



BULLETIN

ROTARY CLUB OF WELLINGTON NORTH
DISTRICT 9940



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ROTARY CLUB OF
WELLINGTON NORTH

CHANGE OVER 2017 | KHANDALLAH TOWN HALL

Wednesday 12 July 2017 \$50 (Members \$20)
6-30pm for 7pm start

RSVP to Brian Poole poole.family@xtra.co.nz by Friday 30 June
Payment to Westpac 03-0518-0023645-00 giving surname and "changeover" as reference

TODAY

President David welcomed Jonathon Cobb of Te Ara school. Many will recall him speaking to us when his school was called Wellington Activity Centre. For those who do not go to <https://www.teara.school.nz/> to read how it gives a chance to students who have fallen out of the education system. Colin Lawton introduced his wife Margaret. It was good to have Peter Spearman with us today.

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

29 June 2017

Introducing new honorary member Jen Boland, Director Katherine Mansfield House and Garden. She will speak briefly of her prior experience including her time with the Petone Early Settlers Museum

Report on reading in Schools from Graeme Waters.

Any other activity reports.

Introduced by	Michael Gorman
Vote of Thanks	Gerald McGhie
Parting Thought	Graeme Waters
Attendance	David Young
Fellowship	Laurie Bond
Tables	Roy Ferguson
AV	Ross Foubister
Bring a friend	All

6 July 2017

Tane Woodley - Green Party
List-only candidate Ohariu

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Tables	Michael Gorman
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Apologies and guests advise
rotary@kaysan.co.nz
by Noon Wednesday.

Our recent speaker from 'The Opportunities Party' in response to a query from President David forwarded the link that provides the information of their Road show in Wellington.

It is next Monday 26,
Venue: Macs Function Centre
Address: 4 Taranaki Street
Time: 6 - 7:30pm

http://www.top.org.nz/wellington_roadshow_2

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TODAY'S SPEAKER

GREG O'CONNOR **Labour Candidate for** **Ohariu**

Tony Fryer introduced Greg O'Connor known to most as President of the Police Association a post he held for 21 years. He is married with three children.

Greg spoke about joining the Police and some of his early experiences there which exposed him to people and cultures he had not previously experienced or in some cases even knew existed. He said several times he would not be political and he was not at least in the sense that he had little to say about why we should vote for him or his party. It seems unlikely that any of us told him

not to be political and surely if a political candidate is asked to speak during the election season it is so we can learn about his talents and program.

It is the case that the account of his experiences in the Police and the people they dealt with may have improved some of his listeners impressions of him as they revealed a man more thoughtful and open minded than the often strident spokesman he had been for his association. In answer to the question as to why he was standing for Labour he said that it was the only party that had introduced major changes in the past. This answer did not stop several members asking the same question again but whether this was through disagreement or deafness was not clear.

In answer to the question as to why he had left his previous position he said it was because he had been successful.

Maurice Manttan proposed a vote of thanks.

PARTING THOUGHT

**A politician is an animal that can sit on a fence
and keep both ears on the ground.**

- H L Mencken

- from Laury Sinclair