

# **MEADOWS MATTERS**



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

#### VISITING OTHER CLUBS

A further meeting and without our own caterer, was covered this week by many members taking part in our annual visit to other clubs in the general area. So – where did we go?

## Waipukurau Rotary

President Kelvin and his Administration Committee (with input from Projects) made the longest journey by going down to Central HB. They were joined by two Ahuriri Sunrise members and all had an entertaining evening with the Waipukurau Rotary Club.



After being welcomed by President Jane Hamilton, Gabriel Rodrigues, a young 13 year old saxophonist from Otane, who has been selected to travel to Los Angeles to represent NZ, entertained everyone as part of his efforts to raise money for the trip. A very talented young man!

A lovely meal and fellowship was followed by a talk from Naomi Brown who is a Hearing Therapist. She spoke about the options that their services offer to those of us who are hard of hearing. An interesting and informative talk.

The hospitality shown made the travelling well worthwhile. An enjoyable and entertaining evening. (NB No pictures from this one.)

# Ahuriri + Napier Rotary

The MEMPIRF Committee (Membership, Public Image & Rotary Foundation – you can see why I shortened it. Ed) headed all the way out

to Westshore to be with the Ahuriri Club who were also joined that evening by the Napier Rotary Club – with whom they will merge at the beginning of the new Rotary Year.

President Caroline welcomed the combined clubs present and after a nice meal we were entertained by



Pippa McKelvie-Sebileau, the Climate Ambassador for the HB Regional Council. (Pippa's father Ross McKelvie of Napier Club was an enthusiastic listener.) Reference was also made to the upcoming Centennials of both the Napier & Hastings Rotary Clubs.

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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 Mackintosh & 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:

Plate Debate - 19 June

# Leave of Absence

Kevin McC, Trevor P, Denise P & Lynne G – Ongoing; Neil S to 01/05 Bob B to 24 April

# Website/Club Contacts

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# Ahuriri Sunrise Rotary

Some members of the ArtEx Committee and a couple of additions (but younger and more daring) joined the Ahuriri Sunrise Club — who were also having an "away meeting". They all met at Brian Webster' Motorbike Museum and spent half an hour looking at an exceptional array of some 60 odd motorbikes tha Brian had accumulated over a period of years. Following that they headed off to the Coffee Club where the held their regular meeting.







Visiting members reminisced over these bikes and recalled who they used to ride for before gathering thei thoughts and responsibilities together - and joining up with the Rotary International Gang!

#### ROSTER OF DUTIES

Date	May 1st	May 8th	May 15th
Programme:	Administration	Glen Harkness	Katie Nimon
Guest Speaker	Membership & ArtEx	EIT Executive	National MP
	Firesides	Director	
Host and Thoughts	Bob Morrison	Graeme Ryan	Gail Kelly
Top Table introduce Speaker	-	Peter Thompson	Steve Gillum
Vote of Thanks	-	Ross Pinkham	Bryan Matthews
Cashier	Wal Drayton	Judy McKelvie	Frank Heuser
Three Minute Speaker	Helen Tattersall	-	-
Sergeant	Brian Peploe	Alan White	Brian Hall
Stewards	Mark Dickerson	Robert Pearson	Les Mockford
One per table and the	Curly Carpenter	Graeme Ryan**	Judy McKelvie
named Members to clean up			

## UNABLE TO PERFORM DUTY or an ABSENCE COMING UP

If you cannot perform a rostered duty, YOU must arrange a substitute and advise the President of this.

If you are going to miss a meeting, email the apologies link and if you have a long term absence planned,
write to the Secretary seeking "Leave of Absence."

### WORDS & IMAGES THIS WEEK

The words and images were gathered together (with a considerable degree of difficulty) from the various venues by Jenny, Ross, Pete, Carol and even the Editor himself. But it worked!

NEW ADDITION TO OUR CONTACTS LIST (ABOVE)
The Greenmeadows Rotary Facebook Page link
<a href="https://www.facebook.com/greenmeadowsrotary">https://www.facebook.com/greenmeadowsrotary</a>
Have you been there yet? Click the link and see what you think.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEADOWS MATTERS



# District Conference 2024 Three Weeks to go

The numbers are creeping up. Now into double figures (see below).

The Saturday night dinner theme is "OpShop Glam." (We are going to dress up in Art Deco and will look really smart!!)

More information by clicking on this link https://www.9930conference.co.nz/registration

# Members attending Conference

Pres. Kelvin & Kath (Motel ?)

Ken & Carol (Lake Karapiro - Chalet) Ian & Eleanor (Lake Karapiro - Motorhome)

PDG Ross (Staying with family) John & Claire (...??)

#### SPACE FILLER



I can't afford an Ancestry DNA Kit to learn about my relatives. So instead, I posted online that I had won the lottery. In the 70's I was riding my bike and fell off and hurt my knee.

I'm telling you this now because we didn't have social media back then

#### SERIOUS STUFF









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# 24-30 April: World Immunization Week

The GPEI (Global Polio Eradication Initiative) estimates that polio vaccines have saved approximately 20 million children from paralysis globally.

When Rotary initiated the GPEI in 1988, polio paralyzed over 1,000 people worldwide daily, mostly young children.

Since then, Rotary and its partners have reduced polio cases by 99%.

In 2021, there were only six cases caused by the wild poliovirus, with Afghanistan and Pakistan being the remaining endemic countries.

This progress is thanks to the efforts of countless volunteers and health workers who immunize children in hard-to-reach communities and establish real-time global surveillance and outbreak response mechanisms.

The polio eradication infrastructure has also been repurposed to combat other infectious diseases and support COVID-19 prevention and vaccination efforts.

Leveraging decades of experience, Rotary has emphasized the power and efficacy of COVID-19 vaccines.

Rotary members have actively disseminated lifesaving information, countered misinformation, and advocated for equitable vaccine access since the pandemic began in 2020.



The Rétarian Minute is a creation of District £700. Please send any comments or suggestions to <u>laminute £700@gmail.com</u>

Next week at home (& a meal) then an update on Membership Development plus our ArtEx project.