

# **MEADOWS MATTERS**



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

## THE FIRST MEETING FOR 2023-24

New President Kelvin, with the weighty chain of honour, welcomed all with a mihi. He particularly recognised guests Lynda Patterson Esk Valley hub coordinator, (and President of RC of Ahuriri Sunrise), Mary Anne Eyles, and from Karamu RC William Walker and Mike Russell.

President Kelvin then presented six sleeping bags, funded from monies received for

Cyclone support, to Lynda for the Hub to gift to people sleeping on the Marae. An additional sleeping bag has been gifted by a Club member. In thanking us, Lynda noted 70% of the Esk community can't live there. Others are living in older caravans, poor insulation, and no toilets & cooking outside. The Esk Hub has food, clothing and supplies to help furnish new homes.



Our club thanks Mary Anne for identifying and following through on this funding.

Kelvin then asked caterer Dave Roast and his assistant Serita (Serita's daughters normally assists Dave) to come forward, so that the Club could show their appreciation for the quality of the meals provided.

President Kelvin also asked the Club to show their appreciation to Les and Don covering the bar duties for Peter. First, Les has to purchase stock, then arrives at 4.30 to set up. After the meeting, he takes the rubbish and recycling home, plus the glasses home to wash, as the bar area only has a steriliser. Thanks Les and Don.

## **WELFARE**

Stuart pointed out that Wally Drayton is back (and raised a cheer). Also, Bob Morrison on duty, after a spell in hospital and Ian McKelvie continues to make progress.

Wally rose and thanked Stuart and Heather for their regular contact whilst he has been unwell.

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# Officer Holders 2023-24

District Governor Bill Robinson
Dist. Gov. Elect Nick Dangerfield
Area Asst. Governor Phil Crombie

PresidentKelvin WinnieSecretaryKen HuntTreasurerGraeme Ryan

ClubAdmin&PE Chris McKenna Mem/ship, PI & TRF John Macintosh

Geoff Bibby

Service ProjectsBrian HallYouthGraeme MuirArtExSteve 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 in revival 13th – 15<sup>th</sup> October

## **Leave of Absence**

Kevin McCormack, Trevor Powell & Denise Primrose — Ongoing Geoff Bibby till 19th July Bruce Martin - 19th July to 9th Aug Tattersalls - 5th July to 2nd Aug Gill Scarlet - 12th July to 27th Sept

# Website/Club Contacts

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

William Walker from Karamu Rotary presented their next project. A Debate (without the ability to debate) where four candidates for the Tuki Electorate have been presented with questions on three subjects: Crime, co-governance, and the economy. It will be at 5.30pm August 10<sup>th</sup> at the Cheval Rooms, Hastings Racecourse. Registration required 10 days prior to the meeting. A proportion of the funds raised will be shared with our Club based on the numbers of our members attending. The main benefactor will probably be the Rural Support Trust.

#### From President Kelvin:

John McIntosh, with the support of Garth and Mary Anne, have raised funds to support people / youth impacted by the Cyclone. \$20,000.00 from Riccarton RC Trust, \$7,000.00 from District (sleeping bags funded from this), \$10,000.00 from HB Foundation.

He also announced that Doug Neilson has been appointed an Honorary Member of our Club. Doug continues to spend some time supporting our IT requirements. Much appreciated Doug.

# **Sergeant**

Sergeant Brian Peploe fined Christine, the raffle winner. He then based fines on the first Rugby test held in NZ – in the 1940s, and he was there! It was on the Mainland at Carisbrooke, Dunedin. Very few members could recall the game (let alone attended it) and thus paid up.

#### **PROGRAM**

It was "Fireside" night and thus the meeting finished early and members (well most of them) moved off to their first meeting with their new committee.

## Thoughts this week - Pete Thompson

# Opening:

From Henry Ford:

"Coming together is a beginning, keeping together is progress, and working together is success".

# Closing:

Henry Ford (again):
"Failure is simply the
opportunity to begin again,
this time more intelligently."

## Words for this week

Were from "Visual Journalist" Brian Hall who, of course, also contributed photos, both for the evening and the previous Changeover function held at the weekend. See this pictorial record below.

#### **ROSTER OF DUTIES**

Date	July 12th	July 19th	July 26th
Programme: Guest Speaker	Jon Barrett Menzshed Napier	Jo Jacobson Dress for Less	Mining in Mongolia TBC
Top Table introduce Speaker Vote of Thanks Cashier Three Minute Speaker Sergeant Stewards One per table and the named	Bruce Martin Fred Staples Garth Eyles Judy McKelvie - Neil Smith Alan White Robert Pearson	John Macintosh Brian Peploe Brian Hall Denise Brown - Brian Anstis Gail Kelly Edwin Brown	Bob Brady Geoff Bibby Curly Carpenter Steve Gillum - Frank Heuser Judy McKelvie Les Mockford
members to do the clean-up.			

## **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**

### **Dolbel Reserve**

You keep hearing about it – the Monday morning project, and then it gets cancelled due to bad weather. Well last Monday morning further efforts in setting up Wim's memorial seat apparently took place. Photos are produced here.

Note in the photo, the chap in the hat was actually working as the Health & Safety Officer (sort of traffic control - stop/go man. The 50 orange cones are out of sight.)

The hillside behind the group checking the stability of the seat was planted out two years ago. This is the area where weeding and replacement of lost trees is taking place.





New supporters of Dolbel would be appreciated as three further 25kg bags of lime sand need to be taken up and placed under the seat. Anyone up for a healthy 10 minute hill walk to help deliver these? Note, the bags will be repackaged to 12.5kg each. Get in touch with Garth if you can assist. Maybe you can forego a round of golf for this hill walking exercise? (Note, almost compulsory debriefing after exercise is required at a local café.)

## **Kirsa Jensen Memorial Planting**

One last shot of the planting covered in last week's bulletin. You will have seen the personal thanks email from the Council and also the admission that there were 290 trees and shrubs planted. (Your Editor was sure it was more than 65 – even 200 more!)





**Departing Pres.** Helen presents a **further PHF** sapphire pin to Carol →



**WHAT IT WAS LIKE CHANGEOVER** @ **VALLEY D'VINE** 

The Chain of Office has been handed over & it's all on now!

let ourselves in for. (Pres Kelvin & his senior adviser)



Some of the new leadership team get ready for action igspace



The Mackintosh's discuss the menu with the Gibsons



 $\downarrow$  If only they had asked us  $\downarrow$ 





Think we can pull off another ArtEx? ↓



"Sorry, I tried to muck it up - but it looks like we'll be doing the **bulletin** for another year!"  $\rightarrow$ 



Next Wednesday, home at our regular venue – and a shed speaker.