

ROTARY RAMBLE

Light Up Rotary | Change Lives

Meetings

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

Thursday 14 May

Mick Pearce - Artillery Officer

Thursday 21 May

Club Forum/Board Meeting

Thursday 28 May

Community Awards Night

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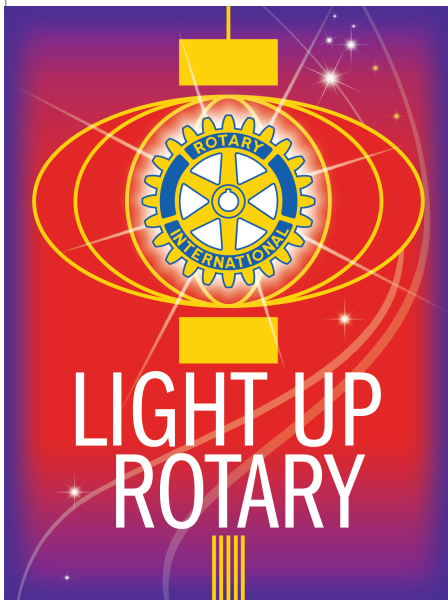
this week

New Zealand has a history of contributing to international efforts to resolve conflict. The NZ Defence Force (NZDF) is a valued international coalition partner committed to peace and security, and regularly works alongside international partners on operations and exercises throughout the world..

Mick Pearce has served 30 years in the NZ Defence Force. During that time he commanded the NZ Contingent to the Multinational Force of Observers (MFO).

The mission of the MFO is ..."to supervise the implementation of the security provisions of the Egyptian-Israeli Treaty of Peace and employ best efforts to prevent any violation of its terms"
Currently 12 countries contribute personnel to make up the MFO's Force which is commanded by Major General Warren Whiting from the NZ Army.

Mick has been involved in the Angolan UN Peace Mission and the Bougainville Peace Mission. He will speak about the relevant



Duty Roster

Thursday 14 May

Hospitality: RoseMary Chrisp
Sergeant: Tom Gould
Introduction: Dave McAlley
Grace/PT: Ann Robertson

Thursday 21 May

Hospitality: RoseMary Chrisp
Sergeant: Chris Wallis
Grace/PT: Nath Chilukuri

Thursday 28 May

Hospitality: RoseMary Chrisp
Sergeant: Chris Wallis
Grace/PT: Mary Legg

Apologies

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**Always borrow money from
a pessimist; he won't
expect it back!**
~ Oscar Wilde

role NZ plays with the overseas missions and give a detailed account of our longest serving mission with the MFO.

The Power of Us2015

The Rotorua Energy Events Centre was a great venue for the Conference and easily accommodated the 320 delegates and their partners. From the Taupo Rotary Club there were four members who attended the full conference and on Saturday another four of our members came for the day. Despite our good show of members attending, Turangi Club won the trophy for attendance.

Opening Ceremony

The commencement of the Conference opened with a Powhiri and the official welcome. This was followed by the current Rotary International students who performed a Flag Ceremony; bringing the flags of their country up onto the stage. Youth, enthusiasm and pride radiated from these students. The RI Presidents representative, **Cheng-Hsi Wang** gave a speech with the theme, Lighting up Rotary. This was followed by **Bruce Rasmussen** the DG representative and then the formal welcome from the Rotorua Mayor.

Speakers

The speakers were entertaining and inspirational ranging from: **Alfred Ngaro** who is a National MP speaking on his involvement as a facilitator encouraging groups of men and women to develop strategies to improve positive and successful parenting, to **Billy Black** on his amazing, financially risk-taking lifestyle that he manages successfully. **Jamie Fitzgerald** spoke about his very interesting life as an extreme adventurer.

Shelter Box

Ron Fyfe congratulated our President Phillipa on the wonderful achievement that was made by the three Taupo Rotary Clubs in their fund raising to purchase 10 shelter boxes. He presented President Phillipa with a trophy.

Saturday Evening Entertainment

The theme was **Black and Bling**, and all delegates and partners made a great effort to join in with the theme. The food was delicious, wine appropriate and plentiful and the band of two musicians and a female singer proved accomplished and very popular. Choosing music from the late 60s through to the 80s suited the general age group of the delegates. We were delighted to see the young exchange students dancing and enjoying themselves alongside the older patrons. My foot tapping under the table must have worn a hole in the carpet!

Sunday - Rotary business and closing of Conference

A short Rotary District 9930 AGM was chaired by **John Tarbutt** and closing remarks were made by **Cheng-Hsi Wang**. The official closing of the Conference was made by DG Paul.

After morning tea the District Changeover took place and there was a very good attendance of delegates.

Elated happy delegates were accompanied by fine weather for their return trip home.

Yours in Rotary
Sandy Pearce