



Meeting – 5 Nov 2018

**Jennifer Taylor-Moore
Whanganui Women**

Host: Dot McKinnon
Thanks: Ed Boyd
Top Table: Jo Thomson
Sergeant: *Jim Callaghan*

Meeting – 12 Nov 2018

**Michael Fagg – The Polio
Story**

Farewell to PP Jim Callaghan

Host: Bob Smith
Thanks: Jo Thomson
Top Table: Martin Visser
Sergeant: *Denis McGowan*

Meeting – 19 Nov 2018

David Bennett – Disasters

Host: Shirley McDouall
Thanks: Max Restieaux
Top Table: Neil Bates
Sergeant: *Ian McGowan*

Apologies:

To Peter Smith please:
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**Attendance at Last Meeting:
15 October 2018)**

Present - 32
Apologies: - 0
Silent : - 11
43

Men's Care Bags

Henry is ready to deliver more packs to the hospital and needs more of our contributions.

ANDY LYNN

DRONES AND THEIR USES

Andy worked at the Wanganui computer centre before going overseas. He returned to Whanganui some 15 years ago and since then has worked for Power Co, opened his own business and is currently General Manager for Whanganui Enterprises. This workplace was established in 1979 and is the largest regional employer of those with disabilities, producing from wood and steel, furniture, dog kennels and beehives, among others.

Having an interest in technology, he stumbled on to the building and operating of drones. He gave members a passionate and intriguing look at different types of drone, for different purposes. Andy is interested in photography for which drones are ideal. There are many different types of drone, each with advantages for a specific task. There are 3, 4, 6 and 8 rotor machines, powered by batteries of varying sizes which allow up to 25 minutes of flying time for the larger machines. Drones can carry things, depending on their size.

Drones, or Unmanned Aerial Vehicles, can be used for search and rescue, disaster relief, sports, film-making, commercial surveillance and military and police purposes. Perhaps photography is the main use. Drones have replaced helicopters thus reducing costs. Not only does the drone collect large amounts of data, but will also process this for further use. It can be used to assist agriculture and planning land use. NZ Civil Aviation Authority sets rules for drone use and users are expected to know these and abide by them, especially around airports. These should assist in protecting privacy issues and preventing 'bad' uses of drones. Investigations are under way to develop more delivery uses for drones.

The technology involved is advancing quickly and so are drone construction and uses. They can be driven by radio, smart devices or autonomously. Some of the software is available free, but the more sophisticated programmes can be expensive.

District International Service Committee

The International Service Committee is looking for new members.

Please consider this carefully and if you are interested, contact Nick on nickhinbrisbane@me.com if you need more detail.

URGENT

RYLA – do you know of someone between 18 and 25 who would benefit from this course??
See Stephen Lace

Tomato Growing Competition.

Plants available, \$5 each, at lunch today. Pay Treasurer Jo. Let's see who can grow the best 'Tumbling Tom'

UCOL Car Park duty

November is our month.
9 - 11
11 – 1 pm

November is Rotary Foundation month

Hospital Pack contents

Please consider supplying some of these products so that Henry can prepare more packs for the Hospital. [All are small sizes]

Deodorant	Underpants	Hand wash
Tissues	Comb	Shampoo
Hand towel	Notepad/pen	Soap

He has plenty toothpaste and toothbrushes.

Club Meeting options background summary for your consideration. Responses to PDG John Henderson by 12 November prior to discussion at a Club Day 26 November 2018.

- Regardless of whether Clubs amalgamate or not the challenge of attracting new members will remain
- Don't pursue amalgamation with other Whanganui Clubs at the present time
- Continue meeting once a week on Mondays at the Kingsgate
- Have the room ready from 11.45 pm to allow members to socialize and catch-up prior to the start of the meeting proper should they wish
- Start meeting at 12.05 sharp (or such time as the Kingsgate says that it is ready) with Grace alone, followed by the meal.
- Aim to conclude the meeting at 1.05 p.m.
- Have a programme which provides for three meetings having a speaker, a visit or an activity of special interest, followed by a fourth meeting which would be a Club/Rotary day at which Club and Rotary issues can be discussed/presented. If the fourth meeting followed a Board meeting it would enable Club members to be informed promptly of any decisions made. The normal meeting would comprise lunch, welcome, speaker, sergeant session and urgent Rotary or Club Business only)
- Have a fellowship session at the conclusion of each meeting where tea and coffee is available so as to provide an opportunity for those that want to stay on and catch-up etc can do so.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2019

Mark your calendars! Conference in Whanganui from 17-19 May 2019.
Early Bird registrations will open soon.