



Rotary Club of Christchurch South Inc.

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Bulletin

#32 for 04 March 2026



Club Forum Meeting

Mel was Sergeant and very informative it was too. We now all know the busiest roads in Christchurch. Here's the list. Top place goes to Moorhouse followed by Brougham, Bealey, Main South, Blenheim and Riccarton Roads. No-one got the bottle tops in the correct order!

Geoff spoke about the Saturday of the 2 day President Elect Learning Seminar that he attended. last weekend. There was a lot of information but the main points were: Club Strategic Plan, Annual Health Check, Goals for 3 Years, Effective Leadership and Engagement in the Club by members to include enjoying what they do and having a sense of purpose.

Geoff also talked about an Action Plan for our Club to include setting goals with Rotary's 7 areas of focus and a process to review them. The 7 areas are: Peace / Conflict Prevention / Resolution, Disease Prevention and Treatment, Water / Sanitation and Hygiene, Maternal / Child Health, Basic Education and Literacy, Economic Development and Supporting the Environment. Managing and leading change involves the 3C's and they are: Communicate, - reasons for change and strategy for change, Collaborate – on proposed change and Content – explain what the changes entail. Thanks

Geoff for all your work and time attending such meetings. We know you still have the Sunday session to tell us about.

Mel spoke about Interact. The document he has put forward, and emailed to all members, was discussed and a show of hands showed support. Community work was discussed to include visiting Retirement Villages. Mel is going to relook at the document and it will be further discussed at a later date.

Youth expenditure is \$500 towards Beckenham School Outdoor Learning Project and \$500 towards furniture for the Youth Hub Multi-purpose Room.

Community expenditure is \$500 for Epilepsy and \$350 for SCAPE Public Art Christchurch.

Linda reminded us of the tour of the Library / Turanga that is planned for next Wednesday. This is being organised by Vocational Service. There is a 5:45pm start followed by a meal at The OGB. Details in the Bulletin.

International outlined that last months payments have been made and there is about \$1000 left to spend. Funds for The Solar project in Samoa are towards a feasibility study. More funds may be added at a later date.

Sarita informed us that The Awards night organisation is underway. Watch this space for date and place.

SET, Southern Environmental Trust, need more funds. Geoff is going to look into this.

Polio Fundraiser Guess Who's Coming to Dinner? Alan McKinnon is discussing this with Robin McKinnon.

Susan and David are going to attend a Board meeting in April to give them an overview and outline the challenges they currently face with The Healthy Heroes programme.

Thanks Viv for the report and the photo.

Upcoming meetings:

11/03/2026	Julia Rose	Plunket New Zealand - Setting the path of wellness in our communities for the early years, for generations to come	Whānau <u>Āwhina</u> Plunket Regional Grants Specialist Julia Rose Email: julia.rose@kuratawhiticcf.org.nz Mobile: +64 (0)27 450 3750
18/03/2026	Vocational Visit to Turanga 1745	Cathedral Square	Tour of the Central Library Followed by dinner, TBA Linda@headlinesupervision.co.nz 20 people max.
25/03/2026	Club Night – Committees Updates	Club Night – Committees Updates	Club Night – Committees Updates

- The Southern Environmental Trust is holding a meeting this Wednesday at 5pm (just before the club meeting).
- **Turanga Library visit and dinner.**

18th March, 5.45 pm, meet at Gloucester St entrance of Turanga library, near the electronic display, for a tour and explanation of how the library is managed.

Then, at 7pm we are booked in at the OGB Restaurant, 28 Cathedral Sq/Worcester St. for dinner.

An indication of numbers attending would be great. Please email or text Linda if you are intending to go. Partners welcome. 0274168921 or linda@headlinesupervision.co.nz

RSVP by 15th March please

Thank you

Kind regards
Linda

- **Come join us on our walk and/or lunch on Thursday 19 March**

Date: Thursday 19 March

Park/Meet Near Cocoa Black Café, [236 Centaurus Road, St Martins](#)

Time: 10.30am

Walk: Hansens Park

Lunch: Cocoa Black Cafe

Leader: David

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

- **April Walk - SATURDAY 17 APRIL**
- **UPCOMING ROTARY COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS**

1. Cashmere Stream Esplanade

Saturday 2nd May '26.

10-12 for maintenance followed by a shared lunch.

2. John Taylor Walkway

Saturday 13th June '26

10-12 for maintenance

Followed by a BBQ.

Notices:

- **News and views from Rānui House & Apartments**

Newsletter attached to this Bulletin email.

- **Our Exchange Student from 2011 Laura Buechler (Switzerland) and her now partner Michael. The pair caught up with Sue and Alan Airay while passing through Kaiteriteri.**



Laura was in the CBD the day of the earthquake and went to the aid of people who needed assistance. She will be back in Christchurch prior to departure from NZ and will endeavour to catch up if time permits.

Duties:

Duty	11-Mar-26	18-Mar-26	25-Mar-26
Cash Desk	H Garlick	#N/A	G Bailey
Cash Desk	M Soares	#N/A	M Bruce
Reception	G Dockrill	#N/A	V Ellis
Speaker's Host	L Bougen	#N/A	#N/A
Grace	L Bougen	#N/A	D Peterson
International Toast	G Dockrill	#N/A	V Ellis
Thanks to Speaker	M Soares	#N/A	#N/A
Quote for the Week	H Garlick	#N/A	G Bailey
Speaker Reporter	M Opie	A McCully	A McKinnon
Sergeant	G Bailey	#N/A	G Dockrill

Leave:

	from	to
S Haye	11/08/2020	TBA
E Bermingham	01/01/2023	TBA
SMcLean	20/03/2024	TBA
A Kim	30/06/2025	TBA
R McKinney		mid April
A Airay	1 2 Feb	26 Mar

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:

**Record your apology at the Reception Desk at a prior meeting,
OR email: chchsouthrotary@gmail.com before
11.00am Wednesday.**

**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.**