

Rotary Club Bulletin – 26 March 2021



Kay Flower – President's Message

I was unable to attend the meeting on Monday 22nd. Fortunately Ian Willetts was able to take over for me and has very efficiently given me notes to relay back to you.

Our guest speaker was our own **Paul Sargison** speaking on behalf of a group of Auckland East members who walked over 200k of the Camino Santiago.

This 803km pilgrim trail, ending in Spain, has routes that start as far away as Gdynia (Poland),

Arhus (Denmark) and Canterbury (England).

Legend has it that Jesus, just before his crucifixion, encouraged his apostles to travel the world to spread the Word.

The Apostle James travelled to an area later known as Santiago in Spain and after being beheaded following a return to the Holy Land, his body was returned to Spain and buried at Galicia, on the Spanish coast.

The area became Christianised over the next seven centuries and after the bones of St James was discovered around 813, the site became a site of pilgrimage.

In the 9th century, the Muslim soldiers carried with them into battle, relics of the prophet Mohammad.

The Christian soldiers carried relics of Santiago with them and about that time the image of St James the Moor Slayer appears, mounted on his white horse. Pilgrims began visiting Santiago as early as the 8th century and by the 10th century, the European pilgrimage to Santiago had become established, and the volume of pilgrims has continued until this day.

In 2010, the movie, The Way, starring Martin Sheen, was filmed along the pilgrimage route.

The Auckland East group, in 2005, stayed each night at small hotels en route and on entering Santiago,

registered at the Cathedral office, with proof of distance travelled. They then received a certificate of completion, or Compostela.



Calendar

MARCH 2021

29	Professor Maurice Curtis Brain Research			
APRIL	2021			
5	Easter Monday – <mark>No meeting</mark>			
12	Wyatt Dooley & Dane: Plans for Orakei & Kepa Road			
19	Professor Susan Morton: Growing up in New Zealand			
26	Anzac Day – <mark>No meeting</mark>			

MAY 2021

3		Monday – Five Knots				
6		Thursday – Debate with Rotary Club of St Johns. Held at Remuera Golf Club: Three Volunteers are				
		sought – please contact lan Willetts.				
10		Monday - Visit to Remuera Rotary Club:				
		Names of attendees to John Miller by 12.00noon on				
		Sunday 9 th May. Speaker Sgt Dean Hart, RNZAF.				
		Venue: Carlton Cornwall Bowling Club,				
		126 Market Road, Epsom. 5.30pm				
28	&	MUNA – Auckland Girls Grammar School				
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Images for Website & Face Book Page

If you have any images of our Rotary Club Group out and about, working as well as at events, please forward to Paul Sargison for updating our Website & Face Book Page

> Check our website: www.rotaryaucklandeast.club

Things end but **memories** last forever.

If there is a time when you would like a post in Rotanote regarding your family member's health, please let me know, otherwise your privacy will be respected.

President Kay

President Elect Ian Willetts has advised that the Rotary International President Nominee is Jennifer Jones, a youngish Canadian and first ever female nomination for the role. Her achievements are many, including a climb of Mt Kilimanjaro. (as has our PDG Gary Langford)

Members should consider how to leverage this major development which could involve more partner meetings/activities and more actively seeking female members. As discussed at the meeting on Monday night we will run a sweepstake to guess the data that the Govt. choses to open the much anticipated travel bubble. Cost to be involved \$10, Winners prize 50% of the total pool, 50% goes to support our fund raising. Closest to the date wins, in the event of ties then the winning prize is split.

If no one guesses within 7 days of the date then 100% goes to fundraising.

Please email <u>bevan.iles@auckland.ac.nz</u> with you guess. I will then advise Owen Williams to deduct \$10 from your Rotary account.

One entry per member.

Entries close midnight 31st March. Winners announced post the Govt. announcement on 6th April.

Bevan Iles

Date & Venue	29 March 2021 Five Knots 5.30pm	5 April 2021 No Meeting	12 April 2021 Five Knots 5.30pm
Speaker/Event	Professor Maurice Curtis Brain Research	N/A	Wyatt Dooley & Dane Plans for Orakei
Sergeant	Simon Kouk		Bevan Iles
Greet at Door	Peter Moule		Bernard Kendall
Dinner Check In	Krissy Elliott		Stephen Poole
Moment of Thanks	John Deller		Nicola Baker
Speaker Host, Intro & Thanks	Greg Dayman		David Carden
Meeting Close	Kay Flower		Kay Flower
Stand-in	Dan Gardiner		Sam Mukhtar
Setup & Pack-away	Derek Bond		Karl Schweder
AV Technician	Dennis Millard		Dennis Millard

Apologies and guest names to: John Miller at the latest by <u>11.00 a.m.</u> Monday. <u>jmiller@pl.net</u> Members unable to do their duty need to arrange a replacement and inform the Sergeant. Bulletin Editor: Kay Flower, <u>artsite@xtra.co.nz</u>

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