



# The KeyWay



## President's Corner



After arriving home from Rarotonga on Saturday night, all relaxed after a wonderful family holiday, we awoke on Sunday morning and after half time went into a state of nervous tension and finally bitter disappointment at the All Blacks gut wrenching 2 point loss to the French.

David Wylie's renaming of the team "Rainbow Warriors" on Tuesday night looks very apt after continually being sunk by the French!

David's presentation of Rotary's new residential leadership programme for 28-39 year olds (there was a 48 year old on the first course) went very well. A good job, David! This is another successful innovation in leadership training by our own District. We should all look for suitable candidates to recommend for this course and whilst the old adage is true that "anything worthwhile is worth paying for", the Board of the club has decided to support those candidates that require it.

On another Board matter, the sub-

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committee looking at the Mast Head charities for the Yacht Regatta put their recommendations to the Board at the last meeting. The first of these is the Rotary Against Violence at Home (RAVAH) Fund that has been established to assist in the reduction of violence in the Manukau East community. The fund initiated by Penrose Rotary is administered jointly by Rotary and the Manukau East Council of Social Services (MECOSS). The second is the Hospice South Auckland, which provides such wonderful palliative care at their facility in Manurewa.

The Hospice we know well after our visit there last year, as well as having Chairman John Savory in our ranks. We will be ar-

ranging a presentation to the club of the work being done by MECOSS and the RAVAH Fund through the Manager of MECOSS Alison Dyson and John Steele from the Penrose Club in our future programme.

Have a Good Week!

**Rob**

## Duties October 16

<i>Host</i>	Jan de Haast
<i>Reception</i>	George Tyler
<i>Inv/Thanks</i>	Brian Hanlon
<i>Backup</i>	Kay McKirdy

## Duties October 23

<i>Host</i>	Jim Duckworth
<i>Reception</i>	Rod Somerville
<i>Inv/Thanks</i>	David Wylie
<i>Backup</i>	Lawrence Copestake

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## Secretary's Notes

I am standing in for Ian Fox as he had urgent managerial matters that needed to be attended to last night, so I hope that I don't get too carried away by the power of the pen.

Disposing of the unexciting first, I have to report that we had 45 members present for the meeting plus, of course, the attendance of that Man from Mighty Argentina, Luca. What with one thing and another we managed an attendance percentage of 79, this helped somewhat by make-ups at various District Committees by Tony Twigge, Clive Derbyshire and Rob Crabtree. The Sergeant will be offering a special reward next week to anyone who can tell us just what those District Committees are.

Talking of Make-ups, and we now are, how long since you went and did a Club Make-up, just for the hell of it. What better way can there be to look in through the Rotary window, for we can learn so much about how Clubs operate, and maybe even end up with some warm fuzzies about our own. If you have never done one, and would like to, I know someone who would be pleased to accompany you. Give me a call.

The Club had a delightful card from German exchange student Katharina. You only get delightful cards from Katharina because she is a truly delightful young lady. She is determined to make a return to NZ when she finishes school next year.

The main event of the evening was a bit of a joy too. We recall Dave Wylie giving us, earlier this year, a brief review of the first ever Step Up programme. I remember Dave was quite overcome by the personal potential that this unique project unleashed, and he threatened to come back and tell us more. This week he did just that with the help of a smart little video presentation made at the time of that first 2006 Step-up. What an excellent thing Rotary is on to here. Every now and then, Rotary [ that's us ], launches into something that really takes off. We are fortunate to be in Rotary as the foundations of Step-up are laid. What an opportunity now to give support to the 2008 programme, pamphlets for which were tabled last night. Congratulations David. You give all the signs of believing in this thing you have helped deliver. And so do we.

**Brian Hanlon**  
Acting Secretary

## Directory update

If any member needs information in the 2007-8 Club Directory re phone numbers, addresses, contact details, etc updated, please forward the new information to Secretary Ian at [ian@fox.co.nz](mailto:ian@fox.co.nz).

Ian

## Petanque

**Please note that 6 November is the Petanque night at Cockle Bay. More details to follow.**

Jill Kennedy, who was initially scheduled to talk to us on that day, will be visiting us next year instead.

## Birthdays

- 17 - Oct. Maureen McIntosh*
- 22 - Oct. Ella Costache*
- 23 - Oct. Clive Derbyshire*
- 23 - Oct. Isobel Heron*



## Anniversaries

- 21 - Oct. Sue & Gary Willcocks*

