



## PLIMMERTON INNER WHEEL - FEBRUARY 2021

### Brenda's Banter

Happy New Year to you all and I hope you had a lovely festive season and holiday time with family and friends.

Summer certainly seems to have arrived with plenty of sunshine.

January seems to have disappeared so quickly and we are into the second month of 2021 already. Hopefully we will all stay well this year as they try to work out how best to keep us all safe from the Covid virus



### Celebrating International Inner Wheel Day

We started the year off by celebrating International Inner Wheel year on Monday 25th January at Janet and Phil Reidy's home. We all need to say a BIG thank you to them both for once again opening up their home so we could celebrate this day. This is the 9th year they have done it and we are so grateful to have such a lovely venue.





Pizza and Plonk certainly is very popular with members and a lot of fun and friendship was had by all. Lots of games were played and well done Carolyn for getting all three balls on the rungs and some of us enjoyed feeding the eels.



## **SPEAKER FOR FEBRUARY**

We have Jacqui Hall coming to talk to us about the Irlen Syndrome. This is a problem with the brain's ability to process visual information. This problem tends to run in families and is not currently identified by standardized educational, psychological, optometric, or medical tests. This problem can manifest itself differently for each individual. Irlen Syndrome is not remediable and is often a lifetime barrier to learning and performance.

## **CANCER SOCIETY**

In December Pauline Moulton delivered three dozen silky pillows, a dozen wheat packs and 3 dozen pillow covers for the wheat packs to the Cancer Society.

They were very well received and so we must get onto making more this coming year. A big thank you to all our sewers who do a wonderful job.



## **EARTHQUAKE IN CROATIA**

A 6.2 Earthquake has devastated numerous villages and settlements in the Croatian region and they have suffered human fatalities and unseen destruction. Inner Wheel clubs have been invited to donate money and we as a club will be donating \$300 to help our sisters in need.

## BOOKFAIR CAFE

The Book Fair will be held at a new venue this year - 4 Lydney Place, Porirua on the 19, 20 and 21 February. We will be running the cafe from 10-3 each day. Many of you have answered my email confirming you can help at the cafe and for baking but I am short for people to help on Saturday and Sunday. Baking will also be gratefully received. So please let me know if you can help in any way.

## CONFERENCE



The Conference in Queenstown will now be held at the Hilton Hotel with a really good deal so if you are interested look on the website for details. Many of our members have decided to come along and I am sure we will all have a great time. Remember early bird registration is on until the 10 February. It would be helpful to me if you let me know you intend to come along.

## DAYS FOR GIRLS

Days for Girls (DfG) is a global movement that prepares and distributes sustainable menstrual health solutions to girls who would otherwise miss school during their monthly periods. Since lockdown ended in NZ together we have sent over 2,500 kits into the Pacific region and given hundreds to NZ Women.

Some of our members regularly help and for those of you that are interested in sewing with the Day for Girls (DfG) the following are the dates for the next three months. You can phone ahead to confirm you are going - Susanne Hindley 027 647 0466. Her home is 14 The Crowsnest, Whitby.

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| February | 3rd and 17th       |
| March    | 3rd, 17th and 31st |
| April    | 14th and 28th      |

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

We will be holding our AGM in March when Anne-Marie will be telling us about her new Committee. At this stage we are still looking for someone to take over the role of Vice President to work with Anne-Marie. Some members have come to the challenge and we are forming a new committee but we are in need of a VP. To keep the club going it is vital to have a good committee. This is your club and here is your chance to put your hand up. It gives you the opportunity to work on the committee before you take up the role as President for the 2022/2023 year. So please give it some thought. We really need your help.

## BIRTHDAYS FOR FEBRUARY

Anne Bennison  
Jocelyn Moller  
Julia Mottram  
Karen Paulin  
Lou Oldershaw  
Maureen Toomath  
Rita Carroll



## FACEBOOK

On the Inner Wheel FaceBook there is an essay written by Diana Beaglehole which was first published in Women Together: a History of Women's Organisations in New Zealand in 1993. It was updated by Annabelle Valentine in 2018.

There is a lot of information about Inner Wheel and well worth reading but it is just too long to put in the newsletter. I suggest you make a cuppa and have a read.

## OUTINGS

We (the Committee) are planning a few trips over the next few months so lets keep our fingers crossed we don't have to go into lockdown again like we did this time last year. Details will come out once they are all organised like the golf/shopping trip and also we will be challenging Tawa Club at indoor bowls for the Rose Picture in April.

## MONTHLY SUB GROUPS:

**Book Club:** 2nd Monday of the Month at 1.30pm. We each give a talk on books we have read in the past month, we don't all have to have read the same book. For more information contact Sheryl Perera Phone 233 1944

**Craft Morning:** 2nd Thursday of the month at 10am. Everyone takes along their own project and fun and fellowship is had by all. For more information contact Maureen Barber Phone 239 9528.

**Tasty Tuesday:** 1st Tuesday of the month. A group meet every month on the first Tuesday for a chat and a good laugh. For more information contact Diana Paris Phone 234 7683.

**Mah-Jongg:** every Wednesday night 7-9pm at St Mary's Church in Whitby. Everyone welcome and they are willing to teach new members. For more information contact Margaret Pine Phone 021 610 906

**Table for 8:** Please contact Julie McLagan, [jmclagan@seagulls.co.nz](mailto:jmclagan@seagulls.co.nz) or 021425872. I am told the Table for 8 meeting went very well so if you are interested to join the next one please contact Julie



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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| 6 & 13 February 2021 | Table for 8 - Please contact Julie McLagan,<br>jmclagan@seagulls.co.nz or 021425872 |
| 8 February 2021      | Book Group at Sheryl Perera's home 33 Bayview Road, Paremata                        |
| 11 February          | Craft Group at Maureen Barber's home, 31 Gray Street, Pukerua Bay                   |
| 2 March 2021         | Tasty Tuesday   |
| 10 April 2021        | District Assembly in Fielding   |
| 14 -16 May 2021      | Conference in Queenstown  |

## YOUR COMMITTEE

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A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it annoys enough people to make it worth it.

Yours in friendship



Brenda

Check out the Inner Wheel websites and FaceBook page which are full of interest and information and change all the time. [www.innerwheel.org.nz](http://www.innerwheel.org.nz) and [www.internationalinnerwheel.org](http://www.internationalinnerwheel.org)