



# **49th Annual Report of the Rotary Club of Howick**

**2009 – 2010**

**ROTARY CLUB OF HOWICK**



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# *Rotary Club of Howick Inc*

## *2009-10 Board*



**President**

John Osborne



**President-Elect**

Ted Aislabie



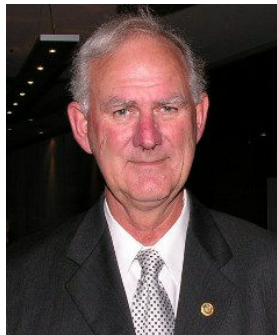
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Allan Riley



**Treasurer**

Ken McIntosh



**Community**

Glen Donaldson



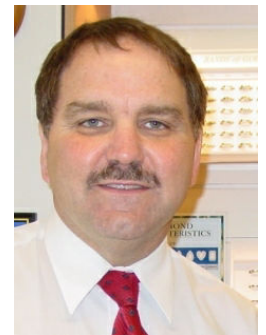
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Steve Whitehead



**Vocational**

Colin Monk



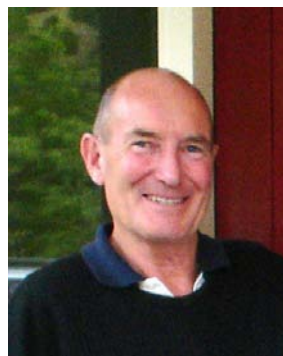
**Youth**

David Fels



**Fellowship**

Kathy Kennedy



**Sergeant**

Rod Somerville



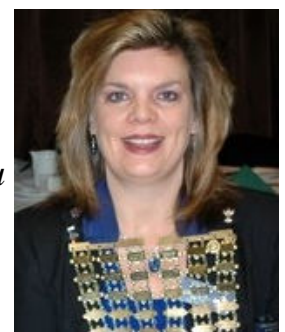
**Assistant Governor**

*Sue Williamson, (Rotary Club of Somerville-Howick Inc)*

***Rotary International  
President 2009 - 2010  
John Kenny, President  
(Rotary Club of  
Grangemouth, Scotland)***



***District 9920 Governor  
Leanne Jaggs,  
(Rotary Club of Manukau  
City Sunrise)***



# Rotary Club of Howick Inc.

## List of members for 2009-2010 Year

George Abercrombie (Ethel )	Paul Kendall
Ted Aislabie (Colleen )	Kathy Kennedy
Keith Appleton (Lorraine )	Clive Kilgour (Barby )
Stuart Armstrong (Karen )	Graham Loughlin (Faye)
John Built	Bob Mackie (Pam)
Bruce Burton (Marjorie )	Alasdair Maclean (Rosemary)
Mike Carroll (Jill Carroll )	Ken McIntosh (Maureen )
Bill Charkow (Jacqueline )	Bill McKay (Marguerite)
Matthew Cooke (Kristyl )	Kay McKirdy
Tony Cooke (Jennifer)	Colin Monk (Meryl )
Lawrence Copestake (Beatrice)	Duncan Morrison (Helen )
Rob Crabtree (Chris)	Rob Mouncey (Mary )
Cedric Daniel (Venetia)	Barry Nicholls (Ann )
Charles Davidson (Yola)	Stephen Noles (Sheanagh )
Clive Derbyshire (Margaret )	John Osborne (Dorothy )
Glen Donaldson (Gaynor )	Bill Percival (Peg )
Garry Donoghue (Helen )	David Percival (Jane )
Jim Donovan (Marie)	Alan Peterson (Beverly )
Jim Duckworth (Judy )	John Richardson (Anne )
Madelaine East (Jim )	Allan Riley (Beverley)
David Fels	John Sanders (Carole )
Ross Forrester (Naomi )	Sanjay Sathe (Mohini )
Ian Fox (Robyn )	John Savory (Heather )
Chris Francis (Raewyn)	Harjit Singh (Tejinder )
Peter George (Margaret )	Rod Somerville (Sue )
Max Grant (Glen )	Victor Sun (Nora )
Gavin Green (Lynne )	Geoff Thompson (Barbara )
Brian Hanlon (Hazel )	George Tyler (Olga )
Richard Harri	Steve Whitehead (Sandy )
Joseph Heays (Deborah )	Gary Willcocks (Sue )
Max Heron (Isobel)	John Willis (Margaret)
Fred Holland (Celeste )	David Wylie (Jeannette )
Stephen Kattan (Jayne )	Michele Zackey

## Rotary Club of Howick members serving on District Committees

Lawrence Copestake	Australia/New Zealand Student Exchange
Rob Crabtree	Chair - Rotary Leadership Institute Public Relations and Promotion Committee GETS Training Leader R.I. Public Image South Pacific Area Co-ordinator
Richard Harri	Australia New Zealand Student Exchange Rotaract District 9920 Committee
Kay McKirdy	Australia/New Zealand Student Exchange
Dave Wylie	STEP UP Leadership Program



Bookarama



Science Forum



GSE Team



RYLA Awardees



Petanque Evening



48th Anniversary of Club Charter



Christmas Party



Shelter Box



Santa Parade



Charity Yacht Regatta



Mission Heights Reserve



Howick College Peer Support



Hanging Baskets



New Member Inductions



Paul Harris Awards



Quality Guest Speakers



Mangemangeroa Plantings



## President's Report

I must start by saying this was by far my most enjoyable year to date in Howick Rotary. For both Dorothy and me it has been a time that we will treasure memories of for many years to come. When I was offered the opportunity of serving as your President I thought it would be a great honour to lead the Club and I thank the club members for all the support they have provided during the year.

My Board of Directors and Club Officers provided continuous support throughout the year and I thank you all for your commitment to the task and dedication to the concept of service through Rotary. It is only as a team that Rotary functions and this year the team responded and we achieved as can be learned from the Committee and other reports forming this Annual Report.

When we began the year, we as a Board decided not to host an incoming International student this year due to problems in arranging hosting families. However District asked us if we could jointly host, with another Club, a student arriving in March. We decided to proceed and then in the days before our student's arrival the other Club withdrew their support and we were left to host the student on our own. The result has been that we have been blessed with an outstanding Argentinian lad Santiago Tonelli, a wonderful ambassador for his country and what an amazing personality. Santiago has participated in Club and District activities with vigour and has brought a very pleasing youthful presence to Howick Rotary activities. I thank those members who have hosted Santiago during my term and I am even more convinced now that our International Student Exchange programme is one of the best of all the Rotary programmes.

Without our fundraising activities the Club would not be able to provide service to the local community that many of us joined Rotary for. Despite the continuing economic crisis our fundraising events prospered this year. In October John Savory and his team worked tirelessly over several months arranging the 2009 BOOKARAMA and the result was our most successful sale since its inception some nine years ago.

The efforts of the Yacht Regatta Team led by John Richardson continued the success of this long running event and our corporate sponsors continued to support the Regatta despite the tough economic climate. The biannual Auction of Promises provided an evening of fun and laughter and Glen Donaldson and his team once again raised a substantial sum from those present. Our other regular fundraising activities continued and I thank all those club members who manage and support all these events.

The benefit of our fundraising activities is that we have a significant financial base that enables us to provide financial and physical support to those many organisations within our own local community and also Internationally who need support in so many differing ways. Highlights in this area have included our ongoing support at the Mangemangeroa Reserve, assisting Mission Heights Junior College in the establishment of the Bush Trail, Playground, our support of the Rotary relief to the several disasters around the Pacific during the year and many others which are too numerous to record here.

In any year the awards of Paul Harris Fellowships is always a highlight for your President and I had the pleasure of awarding PHFs to local Howick resident Russell Wylie for his outstanding service to the Howick community and to our own Peter George in recognition of his many years of service to the Rotary organisation and especially his dedication to the role as Treasurer of our club over recent years.

This year we have ended the year with a membership of 66, an increase of 3. New members have been welcomed into the club and it is pleasing to note that the efforts of Brian Hanlon and his small team are producing some good new members for the Club.

Finally I would like to thank all Club members for offering me the opportunity to serve as your President. For Dorothy and me it has been a most enjoyable year (despite my back operation). It has been an opportunity I would not have missed and I appreciate the wonderful support we have received. The Rotary community is an amazing amalgam of people and during this year Dorothy and I have developed friendships locally, at District level and also Internationally as a result of being your President. My term as your President is one I will look back on for many years as a time I will treasure and one that will provide many fond memories.

Thank you one and all for your belief in me and your valued support this year

John Osborne  
President 2009/10

## Club Services Report, 2009/2010

**The members of the Club Services Committee this year were:**

Rod Somerville, Allan Riley, Bill Percival, George Abercrombie, Charles Davidson, John Osborne, Ken McIntosh, Ted Aislabie and later in the year John Sanders. Garry Donoghue was on LOA.

**Membership:** The membership committee led by Brian Hanlon have had a productive year. By the end of this Rotary year we will have inducted 5 new members but unfortunately we have had three resignations leaving us with a current membership of 66.

**Programme:** Our programme of guest speakers this year has been excellent thanks to the solid effort of Duncan Morrison. We had a good cross section of speakers from Community Volunteers to school Students, leaky homes, Climate Change and even political explanations for our super City. Good speakers help to provide interest within our weekly meetings and provide opportunities for inviting guests and possible new members.

**Keyway / Duties:** Our thanks to David Fels for his efforts this year in producing the Keyway bulletin. The Keyway is the club's way of keeping in touch with our members who are not able to attend a meeting and more so keeping our wives and partners informed of what is happening within the club. David also had the role of providing the duty roster for the weekly meetings which with the LOA and apologies is not an easy task. So, thanks to David for a sterling effort.

**Public Relations:** This came under the guidance of John Osborne and Rob Mouncey. Rob did his best in trying to get the other clubs to be more proactive in promoting Rotary in the community. However, apart from the Showcase Awards and the Christmas Parade he appeared to be the only one with any enthusiasm and so well done for the media coverage we were able to achieve.

**Attendance:** Once again George Abercrombie was our Attendance leader keeping meticulous records of those attending and the apologies. George always had a band of helpers rostered to assist.

**Website:** Our grateful thanks to Charles Davidson for the hours spent in the development and maintenance of our local website and keeping the club's information up to date on the District website. We have had many complimentary comments about our Website and it is a credit to him.

**Sight & Sound:** Thanks to Gavin Green with his efforts with this new media. Gavin has mastered the system and is coming up with some very interesting photos of people and projects. Thanks also to Charles for obtaining the new speakers to go with the computer.

**Secretary:** Thanks to Allan Riley for his second year as secretary and his record keeping, accuracy and efficiency has helped the club to function the way it has.

**Treasurer:** Thanks to Ken McIntosh for his sterling effort in keeping the books balanced and his regular reports have allowed the club to keep the reins on the financial side of the club's operation and keep within our budgets and, also keeping the books for the Trust side of the club's operation. Thanks also to Peter George for assisting ken and John Sanders for taking over as the new Treasurer.

**Sergeant:** Thanks to Rod Somerville for his excellent year as Sergeant. He has maintained the smooth running of the meetings each week and his jokes and quotes kept us all in suspense. (Where did he get them all from?).

Finally, I would like to thank my Team for the work put in by everyone to make the club run efficiently and making President John's work load a bit lighter. All the best for the coming year.

Ted Aislabie

## Rotary Club of Howick

### SPEAKER PROGRAM 2009 - 2010

#### Jul-09

- 07 Charles Davidson - South Africa
- 14 Joanna Biss- Refugee Migrant Service
- 21 CLUB ASSEMBLY
- 28 Michael Wynd NZ Navy Museum

#### Aug-09

- 04 Steve Kattan - About Himself
- 11 District Governors Visit
- 18 Ross Forrester - Medical Spare Parts
- 25 Showcase Awards

#### Sep-09

- 01 RYLA Awardees - John Sanders
- 08 Amped4Life - Pat Buckley
- 15 Raewyn Smith - Corrections Dept.
- 22 Charter Night
- 29 Historical Village - Judy Wilson

#### Oct-09

- 06 Matthew Cooke - Introducing Himself
- 13 Rotary Quiz - Manukau Sunrise Visiting
- 20 Auction of Promises
- 27 Youth Town Activities - Graeme Thorpe

#### Nov-09

- 03 Paul Harris Presentation - John Os
- 10 Duckworth / Hanlon - Reintroduction
- 17 Dr Philly Karani - Rotary in India
- 24 Beth Harman - Ron McDonald House

#### Dec-09

- 01 AGM / Club Assembly
- 08 Christmas Function
- 15 Christmas Wind - down
- 22 Holiday
- 29 Holiday

#### Jan-10

- 05 Holiday
- 12 Social Evening
- 19 Karen Holland - The Gem Inside
- 26 Linda Stratford - Presbyterian Support

#### Feb-10

- 02 Rob Crabtree - Foundatn/Membership
- 09 Petanque - Alasdair Maclean
- 16 Mission Heights School Visit
- 23 Meaghan Li - UN Youth Conferences

#### Mar-10

- 02 Bill Percival - Photographic History
- 09 Bowls at the Club
- 16 Helen Spence & Dog - Mobility Dogs
- 23 Howick Little Theatre - 'Mammals'
- 30 Meeting at the Historical Village

#### Apr-10

- 06 GSE Team from Holland - present to us
- 13 Ron Mcd House - Visit House
- 20 Greg Thomson - Leaky Homes
- 27 Bruce Barrack - N Z Forest Industry

#### May-10

- 04 Wine Tasting - Kathy Kennedy
- 11 Pukekohe RC - Away Visit
- 18t Bruce Sheppard
- 25 Tom Henderson - Shelter Boxes

#### Jun-10

- 01 Jonathon Masters - Urologist
- 08 Rodney Hide - Leader of Act Party and Minister of Local Government
- 15 Chris de Freitas - Global Warming
- 22 Hesham Elnagar - US Ambassadorial Scholar
- 29 Change Over At Howick Club

## Fellowship Committee Report, 2009/2010

**Committee:** Lawrence Copestake, Cedric Daniel, Jim Donovan, Steve Kattan, Kathy Kennedy (Chair), Duncan Morrison, John Savory, George Tyler (Secretary)

**Aim:** To provide an interesting programme to foster Fellowship within the Club with a mixture of “tried and true”, some new slants on “tried and true” and some completely new activities.

**Key Committee Tasks:** The bar takings and raffle contribute hugely toward Fellowship Functions enabling us to considerably subsidise all major events. The smooth running of the bar, the Meat and Wine Raffle, general security of the venue, and liaison with the caterer regarding special and away functions are a key part of the Fellowship role.

**Our Programme:** Charter Night on 22 September took on an Irish Theme, George Tyler was our MC for the night (complete with accent), the Band was Irish, the John Savory jokes were Irish, the venue looked a picture in Green as were all of us and we even had Beef and Guinness on the menu – a real fun night with 112 in attendance.

Guess Who’s Bringing Dinner was held on Friday 13 November – a new slant that worked very well. Organised by John Savory, instead of “coming” to dinner participants “brought” dinner - in the form of various “ethnic” takeaways – much enjoyed by all participants.

Christmas Party – A good old fashioned Christmas Party on 8 December saw us all tuck into our Christmas Dinner, Santa and his helpers gave us our presents, the music was provided by a young “Jazz” band, John Savory was our MC for the night organised the Christmas Quiz. The venue was decorated in a real Christmassy way and looked fantastic – enjoyed by all.

Then we hit the “Silly Season” – the time of year when we need to take advantage of as much Daylight Saving as possible. We had a Petanque Evening at Cockle Bay Terrain, a Bowls Night at the Club and a Golf Day (ably organised by Clive Derbyshire) I think this was probably the first ever Fellowship Committee with NO golfers – the sunshine arrived as ordered for all three events and they were much enjoyed by those in attendance.

In March we introduced a bit of culture with a visit to Howick Little Theatre where we were entertained by the play “Mammals” a humorous and enjoyable evening.

May’s entertainment took the form of a Wine Tasting evening organised by the Committee – a slightly less than “formal” tasting – but a huge amount of fun. This was closely followed by a Club visit to the Rotary Club of Pukekohe. A really good night – we caught the bus from the Bowling Club, served wine and nibbles on the way, Pukekohe turned on a really entertaining evening with an excellent dinner and speaker and the bus driver won the raffled bottle of whiskey!

June – Change-over – what happened to the year? We rounded out the year by holding Change-Over at The Howick Club on 29<sup>th</sup> June. The theme for the evening was “Glitz & Glamour” and that is exactly what we got. Rod Somerville was our MC for the night and again the “Flower Girls”, Jackie, Jeanette and Jane did us proud, the venue looked magnificent. We had the Society Jazzmen entertain us through the evening and 125 people witnessed President John hand over the reins and chains to incoming President Ted.

The Fellowship Committee had input in other Committee functions over the year and while it was a very busy year it was also very satisfying. Other ideas which unfortunately due to time constraints never eventuated, like a Family Kite Day and our own Horse Race for Melbourne Cup may be ideas for other years. Our Committee, though small, punched well above their weight and I cannot thank each and every one them enough for their input and support in making this, what I believe was, a successful year of Fellowship enjoyed by all.

Kathy Kennedy

## **The Fellowship Policeman's Parody**

(Parts in **bold** are sung by the chorus)

V1 - When a member's not engaged in his employment -- **(his employment)**  
Or out working all the hours that he can -- **(that he can)**  
His capacity for innocent enjoyment -- **('cent enjoyment)**  
Is just like any non-Rotarian's -- **(Rotarian's)**

The fellowship committee was appointed -- **(was appointed)**  
And they figured out a yearly party plan -- **(party plan)**  
So the membership would not be disappointed -- **(disappointed)**  
And could party just as hard as all they can

**So we figure out a yearly party plan – party plan  
To enable you to party all you can**

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V2 - We played Bowls, petanque and golf with gay abandon -- **(gay abandon)**  
And we organised for three full days of sun -- **(days of sun)**  
And for those who won the fierce competition -- **(competition)**  
We had Chardonnay and Merlot to be won -- **(to be won)**

On charter night we us went all green and Irish -- **(green and Irish)**  
With Irish stew and Guinness's as well -- **('ness's as well)**  
And to help us with the evenings entertainment -- **(entertainment)**  
You sent Irish jokes and yarns for us to tell

**We had Irish stew and Guinness's as well -- 'ness's as well  
And you sent in Irish jokes and yarns to tell**

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V3 - And we organised a trip to Pukekohe -- **(Pukekohe)**  
Where we even served refreshments on the bus -- **(on the bus)**  
And we also did a "Guess whose bringing dinner" -- **(bringing dinner)**  
To have some guests at home without a fuss -- **(without a fuss)**

In December we did run the Christmas party -- **(Christmas party)**  
And the quiz we had was really lots of fun -- **(lots of fun)**  
And young Santa called in later in the evening -- **(in the evening)**  
And he brought a mystery gift for everyone

**And the quiz we had was really lots of fun -- lots of fun  
And young Santa brought a gift for everyone**

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V4 - So we ran the bar with speed and dedication -- **(dedication)**  
Serving wine and beer and soft drink by the glass -- **(by the glass)**  
And to those who would complain about the service -- **('bout the service)**  
We'd tell them just to stick it up their nose -- **(up their nose)**

And now our year of fellowship is ended -- **('ship is ended)**  
The year is over, finished, gone and done -- **(gone and done)**  
We have tried our very best to entertain you -- **(entertain you)**  
And we hope that you had heaps and heaps of fun

## Community Committee Report, 2009/2010

### **Members.**

Glen Donaldson - Director, Stuart Armstrong, Matthew Cooke, Jim Duckworth, Ross Forrester, Max Grant, Gavin Green, Brian Hanlon, Bill McKay, Bob Mackie, Sanjay Sathe.

A full and varied program was undertaken this year with some of the old and some new projects.

**Blood Bank:** Our club once again gave valuable support to the blood bank by way of providing the refreshments for donors.

**Trees For Survival:** Support was again given to Buckland's Beach Intermediate by way of funding for the soil and plant requirements.

**Historical Society:** An enjoyable evening was held, with this committee providing catering for the night. A contribution was made to their general funds.

**Defibrillator:** We contributed together with the bowling club in the acquisition of this piece of equipment which adds to the security and well being of visitors to these premises.

**Mangemangeroa Reserve:** Further plantings were carried out on this wonderful walkway. It is noticeable the increase in public use of the walkway with recognition to our club for our involvement with the other partners.

**Mission Heights Junior College:** A new and exciting undertaking was commenced with this school to develop a student inspired project called 'TANE'. Our club has been involved to assisting with labour and funding on providing a bush walk through native bush bounding the school. Stage 1 has been completed and the next year will see the completion of stage 2.

To finish I wish to thank the members of my team for their contribution throughout the year. Also thanks to other club members for their assistance in our projects - greatly appreciated.

Glen Donaldson

## Vocational Committee Report, 2009/2010

Our committee members were Bruce Burton, Mike Carroll, Ian Fox, Richard Harri, Fred Holland, Barry Nicholls, John Richardson, Harjit Singh, Geoff Thompson, Michele Zackey & Colin Monk, Director.

I would to acknowledge and thank each and everyone on this committee for their support and involvement throughout the Rotary Year.

It was fair to say that commitments outside Rotary meant that the team was “fluid” at most times, but the makeup of our committee meant that the work always got done, irrespective of our individual situations. We set out with a few Goals and I am pleased to say that we achieved them all.

**Visits** -were made to the **VISY Recycling Plant** in Onehunga during November, and although we were unable to actually enter the processing areas, we were treated to a very detailed explanation of the workings of the plant. The recycling process is extremely complex, and the equipment involved is “State-of- the-art” hi-tech machinery. Thanks, Barry.

The visit to **Mission Heights Junior College** was a real eye-opener, as we all found out what it was like to learn in the modern teaching environment. Far cry from the blackboard, chalk, & duster! We were given a tour of the complex by the senior teaching staff and wondered what we would do if our computer gave up. This was an amazing insight to most of us. Thanks to the Community Team, lead by Glen & Matthew, for organizing this opportunity for us.

Our visit to **Ronald McDonald House** was a real “Tear-jerker”. It is not often we get to appreciate how lucky we are! We were given a quick tour of the facilities available to the residents, and this was followed by a BBQ. to which a number of the Families and their children were also invited. After the meal we were given a very moving presentation by one of the parents, whose child had been in and out of Hospital for close to two years. There was no doubt that every Rotarian and partner that attended this evening, knew that our support was welcome and appreciated. How much more can we do going forward? Thanks to Clive & Margaret.

**Science & Technology Forum:** The selection of three fine young students this year was a reflection on how difficult it is to differentiate between the “talent” coming through our education system. We were very pleased to be able to continue our participation in this program.

**Step-Up Programme:** This year we fully sponsored Jonathon Warner for this course. Nominated by one of our members, we know that he will gain tremendous benefits by being involved. He has been invited to attend an evening meeting to give us a short talk on his experience, and what he gained by being involved.

**Science Prize- Howick College.** President John represented the Club at the Prize Giving last year. We felt that Rotary needed to be better represented/acknowledged, for their support to the Local Colleges, and how better could we do than by having John represent us!.

**ROTA Pacific** were given a contribution for the ongoing support of this programme. We understand that our contribution assisted six young people this year.

One of the disappointments expressed by this committee was the lack of attendees at some of the functions/activities/visits held during the year. This issue was common to a number of our committees, and we would like to suggest that functions away from the normal meeting venue, should be restricted to perhaps once per month. We do not want to see activities curtailed but perhaps “better planning” could go some way to easing the situation.

I would like to thank the outgoing Board for allowing me this opportunity to head up the Vocational Committee this past year, and wish Lawrence and his team the best for the new Rotary year.

Colin Monk.

## **International Committee. 2009/2010**

This year's committee were: Bill Charkow, Rob Crabtree, Peter George, Joseph Heays, Max Heron, Paul Kendall, Kay Mckirdy, David Percival, Alan Peterson, Victor Sun & Steve Whitehead, Director.

Firstly my thanks to the International committee members for their valuable input and work with the activities that we undertook.

**Tsunami - Samoa:** This year the International Committee decided to look for a project that would involve the whole club. The preference being for a team from the Howick Rotary club being put together to go and complete a hands on program for one of our pacific island neighbours.

Following the terrible Tsunami event in Samoa we had an even greater reason to assist in the region. We therefore contacted the Rotary World Community Services and asked them for a project that a team can go and assist with. However with so much help being offered from all areas of the community they were mainly looking for individuals to assist with certain skills. So there was no immediate project we could go for. We heard that Rotary's stock of Emergency Boxes had been depleted, so we used a large part of our budget to help replenish them.

**RI Exchange Students:** We have an out going student **Sarah Hyde** being taken care of by Bill Charkow. Bill has worked tirelessly, with Joseph Hayes assistance, to help Sarah who has gone off to Canada for a year. Sarah reports back regularly on her progress and by all counts is making the most of the opportunity.

We started the year without an in bound student however in a bid to assist the Pohutakawa club we agreed to help with one from Argentina. In the end Pohutakawa club could not assist and to prevent any further delays we agreed to host **Santiago Tonelli**. I am sure you have by now met Santiago, and like me are glad we made it possible for this personable young man to enjoy the many experiences that New Zealand has to offer.

**GSE Team:** In April we also hosted the GSE team from the Netherlands, and part form a small "hiccup" about pick up locations the group enjoyed their day's activities.

**Refugee assistance:** Through David Percival's good work, and liaison with Pumpkin Patch, we have continued our contact with the Mangere Refugee Centre. This has resulted in children having access to clothes that will help them assimilate into our climate. As our final part of this financial year we will be making another donation to the Centre, with some media coverage to highlight to the community the great work undertaken by Howick Rotary.

Steve Whitehead

## **Youth Committee (New Generations) 2009/2010**

Director: David Fels; Committee members: Alasdair Maclean, Clive Derbyshire, Dave Wyllie, Gary Willcocks, Keith Appleton, Madeleine East, Rob Mouncey, Steve Noles, Tony Cooke, Victor Sun, John Built, John Willis.

Our committee enjoyed a successful year with participation in and support of the club's ongoing youth projects, along with a couple of new initiatives that we also decided to support.

A lot of time in the first half of the Rotary year was spent reviewing the club's partnership with the "**Howick Wrap-Around Trust**", researching what would be the most appropriate way to ensure that the club's resources were being utilized effectively to sustain the trust in to the future. Rob Mouncey was the chairperson of a subcommittee which included Dave Wyllie and Keith Appleton. The Report's recommendations were duly accepted by the club's Board of Directors and discussions are continuing with the Trust on the how the club can best assist them to reach their objectives.

**The Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)** were again a huge success, with Howick sponsoring four candidates including Katherine Heays, Leigh Stockton, Fiona Dickson and James Bennett. They all enjoyed their experiences and spoke to the club on the 17 August giving us their highlights. This continues to be one of the best youth programmes that Rotary organises, and I look forward to meeting the students "before and after" and seeing the benefit that they gain from their participation.

**Spirit of New Zealand** – our committee supported this programme with three students being sponsored with assistance towards the cost. Alasdair Maclean and Gary Willcocks organised the project and selected the successful candidates being Rachel Melhuish, Jordan Yates and Hayley Pipes. They will be doing a presentation to the club on the 14 September outlining their experiences.

**Australia/NZ Matched Twin Exchange** – Howick participated in this programme again with Jessica Moffit from Howick College being sponsored to go to Australia to stay with Ingrid Miller and her family. Steve Noles was the counselor.

**Peer Support / Howick College** – our committee maintained this programme by providing the catering for the participants, and also funding the outside trainer. The club's support of this programme is very much appreciated by the College, and the committee enjoyed being involved on the day, with four or five members and their partners handing out the food and refreshments to the student participants.

**The Gem Inside** – the committee decided to support this new Rotary initiative to assist in educating young teens to make good "life" decisions and purchased one pack for Howick College to use and evaluate.

**The Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment (RYPEN)** was cancelled by District at the last moment due to a lack of support from other clubs, which was unfortunate as we had been able to secure a number of students for the programme with the help of Joseph Heays. It is recommended that District review the timing of this programme as it is difficult to get candidates organised so early in the school year.

**ADHD Society** – the committee received a request from the ADHD Society to assist in updating their resources. Our committee recommended a grant of \$2000.00 which the Board of Directors supported.

**YouthLine** – we also received a request for a donation from YouthLine to assist in upgrading their telephone system, and subsequently recommended a grant of \$200 which was agreed to by the Board.

David Fels

## **Bookarama 2009**

Bookarama 2009 was another resounding success for the club with net revenue even surpassing last year's record sum. With Dulcie's garage full to overflowing we were forced to use my basement as overflow storage for a record amount of books which augured well for our sales.

The usual large membership turnout started the massive task of transferring the books to the school hall at 6.00pm on the Friday. By 8.00pm the big stack was safely piled in the corner of the hall and all the tables were erected and in place.

The eager team of sorters started the sort on the Saturday morning and applied themselves with such diligence that by Wednesday with tables groaning under the load of books we were well and truly ready for the opening "early bird" sale evening. The next three sale days saw a regular stream of happy customers carry off stacks of bargain books, puzzles and AV media.

By Saturday afternoon all that was left to do was bank the money, clean up the hall, stack the tables away and then relax with the presidents shout

Again we had an excellent turnout of members, spouses, family and friends to assist the operation. It is true that "many hands do make light work". A big thank you to all who helped.

We also need to thank the H & P Times for their support and all the local businesses who offered their places as drop off depots and in a number of cases also contributed prizes for our lucky draw. And a big thank-you to the citizens of Howick & Pakuranga who donated their books and then turned up to buy them back.

As a result of this wonderful Rotary project we were able to collect a very satisfactory amount of funds to be used on local and international community projects.

Details of the Bookarama Accounts can be found in the financial section of this Annual Report

John Savory

## Rotary Charity Yacht Regatta, March 2010

The 2010 Regatta was our 23 sailed out of Half Moon Bay Marina on the Waitemata Harbour.

The weather was a real Test of sailing skills with strong winds in excess of 20 knots throughout the day. For safety reasons some skippers reduced their sail area by reefing their main sails.

For the second year running tough economic times impacted on yacht numbers. Sponsored yacht numbers were 32, up 2 on last year. Altogether 350 participants enjoyed their days sailing on the water and the entertainment and buffet dinner under the big marquee.

The funds generated by the Regatta slightly exceeded last year's results. This was distributed equally between the organising Rotary Clubs of Half Moon Bay and Howick for the benefit of the masthead charities and other worthwhile charitable activities.

The Yacht Regatta Financial Statement can be found in the financial section of this Annual Report.

Thanks again go to our sponsors who supported the regatta, and to the boat owners who give up their time and yachts for free, Half Moon Bay Marina for the use of their hard stand, Bucklands Beach Yacht Club for their Start boat and to the many Rotarians who helped on the day.

John Richardson  
On behalf of the Regatta Committee.



The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Howick Show C.A.S.E. Awards Dinner was held on the 25<sup>th</sup> August at the Howick Club.

Under the direction of Garry Donoghue the Awards committee met early in June to commence the organisation of this year's event. This year The Rotary Club of Half Moon Bay was invited to join the Organising committee and Ian Rodger and Campbell Butcher joined the regular team.

The organising committee consisted of:-

Garry Donoghue	Howick Rotary	Chairman
John Osborne	Howick Rotary	
Ian Rodger	Half Moon Bay Rotary	
Campbell Butcher	Half Moon Bay Rotary	
Jim Donald	Chair Howick Community Board	
Jenny Foster	Howick Village Association	
Maree van Piere	Times Newspapers	
Phil Taylor	Times Newspapers	
Hal Martin	Uxbridge Arts	

The Organising committee worked tirelessly through July and August and the end result was that once again we had a great selection of nominees for the five award categories.

Our supporting sponsors this year were the Howick Community Board of Manukau City Council, Howick Village Association, The Stevenson and Roy Families, Uxbridge Arts, Howick and Pakuranga Times and The Howick Club.

On the evening of the 25<sup>th</sup> August over 150 people attended a wonderful function where we were all able to recognise the achievements of our local people and celebrate in their awards.

The winners in the five categories were:-

**The Paul Stevenson Memorial Trust Young Person of the Year** Colin Ballantine

Colin is an exceptional student with impressive grades in many subjects. He is an outstanding debater and speaker, a multi talented musician, an active support member of International and local charities, is currently working towards his Duke of Edinburgh Silver award and holds leadership and peer support roles at Macleans College.

**John and Valerie Roy Employee of the Year** Shirley Samuels.

Shirley works tirelessly in her role as Democratic Services Co-ordinator at the Howick Ward offices. She is the liaison between Council officers, Councillors and Board members and members of the Public.

**Howick Village Association Business Person of the Year** Des Coutts / Larry O'Reilly

Des and Larry are the well known butchers of the Howick Village Butchery. They are recognised for **their great** service and humour as well as the quality of the product they sell. They are keen supporters of "Howick Village"

**Howick Club and Uxbridge Arts Centre Arts Administrator of the Year** Warwick Russell

Warwick is an enthusiastic local watercolour painter who has dedicated himself to the Art and has readily supported other artists through "the woolshed art group"

**Howick Community Board Citizen of the Year** John Russell

John has successfully owned and operated his menswear business in Howick for over 24 years. He has a great rapport with his customers and is known to go that extra mile in service. His interests outside business and in the community have included, school PTA's, the Howick

This year the Howick Show C.A.S.E. received funding support from the Chenery Memorial Memorial Trust and the Lois Dalley Charitable Trust and this has enabled us to grow the event through challenging economic times. We record our appreciation of the support of these Trusts in the running of our awards evening.

Once again the Times News Group through Howick and Pakuranga Times has been amazing in their total commitment to the event with subsidized advertising and extensive editorial over a three month period as well as dedicated membership of the organising committee.

This was a great night and my thanks go to all those who assisted in the organization of the Awards, it is a night that we as Rotarians can be justly proud of, where we recognise the service of people committed to our Community. I myself get a great deal of satisfaction from being part of an organization that is leading the way in recognising our outstanding citizens. I look forward to the event continuing to grow and promoting service to the community. Village Association, Pakuranga Rugby Club Gym, the Howick Squash Club and involvement in the Stevenson Village.

John Osborne  
(on behalf of Garry Donoghue)

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## **REPORT 2009/2010 FINANCIAL YEAR**

### **DISBURSMENTS**

During this year the Trust gifted \$10,000 to the RMS.

This money was used to fund clothing for Refugees as they departed from the centre

Also part of this money was used to buy uniforms and books to assist Refugee School Children.

### **PROPERTY**

Our property at No 1 Highbrook Road continues to be our only income.

The property is newly tenanted after the lease came up for renewal on 1/4/09.

**Warren Dance**

Trustee-Secretary