



Branch Secretary: Jeannie Johansson
110 Oriental Parade
Papamoa 3118
Email: bayofplenty@gsa.org.nz
PH: 0800 888 472

GSA Report 2019-2020 to AGM November 2020.

You will all have received the Annual report in the April newsletter, and there is really little to add to that.

Our committee continued to meet on a regular basis throughout the year dealing with local and national matters requiring consideration and action. Matters of national significance are fully covered in the accompanying Annuity News.

On your behalf I sincerely thank the committee members for their contribution, with particular sympathy and thanks to Jeannie Johansson who has continued to attend to GSA matters as our Secretary through a very stressful time.

Branch membership has held up well in this climate of ever decreasing numbers, and at the 30th September stood at 1677, a decrease of only 30. I encourage all members to invite any non-member they are acquainted with to join our very worthwhile association, which is committed to protecting their annuity. Remember, a spouse sharing an annuity can join without paying an additional subscription.

Our Branch functions have continued to be well supported over the past year, and members of the Committee attended functions at the three sub-branch functions in Whakatane, Whangamata and Thames, to bring those members up to date. We are committed to continuing our support by subsidising all of these functions.

Our accounts remain in a healthy condition, as can be seen in the accompanying financial report - our thanks go to Ken Crosswell for the competent way he continues to manage our finances.

Most of the Committee members have served for many years, and we now desperately need some new faces around the table, especially in the positions of Chairperson and Deputy-chairperson: I am not available for either of these posts. However, I, along with many of the existing committee members, am available for re-election to the committee, should the members so desire at the Annual Meeting. I commend to you a new member seconded to the committee during the year and who ably represented us at Council this year, Darryl Bellamy. I am sure he will become better known to you all as time passes.

Please give urgent consideration to making yourself available - your contribution need not be onerous and would be much appreciated.

In conclusion I thank all active members for their ongoing support.

Ron Salmons - Acting Chairperson.

