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### To Branch Members: JUNE NEWSLETTER 2020

Welcome ...from our BUBBLES ...

#### **FIRSTLY, A MESSAGE FROM OUR GSA PRESIDENT, TONY HAMILTON.**

“GSA 2020 branch AGM’s have been postponed indefinitely at this stage. Further information will follow once the COVID 19 social distancing requirements have been lifted”

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**This means that our present committee will remain in office until we can hold our AGM.**

**However, since we have had two resignations recently, Warren Iggo (our Secretary/Treasurer) and Simon Schollum, it is imperative that we elect some new members. PONDER ON THIS DURING THE WEEKS AHEAD.**

#### **TONY HAMILTON says ...**

“The South Canterbury branch committee invites YOU to put your hand up. To keep the branch operating the committee needs new COMMITTEE members, if not amalgamation with a nearby branch will be likely. Getting involved is rewarding.

If you are willing contact Chairperson Alison or Secretary Gavin “

**Committee member, Jake Lamare, has be searching for a new venue for our lunches {after the closing of Seven Oaks.) If you have some bright ideas for a fine meeting and eating place, please let us know. Thanks.**

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#### **Our present Committee**

**Chairperson: Alison Ferriss, Secretary: Gavin Somerville,  
Yvonne Blackwell: David Allen: Jake Lamare**

CHAIRPERSONS REPORT .....from her bubble.

It is my pleasure to bring to you the 2020 Annual Report of the South Canterbury Branch of the Government Superannuitants Association.

It is with great sadness I have to advise you all of the cancellation of our GSA Annual General Meeting for 2020. As this was to be a year of celebrating 100 years, we were hoping for a good attendance. You will find the details in our National Presidents report in the Annuity News.

Our GSA Board made the decision to cancel all our Annual General Meetings and committee meetings.

By the time you receive this newsletter, hopefully our days of isolation are over and you are all in good health.

Our National Office staff are working from home and are picking up calls from the office phone and responding to emails. If you have any queries, I shall try and assist you in any way I can. We have a new Office Manager in Wellington, Pamela Arul, and she replaced Karen a few weeks ago.

Last November was the final time we were able to meet at Seven Oaks. We were entertained by Russell Hendry and his magic tricks. We had four door prizes to give out at our dinner, packed full of "goodies". We also cut a Christmas Cake for the occasion.

It is now confirmed that Seven Oakes has been sold. The committee will look into alternatives for later in the year.

We sent two delegates to Wellington Conference/AGM last September, this is a year of uncertainty.

I would like to thank Warren and his wife Lindsay for all the work they have contributed to over past 5 years as Secretary/treasurer. When we are able to hold an AGM we will be looking for some more committee members.

Take care of yourselves and those around you. You should all have received the extra power pay-out with your National Superannuation.

So folks keep warm and we will meet you all again at the end of the year.

Alison Ferriss  
Chairperson.

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