



# MEADOWS MATTERS



CREATE HOPE  
in the WORLD

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

## Opening Event for 2024 - Annual Summer BBQ

**P**resident Kelvin, looking relaxed after returning from Vietnam, welcomed 32 members and their supporters.

The weather remained kind, dry and not too hot, with the now large trees at Dolbel providing welcome shade.

Special mention to the people behind the scenes who made it happen. Stuart and Heather for organising the food, and transporting the BBQ's and tables. Curly and Chris for organising the evening, Carol for "doing the numbers" with I presume Ken the accounting work. Garth arranged and collected the key with Curly, Peter, Ken and Hugh performing as chefs. Then Chris, Donna and Jenny as *servng wenchs* setting up the BYO food. (If the scribe has missed any others who were involved, he apologies. As you can see though, it was a real Greenmeadows Team effort. Thanks to the above, and all for the delicious food.



Members swap stories

Cooking commences →  
with great concentration from  
the long and short of it ↓



Meanwhile plans are formulated



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

### Coming Up:

#### Leave of Absence

Kevin McCormack, Trevor Powell &  
Denise Primrose – Ongoing

#### Website/Club Contacts

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← Bar planning for the year is undertaken

And “serving wenches” begin to lay out the dishes→



← A rear view is captured – to round off the images

Your scribe shows off the cork hat he got he got in Vietnam – or somewhere →



### ROSTER OF DUTIES

Date	January 24th	January 31st	February 7th
<b>Programme: Guest Speaker</b>	<b>Laura Vodanavich MTG Director</b>	<b>Rachael Haydon National Aquarium</b>	<b>Firesides</b>
Host and Thoughts	Gill Scarlet	John Mackintosh	Jenny Robertson
Top Table introduce Speaker	Brian Peplow	Kevin McCormack	-
Vote of Thanks	Steve Gillum	Peter Thompson	-
Cashier	Fred Staples	Bruce Martin	Judy McKelvie
Three Minute Speaker	-	-	Brian Anstis
Sergeant	Mark Dickerson	Bryan Matthews	Alan White
<b>Stewards</b> <i>One per table and the named Members to clean up at the end.</i>	Neil Smith Graeme Muir	Chris McKenna Helen Tattersall	Frank Heuser Gail Kelly

#### 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.***

### CAMP KAITAWA

While the year for most of us, began with the BBQ gathering referred to above, a small group of our members went out even earlier in January to capture the Rotary mantra of “*Doing Good in the World.*” They were at Camp Kaitawa up near Lake Waikaremoana and taking part in another annual event that our members, some from Taradale and the Camp Kaitawa Trust are involved in. The activities of these erstwhile members are recorded in the pictorial record below.

#### Words & Photo: This Week

**Photo Journo Brian Hall and ever present with camera, Ross Pinkham. They created the words and images you see here today.**





← The team  
&  
some of their  
gear →



←The old  
&  
The revived→



**But it was not all work**



←There was eating  
&  
There was relaxing→



Actually, quite a bit of relaxing



But what counts –  
← is the end results →



## MISCELLANEOUS MEADOWS MATTERS

### ROTARY DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2024

It is just four months to the annual District Conference and it is important for us all to consider our position in relation to this event. Over the years Greenmeadows has had a great presence at these events, often all getting dressed up to a theme (and winning the “prettiest team prize”) enjoying the fellowship of each other for a weekend as well as expanding our Rotary knowledge at this great event. So don’t just leave this for the president or president elect to attend in some sort of official fashion, let’s make up a group and go together. Ian Holyoake is “coordinating” the attendance of our members. Advise him of your intentions. Some details from the District Governor’s recent reminder appear here. (*Should we go as “magicians?” see below. Ed*)

*Deb and I invite you to register for our District 9930 conference to be held in Cambridge 17th to 19th May 2024. Registrations are now open and you can do this using the following link.*

<https://www.9930conference.co.nz/registration>

*We are excited about the programme being developed by the committee so we hope you can join us. We would like to see some of the Honorary members to come and join us also. This will probably be the last solely District 9930 conference.*

*Our committee are also encouraging clubs to bring prospective or non-member friends to come and experience the buzz of a Rotary conference.*

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### 2024-25 ANNUAL FOR THEME ROTARY REVEALED

*Each year the incoming Rotary World President chooses a theme for his/her year. That has just happened – as shown here.*

Rotary International President-elect Stephanie Urchick announced the 2024-25 theme, ***The Magic of Rotary***, at the International Assembly on 8 January. The assembly is Rotary’s annual learning event for incoming governors and leaders. Urchick, a member of the Rotary Club of McMurray, Pennsylvania, USA, called on members to use the magic of Rotary to recognize and amplify the organization’s power to save lives. She also called on them to make their Rotary clubs “simply irresistible.” [Read more and see the theme speech](#)



***And for next week, back at the Town Hall on Wednesday evening with our regular caterer and we will learn about “our” Napier museum + What’s Up with What’s App!***

