

MEADOWS MATTERS

IMAGINE ROTARY

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

INTRODUCTION

ice President Kelvin presiding over only 25 members, must have wondered if he had frightened some of us away. The reality was though that a "strange winter" had returned, heavy rain threatened, members were sick, in hospital, overseas and tied up on other activities.

Being the first meeting of the month it was



a regular "Fireside Night" and under the control of the *Club Services Committee*, led by Director Fred Staples.

Welfare

Stand-in Welfare Officer Pete Thompson told us that Colin Clarke had

not changed, Don McKenzie was progressing well (hospital the previous day) John Nelson was not good (home - ring if you wish to visit) Wim Snijder is in hospital (not so bad – tubes are out) very frail though but may be home soon, Alan White spoke of flowers for Liz,



saying thanks, and John Macintosh has had some days in hospital with a stroke. We then stood in silence to recognise the passing the day before of the wife of Barman Peter Brown.

(Comment – In the absence of Barman Peter, it was noted that it took three people to "staff" the bar – even for just 25 customers!)

Announcements

VP Kelvin announced that the:-

- Regionalisation Project for our part of the world had been approved by voters – 20 districts out of 21 voting by 2/3^{rds} for the change & the 21st district only supported by 50%!
- > Tamatea High School Dinner has 21 registered so far.
- International Youth Exchange begins again (in June 2023, out Jan 24)
- > **PG Arena** possible "look around" 26 Nov (or next year.)

Projects Director Fred advised that staffing the parking slots for Cranford Parking at Chesterhope this Sunday - 9th October had been filled.

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Officer Holders 2022-23

President Helen Tattersall
Secretary Ken Hunt
Treasurer Graeme Ryan

Club Admin & PE
Membership & PI
Service Projects
Youth
Foundation
Artex
Kelvin Winnie
John Macintosh
Fred Staples
Chris McKenna
Lynne Gibson
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. ArtEx Sponsors Elephant Hill 16 Nov

Leave of Absence

Gill Scarlet - 5/10
Geoff Bennett - 5/10
Kevin McCormack - 26/10
Don McKenzie - 26/10
Tattersalls, H & D - 2/11
Barry Keating ongoing
Ian McKelvie ongoing

Website/Club Contacts

Our website

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Sergeant at Arms

In a rather quaint session sort of shared between VP Kelvin and Acting

Chair Fred, first the raffle was drawn, the winner being No. 47. As that was apparently one of the officials there was a redraw and No. 45 came up. A further debate ensued (and your scribe waited quietly with the ticket in between [No. 45] but to no avail.) *Sergeant Kelvin* then directed that the meat voucher go into the prize pool which also included chocolate. He then proceeded with a game of "Heads & Tails". There were arguments over the



rules and the various hand positions until finally "one man standing" walked away with all the chocolate meat! (It was not ticket holder No. 46!)

Thoughts for the week

Opening:

"Progress requires change, but change seldom means progress."

Fred Staples

Closing:

"A house buyer was told by the bank that to get a mortgage if would be better if they had two incomes. The wife said "That's fine – I'll make sure he gets a second job!"

Kelvin Winnie

(Speaking from experience)

Roster of Duties

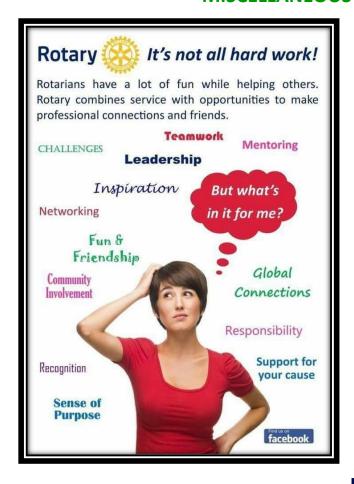
Date	October 12 th	October 19 th	October 26th
Programme: Guest Speaker	Louise Stobbart Birdwood Gallery (TBC)	Taradale Com Policing Brent Smith & Andrew Graham	ТВС
Host + Thoughts Top Table introduce Speaker Vote of Thanks Cashier Three Minute Speaker Sergeant	Ian Holyoake Denise Primrose Bryan Matthews Jenny Robertson Nil Brian Peploe	Lynne Gibson Peter Thompson * Bryan Anstis Robert Pearson Nil Mark Dickerson	Edwin Brown Stuart Cheyne Brian Hall Bruce Martin Nil Frank Heuser
Stewards One per table and the named Members to clean up at the end.	One per table + Graeme Muir Wal Drayton Frank Heuser**	One per table + Curly Carpenter Judy McKelvie Hamish Lack	One per table + Geoff Bibby Garth Eyles Gail Kelly

UNABLE TO PERFORM DUTY?

<u>YOU</u> 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



IRISH JOKES

Confession

I went into the confessional box after many years of being away from the Catholic Church.

Inside I found a fully equipped bar with Guinness on tap. On one wall, there was a row of decanters with fine Irish whiskey & Waterford crystal glasses. On the other wall was a dazzling array of the finest cigars and chocolates.

When the priest came in, I said to him, "Father, forgive me, for it's been a very long time since I've been to confession, but I must first admit that the confessional box is much more inviting than it used to be."

He replied, "Patrick, you moron, you're on my side."

Maternity

Slaney phoned the maternity ward at the hospital. 'Quick!' he said. 'Send an ambulance, my wife is goin' to have a baby!'

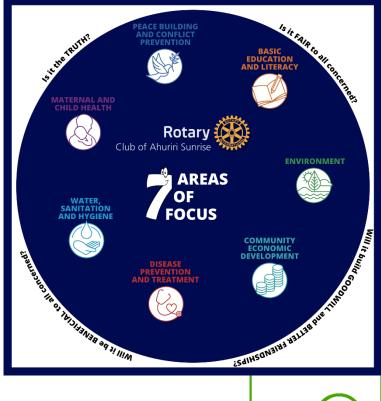
'Tell me, is this her first baby?' the intern asked. 'No, this is her husband, Kevin, speakin'.

Rotary Monthly Theme For October

Community Economic and Development Month

Appreciation

You will have noticed that with a short meeting and no speaker, there was not much to write about this week. Thank you for reading this far. I hope you have enjoyed the "space savers" and I will try and make up for it next week.



Next meeting – at "home" again and learning about the Birdwood Gallery