

Meetings

**Weekly meetings are held on
 Monday, 5.30pm at Rotary
 House, 12 Story Place, Taupo.
 Visitors Welcome**

Monday 10 October 2016

TBA

Monday 17 October 2016

Quiz Night & Raffle

Monday 24 October 2016

Labour Weekend Monday

Monday 31 October 2016

Club Forum/Board Meeting & 3
 Minute Speaker

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Graham Clayton opened our meeting a thought from Edmund Burke [1774 to the electors in Bristol, England]

"Your representative owes you, not his industry, but his judgment; and he betrays instead of serving you if he sacrifices that to your opinion."

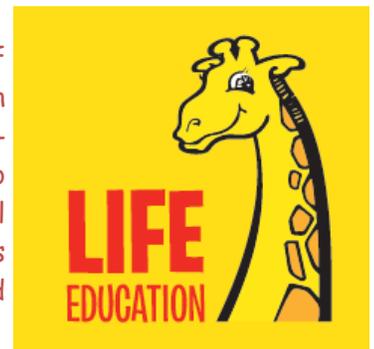
At the completion of the meal acting President Ian formally welcomed our guests: Robyn [guest speaker] and Mike King from Life Education Trust, Malcolm Walker of the International Caravan Fellowship of Rotary [ICFR], Artem Liebenthal and Grace Tsai from the Rotary Club of Hang-Zhou, Shanghai, China.

Jeff Marshall then introduced our guest speaker Robyn King. Robyn is the Executive Officer for the Life Education Trust [LET], Central Plateau Region. Jeff also welcomed Mike King who is a Board Member and Trustee of LET.

Robyn introduced members to the work of and philosophy behind the Life Education Trust operation. Life Education is a non-profit organisation. They teach health to 245,000 primary and intermediate school children each year. They go into schools by invitation, not by right and are linked into the school curriculum.

Life Education is a preventative approach.

They teach children about the wonder of life, themselves, and other people, with the aim of showing them how to reach their full potential. Life Education does not necessarily work on changing children's behaviour, it works on changing desires. Rather than frightening children with various forms of scare tactics, the Life Education philosophy focuses on creating a sensitivity to values which lead to an understanding and appreciation of human life. This enables the child to make decisions about any negative influences that might impede the development of their fullest potential. ..page 2



Life Education do this by taking children on an adventure in a mobile classroom that is equipped with sight and sound equipment designed to capture children's imaginations. Their educators (registered teachers) take children on this journey, along with Harold the Giraffe, their mascot. These educators are chosen for their x-factor and together with Harold make the journey fun as well as educational.

VISION & PURPOSE



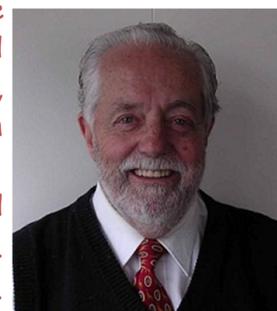
VISION - To enhance the quality of children's lives.

PURPOSE - To educate and empower children to make healthy choices so they can live full and healthy lives.

Children will understand the magnificence of the human brain and how their brain develops as they grow. They will understand the importance of healthy decisions and how their body functions through a science based, enriched education experience.

Children will understand they have their own unique identity and that it's OK to be different. Life Education will help children develop their resilience strategies to support them with the challenges of growing up.

Robyn introduced us to the founder of Life Education in New Zealand. Trevor Grice founded Life Education in New Zealand in 1988. After twenty years helping addicted people, and after seeing many unnecessary deaths of New Zealand's young people, Trevor realised that equal emphasis needed to be put into prevention through education.



In 1987, he was approached by a group of people, who had heard about Ted and Margaret Noffs' work developing and starting the Life Education concept in Australia. They were looking for a suitable person to spearhead Life Education in New Zealand. Trevor went to Australia to meet with Ted, only to find that he had suffered a massive stroke a few days before and was in hospital. However, Margaret met Trevor at Ted's famous Wayside Chapel (in Kings Cross, Sydney, a renowned drop-in centre for addicts looking for help) and left Trevor in Ted's office to read through Ted's writings. As Trevor read, he fell in love with the idea of Life Education. He loved the innovation of the programme, of capturing children's imagination using technology and building their self-esteem at a young age. Every addict Trevor helped brought home to him the need "that there is no such thing as a nothing". Most youngsters in trouble had fused into their brain the belief that they were worth nothing. Low self-esteem, caused by all the ravages of addiction, prostitution, destitution and corruption, had most times seeded in early life. Trevor spent time with Margaret Noffs, and watched the Australian teachers in mobile classrooms and fixed centres teaching the Life Education programme, and came back to New Zealand with Margaret's blessing to start Life Education in New Zealand

Fast forward some twenty eight years and more than 33 regional Trusts had been established and \$30m had been raised as Trevor shared his vision and enthused volunteers nationwide. The founding and current Trustee of Life Education Trust (NZ) Trevor retired from his 'day job' with Life Education in 2014 at age 82. Trevor is still very much a part of Life Education.

Since 1997 the Central Plateau Trust has been successfully delivering the Life Education Programme to many children in the local area. In 2014, LET Central Plateau reached over 3,800 children in 37 schools. The hard working Trustees continue to raise much needed funds to keep the mobile classroom running. Robyn concluded by thanking Lake Taupo Rotary for its support through a recent grant and was warmly applauded for her presentation.





Duty Roster

Monday 10 October 2016

Room Steward: Stewart Brown
Meet and Greet: Nath Chilukuri
Speakers Host: John de Lautour
Opening/P'ting Thought: Hayden Baker

Monday 17 October 2016

Room Steward: Tom Gould
Meet and Greet: Ian Dykes
Opening/P'ting Thought: Bob Jollands
3 Minute Speaker: Dennis Jenkins

Monday 24 October 2016

Labour Day

Monday 31 October 2016

Room Steward: Jeff Marshall
Meet and Greet: Mary Legg
Opening/P'ting Thought: Jenny Johanson
3 Minute Speaker: Dave McAlley

Please note that if you are unable to fulfil your role on the duty roster please make arrangements for someone else to cover for you and advise Sergeant Dennis or Corporal Hayden.

CLUB BUSINESS:

Acting President Ian advised members of the following items:

The Board had approved a project to upgrade the audio visual services provided in Rotary House. Ray Toms would be undertaking the investigation of equipment/changes needed and getting quotes where necessary. The end of October is the target for this investigation phase to be completed.

Both local colleges have been advised that nominations for the Richard Arkwright Scholarship were now open. One scholarship of \$1500 awarded to a student of each college that plans to undertake further study into agriculture or any associated subjects such a land use management. In addition \$250 per college had been allocated for the annual senior prize giving book prizes.

Cycle Challenge entries were running significantly ahead of last year with over 1000 received last week. The total entries are at just under 3300 to date. In that number are 312 overseas entries the majority of which come from Australia.

Malcolm Walker of ICFR made a presentation of a cheque for \$175 being the proceeds from a sergeants session held by members of the Fellowship at their recent gathering held in Taupo. The donation to be applied to the purchase of a Shelter Box.

Ray Toms gave an update on the Rotary Community Van. The previous "In Kind" sponsors had been confirmed with Terry's Tyres putting a new set of rubber on the van before it returned to service. In addition Bayley's Real Estate and Westerman Property Services have come on board as cash contributors which will greatly assist with the running expenses. [See the advert below for the full list of sponsors.]

Reminders:

Tuesday November 15th—Area 12 Joint meeting in Turangi. Those wishing to attend record their intentions on the list being circulated.

Tuesday 13th December—Community Christmas Party. Volunteers please. A list of tasked will be circulated nearer the time.

Monday 19th December—Lake Taupo Rotary Christmas Function at the Taupo Yacht Club.

Parting Thought: "When one is threatened with a great injustice, one is likely to accept a smaller as a favour". [Jane Carlyle 1801-1866]

The Free Rotary Community Van



From the Cycle Challenge Office

Anybody who might have any contributions/memorabilia for the 40th Anniversary Museum exhibition please get in contact with either:

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We are grateful to the local business listed for their support of our Community Van. Please support them!