



ROTARY CLUB of PAPAIOEA

President: David Everett

Meetings 5.30pm 1st & 3rd Wednesdays

Upstairs at FocalPoint, 223 Cuba St. Palmerston North



Bulletin 6th March 2026

Guest speaker: Dr. Dori Torres-Rojas who works at the Riddet Institute but on a project based in Kenya. Data collected there and her research modelling provides interactive systems for sustainable, affordable and nutritious food. Reducing hunger and food insecurity (35% and 73% of the Kenyan population) alleviating poverty, providing more nutritious diverse food, building resilience to climate change, enhancing larger scale food production whilst environmentally sustainable are all goals with the results shared with stakeholders allowing informed decisions to be made.

Katrine had heard of a scheme to put blue “S” plates on seniors’ (over 65s’) cars. Intended to instil patience from younger motorists she dared her grandchildren to stick one on her car!

Don raised \$42 by quizzing us on our city’s vital statistics

From **Raewyn:** Sunday’s BBQ sold \$740 of sausages – great effort.

Parting thought: “you miss 100% of the shots you don’t take” (Wayne Gretzky)

Duties	18 th March	1st April
Host:	John M	Katharine
3 min talk:	Roger	Bob
Sunshine:	Dennis	Bruce W
Thanks + Parting Thought:	Bede	Raewyn

Upcoming Club Dinner Meetings at Focal Point

March 18th

Speaker: TBA

April 1st

Speaker: Clarissa Wang, one of our student attendees at the 2 week long National Science Forum

Please help

Ryda (formerly known as Rotary Youth Driver Awareness)

By organising and marshalling the students, Rotary volunteers are an essential part of these days.

Ryda features a highly engaging and memorable one-day workshop which front-loads students’ understanding of road safety and gives them the tools, habits and motivation to take action and stay safe on our roads as both drivers and passengers throughout their lives.

The workshop sessions are designed to be held in small classroom sized groups (approximately 25 students) and are led by a team of trained facilitators including Police, driving instructors and other community sector specialists.

- Monday 16th March – Awatapu College/QEC – **3 volunteers needed**
- Tuesday 17th March – St Peters/LAC/Cornerstone Christian – **4 volunteers needed**
- Wednesday 18th March – Freyberg High School – **5 volunteers needed**
- Thursday 19th March – PNGHS – **2 volunteers needed**
- Friday 20th March – Manukura and College House (PNBHS) – **1 volunteer needed**

9am to 3pm morning tea and lunch provided –

a fun, interesting day with other Rotarians - contact David H - Ph/txt 0274 370 670

Members: please apologise or add guests on website : [Papaioea Web Page](#)

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Always before 3pm Monday