

# Rotary Club of Christchurch South



## Ray Deaker—Riccarton Rotary

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Ray Deaker is from the Rotary Club of Riccarton, the club currently has 59 members, holding water as far as membership is concerned. They have recently welcomed new members from Iran, Serbia, Taiwan, Singapore, Vietnamese, Brazilian, Denmark, what an amazing celebration of diversity. The majority of the clubs income is from the markets and investment money. One of the challengers Ray has identified is that clubs often don't share information and resources, he believes this is an area we could all work to develop further.

Ray is a business mentor, in 2011 Ray was asked by Business Mentors to undertake a mentoring programme in the South Pacific. Ray focused on Samoa with 4 other members for 4 years. Most businesses forget to pay tax and accountants were behind with tax by several years. The Australian Government supported Samoa in getting their tax system back on track and are currently working on helping with drug issues throughout Samoa. China has a huge influence in the Pacific and this has provided a huge amount of support to the local infrastructure.

In 2012 Ray and Walter van der Kley looked to support the Rotary Club of Apia to implement a literacy project. 163 schools received bookshelves from Rotary, they approached the Tindal Foundation and many others, 100,000 books were distributed amongst the schools. Approximately \$100,000 was donated by Rotary Clubs. Our club has a long history supporting this literacy project with many of the younger members spending time in Samoa to help out on the ground.

To date Ray has been to Samoa 15 times, he pays his own way and sometimes he takes his family. What an amazing contribution to the Pacific community. Huge thanks to Ray for sharing his story with us.

Thank you Liz for this weeks report.

## Next Week

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Members Only Night - District Rezoning

## Upcoming Rotary Events

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**Wednesday 20 May**

CHCH South Awards Evening

Rata Lounge, Cashmere Presbyterian Centre, 2 Macmillan Avenue, Cashmere

## Notices

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### Leave

Please advise all leave of absence (three weeks or more) to the **SECRETARY** by email or writing

### Court Theatre—Lysander's Aunty

**Saturday 11th April at 7.30pm, RSVP to Susan by Friday 28th (tickets \$54ea)**

“Bard in the Bush! In this radical comedy, Lysander and Hermia, the lovers from *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, run away to the forest... but things take a sharp turn along the way that lands them in the lap of Lysander's unconventional, untraditional and very Kiwi Aunty. The world of Shakespeare is lovingly turned upside down as the highbrow meets the down-to earth in this wonderfully quirky comedy. The course of true love never did run smooth. Especially out in the sticks.”

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### Club Meeting

CHCH South Rotary Club Meeting on 4th March to discuss and vote on the proposal for our Rotary District 9970 to merge with the Lower South Island District 9980

Reflecting the reduced membership across the District, a group of previous current and future District Governors has developed a proposal for Districts 9970 and 9980 to merge. This is in anticipation of the fact that if District membership drops below 1100, Rotary International will actually require such a merger to take place. Because we don't have to merge right now, every club gets to vote on whether to accept this proposal.

The CHCH South Rotary Club will discuss the matter and vote on it at our regular meeting on Wednesday 4th March

The full proposal is being sent out along with this bulletin

- Alan McKinnon on behalf of the CHCH South Board

### Young Totara Award 2020

Members are requested to nominate a candidate for our Young Totara Award 2020.

The person will be a high-achieving role model in the Community, aged under 21 years.

Please contact Doug Johns 033597350 Dougals72@xtra.co.nz

### Pride of Workmanship Award 2020

Members are requested to nominate a candidate for our Pride of Workmanship Award 2020.

The objectives of the Award is to promote Vocational Service and encourage Pride of Workmanship in all vocations.

Please contact Doug Johns 033597350 Dougals72@xtra.co.nz

### Diane Peterson—Email Update

Diane has a new email address, please update your records to:

dianekpeterson7@gmail.com

## Duties

Duty	4 March	11 March
Cash Desk	D Christophers	S Haye
Cash Desk	C McCarthy	A McCully
Reception	S Harris	A Stewart
Speaker Host	Not Required	D Johns
Grace	D Peterson	P Mears
International Toast	D Johns	K Gunasekara
Thanks to Speaker	Not Required	C Ayrey
Quote	B Wales	H Garlick
Speaker Reporter	M Opie	C McCarthy
Sergeant	A McCully	J Chamberlain
Deputy Sergeant	S Mackenzie	D Christophers

## Leave

Who	From	To
R Blyth	08/04/15	TBA
M Whitehead	09/09/15	TBA
V Nossiter		TBA
J Wylie		TBA
K Tanner	04/07/19	31/12/20
K Dalziel	01/04/20	22/04/20
R McKinney	01/11/19	20/04/20
A Airay	19/02/20	01/04/20
S McLean	16/01/20	04/03/20

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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
- Please advise all leave of absence (three weeks or more) to the **SECRETARY** by email or writing