

## Rotary Club of Palmerston North (1924)

**President Dave Gaynor, Secretary Steve Paterson, Treasurer Ron Schalkwijk, Past President Nigel Withell**

### Monday 29 April 2024

Speaker	Stu Schwartz
Topic	Random Thoughts
Attendance/Cashier	Stu Schwartz
Sergeant	Liam Hehir
Corporal	Ron Schalkwijk
Parting thought	Ramola Duncan
Bulletin Editor	Bruce Wilson

### Monday 6th May 2024

Speaker	TBA
Topic	TBA
Introduction	TBA
Attendance/Cashier	Martin Townend
Sergeant	Roger Clausen
Corporal	Steve Paterson
Parting thought	Steve Parsons
Bulletin Editor	Chris Klein

### Details from this week's meeting 22 April 2024:

strategic financial planning and treasury management. Steve has been a member of Rotary International since 1981 and is currently secretary of the Rotary Club of Palmerston North.

18 members in attendance

President Dave welcomed all to the meeting and reminded all members to please register and pay for the club's upcoming 100 Year Celebration to be held on Saturday May 25 2024



Dave thanked all those that have offered to help at Rotary's Youth Driving Awareness Programme (RYDA). We still need one more helper on Tuesday 21 May. Please let Nigel Withell know if you can help.

May is a very busy month for our Rotary Club with not only RYDA but also Circus Quirkus, the club's upcoming 100 Year Celebration to be held on Saturday May 25 2024 and the Rotary Youth Music Festival with details on this below:

### Rotary Youth Music Festival

Please mark your diaries for **Saturday 18 May**, which is a week earlier than usual due to our 100 Year Event.

We'll need as many Rotarian as possible on the day for what should be our biggest Music Festival ever!



This week's guest speaker was our club member Steve Paterson providing some background to PNCC Rates Process. Steve has held senior financial

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management roles at the Palmerston North City Council since 1979. His current particular focus is on strategic financial planning and treasury management.

Steve is a member of Rotary International since 1981 and his current involvement is as secretary of the Rotary Club of Palmerston North.

The PNCC are always looking at ways to improve the rating system and incorporating the 10 Year Plan and longer. Currently they are consulting with staff and the community seeking feedback on the Asset Management Plans and possible risks including inflation, interest rates, future land zoning and developments. Current income from rates is about \$125m per year and this is 75% of total income. The PNCC also needs to take into consideration such things as Climate Control, Current Condition of Assets including Storm & Waste water, future infill, Council owned Earthquake prone buildings and other key issues.

### Rates glossary

There are different kinds of rates for different kinds of property. Here are the most common rates terms explained.

### Fixed charges

- fixed charges are made to cover the costs of services which can be identified by property (water supply, wastewater disposal, recycling)

- each property with a similar service pays the same fixed amount
- significant non-residential water users are metered

### Uniform annual general charge

- a uniform annual general charge is applied to all rateable properties within Palmerston North
- it ensures each property contributes a minimum amount of the general rate and moderates rates on high value properties
- the uniform general charge for 2020-21 is \$500

### General rate

Each property is charged a general rate – based on land value – with different rates (differentials) applying to each property category.

The categories in the Council's differential rating scheme reflect differing property uses:

- single unit residential
- multi-unit residential
- non-residential
- rural and semi-serviced
- miscellaneous

Differential surcharges (a higher rate in the dollar) are applied to multi-unit residential and commercial/industrial properties. Single unit residential and rural/semi-serviced properties are charged lower rates.

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### Single unit residential

- one house on one section

### Multi-unit residential

- a single dwelling with flat attached
- Two or more houses, flats or apartments on one certificate of title

### Non-residential

- property used for business or industry

### Rural and semi-serviced

- land that doesn't have access to Council wastewater services

### Miscellaneous

- miscellaneous describes a range of property uses, including home-based businesses, commercial/industrial in the rural area, and some categories of vacant land

### Parting Thoughts:

**Matt Damon – Goodwill Hunting**

**Bad times wake us up to the good times we weren't paying attention to.**

**Dan Quayle – US Vice President**

**“The future will be better tomorrow”**

### Sergeant Fines

Easy to pay Sergeant's fines! 02-0 727-0025858-000  
OR buy some vouchers to have on hand!

### Apologies and Club Duties:

**Please apologise if you are unable to attend a weekly meeting.**

### Guest Speaker?

If you see or hear of a good speaker, please let Martin know so we can invite them along.

### New Member Form

Here is a link to the form that can be used to propose a new member. Just click on the link:

<https://www.pnrotary.co.nz/ProposeNewMember.pdf>

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