Rotary Club of Christchurch South Inc.

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Bulletin #18 for 28 October 2026

Club Forum REPORT – 28 October 2026

Club Forum Summary

Community:

Request from Citizens Advice Bureau for signage (Graeme is going to get another quote), annual donation to Orana Park, annual donation to Pohatu Conservation for penguins, Trees of Joy decision not to contribute, Ranui House contacted to ask for requirement for donation. Thank to Diane and Graeme for their work.

A section of the river off Cashmere Road to look after has been agreed to as many keen to participate. There is a need to have our name on the website. Viv and Sara to sort that happening. Sara to organise.

Youth:

Isobel Whitaker withdrawing from Science and Technology Forum – maybe a replacement who we can support, $1000 to Girl Guides attending Jamboree, $500 Emily Gabites from Cashmere High who was to attend conservation Camp declined for family reasons, RYLA attendance has no nominations as yet – closes 18 November. Thanks to Alan S, Mel, Linda and Viv for their work.

International:

Ideas are to support Ukraine, Rotary Clubs in Scotland taking youth out of war zone, support The Pacific area. Deb Gimblett has contacts in Uganda and can be contacted if this to be taken further. Thanks to Alan McK for his work.

Vocational:

Linda said that there was a mystery speaker on 11 November – watch this space! Thanks to

Linda, Mike and Harold for their work.

Alan McKinnon supplied a list of donations to date.

Keith McIntosh and Deb Gimblett also spoke. Their main messages were: reach out if you need support in any way, information available for on-boarding new members, bring prospective members to a project not a meeting, Club Health survey – Stop, Start Keep and Clubs to work together on projects. There is a Tool Kit of resources being developed to include: Engaging and Keeping members, Different types of Clubs, Strategic Planning for Clubs, The need to be doing things differently , Leveraging Local Events to Grow Rotary - just to name a few.

Other notices:

Badge for Against Domestic Violence - Sara is to order.

Have a Peek - Behind the Shed Door: event on 8 November as fundraiser for Crossroads Youth with a Future ,that works with youth in the Eastern Suburbs using a programme called Stay Real. $50, 9 – 4:30, self-drive to various addresses to include Hot Rod Man Cave, Lego Shed, Sculptures, Wood Turner, Pounamu Carving….. Book through Event Right. Further information on a poster in this bulletin.



Thanks to Viv for the report and the photo

Upcoming meetings:

- **4 November**

  Hamish Fairburn - Conservation Volunteers New Zealand - A world where people and nature flourish together

- **11 November**

  TBA

- **18 November**

  Greg Britt - Elgregoe the Magician; A life of magic

Notices:

💜 Wear purple. Start a conversation. Make a difference.
This October, Rotary Clubs across NZ are encouraging our communities to come together for Purple Fridays, raising awareness of domestic and family violence prevention and the importance of respect, equality and healthy relationships.
Starting Friday 9 October, everyone is encouraged to wear purple each Friday as a visible show of support and a way to spark important conversations. 💜



Want to get involved? Purple T- shirts ($27) and polos ($45) are available to purchase, and there's also a Community Walk planned for 28 November.

- 👕 **To order your purple shirt, contact Nitika Chand on 021 151 4024 or email nitika@abcbizsolutions.nz.**

Our very own stylish model, Diane

- **Canterbury Family Violence Collaboration's event on Nov 26, 2026**

Thank you so much for offering to share the information through your club and wider Rotary networks. I really appreciate your support in helping us spread the word about this important kaupapa.

You and your colleagues are warmly welcome to join us for the **Canterbury Family Violence Collaboration (CFVC) White Ribbon Breakfast and Masterclass** on **Thursday 26 November 2026** at the Youth Hub, 109 Salisbury Street, Christchurch.

We have **Jude Simpson MNZM** joining us as our keynote speaker. Jude is a Family Harm Training Advisor with New Zealand Police and brings more than 20 years of experience in family harm prevention and training, alongside a powerful personal story of overcoming adversity and rebuilding healthy relationships.
We have two ticket options available:

- **Morning breakfast and presentations:** $25 early bird / $30 standard
- **Full day, including the afternoon masterclass with Jude:** $50 early bird / $60 standard

Early bird pricing is available until 7 November. The morning session is a great opportunity to come together, hear Jude's story and reflect on how we can all contribute to preventing family violence. The afternoon masterclass offers a chance to continue the kōrero and explore the issues in greater depth.

You can find more information in our latest newsletter here:
https://mailchi.mp/barnardos/cfvc_newsletter_oct_2026
Tickets and registration are available through Humanitix:
https://events.humanitix.com/cfvc-white-ribbon-breakfast-and-masterclass-or-26-november-2026

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- **D9999 RYLA 2027 - Applications are OPEN! ...**

The D9999 RYLA Christchurch and Queenstown committees are reaching out to see how your Club is tracking with your candidate selections for RYLA 2027!

Candidates may choose either course, depending on the candidates' age, preferred location, and their availability. It is at the descretion of each committee to consider applicants outside of the stated age range.

- **Christchurch Course: 17–21 January 2027 at College House (Ages18–25) — *Applications close 18 November 2026*. Cost $1,175pp (no GST for Clubs)**

- **Queenstown Course: 31 January – 5 February 2027 at Lakeland Park Camp (Ages 20–30) — *Applications close 30 November 2026*. Cost $1,175pp (no GST for Clubs)**

All information and application packs are readily available on the Rotary District 9999 Website. If you have any questions or need a hand matching a candidate, please don't hesitate to reach out directly to the course Facilitators.

Queenstown Facilitator - Lee-Ann Murray d9999rylaqt@gmail.com
Christchurch Facilitator - Alan Morgan d9999rylachch@gmail.com

Queenstown ONLINE application form HERE
Christchurch ONLINE application form HERE

Just a reminder, all candidates must be interviewed and endorsed by the sponsor Rotary Club to emailed to the course committee. Selection criteria and interview questions are attached.

Also, please reach out to your business community and networks to offer them the opportunity to sponsor one or more of their rising stars within their workplace.

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Dementia Collectors

Dementia Canterbury

St Martins New World

Friday November 6th 2026

Rotary

Dementia Canterbury

Friday November 6th 2026		
Time	Person A	Person B
9:00-11:00am	Sara	Sharon
11:00-1:00pm	Geoff	Alan McKinnon
1:00-3:00pm	Alan Stewart	Graham
3:00pm-5:00pm	Athol	Mel

- **A Rotary Otautahi Passport Project**



Also is attached to this bulletins email, a Crossroads ‘Youth With A Future’ Newsletter

Duties:

Duty	4-Nov-26	11-Nov-26	18-Nov-26
Cash Desk	L Bougen	A Airay	A Airay
Cash Desk	D Peterson	G Dockrill	D Peterson
Reception	M Opie	A Stewart	V Ellis
Speaker's Host	A Stewart	L Bougen	G Dockrill
Grace	A Stewart	L Bougen	G Dockrill
International Toast	M Opie	A Stewart	V Ellis
Thanks to Speaker	L Bougen	A Airay	D Peterson
Quote for the Week	D Peterson	G Dockrill	A Airay
Speaker Reporter	A McCully	M Opie	A McKinnon
Sergeant	A Airay	V Ellis	L Bougen

Leave:

	from	to
S Haye	11/08/2020	TBA
E Bermingham	01/01/2023	TBA
A Kim	30/06/2025	TBA
M Soares	01/05/2026	04/11/2026

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 Deskat 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.

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