



## President's Corner

Well, Christmas is upon us once again. Over the year we have settled in well with the Rebus New Zealand affiliation.

Thanks to Pub Charity for providing a grant to allow us to provide a new club name badge to each of our existing members. Thanks to Adrienne Wilson for the hard work she put in to achieve this.

Over the past year we have gone from 109 members down to 91. This has had an effect on the numbers attending the monthly meetings. We have been getting on average 55 members attending the meeting which is good.

It was good to have 54 members join us for our November meeting where once again we had an excellent speaker, John Paine, from the Good Neighbour Aotearoa Trust. John gave us an update on how much product is wasted in NZ. John also showed us how the food is collected and food provided for various charities. Good Neighbour is catering for weddings, organisations and functions. The food is distributed and made in their own work kitchen. It was good to hear of the opportunities created for students to help them develop skills that will enable them to become competent and skilful in the work force. Excellent talk and slideshow!

A big thank you to all our hosts who take the time and allow their homes to be used for our club activities.

Mavis Davidson for needlework and craft, Ted Davidson for the history group, Kirsten Jorgensen for the music group, Fay Lauder for arranging the travel group meetings, Margaret Beckwith for computer capers, Fern Twidle the walking group, Margaret Overington for organizing such enjoyable Dinner outings each month and Maggie Thompson who has once again done a great job keeping us informed of members who have been ill or have passed away during the year.

We must also thank those members who have taken turns to be greeters at the bottom of the stairs each meeting. This makes people feel good and shows visitors in particular that we are the friendly club.

A thank you also goes to our hardworking committee who strive to bring you a good variety of speakers, entertainment, outings and activities over the year.

On behalf of the committee we wish all our members a very safe, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Jim Henry

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### **Almoner's Report:**

**Maggie Thomson 5744592**

**Shirley Martin 5743224**

Edna Hooper is recovering from a heart attack and we would like to wish her all the best for a speedy recovery.

**Yours in friendship Maggie Thomson, Almoner**

### **Birthday Coffee Morning:**

**Caroline Willoughby 5759392**

**November Birthdays:** *Athalie Davey; Vera Higgie; Joyce Holmes; Marion Orsler; Caroline Willoughby:* Wishing you each a very Happy Birthday. There will be no Coffee Morning this month.

### **Needlework and Craft Group:**

**Mavis Davidson 5753897**

Instead of our usual Craft meeting we are meeting at **Club Mount Maunganui** for our annual luncheon at **12pm on Wednesday 4th December**. Please advise Athalie Davey on 575 0559 if you are joining us, so she can confirm numbers attending by Monday 2nd December.

**Music Group:**

**Kirsten Jorgensen 5740250**

The Music Group will be meeting for lunch on **Wednesday 4th December at 12 noon at Nautilus Restaurant, 50B Cross Road, Sulphur Point, Tauranga.** Please let Kirsten know if you will be attending.

**History Group:**

**Ted Davidson 5753897**

We have had a very interesting year in our group and now to complete it we will have a final meeting for the year at **9.30am on Tuesday 3rrrrrd.**(thats talking Scottish) **December** at our home in McDowell Street. All interested in history are welcome. Just drive right in down the grass driveway next to the motel exit

To start the New Year of we will have the first meeting at the same venue **on the 4<sup>th</sup> February, the first Tuesday in February.** BUT WITH A DIFFERENCE!!! We will start the year of by having a hysterical natter and a pot luck lunch in the barbeque area at the camp. So be warned and think up some good nosh.

**Travel Group:**

**Fay Lauder 5725000**

Let's celebrate Christmas for our last meeting this year. I have booked a table at **Pap House Restaurant & Bar, 1072 Papamoa Beach Road,** for **Thursday 12th December at 12.30.** I know a number of you already have commitments for this date, but if you haven't please join us for a lovely meal and get together to end another year of sharing our travel experiences. I will have to advise Pap House of numbers coming so please contact me before **Thursday 5th December** if you are able to come. Thank you. (Email : [flauder@kinect.co.nz](mailto:flauder@kinect.co.nz))

**Computer Capers:**

**Margaret Beckwith 5758975**

This will be our last meeting for Computers in 2019. We shall meet at my house **18 Kahira Cres. Papamoa Beach** as usual at **1.30pm on Thursday 5th December.** If everyone could bring a small plate we shall have a festive tea party after the meeting. As there are so few of us who attend this group I am not arranging an outing. Our first meeting in **2020 will be in February.**

**RSA Film:**

**Margaret Beckwith 5758975**

There will be no RSA film during December and January.

**Walking Group**

**Fern Twidle 5752857**

The weatherman was kind to the 12 ladies who turned up for the November walk. As usual, we split into groups to suit each member's ability. As always the highlight was coffee and lots of chat at Dixie Browns for all participants. There will be no walk in December and we will reconvene in **February 2020.**

**Wine and Dine Group:**

**Margaret Overington 5749465**

There will be no Wine and Dine outing this month. We will commence again in **February 2020.**

(Email: [margaret.overington@gmail.com](mailto:margaret.overington@gmail.com)).

ANYTHING YOU WISH TO HAVE IN THE NEWSLETTERS PLEASE SEND TO ADRIENNE WILSON AT: [graemewilson254@gmail.com](mailto:graemewilson254@gmail.com) or phone 5742392. Thank you for being so prompt with your newsletter items. Please note: The deadline for newsletter entries is the **20th of each month.**

**NB: Payments for club outings can be made direct to the Club's bank account – 03-1547-0010549-00. Please put your name and the outing in the reference and particulars fields.**

<b>DECEMBER DIARY</b>			
<b>Every Monday</b>	1 pm	Bowls	Club Mount
<b>Every Tuesday</b>	1 pm	Golf Croquet	Club Mount
Tuesday 3	9.30 am	History	1 McDowell St, Mt Maunganui
Wednesday 4	12 pm	Craft	Club Mount Maunganui
Wednesday 4	12 pm	Music	Nautilus, 50B Cross Rd, Sulphur Point
Thursday 5	1.30 pm	Computer Capers	18 Kahira Cres, Papamoa Beach
<b>Wednesday 11</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>REBUS MEETING</b>	<b>Club Mount, Kawaka St</b>
Thursday 12	12.30 pm	Travel Group	Pap House, 1072 Papamoa Beach Rd
<b>Monday 20 January</b>		<b>Newsletter deadline</b>	For the February Newsletter (no newsletter issued in January)

**Please refer to group details for further information**

### **OMANU REBUS CLUB OUTINGS**

#### **January:**

**BBQ 19 th January 2020 at the Hillier Centre, Gloucester Road, Mount Maunganui at 4.30pm.**

As the rent for the Kiwi Room at the Hillier Centre has increased in price, the cost for the barbecue this year is \$10 per person. This includes a free draw in a raffle for a barbecue basket. Please remember to bring your own cutlery, crockery, refreshments and if you have one, an outdoor chair. Sun hat, sunscreen and insect repellent may be a good idea too! We will set out tables under the trees outside, and if the weather (heaven forbid!) is inclement, we will enjoy our barbecue indoors!

**Payment please at the December Meeting, or by internet banking to the Club's account.**

#### **March:**

**Theatre Outing: Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March "Last Legs" by Roger Hall at 16<sup>th</sup> Avenue Theatre**

This is the production of Roger Hall's play that was postponed from earlier this year, and now rescheduled for March 2020. Politics, old age and rest home life are laughing matters in this black comedy about sex, death and politics in a retirement home!

