

Affiliated to Rebus NZ Incorporated

Established 25th September 2019, Rebus Club No: 19106

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***Meetings: 9.30 am, second Wednesday each month, except January,
at Gulf Harbour Yacht Club, Laurie Southwick Parade, Gulf Harbour.***

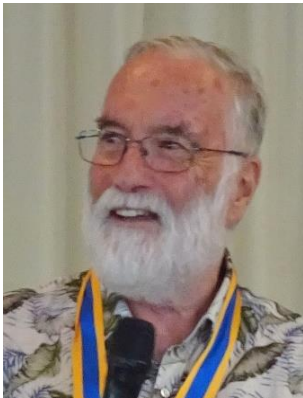
Apologies to Secretary: rebusgulpharboursecretary@gmail.com OR 027 321 9713

MEETING Wednesday 14th AUGUST

Guest Speaker: Dr. Don Brash

Club Speaker: Peter Odendaal

From the President:



We often hear that a healthy immune system is a great protection. I know that I should eat more greens and get a lot more exercise. I'm still working on both. What I had forgotten, however, was that there are other areas of my life where I was open to attack.

As you may recall from the emails sent recently, some rather strange things started happening to me on the technology front. A few weeks ago, my eftpos card stopped working. When I went to buy something, the error message told me that my trusty card was "invalid". Not "declined" thankfully! The card was a bit tattered, and I just used a credit card for a few days until I could ring the bank. I was told that they had blocked my card due to a suspicious attempt by a scammer who tried to withdraw \$1,400 from it. Good on Kiwibank! They were my immune system!

My troubles grew however when it became obvious that a fake Facebook account had been set up in my name with my photo on it. Email messages started to arrive to people on my contact list started receiving emails asking them to purchase gift cards for me. After notifying members of Rebus, I contacted Geeks on Wheels who came and checked my phone and computer. Good news. I had not been infected with a virus, but my details had been copied by a scammer who had then copied email addresses that I had used. The Geeks were my immune system!

Please be cautious of emails that seem a little strange. Check the address that they have come from and don't disclose information or accept requests for money (or gift cards) without checking carefully that they are genuine. In short, I was not immune. Nor are you! Use the internet carefully! See you at the next Rebus meeting where we will hear the views of Don Brash. *Ken.*

Please remember: small money for Entry and Sales Table, and turn off your phone during meetings.

COMMITTEE 2024/5

President: Ken Daniels 021 621 411
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***Greeter:** Sue Lewis 0272 462 460
***Website, Publicity & Photography:** Graeme McIntosh 0274 739 787
***Kitchen:** Colin Cathro 09 428 0869
*** Guest Speakers:** Kathryn Officer 021 575 191

LAST MEETING: Guest Speaker: Garry Phillips, NZ Society of



Genealogists. Genealogy is slowly becoming known as Family History. Garry started by searching for a person in a family photo, "Lady Bruff" who turned out to be a pickpocket, who was transported to Van Diemen's Land. He said, "We find dead people, and we re-connect families". For beginners, the best websites to search are records of the Mormon Church (Latter Day Saints)



www.familysearch.org, and it's free. DNA testing is recommended. Garry suggests you give a test kit to your oldest relative, rather than your grandchildren, and collect all the available family records you can.

Club Speaker was John Lee, who gave us his life story as a vet. He is also an avid genealogist.

FUTURE EVENTS:

TRIP TO MOTAT. Thursday 29th August. FREE with Gold Card. Carpooling, meet Edith Hopper Park, 9.30.

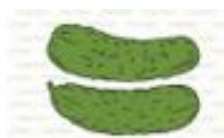
REBUS CLUB OF GULF HARBOUR, Fifth Birthday Morning Tea on Club Day, Wednesday 9th October.

TRIP ON THE 'JANE GIFFORD', Warkworth, Combined with the men's club, details TBA.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH: Wednesday 4th December, (the week before Club Meeting), RED BEACH SURF LIFESAVING CLUB.

NOTE: CARPOOLING: As most of our trips/events involve carpooling, a little food for thought. If someone is kind enough to offer you a ride, you might like to offer a contribution towards petrol etc.

SALES TABLE: The Sales Table will be up and running with preserves, baking, and plants etc. See what we have for sale! **Contributions to the Sales Table are always welcome, garden produce, plants, books etc. But if you're your items are not sold, please take them home with you.** Thanks for your support.



INTEREST GROUPS:



The Ramblers Group: Meet every Monday morning. Contact: Garth Dutton, garth269@gmail.com or 020 400 60844.



CBD Explorers: Meet monthly. Contact: Judi Lee, Leeja@xtra.co.nz or 029 8942 522.



Dine-Out Group: Meets monthly. Contact: George Tregidga, gandc@xtra.co.nz or 424 5322.



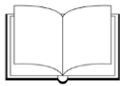
Mah Jong Group: Meets every Wednesday, 1.30 pm. Contact: Verna Harford, vernaharford@gmail.com or 0210 774 325.



500 Cards Evening: Meets monthly. Contact: Pam Warner, pambiggs2003@yahoo.com.au or 021 146 5753.



Discussion Group: Meets monthly, the day after Club Day, 10.00 am. Contact: Ken Daniels, kendaniels007@gmail.com or 021 621 411.



Book Group: Meets monthly at Whangaparaoa Library, last Tuesday of the month, 10.00 a.m. Contact: Cathie Theron, pietttheron@xtra.co.nz or 09 428 7970.

BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST



Dorte Witoszka, Barbara Wyber, Sarah Bretherton.
Happy Birthday, we hope you all celebrate in style.

MEMBERSHIP: If any of your personal details change during the year, please notify Graeme McIntosh 0274 739 787, who will update the database. **Remember,** you can refer prospective members to the Club's website, www.rebus-gulpharbour.nz

GUEST SPEAKERS: If you know someone who would be an interesting Guest Speaker, please give the details to Kathryn Officer, Speakers Convenor, who will then make contact, and all the arrangements necessary. Ph. 021 575 191.

MEMBERS ARE ASKED NOT TO MAKE A COMMITMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CLUB, PLEASE!

DIGITAL SENIORS: Offer weekly, free drop-in, one-on-one technology support for older people at Whangaparaoa Library. Sessions are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 10am - 12noon. Seniors can ask questions and receive practical support from trained volunteers in a safe, friendly environment on anything from internet banking, online safety, making video calls or setting up their phone. Phone: Paul Wilkinson, 09 424 3977: 027 234 2705. He is a member of Hibiscus men's club.

OUT AND ABOUT



The Ramblers, 8th July, Te Atatu ramble,



29th July at Estuary Arts Centre, Orewa.



41 members from the combined clubs **Dine Out Group** met at **Maison Thai**, in Manly for their July get together. Organiser, George Tregidga says this was a record number for the group

The Mid-Winter Lunch was held at **Hello Manly**, following the July meeting. 36 members enjoyed a buffet lunch and we aired our new flag.



WELFARE: Pam Naylor, our Welfare person, is back from overseas. If you are unwell, or if you know of someone who is, or who needs a helping hand, a car ride, or any assistance, please phone Pam: **Ph: 021 394 966**, or Verna: **Ph: 0210 774 325**.

NAME BADGES: Please remember to wear your name badge to all Club meetings, all trips, and events. We suggest you write the name and phone number of your "next of kin" (NOK) on the back of the name badge – just in case of an unexpected event etc.

IMPORTANT: PARKING:

The Yacht Club advises that if the carpark is full, members who still drive, **but who have difficulty walking**, may park their car on the grass next to the drop-off area, or nose-to-tail in front of the Club's garage.

