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SPEAKER REPORT 14 MAY 2025

This week our speaker was Jo Dowling, who is also a Rotarian, speaking to us about the Nurse Maude Hospice.



Nurse Maude was born in NZ, and became Head Matron at Christchurch Hospital, following which she started a system of caring for patients in their own homes, where they felt the “at home” comfort. This was the foundation of the first District Nursing service in NZ.

The Nurse Maude philosophy is now well-established in Wellington, Nelson and Blenheim, as well as in the Nurse Maude Christchurch Hospice in Merivale. Nurse Maude supports and empowers people to maintain their independence for as long as possible.

The Nurse Maude Hospice provides palliative care, free to those who need it. Often the key to this is pain management, providing comfort and relieving suffering. Primary palliative care is provided by GPs, Practice Nurses, District Nurses and Aged Residential Care facilities.

Nurse Maude Canterbury covers the area from Kaikoura to Ashburton and also to the West Coast. The Hospice has an inpatient unit with 11 beds, where care and counselling are provided. 70% of the patients have cancer, and 260 volunteers assist with meal service, pastoral care, and helping patients to produce a biography of their life.

In the year to June 2024, the Canterbury Nurse Maude organization dealt with 1,433 patients, including 292 patient admissions, and provided end-of-life care to 645 people.

The current Hospice was not a purpose-built facility, so the organization is looking build a new hospice building which will be well-designed to be more homely with access to gardens. This comes at a time when the numbers of older people are increasing with longer life expectancies. The key focus is to provide support for primary healthcare providers.

The Nurse Maude organization is 70% funded by the Government, but this means a sizable 30% has to be found to keep it afloat, so that they can continue their priority of providing quality care. They also provide hire equipment (wheelchairs, etc.) for their patients

Jo's address gave us an amazing insight into the Nurse Maude organization and the wonderful work they do for the community – thank you, Jo, for sharing this with us.

Thanks to Athol for the report and Viv for the photograph.



Something nasty under that? No no. Just Geoff demonstrating how to use an “edging tool”, although some would call it a spade.

Upcoming meetings:

21/05/2025	Senior Constable Dean Stevenson – New Zealand Police Partners & Friends Night	Metro Community Safety Team - Specialist Search Group, specialising in serious crime scenes (homicides etc), explosive / bomb events and VIP security / safety checks **Partners Night & Friends Night**
28/05/2025	Ella Law – Lead Programme Co-ordinator	Recreate NZ - – Life Changing Experiences for young people with disabilities
4/06/2025	No Speaker	Visit to Hornby Club

- **Come join us on our walk and/or lunch on Thursday 15 May**

Date: Thursday 15 May

Park/Meet Te Karu Park (see below)

Time: 10.30am

Walk: Te Karu Park

Lunch: 12 noon at Black and White Coffee Cartel, 53 The Runway, Wigram

Leader: Shirley

If you are unable to join the walk, then come and have lunch with us.

If the weather is unsuitable for walking, we will still meet for lunch at 12:00 noon.

Please let David (david.buist@xtra.co.nz) know if you are walking, lunching or both.

Directions: Directions for walkers: Halswell Rd , then Dunbars Rd , continue on to a sign on the left which says The Runway, head on to Te Karu Park, near Wigram School.

Those coming for lunch park near to Black and White Coffee Cartel

- **JUNE WALK THURSDAY 20TH**

- **Save the Date:**

4 June we are visiting Hornby Rotary Club. Meal is \$25 with a choice of 3 mains. Speaker: Geoff Butler, Horologist - Ilam Watchmakers More details nearer the time.

Street Appeal Dates:

- **Aviva**

Friday

May 23rd.

New World, St. Martin's.

N.B. 1. This is a confirmed date. It was previously listed as Saturday, 24th

2. The collectors rota is attached to this Bulletin e-mail and is also directly emailed to the participants.

- **Ranui House- Vocational visit**

Wednesday 1st October

@ 6pm for a tour of the new apartments and then the Sugar Horse Pub for dinner afterward.

- **Dates for the Pink Ribbon Street Appeal for 2025 – 17-18 October 2025.**

Notices:

- **Hensh timeline:**

Ring around can commence, Thur 3 July.

Delivery to A&P. Mon 11 Aug.

Bagging can commence. 11 Aug.

Home deliveries. Sat 16 Aug.

Bagging to be completed by 23 Aug.

(Usually completed Home delivery Sat).

Erection of signs. Mon 18 Aug.

Street Sales. Sat 23 Aug.

Reserve Street Sales. Sat 30 Aug.

Please contact Alan A any questions / issues re above.

Duties:

Duty	21-May-25	28-May-25	4-Jun-25
Cash Desk	M Bruce	A McCully	#N/A
Cash Desk	G Dockrill	M Opie	#N/A
Reception	G Bailey	M Bruce	#N/A
Speaker's Host	D Buist	S Mackenzie	#N/A
Grace	D Buist	S Mackenzie	#N/A
International Toast	G Bailey	M Bruce	#N/A
Thanks to Speaker	M Bruce	M Opie	#N/A
Quote for the Week	G Dockrill	A McCully	#N/A
Speaker Reporter	S Mackenzie	A McKinnon	M Opie
Sergeant	A Airay	V Ellis	#N/A

The link for the club web pages is www.christchurchsouthrotary.org.nz

The link to club Facebook pages is <https://www.facebook.com/ChristchurchSouthRotary/>

Reminders:

APOLOGIES

Record your apology at the Reception Desk at a prior meeting, OR

email: chchsouthrotary@gmail.com before 11.00amWednesday.

You will get a reminder a couple of days before the meeting re apologising and to advise if

bringing a guest.

Emergency apologies to Alan McKinnon (021 142 7668)
OR, Club Secretary Viv Ellis (027 490 3161)

DUTIES If you are unable to carry out your allocated duty, it is YOUR responsibility to arrange a substitute.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Please advise all leave of absence of 3 or more weeks to the Secretary, by email or in writing.