



# MEADOWS MATTERS

Weekly bulletin of Greenmeadows Rotary Club



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<b>OFFICE HOLDERS 2021-22</b> <b>President</b> Helen Tattersall <b>Secretary</b> Ken Hunt <b>Treasurer</b> Graeme Ryan <b>DIRECTORS</b> <b>NEW</b> <b>Club Admin</b> Kelvin Winnie <b>Members &amp; PI</b> John McIntosh <b>Service</b> Fred Staples <b>Youth</b> Chris McKenna <b>Foundation</b> Lynne Gibson <b>Artex</b> Steve Gillum	<b>MEETINGS</b> <b>Weekly:</b> Taradale Town Hall Wednesday 6.00pm Fellowship 5.30pm <b>Firesides:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday of month <b>Directors:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 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> Watch this space  <b>Leave of Absence *:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gail Kelly – 20/7, Bruce Martin 3/8, Geoff Bennett 11/10</li> <li>• Ian McKelvie, Don McKenzie – 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.

## Meeting 13 July



**President Helen**, presiding at her first meeting as leader, turned the page from “*Serve to Change Lives*” over to “*Imagine Rotary*” and then welcomed about a couple of dozen people including the guest speaker Tama Hutana.

**Opening Thought** (appropriately) “*We will open the book, the pages are blank. We are going to put words and deeds on them ourselves. The book is our opportunity and it begins today – our new Rotary Year.*”

## Welfare

With the welfare officer on leave and the “stand in” suffering from covid, Peter’s words were ably relayed by Pres. Helen: Pete & Donna Thompson (obviously) have covid, so do Mary Ann & Garth Eyles, Pat Peplow and Steve Gillum. Phew!

**Raffle** – Ticket No. 28 was drawn by the guest speaker and claimed by an excited Alan White.

## Guest Speaker

Tama Hutana was briefly introduced as he battled with the technology before activating his power point and coming to the rostrum to tell us (first in te reo and then English) that he was HB born and bred (Kahungunu) described his home, marae and family background. Unable to get a video to “play” for us he said we could go to TVNZ on demand and look up “*The Addiction Machine*.” Then, aided by his power point, he subjected us to an *addiction quiz* which seemed to show that we had better be very careful with our spare money! Never-the-less he made some very good points about the dangers of gambling and showed some staggering figures as to the numbers involved (in people & money). He gave examples of “harmful gambling” and described the services and support that are provided by **Gambling Recovering Service HB**, this particularly included “banning yourself.” Tama also told us that 2% of the “gambling profits” went towards counteracting the addiction, through groups like his. He opened up for questions and these were numerous. He concluded by distributing pamphlets, cards and kawakawa balm. He was a most interactive speaker. (Learn more from [www.gamblinghb.co.nz](http://www.gamblinghb.co.nz))



## Notices

Reverting to normal meeting procedure announcements were sought but the new Directors had none as they had not yet had time to find their committees!

## Announcements

**Rotary International World Conventions** - Ian Holyoake spoke briefly about this and advised that they rarely (well ten yearly) come to our area. Next year (30 years from the first one he attended) it is going to return to Melbourne. He said a number of members from our district had already registered, that we at GM may be keen, and that he could supply more information if there was interest.

**Club Directory** – Tell Bob Brady if you require a “hard copy” printed, as opposed to that online.

**Food bank** – Alan White thanked all those who had provided food for this project.

## Sergeant Brian Hall

Wished Helen and the new Board all the best for their year, cursed that he did not have a birthday list or a *years of service* list (Geoff 37, Trevor 33, Garth 26, and Judy had to pay for her Ian’s 45 years) to fine from, then adopted a winter theme and fined those for skiing or holidaying in the Pacific. To ensure that we knew which island we might travel to, he showed their flags and fined us all for getting several of them incorrect!

**Club Budget** Treasurer Graeme Ryan put his earlier circulated budget up on the screen and then spoke to the various items. He took questions and we all accepted the answers, the figures and the budget. He said that next week statements would come out to members. If it should be the final figure in brackets, then you had a credit in hand and could adjust your direct credit as appropriate.

**Parting Thought** from Curly, “*Be the reason that someone smiles today.*”

About half the group then adjourned to Thai Lotus for a meal – our own caterer being “in isolation”

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

<b>Date</b>	<b>July 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>July 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>August 3<sup>rd</sup></b>
Programme: Guest Speaker	<b>Nourished for Nil</b> Christine or Judith	<b>John Kingsford</b> HBRC Tutaekuri River project	<b>Committee &amp; Firesides</b>
<b>Host+Thoughts (open &amp; close)</b> Top Table introduce Speaker Vote of Thanks Cashier Three Minute Speaker Sergeant	<b>Geoff Bibby</b> Gail Kelly Denise Primrose Judy McKelvie None Edwin Brown	<b>Garth Eyles</b> Bob Morrison Denise Brown Brian Hall None Lynne Gibson	<b>Mark Dickerson</b> None None Frank Heuser Ian Holyoake Wal Drayton
<b>Stewards</b> <i>One per table and the named</i> <i>Members to clean up at the end.</i>	<b>One per table+</b> Brian Peploe Les Mockford Jenny Robertson	<b>One per table +</b> Judy McKelvie John Nelson Robert Pearson	<b>One per table +</b> Hamish Lack Stuart Cheyne Graeme Muir

**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.**

### **Miscellaneous Meadows Matters**

Some photographs from the "Club Changeover" last weekend



**Next week – hopefully back at base**