

Rotary Club of Nelson Inc.

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Meets Thursday evenings

5:30 for 6:00 pm, at

The Boathouse, Wakefield Qy

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Den Gavin

**An insider's view of the
Godzone Adventure race"**



Den Gavin is a senior associate with Knapps Lawyers in Nelson, also a very mad keen adventure racer, who knows all about the great Godzone event

This will be a very interesting talk and lets try to understand the organisational requirements, logistics etc of running this event

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Bulletin for 1st September 2016

	8 th September	15 th September	22 nd September
Speaker	Den Gavin "An insider's view of the Godzone Adventure race"	Bill Dahlberg "The Rata Foundation, formerly the Canterbury Community Trust"	TBA (away from the Boathouse)
Speaker's Host	Gavin Sendall	Graeme Prestidge	TBA
Greeter	Alison McAlpine	Tim Miller	Fran Mitchell
Attendance	Rachel Dodd Jeff Whitson	Bill Johnson Wayne Logan	Alan Shadwell Alison McAlpine
Rotary in Action	Bruce Kaye	Jenny Black	Peter Rigg
Duty Coordinators	Alastair Wiffen Art Bradbury	John Ryder Ad Bruijn	John Bealing Heinz Schwarze
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Reporter	Barry Blommaart	Richard Wells	Jeremy Glasgow
Sergeant	Tim Miller	Kevin Hill	Alastair Wiffen
Thanks	Derek Newman	Ross Newman	Gaile Noonan
Parting Thought	John Reid	Peter Rigg	Glenn Roberts

Up coming events (Check new dates)

1. **The Great Rotary Quiz**— please put into your calendar the 16th Sept 16 at Stoke Memorial Hall. The usual suspects will be running the event, be ready to be corralled, persuaded to buy tickets, organise a team, provide prizes and help on the night. This event will be a combined Richmond & Nelson fund raiser for Rescue Helicopter Trust & Shelter Box.



Working Bee in Vanuatu - Mbossung School Rebuild

Message from Janice Dowle, Rotary Birkenhead

We still have a number of items to complete from the original commitment, mainly building 9, tidy up a few things on Building 3 and other buildings and finish the water reticulation, showers and the wash programme.



We have been asked by the Ministry of Education Vanuatu to build a kindy (really a garage) which we have costed out at \$25K but we don't have the funds at this time BUT are working on it. It would be cheaper if we could do it within stage 3. If your club could assist with funds that would be fantastic. We are hoping to return late September and are asking if volunteers would be able to come for a 2 week+ cycle. This would be an 18 day commitment instead of 11.

I have attached a copy of the article which was in 9910 Governors Newsletter May 2016 which shows the before and after photos. (see attachment to Bulletin)

We are looking at a start date of either 17 or 24 September and run for 4 weeks. Let me know if you would like to go again and which Saturday for leaving Auckland would suit you. The start date will depend on when we can get the materials into the island which has not been confirmed and even if confirmed will be a few days either side of the date.

Volunteers please—touch base with Barry Blommaart (maybe a plumber, electrician or good handyman/hammer hand could go)

This Week In Science

2 Sep— Gregorian Calendar

What happened on 3 Sep, 1752? Answer: nothing, there was no such day. In 1752, 2 September was the last day of the Julian calendar in Great Britain, Ireland and the British colonies, including those on the East coast of America. Eleven days were skipped to adopt the Gregorian calendar, designed to realign the calendar with equinoxes. Hence the following day

Calendar for September 1752 UK

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Phases of the moon: 15 🌑 23 🌒 30 🌕

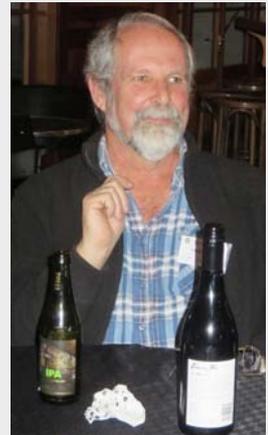
Meeting 25th August 2016

Past President Ross Newman chaired the meeting after a hiatus of 24 years (nothing more past than a past president)

Guests: Guest speakers Sherp Tucker, Andrew Allen and Darryl Bennett, Linda Jespersen, Carolyn Wiffen and Wayne Logan's brother, Nigel.



RAFFLE 1st prize to Geoff Love but as he has won recently he offered a redraw which was then won by visitor Nigel. 2nd prize of the coveted pineapple lumps went to Alan Winwood,



Club Notices:

1. Rex announced that the Polio-plus fund raiser on Sun 4th to see Richie McCaw movie "Chasing Great" is sold out.
2. Brian Wilkie announced that he and Richard Harrison have interviewed and nominated 2 Nelson College students to attend the summer science forum.
3. *Quiz Evening—16th September*

Kevin Hill again spoke about the quiz evening to be held on Fri 16th Sept. Please get teams of 8-10. It would be very helpful if an indication of numbers of teams could be emailed to Gavin or Kevin. Prizes welcome including deli type items to make up a hamper for a raffle.

Please bring next week and give to Gavin or Lindsay Hay. [Ps Kevin left an iPod shuffle given as a prize on a table at tonight's meeting- if picked up please give to Gavin).

Sean, Jenny Jan and Stuart have offered to help Art on the bar.

Kevin needs helpers to set the Stoke hall up at 12.30.(so far Brian, Jan, Gerrit and Richard are available).

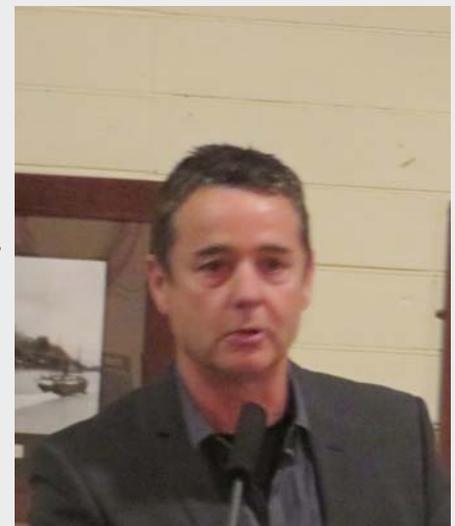
Also need 4 " runners" and two people to help with marking answers. Let Kevin know if you can help. Most of all - get a team and come along for a fun night. Door sales available but can be pre purchased and paid for on line.

Welfare

No current concerns, except some members sick of work including the editor

Sergeant

Gavin Sendall used a "lost and found" method to extract money from reluctant payees but given that everyone has either lost or found something in their lifetime, everyone paid.



Guest Speakers

Alastair Wiffen, an ex SAR member, introduced Sherp Tucker from Nelson Land Search and Rescue Incorporated. Sherp has been involved in training both police and SAR personnel in Nelson for many years. He explained their function is to locate, retrieve, give care and attention and return to a place of safety, those who for a variety of reasons have become lost. 10-20% of call outs are 'urban SAR', looking for those lost due to dementia, or lost children. Nelson SAR comprises a committee of 8 and 65 volunteers.

They are involved in 30-35 operations per year, each varying between 2 hours to 6 days. He explained that though it is essentially a volunteer organisation it has to be run like a business with all matters including GST, safety management, volunteer training, competency assessments, project management, succession planning, codes of conduct, building and vehicle maintenance.

The local organisation involves Advisors, safety officers, call out officers, training officers (including interview training), and community liaison groups. They also have incident management team, logistic management, planning management, intelligence management, a communication unit, an IT unit and a transport unit, reinforcing how business like the team is so everyone knows how the whole group functions.



SAR member Andrew Allen who is also a committee member and a tracker explained how, when he receives a call out he can leave with a 48 hour pack that contains a sleeping bag and food, as well as a high viz vest that weighs approx. 5 kg and contains torches, radio, GPS, maps, notebook and cell phone plus enough batteries and food to sustain him for 24 hours. Modern equipment means he can email photos and clues such as foot prints immediately.

SAR member Darryl Bennett described his role as a call out officer, arranging all the appropriate people for a particular mission-a task often taking up to an hour and a half.

There are 67 SAR groups in NZ, the vast majority of personnel being volunteers and most equipment purchases rely heavy on fundraising within the community.

The talks really captivated an attentive and appreciative audience and a vote of thanks was given by Brian Neill who expressed how pleased he was that he had never been in need of SAR services.

The Parting Thought : john Reid

New word...Seenager (derives from Senior/Teenager) - over 65

- We have everything we want but it came 50 years too late
- We don't have to go to school, study or sit exams
- We get a weekly allowance regardless of our behaviour
- We don't have a curfew
- The people we hang around with aren't scared of getting pregnant
- Our friends don't do drugs (except legal ones)
- And we don't have acne !!!