

Rotary Club of Christchurch South



Nick Tuitasi - Family First NZ

Huge thanks to Alan McKinnon for organising a really fun auction to raise money for Rotary's Polio Eradication Programme. Thanks to everyone for their money, enthusiasm, laughter and fellowship, we raised over \$400!

Welcome to Nick Tuitasi who joined us as our speaker this evening from Auckland. Nick served with the New Zealand Police for 25 years. He worked in the area of youth at risk, in 1993 he established a programme which became a blueprint for many police projects nation wide to support families and youth at risk. Nick is a Paul Harris Fellow, celebrated for his work in the community.

Family First NZ is a Lobby Group as opposed a political party, Nick has been on the board for about 5 years. Family First believe in traditional family values and they are biblically based.

Nick's focus is on being Pacifically correct as opposed to being politically correct. The difficulty Nick has with the cannabis bill is the blurred line between drugs and the legalisation of marijuana. He has huge concern on how legalisation of this drug will have an impact on New Zealand families, specifically the Maori and Pacific community. Just because we are losing control of the war on drugs does not mean that as a country we should legalise them. The potency of marijuana has moved from 2-3% in the 1970's to 94-95% today. In Colorado purchasing marijuana is done at the same place as you purchase fuel for your vehicle. Today marijuana is sold in the form of vaporisers, mists, soft drinks, chocolate and even candy. Nick expects that once legalised, marijuana would be sold through vaping shops with children being the primary target market. More information can be found at <https://saynopetodope.org.nz/> The political impact on youth, families and our community is significant.

Thanks Nick for taking the time to present to our club, sharing your view on cannabis and your passion for the community.

Thank you Liz for this weeks report



Guest Speaker, Nick Tuitasi

Next Week

Jodanne Aitken - Southern
Environmental Trust scholarship

Upcoming Rotary Events

Friday 25 October

CHCH South Burgers and Beers Social Event
Belgian Beer Café, 20 Durham Street, 6pm

3 November

Annual Avonhead Rotary Charity Golf Tournament
avonheadrotary@gmail.com

9 and 10 November

Cholmondeley Children's Centre Fundraiser
Sculpturenz.co.nz

Friday 29 November

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Notices

Jack McKessar

It is with a heavy heart we announced the passing of Founding Member, Jack McKessar

Jack was a loved member of our Club and we shall all miss him dearly

Funeral details are:

Wednesday 30th October

2pm

Beckenham Baptist Church, 146 Colombo Street, Beckenham

Burgers and Beers

On the last Friday of each month we are having Burgers and Beers, if beer is not your thing, feel free to order a vino. This is an awesome opportunity to catch up, have a laugh, bring a friend.

Venue	Belgian Beer Café
Address	20 Durham Street (heaps of parking outside, behind The Colombo)
Time	6pm onwards

Cholmondeley Children's Centre Fundraiser

Sculpture on the Peninsula

Loudon Farm, Charteris Bay Road, Teddington

Saturday 9 & Sunday 10 November

9.30am to 5pm

Cost \$15.00, children 12 and under free

Tickets online or at gate (eftpos available)

Further information: sculpturenz.co.nz

Ali Mau

Pegasus Bay

Ronald McDonald House South Island

Geraldine's Roses
\$25 each

Parnell Heritage

Hayley Westera

Sarita is helping her friend Geraldine Hassall again with her roses fundraiser for Ronald McDonald House South Island. This time the funds are going towards the refurbishment of the Children's Haematology and Oncology Clinic (CHOC) family room at Christchurch Hospital. These roses are \$25 each and to order please click on the link below

<https://forms.gle/m2mYZUzf2QdtbFx77>

Duties

Duty	30 October	6 November
Cash Desk	S Mackenzie	K Gunasekara
Cash Desk	A McKinnon	A Kim
Reception	R McKinney	G Fowler
Speaker Host	C McCarthy	D Buist
Grace	A Stewart	M Opie
International Toast	D Peterson	B McKessar
Thanks to Speaker	A McCully	A McKinnon
Quote	K Gunasekara	B Wales
Speaker Reporter	J Chamberlain	C McCarthy
Sergeant	J Woodward	L Bermingham
Deputy Sergeant	B Wales	A Airay

Leave

Who	From	To
R Blyth	08/04/15	TBA
M Whitehead	09/09/15	TBA
V Nossiter		TBA
J Wylie		TBA
M Rickerby	01/01/19	01/01/20
J Woodward	05/11/19	05/12/19
V Ellis	23/10/19	27/11/19
K Tanner	04/07/19	12/12/19

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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