



The KeyWay

ROTARY CLUB OF HOWICK



President's Corner

Once again it was a pleasure to have a Rotary evening where young people made up the content and inspiration. There is no doubt the **RYLA Program** delivers the goods. Our presenters were clearly moved by what they had received from the program. Positive life changing experiences for our potential future leaders.

Camille Habets has been formally introduced to the club and we look forward to her continuing visits. For those members who are considering being a host family, we remind you that we have a three month slot to fill. We welcome Camille and wish her an enjoyable and rewarding exchange with our club.

Sofie Hasamann, our 1999/2000 exchange student, was also our guest for the evening. Sofie is in NZ

at Auckland University for the next six months.

We had our **first board meeting** on the evening of the 22nd, and it is pleasing to report the committees have set some interesting and different programs for the board to consider. The enthusiasm from your Directors to make a mark is evident early, and bodes well for an interesting and rewarding year.

The Share the Vision, membership conference was held at the Waipuna last weekend, and over the next few weeks I will share some information from the conference. In his keynote address, Dong Kurn Lee's reminded the audience that Rotary is the only organization on this earth that had the capability to make impact in the areas of fostering peace and the improving the welfare of the underprivileged children. He reminded us that Rotarians have a duty to grow the membership, to ensure our place and influence in these key aspects of goodwill and community care are preserved for our futures.

The presenter at our next meeting is **Atlantic Rower and South Pole Explorer, Kevin Biggar**. Kevin Biggar will deliver a dynamic and engaging speech that will inspire and entertain. And, to this end the **meeting is now a partner invite evening.**

Kevin's 'boy's own' adventures - **rowing the Atlantic and walking to the South Pole** - have an universal appeal to people of all ages and walks of life, while his background now as a business consultant enables him to communicate particularly well with any audience.

On the 5th August our presenter is **Leah Gates**. Leah has been the Project Manager for the Auckland Chamber of Commerce for six years. The Chamber is currently working on a number of exciting projects with a focus on youth employment, women leadership and recruiting off-shore talent. Leah will be taking us through the 'Cadetmax' apprentice scheme.

The August 12th meeting is the Howick Show CASE awards evening that is once again shaping up to be inspirational and informative. The awards evening is being held this year at the Montessoris' lounge, at the Pakuranga Rugby Club. More details next week.

Rebecca Islin, Ambassadorial Scholar, follows up on August 19th.

Quote for the day; 'The empires of the future are the empires of the mind.' Winston Churchill, 1943

Have a good week
Garry

This Week 29 July 2008

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29th July
Kevin Biggar
Atlantic Rower and author

Duties July 29

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| <i>Host</i> | Mihai Costache |
| <i>Reception</i> | John Richardson |
| <i>Inv/Thanks</i> | Stephen Noles |
| <i>Backup</i> | Bob Mackie |

Duties Aug. 5

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| <i>Host</i> | Max Heron |
| <i>Reception</i> | Lawrence Copestake |
| <i>Inv/Thanks</i> | Alan Peterson |
| <i>Backup</i> | John Osborne |



Secretary's Notes

While this week was mainly hearing of our Rylarians' experiences on this year's week long course, it also focused on our Rotary Exchange traditions.

First was the introduction of Camille Habets, who will be our guest this year as our current RE student. Then came the welcome to Sofie Hasemann, from 1999 - 2000 exchange. It was great to have both young women at the meeting.

Our RYLA guests were introduced by Clive Derbyshire, who has a long history with this important programme. The participants were: Elliot Sharp, a teacher at Howick College; Shane Everest, who works with Richard Harri; Tim Woodward, sponsored by Geoff Thompson, and finally Kyle Schuman.

They experienced a host of inspiring speakers such as Alison Mooney - a

personality profiler, our speaker next Tuesday Kevin Biggar, Sheryl Randall - criminologist, Judge Blackie with his sentencing scenarios, and our mentoring specialist David Wylie. Then there was the NZ Army officer cadets who introduced the RYLA team (for most of us) to a very different life experience. Their Rangitoto - Motutapu sojourn had lost none of its impact.

The last word was with David Wylie, who concluded his thanks on behalf of us all with a most apt quote from Gandhi, "Become the change you want to see".

Meeting briefs:

- Other guests - Lynne Green, Helen Donoghue, Lara & Lance Campbell.
- Hospice Masquerade dinner - call John Savory for details
- Bev & Dave Cox with a card of thanks after the passing of Ngaira Cox.
- President Garry spoke of last weekend's President's conference with World President GK

Lee.

- Next Tuesday is a partners and wives night featuring Kevin Biggar, adventurer, as the guest speaker. Please phone to ensure meals for your guests.
- Raffles: Have a Go: 1 = Allan Riley: 2 = Max Grant
Meat/wine: 1 = Hal Martin: 2 = Lara Campbell

Let's have a great turnout next Tuesday for an inspirational Kiwi, Kevin BIGGAR.

Allan

Rotary Website Update

The Rotary Website, www.Rotary.org.nz, is being updated to match details in the handbook. Only basic details such as name and email address will be entered, the rest is up to the member to put in. Please check your details.

If you have problems please ring or email me and I will help you to sort them out.

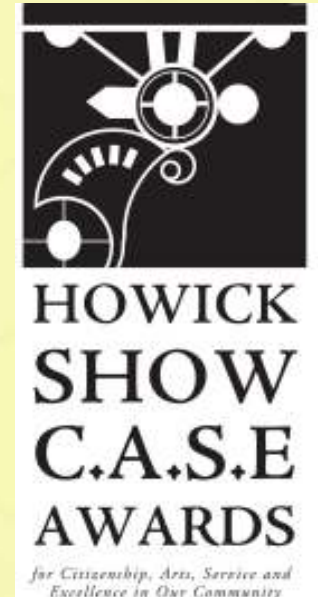
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Birthdays

24 - July Margaret Willis

29 - July Lawrence Copestake



AWARDS DINNER

The Show CASE Awards Gala Dinner announcing the winners will be held at Montessoro's Function Centre, Lloyd Elsmore Park on the 12th August commencing at 6:00pm.

In addition to the Awards, entertainment will be provided by MacLeans College and will showcase a fabulous mix of a Jazz Combo, 2 Solo Singers, a Barbershop Quartet and a Keyboard Soloist.

Ticket Price \$39 (includes complimentary drink)

