

ROTARY RAMBLE

Be a Gift to the World

Meetings

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

Visitors Welcome

Thursday 6 August

Catalina Amaya Perilla -Columbia

Thursday 13 August

Gloria Eves-Family Violence

Thursday 20 August

DG Mike Smith- Joint Meeting
Partners night

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this week

Colombia

The name Colombia has been derived from the name of its discoverer Christopher Columbus. It is known as Republic of Colombia, at the northern tip of South America, is a country of lush rainforest, towering mountains and coffee plantations. In the high-altitude capital, Bogotá, the Zona Rosa district is known for its restaurants, bars and shopping. Population of Colombia is more than 10 times that of New Zealand(2013). Situated near the equator Colombia only has summer and sun shines through out the year.

With over 300 beaches to pick from, it is a good holiday destination and only South American country with Pacific and Atlantic coastlines and borders Panama, Venezuela, Peru, Brazil and Ecuador. Colombia has 58 National Parks, which is the same number as the US. These parks cover over 11% of the country. That is over 55,000 square miles for you to explore! Colombia is one of the most **Biodiverse** countries in the world



Duty Roster

Thursday 6 August

Hospitality: RoseMary Crisp
 Sergeant: Tom Gould
 Introduction: John de Lautour
 Grace/PT: Graham Clayton

Thursday 13 August

Hospitality: RoseMary Crisp
 Sergeant: Tom Gould
 Introduction: Sandy Pearce
 Grace/PT: John de Lautour

Thursday 20 August

Hospitality: RoseMary Crisp/
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 Sergeant: Chris Wallis
 Introduction: President Ian Dykes
 Grace/PT: Stuart Pickmere

Apologies

Please phone **RoseMary Crisp** on **07 378 7286** or **email copy_cat@xtra.co.nz** by 9am Wednesday or email.

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With 340 different types of ecosystems,. We have already mentioned the pristine beaches but did you know that Colombia also houses the Andes? The highest peak, Pico Cristóbal Colón, reaches 18,700 feet! From top to bottom, there is a bit of everything in this country.

Columbia is part of the Ring of Fire, a group of countries, prone to earth quakes and volcanic eruptions, on the Pacific ocean. Half of the country's territory includes savanna and jungle but harbours only 3% of the population. It is rich in natural resources with major exports including petroleum and coal.

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President's Round-up

Thursday night was our first social night of the new Rotary year. It was all about fun, food, fellowship and fish&chips all the way. Extended fellow ship allowed us to enjoy the company of all visitors who joined us.

After a small amount of business, Maureen took over and set up teams at random. She then took us through a series of general knowledge questions with the usual banter from the contestants.

When it came to sorting out the winners , it was amazing to find just how close the teams were with only one point separating the top team, the second and another one down to the third, well done everybody!

A good night with both good food and fellowship. We are back to normal next week with an interesting speaker telling us about her home land.

Chris

We make a living by what we get. We make a life a by what we give

-Winston Churchill