

EastCoaster

The Bulletin of the Rotary Club of East Coast Bays

Tuesday 30 March 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:

3 May

5.30 for 6 pm.

Dr Morgan Williams
Principal, Future
Steps



Presidential Musings

"If you dream, if you believe it, you can achieve it."

What an inspirational statement and from the mouth of one so young. Who said wisdom only comes with

age? Cam Calkoen, who spoke those words to us on Monday, is only 25 and has never let his disability be an excuse. He is an example of using what we are given, and being extended beyond what we [or others] perceive to be our limitations to achieve a goal. I for one look forward to hearing more about the road trip being organised by the *Yes Ability Centre*, his encounter with the millionaires' dinner, and the effect of the *Carabiner Youth Mentoring* programme.

I remember a man who was totally blind talking to a group of fit, young Defence Force officers. Harry came in, sat down, folded up his cane, 'looked' around the room and said: "We all have our disabilities – I'm blind; what's yours?" thus began one of those incredible discussions that will remain forever with me. We can look at the disability and not see the man or woman; or we can look at the person and ask what can we learn, how can we help each other.

At the risk of preaching [always a problem with God-botherers], are our limitations, whatever we perceive them to be, reasons for not doing something, or simply a matter that needs managing?

I would also like to hear more from Sonia Thursbey, CEO of the *Yes Ability Centre*. Maybe we could make another visit to the centre. I leave you with her closing remark:

"Someone cared; someone listened; someone was able to get answers."

The future [of Rotary] is in your hands.

Don

International Youth Exchange.

The club needs four host families if we are to host an overseas student next Rotary Year- July to June. If you can help or for further information please contact Doug Dempster or Barry Perrow.

Reminders 2010 Entertainment Books \$65 to Rodger Carter, Rose Theatre \$20 to Stuart.

The Rotary Club of Kumeu Inc - Hospice Ambrose Golf Tournament - May 6th 2010 –

Sponsor Forms visit etcetera <<http://www.rotary.org.nz/information.cfm?ID=1364>>

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

DUTY	3rd May	7-8 May	10th May
Reception	Chris Pascoe		Sue Yi
Attendance	Inge Jenkins	Rotary	Inge Jenkins
Cash Desk			
Fellowship	John Pritchard Warwick Moulton Pearl Rollo	District Conference	John Pritchard Warwick Moulton Pearl Rollo
Stewards	Rodger Carter Sue Yi David Charlesworth	Noumea	Stuart Cowie Peter Davidson Martin Reiss
Grace	John Pritchard		Chris Pascoe
3 Minute Talk	John Pearson		Warren Patterson
Intro Speaker	Rod Fergusson		Bruce Dunlop
Thanks Speaker	Richard Alder		Paul Asquith
Parting thought	Inge Jenkins		Jane Hunter
Host Student	Jim Mayo		Barry McLean
Rotaract			Warwick Moulton
Guest Speaker Event	Brendon Le Haye ECB sponsored to IYE to Germany 2009		Participants in National Science and Technology Forum 2010

BULLETIN NOTES – 26 April 2010 Meeting

President Don opened the meeting with a welcome to our visiting speakers, Cam. Calkoen and his manager Sonia Thursby, congratulating Cam. on his Local Hero Award under the auspices of New Zealander of the Year. He proposed a toast remembering all those involved with memories of Anzac Day.

Sergeant Dirk once more conducted his session earlier in the meeting to enable him to attend his Rugby Refereeing classes. Speaking of which by his own experience spectator/fans are quite free with their abuse of the match officials – which does keep them on their toes!

Rod Fergusson recently enjoyed a visit to the lower South Island and paid a ‘happy dollar’ encouraging others to visit Dusky Sound in particular.

Ted Brock (Major in Malayan conflict) was mentioned as representing our Country at the Gallipoli Ceremonies and was present with his brother and son



‘Sad dollars ‘from Warrior supporter **Bruce** with the backlash from the Melbourne Storm.

Rodger Carter related the story on ZB Talkback where a wife when asking her husband what he had planned for the

day was told ‘nothing’. But that’s what you did yesterday she replied. Husband - yes, but I didn’t quite finish!

Collection of \$ 97 for the Sunshine Fund.

CLUB NOTICES

Pres Don advised the following;

Tuesday 25th May Special combined meeting with Milford Club and hosting the Governor General.

Monday 31st May Club Forum which will also feature the report on the Club Visioning project.

A Past Charter Member of our Club Doug. Hamilton recently passed away in Taupo following his long retirement in Kinloch. Doug was a well-known Bays resident, managed Sekers Fabrics agency in Auckland and was a very active member of the Barbarians Rugby Club.

The District Rotary Quiz is scheduled for Saturday 15th May 5.30 – 8.30 at Matakana School. Bruce Dunlop and 3 others will represent our Club. 2 further members can be accommodated.

Sean Harris announced that Nicole will attend Challenge Camp 2010 and our sponsored participant is a Vietnamese girl student from Kelston High School.

Opportunity for nominations of IYE outgoing students for next year between ages of 16-17.

Warren Patterson reminded members of the upcoming weekend visit to Gt Barrier & Mulberry Grove School planned for weekend 7-9 May. Full details of travel, accommodation and costs in last weeks Bulletin –P4.

Nicole summed up her busy schedule involving Snow Planet visit and upcoming District Conference at New Caledonia followed by Challenge Camp.

Ken Pemberton – 3 min. talk:

Ken proudly related his recent election as a member of the ECB Rugby Club and how satisfying he found the competitive but not aggressive atmosphere across the many teams in the Union. With 470 Junior players registered, a competitive girls team and Touch Rugby over the summer the ECB Rugby is certainly alive and well. Good on you Ken for adding this involvement to your busy schedule. (As a former MAGS player your scribe

has memories from the 1940's of friendly rivalry with AGS – and later as team mates with Grammar Old Boys) Don't despair Ken.

Parting Thought from our worthy **Secretary Steve;**

Don't be afraid to take big steps. You can't cross a chasm in two small jumps.
David Lloyd George

Guest Speakers Cam Calkoen and Sonia Thursby.

Steve introduced Cam Calkoen. Cam attended Rangitoto and then Massey Uni. He is the Ambassador for Yes and has been a T36 Athlete in the 100 and 200 metres.

Cam gave us a typical enthusiastic address. He thanked us for our donation to the Yes centre. His first speech was made when Dean Flyger (from Rangitoto) asked him to a meeting to listen and promptly said Cam will now speak to you. When he was 18 years old he was asked to be Ambassador for what is now 'Yes'.

Cam then talked about **Carabiner mentoring** which for the first two years helped young people with their goal setting, for example they put Jarod with Pip Cheshire an architect. There is no New Zealand programme like it. It is all about empowering individuals to link with their ambition. Cam is currently working with young people to get outside their comfort zone e.g. be on Shortland Street, go on a road trip. They make dreams become a reality. 39 of them ran in Round the Bays in T-shirts advertising the groups they came from- Fab, Yes, Disability Centre, Abilities. Through Fab they have selected 7 leaders for leadership training and Cam is one of them. Cam has now given over 450 speeches since 2006. He is off to London for the Million Dollar Round Table.

Sonia the CEO of Yes then spoke. She had been critical of Yes so when asked to be CEO had to deliver. She started by bringing some colour into the building and after a restructuring appointed a parent who now runs Mums at Yes which is a group where people can talk. Yes is now 'making a difference'.

David Aickin thanked Sonia saying it was a hard act to follow Cam who continues to impress. He wished them all the best and thanked them again.



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