CLUB PRESIDENTS REPORT 2018-2019

Its time to write that report!!

You know the one, the one you don't want to as you've just started to grasp what this is all about and now you have to pass it on.

Yes, one year has come and gone quickly. So much has happened and more still to learn. Projects started some finished others dreams.

What a year.

Boy what a start!

Fellowship has been my backbone, at times my side bone.

I've had first hand proof of the strength of our club. We are lucky to have a strong membership filled with many people who are very active in a lot of the areas of Rotary.

We have given a lot of money away to so many worthwhile causes.

Look at John's list, it's a huge amount to be given back to our community and beyond. To individuals and groups. To benefit so many people. From helping people turn over in bed, also helping children develop sporting skills.

Simple things as shelving to assist Cancer nurses to helping teens learn to be better drivers. Let's not forget our very own Julie Dockrill and her new Nepal Project.

The fun had working together on projects. Take the Kindling Project, most of the club has helped in some way in this project, its grown to be a huge project involving many volunteer hours collecting sorting, chopping, bagging, stacking, storing, and delivering all the wood.

The Hotdog Caravan, it always amazes me how this runs so well. Another dedicated team working quietly behind it to insure its smooth running. It's also a great place to have fun meet great people and laugh together. Some record days have been achieved this year, let's hope this continues.

The dictionaries always get out to the schools, the books for babies ticks away in the background. Don't forget our Teacher in Nepal.

We helped people bounce, run, climb cliffs, sail on ships. We've helped children learn to grow vegetables from seed and also to take science to a whole other level.

Supplied a wheelchair till people get their own.

Seats at the Cancer Rooms to rest in.

We helped people collect money, take blood pressure.

We've helped with the Xmas parade.

NRG has been very active. A small but dedicated group working under our wings, they have helped at a wedding, and the big garden party, the Xmas Parade and more.

Each committee has worked very hard to make things happen, to continue the good work we do. To everyone involved a HUGE THANK YOU.

So much has happened it's hard to keep a track of.

The Board, what can I say, it's been a pleasure to be the head of such wonderful dedicated people. I may not have always agreed with you yet I enjoyed the ideas, the thoughts, and how each person was able to voice their opinion.

To our very own Assistant District Governor Lynette thanks for always being available, you area wealth of information and support.

We have lost some wonderful people and gained some more.

We have also looked at our constitution and bylaws. We've reorganized how our club works.

This was a major learning curve for me. I'm looking forward to the changes happening and the new ways we will be working.

We are a very active and vibrant club.

Well done Team.

You are all amazing individuals who together make magic happen.

To Bev I've watched you grow in strength as you develop your upcoming year, I wish you all the best. This club and all its members will stand beside you, they will support you, I know, they did it for me. Thank you to everyone, Your help has been wonderful.

The Community of Timaru is a much better place for each individual here.

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