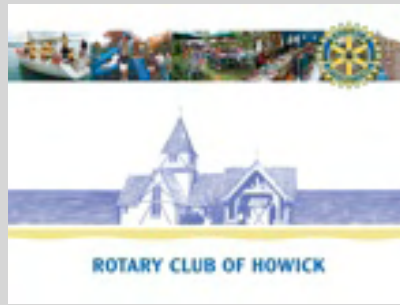
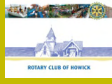


# The Keyway



## ***PRESIDENT KATHY'S KORNER***



Tonight was our first formal meeting of the year and it was great to see so many of you back from holiday and great to welcome so many visitors. Joining us tonight were Judy Duckworth along with Penny and Mike Barnes, David Dawson a guest of Charles Davidson, Subnash Anchraje a guest of Rob Mouncey and of course our guest speaker Ross Forrester and Naomi.

Ross's topic "Increasing Productivity by Talking to your Computer" was fascinating. Using a programme called Dragon; Ross not only described but demonstrated the workings of this very clever voice recognition programme.

Through a series of simple commands Dragon opened and closed the various applications, recognised addresses from the address book and dictated letters, sent e-mails and pretty much took away the need for a keyboard. I also noticed that the spelling was spot on and Dragon eliminates typos and, as advised by Ross made the writing of reports so much faster as we all speak much faster than we can type and the programme kept up with the spoken word.

For the sight impaired, tetraplegics, or people with hand injuries, Dragon would be a God send allowing them to work and communicate in a normal way through their computer.

Thank you Ross for demonstrating a most interesting and innovative addition to computer technology and once again proving our depth of "in Club" talent.

Have a Go Raffle – we still have four numbers available and as demonstrated they are very lucky numbers so please contact John Sanders to get first pick.

Our guest speaker next week is Harrison Carnell and his topic Experiences on Spirit of Adventure.

Look forward to seeing you all then.

Kathy.

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**Tonights Programme**  
**31 January 2012**

**Harrison Carneel on**  
**'Experiences on Board the**  
**Spirit of NZ'**

### **Special Notes**

**Have you contributed to the**  
**Rotary Foundation?**

### **Club Diary for Feb.'12**

- 7 Feb. - Update on RCOH Strat. Plan**
- 14 Feb. - Bowls Night**
- 21 Feb. - Re-engaging kids in school -**  
**Stuart Middleton**
- 28 Feb. -**



**Happy Birthday**  
**this week to**  
**Colleen Aislabie on**  
**30 January.**

### **Absences & Apologies**

APOLOGIES - By 11 am Tuesday

**Bill McKay** on 534-7932

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or

[apologies@howickrotary.org.nz](mailto:apologies@howickrotary.org.nz)

Items for inclusion in the KeyWay  
should be sent to the editor

**Matthew Cooke** at

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## Secretary Steve's Notes

**42 Members and 6 guests returned for our first full meeting for 2012!**

We had three have a go draws to catch up and the following six became richer.

- 1 Bill Percival & Rob Crabtree
- 2 Rob Mouncey & Bob Mackie
- 3 John Osborne & the Club

(see Treasurer John about getting this number for yourself)

The meat & Wine will be enjoyed by me (thank you for the number Clive) and Gary Willcocks.

### One minute speakers

We had a request from Penny from West Suffix UK – her club has a member who has an 18 year old son having his gap year. The son would like to stay in New Zealand for about three months. If you can help out with either accommodation or employment please contact Jim Duckworth.

## Duty Roster

The duty roster for the next week is in the **SPACE BELOW**. Please note which duty and date you have been rostered. Duties are rostered for 3 weeks away are subject to confirmation, and can be changed. If you are not available on that date let Bill McKay know **IMMEDIATELY** and I will reschedule. For confirmed dates, please contact the First Reserve if you are unable to carry out the duty. It is your responsibility to find a replacement. Check your 2011-2012 Howick Rotary Handbooks if you are in doubt about the job and time - or **ASK! Bill McKay**

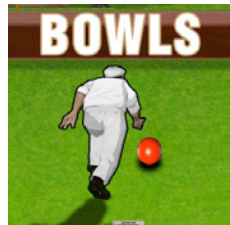
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Host	Andre G.	Geoff T.	Fellowship
Reception	Adrian Powers	John O'Loughlin	Fellowship
Inv.&Tha.	Joseph Heays	Ted Aislabie	Fellowship
Attendance	Bill Percival	George Abercrombie	Fellowship
Enviro.	Gavin G.	Gavin G.	Fellowship
Sight & Sound	Alisdair M.	Alisdair M.	Fellowship
Reserve	David W.	Bruce B.	Fellowship
Status	Confirmed	Confirmed	Fellowship

### Member Liaison Officer Report

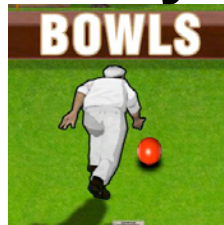
I spoke at the meeting last Tuesday regarding Mike and Jill Carroll. Jill's operation was successful, and she will be in hospital for a few days yet, possibly going home at the weekend. We can only wish Jill a speedy and complete recovery. Initial indications are positive, so that is good. It will take Jill some time to regain her strength though. We would also like to wish Duncan Morrison all the best as he goes in to hospital for surgery next Tuesday. Again we hope for a positive result, and the indications for this are good. I am away until Tuesday 7th February but will be in email contact, and would appreciate any feedback that anyone may have. In the meantime, all the best Jill, Mike, Duncan and Helen. Barry.

You can contact Barry Nicholls on...  
[annbarrynic@vodafone.net.nz](mailto:annbarrynic@vodafone.net.nz)

# Bowls Night @ RCOH Tuesday 14th of February



is  
**Bowls Night**



This is a partners invited night. In order to make maximum use of the light please arrive as early as possible. The sooner you turn up the more fun you will have.



## Rotary Club of Howick Website News

Want to read more? Go to *Rotary Club of Howick Website* @ <http://howickrotary.org.nz/>

Newsletters

Slideshows

Probus

Wrap Around

Yacht Regatta

Have you seen all the different links you can access through the RCOH Website? Here are just a few!

### Sergeant Glen's Gatherings

Sergeant - \$27.20 Shrapnel - \$20.50  
and 10 Swedish Koner (thanks Ian Fox!!)

## Keyway Philosophy and Humour

**Thought you might appreciate a quick lesson in Economics re the Euro Zone.**

Some years ago a small rural town in Spain twinned with a similar town in Greece. The Mayor of the Greek town visited the Spanish town. When he saw the palatial mansion belonging to the Spanish mayor he wondered how he could afford such a house.

The Spaniard said; "You see that bridge over there? The EU gave us a grant to build a two-lane bridge, but by building a single lane bridge with traffic lights at either end this house could be built".

The following year the Spaniard visited the Greek town. He was simply amazed at the Greek Mayor's house, gold taps, marble floors, it was marvelous.

When he asked how this could be afforded the Greek said; "You see that bridge over there?"

The Spaniard replied; "No".

Ed...Jokes? Philosophy? Words of Wisdom? email them to @ [cookefamily@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:cookefamily@vodafone.co.nz)

### Rotary Awareness Month - January 2012

Share information about the relevance of community service to Rotary's mission; Ask your district governor about presentation opportunities at the district assembly or district conference; The presentation should focus on the importance of community service and successful projects in your district; Research the RI projects exhibition at the RI Convention and encourage active clubs to apply for a booth; When the district chair for the upcoming year has been appointed, update him or her on scheduled activities.

**Rotary Down Under News** *Want to read more? Go to Rotary Down Under Magazine @ [www.rotarydownunder.com.au](http://www.rotarydownunder.com.au)*

**Rotary Stories & News - New Zealand and SW Pacific** *Want to read more? Go to the Rotary Success Stories @ <http://rotarystories-nzandpacific.blogspot.com>*

### Rotary Club of the Week

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From Newcastle in New South Wales we head North to Maroochydore, New South Wales. They meet on Thursday nights at the Sands Tavern at 5.45 for 6.15. [Click here](#) to visit the Rotary Club of Maroochydore.