

MEADOWS MATTERS



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

Welcome

Pres. Helen welcomed just over 40 people present with about a quarter of them being Taradale Rotarians and as well included Asst. Governor Phil Crombie from Ahuriri Sunrise. It was great to see such numbers present again.



President Helen acknowledged the presence of Les, and passed on the condolences of the Club at the loss of Lynne. Helen also acknowledged the considerable contribution Lynne had made over the years that Les has been involved with the Club. (NB Helen later advised that, in lieu of flowers and in accordance with the family wishes, the club had made a donation to St Johns)

Welfare

Welfare from Stuart – he may be becoming redundant as for the first time in 11 - 12 years, he had nothing to report. Clive Adams, Taradale Welfare Officer also had a zero report.

Announcements

Lynne Gibson suggested Members may like to bring their Partners next week to listen to the Guest Speakers, who will talk about hearing, especially Child hearing issues.

Gardener Garth – announced another Dolbel working bee Monday 17th 9.00am.

He also updated the Club on funding available from the Rotary Club of Riccarton, who set up a Trust following the Christchurch Earthquakes. Funds will be available to help Children here impacted by the Cyclone. After speaking to every Primary School in Napier, the feedback is that these funds be used to pay for school camps, for Children who have lost through the Cyclone. John is liaising with the Riccarton Club and there is possibly \$15K available, to be distributed through our Trust Account.

Garth also mentioned a possible project with Puketapu School around a kids support programme they have. The school has a seat in the middle of the playground, and if a child is feeling down, they sit on the seat, and other children are encouraged to go and support that child.

Gail on the - Mission Concert this weekend. Thanked those who have volunteered as parking wardens and bucket collectors.

Taradale President Bruce Jenks talked about an annual event run by the Stewart Group, traditionally raising funds for Cure Kids. Last year \$121K was raised at a dinner and auction at the Old Church. This year the funds go towards flooding recovery. Bruce recommended

Rotarians support this event, and possibly look at how it is run, with maybe Rotary doing something similar.

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Officer Holders 2022-23

District Governor Kevin Forgeson **Dist. Gov. Elect** Bill Robinson

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:

Dolbel BBQ meeting – TBA (we are just waiting on the weather)

Leave of Absence

Ian McKelvie, Kevin McCormack, Trevor Powell, Doug Neilson - Ongoing Chris, Curly & Bruce Martin to 3 May

Website/Club Contacts

Our website

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

(Remember Round Table motto – Adopt, Adapt, Improve) The next event will be on Saturday 22nd July, dinner from Orton Catering, plus a free drink on arrival and entertainment. (*See brochure below*) With regards Cyclone Recovery Funding, there will be more funds available from other NZ Rotary Clubs.

Assistant Governor Phil Crombie in thanking the Club for the support (many years ago) of Weka Scout Camp at Rissington, told us that the sleeping hut is now somewhere downstream with another missing building, along with the swing bridge! The site is covered in 2m of silt – the first time the camp has been flooded in over 100 years. Currently it looks as if the site will be abandoned and scouts will look for a new Camp site. They were fully insured.

Sergeant

Sergeant Frank is at home with Covid, so he asked John McIntosh to cover. John based his session on *Trump World*. Some enlightened (?) facts came out. You got fined if you shared his name, dress, philosophy – or something like that. (It is possible that members paid up willingly in the hope that there so doing would prevent Trump ever coming here to NZ. Ed)

Three Minute Speaker

Doug Neilson squeezed a 20 minute address into 5-10 minutes, with copies of pages from our Web site and explained in simple English how we as members can benefit by using the site. Doug has already emailed all Members their login and password details, but if you (as I have) have forgotten, please email him and he will resent the info.

Membership Directory pages are updated once a year. If your name is there, but no photo, see Brian H.

He also said that the Club has signed up for Microsoft Teams. (Similar to Zoom). Pages are being set up for Club Meetings, Fireside Meetings and Directors Meetings, so that in the event we are unable to meet in person, on line meetings lasting up to 30 hours (yawn!) can be held.

Special Thanks for Catering

You will recall (if you were concentrating when reading last week's issue) that we did not have our caterer for last Wednesday. A new caterer (but possibly only a temporary one) appeared this week in the form of Carol (and her trustee assistant Ken) with a pile of pizzas and accompany nicely flavoured bread. And it was not only just delivering this treat, there was the "build-up," coordinating numbers (from two clubs), purchasing plates, serviettes and Easter Eggs. I am sure the members join the editorial team in passing on a huge "THANKYOU" to this new team.

The Thoughts for this week

Opening: Ian H, on behalf of Alan White quoted Rotary International Secretary, John Hewko. "We can't fall into the trap of addressing 21st century challenges with 20th century solutions. We need to lead by innovating & not by managing the status quo." And by the end of the meeting Alan had recovered and in **closing** said: "Winning is not everything, but wanting to is."

Words for this week

The words this week came from our photo journalist Brian Hall, Sadly the pressure of work in the past month (writing three issues for our bulletin) had taken its toll and he forgot to take his camera out of his pocket! He has recovered the situation somewhat by posting some photos from the past from his extensive record and these are shown elsewhere in this newsletter!!

ROSTER OF DUTIES

Date	April 12 th	April 19 th	April 26 th
Programme: Guest Speaker	Dion Hutchison Hearing Balance	Gill and Steven Norman Pickle Ball	ТВС
Host + Thoughts	Bryan Matthews	Gail Kelly	Les Mockford
Top Table introduce Speaker	Lynne Gibson**	Geoff Bibby**	Bryan Matthews
Vote of Thanks	Gill Scarlet**	Jenny Robertson	Fred Staples
Cashier	Robert Pearson	Bob Brady	Judy McKelvie
Three Minute Speaker	None	None	None
Sergeant	Edwin Brown	Mark Dickerson	Graeme Muir
Stewards	Bruce Martin	Denise Brown	Brian Peploe
One per table and the named	Judy McKelvie	Kelvin Winnie	Graeme Ryan
Members to clean up at the			
end.			

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 TRIVIA

Confirming that the club photographer does have a working camera, Brian produces below some more coverage of the recent flood damage in our area – and the dangerous situations he has been in recording these. These are of a property previously owned by Curly. (Lucky he shifted. Ed)





IYE STUDENT RETURNS

And this photo is of former Argentinian Exchange Student Agostina Testa, husband Edgardo and daughter Anabella who have just arrived in Rotorua where she is studying for a Master's Degree in Business Management. She qualified as an Accountant in Argentina, and is trying to get enough points to live in NZ. Brian and Margaret visited them last weekend.

OTHER STUFF ON AROUND THE TOWN







Gala Dinner Hawkes Bay Flood Relief Fund Raiser

RSVP: germaine@stewartgroup.co.nz

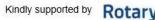
The Venue: The Old Church Restaurant,

Meeanee, Napier

Date: Sat 22nd July 2023
Time: 6 p.m until late

Tickets: \$85.00 pp covers

\$85.00 pp covers a drink upon arrival and dinner.











Rotary Club of Ahuriri Sunrise





6.30pm, Wednesday 26th April, 2023 at East Pier Hotel, 50 Nelson Quay, Ahuriri

\$25 entry per person (teams up to seven)
- Quiz entry, Heads & Tails games and 3 x raffle tickets

Extra raffle tickets on sale for \$5 each
Plus there will be auctions during the event

PLEASE BRING CASH!

If you would like dinner prior there are 4 options @ \$25 (or a la carte)

Cash Bar available

All funds raised will be donated to the Bay View Community Charitable Trust.

100% of donations received by this trust will go directly to help individuals who have been affected by Cyclone Gabrielle or for projects benefiting the communities of: Bayview to Seafield Rd, Esk Valley, Titiokura and Tutira.

To Book: contact Lyndal Johansson – 027 316 9866 or lyndalj4@gmail.com

Thank you for your support

Next Wednesday at regular venue, bring your hearing aids, and – let's see what we will be eating this time!!

