



# MEADOWS MATTERS

Weekly bulletin of Greenmeadows Rotary Club



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

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<b>OFFICE HOLDERS 2021-22</b> <b>President</b> Jenny Robertson <b>Secretary</b> Ken Hunt <b>Treasurer</b> Graeme Ryan  <b>DIRECTORS</b> <b>Club Admin</b> Helen Tattersall <b>Members &amp; PI</b> Kelvin Winnie <b>Service</b> Denise Brown <b>Youth</b> Gail Kelly <b>Foundation</b> Graeme Muir <b>Artex</b> 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> <b>Coming Up:</b> <b>Mort's funeral, Sailing Club, 11am on 1 June</b>  <b>Leave of Absence *:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hamish Lack, Jinice Bautista-Lack, John Hanlen – to 1 Jun</li> <li>• Barry Keating, Dennis Thetford, – to 29 Jun</li> <li>• Ian McKelvie, Ongoing</li> </ul>	

\* Plus those members who have decided not to attend under the current COVID settings but have the option to attend via Zoom by emailing Doug Neilson no later than Tuesday prior.

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

Date	June 1 <sup>st</sup>	June 8 <sup>th</sup>	June 15 <sup>th</sup>	June 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Programme: Guest Speaker	<b>Firesides</b> <b>Back Home</b> Pathway & Lifting the Lid	Hohepa Home activities TBC	Multi Cultural Assoc. TBC	TBA
Opening thought	John Nelson	Lynne Gibson		
Top Table (introduce Speaker)	Nil	John McIntosh		
Vote of Thanks	Nil	Alan White		
Cashier	Bob Brady	Stuart Cheyne		
Club Host & Closing Thought	Robert Pearson	Geoff Bibby		
Three Minute Speaker	Bob Morrison	Frank Heuser		
Sergeant	Geoff Bennett	Curly Carpenter		
Stewards <i>One per table + the named members clean-up @ the end.</i>	<b>One per table +</b> Fred Staples Bruce Martin Brian Anstis	<b>One per table +</b> Kevin McCormack Brian Hall Brian Peplow		

**IF you are unable to perform your duty YOU must arrange a substitute and notify President Jenny of the change. It's not too hard, is a courtesy to our president and assists the smooth running of our meeting.**

### Meeting 25 May

**President Jenny** welcomed a good number of our club members who fought covid and cold temperatures to attend the War Memorial Centre for our Annual EIT Awards evening.



### Opening Thought

*"I have responsibilities to fulfil today, I am important."*

## Welfare Matters

Stuart Cheyne confirms that numerous members have gone down with Covid and some have passed it on to their significant others! While some have only had mild cases, others have been more adversely affected. All are recovering well though. Other than that they are not aware of any change to the usual reports and no new welfare matters at this point in time.



**The loss of long standing member Mort Nikolaison will be commemorated by a service on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June, 11am at the Sailing Club in Ahuriri. A valued member - sadly missed.**

## Announcements

All related to EIT Awards, as were the *secret activities* of the **Three Minute Speaker & Sergeant!**

### **Programme – EIT Hawke’s Bay Trade Training Awards 25 May**

The achievements of a talented group of tradespeople who learned their trades at EIT, were recognised at the Rotary Club of Greenmeadows and EIT Hawke’s Bay Trade Training Awards 2021. The Awards, in their 44<sup>th</sup> year, were established in 1978 by the late Jim Callinicos who was the second President of the club and former President of the Motor Trade Association.

The event at the Napier War Memorial Centre was attended by EIT Chief Executive Chris Collins, as well as the Mayor Napier, Kirsten Wise, and the Mayor of Hastings Sandra Hazlehurst. The guest speaker was Hannes White, Managing Director of Reset Electrical Ltd. In total 35 students were recognised for their commitment, passion and excellence.

Chris Collins says the annual awards are a recognition of the talent coming through EIT’s School of Trades and Technology and showed that there were many career paths available with the right training. *“Congratulations to all the winners and we wish them well in their careers. He thanked the Rotary Club of Greenmeadows for organising these awards each year and to all the sponsors of the scholarships handed out. He appreciated their support.”*

The Mike Davis Memorial Cup for Top Overall Apprentice, named after a former Greenmeadows Rotary President, went to Tim Farrell, who was chosen from all the award winning apprentices. He also won the Award for the Top EIT Hawke’s Bay Apprentice in the New Zealand Certificate in Plumbing, Gas fitting and Drain laying [Level 4] 2021.

Speaking on the overall ceremony, Todd Rogers, Head of School, EIT School of Trades & Technology said, *“The aim of the awards is to honour the achievements of young tradespeople and to help them pave their way with thousands of dollars in scholarship money sponsored for local by local businesses.”*

The President of the Rotary Club of Greenmeadows, Jenny Robertson, said the Club is delighted to still be part of these Training Awards after 44 years. *“The trades industry is forever highly respected, and these students venturing into the world of work, will be vital in shaping and serving our communities.”*

The award categories included Hairdressing, Barbering, Hospitality, Automotive, Carpentry, Joinery, Electrical, Engineering and Plumbing, Gas fitting & Drain laying. Sponsors of the Awards were Wella Professionals; Maxim Barbers; Master Electricians; Unison; Ideal Electrical Supplies; Repco; MTA Assured; Reece; ATNZ; Competenz; EIT; Tumu; Southern Hospitality; Flight coffee; Hawke’s Bay Wine and Food Society and of course Greenmeadows Rotary. (Report adapted from the EIT Media Release)

**See photos below**

## Closing Thought

*“Today I can complain because the weather is rainy, or I can be thankful that the grass is getting watered for free.”*

## Miscellaneous Meadows Matters



### Photos for the EIT Awards Night

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#### FLU TRACKING

In this time of the pandemic and health watching, our cycling member Alan White has managed to get his ~~his coffin~~ coughing, under control and uses his fitness and medical experience to help others. He offers you the opportunity to be involved as well. Read on....

Some members may already be involved in this weekly *Ministry of Health Tracking Survey*. For those who aren't, it provides a weekly update of the incidence of flu-like symptoms in NZ and Australia .

An **October 2021** summary stated:

Over 1.7 million surveys had been aggregated; Influenza-like illness remains low, but similar to 2020  
- 89.8% of participants reported receiving their first dose of a COVID-19 vaccination, and over 75.1% reported receiving their second dose; - 59.9% of participants reported receiving an influenza vaccine; On average per week, 30.5% of participants with fever and cough reported being tested for COVID-19; Participants under 5 years of age have the highest rates of influenza-like illness

There is a resurgence of flu occurring in NZ currently. The survey takes less than 30 seconds each week and the set also is quite short. Have a look at the link - <https://info.flutracking.net/>



**“Each One Bring One”.** Don't forget to “bring a friend” to our meeting sometime in the next seven months.

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**DON'T FORGET** we are back at our own home venue next week