

# **MEADOWS MATTERS**

# Weekly bulletin of Greenmeadows Rotary Club



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No. 2022-20			24/11/2021	
OFFICE HOLDERS 2021-22		MEETINGS	UPCOMING EVENTS	
President	Jenny Robertson	Weekly:	28 November – Walk-a-thon at	
Secretary	Ken Hunt	Taradale Town Hall	Anderson Park	
Treasurer	Graeme Ryan	Wednesday 6.00pm	12 December – Christmas lunch at the	
		Fellowship 5.30pm	Mission Estate	
DIRECTORS		Firesides:		
Club Admin	Helen Tattersall	First Wednesday of month	Leave of Absences:	
Members & P	I Kelvin Winnie	Directors:	Barry Keating – to 31 Dec	
Service	Denise Brown	Second Wednesday of Month	Ian McKelvie – Ongoing	
Youth	Gail Kelly	Apologies to:	Mort Nikolaison – Ongoing	
Foundation	Graeme Muir	GR.apologies@gmail.com		
Artex	Bryan Matthews	(before 8.00am on Wednesday)		

## **Meeting 24 November 2021**

Seated in "theatre style" for our AGM, Pres. Jenny welcomed us all and proceeded at pace so that we could get the business done and off to Raapa Wha (or something)!!!!



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

Date	December 1st	December 8 <sup>th</sup>	December 15 <sup>th</sup>	January 12th
Programme: Guest Speaker	Membership & Public Image FIRESIDES	ТВА	Christmas Meeting	Dolbel Reserve
Opening thought Top Table (introduce Speaker) Vote of Thanks Cashier Club Host & Closing Thought Three Minute Speaker Sergeant	Hayley & Brian – Cashier and Greeter Natalya - Welcome Ian Holyoake – Membership Moment Doug Neilson – Sergeant Kelvin - Quiz	Robert Pearson Kevin McCormack Les Mockford Neil Smith * Lynne Gibson Brian Hall John MacIntosh	ТВС	Help yourselves
Stewards	Level 2 rules One per table Or as advised	Level 2 rules One per table Or as advised		

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

<b>Opening I hought</b> – from Ian Holyoake who, as far as he can remember, was standing in for Trevor Powell.
When you get old, three things happen to you, the first is that you begin to forget things and
I cannot remember the other two!

**Welfare** – Stuart Cheyne advised that he was unable to contact Mort Nikolaison but hoped that Carolyn's surgery had gone ahead today; he had visited Don Mckenzie who was making good progress; Les Mockford had visited Colin Clarke and found him okay; Bob Morrison was making good progress; with Jill Hanlen status quo; and we could see that Wal Drayton was good.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Art Deco** Ken Hunt advised that he had confirmation of the dates for next year, namely weekend of 17-20 Feb. Club members needed to assist this major fundraiser. (Denise is taking over from Ken.)

**Walk-a-thon** – Kelvin Winnie told us to keep training and turn up at Anderson Park on Sunday at your allocated time (and others) and help out.



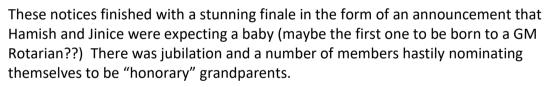
**Sally Army Christmas Bags** – Alan White said it was going OK & would update next week.

**Club Raffle** – Gill said half the raffle stubs had been returned and that she needed them all in next week for the draw on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Pres. Jenny** thanked Carol for collecting the \$500 from the theatre tickets for the previous night, and also the **Membership and PI** committee for getting a lot of good publicity in recent weeks, the latest being a full page in the Australasian Rotary Magazine "**Rotary Down Under.**" (By jove – they are good!!) At that point Gail advised of the positive publicity we also got on Sponsors Night from the wrong name being used to introduce the Breeze Radio staff. It later got Rotary some good "on air" humorous publicity.

#### **Directors Reports:**

**VP Helen** announced that there would be a Secret Santa at our Christmas meeting. Other Directors eluded to their Fireside Meetings next week. **Carol** told us of RYEN on 9-11 April next year and that as visitors and helpers need to be "police vetted" she will be collecting names in the New Year.





#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Pres. Jenny proposed that we move into the AGM and this was approved and apologies accepted

Treasurer Graeme Ryan presented the Financial Statements (previously circulated) mentioned that some adjustments had been necessary in the light of reduced income (due to covid) and some of our "reserves" were used to assist, particularly with funding Shelter Box and TRF (Foundation). He made all sorts of explanations (& I believed them) following which the Club and Charitable Trusts Financial statements were adopted. Previous Treasurer Graeme Muir was thanked for his input.

In General Business PP Frank's Annual Report was read and received; Trustees Ken and Carol "retired" and were re-elected; and VP Helen announced that her "Board" establishment for next year was a "work in progress" and would be dealt with later.

The AGM concluded and we returned to a normal meeting with the -

Three Minute Speaker John Nelson, who announced that he would be speaking on the creation, setting up and long term effects of "Rogernomics!" Noting that several members immediately fell asleep, he changed his topic to "Summerset in the Palms" a retirement village that he has shifted to out at Te Awa that is seeking to accommodate GM Rotarians! John described the village as a "Resort" – not a "last resort" as some would claim. He said they were heading to 100 villas finished soon (and hopefully the dust would stop) and that the "care facility" would be finished by the end of 2022 or early 2023. He told

us the lawns were mowed for you and windows washed but the main reason for being there was the proximity to the golf club and that you did not need to lock your house (scribe cannot handle that!).

The Raffle was won by Kelvin with ticket No. 85 and then -

**Sergeant Les** fined members for badge loss, dehydration and their (or his) complete lack of understanding of the new covid traffic light rules. Some more study is needed on this!

Closing Thought from "Parents to be" Hamish and Jinice

Happiness keeps you sweet; Trials keep you strong; Sorrow keeps you human; Failure keeps you humble; Success keeps you glowing; **But only Love keeps you going**.

## **Party Time:**

At this point, Secret Santa's elves appeared out of the blue, and produced a handsome "Rotary" birthday cake to the complete surprise of President Jenny who, as it happened, was celebrating a birthday! Some speculated that it represented % of a century (but your scribe does not believe that!) At this point it was realised that we had no meal prepared for us at the venue, and so we quickly adjourned to the Thai Lotus Restaurant out in the main street and enjoyed a splendid meal and a glass of wine - or three. And we had the cake and ate it to!



#### November is Rotary Foundation Month. Here are the various levels of contribution



## **Coming up**

Give Every Child a Future Raffle. Next meeting ticket butts back to Gill - 021 148 5821

**Walk-a-thon at Anderson Park,** Tomorrow, go there (in the morning) if you are going to the Godwits in the afternoon!

Christmas Lunch, 12 December at the Mission Estate

Maraenui Clean-up Project - Monday 20 December