



CLUB BULLETIN

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Sept 19th 2019

President 2019-20 Robin Harper

Meeting at The Twin Pines Manor – Haruru Falls

Apologies before 12 noon on the Wednesday prior to a meeting to; janetjim46@gmail.com

Meeting; Sept 19th 2019

Present; 14 members
Apologies; Harvey Bourne, William Fuller, Jim Pugh, Christine Bray, Donna Smith, Nadia Lehmann, Darryl Francis, Chris Ellington.
Leave of Absence; Ivan Hyslop, Wayne Ludwig, Ruth Moore & Sailesh Singh
Visitors; Guest speaker – Meghshyam Prakash, Mrs Prakash & Elaine (Gary's partner)
A very warm welcome back to Bob 😊



❖ **PLEASE NOTE** – As Jim is now back from holiday all apologies should be sent to janetjim46@gmail.com before 12 noon on the Weds prior to a meeting.

❖ Visit to He Iwi Kotahi Tatou Trust Youth Group in Moerewa on Thursday Oct 3rd (in place of usual club meeting). The group are planning a powhiri and hangi for us, in what should be a very special evening. All members and partners are invited. Our Honorary Member, Kevin Prime, will be attending.

❖ District Governors Visit - Thursday 26th September - as many people to attend as possible. DG Ian will meet with Committee members before the meeting; 5.15pm

❖ IT Festival Saturday 5th October- Marshals required.

❖ Men's Health Event at The Turner Centre, Kerikeri – Tues, Oct 22nd.
Contact Jim if you would like to attend.

❖ Big Blood Pressure Day – Friday Oct 4th 10am – 2pm in Paihia.

❖ Final total collected for Daffodil Day was \$6185.80 Fantastic effort from everyone who helped.

❖ A thank-you email has been received for the club's donation from Outward Bound participant, Anna Yarrall.

❖ World Polio Day Oct 24th – International Committee to consider how the club can support this.



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- ❖ **Rotary Clock** – Denis will be meeting with FHNL to discuss installation of the clock once the Paihia Wharf extension has been completed.
- ❖ **Sunday Sept 29th** – testing of Tsunami warning sirens in Paihia.
- ❖ **Project Island Song 2020 Calendars** – Ninni has calendars for purchase at \$20 each, proceeds to Project Islands Song. Contact Ninni.
- ❖ **Visit to Ngawha Corrections Facility** – now re-scheduled for Tues Sept 24th at 2pm. If you wish to be included on this visit you must let the Secretary know asap; secretary@boirotaryclub.co.nz as there is a form to complete for entry permission. Participants must also bring photo ID.

CLUB DIARY



Tues Sept 24th – club visit to Ngawha at 2pm.

Thurs Oct 3rd – Club visit to Moerewa Youth Group 6pm (no usual club meeting on this date)

Fri Oct 4th – Big Blood Pressure Day 10am – 2pm Paihia

Sat Oct 5th – IT Festival Paihia. Marshals required

Thurs Oct 10th – Club visit to Kauri Vault, Opuia Commercial Estate (no usual club meeting on this date)

Sat Dec 14th – Christmas Party at Twin Pines 12.30pm

CHARITABLE TRUST COLLECTION – CHRIS WILLIAMS

There were fines handed out for those who turned up for the visit to Ngawha, when it had been postponed!

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5- minute speaker – Ian Bunton

Ian spoke about a UNESCO World Heritage Site in South Eastern Algeria; Tassili n'Ajjer. Covering some 72,000 sq kms it has been a World Heritage site since 1982. Situated 2,000kms from Algiers, the site has one of the most important groupings of prehistoric cave art in the world. The earliest petroglyph is around 12,000 years old and there have been over 15,000 discovered since 1982.



Ian gave a fascinating account of one of the world's little-known wonders.

Guest Speaker – Meghshyam Prakash



Bill introduced our guest speaker, Meghshyam, who is a 17-year old from Kawakawa and attends Springbank School. He has recently completed a six-month term as Youth MP for Northland. Meghshyam told the meeting that he had always been interested in politics, but when MPs Matt King and Willow Jean Prime came to his school to talk about the Youth Parliament, he was hooked. Each MP selects their own Youth Member of Parliament to represent them, and young people in their local electorate, for a six-month community-based tenure including participating in the two-day Youth Parliament event in Wellington. Meghshyam was Matt King's choice for Northland.

There were 140 Youth MPs at Parliament in Wellington in July for an opening ceremony by the Governor General, and they were all given an exclusive, behind the scenes tour of the Beehive and photo opportunities with some very famous people. Whilst sitting in the Youth Parliament, Meghshyam debated the Sustainable Energy Bill;

he showed us the video of his speech, which was extremely impressive. He also sat on a Foreign Affairs Select Committee, hearing submissions from organisations such as NZ Beef & Lamb. Meghshyam described his time in the Youth Parliament as "a once in a lifetime experience". He thanked Matt King for the opportunity he was given, because he firmly believes that it is important for young people to be part of the decision-making process. When asked what he considered the most important decisions being faced, Meghshyam answered that climate change was critical, as decisions made now will affect the future of today's youth.

Those members who heard Meghshyam speak at our Rotary meeting will be in no doubt that he has a very bright future ahead. He was an articulate and animated speaker, with great confidence and personality, and we should all be proud to have such a committed young man in our community. Meghshyam intends to pursue a business degree after leaving school, but he would certainly make a good politician and I feel certain that we will see Meghshyam in public life again soon. Meghshyam was thanked on behalf of all members by Denis, who advised him to always remember that people vote not on facts but by emotion.

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Coming next week..... District Governor

Ian & Jasmine Kiernan

Born in Auckland, Ian & Jasmine have lived on Norfolk Island since 1985. Ian's working life has always been in the supermarket industry and he is currently a Director and General Manager of Norfolk Island Supermarkets Pty Ltd. He has been a Rotarian since the age of 26 and has been President of Norfolk Island Rotary club five times. Aside from Rotary, Ian has been involved in voluntary roles with many community organisations and sporting bodies on Norfolk Island, including 12 years as a Board Member and Treasurer of the Norfolk Island Golf Club. Ian's early sporting interests included rugby league and squash, and he has represented Norfolk Island in both. He is also a keen golfer.



During her visit to our club, Jasmine will be raffling the mosaic pictured above, all proceeds to ROMAC (Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children) Ticket \$2 each or three for \$5. Winner drawn on Sat Sept 28th.

Club Duty Roster

	Sept 26th	Oct 3rd	Oct 10th	Oct 17th
Guest Speaker	DG Ian Kiernan	Moerewa Youth Group visit	Kauri Vault visit	To be confirmed
Visitor Welcome	Sue	N/A	N/A	Ian
Steward	Chris W	N/A	N/A	Ninni
5 Minute Speaker	Jack	N/A	N/A	Roger
Charitable Trust Collection	Jim	N/A	N/A	Mike
Speaker Introduction	Darryl	N/A	N/A	Jim
Speaker Thanks	David	N/A	N/A	Nadia

You are expected to organise a replacement if you cannot undertake the duty for which you are rostered