

# Rotary Focus - *arotahi* Rotary



District 9980 Rotary Club of Waimate Newsletter - 7 December 2017

Apologies txt 027 6896006 by midday Wednesday

## Guest Speaker Jon Bird Alpine Energy

Jon is the Safety and Risk Advisor for Alpine Energy Group. Alpine Energy's biggest safety problem is collisions (cars, tractors, and trucks) with the Group's assets (poles, distribution boxes, and wires). For example, in 2017 (so far) nineteen cars have collided with poles, resulting in two deaths.

Alpine Energy wants everyone to report faults and safety issues when they see them. Three ways to do this are to use the phone, 0800 66 11 77; use the internet, [alpineenergy.co.nz](http://alpineenergy.co.nz); or the mobile app 'Snap. Send. Solve.' Download this app now!

Merry Christmas everyone! Ed.

## Christmas Notices - Panui

**Please bring a small unwrapped gift** to the Christmas function for the random acts of kindness project.

Thursday 14 December is our **Christmas function and final meeting** of the year. Partners invited. The meal will cost \$25 each.

## Sergeant Ewan's Session

Alan and Gary (fishing trip prize winners), Alan Laurie (biggest boat on fishing trip), Pete (couldn't catch a fish), birthdays and anniversaries, Inner Wheel members (celebrated Christmas party last week), dog owners (about to gain a new dog park), Bush Town members, Paul Studholme (left wallet on table), Ian Moore (getting better), Ewan (reduced dairy payout – paid on behalf of dairy farmers), those who failed to answer correctly during tonight's spot quiz (Ian, Bruce Arthur, Pete, Raewyn Francis, Bev White).

**Raffle winners:** Raewyn Francis and Dylan Murray.

## Good news from Jane Bell and Youth Committee;

1. Daniel Buckingham gained an Excellence in an achievement standard in the workshop. His project, a curved writing desk, has been requested to show other New Zealand students as an exemplar.
2. Hannah Soper and Grace Sew Hoy are two young Waimate women who have been selected to join the Under 16 Girls Basketball Koru Development Tour to Australia in January. Directors approved \$2000 to help with their expenses with this tour.
3. Francisca will be our exchange student in 2018, and arrives 12 January. Francisca is from Chile and her first home stay is with Peter and Jane Bell. We know the Club will welcome and embrace Francisca and show her the wonderful sights and experiences around Waimate and further afield.

**John Abraham gave a report of the annual fishing trip**, held last weekend. A very successful trip shared with club members, friends, and family. Alan Meyer won heaviest fish (a rainbow salmon), Rebecca Buchan won best conditioned fish (a brown trout), Gary Dennison won the hard luck story (about one that got away), and Ryan Luckman won the best story (something about Drambuie).

Thanks to chef Pete Hughes, and John himself for making it happen.

**Michael Horne, Vocation** asked members to keep 14-16 February free next year. The plan is to visit to Taieri club on Wednesday 14 Feb, continue south to Field days in Gore on Thursday, and visit Milton Prison on Friday, when it is open for tours. Taieri club have offered to billet us in their own homes for this trip. There is plenty of flexibility with these plans; members may like to come for some or all of the trip.

	14 December	25 January	1 February
<b>Speaker</b>	Christmas Dinner @ Café on Queen 5.30pm for a 6.15 start	Start of Rotary New Year Waimate Bowling Club BBQ and Bowls	Cara Gregan Her Life
<b>Chair</b>	Dylan Murray		Peter Bell
<b>Fellowship</b>	Pip Wallace Ewan McKenzie	Gary Dennison Sharyn Cain	Carolyn Johns Chub Fletcher
<b>Stewards</b>	Colin Dore Raymond Francis John Abraham		Rebecca Aitchison Dave Chamberlain 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.

### Meals on Wheels Roster

Wed/Thu 13 & 14 Dec Peter Hughes  
 Fri/Mon 15 & 18 Dec Carolyn Johns  
 Sat/Sun 16 & 17 Dec Matt Simonsen  
 Tue/Wed 19 & 20 Dec Mick Laming  
 Thu/Fri 21 & 22 Dec Allan Laurie  
 Sat/Sun 23 & 24 Dec Jim Young  
 Mon 25 Dec Christmas Day—no delivery  
 Tue 26 Dec Alan Maitland (another needed)

### Volunteer Drivers Urgently Needed Over Christmas

Please contact Raewyn if you can help on 689 1179 or  
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### Important Rotary Contacts

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District Governor - Bruce Cowan

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2017/18 President  
Dylan Murray

## Taieri Aquatic Centre Fundraising Event

Taieri and Mosgiel Clubs are working hard to raise funds for the new aquatic centre for Dunedin to be built at Mosgiel. We have already raised over \$100k between our two clubs.

On January 28<sup>th</sup> we are holding a one off, never before in NZ, only done in two other places in the Southern Hemisphere.....RUN THE RUNWAY at Dunedin airport!

Yes, it is at dawn, but it will be worth the early morning wake-up call to be part of this.

We encourage your club to consider this as a new year social event. There is an option to get a bus from Mosgiel, run or walk the runway and then return to Mosgiel for Breakfast at Burns Lodge.

People can either choose to pay to take part, or pledge to raise \$150 pp for the project.

We would love your club to support us in this by either signing up to take part or offering to help as a volunteer on the day. As you can imagine the logistics of having 500 people on a runway mean lots of people in fluoro vests required.

More info on the website [www.runtherunway.co.nz](http://www.runtherunway.co.nz) or give me a call

Regards  
Irene Mosley – Immediate Past President – Mosgiel Rotary Club



**RUN the RUNWAY**

— 28 January 2018 —

A Rotary Club  
of Mosgiel Project

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check out our website for further details  
[www.runtherunway.co.nz](http://www.runtherunway.co.nz)

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The poster features a yellow background with a central image of blue silhouettes of runners on a black runway. The text is in various shades of blue and black, with the event name 'RUN the RUNWAY' in a large, bold, sans-serif font at the top. The date '28 January 2018' is centered below the runner image. The bottom section contains logos for 'Pooling Together' and 'Taieri Aquatic Centre', along with the website URL 'www.runtherunway.co.nz'.