

# EastCoaster

The Bulletin of the Rotary Club of East Coast Bays

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

World Understanding

## NEXT MEETING:

**15<sup>th</sup> February**

Rev. Given Gaula –  
Tanzanian Priest

studying at St John's  
& Talman Madsen on  
his Outward Bound  
experience

**5.30 for 6.00pm**

**All welcome**

## Presidential musings from President Don.

Have you ever noticed that when the pressure is on and you rely on the internet and computers, various things come along to put our planning into orbit? Well that has happened this week, thus the delay in getting thoughts on paper.

Janet and I are two weeks back from 5000 +ks travelling around the South Island. It was great!

However, after a break of nearly two months it is good to attend Rotary, so a belated Happy New Year to you all.

What a wonderful night we had last Monday. I was impressed by Scott Thomas and enjoyed hearing of his Outward Bound experience. Listening to the things he enjoyed and those that challenged him reinforced yet again the importance of the various Rotary youth programmes.

Of course, youth projects are not the only worthwhile things Rotary does, but they give our charity activities a 'future' focus which is not always apparent in some of the relief projects undertaken. As Rotarians we will always be involved in both types of activities, and it is important that we do so.

With the youth-focussed activities we are, in effect, erecting fences at the top of cliffs rather than simply providing safety nets [or even ambulances] at the bottom. It is vital to deal with those at the top of the cliff as we provide for those who fall over the edge.

The \$1000 given to the Haiti Appeal, the provisioning of Shelter Boxes, meeting the needs of those struggling with life, and other relief efforts bring much needed relief when and where it is required, bring tangible publicity to Rotary, and helped to bring a sense of satisfaction with the service given.

The Support of Scott [and other attendees of Outward Bound], the International Youth Programmes, Ambassadorial Scholars, Polio Plus, \$10,000 given to Home Care for Kids, \$5000 donated to the Carabiner Programme of the Yes Ability Centre, the KASSO project (Uganda), where ECBRC has donated \$3,500 to furnish and complete a computer lab & library, are all examples of Rotary's investment in the future as we support young people both at home and abroad, as well as meeting immediate needs.

Well done to all involved, the future is indeed in our hands and in our small way we are making a contribution to that future.

Don

<b>If you cannot do your duty. It is your responsibility to arrange for a stand-in and to advise the President</b>			
<b>DUTY</b>	<b>15th February</b>	<b>22nd February</b>	<b>1st March</b>
<b>Reception</b>	Warwick Moulton	Warren Patterson	Ken Pemberton
<b>Attendance</b>	Inge Jenkins	Inge Jenkins	Inge Jenkins
<b>Cash Desk</b>		Sean Harris	
<b>Fellowship</b>	Alan Astrop	Alan Astrop	John Pritchard
	Dick Daniells	Dick Daniells	Warwick Moulton
	Ian Collard	Ian Collard	Pearl Rollo
<b>Stewards</b>	Carol Caulfield	Rod Fergusson	Sean Harris
	Ted Brock	Glennis French	Doris Helm
	Bruce Dunlop	Peter Garnett	Dawn Laureson
<b>Grace</b>	Paul Asquith	Richard Alder	David Aickin
<b>3 Minute Talk</b>	Talman Madsen re Outward Bound	Pearl Rollo	Murray Thom
<b>Into Speaker</b>	Graeme Lea	Beverley Lea	Dawn Laureson
<b>Thanks Speaker</b>	Don Pratt	David Charlesworth	John Pritchard
<b>Parting thought</b>	Warwick Moulton	Warren Patterson	Ken Pemberton
<b>Host Student</b>	Peter Garnett	Sean Harris	Doris Helm
<b>Rotaract</b>		Jack Mann	
<b>Guest Speaker Event</b>	<b>Rev. Given Gaula – Tanzanian Priest studying at St John’s</b>	<b>Emma Blackman &amp; Cherie Broome Volunteers in Uganda (financially supported by ECBRC)</b>	<b>Jeremy Bendall - Partner, Effective Governance - Risk Governance - Why Businesses Fail</b>

[Next meeting’s guest speaker](#) – Rev Given Gaula, an Anglican Priest in the Anglican Church of Tanzania.

Here is some background information on Rev Gaula that he has supplied:-

“Yes, my name is Rev Given Gaula, an Anglican Priest in the Anglican Church of Tanzania. For last twenty years I have been serving the church in the Diocese of Central Tanganyika first as a church planter in Islamic areas where I learned how to live with different people from various background, showing love as the power of the gospel, after my ordination, I worked as a vicar in a big Parish of seventeen congregations with 8000 Anglicans. It was here when I began to see my ministry in a widest sense. This was mainly due to the problem of HIV/AIDS. I was spending much time to lead funeral services. As many young people were dying with AIDS they left behind young children to be looked after by their grant parents who were unable to feed these orphans. My mission understand changed as the result of this experience. I began to think how the church could response to this challenge. I tried my best to help the orphans and the old grant parents who were helpless in looking after these orphans.

I am currently studying PHD at the University of Auckland looking the gospel of Luke as a model for mission in African Context paying attention Jesus ministry to the poor, widows and the orphans. I am looking the Lucan texts to inform the mission of the Anglican Church so that it can transform the lives of the people in the midst of poverty, HIV/AIDS, widows and orphans so that this poor society can see the love of God through the ministry of the Church. In the study I want to see Jesus of the first century to minister through the church in the midst of these challenges. Preaching God's kingdom and eternal life may seem meaningless to the people who suffer from poverty, unnecessary death, widow and the orphans who can not get food or to be helped to go to the school.

Anyway, we will talk as we began to establish partnership in helping the human being so that we can be able to reach the MDG.

Hope to hear and learn much from you. I will be happy to come to your meeting on 15 February 2010.

Peace

Given Mzanje Gaula”

### CLUB MEETING - FEBRUARY 8<sup>th</sup>

Our Bulletin Reporter Glen writes:-

**President Don** made a welcome return to the Club for 2010 and acknowledged the following visitors ;

- Rotarian Jane Truesdale from the Rotary Club of Easters Park, Colorado, USA and husband Rodger. The Truesdales are touring NZ in a motor home.
- Scott Thomas – an Outward Bound awardee sponsored by our Club and his father Chris.
- Rotarian and soon to be Club member Alistair New.

**Outward Bound Scott** gave a brief but informative talk with power point support summarising his 21 day attendance at Anakiwa Outward Bound camp. The 80 participants were divided into ‘watches’ of about 14 personnel. Wake-up was 6am – unknown territory for Scott, with aerobics through to 10am. PT stood for personal torture according to Scott and the half marathon – 11km on roads and 11km on the Queen Charlotte track. Every participant experienced 3 days and nights completely in isolation with another 3 days tramping ( some knee deep snow at – 3 degrees) and 3 days sailing.

In summary Scott obviously gained much from his 3 weeks Outward Bound Course and summarized with 2 messages – The mind can achieve and Set Goals. He concluded with grateful thanks to the Club for the sponsorship and opportunity to gain this experience of a lifetime.

### Club Notices

- Directors meeting to follow the Club meeting at the home of Bruce and Helen Dunlop.
- Donation of \$1000.00 has been made to the Rotary District Haiti Disaster Appeal.
- A thank – you card received from Mulberry School for our support with the new sand-pit.
- Ted Brock still seeks contacts in our area to match up with the incoming GSE team members – refer to the list of GSE Team members and their respective vocations. Visit dates Sat. 10th to Wed 14th April.
- **Partners night meeting Feb 22nd** An interesting summary of the Ugandan International project involving our Club and the St Paul KAASO Primary School, cost \$18 partners, \$3 members. Make a note.

- Club visit to Rotary Club of Auckland East is scheduled for 15th March (Monday following Regatta). Visits to other Clubs have been few and far apart over recent times and it is great to have this opportunity for true exposure to Rotary fellowship and inspiration. Let's see a full attendance for this meeting.
- District Conference 2009-10 Noumea 7/8th May. P.President Carol needs confirmation of delegates attending urgently to benefit from travel concessions. Would those who expressed interest initially please confirm yea or nay.

**Sergeant session Dirk** raised \$ 96.70 for our healthy Sunshine Fund. A reminder fellows – this fund over the Clubs 38 years has given thousands of dollars in hundreds of small contributions to brighten up the lives of residents predominantly in our immediate community. Some examples – Children's fees for class trips; music or other special tuition; school uniform costs or subsidies; cash grants to families experiencing sicknesses, bereavements or disasters such as fires and loss of property; costs of holidays following illness or surgery – the list goes on. Funds are available, we each need to keep aware of this and notify the Club of any deserving needs for funding.

Having taken the space usually summarising the Sergeants antics and methods of extraction just to say we all enjoyed the humour and celebrations with Sherida becoming a grand-mother, Thoms, Perrows, Bairds, Pembertons Astrops Harris all either birthdays, anniversaries etc. while Pres. Don & Janet covered an enjoyable 5000km around the South Island.

Thanks Dirk

### **Guest Speaker Jens Madsen CEO Ports of Auckland**

Doug Dempster writes:-

Jens gave us an overview of Danes in NZ from the first 200 young men who sailed to a new life in NZ in 1859- only 100 arrived in Wellington. They then set up around Dannevirke. Jens worked in Japan, USA, Ukraine, Denmark and New Zealand (96-2000 for the Maersk shipping line) before being lured back in 2005. He is married with two children.

He then explained how Ports of Auckland started in the 1860s before the City. The Harbour Board was established in 1871 and Ports of Auckland in the late 1980's. 330 acres were reclaimed in the period 1880-1920 and they are slowly giving land and regular dividends to the ARC who through Auckland Regional Holdings is their owner. They are working with their neighbours through a community reference group. They sold off 77 hectares to the west but added 7 by reclamation at Freyberg wharf.

1600 ships a year pass through the Port carrying \$27 billion, which is 38% of NZ's imports and 23% of exports. They have over 500 employees. During the cruise season (December-February) an average of one cruise ship a day docks. At Wiri they have set up a land port that is now linked to the main port by rail. The first train moved 60 containers.



Jens Madsen – CEO and MD for Ports of Auckland

They have become the main Sponsor for the Round the Bays Fun Run.  
Answering a question Jens said Onehunga supplied over 50% of New Zealand's cement and moved 30 000 containers.

PP Carol thanked Jens for his address.

### Other Club Notices

- Raffle prizes are needed for the [Regatta](#)
- [Nicole](#) needs to borrow an optical zoom lens for her camera so she can do Photography at Pinehurst. If you can help please contact her at Sean's or on 0211521216.
- Secretary Steve states that the following [LOA's](#) were approved at the last Board meeting – Guy Kerr-Phillips until 1<sup>st</sup> March, Rowena Pryor until 1<sup>st</sup> May, Steve and Inge Jenkins from 6<sup>th</sup> March to 3<sup>rd</sup> April and Warren Patterson from 1<sup>st</sup> June to 1<sup>st</sup> August.



### Parting Thought from Chris Pascoe

“The bee for its industry during summer, eats honey all winter.” ..... anon.

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