

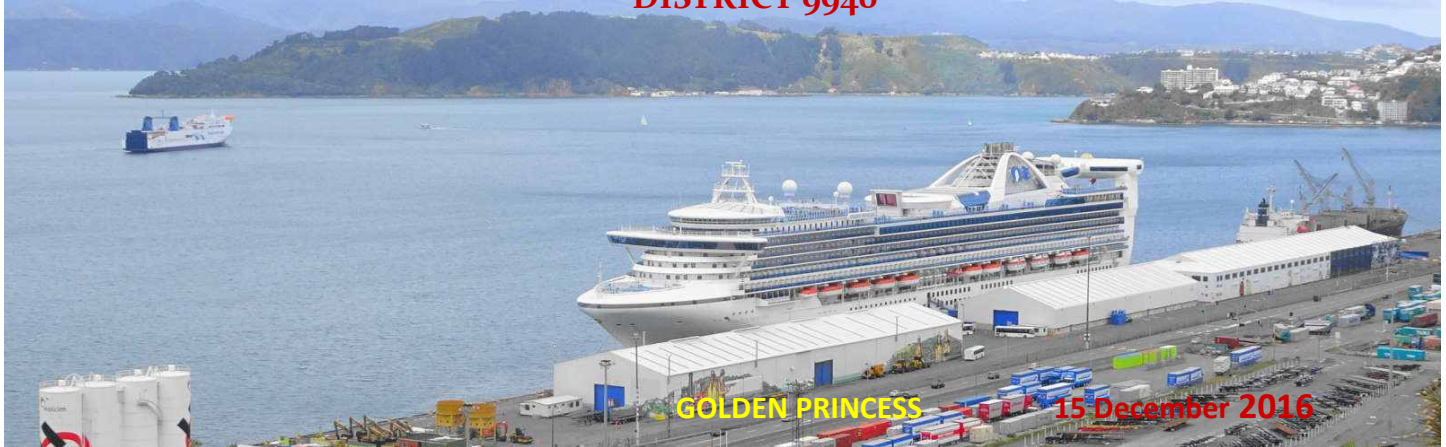


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# THE BULLETIN

ROTARY CLUB OF WELLINGTON NORTH  
DISTRICT 9940



GOLDEN PRINCESS

15 December 2016

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

**19 January**

**This will be a relatively informal gathering as is usual for the start of the year**

Introduced by	<i>Lionel Nunns</i>
Vote of Thanks	
Parting Thought	<i>Ross George</i>
Bring a Friend	<i>Peter Gibbons</i>
Cash Desk	<i>Jeremy Spanjaard</i>
Attendance	<i>Paul Tipping</i>
Fellowship	<i>David Young</i>
Tables	<i>Kerry Ansell</i>
AV	<i>Ross Foubister</i>

**26 January TBA**

Introduced by	<i>Rory O'Connor</i>
Vote of Thanks	
Parting Thought	<i>Peter Gibbons</i>
Bring a Friend	<i>Ross George</i>
Cash Desk	<i>Stephen Spence</i>
Attendance	<i>Graeme Waters</i>
Fellowship	<i>Aruna Abeygoonesekera</i>
Tables	<i>Laurie Bond</i>
AV	<i>Maurice Scott</i>

**TODAY**



We were greeted with the sound of carols played by Judith Bennett and her colleagues. President David welcomed wife Judith, Libby Campion, Val Laybourn, Wendy Shanahan, Pam Sinclair, Pauline Scott, Diana Nunns, Vivienne Spanjaard, Audrey Waters and grand daughter, Irene Swadling, Beth Pethick, Jenny Middlemass, Mary Prangnell, Rosemary Foubister, Lane Mohi, Kay Brucesmith and Terri Helm. Denys Pinfold introduced his friend Bruce Blacklock.



Ross Foubister collected from the happy and we donated \$150 to the Salvation Army.





**ROSS FOUBISTER GIVES A REFLECTION**

## **TODAY'S SPEAKER**

### **MAJOR SETH DE LEU**

John Mohi introduced Major Seth De Leu. Educated at Victoria he went to Africa with his wife and three pre-school children where he was to spend 17 years working for the Salvation Army on aid and development work. He said his present role was unusual. Perhaps because it seemed very broad but then so did his career.



He had some kind things to say about Rotary's Polio Plus campaign and he told us a little of working at an institution in Tanzania where children crippled by polio had their limbs straightened and the lucky ones learnt to walk again. He said he admired the persistence of Rotary in sticking with the programme and even though it has not yet completely eliminated the disease it has saved millions from becoming cripples or worse.

He told us of his first Christmas in Africa where he and his family joined Africans walking through the blackness of the night each clutching a candle to where a nativity pageant was presented. He said the gift for those Africans was that they had survived another year.

His present role is to develop a structure for the Salvation Army in the one hundred and thirty countries in which it operates that will be fit for purpose in today's world. The Salvation Army was established with a military model which it still has but the present General wants to modernise the structure. This likely will lead to a more corporate model.

In a question and answer session he told us about establishing a yogurt production business in north Korea which was progressing well until President Bush's declaration of the axis of evil caused the North Koreans to expel all NGOs from their country.

He may well be the man to show how to reorganise the Salvation Army. And if he makes a success of that it is easy to think of some other organisations that could do with his help.

Aruna Abeygoonesekera proposed a vote of thanks.

**Apologies and guests advise**  
**[rotary@kaysan.co.nz](mailto:rotary@kaysan.co.nz)**  
**by Noon Wednesday.**

## SOME MORE GUESTS



VIVIENNE      WENDY      MARY

### DISTRICT 9940 CONFERENCE

This is on 21-23 April in New Plymouth. If you have not learnt about this weekend event then find out at

Surely more than you expect.

<http://rotarycommunity.org.nz/District+9940+Conference+2017+New+Plymouth>

**Note that early bird registrations close 22 December.**

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DISTRICT 9940

<http://rotary9940.org/>

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**PARTING THOUGHT** from Tony Fryer

*He who has no Christmas in his heart will never find Christmas under a tree.*

– Roy Smith



AUDREY WATERS AND GRAND DAUGHTER

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF WELLINGTON NORTH

The annual general meeting will be held at 1 P.M. On Thursday 2 February 2017 at 17 Tinakori Road.

#### Agenda

Presentation and Adoption of Accounts  
Nomination of President Nominee

Thank you from Margaret Emerre to those who helped put the tables back and especially the guests who helped.

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**MERRY CHRISTMAS and have a SAFE and REFRESHING HOLIDAY**

