

Rotary Focus - *arotahi* Rotary

District 9980 Rotary Club of Waimate Newsletter - 3 May 2018



Apologies txt 027 6896006 by midday Wednesday



Waimate Parenting Hub

The club was given an update on the Waimate Parenting Hub by Lara Briggs, Gail Grigg, and Adam Rivett. The Hub was created in 2012, supported by a \$6000 grant from our club. The Hub aims to help parents in the Waimate community to raise their children, with a special focus on children from birth to age five. Plunket oversees the direction of the Hub, but the organisation is strongly supported by community groups and volunteers.

The activities that the Parenting Hub organises include welcoming families to our community, encouraging parents to read to their children, and resourcing families when they need support. Courses are provided to teach first aid and babysitting, and there are learn to swim classes as well. The Hub organises a childrens' expo and kids fest toy market. All this activity creates challenges for the group. Volunteers may not always be available to provide courses that have been run in the past. Costs, although minimal, can still create barriers to struggling families. Reaching out to those parents who have the greatest need can be difficult. A non-judgemental approach is critical to establish trust with some parents, so an ongoing relationship can develop.

After the presentation, many Rotarians were eager to suggest sources of funding the Hub may not have considered, and to show their support for Lara, Gail, and Adam's excellent work.

Sergeant Peter's Session

Mick Laming (for leaving on his car lights), Harvey, Jane Bell, Pip Wallace, Ryan Luckman, and Mark Brown (who all dlobbered in Mick), Russell Wallace (requiring the emergency services), Francisca (failing to hand in an assignment), Matt Simonsen (losing an assignment), Dave Chamberlain (crib was burgled), Matt, Dylan Murray, and Ryan (brewery expansion), Mark Shefford (work place accident requiring hospital attention), Dylan and Michael Horne (lame jokes), Harvey (anniversary), Chub (birthday), Alan Meyer (had his free lightbulbs personally fitted).

Panui - Notices

Family of Rotary: Aisla Mckenzie is recovering well and now up and about.

Anniversary: Harvey Wood 27 April 2 years.

Birthdays: Chub Fletcher 3 May, Barbra Brown 29 April, Finn Murray 2 May was 1 year old

Raffles: (2x steak); Jim Stevenson (#13) and Gary Dennison (#18)

President Dylan would like any **photos or clips from the past year** of Rotary, to be emailed to him.

Grant Eames thanked the Rotarians

for distributing free light bulbs to the community on Friday 27 April. 8400 homes in South Canterbury received free light bulbs. A special thankyou to Sharyn Cain, who created a significant boost to the number of bulbs handed out, after she made a post on Waimate District Council's Facebook.



Changeover Night - 28 June

Club Development Seminar

9am - 3pm Sunday 26 August in Dunedin

Guest speaker Mark Huddelstone from Adelaide author of *Creatures of Habit*.

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Parting Thought from chairman Michael Johnson Mahatma Ghandhi " Strength does not come from physical capacity. It comes from indomitable will."

	10 May	17 May	24 May
Speaker	Club Night plus Grace & Hannah	William Rolleston Genetic Technologies	Greig Moore New Member Talk
Chair	Ryan Luckman	Paul Studholme	Grant Eames
Fellowship	John Gregan Russell Wallace	Paul Grigg Greig Moore	Jim Stevenson Cara Gregan
Stewards	Colin Dore Alan Maitland Harvey Wood	Raymond Francis Raewyn Francis Dave Chamberlain	Rebecca Aitchison Ryan Luckman Carolyn Johns

If you are unable to attend to your assigned duty please arrange to swap with someone else.
Partners, friends, family and potential members are most welcome at all meetings.

Rotary Conference

President Dylan and Rotarian Rebecca along with Fionn take the opportunity to have their photo taken with guest speaker Dr Lance Sullivan at last weekends Rotary conference in Dunedin.



Meals on Wheels Roster

Tues/Wed 8 & 9	Martyn Jensen
Thu/Fri 10 & 11	Carolyn Johns
Sat/Sun 12 & 13	Mark Brown
Mon/Tue 14 & 15	Mick Laming
Wed/Thu 16 & 17	Allan Laurie
Fri/Mon 18 & 21	Ryan Luckman
Sat/Sun 19 & 20	Gordon Ronson
Tue/Wed 22 & 23	Alan Maitland

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