

District Newsletter November - December 2021

District Governor Nick Wood

September and October were busy months as DG getting around the district virtually in early September.

I got to Dunedin, Waimate, Invercargill, Dunedin Central all virtually. Dunedin South had an attempt, but we had a small technical glitch which caused a postponement.

I did however manage to make a physical trip to Temuka Geraldine and meet the members.

Then in October I had a trip to Invercargill North and Invercargill Sunrise before joining Balclutha, Milton, Taieri and Mosgiel members for a weekend of hard mahi at Tautuku in the Catlins

I have really enjoyed meeting as many Rotarians around the district as I have so far, you truly get to know a Rotarian when you are working alongside them and then having a cold one at the end of the day.

I did manage to escape being a district governor for a weekend and go back to my other community role as Baloo, my cub leader name and run a camp for the Cromwell cubs at Berwick lodge just south of Dunedin. An adventure filled weekend with our full cub pack, this was my last act for Cubs as my boys are both now scouts and new leaders have stepped up to take over.

Gardening has also received some attention making sure the pumpkin seedlings have been looked after and healthy plants have been distributed around the district.

I've got my pumpkin growing beside the compost bin hoping its needs will be fulfilled, the rest of the garden is looking pretty good to, and I'll share some pictures as my monster pumpkin grows over the coming months.

Please make sure you share your pumpkin pictures on the district Facebook page #Pumpkins4Polio.

Keep the newsletter coming and sharing your club stories.

I want to come and get involved with your working bees and special events so please let me know what's coming up.



We only got a little lost on the bush walk when I didn't listen properly, brought the right number of cubs home...



November is Rotary Foundation Month

Our Foundation "The Rotary Foundation" or "TRF" is our charity of choice and where we as Rotarians should be donating funds.

This is the tool in our tool kit to enable Rotary to achieve the work we do around the globe.

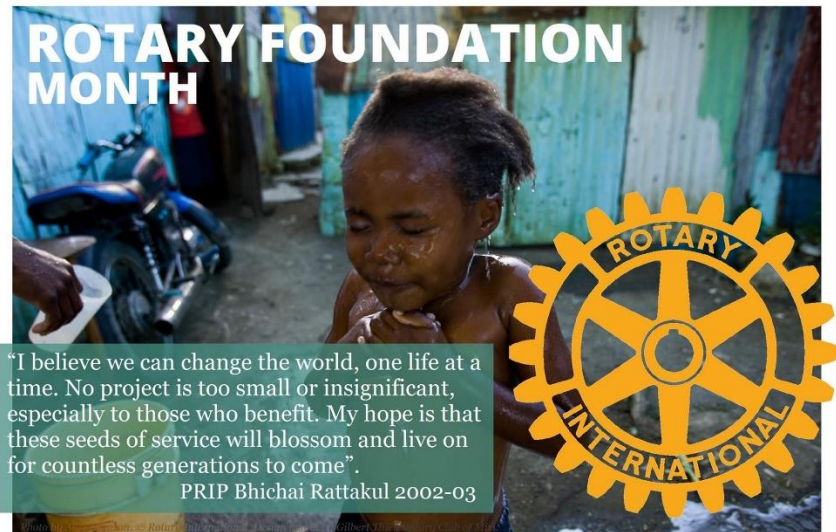
End Polio Now, Global Grants, Global Peace Scholars, Vocational Training Team and our district grants all depend on the funds we donate to the foundation.

It is great to see clubs planning foundation auctions and allocating funds from fundraisers to make contributions to the foundation. As we know this money will be used well and we will see some of it back to support our project through district grants.

Ehara taku toa I te toa
Takitahi engari he toa
Takimano

My strength is not that of an individual but that of the collective.

NOVEMBER



TAKE ACTION: www.rotary.org/give



December is Disease Prevention & Treatment Month

Disease prevention and treatment is summed up perfectly in the quote on the image here by Bill Gates.

Prevention is the key. We as Rotarians will eradicate Polio from the work within the next decade as long as we keep up the fight and land the knock out blow. We have just 2 cases this year, 1 each in Afghanistan and Pakistan. As we say "We are this Close"

<https://www.endpolio.org/>

Closer to home we have the GECAF project "Give Every Child A Future" which aims to protect 100,000 children from rotavirus, pneumococcal disease and cervical cancer across nine South Pacific Island countries over three years

<https://everychildafuture.com/goal/>

we also have the new project supporting Gut Health, Russell Wallace has been in touch.

<https://www.thegut.org.nz/>

Lets support these projects and others to make a difference.



<https://youtu.be/FqMkl1czA44>

Important Dates for President Elects to Note

Saturday 6th November 2021

The President Elect Development Seminar (PEDS1) for all Clubs (except Temuka/Geraldine, Timaru, Timaru North, Waimate and Oamaru) in D9980 will be held on Saturday 6th November 2021. This will be a one-day event held in Milton.

Those clubs in the northern sector of D9980 will have their development day on **Saturday 30th October**, in Ashburton, along with several clubs from D9970.



Saturday 5th March – Sunday 6th March 2022

South Pacific President-Elect Development Seminar (SPPEDS2).

Please mark these events in your diary if you are a President Elect (ie you will be club President in the 2022-23 Rotary year, the first year for District 9999), and if you are an Assistant Governor.

It is an important part of your learning for the President role, and even if you are a recycled President, you should come along, many things may have changed since you last held the reins!

And, of course, you will be the first President of your club in the new District 9999, an exciting time for us all!

Tania Lowery PDG

D9980 Learning & Development Chair

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Jan Boustead

District Governor Elect D9999



Rotary Awards

Trish Boyle – Invercargill North – The Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award

The Rotary Foundation have seen it fitting to present Trish with the Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award.

This award is presented to a maximum of 50 Rotarians and / or Rotaractors Annually.

To qualify for this award Rotarians or Rotaractors must have demonstrated exemplary service to the Foundation and have received the citation for meritorious service at least 4 years earlier. This nomination was endorsed by our immediate past district governor Dylan Murray, and also endorsed by another Rotarian outside of our district.

Trish your service to Rotary has been long and extensive.

Trish has served as

District Governor during the 2010-11 Rotary year

District Foundation Chair 2016-17 to 2019-20 serving 4 Governors

And held multiple portfolios within the District Foundation Team

International Trainer

International Training team member including a year as chairperson

Zone Trainer and trainer of trainers

District Trainer

A Polio vaccinator in India

He aha te kai o te Rangatira?

He Korero, He Korero, He Korero

What is the food of the leader?

Its knowledge, it is communication.



Trish you have fed this organisation for many years and your love and passion for the foundation and polio eradication has been passed down the through all of us.



Wayne Hunt – Invercargill Sunrise

Paul Harris Fellow Sapphire

Wayne has been an assistant governor for Invercargill, a district trainer and our resident IT guru. Wayne has been crucial in supporting leaders at all levels within the district for many years.

Wayne congratulations on this well-deserved award.

I and many others look forward to continuing to work with you into the future.



Aotearoa Christmas Sprit by Alice Muiral

I am writing to you with a proposition asking for the support of Rotary to purchase children's books that would be donated to your local Foodbank to be included in family Christmas food parcels.

The book is Aotearoa Christmas Spirit, a unique kiwi Christmas story written and illustrated by my daughter Alice Muir and published in Queenstown.

Alice would like to donate the books for cost to this much needed cause, after a tough year we hope this delightful book gifted to those in need will truly share the Christmas spirit and if Rotary in your area was willing to join us I am sure it would be greatly appreciated.

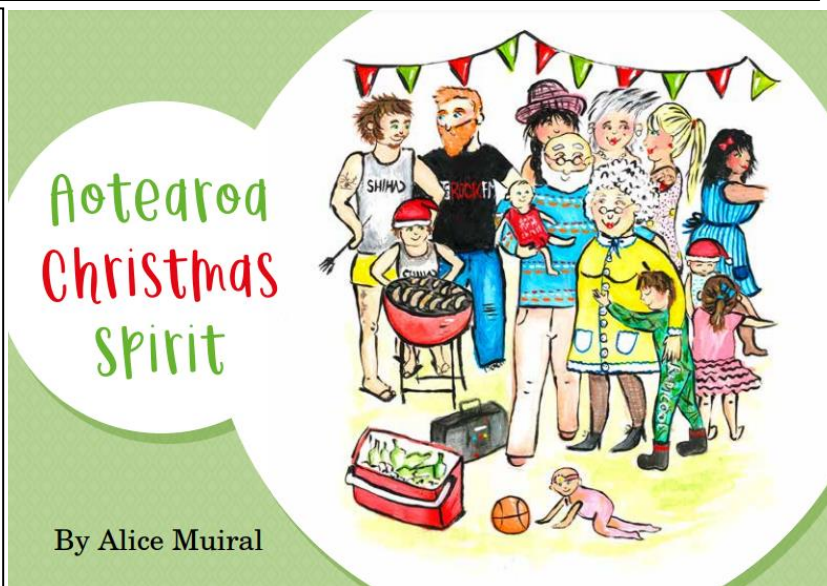
They retail in shops around NZ between \$12 - \$15 and my wholesale price is 3 for \$10. Postage is \$5.50.

Take Care

Kind Regards

Jackie

Contact Jackie at
jackieannemuir@gmail.com



It's Christmas!

The fire truck and police cars
sound their sirens in our street
it's time to check our pantry
for spare food that we don't eat

Regionalisation

For years we have talked about creating a better, more cohesive and distinctive structure for Rotary in New Zealand, one that represents who we are and what we do as Rotarians in New Zealand. It is just possible that we have the opportunity to do so.....

A proposal has been put to the Rotary International Board of Directors for a pilot programme to be trialled in Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands which would enable us to develop our own identity as a region and operate a bit more independently of Rotary International and its rather cumbersome governance structures and procedures. This has been dubbed "Regionalisation" and it could start to take shape as early as next year!

The exact shape of it is still being determined, and a lot of questions are being asked that do not have answers as yet, but if the idea of a pilot is approved by clubs in the region, and by the Council of Legislation which is meeting next year, then it is possible that we might have a new governance structure (a 'Regional Council', elected by Clubs) as early as 2023 (and fully functioning from July 1, 2024), along with a much greater degree of autonomy and flexibility than Rotary in this part of the world has ever had.

There has been a lot of work done by a group of Rotary leaders from across Australia and New Zealand, with active support from past Rotary International President Barry Rassin. If approval is gained for the pilot, then we would become the first region in the world to trial a new way of running Rotary.

If you want to know more about Regionalisation, then there is quite a bit of information on the Rotary Oceania website, and also a very useful set of 'Frequently Asked Questions'. Information is currently being prepared to send to all Clubs in the near future, and next year (possibly May) all Clubs will get the opportunity to vote on whether they think it is a good idea to proceed with the pilot.

I have been asked to be the 'Regionalisation District Representative' (RDR), and it will be my role to ensure that information about the proposed pilot reaches every Club so that your vote will be an informed one. In the meantime, if you have any burning questions or concerns, please let me know and I will do my best to find the answers.

Bruce Cowan

Regionalisation District Representative

<https://rotaryoceania.zone/page/zone8-regionalisation-home>



Sponsoring your local young future leaders or community rising stars onto the next Rotary Young Leaders Award course will be one of the best investments you can do for their future.

Every year, around the world, Rotary holds a live-in Camp for local young leaders. Our District 9980 participants ages range between 20 to 30 years old and they have already been identified and are proven exceptional leaders in their vocation, field of study, community, or organisation they affiliate to. RYLA is designed to take them to the next level in their personal development and leadership roles they hold.

- The dates are February 6th-11th 2022
- Applications must be received and paid for by 17th December 2021
- The cost for the Camp is \$900 (GST exempt) per person and includes all meals, accommodation, activities, speakers, and resources
- Help grow RYLA - Corporate & Industry sponsored nominations are encouraged

The programme is non-stop, broad, and varied. Leading speakers and experienced workshop facilitators will keep them engaged and challenged. They will complete an actual community service project, which is based on a mock business model or case study. They will frequently be taken out of their comfort zone. They will learn and grow as an individual and as a leader of others, develop new professional networks and contacts and make life-long friends.

Important Links –

- ✓ On the District homepage <https://rotarydistrict9980.org/page/rotary-youth-leadership-awards>
- ✓ By emailing this online application link to your nominees - <https://tinyurl.com/ryla-2022-application-form> - OR
- ✓ By emailing your nominees the QR code below. This takes them to the online application form
- ✓ You can also email this link to Corporates/Business owners for any industry/corporate nominations - <https://rotarydistrict9980.org/page/rotary-youth-leadership-awards>

I invite you to watch and SHARE the short promotional video which really shows what past RYLarians think. <https://youtu.be/Adlb2FMLfkc>

If you have any questions, please forward them to me at the email address below or give me a call anytime.

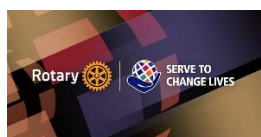
Ngā mihi,

Lee-Ann Lines

Rotary District 9980 RYLA Chair

E. applications.d9980ryla@gmail.com

P. 021 343 506





RYLA provides an opportunity to extend leadership skills, assist personal growth, develop new networks and make new friends

THE OBJECTIVES OF RYLA -

To provide information, instruction, real-life stories & experience on a wide range of subjects.

To appreciate and enhance our local environment.

To equip, instruct and encourage promising young people from differing cultures and backgrounds, to better serve their communities and countries.

To encourage leadership of young people, by young people.

To recognise young people who are providing service to their communities.

To provide delegates with an experience they will not forget and that will benefit them well into the future.

To provide an environment for young leaders to build relationships that develop into lifetime friendships and networks.



Lakeland Park Camp

Lakeland Park Camp is a unique venue, nestled on the foreshore of Lake Wakatipu in beautiful Queenstown. Comfortable, well equipped facilities with plenty of on-site parking.

496 Peninsula Rd, Kelvin Heights, Queenstown

Applications & Selection

Who? People aged between 20 and 30

How do I apply? Download an application form or apply online at -

www.rotarydistrict9980.org

There is further info here to read or download.

Or you can email -

applications.d9980ryla@gmail.com for more info

or phone Lee-Ann on 021343506 for a chat.

What happens next? The Rotary Club will arrange an interview and advise applicants of the required criteria and qualities. Importantly, during the interview you must demonstrate a commitment to developing your leadership abilities.

Applicants will then be notified whether or not they have been successful or not.

IF YOU'D LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT RYLA, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US

Lee-Ann Lines

Email: applications.d9980ryla@gmail.com

Phone: 021 343 506

or contact your local Rotary Club



ROTARY DISTRICT 9980 ROTARY YOUNG LEADERS AWARDS



February 6th - 11th 2022



what is RYLA?



The Rotary Young Leaders Awards (RYLA) is a leadership recognition program where local Rotary Clubs and employers select young adults who currently hold leadership positions or have the potential to lead, either within the community or at work.

It provides an opportunity to participate in a challenging week-long residential conference where young people:

- **Discover** ways to become a better role model and more adequately face decisions on important personal, work and social situations
- **Exchange** ideas, opinions and plans with talented, energetic, like-minded people, in a supportive atmosphere free from pressure and distractions.
- **Develop** a close rapport with your local Rotary Club, acquainting you with a leading service organisation and decision makers within your community.

"RYLA was all about looking inside ourselves to find what is really important to us"

indoor & outdoor activities & a community project

There are many outdoor activities to motivate and help develop effective team work and interpersonal skills.

A Community Project is an important part of the programme which involves developing a business case model, project management and team work to see the project to completion..

professional, leading presenters and speakers

Professional trainers and leading presenters offer a broad range of subjects crucial to your future leadership success

Some sessions may include:

- Living your Best Image
- Emotional Intelligence
- Health & Wellbeing
- Career Planning & Goal Setting
- Effective Communication & Public Speaking



industry & corporate sponsorship

Are you an employer and interested to invest in your rising stars? This just might be the best thing you can do for your business.

Similar programs can cost thousands of dollars and your employee may still walk away with nothing tangible or new. You are **guaranteed** to see a positive change in the person you choose to send on RYLA.

Are you a student and looking for inspiration or direction?.....

Are you already in the work force and looking for inspiration or direction?.....

Perhaps you are living your best life right now, and nailed your dream job, but perhaps chasing something more, and want to develop an edge over the others around you?.....

Maybe you know you have "it" in you, but lack confidence in yourself to take it to the next level..... Maybe, you just don't know yet.....

**Whatever you align with,
RYLA IS FOR ALL OF YOU!**

Many RYLA graduates refer to RYLA as "The week that changed my life".

Pumpkins for Polio

Grow the biggest pumpkin possible
and raise money for the global fight to eradicate Polio.

How do we raise money from growing pumpkins you ask?

Sponsorship!

Have your friends, family, workmates, employers, suppliers,
in fact anyone sponsor your pumpkin on the final weight.

From \$0.10 to \$100.00 or anywhere in between per kilogram of the
final weight - just make sure you can get a tractor or crane in to get your
prize-winning, plump pumpkin onto a trailer to bring them to Cromwell in
April 2022 for the final weigh in of our heavyweight contenders!

**There will be a special prize for the biggest pumpkin
and the biggest polio pumpkin bank balance.**

Prepare your pumpkin patch
this summer because next
summer... **IT'S ON!!!!**

Seedlings will be provided to all participants so
the 4-Way Test is adhered to from the start...

Challenge each other to grow the biggest
monster possible and have as much FUN as
possible during summer 2021-22.

This challenge was set by your 2021-22
District 9980 Governor, Nick Wood.



Lisa-Maree Fleck President of
Invercargill Rotary and Trish McDougall
President of Invercargill Sunrise with
their clubs' pumpkins.



Wanaka club members Nicola Brown
and Tony Brown (no relation) planting
a giant pumpkin seedling for the
Rotary pumpkins for polio competition

Pumpkin Seedlings and seeds have been distributed
around the district.

We have 50 Pumpkins signed up across the district
which has been a great turn out, if you're not
growing one I do hope you will still get behind this
project and sign up sponsorship through everyone
you know, every little bit helps.

How do you sign up sponsorship?

Its easy follow this link.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScPqz5UMVw2w0duxncF3u9gbryetZ9NWzMoAhdSj7PD8pUlkQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

this will enable us to collect all of the details and
quickly work out what we've raised and collect the
donations.

Another email will follow with this link to send out to
everyone you know.



My Pumpkin went in the garden on
World Polio Day 24 October 2021,
hopefully the next newsletter will
show a much bigger plant.



Rotary District 9980 Conference

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22nd to 24th April 2022

Kia ora koutou,

We have great pleasure in inviting Rotarians and partners to attend the final District 9980 Conference in Cromwell over the weekend 22-24 April 2022.

We are lining up exhilarating speakers to share remarkable life, vocational and humanitarian experiences in line with our Conference theme: Young Leaders / Changemakers.

Whilst here, explore Cromwell, ride your bike or walk the new Dunstan Trail up the side of Lake Dunstan. The Cromwell community is remarkably supportive of Rotary and there is no better place to catch up with old friends, find collaborative project partners and celebrate everything District 9980 has achieved since it was formed so very long ago. (1 July 1981)

Don't forget your pumpkin and your hi viz vest as we serve to change lives.

Nick Wood
Rotary District 9980
Governor 2021-2022



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Welcome,

As a Rotary Club and Community, we are extremely proud District Governor Nick Wood is entrusted with this prestigious leadership role at such a young age. It is a privilege as a Club to acknowledge his achievement and host fellow 9980 Rotarians for the Annual Conference in Cromwell.

In writing this I considered our club vision "Making a positive difference for our community". Since 1981, Rotary Clubs and Rotarians of District 9980 have been creating lasting change in their communities and across the globe. This last conference for District 9980 will be the time for celebrating achievements, reconnecting with old friends and remembering life changing moments we created together.

Our conference theme "Young Leaders - Building Brighter Futures" plans to showcase vibrant young leaders from our community and encourage fresh perspectives, to lead us on into our bright new future as District 9999. I encourage you fill out the registration form and come and join a Club determined to make this an awesome send off for a terrific District.

Pam Broadhead
Conference Committee Chair

Cromwell Conference 2022, the website is now live, and you can get on and register.

<https://www.rotary9980conference.org/>

we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.

Central Otago is an amazing venue and with Anzac day following conference plan for a long long weekend and enjoy everything we have to offer.

Our speakers have not been listed on the website yet as we have a couple of internationals that may or may not be able to attend depending on our border / bubble status. Their involvement will be decided in December.

District 9999

Progress on District 9-999 is coming along as clubs are to vote on the constitution by the 19th of November. All members of your clubs should be able to ask questions of the club president as they have had the opportunity to attend briefing sessions and some clubs have had members of the transition management team attend club meetings to brief all members on what has been happening to date and what is planned for new district.

However, if you do have questions? Please get in touch

District 9999 rotary.d9999@gmail.com

Tautuku

Balclutha, Milton, Mosgiel and Taieri Rotary Clubs working together to maintain the camp.

A fantastic example of clubs coming together with the help of their assistant governor, this project saw numerous Rotarians converge on the Otago Youth Adventure Trust's camp in the Catlins.

Many tons of gravel were moved to improve the pathways around the confidence course.

Windows and camp signs look good as new with new paint all around

The worlds heaviest pile of fire wood was stacked, well a good portion of it was...

FUN was had by all.

