



# MEADOWS MATTERS

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



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## MEMBERSHIP & FIRESIDES

*Past. Pres. Helen* from the Membership Committee acted as Chair, welcomed around 33 people and all rejoiced at 'being at home' with a caterer and great meal again.

**Bob Morrison** presented the *Opening Thought* and sought to emulate Pres. Kelvin with his usual "reflections on the date" (1 May – 'May Day'). Bob said that it might mean that in the Northern Hemisphere they are getting ready for spring, it is also 'World International Workers Day, and more importantly a 'distress call' "*May Day, May Day*" (i.e. "*Help Me, Help Me*" - in French!)

### Welfare

Stuart reported that all seemed pretty good with members – as far as he knew.

### Announcements

*President Kelvin* came to the rostrum and advised that Mike Owen's transfer had been confirmed and he was now a member of our club.

*Club Changeover* would be on 21 July at the Valley DeVine, delayed as PE Chris has a trip to Dubai, London, Amsterdam & Budapest to complete before assuming the 'chain of office.'



The *Salvation Army* Collection still needs some volunteers and also, Natalya is going away soon so Doug Neilson needs someone to assist with posting the Club Bulletins to the website. *Can you help??*

*ArtEx* is under consideration and we need to decide where we are heading with this project, the commitment, availability of members, etc. Committees were urged to discuss that at the Fireside meetings to determine our willingness and capability to continue with this project.

*Pres. Elect. Chris* invited Directors to come to her place on Saturday to settle on committees and changes necessary. She did indicate that Rotary Foundation was going to be a committee in its own right. She also referred to her concern for the local HB clubs that were closing down soon, i.e. the Napier and Hastings 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: 1<sup>st</sup> Wed  
Directors: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed

### Coming Up:

Plate Debate – 19 June

### Leave of Absence

Kevin McC, Trevor P, Denise P & Lynne G & Steve G – Ongoing;  
Jenny to 22/5, David & Helen to 5/6

### Website/Club Contacts

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### Three Minute Address

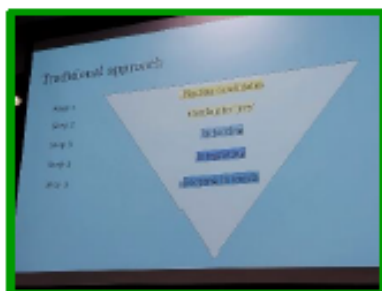
*PP Helen* was back at the rostrum and spoke on her company *TRG Imaging*, of the places they worked from, and referred to a new place in Ahuriri (near Rothmans) and a new molecular imaging site at or near the new Kaweka Hospital in Hastings. She mentioned other important stuff, like looking for cancer (I think) and while exciting, it got beyond your scribe's level of competence!



### Sergeant's Session

*Sergeant Brian Peplow* drew Raffle No. 86 which was claimed by Stuart Cheyne and then fined those less competent with the digital age, particularly anyone who could remember having a 'party line', had never had a cell phone (only him it seems), those who had a 'smart' phone, and finally those who were still using 'smoke signals' (he paid again!)

### Membership



**D**irector *John Mackintosh* used a power point presentation to illustrate the dire situation Rotary Clubs seem to be in with their reducing membership, and we are no exception (*despite our club's seemingly large size, we've lost 10 members in the past 12 months! Ed*)

John dealt with the 'traditional approach' for recruiting and the need to change. He suggested we need to do 'actual marketing' and discussed the 5 Ps of marketing: *product, price, place, promotion and people*. He suggested the segments to focus on were: *recent movers, empty nesters, recently retired, workers at home (or alone), single, volunteers, or those employing the above*.

**A**t John's conclusion, each of us were given a page entitled "*Who do you know*" and at each table the points were discussed with members being encouraged to complete the 'suggestion page' and hand it in to John. We were allowed to take the page home though to give it greater consideration BUT – they must be returned to John so that the Membership committee can consider the results and decide how to approach and process the names given. A committee member will come back to you over how to progress each suggested member. The "shortened" meeting concluded with Helen thanking John for his presentation and also urged the return of the forms, saying please do so and if not - "*We will find you!*"



The Fireside Venues were announced and then Bob Morrison provided his *Parting Thought* *Life is funny. Things change, people change, but you will always be you. So stay true to yourself and never sacrifice who you are for anyone.*

*Following the Membership Director's presentation GM Rotarians at their tables pondering on new members*



**NOW – GET THOSE MEMBER SUGGESTIONS COMPLETED AND SENT TO JOHN MACKINTOSH**





## ROSTER OF DUTIES

Date	May 8th	May 15th	May 15th
Programme: Guest Speaker	Glen Harkness EIT Executive Director	Katie Nimon National MP	TBC
Host and Thoughts Top Table introduce Speaker Vote of Thanks Cashier Three Minute Speaker Sergeant	Graeme Ryan Peter Thompson Ross Pinkham Judy McKelvie - Alan White	Gail Kelly Bryan Matthews Bob Brady Frank Heuser - Curly Carpenter	Edwin Brown Garth Eyles Bruce Martin Denise Brown - Neil Smith
<b>Stewards</b> <i>One per table and the named Members to clean up</i>	Robert Pearson Graeme Ryan**	Les Mockford Judy McKelvie	Fred Staples Mike Owen

### UNABLE TO PERFORM DUTY or an ABSENCE COMING UP

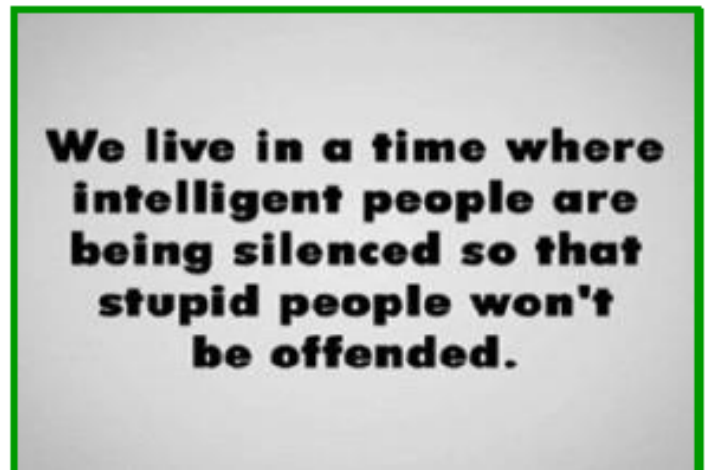
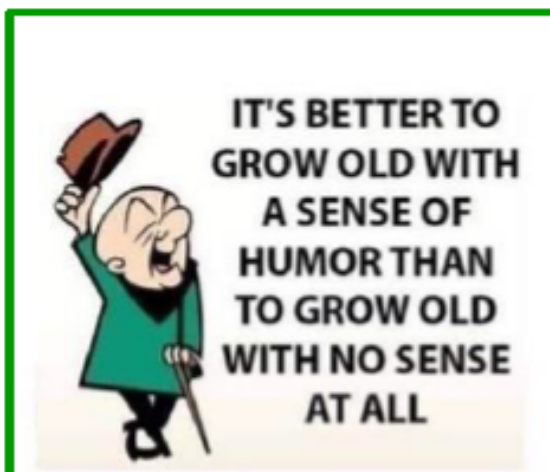
*If you cannot perform a rostered duty, YOU must arrange a substitute and advise the President of this.  
If you are going to miss a meeting, email the apologies link and if you have a long term absence planned,  
write to the Secretary seeking "Leave of Absence."*

### WORDS & IMAGES THIS WEEK

The words and images came from the pen and lens of the Editor himself, struggling as he was, after a cataract operation earlier in the week. Please excuse any "one eyed" impressions created.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEADOWS MATTERS

GAP FILLERS THIS WEEK, APPROPRIATELY COME FROM THE SPEAKER'S RICcarton ROTARY CLUB





**#24 – April 06, 2024**

*1' to discover an aspect of Rotary*

## **Rotary Peace Centers**

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At various times, Rotary members had proposed creating a university to promote peace, but the concept never seemed feasible.

In the 1990s, Rotary leaders were inspired by the 50th anniversary of Harris' death to consider an alternate approach.

The idea was simple, but the impact would be tremendous: Rotary would encourage people already engaged in peacebuilding as a career to apply for graduate-level study in the field, and The Rotary Foundation would provide scholarships to peace fellows that would allow them to enroll in established peace programs at existing universities.

Rotary approved the creation of Rotary Peace Centers program in 1999, and the inaugural class of Rotary Peace Fellows began their studies in 2002.

Rotary Peace Centers, located at universities around the world, develop leaders who become catalysts for peace in local communities and on the global stage.

They study the causes of conflict and build practical skills exploring innovative solutions to real-world problems in areas such as human rights, international relations, and global health and development.



The Rotarian Minute is a creation of District 1700. Please send any comments or suggestions to [lominute1700@gmail.com](mailto:lominute1700@gmail.com)

***Next week at our home venue with a meal and a speaker from the EIT***

