



MEADOWS MATTERS

Weekly bulletin of Greenmeadows Rotary Club



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OFFICE HOLDERS 2021-22 President Jenny Robertson Secretary Ken Hunt Treasurer Graeme Ryan Directors: Club Admin Helen Tattersall Membership and Public Image Kelvin Winnie Service Denise Brown Youth Gail Kelly Foundation Graeme Muir Artex Bryan Matthews	MEETINGS Weekly: Taradale Town Hall Wednesday 6.00pm Fellowship 5.30pm Firesides: First Wednesday of month Directors: Second Wednesday of Month Apologies to: GR.apologies@gmail.com (before 8.00am on Wednesday)	UPCOMING EVENTS Leave of Absences: Geoff Bennett – 2 June to 15 October Colin Clark – Ongoing Gail Kelly 23 June to 14 July Ian McKelvie – Ongoing Mort Nikolaison - Ongoing

Meeting 7 July 2021

President Jenny opened the meeting and noted Natalya Latysuba as a “passing visitor” perhaps interested in membership, and guest speakers and Rotaractors, Annalise Paton & Jessie Hawkes-Pearce. She also acknowledged the Greenmeadows members who attended the recent District Changeover (Spackman to Pinkham) and their presentation of District Awards, their reference to our club projects and Graeme Muir’s award. She then handed the running of the meeting over to VP & Administration Director Helen.



DUTY ROSTER (* denotes change from previous roster)

Date	July 14 th	July 21 st	July 28 th	August 4 th
Programme: Guest Speaker	Rev Barbara Walker Chaplain, HBDHB	Hamish White CEO NOW	Maxine Boag (NCC Councillor) TTM Project	ARTEX COMMITTEE Firesides
Opening thought	Christine McKenna	Haley Gibson	Brian Hall)
Top Table (introduce Speaker)	Brian Peplow	Bruce Martin	Denise Brown) Artex Committee
Vote of Thanks	Stuart Cheyne	Geoff Bibby	Mark Dickerson)
Cashier	Peter Thompson	Judy McKelvie	Kelvin Winnie) Judy McKelvie
Club Host & Closing Thought	Robert Pearson	Curly Carpenter	Kevin McCormack)
Three Minute Speaker	Kevin McCormack *	John Mackintosh	Steve Gillum *) Artex Committee
Sergeant	Frank Heuser	Edwin Brown	Barry Keating)
Stewards	Trevor Powell Gill Scarlett Wim Snijders Fred Staples	Wal Drayton Noel Mann Les Mockford Neil Smith	Steve Gillum Helen Tattersall Ian Holyoake Denise Primrose	Chris McKenna Bob Morrison Robert Pearson

NB IF you are unable to perform your duty YOU must arrange a substitute and notify President Jenny of the change

Welfare: “Heather” Cheyne reported through Stuart, that Mort had gone to Auckland for some major attention; that Colin Clark was going fine (Bruce Martin also reported seeing him in good shape & Brian Peplow said that Colin would be interested to being taken for a ride) and finally that Don McKenzie had been diagnosed as being diabetic and possibly needing surgery.

Members’ Notices: *Stuart Cheyne* spoke on the Annual Rotary District Conferences and said while those happening in Hawkes Bay were a long way apart, we have consecutive ones with that in Hastings this year and then Napier next. Noting a lessening attendance in recent times his committee canvassed some ideas and wondered if “finance” was an issue. Stuart accepted that there were considerable costs getting a venue, speakers, catering but pointed out that with a “local” event – there was no accommodation cost (*NB perhaps half the overall cost*) and wondered if members would like to save say \$10 per week with our club between now and the event, to go towards their cost, and get a refund if they have to decide against attending when the time comes. Think about it.

Bob Morrison reminded members that their partners are always welcome to attend regular club meetings, particularly if the speaker interested them (e.g. next week the Hospital Chaplain) but to contact Carol if they wished to partake in the meal.

President Jenny returned to the rostrum to add that partners were especially welcome for the “4th Wednesday meetings” (see last weeks bulletin for details). She also reminded members of the “Mission Points” for the evening Fireside Meetings (e.g. *Three Minute* addresses & *Schrapnel Box*). The business session finished with the announcement of the Committee Meeting venues.

Sergeant Helen as well as being Chair, took up the dealing with miscreants with a vengeance. She cited the many and varied difficulties that she and David had encountered with a recent “house shift.” It seems that all of these were due to the lack of ATD by club members or others of similar occupations. She did however wish that she had been able to engage the “ArtEx Packers” as a more viable and economical alternative to the commercial ones she had employed! Now she needs a “techie” to make get her online again. (*NB Ed has got one if needed*)



Speakers from
The new
Napier Rotaract
Club



Two members of the recently formed Napier Rotaract Club, Annalise Paton & Jessie Hawkes-Pearce gave us a rundown on how their club was formed and said that they had already raised \$1000 in a project the previous weekend. Both members were students at EIT (where Pres. Jenny had “found” them) and many of the other Rotaractors are also EIT students. They currently have 17 – 22 members and five of them attended our recent District Conference. The speaker’s previous Rotary connection included IYE & RYLA. The next project they have coming up is a luncheon, for which notice is coming. Incidentally membership of Rotaract is for persons aged 18 – 30 (ish!!) – and they could be Rotarians of the future.

The **Vote of Thanks** was given by *Gill Scarlet* who imparted some advice from her own personal experience in this arena, and also gave the speakers a copy of our Rotary Centennial History.

Parting Thought – *Carol Charman* “Giving is living. What is important is how much of yourself you put into the giving. That is what makes the living sublime.”