



# MEADOWS MATTERS



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

## THE WELCOME

**President Helen**, at her final meeting in the Town Hall, welcomed 33 people including Sharon Ross from ADT Security Alarms, and also gave a big *welcome home* to Carol and Ken on their return from their European tour. Bowing slightly under the weight of the presidential chains she announced then confirmed that this was her last meeting as our president.



## WELFARE

Once again Stuart was able to demonstrate how healthy club members are with his single report on unwell members, reporting there was only one – probably Wal Drayton.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**President Helen** thanked Garth and Mary-Anne for all the work they've done with Cyclone Gabrielle victims, and the organisation arranging for people to attend coaching programs in September in Puketapu.

She also informed the members that 55 people are going to the Changeover at Valley De Vine Winery on Sunday and reminded us about the planting at the Kirsas Jenson Memorial site on Friday at 9.30 am, thanking those taking part. (Done - more on this later)

**President Elect Kelvin** announced that we received \$8,400 from the District Cyclone Relief fund, and that \$1,300 has been put towards the purchase of sleeping bags. He also announced that it's the Fireside Meetings next week and we'll learn what committees we've been appointed to by separate advice

**Past Pres. Jenny** gave the members an update about the '*Lifting the Lid*' project as she had recently attended a meeting with members from the Taradale, Stortford Lodge and Havelock North Clubs.

All those clubs have generously donated to this fund. There have been 10 referrals this year to date, with the students coming from Napier Girls' High School, Hastings Girls' High School and Karamu High School. Good feedback has been received about the project from the students' whanau, and also from the High School Counsellors.

*(NB Read later how this resonates with the new Rotary Theme! Ed)*

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

## Coming Up:

Club Changeover 2<sup>nd</sup> July  
ArtEx in revival 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> October

## Leave of Absence

Kevin McCormack, Trevor Powell &  
Doug Neilson - Ongoing

## Website/Club Contacts

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## Sergeant

Then, with a “Swiftness” known only to those who able to Taylor “*All You Had To Do Was Stay,*” (to get fined) Jenny quickly turned into the sergeant and developed a session with a musical theme and you paid up when the name or note resonated with you. (This is elaborated on this below.) It was so good that it set the cat among the pigeons, or rather the substation – and the electricity went off for the rest of the meeting!

## Guest Speaker

Sharon Ross from ADT Medical Alarms, under the torch light of several mobile phones, told us a bit about herself – she has lived in Hawke’s Bay for 29 years and has four children and nine grandchildren.

She said she’d been approached by Rotary Clubs to become a member!

Sharon told us that she has a son with disabilities and has a background working in this field.

She emphasized the importance of medical alarms and said that they are *Work and Income* funded.

The response she gets from people generally is, “*I don’t need a medical alarm*”, but she also said that having that assurance is very important.

She gave several examples of how these alarms *have* helped people, and having support from your loved ones is of huge importance. Notably 78% of all calls are urgent. They have three shifts of people on duty to receive the calls 24/7.

She spoke with enthusiasm and extensive knowledge, and how many guest speakers are asked to do this in the dark? (*For technical reasons that I won’t go into, no photograph was taken of the speaker! Ed*)

### Thoughts this week – Steve Gillum

#### Opening:

From Dale Carnegie's 'How to Win Friends & Influence People' - Remember the 3C's  
***“Don’t Criticise, Condemn or Complain.”***

#### Closing:

Continuing the musical theme,  
***“Every Day above Ground is a Good Day.”*** From the James Reyne song and a favourite with Steve & Di at this time!

### Words for this week

**Yes she did it all, the Jammies, the “Lifting the Lid” Report, the Sergeants Session and recorded the notes for the meeting.**

***Here’s to you Mrs Robinson.***

## ROSTER OF DUTIES

Date	June 28th	July 5th	July 19th
Programme: Guest Speaker	<b>Firesides</b>	<b>TBC</b>	<b>TBC</b>
Host + Thoughts	Peter Thompson	Bruce Martin	John Macintosh
Top Table introduce Speaker	-	Fred Staples	Brian Peploe
Vote of Thanks	-	Garth Eyles	Brian Hall
Cashier	Judy McKelvie	Steve Gillum	Denise Brown
Three Minute Speaker	-	-	-
Sergeant	Gill Scarlet	Brian Peploe	Brian Anstis
<b>Stewards</b> <i>One per table and the named</i>	Alan White Robert Pearson	Curly Carpenter Graeme Ryan	Gail Kelly Edwin Brown

### 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.

**If you have Leave of Absence you will be kept off the roster, however if you are going to be away beyond the roster shown and do not have LoA, could you advise the “apologies” member so that amendments can be made to the roster.**



## MISCELLANEOUS MEADOWS TRIVIA

### “HERE’S TO YOU MRS ROB(ERT)INSON”

The very innovative Sergeant’s Session is elaborated on here:

*Hey Jude & Eleanor Rigby* from the Beatles grabbed the first dollars, followed by *Kathy’s Clown* from the Everly Brothers, Johnny B Goode caught a Director, *Oh Carol* welcomed back the travelers, and Fred went down for *Kissing in the Back Seat*. *Leader of the Pack* struck a note with Pres Helen and you can well imagine who paid for *Oh Donna*; the barmen sang *Drink, drink, drink* and *Teacher’s Pet* was linked to Bob M while his teaching mate was associated with *To Sir with Love* and *The Wheels on the Bus* finished this learning theme for Bruce.

Monty Pythons *Babe Called Brian* caught the obvious, as did the *Little Black and Yellow Digger* for builder Mark. The Wiggles came in with *Hands on Your Ears* for Lynne and *Up on the Roof* fitted in with those cyclone rescued, Gail got *Pretty Woman* and the Travelling Tattersalls have *Come Fly with Me*, while on the ground *Mustang Sally* went to Graeme Muir. Any Bobs & Robs not caught had to pay for *Bobby’s Girl*; *Ride my Bike* went to White; *Red, Red Wine* rested with Frank and *Our House in the Middle of the Street* took out a Real Estate Agent

*The Carpenters* sang quite a few numbers for Chris & Curly, while Steve followed up with *I’m a Hard Working Man*; *Denise Dooby Doo I’m in Love with you* featured to, as did *Money, Money, Money* for Graeme Ryan and *Come Fill out the Census* for Gail. *Maggie May* by Rod Stewart was linked to our Stewart Skeet (but the associated story from Glastonbury cannot be published here!). *Do You Love me Pinocchio* was matched to wood turner Wal; *The Hills are Alive* associated with Garth and Stuart got spoiled by *Saying Something Stupid*.

Then the last title *Here’s to You Mrs Robinson* obviously went to - the **Sergeant!**

## What is it about Rotary Logos/Themes?

Each year the incoming World President of Rotary sets out their “theme” for the year. In fact, they announce it at the annual World Wide District Governor Training in the US in January, ahead of their actual year of service.



**Jennifer Jones** the RI president for the year just finishing, chose that on the left saying that she imagined a Rotary where members would act to make their dreams become reality and make the most of their club experiences. She urged members to engage more with each other and use these connections to build partnerships that change the world. That was 2022-23 – and we did that.

**IMAGINE  
ROTARY**

Now we begin another year and new RI President **Gordon McNally**, calls for Rotary to **create hope in the world** by working for peace and mental wellbeing. He urges members to engage in tough conversations and earn the trust that’s necessary to realise these values. That then is our official theme for the year 2023-24.

(Editor’s note: This theme developed following the President losing a brother to suicide. Kind of fits well with our “Lifting the Lid” programme referred to earlier!)



**CREATE HOPE  
in the WORLD**

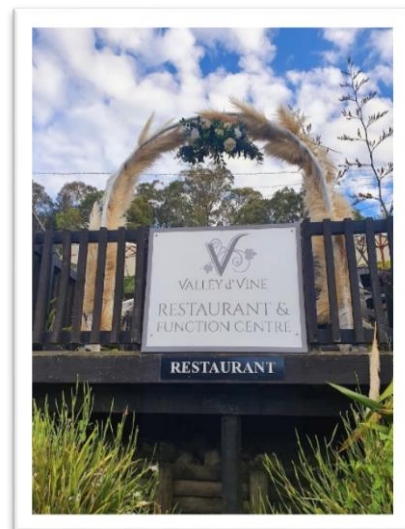


## Meeting Conclusion

The final regular meeting of the Rotary Year finished (still in complete darkness) with President Helen thanking all the members for coming and for their support in her year. Then President Elect Kelvin thanked Helen for her for all she had done in the past year

## Sunday Changeover

Our changeover is a luncheon at Valley D'Vine restaurant, Linden Estate Winery, Esk Valley on **Sunday 2nd July from 12pm**. (It was the wish of Pres. Helen that we support a business directly affected by the cyclone.) The cost is **\$45 per head for a two course meal**.



## PLANTING AND REPLANTING @ AWATOTO



Almost exactly one year ago we planted trees and shrubs in the vicinity of the Kirs Jensen Memorial and our Rotary Pathway Shelter. Above are the pictures of that 2022 planting. Then we had Cyclone Gabrielle and many of the plants perished. On Friday morning an intrepid team returned to the site and with NCC assistance planted the 65 plants they said they brought - and the other 200 that your Editor knows were also there!



**Next Wednesday, home at our regular venue – and followed by Fireside meetings. Check your “New Directory” email from Bob Brady to learn what committee you are on and look out for a message from your new Director as to the venue for your meeting.**

