

# EastCoaster

The Bulletin of the Rotary Club of East Coast Bays

Tuesday 4 May 2010

Venue: Pupuke Golf Club,  
East Coast Road, Mairangi  
Bay.  
Mondays 5:30 for 6:00 pm.  
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## Theme of the month:

Preserve the Planet

## NEXT MEETING:

10<sup>th</sup> May

Participants in the  
National Science and  
Technology Forum.

5.30pm for 6.00pm

Guests welcome.

## *Presidential Musings*

It was a real privilege on Monday 3 May to represent East Coast Bays Rotary Club, along with Ken Pemberton and Glen Buckley, to deliver to Sunnynook Primary School 40 dictionaries.

The dictionaries are well illustrated and very clearly laid out. No sooner had we delivered the dictionaries, the kids present in the library were pouring over them looking up different words and scrutinising the various illustrations [the exploded view of a medieval castle is fantastic].

The children present represent the cross cultural diversity of the North Shore, and I got to thinking how important those dictionaries were going to be especially for those for whom English is a second language, as they come to terms with the many different ways one word can be used. For instance take the word '*row*' [as set out in the dictionary]:

1. Row [rhyming with low] means in a line,
2. Row [rhyming with cow] means a noise,
3. Row [rhyming with low] means to propel a boat with oars,
4. Row [rhyming with cow] an argument between two people.

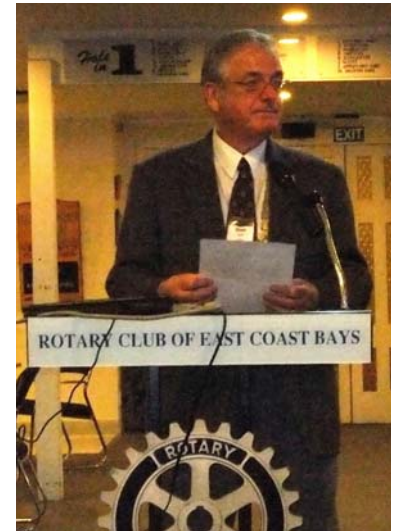
I am so pleased that I am not learning English as a second language!

I was pleased to see that the four-way test [in a slightly modified form] was included on the first page of the dictionary as a gentle reminder not only of the values of Rotary, but also of the underlying importance of the words we use. Words can build or destroy family, community and world understanding.

All any of us have are words and our word; and in the final analysis that is what Rotary will be judged by – our word.

Thank Ken, and your Local Projects Committee for making this project possible.

*Don*



If you cannot do your duty. It is your responsibility to arrange for a stand-in and to advise the President				
DUTY	7-8 May	10th May	17th May	Tuesday 25th May
Reception		Sue Yi	Doris Helm	Alistair New & A N Other (MC)
Attendance	Rotary	Bruce Dunlop	Inge Jenkins	Inge Jenkins & Eric Gibson (MC)
Cash Desk				Lynette Miller
Fellowship	District	John Pritchard	John Pritchard	Don Pratt & Derrick Evennett (MC)
		Warwick Moulton	Warwick Moulton	Warwick Moulton
	Conference	Ian Collard	Alan Astrop	John Pritchard
Stewards		Stuart Cowie	Warren Patterson	Bob Baird & Derrick Evennett (MC)
	Noumea	Peter Davidson	Rod Fergusson	Sean Harris
		Jack Mann	Glennis French	Doris Helm
Grace		Chris Pascoe	Don Pratt	Karel Lorier (MC)
3 Minute Talk		Warren Patterson	Board member	Jane Hunter
Into Speaker		Stuart Cowie	Bruce Dunlop	Peter Garnett
Thanks Speaker		Paul Asquith	Alan Astrop	Alison Waugh (MC)
Parting thought		Jane Hunter	Doris Helm	Bruce Westbrooke
Host Student		Barry McLean	Lynette Miller	Warren Patterson
Rotaract		Warwick Moulton		Invocation: Henry Hurbuz (MC)
Guest Speaker/Event		Participants in National Science and Technology Forum 2010	Dr Morgan Williams Principal, Future Steps. Was first Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment	The Governor General His Excellency The Honorable Sir Anand Satyanand. Combined meeting with Milford Rotary Club. <b>Partner's night.</b>

**CLUB MEETING – May 3<sup>rd</sup>** Our Bulletin Reporter Gary writes:-

**President Don** welcomed everyone to the meeting especially our guest speaker, IYE student Brendon Le Haye and Heather Hyland from the Melanoma Foundation who was accompanied by husband Dexter.

**President Don** then invited **Heather Hyland from the Melanoma Foundation** to come up and receive the “real” cheque from the Regatta. Heather thanked the Club most sincerely and heartily, and then gave us 3 minutes on an update on the Melanoma Foundation and how the funds would be used.



**Sergeant Dirk** was in good form as usual and obviously determined to build up the Sunshine fund with many blanket fines. Other fines included the usual anniversaries and birthdays, duck shooting, health products, Crusaders fans, animal lovers, Gary (just because he hadn't been fined for some time!), Ted Brock for his “fame” as one of the designated forces representatives at Gallipoli, Rod for work done by Thermosash at Eden Park, etc. Martin had a happy dollar for a forthcoming trip to Alaska during which time he will turn 65. George had a sad dollar for Jill leaving the stern rope attached whilst leaving on their most recent fishing trip! Doug had a “thank heavens this week is over” dollar, a week in which Rangitoto College Board of Trustee papers had be sent out for a second time, an addendum had to be

sent out for the Bulletin, and their new kitchen oven had to be sent back to the shop! President Elect Peter Garnett had a happy dollar having recently completed the Rotorua Marathon. He then challenged all past and future Club Presidents to follow in his and Past President Carol's footsteps!

**The 3 minute speaker** was incoming President John Pearson. John gave us 3 minutes on his planning and action steps to date in the build up to his taking office at the Club in July. All is running smoothly.

**Guest Speaker – IYE Student Brendon Le Haye** – our reporter Doug writes:-

Rod Fergusson introduced Brendon and said it was a privilege to talk to him over dinner. He was based in Berlin and none of his four hosts were Rotarians.

Brendon gave us a power point display. He started with a visit to Disneyland LA on the way and arrived on the East side of Berlin at a 1970's airport and outside there were no leaves on the trees.

At his first school he was put with 14 year olds but he did become the top junior at the local tennis club. He found his Rotary club very formal and only went 6 or 7 times.



On the Euro tour the exchange students went to Dresden, Prague, Rome and Venice. He also managed trips to Amsterdam, Neuruppin and France with a weekend in Paris.

At his second school he was put with 16 year olds and it was much better. Christmas was amazing- snow, markets, ferris wheel, laser show and fireworks. In reply to questions he said some schools were twenty percent Turkish and his best time was the class week when he was away from all contact. He said he realised he was thinking in German after about eight months.

He thanked the club for their sponsorship.

Richard thanked Brendon for the delightful presentation. We would all like to go on a similar trip.



### **Other Club Notices**

- **President Don** mentioned what a delight it was to present 40 dictionaries to Sunnynook School ably accompanied by Ken Pemberton and Glen Buckley.

- **President Don** informed the Club that **Guy** was currently in S. Africa as his Father was very unwell.
- **President Don** remarked on the new **Rotary Club sign** at the entrance and thanked **Alan Astrop** for his generosity.
- **President Don** reminded Fellows that the Club meeting for Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May would in fact be held on **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May** and would be a combined meeting with Milford Club with the Governor General in attendance. A clipboard will be circulated next week, this would be a partner's night, but it was requested that no other visitors be invited due to lack of seating space.
- **President Don** also reminded the Club that Club Forum would be held on 31<sup>st</sup> May.
- **Don Pratt** called for two more volunteers for the **District 9910 Quiz**, these were duly found. Don then called for Club support at the Quiz which will be held at **Matakana School on 15<sup>th</sup> May**.
- **Peter Garnett** made a request for Club members to consider undertaking the training to become **Club Visioning facilitators**. Anyone interested please make contact with Peter.
- Message from **Rodger Carter** – would all those that ordered **Entertainment Books** please now see Rodger with payment (\$65 per book) – Thankyou.
- Message from **Secretary Steve, LOA** have been granted for **Pearl Rollo** from 26<sup>th</sup> April to 1<sup>st</sup> July, and for **Guy Kerr-Phillips** from 3<sup>rd</sup> May to 17<sup>th</sup> May inclusive.
- Note that **Bruce Dunlop will be standing in for Inge on attendance** whilst Steve and Inge are away at Conference.

### Parting Thought from Inge Jenkins

**“When you build bridges you can keep crossing them.”** ..Anon.

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