



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 Rotary 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 Guess who's coming to dinner: 28 Aug ARTEX Sponsors Night – 1 Sep Leave of Absences: Geoff Bennett – to 13 Oct Colin Clark – Ongoing Frank Heuser – to 20 Oct Ian McKelvie – Ongoing Mort Nikolaison – Ongoing Penny Park – to 25 August

Meeting 11 August 2021

President Jenny opened the meeting and welcomed guest speakers Pip Taylor and Pauline Farquhar and prospective members Natalya, Jinnie and Hamish and (in absentia) new member by transfer; Lyn Gibson

DUTY ROSTER (* denotes change from previous roster)

Date	August 18 th	August 25 th	September 1 st	September 8 th
Programme: Guest Speaker	Michelle Tanner Matamata Rotary	Aniwairua Komarkowski- Chapman Te Reo Māori in Today's World	ARTEX Sponsors Scholars' Restaurant, EIT	Ross Pinkham District Governor
Opening thought	Fred Staples*	Garth Eyles	-	Bob Morrison
Top Table (introduce Speaker)	Les Mockford	Kelvin Winnie	-	Christine McKenna
Vote of Thanks	Denise Primrose	Denise Brown	-	Peter Thompson
Cashier	Gail Kelly	Helen Tattersall	Judy McKelvie	John Nelson
Club Host & Closing Thought	Kevin McCormack*	Edwin Brown	Denise Primrose	Doug Neilson
Three Minute Speaker	Gill Scarlett*	Curly Carpenter	-	-
Sergeant	Wal Drayton*	Mark Dickerson*	-	Bob Brady
Stewards	Geoff Bibby Bruce Martin Graeme Muir Brian Peploe	Brian Hall Barry Keating Natalya Latyshuva* Trevor Powell	- - - -	Stuart Cheyne Wal Drayton Steve Gillum John MacIntosh

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

Welfare –Mort Nikolaison is back to Auckland for test results. Colin Clark is improved and can receive visitors again and Jill Hanlen was well enough to go shopping during the past week.

Notices from members – Stuart Cheyne reminded members about the Guess who's coming to dinner evening on 28 August

Garth Eyles is keen for more volunteers to help at Monday's working bee at Dolbel Reserve. This time the task is to spread fertiliser (and then retire for morning tea). Email Garth if you can help.

President Jenny thanked the committees for their feedback on the Firesides discussion items. She also announced securing a bronze sponsor for the entertainment at Te Kuaka. Jenny has information packs available for those who are chasing sponsors.

Denise Brown expressed her appreciation to those who had volunteered to help on Daffodil Day and advised the next collection will be mid-September for Multiple Sclerosis.

Cancer Society presentation



Pip Taylor and Pauline Farquhar

Guest speakers Pip Taylor and Pauline Farquhar gave an update on the work of the Cancer Society with a particular focus on Hawkes Bay.

Cancer is now the leading cause of death in New Zealand, affecting one in three New Zealanders either directly or because one of the 71 people each day who are told “You have cancer” is a family member or friend.

The Cancer Society provides essential practical and emotional support to those affected by cancer, and their whānau. It advocates for the community, providing a voice on issues such as cancer prevention, screening, early detection and treatment. In Hawkes Bay its small team of 11 part-time staff and lots of volunteers, supports people from Mahia and Wairoa in the north to Porangahau in the south. Services include supportive care, information, local support groups, driving services, counselling, massage therapy, yoga and a shuttle service to Palmerston North.

The Hawkes Bay currently has over 1,000 cancer diagnoses with 400 deaths attributed to cancer each year and, for the country as a whole, the number of cancer deaths in one year is greater than the deaths due to motor vehicle accidents in 20 years!

Smoking is still the biggest cause of cancer and preventable death in New Zealand and is estimated to kill about 13 New Zealanders every day. Melanoma prevention is also a specific focus for the society with its Sunsmart Ultra Violet Radiation Awareness work and Sunsmart programme in schools helping to reduce the incidence and impact of avoidable skin cancer caused by UVR.

The Cancer Society is the second biggest funder of cancer research after the government. It receives very little government funding with most funds coming through donations, community fundraising, sponsorship, bequests and grants. Daffodil Day and Relay for Life are its two major annual fundraising events.



President Jenny, with assistance from Rotarian and cyclist extraordinaire Alan White, present the proceeds from Alan's Cape Reinga to Bluff fundraising ride earlier this year.