



The Rotary Club of Tawa Inc.
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NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER 19 2023

MEETINGS

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

19 September WCC Councillors Tony Randle, Ben McNaulty, John Apanowicz to speak on Economic Development in Wellington. Combined Meeting with Lions Club & Inner Wheel

26 September No meeting

3 October Peace Labyrinth Potential designs presented to the club Board Meeting

10 October Dinner at Sprig & Fern

17 October Pride in Work Awards

24 October Hon Peter Dunne Assessment of Election Results

31 October Dr Swee Tann founder of Gillies McIndoe research centre

ROSTER

If you are not available to do your duty it is up to YOU to find a replacement

	19 Sept	3 Oct	17 Oct
Set up	Tim & Karen		
Front Desk	Malcolm		
Greeting Guests	Tim Davin		
Raffles	Judith Havill		
Open/Parting	Joe Asgar		
Intro/Thanks	Peter Lockery		
Photographer	Richard Hutchinson		

PRESIDENT'S PIECE

Today (Saturday) is the Jewish New Year known as Rosh Hashanah. A new beginning which we mark by a special meal (always!) and by eating apple dipped in honey. The apple is symbolic of life and the honey for a sweet year ahead. The year is 5784 which is counted from the



'calculation' of when the Earth was created and is measured in lunar months.

Thank you to all who came to the Club Night meeting last week when we talked about a number of upcoming events and opportunities. The first is this coming Tuesday when we are combining with Tawa Lions Club and the Inner Wheel Club to enjoy each others company AND discuss some collaboration for the future.

We also have a great line up of speakers – yes three – our current WCC representatives for the Northern Ward. Tony Randle, Ben McNaulty and John Apanowicz will join us to talk about the economic welfare of Wellington and to answer questions you may have. And with current discussions out in the community I expect there will be many items members and our visitors may want to raise. Other readers of this Bulletin may wish to enlist to come along to the meeting – you'd be most welcome – please register at Tawarotaryclub@gmail.com by Monday 12 midday. Cost is \$25 per head if you would like to join us for dinner.

I wish you all “ L'Shana Tova,” a happy, healthy and sweet year.

Judith G

LAST WEEKS MEETING

REPORTS re Projects

Wilf Mexted Reserve Information Signboard Refresh

During April - May members of Tawa Rotary undertook refurbishment of the reserve track map and information board located at the entrance of Wilf Mexted Reserve at the top of Collins Avenue, in collaboration with Friends for Tawa Bush Reserves Inc, and Wellington City Council.



END POLIO

Today just there are just two countries remaining as polio-endemic – Afghanistan and Pakistan –with just 7 cases reported thus far in 2023. But until the wild poliovirus is completely eliminated it is potentially only a flight away from returning to becoming a global epidemic once again.

World Polio Day is celebrated on 24 th October each year and offers an opportunity to celebrate the work done on polio eradication to date and help raise some funds to help finish the eradication.

Local events around the time of World Polio Day include;

- Bacon Buttie event – Rotary awareness promotion campaign at Wellington rail station

Thursday 26th October, 6am to 11am. Further information is attached. If you would like to participate please contact Judith Gray.

- Ride the Train event. Individual clubs are offering local miniature railway rides as a promotional fundraiser event.

- Public Street Collection fundraiser – If anyone is interested in this please contact Richard Herbert.



Membership



As all recognise, membership growth and retention is real a challenge – but we can change this with a fresh approach! Our goals are:

- Ensuring we are a Rotary Club that is vibrant and growing, relevant to and serving the needs of the community and members.
- Make Tawa a better place to live and work through Rotary membership.
- Tawa Rotary continues to contribute to goals of Rotary International.

We know where we are now and where we want to be in the future, but getting there will be the trick - and it will take a whole of club effort! To support this a plan (20+ pages) has been drafted. It recognises that many activities have been tested before but noting a changed landscape and today's opportunities. To deliver will take time, effort, and investment, and it will

need to be well thought through and planned.

We need volunteers to join the Presidents Committee to pick up this mantle. If you are interested in getting involved please shout out!

Governance

Applications to Tawa Rotary for Grants are considered by a subcommittee of the Board – the committee involves the President, immediate past President, Secretary and President Elect. The committee assesses applications against criteria and makes recommendations to the Board. The Board considers the recommendations and in turn make a recommendation to the Trustees of the Tawa Rotary Charitable Trust.

Recently grants were awarded to Hampton Hill and Linden School – funded by profits from proceeds raised at Quiz night. Recipients of grants are expected to share the outcomes with Tawa Rotary, and to help promote Rotary supporting people in our community.

The Charitable Trust members are Tony Heyward – Chair, Malcolm Andrews, Judith Gray, Paul Hammond, John Melville and Laura Sommer. The first Trust meeting in this Rotary year is due to be held in October when John returns.



Using new Eftpos machine

Youth



An application from a Tawa College student has been sent for the Science and Technology Forum held in Jan 2024. Applications are now open for RYLA Jan 2024. Please encourage any suitable 18-24 year olds to apply.

PROJECTS

Tawa Labyrinth

Book Fair April 2024

Pride in Work Awards on 17 October

Christmas Party in the Plaza on 2 December

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