



MEADOWS MATTERS

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



The Regional Indoor Sports & Event Centre

Guest speaker this evening was Ian Wilmott, an eight year member with the Trust and also a Rotarian (Karamu Club in Hastings). Ian updated Members on the progress with the extension to the PGA Arena, which will open for use in two weeks. However the Official opening will be in the New Year.

The facility is already booked out through to the end of 2023, with 90% of the regular users being under the age of 19 years. The new building will be multi use for different sports codes and expands from three existing basketball courts to nine; from seven volley ball courts to 19; from one futsal court to four.



Statistics based on school sports showed a huge growth in indoor sports, (expected to grow further with this facility) & a decline in traditional grass sports. For example, basketball has grown by 99% over five years and futsal 300 %(!)

The height of the building was designed to allow international volleyball, thus the Board aim to attract International competitions featuring volleyball, basketball, & futsal. Presently the Board is attempting to attract an event next year involving 20,000 youth with attached coaches, families etc. The difficulty then will be proving accommodation within HB!

Of the cost of \$19.5M, NCC provided \$4.1M, HDC \$2M, Govt. Shovel Ready \$6.4M, and Lotto \$3.4M. The balance will come from funds held and local monies raised. There is still a shortfall of \$757k

DONATIONS – refer: www.pgarena.co.nz \$250.00 will buy you naming rights on a seat. He concluded by offering the quote: ***“A good coach can change a game; a great coach can change a life.”***

Vice President Kelvin

Barely three months into the Rotary year and with Pres. Helen & Dave away in Canada at their daughter’s wedding, VP Kelvin took up the Chair for the first time. He welcomed the guest speaker and membership of barely 30 and proved a deft hand at managing proceedings.



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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 Macintosh
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

Coming Up:

Tamatea High School visit – 9 Nov.

Leave of Absence

Gill Scarlet - 5/10
Geoff Bennett - 5/10
Kevin McCormack – 26/10
Don McKenzie – 26/10
Barry Keating ongoing
Ian McKelvie ongoing

Website/Club Contacts

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Welfare

Stuart reported Colin is comfortable; Don McKenzie is making good progress; Wim is still in hospital; John Nelson – not very well and Steve Gillum had his knee replacement that day. He then stated that they will be away (*again*) this time for three weeks, so Peter and Donna will cover Welfare for Heather (- and him!)

Announcements

Projects Director Fred has two spaces to be filled for Cranford Parking at Chesterhope on Sunday 9th October.

VP Kelvin announced the Club will be visiting Tamatea High School on 9th November. They will cater for us, and students will talk to us. Be ready to put your name on the visit list next week.

Sergeant at Arms

Sergeant Curly drew raffle ticket No. 34 which was claimed by Stew Skeet – who had actually bought No. 24. When the debate was settled, Stew paid a fine and Alan White took home the voucher. Curly then based his sergeant's session on the late Queens Birthday. Only three fines – if your birthday was the same month as the Queen (real or official birthday) or it wasn't, or something. Short and sweet

Thoughts for the week

Opening:

"We cannot solve our problems with the same thinking we used when we created them."

Closing:

"Two things are infinite, the universe and human stupidity, and I am not sure about the universe."

Albert Einstein

via Chris McKenna

Roster of Duties

Date	October 5th	October 12 th	October 19 th
Programme: Guest Speaker	Firesides	Louise Stobbart Birdwood Gallery (TBC)	Taradale Com Policing Brent Smith & Andrew Graham
Host + Thoughts Top Table introduce Speaker Vote of Thanks Cashier Three Minute Speaker Sergeant	Service Projects Committee	Ian Holyoake Denise Primrose Bryan Matthews Jenny Robertson Nil Brian Peplow	Lynne Gibson John Macintosh Bryan Anstis Robert Pearson Nil Mark Dickerson
Stewards <i>One per table and the named Members to clean up at the end.</i>	One per table + Bob Brady Peter Thompson Bruce Martin **	One per table + Graeme Muir Wal Drayton Frank Heuser**	One per table + Curly Carpenter Judy McKelvie Hamish Lack



Editor's Apology

The Editor published the speaker for this week as Louise Stobbart from Birdwood and you actually got Ian Wilmott from PGA! He will try and get his act together and do more study and research on this subject in the future. (You will still see Louise if you keep turning up though!)

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.

Rotary District Conference

21 – 23 April 2023 in Te Kuiti.
Theme – **“Rural New Zealand, triumph over adversity.”**

(Greenmeadows have often won the “prettiest team” prize. Let's do it again! Think of a theme.)

MISCELLANEOUS MEADOWS MATTERS

Rotary World Action Day 24 September



Planned by our Environmental Officer Garth, led by Publicity Officer Brian and guided by President Helen, a group from Greenmeadows gathered at Redcliffe Road in Taradale with their gloves, bags, and bird nests to deal to the Tutaekuri River area near our base. President Helen thanked members with the following -

“I just wanted to thank those members who turned out this morning to pick up rubbish along the Tutaekuri River. The weather gods were kind to us, a short shower, but that was all. It was very heartening that there wasn't that much rubbish along the cycle way. The majority was near the entrance

onto the pathway. We spent about an hour or so doing our community service and then headed back to Taradale for a restorative coffee. I'll see everyone in a few weeks, when we get back from our trip to the Northern hemisphere.” We wish her and Dave all the best for their travels. (NB: The HB Regional Council also thanked us for our efforts.)

NOTES ON SPRING

You can see it is spring. We have (had) sun and warmth and now some spring showers. Grass has grown in the meadow (seen here on these pages). All this took my mind to verse:

***The spring is sprung, he grass is riz,
I wonder where them birdies is,
Some say the bird is on the wing,
But how absurd to say the bird is on the wing,
When the wing is on the bird!***



***Next meeting – at “home” again
followed by our “Fireside” meetings.
We look forward to meeting there.***

