

Rotary Club of Christchurch South



District Governor Jan Boustead—The New District 9999

Tonight was the occasion set down for 2022-23 for the District Governor's Visit.

DG Jan is our first District Governor of the new Rotary District 9999, an amalgamation of the old South Island Districts 9970 and 9980. She now has oversight of 63 Rotary clubs.

The District Governor's chains of office have been replaced by a 'breast plate' carved from solid greenstone (from Rotary District 9970) worn around the neck and packed for transportation in a custom made box made from southland beech (from Rotary District 9980). The plate measures approximately fifteen centimetres wide by eight centimetres deep, with the Rotary wheel carved in the centre and stylized koru at each end, symbolizing growth, harmony and new beginnings.



DJ Jan spoke of the 2022-23 RI President Jennifer Jones who has an International Theme of "Imagine Rotary". This theme of Dreaming Big can be expanded to 'Imagine, a world that deserves our best, where we get up each day knowing that we can make a difference'.

RI President Jennifer's focus for 2022-23 is:

- Engaging members is crucial to retaining members—we need to ask members what they want from Rotary
- Embracing change also means embracing new club members
- Ensuring a focus on diversity, equity and inclusion

DG Jan said that Rotary is always changing and we must prepare to change. She quoted Paul Harris when he said "This is a changing world; we must be prepared to change with it. The story of Rotary will have to be written again and again".

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Our District Governor outlined her goals for 2022-23. They are:

- To build a sense of community and collaboration between clubs, clusters and across geographic boundaries
- To encourage clubs and members to seize opportunities and expand horizons
- To embrace diversity and extend our reach
- To support clubs to innovate and engage members purposely

DG Jan talked about the 5 attributes of successful and agile clubs, being:

1. Strong leadership
2. Many events and projects
3. Visible in the community
4. Active, intentional member engagement
5. Clear goals and a growth plan

The DG challenged us: each club is unique, we should critically examine how we appear to the world outside. What practices are no longer relevant? How can Rotary fit the lifestyle we seek to maintain?

DG Jan stressed the importance of The Rotary Foundation helping Rotary make a difference in the lives of people around the world.

She affirmed collaboration—by working together we can achieve great outcomes.

In conclusion DG Jan asked us what our next steps were:

- Where from from here?
- What will we work on in this coming year in our club?
- How will we engage our members?
- How can we increase our visibility in our community?

Thanks to Lew for the report and Viv for the photo

Upcoming Meetings

9 November

Tariq Habibyar

Mentors Across Borders—the evacuation of Afghan women and their families

16 November

Annabel Holland

The Successes of the New Zealand Opera over the past 21 years

23 November

Dr Graham Sattler

An update from the Christchurch Symphony Orchestra—CSO

Upcoming Events

24 November

Walking Group

14 December

Christmas Function

Notices

Walking Group

SCAPE—Guided Art Walk around the city with Deborah McCormick

Thursday 24 November

Meet at 10.30am by the Clock Tower Worcester Boulevard

Lunch at 12pm Jimmys Smokehouse opposite Riverside Market (previously known as Tiffanys)

Interested friends are welcome to join us

Please let Viv know (vivmellis@gmail.com) if you can join the walk and lunch, or just lunch

Imagine What's Next in Melbourne, Australia

Take advantage of the reduced rate by registering now for the 2023 Rotary International Convention, 27-31 May in Melbourne, Australia. This opportunity to connect with Rotarians from around the world doesn't come too often (last time we had an international convention was in Sydney in 2013)

The convention promises to be an inspirational event, with distinguished speakers, energizing breakout sessions, and abundant opportunities to brainstorm ideas for Doing Good in the World with Rotary and Rotaract members from around the globe. Join us in Melbourne, the cultural capital of Australia, to Imagine What's Next as we form and strengthen connections and learn from one another.

The reduced rate expires 15 December. Registration link below and see bulletin attachments for more info.

[2023 Rotary International Convention Melbourne](#)

Duties

Duty	9 November	16 November
Cash Desk	A McKinnon	A Airay
Cash Desk	M Rickerby	H Garlick
Reception	A Stewart	V Ellis
Speaker Host	A McCully	D Buist
Grace	A McCully	D Buist
International Toast	A Stewart	H Garlick
Thanks to Speaker	M Rickerby	V Ellis
Quote	A McKinnon	A Airay
Speaker Reporter	M Opie	A McKinnon
Sergeant	L Brown	A McCully

Leave

Who	From	To
M Whitehead	09/09/15	TBA
J Wylie		TBA
S Haye	11/08/20	TBA
R McKinney	28/09/22	14/04/23
L Bermingham	17/10/22	31/12/22
J Chamberlain	17/08/22	13/12/22
G Fowler	02/11/22	30/11/22

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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 Shirley Harris on 021 198 2234 or Viv Ellis on 027 490 3161
- 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

