



Inner Wheel of Plimmerton

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DEBBIE & JANET AT CHANGEOVER

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Presidents Snippet

Hello everyone.

Since being handed the chain of office I have been quite busy. I represented our club at the Plimmerton Rotary Change Over as well as the Inner Wheel District Changeover and AGM. Both were excellent events and a great way of meeting other like-minded folk as well as getting an insight into the workings of each organisation.

Our committee has met for the first time; lots of enthusiasm as we plan the year ahead. I have been approached by several members with fund-raising thoughts and have also been given ideas for speakers so it looks like we will have a full year ahead. I look forward to discussing these ideas with you at our next club meeting.

You would have seen in a previous email that we are surveying all members as to what night they would prefer to meet. These results we will also discuss at club night.

I see my role as President as a coordinator of members and club activities. As I mentioned on changeover night I only hope I can live up to the standard of past presidents. If there are any issues you wish to discuss with me please feel free to approach me.

Yours in friendship,

Debbie

Comings and Goings

Our last meeting of June was the Change Over with a huge turnout; many - both men and women turning back the clock to the 1920s. Some great costumes, plenty of



shawls, fur coats and feathers galore. Janet thanked and farewelled the outgoing committee

Then Debbie, after accepting the chain welcomed the new committee



Antiques & Old Stuff

by Debbie Noon

Our guest speaker for the evening was Debbie Noon, well known to all of us. She spoke about the paper she had written for her Master's thesis which described the difference in things being old, vintage and antique. Buying secondhand is now very popular and people spend time looking for that bargain which enables them to



have something unique at a good price.

Her presentation was very interesting and we all learned more about what makes us look for that special bargain; be it old or new.

District Changeover: by Meryll

Janet, Debbie, Lorraine and I attended the District Meeting, AGM and Changeover in the Khandallah Town Hall on 29 June. The Town Hall has been beautifully renovated but the tail end of the southerly storm kept it a bit chilly until filled with bodies and chat. Our outgoing Chairman, Jillian, was as ebullient as always in spite of being roofless and powerless!

The District meeting is first on the agenda. Introductions for all – NZIW (just passed) President Carol Haigh and 'new' NZIW President Lyn Jensen were with us. Proposals from Tawa were not passed, District levy unchanged, 2 mins from each club President about highlights of their year, no Hekia to speak due to 'matters of State', though had written an address that Chair Jillian read out.

After lunch prepared by the Wellington Club team, the AGM was convened, matters attended to, awards presented, the 'chain of office' gently laid upon Margaret McIvor from Eastern Hutt by Jillian – the District has a new President.

The International Presidents theme was announced – see below – the meeting closed and we were treated to a charming performance from Jessie Hillel – NZ's Got Talent contestant. I think she must be 12 by now!



Gabriella Adami IIW President
Gabriella lives in Terni, a town which is in an area called "the green heart of Italy",

My theme for the year 2013 - 2014 is "We, for women"

Because:

In the 21st century women are still victims of violence.

In some countries they have no rights, or their rights are violated constantly.

Often they are not able to support their children on their own.

IIW, the largest women's Association in the world, cannot remain silent. I am sure that we all want to give our voice to answer their silent cry for help.

There is a lot to do and the more we do the more we get.

See you all next week at our first meeting for the year: Tuesday 16 Aotoea College Library: 6pm
We will have a general meeting looking for ideas and discussion on how best to choose charities to donate money, what our fund raising efforts will be and of course introducing our 4 new members.
Stay warm, keep dry, keep well and remember: we are on our way to summer.

Yours in friendship
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