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# Inner wheel Club of Plimmerton January 2017



## Carols Corner

By the time you read this the busy, fun celebrations of Christmas will be over - phew! Time to relax now.

Our Christmas party was a lot of fun and I would like to thank Yvonne and Santa Euan for hosting the drinks and nibbles at their lovely sunny house. The dancing Santa's and elves were hilarious - great job thanks Brenda. Many thanks also to all the Committee for their input in making the evening such a success.

Christmas is a time for giving and we have made donations to Wellinton Free Ambulance (\$564 thanks Anne for co-ordinating entertainment book sales); the Kaikoura appeal (\$400) and we have also given 25 Angel Tree gifts to prisoners' families (Thanks Karen, Lesley and Pauline).

This has been another busy month for our Inner wheel club with several enjoyable outings. Thanks Sheryl and Dianne for organizing the Book club and Craft trips ( see photos below). A group of us enjoyed the talented performers at the Zonta concert at Arohata Prison - they even let us out!!

Whitireia Nursing School visit was absolutely fascinating with a very entertaining presentation from Phil Hawes. We enjoyed the friendship of the 6 Tawa inner wheelers who joined us for that outing.

Enough from me - you are in holiday mode!

I look forward to seeing you at the Pízza and Plonk on 23d January, Janet and Phillip have kindly offered to host this again.

Enjoy the summer break and I wish you health and happiness for 2017.

Yours in Friendship Carol



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Waking to a very bad day weatherwise 14 of us set out for the Wairarapa but we soon forgot about the weather when we were served beautiful devonshire teas/coffees at Awaiti Gardens. This was followed by a look around the wonderful Christmas shop (some were relieved of their pennies) and then Allan took us and our umbrellas on a tour of the 6 acre garden which has been in their possession for three generations. He was very passionate even showed us the robot lawnmower which they were trialing for Norwoods. We ended with a very nice lunch at The Tin Hut and by this time the sun was shinning and it got quite warm.



#### **BOOK GROUP OUTING TO PORIRUA LIBRARY**

The library is a whole lot more than a place to borrow books. It's a fantastic local resource. I think we all learnt something new last Monday when Book Group was given a guided tour by 2 enthusiastic librarians.

There's a computer station where you can access the major international newspapers. There are speaking books, large print books, ESOL level books. Porirua has the largest public library Pacific section. The children's area has a weekly music programme and story book reading sessions. We were quite taken with the story tellers foldable reading chair and also school WOW creation on display. The library also offers help and resources on tracing genealogies.

To help with searching a book, in the literary section and reference section books about books can help you find a similar genre, writing style of topic. Join SMART for free and with your card you can access 5 other Wellington libraries for free.

I would recommend a little stroll around the library off the usual beaten track to discover some of these extra things. A relaxed coffee at Kaizam afterwards also went down well .





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#### **DECEMBER MEETING - CHRISTMAS FUN**

What a wonderful evening of good wine, food, singing and friendship to celebrate this Christmas season. I am sure everyone had a great time as can be seen in these pictures. Big thank you to Yvonne and hubbie for opening their home to us and to the team who worked hard to create a lovely time for us all. As for the singing trio (Meryll, Lesley and Yvonne), they were so good we think they should go busking for Inner Wheel !!











**BIRTHDAYS FOR JANUARY** 

Jenny Harris Judith McLay

## NIICE THOUGHTS:

When one door closes another opens. But often we look so long so <u>regretfully</u> upon the closed door that we fail to see the one that has opened for us.

Yours in friendship Brenda



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Pizza and Plonk Ration Creek Orchard 119 Paekakariki Hill Road from 4.30pm - \$15 a head

Please let Janet Reidy know by 19 January email: janetreidy@xtra.co.nz phone: 234 8332

Please pay to account no: 12-3254-0081449-01 Showing your name and Pizza as reference

9 February

23 January

**Tawa Bowls** 

### 21 February

**Club Meeting at Plimmerton Boating Club** 

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

