

POSITIVELY BRIEF

The week ahead for the Rotary Club of Wellington



Rotary Club of Wellington newsletter • Friday 14 October 2016

Our next meeting is on

Monday 17 October • 12 noon for a 12:30 start

Our next meeting is at

James Cook Hotel, Level 17, 147 The Terrace – meeting in the Piano Bar, we'll have a light lunch

Our speaker will be



Peter Miskimmin on Sport in NZ – Peter is Chief Executive of Sport New Zealand. In that role he has overseen our involvement in three very successful Olympic Games and has put a lot of focus into community sport. Sport New Zealand places priority on getting more young people and adults involved in sport and recreation, as well as getting more winners on the world stage. Coming from a very strong hockey background, having captained the NZ team, Peter has coached at club, provincial and national level. He is a selector for the men's national hockey team.

Do you have a job to do?

- **Visitors & guests** Johnny Johnson
- **Greeters** Hewitt Humphrey, Siah Hwee Ang
- **5-minute talk** TBC
- **Sergeant** John Fletcher
- **President's Table** William Sommerville (I&T), John Fletcher



Starting time for duties is 12 noon

If you are unable to do your duty, please find someone else to fill in for you AND let Rebecca know so she can update the roster. Please don't just email Rebecca telling her you can't do it; she does a superb job for the club but doesn't have time to find a substitute for you.

Last Monday you missed



Nicky Riddiford spoke about the very successful Skilled Migrant Programme and about our club's involvement for the past 12 years and 22 intakes. Over that time, a wide range of members have been involved as guest tutors, lecturers and mentors. Members often cite their involvement as being one of their most satisfying Rotary activities.

The graduates accompanying Nicky come from places as widely varying as Poland and India, Bangladesh and Italy. Professional backgrounds include architecture, archaeology, journalism and law. One of the group, Anna-Maria Rossi, spoke about her very interesting archaeological work in Sardinia and her hopes for her new life in New Zealand.

We welcomed



Rick Hughes, Assistant Governor for the club; **twelve skilled migrants** who came to meet their mentors, and **Daniza Galinovic** from Johnson Group who organises internships for the Skilled Migrant Programme). John Prebble hosted **Dr Sven Schroeder** from the Department of Conservation who will be a mentor for Anna-Maria, the archaeologist.

Suzanne Snively brought **Ferdinand Balfourt** (Transparency New Zealand) and Ramsey Margolis brought **Rachel Tilghman**, an American recently arrived in Wellington.

And 45 club members

Donated \$455.10 into the Sunshine Box, as a result of the good work of **Grant Uridge's** sergeant's session, in which he focused mainly on the local body elections.

More members



Geoff Shaw reminded us of the importance of talking about what we do at Rotary. He believes that a good way to spread the word is to post news of your various Rotary activities on LinkedIn. We know that many new members are first attracted by their experience of some Rotary event and yet many very interesting Rotary projects and opportunities go unheralded,

simply because people don't know about them.



RCW contribution to Wellington Free Ambulance

Rick Hughes thanked the club for our donation to Wellington Free Ambulance Rotary Trust, enabling the Trust to raise \$64,000 with which we were able to fit out an ambulance. The Trust combines donations from a range of Rotary clubs, in this way gaining more impact for Wellington Free and more publicity for Rotary.

Other interesting possibilities

- 21 Oct (Fri) **The Rotary Forum** has been **POSTPONED**.
- 26 Oct (Weds) **The Second Annual Rotary Club of Wellington Social Enterprise Awards** at the Wellington Club – register [here](#)
- 1 Nov (Tues) **The 2016 Melbourne Cup** 1815 Bar at the Wellesley Boutique Hotel – the race starts at 5pm NZT with prizes for the best shirt and tie combination, and of course the best hat
- 1 Dec (Thu) **Kapiti Rotary Annual Charity Golf Tournament** Paraparaumu Beach Links Course – info Doug Hooper Smith 027 454 5754 or grenaby@xtra.co.nz
- 10 December (Sat) **Winemakers' Lunch** at the White Swan, Greytown. 3 course lunch plus the wines which will be Martinborough wines vs Gladstone wines. \$80 per head, minimum of 40, maximum of 80 people, so bring your friends – travelling by train means you won't have to drive home.
- 21–23 April 2017 **Rotary District 9940 Conference** New Plymouth

Second Annual Social Enterprise Awards



Join us on Wednesday 26 October for the annual Rotary Club of Wellington Social Enterprise Awards. Like last year, it will be an exciting and fun meeting in which people from existing and would-be social enterprises pitch for our support and club members vote for their preferred choice.

Register for catering purposes please on the club's website [here](#).

What do you know about SCOPE?

With their primary focus on education and environment, SCOPE runs events for young professionals that offer learning opportunities and introduce new projects. 'We are about growing our city and ourselves,' they told Tony Hassed.

SCOPE's Core Team

				
Taniya Scott President	Ashvin Govind Portfolio Manager	Jacinda Ashley-Jones Secretary	Steffi Haefeli Membership Manager	Nick Douglas Marketing & Communications Manager

SCOPE was set up in 2015 by five young Wellingtonians looking to participate in social service projects at the same as connecting with like-minded people. The group is sponsored by the club's Youth Committee.

Creating opportunities for young professionals to access professional growth and partnership through engaging in projects that benefit the community, their projects are diverse and underpinned always by the drive to benefit both the community and their partners.

One significant project SCOPE has undertaken is to provide 10 Chromebook laptops and a 3D printer to a low decile primary school in the Wellington area. SCOPE would really appreciate your support in funding the project, so if you can contribute please go to <http://givealittle.co.nz/cause/3dprintersforschools>.

Find out more about SCOPE at <http://scope.org.nz>.

Tell your best friend about the club

With one of the club's business cards – invite them to a meeting, and point them to our website: <http://rcw.org.nz/join>.

Rotary beyond our club



Port Nicholson Rotary has been instrumental in setting up an Interact club that brings together students from Wellington Girls' and Wellington Boys' Colleges. An enthusiastic group of founding members has a high level of interest in doing projects – these students are truly

impressive.

To manage the combination of the two schools, the club has co-presidents. The Wellington Boys' College Co-President spoke at the charter meeting because the Wellington Girls' Co-President was involved elsewhere, or as her Co-President put it: 'She's off overachieving somewhere else tonight'.

- Take a look at the most recent [District 9940 newsletter](#)

And the last word from me this week is

That our participation in the Victoria University-run skilled migrants programme is yet another great example of how Rotary helps individuals and communities. Thank you to all our club members who, through their support of the programme, continue to make a difference.

Mark



Mark Wheeler
President

Speakers at upcoming meetings

Monday 24 October **NO MEETING because of Labour Day – however we have a meeting on:**

Wednesday 26 October • 5pm for a 5:30pm start, ending around 7pm

Note the venue: Wellington Club, Level 5, 88 The Terrace

Second Annual Rotary Club of Wellington Social Enterprise Awards

Monday 31 October • 5:30pm for a 6pm start – it's a 5th Monday

Note the venue: Wellington Club, Level 5, 88 The Terrace

James Shaw – Green Party co-leader

Monday 7 November • 12 noon for a 12:30 start

Note the venue: James Cook Hotel, level 17

Shelagh Magadza – A Sneak Preview of the 2017 International Arts Festival

Monday 14 November - 12 noon for 12.30 start

Note the venue: James Cook Hotel, level 17

Andrew Becroft – The work of a Children's Commissioner

Duty rosters

Starting time for duties is 12 noon – please arrange a substitute if unable to attend

Monday 24 October

No meeting because of Labour Weekend

Wednesday 26 October: Evening meeting @ The Wellington Club

- **Introducer and Thanker** Andrew Miller

Monday 31 October: Evening meeting for 5th Monday @ The Wellington Club

- **Visitors & guests** Rebecca Maresca
- **Greeters** Andrew Jackson, Gillian Jones
- **Introducer and Thanker** Martin Lenart

Monday 7 November

- **Visitors & guests** Bob Stannard
- **Greeters** Denis Kirkcaldie, Tuku Kururangi
- **5-minute talk** Rachel Qi's introduction PLUS Andrew Jackson on the Youth Committee
- **Sergeant** Joan Smith
- **President's Table** Sue Paterson (I&T), Joan Smith

Monday 14 November

- **Visitors & guests** Johnny Johnson
 - **Greeters** Olivier Lacoua, Peter Lawson
 - **5-minute talk** TBC
 - **Sergeant** John Luxton
 - **President's Table** John Luxton, Lee Wilkinson (I&T)
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Latest News

Upcoming Events

Akina Social Enterprise Awards

Wednesday, 26 October 2016 - The second annual Rotary Club of Wellington Akina Social Enterprise Awards will be held on 26 October at the Wellington Club. Arrive at 5:00pm for nibbles and a cash bar, the formal part of the evening will start at 5:30 and is expected to run for approximately 1.5 ... [MORE](#)

Fifth Monday - James Shaw, New Zealand Green Party

Monday, 31 October 2016 - Join us for a less formal style of meeting held at the Wellington Club, 88 The Terrace. We will start at 5:30pm with nibbles and a cash bar before moving through to hear James Shaw of the New Zealand Green Party speak at 6:00pm. Please register for catering purposes. [MORE](#)



Melbourne Cup

Tuesday, 1 November 2016 - THE MELBOURNE CUP 2016 - The Race that stops two nations TUESDAY 1st November. Race starts at 5.00pm NZ time. There will be an exclusive RCW Birdcage set up in the 1815 Bar at the Wellesley Boutique Hotel. Exciting prizes for the best shirt tie combination and the best hat. ... [MORE](#)

Wellington Skyline walk

Saturday, 5 November 2016 - The Rotary walkers are planning to do the Wellington Skyline walk on 5th November. The whole walk takes us from Makara to Johnsonville, via Mount Kaukau and takes an estimated 5 hours. Public transport is available from Johnsonville or for those wanting a shorter walk, at several other points ... [MORE](#)



Wairarapa Winemakers' Lunch

Saturday, 10 December 2016 - Join us on December 10th at the White Swan in Greytown for a delicious lunch and a Gladstone versus Martinborough wine experience. Three courses including wine for \$80 a head. An option to travel by train, rather than have to drive over the Hill. The train leaves Wellington at ... [MORE](#)

Kapiti Island visit

Saturday, 11 February 2017 - We will be visiting Kapiti Island on 11 Feb 2017, setting off from Paraparaumu Beach at 8.45, 9.30 or 10.15 (to be confirmed) The cost is:
 Adult \$75 Children 5-17 \$40 Student \$60 Under 5 Free [MORE](#)

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