



Grant and Sarah Smith



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CHANGE LIVES**

DISTRICT 9910 NEWSLETTER - JUNE 2022

Governor Introduction / Year in Review

Hi everyone and welcome to our final Newsletter for the year.

My amazing journey as Rotary Governor has now come to an end, and I have handed over the Governor chains to Matthew McLeod. As most of you are probably aware I couldn't actually physically hand over the chains to Matt as I tested positive for COVID just 24 hours before the changeover was to take place, so my vice-Governor Lindsay Ford stepped in to assist and Sarah and I attended virtually by Zoom. Many thanks to Lindsay for his support in carrying out the official duties at changeover.



It was a disappointing end to my year as Governor as we had all put so much energy into planning the changeover, which was then followed by a Rotary Foundation dinner Saturday night, and then a Women in Rotary brunch on Sunday morning. Luckily, we had finalized all the arrangements and our wonderful Rotary family members stepped in at the last minute to still make sure everything ran smoothly. Thank you to all concerned.

One of my key messages in my Rotary year has been focusing on how Rotary connects people and to encourage collaboration amongst our Rotary clubs and with other service organisations in our communities. My vision was to create a District where our Rotary clubs collaborate and work together on projects of impact to enhance the image of Rotary. Whether big or small clubs, we are much stronger as

an entity when we work together towards a common purpose.

Our District Governor visit plan started out strongly visiting more than 20 clubs in the first two months. The visits were great, we had very positive feedback and the sense of moving forward together was growing. Then along came COVID which disrupted all our plans.

With the advent of stringent lockdowns and regional border closures for 126 days, we were not able to continue our Governor visits and clubs were not able to carry out any fundraising activities or service projects. So, we had to pivot and ADAPT into the virtual world with club Zoom meetings to carry out our District Governor visits and connect with our Rotary family members.



We explored creative ways of keeping in touch and put together a number of Friday Night Drinks with Governor Grant and Sarah and enjoyed pre-Christmas drinks to celebrate the festive season together in Zoomland.

My role as District Governor is to try to inspire and motivate clubs and members to share in our vision and travel on the journey with us in our quest as we Serve To Change Lives. And based on the feedback we have had after our visits to you all I think we have achieved this. Thanks so much for all your support.

There were of course a number of disappointments during the year with having to cancel our planned District Conference in Tauranga in April, and the fact that once again we were not able to visit our Pacific Island clubs. Hopefully, new Governor Matt will be able to visit our Pacific Island clubs during his Rotary year. These clubs are a much-loved part of our District and the work they do in their communities is so valued.

Our greatest success over the past year has been putting together the Te Tai Tokerau Tamariki Mental Wellbeing Project – a programme to help the children of Northland manage their feelings, deal with stress, and come up with strategies to help them through the challenges life throws at them.

This will be a programme that will be our legacy and we can be proud of the fact that we managed to create a programme that will have a significant impact on children aged 5 to 12 over the next 3 years.



"Change what
you think, change
what you do
and your feelings
will change too"



Te Tai Tokerau Tamariki Mental Well-Being Project

This project demonstrates the amazing ability of Rotarians and the magic of the Rotary Foundation as we, during the middle of a Pandemic, over 6 weeks, managed to raise \$600,000 to fund this 3-year programme.

I would like to leave you with this thought which comes from our outgoing Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta. "Service is the rent I pay for the space I occupy on this earth. And I want to be a good tenant of this earth".

As Rotarians we are committed to serving our community and I would like to thank you all for your service to the community this year. You are all amazing and we are profoundly grateful to you for being part of our Rotary family.

Each one of us plays an integral part; in your club, in our District 9910 and in the global world of Rotary. Please hold onto the passion that we all have for Rotary and continue the great work that we do.

I would like to acknowledge again my wife Sarah Smith for her support, wisdom, and guidance during the year, and thank the team from my home club at Albany Rotary for their support this year. I still think they can't believe their club produced a District Governor!

My sincere thanks also to the District Management team and their committees for their hard work and support, and of course the Club Presidents for their leadership within the clubs.

I wish you all the very best for the new Rotary year and look forward to seeing you again sometime soon.

PDG Grant and Sarah Smith

*Governor Grant
and Sarah Smith*

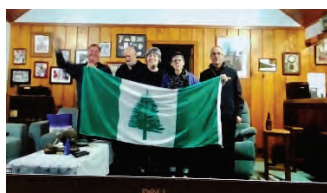
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Out and About with Governor Grant



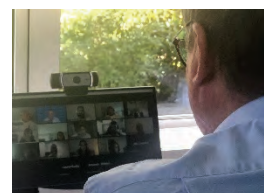
8 June – Santo Rotary DG visit by Zoom



9 June – Norfolk Island Rotary DG visit by Zoom



19 June – District Management Meeting and Board Meeting



16 June – Training planning for DGN Trainers in Canberra



20 June – RYLA Dinner East Coast Bays



21 June – Orewa Millwater changeover



22 June - Albany Rotary changeover



25 June – Kerikeri Rotary changeover



25 June – Kerikeri Rotary changeover



26 June – Milford Rotary changeover



26 June – Milford changeover with Bryan Rowney



27 June – Onehunga One Tree Hill Rotary changeover



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28 June – Takapuna Rotary changeover

Wow it has been a crazy couple of weeks with lots of activities in our Rotary world. More clubs are meeting again face to face and it was great to catch up with many old friends over the past few weeks.

District Awards 2021-22

Individual Recognitions

During the changeover event, the District recognised those outstanding individuals who have contributed so much during the last Rotary year with the award of Paul Harris Fellows.

The presentation of a Paul Harris Fellow is the Rotary Foundation's way of expressing its appreciation for a substantial contribution to its humanitarian and educational programs.

PHF awardees included Maxine Cooper from New Lynn Rotary (PHF+1), Rod Kestle Onehunga One Tree Hill (PHF+1) District Secretary Margaret Cebalo (PHF+2), Jerry Norman North Harbour (PHF+2) Rebecca Kerr from Albany (PHF+2), Chris Owen Milford (PHF+4), and David Oliphant from Henderson Rotary (PHF+5)



Then there were a number of special awards. The first was for Peter Rowell from Orewa Millwater.

Peter has been the District Youth Chair for many years and has been very involved in Rotary Youth Exchange having hosted a number of students. He was presented with the District Youth Service Award to recognise his dedication to youth in our District.



The next awardee of a District Service Award was Peter Smith from Whangarei City Rotary. Peter has been our District Foundation Chair for the past three years and will now take over the role of District Youth Chair. He has worked tirelessly on Rotary Foundation activities.

Keith Day (who was not present) from the Rotary club of Kerikeri was also given a District Service Award as he has dedicated his life to supporting projects in Vanuatu. He has been instrumental in finding money and getting things done. He was one of the driving forces behind the Te Tai Tokerau Mental wellbeing project and made a major personal donation to the project that we all believe will have life changing outcomes for the children of Northland.



The final award went to Vice Governor Lindsay Ford for his work on Global Grants and supporting Vanuatu. This year he has successfully applied for 3 Disaster Grants to support our families in Vanuatu, has organised kitchen and hospital equipment from Australia and is currently organising medical equipment to go to our colleagues in the Pacific Islands. Lindsay was also a major driver in our Te Tai Tokerau Mental Wellbeing Project and has worked tirelessly on this.

He was presented with the District Meritorious Service Award for all the amazing work he has done and will continue to do for Rotary and our District 9910.

District Awards

- 1) The first award to be presented was the **MEMBERSHIP AWARD** and is the Les Colgan Trophy
This is awarded to the club recording the greatest increase of membership over the Rotary year to date. Awarded to **Onehunga One Tree Hill**.
- 2) **DIVERSITY IN ROTARY AWARD**
This award recognises the commitment a club has made to represent the widely diverse New Zealand community in their membership
Awarded to **Hillsborough Lynfield Mount Roskill**.
- 3) **NEW GENERATIONS TROPHY**
It recognises the commitment of clubs to induct and retain younger members in Rotary
Awarded to **Henderson Rotalite West Satellite**.
- 4) The **EFFECTIVE SOCIAL MEDIA / BEST WEBSITE AWARD**
This award recognises a club which best demonstrates the most effective use of electronic media and the attraction of membership through this source
Awarded to **Orewa Millwater**
- 5) The **BULLETIN EDITOR'S AWARD** - The Jack Keys Trophy
It is presented to the Bulletin Editor and Club for the best Bulletin throughout the year, based on presentation, information, Rotary coverage, interest and style. This year we have done things a little differently and asked clubs to submit their best published bulletin of the year to be judged. Additionally we are offering this year a prize Grant of \$750 that must be used for educational purposes such as RYLA, National Science Forum, Duke of Edinburgh, Scholarships etc. This grant has been made possible through an educational trust known as APECT. This APECT Trust also gave \$80,000 to the Cat Lavine led TRF Global Grant project for Northland schools, and we would like to acknowledge Apect Trust and thank them for their support, along with Past District Governor Merv Huxford who has coordinated this prize grant for us.
Awarded to **Birkenhead Rotary**.
- 6) The **FOUNDATION SHIELD** - White Dixon Trophy
This is awarded to the club making the greatest per capita contribution to The Rotary Foundation in the preceding Rotary year.
Awarded to **Noumea Ducos Boulari**.
- 7) The **FORTUNE GROUP CUP**
This award recognises the club with the highest total donations to The Rotary Foundation this Rotary year to date
Awarded to **Rotary Whangarei South**.
- 8) The **MILLENNIUM CUP**
This award recognises club projects which provide service to the community, innovation, membership involvement, public perception and presentation.
Awarded to **Whangarei South** for their Whanau Cup, Quick and Quiet Projects and, Magic Moments.
- 9) **ASSISTANT GOVERNOR of the YEAR**
This award recognises outstanding contribution by an Assistant Governor in fulfilling their tasks, who is well respected by Area Presidents and has acted as strong support to the District Governor.
This person has been in the role 4 years now and continues to thrive in her support for clubs and has been very effective in her role. This year she has relished the challenges I set and has to be commended for her dedication.
The award goes to **Sally Cargill from Rotary Browns Bay**.
- 10) **ROTARIAN of the YEAR**
This award is presented to the Rotarian who best epitomises the Rotary motto "Service above Self" in the Rotary year. This Rotarian has fully supported my goals of collaboration and clubs working together to achieve more in the community.

From the original execution of the combined North Shore clubs native tree planting project, to leading the combined North Shore website development, facilitating the monthly online Zoom meetings of North Shore clubs to enhance communication and support our goal of working together, to passionately driving the Day of Service Clean Up Project, this Rotarian has embraced the challenges I set for our clubs.

He has also been President of his club for much of this Rotary year, and will be commencing the role of Assistant Governor in this new Rotary Year.

The Rotarian of the Year award goes to **Sean Harris from Rotary East Coast Bays**.



Interact Groups around D9910

After quite a turbulent year for Interact Groups across D9910, and as many schools start to return to relative normality, some of our Interact groups have set out to achieve interesting goals for the year.



We asked our Interactors to get involved with Rotary Acts of Kindness 2022 which hoped to serve as a unique and fun initiative to better our communities and bring kindness to the world in these times of hardship. In recognition of Rotary's founder, Rotary Acts of Kindness took place over Paul Harris' birthday week (April 17th - April 23rd, 2022) – but we stretched this out for the full second term. Some of our groups came up with unique projects such as entertaining at nursing homes, making cards for local rest homes and general fundraising and blanket drives.

Westlake Boys Interact

Supported by Rotary Milford

Currently working on various projects which include:

- ✓ Upgrading the Mairangi Arts Centre garden
- ✓ Fundraising for Rotary Ukraine by holding sausage sizzles at various sites. The collected revenue would be sent via one of our Polish members to Rotary Poland/Ukraine for their efforts with Ukrainian refugees
- ✓ Collecting blankets and personal hygiene-related goods for World Vision together with Westlake Girls High Interact (Supported by Rotary North Harbour & Rotary Takapuna North)
- ✓ Forrest Hill Nursing Home: This would be a chance for any performers or musicians to perform at the Forrest Hill nursing home in term three.

Excellere College and Huanui College Interact groups

Supported by Rotary Whangarei City

These Interact clubs are starting up again after their respective Teacher Advisers left during Covid lockdowns. They have a number of plans to get projects underway in the third term.

Massey High School Interact

Supported by Rotary Waitakere

- ✓ Took the initiative to help the community's Pataka Kai. Due to previous damage and vandalism, they moved the Pataka Kai to a new and safe location and helped to get it reconstructed and repainted.
- ✓ Rotary and Riding for Disabled representatives visited to talk about upcoming events
- ✓ Collaborated with Massey High School's Tourism Academy with a schoolwide 'Can and Blanket' drive to help the school's Pataka Kai and Give A Kid A Blanket Charity. This brought in more than 200 items, including canned goods, pasta/noodles, lunch foods and more!
- ✓ The most recent event was a sausage sizzle fundraiser which raised over \$300, with all funds donated to Pataka Kai and Give A Kid A Blanket Charity.
- ✓ Plans for the rest of the year include - The annual school Hygiene Drive for the Youth Health Hub and Daffodil Day (Yellow shirt day, bake sale, competitions etc).



Mount Albert Grammar School Interact

Supported by Rotary Westhaven

By May of the second term a fundraiser for Tonga through Habitat for Humanity raised over \$1000 and an annual fundraiser for Shine raised around \$1300.

The junior-class Interact members have been given the opportunity to make cards for people in local rest homes as an act of kindness. This is another Interact initiative and the leaders hope to drop them off in the holidays.

There is still interest from a number of High Schools in the district to start up Interact Groups.

If any Rotary Club wishes to set up an Interact Group at their local High School, please contact Clive and he will walk you and your club through the simple process.

Clive Menkin (Rotary Milford) – menkin@menkin.co.nz



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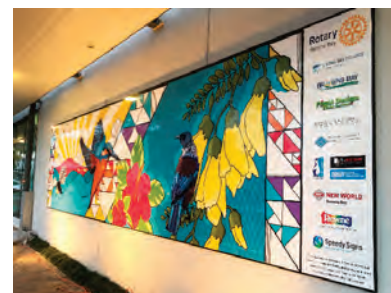


Rotary Browns Bay Mural Unveiled

Seeking a better profile for Rotary was the aim in creating a large mural for Browns Bay business.

The Club unveiled their mural recently after a couple of years waiting for delays to be gone. Long Bay College student won the best design prize & while the 8 boards are still being painted the aluminum composite creating is now on show at New World in Inverness Road.

The idea came from long time Rotarian Murray Allison whose dream was to involve their local College and enhance a building in the town. COVID caused huge delays but now progress has been good & the site is to be well lit in the coming week!



District Diary

15 July	RDU copy deadline for next month's magazine
17 July	Rotary BOI Changeover (time TBC)
20 July	Rotary Whangarei Sunrise birthday (chartered 1990)
23 July	Deadline for content to Governor Newsletter Editor
29-30 July	Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA)
12 August	International Youth Day
15 August	RDU copy deadline for next month's magazine
17 August	Rotary Takapuna North birthday (chartered 1979) Rotary North Harbour - Great Debate (TBC)
20 August	Rotary Albany birthday (chartered 1997)
30 August	Rotary Maungaturoto birthday (chartered 1969)
15 September	RDU copy deadline for next month's magazine

16 September	Rotary East Coast Bays 60th birthday celebrations
17 September	Rotary Santo birthday (chartered 1974)
19 September	Rotary Noumea Ducos Boulari birthday (chartered 1975) World Clean Up Day
24 September	Rotary Browns Bay birthday (chartered 1984) Rotary NZ & Pacific Day of Action
28 September	Rotary Whangarei birthday (chartered 1925)
3-8 October	Rotary Reconnect Week
6 October	Rotary Henderson - Business Lunch - Sir John Key
7-8 October	Rotary Kaipātiki Book Fair
10 October	Norfolk Island Agricultural Show Day
12 October	Rotary Takapuna birthday (chartered 1953)
15 October	RDU copy deadline for next month's magazine

Events

Events in the district can be found on the district website at the following link [District 9910 Diary](#)
- clubs who want their events here should send information/flyers to District Administrator,
district9910@gmail.com

Welcome / Haere Mai / Bienvenue / Welkam

At the end point of our Rotary year 2021-2022, Governor Grant would like to welcome the following new Rotarians to the global family of Rotary.



Walter McDonald	Albany
Jean Johnson	Dargaville
Yvonne Snedden	Henderson
Rosa Solano	Hillsborough-Lynfield-Mt Roskill
Mary Joe Lawson	Hillsborough-Lynfield-Mt Roskill
Barbara Linton	Kerikeri
Simon Knight	Kerikeri
Dave Peterson	Kumeu
Gail Wood	Maungaturoto-Mangawhai satellite
Clive Hebben	Maungaturoto-Mangawhai satellite
Kevan Cotton	Maungaturoto-Mangawhai satellite
Calvin Wong	North Harbour
Yann Cherri	Nouméa
Jeanette Thorne	Onehunga One Tree Hill
Phil Aish	Onehunga One Tree Hill
John Mamea-Wilson	Onehunga One Tree Hill
Sophia Fogarty	Port Vila
Lepara Brain	Waipapa
Shan Collings	Waitakere

Valter Bavastrello	Albany
Kathleen Phillips	Dargaville
Christina Minoza	Hillsborough-Lynfield-Mt Roskill
Jose Marie Hinlo	Hillsborough-Lynfield-Mt Roskill
Callum De Jong	Kaipātiki
Tiffiney Gee	Kerikeri
Helen Peterson	Kumeu
Nina Gastreich	Maungaturoto-Mangawhai satellite
Amanda Hebben	Maungaturoto-Mangawhai satellite
Alan Snaith	Maungaturoto-Mangawhai satellite
Alex Brown	Maungaturoto-Mangawhai satellite
Paul Deligny	Nouméa
Thomas Chollet	Nouméa
Rhett Stephens	Onehunga One Tree Hill
John Paul Goulding	Onehunga One Tree Hill
Shane Vooght	Port Vila
Terrence Henry	Santo
Carol Daisley	Waitakere

These people have transferred between clubs or are returnees to Rotary or District 9910

NAME	CURRENT CLUB	PREVIOUS CLUB
Simon Knight	Kerikeri	ex-Bowral-Mittagong, NSW, Australia
Garth Halliday	Kumeu	ex-Rotary Milford
Sukesh Sukumaran	New Lynn	ex-Rotary New Lynn
Jean Vivien	Nouméa	ex-Rotary Saint-Paul-Baie, Réunion
Gary Hays	Onehunga One Tree Hill	ex-Rotary Epsom
Kay Flower	Warkworth	ex-Rotary Auckland East
Michael Campbell	Warkworth	ex-Rotary Auckland Downtown

New Rotary Year - New Members

Welcome to these new members inducted in the first week of the new Rotary year.



5 July - Daisy Ping to Rotary Browns Bay - Daisy was a member of Rotary Auckland South in District 9920



6 July - Segema Olita'a to Rotary Santo in Vanuatu

New District

The end of an era for both District 9970 (north of the South Island) and District 9980 (south of the South Island) came to a close for both District Governors Nick Courtney and Nick Wood (fondly known as Nick of the North and Nick of the South) at the changeover.

The Rotary Down Under June issue looked back on some of the wonderful successes D9970 and D9980 have achieved over the years to say thanks and to wish them well in their new united front.

The new district known as District 9999, pronounced as "District 9 Triple 9" now kicks off the new "Imagine Rotary" year under the lead of District Governor Jan Boustead.



Nick Courtney, Jan Boustead, Nick Wood

Membership Retention Holding

Another Rotary year has come and gone and our district has managed to hold its own over the year by a mighty net gain of **1** (from 898 on 1 July 2021 to 899 on 30 June 2022). Well done to four of our clubs that managed 100% retention of their current **and** their new members across the year. It doesn't look like much but in the overall scheme of things, it has us in a better position than most other NZ districts.

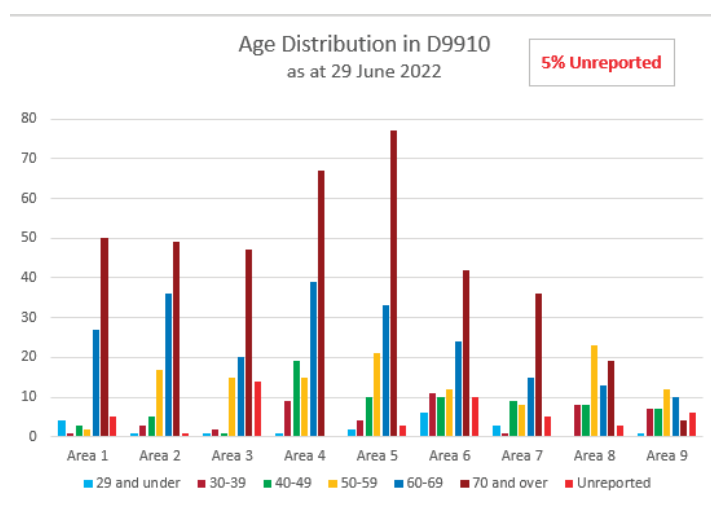
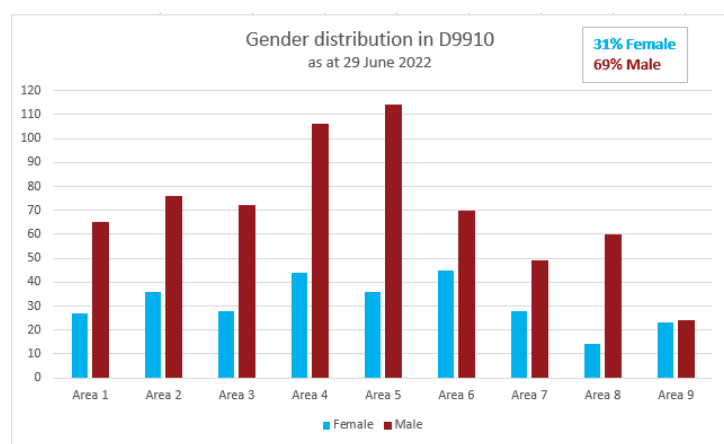
Out of the 97 people who left a club in our District, the majority (46%) were listed with a termination reason of 'Personal'.

This can cover all manner of reasons and is easy for some clubs to record to avoid investigating the true reason as to why a member doesn't want to stay. The next biggest group are those with termination reasons such as Deceased; Relocation; Joining A New Club; and Health (40%) - what we call 'Uncontrollable' losses. Why would we consider the other termination reasons - Business Obligations; Family Obligations; Non-payment of club dues; Non-attendance; Lack of participation - as Controllable?

The club may not be able to change someone's mind or circumstances but did it at least **TRY** to understand what is going on in their member's life and meet them halfway? The last three - Non-payment of club dues; Non-attendance; Lack of participation- would all have early warning signs of a member being disengaged or having difficulty. Who is going to speak to the member to ask what the club can do to help them stay connected? What are the other options for payment or reducing costs? Perhaps a monthly payment of subs or holding the meeting before the meal and not making it compulsory to stay.

One would hope before someone finally feels they have to resign for 'Business Obligations' or 'Family Obligations' the club has spoken with them about not expecting to be at every meeting, helping out when they can, maybe even a club project at their business or home or even taking a leave of absence.

Elaine Mead, D9910 Membership Lead,
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Rotary Women Leaders' Brunch

The district took the opportunity of RI Director Jessie Harman's visit to hold a small, networking brunch for our current and future women leaders.

Key speakers were Jessie Harman, Zone 8's first women RI Director and Past Governor Sandra McKersey, the first women Governor in New Zealand. This was interspersed with lots of networking amongst the attendees and wrapped with questions posed to a panel of Jessie, Sandra and Past Governors Maxine Neighbour and Elaine Mead. One of the attendees, Interact member, Mehak Sehgal gave this feedback; *"I want to thank you for giving me such a great opportunity to be a part of this today. It was a truly amazing experience and I got to meet so many like-minded people, who were truly awesome in their own way. This brunch was a great way to see the women leaders in action, with such poise and elegance, each working for an amazing cause."*

The event also raised over \$400 for Breast Cancer Research as part of the Pink Ribbon Brunch series



Jessie with some of the younger women leaders: LtoR Hayley Brown (RYE sponsored by Rotary Takapuna), Jessie, Ariarna Aminian (Westlake Girls High School Interact President), Karla Bougen (President Rotary Mt Roskill), Mehak Sehgal (Mt Albert Grammar School Interact).



The panel - Maxine, Sandra, Jessie, Elaine

Leaky Foundation update - Thamdanda community

Following on from the successful Thamdanda Water & Sanitation Global Grant project with Rotary Foundation and the Rotary Club of Westhaven, the Himalayan Leaky Foundation (HLF) has been continuing to work with the Komhendo Mother Group Thamdanda, a community of hard working, dependable, courageous and caring women. The women have been supported by HLF with horticultural training and ongoing support from industry experts, supplies of seeds & equipment and business skills training and we have been delighted with the partnership that we have created with these women.

To date they have had 2 successful market trips, the latter generating months of supply of kai (food) for the whanau and over NZ\$8,000 to support themselves, their whanau/family and their community.

Padam and experts in agricultural growing and vegetable farming in the grassroots community visited the community last week and were so pleased with the work and wairua/spirit of these women. Padam and the team visited the crops sown from the seeds distributed in [month] and the healthy crops showed the aroha/love and determination these women show to support their whanau. Support was given where required and feedback and technical advice shared to enable the healthy growth and harvesting of these crops.



Following on from the field visit the groups gathered for discussion with Padam and Mr Keshav Shrestha who shared his vast experiences working with groups for vegetable farming in grassroots communities. The women were delighted with the information imparted, including the importance of working as a group, marketing strategies and tips for the successful farming of vegetables. There is a real sense of satisfaction from both the HLF team and the community that this partnership continues to grow stronger, and we look forward to working together into the future.



The day concluded with on field trainings with the agricultural expert Mr Prabin Sapkota for the setup of nurseries to germinate the seeds & equipment HLF distributed for the summer season crops. We look forward to watching the growth of these crops which include pumpkin, cucumber, capsicum and bitter guard.

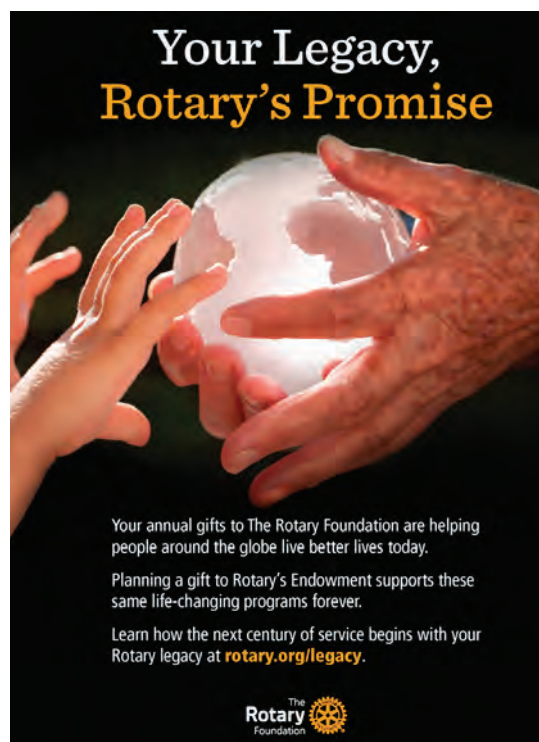


Mr Sapkota continues to make trips to the communities and provide them with the valuable technical support required for the best growth outcomes. He returned to ensure the nursery is set up for optimal performance of the new seeds. It is due to the ongoing support by such wonderful people that we can continue to support communities like this.

Now that the Covid situation in Nepal has stabilized, the team are looking towards the next womens group to work with and work to identify this group is underway. We plan to start expanding our WEP slowly and steadily, learning as we go as to what support and advice each community receives, so we can ensure the best possible outcomes. We are so excited to expand this network and can't wait to meet many more inspirational women.

This project shows the ongoing and far reaching benefits to the community that a Global Grant has and the Rotary Club of Westhaven looks forward to the continuing partnership with HLF in Nepal to continue to benefit those communities in need.

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Club Name Change

From 1 July the Rotary Onehunga One Tree Hill will be known as Rotary Maungakiekie.

The Rotary Club of Onehunga, established in 1947 and the Rotary Club of One Tree Hill, established in 1978 merged in 2009.

Since that merger, the club membership and its projects have bonded over time and with the addition of 13 new members during 2021-22 a new name reflects a new future in the community and area it serves.

'Maungakiekie' is the Maori name for the volcanic cone of One Tree Hill and means 'the mountain where kiekie grows abundantly'. Kiekie is a native vine that has now all but disappeared from the maunga.



Now that I have your
ATTENTION

Club Membership Chairs / Presidents &
anyone with an interest in Membership

Save These Dates

Saturday 13 & Sunday 14 August

Whangarei Saturday 13 August
People Potential, 17 Keyte Street, Kensington

09:00 – 11:30 (Time TBC)

Auckland Sunday 14 August

10:00 – 11:30 (Time & Venue TBC)

Interactive workshop with Andy Rajapakse, Zone 8’s mastermind of building clubs and membership.

In Andy’s Governor year (2020-21) he increased the number of Rotarians in District 9640 (Gold Coast, Queensland) by over 400 through the creation of new-style Rotary club models that were relevant to the community.

In a 90-minute workshop Andy will help to broaden our thinking about what a Rotary club looks like and how to connect the club to the demographic of its community.

More information will be email directly to Presidents and Club Membership Leads

Get involved to build a team of membership champions.

2023 RI Melbourne Convention Launch 4-8th June 2022 (Houston, USA time)



SPECIAL REGISTRATION FEE – 5 DAYS ONLY – <https://convention.rotary.org/en>

Ensure you register for this once in a lifetime RI Melbourne Convention between **4-8th June (Houston time)** to get the cheapest and best registration rate for this amazing Convention. Registration fee goes up by AU\$70.00 on 9th June.

ACCOMMODATION - <https://convention.rotary.org/en>

If you are seeking accommodation in one of the many RI block booked hotels for the Convention it is recommended you book this at the same time to ensure you get the best accommodation within your price and distance range from the two Convention venues –Rod Laver Arena at Melbourne & Olympic Park and the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, (MCEC) on Spencer Street.

CONVENTION EVENTS - <https://convention.rotary.org/en>

The Melbourne HOC is hosting several exceptional and exciting Special (night-time) Events, including Host Hospitality during the Convention. Tickets for these events will be sold on a first come basis, so it is important that you choose the events you want to attend and lock them in ASAP to ensure you get to attend what you really want to experience!!

In the meantime, you can visit the HOC Website at <https://rotarymelbourne2023.org/index>