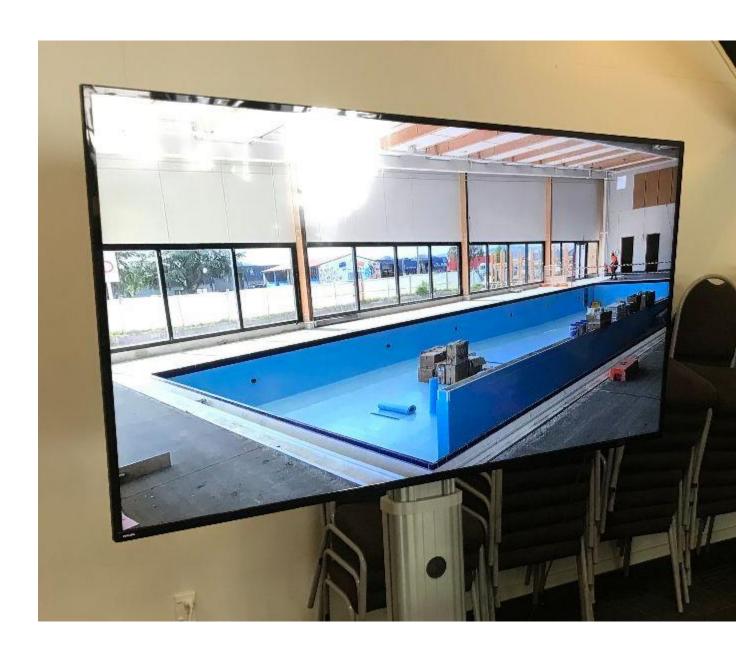
Rotary Club of Christchurch South



6 December 2023

The Hornby hydrotherapy pool is planned to open in 2024, and its existence is in large part due to the efforts of our speaker Mark Peters. Mark is a member of Hornby Rotary Club and a current Christchurch City Councillor. A hydrotherapy pool is a swimming pool about 1.2m deep held at about 36 °C. It helps muscles relax and is particularly beneficial to people who suffer from pain such as that caused by arthritis. For that reason easy access to the pool by wheelchair is provided. The story of the Hornby hydrotherapy pool started some decades ago with a "promise" by the Council to build a combined library and swimming pool complex in the area. The original plan was to build this on Denton Park but a concerted and persistent effort by the Mark and his colleagues through the Hornby Residents' Assn that he founded eventually forced the Council to agree to change the location to Kyle Park – a former quarry. However, the initial planning for the Matatiki Hornby Centre as it was to be called, did not include a hydrotherapy pool. There is one at QEII and also at Rolleston – the latter being used extensively by Hornby people. Mark saw this deficiency and began a campaign to have a hydrotherapy pool added to the planned complex by working through the newly formed Hornby Residents' Association. This involved both obtaining community support and extensive negotiations with the Council. The Council eventually agreed to the addition but required a commitment from the community that they would raise \$1.5Mtowards the cost. The challenge was accepted. Mark was a member of Hornby Rotary who took the project on as a major fund-raiser working in conjunction with the Residents' Assn. Hornby Rotary itself committed to a major contribution and they managed to also get significant support from Rata Foundation, the Lotteries Commission and Pub Charities. Together with other contributions (including a small one from Christchurch South Rotary) they are currently only \$200,000 short of their target. This is a remarkable effort. To overcome this final hurdle, the fundraising group is encouraging individuals, families and businesses to "buy a bubble" and thereby make a donation which will be acknowledged on a "bubble wall" in the entrance to the pool section of the complex.

As he is now a Councillor, Mark has pulled back from his detailed involvement with the promotion and fundraising for the hydrotherapy pool. Nevertheless, it is clear that the inclusion of a hydrotherapy pool in the Matatiki Hornby Centre is in very large part due to his efforts, for which he, and Hornby Rotary, should be congratulated.



Thank you Alan McKinnon for the report and Alan Airay for the photograph

Upcoming Meetings

13 December – Club Christmas Party

20 December – Traditional "Christmas Cake and Port"

Upcoming Events

Club Christmas Party Details

Wednesday 13 December 6pm - 9pm

Come along and wear a Christmas Hat and celebrate another festive season with your Rotary Family at the Cashmere Club – in our usual meeting room

Christmas Cuisine \$45 per head. Pay online or at the door A/C 03 1599 008 1963 00

Bring your partner.

A small donation of a food item for the City Mission would be appreciated.

We all look forward to our celebration

Notices

Templeton (N.Z) Community & Residents page

John Moore

HELP Marshals Urgently Required

We require 13 Marshals for next Sunday's Canterbury Half Marathon at Pegasus Town. If you are part of a group looking at fundraising please be in touch, we require 13 marshals on the day. These are generally directional, pointing the runner in the right direction. If you can help please contact John at 027 226 7769 HELP WANTED

Marshals needed!

John Moore

Good morning, Club President / Secretary

This is a final reminder to participate in our Christmas GIFT PACKS Excellent for rewarding staff, tenants, friends, and family. Please promote these to your members and ask them to order online NOW at sales@sunrisemarket.co.nz





Rotary Port Gift Pack

\$120 inc GST plus shipping



Here's a great way to show your appreciation...
Give a Rotary Gift Pack. Foodie treats to thrill
clients, family and friends - plus a bottle of
Tawny Port. All profits go back into Rotary's
Community Projects.

For commercial enquiries please contact sales@sunrisemarket.co.nz or Nigel Burson 021 990 397





Christchurch South Community Garden

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

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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

Duties

Duty	13-Dec-23
Cash Desk	M Bruce
Cash Desk	A McKinnon
Reception	M Opie
Speaker's Host	
Grace	P Mears
International Toast	
Thanks to Speaker	
Quote for the Week	
Speaker Reporter	A McCully
Sergeant	

Leave

Who	From	То
M Whitehead	9/9/15	TBA
J Wylie		TBA
S Haye	11/8/20	TBA
K Moss	24/6/23	TBA

Robin McKinney 16 September - end of April 2024.

Don't forget to follow us on Facebook and Website

The link for the club web pages is: www.facebook.com/christchurchSouthRotary/.

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Reminders

APOLOGIES

- · Record your apology at the Reception Desk at a prior meeting OR
- Email: chchsouthrotary@gmail.com 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.