



The Rotary Club of Whangarei

(Chartered 1925)

District 9910

Chronicle for 7 May 2014



Int President Ron Burton

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President Peter welcomed everyone and Bernard Bowden Trust recipients Dr. Mareta Jacob & Registered Nurse Eronoa Rakanui.

Apologies: Peter B, Rex, Frank

One minute notices:

- Octogon Theatre are having another play and dinner on 22 May – see Mike to make a booking
- Two teams participated in the Rotary quiz night in Matakana. It was, as usual, a fun night and we didn't finish last.
- The Polio plus program has had a small setback with new cases increased to 68, still a far cry from the thousands of cases appearing yearly when Rotary started the campaign in 1985.
- Mareta & Eronoa will address the club this week

Changeover night

Hello Rotary members. The Rotary Club of Whangarei would like to extend a welcome to you & your partner to join us on Wednesday the 25th of June 2014 for our change-over dinner.

Venue	A'Fare	Lower Dent St
Time	5.45 for 6.30	
Cost	\$30 per head	A cash bar will be available

Please RSVP to this email address or phone Gail on 4329542 by Friday the 20th of June

Gail Taylor

After much discussion about retiring Bill mentioning that he has enough money to last until he is 102, Andrew read out a poem that seemed appropriate.

GIVE ME TIME

*Dear Lord, I am 80
and there's much I haven't done.
I hope dear Lord, you'll let me live until I'm 81.
But, if I haven't finished all I want to do,
would you please let me stay awhile,
until I'm 82?
So many places I want to go,
so much I want to see,
do you think you could manage
to make it 83?
Many things I may have done,
but there's so much left in store,
I'd like it very much to live to 84.
And if by then I'm still alive,
then I'd like to stay to 85.
The world is changing very fast,
so I'd really like to stick around
and see what happens to the world
when I'm 86.
I know, dear Lord, it's a lot to ask,
and it will be nice in heaven,
but I'd really like to stay around
until I'm 87.
I know by then I won't be fast,
and sometimes I'll be late,
but it would be oh-so-pleasant
to be around at 88.
I will have seen so many things and had
a wonderful time,
so I'm sure that I'll be willing to leave
at 89. (Well, maybe.)
I'm 90 Lord, my mind is sound
I like it here, I can still walk around
My time is limited I know
And someday I'll have to go!
I'm not greedy or guided by fears
I want to see what happens in the next few years
I'm sure you've heard this plea before
But my bags will be packed at 104*

**GOD PUT ME ON THIS EARTH TO ACCOMPLISH A CERTAIN NUMBER OF THINGS
RIGHT NOW I AM SO FAR BEHIND I WILL NEVER DIE.**

Duty Roster (a.m – 11:30 for noon, p.m. – 5:30 for 6:00pm)			
Lunch first, dinner second – 1 st Wed lunch 2 nd dinner etc Notify Club of apologies – 4387429 (by Tuesday)			
Duties	14 May (pm)	21 May (am)	Hospital
Speaker	Bernard Bowden Recipients	Club Forum	Gail
Host	Bill & Alison	None	
Thanks	Bill & Alison	None	
Reception	Everyone	Everyone	
Parting Thought	Bill & Alison	Shirley	

Parting thought from Lloyd

“When I was a kid I wanted to be an adult. But this is not quite what I expected”