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Inner wheel Club of Plimmerton April 2016



Carolyn's contemplations

Daylight Saving is here, Autumn has obviously arrived and suddenly we need a warmer duvet to cope with the colder mornings. I like our different seasons with all its changes. Having just returned from Queensland where it is always hot and they don't have the opportunity to wear lovely winter clothes is something I would never envy.

Another busy month has gone by and didn't you all do well with the Book Fair Café. Each year we seem to make more than the last and this year was no different. The Shine project, teaching children to read will benefit from this fundraiser. It is great being able to support projects that will change the lives of groups of young people for the positive.

From the Raffle account we have donated \$500-00 to the IW Fiji disaster request.

This account is for International and funds our World Vision child and any other request that may come from our District.

While talking of donations, we have a surplus in our accounts this year of approximately \$2000-00 and I would like to hear from any of you if you have ideas who you would like us to donate money to. Looking forward to hearing from you.

I have had a really lovely letter from Elizabeth Sneyd of Virtuoso Strings Orchestra. Since Rack Attack so many wonderful doors have opened for them, they are now planning a trip to the South Island to attend the National Secondary Schools Orchestra concert then onto Oamaru and Dunedin where they will do a series of

concerts. At Rack Attack the orchestra so impressed a Trustee from a large Trust that they donated a large amount of money – this is allowing the orchestra to do many great things. Liz said they have also purchased 15 beautiful high grade violins for the most experienced Porirua musicians and they are also in the process of upgrading their uniform.

All such great news and we Plimmerton Inner Wheel had a huge part to play in this story.

The Conference is getting close and a wonderful number of members will be attending. What strength the club is in when six members decide to attend an Inner Wheel Conference. This year it is in Christchurch. There have been so many emails coming through, things to read, voting papers etc - it is all quite bewildering. At the formal dinner they are having a Table Centre piece sculpture competition – 'Rebuild'. I decided that our club should be part of this so have been very busy creating a masterpiece. When living in Plimmerton there was a short time when the sand disappeared and lots of very old china was left exposed. I collected a large amount and that is what I have used. It looks like a vase of flowers with an old broken brick painted in copper and gold, copper stems and wraps for the flowers. There is more, perhaps after the conference I will bring it in to show you all.

Enjoy Autumn, it is a time of clearing, even the air feels clearer than usual.

Look forward to catching up with you all next week,

Yours in friendship,

Carolyn

President Plimmerton Inner Wheel

MARCH MEETING - DENISE CARNIHAN FROM PUKERUA BAY

What an interesting story Denise had to tell. How many of us wonder about our "roots" our family history but don't do anything about it. When Denise found out that her grandfather was half African it set her on quite a journey to find out all about her family.

She finally travelled to Africa to meet with her family and then travelled on through 7 countries in Africa. She became involved in volunteer work in Kenya and from there established 2 schools in the slums of Kenya.

Denise has since wrote a book called "I Share my Heart with Africa" a journey like no other and a great read.

APRIL MEETING - HELEN WEBBER HE HUARAHU TAMARIKI SCHOOL

Helen Webber is the teacher-in-charge of the He Huarahi Tamariki school and she is coming along to tell us all about the school, how they work and their achievements.

He Huarahi Tamariki, (meaning a Chance for Children) was established in 1995, is a school for teenage parents in the greater Wellington area. It is provides a second chance education for students unable to complete their formal education through pregnancy or the birth of a child.

He Huarahi Tamariki focuses on high academic achievement combined with extensive pastoral support and community support.

KEEN COOKS AND FOODIES

What a fantastic day out - eating our way around Petone. We started off at 'My French Larder' with deliciously light pastries (the pastry is specially imported from Paris), French coffee and a talk from local Plimmerton lady Julia who had just taken over the cafe and bakery. Must also say their galettes and crepes are also worth going to Petone to savour ! Ontrays - tasting loads of amazing cheese and then olives and proscuitto and parma ham. Such a treat - we were blown away by their generosity, hospitality and depth of knowledge. By then we needed to walk.....

Ankurs Nice and Spice Ltd - such an array of Indian spices and foods - everything you would need for Indian cuisine, this is where a lot of restaurants go for their supplies.

Do you need to know anything about knives - well the House of Knives gave us a talk on how to sharpen a knife properly, demonstration of julienne slicer - the best new gadget !

UK Foodstore - everything a homesick English person could want.

The Chocolate Story - as we were coming up to Easter it was very relevant to see what can be done with chocolate. We had a great demo on tempering chocolate and also the making of chocolate treats AND after all that we had a late lunch and then it was dress shopping !!!!



ROTARY BOOK FAIR - MARCH 19/210 - INNERWHEEL CAFE

What a pleasure it is to report on the successful Inner Wheel Café at the Rotary Book Fair raising \$1,078.80 for the "Shine Project" - closing the caps in reading, a hugely successful project presently being trialled in Porirua Schools led by a local lady, Joy Allcock. For more information look at <http://literacysuccess.org.nz/Blog/Interim+Results+from+Fourth+Round>

With all the generous contributions of delicious home baking, sweets, preserves, donations and energy provided from those who managed the café making teas, coffee and serving food made it a great weekend of Inner Wheel friendship.

A big thank you to everyone for achieving this result.



GOOD SORTS

All members who took part in the Book Fair Cafe.

To everyone of you who worked, baked or donated and especially Judith for organising.

Thank you to everyone of you, this is what makes Plimmerton Inner Wheel such a great club. More money towards changing the lives of young people for the positive in our district.

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



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NEW MEMBER

Dinah McEwen and Carolyn Wallace

Another new Member inducted at our March meeting.



At our March meeting newly inducted members, Heather Homan, Anne Ashby and Dinah McEwan gave a short talk about themselves, their families and their interests.

EXPENSE CLAIMS:

If you are asked to represent the Club at any District Event, i.e.. as a Delegate, it has long been the policy of the Plimmerton Inner Wheel that the Club pays for your registration (which includes the lunch meal). You could also claim a mileage allowance to and from the event. Mileage allowances were paid out last year for the District Conference in New Plymouth and also Meryll was given a donation for her petrol costs as District Chair.

Last year the delegates received \$230-00 each mileage allowance for travelling to New Plymouth. This year because of our numbers we have 3 Delegates and Meryll. Instead of giving just a few the larger sum we decided to share it amongst all 6 members going as the costs are very high travelling to Christchurch.

Any claim for expenses is up to the person who feels they should be reimbursed for a particular outlay. The Almoner may claim for cards etc. The Treasurer for paper, the President for whatever costs she has incurred for the running of the Club and so on.

No one should have to bear any costs of running the Club unless they choose to.



Table Centre piece sculpture competition – 'Rebuild'.

Carolyn's sculpture to be presented at the Conference in Christchurch.

JOB VACANCIES

After many years of organising the IW Book Club Debbie is stepping down. Let Carol know if you would like to take over organising this very popular once a month group.

Also, Debbie has decided to hand over the organising of 'Table for 8', so we are looking for someone to take up this also. Table for 8 meets only 4 times a year, so the job is not continual.

We would like to thank Debbie for all the work she has done organising these groups during the past few years.



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OUR CLUB DINNER MEETING

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 Debbie Howard Phone 2347137

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: **7th May, 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 Debbie Howard on 2347137 or debzh@xtra.co.nz to register your interest.

OUTSIDE THE SQUARE - Two outings to being arranged and information will be out shortly.

Happy
Birthday

BIRTHDAYS FOR APRIL

Maureen Barber
Rhonda Warmasley
Stephanie Morrison

NICE THOUGHTS:

Family where life begins and love never ends.

Yours in friendship
Brenda



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DATES TO REMEMBER

28th April - 1st May 2016

IWNA Conference Christchurch Theme “Rebuild the Future”

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+Wheel>

<http://www.innerwheel.org.nz>

<http://www.internationalinnerwheel.org>



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