



#### **Greetings Ladies,**

What an amazing summer! It certainly feels as though we have at least had our share of the sun this year, and now some very welcome moisture.

Our Inner Wheel year has started with our annual Pizza and Plonk – always a great way to start off the year and a nice informal way to mix and mingle and share our Christmas and holiday stories.

And then our Pauatahanui Garden Trail — the weather was absolutely perfect, the gardens fantastic and really nice to hear lots of positive comments. There were a lovely mix of rural and suburban gardens this year so something for everybody. Thank you to all of those Inner Wheel members, whether it was providing your garden to view, selling tickets or helping on the day. It was a wonderful effort and a further \$10K into providing funds for the Te Aro Piko Pathway. A fantastic resource in our area and so nice to see so many people of all age groups out there enjoying it. Certainly ticks all the boxes for our theme this year "Leave a Lasting Legacy"



We are hugely appreciative of the work and effort Janet and Phillip Reidy put into both these events. Thank you both so much.

There is heaps going on over the next few months, opportunities to get involved, so enjoy!

Looking forward to a starting our 'normal' meetings next week and to seeing you all there.

#### **Pizza and Plonk**

Inner Wheelers, Partners and Friends starting the year with lots of fun and laughter.

Always a great way to start off our year.





A Quote to ponder on.....

You can't expect to be old and wise if you were never young and crazy.

In friendship Christine





#### 2018 Pauatahanui Garden Trail

The most perfect day for wandering around local gardens, enjoying a sausage and supporting the Te Aro Piko Pathway project.





Pictured our own member Jocelyn Moller, helping take \$\$\$ for the Sausage Sizzle, Teas and Coffees and one of our newer members Laurie Lawler 'sampling'

Carolyn Wallace wrote an article for the Rotary website and in it she said "Pauatahanui has so many secret and outstanding gardens and this annual event has given everyone a rare opportunity to get to see them.

For an update on progress with the Pathway project visit <a href="https://tearapiko.org.nz">https://tearapiko.org.nz</a>

### <u>Playable Porirua</u> <u>Update from Adrienne Murray</u>

Progress seems to be very slow but we need to work at the Council pace and be aware of their priorities, budgets and restrictions.

Two very important things have happened since Christmas.

- The council agrees that there is room in Porirua for a destination play space designed to be suitable for all ages from grandparents through to small children and accessible for people with disabilities. I am expecting some concept drawings for us to peruse in March
- Secondly, I have had discussions with both Zonta and Lions. Both groups are interested in becoming involved. We will also liaise with others - Ministers of the Crown through to Scouts and Schools.

Below is a photo of Arnold Park in Titahi Bay with the accessible swing seat now being used, installed in a standard swing frame. I have seen adults using it I have also seen two little girls seated in it together giggling away".







### Inner Wheel Club of Tawa Womens Expo to support "Look Good, Feel Better"

Well worth gathering friends together and having a fun night out.

\$20 includes a drink and nibbles throughout the evening. There will be services and products specifically related to women. Attendees can spend their time wandering around the displays, ask questions and/or take advantage of the special expo offers. You will receive a goodie bag on arrival containing freebies, business cards and discounts

As the proceeds from the evening are to go to our national project 'Look Good Feel Better'. Representatives from this organisation will attend and share how the project supports women experiencing cancer and other related treatments.



#### **Zonta international Womans Day**

Zonta are organising this event, and it would be great to support and make up a group to celebrate the internationality of both our organisations.



JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST TO CELEBRATE

**INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2018** 

**Keynote Speaker:** 

#### Louise Nicholas OMNZ

"Walking through the Criminal Justice System!"

Sunday 11th March 2018 9:00am – 11.00

Mana Cruising Club Pascoe Ave, Paremata

Tickets: \$30.00 each
Payment prior to Zonta Account:

Westpac Bank 03-0547-0071451-00

Please share this open invitation via newsletters and networks with women & men friends, colleagues & organisations....

and RSVP by Friday 27 February 2018: zontamana@gmail.com



Fund Raising For UN Women





#### **Pataka Arts Trail**

This will be well worth attending to see artists in our area at work! More details on the website on the flyer.



#### **Important Dates to diarise**

**20 February** – Our next meeting – Karen Ross will be our Guest Speaker

10-11<sup>th</sup> March – Pataka Arts Trail

**11 March** - Zonta Celebration of International Womens Day

17-18th March - Rotary Book Fair/Inner Wheel Café

**21 March** – Inner Wheel Club of Tawa – Womens Expo Evening for LGFB

24th March – Inner Wheel District Assembly in Avalon

**11-14 April** - International Inner Wheel Convention in Melbourne

**Late April** – Our Golf/Shopping outing in the Wairarapa

#### A quote from Bruce McLaren

"To do something well is so worthwhile that to die trying to do it better cannot be foolhardy. It would be a waste of life to do nothing with one's ability, for I feel that life is measured in achievement, not in years alone"





#### **Interest 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 the Whitby Co-op or Denny's. For more information contact Yvonne 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 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:** The next dinner events iare scheduled for 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> March. Further dates will be confirmed in the next newsletter. For those interested in either hosting or being a guest please contact Julia Mottram. A great night out. pandjmottram@orcon.net.nz

#### **Inner Wheel International**





Every club is invited to use the **Happier Futures Better Lives** logo as much as they can to showcase the good work members of IW are doing to help people across the globe.

#### Inner Wheel Web sites are:

http://plimmertonrotary.org.nz/Inner+Wheel

http://www.innerwheel.org.nz

http://www.internationalinnerwheel.org

#### **Facebook**

Plimmerton Inner Wheel Inner Wheel New Zealand International Inner Wheel

#### **Plimmerton Boating Club**

### Our next meeting is Tuesday 20 February 6pm Plimmerton Boating Club \$25

Our speaker is Karen Ross, CEO of the Duke of Edinburgh Awards

Please let us know you are coming, along with any guests that you want to bring.

And a reminder - if you tell us you are coming and then do not turn up or you will still have to pay for your meal.