



Guest Speaker Helen Webber from He Huarahi Tamariki School being thanked by Jocelyn and receiving a \$200 with President Carolyn Wallace

Inner wheel Club of Plimmerton May 2016



Carolyn's contemplations

They say that time goes fast when you are having fun, and this year has been full of so many opportunities and fun.

Going down to the Conference in Christchurch was just the icing on the cake. What a wonderful time we had meeting so many wonderful women with a common interest and making contacts for future friendships. The guest speakers left us laughing and crying. You all have the opportunity of attending the World Conference in Melbourne 11-14 April 2018. Tack on a holiday and experience this wonderful occasion.

We have some very sad news, our wonderful caterer Sandi has taken a full time job and will be unable to cater for us from after the changeover. I know you will all feel devastated as we do on the committee as she has always given us such wonderful food. Carol and the committee are busy sorting alternatives so if you have any ideas please let her know.

At the last committee meeting we decided to donate only \$1500-00 instead of the \$2000-00 I had spoken of in the last newsletter as there could be unforeseen costs with our changes with catering etc. The donations we chose are: Foster Hope \$500-00, Bellyful \$500-00 and English Language Project (Refugees), we would tag the money for an outing \$500-00.

Changeover is getting close this will be a fun luncheon at Paremata Boating Club. The changeover is in lieu of the June monthly meeting. Bring your husband or partner and celebrate the beginning of Carol's year.

May is Cancer month and as a club we are very involved with cancer, sewing, collections etc. We are very privileged to have Anne Hayden PhD, Churchill Fellow, NZRN coming to speak to us at the next meeting. Anne was doing a lot of work with cancer when she herself got breast cancer. She wrote the book 'Laugh your tits off'. As she said if you don't laugh when you are going through all this treatment life gets very tough. This will be a very interesting night.

On Friday 27 May Christine Harrison and Karen Warner are putting on a Pink Ribbon luncheon at Carol Woodfield's home. Make sure you book in for this wonderful cause.

Also at our next meeting Darlene Westrupp our District Chair will be attending. She will give a short speech, but really just wants to be amongst us.

Many members are going to Rotary this week to hear Joy Allock speak on the successful results she is having with her reading programme. We have just donated \$1000-00 to her Shine project - she was overjoyed.

It is suddenly very cold, perhaps winter is finally about to start. We will have to dig out our woollies and start wrapping up. Keep warm and healthy.

Look forward to seeing you all at the next meeting, my last in this very busy and rewarding year we have had.

Yours in friendship, Carolyn President Plimmerton Inner Wheel

APRIL MEETING - HELEN WEBBER HE HUARAHI TAMARIKI SCHOOL

He Huarahi Tamariki, (A Chance for Children) was established in 1994. HHT is a school for teenage parents in the greater Wellington area. It was the first of a unique group of schools in New Zealand that provided a 'second chance' education to students who were unable to complete their basic, formal education because of pregnancy or childbirth while of school age.

Helen Webber is their Teacher in Charge and she gave us a great insight to the school, how it works and wonderful stories about the achievements of the pupils.

In partnership with Te Kura, the Correspondence School and a number of other providers, He Huarahi Tamariki focuses on high academic achievement as well as offering strong pastoral support and a civics programme. A Gateway and STAR programme is offered and students have the opportunity to transition to tertiary programmes while at HHT.

MAY MEETING

DARELENE WESTRUPP - our District Chair coming to spend time with our club.

ANNE HAYDEN PHD, Churchill Fellow, NZRN - author of "Laugh your tits off". Anne herself is has had breast cancer and wrote this book as she says if you can't laugh when you are going through treatment life gets very tough.

NEW MEMBERS



New members Christine Harrison, Karen Warner and Diana Paris after introducing themselves to the Club

GOOD SORTS

Karen Warner and Christine Harrison, two of our latest new members.

How wonderful it is when new members take the initiative to arrange the 'PINK RIBBON' luncheon. We hugely thank you and trust this will be a most enjoyable and fun filled luncheon.

Judith Tanner presenting \$1000-00 donation to Joy Allcock, Shine project (closing the gaps in reading) with President Carolyn. (Money raised from Book Fare Cafe)





OUTSIDE THE SQUARE

We all travel overseas but then don't do it in our own home city or country. On Monday 2 May our group visited four places of interest, all in close proximity to the Wellington railway station in the Thorndon area.

We visited the public areas of the Old Government Building which is now occupied by the Victoria University Law School who occupy a 50 year lease. Of particular interest was a stunning masterpiece of architecture, the kauri hanging staircase.





After a quick stop for coffee we were escorted on a tour of Old St Pauls. Bernard our guide was very generous allowing us to TRY! and ring the church bells. An additional treat was to meet the Music Director of the church who just happened to be there tuning the grand piano. He very generously played a few pieces of music on both the piano and organ. We also saw up close the embroidery on some of the alter cloths stored in large glass drawers.





Next stop was Archives NZ. Such a fascinating place especially seeing old criminal records, one of which was the original paperwork for the crime file of the 1954 Hulme-Parker murder in Christchurch. We also saw the rat eaten original Treaty of Waitangi document, preserved under special climate controlled conditions.





We finished a great day of exploring with a yummy lunch at The Thistle Inn before returning homeward on the train.



CONFERENCE CHRISTCHURCH

Three delegates (Carolyn, Velma and Carol) plus Meryll (District Publicist) Janet and Yvonne attended this amazing conference in Christchurch with the theme of 'Rebuild'. In addition to the business matters it was jampacked full of interesting presentations, fun entertainment and a chance to mix with Inner Wheel ladies from around the country and Australia. We were honoured to have the World President from Belgium, Charlotte de Vos there, she came to all the sessions and inspired everyone with her humour.



Carol, Carolyn and Velma ready to vote

The guest speakers on Friday were Annah Stretton (Annah S designer) and 2 of the women she has helped through her foundation RAW - Reclaim Another Women. This charity supports recidivist women on release from prison, and they gave us a very moving talk about their journey and support from Annah.

We had fantastic entertainment by Hagley School Cabaret group, a Barbershop quartet, opera singers, WOW show and presentations from the director of the newly restored Isaac Theatre and a local councillor. We also went on a rebuild bus tour around the city - very sobering!



The Gala dinner was in the Transitional Cathedral, and we were treated like royalty. Carolyn's lovely table piece was well received.

At the last session our District 294 was presented with the award for membership growth and I am sure Darlene will bring this along when she visits our club on 17th May.

All in all a most inspiring, well organized conference and I am looking forward to the next International one in Melbourne April 2018, followed by the National Conference in Auckland 2019. All club members are most welcome at these events



Meryll & Darlene Westrupp bringing in the District banner.



World President of IW & NZ President and Di Patchett.



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We meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month, at Aotea College Library, Porirua

Please remember that if you have said you are attending and are a no show you will still have to pay \$20 to cover catering costs.



MONTHLY SUB GROUPS:

Book Club: 2nd Monday of the Month.. We give a talk each 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's 233 9144.



Tasty Tuesday: 1st Tuesday of the month. A group meet every month on the first Tuesday for a chat and a good laugh. They usually meet at Denny's, occasionally at the Co-op. For more information contact Von Groom Phone 04 2934461

Craft Morning: The first Thursday following book club, this may be the 2nd or 3rd Thursday depending on when the 1st Monday of the month is. It is held at Dianne Robert's home 4 Port Lane Whitby at 10am. Everyone takes along their own project and fun and fellowship is had by all. For more information contact Dianne Roberts Phone 237 8087

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

Table for 8

Dates to make a reservation for are: 28th May

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; Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter. The host member will serve the main dish and others will be asked to bring, nibbles/entrée, side dishes and dessert. There will be a choice of three dates, you don't get to attend all three, just let me know what is your preferred date, giving me two dates is even better so I have some flexibility in arranging your reservation. You may not meet all on the same night but hopefully "8" of you will be able to get together!

If you would like to join us please contact Lorraine Whyte 973 2565 to register your interest.



BIRTHDAYS FOR APRIL

Barbara Nichols Chris Torbit Jocelyn Jackson Lesley Fairbairn Margaret Pine



ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

Anne Bennison will be selling the Entertainment book just released, so get in fast to take full benefit of all the offers. The money raised will be for Wellington Free Ambulance - a great reason to buy, we could all need the services of the ambulance any day. When ordering please enter this payment code. www.entbook.co.nz/11101j9

BAKING PAPER

We have baking paper for sale again this year - \$13 - see Carol Woodfield to order.

JOB VACANCIES FILLED

Book Club - Sheyl Perera will take over the Book Club and Lorraine Whyte has offered to look after the table of 8. A big thank to you both.

NICE THOUGHTS:

There are 4 very important words in life: Love, Honesty, Truth and Respect. Without these in your life you have nothing

Yours in friendship Brenda



DATES TO REMEMBER

27 May 2016

Shared lunch at Carol Woodfields to raise funds Breast Cancer



11 June 2016

PLIMMERTON INNER WHEEL CHANGEOVER

Paremata Boating Club, Lunchtime meeting.



2th July 2016

District Changeover - Palmerston North

Inner Wheel Web sites are:

http://plimmertonrotary.org.nz/Inner+Wheelhttp://www.innerwheel.org.nzhttp://www.internationalinnerwheel.org

