



# MEADOWS MATTERS

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



## SCHOOL WAS NEVER LIKE THIS!

Vice President Kelvin acted as Chair as he had been arranging this meeting over recent weeks. He welcomed around 35 members, partners and speakers. We were met by host Josie (the music teacher standing in for the principal) and confronted by beautiful platters and drinks. The drinks were served by students in their crisp white hospitality uniforms. (NB *The drinks did not have quite the same taste as those served to us at home by Barman Pete!*)

Josie then took us and meandered through the classrooms and outside over to see "The Ngahere" forest, planted by students at the school in memory of Margaret and Hetia Hiha. She told us that

Colin James from Jervoistown assisted with the extensive planting of natives.



Back in the building (but a new room) the meal was superbly presented by the students and chefs from Year 10 and 11 from both Tamatea High School and Colenso College. There were choices of pork or chicken and panna cotta or sticky date dessert. The meal was superbly cooked and presented and a credit to the students.

Josie then introduced three students who have received funding from our Club and what fantastic ambassadors they were for their school. They spoke to us.

**Katie** is Head Girl and her list of achievements and projects she has initiated was inspiring. She has obtained an internship with the Downer Group and will study engineering on the job, gain experience and earn money at the same time.

**Jaden** was the recipient of funding to enable him to attend the Youth Parliament in Christchurch where each member was allocated an MP. He learned valuable skills & knowledge in how parliaments work.

**Chloe** was the recipient of the \$2000 Greenmeadows Rotary Scholarship, is Dux and top academic scholar. Next year she is studying Business at EIT and has her own on line NFT business on line, selling digital prints.

Truly remarkable achievers.

*(I don't remember anything like this at all at my High School – though I do remember that there were girls there - one of them very special! Ed)*



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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:

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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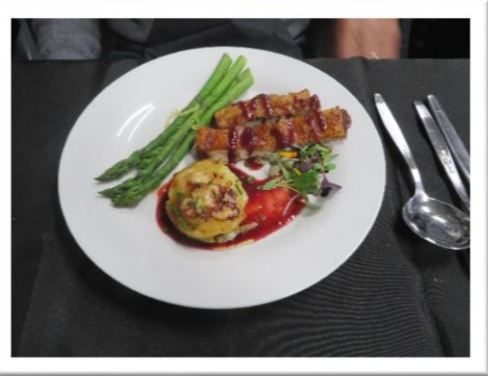
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**Photos around the dinner table**

**Members dining; Josie & Head girl; Main course; "The staff."**



### Announcements

**Brian Hall** thanked those who have volunteered to collect for Parkinson's Society this Friday.

**Graeme Muir** showed us a wooden sign specially and skilfully made by Wal Drayton for Camp Kaitawa, and to adorn a building which will now be known as the Walker building. (After a well-known teacher from "yester-year). Great job Wally.

**VP Kelvin** Thanked the students, the chefs, their teachers, Cindy and Josie were thanked for a delightful evening and the superb meal.

### ROSTER OF DUTIES

Date	November 16th	November 23rd	November 30th
Programme: Guest Speaker	<b>Elephant Hill</b>	<b>AGM</b>	<b>Firesides TBC</b>
Host + Thoughts Top Table introduce Speaker Vote of Thanks Cashier Three Minute Speaker Sergeant	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	Bryan Matthews Mark Dickerson Brian Anstis

### 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

### Message from Natalya

A recent check with Natalya prompted the following response:

*Thank you for your email. .... It is lovely to hear from you and get this message. We are doing well. The worst worries are behind for me and my older boy :). We both got jobs again and now don't have to worry to get jabbed to keep job :).*

*We also went for a trip to my motherland Russia and spend 3 weeks in Siberia. It was so good to see the family and also see the resilience and stamina of people there. It was heart-warming to see that people still have their Vege gardens and grow real food, preserving, cooking, etc.*

*On return, we all are keeping busy. I am doing 3 month full time project in the business support area for Hastings District Council. Great challenge for me, utilizing lots of skills and working as a part of good team. Loving the springtime too .. :)*

*My younger boy now got an evening job that he enjoys very much. Older one is working with a building company and growing very independent...*

*Sending you and everyone at Greenmeadows Rotary best wishes and warm regards.*

*Sincerely, Natalya*

### Your words; this week

Your "roving reporter" Judy took her pen to the classroom and the playground, made some notes, recalled how she had learned "joined up writing" when she was at school, then typed the words that you see here. Brian Hall contributed photos.

### Camp Kaitawa in the Summer

A recent message from Graeme Muir is repeated here for your information and planning:

*Another week of work and relaxation is scheduled for Sun 8th Jan to Fri 13th Jan 2023 and it would be great to see you there. The format is work in the morning and relax / walk / swim / kayak in the afternoon. All meals are catered for at a cost of approximately \$12 per person per day.*

*A general clean of all facilities, cut back of bush, maintenance & painting is planned. Ross has secured much free paint for the house and camp exterior so that will be significant task. We also need some scaffolding if you can access some - please let me know.*

*For planning purposes, can you please advise if you are considering coming, and what tasks you would like to be involved in. Firm numbers will be requested at the end of Dec.*

**For any queries, contact Graeme Muir on 027 296 8457 or 8442 696**



### 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



**NOVEMBER IS ROTARY  
FOUNDATION MONTH**



### Elephant Hill Winery, Wednesday 16th

**Artex sponsors evening at 86 Clifton Road, Haumoana.  
Time: From 5:30pm for Rotary members to greet the  
Sponsors from 6:00pm.**

Transport option: Frank Heuser, of Frankly Tours has offered to take 10 passengers to & from Elephant Hill Winery free of charge.

Departure point is the Taradale Town Hall, with loading from 5:00pm and departure at 5:10pm.

Contact Frank by text on 027 424 3652 [not email!] to book seats.

Many seats are already taken so check with Frank. The response at the last meeting would indicate that the bus might fill up quickly.

Thanks, Frank, for your support of your Club.



**So - next week is at the Elephant Hill Winery -  
5.30pm as usual**

**NBHS Interact Club  
Quiz Night**  
Supporting:  
**KidsCan**  
Supporting Disadvantaged Kiwi Kids  
Starts at 7 PM  
1st December 2022  
Where- Taradale RSA  
Auction- Bring Money ?  
\$10 entry fee per person  
Teams of 6

### Some Irish Thoughts to Fill This Space

Reilly went to trial for armed robbery. The jury foreman came out and announced, 'Not guilty.'  
'That's grand!' shouted Reilly. 'Does that mean I can keep the money?'

A tourist asks an Irishman: "Why do Scuba divers always fall backwards off their boats?"

To which the Irishman replies: "Well if they fell forwards, they'd still be in the bloody boat."

