



Rotary Club of Upper Hutt
District 9940



Bulletin # 05 - 09

Next Week 9th March (this Week coming)

FIRESIDE MEETINGS

Time - 6.00 for 6.30pm

Where? The Riverfern Restaurant

Duties

Set up & Door – Ian Pearless

Grace and Clear up – Kevin McEvoy

Host and Introduce Speaker – N/A

Sergeant for March – Steve Hockley

Corporal for March – Wilson Sue

Thanks and Parting Thought – Peter Owles

LOCAL NEWS

The last meeting

Debbie Duncan – Head Librarian U/Hutt Library
Debbie gave a wonderful talk on the library and it's possible future.

The two areas who need the Library the most are the young and old.

She spoke of the library owning around 110,000 books, cd's tapes etc. and issues around 1748 items a day to 933 visitors, as well as the Mobile library has 4000 books of which it carries about a third.

The library has 21 full time staff and is only closed on the stat days.

If you haven't been to the library recently it is open from 10am to 7pm Monday to Friday and runs at an annual cost of \$2 million dollars, of which the UHCC contributes 90% and the rest has to be raised. The library is focusing on reaching out to the community

with a variety of programs run during and after opening hours in which there is a 5-7% increase in attendance per month.

The Library would really like a new computer software programme called "Ketti" that helps the archive the history, data etc of Upper Hutt. The cost of this is around \$6K with a further \$4-5K for future upgrading. This is not just for the staff, but is also for the public to record history and events on.

The future of the library needs three main areas to be concentrated on – Kids, Adults Quiet and noisy areas and reduction in the heights of the non fiction areas (so you don't have to stretch or bend right down to). She also spoke of the limited area that the Archives area is and how they prefer the digital form to be stored there. We will see more of this in our visit to the archives with Jolene, on the 4th May.

Thanks Debbie.

CLUB NOTICES:

Next Fireside Meetings – Monday 9th March
Directors to arrange time and place please

Second Monday after the Club Meeting (unless another time has been arrange by your Director)

Directors meeting – The next Directors meeting is 16th March at Kevin Alkema's

Normally the third Monday's of the Month after the Club Meeting.

APOLOGIES

Apologies to Kevin Joyce, Hm. (04) 526 3231 or Mobile 0274 463 568.

Email address is: Joycecon@xtra.co.nz if you are bringing guests, please let Kevin know so that meals can be ordered for them. Kevin should be contacted before 1pm on the Monday of each meeting.

Members who do not apologize by 1.00pm will have to pay for meals ordered for them. The caterers are billing us for those meals

COMMITTEE NOTICES:

CLUB SERVICE (Director, Ian Pearless)

Archives Visit - 4th May – Anyone wishing to have a look at anything special in the Archives dept at the library please let Kevin J prior to the visit know, so Jolene can get it out special.

Rotary Club of Carterton's 50th Celebrations

28th March - Anyone interested in representing the Club please see Kevin J or contact Joyce Campin joycecampin@xtra.co.nz to register
RSVP by 14th March

Pets 2 & Lets training weekend – 17th May in Palmerston North

Fellowship

Phyllis is heading up to Waipukurau to take part in a walk with the Rotary Club of Waipukurau on the 6th & 7th March if anyone would like to join her.

Club Almoner's Kevin McEvoy & Walter Laurie

Community & Vocational (Director, John Moen)

River Trail walk

15th March – details to come – The next couple of walks will be from Harcourt park or the Duck Pond at Moaribank. We have been asked to host a BBQ after these next two walks. Watch this space.

Entertainment book fundraiser

These are a discount book that has been around for some time and last over a twelve month period, Cost \$55 ea and the Club makes \$11. Anyone interested please see Graeme Enersen Also see the attachment to this weeks email.

2nd March 2009 (This past week)

Attendance:

Rotarians - 15

Guests - 2

Silent - 2

Apologies - 8

Late Apologies - 1

Total of 17 (Club Membership 25 Rotarians)

Tonight's Meeting - Debbie Duncan – Head Librarian U/Hutt Library

Sergeant's session: Wilson Sue & Ian Pearless

Raffle won by: Wilson Sue drawn by Debbie Duncan

Parting thought: Ian P – We the willing, led by the unknown, are doing the impossible for the ungrateful. We have done so much, for so long, with so little, we are now qualified to do anything with nothing.

Youth & International (Director, Rod Evans)

Fireworks (Director, Kevin Alkema)

GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT

Reminders: February March 2009

For the complete District 9940 calendar [Click here](#)

Conference 2009 - Napier - 6-8th March.

Did you know? -Members pay \$5.00 to the sergeant on their birthdays & Anniversaries.

WEBSITES OF SPECIAL INTEREST

Rotary International Conference 2009 at Birmingham, England www.rotary.org/c09preview-en
District website www.rotary9940.org.nz

Our Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholars Blog www.cousinsnz.blogspot.com

Check out the Charities Commission web site on www.charities.govt.nz free phone 0508 242 748 or you can email them info@charities.govt.nz .

Resilience Trust <http://www.nzrt.org.nz/>

NB If you have anything for the Club bulletin please send it to Kevin Joyce joycecon@xtra.co.nz or ring Kevin on 526 3231 or 0274 463 568

UP AND COMING EVENTS

6-8th March Conference 2009 - Napier . Conference Theme - 'Ooh La La' French.

17th May – Pets 2 and LETS Palmerston North

February Duties List
World Understanding Month

Date	9 th March	16 th March	23 rd March	30 th March
Venue	Riverfern Restaurant	Riverfern Restaurant	Riverfern Restaurant	Riverfern Restaurant
Time	6.00 for 6.30pm	6.00 for 6.30pm	6.00 for 6.30pm	6.00 for 6.30pm
Programme / Speaker	Fireside meetings	Christine Prince Work & Income Services Mngr	Rosaleen Chadwick Mngr Thumbs Up	TBA
Door Duty & Regalia set up	Ian Pearless	Ian Pearless	Ian Pearless	Ian Pearless
Grace & Clear Regalia	Kevin McEvoy	Jeremy Wright	Guy Brindle	Barbara Falloon
Host & Introduction to Speaker	N/A	Don McCulloch	Phil Kidd	Sue Kenny
Sergeant for February	Steve Hockley	Steve Hockley	Steve Hockley	Steve Hockley
Corporal for March	Wilson Sue	Wilson Sue	Wilson Sue	Wilson Sue
Thanks to Speaker & Parting Thought	Peter Owles	Peter Warmerdam	Bruce Bold	Dave Mulligan

Quick Quip; This is why most of us didn't go into law

These are from a book called *Disorder in the American Courts*, and are things people actually said in court, word for word, taken down and now published by court reporters that had the torment of staying calm while these exchanges were actually taking place.

ATTORNEY: What was the first thing your husband said to you that morning?

WITNESS: He said , 'Where am I , Cathy?'

ATTORNEY: And why did that upset you?

WITNESS: My name is Susan!

ATTORNEY: What gear were you in at the moment of the impact?

WITNESS: Gucci sweats and Reeboks.

ATTORNEY: Are you sexually active?

WITNESS: No , I just lie there.

ATTORNEY: This myasthenia gravis , does it affect your memory at all?

WITNESS: Yes.

ATTORNEY: And in what ways does it affect your memory?

WITNESS: I forget..

ATTORNEY: You forget? Can you give us an example of something you forgot?

ATTORNEY: Do you know if your daughter has ever been involved in voodoo?

WITNESS: We both do.

ATTORNEY: Voodoo?

WITNESS: We do.

ATTORNEY: You do?

WITNESS: Yes , voodoo.

ATTORNEY: Now doctor , isn't it true that when a person dies in his sleep , he doesn't know about it until the next morning?

WITNESS: Did you actually pass the bar exam?