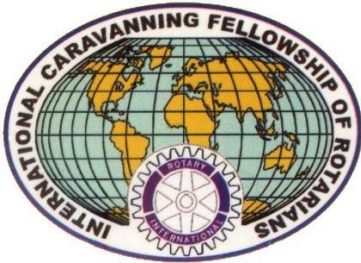


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Thirty-three vans in seventeen spaces! The Wellington Kiwi Holiday Park at Upper Hutt was very full.



Tight squeeze

Barry and Kay Benton were our excellent rally organiser's. They asked for and received ICFR members legendary good-natured collaboration when squeezing us all in and 5ss in the sunshine saw everyone enjoying catching up. Many had come from the bush camp at



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Tauherenikau while others had travelled straight to Upper Hutt. The laundry was very popular and a good meeting place as queues formed. Intervanning after dinner was as usual a chance to meet old friends and



A very full bus



Welcome drink



200 Rally Cake

make new ones. The camp was buzzing as members found their designated van and settled in for supper and a chat.



The treasurer's hat!

Saturday was another lovely sunny day. Some took advantage of the free (gold card!) bus and train and went to Wellington; others walked and biked around the local area and lovely parks. At 5pm, we all climbed aboard the waiting bus and went to the Upper Hutt Cossie Club for our dinner. We had the Balcony room for our exclusive use.



The executive

The executive provided a welcoming drink celebrate 200 ICFR rallies. The meal was delicious and we all enjoyed mixing and chatting.

Sunday saw us back in the same lovely venue for our meeting. Many thanks to those with cars who ran a shuttle service to get us all there. A full report of the meeting will be available in the meeting minutes. We welcomed Raeanne and David Smith and President Gary inducted them as members into the fellowship. Barry reported that the website www.rotaryoceana.zone is in process; the links to our page is there but still requires further work. In the future, the website will have all our newsletters and an information brochure about ICFR that can be downloaded and copied for members to use. Overseas Contacts will be in the hands of Peter Blackman. There are eight countries involved and Peter will liaise with them. Andy Duncan will be the Rally Advisor so future Rally Organisers have someone to assist with any queries they may have.

Ian Mouat awarded the Big Stirrers wooden spoon to Robin Bly, deputising for Brian Green, who was unable to attend.

Our golden weather decided to end and most spent a quiet afternoon in their vans. Delicious fish and chips arrived at 6pm and groups formed in various vans to consume them.

Monday morning dawned wet and cold as we all said farewell and set off. Another excellent rally. Thanks Barry and Kay for your organisational skills and to everyone for the ICFR friendship we share.

