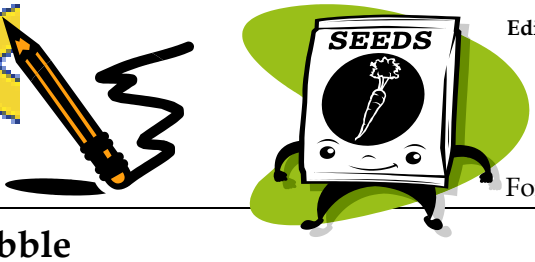
A SPOKE IN THE WHEEL

Rotary club of Taieri PO Box 195 Mosgiel

Meeting: Mosgiel Railway station Wednesday 5.45pm

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Apologies and Additions

Please Phone Taieri Amcal Pharmacy
Ph: 489 5171 Before Noon Wednesday.

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Gail's Gabble

Tonight we inducted Alistair Kerr into the club as our newest member. He was accompanied by his wife Michelle and Alistair is the brother of Jenny Debenham. Alistair has the classification of Property investor (Small place, Mosgiel) Welcome to you both. We trust you will enjoy being part of our Taieri Rotary family.

Paul Morriss also mentioned to me that he was beginning to count down to the end of the Rotary year, and then fined me for doing so. Still it is not long to go. The year has really flown by and the job of the Bulletin Editor really been a lot of fun.

Rotarian Anniversaries - Barbara Cooper – 2 years

Wedding anniversaries- Nil

♫Happy Birthday ♫ - 3rd May Julie Farquhar

- 4th May Bruce Cockroft – a significant one.

- 7th May John Knight – a significant one, plus one

3 minute Talk -

Neil Hodgkin who was employed by Hunter Brocklebank accountants outlined the merger that has occurred between his employer and Price Waterhouse Cooper. A cleverly constructed poem penned by the talented Neil, gave details of the current and past employees in a witty sensitive manner.

Neil's contact details are now: Work direct dial 4703641, work email, e.neil.hodgkin@nz.pwc.com

Cell phone 027 2077542

Guest Speaker

Unfortunately Global warming is here. The International Panel for Climate Control in 2007 admit "most of the observed increase in global averaged temperatures since the mid 20th century is very (>90%) likely due to the observed anthropogenic gas concentrations." **Pat Langhorn** from the University of Otago physics department addressed us on and expressed concern about the future of Global Warming on our Planet, especially on the icy regions which are a specific area of interest for her. Over the millennia the Earth has seen ice ages and warm times and by studying air trapped within the ice of the North and South polar-regions the fluctuation of temperature is shadowed by the concentration of CO2 in the atmosphere. Currently the CO2 concentration is higher by 50% and if we have a temperature increase to match we will see a dramatic increase in temperature in the future. Pat now believes this is a serious problem and the Arctic sea ice has, over the last two decades, been noted to be retreating. Antarctica appears unaffected at this stage; just as well as if the Antarctic ice melted the sea level is anticipated to rise by 57meters.

The recent iceberg visitors we observed at the end of last year are, we are reassured, not due to global warming but a natural occurrence. Icebergs have been noted off the coast in the past.

Thought of the Week - Sin Phua

Hard work pays off in the future, laziness pays off now.

Notices

Conference Friday May 18th - Sunday May 20th.. Still time to registrar. Come and join the "Scarfies and have a bit of fun.

GSE team. Arrives approx. 9 May and is to be hosted by us from 15-20th May. Four hosts have volunteered and two more are required. If you are able to help, please get in touch with Bruce.

MUNA Model United Nation assembly at Logan Park on 26-27th May. Schools are looking to Rotary clubs for support

Pea Straw. Now for sale $7.50/bale delivered. See Drew.

Mosgiel Rotary Club invites members of our club to go fishing at Stewart Island 25-26th August. Those interested contact Fraser Ellis

Duties – If you are unable to do your duty please arrange a swap and let Drew know before the meeting.

Many people who attend the meetings are forgetting to check for their commitments and are being covered by other folk even though they are there.

Date	9 May	16 May	23 May
Speakers	Annabel Hollinger Ambassadorial Scholar	GSE Team visit PARTNERS NIGHT	Ross Haines and Andrew Chen – Science School attendees.
Badges	Geoff Kloogh	John Whitaker	John Briesman
Host	Bruce Cockroft	Mel Jack	Lindsay Debenham
Vote of thanks	Robert Reid	Dave Ryan	Paul Sapper
Grace	Phil Farquhar	Ant Wither	Denis Aitken
3 Minute Talk	Colin Brown	Russell Heckler	Hartley Meder
Thought for the week	Bill Botting	Henri Rawlings	Tim Robertson
Bar Duty	Lindsay Strong	David Rudd	Ross gold

PM(T)

John W and Bruce where seen on mountain bikes heading for Middlemarch. Sapper built a meimei with no roof and Chris is not a duck shooter. Robert Reid is waiting for the price of wind farms to go down, Dave Ryan was seen at a youth expo but it hasn't worked, Lew spends too long on the phone, Murray had a sleepless night chasing the cat chasing a mouse, Neil paid for one paper and took two, Gail is counting down and Hank has been working on his knees in church for two days. Henri wants a photogenic male and the blanket fine was on drinking and the weather.

Raffle: Dave Ryan – 8 Clubs

Weekly Trivia.

GREAT TRUTHS THAT ADULTS HAVE LEARNED

1. Raising teenagers is like nailing jelly to a tree.
2. Wrinkles don't hurt.
3. Families are like fudge…mostly sweet with a few nuts.
4. Today's mighty oak is just yesterday's nut that held it's ground.
5. Laughing is good exercise. It's like jogging on the inside.
6. Middle age is when you choose your cereal for the fiber, not the toy.



CHEERS!!!!!