

MEADOWS MATTERS



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

Welcome

President Kelvin welcomed the members and a special guest of Ross Pinkham's. Andy Wienand a policeman from the UK who won a trip to a conference in NZ which was canceled. So we could say that he traveled half way round the world to bring greetings to our Club from the London Metropolitan Police!!



Presidential Announcements

from President Kelvin

The Final meeting for 2023 will be 13th December.

The First meeting back in 2024 will be 17th January.

The following donations from the Club have been approved

- > \$5000 to the I Am Hope Foundation Mike King.
 - For further information click here https://www.iamhope.org.nz/
- > \$5000 to Lifting the Lid Hawkes Bay.
 - > For further information click here https://rotary9930.org/stories/rotary-lifting-the-lid-on-youthsuicide-in-hawke-s-bay

Welfare

Stuart advised that he was pleased to have nothing to report.

We should recognise those selfish members who are staying away to avoid the possibility of sharing Covid with the rest of us. We hope that the need for this practice does not continue for too long.

Other Announcements

Lynne Gibson – encouraged us to support the District 9930 RYLA program by sponsoring a young person.

The program is open to young people aged 20 to 26.

The Rotary Youth Leadership Awards provide an intensive Leadership Development program.

While participants are selected by the Club their Employer can participate in the sponsorship.

RYLA is held at Epworth Recreation Centre on Lake Karapiro in April.

Applications close 28th February 2024

Curly Carpenter – advised the Club's Christmas Lunch will be held at The Mission on Sunday 3rd December - Partners and friends are invited. Ken has sent out the menu.

Numbers to Curly by 25th November

Alan White – advises that Elephant Hill, our major Artex Sponsor, has offered a good deal on their range of excellent wines. The confidential price list has been circulated to members for orders to be placed directly with the cellar door by the 30th November.

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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 Chris McKenna ClubAdmin&PE Membership, Image & Foundation

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: 1st Wed Directors: 2nd Wed

Coming Up:

Christmas Lunch at the Mission 3rd December

First Meeting 2024 - 17th January

Plate debate TBA

Leave of Absence

Trevor Powell & Denise P. - Ongoing Edwin Brown 25 Oct – 22 Nov Gail Kelly to 29 Nov

Website/Club Contacts

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Salvation Army. The Annual Christmas appeal. Groceries for their Christmas Food parcels will be collected at our next 3 meetings. Personal gifts, unwrapped, for teenage children would also be appreciated. Denise will update members at next week's meeting.

SERGEANT'S SESSION

Peter Thompson ran the Sergeant's session and raised \$70 for the Rotary Foundation.

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION – Ross Pinkham



Ross, a former District Chair for the Rotary Foundation, presented an overview of the history and workings of the Foundation.

From it's commencement in 1917 by Arch Klumph with a donation of \$US26.50.

Following the death of Paul Harris in 1947 the first Paul Harris Fellows were recognised. This continues with each \$US1,000 entitling the creation of a Paul Harris Fellow. Ross highlighted the record of our Club in the number of Fellows awarded, particularly those from the communities we support, as well as the number we are now able to recognise.

He then outlined the many activities of the Foundation including Global Grants, Scholarships, District Grants, Group Study Exchange, Polio Eradication, Peace Centres all spread over Rotary's seven areas of Focus. In the latest reporting year amounting to \$US300 million including \$US150 million on Polio {contributed Two Thirds by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation} and \$US73 million on Global Grants.

He then called on Graeme Muir who spoke on the Camp Kaitawa Trust who have twice been the recipients of financial assistance from the Rotary Foundation.

2021 District grant of \$3,250 matched by GM Rotary to upgrade the Bell & Ward Huts. Unfortunately weather events, including Cyclone Gabriel have impacted on the efforts to complete this project. However thanks to the continued efforts of those involved it will hopefully be finished early next year. In the meantime a significant repair to the 'South Wall' of the main building has been undertaken by the visiting team.

2023 Disaster Relief Funding of \$7,500 was allocated by the Foundation and this is being applied to access driveways that were severely impacted during Cyclone Gabriel. Completion of this is dependent on the availability of local contractors who are obviously very busy with more essential repairs. Come and join this effective team on their work week in January where only half the time is spent working with the other half available to enjoy the great outdoor surroundings.

And Alan White – with Cycling Without Age gained funding for another Trio Bike that can be used for someone who must remain on their wheelchair.

Stewart Skeet – spoke as a committed regular giver to the Rotary Foundation with examples of the ways to give and the satisfaction it brings as you can take personal interest in the many projects the Foundation supports.

Thoughts this week (Graeme Muir)

The ROTARY FOUNDATION is our Charity of Choice:

Opening:

No one has ever become poor by giving.

Closing:

Alone we can do so little; Together we can do so much. **Words & Photos**

This Week

Contributed by the presenters {or stolen from their presentations} My Thanks to Ross, Graeme & Alan Any errors or omissions are mine. Assistant to the Editor - Bob











FOUNDATION FUNDING	PERSONAL CONTRIBUTIONS The ways you can participate in the Foundation	
Sustaining Member \$US100 per year Paul Harris Fellow \$US1000 Multiple Paul Harris Fellow Paul Harris Society- \$US1000 per year commitment	Make the Foundation your Charity of Choice Choose End Polio Now or Foundation Redirect your Dinner apologies credit Make a One off payment Or a regular payment	

ROSTER OF DUTIES

Date	November 22nd	November 29th	December 6th
Programme: Guest Speaker	AGM	ТВС	Firesides
Host and Thoughts	Brian Peploe	Graeme Muir	Fred Staples
Top Table introduce Speaker	-	Curly Carpenter	-
Vote of Thanks	-	Jenny Roberston	-
Cashier	Judy McKelvie	Brian Anstis	Lynne Gibson
Three Minute Speaker		-	Bryan Matthews
Sergeant	Geoff Bibby	Edwin Brown	Frank Heuser
Stewards	Garth Eyles	Gill Scarlet	Gail Kelly
One per table and the	Steve Gillum	Denise Brown	Bob Brady
named Members to clean up			
at the end.			

UNABLE TO PERFORM DUTY?

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

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.



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1' to discover Rotary news

A Rotary Club restores a museum in USA

After a 2021 tornado and subsequent electrical fire damaged the African American Museum in Bowling Green, Kentucky, a Rotary club in the city acquired a \$10,000 disaster relief grant from District 6710 to help restore the museum.

But "we didn't just want to be handing out the check," says Vickie Elrod, a past president of the Rotary Club of Bowling Green.

"We wanted to get boots on the ground to get involved with the preservation of those artifacts."

About a dozen Rotarians attended workshops on archiving, and the club is assisting the museum in digitizing documents.

They include records on Shake Rag, a once-vibrant district settled by former slaves and soldiers who fought for the Union in the Civil War.

The financial assistance enabled the museum to work with a conservator on preserving its uniforms and other clothes.

The museum reopened in August, and Rotarians continue to assist with cleaning damaged artifacts, pictures, and equipment.



The Rotary Minute is a creation of District 1700. Please send any comments or suggestions to laminute1700@gmail.com

Next Wednesday is our Annual General Meeting (Makes sure you have read the papers emailed to you!)