

Inner wheel Club of Plimmerton 2017



Carol Woodfield and Sue Chetwin

Carol's Corner

Well, this is my last newsletter and I cannot believe how fast the year has whizzed by. It is so true that time flies when you're having fun - and it HAS been a great year of 'fun and friendship', my theme for the year.

Exciting News At the District Changeover on Saturday we won the Chairman's Award again – yeh!. This is given to the club which best implements the International President's theme of 'Touch a heart' throughout the year. That just caps the year for us and we can all take credit for the award.



Our move to Plimmerton Boating Club has been most successful - a venue enjoyed by all with good food, stunning views, hassle free technology and friendly staff. A huge thank you to my Committee for all your hard work and support – what an awesome team.

I have been reflecting on our Inner Wheel year while completing the Club annual return for District. I am very proud of our Club with it's loyal, hard working Members and Committee. We have certainly 'touched many hearts' with our involvement in a number of charities including Heartkids, the Neo Natal trust, the Cancer Society, World Vision, Wellington Free Ambulance, Te Aro Piko pathway, Women's Refuge, Prison Fellowship, Virtuoso Strings, FosterHope, the Shine Project and the Kaikoura appeal. Thank you all for your amazing generosity, not just financially but also with your precious time.

Highlights of the year include: the Scottish Changeover with Haggis Ceremony, Walk and Talk with Wairarapa and Kapiti clubs, Wearable Arts Show, Witireia Nursing School visit, Craft and Book Club Outings, the Christmas party, Pizza and Plonk, Heartkids movie, the Virtuoso Strings concert, the Garden Trail, Daffodil Day, 10 Pin bowls with Tawa club, the Book Fair café, the Arohata Prison Concert, Golf/Shopping trip, CPR Training and Pink Ribbon lunch. Not forgetting our Sub-Groups, Working Bees and interesting Speakers at our Club Meetings.

I am looking forward to the Changeover on 2nd July and my heartfelt thanks go to you all for your wonderful support this year. I wish Christine and the new Committee all the very best for an awesome year ahead. I'm sure she will be a fantastic President and enjoy the role as much as I have.

Yours in Friendship Carol

CHANGEOVER DINNER -

To be held on 2nd July at 5.30pm at Plimmerton Boating Club. Bring your partner along to this special occasion when we will celebrate the year and welcome our new President, Christine Blick and her Committee. Please RSVP by 27th June to Fiona Burrows <u>burrows@ihug.co.nz</u>.

The cost is \$35 per person and payment can be made into the Plimmerton Inner Wheel bank account 12-3254-0081449-01.

COT BLANKETS FOR THE NEO-NATAL TRUST

We had a wee working bee last week to sort out and match the peggy squares given to us by the neo-natal trust.

They requested that we make up cot blankets. Just as well we have some clever knitters – many thanks Mary, Dinah, Debbie and Julia for helping with this project.

PINK RIBBON LUNCH

A Pink Ribbon lunch was held on Friday 19 May and was very kindly hosted by Lyndsay Kelly at her lovely home. It was a beautiful sunny autumn day and we were able to enjoy the outdoors in Lindsay's lovely courtyard. (hope the neighbours didn't mind the champagne cork in their garden). We enjoyed a delicious lunch thanks to everybody who came and brought such yummy plates of food. There was fun and games too with Pass the Parcel, a fun quiz, guess the number of lollies in a jar and some fantastic raffle prizes which were kindly donated by various people and businesses. We raised an amazing \$1,090, a big increase on last year. A big thanks to all involved and for everyone's generosity which made it such a fun day and successful fundraiser. A special thank you to Christine Harrison and Karen Warner for organizing this wonderful day.



VIRTUOSO STRINGS APPEAL

Virtuoso strings are desperately needing more money to get the orchestra to Auckland to perform with Ria Hall, Lisa Tomlins and Wini Baxter.

Trips like this act as huge motivators for the students in the orchestra.Not only do they get to show off their talents to a national audience, but they get to work with musicians that they are inspired by.

Hopefully some Inner Wheel members might like to donate some money (every cent helps) towards this very talented orchestra.

Their bank account is: Virtuoso Strings Charitable Trust 02-0524-0168621-00

REQUEST FROM THE HEALTH NURSE

Porirua families are needing cotton sheets of any size (not flannelette), so if anyone has some in good condition could you please drop them off to Pauline Lowe, 3 Lodestar Lane (234 6343) or bring them along to the meeting on 20th June. Many thanks.

TABLE FOR 8

This dinner club meets 3 times a year and is enjoyed by all, it is such a good way for the Partners to meet everyone. Pictured Table for 8 at Julia Mottram's house.

A BIG THANK YOU

To all the Sub – Group Leaders;

namely Sheryl Perera (Book club); Dianne Roberts (Craft group); Yvonne Groom (Tasty Tuesday); Lorraine Whyte (Table for 8) and Marg Pine (Mah Jong). These wonderful Ladies quietly get on with running these popular clubs – and what a fantastic job they do!



In addition to running the Mah Jong club, Marg has also done an amazing job as our caring Almoner – we can't thank you enough, Marg.

MAY MEETING - GUEST SPEAKER SUE CHETWIN CEO OF CONSUMER NEW ZEALAND

Sue gave a very interesting presentation on her life as a Newspaper editor and she her many years as Head of Consumer NZ. She quizzed us on our knowledge of consumer rights and we all learnt a lot on that subject.

JUNE MEETING -

On 20th June Heather Haswell, a teacher at Paremata School, will be talking to us about her visits to and involvement in a School in Uganda.

ACCESSIBLE PLAYGROUND AUDIT

Our project in partnership with Plimmerton Rotary and Porirua City Council is finally off the ground! On the Tuesday after Easter twelve of us met with PCC Parks, Communication and IT staff along with Dr Meredith Perry and Hemakumar Devan from the University of Otago to learn how to use the survey app which they have developed. The aim of the survey tool is to assess how parks measure up for accessibility by people with disabilities.

Many of us have already completed our audits over the past month, well done team – so watch this space



ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

We are fundraising again for The Wellington Free Ambulance. Sales are going really well and we have already raised over \$600. To order please contact Carol 021 986 774 <u>carolwoodfield5@gmail.com</u>

WORKING BEE - WHEAT PACKS FOR THE CANCER SOCIETY

We will hold a working bee on Monday 19th June to make more wheat bags. It will be held at Dianne Robert's home at 4 Port Lane Whitby at 10am. For more information contact Dianne Roberts: email dna.roberts@gmail.com. Ph 237 8087

OUR CLUB DINNER MEETING

We meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6pm, at Plimmerton Boating Club

Please remember that if you have said you are attending and are a no show you will still have to pay \$25 to cover catering costs.



Payment for the dinner is to be paid at the bar once you have signed in and efpos will be available. Drinks will also be available at the bar.

MONTHLY SUB GROUPS:

Book Club: 2nd Monday of the Month at 1.30pm. We give a talk each on books we have read in the past month, we don't all read the same book. For more information contact Sheryl Perera's 233 9144 or email perera.home@xtra.co.nz

Craft Group: This month will be on 22nd June at Dianne Robert's house.

Tasty Tuesday: 1st Tuesday of the month at 6pm.. All are welcome to meet for meal, a chat and a good laugh at the Co-op. For more information contact Von Groom Phone 04 2934461 or email vonxx@xtra.co.nz

Mah-Jong: 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 2346471 or email margaret@ownboss.co.nz

Table for 8: For those new to Inner Wheel this initiative is to foster Inner Wheel friendship while enjoying a shared meal at a members home. Everyone will take a turn to host an evening. It is open to couples and singles, so if you don't have a spouse or he is away or doesn't want to come you can still enjoy the company of others. We meet four times a year. The host member will serve the main dish and others will be asked to bring, nibbles/entrée, side dishes and dessert. The next date to be advised. If you would like to join us please contact Lorraine Whyte 973 2565 or email montrose30@gmail.com to register your interest.

BIRTHDAYS FOR JUNE Annette Craig Fiona Burrows Carol Woodfield Marie Press Diana Paris





New Inner Wheel Banner

A big thank you to Carolyn and Meryll for organising the new Inner Wheel banner.

This has been designed by Meryll and this design is available for Inner Wheel clubs throughout the country.

Most impressive!

Our 'Nice Thought' for this month is the words on our new banner:

Inner Wheel New Zealand

We Care

We Share

We Serve



DATES TO REMEMBER

19 June	Wheat Bag Working Bee 10 am at Dianne Roberts
20 June	Club Meeting at Plimmerton Boating Club
2 July	Changeover - 5.30 Plimmerton Boating Club
11- 14 April 2018	Melbourne International Convention
	For more information about the Convention please contact Carolyn Wallace gralyn.wallace85@gmail.com

Inner Wheel Web sites are: http://plimmertonrotary.org.nz/Inner+Wheel http://www.innerwheel.org.nz http://www.internationalinnerwheel

