

PROJECTS

FROM DISTRICT 9940



Be a gift to the world

Rotary

District 9940





FOREWORD

MESSAGE FROM DG SIMON MANNING

This booklet is designed to explore what we are doing to make a difference in New Zealand, the Pacific Islands, and all around the world.

When did you become a Rotarian? This is the question that results in similar answers from all Rotarians around the world... The most common response is "It was when I participated in a club project". Projects are a good way to keep Rotarians engaged in our wonderful organisation.

This booklet contains projects from many clubs around our district. Some are small and focused on our own communities; some involve our commitment through humanitarian efforts with other clubs and districts around the world.

Clubs in 9940 are very active, sometimes we don't appreciate how busy we are, this booklet has opened my eyes to the amount of valuable work that we are all involved in. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the participating clubs and congratulate you all for the work you are doing.

It is timely that we also reflect that projects don't just happen; they are the result on many thousands of hours of voluntary work by Rotarians. They also happen because of the financial generosity of Rotarians who donate goods and in some cases cash to ensure that projects get completed.

When we as Rotarians donate to The Rotary Foundation, we are also playing an important part in ensuring that

projects in our local communities and in communities all around the world are achieved.

Projects are often assisted by funding from The Rotary Foundation. The Rotary Foundation is one of the most effective Foundations in the world, because the funding is sourced by Rotarians, the projects are created by the vision of Rotarians, and the funding is managed by Rotarians, the projects are run by Rotarians, and the on the ground work is done by Rotarians. Other reputable Charities and Foundations often cannot make these sorts of claims.

Please do not underestimate the importance of donating. Every dollar that you donate whether it be a club meeting by a gold coin donation, or whether it be by donating through one of the personal giving programs, you are making a huge difference in the world. Our World President Ravi has challenged us this year, to Be a Gift to the World. Whether you are donating in cash to the Rotary Foundation or working on a club project local or internationally, you are achieving President Ravi's goal, you are being a Gift to the World.

My sincere thank you to all Rotarians who continue to assist making Rotary relevant by working so hard on the projects that our clubs commit to fulfilling.

Simon Manning



PENCARROW

INTERNATIONAL

Timor-Leste Surgical Sterilisation Project

This project, still in the final planning stages, will provide training for staff in Timor-Leste medical institutions in the sterilisation of medical instruments.

Participating Clubs: Wellington North, Plimmerton, Tawa, Hutt City (probable), Wellington (probable) and Pencarrow.

Likely cost to participating Clubs will be approximately \$1,000 each, payable in 2016.

(This project will follow a successful project in the same field conducted over the past two years.)

New Zealand VSA Doctor at St Mary's Hospital, Kokopo, Papua New Guinea

R. C. Pencarrow provided occasional support to a doctor sent by VSA to this remote part of PNG. A new VSA doctor has recently arrived in Kokopo and we have offered him funding of around \$1,000 for him to get equipment that helps his work in this poorly equipped hospital. (Mosquito nets for beds in a children's ward were provided to the previous VSA and more of the same could be a real possibility.)

LOCAL

Current projects would be helping out at the Volunteer Fire Brigade Honours Night making the evening enjoyable for them by keeping the kitchen running smoothly.

On Sunday we've got the Lowry Bay Yacht Club Youth Race at which we award a trophy and provide a sausage sizzle for the participants.



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PAHIATUA

Golf Tournament

Waitangi Day – raising money for local projects – have contributed hugely to local Harvard Park – major overhaul including new fibreglass Harvard plane. Also lift installed at local Repertory/Cinema venue.

Trolley Derby

Just completed - \$2000 for St Johns – very successful community involvement Staffed BP Awareness day 3 October.

Christmas Parade and Market Day

Run by Rotary, including Teddy Bears' Picnic 5 December 2015.

Interact Club

Working at setting up Interact Club at Tararua College – on track for Feb 2016.

ERK

Funding for ERK

Hanging Baskets

For 70 businesses in Pahiataua – to be installed early Nov 2015

Funding

For children to attend sporting and Guiding events

Suicide Prevention Evening

To be open to public planned for March 2016



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MASTERTON

Masterton Primary School Bell Tower

Our Club responded to a 2014 public appeal through the newspaper to assist Masterton Primary School with the restoration of a bell tower housing a 1865 bell that had featured in several schools around Masterton for the previous 130 years.

Restoration and refurbishment of the tower was carried out in the M B Brown workshop by Rotarians during the latter part of 2014 and first half of 2015. The completed restoration was re-erected at its School site late in July 2015 with an appropriate ceremonial ringing.

Unfortunately the newspaper attributed this project to Masterton South Rotary.

Annual Teddy Bears Picnic

Planning is completed and permits are in place for the 12th Annual Teddy Bears Picnic at Henley Lake on 7th November.

This low cost event for families attracts 1800 – 3000 people each year. No entry fees are charged. Parents / Grandparents are invited to bring their children / grandchildren with their favourite soft toy – teddy bear to dinosaur and everything in between for a fun picnic day at Henley Lake (itself a long term Masterton Rotary initiative).

Face painting, balloons, hair braiding, story telling, crazy mirrors, music, candy floss, sausage sizzles, lolly scrambles, soft toy parades and spot prizes combine to produce very popular event.

Hospital Project

Plans have been drawn up for development of patient rehabilitation facilities within the courtyard Plans are in the process of being priced and then brought to the next committee meeting for discussion.

Mountain Bike Projects

Meetings have been held with DOC and others to develop Mountain Bike Tracks at Mount Holdsworth. DOC are seeking final approvals.



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SOUTH WAIRARAPA

Martinborough Charity Fun Ride

November

Selection of two Kuranui College and one Taratahi Ag Centre students

each to receive our annual \$4000 bursary - November

Youth Achievement Award Dinner

Hon. Chris Finlayson Guest Speaker - November

Martinborough Fairs

Feb/ March

RI Foundation and Polio Plus contribution

anticipated to be \$5000 - May.

Our two major fund raising activities are anticipated to net \$100,000 for distribution to the South Wairarapa and Rotary projects.

At date our budget allocation in addition to the above includes Disaster Fund \$5000, Vocational /Youth \$20400, International \$12000, Community Service \$27200, Environment \$10200, Nepal \$10000. (Part of these allocations have already been distributed)

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CARTERTON

Rotary Book Fair

Books are collected from a wide range of organisations and people and a two day Book Fair is held in Carterton to raise funds for community projects

Candy Floss

The Club owns a Candy Floss machine and members operate and supply candy floss at a number of events within the community including Daffodil Day, St Marks Fair, St Mary's Fair, Carter Court Fair and the Gladstone School Fair. In most instances the Club donates the money raised to the particular organisation running the event.

Parking and Ticketing

The Club provides members to undertake parking and ticketing duties for a number of events including the Wairarapa A&P Show and the Harvest Festival to raise funds for community projects.

Rotary Carterton Christmas Parade

Organises an annual Christmas Parade for the Carterton Community – an event that brings many local organisations and businesses together and raises funds for community projects.

Foodbank Collection

The Club provides members to undertake collection duties.

Participation in High Street Project

The Club is to provide workers for preparation/painting of several shops on the High Street as part of a shop front rejuvenation in Carterton.

Dictionaries in schools

Provides dictionaries to all year 4 students in the Carterton area.

School Gardening Challenge

A Challenge Shield was found in the A & P Showground office which was originally awarded in 1907. The trophy was awarded annually for the best agricultural plot at any school in South Wairarapa from 1907 until 1965. Our Club became aware and resolved to reinstate this Challenge Shield Competition and has now organised the competition for three years. This has been a very successful project for both the Club and the community.

Participation in Courthouse Community Hub renovation

The Club has donated funds and provided workers to demolish the interior wall coverings and kitchen in the Courthouse built in 1884. The Courthouse when renovated is planned as a much needed community hub for Carterton.

Others projects under consideration include

- Replanting at Carters Reserve
- Indonesian Dinner as fund raiser for Indonesian orphanage.

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EASTERN HUTT

Photographic challenge

(car boot sale)

Healthy Homes project

(insulations 180, upgrades 350)

Heaters in Homes project

(15)

Seniors Christmas Party

(revised)

Car boot sales

(starting 31 October)

Meat raffles

Collections

Life Flight Trust / Parkinsons / Wellington Children's Hospital

Christmas Trailer Raffle

target \$20,000

Auction of Promises

Te Omanga Hospice Golf Tournament

target \$11,000

Mooloolaba Rotary exchange club visit

Garden tour

(proposed)

7000 Annies fruit bars

delivered to local schools in Hutt Valley and Wainuiomata

Duffy Books in Schools

RYLA candidate

Sponsorship for Forest Lakes trip

for 5/6 students

Dare to Discover

(proposed Wainuiomata initiative)

Outward Bound youth worker

Micaela O'Connor sponsored

Bridge of Spies movie fundraiser

Hutt Science project with Hutt Council

(WIP)

Pride of Workmanship Awards

Usborne Dictionaries

Naenae, Taita Central, Pomare, St Michaels schools

Purchase of ERKs

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INGLEWOOD

Rarotonga School Project

Potato Project

Car Show

Rotary House

(Review - Committee oversees charges, deposits, increase rentals, Refurbishment, maintenance timetable, liaise with Robyn Towing TET Stadium)

Clock Sign

Fred Jackson Memorial Fund

(Stuart Heal) – Cricket Club

Marinoto Christmas Gifts

Shelter Box Vanuatu

Inglewood Community Health Trust

Inglewood Fire Brigade

RYPEN

two nominations accepted

Hills summer Science School

(one nomination)

District projects

(water pumps, shawls and any others that are agreed)

Inglewood and Districts Phonebook 2014

Published every two years, this publication by the Rotary Club of Inglewood is highly regarded and is also useful to identify and contact local businesses. The print is larger to assist readers and contains lots of local information, sports, community and trade directories and links to useful sites.

After the initial distribution, further copies are available at the HTL Insurance office, 35 Rata Street, or the FunHo! Toy Museum for a \$4 donation to the Rotary Projects Fund.

Rotary Club of Inglewood
INGLEWOOD & DISTRICTS PHONEBOOK 2014

We're here to help, visit RD1 Inglewood today.

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KARORI

YOUTH

Karori Youth Awards

Awards handed out to young achievers in Karori. This project has been running for 17 years.

Rotary Science and Technology Forum

We are sponsors two girls from Marsden to attend this Forum in Auckland in January 2016.

Australian/NZ student exchange

A student has been selected for this programme.

Karori and Northland Schools

A three year programme to provide funding for needy children at the discretion of the Head Teacher Total sum \$2600.

Cure Kids

Participation in Red nose day plus a donation. Total \$620

Ryla

we are sponsoring one person from Karori.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Business breakfast

in partnership with the ANZ Bank are ongoing, six have been held.

Book fair held with Lions

raised \$5500

Karori Mural

Project- Local schools to paint a Mural on a new retaining wall.

Blood Pressure

The club participated in this event

Marsden Day Care Centre

Two working bees held to spruce the property up

Karori Community Bus

On going support by way of a annual donation

INTERNATIONAL

Rotary Foundation

on going support

Polio Plus

on going support

Baririki Rotary Club

Scoping a Birthing kit project in conjunction with the Baririki club.

Samoa Garden project

In partnership with the Wellington Club to fund this project. a commercial Gardening business. Funding received from district.

FUNDRAISING

Happy dollar, wine raffle, sale christmas puddings, Christmas hamper, lego exhibition, wine sales, club auction, quiz night.

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MASTERTON SOUTH

Dictionaries for year four

Masterton schools Books

For Babies, every new babies mother is given a book for their child, we are assisted by Plunket and our community health centre

We have been involved with the Stroke Awareness

We built a bus shelter

At a central school where the country schools bus kids to and from

Intermediate children to Sommes island

For a day on the history (one of our club members farmed there so he is the guide) 62 children last year 120 this year-hopefully!

We partnered with the council and community to build the Kids own playground

and are still involved in the maintenance

We built and run the Mini putt with an attached bike hire.

We run a weekly car boot sale

That has become a community event also providing the club with funds.

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PORT NICHOLSON

Wellington Free Ambulance – New Ambulance

Rotary Clubs in the Wellington region are banding together to raise funds to buy a fully kitted out new ambulance for the Wellington Free Ambulance. Port Nicholson Rotary is organising a Wellington Waterfront Quiz night on 6 December to raise money for this project

Chyangba Nepal

Our Rotary club has a close association with Chyangba in Nepal. Chyangba is a village of about 50 families. It is in the lower Khumba region of the Himalayas in Nepal. It is not on the main trekking route and is 2 days walk from the nearest road. Some of our members visited the village with Pem Dorjee Sherpa who was originally from the village and now lives in USA. We have raised funds to rebuild their school and were in the process of fundraising for the supply and installation of stoves with chimneys to be installed in the homes of the villagers. They have open fires inside their homes without any chimney or adequate ventilation. The new stoves with chimneys are enclosed wood burners that are more fuel efficient, provide heat for warmth and for cooking and can be attached to a water tank for provision of hot water. We were on the cusp of sending the money for these stoves when the major earthquakes occurred causing major damage to the village of Chyangba. We then turned our efforts to fundraising for earthquake repair. We raised enough funds, along with help from other Rotary clubs and a district grant, to rebuild the destroyed water supply.

Goal Setters

This is an annual event where we recognise 2 to 3 tertiary students who have undergone some hardship and are working towards achieving their goals. We present them with a cheque, covered by sponsorship, at a special dinner presentation at the intercontinental hotel. We usually have special guest speaker who offer inspiration. It is a great night and the highlight of our calendar and will be held on 2 March 2016.

Auction

Our major fundraising event is a charity auction held at the Intercontinental Hotel. We typically raise between \$25,000 and \$35,000 per year. The proceeds go 1 major and several minor charities. Recently these have included Wellington Free Ambulance, The Malaghan Institute, Outward Bound, Rotary Foundation. The 2016 Auction will be held on April 29

RYLA

Our club has been responsible for running RYLA for the last 3 years.

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JOHNSONVILLE

On 3 October, Johnsonville Rotary had teams at the New World Supermarkets in Newlands and Churton Park. The campaign was a success with a number of the public having their blood pressure checked.

On 17 & 18 October Johnsonville Rotary had a campaign in the Johnsonville Mall to fundraise for Shelter Box and to promote Rotary and Johnsonville Rotary in our community. The fundraiser for Shelter Box was a success. The club made up the amount donated in cash by the community to purchase one Shelter Box. We also had 5 people ask about joining Johnsonville Rotary. Numerous other people took away pamphlets on Shelter Box and Rotary/Johnsonville Rotary.

On 8 November we have been asked by Deputy Mayor, Justin Lester, to join a community clean-up in Johnsonville. Several members and "Friends of Johnsonville Rotary" have indicated they would like to volunteer for this. We hope to take photos of our team.

On 10 & 17 November we are again having "Toot for Tucker" to collect food and donations (for food) to supply to the local foodbanks and similar community organisations that supply our most needy members of our community. Photos will be available after the event.

We are also assisting the Lions club with marshals for the Johnsonville Christmas Parade, on 5 December 2015.

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MILSON

Walk for water

Beach clean up – Himatangi

Food drives

Working bee to demolish pony club building

Wildbase recovery auction and dinner

Water project in Myanmar

Pink Ribbon breakfast

Annual charity golf tournament

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Himatangi Beach Cleanup.



Presentation of defibrillators to St Johns Ambulance, Arohanui Hospice, and Himatangi Surf Life Saving Club.



PALMERSTON NORTH

INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS

Polio Plus

Raised \$10,000 in 2014/15, will continue to support.
 Raised funds through Giant Garage Sale, Sergeant Sessions funds matched by anonymous member donor, sale of all-purpose scissors, social events.

Individual donation from member for ROMAC

Operation for 16 month-old girl from East Timor

Rotary Foundation

Each year

Emergency Response kit

DISTRICT PROJECTS

Wildbase Rehabilitation Centre Appeal

\$5,000 2015. To be built in Esplanade to complement Wildbase Recovery Hospital at Massey University

Just Zilch

Food dispersal group – collects and gives to any who need it

MASH

To encourage community participation for women with mental illness or physical and intellectual disability; toward health and wellbeing

Primary Schools Speaking Festival

Six Manawatu primary schools; a pupil from each present at a Club meeting – a Youth Plus event

Intermediate School Speech Festival

Speech presented at Club meeting – a Youth Plus Event

Icon series of motivational speakers

funded by District Grant – major Youth Plus event

Food Drive collection

Cancer Society collection on Daffodil Day

Framjee Essay competition

Adjudicated by local paper Editor – a Youth Plus event

Annual Visit and Barbeque to Cross Hills Rhododendron gardens at Colyton

Bus International Students and Families from Massey University – supported by owners of the gardens

Annual visit to Sixtus Lodge

schools visit for environmental experience – we fell, cut and stack firewood for the Lodge

RYLA support for selected young leader each year

Youth Plus event



National Science and Technology Week student

In Auckland each January – select and subsidise student to attend – Youth Plus event

New Zealand Business Week candidate selected and subsidised

Youth Plus event

Cirkus Quirkus

Contracted entertainment for people with intellectual or physical disability with sponsored support raised.

Rotary Youth Festival

In its 3rd year. School music groups play in cafes, shopping malls on a Saturday from 10 until 3pm. – a Youth Plus major event

Scholarship grant

Of \$1500 to Music Viva for its Young Performer’s Scholarship for students in piano, instrumental and voice.

Rookie of the Year

Awards held every second year for young apprentice tradespersons – a Youth Plus event

The Club has a policy (over five years) to focus on youth. This year also there is a re-focus on enhancing our community profile and activities.

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TAKARO

IRYE

Student Ilaria Fuisco (Italy) currently with Takaro

Polio Plus

World's Greatest Meal held Thursday 15 October 2015

Senior's Day

(100 elderly fed and entertained) held Sunday 11 October 2015

GirlShed

to be held 14 February 2016

Stroke BP campaign

supported 3 October 2015

Bali Eye support

\$500

NZ Red Cross support

\$500

A World Vision Child

Garage Sale

to be held May 2016

RYLA candidate

RYPEN candidate

Science Fair candidate

STAR 2 garden project

(rehabilitation ward) maintenance project after we rebuilt it several years ago

STAR 1 garden project

(high level Dementia ward) - build of garden. Opening to be held ASAP

Lynne Philips

on IRYE committee

Lyal Brenton

ADG 2014-2016

Mttch Brown

DG Nominee

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NEW PLYMOUTH WEST

Working Bees

To clean up garden of family with child dying of cancer

In garden of Women's Refuge, New Plymouth

Collection for donations

To Women's Refuge on 2 occasions – one at New Plymouth Airport and one at Rugby stadium.

Trees-for-Survive

Planting of 200 plants carried out at the Port by Moturoa School with Rotary support.

Stroke Awareness Campaign

Sat 3rd October. Team encouraging public to have Blood Pressure checked and recording.

FUNDS DONATED SINCE 1ST JULY 2015

Marfell Kindergarten

First Aid Course for parents

\$500

Spotswood College

Dux Prize - \$500

Fiji Village Project

Club funding a water project that involves Australian, NZ and Fijian medical students. - \$400

Stroke Awareness Campaign

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Trees for Survival Project.



New Plymouth West Rotary helps out Oakura School.



WELLINGTON

Jumbo Tennis

A hugely successful fundraiser featuring around 40 teams of two playing tennis with oversized tennis racquets. Beneficiaries of the 2016 event being held in March will be Autism New Zealand, Island Bay Marine Education Centre and Wellington Junior Tennis.

Tree Planting

The Rotary Club of Wellington began planting on Lambton Quay in 1967 at the instigation of Roy McKenzie and has planted annually since, totalling approximately 35,000 plants. The long-term goal aim is to plant 100,000 trees by the Rotary Club of Wellington centenary in 2021. Native bush is being planted within the town belt, currently focussing on an area in Mount Victoria.

Sir Paul Callaghan Eureka! Awards

The Sir Paul Callaghan EUREKA! Awards programme identifies and fosters young leaders who, through their knowledge of science, technology, engineering or mathematics, their entrepreneurial vision, and their persuasive communication skills, will bring about the New Zealand foreseen by Sir Paul Callaghan: "the most beautiful, stimulating and exciting place in the world in which to live." 2016 will be the fourth annual awards which now features regional competitions before culminating in the Nationals held in Wellington. Brilliant young minds present their innovative ideas to a panel of experts in front of an auditorium of spectators to compete for the prestigious Premier Award.

Singers to Listen For

New Zealand always punches well above its weight when it comes to a continuing supply of outstanding opera singers gracing the major international stages. This new fundraising event being held in November 2015 promises to be a showcase of our spectacular New Zealand talent, featuring Benson Wilson, Stephen Diaz, Madison Nonoa and Filipe Manu with Rodney Macann as MC and Bruce Greenfield as Accompanist. Funds raised will be donated to Wellington Free Ambulance.

Samoa Garden Project

This project is supporting our Pacific Neighbours in Lalomolava, with the view of securing a better future for their people by leaving in place skills, knowledge, structures and connections which will allow the community to get enduring benefits, including employment opportunities. The project involves setting up community gardens including land preparation, water tanks and pumps, tunnel houses and shade houses, seeds, fertilisers, garden equipment and office equipment.. Rotary Club of Wellington is working in on this project in conjunction with the New Zealand High Commissioner to Samoa, Rotary Club of Karori, Rotary Club of Apia and is supported by VSA New Zealand and a District 9940 grant.

Rotary Club of Wellington Social Enterprise Awards



These awards are designed to help kickstart a community group with a great idea for making Wellington a better place to be. The first year saw the first prize of \$7000 go to the sustainable community hub - Vogelmorn Community Group to enable them to install their commercial kitchen venture, which enables locals to make and sell their own food products at markets and other outlets.

Second prize of \$3,000 went to Sew Good, a sewing co-operative within the Community Unity Project Aotearoa. The funds will be used to help empower people from vulnerable communities through the production of sewn garments and goods for gifting and for sale.

Skilled Migrants Programme

Support will continue for the Skilled Migrants Programme operated in partnership with Victoria University and The Johnson Group which helps skilled migrants who are unemployed – or underemployed – find their feet in the New Zealand job market. The 12-week programme, which has two intakes a year, helps participants develop the communication skills and gain the workplace experience they need to find jobs that reflect their qualifications.

Te Aro Health Centre

Te Aro Health Centre caters to some of the most vulnerable people in Wellington. The Rotary Club of Wellington provides financial support by purchasing essential equipment for the clinics, as well as helping with surveys and providing other non-financial support.



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FITZROY

Continued maintenance of Ivy Cottage for Girl Guide movement

Painting exterior of building, general tidy up of grounds

Installing of security camera in local Fitzroy shopping centre

Evaluating costs and working with Police at present

Walkway buggy rides for Rest Home residents

When requested

Reading in Schools

Eight schools (Primary and Intermediate)

Dictionaries into schools

Given to the children involved in Reading in Schools (one school per year)

Fundraising barbecues

Regular turns at Mitre 10

Stroke Awareness Campaign

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PUKEKURA BREAKFAST

Carl Ripen Trust

Club acting as agent for the trust for the distribution of \$60,000 to 45 beneficiaries.

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Earlier this year our club arranged for 10 hemacue machines and associated consumables to go to Vanuatu



NEW PLYMOUTH

If the Government introduces a national bowel screening programme Taranaki could be among the first regions to get underway.

Taranaki DHB head of endoscopy Dr Campbell White said it was all hypothetical at the moment.

“But I think they will roll it out to areas that can manage it the best. We weren’t too bad, in the top quarter at least.”

White attended a meeting about the possibility of a national bowel screening programme in Wellington on Wednesday.

“Bowel screening has not been officially signed off with the Minister yet, but there is a business case being prepared at the moment.”

The screening programme should have been implemented a long time ago, he said. “But it does need to be done properly.”

On Thursday the Rotary Club of New Plymouth handed the Taranaki DHB a cheque for \$20,000 for a state of the art monitor for the endoscopy suite.

The timing couldn’t be better, White said.

If a screening programme was introduced the numbers of people in Taranaki needing a colonoscopy, currently about 1400 annually, would increase by between 700 and 800 people a year.

“We’ll need two rooms to be able to do that and we’ll need good patient monitoring.”

The monitor charts changes in the patient’s breathing, he said.

“With the sedation that we give breathing is the first thing that can be affected.”

When the bowel screening programme comes through, the

endoscopy department is going to need more staff, he said.

“It’s hard to gain any traction without funding. We will do as much as we can, but we have to wait until it goes ahead.”

A colonoscopy is the diagnostic procedure to look for bowel cancer. Bowel cancer is New Zealand’s most common cancer and second - biggest cancer killer. However, 75 per cent of cases could be cured if they were diagnosed and treated early

difficult to prevent, due to factors including geographical isolation, poor public infrastructure, armed conflict and cultural barriers. Until polio is eradicated, all countries remain at risk of outbreaks.

Candidate for RYPEN 2015

Candidate for the Science & Technology Forum in Auckland in January, 2016.

Renovation of two out of eight Rotary Flats

Stroke Awareness Campaign

Annual Golf Tournament

13th November, 2015 in aid of “We heart Taranaki Angiography” (towards the new Angiography suite at Taranaki Base Hospital).

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NEW PLYMOUTH NORTH

Completion of "Charlie's Perch"
at Brooklands Zoo, New Plymouth

Donation to Morgan Haakma
\$500, to enable him to compete in the World
Wake-boarding Championships.

Candidate for RYPEN 2015

Candidate for the Science & Technology Forum
in Auckland in January, 2016

Stroke Awareness Campaign

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Morgan Haakma



Charlie at Brooklands Zoo



PLIMMERTON

Projects 15/16

The major multiyear project for the club is the Te Ara Piko Pathway and many of our projects are sub projects for the pathway, either working on the pathway, planting or raising funds.

Te Ara Piko – the Meandering Path

The ultimate project goal is for the Te Ara Piko Pathway to extend around the perimeter of the Pauatahanui Inlet. With section 2 complete about half of the perimeter of the Inlet will be able to be enjoyed from the pathway and it will be of sufficient length to become a destination pathway such that anyone in any community will be able to enjoy the rich environmental and wildlife opportunities together with the educational benefits this special area has to offer.

Apart from these benefits the Te Ara Piko Pathway is flat and easily accessible providing very real recreational opportunities for everyone including the able and not so able.

The second section of the Te Ara Piko Pathway project builds on the completed section covering the area from the Pauatahanui Village to Motukaraka Point. The project will provide a level formed pathway with bridges and board walks where appropriate and the provision of restoration planting. Educational signage will also be provided and the pathway will extend access from the Pauatahanui Village to the Paremata Bridge using the Camborne Walkway.

Consents have just been approved for section 2 of the pathway so construction will start as soon as possible

Plant Nursery

Thanks to the generosity of Phillip and Janet Reidy, a container was relocated several years ago on site and refurbished for storage. Working bees take place for potting on, weeding and watering of the three plant species used for mitigation planting where pathway construction has occurred around the inlet

Pauatahanui Garden Trail

As a fundraiser for the pathway a garden trail encompassing 14 gardens both rural and urban is being organised for 29 November. 1000 tickets at \$25 are being sold and all the advertising for the event has been covered by sponsorship. It is estimated to raise around \$30,000 for the Pathway

Young Student Awards

In a first for Porirua City, two senior students from every Primary School in the city have been acknowledged for their leadership skills by Porirua Mayor Nick Leggett. The awards were presented at a special function on 21 September 2015 at Pataka Museum, hosted jointly by Plimmerton and Porirua Rotary Clubs. Besides the 56 award recipients, a large number of parents, principals, teachers and family were present, along with many of the prefects from Porirua City's colleges, plus most Porirua City Councillors and senior Council staff.



RYPEN

Two students from Porirua College were sponsored to attend RYPEN, they are yet to report back but have said they have learnt “heaps” and thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

Science and Technology Week

A student from Aotea College has been selected to attend the Science week at Auckland University in January 2016

RYLA

We have some nominations for the RYLA programme and will be selecting students very shortly Aotea Year 11 interviews An annual project giving Year 11 students at Aotea College the opportunity to face an interview out of the school environment and with a stranger. This project has been running with the school for many years and is very successful.

Childrens Party at the Police College

Each year RCoP organises a party for up to 50 children from homes where the relationship with the police has been one of negativity. A party is organised for 20 November 2015 at the Police College and the police recruits play and interact with the children. Food and drinks are provided and this year we are working towards a more healthy and balanced meal in conjunction with the Police College Kitchen staff.

Student Speech Contests

Are currently being organised for both primary age and secondary school students. Primary school speech contest is held in November and the Secondary is timed for June each year.

We also hold a “Special Student” speech contest where students with speech disabilities are given the opportunity to shine.

Bookfair

Each year the club holds a bookfair at the National Kennel Club facilities and over a 2 day period raise around \$22,000. Half the funds each year are donated to the Life Education Trust

National Kennel Club Dog Show Support

Provision of support for car parking and management of entrance to the venue for the 3 day event. In return we have the use of the kennel club facilities for 2 years at no cost

Support for International Students in their own Country

The Rotary Club is providing financial support US\$300 P/A for a female student to undergo a 4 year undergraduate course at Svey Rieng University. The scholarship is a new scheme started as the brain-child of a New Zealander, Bill Shields, who is a resident teacher/adviser at the university and the first foreigner employed there. Like many community schemes it has



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grown from his personal contact with Rotarians.

Svay Rieng is a poor rural part of Cambodia in the South East of the Country near the border with Vietnam at Bavet. It is not a tourist area and there are very few foreigners there. The University was built in 2005 and opened in 2006 thanks to donations from wealthy families who have connections with the province. The aim of the Svay Rieng University is to provide affordable education for the young women of the province and then be role models for others. The selection process is focussed on disadvantaged young women who have the ability to be successful in their study. Study priority areas are English, Business Studies and IT. These young women have a strong positive outlook and this scheme will provide an incentive for them to study hard to try and obtain a scholarship.

The first student to be selected is a young woman called Sok Vanda, who comes from a poor family. Her parents are manual workers. She has one brother and three sisters and they live at Ta Pov village. In Cambodia the family name goes first so her first name is Vanda and Sok is her family name. It is hoped that this will be just the start and others will also see the value of the scholarship scheme and offer their support too. It only needs a few hundred dollars a year to give a whole generation a bright new future.

What is your Blood Pressure

Plimmerton Rotary supported the Stroke Foundation initiative of free blood pressure checks. Warmly ensconced at Whitby Mall with the support of a first year medical technician, more than eighty people came and had their blood pressure checked for free. 2 Rotarians did a sterling job of encouraging people to come to the table for the free check and President Adrienne was the perfect administration assistant writing the results down on cards that people took away with them, as well as promoting Rotary. Sandie Ryan, Rotarian and also a registered nurse, was invaluable, not only with her ability to deal with everyone seeking a check-up but also dispensed her wisdom to the rest of the team.

Thanks to the staff at the New World supermarket for their help and assistance with coffees and food to keep us going!

This was a great example of Rotary working with the community

International Youth Exchange Student

This year the programme is being shared between 3 clubs as each club did not have the number of host families to host a student on their own. By doing it this week the 3 clubs have to work very closely together so that it is a seamless year for Heleninha Sader Heck. To date she is thoroughly enjoying herself and loves the New Zealand school system.

Change Over Project



It is worth noting the Change Over for this year was a unique event held in the Pataka Museum foyer on Saturday 4th July, the Rotary Clubs of Plimmerton and Porirua combined to celebrate the annual changeover of their respective Presidents. The clubs took the opportunity of Porirua Cty 50th celebrations to celebrate the Rotary Clubs in Porirua area. Mayor Nick Legget hosted the evening and spoke about the value of Rotary in the community. The event served to increase the closeness of the working relationship between the council and the Rotary Clubs.

Outgoing Plimmerton President Chris Garrett handed over to new President Adrienne Murray, while Porirua Sundown's outgoing President Bronwyn Pullan handed over to new President Sarah Thompson.

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HUTT CITY

Firesculptures at the Petone Winter Carnival

Ethiopia feasibility study

Ethiopian Medical scholarship

Lifejackets for Africa

Tree of Joy (presents for underprivileged kids)

Hutt River Trail

Various sculpture initiatives

Great Harbour Way cycleway

Shapeshifter sculpture exhibition

Support of Randwick and Gracefield schools

Hutt Chamber Music support

Support of other clubs Nepal projects

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COURTENAY PLACE

Exploring the viability of a replacement vehicle for Drug Arm Wellington (\$30,000). This project may reduce to expertise in raising funds.

The Drug-Arm Wellington project is ambitious as their current vehicle is almost at the stage of being non-roadworthy. Fundraising via many different methods (some non-Rotary) appears the best way to assist this Charity.

Ryla candidate

Vocational Scholar Support

Big Dig

The Big Dig (Treasure hunt for young people) is scheduled for 28th February and will be run in association with other organisations this year. Funds raised will be distributed to the Foundation and Courtenay Place Charities

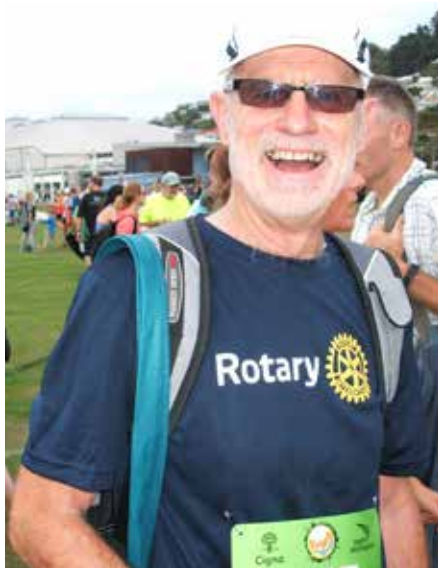
Wellington Fireworks Event

on 7th November – Glowstick Sales to the Public.

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WELLINGTON NORTH

Timor Leste nursing support

second phase of project involves training in NZ

Reading boost in schools

Rotarians and others working with pupils in selected schools

Te Araroa Walkway partnership

50th anniversary project for club to help establish signage and facilities on walkway

Scholarship programme

Award of annual scholarships for tertiary students from Wellington North Scholarship Trust

Healthy Heroes programme

Targeting diet and health issues in young people, working with parents and schools to promote exercise and good eating habits

Ongoing trustee support for Ian Crabtree Trust

Provides assistance for underprivileged secondary school pupils

Ongoing support through nominations for RYLA and Science and Technology Forum as part of youth programme.

Support for Round the Bays project

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Blood Pressure Check



Completed water well in Vietnam

Rotary Safe Surgery project



Hospital Nacional Guido Valadares, Dili

In 2011 four Rotary clubs, Wellington North, Johnsonville, Pencarrow and Hutt City joined forces to investigate a potential healthcare project in Timor Leste. The project was initiated by Past Rotary District Governor, Morris Robertson, who contacted consultant perioperative nurse Lyn Brown, who, for over ten years, had been the nurse member of the New Zealand, Paediatric Surgical Team, which contributed to the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons Programme of Assistance at the National Hospital in Dili.

Lyn identified a major need, which was to improve processes and practices within the operating theatres that would help prevent surgical postoperative infection. Lyn volunteered her time to help design and implement the project, a contribution that has lasted four years.



From initial funding from each of the participating clubs, a partnership with an Australian Rotary District and grants from The Rotary Foundation the total project budget was built up to \$NZ 80,000. The project included the installation of shelving for sterile supplies, sterility education leading to skills transfer, supply of much needed theatre linen and improvements to theatre suite cleaning. Competency workbooks, translated into Tetum, have enabled senior nurses to supervise good process and practice, thus ensuring the sustainability of the project.

Before – Lyn Brown sorting theatre instruments in a room holding sterile equipment and a multitude of other items

After – Senior Sterilising Technician, Calisto, returning newly sterilised Instruments to the Rotary supplied storage system



In addition to the grant funding the project has been enhanced by the generosity of RACS and healthcare facilities and merchants in Wellington. Lyn has been accompanied on her periodic visits to Dili by specialist nursing colleagues who have also donated their time and expertise



Infection control nurse, Carlos, marking off the competencies of sterilising technician, Virgilo

A key success of the project has been the involvement of the Timorise nurses in planning and implementation. They have taken ownership of the improvements and have become enthusiastic about the up skilling opportunities. Their skills, together with the knowledge that has been gained, bode well for the future health of those who pass through the hospital.



**Ready for surgery with sterility assured
The project goal has been achieved**



PORIRUA

Porirua Young Leaders Awards

held on 21 September. Partnering with Rotary Plimmerton, an event was created in Porirua to celebrate the City's 50th Anniversary by recognizing the leaders of the future from local primary and intermediate schools. 32 schools were invited to nominate two children who demonstrated excellent leadership ability to be awarded a certificate and a "Be a gift to the world" Rotary pin. The Mayor of Porirua together with several other dignitaries attended the event, with prefects and head boys/girls from local colleges. We partnered with Porirua City Council in the organization of the venue and logistics. We plan to run this as a regular event every year - to recognize our future leaders.

See link to Rotary Showcase here:

https://map.rotary.org/en/project/pages/project_detail.aspx?guid=c40885af-2e67-44d7-9c68-e1e8ef1dd3f1

Porirua Community Sound Stage

a project to build a sound stage at Aotea Lagoon for community use. Project currently in development, with fundraising to follow.

School Dictionaries

Kylie Wihapi, one of our members, was surrounded by a throng of pupils begging for her autograph in their brand new books. "The kids get really excited and they think it's great." A total of 276 new illustrated dictionaries have been given to pupils at seven decile one schools in Porirua East in April - Glenview, Corinna, Cannons Creek, Holy Family, Maraeroa, Natone Park, Tairangi and Windley.

The dictionaries cost \$30 each in shops and are for the children to take home, while two will go to each school's library. We're helping them not only at school but at home - these are the kinds of things they can be proud of. Glenview's year 3 to 6 students were over the moon about their gifts. "It's awesome. It'll help me with my homework," Te Horowai Makatea said.

Porirua Golf Challenge

We ran a Golf Challenge to raise money in order to buy three life saving Community Defibrillators for Titahi, Judgeford and Pauatahanui Golf Clubs. There were a lot of entries and everyone enjoyed the challenge - moving from one golf course to another.

Christmas Wrapping

Every year our club partners with Zonta to raise money by wrapping Christmas presents up in the Porirua North City Mall.

Relay for Life

The Rotary Dawnbreakers, a team of about 20 people shared the 17-hour challenge to have at least one team member on the track, walking or running, from Saturday afternoon until 9am the next day. We raised the amazing sum of \$6,800 for Cancer Research. "It's great fun and you really feel like you're making a difference." says Sarah Thompson, one of our members.

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E-CLUB

The Rotary E-Club of District 9940 (NZ) invites people to join from our nation's many different cultures. Each week they will share their thoughts online about a different topic. Their diverse experience, knowledge and expertise will generate innovative ways our nation's communities can thrive and fulfil their potential.

Subscriptions will provide ongoing bi-monthly training for grassroots leaders across our nation. They will bring the members' ideas into reality in ways that work best for the communities the leaders live in. As a result, dozens of communities will improve their own well-being.

You can be a Contributor for NZ\$5 (incl. GST) per month. Or you can become a Member of the Rotary E-Club of District 9940 for NZ\$30 per month and receive all the benefits of being a member of a respected global organisation (more details below).

How It Works

1. Each Monday both contributors and members will be sent one inspirational email. This will increase their awareness of innovative possibilities. It will include thoughts by several of our Guest Forum Experts. These Guest Forum Experts are involved in the areas of Age Concern, Business Development, Civic Leadership, Community Development, Conservation, Disability, Economics, Education, Emergency Management, Environment, Healthy Communities, Leadership, Mental Health, Online Communication, Rural Development, Safe Communities, Social Enterprise, Sport and Fitness, Strategic Planning, Youth.

2. Contributors and members will reflect on the Guest Forum Experts' ideas. At a time that suits them, they will share their thoughts on ways to improve the well-being and success of local communities. They will contribute to three topics per month (between 100 and 200 words per topic).

3. The E-Club will liaise with local organisations to identify and provide training for local grassroots leaders. E-Club subscriptions will provide ongoing bi-monthly training for grassroots leaders across our nation. They will bring the members' ideas into reality in ways that work best for the communities the leaders live in. As a result, dozens of communities will improve their own well-being.

Join

You can be a Contributor for NZ\$5 (incl. GST) per month or you can become a Rotary E-Club of District 9940 Member for NZ\$30 per month. If you are interested in being either a Contributor or a Member please sign up to the E-Club mailing list. You will be sent further details.

Members will connect online, receive free tickets to inspirational local workshops with guest speakers, the monthly Rotary magazine, full Rotary membership, E-Club leadership development, and access to all Rotary International membership resources and networks including Rotary International Fellowship and Discussion Groups, E-Learning and Rotary's Global Rewards Programme.



WANGANUI CLUSTER

WANGANUI SOUTH

Food Bank drive October each year

Pride of Workmanship

Kowhai Park-Flood restoration

[with all Wanganui Clubs]

School dictionaries

1 school

Rotary Youth exchange-sharing with other Wanganui Clubs

Future visioning

early 2016

Classic Car show

March 2016

UCOL car parking-fund raising

[shared with other Wanganui Clubs]

RYLA

RYPEN

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WANGANUI DAYBREAK

Last Night of the Proms-2017

Shout-Out- with Chamber Of Commerce business function

November 2015

Wanganui Business Awards-2016

Mid Winter Christmas

Charity fundraiser-July 2016

Kowhai Park-Flood restoration

[with all Wanganui Clubs]

School dictionaries

2 schools

Rotary Youth exchange

sharing with other Wanganui Clubs

Wanganui Girls College Interact Club

UCOL car parking-fund raising

[shared with other Wanganui Clubs]

Boxing Day "Bike Fest" car parking

Rotary Youth exchange

sharing with other Wanganui Clubs

RYLA

RYPEN

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WANGANUI NORTH

Christmas Carols, Virginia Lake

December each year

Bushy Park restoration

Tree planting, building projects. Ongoing project

School dictionaries

3 schools

Duffy Books

2 schools

Art in Hospitals

UCOL car parking-fund raising

[shared with other Wanganui Clubs]

Casino night-fund raising

Kowhai Park-Flood restoration

[with all Wanganui Clubs]

Rotary Youth exchange-sharing with other Wanganui Clubs

RYLA

RYPEN

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WANGANUI

Matipo Street housing project

School dictionaries

3 schools, and Wanganui Prison

Kowhai Park-Flood restoration

[with all Wanganui Clubs]

Rotary Youth exchange

Sharing with other Wanganui Clubs

UCOL car parking-fund raising

[shared with other Wanganui Clubs]

RYPEN

RYLA

Matched exchange

Polio Plus

Rotary Art Calendar

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MT. VICTORIA

DISTRICT PROJECTS

Circus Quirkus partnership

Includes an all human circus entertaining underprivileged community groups, funding through donations and sponsorship, with a significant percentage of funds raised being distributed to charitable causes within the greater Wellington area.

INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS

Selling RBNZ witnessed serial numbered BA1

1000 NZ\$5 Hillary signed banknotes via www.siredmundhillary.com. Net proceeds to The Himalayan Trust's work in Nepal (90%), and local charitable causes (10%)

Samoan village pre-school solar power project

funding, sourcing and installing solar powered equipment within a Samoan pre-school to enable wider use of the school facilities, with ongoing monitoring and support. Funding from club sources and grants.

Marine Reach Project

supporting and collecting surplus and outdated medical equipment and supplies within the Wellington area and moving all to Tauranga for shipment and distribution to various Pacific Island communities.

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First pick up of unwanted dental instruments/equipment in support of the Marine Reach Pacific Hope outreach this year.



OTAKI

Celebrity Debate

Book Fair

Trailer raffle

Big Bang Adventure race (catering)

Polio Plus Dinner

Dictionaries in Schools

Duffy Books in Homes

Books for Babies

Shelterbox

RYLA

RYPEN

NZ Business Week

Providing administrative support

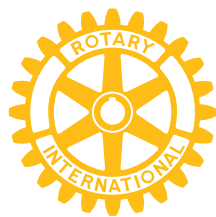
for St Johns Ambulance at their annual Blood Pressure Check.



Otaki School's Room 1 pupils inside the Shelter Box tent where they were shown the contents

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RYLA 2016

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards programme) will be held 27-31 January 2016 at the Silverstream Retreat, Hutt Valley RYLA is a five day concentrated high energy programme to develop young leaders. Rotary clubs are invited to select candidates aged between 18 and 24 for RYLA16.

Candidates can be sourced

- 1). Through club members and paid for by the Rotary Club.
- 2). Through Rotary club member's businesses and business contacts and funded by those businesses. Consider also sourcing from sporting, community groups and public organisations. The Rotary club must still interview the candidates and provide their assessment with the application, while acting as liaison contacts and mentors.

Potentially your club could source 3-4 candidates of which only one might be directly funded by your Rotary Club. Be innovative!

Pricing is \$885 per candidate (for all of District 9940) with an early bird price of \$815.

A new Applicant Registration process has been put in place. Spaces at RYLA are limited. RYLA is hosted by the Rotary Club of Port Nicholson on behalf of Rotary District 9940, and is a collaboration with the programmes

main facilitator and the Rylersins, who are previous RYLA participants who come back to help run RYLA for others.

Thank you for your support for RYLA 9940.

Yours in Rotary
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 RYLA9940 Chair 2014-16

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PROMOTING SHELTER BOX IN THE OTAKI AREA

With the recent natural disasters in Vanuatu and Nepal, many of Otaki's school children know they have contributed to aid through the Otaki Rotary Club's Shelter Box project.

"The kids now have an idea of what we are doing (helping in time of disaster)," Rotary Shelter Box facilitator, Derek Chisholm said. "It's just a small bit but I'm sure there will always be a need. With Vanuatu and Nepal it's brought home to the kids we're doing something to help."

Over recent months, Rotary members have visited the schools in Manakau, Waitohu, Otaki and Te Horo to talk to the pupils about the Shelter Boxes and display a box and its contents. At the beginning of the programme, the schools had been encouraged to fundraise for the project where they could go through the tent, from the box, and see the equipment each held.

Their last visit was to Otaki School on May 19. Each school was invited to take two representatives to Otaki School where they received a certificate from the Rotary Club thanking them for their involvement and contributions.

The kids were asked their opinion of the project and what they thought of it.

Manakau School's Keegan Ryan and Emily Georgetti, both 12, had positive ideas of what the Shelter Boxes were providing.

"I thought it was quite good what they were doing — helping people in times of need," Keegan said. Emily liked the idea "It felt like we're giving them some of the things we have."

"It can help people like people in Nepal, help with earthquakes," Skye Heenan, nine, from Waitohu School said. Shea Lenaghan, nine, from Te Horo School said "it helps when your house falls down or collapses." While Otaki School's Bailey Cowan aged nine said "Amazing, how it can protect you and feed you."

Each Shelter Box contains a tent, four ground sheets and four mosquito nets and 10 thermal fleece blankets, fuel stove and spare fuel, cooking utensils, plates and mugs, water containers and water purifying tablets, basic first aid kit, basic tool box, shovel, a school bag with pencils and reading and colouring books and coloured pencils so children can get back to school. Boxes have gone to 85 different countries.

Each school held their own fundraiser, mostly gold coin trails, some with a twist. Otaki School managed to spell out Nepal with the coins received, Waitohu had a coin

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trail and are organising a film screening after school one day and Te Horo pupils sold apples and loom bands for their effort. The schools raised \$1300 – 1400. Each Shelter Box costs \$1500 to complete and transport almost anywhere in the world where emergency help is needed. Rotary matched all donations dollar for dollar, two boxes were purchased by Otaki Rotarians, one from the schools and one from Rotary.

Each class at the schools involved visited the display and went into the tent — the biggest component of the Shelter Box. There, Warren Irving, Rotary's Lower North Island district coordinator, showed them the utensils and supplies each box contains, talked about how many people or a family it would provide shelter for. He expressed thanks for the support from the community. "The big interest will be when the kids go online and see where their boxes have gone to!" Otaki School principal Chris Derbidge said.

Shelter Box is an international Rotary project which supplies shelter and lifesaving equipment to families who have lost their homes through natural or man-made disasters such as floods, earthquake hurricanes, volcanoes tsunami or armed conflict. Following a disaster Rotary representatives go to the area and assess the needs before sending the boxes. Most of the boxes sent to Vanuatu held tarpaulins and building equipment to assist with relief work there.

"We aim to provide emergency shelter for 5000 people every year," Mr Chisholm said. "Every box has its own identifying number and the children can follow on line where their box has gone."





WILD ABOUT RECOVERY

Set in Palmerston North's Victoria Esplanade, Wildbase Recovery will provide a special place for visitors to observe native wildlife as they recover from illness and injury after treatment at Massey University's Wildbase Hospital, New Zealand's only dedicated wildlife hospital.

Patients will come from all over the country; their journey back to wellness will engage visitors directly with the conservation of some of New Zealand's (in fact, the world's) most endangered species. Rehabilitating wildlife will spend an average of six weeks at Wildbase Recovery before their release back into the wild, making every visit a unique and exciting experience.

The world-class facility will include permanent breeding and inflight aviaries, alongside 14 purpose built rehabilitation aviaries for species such as kākā, kea, and raptors; recovery pools for penguins and wetland birds, and ground-dwelling aviaries for kiwi and takahē. An education centre will provide hands-on and online learning opportunities.



The Wildbase Recovery Community Trust, officially launched in August 2014, is tasked with raising \$5.69m that will be granted to Palmerston North City Council to build this national wildlife recovery centre. In a unique collaboration, Wildbase Recovery will be co-managed by Massey University's Veterinary School.

The Department of Conservation has provided a 30 year permit for care of native animals at the facility (the only one of its kind), as well as providing a financial 'down payment'. Fundraising is Rotary-led with \$2.44m raised to date, thanks to grants from Central Energy Trust, the Lottery Grant Board's WW1 Commemorations, Environment and Heritage Fund, the Lottery Grant Board's Significant Fund, a \$1000 financial donation from the Rotary Club of Pimmerton and \$10,000 over the next two years from the Rotary Club of Milson.

Over recent months, the Wildbase Recovery project has been presented to both Rotary and Lions Clubs at District Conventions.

In addition to the growing national support, Wildbase Recovery has the Governor General, Rt Hon. Sir Jerry Mateparae as its Patron, with Ambassadors Sir Graham Henry, Urzila Carlson, Jamie Fitzgerald, Nicola Toki and Ian McKelvie all endorsing the project.

There is no other facility like this in New Zealand, its direct connection with Wildbase Hospital and contribution to conservation efforts reflects the project's national and global significance.

Together, we can give our native species the best chance of survival.

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ROMAC

(ROTARY OCEANIC MEDICAL AID FOR CHILDREN)

ROMAC is a special Rotary Charity whose mission is to provide medical treatment for children from developing countries in the form of life saving and/or dignity restoring surgery not accessible to them in their home country.

The Objectives of ROMAC are:

- To provide hope where there is no hope
- To restore dignity to human life
- To save or transform the lives of children from developing countries.
- To provide the best possible medical and surgical expertise

In past years Rotary District 9940 has assisted 5 young people to be restored back to good health.

Special Request Of Clubs

Gialdred Mayretta (aged 16 months) Paul Harris Fellow Dr Brendon Bowkett (Paediatric Surgeon Specialist) at Wellington Children’s Hospital has been asked to operate on a 16 month old young girl (Gialdred Mayretta) from East Timor.

Dr Brendon and his team will undertake the operation (Pelvic Reconstruction) on 4th December here in Wellington.

Dr Brendon and his team are giving their skills and time free but the cost of all the equipment and theatre etc will cost about \$6,000.

Special Request To District 9940 Clubs to support ROMAC

If any Club is able to make a donation to support ROMAC and in particular this operation please send your cheques to:

ROMAC
 C/- Christopher Robertson
 Rotary Club of Port Nicholson
 P.O.Box 555
 Wellington 6011

If any club has any questions please email Bill Day(District ROMAC rep) billday@xtra.co.nz



FUNDRAISER FOR NEPAL

Recently Mary Stanley (Peace Fellow 2010) of Stratford returned from a trip to India where she, along with many others from around the world, were commemorating it being 30 years since the catastrophic disaster at the Union Carbide Factory. As a result many people died and the land and water is still polluted.

While there Mary met up with Ram Adhar Kapar of Nepal and besides talking about the serious earthquake that hit their country he told Mary of a Charitable Organisation he is involved with called "Rural Community Development Services Council".

This non-profit organisation was set up in 1997 with their vision to change their society through sustainable community development based on social, economic, political and gender equality.

If any reader wishes for more detail on this group you can email me on barrie.r.smith@gmail.com or Google Ram's organisation as it makes very interesting reading.

Our Stratford Rotary Club along with Mary Stanley have in our possession 300 beautiful Pashminas (Shawls) of various colours, all handcrafted in the various villages in Nepal. They are 70% Cashmere and 30% Silk and we have had them valued by a local in this field at \$80 each. Ram has sent these to us so we can help fund – raise for them! Please also view the photo above.

The banking of funds received will be done through our Stratford Club's Charitable Trust and all funds will be transferred to Ram's Charitable Trust in Nepal. wCould we suggest that all those interested in purchasing one or more of these beautiful Pashminas for yourself or as a gift to do so through your Club Treasurer who would then transfer the money to our Club. Following this I will personally see the items are delivered to your Club or individual. For those in the Wairarapa I have a daughter living in Carterton who could help out!

As well as the above, our 9 Clubs in Taranaki are considering financially assisting Ram's group in Nepal to drill and fit hand water pumps into isolated Villages or individual families who have no clean drinking water. In Taranaki we are blessed by many rivers running from our Mountain so it is easy to become a little complacent about good water.

The cost of these well/pumps is approximately \$300 US each. Ram tells me he has orders for 329 so our aim is to do what we can to help those in need!

Again if any Club would like more information about this project or join our Taranaki Clubs in support please phone me on 06 765 5458 or contact me on my above email address. We do need your help.

Barrie Smith.
ADG Taranaki



BOOKS FOR BORNEO

Past Pres. Irene Corpuz talked to Tawa Rotary in April 2015 on the 10,984 Books for Borneo Rotary project – a significant effort that was initiated in 2013 and involved collecting childrens books, sorting, labelling and then shipping the books to Borneo in early 2015.

Malaysia is a country so culturally and politically different to NZ, that it is difficult for us here in Godzone to comprehend just how a government could totally ignore the health and education requirements of such a sizable minority of its citizens. Indeed, the greatest barrier faced is that the people we are trying to help are not recognised as citizens at all, even though they have been born in Malaysia. So, the political ramifications of this project dissuaded us from enlisting the help of Sandakan’s own Rotary clubs.

We were fortunate to have the assistance of Irene’s sister, Lala, who lives and works in Sandakan as a Forestry and Eco Tourism advisor, and who was able to be our “contact on the ground”.

The project became known as the “Books for Borneo” project, and because we had to be so specific with cataloguing every single book to comply with Malaysian Custom’s requirements, it ultimately was called the 10,984 Books for Borneo project. Under Richard Hutchinson’s direction, 3 pallet loads of books were catalogued, weighing in at some 1.4 tonnes!

Irene had met Kak Tahlal who said: “Uneducated children grow up to be criminals who beget children who will also grow up uneducated. We must educate our children if we are to eliminate juvenile delinquency”. Reading books are essential to learning English. Irene conveyed this incredible story that has all the elements of Rotary making a real difference in this journey to serve humanitarian needs.

A copy of Irene’s presentation is available at: [Books_for_Borneo_Apr2015with_notesPDF](#)

A Facebook page was created for the Borneo Book project at:
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Borneo-Book-Project/883514218359656>



RESCUE HELICOPTER

ROTARY CLUBS KEEP TARANAKI COMMUNITY AIRBORNE

Donations keep the rotor blades of the rescue helicopter going around.

The Taranaki Community Rescue Helicopter's coffers were boosted by a donation of \$1456 from the region's nine Rotary clubs.

In June members held a fundraising dinner and bottle auction with paramedic and ultramarathon runner Megan Stewart as guest speaker.

"It was great to have an event as a combined Rotary club to bring members together for networking and for a joint effort for the helicopter," spokeswoman Vicki Ingles said.

"We wish to continue to support the helicopter."

Rotary's lower North Island district governor Simon Manning visited the hangar with club members to make the donation.

"I'm here for the week going around each of the clubs and seeing what they're up to in the community and how we as a district can support the local clubs."

Accidents can happen to anyone so he was delighted with the donation to the helicopter. "They're dealing with tragedies and having an infrastructure doesn't just happen."

Stewart describes the rotarians as motivated godparents of the community. "They're just very focused on doing good."

At the event she spoke about her desert running and the mentality required to do it, and she showed winch footage from the helicopter.

"It was quite nice to show them some operational footage so they had more understanding of what it's like. Things are very different from the air to the ground."

Helicopter crewman Ben Wallbank said money raised will go towards operational costs.

"We're always grateful for any donations, big or small, because without the support of the community we wouldn't be here. We thank them for helping us to help them."

Wallbank explains that Stewart works as a St John paramedic but describes her as a superstar.

"She gives so much of her free time to come and train with us but also act as a massive motivator for everyone."

"Then on top of that she then goes and does fundraising for us as well as being an athlete," he said.



ROTARY EXCHANGE

CALLING ANY EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR FELLOWSHIP EXCHANGE GROUP IN INDIA

Arrival: 17 Feb 2016 at the International Airport Chennai Airport.

Where: Southern India District 2981

When: Exchange programme is 18 Feb 2016 to 29 Feb 2016, as the Indian temperatures are best at this point and not a later date.

Upon arrival, travel to the town of Pondicherry where the International Rotary Exchange Programme shall begin!

This South India District covers two "states" in India, with 105 clubs and 4450 Rotarians. The exchange starts in the beautiful coastal city of Pondicherry (with its French background includes wonderful cuisine). Further visits to the town of Auroville, and to Indian temples (for ex. one which was built by King Raja Raja Chola in early 1010 A.D in Thanjore), Basilica churches, beautiful mosques (in Nagore), Mahabalipuram which apparently lies on the 'Coromandal' coast, facing the Bay of Bengal. An elegant place to visit due to its architecture, vast casuarinas trees, and silvery sandy beaches, not to mention its established sea port (from the 7th and 10th centuries of the Pallava dynasty), and classical hand made crafts around have made them to all form what is a collective splendour. The main areas you will visit in this District are Pondicherry, Thanjore, Cuddalore, Chidambaram,

Kumabakonam, Nagapattinam and Tiruvarur. Exact Programme itinerary will be received one month prior to the group visit in India.

A total of 5 Rotary couples are welcome to participate on this particular Fellowship Exchange programme, hosted by Rotarian couples in Southern India, all of whom will take care of your accommodation, food, internal travel and sightseeing. In every area within this district, 9940 Rotarian couples will have the opportunity to attend the various Indian rotary club meetings and learn more about the Indian culture in those parts.

If you are keen, please send me (aewrootbeer@gmail.com) with your expression of interest by 30 November 2015.

We can only host 5 couples on this trip, so be quick and I shall send you back forms to fill out further for enrolment.

Anneke Wolterbeek,
9940 Chair of International Fellowship Exchange Programme



PHOENIX PLAYER NATI HAILEMARIAM

KICKS OFF AID SCOPING MISSION TO ETHIOPIA

Nathanael Hailemariam wants to use his blossoming football career to kick off a major New Zealand aid project in Ethiopia.

Known as Nati to fellow players in The Phoenix Youth squad, he was born in war-torn Sudan before coming to Auckland as a two-year-old.

Though raised in Kiwi culture, his father Andualen, a technical engineer, and mother Asrat Belay, a mental health nurse, made sure he knew something about their home nation, Ethiopia. Nati said they would talk about their family's humble beginnings and how tough it was for many people just to survive on the Horn of Africa.

But Nati told Fairfax it wasn't until the family visited Ethiopia when he was 14 that the extent of those hardships really hit him.

"It opened my eyes.

"I didn't really understand the poverty until I saw it first hand.

"When you have a child pulling on your shirt asking for money, desperate....It's something you don't want to see, but that's the world."

Back in New Zealand, a determination to do something to help Ethiopians grew in him.

They were feelings he shared with Debbie Mair, a trainer at Lower Hutt City Football Club that he moved from Auckland to play for.

Mair is also Director of Special Projects at Hutt City Rotary and helped Nati get involved with RYLA2013, the Rotary Youth Leadership Award programme for 18-24 year olds.

With his confidence he could make a difference boosted, Nati became a youth ambassador for Rotary Hutt City and, as Mair puts it, "enthused us oldies" with what he wanted to do.

In the last 18 months he has spoken to other Rotary clubs and built a case for sending a study mission to Ethiopia to scope out the best way a New Zealand sponsored aid initiative might work there. Hutt resident and District Governor of Rotary District 9940, Simon Manning, confirmed recently the District would join the Hutt City club and jointly fund the \$10,000 needed for the trip.

Hugh Oakley-Brown, an ex-SAS soldier and a member of Rotary's Whangarei Sunrise Club, and others may also go on the scoping mission they're calling Ethiopia 2015 - Be A Gift to the World. They leave in six weeks.

"Rotarians all over New Zealand are aware of what we're doing," Mair says.



AILEMARIAM

United Nations Development Programmes Administrator and former Prime Minister Helen Clark has been extremely helpful, she says, offering advice and putting them in contact with useful people in Addis Ababa.

Nati says a New Zealand-sponsored project might well be around improving water supply in one of more districts.

Water-borne disease is the number one cause of infant mortality in Ethiopia. About 300,000 children under the age of five die every year in Ethiopia—the majority due to diseases transmitted through unsafe water.

It is estimated that over 80 per cent of Ethiopians lack a source of safe water.

“For us, there’s usually a tap handy. For people there they might walk three hours or more, and then it has to be carried back.

“One of my sisters drank their water. She was in hospital for two months on a drip.

“That feeling I had for my sister...everyone in Africa is feeling like that. We have to try and change it.”

Football is huge in

Ethiopia and when he visits Nati Hailemariam intends running coaching clinics as a way of establishing rapport

with locals. The Phoenix is donating boots, balls and other gear he will take over. There are also some rugby balls but Nati is not sure what the locals will make of those.

Griffins has donated three huge pallet-loads of plain biscuits.

Nati and Debbie Mair are putting a plea out to the Hutt Valley community. From schools and pupils’ families, they would like pencils, rulers and erasers. Give those things to a child in a village in Ethiopia and you will get a smile “as if you’ve giving them a million dollars,” Nati says.

He’ll be making a video diary of his trip, and one aim is to foster ongoing links between Wellington/Hutt and Ethiopia schools.

Money is also needed to freight by ship the donated biscuits, football gear and other materials.

This can be done by visiting the Facebook event – <https://www.facebook.com/events/1612399649015006/>

Ethiopia 2015 – be a gift to the world, where there are bank account details. A GiveALittle page is being set up and you can also email Debbie dkmair@gmail.com



“POTTED BIO” FOR LUCIE

Lucie Greenwood has been awarded a Global Grant Scholarship to study for a Masters degree in Development Studies at Cambridge University in UK and will be moving to the UK this September 2015. On completion of the programme of study, she will be pursuing a career in development, focusing on equality of opportunity for women in developing countries.

Currently Lucie is a junior Barrister at Stout Street Chambers. She is a recent graduate from Otago University – where she commenced study in 2008 with the intention of pursuing a career in international development. Lucie has a broad interest base in development and has studied Masters level papers in climate change and its impacts on vulnerable communities as well as papers in the philosophy of development.

Lucie is particularly interested in equality of opportunity for women and girls in transitioning economies. In 2013 she travelled to Nepal to undertake an internship at the Legal Aid Consultancy Centre (LACC) in Kathmandu, Nepal. LACC is a NGO committed to promulgating women’s rights through grassroots initiatives. During her time at LACC she worked with the Project Manager and Vice President to design projects targeted at eroding gender discrimination and advancing economic and social opportunities for women and girls.

In her spare time, Lucie volunteers at the Council for International Development (CID) in the NGO Disaster Relief Forum team. Here, she has had the opportunity to research the role of women in conflict prevention and development initiatives to ensure long-term peace, economic growth and security.

Lucie is also a member of the local Rotaract Club. Via Rotaract, she has organised a fundraiser for LACC (following the earthquake in Nepal), and the annual Rotaract dinner for the Ronald McDonald house.





WINE APPRECIATION

Our Fellowship has started!

The inaugural meeting of the Rotary Wine Appreciation Fellowship was held in Wellingtons Ortega Fish Shack on a Winter Saturday afternoon. We enjoyed a truly excellent three course meal with superbly matched wine and great company. Davey McDonald who won the Maitre'd in the 2014 Capital Awards was a fabulous host. The experience was so good and so well organised, thanks to Joy Durrant, that we will be repeating this event on Saturday 17th October 2015.

The Fellowship originated in United States and has branches in many countries. You can join on line at www.rotarywine.net for \$103.50USD for a lifetime membership.

Should you sign up for this membership, please email trish.brown@boltonhotel.co.nz as we have a supply of the special corkscrew membership pins here in NZ for Lifetime members.

If you wish to come along to our next lunch please email joy@prosperity.co.nz. Numbers are limited so be in quick! If you miss out on this, don't worry we will be having another meeting in February 2016.



Rotary Wine
Rotarian Wine Appreciation Fellowship





HUTT ROTARIAN

SACRIFICES DREADLOCKS FOR ETHIOPIA AID MISSION

With his dreadlocked hair, Ganesh Cherian was a fine advertisement for Rotary's drive for more diversity among its white, middle-aged-to-elderly ranks.

A sheep shearing blade put paid to those looks last Wednesday but the fundraising event at the Dowse underlined another aspect of Rotary - how strong the movement is at supporting a good cause.

The Rotary Club of Hutt City and Rotary District 9940 are sponsoring a trip by Deb Mair and Wellington Phoenix Youth player Nati Hailemariam to Ethiopia. They leave on August 23 and will spend six weeks liaising with representatives from Save the Children, World Vision, Unicef, the United Nations Development Programme and a Rotary club in Addis Ababa as they research what would be the best form for a New Zealand-led aid project there.

Last week's cocktail party at the Lower Hutt art museum raised about \$4000 in cash, with a further \$1500 in barter card dollars pledged from local business owners, Mair said.

After singing and strumming on guitar a version of Last Train, Rotary Club of Hutt City president Cherian submitted to the scissors as attendees put in bids for

the right to snip at his dreadlocks. Then a shearing blade wielded by Brian Ross was fired up after a \$200 pledge was offered if Cherian lost the lot.

Running a hand over his bald head a few minutes later, Cherian said "I've gone from rasta to skinhead in 60 seconds"

More money was raised by the auction of a signed Phoenix shirt and boosts signed by Alex Rodriguez.

Mair is delighted that the Phoenix has gifted about \$2000 worth of used players' football boots and training shoes that they will take to football-mad Ethiopia, where Hailemariam intends running coaching sessions as an ice-breaker with the locals.

Even more importantly, thanks to co-ordination by district health board allied health, scientific and technical executive director Russell Simpson, six boxes of medical and surgical equipment from the region's three DHBs, have been collected. Jock Freight International of Tauranga have agreed to get this gear over to Ethiopia at a 50/50 Bartercard and cash payment option.



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