



# MEADOWS MATTERS

Weekly bulletin of Greenmeadows Rotary Club



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<b>OFFICE HOLDERS 2021-22</b> 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	<b>MEETINGS</b> <b>Weekly:</b> Taradale Town Hall Wednesday 6.00pm Fellowship 5.30pm <b>Firesides:</b> First Wednesday of month <b>Directors:</b> Second Wednesday of Month <b>Apologies to:</b> <a href="mailto:GR.apologies@gmail.com">GR.apologies@gmail.com</a> (before 8.00am on Wednesday)	<b>UPCOMING EVENTS</b> Taradale Combined Meeting at the Omaranui Bowling Club – 30 Sept  <b>Leave of Absences:</b> Geoff Bennett –to 13 Oct Colin Clark – Ongoing Frank Heuser – to 20 Oct John Mackintosh – to 8 Sep Ian McKelvie – Ongoing Mort Nikolaison – Ongoing

## Online Meeting 25 August 2021

President Jenny's Zoom invitation attracted 24 members plus prospective members Jinice Bautista (with Hamish quietly multi-tasking in the kitchen) and Natalya Latysleva.

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

Date	September 1 <sup>st</sup>	September 8 <sup>th</sup>	September 15 <sup>th</sup>	September 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Programme: Guest Speaker	Zoom meeting	Ross Pinkham District Governor	Adrian Gregory Otaki Rotary	Kath Boyd Big Brother, Big Sister
Opening thought	-	Bob Morrison	Les Mockford	Stewart Skeet
Top Table (introduce Speaker)	-	Ian Holyoake*	Graeme Muir	Brian hall
Vote of Thanks	-	Peter Thompson	Bruce Martin	Garth Eyles
Cashier	-	John Nelson	Gill Scarlett	Barry Keating
Club Host & Closing Thought	-	Doug Neilson	Gail Kelly	Win Snijders
Three Minute Speaker	-	Geoff Bibby*	Hayley Gibson	-
Sergeant	-	Bob Brady	Brian Peplow	Trevor Powell
Stewards	-	Stuart Cheyne	Judy McKelvie	Denise Brown
	-	Wal Drayton	Fred Staples	Edwin Brown
	-	Steve Gillum	Alan White	Mark Dickerson
	-	Neil Smith	Kelvin Winnie	Helen Tattersall

**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 'status quo'. Colin Clark is frustrated that COVID prevents visitors and Jill Hanlen is doing remarkably well and even went walking without a walker.

**Christine McKenna** provided an impromptu COVID update and reported that (against a national average of 42% of those eligible for a vaccination having received their first jab) Wairoa was tracking at 48%, Napier at 47%, Hastings at 46% and Central Hawkes Bay at 45%.

President Jenny reported on the Directors' meeting following the firesides feedback:

- The club will support the Maraenui clean up
- There was a mix of views regarding the donation of ventilators to Kathmandu but the determining factor was individual discussions with three specialists who know about these devices and all three recommended the club doesn't touch them (considered the suggested model expensive and that better performing machines were available for a lower cost).
- The firesides provided a mix of views regarding the Cranford Hospice shop's request for a new van although everyone agreed it was a worthy cause. Jenny advised that Taradale was now committed to funding the purchase and it was a question of what Greenmeadows might contribute. There was consensus from the Zoom attendees that the directors should decide what the club could afford based on available funds.

President Jenny announced that the ARTEX Sponsors' evening at Scholars' Restaurant on 1st September has been cancelled, the Guess Who's Coming to Dinner has been postponed to a later date and the Te Kuaka evening has been moved to November 13. On the other hand, a combined meeting has been organised by Taradale Rotary at the Omaranui Bowling Club on September 30th.

Graeme Muir advised that an application for a matching grant has been made to the Rotary Foundation Grants Committee seeking funds for Camp Kaitawa.

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### Reflections on COVID

- After years of wanting to thoroughly clean my house but lacking the time, courtesy of lockdown level 4, I have discovered that a lack of time wasn't the reason.
- Having lots of time to cook and eat, and obviously wanting to avoid physical contact with others when exercising, I noticed that the buttons on my shirt have started to socially distance from each other.
- I never thought the comment "I wouldn't touch them with a six-foot pole" would become a national policy, but here we are!
- I'm going to be more careful about taking health advice in future. Ashley Bloomfield said a mask and good hand hygiene were enough to go to the supermarket. When I got there, everyone else had clothes on.
- Too many nasal swabs have been shown to cause damage and the government hasn't yet approved saliva tests. I found a much better way of testing for COVID and it can be done at home!

Pour a glass of wine and smell it

If you can smell it, then taste it

If you can both smell it and taste it, you do not have the COVID virus

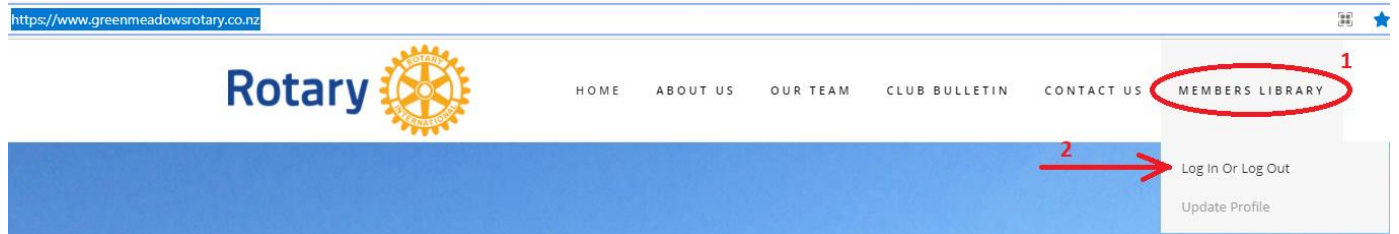


## MEMBERS LIBRARY

Development of the members' library on the club's website is complete. The next challenge is for members to learn how to access it!

Over the next week or so members will be sent an email advising their username and password. The pages contain personal information so please ensure confidentiality is maintained by not sharing your username and password with anyone else.

Open the website ([www.greenmeadowsrotary.co.nz](http://www.greenmeadowsrotary.co.nz)) and hover the cursor over 'MEMBERS LIBRARY' (1). A drop down menu will appear– click on Log In Or Log Out (2)



Enter your username (3), password (4), tick the Remember Me box (5) and click Log In (6)

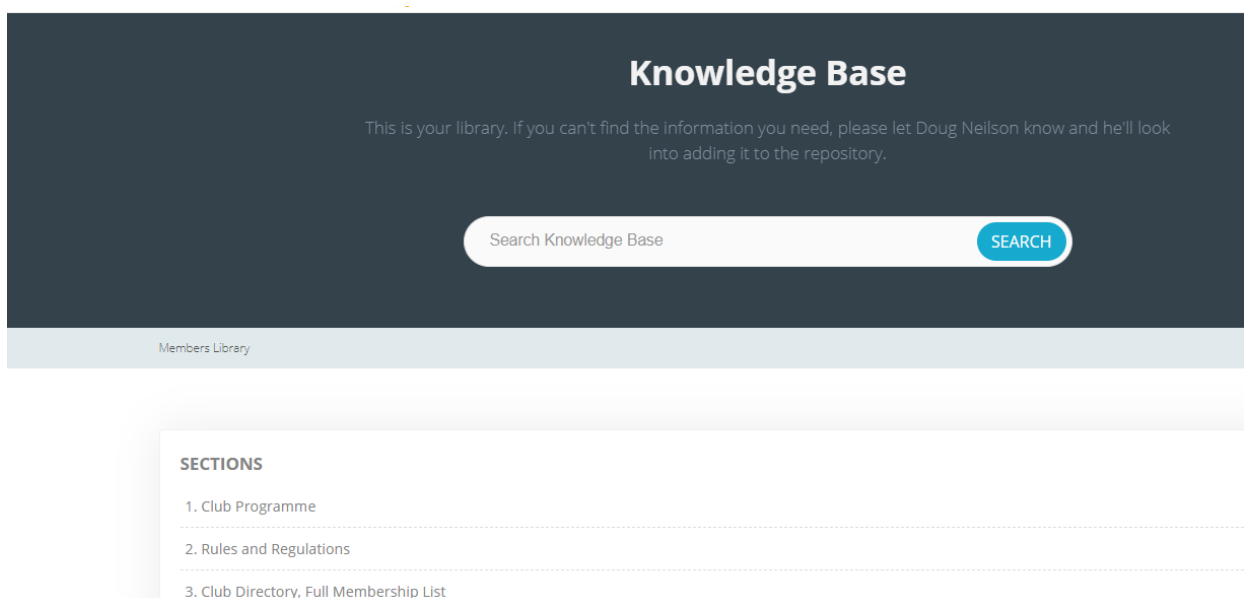
### Existing Users Log In

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When the screen returns, click on MEMBERS LIBRARY (1 above) and you'll get the following screen



It's highly unlikely that you'll do any damage exploring any of the menu options and you might trip over stuff you didn't know about the club – have fun. Email Doug if you have any problems accessing or using the system and he'll talk you through it.