

# DUNEDIN CENTRAL ROTARY

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## Information Booklet



International Theme 2019-2020

*“.....a worldwide network of inspired individuals  
who translate their passions into relevant social  
causes to change lives in communities”.*

## **THE OBJECT OF ROTARY**

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in addition, to encourage and foster:

- First: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.
- Second: High ethical standards in business and professions, the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations, and the dignifying by each Rotarian of his occupation as an opportunity to serve society.
- Third: The application of the ideal of service by every Rotarian to his personal, business and community life.
- Fourth: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace, through a world fellowship of business and professional men and women united in the ideal of service.

## **THE 4 –WAY TEST**

Of things we think, say or do:

- 1 Is it the TRUTH?
- 2 Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- 3 Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4 Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?
- 5

## **ROTARY'S AREAS OF FOCUS**

Peace and Conflict Resolution

Disease Prevention and Treatment

Water and Sanitation

Maternal and Child Health

Basic Education and Literacy

Economic and Community Development

## **ROTARY CLUB OF DUNEDIN CENTRAL**

- 1           The Rotary Club of Dunedin Central was chartered on the 8th of March 1980.
  
- 2           Management of the Club rests with the President, Vice President, Immediate Past President, five Directors, Secretary and Treasurer.
  
- 3           The Club meets every Tuesday at The Dunedin Club 33 Melville Street (Fernhill), at 5.30pm for fellowship and a meal at 6.00pm. The Dunedin Club has a dress code which requires business attire - this excludes jeans and jandals.
  
- 4           Every member of the Club is appointed annually to a particular committee and it is usual for members to change committees yearly, thus providing variety of activity and also giving each member a wide experience of Rotary work.

In line with the four avenues of service there are five main committees:

## **Youth**

Liaise with OGHS and John McGlashan to select youth delegates to attend the Science Fair.  
Run the local speech competition to select a district competitor. Promote RYLA and select applicants  
Promote Rotary Youth Exchange hosting and support outgoing student applicants from the above named schools.

- 2        **Membership** – To develop and implement an action plan for the recruiting, training, education and retention of club members
- 3        **Rotary Foundation** - To develop and implement a plan to support the Rotary Foundation through programme participation and financial contributions.
- 4        **Public Relations** – To take every opportunity to provide the public with information about Rotary and promote the clubs service projects and activities.
- 5        **Service Projects** – Co-ordinate the club's service projects ensuring that as many members as possible are involved.
- 6        **Club Administration**-is carried out jointly by the President, immediate past president, treasurer and secretary, along with the Bulletin Editor
- 7        To carry out activities associated with the effective operation of the club such as organise weekly and Special programmes. Produce the Club Bulletin,
- 8        promote fellowship among club members and ensure the financial wellbeing of the club.

These committees are expected to meet every month at the chairperson's home or the home of another committee member and provide a written report of its activities to the Board. These have historically been called "fireside meetings". Sometimes it may be more convenient for committee meetings to be held at the Club before or after the normal meeting.

Chairpersons sometimes find that some items requiring an urgent decision can be made via telephone or and e-mail communication.

## **ATTENDANCE**

Rotary places particular importance on regular attendance at the weekly meetings as Club effectiveness comes from members who know each other well and who participate in Club activities.

It is important that if a member is unable to attend they use the online apology system before 11am on the day of the meeting so that accurate catering numbers can be provided.

**Please note:** If no apology is received payment for the meal is expected and will be charged for as the club incurs the fee from the Dunedin Club.

Visiting another club can be the beginning of new friendships with local Rotarians. The times and venues of the other Dunedin Clubs are as follows:

Monday	<b>Dunedin North</b>	5.30pm for 6.00pm
	Otago University Staff Club, 80 Union Place, North Dunedin	
Monday	<b>Mosgiel</b>	5.45pm for 6.00pm
	Mosgiel Station Cafe, Gladstone Rd South, Mosgiel	
Tuesday	<b>Dunedin East</b>	6.00pm for 6.30pm
	Chisholm Park Golf Club, Victoria Road, Dunedin	
Tuesday	<b>St Kilda Sunrise</b>	7.00am for 7.15am
	Kingsgate Hotel, 10 Smith St Dunedin 9016	
Wednesday	<b>Dunedin South</b>	12.00 for 12.30pm
	Techniques restaurant, Otago Polytechnic Forth Street, Dunedin	
Wednesday	<b>Taieri</b>	5.45pm for 6.15pm
	Mosgiel Station Café, Gladstone Rd, South, Mosgiel.	

Thursday            **Dunedin**                            12.00pm for 2.30pm  
Cobb and Co Restaurant Dunedin Railway Station, Dunedin

And of course do remember;  
Tuesday            **Dunedin Central**                            5.30pm for 6.00pm  
At the Dunedin Club 33 Melville Street

The Club Secretary also has the meeting places and times of all Clubs throughout the world.

### **Leave of Absence**

Leave of absence is normally granted upon written application to the Directors of the Club for extended absence, sickness or overseas travel.

## **ROSTER OF CLUB DUTIES**

*Please note that if a member has been designated a duty and finds they are unable to attend it is their responsibility to arrange for another member to act on their behalf and to notify the President.*

## **DUTY TEAM**

Should arrive at the meeting venue (generally the Dunedin Club, Melville Street) approximately 5.15pm or very soon after to set up the venue.

If the meeting is to be held at another venue such as the Nanking Palace Restaurant ensure that the name badges are collected from the Dunedin Club store for use at the alternative venue. At the conclusion of the meeting collect all items that have been taken to the alternative venue and ensure that they are returned to the Dunedin Club storeroom.

**a Set up the venue**

Set up 'top table' with lectern, gong, and the sergeant's collection dish,

Hang the banner sheets in an appropriate place in the meeting room. 2 or 3 are plenty.

Put out the attendance register, name badges, visitors book, make-up/visitor cards, financial reconciliation sheet and president's attendance report sheet, ready for use.

**b Duty A** (assisted by Duty B)

Mark attendance form appropriately with who is present have paid and note any who are not present and have not apologised.

Prepare for the meeting attendance form and pass to the president;

- List of apologies.
- List of visitors and visiting Rotarians.
- List of members who need to leave early. (Early Leavers)

**c Collect**

• Dinner Fee of \$25.00. (count number present; confirm with the Dunedin Club Function Manager.) Settle-up with Function Manager at \$23.00 each. If there are insufficient funds to pay for the meal ask Treasurer for a cheque for the balance.

• Total up the Sergeant's collection (see Sergeant) and add to balance of dinner fees and hand to the Treasurer. Do the same for the Heads & Tails collection.

Use the reconciliation sheet, it has been created to make life easier for you.

- Rotary Exchange students are guests of our Club and are not expected to pay for their meal.
- Rotary Ambassadorial Scholars are paid a considerable sum to attend our University so they are expected to pay for their meal unless they are the speaker for the evening.
- Visiting Rotarians always pay for their meal.
- The guest speaker does not pay.

- The District Governor does not pay.
- The balance of any money left over to be given to the Treasurer with the reconciliation sheet.

**d Tidy Up**

Remove banners etc and return all Rotary paraphernalia to the storeroom.

**1. SERGEANT**

Our Club appoints a 'Sergeant', (on a per meeting basis present but sometimes rostered for the year) who notes any newspaper appearances, and real or imagined misdemeanours, and collects gold coin fines. This is all good natured fun and often keeps everyone up to date with what others have been doing.

The Sergeant's role varies among clubs and around the world and often includes other duties such as ensuring the meeting starts on time, that duties are being done correctly etc.

**1 HEADS & TAILS**

Our Club has another weekly fundraiser called Heads & Tails. Each week a member (listed on the newsletter roster) is charged with bringing a bottle of wine that is won by someone on the toss of a coin. A gold coin 'donation' is expected from everyone present.

Also as a further fundraiser any member who is overseas has the opportunity to bring a duty free item to the meeting to auction. Those funds are currently going towards the provision of a Shelter Box.



## **2 HOSPITALITY**

Welcome visitors. Have them sign the Visitors' Book. Ensure that the Duty Team issues them with Visiting Rotarian or Visitors' name cards. Sign the Visiting Rotarian card if they request one. This card is sometimes used as his/her Make Up card on return to their own Club.

Ensure visitors are introduced to at least 2 members of the Club preferably to members in their own line of business and offer them refreshments.

Introduce visitors to the President.

See that visitors are not left alone and that they are seated amongst a group with similar interests.

## **3 SPEAKER INTRODUCTION**

Speakers are paying us a compliment when they give up their time to speak to us. Some are professional speakers but most are trying to interest us in their activities. They greatly appreciate our making their visit comfortable.

- a Meet them as soon as possible after they arrive.
- b Introduce to President.
- c See they have a drink and if they need a glass of water during their talk.
- d Show them the layout of the room and help with screen, etc, if required.
- e Sit with the speaker during the meal at the top table. Inquire as to the most pertinent information in their background to use in your introduction, again stress the need to stick to the agreed timing. (Normally 20mins) This is important as members often have other engagements after the meeting.

## **TYPES OF ROTARY CLUB MEMBERSHIP**

There are two main types of membership in Rotary, Active and Honorary. We have initiated another Student Membership.

### **a Active**

When a candidate accepts membership he/she becomes an active member, filling a 'loaned' classification.

### **b HONORARY**

This membership is granted for a term determined by the club Board to someone who has distinguished themselves in the furtherance of Rotary ideals. They do not pay fees, are not eligible to vote and do not have a classification. They are however welcome to attend all meetings of the club in which they have honorary membership and are expected to pay for their meals.

## **CLUB HISTORY**

### **DUNEDIN CENTRAL ROTARY CLUB**

**1980 -**

#### **PRESIDENTS:**

**Charter President** Phil Plunket 1980; Allan Poll 1980/81; John Swann 1981/82; Barry Chamberlain 1982/83; Graham Webster 1983/4; Peter Dick 1984/85; Paul Glass 1985/86; Bruce McMillan 1986/87; David Long 1987/88; Don Anderson 1988/89; Trevor Buchanan 1989/90; Nick Anderson 1990/91; Alan Laws 1991/92; Graham Spence 1992/93; Bill Thomas

1993/94; Brien Early 1994/95; Andrew Meek 1995/96; John Moore 1996/97; Theo Marlow 1997/98; John Ellison 1998/99; David McLeod 1999/00; Graham Elliott 2000/01; Pat O'Dea 2001/02; Wayne Larsen 2002/03; Bob Clark 2003/04; Peter Nees 2004/05; Craig Campbell 2005/06; Stephen Grant 2006/07; Rob Marshall 2007/08; Derek King 2008/09; Graham Spence 2009/10; Neville Hall 2010/11; Steve Atkins 2011/12; David Black 2012/13; Ah-Lek Tay 2013/14; Andrew Hamilton 2014/15; Bob Smith 2015/16; Derek King 2016/17; Sue Mackinlay 2017/18 ;David Macleod 2018/19r Eleanor Archer2019/2020; 2020/2021 Julia Pye President Elect; 2021/2022 Rajesh Thomas President Elect Nominee .

We are very proud of the fact that we now have our female membership at just under 50%. We had our first female President in the 2017/18 Dunedin Central has much to be proud of.

To Richard M. King (Dick) goes the credit for getting the Club started. In 1976 the Rotary Club of Dunedin decided to form another club within its territory. Two members looked at the possibility, without success, before the task was passed to Dick in October 1979. After two years of hard slog and mounting correspondence Dick wrote to the District Governor in September 1979 to say he had 22 people "signed up so I guess the club is now provisional." Rotary International admitted the Rotary Club of Dunedin Central on 19th December 1979 and our Charter night was held on March 8th 1980 with District Governor Dick Ayton officiating.

Our first venture into community service was to help the Dunedin Museum of Transport and Technology out at Seacliff. Their major need was labour and fortunately this fitted in with the Department of Labour Work Rehabilitation Scheme. Our task was the day-to-day administration. Getting young people

out to Seacliff, providing supervision, smoothing relationships, establishing industrial conditions and meeting IRD requirements was not always smooth sailing. In his last annual report Tony McAllister wrote that "the scheme had been moderately successful for (in that year) six persons gained permanent employment, six had transferred to other work schemes while 13 had left, most of whom will probably be a liability on the tax payer for many years." The scheme terminated in June 1986 following a change in Government. Recognition of the Club members' hard work was a Significant Achievement Award at the next District Conference.

It is still the project we would like to equal- THE CELEBRITY TIE AUCTION. The then Club President, Don Anderson proposed we establish a Charitable Trust Fund, the interest from which would support many of the requests the club regularly receives without always having to go to the Public. Warwick Grimmer was asked to look at it. He came up with an idea and with his close Committee got each member of the Club to give the names of 20 celebrities, from whom 200 were chosen and written to. Fifty replied, sending ties or other auctionable articles. With names like Sir Edmund Hillary, Prince Rainier, President George Bush (Snr.) Sir Harry Secombe, Sir Paul McCartney and Sir Don Bradman, Derek Nimmo, Ringo Starr and Arnold Palmer the quality was there. A week before the Auction Steve Parr of the TV programme "Sale of the Century" agreed to wear a tie each night to help promote the occasion nationally. With Liquorland as the sponsor, on the night of November 16th 1990, in a remarkably short period the N.Z. Cancer Foundation was the recipient of a \$30,000 donation and our Charitable Trust a kick start of \$20,000. Letters outlining our success were sent to all contributors and their replies were almost as pleasing. An example- "How kind of you to write to let me know the result of the Celebrity Tie Auction. I have to say that this is about the first time anyone

has written to say what happened. I much appreciate it" it was signed Leonard Cheshire. The receipt of a Significant Achievement Award capped a great effort.

Our given target for the Polio Plus campaign seemed daunting. In the talks hammering out what we might attempt, a theme kept recurring. "While raising funds to save children world wide, could we give local children some enjoyment?" From such thoughts the Train Trip for Disadvantaged Youngsters came about. A trip on the Taieri Gorge Express, with a fair and food just for them at the end would be a novelty. With businesses and individuals sponsoring carriages and seats, we approached schools with tickets for those they considered such an outing would benefit. Even now we can recall the contained excitement as the train drew out crammed with children, supervising parents, Rotarians, wives, Ambassadorial and RYE students and other trained helpers. It was a day of pure magic. Proof it had been perfect was positive. Boxes with bars of sweets were left untouched as we journeyed home! We reached 157% of our target with the help of this project.

The Director of the 1998-99 Community Services Committee expressed another successful project admirably - "We won a \$12 000 car!!" Cash Coupons from the Otago Daily Times Money Game were collected for a month by "strategic planning, ringing around, and even placing an advert in the paper saw our stash of money increase." With added help from our sponsored school and another nearby school a successful tender of \$4.376 billion was made. The car was paraded before both schools and later sold. The proceeds went to buy equipment identified as necessary by each school.

After our first RYE (Rotary Youth Exchange) student in 1984 from the United States, many a tear has been shed when saying goodbye to others from Canada, Denmark, Japan,

Scotland, Switzerland and the United States again. We have sponsored outbound students to Canada, Germany, United Kingdom, Norway, Chile, Sweden and the United States of America.

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) has always been strongly supported. There have been many years when we have had two candidates, and once, even three.

Ambassadorial Scholars from overseas are regularly hosted by the Club, one with her 18 month old daughter. We have had three candidates accepted although only two were finally able to take up their scholarships - one a policewoman and the other, a singer. In all three fields of RYE, RYLA and Foundation Scholars we have had club members acting as District Committee Chairpersons.

We have also sponsored three Probus Clubs as listed below.

Support for Rotary Foundation seems to have struck a chord from the outset with the fund raising November Auction now a Club institution. In 1985 it was suggested that it would be good if we could have a Paul Harris Fellow by our tenth anniversary. Our contributions to Rotary Foundation have been such that there are now over twenty Paul Harris Fellow recipients with three who also have been awarded an additional Sapphire Pin. (For every US\$1000- the club contributes to the Rotary Foundation the Foundation makes available a Paul Harris Fellowship. This comprises a certificate and a medallion and is presented to a member of either the Club or the community who in the Club's opinion has exemplified the principles of the Rotary movement. Paul Harris of course was the founder of Rotary.)

No history of the Club would be complete without acknowledging the contribution made by our partners. They are an integral part of our endeavours many wives being members of Inner Wheel and Rotaryannes. Two are PHFs.

There are regular partner nights on the fifth Tuesdays in a month.

We take pride in the District Conference organised to complete a great year by our District Governor, Andrew Meek (2001-2002) and his wife Rosemary.

Finally we also have taken pride in organising and hosting the 2018-2019 District Conference where we supported and organised this for our second District Governor, Andrew Hamilton and his wife Barbara.

## **FUNDRAISING**

Our club has two major annual fund raising events

The gala Charity Auction held in November. This is a dinner to which members are encouraged to invite friends. Members donate items for auction. Each member is encouraged to contribute a quality item for auction, and to purchase as this can substitute for member's annual \$125 donation to the Foundation. There is usually a fun dress-up theme to add to the festive atmosphere.

The other major fundraising event is the Rotary Booksale. Our club packs up and resells all the left over books from the Regent Book sale. Good will of all members is essential for the success of the auction. Help from members and their families is needed to pack the books and then move them to the sales site in George street where they need to be unpacked and sorted for selling. Members then take rostered shifts staffing the shop.

Success of both fundraising events is dependent on the support of club members.

## **PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS**

Sir Clifford Skeggs

Don Leslie

Warwick Grimmer (+ two Sapphire Pins)

Graham Spence (+ a Sapphire Pin)

Jenny Spence

Alan Laws

Andrew Meek (+ three Sapphire Pins)

Rosemary Meek (+two Sapphire Pins)

Bruce McMillan (+ two Sapphire Pin 2013)

Paul Glass

Kai Westerskov

Michael Stedman

Fred King

Don Anderson

Bob Clark

Sandy McAra

Peter Dick

David Humphrey

Margaret Connor

Sam Mullholland

Harlene Hayne VC Prof (2011)

Pat O'Dea (2010)

Steve Atkins (2012)

David Black (2012)

Laurie Stewart (2013)

Te Ewi Mangus Mihaka (2013)

Peter R Sinclair (2012)

Bob Smith (2013)

Penelope J Smith (2013)

Douglas Field (2015)

Andrew Hamilton (2016) (+ a Sapphire Pin 2019)

Ah-Lek Tay (2016) (+ a Sapphire Pin 2019)

Neville Hall (2016)

Maurice Davis (2017)

Lorraine Isaacs (2017)

Vicki Moseley (2017) awarded by District

Barbara Anderson (2017)

David Macleod (2017)

Stephen Grant (2019)



Derek King (2019)  
Sue Mackinlay (2019)  
Barbara Hamilton (2019)  
Kathy Grant (2019)

### **DISTRICT GOVERNORS**

2001/02            Andrew Meek  
2018/19            Andrew Hamilton

### **PROBUS CLUBS SPONSORED**

Dunedin Central Ladies  
Green Island Ladies            1993/94  
Dunedin Central Mens

### **FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS**

The annual financial obligations of a member of the Rotary Club of Dunedin Central are currently estimated as follows:

Annual Subscription (as at 1 July 2018)	\$260.00
Rotary Foundation contribution (donation) (this sum is normally obtained from our yearly auction which reduces the yearly cost to \$420.00)	\$125.00
Estimate of other voluntary contributions to charity, Sergeant fines etc.	\$200.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$575.00</b>

Meals of course are in addition to this but – “You’ve got to eat!”

Some members prefer not to have a meal. They are required to pay \$5.00 to the duty desk.

## **ROTARY'S TWIN MOTTOS**

**"Service Above Self"**

**"He profits most who  
serves best"**

