

# Rotary Club of Christchurch South



## This is My Life—Chris and Liz

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It's always fascinating to learn a bit more about the lives of our members and tonight the "This Is My Life" talks given by Chris and Liz were no exception. Liz revealed she was born in Christchurch and has 3 older sisters. Although she has travelled extensively, at one stage in her life spending some months of the year at the Whistler Ski Field in Canada and the remainder back in NZ running her business, Liz says she is not keen on overseas travel, preferring the relative quietness and the lack of crowds in beautiful NZ. Those of us who know Liz were not surprised that her life has always been a bit of a whirlwind such as when she was studying at the University of Canterbury and at Massey University at the same time while also running her business. She hasn't ever shied away from hard work having had a paper round in hilly Hutt Valley as a teenager and also worked as a cotton picker touring round farms in Australia and operating the cotton press. She has cleaned schools as a holiday job and also looked after an autistic child. She told us about her new job as Team Leader of the Health and Safety Team at the Department of Corrections. Not a small role for someone who does such a lot especially for Rotary. But we know Liz will cope. What's that old mantra? Give a busy person a job.....

Chris was also born in Christchurch and has fond memories of family camping holidays at Woodend Beach in prefab huts. Curiously, she remembers having guinea pigs as family pets. While attending school she had a part time job gathering and cleaning eggs at a poultry farm. Chicken manure is a nostalgia trip for her! The eggs were cleaned with sandpaper apparently. Her first job after leaving school was as a bank teller and then she moved to work for the Wool Research Organisation. She was there when Norman Roberts, a former member of Christchurch South Rotary was Director. Chris has also travelled extensively but her most memorable travel location was the slums in Mumbai which speaks to her empathy for those who are less fortunate. Chris's first motorised transport was a Vespa motor scooter, but what drew a few envious breaths was her revelation that the first car she and her husband had when they married was a Pontiac Firebird. Can't you just see her cruising round the city in one of these throbbing machines? Chris has a brother in Australia and one in Christchurch and 3 grandchildren, 2 in Australia and one in the US.

Thank you Liz and Chris for telling us something about yourselves. We are the richer for that and also for having you as members of our club.

*Thank you Alan McKinnon for this weeks report*

## Next Week

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Mike Smith—Cannibus Referendum, what we need to think about

## Upcoming Events

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### Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 August

Hensh street sales

### Friday 4 and Saturday 5 September

MS & PD Collection

### Saturday 5 and Sunday 6 September

Hensh reserve dates street sales

### Friday 18 September

AVIVA Collection

## Notices

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### AVIVA Collection

Date: Friday 18 September, New World Ferry Road

Shifts: 9.00-10.30  
10.30-12.00  
12.00-2.00  
2.00-4.00

Contact Chantal if you can help

The poster is for a concert at the Isaac Theatre Royal. It features the Liedertafel logo in the top left, which includes a harp and the text 'CHRISTCHURCH Liedertafel'. The main title is 'CHOIRS FOR THE ISAAC THEATRE ROYAL!' in large, bold, white letters. Below the title, it says 'PRESENTED BY LIEDERTAFEL MALE VOICE CHOIR' and 'SUNDAY 23RD AUGUST 2:30PM'. A circular badge on the left contains the text: 'A VIBRANT AFTERNOON OF MUCH-LOVED SONGS AND ANTHEMS FROM NEW ZEALAND POP CULTURE AND BEYOND, PERFORMED BY CHRISTCHURCH CONCERT CHOIRS'. The background is dark blue with white musical notes and a treble clef. In the top right, there are several red stars. At the bottom right, it says 'TICKETS \$25 PLUS FEES' and 'WWW.TICKETEK.CO.NZ'.

## Duties

Duty	26 August	2 Sept
Cash Desk	S Harris	D Peterson
Cash Desk	R McKinney	B Wales
Reception	S Mackenzie	A Stewart
Speaker Host	A McKinnon	N/A
Grace	A McKinnon	J Woodward
International Toast	S Mackenzie	A Stewart
Thanks to Speaker	S Harris	N/A
Quote	R McKinney	D Peterson
Speaker Reporter	D Peterson	M Rickerby
Sergeant	L Brown	G Dockrill

## Leave

Who	From	To
M Whitehead	09/09/15	TBA
V Nossiter		TBA
J Wylie		TBA
K Moss	04/07/19	31/12/20
C McCarthy	17/06/20	31/12/20

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## Reminders

Record your apology by:

- Notifying the Reception Desk
- Email [chchsouthrotary@gmail.com](mailto: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