

Rotary Club of Christchurch South



Averil Stevenson—Have you Bin Good?

Averil Stevenson, the Commercial and Compliance Manager for Ecocentral (the Waste Management Service in Christchurch) spoke to our club about recycling. Her talk was for me was informative and an incredible insight into the process of sorting and recycling the contents of everyone's yellow recycling bins. My learning about rubbish has now made me view my yellow bin in a different light!

During Covid we were informed that all rubbish would go to landfill therefore there was no distinction between the rubbish in either the yellow or red bins. Unfortunately, this has resulted in a huge contamination problem as people have not returned to pre-Covid habits. Averil stated that 10% of contamination is acceptable but 42% of kerbside recycling rubbish as it now, going directly to landfill certainly isn't. We need to be re-educated! This issue has cost the Council \$1.5 million since the 4 May, to dump contaminated rubbish.

A video 'Minimising Waste the Christchurch Way' showed the process of sorting at The Parkhouse Road Recycling Depo. Of the 30 people who work at the plant, 18 – 20 are employed in the checking process, pulling incorrect items placed in yellow recycling bins off the conveyor belt. If only we could get this right.

My learning was that all glossy paper can be put into the yellow bin. With aluminium cans – if you don't remove the whole lid it can be placed in the yellow bin. Remove the whole lid – the can goes in the yellow and the lid into the red bin!

The pamphlets Averil distributed make for good bed time reading! Let's read them and get it right!

Here are a few tips.....

Top Tips to Bin Good:

1. Soft plastics – any plastics you can easily scrunch in your hand like plastic bags, cling film, bubble wrap... need to go in the RED bin.
2. Bottle tops and lids of any kind need to go in the RED bin.
3. Food soiled cardboard and paper such as pizza boxes need to go in the GREEN bin.
4. Only hard plastic bottles and containers numbered 1, 2 and 5 can go in the YELLOW bin.
5. Bags and packaging that are bio-degradable don't break down within the 12 weeks that it takes to turn the contents of your green bin into compost, so they need to go into your RED bin.
6. Cartons that hold liquid or food need to go into the RED bin.

Thank you Averil for a very informative talk that went beyond the topic of rubbish!



President Joey and Averil Stevenson

Thank you Viv for this weeks report and Sarita for the photo

Upcoming Meetings

18/11	Club Members This is My Life
25/11	Polio Fundraiser Tricky Tray Auction
02/12	Committee Meetings
09/11	Christmas Party

Upcoming Events

Friday 20 and Saturday 21 November

Dementia Canterbury Appeal

Pak n Save Moorhouse

Contact Malcolm

Wednesday 25th November

Tricky Tray Auction—Polio Fundraiser

5.30 for 6pm start

Sydenham Lounge, Cashmere Club

Wednesday 9th December

Club Christmas Party

Wednesday 16th December

Club Cake and Port

Saturday 20th February 2021

Pedal for the Pacific

Notices

Wednesday 25th November

Tricky Tray Auction—Polio Fundraiser

5.30 for 6pm start

Sydenham Lounge, Cashmere Club

\$30pp for single course meal and 12 \$1 auction tickets (you can purchase more).

We have invited other Rotary Clubs in our cluster Group. Please also encourage Rotary family and friends to attend for a fun night. Christchurch South members are each asked to bring ONE item valued between \$5 and \$15 to offer as a prize although we plan to have a couple of more substantial prizes available as well.

Please email Alan McKinnon (alan.barbara.mckinnon@gmail.com) giving the names of those attending and if possible make payment (\$30pp) by direct credit to the Club bank account 03-1599-0081963-00 giving your name as a reference. Any questions, please contact Alan 021 142 7668 or 03 337 6202

Pink Ribbon

Thank you to the volunteers who collected for Pink Ribbon this year. We have been informed we collected a total of \$632.50

Walking Group

Come join us on our FINAL walk and/or for lunch for 2020.

Date: Thursday 19 November 2020

Park: Carpark next to Halswell Library, 341 Halswell Road

Time: 10.30am

Walk: Around Halswell Quarry Park and the local neighbourhood.

Lunch: The Old Vicarage Café, 335 Halswell Road

If you are unable to join the walk, then come and have lunch with us.

Please let David know (by email or 322 1326 or 027 2900 946) if you will be walking and if not, if you are joining us for lunch.

Rotary Satisfaction Survey

These were handed out at Rotary, if you were absent, on leave, or would like an electronic copy, please see the email attachment

Nominations for PEN Committee

We are at the time again where we need to look towards the future and select a President Elect Nominee for the Rotary year 2022/2023.

As a Club we have the committee of President, Immediate Past President and Current President Elect, plus one member from the Club.

Please contact President Joey with your nominations and a decision will be made at the Club meeting on 18 November

Christmas Party

Please see the email attachment for the invitation

Duties

Duty	18 Nov	25 Nov
Cash Desk	D Buist	S Mackenzie
Cash Desk	H Garlick	D Peterson
Reception	A Kim	S McLean
Speaker Host	V Ellis	N/A
Grace	V Ellis	L Bougen
International Toast	A Kim	A Airay
Thanks to Speaker	D Buist	N/A
Quote	H Garlick	L Bermingham
Speaker Reporter	A Airay	A McCully
Sergeant	G Dockrill	G Dockrill

Leave

Who	From	To
M Whitehead	09/09/15	TBA
J Wylie		TBA
R McKinney	20/09/20	31/03/21
K Moss	04/07/19	31/12/20
C McCarthy	17/06/20	31/12/20
S Hays	11/08/20	TBA
K Dalziel	21/10/20	18/11/20
K Gunasekara	04/11/20	25/11/20

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Reminders

Record your apology by:

- Notifying the Reception Desk
- Email chchsouthrotary@gmail.com before 11am on that Wednesday
- Emergency apologies to Mike Bruce on 022 540 1251

- You will receive an email reminder a couple of days before the meeting re apologising or bringing a guest
- If you are unable to do your allocated duty, it is your responsibility to arrange a substitute and advise the President
- Leave of absence requests (three weeks or more) must be in writing to the Secretary