

Newsletter

Bay of Plenty Branch
October 2022

BAY OF PLENTY GOVERNMENT SUPERANNUITANTS NEWSLETTER

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Jeannie and I attended the National Council meeting on September 3 and 4 in Wellington. You may recall that Covid restrictions in 2021 forced the cancellation of the 2021 meeting. Consequently, some time was devoted formalising minutes and the Financial report.

At the meeting, the Election of Board members took place and subsequent to that, the Board has agreed that our new liaison person will be Michael Law from Hamilton. His role will see him visit us twice in a year and he will mainly deal with myself and John (Ladd) our Deputy Chair. Michael replaces Alan Peck who has served us well.

It was a pleasure to have our National President Tony Hamilton, attend our May meeting and we used the opportunity for him to address the attendees and speak first hand of the activities of National Office. It was also a good opportunity for him to gauge the mood of the Branch and with his overall knowledge of the other branches, compare us with others. He was impressed with the turnout and secure in the knowledge that we are not considering nor need to merge with other branches.

Branch membership declined by 80 in the past 12 months and is now at 1,567.

Anke Hermannsdorfer who is a spouse member has very kindly offered her services to our committee. She will be officially brought on to the committee at the next meeting on 19 October.

I would like to thank Jeannie our Secretary for organising and attending sub branch visits to Whangamata and Waihi, ably assisted by local members Robyn and Bob Smith and Bernie Ellmers. There was a very good attendance and many questions were asked and are now being formally responded to. She will be travelling to Thames to meet with members from Thames, Coromandel and Whitianga on 6 October.

Finally, I would like to remind you all that computer, landline and mobile telephone fraud is rampant and the perpetrators have no hesitation in attempting to deprive people of any age and I urge you all to find a contact person that you trust and check with them before opening any unusual emails. Also consider contacting Netsafe Common online scams - Netsafe - Providing free online safety advice in Never give out bank account details over the phone. Genuine banks never ask for this so if you are asked, then it's unlikely a real bank. If callers say you must pay some money to have your computer safe guarded, just hang up. You have worked hard for all you have and to lose it now would be heart breaking.

Darryl Bellamy

Chair

Christmas Meeting & Luncheon

VENUE: - CITIZEN'S CLUB - 13TH AVENUE, TAURANGA.

TIME: - 11:00 A.M. ~ DATE: -WEDNESDAY, 23 November. 2022.

Menue:

Ham on Bone and Roast Beef

Vegetables: - Roast Veges and Greens

Green Salad

DESSERT:- Fruit Salad & Pavlova

COMPLIMENTARY: - Tea and Coffee.

I / We – shall be attending the 'AGM and Luncheon Meeting' and enclose payment of: -

\$20.00 per person.

<u>NAMES: -</u>			
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