

THE BULLETIN

Rotary Club of Christchurch South District 9970 PO Box 12-243, Christchurch 8242

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FORMER RYLA CANDIATE -THOMAS REES

Thomas Rees gave a very enlightened address to the Club. He is in fact Bruce Wales eldest grandson. He attended the Ryla Course with Kim, Joie and their contemporaries and was an ex pupil of Middleton Grange.

In terms of work experience he worked EY in Christchurch doing audit insurance for three years including such matters as fishing quotas and dairy related issues. Then he transferred to Ey in Dublin in the Finance Department for one year where he was valuing aircraft with some airlines such as Avalon Airlines having 500 planes all under lease.

He returned to London last year and become an independent contractor through an agency, essentially providing accounting software for accountants.

He has developed a working relationship for Main Group which is a London base company formed 200 years ago and was originally famous for importing sugar and other products. Over the last 30 years they have become a boutique player in the asset management area. By way of example as to their scale they have close to \$190 billion in the US under management. He has an ongoing working relationship with Main Group. He is looking forward to future prospects putting in software systems for companies around the world.

Thomas spoke of the ebb and flow of the Brexit discussions. He mentioned conservatives had two philosophical planks that they would not vary from namely, not dealing with Jeremy Corbett of the Labour Party and not allowing a hard boarder between Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. Teresa May has altered her tack in so much as, after being voted against by a number of her members, she is now negotiating with Jeremy Corbett & Labour to try and push through a mutual new agreement. Neither her or Jeremy Corbett want to have a "no deal", and the feeling is that no deal could potentially cause a major recession.

Thomas felt that conformation of brexit would be very good for New Zealand in that the British over many years have been use to buying New Zealand goods particularly lamb and wine, and under a direct supply to the UK, without quotas and European tariffs, would achieve far higher margins in prices.

In summary Thomas gave us a very enlightened and entertaining address, as evidenced by the large number of questions at the conclusion of his address. We thank him sincerely for his efforts.



COMMUNITY AWARDS

22 May 2019: Community Awards Evening RSVP: 12 May 2019

Registration Link: CHCH South Community
Awards Evening

Christchurch South Community Awards Evening. Wednesday 22nd May 6.30pm.

Rata Lounge, Cashmere Presbyterian Church, Dyers Pass Road.

Catering by Christchurch West Inner Wheel. Partners Night ,cost \$30 person Club Contact: Sarita McLean Please mark in your diaries now.

DUTIES

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March Quiz Night for Interplast "Repairing I Rebuilding Lives"
- 6 April District 9970 Women in Rotary Event (Christchurch)
- 3 5 May District 9970 Conference (Ashburton)
- 22 May Christchurch South Community Awar Evening
- 20 22 September New Zealand Australi Rotary Conference (Christchurch) Find more information here

Duty	3-Apr-19	10-Apr-19
Cash Desk	C Ayrey	Not reqd
Cash Desk	A McCully	Not reqd
Reception	A Airay	Not reqd
Speaker's Host	B Wales	Not reqd
Grace	J McKessar	Not reqd
International Toast	H Garlick	Not reqd
Thanks to Speaker	P Mears	Not reqd
Quote for the Week	D Buist	Not reqd
Speaker Reporter	J Chamberlain	C McCarthy
Notices Reporter	A Stewart	Not reqd

LEAVE

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E Mussen	13/04/16	ТВА
M Whitehead	02/08/15	TBA
G Dockeril	14/02/18	ТВА
L Hay		TBA
J Wylie		TBA
S Collins	04/0718	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
M Rickerby	January 2019	January 2020



NEXT MEETING

10 APRIL 2019 Quiz Night at Armadilos

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 advise the president.

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

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