



# MEADOWS MATTERS

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



## A CHANGE OF COMMAND REVEALS - "POLIO!"

**A**s member's arrived, the Rotary Foundation committee members, dressed as WW1 Nurses and white coated Doctors with stethoscopes (See photos below) formed a welcoming line with compulsory Polio vaccines administered – well to most arrivals. (Your scribe missed out so may be infectious!)

Vice President Kelvin stood aside, as did President Helen (returned from their travels to Canada) and Rotary Foundation Director Lynne Gibson assumed the Chair for our meeting. Lynne asked Bob Morrison for his **opening thoughts** and he recalled his school being closed for a period due to Polio, and noted that we should be grateful and blessed that we nowadays have a good health service.

Special welcome back to Pres. Helen & David Tattersall, John Macintosh, Jenny Robertson (from US) and Kevin McCormack.

In lieu of a three minute speaker, Lynne played a PowerPoint prepared by District covering Polio. Some facts: Polio lives in the gut; there are three types, all present the same symptoms; however 95% of people with Polio present no symptoms. Rotary's involvement with polio began in 1979 when over six million people in the Philippine's were vaccinated, eradicating Polio in that Country. Realising the potential, WHO challenged Rotary to raise funds to expand the programme worldwide. Twice the target of US\$120M was raised and the elimination programme took off. Later the Bill and Mellissa Gates Foundation came on board and began donating \$2 for every dollar that Rotary raised – and they still do (We have now spent over US\$2 Billion on this world-wide project. Ed)

## Welfare

Stu (also a "returnee") had not been able to contact Gaye, but Bruce advised Colin Clark was OK – good and bad days; Don McKenzie was not so good; he and Raewyn are off to Auckland this Thursday for treatment. Hamish and Jinice's baby daughter has the chicken pox; Kathy Nelson would appreciate phone calls or visits; and Carolyn Nikolaison has scheduled surgery next week.

Trevor Powell has retired, and is awaiting possible heart surgery. He is booked in to take all his Family to the UK in the New Year for his Fathers 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday! Fingers crossed for you Trevor.

John McIntosh thanked Members for their contact and thoughts whilst he was unwell.



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## Officer Holders 2022-23

<b>President</b>	Helen Tattersall
<b>Secretary</b>	Ken Hunt
<b>Treasurer</b>	Graeme Ryan
<b>Club Admin &amp; PE</b>	Kelvin Winnie
<b>Membership &amp; PI</b>	John Macintosh
<b>Service Projects</b>	Fred Staples
<b>Youth</b>	Chris McKenna
<b>Foundation</b>	Lynne Gibson
<b>Artex</b>	Steve Gillum

## Meetings

**Weekly:** Taradale Town Hall

Wednesday 6.00pm

Fellowship 5.30pm

**Firesides:** 1<sup>st</sup> Wed

**Directors:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed

## Coming Up:

Tamatea High School visit – 9 Nov.

ArtEx Sponsors Elephant Hill 16 Nov

Club Christmas – Mission 11 Dec

## Leave of Absence

Don McKenzie – ongoing

Barry Keating ongoing

Ian McKelvie ongoing

## Website/Club Contacts

Our website

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## Announcements

### **President Helen's Messages**

Upcoming programme: Lynne advised Ahuriri Sunrise Club have booked the Theatre for the film "Lost King." Proceeds to Polio. Cost \$26.00 6<sup>th</sup> December. **The Lost King** is a 2022 British comedy-drama film directed by Stephen Frears and written by Steve Coogan and Jeff Pope. It is a fictionalisation of the story of Philippa Langley, the woman who initiated the search to find King Richard III's remains under a car park in Leicester. The film stars Sally Hawkins, Coogan, and Harry Lloyd.

**Women in Rotary** function coming up – Helen has contacted those who qualify.

**Next week** – Remember is at **Tamatea High School 5.30pm - entrance off Freyberg Ave.** The students will be cooking and serving us. Cost is the same as our meals. Based on previous visits, the meal will be good and service very good.

**Elephant Hill Artex** Sponsors evening 16<sup>th</sup> November. P.P. Frank will have his van and can take 11 people out there and save cars and drivers. More details to be advised.

### **Directors Notes:**

**Membership / Public Image** - John advised the Committee is gathering ideas for change. John asked if anyone had experience with and could assist with a survey/questionnaire.

**Youth** – Chris with Denise interviewed four students from Tamatea High and selected one for the scholarship, which was presented at their Prize giving that day. (See photo below.)

Denise also later asked members to consider whether we again do the Sally Army Christmas gift project, and whether we donate for designated Families, or the general foodbank. Feedback to Denise please.

**Service Projects** – Fred reported they had a good visit last week (Stortford Lodge). He is now seeking a good speaker for the EIT Awards Evening – he would appreciate your recommendations.

**Art-X** – Steve advised they are coming out of hibernation, with the process commencing. Elephant Hill next week – details and time TBA.

**Foundation** – Lynne reminded us that it is World Volunteers Day 5<sup>th</sup> November.

**Rotary World Convention** - Ian Holyoake picked up from the recent visit to Stortford Lodge Club where he learned that they have a team of 16 attending the Rotary World Convention in Melbourne next May! Having previously promoted this to our club, he wondered if there were any starters. A challenge for Greenmeadows? Contact Ian if you are interested.

## Sergeant at Arms

Nurse Jenny opened her Sergeants session with a disclaimer that those fined may or may not actually have the disease she was fining them for. For example, Member's with their first name beginning with "b" may or may not have botulism, or "s" with were fined for may or may not having syphilis. The possibilities were limitless – and hilarious! (Your Editor denies that he is "I"ncontinent.)

The Raffle was drawn around this time and Stu Cheyne no longer needs to shoot any rabbits this week for his meat.

**Closing thought:** Wally, mindful of the generous donations to Polio from the Gates Foundation, researched the internet for quotes from Bill Gates – couldn't find any. He speculated that this possibly indicates that "**actions speaks louder than words.**"

### **Your words; this week**

Your words this week come from award winning PR Photo-Journalist for the club, Brian Hall.

Don't hesitate to shout him a drink for his efforts.



## ROSTER OF DUTIES

Date	November 9th	November 16th	November 23rd
Programme: Guest Speaker	<b>Tamatea High School Visit</b>	<b>Elephant Hill</b>	<b>AGM</b>
Host + Thoughts Top Table introduce Speaker Vote of Thanks Cashier Three Minute Speaker Sergeant	No duties	No duties	Denise Brown - - Robert Pearson Kelvin Winnie Stuart Cheyne
<b>Stewards</b> <i>One per table and the named Members to clean up at the end.</i>			Curly Carpenter Hamish Lack Judy McKelvie

### 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

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FROM PETER

My apologies for being so tardy in acknowledging the kind expressions of condolence extended to me and my family on the recent passing of Lesley. The usual kindness of Rotarians, leaping into gear immediately and reaching out to members, was shown with the arrival only hours later, of Peter Thompson with a splendid floral tribute (*still going*). Other members have extended their thoughts by calling, sending of cards and arriving for a welcome chat. This just reinforces the realisation that, when in need, those closest to you are the ones who respond first. Thanks to all.

*Peter Brown, Bar Manager*

### ON A MISSION FOR CHRISTMAS

Looking ahead and helping you with preparing your Christmas calendar, we forewarn you now that our special Greenmeadows Rotary event will be a lunch at the Mission on Sunday the 11<sup>th</sup> of December (\$62 set menu)

Hopefully in the sun on the lawn



## GREEN MEADOWS PHOTO COLLAGE FOR THE WEEK



Celebrating Rotary Foundation Month, TRF committee members dressed to remind us of this fact and of the enormous Worldwide Rotary project of eliminating polio over the last 40 years of so.

**NOVEMBER IS ROTARY  
FOUNDATION MONTH**



A painting obtained by PP Jenny to use as a fundraiser, first at the Airport opening project and then at ArtEx, did not sell and the artist (Wilkie) "donated" it to us as a fundraiser ("youth suicide prevention"). Now on display to sell at the Mission.

The Scholarship referred to earlier and presented at the recent Tamatea HS prize giving, is seen here being passed to a very grateful student Chloe Nielsen.



**Next week is at Tamatea High School (5.30pm as usual and enter off Freyberg Ave) with the meal prepared and served by the students**

