# Rotary Club of Christchurch South



#### 21 February 2024

## Bruce Ullrich O.B.E.

Bruce spoke about his life and autobiography "My Arena – The Life and Legacy of Bruce Ullrich. Mathew, his son, also attended our Club meeting.

He was born in New Plymouth and when living in Christchurch attended Boys High. Bruce completed a B. Com at Canterbury University and an MBA through Massey.

He was a member of The Christchurch Rotary Club for 40 years and received a Paul Harris Award. On Wednesday evening he proudly wore the badge and made reference to it.

From Treasurer to President of The UC Student's Association to Vice-Chairman of the organising committee of the Commonwealth Games in Christchurch, Bruce then went on to be chef de mission for three of New Zealand's Olympic Games and Commonwealth Games teams. He spoke in detail about them.

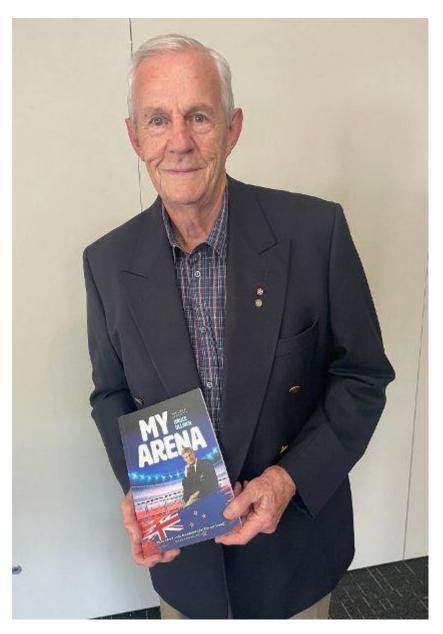
Bruce organised the opening and closing ceremonies for the Christchurch Commonwealth games. Some will remember the logo as well as the 2,500 children who ran into the arena wearing red, white and blue clocks and formed that very logo. Bruce is very confident that Christchurch could hold another successful Commonwealth Games. Watch this space.

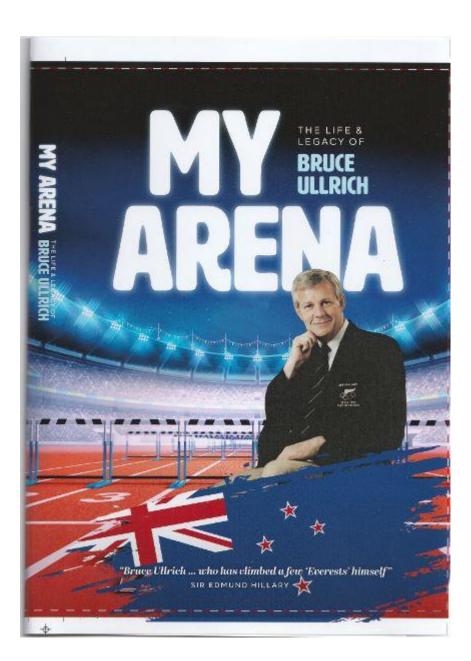
In 2023 The University of Canterbury showcased 150 of its outstanding candidates. Bruce Ullrich was one and named The University's 'Legends of Sports'. He was described as a 'fierce champion of New Zealand's interest in business and sport'.

His autobiography spans over eight decades outlining his life and sports leadership times. He spoke about many of them. Club members were able to purchase a copy of his book after his talk.

Reading the Metropol Review online I quote, 'One lives a life of limited innings, so why not go for the six? When you're Bruce Ullrich you simply roll up your sleeves and go for it'.

Thank you Bruce for sharing many aspects of your life with us. Most members will proudly remember the successful Commonwealth Games held in Christchurch.







Thank you Viv for the report and for the photographs

## **Upcoming Meetings**

28 February 2024 Corinne Haines

City Missioner: Christchurch City Mission Update – Helping Those in Need

## **Notices**



## **Christchurch South Community Garden**

Every Wednesday 1pm to 2pm, 188 Strickland Street, come along and lend a hand.

## **Archives**

We are now at the point of collecting photos from members, past members, honorary members and friends of Rotary for our archives.

Please contact Kim at tanner.kimberley@gmail.com if you have any photos from the year **2000 onwards** of **significant events**. We are hoping to have this project completed by the end of this year

## **John Taylor Walkway**

Maintenance work is scheduled for Saturday 6th April from 10 - 12, followed by a BBQ. Looking forward to seeing you there.



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## **Duties**

Duty	28-Feb-24	6-Mar-24	13-Mar-24
Cash Desk	A Kim	A McKinnon	M Bruce
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Reception	L Brown	D Buist	V Ellis
Speaker's Host	V Ellis	L Brown	A McCully
Grace	V Ellis	L Brown	A McCully
International Toast	L Brown	D Buist	V Ellis
Thanks to Speaker	D Buist	D Peterson	M Bruce
Quote for the Week	A Kim	A McKinnon	G Dockrill
Speaker Reporter	S Harris	G Bailey	A Stewart
Sergeant	S Mackenzie	M Bruce	G Bailey

## Leave

Who	From	То
M Whitehead	9/9/15	ТВА
J Wylie		ТВА
S Haye	11/8/20	ТВА
K Moss	24/6/23	ТВА
E Bermingham	1/1/23	TBA
R McKinney	16/9/23	30/4/24

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The link for the club web pages is: <a href="https://www.christchurchsouthrotary.org.nz">www.christchurchsouthrotary.org.nz</a>

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 <u>OR</u>
- Email: <a href="mailto:chchsouthrotary@gmail.com">chchsouthrotary@gmail.com</a> before 11.00am on the Wednesday; you will get a reminder a couple of days before the meeting re apologising and to advise if bringing guests.
- 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 (three or more weeks) to the Secretary by email or in writing.