

# Rotary Focus - *arotahi* Rotary

District 9980 Rotary Club of Waimate Newsletter - 17 August 2017



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## Oranga Tamariki



Caring for our Children

There's no harder job, or greater reward. The people who care for children are the heart and home of the Ministry of Vulnerable Children, Oranga Tamariki. They welcome children and young people into their families and help turn young lives around. Speakers Tania Macaulay and Janet Meyer described the role of the Ministry and their need to locate more families who are willing to help young people in need of care. There are many ways that you can care for a baby, child or young person, whether you are thinking about foster care, permanent care or adoption.

In an average day at the Ministry they receive around 300 calls from people concerned about the safety of a child, support extended family and foster carers to look after around 4000 children and young people in care, hold around 60 family group conferences, be in touch with more than 100 families to make a positive difference for their children, be responsible for around 100 young people in youth justice residences.

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a foster family call 0508 227377.

## Sergeant Ewan's Session

Ewan commented that this was his first time as sergeant in his 43 years in Rotary, all past presidents were fined, Chub was asked "what is Claytons expenses" and his reply was "when you book travel and don't actually travel", Pete H got his bike and truck bogged, Patty Meyer was seen picking up sticks in the forest floor and Alan's comment was "I don't keep her for nothing", Jim R received a quote for a job then got the job done, the contractor then send a cheque to Jim for over quoting, Colin has been a good boy, Pauline has attended 3 funerals, Chris has new shoes from Vietnam, Mike J has a couple of kids, Paul S for writing to an agricultural newspaper, Carolyn for attending a conference in Wellington.

## Notices

**Raffle Winners** - Jane Bell and Mick Laming

**Anniversaries** - Michael Horne 2 years on 13 August, Ewan McKenzie 43 years on 15 August, Ailsa McKenzie 10 years on 16 August. **Birthdays** - Ian Moore

**Bledisloe Cup Trip - 26 August.** Organiser Dylan.

**Abandoned Husbands Brew Club Vocation Day - 2 September** 10am - 5pm @ 10 Augustine St. Please reply to Dylan's invitation (emailed Sunday 5 August)

**Clutha Gold Cycle Trip next March** - 3 day cycle trip Alexandra to Lawrence, maximum of 20 people, already have 10 people. Check out [www.cluthagold.co.nz](http://www.cluthagold.co.nz) and let Russell know your interest by end of August.

**Bruce The Conference in Dunedin May 2018** - A Brilliant Rotary Unique Conference Experience

## Thanks John A

For attending the Mid and South Canterbury Life Education Dinner on behalf of Rotary. The mobile classroom travels to 67 schools and the educators see over 8,000 primary school aged children a year. Lessons are across 5 strands: Relationships & Communities, Human Biology, Food & Nutrition, Identity & Resilience, Substances. Learn about the fantastic work the Trust do at [www.lifeeducation.org.nz](http://www.lifeeducation.org.nz)



**Parting Thoughts**— 1. Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory - *Dr Seuss*

2. Happiness is having a large, loving, caring, close-knit family - in another city

	24 August	31 August	7 September
<b>Speaker</b>	Cara Tipping Smith Getting to Grips with Digital Marketing	Jackie Clark SAS Skydiving Trainer	Martyn Jensen Farm Study Europe
<b>Chair</b>	Tony Alden	Ken Buckingham	Mick Laming
<b>Fellowship</b>	Sharyn Cain Michael Horne	Peter Bell Mark Brown	Paul Grigg Gavin McKenzie
<b>Stewards</b>	Peter Hughes Alan Maitland John Coles	Raewyn Francis Carolyn Johns Colin Dore	Raymond Francis John Abraham Ryan Luckman

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

### Plant A Tree Today

International President Ian Riseley has asked Rotarians to make a difference by planting a tree for each member between the start of the Rotary year on 1 July 2017 and Earth Day on 22 April 2018. Trees remove carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases from the air, which slows global warming. Ian says "it is my hope that the result of that effort will be far greater than the environmental benefit that those 1.2 million new trees will bring"

Well done to President Dylan and Pauline who have both embraced the challenge and sent wonderful photos of their tree planting. Who is next?



### Meals on Wheels Roster

Mon/Tue August 21/22 Gavin McKenzie  
Wed/Thu August 23/24 Ian Moore  
Fri/Mon August 25 Chris Paul  
Sat/Sun August 26/27 Pip Wallace  
Mon/Tue August 28/29 Jim Rayner  
Wed/Thu August 30/31 Charles Ruddenklau

### Important Rotary Contacts

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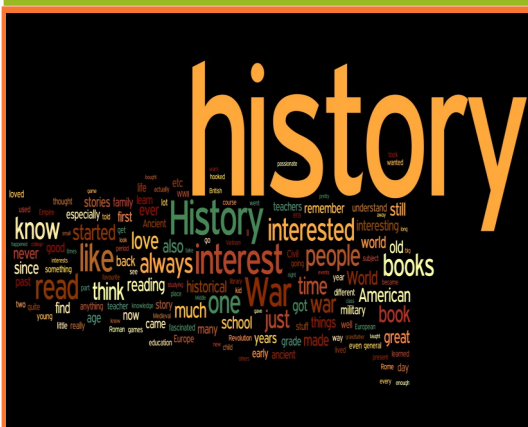
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2017-18 President  
Dylan Murray

### In History This Week

- 22 August 1969 ~ First 'Young Farmer of the Year' chosen at the inaugural event in Auckland. Gary Frazer from Swannanoa was the winner.
- 25 August 1920 ~ Captain Euan Dickson completed the first air crossing of Cook Strait, flying a 110-hp Le Rhone Avro from Christchurch to Upper Hutt and carrying the first air mail between the South and North Islands.
- 25 August 1948 ~ Three people were killed, 80 injured and about 150 buildings destroyed or badly damaged by NZ's deadliest recorded tornado. It cut a path 100 to 200m wide through Frankton, Hamilton.



## Donald Hunt - 50 years Service in Rotary

Martyn Jensen congratulated Donald on serving Rotary and our community for 50 years. On the 10 August 1967 Donald was the 118th member to be admitted to the Rotary Club of Waimate, proposed by Stanley Grut and seconded by Andrew McLay. Donald was allocated the classification "Florist". Donald holds dear the opportunity to enjoy a meal with friends every week and always participates in Rotary events. Donald appreciated being amongst good companions at the annual fishing trip and was part of the tails that remain hush hush.

Donald has a long list of Rotary Service: 1975/76 Bulletin Editor, 1976/77 Chair Rotary Information, 1979/80 Chair JR McKenzie Trust, 1986/87/88 Attendance, 1992/93 Director International, 1993/94 Vice President, 1994/95 President, 1997/98 Sergeant At Arms, 1999/00 Past Presidents Rep. The late Lester Paul was Donald's personal assistant during his Presidency and Donald run every meeting with precision using his memory following an update of the evenings proceedings from Lester.

Donald was awarded a Paul Harris Fellow (PHF) on 30 November 1995 and on achieving his 50 years of service was awarded a second PHF and received a sapphire pin. Donald we are all extremely proud of you.

## Letter from RI President Ian Riseley

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10 August 2017

Mr Donald Hunt 77 Shearman Street Waimate 7924 New Zealand

Dear Donald,

Congratulations on your fifty years of Rotary service. Your continued passion for serving your community is inspiring to all of us. Every local and global initiative you have taken part in as a Rotarian has directly impacted current and future generations, both near and far. That is something you should be incredibly proud of.

It is because of active and engaged members like you that we are able to serve the global community by Rotary: Making A Difference. Thank you for your dedication to community service and being part of the Rotary family.

Sincerely,

Ian H.S. Riseley President, Rotary International 2017-18



Donald & Rose Hunt accompanied by Nero after receiving his PHF in 2017



Te Aka 1999  
Donald Hunt enjoys a joke.

Donald at Te Aka Fishing Trip 1999 enjoying a joke.



Donald Hunt receiving his PHF in 1995