughts which, if you are ok with it, we can read out to the meeting.

Take care

Pat

THE TEMPESTUOUS – CIRCA THEATRE

Contact Elizabeth Sutton (elizabethsutton49@gmail.com) before 7 November so she can book tickets.

By William Shakespeare & Penny Ashton

Sunday 1 December, 4.30pm, Circa Theatre. \$45 per ticket

Sicily's beloved King Enzo is dead. Now Princess Rosa, a stropky spinster, must navigate the tempestuous waters of belching Step-Fathers, lusty suitors, popping cod pieces and menopausal witches, to face her destiny.

Award Winning Comedian Penny Ashton (writer and director of Circa's smash hit Sense and Sensibility, Promise and Promiscuity, Olive Copperbottom) presents her latest literary solo musical with this Shakespearean frolic. She'll spark 13 characters into life in an Elizabethan tale of magic, meddling and puffed bull's puzzles.

"...a well-crafted and deftly performed production of a witty and intelligent show. I very much appreciate the skillful use of Shakespearean material throughout." Theatreview

"... a funny and clever romp...an excellently written script that Shakespeare himself would be proud of." Theatrescenes





SANTA COMES TO TAWA 7 December

SAVE THE DATE – 7 December – Santa comes to Tawa

You'll be able to take your own photos with Santa. And while you're there you'll be able to enjoy the entertainment from local groups, the magical Christmas Tree. There'll also be Face Painting, Sausage Sizzle, Colouring Competition judging, Ice Blocks, Candy Floss, Popcorn, and heaps more.

We need people to man - sausage sizzle, popcorn, water station, ice block station, supervision of dress up characters, set up, clean up, transporting equipment from Community Centre (chairs etc and back again). Lots to do so please consider this your community service and come along to enjoy our contribution to the Tawa Community.



SUMMER PJ DRIVE

Now that we're well into spring the focus turns to summer pyjamas for all ages up to 16 years old. Organiser, Elizabeth Sutton says that Rotary is appreciative of New World Tawa's ongoing support of the PJ Drive Foster and donations of new summer pyjamas can be left in the donation box near New World Tawa's checkout.

PS: Foster Hope is still happy to receive winter nightwear for distribution in 2025.



RYLA

Find someone between the age of 18 -24years to nominate for RYLA

Rotary



rotary youth leadership awards

CHARITY DINNER

The Āhuru Mōwai Trust and the Rotary Club of Plimmerton have great pleasure in extending an invitation to you to join us for the Charity gala dinner and auction being held on Thursday evening 5th December 2024. The dinner is a cricket-themed fundraising evening to raise funds to build an inclusive playground for children in the greater Porirua region with intellectual and physical challenges. We strongly believe that for young people living with intellectual

and physical challenges, having a safe outdoor place to go to is hugely important. The event – which will be held the day before the start of the second Test in Wellington – will take place at the Te Rauparaha Arena in Porirua.

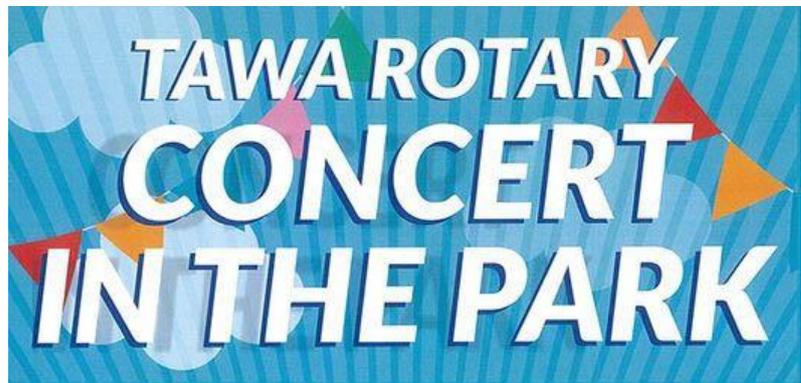
More information on the Charity gala dinner is available at www.charitygaladinner.co.nz



- Platinum tables of 10 \$2,500 (\$250 per ticket)
- Gold tables of 10 \$1,500 (\$150 per ticket)
- Standard tables of 10 \$750 (\$75 per ticket)

CONCERT IN THE PARK
16 February 2025

**With the AirForce
Band, Tawa College
Blue Notes and
Tawa College Kapa
Haka group**



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