

Rotary Club of Christchurch South



Zooming Towards Reconnection

President Mike:

Just four of us on Thursday 6.30, Andrew, Mel, Lew and myself. It was a lively fun fast paced chat amongst friends where we covered a wide range of topics, some of them "Rotary". Who's keeping warm, who's been out on their bike or in their garden and in Lew's case who is supporting a new cast and beard. The enthusiasm I feel in getting back into normal and meeting in person is shared by everyone, and while the Zoom meetings have been effective in keeping everyone in contact over the last few months there is nothing like sharing a meal with friends. Everyone is looking forward to the Change Over on the 24th.

As always our 40 minute time slot was not long enough and we were cut off mid sentence as again talk was on how we can as Rotarian's reinvigorate ourselves in our new normal.

Sarita and Alan Stewart:

We had a small turnout tonight with Linda, Ruth and Sarita linking in at our usual 6pm Zui. Ruth has been keeping busy knitting beanies and slippers. She talked of extending her work into a club project seeing there is so much need in our communities for winter woollies. Linda is staying true to her vocation of keeping well this winter and following winters. Both Ruth and her (with their nursing backgrounds) want to continue with good handwashing habits and not become complacent now that we are in Alert Level 1. Linda also explained the concept of online quizzing to us; seems like a sensible option as opposed to venturing out in the cold! We are all really looking forward to meeting in person at changeover on the 24th!

Notices

Tony Blackler

A service to celebrate Tony's life will be held at 2pm on Saturday 27 June at the St Martins Presbyterian Church, 43 St Martins Road

District Newsletter

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Club Changeover 2020

Wednesday 24th June

The Cashmere Club,
50 Colombo Street

6pm for 6.30pm, buffet meal \$35pp
RSVP to Susan at 03 337 5313,
Susan.Haye@xtra.co.nz, 027 3000 300

District Changeover and Awards 2020

Sunday 5th July

The Balmerino Room, Riccarton Park,
165 Racecourse Road

Pre-lunch drinks 11.30am, seat at 12pm
\$35pp

Please register [here](#)

Leave

Who	From	To
M Whitehead	09/09/15	TBA
V Nossiter		TBA
J Wylie		TBA
K Tanner	04/07/19	31/12/20

Next Week

Final Lockdown Zoom Meeting

Upcoming Rotary Events

Wednesday 25th June

Club Changeover Function, contact Susan Haye

Sunday 5 July

District Changeover Function, register [here](#)

Early August

Community Awards Evening

Rotary, COVID-19 and Polio

Status of polio immunisation activities

- We must take every precaution to ensure that polio eradication activities do not contribute to COVID-19 transmission. For that reason, to observe global guidance related to physical distancing and hygiene practices, all countries have been advised to pause polio immunization campaigns during the COVID-19 outbreak response
- While responding to COVID-19, Rotary and our partners will work to continue protecting children to avoid a resurgence of polio and will maintain essential polio eradication work, including surveillance. In fact, polio surveillance workers are now searching for both polio *and* COVID-19 symptoms – and are increasing the chances of early detection. We will continue working to strengthen immunization in certain at-risk areas and will maintain our vaccine supply so that campaigns can begin without delay as soon as it is safe.

Rotary Support for Polio Plus

- While confronting the new challenges of today, the most important thing that Rotary members can do to continue the fight to end polio is to sustain our commitment to polio eradication and reach our fundraising goal of \$50 million dollars this year.
- Continued contributions to PolioPlus will ensure that polio eradication activities that are ongoing -- such as surveillance and vaccine supply – continue, and that we come out of this crisis strong and tackle the remaining barriers to a polio-free world.
- We know that many members are seeking to support COVID-19 response. We hope Rotarians will see that polio and COVID-19 are dual priorities, and urge Rotarians to consider supporting both PolioPlus and COVID-19 efforts to the extent that members are able to during this difficult time. This is not a question of either/or—both are of great importance.
- Districts are encouraged to consider contributing District Designated Funds to PolioPlus. Donations of DDF are matched 1:1 by the World Fund, then 2:1 by the Gates Foundation for a total of a 6:1 match.

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