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David & Denise

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Denise and I continued visiting Clubs and last week was spent in Noumea, New Caledonia.

We were welcomed by every Rotarian with open arms.
The friendliness and helpfulness was well received.

We arrived on the Saturday and met with the Presidents over a 2 hour lunch at 'Le Roof' restaurant which is over the water and provides a great view around the bays, over the sea to some Islands and was very refreshing.

During the week we were shown around various projects, taken to an island for lunch followed in the evening with a full meeting including Cocktails, a meeting where a three course lunch was served and another lunch where everyone brought their own. We covered a lot of ground and found it was no trouble to our hosts to take us around.

On the local scene Clubs continue to impress and induction of New members is great to see. Please ensure the new members are entered into the Rotary database immediately as this is the only way we can ascertain how the District is progressing at the end of each month.

We are under the minimum number of members required for a District and as a result we are up for re-districting. There is a move to reduce the number of Districts not only in New Zealand but also in Australia, the U.S.A. and other Countries.

We will keep you informed as more information comes to hand. There will be a re-districting meeting for District Governors Nominee, Elects and Governors to be held at the membership seminar in Christchurch on the 28th October 2017.

Whangarei South Rotary

Whangarei South Rotary members are celebrating Rotary Literacy Month this September by organising the purchase of The First Usborne Atlas which will be distributed to each Primary and Intermediate School in the Whangarei District for the school library.

The atlas is internet linked so will keep up to date with countries, flags, population, borders, making it relevant for classroom and individual research. Digital learning experiences and hard copy book learning experiences are both important for students. The Atlas is well illustrated, colourful and has high interest level especially for boys.

Rotary Clubs already donate Dictionaries to low decile school students for them to keep and take home to share with families. The atlas will now become available for schools throughout Tai Tokerau.

The Rotary theme this year is Make a Difference and Whangarei South Rotary will be helping make a difference to the lives of the students by donating this literacy resource.



Sitting – Herve Lemasle, Christine Darraidou, DG David Oliphant

Standing – Jean Jacques Perraud and

Assistant Governor Thierry van Waerebeke.

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The Month of September is;
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Photo taken at entrance to 'Le Roof'
restaurant with the Presidents:

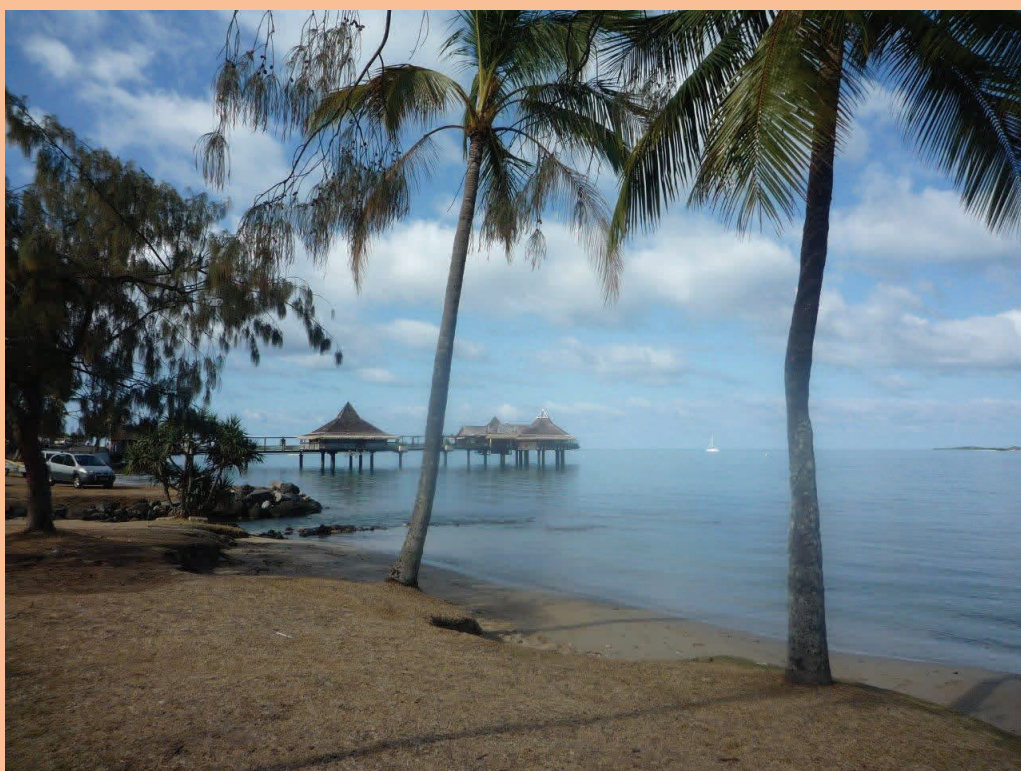
L to r :

Jean-Jacques Perraud – Noumea Ducos Boulari;

Assistant Governor Thierry van Waerebeke –
Noumea Ducos Boulari;

Christine Darraidou – Noumea Ouen Toro and
Herve Lemasle – Noumea.

Photo The restaurant 'Le Roof.'





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Club Visits 2017

3/10 Auckland to Norfolk Island
 4/10 Norfolk Island
 5/10 Norfolk Island
 6/10 Norfolk Island
 7/10 Norfolk Island
 8/10 Norfolk Island
 9/10 Show Day Norfolk Island
 10/10 Norfolk to Auckland
 13/10 RIYE Marae Weekend
 14/10 RIYE Marae Weekend
 15/10 RIYEMarae Weekend
 17/10 Mahurangi Rotary
 18/10 Hillsborough Rotary, Lynfeild
 19/10 Orewa/Millwater/ Satellite
 23/10 Labour Day
 26/10 Albany Rotary Club
 5/11 District Management & DAC Meeting
 10/11 Vanuatu
 13/11 Vanuatu Grassroots
 5/9 GETS
 15/11 Port Vila
 16/11 Santo
 19/11 RLI
 25/11 Milford Rotary 50th Anniversary
 25/12 Christmas Day
 26/12 Boxing Day—St Stephens Day
 1/01 New Years Day
 6/02 Waitangi Day
 18/02 DMM
 2/03 SPPEETS

Reminder**Newsletter Items for****DG Newsletter to****Margaret Cebalo****cebalo.bam@xtra.co.nz****By 25th of each month**

Through to 15th December, save on registration for the

REGISTER TODAY**2018 Convention****District Happenings**

2nd—8th Oct	Rotary Alumni Reconnect week
13th -15th Oct	RIYE Marae Week end @Pehiaweri, Ngunguru, Road, Glenbervie

Club Happenings

24th Oct	World polio day
28th Oct	National Membership Seminar -CHCH
30th Oct	World Interact Week

The 4-Way Test**Of the things we think, say or do:****Is it the truth****Is it fair to all concerned**

**Will it build goodwill and
better friendships**

**Will it be beneficial to all
concerned**

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Rotary International President, 2017-18

Dear fellow Rotarians,

I would like to tell you about my personal experience with the Rotary Global Rewards program.

After the International Assembly last January, which is a very tiring event for the President-elect, Juliet and I needed a week's break. So with our friends Don and Carolyn, we went to Florida to enjoy the winter sunshine and visit the theme parks in Orlando.

I had just received a briefing on the progress of Rotary Global Rewards, so it was fresh in my mind and I went on to the website to see what offers were available in Orlando. As an accountant with Scottish heritage, I enjoy a bargain!

It was with delight that I discovered a significant discount offered on entry to the theme parks, so Don and I made our booking through Rotary Global Rewards. Very simple to do, and a portion of our spending went back to Rotary.

The number and the variety of offers are growing all the time, so I recommend to Rotarians that they visit the [Global Rewards page](#) or download the Rotary Club Locator app to investigate this interesting program.

Rotary's fifth World Polio Day celebration, on 24 October, is an occasion for us to celebrate our progress against polio and look to the future. You can participate by [downloading promotional materials and resources](#) to help you plan a successful World Polio Day event. Remember, hosting a World Polio Day event in your community fulfils one of the optional goals for my presidential citation. Be sure to share your plans by [registering your event](#).

Our friends and partners in polio eradication, The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, will co-host our World Polio Day livestreamed event at their headquarters in Seattle, Washington, USA. The event, beginning at 2:30 p.m. PST, will include a global polio status update along with messages from experts and celebrity ambassadors. It will be streamed live and then available for viewing at endpolio.org.

I'm also excited to announce that the new Rotary public image campaign, People of Action, is [now available in the Brand Center](#) for use by districts and clubs. This campaign helps us with the important task of telling our stories to people outside of our clubs, in the communities we serve. New ads and resources will continue to be posted in the Brand Centre over the next several months.

I hope you will join me in embracing this campaign and encouraging other Rotarians to do the same. Together, we can show – and tell – the world we are People of Action, and send a powerful message that resonates across languages and cultures to raise worldwide understanding of Rotary.

Lastly, I know many of you have many great initiatives, projects, and information to share with the Rotary world. As such, I'd like to officially invite you to submit a breakout session proposal for the 2018 Toronto Convention.

Breakout sessions can inspire attendees, helping them polish their leadership skills and giving them new ideas for projects, fundraising, strengthening membership, and more! [Submit your proposal online](#) by Sunday, 1 October 2017. Please contact our [Learning & Development team](#) with any questions.

I hope to see you all in Toronto as we come together as a part of *Rotary: Making a Difference*.

Sincerely,

Ian Riseley



Presidential Message

Ian H. S. Riseley
President 2017-2018

September 2017

One of the best parts of any Rotary convention is the sheer diversity of the people you see there. Whether you're heading into a breakout session, exploring the House of Friendship, or sitting down for a bite to eat, you'll meet people from every corner of the world, in all kinds of national attire, speaking just about every language. It's a lot of fun, and it's a big part of what makes Rotary great: that we can be so different and still find ourselves so at home together.

That spirit of warm community that is so central to Rotary also defines Toronto, our host city for the 2018 Rotary International Convention. Toronto is one of my favorite cities. It's a place where half the population is from another country, where over 140 languages are spoken by 2.8 million residents, and where no one ever seems to be too busy to be helpful. In addition to being clean, safe, and friendly, Toronto is a wonderful place to visit, with its attractive Lake Ontario waterfront, great restaurants, one-of-a-kind museums, and interesting neighbourhoods to explore.

The 2018 convention already promises to be one of our best ever. Our Convention Committee and Host Organization Committee are hard at work lining up inspiring speakers, great entertainment, fascinating breakout sessions, and a wide variety of activities across the city. There will be something for everyone in Toronto, and Juliet and I encourage you to do what we'll be doing – bring your families along for the fun. If you plan early, your convention experience will be even more affordable: The deadline for discounted early registration (there is an additional discount for registering online) is 15 December.

As much as Toronto offers to Rotarians, the true draw is, of course, the convention itself. It's a once-a-year opportunity to recharge your Rotary batteries, to see what the rest of the Rotary world is up to, and to find inspiration for the year ahead. Find out more at riconvention.org – and find Inspiration Around Every Corner at the 2018 Rotary Convention in Toronto.



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Rotary helps disaster victims

Severe storms, an earthquake, and hurricanes are wreaking havoc across the globe from the United States and Mexico to South Asia and Africa.

The Rotary Foundation and Rotary clubs in affected areas are helping bring emergency aid to battered communities.

The Rotary Foundation is collecting emergency relief funds to help victims of Hurricanes Harvey and Irma. Hurricane Harvey made landfall in southeast Texas on 25 August.

Severe rainfall caused historic flooding along the Texas coast, including in Houston, the fourth largest city by population in the United States.

About 6.8 million people have been affected by the hurricane.

Meanwhile, Hurricane Irma is in the Caribbean and headed for Florida and the Atlantic coast of the United States.

Already, the storm has directly affected 1.2 million people and millions more are in its path.

"The power of Rotary is in the Foundation's ability to pull help from around the world while local clubs provide immediate relief in their own communities," says Don Mebus of the Rotary Club of Arlington, Texas.

Rotary districts [along the Gulf Coast](#) of Texas and Louisiana are collecting emergency relief funds and providing immediate aid to flood victims.

"We know that a disaster of this magnitude will require our financial assistance for months into the future," says District 5930 Governor Betty Ramirez-Lara. "Our disaster relief committee will provide support where we believe it can best be used."

[Shelter Box](#), an independent charity and Rotary's project partner, is also providing support to families displaced by the storms.

In Texas, hundreds of light privacy tents were deployed to evacuation centers for families to use temporarily.

Shelter Box Response Teams are in Nepal, Bangladesh, and elsewhere to assess the damage there and determine how best to help those most vulnerable.

If you have questions about how you can help, contact relief@rotary.org.

How to contribute

Two Rotary Foundation donor advised funds have been set up to accept donations for disaster relief and recovery in response to Hurricanes Harvey and Irma:

Hurricane Harvey

Account name: Gulf Coast Disaster Relief Fund

Account number: 608

Hurricane Irma

Account name: Hurricane Emergency Relief Fund

Account number: 296

You can contribute by check or wire transfer or online with a credit card. You'll need to provide the DAF account name and number listed above



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Literacy Committee D9910

September is Basic Education and Literacy Month

The Literacy Committee has sent to each Rotary Club, information about programmes which Clubs can take part in and how the literacy committee can help. As September is Basic Education and Literacy Month this is a good opportunity for your club to focus on some aspect of education in your community.

In the information sent out was some detail of the new Usborne Atlas. The Bill and Lorna Boyd Charitable Trust which manages the Rotary Atlas and Dictionary Programme have received an independent evaluation of the atlas.

A School Principal was asked to review the Atlas alongside digital opportunities for students in low decile schools i.e. has one made the other redundant? Her findings are:

There is a direct correlation between the number of books in homes, reading mileage and achievement, with the greatest gains being made in low socio economy areas.

Research shows that neurological connections from digital experiences differ from hard copy reading - both are vital.

Devices in the home are not available for many lower socio economic families. (phones only)

The Atlas would be fine for teacher guided classroom use, but the greatest impact would be one of individual ownership i.e. to take home (should kids wish) and share with others.

Atlas is well illustrated, colourful, has good clear font, simple language and sound, lasting geographical facts.

It has high interest level, especially for boys - more at risk than girls in literacy areas.

Internet links are useful and should keep data fresh. (Flags, population, countries, borders.)

Atlas would be useful from year 3 to 6 depending on language level of student.

Hard copy book learning and digital experiences are important for learning.

The Principal involved has a BA (Honours) in English Language, Masters in Educational Leadership, has been involved in research teams, a Woolf Fisher Literacy Scholarship and taught in low decile schools in NZ and abroad.

As you can see Rotary can play an important part in our children's literacy futures. By providing schools / students with Atlas \$7.50 and Dictionaries \$9.50 is a low cost way of providing essential literacy assistance to our communities. Contact Bronwyn Ellison – bronwyn@otsl.co.nz

It maybe that at this time your Club cannot provide these but you may be able to take up a collection of books now redundant to your children or grandchildren and make these available for others to read and share.

A book can take a child to wonderful places and on great adventures at very little cost. How will your club **make a difference** to the life of a child this Literacy Month?

Murray Neighbour - on behalf of Literacy Committee D9910



Kumeu Club Selected News Item



Rotarians, Russell Brown, Tom Grace, and President Stu definitely assure us that their are 700 newly planted, trees and shrubs along this stream.

Albeit small now, Ed is assured that with the Green Gold by-product from Tom's Farm, the trees will be ready for next years Firewood for the Pensioners project, plus Navman is developing a new gps to guide you North thru the new forest

**Well done team
760 plantings**



Here is a before and after pic of the plantings at the Kumeu Cricket Club

Rotarians, Dennis Papa and John Francis, with the assistance of Nick Bonney planted 60 mature Buxus Sempleverens hedge plants .Fertiliser and mulched with bark.

Kumeu Garden Hub donated the plants to the Kumeu Rotary club for this planting project.
Value of product supplied was \$520.00.

It is intended that the plantings will be finished with a miniature white picket fence in front coming from the



Wangaparaoa Club Selected News Item

Late last year Stefan Crabbe, who is a member of the Rodney District # 5 Squadron Air Training Corp and a Whangaparaoa Rotary Trolley Derby helper, was chosen as a candidate to join the Air Cadet Exchange program with Canada as the destination.

During the course of his fund raising Stefan approached our Club and was granted \$500 to assist with travel expenses.

The Air Cadet (different to the Air Training Corp) Exchange program started in 1946 with 23 Canadian members swapping places with 23 British members, the program has grown since then with this year Canada hosting 77 exchange members from 11 countries with one of them being the first Chinese to join the program. At the same time New Zealand had other Air Cadets exchanging with other countries such as Australia.



The Canadian exchange took place between 16th July and 4th August and while Stefan had expectations of visiting the Northwest with snow, mountains and forest his exchange took place with the Northeast being the Maritime Provinces of New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia and he saw beaches, tundra and ocean.

Stefan talked us through a slide show of the places he visited and the sights he saw from Citadel Hill fortress in Halifax,

Army and Air Force bases including simulator time plus a ride in the 705 Squadron Griffin helicopter and right through to experiencing the 21 metre tide at the Bay of Fundy.

Stefan enjoyed his time making many friends and learnt that he has a very strong New Zealand accent and found that it was easy to mix word meanings up with the Australians due to the different accent.

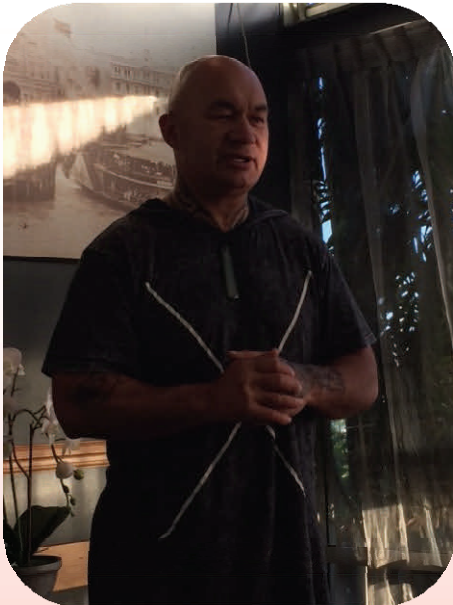
During general talk he found that many of the Canadians that he met knew where New Zealand is and in fact many of them had either been or had plans to visit.



From the group he found that there were 10 attendees who were very happy to have had received grants from Rotary clubs around the world and he finished his presentation by thanking us very much for our support.



Westhaven Club Selected News



We were delighted to have talented artist Bino Smith come and speak to us about his life as The Mobster, "The Movie Maker and the Maori."

Bino, a self-taught, multi-medium artist, was brought up on his marae in Hongoeka Bay, Porirua, Wellington. Bino is the youngest of a large family.

After his mother left when he was 8 years old it wasn't long before he followed his older siblings into 'gang life' and became part of the Mongrel Mob for 13 years.

Bino always knew that he wasn't a "typical mobster" and was more known for his artistic talent. He'd wanted to leave the Mob for a long time and one day threw his patch on the table and said "I'm outta here", knowing that there was more to life.

Bino followed his passion and focused on his art which was soon noticed by people in the Movie Industry. Bino spent 10 years working closely with Sir Peter Jackson on a variety of movie sets, including Lord of the Rings.

Bino then decided to go to university to learn his language and discover what it means to be a Maori. Many of Bino's artistic inspirations come from his strong Maori heritage and the values his culture upholds.

The 'bigger picture' for Bino is to use his background and his skills to help steer youth away from following his early path. This is where he feels he can make a real difference.

Bino's story was an enlightening and eye opening insight into a side of my life many of us have no idea about.

Discussion focused around what support can be offered to youth and Bino shared his thoughts around this with the group. Encouragement and employment were the main areas where it was felt improvement could be made.

