



The KeyWay



President's Corner

It was "full night" in Rotary on Tuesday with the wonders of modern technology not co-operating to get a quick start!

It was great to see Ross back at the club. I am sure we all hope that the "stable" condition continues for Ross in the short term and that a longer term solution is not too far away.

It was also good to see Phil back amongst us during his "family catch up" visit to New Zealand. He reminded me that Long Beach is not too far away from LA Airport for those people traveling through the States!

Georgia Waldon was well supported by her family and councilors Clive and Barby and gave a great short presentation of who she is and where she is going as part of the Australia/New Zealand Student Exchange Programme. A bit of a "culture shock" for her as she goes to a town that has "less houses than in her street" but no doubt, as we have so often seen before, it will be a superb learning experience for her, as well as her "twin".

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15th April Martin Casey
Regional fundraising manager,
Royal NZ Foundation

Glen gave new meaning to being "on a promise" and the new "Auction of Promises" night sounds like a wonderful addition to our social calendar. Well done, Bill and team, for introducing a new idea. As we all know, innovation keeps the "life blood" going in organizations.

We finally got to our guest speaker, Inspector Jim Searle, who gave us an interesting insight into Policing in Manukau East. One certainly realizes that the job of the modern police force is not an easy one when faced with managing priorities, allocating resources, dealing with the politics, at the same time as making the public feel safe and satisfied with the service they are providing.

I mentioned that District is looking for new members for its International Youth Ex-

change Committee. If you have an interest please contact Gary Lord email Lord-Ent@xtra.co.nz Ph 522 4409.

Our Clubs District Committee current involvement is limited to Rob Crabtree on PR and Kay McKirdy on Aus/NZ Student Exchange. If you would like to know more, the Committee part of the 9920 rotary.org web site is worth a visit. District has also requested new members for the World Community Service and ITC Committees.

Swing Well on Sunday & Have a Good Week!

Rob

Duties April 15

<i>Host</i>	Fred Holland
<i>Reception</i>	John Sanders
<i>Inv/Thanks</i>	Gary Willcocks
<i>Backup</i>	Garry Donoghue

Duties April 22

<i>Host</i>	Steve Whitehead
<i>Reception</i>	Clive Kilgour
<i>Inv/Thanks</i>	Bill McKay
<i>Backup</i>	Sue Ellis



Secretary's Notes

It was great to see Ross Forrester back with us for the evening. Let's hope all is going well for Ross. It was also great to see PP Phil Rive, 'the advisor on American politics,' joining with us for the evening. Interesting to note he has not at this stage picked up the accent. Maybe it is very selective!

Pres Rob also welcomed the Walden family, Dave, Sarah Georgia and Christopher, all there to support Georgia who is off to Australia as our Rotary Exchange Student. (Previously the matched Twin Exchange programme.) Georgia is matched with Zoe Dick who lives some 90 mins south-west of Adelaide on a farm. She attends a school with around 180 students aged from 5 – 18 years. A bit of a contrast for Georgia who is in Year 10 at Howick College!

Members should note: -

- Glen Donaldson introduced us to a **new fundraising venture** coming up in the near future. This will be an 'Auction of Promises.' The basis concept, if I have it right, is that members offer a 'promise' for auction on the night. This could be something like a home cooked dinner for 4, a 6 pack of wine, gardening, a day out on a boat,

a weekend in the bach, etc. So get the thinking hats on and see what we are each worth! What can we offer? More to come!

- PE Garry reminded us of the upcoming inaugural **Mayoress's Charity Ball**. Look out for further details from Garry.
- Gavin reminded us of the **golf day** on Sunday. Those not playing golf are welcome to join in for a swim; tennis or BBQ around 3pm. Please let Gavin know if you are coming to help with catering.
- The District Rotary Youth Exchange Committee is looking for additional members to give support. If you can assist please contact the District Committee directly. Our club has always been very supportive of District activities so if you can assist please do make contact.

Thanks to Tony Twigge and Kay McKirdy for their make-ups. No such thanks to acting sergeant John Savory who seems to have found a way of extracting a very large sum of money in a very short time over a couple of weeks. Come back Charles – almost all is forgiven!

Have a great week.

Ian Fox
Secretary

Diary

15 - Apr **Martin Casey** from the **Royal NZ Foundation for the Blind** will talk about the Foundation's current programmes and may even bring a trainee guide dog puppy to the meeting!

22 - Apr **ANZAC week** – a time for remembrance and thanks for past deeds. **Royal NZ Navy Commander Corinna Bruce** from Devenport Naval Base with a presentation of today's navy and it's role in the defence of our country. (*A ladies/partners invited night*).

29 - Apr **Mike Murphy** – Ice Angel. Mike and a colleague from the Ice-house **Business incubator** – a venture capital organization associated with Auckland University, will tell us why it exists and what it needs from the business community to be successful.

6 May **Sommer Corrigan** – **Victim Support Howick**, will provide an insight into the work of this organisation in the community in support of those whose need is greatest.

13 May **Stuart Thomson** – **EMA**. Stuart is the guiding hand behind the very successful Pathways to Employment programme which he started at Howick College some years ago.

The Mayoress's Charity Gala Ball

Rotary's goal is to fund a paediatric bed, costing NZ\$53,000 as part of the overall Ball project of funding the Kids First ICU, and to this end Howick Rotary has committed \$2k for the bed, not the Mayoress' Charity Gala Ball. The inaugural Mayoress' Charity Gala Ball, to be held at the Telstra Clear Events Centre, Gt South Rd, Manukau, 24 May 2008, will be one grand event with a four fold purpose;

- To raise funds (circa \$150k/300k) to benefit kids in Counties Manukau via Kids First Charity organization
- To show that Manukau can produce such a 'classy' event and 'uplift' the image of our area
- To lift the profile of Rotary
- For the attendees, a fabulous and memorable time.

Rotary's commitment is to sell 30 tables and Rotary has a Ball sub c/mtee for this purpose. So, in the **first instance** if you know any corporate / businesses that may be interested in receiving an invitation, **please advise the writer ASAP.**

And secondly, if any of our Howick Rotary members/family/contacts that may have an interest in attending, please also advise either **Rob Mouncey or the writer and we will record your interest.**

The Charity Gala Ball promotional data is attached and gives details of this social/charity event, and this will further explain the grandness of the Gala Ball.

As the week progresses I plan to be in touch with those that have requested further information on the event.

Thanks
Garry

RYLA's Success

Programme

A varied programme is being prepared. It will include lectures, activities and group discussions. A wide range of topics and presenters is a feature and high quality presentations and relevance to leadership development is assured throughout the week.

The programme topics will be based on the following themes:

- Leadership and You
 - Hopes and expectations
- Leadership in the Workplace
- Leadership in the Outdoors
- Leadership through understanding
 - Wisdom and perspectives
- Leadership in the Community
- Leadership in Business
- Leadership in the Family
- Leadership through Communication
 - Planning and Organisation
- Leadership through Team Work
 - Group Dynamics

Time will be allocated for recreation and organised trips to places of special interest.

The club based selection ensures Awardees cover a wide cross section of vocations and backgrounds. The common denominator is all Awardees are selected because they have leadership qualities and / or skills.

RYLA is a wonderful opportunity for all clubs in our district to collectively recognise, inform and inspire worthy young people from our local district community and to enhance their futures.

Golf day-this Sunday

If interested please contact Gavin.

Birthdays

11- Apr. *David Fels*



Anniversaries

11 - Apr. *Chris & Rob Crabtree*



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