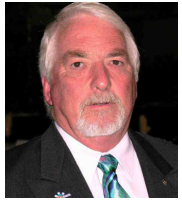




President's Corner

The KeyWay



I guess we all had some misgivings as to whether or not the world really needed another Leadership Programme when StepUp was first promoted. It was interesting to watch as Dave Wylie became involved and more and more enthusiastic and then to attend the inaugural Gala Dinner and sit through the reporting on their first day of team activities (the fund raising for the Hearing Dogs for the Deaf) was inspiring. But last night I believe Gregor Hodge removed any doubts about the value of this new New Zealand Rotary initiative which I have no doubt will gain acceptance and produce great benefits throughout the Rotary World.

It was great to have Luca with us again last night and I understand that next week he will be away seeing some more of New Zealand. We were pleased also to once again welcome Michelle Schumann to our meeting.

I am sure we are all very pleased to see my estimation of the readership proven pessimistic this last week, however the figures, I am sure Charles will publish responding to his request, are disappointing and prove that although we have arguably the best weekly bulletin in the District we fall well short of efficient regular readership by all of our members and their spouses and partners. If anyone has a suggestion or if anyone would like their KeyWay sent to more than one email address or would like a hard copy mailed or delivered to them please please let either Charles or myself know. Don't forget we are still looking for two single beds and a couple of chests of drawers for Christina and her family if anyone can help please give me a call.

John Built's temporary phone number whilst he is staying with his daughter is 6343484 – I am sure he would appreciate a call when you have a moment.

Have a great week and remember: ***"Never let the urgent crowd out the important."***

Regards
Bob

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

This week, Apr 17th, 2007

This evening, Sally Barclay will be giving us an update on the well-being of the **Mangemangeroa Reserve.**

This project is very dear to our hearts, and it would be a good idea to bring along a friend or colleague, or of course, your spouse. (Don't forget to advise Bill Percival of numbers!)

Ready for a Relaxing over-nighter in Katikati?

Arrangements are well in hand for members and partners from this Club to be hosted by the Rotary Club of Katikati on the weekend of 28th and 27th May. The broad plan is to drive down about mid-morning on the Saturday, meet at the Twickenham Restaurant on the outskirts of Katikati for lunch, thence off with our hosts to look at various local items of interest. Each host will be looking after two couples from our Club, dinner, bed, breakfast etc. On the Sunday morning the plans become more flexible and we will be able to play it by ear, returning to Howick as the mood dictates.

Please contact Brian Hanlon (273 6231) if you want to be a part of this great-looking weekend. The sooner the better as we may have to limit

Items for inclusion in the KeyWay should be e-mailed to chasd@xtra.co.nz

DUTIES

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| Host | Bill Charkow |
| Reception | John Richardson |
| Inv/Thanks | Barry Nicholls |
| Attendance | Sanjay Nagpal |
| Hall Set-up | Kay McKirdy |
| | John Willis |
| Backup | Rod Somerville |

Who Reads the KeyWay?

In last week's KeyWay there was a footnote included on page 2 that asked readers to indicate that they had read the KeyWay, by sending the reply "Read It" to my e-mail address.

This request was in response to President Bob's assertion that only 24% of members actually read the KeyWay.

I am pleased to report that President Bob is, in fact, mistaken in his belief.

The number of responses was actually 44%.

My interrogation of members at last night's meeting revealed that a far greater number than that actually read the footnote, but did not quite "get round to it" while another member admitted that he could not read but knew how to print it so that his wife could read it.

Having established that we do have a viable means of communication within the Club, I would urge members who have items to communicate:

PUT IT IN THE KEYWAY!

If you are one of those who have trouble "getting around to it", never fear I have the solution which you can find on Page 2.

Secretary's Notes



41 members present at this week's meeting with 3 guests – Michelle Schumann from Howick Wraparound, Guest Speaker, Gregor Hodge, and our exchange student Luca.

President Bob welcomed all to the beginning of the last quarter of the Rotary year.

Attendance statistics: 74.5% L.O.A's and apologies 23 but silent 4!

Clive Kilgour introduced our guest speaker, Gregor Hodge, who spoke on his life and recent experience as an inaugural participant in 'Step Up', the Rotary programme for potential leaders in the 28 – 35 age bracket. Gregor is an associate in the Building consultancy firm Davis Langdon. He has progressed through all departments in the industry – Quantity surveying, Project Management and Construction Estimating. He has been married for 14 years and has an 11 year old son. He spoke of the Leadership exercises, diagnostic, and training sessions involving strategy, mental and physical tests. The second two days of the seminar involved an outdoor physical training programme conducted by territorial Army personnel supervising 30 tasks. All 34 young people had the chance to become team leaders. He was obviously revitalized after the week and thanked Rotary for making it possible for him to attend.

Almoner Jim Duckworth reported on John Built who is progressing despite losing lots of weight. John would like to have a chat – phone him on 634-3484.

Ross Forrester is chugging along – could be back next week

Club visit to Katikati – End May home hosted "Interclub" - See Brian Hanlon.

"Have a go Raffle" – John Richardson, John Sanders. Meat/Wine Raffle – Rob Mouncey, John Osborne.

Sergeant Jim extracted \$60.80 in fines for various misdemeanours. Editor Chas had his best golf round ever - congrats on a net 61 - trumped the Sergeant as this week's supreme burglar. No food for late arrival Gary Donoghue, but Heineken and Red Wine sufficient calorie substitute. In the fullness of time the

session ended – EARLY!!

We sang the National Anthem with a Billy Graham flavour.

Sec Bruce B.

The Rotary Club of Papakura are hosting the **Concert at Karaka**

at the New Zealand Bloodstock Centre on Saturday 26th May at 19:30 and Sunday 27th May at 13:30.

A detailed brochure is available (by e-mail) from Max Grant or Charles (It is too big to send to everybody as an attachment).

There is a host of first class performers and this promises to be a wonderful event.

AT LAST..... THE ROUND TUIT

This is a round tuit. Guard it with your life. Tuits are hard to come by, especially the round ones. It will help you to become a much more efficient worker. For years, you've heard people say, "I'll do it, when I get a round tuit". So, now that you have one, you can accomplish all those things you put aside until you got your round tuit.

Birthdays

18-Apr Gavin Green
19-Apr Sanjay Sathe
19-Apr Peg Percival
20-Apr Joseph Heays



Club Diary

Apr 07 Magazine Month

17 Apr Sally Barclay - Mangemangeroa
24 Apr Don Stehr - Waterways of Europe

Jul 03 Changeover Night

Forthcoming Attractions

Toughlove - Phillipa Gottermeyer
Keith Olsen - Howick Youth/Police projects
Isabel Evans - Regional Commissioner for Social Development

Greg O'Connor - NZPA
Bobbie Brown – Starship Hospital
Intrepid flying - Africa
Wine Evening

Changes of address

Barbara and Geoff Thompson
49a Litten Road
Cockle Bay
Howick

Same phone number, etc

Beatrice and Lawrence Copestake have a new e-mail address: copestakes@xtra.co.nz

Duties

| | Apr 24 | May 01 |
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| Host | Geoff Thompson | Graham Loughlin |
| Reception | Willem Groenewald | George Tyler |
| Inv/Thanks | Rob Crabtree | Max Heron |
| Attendance | Victor Sun | Ian Fox |
| Hall Set-up | Cedric Daniel | Sanjay Sathe |
| | Dauids Fels | Ken McIntosh |
| Backup | Fred Holland | Alan Peterson |

Parting thought.

Remember: You don't stop laughing because you grow old, You grow old because you stop laughing.