

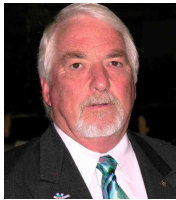


President's Corner

The Key Way



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



Well!, I absolutely give up trying to find adjectives to describe another really outstanding Rotary night. How humble one feels and how immensely proud we should be of a Club which can achieve and do so much, so well, just in the course of a "Ladies invited night".

To have with us for the evening 20 wives / partners and 23 other guests and visitors was in itself a significant demonstration of the interest in Don and In Ja's travel and experience the gratitude and respect for Peter and Sue North and their family.

For some time various club members have discussed and considered establishing a Trust fund to assist in the continuance in the future of the Club's charitable objectives but it has taken the forward thinking planning and generosity of Peter and Sue to see this become reality. As Sue said last night Peter wanted the Club to have his much prized MG to further our work, especially with youth. Sue, herself, was of a mind to honour her father, for many years a Rotarian, so she has added to the money realised from the MG to donate \$10,000 to the Club. This money is to be the foundation of a Howick Rotary Club Trust Fund and the Board has already determined to recommend that the Club make a substantial addition to this generous contribution. It is envisaged that over time the Club and hopefully individual members and supporters of the Club will continue to contribute to this fund to ensure the growth and continuance of the Club's charitable work. Sue, Sarah, Karen, Mark and Shaun we thank you most sincerely for supporting and extending Peter's wishes and assure you that we will all do our absolute utmost to grow and develop this fund. We will make the greatest possible use of it in pursuance of the



goals and aspirations that you and Peter have had in deciding to do what you have.

Don, what a truly fitting follow up your presentation was to such a significant start to our evening. Whilst the North gesture was in many respects a defining moment in the growth and maturity of our Club in many respects defining the way forward you reminded us all of the wealth of human resource we have in our club. Your exceedingly well prepared presentation was informative and very entertaining. Your light and natural style almost makes one not realise the vast amount of information, facts and figures you quietly imparted. Thanks for a really outstanding dissertation.

And thank you everyone who came along and helped make last night a night truly to be remembered as one of the really great Howick Rotary nights.

As I mentioned last night a room has become available in the hotel some 80 of us from the Howick and Pakuranga area are staying in right in the centre of Salt Lake City, if anyone is still contemplating going to Convention in June. Ladies, if you intend going to the Ladies dinner next Tuesday night please don't forget to give Pam a call by Monday 30th.

Have a great week and remember: ***"It is not genius, nor glory, nor love that reflects the greatness of the human soul: it is kindness."***

Regards

Bob

This week, May 1st, 2007

DUTIES

Host	Graham Loughlin
Reception	George Tyler
Inv/Thanks	Max Heron
Attendance	Ian Fox
Hall Set-up	Sanjay Sathe
	Ken McIntosh
Backup	Alan Peterson

The latest edition of the **Entertainment Book** is now available. The cost is \$60 (with \$12 going to the Club). The cost can be recovered many times over, even if you only use the book occasionally.

Limited numbers, first in best fed.

Contact Glen Donaldson

"The Vatican has announced that it is against surrogate mothers. Good thing they didn't have that rule when Jesus was born."

Elayne Boosler

Morris, an 82 year-old man, went to the doctor to get a physical. A few days later, the doctor saw Morris walking down the street with a gorgeous young woman on his arm.

A couple of days later, the doctor spoke to Morris and said, "You're really doing great, aren't you?"

Morris replied, "Just doing what you said, Doc: "Get a hot mamma and be cheerful."

The doctor said, "I didn't say that!. I said, You've got a heart murmur; be careful!."

A man was telling his neighbour, "I just bought a new hearing aid. It cost me four thousand dollars, but it's state of the art. It's perfect."

"Really," answered the neighbour . "What kind is it?"

"Twelve thirty."



Secretary's Notes

A wonderful tribute to the North and Stehr families that 82 members, wives/partners and friends attended tonight's meeting. Certainly the largest "normal" Rotary meeting I can remember.

Statistics were as follows:-

42 members, 23 LOAs and apologies and THREE silent(!), giving an attendance of 80%. Two make-ups from Rob(s) Crabtree and Mouncey.

President Bob welcomed 20 wives/partners and 20 guests including Sue North, Karen and Shaun Connolly and Sarah and Mark Hillman, plus all the Stehr family to support Don, Jenny Foster from the Howick Village Association, Joy Ward, President of Howick Inner Wheel, and her husband Jim from Pakuranga Rotary Club. Hon. Member Dulcie Howells plus Rotarian visitors David and Jane Percival from England. Luca completed the long list. President Bob specially welcomed Sue North and her family, and called on Sue to present her families' cheque representing the proceeds from the sale of her late husband, Peter's, MG car. Sue decided to add to this amount, money from her late Rotarian Father's estate to form a substantial nucleus of a new Howick Rotary Trust. Our thanks to Sue and her family for this generous donation.

Chris Ward spoke of the Bill and Lorna Boyd Charitable Trust, which Pakuranga are setting up in honour of Bill's World Presidency.

Almoner Jim Duckworth reported on John Built and Ross Forrester, who are both making steady progress.

Geoff Thompson introduced guest speaker – our very dear friend and popular member, Don Stehr. Don spoke of his and Inja's wonderful boat journey through the canals of Europe. Their boat is kept in Northern Netherlands from where their journey commenced (and ended). Don's illustrated presentation of their trip through Belgium, France and Germany, to the lakes above Berlin in the former East Germany, was fascinating and full of humour.

Weekly "Have-a-Go" Raffle.

There are four numbers available for purchase i.e. 11, 33, 36, and 39. This is a weekly raffle and tickets cost \$5 each. Depending on the number of Tuesdays in the month, the sum of either \$20 or \$25 is debited in advance to your Club Account. The prizes on a normal club evening are 1st prize \$50 and 2nd prize \$20. On special Club Function nights i.e. Change Over, Club Birthday and the Christmas party the prizes increase to 1st \$500 and 2nd \$200. Anyone interested in partaking please contact Treasurer Stuart to select your number.

Claims for reimbursement.

Please note that all claims for reimbursement of expenses incurred on behalf of the club must be accompanied by the relevant invoices and/or cash slips. This is a mandatory requirement for GST purposes, and by the Auditor.
Stuart Armstrong

All types of boats, both commercial and recreational, ply the waters. The engineering complexities of the locks, swing bridges, tipping bridges and bridge canals are extraordinary. It is not uncommon for families to travel from Northern Europe by canal to the Mediterranean and in doing so avoid going to sea. Don and Inja made many friends, as one would expect – the canal boat people are obviously very special. There is not sufficient room for a more detailed description of their journey – suffice it to say it was a very special and enjoyable presentation. Barry Nicholls thanked Sue and her family, and Don, for their contribution towards a great night for Rotary. Sergeant Jim seemed to hesitate, but still managed to extract an unreasonable amount in fines, and the meeting closed with the National Anthem.

Secretary
Bruce B.

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

Club Diary

May Environment Month

- May 06 LETS District Assembly
Willow Park 8:30-16:30
- May 26 Karaka Concert
(Contact Max Grant)
- 26 & 27 Katikati weekend.
(Contact Brian Hanlon)
- June Fellowship Month**
- 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



- 3-May
- 3-May
- 8-May

Birthdays

- Fred Holland
- Stephen Noles
- Judy Duckworth

Duties

	May 08	May 15
Host Reception	Max Grant	John Savory
Inv/Thanks	John Sanders	Duncan Morrison
Attendance	Lawrence Copestake	Rod Somerville
Hall Set-up	Kathy Kennedy	Barry Nicholls
	Clive Derbyshire	Tony Twigge
	Allan Riley	Victor Sun
Backup	Jim Duckworth	John Richardson

Parting thought.

"The trouble with the rat race is that even if you win, you're still a rat."

Lily Tomlin