

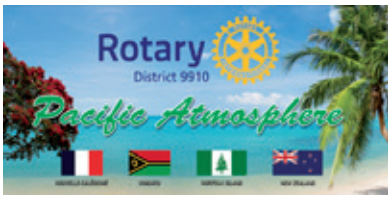
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Elaine Mead and Peter Garnett

NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2020

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



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CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

Wow – almost one whole month for us here in Auckland at Level 1!

Thank goodness the Polio All Transit event on the Auckland train and ferry networks was able to go ahead on Friday 23 October. The combined district project team worked hard to pull this together – bigger, better, bolder. If you didn't follow us via social media on the day, there are photos in this newsletter and on both our Rotary District 9910 ***Facebook Page*** and ***Group***. The highlight of World Polio Day in Auckland was a projection of the 'End Polio Now' logo onto the Aotea Centre in the central city. Rotary International created a fabulous ***World Polio Day Global Update*** which would be ideal for a meeting in place of a speaker.

It has been wonderful to be able to get back out to clubs and join in on various events and projects and make some long, overdue presentations. A couple of awards from District Changeover and all of the 2019-2020 Rotary Citations will be delivered by the end of the month. We put unused muscles to work at the Waitakere Hospital pond project (a multi-club project in Area 6) and supported various clubs with movie fundraisers, collections and celebrations.

At this time of the year, we head into what I call the 'grey zone' of the Rotary year. Incoming leaders will start preparation sessions with Governor-Elect Grant in November, planning for 2021-2022, whilst the current leadership team are in the midst of working through their plan for **this** Rotary year. There is a lot of overlap. The key to success is working together to build the dynamic, viable clubs and district of which we are proud to be members.

My impression is some clubs are about three-months behind themselves as a result of disruption earlier in the year and there is some hesitancy to plan ahead. Whilst potentially difficult, it's not impossible and requires a different approach, creating Plan A and Plan B. In most cases the ground work has been laid for either situation and the majority of clubs have proven their adaptability. As an example, the Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) scheduled for 2-8 May 2021 will go ahead, because the RYLA team will have a Plan B online option in place, should it be needed.

Elaine Mead
Governor - District 9910
2020-2021



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Christmas Puddings and Cakes

Great gifts for clients or staff!
Christmas Puddings (Rotary) and Christmas Cakes (Lions) are now available to order via the following links.

Rotary Christmas Puddings organised by Rotary Ellerslie Sunrise
Lions Christmas Cakes

Buzzin' Around with Governor Elaine



29 Sept - a PHF+1 for Pat Moore (Rotary Milford) at the club celebration for his 95th birthday



1 Oct - Rotary Auckland Korean's Past Presidents prepare to cut the 15th birthday cake



1 Oct - What do you recommend we try next?



4 Oct - Orewa Beach clean up crew from Rotary Orewa and Orewa-Millwater satellite



11 Oct - Daisy, the hospital cat, makes sure the muffins pass the sniff test



11 Oct - Panorama of the Rotary Henderson and New Lynn pond project at Waitakere Hospital



11 Oct - Rotarians on a break from work, surveying progress made so far



13 Oct - Rotary Epsom's 28th birthday dinner



14 Oct - Rotary Whangarei won the District Foundation Shield in 2019-20, finally getting to present it to President at the time, Maurice Shicker.



15 Oct - District 9910's female governors; Maxine Neighbour (2011-12), Elaine Mead (2020-21), Sandra McKersey (2001-02)



16 Oct - Massey High School Interact's outgoing 2020 leaders with AG Patrick Howard



16 Oct - Massey High School Interact's 2021 leaders



17 Oct - Admiring the cake with President Wendy Coyle at Rotary Henderson's 60th birthday party



21 Oct - North Shore clubs showing of the 'I Am Woman' Polio movie fundraiser with District PI Lead, Jenna Tuuta



23 Oct - Tag You On Tag Polio Off awareness and fundraiser event on the trains.....



23 Oct.....and ferries of the Auckland network.



24 Oct - 9910 and 9920 Rotary members gather to celebrate the End Polio Now projection onto the Aotea Centre wrap on World Polio Day.



24 Oct - Helping with the collection for Make-A-Wish Foundation and the Yes Disability Resource Centre at Takapuna Rocks Festival

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District Diary

28 October	Rotary Birkenhead - Eat My Lunch Volunteering
29 October	Rotary East Coast Bays - Golf Tournament
31 Oct-1 Nov	Auckland Diwali Festival
31 Oct-1 Nov	Rotary Kerikeri - Garden Safari
31 Oct-1 Nov	Rotary Henderson - Waitakere Hospital pond project
1 November	Auckland Marathon
3-8 Nov.	Rotary Takapuna North - Epic Journey Car Rally
4 November	Area 4 & 5 Presidents' meeting Rotary Orewa-Millwater - Polio Movie Night Foundation Committee
6-7 Nov.	Rotary Waipapa Book Fair
7 November	Rotary Noumea Ouen Toro birthday (chartered 1994)
8 November	Rotary North Harbour - Golf Tournament D9910 Board ZOOM meeting D9910 District Management ZOOM Meeting
12 November	Rotary Henderson Golf tournament
13 November	Rotalite - A Night At The Races
14 November	Rotary Auckland Korean - Korean Day booth Rotary Bay of Islands - Paihia Wharf clock unveiling
15 November	Rotary ECB - Hobsonville Point Clean Up Rotary Takapuna North - Wine & Roses
19 November	Rotary Browns Bay - Jumbo Tennis Rotary Westhaven 25th birthday
20 November	Rotary Westhaven bday (chartered 1995)
21 November	Kerikeri Half-Marathon Rotary Whangarei City Garden Party
22 November	Rotary East Coast Bays - Deep Creek pontoon
23 November	Deadline for content to Governor Newsletter Editor
25 November	ROZOps Board meeting
27 November	Rotary Browns Bay - Golf tournament
28 November	Rotary Milford - Christmas by the Lake Rotary Takapuna North - Lockheed visit Rotary Whangarei clubs - Santa Parade Presidents-Elect Learning
29 November	Presidents-Elect Learning
30 November	Interact 2020 Video Awards deadline

PI Tip - Share Rotary Stories.



This month's Public Image tip is simple but easily forgotten. It's important for Rotary members to share stories of Rotary projects in which they have been involved. Whether it is on-sharing a social media post from your Club Facebook page to your personal Facebook page, sending a link via e-mail or mentioning Rotary in a casual conversation with friends. If you don't vouch for Rotary, who will?

Literacy Advocacy Continues.

Literacy month is over, but the need for literacy advocacy continues. Join the District Literacy Committee meeting to be held via Zoom or in person, 10 am, Sunday November 29 2020. Contact Geoff Chamberlain 0221240455 or ***geoff@chamberlainz.com*** for details.

Literacy Fun Fact:
Reading and talking with children plays an important role in developing their vocabulary. Typically, more words are used in written language than in spoken language. The more you read to children, the larger vocabulary they will develop. Research has shown children learn new words by:

- Hearing a word over and over.
- Hearing words spoken by the important people in their lives: Mum, Dad, siblings, grandparents.
- Hearing words in a meaningful context – during conversation at dinner, in the car, while playing and while reading.

Source: Reading Rockets. ***https://www.readingrockets.org/article/oral-language-expanding-your-childs-vocabulary***

District Directory

District Directory can be found on the district website at the following link ***District 9910 Directory***

Rotary Citations

Congratulations to seven of our clubs and their 2019-20 Presidents who received Rotary Citations this month from Past Vice-Governor Peter Garnett on behalf of immediate Past Governor, Ian Kiernan.

Each Rotary year, the RI President identifies key goals for clubs to achieve a Rotary Citation. In 2019-20, PRIP Mark Maloney added levels of distinction.

Any Rotary member with a My Rotary account can check their club's goals and progress. ***More information on Rotary Citation.***

Out of the 255 clubs in New Zealand and the Pacific Islands, 30 D9910 clubs achieved a Rotary Citation for 2019-20 - Citation (6); Silver (7); Gold (11); Platinum (6)

Citation -	Milford
Citation (Silver) -	Bay of Islands, Browns Bay, Hillsborough Lynfield Mt Roskill
Citation (Gold) -	Albany, Whangarei South
Citation (Platinum) -	Whangarei City



MUST READ BOOK FOR ROTARY CLUB PRESIDENTS
MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORS AND THOSE PASSIONATE ABOUT THE FUTURE OF ROTARY:

Creatures of Habit – Understanding and disrupting the patterns of service club membership decline by Mark Huddleston.

With over 30 years' combined experience in Rotary and Rotaract, Mark Huddleston is a respected and much sought after commentator, presenter and prolific blogger on Rotary's membership challenges. He is a former District Membership Chair who has spoken at over 100 clubs, conferences and training events. He is passionate about modernising Rotary and making the organisation more attractive to a younger audience. Mark was also the driving force behind the creation of the Rotary Club of Seaford (South Australia), against a background of serious membership decline and club closures. In his book 'Creatures of Habit', Mark shares his insights on why so many Rotary clubs are struggling with membership, and more importantly what can be done to turn things around.

Some reviews of the book:
"The need for change and reinvention is paramount for every organisation today and Rotary International is no exception. In this timely and important book, Mark takes a candid look at the reasons why change in Rotary is so critical and offers a practical game plan for making the organisation future-fit and relevant for the years to come."
Michael McQueen
Trends forecaster and 5-time bestselling author.

This morning can I urge every Rotarian in the World where Rotary is declining to read Mark Huddleston's book "Creatures of Habit"; especially chapter Chapter 10 - The Epithany starting on page 45. I quote "If we really want to fix our membership problem; our obsession with meetings is the single biggest issue we need to address." he goes onto say "While meetings remain at the centre of our Rotary universe, we will continue to lose relevance, and we will continue to lose members.

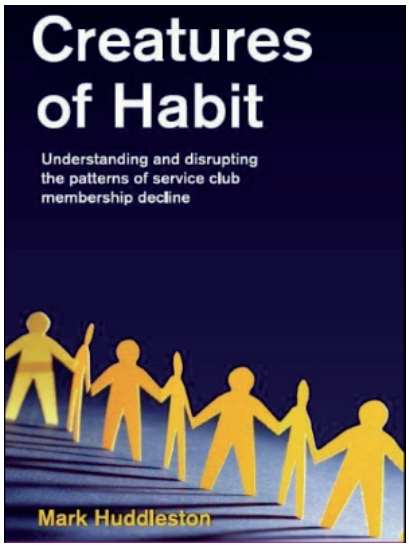
This a brilliant book and I recommend it is read by every Rotarian in our organisation, let's be the People of Action who are determined to refresh our Rotary for the 21st Century.
Tim Mason, District 1110, England

Creatures of Habit – Understanding and disrupting the patterns of service club membership decline can be purchased from ***http://www.sfzpublishing.net/***

Mark's blog can be found at:
https://markedwardhuddleston.blogspot.com/

WIN A COPY:
OR: Go into the draw to win a copy – just email ***membership@rotarydistrict9910.org.nz*** and tell us about what challenges you are having with membership in your club. Draw closes 22nd November 2020.

BORROW A COPY:
The District has several copies of the book available for clubs who would like to borrow a copy. Please email ***membership@rotarydistrict9910.org.nz*** with your name, club name and postal address.



Reconnect Week

Rotary Whangarei South had a Reconnect evening on Thursday 8th October. We invited some of the youngsters we have supported on IYE, Science Forum, RYLA, their parents, host parents and Rotarians who have left the club. Club members and their partners enjoyed meeting each other and our Alumni. Though only a small number were able to attend due to the school holidays, we had a good time playing croquet and other outdoor games. The food was excellent and some of the young people entertained us on their guitars and voices. Unfortunately, we were so busy having fun, that we forgot to take many photos!! *Tazmina Crisp (Rotary Whangarei South, District Alumni team, Group Study Exchange 2013).*

Future Rotary Alumni

Governor Elaine met with the outgoing and incoming leaders of the Massey High School Interact this month.

Year 13 students, Jess and Daniel will be at Auckland University next year and have passed the Interact leadership to Caitlin, Lyncey and Yujung

If you held or are planning to hold an Alumni event please advise District Alumni Lead, Craig Jones and send write-up and photos to ***craig@empiredevelopment.co.nz***





November is Rotary Foundation Month

Rotary D9910 Centurion Programme

The D9910 Centurion programme is the simple way to make a personal contribution to The Rotary Foundation

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An annual donation of $100 to the Centurion programme helps the Rotary Foundation to provide grants which empower Rotarians to confront challenges such as poverty, illiteracy, and malnutrition and deliver sustainable solutions that leave a lasting impact.

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"Whether we're building a new playground or a new school, improving medical care or sanitation, training conflict mediators or midwives, we know that the work we do will change people's lives — in ways large and small — for the better." *PRIP & TRF Chair, K.R Ravindran*

For more details contact David Oliphant ***doliphant.rotary@gmail.com***

Club Recognition Program

The Rotary Foundation has a range of individual recognition programs but the districts in Australia and New Zealand / Pacific have created two programs to recognise club contributions, funded through their own fundraising activities.

Both programs offer five levels of recognition and include all contributions that a club makes to the Foundation, including to the Annual Fund, Polio Fund, Global Grants, the Endowment and the Disaster Response Fund.

They do not include contributions the Foundation has recognised as being made by the club's members or others. Clubs that qualify for these recognitions receive a certificate and the right to use the icons in their web pages, social media pages, newsletters etc.

Club Annual Donor
Recognises a club's ***per-member giving to the Foundation during the past twelve months:***



Level I
US$100+ per member



Level II
US$250+ per member



Level III
US$500+ per member



Level IV
US$750+ per member



Level V
US$1,000+ per member

Club Major Donor
Recognises a club's ***all-time giving to the Foundation:***



Bronze
US$100,000+



Silver
US$250,000+



Gold
US$500,000+



Platimum
US$750,000+



Diamond
US$1,000,000+



Polio All Transit Auckland

A sea of red welcomed Auckland commuters on Friday 23 October as hundreds of Rotarians and friends took to Auckland trains and ferries in a campaign to raise awareness about ending polio.

The Polio All Transit (PAT) event was a joint effort from both District 9910 and 9920 where Rotary club volunteers rode around the Auckland public transport network wearing red End Polio Now shirts to raise funds to eradicate polio from the world and to increase public awareness of the End Polio Now campaign.

This year the event was expanded from just the train network to include the Auckland ferry network. Tony Hooks (Rotary Browns Bay) organised the ferry event, and a team from his club started riding the ferries at 6am, supported later in the day by members from Rotary Auckland Korean.

The Train event commenced at Britomart Station where Auckland's Mayor Phil Goff, along with ACT leader David Seymour, and local politicians Chris Luxon and Simeon Brown welcomed the more than 60 participants. Then it was onto the trains where Rotarians, including several Past and Present Governors, along with several International beauty queens rode to all the Auckland train stations during the day. Thanks to all the organisers and participants for your support on the day, and we now look forward to an even bigger and better End Polio Now event in 2021.



The train riding team at Onehunga station



Rotary Onehunga One Tree Hill presents their Polio contribution to GE Grant Smith and AG Min Roche



The 'sea of red' at Swanson station



Rotary Papakura provided lunch pizzas and sausages at Papakura station. Rotary Hillsborough, Lynfield, Mt Roskill members



GE Grant riding the train



Britomart Team - The train riders gather together before heading off



Mayoral Send off - Auckland Mayor Phil Goff provides a rousing send-off



Swanson - Buzzy and Nessie travelling with the Miss NZ contestants

What was your club's World Polio Day event?
Register it on this page
https://www.endpolio.org/world-polio-day
and discover what else was or is happening around the world.
Get some new ideas!

Thanks to Auckland Transport, Fullers 360, Belaire Ferries, Sealink, all the organisers and participants for your support on the day, and we now look forward to an even bigger and better End Polio Now event in 2021.



The train riders who finished at 18:30



The early morning ferry riders who started at 6:00 to Waiheke



They were met by Rotary Waiheke members who drove them over to the car ferry



Rotary Whangaparaoa met the ferry riders at Gulf Harbour with a pledge to polio



Some of the fabulous AT staff



Rotary Auckland Korean members joined the ferry riders



Collecting from passengers



Ferry riding with the family



The friendly gesture by The Rainbow Whisk cafe at West Harbour



D9910 Train Riders!



Ferry riders met at West Harbour by Rotaract



24 Oct - D9910 represented at the End Polio Now projection on the Aotea Centre

Reducing Waste:

Living in a more sustainable way doesn't have to be complicated, or expensive. Often it's a matter of making those small, everyday swaps - simple changes to the things that you do on autopilot purely by supporting brands that use recycled plastic packaging - This plastic is getting a second life and the packaging uses what already exists, rather than being created new for each product.



Reducing plastic waste:

1. Use re-useable shopping bags for food shopping (this includes the re-useable mesh / cloth fruit and vege bags). Keep them in the car so that they're there ready to go for any unplanned trips to the supermarket! Tip - after unpacking the groceries, put the bags next to the front door to be put back in the car for the next shopping trip.

2. Avoid purchasing fruit and veges packaged in plastic if there is the option to select your own, unpackaged pieces (admittedly, sometimes it comes down to a financial decision where pre-packaged is cheaper).

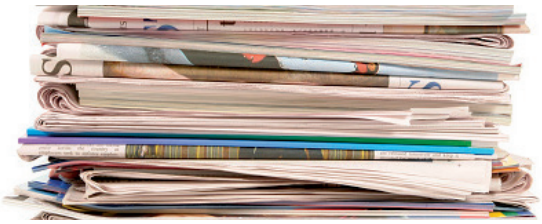
3. Opt for bulk bin options where possible for nuts, seeds, grains, rice, dried fruit etc, and re-use the zip lock bags. Every time that you do this it is one less piece of plastic packaging being used!

4. Buy in bulk for items that have a long shelf life or that you know you will get through before it goes off.

5. Opt for items that are packaged in recyclable materials (e.g. glass jars, cardboard boxes) as opposed to single use plastic packaging.

6. Support brands that use recycled plastic packaging - This plastic is getting a second life and the packaging uses what already exists, rather than being created new for each product.

7. Swap out bottled body wash for the old fashioned bar of soap!



Reducing paper waste:

1. Invest in a re-useable coffee cup - no more takeaway cup waste! What you may not know is that most takeaway coffee cups cannot be recycled due to the plastic lining on the inside. So it's straight to landfill for them! Save the earth and bring along your own to your favorite cafe - Some places even offer a discount for re-useable cups.

2. Cancel the magazine subscriptions for those magazines that you are sent in the mail but never read!

3. Cancel the paper statements or bills sent in the mail if there is the alternative for email statements or bills instead.

4. Use both sides of paper before throwing it out - if it's still clean on the back of the page, keep it as scrap paper for scribbling on at a later date!

5. Opt for online or PDF versions of any paperwork instead of printing them out - no need to worry about losing papers or finding the space to store them!



Reducing food (and kitchen) waste:

1. If you have fruit or veges that need to be eaten and you don't think you'll get through in time, cut them up and freeze them. They're ready to go for your next soup, stir fry, curry, or smoothie. You also save on the cost of buying frozen fruit or veges from the store!

2. Do a fridge clear out at the end of each week and put those little left overs on a pizza or through a curry!

3. Start a compost pile or worm farm so that the food waste can go back to the earth instead of in the bin. If you don't have space in your garden for a compost bin, you can donate your food waste to other people using websites such as ***https://www.sharewaste.org.nz***/.

4. When transporting or storing food, swap out the Glad-wrap and sandwich bags with beeswax wraps or lunchboxes. If the food will be eaten the next day, even simply placing a plate on top of a bowl to store food in the fridge does the job fine.

Vote with your $$$.

Which businesses are taking action to reduce their packaging and production waste? Which businesses are local, Kiwi-owned, and therefore have less environmental cost involved in getting the item to the consumer? By purchasing from these companies, you are supporting them to continue doing the awesome work that they do. With our current situation there's more reason then ever to buy local and support local!

There are so many ways that you can make changes for a more environmentally conscious lifestyle - and sometimes it can feel overwhelming! Start by choosing just one or two of the suggestions and build upwards from there as you successfully implement them. Pick the lowest hanging fruit - those changes that you can make easily and that you feel will be sustainable within your lifestyle. When it comes to living an eco-friendly lifestyle, it's about those little things that you do on a daily basis that make up the bigger picture.

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Presidents-Elect Training 1

We would like to invite all incoming Club Presidents to join us for Presidents Elect Training in November 2020. The one-day Presidents Elect Training workshop helps Presidents-Elect from our District 9910 Rotary clubs to prepare for their terms.

Incoming club presidents learn about their roles and responsibilities, goal setting, club administration, and member recruitment, education, and retention. The meeting is an opportunity for incoming club presidents to meet and build strong working relationships with their District Governor-Elect and incoming Assistant Governors.

There will be two one-day workshops held in November in both Auckland and Whangarei:

1) Saturday November 28, 2020 in Auckland
or
2) Sunday November 29, 2020 in Whangarei.

We look forward to you joining us. To register for either day, or for more information please contact Georgina Richards at ***d9910training.rotary@gmail.com***

Regionalisation Pilot Update

The Rotary International Board meets in November 2020 and will consider a proposal by the Shaping Rotary's Future committee to move toward Regionalisation. Governance would move from the current 527 Districts to 20-40 Regions. This would allow more Regional autonomy and provide more support for Clubs, Rotarians and Rotaractors.

In Jan 2019, the RI Board approved a petition from the District Governors of Zone 8 (Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands) to propose a Regional structure and approach to halt membership decline, provide a stronger Rotary voice and better partnerships with government, business and communities. Our work since receiving that approval means we are well placed to modernise Rotary in our Region, if the RI Board votes to proceed toward Regionalisation.

There have been articles covering this in Rotary Down Under (***Nov 2019*** pp46-51, ***April 2020*** pp50-51 and Sept 2020 pp40-42). Formal approval to establish Regional Pilots will be required at the next Council on Legislation in April 2022. The earliest implementation in our Region would be for the 2023-24 Rotary year.

If you would like to receive a copy of the submission by our Region or have any questions, please email the project team at ***rotaryregionalpilot@gmail.com***

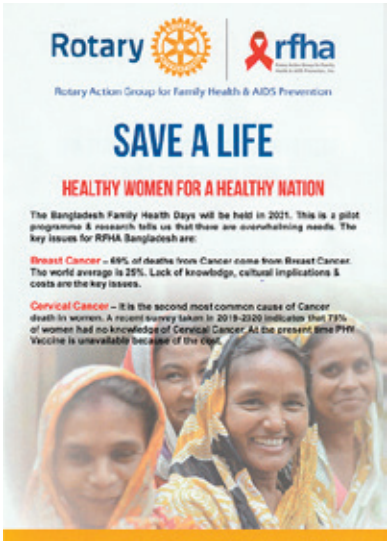
Ingrid Waugh D9920 and Peter Frueh D9800
Co-Chairs Planning Group for Zone 8 Regional Pilot Structure

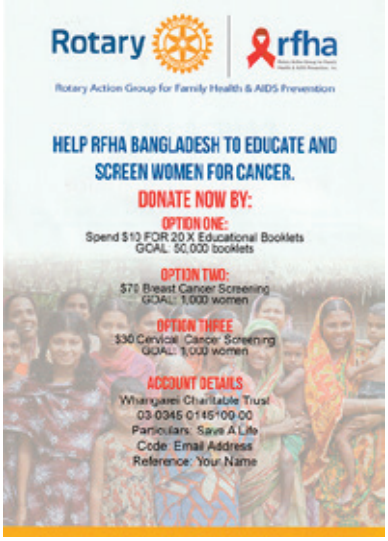
Rotarians in RAGs

Rotary Action Groups (RAGs) are independent, Rotary-affiliated groups made up of people from around the world who are experts in a particular field, such as education, peace, addiction prevention, the environment, or water.
Action groups offer their technical expertise and support to help clubs plan and implement projects to increase our impact. This support includes helping clubs find partners, funding, and other resources. Action groups can also help clubs and districts prepare grant applications, conduct community assessments, and develop plans to monitor and evaluate their projects.

Discover more about RAGs and the number of areas they cover at this link ***https://my.rotary.org/en/take-action/empower-leaders/rotary-action-groups***

PG Sandra McKersey is Chair of the Rotary Action Group for Family Health and AIDS Prevention.





Blast from the Past

In 1959, Rotary Takapuna initiated and fostered the establishment of Abilities (North Shore) Inc, now called ***Abilities Group***. It provides employment, opportunity and a sense of purpose for people that find it difficult, if not impossible; to obtain work in the community. Today the Abilities Group employs almost 150 people, mainly in essential environmental management and recycling activities.





"*Photo contributions to 'Blast from the Past' can be sent to* ***rotarynewsletter9910@gmail.com*** *with short descriptive caption*"

Rotary Henderson 60th Anniversary

Henderson Rotary celebrated their 60th anniversary as a club in October. The night was themed with diamonds and held at the Northern Club in town. We were fortunate to have so many people join us both in person and virtually. Our sister club in Taipei Pacific were not able to join us due to Covid but sent a wonderful video, as did many other people via video to show their support.

President Wendy presented two Paul Harris Fellows, a double sapphire to Mr Tom Hendriks Senior for 59 years of wonderful service to our club and a fourth sapphire to Mr. Bill Horne for the tremendous work he does for our club and for Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children (ROMAC).











World Interact Day - 5 November

Rotary clubs can energise and inspire young leaders aged 12 - 18 through service and encourage them to become responsible global citizens by supporting Interact clubs - usually established within schools. We have five active Interact clubs in our district:

Mt Albert Grammar School (supported by Westhaven)
Pinehurst School (supported by East Coast Bays)
Massey High School (supported by Waitakere)
Huanui College (supported by Whangarei City)
Westlake Boys High School (supported by Milford)
Excellere College (supported by Whangarei City)

Next month, 2-8 November is World Interact Week during which World Interact Day is held.

Check out the Facebook Event or share it with your Interact club ***https://fb.me/e/6YAZ1Wxe5***

Discover more information on Interact at this link ***https://www.rotary.org/en/get-involved/interact-clubs***

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***

Rainwater Harvesting Project

A huge thank you to all clubs, organisations and individuals who contributed to the TAFEA College Rainwater Harvesting Project that was completed in September.

Rotary Browns Bay President Derek Smith was pleased to advise that the project was officially completed after delays resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Six 10,000 Litre rainwater tanks and associated water collection systems (cyclone-resistant guttering and downpipes) were installed by school maintenance staff under the supervision of Vanuatu based contractor, PTH Ltd of Port Vila.

TAFEA College Deputy Administrator Principal said “TAFEA College is very grateful and appreciates Rotary’s valuable assistance and I look forward to meeting you again in the future”. TAFEA college is a 400 student boarding high school on the Island of Tanna, Vanuatu whose previous water supply was from artesian sources that was of inadequate quantity and quality for human consumption.

Congratulations to Derek and the project contributors!









Waitakere Hospital Pond Project


Before work started

Rotary Henderson with help from their satellite club, Rotalite West Auckland and Rotary New Lynn, have been busy with a major project redeveloping a large pond area behind the Waitakere Hospital in Henderson. In Rotary Henderson's 60th year the club was determined, despite COVID-19 to deliver a large sized project which would allow all our members to participate in some hands-on work – whether it be chainsawing, hauling branches, mulching, planting or organising morning teas and lunches for the hungry volunteers.



The project, which has been in discussion for nearly two years was brought to the club by The Well Foundation, the charitable arm of the Waitemata District Health Board. An amazing design has been prepared by Tania Barke, from Through The Garden Gate Design.

The pond area is used by patients and their families as well as staff from the hospital who find it a quiet place to temporarily escape the pressures of the hospital environment. Over the years the area has become quite overgrown – not helped by the dumping of two very large piles of debris excavated from the site of the new emergency department which was constructed around five years ago. In fact, a large amount of kikuyu, gorse and wattles had taken over part of the site, and tea tree had grown up blocking the view of the pond and making hospital staff hesitant about using the area.

Over a number of weekends, members from the three clubs involved have been cutting down a large number of trees which were then used for mulching and firewood. A digger was then onsite for nearly two weeks excavating and reshaping two mounds of dirt and adding over 300 cubic metres of additional soil to them to turn them into something representing two sets of arms wrapping themselves around the pond.

In the coming weeks a number of working bees will be held to plant a large number of new trees, shrubs and tussock grasses on the site. The project will be completed by the addition of some seating which has been funded by way of a Rotary Foundation District Grant with matching financial contributions from Rotary Henderson and Rotary New Lynn.

We were pleased to have District Governor Elaine Mead and Peter Garnett on site for one of the working bees. "It was certainly not just a photo opportunity – both worked super hard and we're grateful for their support of this exciting project", said Wendy Coyle, President of Henderson Rotary.

"It is also great to work collaboratively with our friends at Rotary New Lynn. We really value their input and hard work on this project", said Wendy.











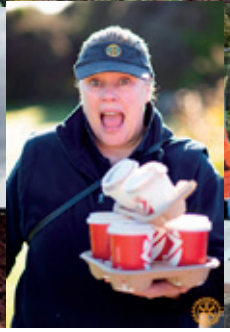
















GOLF DAY FUND RAISER FOR STARSHIP AIR AMBULANCE

Rotary Browns Bay



This is Rotary Browns Bay's inaugural Golf Tournament. This is to be our major annual fund raising event for those needy organisations that make New Zealand so great.
This year we have chosen the Starship National Air Ambulance.
We plan to make this a fun day and have a variety of prizes for all sorts of novelty activities and levels of skill

VENUE: NORTH SHORE GOLF CLUB
51 Appleby Road
Albany
DATE: Thursday 19th November 2020

ENTRANCE FEE: $140 incl dinner
Carts available
Non Playing Dinner Guest $30

COMPETITION: 4 Ball Stableford, best 2 scores to count. Prizes for longest drives, nearest pins, beat the pro, plus other novelty events. Mulligans available

STEVE WILLIAMS
We're delighted to announce that our special guest, Steve Williams, will be running a Par 3 donation hole on the day and will also be attending and speaking at the after-golf dinner.



To register interest complete the form on reverse and email to**:**
info@brownsbayrotary.co.nz

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
Colin Southgate:-09 479 5770

BE A PROUD SUPPORTER
Sponsor a hole, sponsor a prize; space for advertising and stalls will be provided

The Steve Williams Foundation

Starship Foundation Community Star

Making A Difference Together

Interplast

Rotary New Zealand & Australia

Rotarians and Rotary Clubs in District 9820 in Victoria have long been dedicated supporters of Interplast's work, with donations since 2005 exceeding $557,000.

Most recently, two D9820 clubs, the Rotary Club of Inverloch, and the Rotary Club of Phillip Island and San Remo, have partnered to provide further support for Interplast.

A donated microscope in Auckland, New Zealand, was ready to ship to its new home at the Colonial War Memorial Hospital in Suva, Fiji, where it will be welcomed by Dr Semesa Matanaicake. Dr Semesa has worked with Interplast for many years, as did his father before him. All that was needed for the microscope to be on its way was funding for the packing and shipping costs.

The specialist Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT) microscope is not your average microscope. Weighing over 170 kg, it requires careful packing and freighting to ensure that it arrives at its destination in full working order.

This is where the 2 sponsoring Rotary clubs enter the story. The clubs have donated the necessary funds to enable the microscope to be safely shipped from Auckland to Suva.

Access to the microscope will make a significant contribution to successful surgeries in the CWM Hospital, and improve the outcomes for patients facing ENT surgery.

Thanks to 2 Rotary Clubs in D9820 in Australia, a donated microscope in New Zealand in D9920 can travel across the Pacific Ocean to its new home which is also in D9920.



The ENT microscope being packed and made safe for shipping in Auckland



The wonderful donation of the microscope by St Marks Rd Surgical Centre in Remuera, Auckland, and the support from Carl Zeiss New Zealand Ltd, has been matched by Rotary generosity to send it on its way to Fiji.

All donations, big and small, make a difference to the work that Interplast does across developing nations in the Asia-Pacific region. If you would like more information about how you or your club can support Interplast, either individually or by working with another club or district, please contact your District Interplast Chair, or Rotarian Engagement Coordinator Janette at janette.etherington@interplast.org.au