# **Plimmerton Rotary**

Weekly E -Update



**Tuesday 22 August 2023** 

# **Meeting Update**

President Tania welcomed everyone including guests.

#### **Club Notices**

#### **Club Subscription**

Reminder from Bruce Couch that invoices for club subscriptions have been sent out and not to forget to pay them.

# **Viewpoint**

The Viewpoint by Les Callear was around the topic that people often make mistakes in their speech and to illustrate this he carefully read a 1970 item played on the BBC by Ronnie Barker.

His concluding viewpoint was that even the best speakers make mistakes.

#### **Items Of Special Interest**

#### **Speaker Programme**

>29 August David Warburton and Massimo Soprano will talk about Transforming the Interislander and will focus on the iReX (Inter-Islander Resilient Connection) project.

This is a partner's and friends' night.

> 5 September Mike Styles from Dyslexia Consulting will be the speaker.

**Social Programme** 

Melbourne Cup Night

Bowls Night

# **Club Project Work**

## **Taupo Swamp Planting**

Bill McAulay very kindly provided a summary of the significant work undertaken on Saturday morning by volunteers and Rotarians who jointly worked with Porirua City to continue the Taupo Swamp planting work:

Thanks for a great effort on Saturday in increasing the Riparian planting of Taupo Stream at Plimmerton Domain. We completed 1400 plants in the ground on a very chilly, windy day. And most of the planting was on much more difficult terrain than previous years. I didn't count how many people we had there for the planting, but I'd guess that there were















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total, including 20 Rotarians from Plimmerton and Porirua Rotary Clubs. and none of us fell into the stream. (Ed: Primarily because of the excellent safety brief)

Over the rest of the weekend, we had some lovely rain to kick start the plants. Now we can watch the trees grow up and for those grassy stream side plants to spread across the stream banks.

This planting today, takes us to I think 20,400 plants since we commenced in 2020 with the planting of the Rotary Forest of Peace & Remembrance. This latest planting connects up with the earlier plantings.

Particular thanks are due to the PCC folks for being so supportive with all the arrangements.















Photography by John O Connell

### 50 Year Recognition ProjectTaupo



On a cold (very) morning a group of Rotarians and guests witnessed the culmination of an Event 50 Project to provided an inter-generational reminder of the unique relationship between

Porirua City and Plimmerton Rotary.

Past-President Denise started the event before handing over to President Tania

who noted the many projects Rotary had concluded in the community and in particular those where borh Rotary and Poirua City worked together to achieve a

















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good community outcomes.

Mayor Baker spoke and recognised the significant outcomes achieved by the unique partnership and together with President

Tania undertook the ceremonial duty of presenting the seat and substantial totara tree to Porirua and indeed New Zealand. Both will be enjoyed by many generations.



It was noteworthy that the Taupo

Swamp planting nearby was paused so those working could participate in the ceremony. Again, this planting was joint work with Porirua City.

Photography by John O Connell





# **Speaker**



#### **Inside the Tent-Luke Malpass**

This week's guest speaker was Luke Malpass, Political Editor for Stuff, and a prolific contributor to the *Post*. This was his second visit to the club.

He talked about the current state of the parties and spoke to a series of photos of politicians.

Luke had asked that his remarks not be published, so those members not present on Tuesday missed getting the lowdown on the assorted rogues and vagabonds who infest the corridors of power.

Summary by Mike Doig

The photos Luke spoke to were around Parliament and captured the light and visual effects in some surprisingly creative ways.















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# **Speaker Programme**

August	Sept	October	November	December	January
	5 <sup>th</sup> Mike Styles Dyslexia Consulting	3 <sup>rd</sup> Dane Ambler Buy NZ Made	7 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Recess
	12th Hospitality NZ Adam Parker Regional Manager	10 <sup>th</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup> Recess
	19 <sup>th</sup>	Sir Ron Young Parole Board "Crime, Punishment and Parole"	21 <sup>st</sup>	19 <sup>th</sup>	16 <sup>th</sup>
	26th Nick Jolly NZ Beef & Lamb	23 <sup>rd</sup> John Huston Water Project South India	28 <sup>th</sup>	26th Recess	
29 <sup>nd</sup> David Warburton Massimo Soprano Transforming Interislander		31 <sup>st</sup>			















# **Duty Roster**

	Speaker	Viewpoi nt	Acknowl edgeme nt	Speaker Host and Introduction	Speaker Thanks	Parting Thought	Door
29 August 2023	David Warburton Massimo Soprano Interislander	Ann Scannell	Bryan Waddle	Phillip Reidy	Michael Parker	David Knight	John Gillon Donna Reed
5 September 2023	Mike Styles  Dyslexia  Consulting	Brett Jones	Graham Wallace	David Pine	John O'Connell	John Barber	Bill McAulay Mike Scott
12 September 2023	Lisa Beighton GM Operations Hospitality NZ	David Knight	Philip Whearty	Barry McEwen	Phillip Reidy	Colin Whyte	Nick Walmsley Les Callear
19 September 2023		Alan Nichols	Leigh Corner			Mike Doig	Bruce Phillips Euon Murrell

# **Parting Thought**

Graeme Blick captured the thought:

Nothing in life is to be feared, it is only to be understood. Now is the time to understand more, so that we may fear less.

Marie Curie

















#### **Chatterbox**

I wonder how many of the informative facts provided by President Tania each night will find their way into Bryan Waddle's book of tricky quiz questions? Did you remember how many speak Spanish worldwide and what happened in 1851?

Looking at the Planting Day photos I realised I needed to rethink my ideas around the ratio of important people in hi-viz jackets to those working.

President Tania in new formal dress for globally warmed Rotarian Presidents.

Those of you at the Saturday ceremony will have noticed it was so cold that Dexter's sound system was under-whelmed.



Still deeply shocked by the All Blacks result on Saturday and am still negotiating a sport result day (or two) off with Janet. So far, no joy as she seems to think the Warriors offset my despair.



"He must be leaving the nest soon. He's watching YouTube videos on how to fly."













