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Whangarei City

District Governor's NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2017



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DISTRICT DIARY EVENTS:

JANUARY

DM MTG.: Sun 19 Feb, Whangarei
at People Potential

9910 DISTRICT CONFERENCE

21-23 April (See Flyer page 3)

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JANUARY is



**ROTARY
AWARENESS
Month**

Newsletter items
for FEBRUARY
DG Newsletter
to Margaret Cebalo
cebalo.bam@extra.co.nz
by 25th FEB 2017



*Compliments of the season to you all
from Reo and I.*

I hope, after the festive season that everyone is revitalised and prepared for the push through the Business end of this Rotary year.

January has seen the changing of the guard as far as some of our RIYE Students are concerned. We have had our South American Outbounds and Inbounds finish their Exchanges and return home and our European based 2016-17 Outbounds also returned to happy Families.

Our 2017-18 European Outbounds under the watchful eye of Chaperones Sandra and Craig, have headed away for their 12 Month Adventure around Europe and our 2017-18 South American Outbounds, Aotea Parata and Alexis Taverner headed away to different parts of Brazil as well.

It was a very proud moment at both departures, to see our D9910 Students dressed so smartly as they represented not only themselves but also Rotary at the beginning of their journey.

We now look forward to hearing all about their time away in due course.

D9910 is also well represented at the Summer Science School at AUT Auckland. It has been such an uplifting and exciting experience to meet and converse with the Participants to hear of their vision for the future.

Now that we are entering the Business section of this Rotary year and it is a good time for everyone to carry out a check of where your Club is at and to see how all your Plans and Strategies are progressing.

The easiest way is to go to **"My Rotary-News&Media-Office of the President-President Citation"** and click on [Rotary Clubs](#).

Where your Club is up to and what is remaining for your Club to achieve a Citation is all there.

Your Rotary, Rotoract or Interact Club can also earn a **Presidential Citation** for achieving goals that strengthen Rotary and your Club. Activities include growing your Membership, developing sustainable service projects, giving to The Rotary Foundation and building awareness of Rotary in your Community.

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Rotary year**



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D9910 Training Dates 2017

3 - 5 March

**SPPETS at Waipuna
Lodge Auckland**

19 March

**RLI at People Potential
Whangarei**

"Tell me
and I forget

Teach me
and I remember

Involve me
and I learn".

(Benjamin Franklin)"

Click on the
following links for
Presidential Citation
Resources and Help Guide
[Achievement Guide](#)
[Citation how-to video](#)

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Don't be put off or lose enthusiasm when you first see where your Club is at, as there is still time to make a big difference to the result before the deadline arrives.

Of special note is not to leave your **Foundation Giving** too late. Remember, as I outlined in my Strategies during my Club visit Presentations, this is the Centennial of the Foundation. February/March is a good time to facilitate this. Last year some Clubs did leave it too late and D9980 were able to wrestle the Foundation Cup away from us as a result.

We want it back where it should be? Here with D9910.

Membership is also a constant area for a concerted District wide effort. Keep up the excellent effort shown so far this Rotary Year as we strive to keep growing above 1100 and beyond to keep the Redistricting Wolf away from the door.

Now is the time to invite all the Potential Rotarians that you met over the festive season to come along and participate in making this world a better place.

Have you Registered for our District Conference, 21-23rd April at Forum North in Whangarei?

Check out the Website for all the details and our Conference Flyer in this Issue of the Governor's Newsletter issue.

I look forward to seeing the positive results from all your efforts as they shine through from now on.

Cheers,
PC & Reo

I ask you to believe not in my ability to
bring about change, but in yours.

(Barack Obama)



“Opportunities”

Rotary District 9910 CONFERENCE WHANGAREI LOVE IT HERE!

21 - 23 April 2017

Cost per person \$200

[ONLINE REGISTRATION](#)

(click here)

PROGRAMME OUTLINE

Friday evening and Saturday Morning

Late Registrations and Online Registration pack “pick-ups”

Saturday Morning

Official Opening

Powhiri/Cultural Performance

Mayoral Address Rotary International Rep - Jennifer Coburn

Presentations

Guest Speaker - Lindsay Ford

Morning Tea

Guest Speaker Sarah Brown

Presentations

Key Note Speaker Shane Reti

Lunch

Town Basin Loop walk for Alzheimers (bus available to and from starting point)

Dinner - Ticket Entry

Evening dinner and entertainment

Sunday Morning

Conference Formalities

Presentations

Morning Tea

Rotary Moments

Key Note Speaker Dr Lance O’Sullivan

Rotary International Representative - Jennifer Coburn

Wrap Up

Lunch

[Guest / Key Note Speakers Info](#)

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[Accommodation Info](#)

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[Full Programme Info](#)

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The following is an excerpt from **Kumeu Rotary Grapevine**

Presidents Pen - Brett Connolly

Happy New Year to you all. I hope you all had a great holiday break despite this constant wind which has not stopped blowing for most of the summer. I was fortunate enough to get away for a few days fishing at Hahira where the wind did die down so that we could get out on the hunt.

Last weekend we had our collection at the Kumeu Classic Car Show. The roster was well organised by Neil and we had a 100% turnout from everyone who put their name forward. We were again ably backed up by members of the Muriwai Surf Life Saving Club. They were a fantastic bunch of people who ranged in age from 8 years old through to over 70. We also had again Liz Norton's mum and dad who love doing their 2 hour stint every year and who again bought back full buckets.. To all our club members a huge thank you especially to Dave, Jim and Stu who did shifts on both days.

My thanks also to Neil and Liz who made their home available as a base and for their wonderful hospitality during the collection. My final thanks to Liz who again organised the counting and the weighing of all the coins and notes and putting everything on a spreadsheet. A fantastic effort Liz your an absolute legend. Her total after sorting and bagging was completely correct, not a cent out.

The total collected was \$9040.00 which is a new record for this event, up \$400 on last year. A great start to our rotary year.

**Club
News**

Devonport Rotary Club

extends an enthusiastic invitation for members to spend a few hours in Devonport enjoying the amazing Rembrandt Remastered exhibition.

You could save thousands of dollars on air-fares to foreign countries and gallery admissions because you will see up close **50 of Rembrandt's** most famous works that are on display in one venue at the **Depot Artspace in Clarence Street, Devonport.**

The Rembrandt Remastered exhibition features digitally processed full size reproductions of the master's works carefully treated to correct the effects of ageing so they look exactly as they did when he applied the finishing brush strokes.

More information is available at <http://depotartspace.co.nz/event/rembrandt-remastered/>

Devonport Rotary has been supporting the exhibition and has arranged this opportunity for a Rotary only viewing of the works.



4pm on

Sunday 12 February — The entry fee of \$15 includes a glass of wine and a catalogue of the works. All proceeds go to the Devonport Rotary Charitable Trust.

Can you please make your members aware of the event, and because the number of attendees is limited by the venue, ensure that they **RSVP** either individually or through your club.

We look forward to welcoming you to this special New Zealand showing of Rembrandt's works re-mastered.

RSVP to

info@devonportrotary.co.nz

by 7 February 2017

The following is an excerpt from East Coast Bays

Club
News



Lily Lay our new IYE from Cambodia was welcomed to the club after arriving on Sunday. She is currently staying with Sean. If you are interested in going on the Tongariro Crossing in mid-February with the exchange students please contact Sean.

Lilly and councillor Jennifer



Rod once again thanked everybody for their efforts on the **Golf Day**. We had record entries and with good support from trusts and grants a new record was set. **He presented Andrew Young CEO of the Well Foundation with a cheque for \$21,000.** Andrew said the money would be used to buy a lower abdominal scanner for the Emergency Department at North Shore Hospital. Our efforts are very much appreciated.



ARE YOU INTERESTED?

Do these words grab your attention? Remind you of an awesome experience or the start of a valuable connection?

The District Alumni team needs some Rotarians who are passionate about “staying in touch”. Those who know how to connect, re-connect and sustain ongoing relationships with the Rotary Alumni from **ALL** of our programs.

We'll need to do some repetitive database work, some investigative online searching, some creative team thinking and some straight out 'doing'.

If you are interested in getting involved please contact District Alumni Chair, Elaine Mead rotaryd9910alumni@gmail.com.

The following are excerpts from **Westhaven Bulletin**

**Club
News**

Damson plums for picking and preserving

Community Fruit Harvesting is looking for volunteers to help pick Damson plums from an orchard in Waiuku.

Saturday 11 February. Anyone wanting to help out we will be meeting at the Glenbrook rail station in Waiuku at 9:45 am, while it is still cool.

Please contact Julie Tuck 0275708151
julietuck@xtra.co.nz

Community Fruit Harvest Picking and Preserving Neighbourhood Fruit for Charities

Please contact us on pickfruit@xtra.co.nz if you would like to volunteer to pick fruit; register your fruit tree to be picked; receive some fruit for your charitable organisation or help in any way. Visit our Facebook page to follow what we are up to and picture of events <http://www.facebook.com/pickfruit>



DAMSON PLUM: A highly productive variety of small tart oval fruit with blue skin and yellow flesh.



Plans for Westhaven Rotary's exciting new fundraiser

The ArtMart is well underway with lots of interest from a variety of Artisan's.

Freeman's Bay Community Centre April 29th

Our vision is a market with well-presented stalls and lots of excitement and tempting designs.

St Marys School will be running a yummy café and activities to entertain the young ones.

With the World Masters Event on in Auckland that weekend, we expect a great turn out of local and overseas visitor.

Westhaven Rotary vision for the future is to be more active in the community by way of supporting local projects and events.

Money raised from this event will give us the funds to make this happen.

If you know anyone who may be interested in participating please contact Julie 0275708151 for all the details

The following is an excerpt from December's Westhaven Bulletin



Auckland City Mission (ACM) – Chris Farrelly (CEO/City Missioner)

Chris joined ACM in June this year after 25 years working in the Northland Health system. He said he knew it was going to be a big job and then he saw the reality, queues outside the Hobson Street Mission, which start at 11pm the previous night and 350 families coming through every day. Chris spoke to the clients to get the stories behind it all. The 90% genuinely deprived have, on average, \$85 per week to spend on food, 15 people per family/household and at least 1 person in jail. Many of those lining up have casual work and 50-80% of their income is going on rent.

"They walk in the door [at ACM] and they are treated as human beings, assessed and aligned with WINZ people on site. They can walk out with \$100 emergency money and can pick a present and a food pack for Christmas. ACM is now the 2nd biggest food distribution organisation in the country. "Seven hours of waiting to get that is modest, said Chris, but it makes a difference. There are smiles and a few tears."

Starting in 2017 ACM will work with Lifewise on housing 60 long-term street homeless each year over the next 3 years, with mental health and behavioural services to be wrapped around these clients as well.

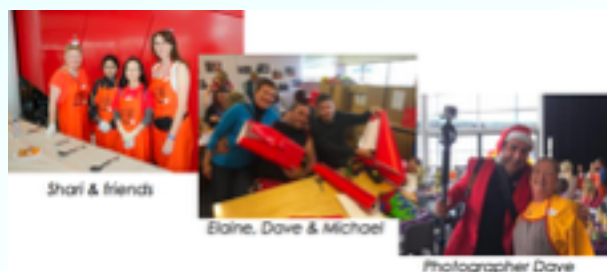
"Success for us will be that poverty doesn't continue at this level and doesn't grow", said Chris.



Chris acknowledged Rotary's support of ACM, especially Westhaven and was pleased to advise PWC have offered to fund one of the ACM workers on the Rotary Youth Leadership programme. "Sometimes you get so focused on the work you forget to nourish your own," he said.

This year the ACM Christmas lunch catered for 2000 people, supported by 600 volunteers. Our own Shari was there and her photo was snapped by Dave Gall (friend of Elaine's) – who joined us at our Christmas wrapping.

It's a small world ☺ - that's why you should always wear your Rotary pin!



The following is from **Rotary Club of New Lynn**

January 2017

To our Fellow Rotarians & Friends of Rotary

Greetings!

The Rotary Club of New Lynn warmly invites you to join us at our **"Love & Giving"** Annual Fundraising Dinner & Dance Gala to be held at **Sky City Convention Centre on Friday, 17th of February 2017**.

Ticket cost is \$120.00 per person, a table for 10 is \$1200.00 with a naming right for your business or company.

A three-course plated dinner is provided along with entertainment and live music provided by The Constellations Band. A Cash bar is available.

Attire: Formal

Door prize: A night for 2 at Sky City Grand Hotel, Auckland

This event follows on from the very successful event organised by The Rotary Club of New Lynn, assisted by the Franchise Holders of Miss World NZ, who by co-incidence are both members of the Rotary Club of New Lynn.

On that occasion the club raised \$8000 to help the Rotary Club of Tacloban, in the Philippines, who are one of our sister clubs, to buy coconut seedlings for distribution to poor farmers whose crops had been devastated by Super-Typhoon Hayian.

The profits of our fundraising Gala this year will equally go to the Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children (ROMAC) to help fund major surgical operations for children from the Pacific and towards the local youth and community projects of Rotary New Lynn. For some years, members of RCNL have been heavily involved in ROMAC and have achieved great success in saving the lives of around 20 children a year from the poorer areas of Oceania where major medical facilities are totally lacking.

This will be a fantastic opportunity for Rotarians, their Partners and friends to don formal attire and enjoy an evening of friendship and fellowship and at the same time contribute to very worthy charitable causes.

Of course several of last years contestants from the Miss World NZ Pageant will be there to provide a bonus attraction.

We do hope you can join us.

For ticket reservations, please contact:

Desmond Foulger, Fundraising Director: 021 722216 email foulger@macservice.co.nz

Or myself: 021 222 7729; email pilar.boyle@gmail.com

Your support is much appreciated. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Pilar Boyle
Club President
Rotary Club of New Lynn

**See Flyer
on following page**

The following is from

Rotary Club of New Lynn

Rotary

CLUB OF NEW LYNN
DISTRICT 9910



Presents

Love

& Giving
Gala

Rotary Club of New Lynn
Major 2017 Fundraiser



Proceeds 50% to ROMAC to help fund major hospital operations for children from the Pacific & 50% towards local support for underfunded essential children's needs.

Friday 17 February 2017

6:30 till late

at

Sky City Convention Centre

88 Federal Street, Auckland City

Dinner, Entertainment & Live band

Cash Bar available • Formal Attire

Silent Auctions and raffles during the night

Door Prize: Night for two at Sky City Hotel

\$120 per ticket

\$1200 per table (10 tickets)

Corporate Naming Rights

\$1450 = 10 tickets

Includes 10 tickets, table naming rights, power point displays and advertising throughout the evening

For Tickets, Rose (021 260 8055) or Desmond (021 722 216)

Rotary International Youth Exchange South Island Tour



**They say magic happens when you step outside
your comfort zone.**

For the 22 International Youth Exchange students on their South Island Tour there were bits of magic happening every day as they challenged themselves.

And it will be those moments of personal victory that will stay with them for the rest of their lives.

Be it jumping into the swiftly flowing Buller River while **rafting, bungy jumping over 200m or doing a haka in sub-zero temperatures** these amazing students proved they had what it takes to overcome challenges and thrive.

The fun began when the crew met at **Auckland Airport** and all the students got their impressive **black hoodies emblazoned with a silver fern on the front and a fish hook on the back**. They were beautifully designed and it was awesome to have them at the beginning of the 17-day adventure.

Five fantastic days in the Nelson area was topped off by some brilliant weather. Activities included a visit to the **Wearable Art gallery** which was impressive and inspired even some of the group who were not perhaps fashionistas. Then there was an afternoon at **Tahunanui Beach, a tramp up Grampians Walk, a swim in the chilly waters of Riwaka Resurgence, walking through the Able Tasman National Park.**

A day trip along **spectacular Farewell spit** had the added surprise of being able to climb up **New Zealand's highest land-based lighthouse**. The caretaker only visits twice a year and we were there on one of them! **Conquering a fear of heights** was achieved that day for one of the students.

Judging by the squeals of **excitement catching salmon at Anatoki** was also a first for many.

Thanks to Murray, from the Nelson West Rotary Club, for being a **great host** for our stay at the top of the south.

Then it was a trip down the **rugged West Coast** taking in **Punakaiki Rocks, Shantytown, Hokitika and Franz Josef**. A night at **Wanaka** saw the hills around us dusted with snow which made our later stop at **Queenstown with the Remarkables** just that bit more beautiful. But first it was a trip to the majestic **Doubtful Sounds** where our South American contingent were able to experience some **snow for the first time**. The smiles on their faces were of pure delight. The tears were those of joy. Another magic moment.

On to Queenstown where **blustery wind** changed our location for **mountain biking** but it was still a fantastic day. But then came the day most had been waiting for – a chance to experience the **thrill and adrenaline rush of the adventure activities** Queenstown is known for world-wide.

And they literally threw themselves into it! Some had to be pushed – well encouraged – that they would survive! And then with the nerves still jingling it was up the gondola for the most amazing meal at the Skyline. So worth the money if you are there. Some took full advantage of the never ending supply of delicious food continuing to eat until we had to head home!

Then it was on to the **Moeraki Boulders** and the **blue penguin colony at Oamaru**. Sitting in the grandstand in the cool wind as dusk settled hundreds of the little blue penguins made their way from the ocean to their burrows. It was amazing to see nature up close and personal.

Onto the **spectacular Mount Cook and a walk along the Hooker Valley Track**. Wow what an amazing place and it's easy to see why overseas tourists find this place so alluring. **The crack and the roar as avalanches crash down the steep mountains reverberates**. It sends a chill up your spine being this close to nature. The students were all suitably impressed. The final night together saw the students cook a delicious meal. The close knit group had the traditional flag signing.

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Rotary International Youth Exchange South Island Tour

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It was at the Antarctic Centre in Christchurch the final hoorah was staged. Over a couple of days the four men on the tour took direction from Elton, who wrote a haka specifically for them. They each mastered their part in the haka and when they came to perform in the chilly depths of the blizzard room it was outstanding. The passion was evident and it was amazing to witness these guys giving a performance that came from the heart. A truly kiwi way to end this once in a life time trip for this amazing group of international ambassadors.



Thanks to Paul and Maree our tour leaders who kept us on track and filled to the brim with tasty food! Thanks to Elton for creating a special haka for the guys who will remember that magic moment in the Antarctic Centre for ever.

Article by Kristen Edge

Whangarei City Rotary



New Year's resolution: Stand up and be an ambassador for Rotary

by Rotary International

By Evan Burrell, Rotary Club of Turramurra, New South Wales, Australia

It's a new year, and here's something you can resolve to do for your club and for Rotary in 2017.

Think about the last time someone gave you a "word-of-mouth referral" that influenced your decision to do something. Maybe a friend shared a new favorite restaurant over Facebook, or your neighbour recommended a plumber. Or maybe it was that friendly suggestion to come along to a Rotary club meeting that got you involved in Rotary in the first place. Regardless, you probably acted on the referral, in part, because it came from someone you trust! [Read more of this post](#)



**Rotary
Voices**

RYLA

rotary youth leadership awards

Information 2017

**Sunday 23 April to
Sunday 30 April 2017**
Muriwai Beach Surf Club
Muriwai Beach, Auckland

*"Simply the best, most varied, challenging,
innovative leadership forum I've ever had the
privilege to attend.
Incredible speakers, seamlessly organised,
I have cherished every moment." Lauren*

Rotary International District 9910

What is RYLA -

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

RYLA is a Rotary organised programme promoting youth leadership and catering to young aspiring leaders aged between 20-28. Since its inception in 1960, thousands of young people around the world have benefited from RYLA. Many have gone on to be outstanding leaders of their families, their businesses and the communities in which they live.

Delegates are sponsored either by a local Rotary Club, a local business, the business for whom they work or by private arrangements. We encourage businesses to promote their young leaders with a RYLA experience as the benefits are numerous and embrace all areas of the young person's lives.

The varied, one week live in RYLA programme has proved extraordinarily successful for many years. It provides an environment in which young people can develop their leadership, team work and communication skills. Many RYLA graduates have referred to the experience as "the week that changed my life". Often the friendships made during the RYLA week develop into life time networks, benefiting the delegates in all areas of their lives.

Administered by Rotarians and facilitated by professional trainers, it targets young people aged 20-28 who may still be at university or already working. They do not need to be in a leadership role at this time.

The interactive programme is focused on:

- Leadership theory and skills.
- Leadership in practice.
- Team situations to apply the skills learned.

Where young people develop:

- Self-awareness and Self-reliance.
- An attitude that enables delegates to lead with confidence in any situation.
- Communication and networking skills.

While not an Outward Bound experience, there are physical aspects involved that are well within the reach of all young people with an average level of fitness.

Barry Larsen

Chairman - RYLA Governance Team

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*"RYLA expands your horizons both mentally and physically –
A fantastic group of people – Gives hope back to the world.
An amazing, life changing, deep experience." Ben*



rotary youth leadership awards

Information 2017

Sunday 23 April to
Sunday 30 April 2017
Muriwai Beach Surf Club
Muriwai Beach, Auckland

The RYLA Mission is to:

Create a leadership experience combining theory with experiential learning situations to promote the skills and behaviours required of leaders by utilising outstanding facilitators and inspirational leaders to share knowledge and modern leadership practice with delegates.

Objectives

1. To bring together young people aged 20 to 28, who have shown leadership qualities and will benefit from the programme of lectures, discussions, activities and interactions during a week long seminar.
2. To demonstrate Rotary's respect and concern for young people.
3. To provide information, instruction and experience on a wide range of subjects of interest and benefit to the delegates, utilising appropriate industry and community leaders and experts as presenters.
4. To equip, instruct and encourage promising young people from differing cultures and backgrounds, to better serve their communities and countries.
5. To encourage leadership of young people by young people.
6. To recognise young people who are providing service to their communities.
7. To provide delegates with an experience they will not forget and that will benefit them well into the future.
8. To provide an environment for young leaders to build relationships that develop into lifetime friendships and networks.

"RYLA was an incredible experience that armed me with practical leadership tools I wouldn't have otherwise gained. I was so inspired by the people I met, presenters and facilitators." Beatrice

**Alcohol and recreational drugs
ARE NOT PERMITTED**

Selection

Each Rotary Club in district 9910 seeks applications to attend RYLA from suitable young people that meet the established criteria. Applicants do NOT need to be from the Club's own area.

- Applicants should be between 20 and 28 on 1st April 2017.
- People still at school are not eligible.
- A standard application form must be completed by each applicant.
- The Rotary Club will interview all applicants, advise them of the criteria and qualities of delegates being sought, then make a selection of the number of delegates the Club wishes to support.
- Sons and daughters of Rotarians are eligible, so long as they meet the criteria laid down and pass the selection process.
- Clubs forward their selected delegates' application forms, together with a cheque for \$1050.00 ea (GST included) made out to: "Rotary International District 9910 INC." and send to The Treasurer RYLA 2017, Mark Harris, 80 John Downs Drive, Browns Bay, Auckland 0630 by **28th February, 2017**. Applications made after this time will be subject to places available and a late fee of \$150.00.
- The maximum number of delegates able to attend is **38**. In the event of more than 38 applications being received, the governance team will select the 38 delegates from the applications.
- Delegates will be sent an information pack and will only require a small amount of money for the week of RYLA.

Supervision

Experienced adult leaders are appointed as resident supervisors at the seminar for the week, including residential directors, programme directors, course administrators and counsellors. Medical needs will be attended to.

Although delegates are treated as responsible young adults, adherence to basic rules and a Code of Conduct is expected.

"My perception of the world has changed this week – it was amazing." Natasha

"Opportunities can disappear in the blink of an eye, seize this one." Nicole

Programme

A varied programme is being prepared. It will include lectures, activities and group discussions. A wide range of topics and presenters is a feature and high quality presentations and relevance to leadership development is assured throughout the week.

The programme topics will be based on the following themes:

- Leadership and You - Hopes and expectations
- Leadership in the Work place
- Leadership in the Outdoors
- Leadership through understanding
 - Wisdom and perspectives
- Leadership in the Community
- Leadership in Business
- Leadership in the Family
- Leadership through Communication
 - Planning and Organisation
- Leadership through Team Work
 - Group Dynamics

Time will be allocated for recreation and organised trips to places of special interest.

The Club based selection ensures delegates cover a wide cross section of vocations and backgrounds. The common denominator is all delegates are selected because they have leadership qualities and / or skills.

RYLA is a wonderful opportunity for all clubs in our district to collectively recognise, inform and inspire worthy young people from our local district community and to enhance their futures.

"If you think your already the best, RYLA can make you better." Jason

"A week full of energy, inspiration and eye-openers. Absolutely incredible and life changing." Olivia

Rotary 
Rotary International District 9910

RYLA
2017

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Email: mark-harris@xtra.co.nz
www.rotarydistrict9910.org



"RYLA was the most inspirational course I have ever been on. I learnt a lot about myself and I took away a range of tips and tools to help me successfully navigate life." Alana

"RYLA will expand possibilities and opportunities beyond what your mind can fathom." Jasmine

Rotary Club / Company: _____

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The following is an excerpt from

Rotary Weekly

20 January 2017 | A roundup of Rotary news

RI President-elect Ian H.S. Riseley urged incoming district leaders to seek gender and age parity and protect the environment in announcing the 2017-2018 presidential theme Rotary: Making a Difference at the International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA.

[Learn more about the theme](#)

[Read reactions from participants](#)



Incoming district governors look forward to making a difference

**Rotary
Voices**

by [Rotary International](#)

By Ryan Hyland, Rotary editorial staff

RI President-elect Ian H.S. Riseley urged incoming district leaders to seek gender and age parity and protect the environment in announcing the 2017-18 presidential theme Rotary: Making a Difference. "We know that we can do more together than we could ever do alone. I ask you to keep that spirit of teamwork and cooperation always in your minds and to take it back with you to your districts."



We caught up with incoming district governors after the theme was announced to get their thoughts, and see how they planned to make a difference in their leadership year. [Read more of this post](#)

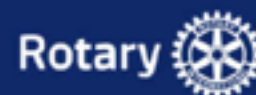


A "Down Under" RI President for 2017-18

Governor-Elect team David and Denise Oliphant had their official photo taken with incoming Rotary International President, Ian and Juliette Riseley yesterday.

David & Denise will be heading home this weekend after an action and learning packed week with all their fellow GEs from around the Rotary world. We look forward to hearing all about it ☺

Tech Talk



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2016-17

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Message from the Chair

Phil Silvers

Dear members of the Cadre and Rotary senior leaders,

Rotary Institutes. We are midway through the latest Rotary institute season, and our cadre has had a number of opportunities to engage Rotary leaders and increase awareness of our role. In all instances, we received confirmation of key findings from the Grant Model Evaluation: Rotarians need more training in community assessments, sustainability, and monitoring and evaluation.

RI President - Nominee Sam Owori, RI Director Corneliu Dincă, and Past RI Director Safak Alpay graciously invited The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers to Rotary institutes in Ghana (Zone 20A) and Greece (Zone 20B). In Accra, Ghana, we had general sessions to address global grants and the cadre's expanding role. A planned breakout session on the cadre was canceled because of a hotel fire, but the French-speaking Rotarians invited me to their concurrent session, and we gained some much-needed additions to the cadre.

At the institute in Thessaloniki, Greece, convened by Safak, we led half a day of cadre training for 30 Rotarians who had missed earlier training because of schedule conflicts. This time, our only competition was tourism. What a dedicated and enthusiastic group of Rotarians they were. Thanks go to veteran cadre members Salwa "Sally" El-Haddad, PDG Korhan Atilla, and PDG Assem Abdek Razek for their insightful, inspiring presentations.

We later staffed a breakout on effective global grants. I gave a general presentation on both global grants and the cadre, in which I urged regional Rotarians to seek cadre help in writing grant applications to aid area refugees, a local concern discussed during the institute. With help from cadre member Katerina Kotsali - Papadimitriou, some Rotarians visited a refugee camp nearby. The issues are complex and evolving, but there are clear roles for Rotary.

Cadre member Ted Silver was invited to speak on global grants and the cadre at the Rotary institute for Zone 21A in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. Ted did some incredible fact-finding as he interacted with Rotarians during his sessions — which will be helpful as we move forward in Latin American countries.

Also, cadre Technical Coordinator and Past RI Director Noraseth Pathmanand led a group of Rotarians at the Bangkok institute to explain the cadre's roles. And I had the opportunity to work with 25 district Rotary Foundation chairs, as well as a few assistant regional Rotary Foundation chairs, and Trustees of the Rotary Foundation from Zones 25/26 at the Rotary institute in Santa Barbara, California, USA. The institute was a great venue to recruit Spanish-speaking cadre members in accounting and other areas. Thanks, RI Director Brad Howard!

Areas of Focus and the Cadre Database. We have real strength in our numbers and our diversity. Rotary's areas of focus are very broad, and our Foundation staff members do a great job of drilling down to find the area of focus subgroups that are most pertinent to the project when they recommend grant application coaches or cadre project reviewers.



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For example, one area of focus, economic and community development, includes many specialties, such as microcredit, agribusiness, cooperatives, marketing, vocational training, low-cost housing, and empowerment of women. We are calling on all cadre members in the weeks ahead to update their profiles on My Rotary with more detail to better match cadre expertise with projects in our client clubs and districts.

What Does 'Cadre' Mean to Rotarians? It varies quite a bit by region. Some know it's a word for "group" or "team" with a highlevel connotation. Others find it too enigmatic and want it changed. In some Latin American countries, we learned, it means someone who might be "out to get you."

Most Rotarians — even some regional Rotary Foundation coordinators! — confess that they do not know about the cadre.

Increasingly, though, we are making progress in conveying the image of the cadre as a group of highly experienced Rotary volunteers who help grant sponsors become more successful. In cadre fellowship and gratitude for your service to those who serve,

Phil Silvers

CADRE TRAINING IN ATLANTA

Save the date: Saturday, 10 June

The next cadre training will be held on 10 June, as Rotary International begins the Atlanta Convention.

09:00 – 17:00

Room 302 Hall B — Georgia World Congress Center

Any cadre members interested in attending should complete the training registration form or write to cadre@rotary.org for more details.



Join the discussion on Rotary Groups!

Rotary Groups — discussion groups you'll find at My Rotary — are open to Rotarians, Rotaractors, Rotary Peace Fellows, and alumni of other Rotary Foundation programs. There are seven cadre discussion groups, one for each area of focus and the seventh for financial auditors.

A pair of experienced cadre members will be actively guiding discussions for all areas of focus from 15 January to 30 June 2017.

So join a group and take part in the conversation. And be sure to promote this opportunity to "ask the experts" in your club and district, because all Rotarians are welcome in cadre discussion groups. Find out [how to join a group](#)

Remember to visit the cadre's shared site

If you're a registered cadre member, you can use the site by signing in to My Rotary at www.rotary.org and visiting the Rotary Workgroup section in your profile. The site serves as a document resource, survey tool, and news and information center. Contribute to discussion groups, download training documents, access the *Tech Talk* archive, view photo galleries, and more.

New Cadre Orientation Process and Membership Restructuring



Former cadre Technical Coordinator Jos Nolle engages in one of his favourite pastimes — listening.

After doing several project evaluation visits for the cadre in places such as Ecuador, Brazil, Arizona, Mozambique, and Ethiopia, a somewhat unusual request came my way — to help the Rotary Peace Centers program team evaluate its six centers, located in the USA (Duke/UNC), the UK (Bradford), Sweden (Uppsala), Japan (International Christian University), Australia (Queensland), and Thailand

Although the Rotary Peace Centers Committee has conducted evaluations of the centers since the program started, this past evaluation marked the first time that the cadre was asked to conduct the evaluations, in order to provide a neutral review of the program.

During seven years of my professional career (1988-95), I worked as administrator of the international medical relief organization Medecins sans Frontieres, or Doctors Without Borders, in many conflict regions around the world. Since then, I have worked 20 years in professional and technical vocational training and education, and I have been involved in a variety of education development projects, some of them in post-conflict regions. Due to my background and experience, the cadre believed that I could assist in the evaluation process.

After preparing with the team in Evanston, I visited the six centers between November 2014 and March 2016. During that period, I was frequently in contact with Rotary Peace Centers staff in Evanston about my findings. Each visit was followed by a short report, which gave my observations from meeting with peace fellows at each center, with local peace center staff, and with the host area coordinator and a small group of host counselors.

Meeting the peace fellows was fantastic. These are very deserving young humanitarians who have already earned their stripes before being selected for the generous fellowship. They range from United Nations peacekeepers to local police officers, from emergency doctors in conflict zones to social workers in inner cities and shantytowns, from founders of small grassroots NGOs and community-based organizations to environmental activists.

They all were inspired and inspiring, strong young professionals for whom this fellowship was an opportunity to reflect, to absorb research findings in their field, and to study together with like-minded, driven professionals. Full of admiration, I listened to some 120 stories of courage, stubbornness, and perseverance of young professionals who were ready to “go to the field” again.

“The Rotary experience has been simply incredible. I was amazed by the amount of support we got from the Rotary Peace Center, staff, professors, and, of course, Rotarians. All Rotarians have been instrumental in me feeling like home here from day one, and connection with my host family has been very helpful. In general, the two-year experience has taught me a lot about what fellowship is all about. We are very close with all fellows in my class, and the relationships built have been amazing. I am very fortunate to have had the chance to be part of this program and a group of people who want to change things for the better for themselves and their communities. Special thank you to Rotary Peace Center staff who have always been so helpful and open.” — Cristina Andoni, former Rotary Peace Fellow, (Duke University/UNC at Chapel Hill, USA)



Jos captured this scene while visiting a class at Chulalongkorn University, host of the Rotary Peace Center in Bangkok.

The universities around the world selected by the Rotary Peace Centers Committee to host these centers are of very high quality, and they all have some niche areas of expertise in peacekeeping and peacebuilding. These master’s degree programs, offered at five centers, and the professional development certificate, offered at the Chulalongkorn center, give the fellows the theory and practical skills to do their work even better than before.

There is much more I could tell you, but my advice is to see if you can visit one of these Rotary Peace Centers yourself and meet with the host-area Rotarians (who take great care of the fellows), the young professionals, and the academics who guide them through the further learning and honing of their skills.

This is a Rotary activity that should become another “legacy program” once the fight against polio has been won. The Rotary Peace Centers program deserves more attention and more funding to take it to the next level. The potential is clear and the importance is obvious.

Tech Talk

Newsletter of The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers

New Cadre Orientation Process and Membership Restructuring

For the cadre, 2017 promises to be an exciting year. Membership will be restructured, and new training resources and learning opportunities will be available for cadre advisers, beginning with an enhanced and updated Cadre Training Manual. To maintain active cadre membership status, cadre advisers will need to complete a series of e-learning courses that build knowledge of Rotary grant fundamentals and planning resources and confirm understanding of the manual's critical points. Also, advisers who are expected to evaluate applications and projects will need to complete a practice desk review of a grant application in their area of expertise.

All current and incoming cadre advisers will enter one of two membership groups. Placement depends on an array of factors, including professional expertise, Rotary grant experience, language fluency, and the geographic needs and priorities of the cadre. The work of both groups is essential, and membership between the groups may be fluid.

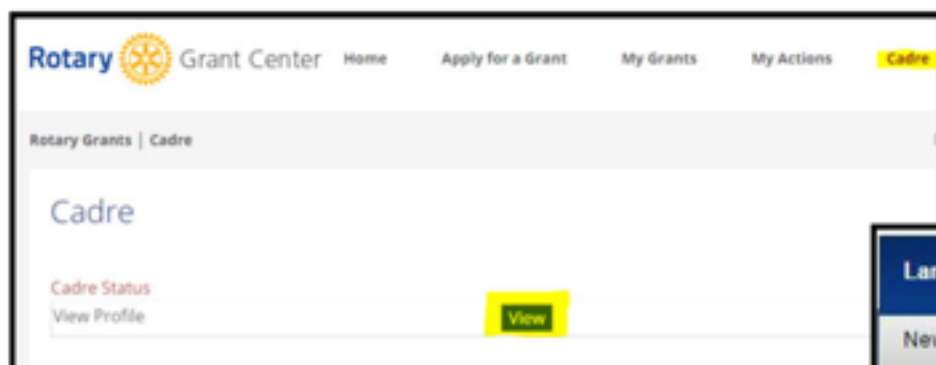
Cadre Promotion and Training Group: Members will promote best practices and train Rotarians on concepts that lead to meaningful, community-driven, sustainable grant projects. Members should seek opportunities in their region to train Rotarians, promote resources, and work with their [district international service chairs](#) to build support networks for planning and implementing grants. Members of this group typically have experience in writing and implementing at least five Rotary grants, or have a professional background in community or international development.

Cadre Evaluation and Audit Group: Members will have extensive professional expertise in financial auditing or at least one of Rotary's six areas of focus. A professional background, beyond the experience of implementing Rotary projects, is central to members of this group. Key responsibilities may include offering technical expertise to help Rotarians plan projects, assessing project proposals, visiting sites to evaluate current projects, and guiding others on topics such as community assessments, measurement and evaluation, and long-term sustainability.

Cadre members will learn more about these changes as resources are developed.

Update Your Cadre Profile

To help us prepare for these changes, please update your cadre profile before **15 January 2017**. You can reach your profile from the top menu of the new Rotary Grant Center — see screenshot below.



For each cadre sector, select the subcategories that apply to you, and attach a CV or résumé to your profile. Confirm your language skills by scrolling to the blue Languages box at the bottom of your profile. Contact cadre@rotary.org with any questions.

Languages	
New	
Language	Reading Proficiency
Spanish	5
English	5
French	3

Cadre Members in Action



A grant project in Nairobi, Kenya, which a cadre member Marion Natukunda-Tumusiime of Uganda (not pictured) from Uganda evaluated, uses puppet theater for an HIV/AIDS education campaign."



During an evaluation of a global grant in Kenya, cadre member Moses Musitwa (left) of Uganda takes notes at a self-help group meeting that focused on providing microcredit management training.

Cadre Success Stories

Do you know of a cadre member offering exceptional support to Rotarians planning and implementing grant projects? We want to hear about it! Please write to cadre@rotary.org and tell us about any instances of cadre members going above and beyond the call of duty.

Resources You Need to Know

As a cadre adviser, you should be knowledgeable on global grants and best practices. Make sure you are familiar with these important grant resources:

[Terms and conditions](#)

[Areas of Focus Policy Statements](#)

[A Guide to Global Grants](#)

[Community Assessment Tools](#)

[Six steps to sustainability](#)

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**Rotary
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Our top 5 stories of 2016



The Rotary Club of Alanya International, Turkey, celebrates with confetti and cake.

By Rotary Voices staff

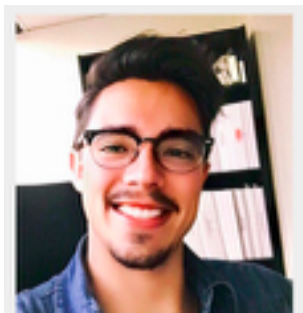
As the year draws to a close, we recap our top five stories of the year (based on number of views):

- You might think Michael Bucca, a 32-year-old member of a Rotary Club in New Jersey, might try and modernize his club's way of doing things. But Bucca shares why he feels Rotary's trademark practice of drawing professionals together for face to face meetings has much to offer younger people. [Read What 30-Somethings need to know about Rotary.](#)
- How did your club celebrate Rotary's anniversary on 23 February? More than 25 clubs shared images of their celebration. [See the slideshow.](#)
- The Council on Legislation in April passed progressive new measures that allow clubs greater flexibility in tailoring their structure to meet the needs of their members. Read General Secretary John Hewko's blog post on [What defines a Rotary club.](#)
- Evan Burrell, a frequent blog contributor and member of the Rotary Club of Turramara, New South Wales, Australia, muses on how clubs can reach young professionals. It may seem like young members are as elusive to catch as Pokémon, Burrell writes, but with the right strategy and awareness, it's not that difficult at all. Discover his six tips in [Where are all the young members?](#)
- One of the changes allowed by the Council is for members of Rotaract to become a member of Rotary at the same time. [Read about Alexandria Ritchie's experience.](#)

The best of both worlds: Rotary and Rotaract

by [Rotary International](#)

**Rotary
Voices**



Fernando Pinto Nercelles

By Fernando Pinto Nercelles

When I learned about the changes approved by the 2016 [Council on Legislation](#) that allowed [Rotaractors](#) to join a Rotary club while maintaining their Rotaract membership, I immediately saw an opportunity and knew that I had to take it. Why?

It's quite simple, I feel dual membership is one of the most effective ways devised to achieve the best of both worlds. [Read more of this post](#)

Rotary means Family

by [Rotary International](#)



Emily Koerner with her father (left) and Peter Singagliese, past president of the Central Ocean Rotary club (right).

By Emily Koerner, a former Interactor, native of Toms River, New Jersey, and student at the University of Scranton in Pennsylvania, USA

I often wonder what other people think about when they hear the word "Rotarian."

Since I was about 10 years old, I attended many service events with my dad (a member and past president of the Central Ocean Rotary Club in Toms River, New Jersey.). The members welcomed me with open arms, laughs, and, of course, a ton of work to be done. [Read more of this post](#)

Why I have come to love India

by [Rotary International](#)



Cynde Covington administers drops of the polio vaccine during a previous visit in India.

By Cynde Covington, Rotary Club of Southpoint, Jacksonville, Florida, USA, and Zone 34 team leader

This is our fourth National Immunization Day (NID) trip to India and our third leading the NID Team from Rotary International Zone 34. I have fallen in love with this magnificent, beautiful country and the people who live there. [Read more of this post](#)

6 key numbers in the fight to end polio



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John Hewko

General Secretary and CEO at Rotary International

We are close to eradicating a human disease for only the second time in history. A global public-private partnership has reduced the poliovirus caseload by 99.9% over the last 30 years, but there's still plenty of work to do.

Even before we reach that milestone, the knowledge and infrastructure built to fight polio is being repurposed to take on other global challenges.

3 countries where polio is still endemic

Fewer than 40 children were paralyzed by polio in 2016, the lowest number in history. This is a dramatic decrease from the estimated 350,000 cases per year in 125 countries that the world saw in 1985—the year that Rotary International initiated a worldwide effort to eradicate this terrible disease.

155: the number of countries involved in largest coordinated vaccine switch in history

In 1988, Rotary was joined in the effort by WHO, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control, UNICEF (and more recently the Gates Foundation) to create the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#) (GPEI).



Today the virus is limited to a few areas in just three countries—Pakistan, Afghanistan and Nigeria.

In response, Nigeria intensified surveillance activities to pinpoint where the virus is circulating.

In Pakistan, innovative tactics are being used to focus polio immunization drives. Health workers are trained in the use of [cellphone data reporting](#), which allows real-time recording of immunization coverage and public health surveys of populations.

In Afghanistan, the program continues to adapt in order to reach the maximum number of children possible despite a volatile security situation.

There are three different strains of the poliovirus. Once a strain is eliminated (type 2 was [officially eradicated](#) in September 2015), we have to match our vaccines to the remaining strains to protect children globally.

This transition is a massive undertaking, requiring significant funding and coordination to accomplish global health feats that have never been attempted.

To give you a sense of scale, the largest and fastest globally coordinated vaccine switch in history (to target poliovirus types 1 and 3) was successfully conducted over two weeks in April 2016, with 155 countries taking part.

\$60 billion: the cost of infectious disease epidemics per year

6 key numbers in the fight to end polio continued ...



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The spread of infectious diseases is consistently among [the world's top 10 risks in terms of impact](#). The eradication of polio will mean no child will ever be paralyzed by this debilitating disease again. However, we must use the knowledge and infrastructure built up over many years by the GPEI to take on other global health threats.



Dramatic progress on improving children's health beyond polio is already underway—resulting in a decreasing number of children dying from other preventable diseases in countries with strong polio infrastructure. Polio drops are now often delivered alongside essential services including nutrition support, primary health care and other vaccines. By identifying the overlap between what the polio program has to offer and country-level priorities for strengthening health systems, we can make a lasting

difference to global health overall, and significantly reduce the gap in the [impact of infectious diseases](#) between middle income and poorer countries.



20 million: the number of volunteers participating

Since the GPEI was launched in 1988, Rotary and other volunteers have raised funds, built awareness, and advocated for their national governments to support polio eradication.

A volunteer can administer the two drops of oral polio vaccine to a child, and participate in National Immunization Days, which attempt to vaccinate every

child under five years of age in endemic or at-risk countries. Millions of health workers are also helping us reach children who have never before been vaccinated.

\$1.5 billion: the amount needed to eradicate polio

This may sound expensive, but, in the words of Dr. Jonas Salk, who invented the first effective polio vaccine, “which is more important, the human value of the dollar, or the dollar value of the human?”



Funding has already contributed to many important successes of our program. In 2016, Rotary funded the work of 52,676 vaccinators and 2528 supervisors in Iraq to keep up strong immunization coverage. Investments made to polio eradication are also contributing to future health goals by documenting the knowledge, lessons learned and assets of the program.

6 key numbers in the fight to end polio continued ...

Funds also make possible the program's extensive surveillance and laboratory network to tell us where polio does (and does not) exist—a painstaking task given only one in 200 cases of polio results in paralysis. This network is already instrumental for taking on public health challenges beyond polio, such as [Ebola](#).

While we undoubtedly still have work to do and funds to raise, we are confident in the good work of our volunteers and members to get us to our goal of eradication. Read and be inspired by their stories and successes [here](#)—a world free from polio is certainly within our reach.

4: the factor by which health savings exceed the cost of polio eradication



Immunization as a public health investment is incredibly good value. Every dollar spent on vaccinations in the US saves \$3 in direct healthcare costs and \$10 societally. A polio-free world will reap financial savings and reduce healthcare costs by up to \$50 billion through 2035. In fact, we've already saved \$27 billion since the GPEI was launched, and low-income countries account for 85% of the savings, not to mention the immeasurable alleviation of human suffering.

Conversely, if we allow polio to spread again, it would cost upwards of [\\$35 billion](#) more in treatment expenses and economic losses, so it's a no-brainer that we have to commit all our resources to finish the job once and for all.



'A Happy New Year'

Disasters don't stop for Christmas or the holidays, neither will we. From the recent distributions of emergency winterized kits in Syria, to the deployments of thousands of Shelter Kits in Haiti following Hurricane Matthew, we are relentless in our pursuit of providing lifesaving shelter.

The work of ShelterBox is only made possible because of private charitable support from our donors.

So, as we enter 2017, we wish to thank everyone who has supported our lifesaving work throughout 2016. The New Year will bring us a new set of challenges to face but together we can make a real difference to families in need.

Thank you so much!