

Caring for Our Community

Rotary Waikanae -A Bunch of Quiet helpers

Keeping the wheels of our community turning

College scholarships, reading helpers and donations to Plunket: Help for guide dogs, youth leadership programs and book prizes – take a breath now – scholarships, flood relief and hospice help – the list of things that Rotary does for our local community is exhausting. And they want to do more – if you need assistance, contact Rotary Waikanae.



We've seen this emblem on every small town noticeboard since 1921, but how many of us really know what Rotary gives to our communities?

Rotary also turned their magic for blind cyclist Jayne Parsons (left) by donating funds to send her to the International Paralympics Championship in Switzerland. Jayne won fourth place with tandem rider 'pilot' Michelle Laurenson (right).

One of Rotary's recent special projects was to buy six year old Jessica Smith a new motorised bike. Jessica has a rare form of dwarfism and her parents wanted an "age specific" bike to help Jessica fit in and get around. Jessica's think's its "pretty cool" and her parents, Jodie and Dion, says it's an "absolutely amazing" gift from Rotary.

Rotary Waikanae would love new members. As your induction, they'll shout you a meal at their evening club and you may even get fined – a novel way of raising money. If you prang your car, buy a new house or win a quiz session, you'll be expected to pay a dollar! Contact Steve Bodica if you're interested – phone 04 905 2090. Also contact Steve also if you'd like to apply to Rotary for help.

What to do if your power goes off

What causes the power to go off?

Your power supply can be interrupted for a number of reasons including weather conditions and electrical faults. These electrical faults may be within your own property, on Electra's network, or on Transpower's network.

No Power?

If the power goes off suddenly follow these simple steps:

1. Check your mains switch is turned on at the switchboard.
 2. Check all your fuses.
- If both appear to be working there might be something wrong with your electricity supply, so please phone Electra on 0800 567 876.

What if a fuse has blown?

1. Check your fuse box to see which fuse has the lever turned off, which button has popped out, or which one is blown.
2. Turn off all the power points or lights on that circuit before attempting to repair the fuse.
3. Repair the fuse with appropriately sized fuse wire, turn the lever back to "on", or push the button in again.

What if neighbours or the local area obviously have no power?

It is easier to check this at night, but if the no power is wide spread, then there is a power cut in your area.

General power cuts are usually picked up quickly so it is likely that a fault crew will be on the job soon. However, please call Electra if you think that the fault is unlikely to be picked up quickly.

If you live in a rural area it is a good idea to always call Electra to make sure the fault has been reported. It is also a good idea to turn off all your appliances. Heaters and stoves can be a fire hazard and some appliance such as TV's and computers may possibly be damaged when the power comes back on.



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