

The Rotary Clubs of Auckland and Wellington began in 1921 and all other clubs trace their origins back 100 years.

The 300 page centenary book Mana Tangata - People of Action has been written and is ready to print.

### **Rotary Oceania states:**

Mana Tangata - People of Action is a well written and richly illustrated history book, tracing the development of clubs across the country, the people and personalities that led the way, and the service that clubs engaged in with their communities. It highlights the changing social needs of New Zealand and the Pacific and shows how Rotary responded impressively with imagination and hard work.

Every Rotarian will benefit from reading this book and understanding our history. It lists when every club was established in New Zealand over the last 100 years and the 85 years Rotary clubs have been established in the Pacific. It outlines our stories in our local communities, at a national level and internationally.

Our 100 year anniversary provides the opportunity to take stock. Mana Tangata includes an Epilogue on Looking Forward that discusses the challenges as we build Rotary clubs that can serve into the future.

Order copies of the book for your club now – before the end of February, to get a significant discount.

Rotary Clubs can purchase copies of the book at a “Club” price, on the basis of a carton of 12 books. A substantial discount is offered – at \$39.95 per copy in a box of 12, delivered, compared to \$69.95 RRP in bookstores. Clubs can on-sell copies to members at a margin for Club funds. The carton of books will be delivered in May 2021, and freight free. Orders and payment must be received by 28 February 2021 to be eligible for this price. A carton of 12 books is \$479.52 (incl GST).

A number of Clubs across our District have already taken up this offer. Please join them.

From 1 March 2021, the price per carton of 12 will increase to \$660 (\$55.00 per copy), with additional freight of \$20 per carton.

Individual copies will be available for sale soon at \$55 per copy plus \$10 post packaging and handling per copy. At a delivered price of \$65 per copy this will be cheaper than the recommended retail price of \$69.95. Order on-line at [www.offthepress.co.nz](http://www.offthepress.co.nz) from 12th February. All figures quoted include GST.

Some clubs have indicated that they wish to promote the centenary by asking each Rotarian to donate \$100 to the centenary fund. Of this, \$60 would go to our centenary child vaccination project - Give Every Child a Future - and \$40 would go to the Club for its purchase of the book. The Rotarian would be given a copy of the book and a tax certificate, for a tax deduction of \$60 provided the money is passed to your club's registered charity and then on to the Give Every Child a Future program.

In order to make this happen clubs will need a supply of books from which they can hand to members. The costs of distributing an individual book are in excess of \$10 per book (although only \$10 pp will be charged), so it is far more cost effective to simply hand a member a book from a pre ordered carton.

There is no doubt that by far the most economical way to buy books is for clubs to buy now in cartons of 12 before 28th February 2021. Please go to the Rotary Oceania website and place your order.

**In Summary:**

Rotary Oceania are asking clubs to order at least one carton of books at an early bird price of \$40 per book, including GST **before 28th February 2021**.

Prices increase to between \$57 and \$69.95 from 1 March, depending on how the books are bought.

**Orders** and payments can be made on the Rotary Oceania website on <https://rotaryoceania.zone/page/historybook-orders>

To get an idea of what Mana Tangata has to offer, they have created a **sample** for you to look at: <https://www.flipsnack.com/Langstruby/rotary-sample.html>

A great idea would be to showcase the sample on the big screen at Club meetings.

For your consideration and support.

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