



# Rotary



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## awapuni club bulletin

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**27<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

**next meeting AGM 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

Check emails for details, as this is the last Bulletin for an erratic 2018.

### LAST WEEK'S MEETING

We had a good turnout to our visit to Marton Club on 19<sup>th</sup> November. We were able to hear first hand Venky's explanation of architectural lighting, with some stunning examples. We shared in a good old fashioned Rotary meeting, but it was interesting to hear there were murmurings of catering and costs. Nothing new? Thankyou to President Ray Sisley and the team of Rotarians who made us so welcome

Last week we welcomed Mark Tuck, who the club sponsored to attend a Scout Advanced Personal Development program. Mark has led all grades of Scout groups, and is now leading a Venturer Scout Group at Hokowhitu. He explained the special scarf and other items indicating his achievements in Scouting. The Course was held at the Silverstream Retreat Centre. He reckoned that the 3 day course taught him to be more tolerant and see other points of view.

Mark has also participated in Outward Bound and described some of the challenges he faced in this. He thought one important item to take on an Outward Bound Course was a cheese cutter – otherwise you are faced with block of cheese.

Some interesting parallels between scouting and Rotary in encouraging leadership, and service.

## AWATAPU COLLEGE AWARD

The Award presented by President Peter on behalf of the Club was made to Owen Keenan. We received a great acknowledgement for the College, as below.

Congratulations to Owen.

It is worthwhile repeating that the award is in memory of our Foundation President, Harold Parlane. The handsome trophy incorporates the Rotary wheel, which in this case is in chrome and graced Harold's car during his time as a Rotarian.

The Principal and the Awatapu College Board of Trustees wish to thank you sincerely for your kind and generous contribution to the Awatapu College Senior Honours Awards which has enabled the College to provide prizes for students in recognition of their achievements.

Owen Keenan was the recipient of the Rotary Award for Community Service. As Sports Captain, Owen has shown an outstanding level of service to sports at the College. He has been actively involved with 1st XI Football, 1st XV Rugby and Badminton. Owen has proved a very able Sports Captain and Sheppard House Leader and is to be commended for his service to the Student Council. In addition, Owen has also assisted with the Weetbix Tryathlon, Special Olympic events, the Seeking Success Committee, Relay for Life, Peer Support and our International Student Programme. His outstanding service makes Owen a very deserving recipient of this award.

Your interest and support of Awatapu College is gratefully welcomed. Please find enclosed your receipt for \$250.00.

We had a good report on the Rotaract Conference weekend from Ramola. It was good to connect with other Clubs – 5 were represented from across NZ, and there were 5 members from the Massy Club out of 24 attendees.

We missed the Rotaractors at the FoodBank collection, but it was a great occasion and some Rotarians got a good workout running to pick up the bags.

**LIGHT MY FIRE.....** ( don't tell anyone living in California or Queensland for that matter) That is the theme for the District Conference in Wanganui May 17 – 19 ' 2019 For those who have not been to a District Conference this would be a great start! Great speakers ( without knowing who they are!) and a chance to mix with Rotarians from around the District.

**CHRISTMAS FUNCTION...**Book in the 11<sup>th</sup> December - the idea is to have a combined affair with Milson Club – there will be a look at Wildbase at 5.00pm, followed by a meal at 6.30pm. Details to be confirmed.

**START FOR 2019 .** Our first meeting for the New Year will be on 22nd January, and will be a casual catch-up Barbecue.

**PRESIDENT ELECTS TRAINING** – 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

#### **THOUGHT FOR THE SEASON**

Yours in Rotary

David C.

the blessings of  
peace,  
the beauty of hope  
the spirit of love  
the comfort of faith  
may these be your gifts  
this Christmas time