

### The Rotary Club of Tawa Inc.

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#### **NEWSLETTER JANUARY 30 2024**

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

30 January Sprig & Fern Social Meal met at 5:45 -6:15pm

6 February No meeting Waitangi Day

13 February Croquet Evening at Plimmerton Croquet Club

(Need 15 minimum)

18 February Concert in the Park

20 February No Meeting

## **NEXT MEETING**

**Sprig & Fern Restaurant** – Tuesday 30th at usual time 5.45pm/6.15pm.

So that we can book a table at the restaurant for us can you please do the usual i.e. apology if you can't make it on the Clubs email: <a href="mailto:Tawa.rotaryapologies@gmail.com">Tawa.rotaryapologies@gmail.com</a>



## Come and Enjoy a Croquet Experience

An evening put on by Plimmerton Croquet Club 2 Plimmerton Drive

Tuesday 13 February

5.30pm (or whenever you can make it)

\$30/head includes dinner and drinks

Flat soled shoes please

We need 15+ people to make this event viable so please feel free to invite partners, family (adults only) and friends.

RSVP asap to <a href="mailto:tawa.rotaryapologies@gmail.com">tawa.rotaryapologies@gmail.com</a> with no. attending



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## PRESIDENT'S PIECE

#### Visit to Karori Club

It was a great turnout from our Club for last week's visit to Karori Club (19 from Tawa including partners) – thank you all!!

#### **Programme for February-June**

Judith, Laura, Tim and I spent Sunday afternoon firming up a plan for the next 4 months so that we can give some certainty for our diaries, the caterer and the Tawa Bowling Club. Further details will be coming out over the next few weeks – watch this space! Exciting events/meetings ahead!!!

#### **District 9940 Conference**

District Conference will be held in Whanganui over the weekend 12-14 April. It will include celebrating Whanganui Rotary's Centennial with a dinner on the Saturday night. Melva and I have registered for the dinner and will also be registering for the Conference when registrations open for that. It would be great to have a strong team from Tawa Rotary helping Whanganui celebrate their Centennial and also attending the District Conference. In recent years' our Club has organized two Conferences – Taupo in 2008 when I was District Governor and in New Plymouth 2017 for Martin Garcia's year as District Governor. It would be wonderful to have a strong team from Tawa – what fun we would have!!! How about joining us in Whanganui?

### **International Convention Singapore May 2024.**

This is a BIG event in the life of Rotary. For those who have attended an International Convention they will know the excitement as some 20,000+ Rotarians and partners

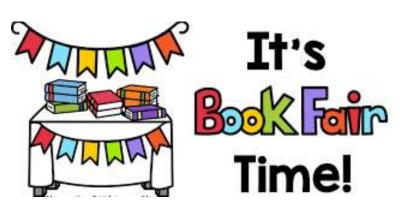


from around the world meet, share experiences, hear amazing speakers and leave with great stories, ideas to bring back to our Clubs.

Melva and I have attended some eight Conventions around the world over our Rotary life and we have already registered for Singapore. Give me a call if you would like to find out more of what international conventions are about. We plan to stay on for a few days after the convention – Singapore is a great destination to explore and it is only a short trip to visit surrounding countries such as Malaysia, Vietnam to name just two. By the way ,the International President will be visiting Wellington in June, and we have the opportunity to show him some of the highlights of our great city!! More info to come.

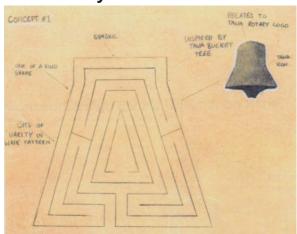
#### Bookfair

Our Bookfair is planned for April this year. We have over 200 boxes of books waiting to sell but we need a new venue as I have just been told this week that the Tawa Scout Hall is not available. Disappointing news to get but here is an opportunity to find a new venue.



It may be that we will need to lease a shop/space in Tawa but that would be a pity as it reduces the money available to support community projects, If you know of any space that we could use please let me know?????

#### **Peace Labyrinth**



You will recall that a student at Tawa College has provided a number of alternative plans for the labyrinth. We chose the one that is shaped like the famous Tawa landmark "The Bucket Tree". Monday Richard Herbert, Murray Lucas and I are meeting a Wellington City Council representative at Coronation Park hopefully to finalise the plans so we can start building it. I will let you know how we go!!!!

Have a great week ahead as we head to Waitangi Day on Tuesday 6 February. Melva

and I are taking 3 weeks off to take our caravan for its annual holiday up north initially to Awakino where Melva's family gave connections, and then up to Bay of islands.

Take care. Enjoy summer!!!!!
Pat

## CONCERT IN THE PARK

Sunday 18 February 3pm to 6pm is coming up fast and we need assistance on the day.
Judith Havill is organizing the barbeque so contact her if you are able to help with this or contact Elizabeth Sutton for all other jobs

We encourage all Rotarians to come along with their picnic rug and enjoy the concert and be seen in a Rotary vest representing Tawa Rotary.



### **PROJECTS**

#### **BIG HEART COLLECTION**



Friday 23 February and Saturday 24 February outside New World. Inner Wheel are organizing and have requested help with collectors. Please contact Carolyn <a href="mailto:carolynjcrutch@gmail.com">carolynjcrutch@gmail.com</a> if you are able to

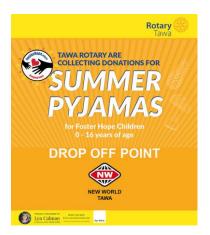
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## WINTER'S OVER, SUMMER'S HERE

Time for Tawa Rotary's Summer Pyjama Drive for Foster Hope

Pyjama donations for children in foster care can be left at the drop off bin in New World Tawa.

Anything we can do as a community to help these youngsters feel loved and valued is priceless.



# **Book Fair** April 2024

# **Concert in the Park Sunday** 18 February

**Tawa Labyrinth** 



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