



The KeyWay



President's Corner

Vocational learning about an industry that is close to most of our hearts, getting to taste a "value for money" selection of the company's fine products, wining and dining in a great atmosphere topped off by inducting new member Chris Francis into the club (at last!) made for a very enjoyable evening in Rotary. Thank you Max and your Vocational team, and particularly David Wylie, for arranging our visit to Villa Maria.



As we were sitting down for the tasting and dinner and looking outside, you could not help thinking that this vineyard in the heart of Auckland's Airport industrial area is like an oasis in the hurly burly of city life. Perhaps this was part of the vision

This Week 18 March 2008

ROTARY CLUB OF HOWICK

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

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18th March. Michele Zackey

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that Andrew (or was it James?) proudly told us that the owner George Fistonich had when the property was purchased. This vision and the ability to motivate people with it have obviously extended to all parts of the winery's business with their continuous stream of medals and awards and the pristine and modern factory that we were taken around.

The other nice thing about this visit was the talk amongst us all of the contacts that we have had with the Villa or its owner. Some of us had worked for the company, some had sold products to the company and others had visited one of the many wonderful entertainment events being held

in the vineyard. A special organization and what do you know, it is still "kiwi owned". Long may it be so!

As mentioned last week an SGM will be held on the 25th 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. A document is being prepared for the Board to consider next Tuesday and then, once the Board has approved, it will be circulated to the members. This will be done by email for most of the members. There will also be a limited number of hard copies of the "model document" available at the meeting next week, so those members not able to be emailed can "come to grips" with the bulk of the document if they wish. The Board will be considering and hopefully approving the model document, along with the personalization of names etc. that make it the Rotary Club of Howick Charitable Trust. Once the club has approved the formation of the trust we can then go on to get the necessary RI and Charity Commission approvals and then to registration.

Have a good week!

Rob



Secretary's Notes

Single vineyard, reserve, cellar selection, or private bin, it was all pretty good really. The night at Villa Maria, founded in 1961 by its current owner and Managing Director, George Fis-



tonich, attracted a large turnout of members and partners. A number of our more classic vintage members will remember visiting Villa Maria in its early days at the foot of Mangere Mountain where many good celebratory nights were held with a spit roast and of course the odd glass or three of VM wine. It was known as a place for a 'pretty good do!' Thanks to the Vocational Committee for arranging a 'good do' on Tuesday evening.

The one touch of champagne experienced during the evening was the induction of our

newest member, Chris Francis. Chris joins us with the classification of Fraud Investigation. He should by now be well known to members as he has been coming along to our meetings for some time. Chris and Raewyn live in the Dannemora area. He will join the Fellowship Team under the guidance of cellar master Bill Charkow.



Next week we are back home in our usual venue with one of our own members scheduled to speak. Michele Zackey will talk about the latest statistics in strengthening families, related to the alarming increase in violence in the home.

So have a good week. Enjoy the odd tippie, if that is your custom. (I have some great VM Pinot Noir to see to!)

Cheers

Ian Fox
Secretary

Rotary Regatta Roster

FRIDAY 14th MARCH

VOLUNTEERS

Serving Brunch in the Big Marquee
10:00am to 11:30am

Please report 9:30am for briefing by caterer - Gourmet Shuttle

Glen Donaldson, Gavin Green, Pam Mackie, Peg Percival, Jim & Judy Duckworth, George Abercrombie, Ken McIntosh

Serving Dinner at Catering Tent
5:00pm to 6:00pm

Please report 4:30pm for briefing by Caterer - Gourmet Shuttle

Lawrence & Beatrice Copestake, Victor & Nora Sun, Clive Derbyshire, Bill McKay, Ella Costache, Pam Mackie, Sue Somerville, Steve Noles, Gavin Green, Graham Loughlin, Ken McIntosh

Duties March 18

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

Duties March 25

<i>Host</i>	Graham Loughlin
<i>Reception</i>	Ken Mcintosh
<i>Inv/Thanks</i>	Rob Crabtree
<i>Backup</i>	Allan Riley

RYLA's Success

Objectives

1. To bring together young people aged 18 to 25, who have shown leadership qualities and will benefit from the programme of lectures, discussions, activities and interactions during a week long seminar.
2. To demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for young people.
3. To provide information, instruction and experience on a wide range of subjects of interest and benefit to the Awardees, utilising appropriate industry and community leaders and experts as presenters.
4. To equip, instruct and encourage promising young people from differing cultures and backgrounds, to better serve their communities and countries.
5. To encourage leadership of young people by young people.
6. To recognise young people who are providing service to their communities.
7. To provide Awardees with an experience they will not forget and that will benefit them well into the future.



Help Needed

Challenge Camp 2008 is looking for a Camp Mother. !

This inter district camp for 25 physically handicapped 16-24 year olds is taking place 12 -16 May 2008 and we need a Camp Mother.

The role requires someone who is preferably a registered nurse and who can attend camp during the week.

The role is loosely defined , other than the preferred nursing knowledge, and requires the ability to interact with the campers and their buddies (our International Exchange Students) where relevant.

Staying overnight on one night may be required but we are flexible re this .

Depending on the response to this request we may locate two camp mothers (even better).

Other assistance will be provided by at least four Rotarians, on site at all times during the camp.

If you have a wife, friend, family member or associate who could assist Challenge Camp, please contact either : Ian Willetts (09) 575 0677 or Carol Neville (09) 575 0609

Birthdays

13 - Mar *Sandy Whitehead*
16 - Mar *Mary Mouncey*
18 - Mar *Lynne Green*



Anniversarie

17 - Mar *Glen & Max Grant*



Duties April 1

<i>Host</i>	John Willis
<i>Reception</i>	Clive Derbyshire
<i>Inv/Thanks</i>	Barry Nicholls
<i>Backup</i>	John Osborne

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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