

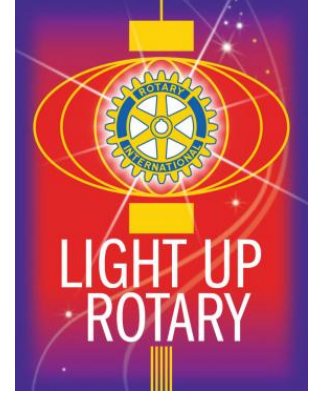


The Rotary Club of Whangarei

(Chartered 1925)

District 9910

Chronicle for 25 February 2015



Int President Gary C.K. Huang

President – Gail Taylor, Secretary- Alison Rossiter, Treasurer – Bill Rossiter, Chronicle - Andrew Bax, Community – Andrew Bax, International - Roger Barber, Programme –Mike Elrick, Almoner - George Wilson, Historian - Lloyd Morris, Website - Andrew Bax, Board Member – Maurice Schicker,
District Governor – Bruce Rasmussen, Assistant Governor – Rosemary Meyer

IPP Peter welcomed members to the meeting.

Apologies : Gail, Bran, Lloyd, Shane, Bert, Roger

One minute notices

- Bill mentioned that we need a concerted effort to bring in new members.
- Bill will talk to Jim re incorporation.
- \$5000 was received from McCoy trust for the Bernard Bowden Trust, they are arriving on 8th March.
- Peter has been liaising with Lars from Belgium and will be meeting up with him on his trip on 11 June. Lars has offered their holiday house for Peter to stay in.

Speaker – Alison Rossiter – Poliomyelitis

Alison gave us an in-depth talk on Polio and had researched the latest information and presented it on power point.

3 types of polio, 1,2 & 3, all affect the nervous system. First discovered in 1580BC.

Usually caught due to poor hygiene and under 5 year olds are most common.

Symptoms are like flu, fever, tired, weak, headaches etc.

Polio is incurable once you get it and often years later from 15 to 40 year old they get Post Polio syndrome which present with pain in the nerves.

In the early years many were placed in iron lungs to aid breathing and one lady had 60 years in the lung and is in the Guinness book of records.

On **March 26, 1953**, American medical researcher Dr. Jonas Salk announces on a national radio show that he has successfully tested a vaccine against poliomyelitis, the virus that causes the crippling disease of polio.

An oral vaccine was developed by Albert Sabin using attenuated poliovirus. Human trials of Sabin's vaccine began in 1957, and it was licensed in 1962.

In 1988 Rotary initiated the call to eradicate Polio and partners like WHO and Bill Gates Foundation have come on board to help.

Today there are a few war torn countries that still present a few cases of Polio and Rotary's dream of total eradication is getting closer.

Alison presented a very informative talk and Mike thanked her and pointed out that often it's our own members who give us some interesting talks.

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	4 Feb (am)	11 Feb (pm)	Hospital
Speaker	Lunch Forum	Bernard Bowden recipients talk	Gail
Host	None	Pat	
Thanks	None	Pat	
Reception	Everyone	Everyone	
Parting Thought	Lloyd	Pat	

Parting Thought from Alison & Mike

“Politicians are just the ugly people that didn’t make acting”

Not sure if Shane would agree!!!

“The quickest way to double your money is to fold it in half and put it back in your pocket”