



# The KeyWay



## President's Corner

**T**hailand was great but it is always good to be home!

Well, my first meeting after returning home had its challenges with planned guest speaker Michele and Sergeant Charles both having family hospitalizations to attend to. I am sure that everyone will be thinking of both these and other Rotary families with sickness or health issues.

We tried to arrange an "off-course substitute" in the form of Ian Wakefield (alias "the Jolly Doc") - District Foundation Chairman - at short notice to advise on Rotary Foundation activities and progress. However the Auckland traffic prevented even this happening apart from a brief Q & A session. Apart from all that, the video we showed to fill the gap is part of Rotary's new Video Magazine Library showing Rotary's international projects. If any of you wish to view any of these, I am holding a few volumes.

**This Week 11 March 2008**

## ROTARY CLUB OF HOWICK

The Weekly Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Howick, Inc.

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**11<sup>th</sup> March.** Vocational visit to **Villa Maria** in Mangere - NZ's most awarded white wine producer - should be a great night!

**As outlined, we are giving notice of an SGM that will be held on the 25<sup>th</sup> March within the planned Club Assembly.** The purpose of this is to discuss and vote on the adoption of the Rotary Club of Howick Charitable Trust. This trust has to be formed to safeguard the tax exemption status of the clubs project activities. Unfortunately Rotary Clubs as they are currently constituted do not meet the requirements of the Charities Act. As a consequence, we have to form a Charitable Trust so that the monies raised from charity projects are not exposed to tax. We will need to have RI

authorize the formation of a Trust and we will have to register it prior to June 30. A District Committee has been established to assist in the programme and the document that you will receive shortly has been finalized and agreed as the model to use in order to facilitate acceptance by the Charities Commission.

**Please note that this Trust is not the one that we have been progressing within the club since the North donation.** Whilst we can now use the above model trust wording to assist us we will need to personalize this latter trust, if we proceed, to cater for the different source of funds, different objects, and perhaps different beneficiaries. It is our intention to focus on the Trust that will protect our current project activities tax exempt status first, and then reintroduce the process of forming our special trust at a later date (still hopefully meeting the June 30 date for the Charities Commission).

*Have a good week!*

**Rob**



## Secretary's Notes

**H**aving to leave Rotary early this week to attend another meeting, it is difficult for me to write about what happened after the meal. I can confirm however that the delightful Alicia informed us we were to eat roast pork, Moroccan chicken, broccoli, carrots, potatoes, peas and corn with peach and berry sponge to follow. She was right! It was a quality meal enjoyed by all. (I did not have time for any of the desert!)

Thanks to Jim Duckworth and Kay McKirdy for make-ups. We welcomed two visitors to our club, Peter and Barbara Bennett from East Devon.

Dave Wylie reminds members that there is no meeting at our usual venue next week. Instead we have our vocational visit to Villa Maria.

See you there. I will not be leaving early next week. I may miss something other than the berry sponge!

**Ian Fox**  
Secretary

## Vocational Visit

### **Rotary Club of Howick Vocational Visit Tuesday 11 th March 2008**

Note the start time of 5:30 pm – don't forget to allow travel time at least 30 minutes from Howick.

Check your maps for the location at Airport Oaks close to Auckland International Airport.

The program includes tasting and a tour followed by dinner.

A cash bar will be operating and you will be able to buy bottles to take home.

118 Montgomerie Road Mangere, Auckland Villa Maria is one of New Zealand's leading winemakers.

**A family owned New Zealand winery**  
Founded in 1961 by its current owner and Managing Director, George Fistonich, Villa Maria is 100% New Zealand owned.

**New Zealand's leading wine award winner**  
Villa Maria has been New Zealand's leading wine award winner, both nationally and internationally since the early 1980's.

**A selection of Villa Maria's recent achievements:**

- Villa Maria named one of the world's 50 great wine producers by American

magazine Wine Spectator.

- New Zealand Wine Company of the Year at Australia's Winestate Wine Awards (sixth time in seven years).
- Eight trophies (42 per cent of those awarded) and 14 gold medals - 2004 Air New Zealand Wine Awards.
- National Wine Show of Australia 2004 - The 2002 and Older Vintages Chardonnay Trophy.
- New Zealand Wine Producer of the Year and Best Pinot Noir Trophy - 2006 International Wine and Spirit Competition in the United Kingdom.
- Trophy for the Most Successful Exhibitor at the 2004 New Zealand Wine Society Royal Easter Show (the third time in four years) and winemaker Alastair Maling MW, collecting the Gold Medal for Champion Winemaker of the Show. This is the third time in four years Villa Maria winemakers have won the award.
- Owner George Fistonich was also short listed as one of 50 prominent figures in the wine industry by UK Wine International Magazine, named New Zealander of the year by the prestigious National Business Review, and in the top ten New Zealanders by daily newspaper, The New Zealand Herald.

Thanks  
*Dave Wylie*

## RYLA's Success

### Brief description

Run successfully for over 20 years, RYLA is a Rotary New Generations' service project. It comprises a week long live-in seminar and experience for young men and women between the ages of 18 and 25 who already exhibit leadership qualities. Participants are selected by all Clubs throughout the District.



### Mission

The RYLA mission is... "To provide an effective learning experience that will assist selected young leaders to fulfil their leadership potential and enhance their understanding of themselves and others and thus be better equipped to serve their community, country and place of work".

## Duties March 18

<i>Host</i>	Max Heron
<i>Reception</i>	Geoff Thompson
<i>Inv/Thanks</i>	Alan Peterson
<i>Backup</i>	Sanjay Sathe

## Birthdays

7 - Mar	<i>Lyn Fels</i>
10 - Mar	<i>Ross Forrester</i>
10 - Mar	<i>Peter George</i>
11 - Mar	<i>Carole Sanders</i>
11 - Mar	<i>Deborah Heays</i>
11 - Mar	<i>Margaret Derbyshire</i>



## Diary March 2008 Rotaract & Interact month

- 18-March **Michele Zackey** Club member Michele Zackey will talk about at the latest statistics in strengthening families, related to the alarming increase of violence in the home.
- 25-March **CLUB ASSEMBLY** - an opportunity to hear from committee chairs on progress of projects and for members to have their say.

## New details for John Osborne

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## Visit

**Philip Rive** is paying a brief visit to NZ early next month and plans to attend the Rotary meeting on 8th April (as advised by Ross Forrester). I'm sure many of his Rotary friends would enjoy the opportunity to catch up with Philip.

Regards  
Lawrence

## Diary April 2008 Magazine Month

- 1 - Apr **Nick Grianias** US Consul on the US Presidential Election process.
- 8 - Apr **Insp Jim Searle** - Manukau Policing update
- 15 - Apr **Martin Casey** - Blind Foundation
- 22 - Apr **ANZAC** speaker - to be co firmed.

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