



Governor's Newsletter

February 2019

Kua hinga te Kauri ō te wao nui ō Tane. A great majestic Kauri tree of Tane has fallen.

It is with great sadness that we have lost a great Rotarian and friend, PDG David Geary. David was Past President of The Rotary Club of Northcote and its only Past District Governor. David and Lorraine's contribution to Rotary has been enormous and they are greatly respected throughout District 9910 and the Rotary world.



Takoto marie e David ki te Ao mamae kore. David, rest in peace in that pain-free world. Haere ki te Ao wairua, ki te wāhi i whakairohia mō te tangata. Farewell to the spiritual realm that has been sculpted for us all. Haere e te Pou ō Rotary. Farewell to one of our pillars of Rotary. Arohanui ki ā Lorraine me te whānau pani. To Lorraine, to the bereaved family, our sincere condolences. Mai i ō roimata pouri, ō roimata aroha, whakanui i ngā mahara mō tēnei rangatira. From your tears of sorrow and love, let us celebrate the life of this great chief.

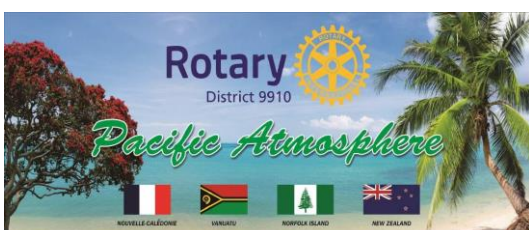
Kia ora e ngā au huri o Taiatea. Greetings to you all, the swirling Ocean currents of change

Fay and I continue to work alongside great and committed Rotarians at all levels. We have seen our 2018 – 2019 Rotary theme “Be the Inspiration” come alive on many occasions. Thank you all for what you are doing for your communities, for our wider communities locally, nationally and globally. Thank you also for your dedicated contributions for the Rotary Foundation. We have a some major events happening soon and need your support to make these a success.

Saturday 6 April 2019 is set as the day to celebrate 30 years for **Women in Rotary**. **Me aro ki te hā ō Hine-ahu-one**. Pay heed to the dignity of women. Let's create celebratory activities for our great women Rotarians and women leaders in Rotary. My research data tells me that the Rotary Club of North Harbour chartered on 3 July 1989 with two women. Creating history were Diana Ward and Lynne Simmonds being the first female Rotarians. I am open to correction.

Six weeks to go for our District Conference on Friday 12 April to Sunday 14 April. I hope as many of you will be able to join to celebrate and share in our amazing Rotary year. Please register online as soon as you can so our Conference Committee can finalise plans to ensure it is a success.

Governor Jerry and Fay



DISTRICT BUSINESS

March	Area of Focus – Water & Sanitation
2 – 3 March	SPPETS for President Elects at Waipuna
Friday 8 March	Whangaparaoa Rotary Golf Day
Friday 8 March	International Women's Day
15 March	Rotary Browns Bay Jumbo Tennis
15 -17 March	District 9930 Conference - Hamilton
Thursday 21 March	Rotary Henderson Golf Charity Tournament
23 – 24 March	RLI Facilitator's Training – Te Puna Hauora
April	Maternal & Child Health
Saturday 6 April	National Women in Rotary Celebration (NZ)
Saturday 6 April	RANZE Australian Students arrive in NZ
12 – 14 April	District 9910 Conference - Northcote
26 – 28 April	District 9980 Conference – Oamaru (DG Jerry & Fay attending)
28 April – May 5	RYLA – Muriwai Beach

CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF WOMEN IN ROTARY

Saturday 6 April
Save the Date
More information to come



Presidential Rotary Citation

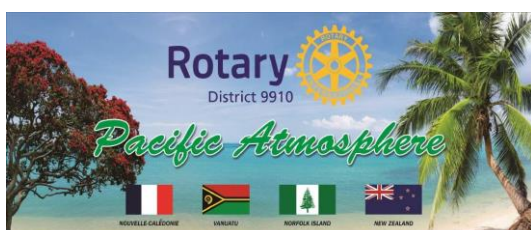
Your Rotary, Rotaract, or Interact club can earn a Rotary Citation for achieving goals that strengthen Rotary and your club. Goals include increasing club membership, developing sustainable service projects, giving to The Rotary Foundation, and building awareness of Rotary in your community.

It is time for Presidents to be reviewing and recording their clubs achievements this year ready to complete their club Presidential Citation.

Sign in to [My Rotary](#) to use:

Rotary Club Central: Go to [my.rotary.org](#) > hover over Manage, Club & District Administration > select Rotary Club Central

Rotary Showcase: Go to [my.rotary.org](#) > hover over Take Action, Develop Projects > select Rotary Showcase



DISTRICT 9910 CONFERENCE 2019

APRIL 12 – 14 2019

Governor Jerry and Fay invite you all to join them to listen to inspirational speakers and hear of updates on Global Grant projects that District 9910 Clubs and Rotarians are supporting.

Venue: Barfoot and Thompson Netball Centre, Northcote North Shore

Plenty of free parking/Local accommodation/Close to the motorway

A fun beach party is being planned for our Saturday night to celebrate your successes and participate in wonderful fellowship and dance.

Further information and registration:

<http://rotaryconference9910.org.nz/>

For catering purposes we would like all those wishing to attend to register by 28 March.

Many thanks for your support

Meet Our Conference Speakers

WILLIAM PIKE

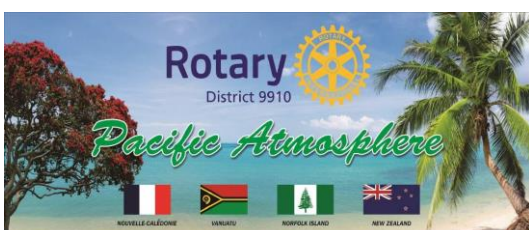
William Pike's tenacious passion for life has helped him to overcome serious challenges, tackle new opportunities and enrich his skills as leader. Losing a leg after being trapped in a volcanic eruption on Mt Ruapehu has not changed William's outlook on life, nor has it stopped him from doing the things that he loves. He climbs mountains, goes bushwalking, scuba diving, hunting and kayaking.

An impassioned teacher, he leads a nationwide youth development programme, teaching Kiwi kids they, too, can do anything they put their minds to.



ELIZA MCCARTNEY

Eliza McCartney is a New Zealand track and field athlete who competes in the pole vault and won the bronze medal in this event at the 2016 Summer Olympics. She is the current New Zealand and Oceania record holder at 4.94 m, and is the outdoor world junior record holder at 4.64. Eliza attended Takapuna Grammar and as a 13-year-old high jumper had ambitions to be a netball international when she first discovered pole vault after following a friend to a training session.



RICKY HOUGHTON

Ricky Houghton, who is chief executive of He Korowai Trust in Kaitaia, has saved more than 550 houses from mortgagee sales in the Far North, keeping more than 6400 people in their homes. The trust has also turned the old Kaitaia hotel into emergency housing, has opened a trades academy and provides a number of free social services.

Ricky's mission has always been to free people from adversity and give them love, hope, and a pathway to a better future. He wants to see whānau in the Far North move from state dependence to independence.

"I was institutionalised as a very young man and all those years ago I promised myself that if ever I got a chance to make a difference, then that is how I wanted to spend my life" He wants to be remembered as someone who had always advocated for the downtrodden and less fortunate. He Korowai Trust sites are drug, alcohol and violence free.

Ricky was inspired to help those less fortunate and his work has seen him named **New Zealand Local Hero of the Year** at the 2018 Kiwibank New Zealander of the Year Gala.



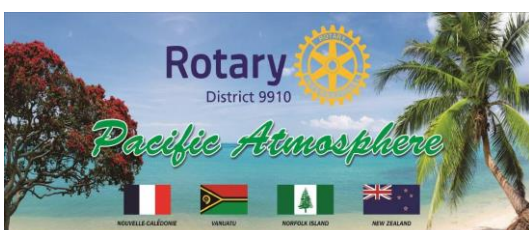
KARIM ROSTAMI

As an 18-year-old Karim Rostami fled from Afghanistan and the Taliban and sought asylum in New Zealand. He had no English, no friends, no money and also had to deal with polio which he had been inflicted with since infancy and had to learn to walk. He overcame those disadvantages and made a life for himself in Auckland. Karim swam the 2.9 kilometre Harbour Crossing State Ocean Swim series in Auckland without using his legs, which he ties together for the swim, and is planning other ocean swims. He is the General Manager of Delicious Holdings Ltd, with a café and catering business success story too!



NAOMI BALLANTYNE (ONZM)

Naomi Ballantyne (ONZM), **Managing Director**, Partners Life, has over 30 years of experience in the New Zealand life insurance industry. She is one of the most well-known and respected executives in the market today and has unprecedented experience in starting companies and then leading them to significant long-term success. Naomi was awarded the New Zealand Order of Merit (ONZM) for services to the insurance industry. Naomi was the recipient of a Paul Harris Fellow and made an honorary member of Rotary North Harbour in March 2018. She has been a strong supporter of the Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) through sponsoring a number of delegates.



ACKNOWLEDGING OUR ROTARY HEROES



Sincere congratulations to, Geoff Pownall, Takapuna Rotary President, who was awarded the Certificate of Achievement for work with Rotary, ROMAC (Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children), Lifeline, Hearts4Kids, Tibetan Children Relief Society and Scouting at the 2019 Kiwibank New Zealanders of the Year Awards Gala Dinner. We are all proud of your achievements Geoff.

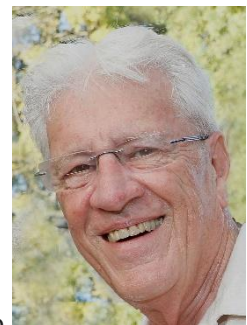
From ROMAC E-Newsletter 1 March 2019

New Zealand ROMAC Team Volunteers

Bill Horne has been with ROMAC for over 5 years. Bill has earned himself the privileged position and title of 'photographer extraordinaire' on the ROMAC team in New Zealand.

He is able to follow our New Zealand ROMAC patients from arrival and on through their surgical journey in Starship Hospital.

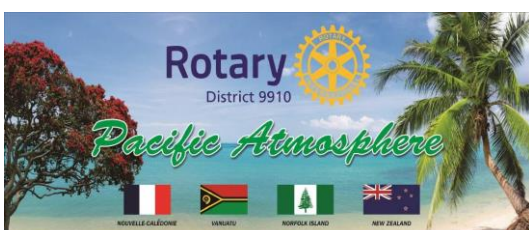
He captures the children and their parents on arrival, at each milestone on their road of post-operative recovery and as they leave our shores fully recovered. He has captured many special moments in the lives of the children we treat here in New Zealand.



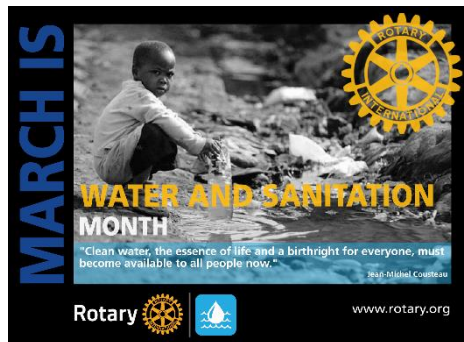
Moira McGivern is the Overseas Patient Co-ordinator at Starship Hospital and a member of our New Zealand ROMAC team. She first joined the NZ ROMAC team as a volunteer and then went on to become a member of the Rotary Club of Henderson.

She is a key link between our Operations Team and the hospital and she facilitates surgical estimates. Once patients are accepted, she ensures their smooth transition into the Starship Hospital system. She manages the patient appointments and is frequently found checking on patients in the ward post-operation.

For the children and their supporting parent, a consistent face and words of reassurance and support are vital to the quality of their stay and their recovery during treatment. Moira provides it all.



WATER AND SANITATION MONTH



Clean water, sanitation, and hygiene education are basic necessities for a healthy environment and a productive life.

When people have access to clean water and sanitation, waterborne diseases decrease, children stay healthier and attend school more regularly, and mothers can spend less time carrying water and more time helping their families.

HOW ROTARY MAKES HELP HAPPEN

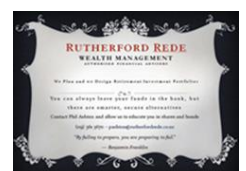
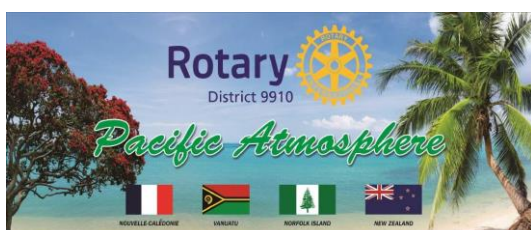
Through water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) programs, Rotary's people of action mobilize resources, form partnerships, and invest in infrastructure and training that yield long-term change.

WASH projects:

Since 2013, The Rotary Foundation has invested in more than 1,000 WASH projects in more than 100 countries. Through grants from The Rotary Foundation and fundraising by Rotary clubs, our volunteers have supported water purification, hygiene education, latrine construction, and waste management.

Rotary Clubs of D9910 have partnered with Rotary Clubs from other Districts in New Zealand and Internationally to support Water and Sanitation projects in Vanuatu, which is in District 9910, and globally. Consider ways that your club can help to address the ongoing challenge of ensuring clean water and sanitation is available to the many communities who still lack access. Rotary Clubs can become engaged through hands on or fundraising for projects like building wells, installing rainwater harvesting systems and ensuring sustainability by teaching community members how to maintain new infrastructure.

If you are interested in participating or undertaking a project in Vanuatu please make contact with PDG Lyndsay Ford.



CLUB NEWS



Rotary Browns Bay has been delivering illustrated dictionaries & atlases to Manaia View School plus Hora Hora & Pakotai schools for some time now.

The children love to thumb through a book. A personal delivery by President Paul Mees and his team added dedicated excitement to the occasion

NEWS FROM PORT VILA

GO ON, SHOW US A BIT OF LEG!

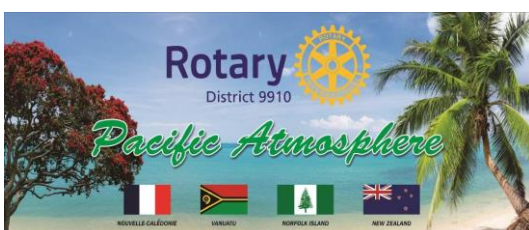
It was great to meet Roby. What a wonderful young man he is. Port Vila Rotary Club is currently sponsoring his accommodation so he can share his knowledge and awesome attitude. He is here teaching 2 Ni-Van students to manufacture prosthetic legs, which is doing well. Michael & Julie advised us that there is now a Vanuatu Amputee Association Clinic at PVH. So far 35 limbs have been made and dispensed. Some have been given to patients for free, many have been paid for by patients who have been able to raise their own funds. Their aim is to set the operation up to be a Ni-Vanuatu operated business.

They will also be assisting us in the near future when Port Vila Rotary Club launch our Diabetes Campaign. As sadly, we all know many sufferers end up losing limbs.

Thumbs up to you Roby 



Take some time to read Port Vila's Facebook. Lots happening and great to see females represent about 50% of their membership.





Rotary Auckland Korean members volunteering for The Cargo Plus Coastal Challenge on Saturday, 2 March . This is an annual coastal adventure down the eastern coast line of Auckland's North Shore.

Rotary members have supported this fundraising event for Hospice. Run, walk, wade, and rock hop your way down Auckland's extraordinary North Shore coastline.



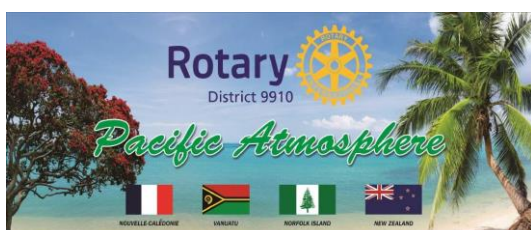
FOR SALE

SOAP BOX DERBY CARS AND KIT TO RUN A SOAP BOX DERBY

There is a 40 foot container with them in . There are 10 complete standard soap box derby trolleys, one master class trolley [the black one on the floor in the photos] plus two masters trolleys which were used to take disabled kids down the track. There is a heap of spares [\$1000US cost] plus helmets, starting ramps signs everything needed to stage a derby. There are several spare bodies so I think extra trolleys may be able to be assembled.

I understand Tim has indicated we will take \$1000 for the lot, the container is probably worth a lot more than that on its own.

Please contact Ian Hacking, Whangaparaoa Rotary President Elect if you are interested



D9910 ROTARY FOUNDATION REPORT

Annual Fund Giving for 2018 – 19 at 31 January 2019 (US\$), which includes club and personal giving, in US\$ year to date (YTD) is ahead of last year's contributions. It is pleasing to record that to date 34 of our 42 clubs and their members made donations to the Foundation Annual Fund.

It is important for clubs to contribute to the TRF early in the year rather than waiting until the last 1 -2 months.

Polio Giving

It is pleasing to see that so far this year 11 of our clubs and their members have made a contribution to PolioPlus, totalling US\$15,203. **A stand out is Onehunga One Tree Hill** where President Rod Kestle has made Polio giving a key priority for this year. To date, OOTH has given US\$5,405 to polio – just over 35% of our District total. It is important we continue to give our support to this important programme initiated by Rotary some 35 years ago. ***We must complete our promise, our gift to the children of the world, that we will eradicate the world of Polio.*** This will only be achieved with ongoing funding support by Rotary. **Every club and individual contribution is gratefully received and appreciated, no matter how small or large it might be.**

Centurion Information

By the 8th February 2019, we have 223 Centurions who have contributed a total of NZ\$24,390.17 Please continue to encourage Rotarians to become Centurions and to encourage existing Centurions who have yet to make their annual contribution, to do so. Last year we had a total of 237 Centurions. It would be wonderful to see at least 25% of our members (263+) commit to being Centurions. Stand out clubs are Auckland Korean, Browns Bay and Takapuna North.

Goal Setting

2018-19 Club Goals

As at 13 February 2019, 37 of our Clubs have Rotary Foundation Giving goals in Rotary Club Central for 2018-19. Congratulations to AGs Brian Burnett (Area 2), Peter Johns (Area 3), Sally Cargill (Area 5), Matthew McLeod (Area 6), and Thierry van Waerebeke (Area 8), with all of their clubs having annual fund goals entered.

District Grants 2018-19

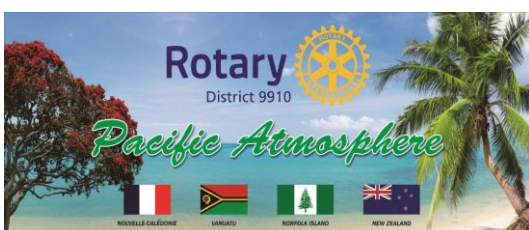
13 District Grant projects have been supported this year. However, 21 clubs are involved as 4 of the projects involve multiple clubs - one with 5 on the North Shore, one involving all 3 Noumea clubs, one with 2 clubs in West Auckland and the last for 2 clubs in South Auckland.

Once again, this year's grants are supporting a wide variety of worthwhile community projects.

All but 4 clubs have now drawn down their District Grant funds.

The District continues to have an ongoing commitment to Global Grant projects at both District and Club level.

There are a number of Global Grant that are still active from 2014 to 2018



The following Global Grants have approved to date in 2018-19:

GG1870179 VTT Vanuatu Prevention of Blindness project – Australian D9820, D9910 and RC Port Vila. D9910 has committed \$7,500 DDF. GG Approved July 2018

GG1872335 Nigeria 2018 Rotary Family of Health Days – D9910 has committed \$5,000 DDF

GG1978647 Naone Village, Maewo Island, Vanuatu - Water and Sanitation project. D9910 has committed \$5,000 DDF

GG1874560 Thamdanda, Nepal, Water Supply & Sanitation project – RC Westhaven, RC Yala, Nepal and the Himalayan Leaky Foundation – D9910 has committed \$10,000 DDF

KARIM ROSTAMI - One of our keynote speaker at District Conference is at it again raising much needed funds for the Auckland Westpac Rescue Helicopter with a solo swim from Waiheke to Auckland. In 2018, he successfully completed the Waiheke to Auckland swim as 'The Beach Babes'. The teams raised an amazing \$120K that was



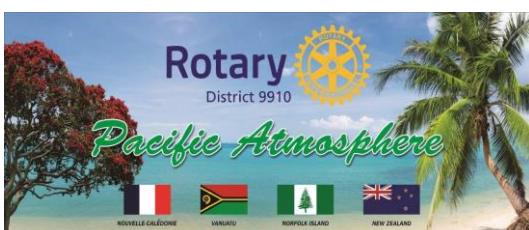
donated to the work of The Auckland Westpac Rescue Helicopter. This year he has partnered with his sponsor the Pt Chev Beach Café' for this event. The Auckland Westpac Rescue Helicopter provide a professional, efficient, emergency air ambulance, as well as, search and rescue services 24 hours, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. He would dearly love to have you support him in his fundraising initiative. **100% of what is raised will go to The Auckland Westpac Rescue Helicopter.** Now that's amazing

Go to the Karim's fundraising link

<https://2019chopperswimchallenge.everydayhero.com/nz/the-pt-chef-beach-cafe-challenge>


Vote for us in the Trusts Million Dollar Mission from 1st March

Please help us keep West Auckland's young people safe on the roads by voting for [The Rotary Club of Henderson-New Zealand](#) in the The Trusts Million Dollar Mission starting this Fri 1 Mar. Each vote you cast gets us \$5.00 towards the Rotary Youth Driving Awareness programme. It costs you nothing to vote and you can vote once per day at www.milliondollarmission.co.nz
Visit The Rotary Club of Henderson Facebook page for further information



CLUB EVENTS



THE JUMBO TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Friday 15 March 2019
Albany Tennis Centre
Games start 4.30PM

For more information and to enter your team contact:
 Colin Pawson, Tel: 021 029 39311
 Paul Martin, Tel: 021 668 890
 Alex Rodgers, Tel: 021 881 777.
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REGISTER NOW

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Rotary Browns Bay 

SAVE THE DATE

12 Mar '19
04:30 pm

Epsom Rotary 

Venue: Epsom Bowling Club
77, The Drive - Epsom

ENTRY & FEE:
 TEAMS OF 4
 ENTRY FEE: \$40 PERSON OR \$ 160 PER TEAM

PHONE: HARI KUMAR - 021 083 420 24
 EMAIL: MHARIKUMAR@HOTMAIL.COM

Epsom Rotary Bowling Tournament

Whangaparaoa Rotary Golf Tournament



The Rotary Club of Whangaparaoa hold a Golf Tournament each year in support of local youth services

Friday 8 March 2019

\$40 entry - Lots of great prizes

Ambrose Tournament Shotgun start from 12.30 pm

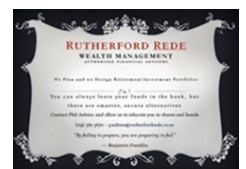
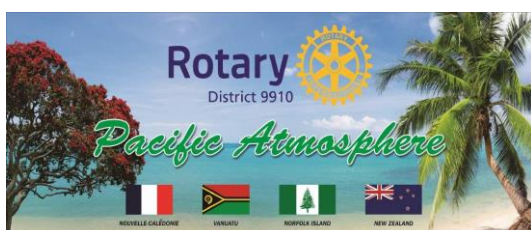
Teams of four or individual entries

Sponsorship and teams are invited to be part of this annual event

To register please download the relevant form for **Sponsorship** or **Team Entry**

If you would like further details please contact Dan Healey on **021 055 5220** or email your form to **healeydan56@gmail.com**

Thank you for your support



IYE SOUTH ISLAND TRIP

The South Island Tour was held this year with all the districts from the North Island. All 32 students got a chance to explore together the beautiful South island for almost three weeks.

We started our trip by flying down to Wellington, where we got to know the city and each other. In Wellington, we had a ride with the cable car, saw the War Memorial, explored Te Papa and got a tour in Parliament House.

After a few days in Wellington, we got the ferry to Picton, where we met our bus driver who would join us for this trip. Our first destination was Motueka, where we would sleep before our first activity, kayaking. Our Kayak adventure included camping in the beautiful Abel Tasman National Park. We learned the basics about sea kayaks, did a small walk to the nearest waterfall and shared some stories over a campfire. After Abel Tasman, we enjoyed some white water rafting, visited the Franz Joseph Glacier, Lake Wanaka and finally ended up in Queenstown.

We had three nights in Queenstown and during that time we did some risk activities. Students choose their own activities, some Bungy jumping, canyon swing, speed boats etc. Also got a chance to explore the town and visit the ice bar. After we were done with Queenstown, we started heading towards our most southern part of the trip, Te Anau.

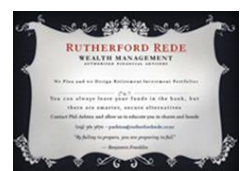
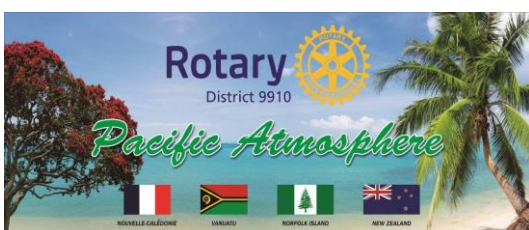
The hike of the trip for us was the first part of the Kepler track. We crossed the lake with a cruise and walked up to the first hut. This walk was full of glorious views and even it was quite challenging, I think everyone thought it was worth it. The second activity we did from Te Anau was Doubtful Sound. We enjoyed a day in the deep wilderness. The time on the ferry was rewarding because we found some whales, penguins, albatrosses, seals and lot of native birds. That night we also visited Fiordland's Rotary club and joined dinner with them.

We stopped in Oamaru to see dozens of little blue penguins coming ashore to nest. From there we found our way to Mount Cook. At Mount Cook, we did two walks: about an hour long small scenery walk and the long about 5 hours walk to the Mount cook. Some of the brave hikers even got a chance to swim in an icy lake at the end of the hike.

We ended our trip to Christchurch where we visited in Antarctic Centre and spend the last days of the trip together. We saw so much in just less than three weeks. Back in our host Cities we were exhausted and tired but absolutely amazed about all the things we saw and so grateful about all these new friends we got. We came back with heaps of new knowledge and memories.

Thank you to everyone that made our exploring possible.

Written by Helmi Korhonen (Finland)

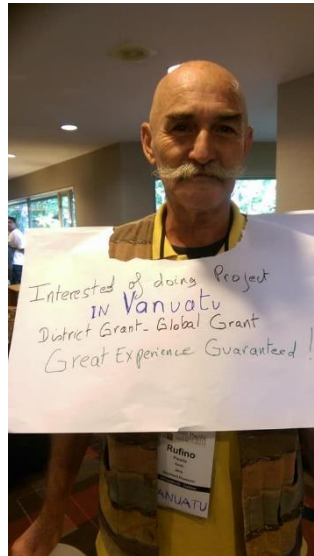




Thank you President Neil and Rotary Kerikeri for hosting the Area 1 dinner.

Last minute speaker Eric Rush kept all who attended entertained with his humour and inspirational message of how his aspiration to become an All Black was realised.

Rufino Pineda (incoming AG for Vanuatu) with innovative promotion concept for project support at South Pacific President Elects Training Seminar (SPPETS) at Waipuna Hotel & Conference Centre. These training seminars are so important as you are exposed to the latest Rotary information from experienced Rotarians, create lasting friendships and share ideas with amazing Rotarians.



Takapuna Rotary organised a pop-up E-Waste recycling site with Abilities accepting electrical appliances, polystyrene, batteries, old computers, heaters, cardboard. Abilities can handle it all. Everything will be taken away for free with all usable parts recycled. It was a great opportunity to declutter homes and support one of our preferred charities and also support the environment. Abilities disassemble all the equipment and recycle any parts that are useful, providing them with an income stream to continue to support people with disabilities.

Ehara tāku toa i te takitini, he toa takitahi
My success would not be bestowed onto me alone, as it was not individual success but success of a collective.

