



THE BULLETIN

Rotary Club of Christchurch South
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[Jessica Tater – The Rotary National Science Forum.](#)

The Rotary National Science & Technology Forum is an annual event and 2019 was its 30th Anniversary. Its original aim was “to grow more Science graduates for New Zealand across all areas of scientific study”. Over time, this vision has grown to include technology studies.

The Forum is managed as a project by the Rotary Clubs of New Zealand and operates as a Trust. The Trust works closely with the University of Auckland, AUT and Massey University to provide the academic leadership, lectures and accommodation for this fully residential programme which is traditionally based at O’Rorke Hall, an Auckland University Hall of Residence.

Essentially, high achieving, end of Year 12 Science & Technology students at secondary schools across New Zealand are recommended to apply for the opportunity to attend the Forum by their Heads of Science. Their applications are submitted to a local Rotary Club who is assigned to be responsible for managing the applications. The most suitable students are identified and interviewed by Rotary, whereafter a final selection is made at Rotary District Level. Successful students are then advised they have been awarded the opportunity to attend the Forum which offers a maximum of 168 places.

In the 13 years that the writer has been a club member, we have had hardly any nominations. This year, we hit gold with Cashmere High School’s Jessica Tater, whose presentation to Club of her experience was exceptional – exceptionally fast verbally and exceptionally comprehensive -and barely it seemed, with reference to what appeared to be a comprehensive compilation of notes. This was a two week “residential experience of a lifetime”, attending two, three hour lectures a day, each on an entirely different science/technology topic and involving practical/bench work. The sessions were spelt out by Jessica, for their interest level and complexity.

Jessica touched on the social experiences and mentioned the opportunities of friendships she made. She will seek to study medicine at Otago University. Her audience tonight, recognised this entirely realistic goal. She expressed deep gratitude to Rotary for her chance to attend the Forum.



Thanks to Mel Opie for this week’s report

Footnote: Jessica has an impressive Google ‘record’ – one and a half pages of websites she is involved with/mentioned in. Well worth a read.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 10 April Quiz Night for Interplast "Repairing Bodies, Rebuilding Lives"
- 6 April District 9970 Women in Rotary Event (Christchurch)
- 3 – 5 May District 9970 Conference (Ashburton)
- 22 May Christchurch South Community Awards Evening
- 20 – 22 September New Zealand Australia Rotary Conference (Christchurch)
Find more information [here](#)

KEY NOTICES



NEXT MEETING

06 March 2019

David Clarkson

Intro to The Regimental History Centre based at Burnham.

DUTIES

Duty	6-Mar-19	13-Mar-19
Cash Desk	D Buist	D Johns
Cash Desk	V Ellis	M Opie
Reception	B McKessar	P Mears
Speaker's Host	M Opie	J Woodward
Grace	H Garlick	S Haye
International Toast	D Christophers	A Airay
Thanks to Speaker	L Bermingham	S Harris
Quote for the Week	J Woodward	C McCarthy
Speaker Reporter	T Blackler	J Chamberlain
Notices Reporter	A McCully	D Buist

ON LEAVE

	FROM	TO
B Blyth	21/06/16	TBA
E Mussen	13/04/16	TBA
M Whitehead	02/08/15	TBA
M Ireland	01/01/17	TBA
G Dockeril	14/02/18	TBA
L Hay		TBA
J Wylie		TBA
S Collins	04/07/18	TBA
Q Moss	15/08/18	2019
V Nossiter		TBA
J Keerthisooriya		01/08/19
R McKinney		01/05/19
K Tanner	January 2019	01/07/19
S Tatterson	January 2019	01/07/2019
M Rickerby	January 2019	January 2020

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www.christchurchsouthrotary.org.nz
or <http://www.facebook.com/RotaryClubOfChristchurchSouth>

**APOLOGIES – Record your apology at the Reception Desk at a prior meeting
OR**

**Email: chchsouthrotary@gmail.com before 11.00 on the Wednesday - you will get a reminder
a couple of days before the meeting re apologising and to advise if bringing a guest.**

EMERGENCY APOLOGIES to Mike Bruce, 022 540 1251

**DUTIES - If you are unable to do an allocated duty, it is YOUR responsibility to arrange a
substituent**

AND to advise the President.

LEAVE of ABSENCE (three weeks or more) advise the Secretary by email or in writing.