



## Club Meeting 15 November 2021

### BARRIE BROWN – ROTOROA ISLAND - PROJECT JANSZOOM - ZIP

Our guest speaker tonight was Barrie Brown. He had been a partner at Coopers & Lybrand (later PWC).



He spoke of three things, the first being the redevelopment of Rotoroa Island



This island of 80 hectares had been used by the Salvation Army as a men’s treatment facility for alcoholism (with a women’s facility at neighboring Pakatoa Island). There were old outdated buildings on site and some 20,000 pine trees. The Salvation Army no longer required the facility and the Next Foundation and its philanthropic but

**Calendar**

**22 November**  
Kim Hampson– Bayleys Real Estate

**29 November**  
Fellowship Committee Fun Event by Zoom

**6 December**  
Steve and Debbie Mayo-Smith  
**(about) 13 December**  
Christmas function – partners included - tba

**17 January 2022**  
Welcome back function – details tba

**25 February 2022**  
Polio Transit Day

**20 March 2022**  
Top Schools

**24 – 26 June 2022**  
Dist 9920 Conference – Te Papa, Wellington  
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modest founder negotiated to lease the Island for 100 years and convert it into a Conservation Park. Barrie and some others were persuaded to participate in, and help with, the project. The pine trees were cut down and mulched to create 40,000 m<sup>3</sup> of mulch.



Several of the old buildings were removed which had asbestos issue problems and the shelter block which had its 10 steps approach

(representing the 10 stages of recovery from alcoholism) was upgraded to provide a refuge for rest and recovery, with accommodation. 400,000 native trees have been planted. A Brown Kiwi recovery programme was initiated, they needing some 12 months to gain sufficient condition to become independent. Takahe and Saddleback were also introduced for conservation. Barrie told us that some 68,000 native birds have been lost to predators. He also said that Andrew Poole, son of our own member, is now Chair of the Foundation.

**Next Foundation** The emphases of the Foundation are on environment and education. Another of its projects has involved predator control work at the 22,500 hectare Abel Tasman National Park named Project Janszoon (after the middle name of Abel Tasman). Possum levels there are low and they do not cause major damage, but stoats are a significant predator problem and there are 300 km of stoat lines with traps at 100 m spacing, that is 5,600 traps, 3,100 trap boxes and 1,341 A24 self-setting traps. It takes some 20 – 22 days to service all traps, but visitor numbers reached 320,000 in 2018/19 which is three times that of any of the other New Zealand Great Walks.

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#### NEXT WEEK

Our guest speaker next week is Kim Hampson from Bayley's on real estate market issues; then the following week is a tantalizing prospect of zoom interaction from the Fellowship Committee.

#### A NIGHT UNDER AFRICAN SKIES

This has had to be canceled but there is a zoom presentation from volunteers and a live online auction. This is at 7:30 pm 20 November 2021 and the link is

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7940948085?pwd=bit5ZXI2ZWWhDUHFKb0VXL2tGWVQ4QT09>

meeting ID: 794 094 8085 Passcode: 5Mx6hv

To date 43,000 rats of been killed



along with 2,100 stoats



and 350 weasels.

The Abel Tasman Birdsong Trust was launched in 2012 and the restoration of species such as Kakariki and Kaka has rewarded visitors with delightful morning chorus bird song.

**Zip Pest Control** While the Trust has been using 1080 poison, this is not ecologically desirable or popular. It has, however, taken out some to 15,000 possums in the West Coast area. Moves are afoot to replace this with Zip Pest control measures which are electronically programmed and send camera information remotely improving the efficiency of the pest control process. An information packed and stimulating presentation from Barrie, thank you, and good to know there are such good people in the world and to know there are these conservation steps being effectively taken.

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#### CLUB NOTICES

- ❖ The club was updated on Roger McElroy's situation (and he always welcomes a phone call 021 070 0910); and the moves by Grant and Helen Wallace.
- ❖ With savings in meal costs in recent weeks members are encouraged to advise Treasurer Owen an amount to be donated towards the Sunshine Fund.
- ❖ More publicity is to come; but, if any member has objections to an obligatory requirement for double vaccination before attendance, please let President Ian or a member of the Board know of that.
- ❖ A reminder that in March 2022 there is the Volunteer Expo at the netball courts in Stonefields showcasing club achievements and seeking new members.

**She said she missed me. Normally that would be good, but she's reloading.**

- ❖ There is the need to identify individuals or community organizations who could qualify for either a Rotary Community Service Award or a Rotary Certificate of Appreciation. Members are encouraged to think of possible awardees and recommend these to secretary Alistair or Pres Ian with reasons for that choice.
  - ❖ There have been 40 computer or laptop devices sent to Fiji and Darius Mistry is only too keen to have more.
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**Now who and where - Stephen Poole: Margaret Archibald, Marise Hainey, Mary Pope, June Williamson, Dorothy Whyte, Lindy Sargison, Sandy Carden.**



**Rosemary Delamere of course**



### **CLOTHING PREOCCUPATION – POST LOCKDOWN**

**ATTORNEY:** What gear were you in at the moment of the impact?

**WITNESS:** Gucci sweats and Reeboks.

Two engineering students were walking across a university campus when one said, "Where did you get such a great bike?"

The second engineer replied, "Well, I was walking along yesterday, minding my own business, when a beautiful woman rode up on this bike, threw it to the ground, took off all her clothes and said, "Take what you want."

The first engineer nodded approvingly and said, "Good choice; the clothes probably wouldn't have fit you anyway."

**Now who? - stretch memories**

(Not my spelling)



**Club Member Duties**

	<b>22 November</b>	<b>29 November</b>	<b>6 December</b>
Speaker	Kim Hampson	Fellowship Comm event	Steve and Debbie Mayo-Smith
Sergeant	<b>Gary Langford</b>	<b>Gary Langford</b>	<b>Bernard Kendall</b>
Greet at Door	NA	NA	NA
Dinner Check-in	NA	NA	NA
Moment of Thanks	Peter Allen	Jeffrey Hunter	Nicola Baker
Speaker Host, Intro & Thanks	Derek Bond	NA	Darius Mistry
Stand-In	Graeme Emerson	Nicola Baker	Peter Moule
Setup & Pack Away	NA	NA	NA
AV Technician	NA	NA	NA

**Apologies** and guest names to John Miller, Phone 528 4433 or email [jmiller@pl.net](mailto:jmiller@pl.net) at the latest by 11.00 a.m. Monday. Members unable to do their duty need to arrange a replacement and inform the Sergeants Gary Langford, or Bernard Kendall.

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