



MEADOWS MATTERS



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

UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

The title conjured up an image of something from outer space but Keith Rowe, President of the Taradale U3A enlightened us as to what it was really all about. Keith is a recent addition to Hawke’s Bay, having worked in Sydney and Auckland. He has spent thirty years as a Methodist minister.

The University of the 3rd Age, is an international movement for those in the 3rd age introduced to NZ in 1985. U3A encourages usually retired people to share their knowledge and skills, wisdom and experience, with each other. We are never too old to learn. There are groups in Hawke’s Bay – Taradale, Hastings and Havelock North.

There are 26 different groups in the Taradale U3A with 360 members, covering a wider variety of topics and activities. Groups such as historical matters, geography – with a climate change focus, mythology, Art appreciation, Book club, three levels of French Language, as well as cycling, walking, a lunch group and the ever popular Contemporary Issues.

To join – Check out the website U3A Taradale.

(Introduced by Bob Brady and thanked by Les Mockford, Keith sure added to our knowledge this week.)



To open the meeting President Helen welcome about 33 members and in particular Don McKenzie who returned after many months of absence with “medical matters.” He was accompanied by his wife Raewyn and was well and truly welcomed by his club members.



Welfare

Almoner Stuart was away but Helen reported as well as the obvious with Don, that Wal was about to get a hip replacement and no further “ailments” were known.

Bulletin 2022-23 No. 28
8th February 2023

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:

Dolbel BBQ meeting – TBA
(we are just waiting on the weather)
Godwits Farewell – 26th Feb

Leave of Absence

Barry Keating - ongoing
Ian McKelvie - ongoing
Kevin McCormack - ongoing

Website/Club Contacts

Our website
www.greenmeadowsrotary.co.nz

President: hjtattersall@hotmail.com

Secretary:
administrator@greenmeadowsrotary.co.nz

Apologies:
GR.apologies@gmail.com (before 8am Wed)



Announcements

Editor Ian thanked those fellow Rotarians who pitched in at the last minute and assisted him and Eleanor with their shift out to Summerset Palms. He commented that some last minute problems had slowed them down and they really appreciated how GM Rotarians suddenly turn up and proved that “charity begins at home.” (*More below*)

Gail is yet to received specific information about the parking at the **Mission Concert** which is three weeks away – 4th March.

Lynne advise there is an **“Everything Hearing Expo”** on 2nd March at ToiToi Events Centre from 9am – 1pm. There will be 20 exhibitors from a wide range of services and advice.

Garth – Dobel Reserve – Monday 9am – Bring cutters to clear around plants and work is progressing on the seat being erected for Wim. It is disturbing to find theft of seven trees from our area.

Fred: Art Deco roster circulated, and still to be finalised. Heart Foundation collection next Friday but no information has been received yet.

Sergeant

Peter Thompson - gathering dollars in his usual efficient way. Peter also informed us of Sail GP coming to Christchurch on 18-19 March – A great series and well worth watching.

ROSTER OF DUTIES

Date	February 15th	February 22nd	March 1 st
Programme: Guest Speaker	Don Hutchinson Jones Hearing Balance	Pippa Sibleau McKelvie Implications of Climate Change in the Region	Firesides
Host + Thoughts Top Table introduce Speaker Vote of Thanks Cashier Three Minute Speaker Sergeant	Chris McKenna Lynne Gibson Edwin Brown Gail Kelly Jenny Robertson Bob Morrison	Robert Pearson Alan White Brian Pelope Judy McKelvie Brian Pelope Graeme Muir	Peter Thompson - - Judy McKelvie Doug Neilson Frank Heuser
Stewards <i>One per table and the named</i> <i>Members to clean up at the</i> <i>end.</i>	John Mackintosh Kelvin Winnie Bob Brady	Curly Carpenter Mark Dickerson Geoff Bibby	Garth Eyles Bruce Martin Gill Scarlet

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.



The thoughts for this week

Contributed by Frank:

Opening – read by someone else and maybe lost in the ether.

Closing: *Silent and Listen both have the same letters.*

District Conference Te Kuiti – 21 – 23 April

Early bird registrations with discounted rates extended

Thanks to Journalist Judy for recording the notes this week – on behalf of Jenny.

MISCELLANEOUS MEADOWS MATTERS

Don't forget the Costa Rica Project we heard about

If members would like to make a donation to the project this can be done by using the Clubs trust account, i.e. **Account No is 03 0698 0976848 01** Include "Costa Rica" and your name in the reference/particulars fields.

Farewell the Godwits

Don't forget the farewell is on **Sunday 26th February, 2023, 12.30pm,** gathering at Westshore Beach Inn carpark. There will be a speaker and a walk and watch – with your binoculars.

Greenmeadows Rapid Response Rescue Rotarians

Shifting house is easy. We've all done it – haven't we? Well we have. In fact 16 times I think - and all over the country. What could go wrong? Lots it seems. I wonder if "birthdays" may be an issue. It's not experience or practice, for we have plenty of that. This time though it was just 15 minutes down the road and while the sale was effected during the legal holiday so when things opened up there was an element of speed involved. All went well in the "lead up". The old house and new house prepared, items packed up, some shifted ahead of time but when the big day came – the boxes seemed heavier and there were more of them. The truck dispensed with all the big stuff but those other items took a while to collect up. An extension of time was negotiated with the new owner (who seemed a "stickler" for cleanliness) so that extra people could be brought in for the final clean-up. The Reals Estate Agent said he would get a cleaning firm to do the final job. Come the day that wasn't easy but when we arrived – there were about ten people (with equipment) sitting in the drive ready to perform. They all looked familiar. Then it became obvious why. They were Greenmeadows Rotarians! Within three hours everything was done. Clean and tidy. Sure, some things are hard to find and I don't know why I have kept some of them. But it's all done. Thanks to Rotary – *Doing Good in the World* but proving that indeed *Charity Does Begin at Home!*

Your Editor & Eleanor say thanks.





9AM - 1PM
THURSDAY, 2nd MARCH 2023
TOITOI EVENTS CENTRE
109 HASTINGS ST SOUTH, HASTINGS


FREE ADVICE & INFORMATION FROM
PROFESSIONAL, EDUCATIONAL & TECHNOLOGY
EXPERTS ABOUT EVERYTHING HEARING
FOR ALL AGE GROUPS

Supported by Stats NZ
Hosted by Hearing Education Hawkes Bay
Enquiries: Carolynne 021 671 193 or Lynne 021 596 637

Your hearing is the subject de jour. More to come, more to see, more to hear – if you can!
Watch this space.

Taradale Rotary Club project.
Get your tickets if you want to be involved

At the Taradale Town Hall again next Wednesday. See you there if I can remember the way!

Rotary 

A Fundraising Event for
Taradale Rotary Club

"Twilight Soiree at Monet's Garden"

652 Puketapu Road, Puketapu
4pm to 6:30pm
Sunday 26th March 2023

Beautiful artwork and garden sculptures for sale.
Come and visit this stunning venue on private property.

Limited tickets available
Ticket entry only.

Ticket cost of \$40 per person
(includes one complimentary drink and canapes)
Tickets pre sold from:

Kaye 027 248 6079 or Kathy 027 491 7702
Email: dptreasurer@taradalerotaryclub.org

