

# Rotary North ERG Racing to raise funds for ear, nose and throat surgery in Samoa

The Whanganui North Rotary Stakes to raise funds for Ear, Nose and Throat surgery in Samoa takes place on Friday, November 25 at Collegiate's Great Hall. There will be a series of ERG or rowing machine challenges with the races being shown on a big screen.

The goal is to raise funds for Rose's Charities New Zealand's project - 'Project Toolkit' - the dream of Samoan ENT surgeon Dr P.J. Faumui, who lives in Whanganui. There is no permanent ENT surgeon in Samoa and every time PJ visits family in Samoa, he conducts an ENT clinic at Apia Hospital. He sees about 40 to 50 patients a day but without medical instruments, is able to give them only very simple treatment.

Project Toolkit provides top quality ENT instruments and the custom-designed trays, which will make it possible to transport them between New Zealand and Samoa for visiting volunteer surgeons to conduct ENT clinics there. There are an estimated 25,000 Samoan children who need this treatment.

The highlight of the races could be the 'Mayoral 250 metre challenge' featuring the Mayor Hamish McDouall, Collegiate Headmaster Chris Moller and Philippa Baker-Hogan. Other races include:

- Police versus Fire
- Service versus Wardens
- Parents versus teachers
- Corporates
- Rotary Club teams
- 100 metres Rowing Challenge
- Separate teen races for boys and girls, and
- The feature race - Wanganui Rotary Stakes

The audience will have the chance to do some fun betting on the results. It will be all very simple. A \$2 bet, if you win,

gan Osteo Plus, 273 St Hill Street. Tickets cost \$25 which covers finger

food. There will be alcohol available to purchase. The audience will be able

to predict the winner while following the race on the big screen.



Philippa Baker-Hogan, Hamish McDouall and Chris Moller getting in some practice on the ERGs



## Zest for a Mission

The City Mission second hand shop 'Zest for a Mission' opened in October last year and soon proved to be very successful. The staff, led by Manager Michelle Wilson, has made it into a warm, friendly, welcoming store.

The store has a huge range covering clothing, books, toys, jewellery, furniture, white ware (fridges and freezers), sporting goods, exercise machines, art and crafts and linen (bedding, towels, table cloths, curtains). With this range it is possible to up cycle your household possessions or start a new flat.

## Salvation Army

The Salvation Army Family Store on Victoria Ave opposite Countdown has a wide range of good quality merchandise for sale with weekly and monthly specials. They also have a Loyalty Card. Right now they are ask-

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