



MEADOWS MATTERS

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DO YOU KNOW ABOUT “KNOWLEDGE?”

President Christine welcomed a good crowd with a claimed presence of 40 (*the experienced eye of the Editor could only see 38*) and these included visitors Bill Hawkins and Clive Adams from Taradale as well as our guest speaker Linda Bainbridge. A special guest though was LoA member Jenny Robertson from Tauranga who was in town briefly and fondly greeted by all.



Welfare



Stuart Cheyne reported that Neil Smith continued to make good progress. Being present herself, Jenny reported that Hugh says hello to all. He is awaiting an operation but has to get his heart fixed first! Brian Peploe reported that he had been speaking to Father Frank in Upper Hutt and that he was now in *permanent care*. Back with Stuart we heard that Craig Skeet’s son was then in hospital after a stroke, and that two of his sisters are or will be visiting from UK. As well Don McKenzie was okay but could not return until it got warmer. It was also reported that a *founding member* of Greenmeadows, Norm Compton has passed away (@ 97!)



Announcements

Pres. Chris, Carol & John Mac had attended a Regional Meeting the previous evening and there were hopes that our clubs could collaborate on some projects. (Garth could make some suggestions!) The Group will now meet each 6 – 8 weeks under Community Leader Grant Spackman.

Pres. Chris reported that the Directors had a good project budget but needed a fundraising project while ArtEx was resolved. She also advised that the Directors were working hard on objectives.

Fighting Frank spoke for the Projects Committee and mentioned the MenzShed, something in Poraiti, and ten wine cases of “Women’s Weeklys” dating back to 1904 – that could be sold to raise money!

Roaming Ross advised that the speaker at the Ahuriri Napier meeting next Monday (23rd) would be Tom Udall, the US Ambassador.

Officer Holders 2024-25

District Governor Nick Dangerfield
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Foundation Ross Pinkham
ArtEx TBA

Meetings

Weekly: Taradale Town Hall
Wednesday 6.00pm
Fellowship 5.30pm

Firesides: 1st Wed
Directors: 2nd Wed

Coming Up:

Our Christmas Function @ Linden Estate 15th Dec.

Leave of Absence

Kevin McC, Trevor P, Denise P & Jenny R - ongoing
Robert Pearson to 17/09

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Gardening Garth spoke of a *Health & Safety Plan* for working on *The Gap* also being used on the *Dolbel Project* and must be signed! He then told us of *“Welcoming the Godwits”* on 22 October (see notice later.) He concluded with reference to a *Presbyterian Church* project in the rain and Alan somehow remaining dry!

Ian Holyoake followed up on the Rotary Foundation Committee technology training plan and urged members who were interested to advise him ASAP. (See notice below)

Sergeant's Session

Sergeant Edwin Brown announced that Mark D had won the Raffle, and then offered a “Challenge” that might have been knowledge based. He sought to know the overseas travels of our members and then what we knew about NZ destinations and their popularity. Concluding with the most popular spots (Queenstown 1st, Christchurch 2nd ...) he claimed that knowledge helps us to find those places – just as it helped us to lose our money.



HOW DO YOU BANK KNOWLEDGE



Bob Brady introduced our speaker, Linda Bainbridge as a local girl who attended Hastings High School and our EIT, and we all waited expectantly to learn how we could make money through banking knowledge. It turned out that Linda was in charge of the Hawkes Bay Knowledge Bank, based in that very classic building (Stoneycroft) on the corner of the Expressway and Omaha Road in Hastings. This is the **HB Digital Archives Trust**, a registered charity (CC46497) and whose aim is to *Preserve Our History!*



Linda described them as *“a safe place for all our history.”* They collect photographs, film, oral history and in fact, just about everything. The difficulty is “storage” and preventing “stuff” just being thrown out. They receive some financial assistance from the Hastings and Napier Councils but need to do a lot of fundraising. Answering numerous questions Linda also did some online searches finding our members names and their history and stories that we knew about. (The ArtEx history being written by Brian Peplow could go there!) This history covered our area and HB may be one of the few areas to do this, certainly to this magnitude. They do have “back-up” storage capability for everything.

THOUGHTS FOR THIS WEEK

(John Reid –
with a ‘knowledge’ theme)

Opening

“We are not what we know but what we are willing to learn.”

Closing

“Knowledge is the hidden beauty in every individual so feel proud of sharing your knowledge to others.”
(Thank you, Linda, for assisting with this sharing of knowledge.)

WORDS & IMAGES THIS WEEK

Came from two old detectives!

Meal & Menu



Roast leg of lamb with gravy & mint sauce

www.knowledgebank.org.nz



When members finally stopped asking questions, Pete Thompson thanked the speaker and provided her with a bottle of wine – which will surely be ‘banked’ somewhere so that it “ages” properly.

ROSTER OF DUTIES

Date	September 25th	October 2nd	October 9th
Programme: Guest Speaker	Bevan Trotman Project Manager Napier 150 years	Firesides	TBC
Host and Thoughts	Gill Scarlet	Bryan Matthews	Garth Eyles
Top Table introduce Speaker	Frank Heuser	--	Geoff Bibby
Vote of Thanks	Curly Carpenter	--	Helen Tattersall
Cashier	Ross Pinkham	Bruce Martin	Lynne Gibson
Three Minute Speaker	-	Mie Owen	-
Sergeant	Kelvin Winnie	Fred Staples	Mark Dickerson
Stewards <i>One per table and the named Members to clean up</i>	Les Mockford Gail Kelly	Steve Gillum Geoff Bibby	Brian Hall Alan White

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.”*

MISCELLANEOUS MEADOWS MATTERS

A RANDOM RHYME

Not everyone had heard of the Knowledge Bank,
But for us we have Linda Bainbridge to thank
She taught us that we need to preserve our knowledge
And not biff it out like an old plate of porridge
So, stack up your photos, stories and things that you like
And head over to Stoneycroft on Alan White’s trike

(Kindly Contributed by Pat the Poet)

ROTARY AND OUR TECHNOLOGY – HELP IS AT HAND



*The tentative arrangement is on
the afternoon of Sunday 6 October
at Summerset Palms Retirement Village, Te Awa*

If you are interested in attending such an event, **PLEASE EMAIL** ianhoyoake@xtra.co.nz **NOW**, so that we can get an indication of numbers and book the premises and equipment.

WE WILL PROVIDE A TIME AND ALTERNATIVE DATE IF THE ABOVE DOES NOT SUIT WITH BOOKINGS



Welcome the Godwits!



Welcome the Godwits / Kuaka!

Hear about these incredible birds and the long migratory journeys they make; followed by a guided walk to view the birds.

When: 1pm, Sunday 22nd October, 2023.

Meet: The Carpark, opposite The Beach Inn, Meeanee Quay, Westshore.

Bring: Binoculars (if you have some), sunhat, water bottle, suitable walking shoes (gumboots as maybe wet under bridge). Children accompanied by an adult please.

Weather: Event cancelled if wet

RSVP: Please RSVP aeps.hb@gmail.com (cancellation by email)



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1' to discover Rotary news

Rotary commits funds to polio outbreak response in Gaza

The detection of poliovirus in Gaza, including a case in a 10-month-old child, highlights the ongoing global threat of polio.

The crisis in Gaza has reduced immunization rates and hindered disease surveillance, increasing the risk of outbreaks.

WHO considers there to be a high risk of spread within Gaza and internationally.

A two-round vaccination campaign began on September 1st during a humanitarian pause, with initial reports indicating strong commitment and community participation.

Rotary has committed US\$500,000 to support this initiative through a Polio Outbreak Response Fund, continuing its partnership with the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

The organization emphasizes that financial contributions to the PolioPlus fund are crucial in achieving a polio-free world and protecting children from paralysis.



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

Next week at home and learning about 150 years of Napier

