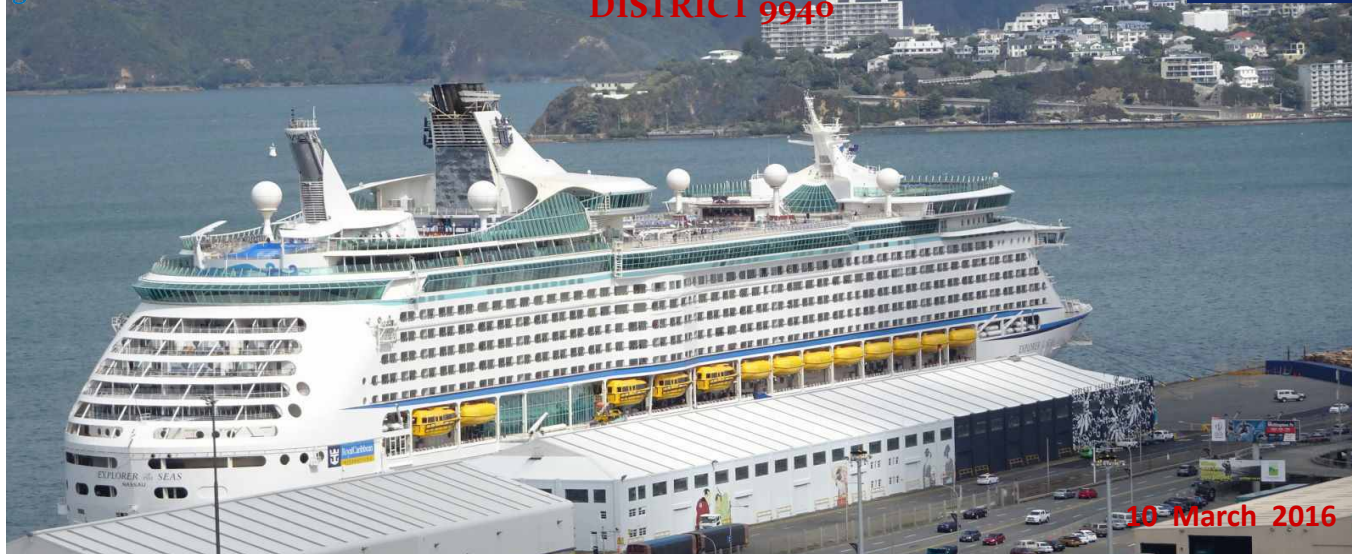




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THE BULLETIN

ROTARY CLUB OF WELLINGTON NORTH
DISTRICT 9940



TODAY

Weekly Meeting Thursday
Wellington Bridge Club
17 Tinakori Road
Noon for 12:25 PM

17 March
RYLA and Science Scholars
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Introduced by *Bob Laybourn*
Vote of Thanks *Morris Robertson*
Parting Thought *Stephen Spence*
Raffle Prize *David Bennett*
Cash Desk *Peter Shanahan*
Attendance *Laury Sinclair*
Fellowship *Jeremy Spanjaard*
Peter Spearman
Tables *Ross Foubister*

24 March Michael Potts
Former Australian High
Commissioner

Introduced by *Maurice Manttan*
Vote of Thanks *Maurice Scott*
Parting Thought *Chris Tempest*
Raffle Prize *Laurie Bond*
Cash Desk *Stephen Spence*
Attendance *Chris Tempest*
Fellowship *John Young*
Kerry Ansell
Tables *Tony Fryer*

Apologies and guests advise
rotary@kaysan.co.nz
by 10 A.M. Wednesday

President Graeme Waters said that the Board had met this week. It has written to the Te Araroa Trust asking for the timing of cash flow for our proposed project. When this has been received we can proceed with necessary fund raising. A volunteer to sell Entertainment Books is still required. It decided to ask Tony Fryer to address members on the Centurion Programme of the Rotary Foundation.

President Graeme welcomed Emma Anderson from Katherine Mansfield House and District Governor Elect Martin Garcia of (RC of Tawa). Margaret Emerre introduced Eddie Saw and Brian Poole introduced Stuart Rattray.



President Graeme Stephen Spence David Barnes DCE Martin Garcia
Stephen Spence introduced David Barnes and he was inducted into the club by President Graeme.

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ROTARY FOUNDATION CENTURION PROGRAMME

Tony Fryer gave us a briefing on the work of the Foundation, the amount of money that is involved and how much of the money is available to clubs carrying out local and district projects. e.g. the Timor Leste project. All this and much more can be found at [RF](#) but a few of the points Tony gave were

- 2.5 billion kids immunised against polio,
- since 1947 \$US 3.7 billion paid out

He advocated members becoming Centurions which is a Rotary Foundation scheme whereby members who commit to donating \$100 each to the Foundation become recognised as Centurions.

At present The Club donates money to the Foundation each year.

The Board has decided to support the concept of members making donations direct to the Foundation. Some members already are Centurions or donate in other ways to the Foundation. If all members did this then the Club would have the option of using all the other funds it has for local projects and donations.

Donations are tax deductible. The end of the tax year approaches. Tony Fryer will bring along forms next week and asked members to bring along their cheque books. He can of course cope with the information needed for internet banking and would probably accept cash.

READING ASSISTANCE IN SCHOOLS – NGAIO TEAM

The Ngaio team of Adrian, Kerry, Lionel, and Maurice continue their association with the Ngaio School through the re-commencement of assistance with reading next week.

The program is for an hour and half on Wednesday (Tuesday is an alternative) mornings. If you might be interested in joining the group give me a ring – 934 9966.

Next Wednesday March 16 at 10.30a.m we are having an orientation meeting and morning tea with the Assistant Principal and teachers involved. You are very welcome to join us if you would like to learn more about the program.

- Maurice Scott

HEALTHY HEROES

Laury Sinclair said that the Royal New Zealand College of General Practitioners has for some years now endorsed the Healthy Heroes programme. Recently they invited him for discussions about what HH does. This led them to decide to distribute the goals of HH and supporting material to their members. They see this information as adding to their members arsenal to promote child health and prevent childhood obesity.

TODAY'S SPEAKER

Paul Tipping New Zealand and the Spanish World

David King introduced Paul Tipping. He was a Rhodes Scholar and after he joined our Foreign Service he spent the next two thirds of his life overseas. He was Ambassador to Chile and accredited to some smaller countries, Ambassador to Spain and Ambassador to Mexico where he was accredited to some other Central American states.

Paul told us that he had no particular knowledge or interest in the Spanish world at the start of his career and imagined becoming an Asian specialist. However he never regretted the course his career took. He told us that ranked by the number who speak the language in their home the most common languages in the world in descending order are Chinese, Spanish and English. Spanish is the official language in just 21 countries but some of these have large populations and there are over 50 million people in North America who speak Spanish at home.

He drew comparisons on various topics between NZ and various countries in South America. He also said that the relations between Spain and its ex colonies were quite different from those in the British world. He reminded us that Spain's colonies had to fight for their independence whereas we did not. Another contributor to the difference between the present day Spanish and English worlds is the difference in indigenous populations and now in South and Central America many think of themselves not as part of the new world but as part of an American Indian world.

Paul said that when he stopped being a diplomat he stopped being diplomatic. He enlivened his talk with views and anecdotes some of which it may not have been tactful to make when he was our representative but Paul is a quiet pleasant man and his affection for and interest in the people of the countries he served in shone through.

A vote of thanks was given by Brian Poole.

NEXT WEEK'S SPEAKERS

Wellington North nominated two 17 to 24 year olds to attend RYLA in Jan 2016. Jennifer Young and Jo-Ann Chin are enthusiastic to tell us about the experience. We also nominated two participants to attend the Rotary National Science and Technology Forum which took place in January at Auckland University. Uma Sreedhar (Wellington Girls) and Sam Middleton (Onslow College) are year 13 students who will explain the benefits of attending forum.

- Bob Laybourn

PROPOSED NEW MEMBERS

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This is the first publication of this notice. Any member wishing to comment should write to the Secretary before 24 March.

DIARY

7 April Club Forum

10 April District Training Day Palmerston North

6-8 May District Conference

28 May – 2 June Korea Rotary International Conference

26 June District Changeover Tawa College

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