

## **MEADOWS MATTERS**

## Weekly bulletin of Greenmeadows Rotary Club



No. 2021-40			30 April 2021	
OFFICE HOLDERS 2020-21		MEETINGS	UPCOMING EVENTS	
President Secretary Treasurer Directors:	Frank Heuser Ken Hunt Graeme Ryan	Weekly: Taradale Town Hall Wednesday 6.00pm Fellowship 5.30pm Firesides:	EIT Awards – 19 May District 9930 Conference – 21-23 May Plate Debate – 9 June Artex – 18-20 June	
Club Service Art-x Community International Vocational Youth	Jenny Robertson Brian Mathews Mark Dickerson Helen Tattersall Gill Scarlet Penny Park	First Wednesday of month  Directors: Second Wednesday of Month  Apologies to: GR.apologies@gmail.com (before 8.00am on Wednesday)	Leave of Absences: Ian McKelvie – Ongoing Mort Nikolaison - Ongoing	

## Meeting held 28 April 2021

President Frank welcomed guests Anne Jamieson (guest speaker) and Kathleen Skudder, niece of Bob Brady

**Welfare** – Stuart reported Mort had his last session of treatment in Auckland last week, Colin is still in hospital and Jill Hanlen is back in hospital.

**Rooms setup roster** – Alan White offered to fill in for Brian Hall next week.

**Father Frank** – Brian Peploe reported that he had been speaking with Frank who advised he has joined Upper Hutt Rotary Club.

**EIT Awards night (19 May)** – Gill advised numbers are being finalised this week. Those attending the awards night please take home your name badges the week prior (12 May).

## **DUTY ROSTER (\* denotes change from previous roster)**

Date	May 5th	May 12th	May 19th	May 26th
Programme:	Firesides	Brendan Walker	EIT Awards	Dulau Kaatiaa
Guest Speaker		Waste		Ruby Kaotira
		Management		Science School
Opening thought	Community Committee	Trevor Powell	NA	Bryan Mathews
Top Table (introduce Speaker)		Graeme Muir		Bob Morrison
Vote of Thanks		Geoff Bennett		Bruce Martin
Cashier		Bob Brady		Mark Dickerson
Club Host & Closing Thought		Garth Eyles		Gail Kelly
Three Minute Speaker		Peter Thompson		Noel Mann
Sergeant		Dennis Thetford		Ian Holyoake
Stewards	Edwin Brown	Denise Brown		Brian Anstis
	Wal Drayton	Curly Carpenter		Geoff Bennett
	Ian Holyoake	Kevin McCormack	NA	Stuart Cheyne
	Noel Mann	Les Mockford		Hayley Gibson
	Chris McKenna	Alan White		Brian Hall

**Dolbel Reserve** – Garth reminded members team required to continue digging holes on Monday ready for planting 200 plants on Friday 14<sup>th</sup>. He also reminded members to get their flu jab now ahead of Covid jabs.

PHF Presentation - President Frank had much pleasure in presenting Ian Holyoake a ruby Paul Harris pin. This is in recognition of Ian's status as a Centurion Rotarian i.e. someone who donates at least \$100 annually to the Rotary



Foundation. Frank thanked lan for both his donation to the Foundation and also to the ongoing contribution that Ian continues to make to the Club.

**Guest Speaker** - In introducing the guest speaker Anne Jamieson, Ian Holyoake said that he had a personal association with the Life Education Trust, the Founder Trevor Grice having approached him in Christchurch around 35 years ago seeking help to "found" the trust. His own involvement had continued over the many years since and in Canterbury, Otago, Wellington and finally Hawkes Bay. (He was made a "Life Member" of the Trust.)

Anne explained she was born and grew up in Hawkes Bay where her father Duncan was Pastor at St Columbas church. He was also a Rotarian and Anne remembered spending a lot of time in this room when Taradale Rotarians brought their children to meetings a couple of time a year. Anne trained as a teacher then taught from 1981 to 1993 coming back to the bay and becoming a Life Education Trust educator.

LET started 34 years ago in Auckland and there are now 35 regional trusts throughout NZ with 45 mobile learning centres employing 48 specialist educators. They also have 330 volunteer Trustees giving 28,000 volunteer hours each year. In 2020 nationally they had 252,000 children from 1462 primary schools through their programme. They are NZ's largest health education provider in schools.



Their vision is "To enhance the quality of children's lives" and purpose "To educate and empower children to make healthy decision so they can live life to the fullest".

Their programme is not a compulsory part of the school curriculum and they have to be invited into the schools. Schools book them 12 months in advance and their educators liaise with teachers to meet the schools individual needs. Students attend 2-3 sessions which are run by class and teachers sit in and are asked for feedback at the end. Teachers can integrate resources from LET into their classroom teaching and also access their online portal throughout the year.

Anne commented that children's lives are much more complicate nowadays so the LET programmes are more important now than ever.

Anne acknowledged Greenmeadows Rotary's generous donation 6 years ago to upgrade the trust mobile caravan including the large screen which is a key to taking advantage of ongoing software developments.