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The Bulletin of the Rotary Club of East Coast Bays

Tuesday 8 December 2009

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

Family

NEXT MEETING:

14 December. 6.15pm
Christmas Party at
Duders, Devenport.
Bus leaves the Golf
Club at 5.45.



A word from our President

We all enjoyed a relaxed and enjoyable night as the guests of Takapuna North last Monday night. President Brian had promised a relaxed, fun-filled night and that is what we had.

I particularly enjoyed meeting up with a military man, Jack Welch, who was Chief of naval Staff when I was Principal Defence Chaplain.

The tentacles of Rotary reach out in all kinds of places.

Nowhere was that better illustrated than by having Mats and Laura Nordlund as our guest. Mats was an IYE student hosted by ECBR 1983-4, and Laura was also an IYE student but in Hastings. Not only did Rotary provide them with a meeting ground that has life changing consequences for them [and they assured us they played it straight by the rules], but 25 years later Mats meets up with old friends at ECBR, is greeted as friend by all who met him for the first time, and slots into the Rotary meeting as if he never was away.

To me Mats epitomises the value of the Rotary International Youth Exchange Programme, and the importance of the fellowship offered by being a Rotarian.

Thank you Takapuna North for hosting us, and for giving us a most enjoyable evening.

Thank you Mats for sharing a little of your family and of yourself.

As the tempo of Christmas increases as the season of the brotherly shove, with so many functions to attend, presents to buy, holidays to prepare, and things to organise, I hope we don't lose our focus of family and fun. It is not what we spend, but who we spend time with and how that time is spent that matters.

See you all next week at our Christmas Party.

Don

Contact for our exchange student Nicole is [0211521216](tel:0211521216)

If you cannot do your duty. It is your responsibility to arrange for a stand-in and to advise the President

DUTY	14th Dec	21st Dec	11th January 2010
Reception			
Attendance	XMAS PARTY	NO MEETING	BBQ
Cash Desk			
Fellowship	AT	HAPPY XMAS	AT
	Duders - Devonport		Waitoki Lodge
Stewards		From your	
		BULLETIN TEAM	
Grace			
3 Minute Talk			
Into Speaker			
Thanks Speaker			
Parting thought			
Host Student	Doug Dempster		
Rotaract			
Guest Speaker/Event	Christmas Party		BBQ / Fellowship
	Dress-Smart casual.		

Visit to Takapuna North Rotary Club.

Warren Sanderson introduced ECB Rotary Exchange Student **Mats Nordlund** accompanied by his wife Laura. Lars remembered his time at Rangitoto College and spoke highly of his physics teacher. He spent a lot of time with the Continental Brass Band.



While attending an inter-district Rotary function he met Laura who was also on exchange. On returning to Sweden he joined the Air Force. In 1996 he went to MIT as a student later becoming a lecturer. Lars and Laura had maintained contact and they married and returned to Sweden to start a family. They live just out of Gothenburg. He showed us some pictures of

his time in New Zealand and his family ice-skating in Sweden.

President Brian thanked Mats for his presentation. Mats and Laura and their family are in New Zealand until early January. Below Laura with Warren Sanderson.



After the notices a ‘**Game of two halves**’ was played. Each table formed a team and mainly sports questions were asked. A lot of laughter followed. At the end team Captains had to mime a well-known sports person for their team to guess and another person had to throw 4 different balls into a bucket. The

result was very close with the Captain’s Table (including Martin Reiss) win by half a point from the Barbarians (including the Sergeant). The winners won Marc Ellis’s latest book. President Don announced that ECB Rotary had donated \$5000 to the Carabina Mentoring Project.

Glen Buckley won the wine for ECB.

President Brian thanked Mats and Laura, Peter Little and ECB for their attendance.

CLUB CHARTER PRESIDENT 1972-73 OWEN RUTLEDGE – OBITUARY.



The funeral service for Owen Rutledge, Rotary Club of East Coast Bays Charter President was held at Albany on Monday 7th December attended by a large number of Bays residents, friends and associates of Owen and his family.

Owen and his wife Patricia – Pat were early ‘pioneers’ in the East Coast Bays and contributed widely to Community activities covering Sport, Education and Rotary. In each of these services Owen was known for his leadership as Chair of both Primary and Intermediate School committees in Murrays Bay, Past

President of Milford and East Coast Bays Rotary Clubs. Other activities included national committees associated with his vocation in the Agri-Chemical field. Owen resigned from the Rotary Club of East Coast Bays in 1980 and his service to the founding of our Club

was recognized at the 30th Anniversary of our Club in 2002 with the award of a Paul Harris Fellowship shown in the accompanying photograph. Those of us from the past and in the future who continue to participate in and enjoy Rotary service in our great Club will always be indebted to Owen Rutledge for his friendship and guidance and to Pat and his family for their friendship and support.

Owen is survived by his wife Pat, children Brian (a former ECB Rotarian), Allan and Julie together with grand and great-grandchildren.

Glen Buckley – Club Historian

District 9910 Friendship Exchange Committee has been invited to arrange Friendship Exchanges to the following Districts. A Friendship Exchange usually consists of 6 Rotarians and partners on a two week visit to another District, being hosted in that District by up to five different Rotary Clubs. These clubs arrange a programme of sightseeing etc for their guests. It is a great way to see the world and make lasting friendships "The best kept secret in Rotary"



June/July 2010 to District 6000, Iowa, USA
September 2010 to District 5110, Oregon, USA

February/March 2011 to District 4930 , Patagonia, Argentina

September 2011 to District 5080, Nelson, British Columbia

To register your interest with no commitment, please reply to Alan Boniface at aljoy@paradise.net.nz or telephone 09 4256696

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