



MEADOWS MATTERS

This bulletin is the newsletter of the Rotary Club of Greenmeadows, Napier, New Zealand



SPEAKER



Stop banks - It was hard but is done and the decision to carry on has been made.

John Kingsford from the HB Regional Council (aided by power point) gave us a delightful presentation on the flood protection and the stop bank project for our local area and including the Tutaekuri, Ngaruroro, Clive and Tukituki Rivers.

The scheme, in some form, has lasted for 130 years and is meant to protect us from the one in one hundred year event! Over time though the standards have changed and "climate change" in particular, has had its effect.

He spoke of the developments that had happened, the planting of trees (mainly willow though natives have been considered for some areas). Work is now finishing on the Taradale stop bank, It was hard but is done and the decision to carry on has been made.

There were numerous questions which, with the answers given and flood photos, demonstrated the extreme difficulties and challenges presented. John is an Engineer, worked for the NCC before going to HBRC six weeks ago and has a "Rotary Connection" through RYLA – some years back.



President Helen

With some considerable joy, welcomed around 40 people which included the guest speaker and partner Donna plus PDG Ross Pinkham.



The numbers are increasing!

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Officer Holders 2022-23

President	Helen Tattersall
Secretary	Ken Hunt
Treasurer	Graeme Ryan
Club Admin & PE	Kelvin Winnie
Membership & PI	John McIntosh
Service Projects	Fred Staples
Youth	Chris McKenna
Foundation	Lynne Gibson
Artex	Steve Gillum

Meetings

Weekly: Taradale Town Hall
Wednesday 6.00pm
Fellowship 5.30pm
Firesides: 1st Wed
Directors: 2nd Wed

Apologies to:

GR.apologies@gmail.com
(before 8.00am on Wed)

Coming Up:

Watch this space

Leave of Absence

Bruce Martin 3/8
Geoff Bennett 11/10
Ian McKelvie &
Don McKenzie – Ongoing

Club Website

www.greenmeadowsrotary.co.nz

(more to come here.....)

Opening Thought

From Garth Eyles, appropriately *“What would it be like if we had no stop banks in Hawkes Bay?”*

Welfare

Since Pete & Donna were present we could assume that they had got over their covid. We learned from them that everyone in the club seemed fairly healthy and that Don McKenzie was making good progress and would soon go to Wellington to get fitted for a prosthesis.

If any member knows of illness of injury please tell the “Senior Almoner” Stuart who was “visibly” back from his holiday.

Announcements

President Helen thanked all those who had worked at the planting on Monday and acknowledged their “hard work” (photos below).

Membership & Public Image Committee advised of a Webinar Q & A on Monday regarding Social Media (see column insert to the right)

Sergeant at Arms

Lynne Gibson announced Ticket No. E57 had won the raffle and a jubilant Steve Gillum claimed the prize. She then fined people who were “Leo’s”, read J K Rowling, Belinda Gates, celebrated Aunt’s & Uncle’s Day or Scotch Whisky Day. PDG Ross copped it for a new role with TRF, those getting their second booster, Tattersalls for knowing “BoJo”, someone (maybe herself) for selling coffee beans bought erroneously and then, following the water theme for the evening, concluded with the quote –

“You can run but you can’t hide, said the sea to the river.”

Closing Thought

From Garth Eyles, again and with the same air of appropriateness – *“You have heard of ‘The Three Waters.’ Tonight we have learned of the ‘4th Water’ - administered by the HBRC.”*

Date	August 3 rd	August 10 th	August 17 th
Programme: Guest Speaker	Committee & Firesides	Taradale Business Association	Phil Crombie Ahuriri Sunrise Assistant Governor Rotary Regionalisation
Host+Thoughts (open & close) Top Table introduce Speaker Vote of Thanks Cashier Three Minute Speaker Sergeant	Mark Dickerson None None Frank Heuser Ian Holyoake Wal Drayton	Brian Anstis Curly Carpenter Brian Peploe Bob Morrison None Alan White	Robert Pearson Ian Holyoake John Nelson Fred Staples None Graeme Ryan
Stewards <i>One per table and the named Members to clean up at the end.</i>	One per table + Hamish Lack Stuart Cheyne Graeme Muir	One per table + Bryan Matthews Peter Thompson Jenny Robertson	One per table + Brian Hall Kelvin Winnie Bob Morrison

Scribes for this Bulletin

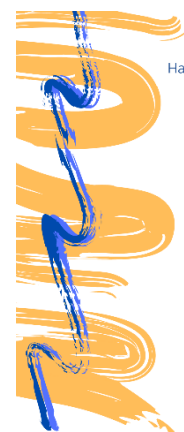
While Ian Holyoake is now your Editor (or so he claims) it is useful to have some “backup” or at least some “scribes” to record the meeting notes and send to the Editor for setting up in the format & distributing to our members & friends.

This is a great opportunity to gain some experience and skills and who knows where this might lead to – writing in the suburban paper perhaps, the *HBT*, *DomPost*, or even a chance on television!

If you are interested, contact the Editor. He has a couple of ~~conscrip~~ *volunteers* but would welcome more.

Social Media Skills

Want to improve your experience?



Rotary
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60 MINS
Q&A

An online event designed to help fellow Rotarians / PI Directors, improve our social media presence

Interactive discussions on how we can better utilise social media channels. Please submit your questions and RSVP to hamiltoncentralrotaryclub@gmail.com

7 pm, Monday, 1st August
via Zoom

Topics: Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn and Canva

UNABLE TO PERFORM DUTY?

YOU must arrange a substitute and notify President Helen 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 “Tree Planting @ Awatoto” this week



Unlike the tree planting on Marine Parade back in May, the 10 – 12 members of Greenmeadows were not matched by a similar number from the other clubs in Napier this time at Awatoto. Never-the-less our hearty gardeners rose to the occasion, even when they had to dig their own holes this time. It took some time and some were said to be out of breath but they certainly enhanced the shelter that our club erected on the site some time back.

Theme Knowledge



RI President-elect Jennifer Jones imagines a Rotary where members act to make their dreams become reality and they make the most of their club experiences. She

urges members to engage more with each other and use these connections to build partnerships that change the world.

Rotary International Convention – Melbourne 2023



More on this in the Three Minute Address next Wednesday. Watch and listen. You might want to be there!

Other Things to Know

Club Directory

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

DID YOU KNOW?

Every continent has Rotary clubs. You can experience new Rotary cultures by visiting other clubs. Use the Club Finder tool on Rotary.org, download the Club Locator app, or look on club websites to find meeting details and contact information.

Next week at the Taradale Town Hall again.