



Meetings

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

Visitors Welcome

Monday 22 August 2016

Club Forum. Board Meeting,
Aaron Carter LTCC Event
Director and Raffle

Monday 29 August 2016

Abbie Dean — Geochemist at
Contact Energy

Monday 5 September 2016

Robyn Duncan-Cox

"Who am I"

Monday 12 September 2016

Cath Oldfield— Bike Kids Taupo

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The meeting was called to order and acting
Sergeant Hayden Baker, in light of our visitors, offered
the following thought:

**"A child on a farm sees a plane flying overhead and
Dreams of flying but the Pilot in the plane sees the
Farmhouse and Dreams of Home.... That is life."**

At the conclusion of the meal President Kathryn
welcomed our guests.

Bill Kendall, pilot and partner of Mary Legg, Mike
Groom, General Manager of the Taupo Airport and our
Guest Speaker, plus 20 members of the Lincoln
University tour group [including students, tutors and
the bus driver] to our meeting.

President Kathryn invited Bruce Gregg tour group
leader to brief members on the purpose of the Lincoln
University tour. The students are all 3rd and 4th year
undergraduates studying Agriculture and Business. The
tour is designed to give the students an understanding
of some real life examples in the agricultural sector.
The tour party comprises some 35 male and female
students [none of the females were present tonight as
they were being billeted elsewhere] and over recent
years Lincoln has used the hospitality of various Rotary
clubs from around the central north island to host and
billet the students. To date Rotary has hosted over
14,000 bed nights. The tour had come from Te Kuiti
today and after visiting the Wairakei Estate tomorrow
will be heading to other farms in the Waikato region.
Bruce thanked all members of the club that had
offered beds to the students and for the hospitality
and meal.

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Tom Gould then introduced our guest speaker Mike Groome. General Manager of the Taupo Airport, Flight Safety Advisor and member of the Australian and New Zealand Government Air Safety Advisory Group. Mike Groome was previously a member of Taupo Rotary. Mike hails from Hawke's Bay and was educated at Wanganui Collegiate. Mike's life is truly one of two halves. Born into a farming family in Central Hawke's Bay, Mike was the fourth generation to farm a 2000 acre sheep, beef and deer station. Aviation however, was Mike's passion from a very early age and after 40 years of farming his hobby became his occupation!!

Mike began his update by telling members about changes since he had last addressed the club two or three years ago. The runway was resurfaced at a cost \$1.5 million and



the following year had to have a completely new surface applied after the first attempt began to break up due to ice damage. After a proper camber was formed in the foundation so that water could better drain off the runway a new asphalt surface was applied the total cost of this work was an additional \$2.4 million. The tarmac removed from the first resurface attempt was recycled and used as the surface area of 3 new taxiways. Some Stats: 40,000 aircraft movements per year, 43,000 passengers through the terminal per year, 55 lease spaces for various business, 200 people and 30 businesses operate at the airport, 49% of revenue is from lease fees, 45% of revenue is from landing fees, 6% from other sources including direct overseas arrivals of private jets.



The airport land was originally acquired from a land grant by the local IWI in 1960 and is owned in a joint partnership between Taupo District Council and the Crown

Taupo Airport is currently serviced by Air New Zealand and Sounds Air and is rated as the busiest parachute drop zone in the southern hemisphere.

Future plans include adding a new Baggage Claim area, developing a secure area for overseas direct arrivals to allow Taupo to operate as a Port of First Arrival, possible upgrading or rebuilding the terminal building, a new service road into the grounds and the development of additional lease sites. At the conclusion of his presentation Mike was thanked by Tom and the members in the usual manner.



Duty Roster

Monday 22 August 2016

Room Steward: Mary Legg
Meet and Greet: Mary Lockwood
Speaker Host: Jeff Marshall
Opening/Parting Thought: Dave McAlley

Monday 29 August 2016

Room Steward: Kate McBreen
Meet and Greet: Deb McCarthy
Speakers Host: Vera McIvor
Opening/Ptg Thought: John McNaughton

Monday 5 September 2016

Room Steward: Stu Mulvay
Meet and Greet: Bruno Stutz
Speakers Host: Ray Toms
Opening/Parting Thought: Ann Robertson

Monday 12 September 2016

Room Steward: Doug Simmons
Meet and Greet: Bruno Stutz
Speakers Host: Ray Toms
Opening/Ptg Thought: RoseMary Chrisp

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. Thanks

OTHER CLUB BUSINESS:

A reminder that the District Rotary Learning and Information program is to be held in Taupo on Sunday August 21. All members are encouraged to sign up to either take part or assist with the delivery of this day.

Friday 26 August TGIF at the Cossie Club from 5.30pm

Thursday 1 September Film Premier Fundraiser at the Starlight Cinema—The Richie McCaw Movie. Ticket being distributed by RoseMary. SELL SELL SELL.

Monday 19th September—Hosting a Public Meeting for Candidates standing for election to the District Council.

Sunday 25th September Motor Neuron Disease Charity Walk and Auction. Tongariro Domain followed by a Social gathering at Vine from 4.00pm

NEXT WEEK: Aaron Carter, Event Director Lake Taupo Cycle Challenge followed by Club Forum and Directors meeting. A raffle will be run and seating will be by card shuffle

PARTING THOUGHT: Hayden offered the following two thoughts:

**"Use it up, wear it out, make it do or do without"
And**

"Hunt for the good points in other people. They have to do the same in your case"

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