

MEADOWS MATTERS



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

DRESSING FOR LESS OR SUCCESS!!!!

espite bulletin attempts to confuse the title of the evening address, it was quite clear that the subject was success and

brilliantly presented to us by Jo Jacobson. She was indeed a success — and she dresses for it! In opening her speech Jo commended Rotary for our activities in the community and also Bob's opening thought of never getting a 2nd chance to make a 1st impression, saying that clothing makes that difference.

Jo has a background in the DHB, 10 years and the last three as Chief Information Officer (known to our Chris McK). She then went to community groups and thus



became involved in "Dress for Success" who supply clothes and accessories for women going for job interviews. This is a world-wide organisation but only launched here last year. They raised \$40,000 to begin their group here — and now it is nearly all gone! In recent months much of her time has been helping Cyclone Gabrielle victims gain jobs. She reminded us that HB still has 300 women with children living in "emergency accommodation" and gave examples of how they had assisted them. They are always seeking good clothes — and donations! (Men's options had been canvassed and there were possibilities for the future.) You can call and see them and their resources (Raffles Street — near the Warehouse??)



WELCOME

President Kelvin had welcomed 35 people and they included the guest speaker, as well a previous guest speaker Sharon Ross who came to have another look at us – after "blowing the lights out" last time she visited! He later noted the return of Geoff Bibby after overseas touring. Kelvin also delivered an emergency evacuation message – in case we had to some time, and told us we would then assemble in the car park.

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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: 1st Wed Directors: 2nd Wed

Coming Up:

ArtEx in revival 13th – 15th October Plate debate TBA

Leave of Absence

Trevor Powell & Denise Primrose – Ongoing

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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WELFARE

Welfare Officer Stuart pointed out that Bob Morrison was back with us after his fight with shingles, and also noted Wally is recovering and back with us to.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Kelvin again announced the special message from the newly installed Rotary World President (Gordon McInally) and that gremlins prohibited our seeing last week (and some of you did not click on the link in the newsletter). *Techo Bob* had got the NCC to fix the problem and we "really" watched the story!

Then Kelvin gave us a summary of the Cyclone Gabrielle \$66,000 distribution straight to clubs for use, and described how that use had occurred. (Report already circulated to you.) He also spoke of the second tranche of payments and how it was used with Graeme Muir particularly mentioning how \$7K went for roads at Camp Kaitawa.

Kelvin concluded with advice that the "Plate Debate" *is* going to proceed and that Ian Holyoake has been appointed our GM District Conference Coordinator for that event next year at Karapiro. (Pretty much the whole club is attending!!)

Denise Brown told us of an upcoming collection (with a box to come) but take care not to mix stuff, e.g. soap and food!

Gardening Garth confirmed that Wim's seat had been completed with the sand lugged up by mules. They had plenty and the unveiling is yet to come.

Acting Multi Director John told us about the Mental Health & Wellbeing Project, of getting \$30K from the Royston Health Trust and the HB Foundation, and of some of the distributions by our Directors. An Ad Hoc committee of him, Mary Anne, Carol and Garth assessing the needs. (NB "Children's Mental Health & Wellbeing"- is there a better name?) He also alluded to the current Rotary theme for the month (see illustration below).

He concluded with reference to the development of Membership Blue Print for 2024, saying they have a meeting at the end of August, wish to complete their plans by Christmas for implementation in the New Year.

Graeme Muir concluded announcements with reference to a breakfast on Friday morning – but you have already missed that!

Sergeant



Brian Anstis confirmed raffle ticket No. 77 won for Alan White and then continuing the "dress theme" fined those who wear jeans and then completely branched out and made us guess the titles for various **wedding anniversaries** – 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 & 40 years (tin, lace, brass, silver, candy, etc. – in case you wondered.)



Thoughts this week - Bob Brady

Opening:

"You never get a second chance to make a first impression." (Will Rogers or Oscar Wilde) "You can never be overdressed or overeducated." (Oscar Wilde)

Closing:

"If you want to make a good first impression, smile at people. What does it cost not to smile? Everything, if not smiling prevents you from enchanting people.

Words for this week

It was a struggle – you can tell, for they all came from (or were made up by) the Editor himself. You can improve on his effort by joining the writing team. There are great rewards – though yet to be revealed!

ROSTER OF DUTIES

Date	July 26th	August 2nd	August 9th
Programme: Guest Speaker	Mining in Mongolia	Firesides	Nigel Avery Chef de Mission NZIOC
Top Table introduce Speaker Vote of Thanks Cashier Three Minute Speaker	John Macintosh Geoff Bibby Curly Carpenter Steve Gillum - Frank Heuser	Robert Pearson Bryan Matthews Alan White Lynne Gibson	Garth Eyles Neil Smith Brian Peploe Gail Kelly - Kevin McCormack
Stewards	Judy McKelvie Peter Thompson	Jenny Robertson Mark Dickerson	Denise Brown Fred Staples

UNABLE TO PERFORM DUTY?

YOU must arrange a substitute and notify President Kelvin of the change.

It's not too hard, is a courtesy to our president and assists the smooth running of our meeting. If you are going to be absent in the future – let the Apologies Member know or seek Leave of Absence so that necessary amendments can be made to the roster.

MISCELLANEOUS MEADOWS TRIVIA

WISDOM FROM A CHILD

Teacher: How old is your father?

Kid: He is 6 years.

Teacher: What? How is this possible?

Kid: He became father only when I was born. (Logic!! Children are quick and always speak their minds.)

TEACHER: Maria, go to the map and find North America.

MARIA: Here it is.

TEACHER: Correct. Now, Class, who discovered America?

CLASS: Maria.

TEACHER: Glenn, how do you spell 'crocodile?'

GLENN: K-R-O-K-O-D-I-A-L' TEACHER: No, that's wrong

GLENN: Maybe it is wrong, but you asked me how I spell

it.

(I love this child.)

TEACHER: Donald, what is the chemical formula for water?

DONALD: HIJKLMNO.

TEACHER: What are you talking about? DONALD: Yesterday you said it's H to O.

TEACHER: Clyde, your composition on 'My Dog' is exactly

the same as your brother's. Did you copy his?

CLYDE: No, sir; It's the same dog.

(I want to adopt this kid!!!)

TEACHER: Harold, what do you call a person who keeps on

talking when people are no longer interested?

HAROLD: A teacher.



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We expand access to quality care, so mothers and children everywhere can have the same opportunities for a healthy future. An estimated 5.9 million children under the age of five die each year because of malnutrition, inadequate health care, and poor sanitation — all of which can be prevented.

Next Wednesday, at our regular venue - and we're mining!