



# THE BULLETIN

Rotary Club of Christchurch South  
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**SERVICE ABOVE SELF**

Attendance Wed 05 April 2017			Total Membership: 45 Active, 4 Honorary.				
Members and Associates	29	Apologies	6	Visitors	1	On Leave	10

## Dan “the man” Christophers...

While it cannot be confirmed that “the man” was the nickname Dan used during the battle of the rebuild, it is most certainly how Dan has become known at the Rotary Club of Christchurch South. If the club every needs anyone to pull some manual labour or simply to volunteer a few hours then Dan is usually one of the first on the list.

Tonight Dan took us through a brief journey of his life to this point. As he described it as a “journey” from having to uproot his life during his intermediate years, to finding his direction in life and taking the appropriate steps in to make sure he ends up where he wants to be.



To put it bluntly, in Dan's life there is nothing done at half pace and no job is ever half completed. This was reflected when Dan (pictured left addressing our meeting) mentioned that growing up ( and I assume it will still be the same today ) he could never keep his hands still, whether it was playing as the smallest prop in the history of rugby, jamming on the guitar, or making a laughing stock of full-time employees while on work experience.

It was written all over the face of Dan as he talked about his career. Even though everything is said with a smile on his face, his work is taken very seriously. He took pride in the fact that it may be only a car park that he was currently building but due to the significance of the structure that will hold the emergency services vehicles. He had a direct part in the most important structure.

While Dan may not be the most outspoken member of Rotary, sometimes action shine louder than words. Ever since becoming a founding member of the young adult's group, Dan has become an integral part of the Rotary club of Christchurch South.



We enjoyed you address Dan an look forward to sharing more time with you and tales of your escapades in future Rotary gatherings.

Left: President Mel congratulates Dan on his “from the heart” address and wishes him well for the future.

Thanks to Joey Chamberlain for this weeks report.

Pics: Doug Johns.

**CLUB DAY – Wed. 26 April.**

**(Inclusive of partners and friends!)**

**April** is Rotary International *'Maternal and Child Health'* month and Joy Reid, last week, was our harbinger of that with her 'One Mother to Another' talk to our club. But your programmer has sabotaged things by claiming April as **'Club Month'**, thus:

**05 Dan Christophers**                      **'Life and Times'**

**12 Quentin Moss: & Alan McKinnon**    **Electric Cars.**

**19 Sarita McLean**                      **DG Life Outside of Club**

**26 'Club Day'**

**10.00 am, guided tour of Christ's College\*. \$10 pp**      (One parking option is N. Hagley Park, Armagh St entrance, then a pleasant amble thru the gardens or park to Christ's)

**12 noon, coffee/ lunch at Bunsen Café,** Chemistry Building, Arts Centre. Why not join us, even if not on the tour!

**6 for 6.30 pm, club social evening, Beck's Southern Ale House,** back room, Colombo St. \$15 pp. Tea and coffee from the bar.

**Beck's** menu will be finger food, from tables set to one side. Seating will be provided in the 'open' area where people will be free to stand and move around. The call to order will be for grace, then notices, Sergeants' session and light entertainment; thereafter, more socialising. Alan McKinnon's new club website will be on screen for browsing. Note the later starting time, but in general terms, people will be free to come and go as suits them.

**The theme for the day** will be to wear **red**. Anything **red** that's **visible** – brooch, fascinator, sirs, waistcoat, , petticoat ... anything being worn that is **red**, seen or shown.

\*Members might well ask why the Christ's Tour is for a Wednesday, 10.00am and not the evening, so club night ... (*"You suggest 5.45pm on a Wed or 10am on Sat morning but these times would not suit the school"*). The short answer is that the tours are only available Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10.00am. Importantly though, there is something in the day for everyone.

We have toured Christ's before, but consequence of the earthquakes, some things have changed. Well worth the visit, quite apart from the fellowship. **DG Arie's challenge to his clubs is 'Dare to Be Different'** and this is one such response by our club.

## Notices

Vocational Service Work-site Visit to Christ's College at 10am, Wednesday morning 26th April.  
Guided Tour, Cost \$10 per person, tour takes about 1 hour 20 minutes.  
Followed by coffee and/or lunch at Bunsen Cafe (previously Le Cafe) in the restored section of the  
Arts Centre, Worcester Boulevard.

Partners and friends welcome.

Please advise numbers attending Christ's College tour.

Please indicate number attending for coffee, also number staying for lunch at Bunsen Cafe.

Please advise or confirm by 19/4/17 to Doug Johns Ph 3597350 or email: dougals72@xtra.co.nz

This is part of President Melville's special 'Club Day', when our Wednesday evening social meeting will be at Becks Restaurant Colombo Street/Strickland Street 6 for 6.30pm 26th April 2017.

Let's make this a special day, as our Charter Members Bernie, Jack and Ray, joined our Rotary Club exactly 60 years ago on 26th April 1957.

## Previous Notices

*Just a reminder..*



**ROTARY WALK – 20TH April.** Park somewhere near Halswell School. We meet on Halswell Rd. at the school 10.30 and walk through Muir Park and to the end of Muir Ave. and through a right-of-way to Sabys Rd. Then make our way along Country Palms Drive to the far end where it intersects with Halswell Junction Road. We are then about one kilometre from lunch at Graythornes Restaurant. Bring your Gold Card in case we feel like bussing back to the cars. If you are unable to join the walk, then come and have lunch with us.

**Malcolm Rickerby** advised that Entertainment books are available at just \$65 each. All proceeds to MS and Parkinson. Just two meals out will see you on the winning side with these great books. They also make great gifts for friends or family.

## Next Meeting

**April 12    Quentin Moss and Alan McKinnon.    Electric cars**

## “Duties”

## “On Leave”

Duty	12 April	19 April		FROM	TO
Cash Desk	P Mears	J Chamberlain	L Kelly	23/02/12	TBA
Cash Desk	V Nossiter	G Foulds	G Dockrill	21/06/16	TBA
Reception	B McKessar	S Collins	B Blyth	13/04/16	TBA
Speaker's Host	M Rickerby	D Buist	M Whitehead	02/08/15	TBA
Grace	A Kim	D Christophers	M Ireland	01/01/17	28/06/17
International Toast	R Mackie	L Brown	B Lawrence	02/08/15	TBA
Thanks to Speaker	A Stewart	K Dalziel	E Musson	01/01'17	TBA
Quote for the Week	J McKessar	L Bermingham	S Hays	22/03/17	12/04/17
Closure	R McKinney	M Bruce	B SoutheyJensen	15/03/17	TBA
Speaker Reporter	Q Moss	G Fowler	T Blackler	05/04/17	19/04/17



## Looking Ahead

April 19 Sarita McLean Your DG's Life Beyond the Club  
April 26

## A TWIST IN THE TAIL

What do you get when you cross a dyslexic, an insomniac, and an agnostic?

Someone who lays awake at night wondering if there is a dog! Boom boom!

Our Club is on “Facebook”! You will find us at:-

<http://www.facebook.com/RotaryClubOfChristchurchSouth>

**APOLOGIES** – Record your apology at the Reception Desk at a prior meeting or Email [chchsouthrotary@gmail.com](mailto:chchsouthrotary@gmail.com) before 11.00 on the Wednesday. Last minute apologies to Mike Bruce, 022 540 1251 or Val Nossiter (339 8441).

**DUTIES** If you are unable to do allocated duty, it is YOUR responsibility to arrange a substitute and advise the President.

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

