



# MEADOWS MATTERS



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

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## THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

### The Welcome

President Kelvin welcomed 23 members and four visitors (PDG Grant Spackman, Michelle Tanner, D9930 Polio chair; Lynne Trafford, Rotary



Club of Ahuriri Sunrise and Jennie Herring, Endowment and Major Gifts advisor for Zone 8 and our evening's speaker

President Kelvin then shared some thoughts from a book about Rotary in New Zealand - *Mana Tangata* - People of Action by Steven Clark which covers some of the multiple projects in NZ that have been initiated by Rotary (over the 100years in NZ) including Outward Bound; The Crippled Children's Society; The Ellerslie Flower Show and Cure Kids. He concluded with the quote from Paul Harris "We live in an ever changing world; we must be prepared to change with it; the story of Rotary will be written again and again."

**Welfare** Lyn Smith is doing well.

### Announcements

**Lynne Trafford** thanked the members of the club who gave up their time to help with the Red Shield street appeal for the Salvation Army, and presented certificates of appreciation.

**John Reid** attended a Foundation grant meeting and fed back about the success of the grant for Camp Kaitawa to renovate their huts.

**Jenny Robertson** passed on her thanks to the club for their generosity in donating 14 pairs of pajamas and \$240 towards *Jarmies in June* for the Women's Refuge. There are still two weeks left to donate.

**Graeme Muir** reminded members about the Plate Debate next Wednesday, being held at the Taradale Club in Wharerangi Rd. There will be a buffet meal at 5.45pm with the debate between NBHS and NHGS following. **Please advise if not registered** (40 names so far.)

**Denise Brown** sought volunteers to help with the parking for Grey Power next Tuesday. Names to Denise please.

**PDG Grant Spackman** updated members about the rapidly approaching Regionalization pilot project, due to commence on 1/7/24. There will be no changes to clubs but there will be easier access to support where needed. There will be Rotary specialists available to support with membership, ideas etc. The Rotary Foundation will sit



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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;

### Website/Club Contacts

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outside of the new structure. The pilot will run for two years and then members will vote to continue as is or pick the parts that work well. We will still continue to have a DG, a district board and some committees but the biggest change will be the community groups. There will be four community leaders in D9930 and ADG's will be phased out. Grant will be our local community leader. The emphasis will be on a Rotary community rather than on individual clubs.

A black tie **Rotary Foundation Dinner** is to be held on 4/11/24 at the War Memorial Centre in Napier. Jennie Herring and Mark Anderson suggested that Napier should host one and the planning is now coming to fruition. Grant is on the committee also with Ross Pinkham and Sue Page (Ahuriri club). More information will be sent out in late July with registrations opening in late August.

**Michelle Tanner**, who wears a number of hats in D9930, spoke to the club with an update about the current standing of the End Polio Now project. This was started in 1985 and we are tantalizingly close to eradicating Polio from the world. A few hot spots still remain, namely in Pakistan and Afghanistan, but Michelle urged us not to become despondent. Some 10 billion doses have been given, preventing 75 million children from becoming paralyzed with the Polio



## Sergeant's Session

Using the evening "Rotary Foundation" theme, Sergeant Bob Brady relieved members of their cash with a test about TRF - a good test of how well members had been listening as most of the answers had already been divulged by Grant and Michelle. The money raised went to TRF.

## Guest Speaker

Ross Pinkham introduced our evening's speaker, Jennie Herring, as Rotary Royalty - she has done most of the jobs available at Club and District level. Also a proud grandmother with eight "grandies" and two more under construction.



Jennie delivered a very comprehensive slide show about her role as the first Kiwi to hold the post of Endowments and Major Gifts Chair for Zone 8. She shared the mission statement of Rotary Foundation -

*"The Rotary Foundation helps Rotary members to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty"*



She gave us background about the changes to established roles that will come about with the Regionalization project. The new District Rotary Foundation Chair will now be led by Michelle Tanner with Jennie moving from this currently to her new role as endowment and major gifts advisor for the whole of Zone 8.

She went on to explain the RF district structure which comprises of a fundraising team and a spending team, both of whom are answerable to the District Rotary Foundation Chair, who is in turn answerable to the District Governor.

Jennie's roles include advising on Endowment and Major Gifts; Fundraising through major and planned gifts; Collaboration with districts for "Recognition Events; being the "Go To" person for knowledge about gifting; and being the Educator for districts on these things and their impact. She went on to show the ways in which members can give to the Rotary Foundation, recognising personal contributions - *Centurion Programme*, (annual donation of \$100), *Arch Klumph Society* (US 250K, highest level of recognition in Zone 8, with 25 members), *EREY (Every Rotarian Every year \$25 to \$100)*, *Paul Harris Fellow* (one off or cumulative contributions to US\$1000), *Paul Harris Society* (annual contribution commitment of US\$1000) and *Major Donor* (Personal cumulative contributions of US\$10,000). She told us of the four funds that we can contribute to: Annual Fund, Endowment Fund, Polio Fund and the Disaster Fund.

Clubs can also do fundraising and support today's programmes by giving community PHF recognitions, celebrating Rotary's birthday with a club contribution to the RF (Feb 23), holding World Polio Day club and district events (October 24), having two RF speakers per year, having an End Polio Chair and Centurion chair. She feels the emphasis should be to raise funds while holding a fun activity or event.

The Rotary Foundation Endowment has a goal to have funds of \$2.025 billion by 2025. The current combined total of net assets and commitments totals \$1.651 billion leaving a remainder of \$374 million to reach the goal by 2025.

A \$25,000 gift made to the Endowment can yield approximately \$1,000 in spendable earnings for Rotary programs every year. Legacies can be personalised with a named endowment fund. Named funds for an individual require a specific. Should any member wish to find out more, brochures can be obtained from Grant or Michelle.



Jennie closed her very informative presentation by reminding members that funds donated to Rotary should be donated to the Rotary Foundation, which is the charitable arm of Rotary, and that funds donated to Rotary International will be used for the day to day running of Rotary not towards projects.

Jennie concluded her address with a presentation to Ian Holyoake was awarded a PHF +3 Ruby pin in recognition of his ongoing support of RF. In saying thanks Ian stated that he had received few PHF awards before realizing that he should be making his own contributions (as was the original intention of the badge) and he and Eleanor have been doing that now for some years and encouraged members to consider this themselves. *(We are very rich compared with most people in the world!)*

**Bruce Martin** gave the vote of thanks, acknowledging Jennie’s valuable contribution to the Rotary Foundation with this quote: *“The sustained well-being of people anywhere is the sustained well-being of people everywhere.”*



**THOUGHTS FOR THIS WEEK (Neil Smith)**

**Opening**

Problems are not stop signs but rather guidelines

**Closing**

“If you try to fail and succeed, which have you done?”  
(George Carlin)

**WORDS & IMAGES THIS WEEK**

The words this week came from the pen of our other recent world traveller Helen, and the Editor has chipped in with a few photos and images.

**ROTARY THEME FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE**



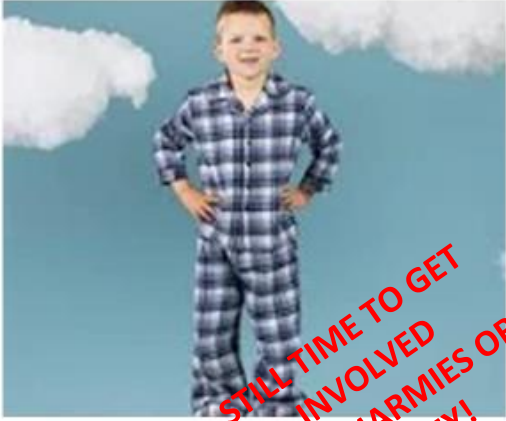


## ROSTER OF DUTIES

Date	June 19th	June 26th	July 3rd
<b>Programme: Guest Speaker</b>	<b>Plate Debate</b>	<b>Murray Douglas Te Mata Figs</b>	<b>Firesides</b>
Host and Thoughts Top Table introduce Speaker Vote of Thanks Cashier Three Minute Speaker Sergeant		Steve Gillum Jenny Robertson John Mackintosh Judy McKelvie Geoff Bibby Mike Owen	Les Mockford - - Bob Brady Frank Heuser Ross Pinkham
<b>Stewards</b> <i>One per table and the named Members to clean up</i>		Gill Scarlet Peter Thompson	Wal Drayton John Reid

### 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."*



## ‘Jarmies for June’

STILL TIME TO GET  
INVOLVED  
BRING JARMIES OR  
MONEY!

Winter pajamas needed  
for children 2 – 15  
years and for women.  
Or \$20 donation to  
Jenny. Thank you.



**Ian Holyoake receiving a Paul Harris +3 Ruby pin from Jeannie Herring**





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*1' to discover an aspect of Rotary history*

## The history of Rotary in Asia

Rotary's presence in Asia began in 1919 with the establishment of the first club in Manila, Philippines.

This was the start of a rapid expansion across the continent.

During the 1920s and 1930s, Rotary clubs were founded in China, India, and Japan, among other countries.

The Rotary Club of Shanghai was established in 1919, and India's first club was formed in Calcutta in 1920.

Post-World War II, Rotary continued to grow despite political and social challenges, playing a key role in reconstruction and development efforts.

The organization supported local initiatives and promoted international peace and understanding.

Today, Rotary in Asia is vibrant, with thousands of clubs and hundreds of thousands of members.

Asian clubs are actively involved in humanitarian projects, such as eradicating polio, improving access to education and clean water, and promoting health.

Asia also hosts numerous Rotary events and conferences, underscoring its significant role in the global Rotary community.



The Rotarian Minute is a creation of District 1700. Please send any comments or suggestions to [laminute1700@gmail.com](mailto:laminute1700@gmail.com)

**Next Week at the Taradale Club for the Plate Debate**

