





INNER WHEEL - AUGUST 2021

ANNE-MARIE'S ANGLE

"An optimist: someone who figures that taking a step backwards after taking a step forward is not a disaster - its a cha cha." Robert Brault

It's with great pride that I acknowledge the generosity shown by so many of our members in offering support to the team caring for Toa, the baby orca. Toa was very much a presence at our last meeting, as we viewed him from the Boating Club above. We were so heartened by the courage, determination and professionalism of "team Toa": the tangata whenua, Plimmerton locals, and many who travelled far in order to contribute their knowledge, skills and care in efforts to save this precious young ocra. The disappointment of losing Toa was heart wrenching but he has left behind a legacy of community spirit and camaraderie.



I was reminded of the values of compassion and kindness whilst watching Hayden Wilde achieve his goals in the recent Olympic triathlon. As a mother of three sons who competed at high level, I remember the pain of early morning starts, relentless training regimes and injury disappointments which so many athletes encounter in seeking to attain excellence in their field of endeavour.

Hyden's response to his bronze medal placing was something really special though - and just lovely to watch. Realising that he had secured his medal, he slowed as he neared the finishing line, acknowledging supporters, and turning to the gold medal winner, quickly realising that the man who had beaten him was now seriously distressed and in urgent need of assistance.

My lasting memory of these Olympics isn't the winners and losers, but the true friendship displayed on the finishing line as previously fierce competitors have reached out to one another in common bond of heartfelt compassion once their race is done.

...And reminding us of the key objectives of Inner Wheel

- Promoting true friendship
- Encouraging ideals of personal service and
- Fostering international understanding

Nga Mihi Anne-Marie Club President

SPEAKER FOR AUGUST SUSANNE HINDLEY - DAYS FOR GIRLS

Days for **Girls** is an international organisation which seeks **to** empower women and girls to live full lives without disruption due to menstruation. Every month, millions of women and girls miss school and work because they lack something essential: feminine hygiene supplies. Days for Girls is giving back days of education, and an opportunity through providing DfG Kits, each of which lasts for 3 years.

Susanne co-ordinates our local Days for Girls network, liaising with local volunteers and the New Zealand Days for Girls organisation. She will speak to us about international and local Days for Girls projects, highlighting how we, as Inner Wheel women of action, can support this organisation empowering women and girls

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pink Ribbon Lunch Friday 20 August 2021 Daffodil Day Street Collection 27 August 2021 Movie night (Child Cancer) (October/November) Christmas Decorations at Yvonne Groom's (6 December)

FACEBOOK MESSAGE FROM OUR NATIONAL PRESIDENT



Let me introduce myself, Michelle Atkinson, Inner Wheel member since 2008 as a charter member of the Inner Wheel Club of Aotea, NZ291.

To me, life is about taking opportunities as they come your way and to make the most out of every day.

A passionate IW member, I am expecting challenges along the way to test my limits and step out of comfort zones. District Editor for NZ291, 2011-14, then a massive leap of faith took me on to become International Editor/ Media Manager, 2014-17. Returning to NZ291 as District Chairman and Conference Convenor for the 2019 IWNZ conference.

In my "day job" I work as a contractor to charities to assist with funding and fundraising opportunities, event management, communications solutions and organisational development. I enjoy creativity and dabble in design work, for example the creation and posting of messages on the IWNZ social media channels

Teamwork is the key and over the last few years I have been working alongside a dedicated team of IWNZ leaders who are striving to ensure the future success of our organisation.

Change happens but the fundamental principles of Inner Wheel remain as we strive to be the women's organisation that people know and want to belong to. We have pride in the great things we are doing. We build bonds of friendship that span years and generations, we encourage others through a wide variety of service projects and ultimately, we care about what is happening to us, to our communities, to our country and to our world.

As we move forward into the 2021-22 Inner Wheel year and beyond, we hold our heritage at our heart and yet embrace some enhanced ways of being as we implement the new database, website, communications and activities for all members to enjoy at whatever level of participation you choose.

I look forward to being on the journey with you all as we share time together, keep connected and above all enjoy the friendship of being Inner Wheel members in the women's organisation that we are all proud to be members of. We are women in action sharing friendship through service. I am excited for what the future holds and for the challenges ahead.

Michelle National President

INNER WHEEL WEBSITE

You will recently have received an email inviting you to log on to the website and create your own profile. There is a library of IWNZ resources available to all members once you have logged into your account.

For Inner Wheel to keep their Charitable Status it is a prerequisite we have a contact list for all members. This is **completely secure and will not be shared with any other party**. It is completely private and **only you** can change or edit your details.

MOVIE FUNDRAISER FPR OVARIAN CANCER



The final total for our fundraising movie night for Ovarian Cancer came to a fantastic \$2,650. This includes the movie night, extra donations from the challenge and the raffle donated by Pauline Lowe

You are amazing ladies - a big thank you to you all

DAYS FOR GIRLS MOVIE NIGHT

Support our local Days for Girls who are fundraising for flannelette fabric to make the shield (pads) liners for the DfG kits We sew eight liners per kit and supply the Nest Collective, Kapiti with postpartum kits each month. We also supply the Catholics Women's League, Wellington who distribute DfG kits to local girls schools.

- Movie: Respect
- Lighthouse Cinema
- 5pm, Sunday 29 August
- Tickets \$20

Anne-Marie Garrett 027 698 6024 or Sheryl Perera 022 098 5516 or Yvonne Thomson 021 267 2906



WELLINGTON SPRING CHARITY BALL

Support setting up a community breast milk bank for mothers and babies in our community:

- The Boatshed (Wellington Waterfront)
- 7.30p,, Saturday 11 September 2021
- Featuring Wellington band THE JIVE BOMBERS, supper by FREE CUISINE
- Cash bar and silent auction
- Tickets \$45 pp or Table of 12 for \$450
- Contact Chris Blick: 235 7280 or 027 222 5425 gblick@xtra.co.nz

This initiative is supported by Rotary clubs of Plimmerton and Tawa. See flyer at the end of the newsletter.

WHITBY 50TH ANNIVERSARY

This invitation is from the Whitby Residents Association to anyone who lives or has lived in Whitby. There will be photos from then and now, slides shows, movies and even a cake.

So mark you diaries for the 8 August 2-4pm at Whitby Collegiate.

An invitation to a celebration of WHITBY'S SOTH JUBILEE 2-4pm Sunday 8 August Whitby Collegiate All welcome House by Whatsy Resource Association

PINK RIBBON LUNCH

Come to lunch and celebrate Pink Ribbon for Breast Cancer. This is our chance to raise funds for breast cancer awareness. Contact Dinah 01 719 295 her address is 61 Moana Road. Plimmerton.

- Donation
- Raffle
- Please bring a plate
- Wear Pink
- Bring your brains for the quiz



NEONATAL KNITTING



We have many knitters in Plimmerton Inner Wheel who do a wonderful job of producing knitwear for our premature babies.

Here is a selection knitted by our own Anne Bennison - well done Anne.

BAKING PAPER

We still have 4 rolls of Baking paper at \$13 a roll. This is the last baking paper we will be able to get hold of so get in quick. Pay into the Inner Wheel Account 12 3254 0081449 01 Ref: Baking Paper and let Christine Harrison know. She will then bring it along to the next meeting.

RESIGNATIONS

It is with sadness we received Lorraine Whyte's resignation. Lorraine had been a member of our club since 1995 and will be greatly missed. We thank Lorraine for all she has contributed to Inner Wheel, especially the lovely outings she organised.

BIRTHDAYS AUGUST

Jenny Garner Lydsay Kelly Marg Nation



MONTHLY SUB GROUPS:

Book Club: 2nd Monday of the Month at 2pm.

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 meets on the first Tuesday every month for a meal, chat and a good laugh. For more information contact Diana Paris Phone 234 7683.

Mah-Jong: every Wednesday night 7-9pm at St Mary's Church in Whitby. Anyone is welcome to join this group and they are willing to teach new members. For more information contact Margaret Pine, phone 021 610 906

Table for 8: I am told the Table for 8 dinner went very well so if you are interested to join the next one please contact please contact Julie McLagan, jmclagan@seagulls.co.nz or 021425872.

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NOTES: If you advise us you are coming to a meeting, then don't come, we still require you to pay for your dinner as we have committed for catering.

ALMONER

If you, or someone you know, is experiencing illness or difficulties, please let me know. I will contact you or your family to identify how we can best support you.

Should you need a Driver please contact Maureen Barber on 239 9528.

IW Bank Acct

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

3 August 2021	6pm	Tasty Tuesday Tuk Tuk in Porirua
9 August 2021	2pm	Book Group at Debbie Howard's 4 Endeavour Drive, Whitby
12 August 2021	10am	Craft Group at Anne Bennisons's, 4 the Marlinspike, Whitby
17 August 2021	6pm	Club night - Susanne Hindley Days for Girls
		Please bring Jammies for the children's hospital
20 August 2021	12 noon	Pink Ribbon Lunch
27 August 2021		Daffodil Day Street Collection - various venues
7 September 2021	6pm	Tasty Tuesday
10 September 2021	10am	Visit to Wellington Free Ambulance
9 October 2021	10am-3pm	District Meeting - Upper Hutt

NICE WORDS - It costs nothing to be nice.

Yours in friendship



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 and www.internationalinnerwheel.

