



# MEADOWS MATTERS



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

## WELCOME

**Pres. Kelvin** welcomed 34 people and made a special mention of Peter Brown having returned from his overseas travels. He also thanked Les for the excellent job he has done behind the bar in Peter's absence.



## Welfare

Stuart told us that Don McKenzie's leg is still not good, and that Brian Hall has returned from holiday – but is now down with Covid-19.

## Announcements

**Curly** welcomed everyone who has put their name down for the Sunday lunch at the Puketapu Pub and instructed them to be there from 12 for lunch at 1pm this coming Sunday.

**Garth** reported that he & Wally have finished building the memorial seat for Wim and that this seat will be blessed on Wim's birthday. Garth also announced that the reconstruction of the garden at Patoka School was to be completed on Saturday. (They met at the Taradale Town hall at 9.15am & worked as this bulletin was written/read!)

**Pres. Kelvin** then told members some of the items to be discussed at the Fireside meetings that night, including a request from the Life Education Trust that is requiring carpet in the shape of the human body, and this carpet will cost \$900.

**Alan** requested that members give him ideas for good guest speakers.

**Bryan Matthews**, on behalf of Artex Director Steve, stated that there are only six weeks left before the Art Exhibition. He also said that the insurance money we received after Cyclone Gabrielle is being used to replace some of our ruined equipment and resources.

## Three Minute Speaker

**Kevin McCormack** made a very brave speech about the Alcoholics Anonymous 12 Step Fellowship International Program which was established in 1939. He said that 200 organisations have used this 12 step program towards recovery in one way or another.



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## Officer Holders 2023-24

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

**President** Kelvin Winnie  
**Secretary** Ken Hunt  
**Treasurer** Graeme Ryan  
**ClubAdmin&PE** Chris McKenna  
**Mem/ship, PI & TRF** John Macintosh  
Geoff Bibby  
**Service Projects** Brian Hall  
**Youth** Graeme Muir  
**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:

ArtEx in revival 13th – 15<sup>th</sup> October  
Plate debate TBA

## Leave of Absence

Trevor Powell & Denise P. – Ongoing  
Gill Scarlet - 12th July to 27th Sept  
Pete Thompson 9th Aug to 4th Oct  
Jenny Robertson & Brian Hall  
9<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> August

## Website/Club Contacts

Our website

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## Sergeant

Helen then proceeded to conduct a very funny Rugby World Cup survey as her Sergeant's session, instructing members to put their "hands on their heads, or on their bottoms" in the answering of some pretty testing questions. Last man standing was President Kelvin, who culminated the evening, and thanked members for coming, after he'd proudly won the rugby quiz.

## Fireside Meetings

Being the first meeting of the month, and after Directors had announced their venues, we all moved off for our committee meetings to consider the many issues as instructed and to plan for the projects and future of our wonderful club.

### Thoughts this week (Bryan Matthews)

#### Opening thought:

*"If you always do what you've always done, you will always get what you always got."* (Henry Ford)

#### Closing thought: (from Apple's Steve Jobs)

*"It's really hard to design products by focus groups. A lot of times people don't know what they want until you show it to them."*

### The Writer This Week

Was our recently returned (and refreshed) Jenny who has put this report together with the skill that we have missed in the past month. Want to join her on the writing team as a Cub Reporter for one day a month? Ask around – we have vacancies.

### ArtEx Launching

Please note that our regular meeting the week after next, (20<sup>th</sup>) is our "launching" of the ArtEx project. As well as our club members, we will have Surf Life Saving, some of our sponsors, and the like. It is a great opportunity to bring partners or friends (potential members??) BUT for catering purposes, please advise Ken of any extras attending ASAP.

## ROSTER OF DUTIES

Date	September 13th	September 20th	September 27th
Programme: Guest Speaker	<b>Olivia Baxter</b>	<b>Artex Meeting</b>	<b>TBC</b>
Host + Thoughts	Denise Brown	Jenny Robertson	Kevin McCormack
Top Table introduce Speaker	Edwin Brown	Steve Gillum	Alan White
Vote of Thanks	Geoff Bibby	-	Bob Brady
Cashier	Judy McKelvie	Mark Dickerson	Curly Carpenter
Three Minute Speaker	-	-	-
Sergeant	Brian Peploe	-	Garth Eyles
<b>Stewards</b> <i>One per table and the named Members to clean up at the</i>	Bruce Martin Brian Anstis	Graeme Muir Fred Staples	Robert Pearson Helen Tattersall

### UNABLE TO PERFORM DUTY?

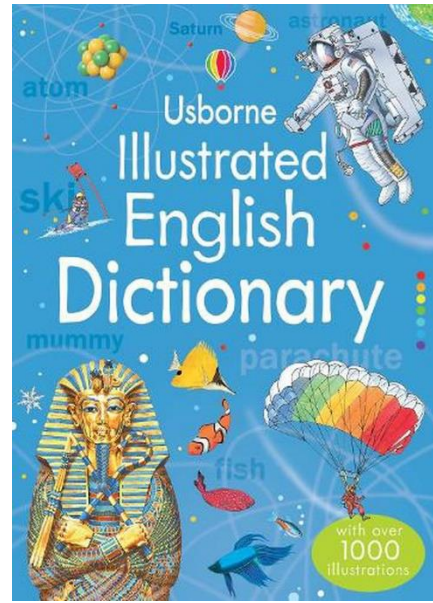
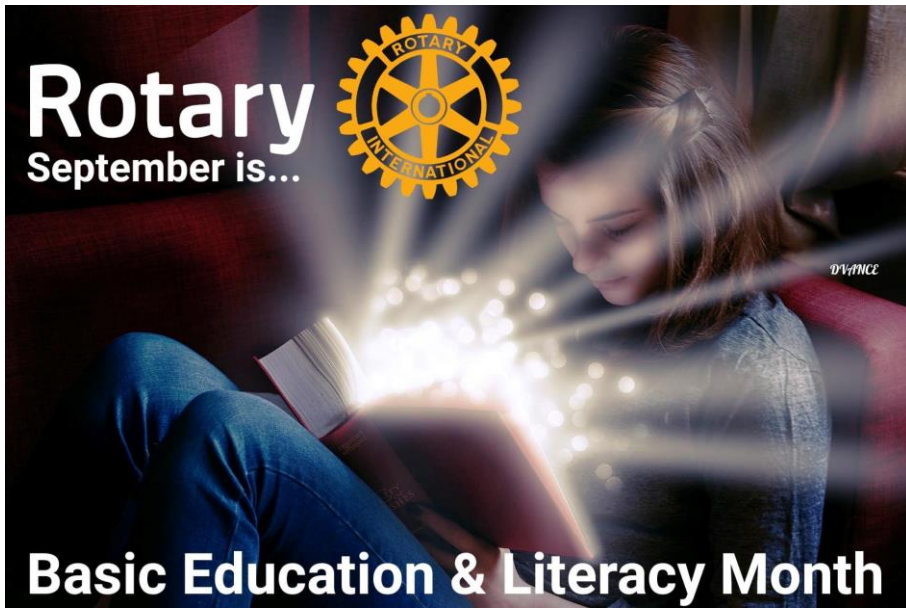
***YOU must arrange a substitute and notify President Kelvin of the change.***

***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 MATTERS



### *And what do we do on this theme?*

*Dictionaries in Schools* is one example and was aimed at Rotary providing Year Four Students in low decile schools in our district with their own dictionaries. Some 30,000 dictionaries have been distributed. Each book has delightful illustrations & clear definitions to make this the ideal first dictionary for young children.

### *And - Rotary Youth Exchange Returns*



### Youth Exchange Role:

The District Committee has now got Youth Exchange running again in our District! So we are currently looking for people with a passion for youth to help us and be part of the committee. This is one of the more varied and incredibly rewarding roles in Rotary and you could be a part of it. For more information please contact your District Youth Exchange Chair, Paul Higson on: [paul.higson@cbre.com](mailto:paul.higson@cbre.com)

*(Some Rotary Official once said "If all the children in the world went on the Rotary Youth Exchange programme – there would be no more wars!" Ed)*

*Next Wednesday at home for presentation by Olivia Baxter*

