

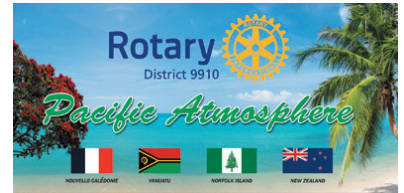


MARCH 2021



Elaine Mead and Peter Garnett

Greetings everyone; Kia ora koutou; Bonjour à tous; Halo evriwan; Watewieh yorlye



It's certainly been a water-focused month with all the action of the America's Cup races, SeaWeek, World Water Day (22nd), sprinkler restrictions in Auckland and torrential downpours in New South Wales.

What a fabulous result for Emirates Team New Zealand and a positive vibe for the country generally. An awesome display of support in the number of boats in the spectator fleet, people at the waterfront or gathered at various viewing points around the Auckland Harbour and Hauraki Gulf. The Auckland fleet of the International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians (IYFR) got in amongst it too. How times have changed and what amazing progression in skills, technology and capabilities since 'Kiwi Magic' in 1987.

We were hoping to have Peter Burling and Blair Tuke speak at the district conference on the marine conservation charity they founded, Live Ocean liveocean.com. Live Ocean's mission is to amplify and accelerate positive action towards a healthy ocean. Unfortunately, racing obligations in Europe were a higher priority. Never fear, we have a number of engaging speakers under our theme of 'People, Passion, Sustainability – Honouring the Past, Building the Future'.

It's worth taking a look at the conference programme, speakers and activities on the conference website rotaryconference9910.org.nz and get your registration in quick! The environment focus is well represented with the opportunity to learn about waste management, the circular economy, recycling and ocean restoration. Attendees will also hear some club success stories, how our Rotary Youth Exchange students fared in lockdown Europe and the development of The Rotary Foundation's new area of focus – Environment.

Rotary Santo features in the March edition of the Rotary Down Under magazine, visiting a completed water and sanitation global grant project at Asanvari Village. It is one of several similar projects underway in Vanuatu following TC Harold. It's heartening to see clubs actively getting back into hands-on projects like Rotary Milford's local beautification work and fundraising ventures such as Rotary Henderson's golf tournament. Take advantage of the favourable exchange rate to make donations to the Rotary Foundation and Polio.

Peter and I look forward to welcoming you to Waitangi and wish everyone a relaxing and restorative Easter.

Elaine Mead
Governor - District 9910
2020-2021



People. Passion. Sustainability.
He Tangata. Te Ihi. Toitū te Ao.
Honouring the Past - Building the Future

District Conference 2021

Come along to the D9910 Conference next month.

The speakers are booked, the hotel is filling fast and the countdown is on! Our theme of 'Passion, People, Sustainability – Honouring the Past, Building the Future' is well represented in our speakers, who are a mix of Rotary Alumni, Rotarians and non-Rotarians.

Check them out and the programme on the conference website at www.rotaryconference9910.org.nz

Conference sessions are in the morning and the afternoon is free for you to support local businesses and explore the area.

There are some exciting sight-seeing opportunities throughout the Bay of Islands, and we have also secured some great discounts for Rotarians to utilise and support the local tourism operators.

Most deals are also valid for a certain time frame, so if you aren't attending the conference, you can utilise the discount at another time! Many require a form of Rotary identification so make sure you are wearing your Rotary pin or carry your conference name badge. Take a look at <https://www.rotaryconference9910.org.nz/local-activities/>

Get your groove on at the 'Saturday Night Fever' – themed conference dinner on Saturday night. Step back in time to flared trousers, wide lapels, metallics and disco. There is a capacity limit on the conference room and conference dinner so get your registrations in now at this link www.rotaryconference9910.org.nz/registration-2021

Take a break amongst friends in one of New Zealand's iconic locations.





Buzzin' Around with Governor Elaine



26 Feb - Seeing conference reminders on the road - the Abilities Group truck



27 Feb - Rotary Westhaven - At the Spark 5G Race Zone with some 'friends'



27 Feb - Another conference reminder - Sea Cleaners, where speaker Charlie Thomas volunteers



27 Feb - Rotary South Kaipara satellite stand at the Helensville A&P show - keeping punters hydrated



16 Mar - Rotary NRG North Shore satellite's 'Naughtical Quiz' raising money for a Seabin. The G-Train team



16 Mar - The G-Train team deep in thought (we came 3rd)



21 Mar - Rotary Hillsborough, Lynfield, Mt Roskill, joining in with the Friends of Wairaki Stream clean up



21 Mar - Getting stuck into the stuck tyre



21 Mar - Rotary Orewa, selling raffle tickets and duck tickets at the Ducky Derby for Orewa Kindergarten



21 Mar - Whatever advice Nessie and Buzzy Bee gave wasn't that useful



District Diary

30 March	Rotary Milford - information evening
31 March	Deadline for Governor-Nominee nominations
1 April	Rotary Devonport - Movie evening
4 April	Daylight Saving ends
5 April	Rotary New Lynn bday (chartered 1958)
7 April	World Health Day Area 4 & 5 Presidents' meeting
9 - 11 April	D9910 Conference
14 April	Rotary Dargaville - planting with Selwyn Park School
17 April 17	Rotary South Kaipara - Machinery Auction
19 - 23 April	Innovative Young Minds programme
21 - 22 April	R100 Down Under - Future of Peace Leadership
21 April	Rotary Melbourne Centenary Celebration date
23 April	Deadline for content to Governor Newsletter Editor
25 April 25	ANZAC Dawn Service
1 May	Rotaract North Auckland birthday (chartered 2019) Rotary Takapuna - E-Waste Collection Rotary ECB - Hobsonville Clean Up (Possible postponed date)
2 - 8 May	Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA)
4 May	Rotary Kaikohe bday (chartered 1954)
5 May	Area 4 & 5 Presidents' meeting
13 May	Rotary Kerikeri bday (chartered 1978) Rotary Milford Golf Tournament
17 May	Rotary Norfolk Island bday (chartered 1973)
20 May	Rotary Birkenhead bday (chartered 1957)
21 - 23 May	D9930 Conference
23 May	Deadline for content to Governor Newsletter Editor

Events

Events in the district can be found on the district website at the following link [District 9910 Diary](#)
- clubs who want their events here should send information/flyers to District Administrator, district9910@gmail.com



www.readypress.co.nz

Need help with finding and applying the Rotary brand?



Fellow Rotary members in District 9820 have made a handy tutorial that explains how you can apply the Rotary brand in a number of situations: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j5IUOuEUVaM>

Tutorial on how to use Rotary Logos correctly



Rotary District 9820 Public Image Webinar

How to use Rotary logos correctly



Please remember that whether you are "The Rotary Club of X", "Rotary X" or "X Rotary", you need to choose one and make it consistent across all of your club marketing collateral including, vests, t-shirts, website, Facebook page, public profiles on local directories, yellow pages etc.



You can't edit any elements of the logo, except for adding your club's name above or below



If you would like the Public Image Chair Jenna Tuuta to check your branding, send an email to: Plchair9910@rotaryoceania.zone

East Coast Bays Rotary
jennatuuta@gmail.com | 0204 043 5577



International Women's Day - 8 March

IWD - D9910 Women in Leadership

During March we mark International Women's Day on the 8th of the month and District 9910 was the first in New Zealand to have a female Governor. When Sandra McKersey was appointed Governor in 2001, she was one of two across New Zealand and Australia. Almost ten years later, Rotary Whangarei South again provided our next female Governor. When Maxine Neighbour took on the role in 2010, she was one of three female Governors in New Zealand.

A decade later, Elaine Mead (Rotary Westhaven) is our District Governor and despite females only being 27% of our membership, a third of our district roles are filled by women. Eleven of our clubs and satellites have female Presidents and four of our clubs have a female leadership team in the club officer roles of:

	President	Secretary	Treasurer
Whangarei City	Robyn Banks	Reo Smith	Lynley Summerlee
Whangarei South	Anne Grbin	Maxine Neighbour	Tracey Risetto
New Lynn	Pauline Bishop	Maxine Cooper	Linda Potauaine
Port Vila	Red Benjamin	Sally Collard	Ellice Haggai

Some other 'stats' about female Rotarians in our district:

First female NZ District Governor	Sandra McKersey (Whangarei South)	2001-02
First female member	Robyn Banks (Whangarei)	1988
acc to RI database	Gillian Dawson (Mt Albert)	1 July 1989
acc to RI database	Lynette Simmons (North Harbour)	3 July 1989
acc to RI database	Diana Ward (North Harbour)	3 July 1989
Longest serving female Rotarian	Robyn Banks (Whangarei City)	1988 – 2021
acc to RI database	Carol Caulfield (East Coast Bays)	1991 – 2021
First female President	Anne Stewart (Three Kings)	1994-95
	Carol Kirkup (Whangaparaoa)	1994-95
First female charter President	Elaine Mead (Westhaven)	1995-96



Disclaimer – information from RI database and personal anecdote. If there is dissension, check your club's member information in My Rotary is correct.



Building the Future

Rotary Kerikeri took the opportunity of their meeting coinciding with this date to organise a special speaker, Past New Zealand Prime Minister, Dame Jenny Shipley.

The event attracted 51 members and guests and was a great success. MC Jenni Prisk introduced International Women's Day and Dame Jenny, who spoke and fielded questions for an hour.

The 2021 theme for IWD is "Choose to Challenge" and Dame Jenny said she could write volumes about the people who have disagreed with her and challenged her over the years! She reminded us we are all shareholders in Aotearoa and in 19 years, we will celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Treaty of Waitangi.



Thanks from Nimish Singh, Kerikeri High School

Dame Jenny is committed to being a joyous Pakeha, not a European Pakeha (as the census would have it.) and added we can all be better together. She encouraged us to be an activist, lobbyist and advocate for women, and men. Inclusive leadership matters; ban stereotypes; be controversial; go faster, further. "Young leaders," she said, "have a job to build a different future." So, it was appropriate Deputy Head Boy at Kerikeri High School, and recent Science Forum attendee Nimish Singh did the thanks.

Jenni Prisk,
jprisk@ucsd.edu



Dame Jenny Shipley

IWD – Robyn Banks

District 9910's first club, Rotary Whangarei (chartered 1925) was also the first to have a woman member.

In 1988, Robyn Banks was running her own business when approached by her client, George Bryant, principal of Whangarei Girls High School, to join Rotary. She said she would love to and her name was distributed to the members in the club bulletin. One of the members realised Robyn was a female and that it was not allowed under the then Rotary International Constitution. The Board put a motion to a club vote as to whether women would be accepted and it was lost, 51 to 49. The following year it was presented again and passed, despite six men threatening to resign, none did.

Robyn was asked if she wanted to go ahead with her membership or wait until the next year when the constitution would be changed to include women. She was happy to continue and six weeks after she joined, PDG Ashton Kelly approached her to apologise. He said he was one of those who thought it would be the worst thing for Rotary if women joined, "But I was wrong", he added.

The club met at lunchtime and her first impression was the food was terrible, it was boarding school meals. "Things needed to change and it was great at the start as the members wanted to change the way the club did things," Robyn said. It was one of the reasons she was asked to join, to help instigate change. Six years later she was President (1995-96).

Robyn got the whole club involved in a community project called 'Pooh Sticks' at a local park on Parihaka, where the river and the bridge were used for a family competition based on the Christopher Robin and Winnie-the-Pooh game. She also organised the club to run a bike riding event in Glenbervie Forest, after talking with fellow bike riders who participated in the Lake Taupo Bike Challenge.

In 2010, Robyn and seven other members broke new ground again, developing a club which operated differently from the traditional Rotary format. It met in the evening, did not have a set venue, club business came first and the meal was discretionary. Rotary Whangarei City was chartered on 25 February 2010 and Robyn is the current President.



Women in Rotary T-Shirts

Some 'Women in Rotary' t-shirts are still available and I will have them at the District Conference for sale at \$10 each.

Medium	6
Large	10
XLarge	2
2XLarge	5
3XLarge	7



These are small fitting, for example, I wear a Medium
Email in advance to secure your choice at elainemead.rotary@gmail.com

First option goes to those attending the conference

Funds go to the Maternal and Child Health area of focus under The Rotary Foundation.

Summary of Club Giving to
THE ROTARY FOUNDATION
2020/2021 Year to Date .

ANNUAL CLUB GIVING : 12 Participating Clubs.
27 Clubs yet to Contribute.

POLIO PLUS SUPPORT: 13 Participating Clubs
26 Clubs yet to Contribute.

NON GIVING CLUBS : TOTAL 7 out of 39.

*There is still time for both clubs and Individuals to attend to
their Annual Giving Obligations towards*

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION.

It is in the Constitution of every Rotary Club **Club Constitution**

*The purposes of this club are to
pursue the Object of Rotary, carry out
successful service projects based on
the Five Avenues of Service,
contribute to the advancement of
Rotary by strengthening membership,
support The Rotary Foundation,
and develop leaders beyond the club
level.*



District Grant Funding Available

As in past years we have now allocated our district grants for 2020 2021 however there are still some funds available which clubs can apply for.

The conditions are the same as previously but each grant will be limited to \$1000.

The conditions for the issuing of grants are:

- Any club applying for a grant must have a signed MOU with the District and be qualified
- Email applications are preferred
- The project budget must show how the project is to be fully funded
- Clubs will match any grant application request \$ for \$
- Grants will be capped at \$1000 per application.
- A clear audit trail MUST be maintained for all grants. Receipts for goods and services must be retained for submission with the project completion report.
- Clubs requiring more information before lodging an application should contact a member of the District Grants Committee who will be happy to help or advise.
- District Grant projects must be completed within the current Rotary year (before 30 June 2021), and the final report submitted by 1st August 2021 to 9910 District Grants Sub Committee Chair.

If your club wishes to apply please for a grant please mail Roy Dykes (roy@dykes.co.nz) with details.

Rotalite & Avondale Primary School Garden to Table Project



Rotalite West and New Lynn Rotary spent many weeks building raised garden beds at Avondale Primary. The children have since been growing their own vegetables and are loving eating the food they've grown at shared lunches.

Rotalite co-chairperson, Jess Hendriks visited the school last week. They've really enjoyed the garden so far, even with challenges of lockdowns, water shortages and school holidays, they are still growing veges. What a great way to teach children how easy, rewarding and healthy it is to grow our own food.



The 'Dessert Garden' with rhubarb, strawberries and basil



Boxes decorated and scarecrows made by the students.



Watermelon

Rotary at A&P Show

South Kaipara Rotary, a small satellite club based in Helensville, was honored to be asked by the Helensville A & P Show organisers to run a community stand that offered refreshments, shade and a place to rest for the elderly. This is something new the organisers wanted to trial so that our seniors could attend the event without worrying about the availability of shade and a place to rest.

Saturday 27 March saw thousands visiting the show. We were very lucky to meet some amazing people and hear their stories while they took a breather and shared a cold drink with us. The 7 day level 3 lockdown was announced that very night so we feel very fortunate that the event was able to go ahead and the visitors were able to end their level two freedoms on a high note.

A huge thank you to Moira and Bill from Henderson Rotary and District Governor Elaine Mead for sharing a many laughs with us and giving up your time to help at the rest stop.

Angela Gilberd angiezor@gmail.com



MUNA (MODEL UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY) 28-29 May 2021

"MUNA was amazing and changed my life. After MUNA I was so inspired that instead of following science as a career, I went on to do international politics." Past attendee.

Purpose:

- To simulate the working of the United Nations Assembly by having school teams of three, Year 12 and 13 (Forms 6 and 7) students representing a particular UN country in debates on matters of world politics and social concern.
- Debates are held from Friday morning until Saturday afternoon.

Goals:

- To develop in students an awareness of the United Nations and the international situation of the countries of the world.
- To enable students to improve their public speaking and debating skills.
- To encourage students to make informed comments on world problems.
- To encourage students to share their opinions and friendship with students from other schools in Districts 9910 & 9920.

Venue:

Auckland Girls Grammar School, Howe Street, Freemans Bay

Club Planning:

February: Secondary Schools are sent entry forms from Auckland Girls Grammar School. (Clubs are also advised.) Clubs should follow up with their affiliated secondary schools and encourage a team(s) to participate.

Agree and advise the amount of club contribution.

March: Entry forms returned to Auckland Girls Grammar School by participating schools. Organising committee contacts the sponsoring club to determine the level of their sponsorship for invoicing.

April: Invoices will be sent by the organising committee to the school and that school's sponsoring Rotary Club. (Entries close 2 April 2021)

Costs:

\$250 per team of 3 students usually split Rotary Club \$150 and the school \$100 for the first team.

Second and subsequent teams are usually paid for by the school at \$250.

However, some clubs historically have paid all or part of the entry fee for further teams. Your club need agree the amounts with the school.

MUNA Co-ordinator (District 9910/9920)

Contacts:

Chair: Pam Deal

Rotary Club of Downtown Auckland, mobile 0274 587 668,

email pamela.rotary@xtra.co.nz

Committee: Jan Malcolm, Paul Sargison, Owen Williams



William C Daldy

On 14 March 2021 the Auckland Fleet of the International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians (IYFR) organised a day aboard the historic steam tug, the William C Daldy to coincide with the America's Cup racing.

Led by International Vice Commodore David Hansen and Fleet Commodore Youngshin Watkins, members and friends all had a great day out amongst the fleet of boats assembled to watch the racing. Unfortunately the wind conditions failed to cooperate and no racing eventuated.

However, it proved to be a nice day on the water socialising and enjoying a BBQ dinner aboard. As can be seen from the photos, many of the IYFR members couldn't resist the opportunity to explore the working of this beautiful, historic tug and to offer their "wisdom" to the crew.



Amongst the spectator fleet watching the boats practise but no racing that day



Auckland Fleet Treasurer, Peter Johns, talking with the engine room team



The boiler room 'stokers'



A great day to socialise

Rotary on the North Shore help locals to live every moment

Members from Rotary Browns Bay, Takapuna North, North Harbour and East Coast Bays banded together to support local charity Harbour Hospice in the annual Cargo Plus Coastal Challenge Harbour Hospice on Saturday 27 February 2021. Auckland dropped down to COVID19 Alert Level 1 on the week of the event for it to go ahead with stunning weather and in the nick of time before Auckland entered COVID19 Alert Level 3 again at 9pm that night. The event provided Rotary a chance to be seen out on the course and at the finish line while raising \$750 to help provide free specialist palliative care for local families who have a member with a terminal illness.

In total, the 2021 Cargo Plus Coastal Challenge raised over \$28,000 for Harbour Hospice through donations given by runners when registering, marshalling by Rotary, the sausage sizzle by The Rapid Relief Team at the finish line and the corporate Coastal Charity champions competition featuring Pak n Save, BNI and Babcock NZ. Rotary Clubs on the North Shore have been supporting the fundraiser since 2012 where they have helped to raise more than \$10,000 through marshalling.



SPPEDS Update

A big thank you to everyone who made South Pacific Presidents Elect Development Seminar (SPPEDS) 2021 the success that it was.

Who would have thought that COVID 19 would once again see us go into another lockdown, and on top of that tsunami warnings, causing one of our facilitators to evacuate and flee to the hills!

It is times like these that as Rotarians we come together amidst adversity to bring about the change necessary to achieve a common goal. So, with some quick thinking and lots of collaboration, the Learning team converted all the material so we could still deliver a fantastic programme to everyone via Zoom.

YAY - yet another first for our district!

Congratulations to all D9910 Presidents Elect and to the promise of great things that the year ahead brings.

Your commitment to attending SPPEDS 2021 was evident by your attendance, and your participation was well received by us all. Even the issues with the internet could not stop our fellow Rotarians in Vanuatu from joining us. It was indeed a pleasure to be able to impart knowledge that will assist you all, in preparing for your year as President.

What more could I say to you all after this amazing learning weekend? Well just one final plug of course for more learning, and that's "Don't forget the learning centre!" It has a wealth of resources for you.

So my final words for now from all of us, to all of you a big **WELL DONE!**

Georgina Richards, District Learning Lead d9910training.rotary@gmail.com



Georgina, GE Grant Smith and PDG Peter Garnett facilitating a session



Rotary Santo President Heinrich Seosse and AG Rufino Pineda join in from Vanuatu

Bash A Bomb

Over the past few years, Rotary Maungaturoto and Districts have helped the Paparoa Lions man the gates at the Paparoa A & P show. This is one of the few shows around that caters not only for horse jumping and calf roping but also provides a chance for people to show off their best bovine stock. Sheep shearing is very competitive as is the wood chopping. There are a large number of stalls placed round the park and plenty of activities for youngsters to get involved in.

However, this show probably has the biggest indoor section that could be offered by any rural community. This includes flower, vegetable, photographic, hand work of many types, model making, baking, brewing and preserving as well as a large section in which the local primary schools compete with their artwork and writing.

This year President Rodney decided to "break the mould" in a different way. An old 'bomb' (car) was donated so people could pay an entry fee to bash away with a sledgehammer as much as they liked. The said car must have been manufactured some time ago because, at the end of the day, it did not look the worse for wear. The bashing was accompanied by club member Eric on a suitably noisy drum. At the end of the day, some money was made but the bonus was the payment of \$50 to the club by a scrap metal collector.

The jury is out on whether we will try this again.

Eileen Parsons, b.parsons@xtra.co.nz



Totaravale Little Library

As one of Rotaract North Auckland's first projects, the team worked together with Paris Kirby from Catalyse to design and install a Little Library at Totaravale Playcentre. The project arose from a desire from the Playcentre to activate their street frontage and create a sense of community, and it was decided that a Little Library on the front fence where local children could swap books would be a great project.

In December 2020, the Rotaract team worked together to design and construct the library, with Bunnings generously donating the materials. We then painted a base layer to provide the children a base to decorate it as they wished.

We've had feedback that the library is in great use by the community and are now planning stage 2 of the project. The next stage involves repainting the front fence as well as constructing garden beds which will sit on either side of the library. The garden will be planted with herbs for the community to use and signage will also be present to educate users to the benefits of the herbs and how they can be used.

This has been a fantastic first project for the Rotaract North Auckland team to get involved in a local community project and build key relationships. We are already discussing another Totaravale community project with Catalyse in a couple of months and are excited to build on the momentum from this project.

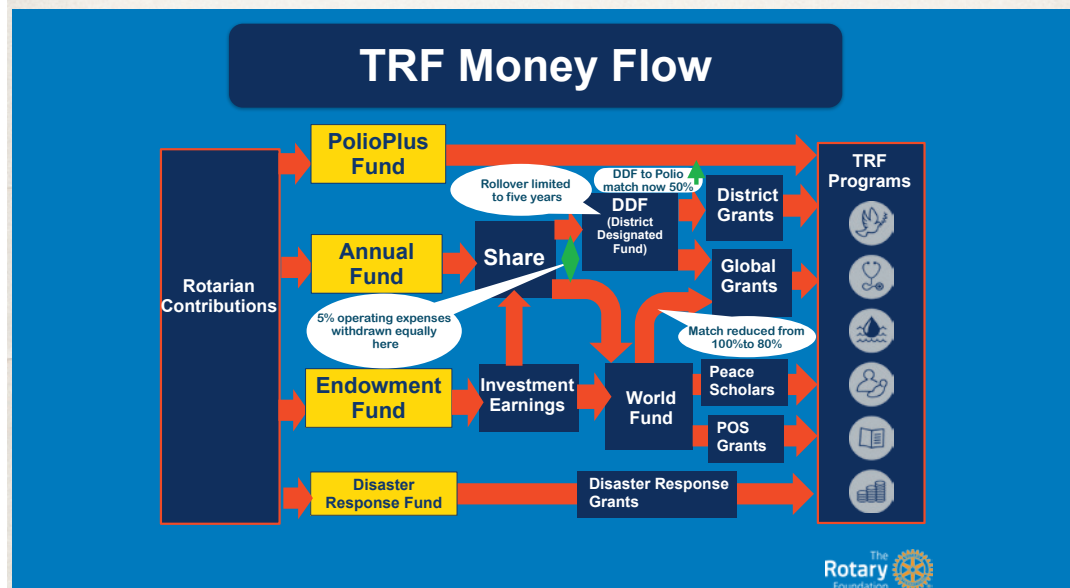
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CHANGES TO TRF MONEY FLOW COMMENCING JULY 2021

District Directory

District Directory can be found on the district website at the following link [District 9910 Directory](#)



Maternity Chairs for North Shore Hospital

Families together and ready to grow stronger thanks to Rotary.

Rotary Clubs East Coast Bays and Browns Bay will help over 1,400 families on the North Shore with comfy nights to gift mums a positive start with their new born babies over the next year.

The local Rotary Clubs have gifted thirteen Reclining Maternity Chairs to North Shore Hospital (via The Well Foundation) so that partners and loved ones of new Mums are close for support. These chairs help to reduce anxiety, allow extra time for families to bond and positively impact their ability to cope once discharged home with their new born.



"We at Browns Bay Rotary are delighted to have been able to support the Well Foundation with provision of these chairs which are making a difference for new Mums and Dads at a very special time in their lives" says Rotary Browns Bay President Derek Smith.

The eleven Reclining Maternity Chairs gifted by East Coast Bays Rotary was raised through its 20th Drive 4 Life Charity Golf Tournament with support from a District Grant. The two Reclining Maternity Chairs gifted by Rotary Browns Bay came from general funds raised by the club and matched funds from a District Grant.

"We're proud to have supported the Well Foundation for a number of years to ensure positive outcomes for people in our local community and look forward to providing more support into the future" said East Coast Bays President Sean Harris.



Historic Scenic West Coast Escorted Tour

I am putting together a tour of the South Island and will offer \$50 donation to a Rotary Fundraiser for each person who books

Historic Scenic West Coast Escorted Tour

13 night Round trip tour from Christchurch

Join me in touring the West Coast which I call 'home', I will tell you stories of its history and take you places no tour company will.

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Maximum of ten people travelling in 15 seater Mini-coach

Three departures

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\$50 donation to a Rotary Fundraiser for every person that books

Minimum of ten to confirm the departure.

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NRG Fundraising Quiz Night

NRG North Shore held a Fundraising Quiz Night to help raise further funds to go towards the purchase and installation of a Seabin into the Milford Marina. Held at the Milford Cruising Club, it was the perfect setting to enjoy a fun night of trivia, a few drinks and to raise some money!

Apart from the Quiz, the NRG team held a silent auction with a number of fantastic prizes up for grabs (like a Sodastream machine, a Takapuna date night pack, and a hamper of Easter treats), as well as an exciting live auction run by Shane Cortese! The auction featured a luxury weekend car hire from Mercedes Benz North Shore, as well as a trio of boutique, handcrafted beverages from CarbonSix Distillery in Takapuna (which proved very popular!), as well as an outdoor patio heater donated by Kelray Outdoor Heating. Quiz-goers also took part in a night-long raffle and had over 15 chances to win their pick of something from the table of prizes.

The winning team on the night took home a first prize of bottles of wine donated by the Milford Cruising Club and a hamper of goodies from Countdown Milford.

There were 2 best dressed prizes awarded, with the best-dressed couple going to PDG Jerry and Fay Norman!

Big thank you to the Milford Rotary members who helped on the evening, and to all 110 people that attended and gave money. The final figures are still being confirmed, but it looks like over \$3,500 was raised on the night, which was a fantastic effort and so close to the fundraising goal!

NRG would also like to thank their sponsors Carpenter Realty Ltd and Mercedes Benz North Shore, and all the supporters who donated prizes or time. The event was a great success, and they hope everyone had an enjoyable night.

NRG are so close to getting a Seabin installed, with approximately \$8,500 collected to date – so watch this space!

Hannah Stoddart hannah.stoddart@hotmail.co.nz



The Great Lily Hunt!



The Rotary Club of Norfolk Island, Foodland Supermarket and The Flora & Fauna Society combined in a community environmental project to assist landholders with ridding the island of an aggressive weed, the Formosan Lily.

During February, community members were encouraged to seek out infestations and collect the troublesome weeds. Collectors were rewarded with 10c per stem collected with bonus prizes for the top three collectors.

The Norfolk Island Flora & Fauna society reported that the number of weeds collected this year set a record for the annual Lily Hunt. It is anticipated that the local Council will soon add the Formosan Lily to its list of noxious weeds and introduce a control and eradication strategy.



Blast from the Past

A club charter night is always cause for celebration but it was particularly special for the Rotary Club of North Harbour on 7 July 1989.

Rotary International had just changed its constitution to allow women members and Rotary North Harbour was probably the first charter club in New Zealand (maybe the world) to induct female members. It even merited an article in the NZ Herald!

DG Ken Baird and Charter President, Matt Rangiua, inducted Lynnette Simmonds and Diana Ward, along with 36 men into the family of Rotary.

Articles from a local newspaper and the NZ Herald 8 July 1989



PDG Ken Baird with Lyn Simmonds (L) and Diana Ward (R)

New Rotary club on Shore

A New Rotary Club, the North Harbour Rotary Club accepted its charter from Rotary International last week.

The Club is the first Friday morning breakfast Rotary Club on the North Shore, and the first Rotary Club in New Zealand to charter with lady members.

The Club chartered with 38 members, with a further nine or ten members joining now the charter is in force. Because the formation of a new Rotary Club is a relatively infrequent event it is considered in Rotary circles to be an honour and privilege to be a charter, or

foundation member of any Rotary Club.

The Charter membership of the new Club has a vibrant and active membership upholding the aims of Rotary International, those of fellowship and community service. In fact the North Harbour Rotary Club is already involved in the Youth Rotary Exchange Scheme. They will be hosting a 16 year old Norwegian girl from August this year.

They will also be sponsoring a Westlake Boy's High School student for twelve months in Brazil.

The new president of the North Harbour Rotary Club is Mr Matu Rangiua.

Two women cross Rotary threshold

By ALISON WHITLEY

Two Auckland women crossed the threshold into the male-dominated Rotarian world last night as official foundation members of a new North Shore club.

But one week after the door into the service organisation opened to the opposite sex, few women have been allowed through it.

The women, Diana Ward, a television director-producer, and Lyn Simmonds, a manager at the Auckland Technical Institute Akoranga campus, are outweighed in the new North Harbour Rotary Club by 36 men.

The club president, Mr Matu Rangiua, last night denied that only having two women nominated as founding members was a token gesture.

"Far from it," said Mr Rangiua, who as education co-ordinator for the Race Rela-

tions Office in Auckland, "saw all those gender problems" in the world he worked in.

Asked about impending nominations of other women, Mr Noel Holyoake, the district governor representing Rotary clubs from the Auckland Harbour Bridge to the Bombay Hills as well as Samoa, Tonga and Rarotonga, said yesterday he was not aware of any.

Nor was Mr Ken Baird, the district governor heading the rest of New Zealand clubs north of the bridge, plus Norfolk Island, Vanuatu and New Caledonia.

Diana Ward played down her history-making membership of the North Harbour club, the first in the South Pacific to allow women foundation members, saying while she was very happy to be nominated and accepted, it was not a big issue that she was a woman.

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Each One, Bring One the call from R.I.

Rotary's incoming President Shekhar Mehta has a powerful vision for Rotary membership - 1.3 million members by 1 July 2023.

The President-Elect laid out his plans for membership growth to incoming District Governors at the recently held virtual International Assembly.

Members are Rotary's biggest asset according to President-Elect Shekhar.

It is members who do the good, who raise funds for Rotary's Foundation and who have put Rotary 'this close' to eradicating polio. More members will mean that Rotary can serve more and change even more lives.

Underpinning his vision for growth is a straightforward strategy, **'Each One Bring One'**.

President-Elect Shekhar is asking Rotarians to recognise that growing Rotary is an individual responsibility - to share the gift of Rotary with one new person. He encourages members to focus on increasing diversity; to attract more women, more young people, more Rotaractors. He encourages clubs to make every new induction a celebration and to recognise the Rotarians who sponsor new members into the club.

Alongside his plan for 'Each One Bring One', President-Elect Shekhar is asking clubs to also focus on engaging and retaining members. He encourages clubs to hold tight to the innovations which have occurred during the pandemic and to adopt other new ideas to create strong and vibrant clubs.

The third plank in President-Elect Shekhar's membership plan is forming new and different types of clubs. Whilst there are still ample opportunities to create new conventional clubs – especially in underserved areas – there are even more opportunities to create new types of clubs, according to the President-Elect. These new club models, like virtual, hybrid, satellite, cause-based and passport clubs

are an essential avenue for growth, making Rotary more accessible and inclusive.

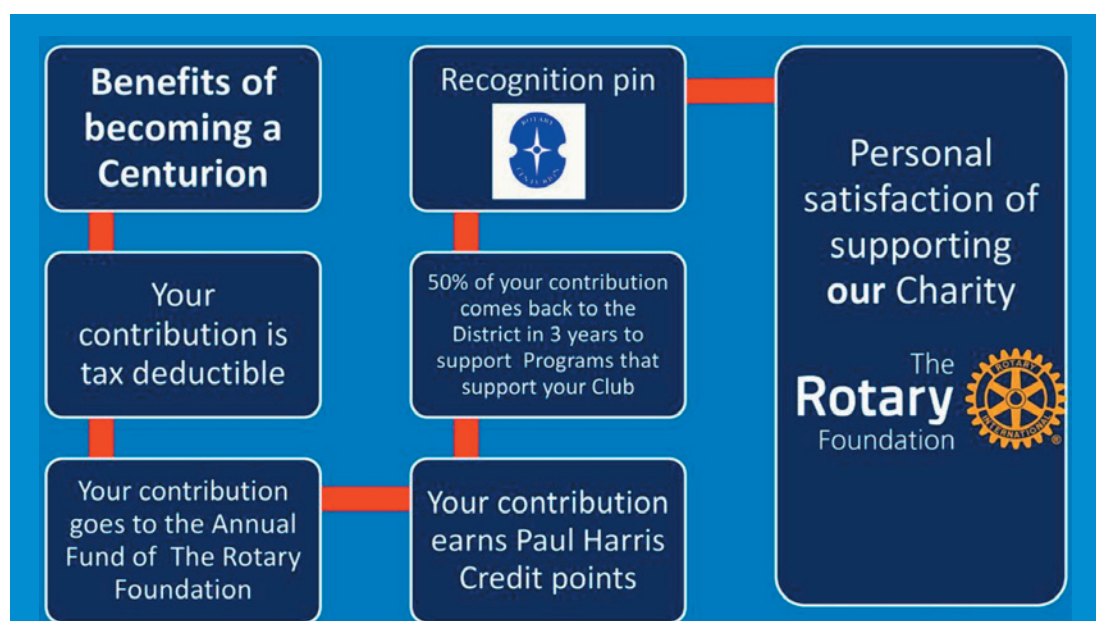
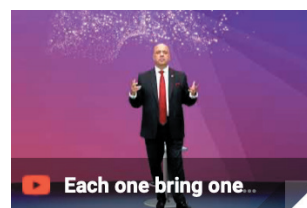
New types of clubs will also underpin the growth of Rotaract and the President Elect urges Rotaractors to have similar plans. Strong leadership is key to achieving the target of 1.3 million Rotarians according to President-Elect Shekhar. District Governors have a vital role to ensure that every Rotarian hears the call to share the gift of Rotary with one new member.

Together we can and together we will" he says, "so that Rotarians can serve to change even more lives in future".

Why not have a discussion in your club now about how your club can adopt the 'Each One Bring One' programme?

A great way to start is to get your members to submit names of people they know in the community that they think would make good Rotarians. Collate a list and invite them to a Rotary Information Event using the Yass model which many of our District 9910 clubs have had success with. Each club that runs these events has been successful in recruiting new members. Be careful to follow the steps closely to get the best results!

For more information see the Club Development page on the Rotary District 9910 site: <https://bit.ly/3riaTOM> and for a video of Rotary International President Elect Shekhar Mehta talking about Each One Bring One, see https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H8_Q9CrlocY



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