

Goal Setter Awards 2022

Thursday 11th August

Guest speaker Paula Tesoriero MNZM - New Zealand's Disability Rights Commissioner

On Thursday 11th August the Rotary Club of Port Nicholson is hosting Paula Tesoriero, New Zealand's Disability Rights Commissioner at a breakfast meeting in the Banquet Hall at Parliament beginning at 7.00am.

Paula is a Paralympian cycling gold medallist, was Chef de Mission of the NZ team at the Tokyo Paralympics 2020, is a life trustee of the Halberg Foundation and in 2022 her focus will be on working to change attitudes to disability.



In addition, the Club will present three or more students with Goal Setter Awards. These are monetary awards presented to outstanding students who have shown they can set and achieve goals, have faced significant challenges in their lives and have given service to their community. Eligible students are those who are in at least their second year of study at a tertiary institution in the Wellington region and are working towards the completion of an undergraduate or post-graduate degree, a National Certificate, or structured workplace learning for completing a New Zealand Apprenticeship.

It is an excellent occasion for our members and the business community to enjoy a dynamic speaker and acknowledge some of our future leaders. As this event sold out in the past few years, I encourage you to purchase a table or individual seat(s) as soon as possible. A seat is \$60 and tables of ten cost \$600 (including GST). Please email your request to Richard.Brodie@Xtra.co.nz and an invoice will be issued. For further information please contact Richard on 027 4392424 or by email.

Check out this recent contact received from Rodney Cuthbertson – Goal Setter Award Winner in 2006:

Obviously, I don't dance as a profession any more, but I have used the discipline and training to deliver results in other disciplines. In 2015 I completed an apprenticeship in Aeroskills Avionics, going on to become a Licensed Aircraft Engineer in 2018. This profession involves maintaining the electrical systems on helicopters and aircraft including power, autopilot, navigation and radio systems. The first career highlight would be working on the medical fit out on the Victorian Ambulance AW139 helicopters. These helicopters had to be specially modified to support the medical equipment they were to carry. <https://www.ambulance.vic.gov.au/about-us/our-services/air-ambulance/> The second highlight is making a significant contribution to the building and on ongoing maintenance of AMSA's fleet of Challenger 604 rescue aircraft. These aircraft respond to distress calls from all over Australia's maritime and land territories and are equipped with advanced radar and long-range cameras. <https://www.amsa.gov.au/safety/navigation/search-and-rescue/challenger-aircraft> Currently I work for Amazon Web Services who are the biggest supplier of cloud compute services globally. We are working towards launching a new region in Melbourne. <https://aws.amazon.com/blogs/aws/in-the-works-aws-region-in-melbourne-australia/> It's thanks to the significant contribution of the Rotary Club of Port Nicholson via the Goal Setter Award that I have been able to access these opportunities. Look forward to seeing the results the next award recipients.