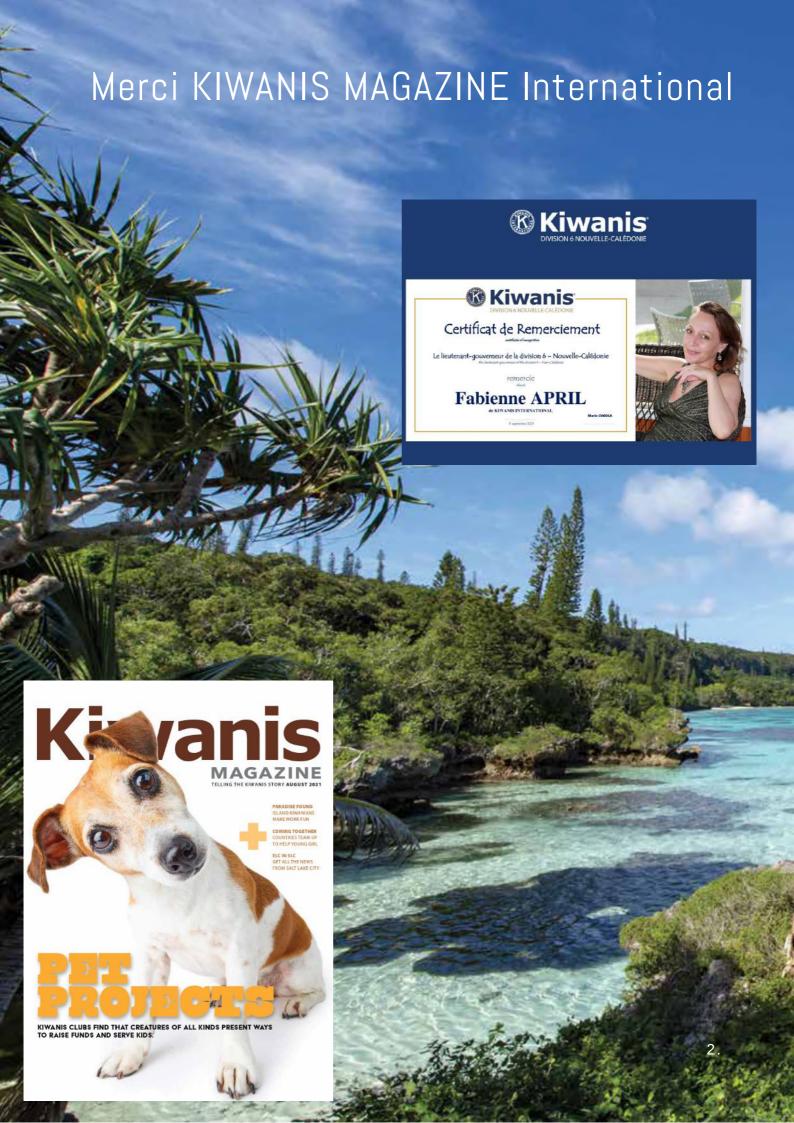


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# Kuvanis in paradise

CLUBS FROM ACROSS THIS ISLAND NATION HAVE MADE SERVICE FUN—AND A FAMILY AFFAIR. By Fabienne April

magine an island where COVID-19 virus infections are largely nonexistent. Palm trees sway in the soft, warm winds as joyful Kiwanians from clubs around the island enjoy a picnic on the beach, sharing dishes from the island's many cultures.

Can you guess where we might be? Need more hints?

It would take approximately seven

hours to drive from the island's northern tip to its southern end, and about 1.5 hours to drive from the west side to the east side of the "Island of Eternal Spring."

This territory of France in the southwest Pacific Ocean encompasses a large island, which the locals call *le caillou* (the pebble), as well as smaller islands.



#### KIWANIS AROUND THE WORLD



Now you've got it: We're in New Caledonia. The island has a striking diversity of people: the original inhabitants, the Kanak; people of European descent; Polynesians; Southeast Asians; as well as some people originally from North Africa.

Kiwanians there reflect that diversity, from their ethnicities to the range of their ages, professional backgrounds and more. Another striking thing is

what so many have in common: New Caledonia has one of the world's highest percentages of Kiwanians among its general population.

"At Kiwanis, we meet people from all walks of life who come together around the same cause, with the same values," says Sandrine Baille, a member of the Kiwanis Club of Tiare Païta. "We build lasting friendships. We have the impression of being part of a great family. It's motivating, rewarding, socially fulfilling."

Each club has chosen a distinct color so that its members are recognized, and those members proudly wear Kiwanis-branded shirts in that color, Members of the Tiare Païta Kiwanis Club who represent the Pacific region and migrations to New Caledonia: (Left to right) Marie was born in New Caledonia in a family originating from the Wallis and Futuna Islands; Jacqueline is a Kanak; Titikua is from French Polynesia.

no matter where they go. They also have a dark-red division outfit. For the last Asia-Pacific conference, they even wore a traditional Kanak outfit, also Kiwanis-branded.

"We're small, but people see us all the time," says Julien LeRay, past president of the Tiare Païta Kiwanis Club.

Annually, the division's clubs invest about XPF15 million in multiple service projects.

You name it, they've done it: foot races, boat races, fairs, special events at Christmas or Easter, events at retirement homes, food collections, donations of furniture, clothing and linens for people affected by



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hurricanes, a magic show at the hospital ... and on and on.

There are so many events and activities throughout the year that the division makes a joint Kiwanis event calendar available to help the general population keep track. In fact, the local press and various town halls regularly cover the clubs' activities, which help New Caledonians get together to delight children and adults - and foster a culture of exchange.

#### A KALEIDOSCOPE OF PROJECTS

As you can imagine, the volume and diversity of Kiwanis members result in a great variety of service projects and events.

For instance, La Régate des Touques (The Drum





Regatta) is a festive event for which Kiwanians from different clubs build a raft representing Kiwanis out of metal container drums, to which they fix a sail. A race is launched off the large beach in Nouméa, the capital. It's a fun event because the precarious rafts often fail, to the delight of thousands of spectators. During the last regatta, Kiwanis was in the lead, but then its sail broke and other rafts caught up. The event narrator shouted on microphone "Go, Kiwanis, go!" for a very long time, putting the Kiwanians at the center of attention despite their unlucky circumstances.

The Ralia Kiwanis Club is well-known for its themed evening events where people dance and partake in local delicacies prepared by Kiwanians. The club also holds a yearly country ball, for which participants don cowboy boots and hats and line dance; an 80s-themed evening, where all guests dress in 1980s-style clothing and dance to retro tunes; and a Full Moon Party, complete with outdoor lighting and hot main dishes, desserts and drinks sold by club members during a concert.





Popular dishes served during these parties include nems (Vietnamese-style rice paper fried rolls), bami (Indonesian-inspired fried noodles with vegetables and meat), bougna (a Kanak specialty containing vegetables, such as yams and taro, and meats or seafood, wrapped in banana leaves and buried to cook in a ground oven) and many classic French dishes, such as quiches. One ingredient New Caledonians couldn't go without? Soy sauce!

Members organize several outdoor sports events that help New Caledonians discover the island and its nature. Indeed, New Caledonia has the richest bird and plant diversity in the world per square kilometer. The Érythrines Trek is organized by the Érythrines Kiwanis club as a fundraiser at the Déva nature preserve. The trail faces the lagoon and the second-largest coral reef in the world.

"There are many things that I find touching at the Érythrines club," says Éric Buama, a member of the Kiwanis Club of Érythrines. "First of all, interacting with longtime Kiwanians. Presenting awards. Every project with children is always heartwarming when you see how amazed they are. I really like the sports and nature trek we organize. It's a lot of work for a good cause."

For the past 20 years, the Trail de l'Espoir (Trail of Hope) is a successful fundraiser organized by the Kenu Kiwanis Club and the Goro tribe in southern New Caledonia and run on the red dirt that is so typical of soils rich in nickel and iron.

During the yearly Teddy Bear Fair, each club





proposes free activities for children: inflatable bounce houses, face painting, small carousels, a knock-down-cans game and more. Kiwanians host a restaurant booth where thousands of attendees can purchase kebabs, cake, popcorn, sandwiches, French fries and grilled sausages. The mayor of Dumbéa generously allows Kiwanians to hold the event in the town-hall park free of rental charge.

Because airport traffic has nearly ground to a halt, Kiwanians started putting together solidarity baskets to distribute to airport employees who find themselves out of work. Baskets typically contain items collected from the general population, such as fruit, vegetables, cans of food, flour, sugar, rice, pasta, toothpaste or soap.

At the 2020 Nouméa carnival, a popular multicultural event, Kiwanians built an ocean-blue float named Kiwanis Ocean, bearing a sail. Members danced to the rhythm of music while parading down the streets lined with more than 25,000 onlookers who gathered to see 17 total floats.

And even when Kiwanians take on the mundane task of gathering entrance fees to a city fair, they spice up the task by entertaining fair attendees with singing and synchronized dancing to the song "Jerusalema."

Conviviality and friendship are key in New Caledonia. Kiwanians there aren't just club members. They're a community of friends who participate together in the island's kaleidoscope of projects and fundraisers. And in doing so, they become a united family in paradise. K

Wondering about New Caledonia cuisine? Try the shrimp curry recipe on page 50.



## Kiwanis in New Caledonia

- 12 Kiwanis clubs, approximately 200 members
- 2 Key Clubs
- 1 Builders Club
- 1 CKI club
- 1 Aktion Club



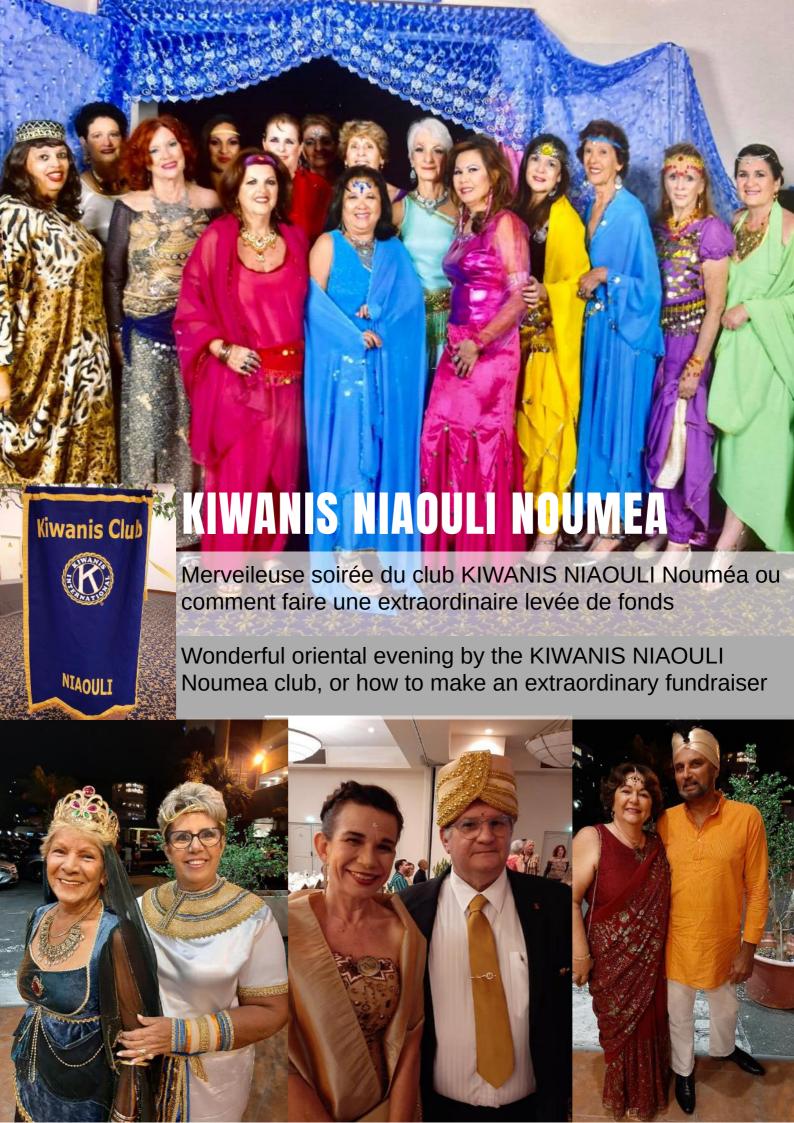
Kiwanis was proud to present two sewing machines to VPride Foundation. VPride Foundation is a Vanuatu community-based Non-Government Organisation founded in 2007 to help educate, advocate and mobilise around diverse sexual orientation, gender identity, expression and sex characteristics (SOGIESC).

The sewing machines will help the organisation's members in putting together their creations for the organisation's annual Runway Fashion Show on Saturday, 02 October. The Runway Fashion Show aims to promote local talents, to showcase creative cultural designs and celebrate the authenticity and uniqueness of Vanuatu's Fashion and Artistry Ambassadors. After the Show, VPride will use the sewing machines to assist other organisations with preparations for performances or for fund raising activities

Kiwanis était fier de présenter deux machines à coudre à la Fondation VPride. La Fondation VPride est une organisation non gouvernementale communautaire de Vanuatu fondée en 2007 pour aider à éduquer, défendre et mobiliser autour de diverses orientations sexuelles, identité de genre, expression et caractéristiques sexuelles (OSIEGSB).

Les machines à coudre aideront les membres de l'organisation à assembler leurs créations pour le défilé de mode annuel de l'organisation le samedi 02 octobre. Le défilé de mode vise à promouvoir les talents locaux, à présenter des conceptions culturelles créatives et à célébrer l'authenticité et le caractère unique des ambassadeurs de la mode et de l'art du Vanuatu. Après le spectacle, VPride utilisera les machines à coudre pour aider d'autres organisations à préparer des spectacles ou des activités de collecte de fonds







Le Kiwanis club Teva Tahiti a distribué 71 sacs d'école à la mairie de Taravao pour des élèves qui passent en 6ème.

The Kiwanis club Teva Tahiti donate 71 school bags to students who are going to middle class (first year of secondary school) at the start of school year



### **KIWANIS WESTSIDE HAMILTON**

Le Kiwanis club of Westside
Hamilton, New Zealand soutient
l'association « Habillez nos
enfants » qui fournit des
vêtements d'occasion pour les
enfants dans le besoin dans la
région de Waikato. En plus des
vêtements, ils collectent des
chaussures, des jouets et tout ce
dont un enfant pourrait avoir
besoin.

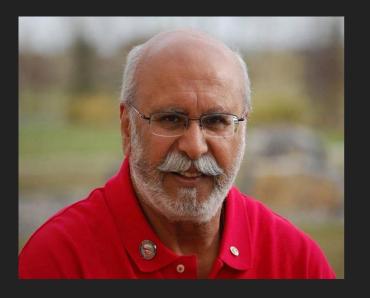
En ce moment, ils manquent de bons vêtements, donc si vous ou l'un de vos amis nettoyez les vêtements des enfants, ils vous en seraient très reconnaissants.

The Kiwanis club of Westside
Hamilton supports the association «
Clothe our Kids » who provide
second hand clothing for children in
need in the Waikato Region. As well
as clothes, they collect shoes, toys
and anything else a child might
need.

At the moment they have a shortage of good clothing so if you or any of your friends are having a clean out of children's clothes, they would be very grateful for them.







# SAM SEKHON

## How to tell a Winner from a loser.

A winner says "Lets find out"; A loser says "No body knows"; When a winner makes a mistake, he says "I was wrong"; When a loser makes a mistake, he says

When a loser makes a mistake, he says "It wasn't my fault";

A winner goes through a problem;

A loser goes around it and never past it;

A winner makes commitments;

A lose makes promises;

A winner says "I'm Good but not as Good as I ought to be";

A loser says "I'm not as bad as a lot of other people";

A winner tries to learn from those who are superior to him/her;

A loser tries to tear down those who are superior to him;

A winner says "There ought to be a better way to do it";

A loser says "that's the way it's always been done here";

"A WINNER IS A DREAMER WHO NEVER GIVES UP"

Bonjour, Kia Ora, Hello,

Sam SEKHON est KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL TRUSTEE; il est le conseiller cette année 2020/2021 de notre district et de notre gouverneure Michelle CORDIOLI; originaire de Poona, Maharashtra, Inde, membre du club Kiwanis de Gimbli, il vit au Canada à Sandy Hook, Manitoba. Il nous propose ces quelques mots d'esprit.

Sam SEKHON is KIWANIS INTERNATIONAL TRUSTEE; he is the councilor this year 2020/2021 of our district and of our governor Michelle CORDIOLI; originally from Poona, Maharashtra, India, member of the Kiwanis club of Gimbli, he is living in Canada in Sandy Hook, Manitoba. He offers us these few witty words

## Comment distinguer un gagnant d'un perdant.

Un gagnant dit « Allons le découvrir » ; Un perdant dit « Personne ne sait » ; Lorsqu'un gagnant fait une erreur, il dit « j'avais tort » ;

Quand un perdant commet une erreur, il dit « Ce n'était pas de ma faute » ;

Un gagnant traverse un problème ;

Un perdant le contourne et ne le dépasse jamais ;

Un gagnant prend des engagements ;

Un perdant fait des promesses ;

Un gagnant dit « Je suis bon mais pas aussi bon que je devrais l'être » ;

Un perdant dit "Je ne suis pas aussi mauvais que beaucoup d'autres personnes"

Un gagnant essaie d'apprendre de ceux qui lui sont supérieurs ;

Un perdant essaie de démolir ceux qui lui sont supérieurs ;

Un gagnant dit « Il devrait y avoir une meilleure façon de le faire » ;

Un perdant dit « c'est comme ça que ça a toujours été fait ici » ;

« UN GAGNANT EST UN RÊVEUR QUI N'ABANDONNE JAMAIS »



Kan Tabs for Kidney Kids

Do you or your friends use cans of soft drinks? If so why not get collecting the tabs and help Kidney Kids Support Group NZ. The can tab is a symbol of hope for these children. The money raised goes to help children who are on renal Dialysis or suffering from some sort of Kidney Failure. There are around 3,600 tabs in a Kilogram representing about an hour of care for a child and their family per kilogram.



The Greens collection- it has taken awhile to collect this many.

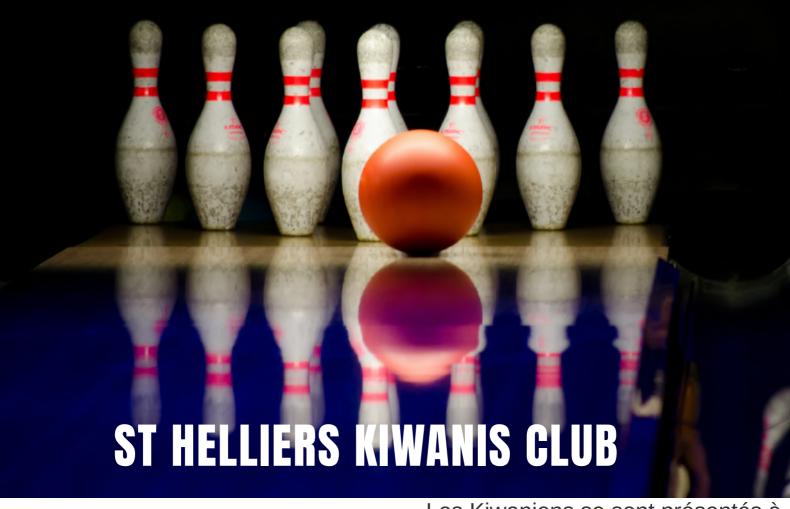
Est-ce que vous ou vos amis utilisez des canettes de boissons gazeuses?

Si oui, pourquoi ne pas récupérer les onglets et aider « Kidney Kids Support Group NZ ». L'onglet canette est un symbole d'espoir pour ces enfants.

L'argent récolté sert à aider les enfants qui sont en dialyse finale ou souffrant de certaines faiblesses aux reins. Il y a environ 3 600 onglets dans un kilogramme représentant environ une heure de garde pour un enfant et sa famille par k i l o g r a m

Photo de la collection Green, il a fallu du temps pour en rassembler autant.





Kiwanians turned up for our 10 Pin bowling outing in Khyber Pass Road on the last Wednesday in July. This has become a regular yearly diversion, enjoyed as much for the pre-match dinner at Doolans pub across the road as for the actual bowling. This time St Heliers bowlers and friends were joined by representatives of the Mt Roskill club.

Les Kiwaniens se sont présentés à notre sortie de bowling 10 quilles à Khyber Pass Road le dernier mercredi de juillet. C'est devenu une diversion annuelle régulière, appréciée autant pour le dîner d'avant-match au pub Doolans de l'autre côté de la route que pour le bowling lui-même. Cette fois, les quilleurs et amis de St Heliers ont été rejoints par les représentants du club du Mt Roskill.



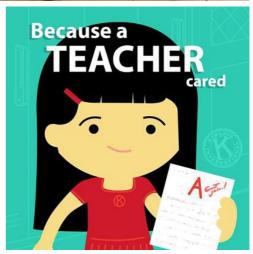


# Division 6 at Kiwanis school

# La division 6 à l'école de Kiwanis

Chaque année a lieu la formation des kiwaniens et des nouvelles équipes dirigeantes des clubs. Un bon moment de travail et de convivialité.

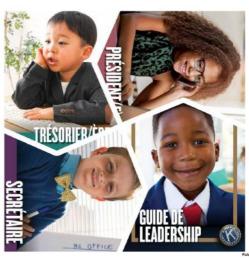
Each year the training of Kiwanians and new club management teams takes place. Agood time of work and conviviality.















## DIVISION 7 AUX ILES AUSTRALES

With our governor Michelle Cordioli







Notre gouverneure et l'équipe "expansion" de la Polynésie française a rendu visite à ces deux îles, a noué de fructueux contacts et rencontré des personnes fort intéressées par Kiwanis dans la perspective de créer de nouveaux clubs dans leurs communautés.

Our governor and the French Polynesia "growth and membership" team visited these two islands, made fruitful contacts and met people very interested in Kiwanis with the prospect of creating new clubs in their communities.









Le club Kiwanis Tiare Paita est allé à la rencontre des enfants en situation de handicap dans leur école, avec poules, lapins, cochons, canards pour un grand moment de bonheur et d'émotions.

The Kiwanis Tiare Paita club went to meet children with disabilities in their school, with chickens, rabbits, pigs, ducks for a great moment of happiness and emotions.



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