

Rotary

Christchurch South



LANDSCAPING, UKRAINE & EFFECTS OF COVID

Again we are connecting via Zoom. Joining in this week were: Viv, Sarita, Keith, Liz, Alan A, David, Joey, Diane, Alan McK, Lew, Andrew, Graham and Mel.

Joey has been unwell with Covid. His symptoms lasted 4 days and were coughing (barking like a seal), headache (intense head pain) and the worst part were the hot sweats. We all hope that you are back into action now Joey.

We heard about Alan A's holiday South and to Golden Bay. He mentioned Castle Claremont in the Timaru area. Obviously a place worth visiting. I Googled Castle Claremont and found it is on Mount Horrible Road. Sounds off putting but I might check it out one day. He and Sue then headed north to the beautiful Golden Bay.

Robin is in Australia as is Athol. Joey is heading to Rarotonga – we assume that is his honeymoon destination. All the very best Joey and Abigail. Alan McK is heading to Australia soon. Safe travels everyone.

Mel joined us looking rather blurry. There were comments such as perhaps he had taken up smoking or maybe it was extreme fog up in the Horotane Valley. Either he didn't stop smoking or the fog didn't lift as he remained that way for the entire Zoom meeting.

Liz spoke about her surgery and we met her dog Ruby.

Keith has been out and about on his bike to include biking along the Queen Charlotte track.

Alan A told the shower head story. He bought one for \$35 from someone in the Bethany Motor Camp, Kaiteriteri where they were staying. Later he checked a site on Google and saw that the price was \$5. We are all sure you've had \$35 worth already Alan.



Alan A also sang the praises of Waimate. He spoke about a Gary Rooney who is involved in doing up many of the old buildings in the township. Obviously we need to take the Waimate turn off and go and see it for ourselves. Thanks for the recommendation Alan.

Sarita spoke about the glasshouse that they are putting together which is obviously a bit of a mission. She's looking into Hydroponics so we look forward to a progress report.

David told us that 25 houses will be built in Kennedys Bush behind his property.

We heard Lucky the sheep story from Diane. Apparently Lucky is Sarita's neighbour and is taken to the banks of the Heathcote each evening for dinner!

There was discussion around when we might resume Rotary meetings at The Cashmere Club. The thinking is possibly in the next 2 – 3 weeks. The date 13 April was mentioned, however, it depends as we know on the Covid case numbers and how members feel about returning to the Cashmere Club for meetings.

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner will possibly be sometime before the end of June.

Keep well and safe everyone.

Huge thanks Viv Ellis – speaker reporter

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." – Margaret Mead (American cultural anthropologist)

PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP & YOUNG TOTARA

The Awards Committee is looking for nominations for both Pride of Workmanship and Young Totara.

The Pride of Workmanship award is designed to acknowledge volunteers or employees, irrespective of age or vocation, who, in the eyes of their employers, display outstanding qualities in terms of approach, attitude, dedication and commitment, to their jobs.



The Young Totara Award is designed to recognize significant contributions by youth to the life and well-being of their community, affecting those around them in a positive manner. It reflects the importance of qualities such as innovative thinking, effective enterprise, leadership and planning abilities. Nominations must be not less than 20 years at the time of nomination.

Please submit your nomination to Graham Fowler before the 31st of March for consideration.

Upcoming Meetings via Zoom until further notice

Date: Wednesday 30th March 2022

Time: 6.30 pm – 7.00pm

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6411133984?pwd=TIkzbGpPWU9wZFpAwUCtxVVFjQzBjdz09>

Meeting ID: 641 113 3984

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