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David & Denise

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NOUVELLE - CAL'DONIE



VANUATU



NORFOLK ISLAND



NOVEMBER ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH

Rotary Foundation month follows on from the highly successful End Polio Now in October where Clubs did wonderful things to raise awareness to the public and to raise funds. Several Clubs were involved with organising either individually or as a group selling tickets to the movie "Murder on the Orient Express." There was so much enthusiasm that tickets were over sold and some well-known Rotarians (won't mention names) were balloted out and did not get the opportunity of seeing the movie. Over all everyone enjoyed the night and the funds raised will be well received.

CLUB VISITS UPDATE:

On the 11th November Denise and I commenced our last Club visits by travelling to Vanuatu.

On hand to meet us at the airport was Assistant Governor Richard Purdy who took us to our accommodation and got us settled in.

The next day was Sunday so relaxed in the morning and then was joined by Port Vila President Naomi Sailis and her Directors. We had a full discussion on how Rotary was going, the projects and assistance provided via Santo to Ambae where as a result of Volcanic activity the citizens had been evacuated but were now returning.

After the lunch we were driven around Vila and saw the amount of building going on along with the development of a huge complex for the upcoming Pacific Island games being held from the 4th December 2017 for 10 days. The complex was directly across the road from where we were staying and it was very impressive. The volley ball sand courts along with the tennis courts looked very impressive. Funding for this is being provided by the Chinese Government.

Early Monday morning we flew to Santo where we were met by Rufino, Amman, and Joseph and again taken to our accommodation.

We visited the Hospital directly across the road from where we were staying and checked out the renovations and building of the Children's ward... The Children's block should be completed by the end of November. There is still plenty of opportunity to develop other buildings in particular a kitchen and new laundry.

We were driven around the countryside on roads that are very bumpy and full of pot holes. Nevertheless these were navigated around or over by our driver.

Our sponsors



**The Month of November is;
Rotary Foundation Month**



Cont:

While in Santo we were privileged to join members of the Santo Club and have photos taken with the consignment of 8500 litres of water in 10 and 20 litre plastic containers which were going to be transported to Ambae that weekend. This was the first of a number of consignments to be sent. District 9910 provided \$10000.00 toward the emergency on Ambae and it was great to see it being put to good use.

Our meeting with the members at night was preceded with a Kava ceremony overseen by Doctor Tim and Robert Loe followed by a very interesting meal. The next morning we returned to Port Vila to arrive in time for their Lunch time meeting. We had already met with the Directors so a very relaxing time was spent over lunch.

When we returned to New Zealand this was the final curtain on our Club visits.

Over the four and a bit months Denise and I visited every Club including Satellite Clubs and Rotaract. We met many wonderful, keen, enthusiastic Rotarians and were made so very welcome by everyone.

We thank you all so much for the welcomes and friendships and look forward to moving into the next phase of our year as District Governor.

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**Some photos taken
 in Vanuatu.**

Time is marching on and before we know it 2018 will be upon us.

Denise joins me in Wishing you all the very best for the festive season and safe travels.

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**Setting up for photo shoot in Santo.
 Water for Ambae**



DR. Tim waiting patiently

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Room at Santo Hospital Children's ward.



In the nurses station at the Children's ward.



Sampling the Spring water

**Some photos taken
in Vanuatu.**

With members from Santo and the Sponsor
from paradise Spring water.





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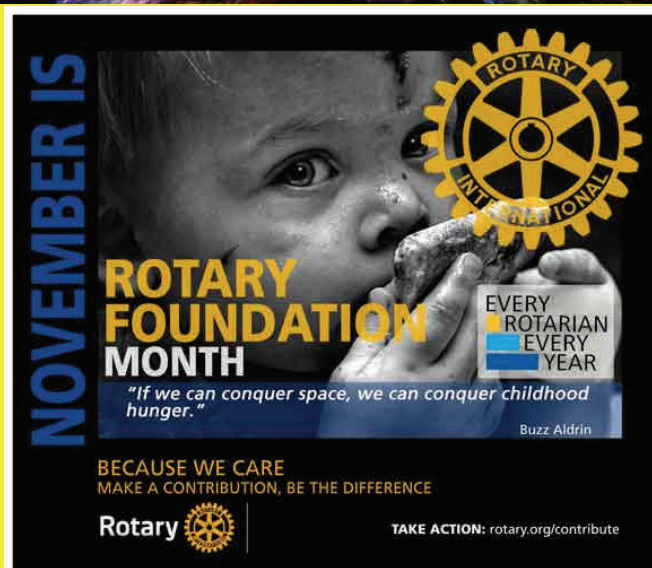
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December, save on
registration for the
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District Happenings

3 Dec 17	PETS #1 Auckland
3 Dec 17	RIYE Students return From S/I Tour
9 Dec 17	RIYE Outbound Students 2018-2019 final debrief
8 Jan 18	2017 Outbound RIYE Students return
8 Jan 18	2018-19 Outbound RIYE Students Depart
13 -17 Jan 18	Summer Science & Technology Forum



Rotary Foundation Month.
Clubs and Districts call attention to the programs of The Rotary Foundation and frequently cultivate additional financial support for the Foundation by promoting contributions for Paul Harris Fellows and Sustaining Members.



The 4-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do:

Is it the truth

Is it fair to all concerned

**Will it build goodwill and
better friendships**

**Will it be beneficial to all
concerned**

Reminder

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

Club Happenings

25 Nov 17	Henderson Rotary Club Christmas Parade at Westgate 10am
25 Nov 17	Milford Rotary Club celebrate their 50th anniversary
8 Dec 17	Kumeu Rotary Club Christmas Parade.

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DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2018 KERIKERI



Join us in beautiful Kerikeri on **6-8th April 2018** to celebrate our Rotary Adventure and share inspiration, motivation, Relaxation, friendship and fun.

The venue is The Turner Centre, a purpose-built Convention Centre with superb facilities.

The programme includes amazing keynote speakers and a celebration of just some of our great achievements during the year, but there is also plenty of time for sightseeing and relaxation.

Your registration fee of only **\$195 pp** includes welcoming drinks on Friday night, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and the formal dinner (with wine) on Saturday plus morning tea and lunch on Sunday.

The Saturday night dinner theme is your favourite music or artist of the 60's, 70's or 80's so if you wish you can dress up to play up. A live band will entertain us during the dinner and as we dance the night away.

Accommodation has been provisionally secured but is going fast so get your Club groups together and contact the motel of your choice.

Registration Fee:

\$195.00

Partners:

If your partner wishes to attend they can either register for either the entire conference (**\$195.00**) or Friday night welcome drinks plus Saturday night dinner only (**\$95.00**)

For Conference information, accommodation options and registration bookings visit

www.rotaryconference9910.org.nz



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Dear fellow Rotarians,

November is Foundation Month, and time for us to take a look at where we are in our Rotary Foundation: what it's done, what it's helping us do now, and how we can move forward.

Last Rotary year, our Foundation received US\$304 million in total contributions: that included \$140 million to the Annual Fund, \$28 million to the Endowment Fund, and \$108 million to PolioPlus. All of those gifts are now hard at work, Doing Good in the World: supporting Rotary's work today and strengthening our organization for tomorrow. The Foundation approved 494 district grants and 1,260 global grants, with a total of \$111 million in funding.

As you all know, polio eradication is the number one priority of Rotary and our Foundation. It has been a historic year for polio eradication, with unprecedented new support and fewer cases of polio than ever before. As announced at our Atlanta convention in June, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation has increased its commitment to our polio eradication initiative, and will match 2:1 all Rotary contributions up to 50 million dollars, for the next three years. If Rotarians raise \$50 million per year, the Gates Foundation will match this with \$100 million: resulting in \$150 million for polio eradication in each of the three years. In total, more than one billion dollars in new funding for polio were pledged by governments and key donors in Atlanta.

It was a great lead in to the 2017-2018 Rotary year, and Rotarians have been doing an amazing job not only of raising the money to fulfil our commitment, but keeping public awareness of polio high. Our fifth annual World Polio Day, on 24 October, was a great success; our livestream event, broadcast from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation headquarters in Seattle, was our largest ever, with over 149,000 people viewing and Vice-President Dean Rohrs representing Rotary in the program. Another 3,428 World Polio Day events took place around the world. It's not too late to be a part of it; head over to the [End Polio now website](#) to see the recorded video.

In 2016, 37 children were paralyzed by the wild poliovirus. So far in 2017, that number stands at 13. We are on our way to zero, and you can follow that journey with the [updates](#) that are published every week by the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

It's important to remember that we have to keep doing everything we can do to End Polio Now, not only until the last child is paralyzed, but until eradication is certified by an independent commission. We expect that to happen at least three years from the last time wild poliovirus is found, in a child, a water supply, or anywhere else. Only then will we celebrate the end of polio—and the greatest work yet of Rotary and our Rotary Foundation.

Sincerely,

Ian Riseley

Rotary International President, 2017-18

Greetings to all global DGs from the:

"Literacy - Rotarian Action Group".

It is November and the first half of this Rotary year has almost finished. Carolyn Johnson [the Vice-Chair] and I have each been a DG and know full well the workload each of you have borne this half year - and there's more to come! Thank you for your special year of service.

Of course, especially with young people who have little basic education or literacy skills their productive time is going too fast. We have the experience and the networks to change that.

Please share this Newsletter with your District, your friends, the members of your Rotary club and even people in your community who are not members of Rotary. There are ideas here for everyone.

Indeed here is a heart-warming story of a retired man (not a Rotarian) who visits his local school to help young people. Please read it - [volunteer](#).

The newsletter this time is extensive with ideas that could be applied just about anywhere in the world - - you will find it here - [LitRAG Newsletter](#).

We would really like to know what you are doing or people around you are doing in the general area of basic education and literacy growth. Your ideas shared here could help someone in another part of this wonderful world.

John Thorne - Chair, Literacy - Rotarian Action Group, and Past Director of Rotary International.

Walk Because You Can for Polio

Whangarei South are doing the Walk Because You Can for Polio again next year on the 10 February starting at 8.00pm from the Canopy Bridge.





Be Like Rose....."Never Let Go"



....of your Rotary Alumni

Now when you have them back to speak at your club, you can give them a 'connection' card.

Complete with all the possible Rotary contact points, as well as your club details and there's room for a personal message.

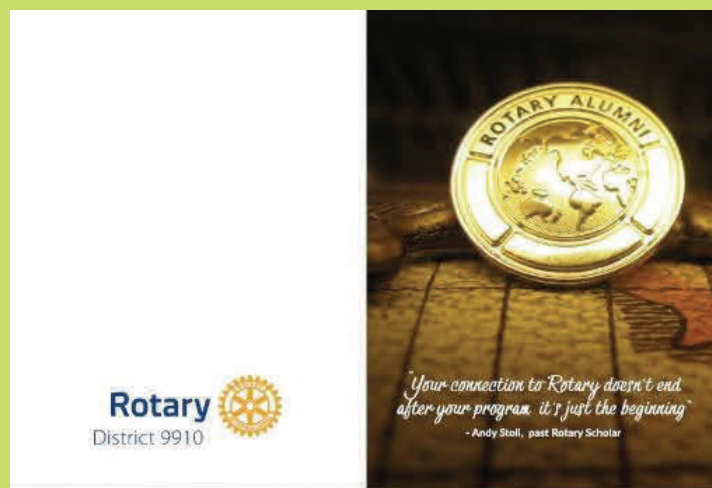
- Limited stock available from Elaine Mead, District Alumni Chair
rotaryd9910alumni@gmail.com

OR

- Order a pack direct from Murray Inder (Rotarian, Whangarei South)
[Rotary Alumni Cards order form](#)

CONSIDER

- Including Alumni on the club newsletter distribution;
- Presenting them with an Alumni pin – order in advance via My Rotary https://shop.rotary.org/alumni_pin



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Dargaville Club Selected News Item cont:

Jess McLean is still having a great time in Sweden, as her latest report shows:

wow wow, wow...its coming closer and closer to the date I get on my plane home. how scary!

so we had another weekend in Söderköping to prepare for the exchange students presentation at our district conference which was fun. svea joined us also.

this last weekend we had the actual conference. it was interesting but long haha, and a lot of Swedish. but it was good, we got to meet with Rotarians from the clubs in our district and listen to their speeches and presentations.

the exchange presentation when well I feel. I spoke Swedish in front of 200 people which was intimidation but okay I guess.

vea did a small speech on her experiences in New Zealand and she rocked it.

they seemed to enjoy our efforts and made some nice comments after. we also went to a fancy dinner after which was very nice.

school is chugging along as usual. The school choir that I am part of is performing for the school soon which will be nice and we are coming up to the autumn holiday.

is getting a lot colder and darker now. we had our first frost last week with -2°C . the sun goes down around 5:30 and comes up around 7 but supposedly in the middle of winter it rises around 10am and sets at 3pm, so that will be very different... I thought it still being sunny at 11 at night was odd but it being dark before school finishes for the day is something else, but it'll be interesting never the less.

autumn is beautiful though with all the leaves turning red and yellow.

i have moved to my final host family who live in the country so i have amazing views of the sunrise in the morning.

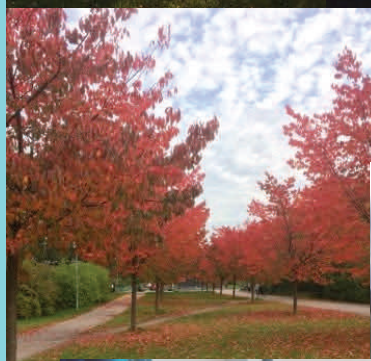
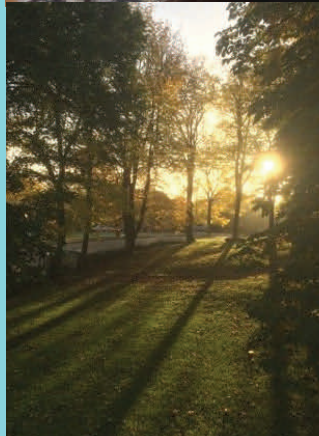
my previous host family held a lovely going away dinner for me which doubled as a crayfish party, something that the Swedes love at this time of year. you pretty much get together with friends and family and eat a lot of freshwater crayfish and sing songs. I have been to a few now and they are a lot of fun.

there is an exchange student crayfish party coming up next month, also a lot of rotary events and meetups are coming up haha, not many free weekends.

there are a lot of strange things in Sweden haha. like they have a lot of food days.. semla bun day, cinnamon roll day, and recently, chocolate muffin day. it's brilliant!

my university stuff is getting along well also with being accepted into my first choice of halls of residence, Whittaker Hall.

thanks again for this amazing experience and hope the weather has got warmer at home. ----- Jess



Browns Bay Club Selected News

A Not-to-be-Missed Social Occasion

Sunday 12th November, 3pm to 6pm.

Wine and Roses, an afternoon of fine wine and beer, great food (KiwiHarvest), tea (as in cup-of), and good company.

Home of Bill Grieve, 135 Bawden Road, Dairy Flat.

The roses will be in full bloom in Bill's magnificent garden.

To celebrate the success of KiwiHarvest, North Shore and to raise funds for this great project.

Great value at \$50.00 per head which includes 2 glasses of wine or beer.

Pay as you go thereafter! Ticket

sales will be limited and we know the event will be popular, so please respond promptly,

<mailto:hugh@stedman.co.nz>

Kiwi Harvest

Browns Bay Rotary have joined with several other North Shore clubs to purchase a van for 'Kiwi Harvest'. This van collects leftover food from supermarkets & bakeries & delivers it to various places who feed the hungry.

Kiwi Harvest is a brand (in Australia it's Oz Harvest), but we have been able to incorporate some Rotary signage on the back of the van.

There will be 2 Rotary wheels

signwritten on the back of the van, one each side of the

number plate. Across the full width of the van will be the words 'Rotary Working With Kiwiharvest'.

This will give excellent publicity for Rotary as the van drives all over North Shore.



Milford Club Selected News Item

A great turnout of members, partners and guests welcomed Sir Stephen and Lady Margaret Tindall to the club. Stephen gave us an excellent presentation outlining the work and history of the Tindal Foundation. Formed over twenty years ago and with a budget of around \$12m per year, assistance has been provided to over 5000 community organisations. He focussed on environment, housing, youth and family as key areas. The trees project, aimed at planting one tree per NZ person, has already achieved a total of over eight million trees planted, the goal being to reduce carbon emissions to 1990 levels. Margaret was the key to the establishment of the



Trust, and has an ongoing involvement with the De Paul House, and at the conclusion of the evening, **she was named a Paul Harris Fellow in appreciation of her significant support of the Tindal Foundation.**

Stephen also talked about his involvement as a Director of the Emirates Team New Zealand Board. He outlined some of the difficulties the team faced; how the Italians helped, the innovation and the ability to achieve things quicker/better/cheaper than others, the commitment of the team, the aftermath of the capsizing and what the new monohulls might bring to the next challenge.



Stephen and Margaret met at a Rotary Youth Leadership Award re-union, having both attended different RYLA courses previously. Margaret was also a member of Rotoract



Some of the many Partners and Guests

Milford & Kumeu Club Selected News Item

Members from Milford Rotary met at Whenuapai Air Force Base for a tour organised by Kumeu President and NZDF Chaplain Stuart Hight. The Base is the largest in NZ with over 1,000 personnel and is the home of No.6 Squadron (Seasprite), Milford Rotary and Kumeu No.5 Squadron (Orion), and No.40 Squadron (Hercules and Boeing 757).



Primary roles of the Air Force, part of the NZ Defence Force, are to provide surveillance, strategic airlift, tactical airlift and Naval combat support. Via Double Decker bus, we first visited the Officers Mess for a drink and scrumptious two course dinner, then off in two teams for the tour.

No. 40 Squadron operates five C130H Hercules and two modified Boeing 757-200s, and provides strategic and tactical air transport, support to the government, Antarctic Programme, disaster relief, humanity defence support, and other services.

No. 6 Squadron operates Kaman SH-2G(I) Seasprite helicopters, providing operational tasks and training for the RNZN. The fleet of eight are embarked on the ANZAC Class Frigates, HMNZS TE MANA and TE KAHA, offshore patrol vessels HMNZS OTAGO AND WELLINGTON, and the multi-role ship HMNZS CANTERBURY with air-crew from the RNZN and maintainers from the RNZAF.



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Norfolk Island Club Selected News Item

Subject: Ride to End Polio - 106 Miles

Dear Rotarians,

This is just a quick email to let you know in 10 short days, I will be riding 170 km (106 miles) in Tucson Arizona, participating in the Ride to End Polio bike race.

<http://ridetoendpolio.org/>

With over 9000 cyclists, and 100 fellow Rotarians, (I am the only Australian Rotarian in the race), we are aiming to raise \$10 million USD for the fight to eradicate polio. To date, I have raised \$5000 USD and I am asking for your support to spread the word and share this link throughout your District to generate donations this November, Foundation Month.

Below is the link to my page. If Rotarians log in through MyRotary, their donations will be tracked and recognition points will be given. Clubs and Districts can also donate, online, or offline by contacting me directly.

<http://ideas.rotary.org/Project/Profile/a8c4131e-b510-473e-a257-d5c4182f3fb0?personalization=26ced32b-a006-42d3-b2b5-b05614c91e9c>

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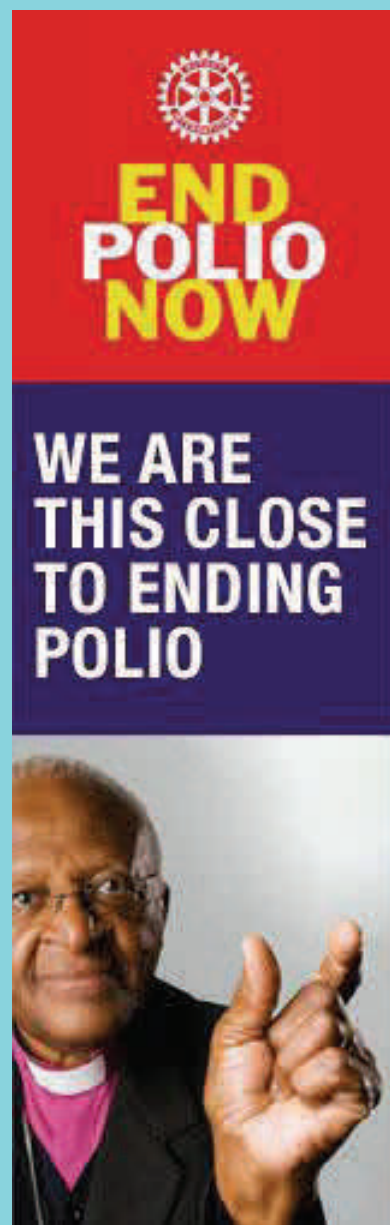


Photo courtesy Gary Rumack Photography

Kerikeri Club Selected News Item

UPDATE ON AMBAE, VANUATU

The principal of Torgil Rural Training Centre Father Willie Ben Tabi is still in Santo and he informs us of the situation on Ambae which is not very good. Phil Saxby from the Bundaberg club is leaving Brisbane for Ambae later this week to complete the fit out of the hospital dental room at G.M.H.

"Please pray for our friends on Ambae and their many changes to their island environment which is happening and continuing to develop in uncertain and destructive ways,

The Manaro Volcano on Amabe, the volcano activity is still going on. The yesterday activity was very much strong than before which move the whole Ambae. Saratamata was also moved and I have also spoken one officer who was there yesterday who was also assessing the activity of the Volcano and said the situation is no good. The animals now starting to die.

They said they did not experienced this before.

I have met also Simeon from Lolowai Lap and told me that Life on Ambae is not like before. Environment there is all changed

For me and family we all fine but we are struggling to get our house in Santo complete as we know that this situation is going to make a lot of change in our life and also in the school."



Owen and Lian visited Katrina in Germany and stayed with her and her parents.

Katrina is pleased to be back in Germany, but misses Kerikeri and all the lovely friends she met.