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BAY OF PLENTY GOVERNMENT SUPERANNUITANTS NEWSLETTER

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Firstly, I would like to thank our Vice Chair, John Ladd for stepping in to cover my unplanned absence for a large part of 2021. As he mentioned in his last report, the Covid -19 pandemic and the subsequent Government mandates, have disrupted the lives of nearly everyone in NZ one way or another.

For the Government Superannuitants Association, it has meant that the National Council meeting that was scheduled to be held in Wellington in September, then in October 2021 was rescheduled to January 2022 but has subsequently been cancelled.

It is great to be able to report that the National Chairman – Tony Hamilton has committed to attending our AGM in May so, please note Wednesday 25 May in whatever you like to use to remind yourself of important dates, and we look forward to seeing you there.

Branch membership has decreased by 69 in the past 12 months to 1585. We would all expect a decrease to be inevitable given the nature of our membership, but 10 new members from outside our region slowed the overall decline. While Tauranga as a city is rapidly changing from being perceived as the retirement capital of NZ, astute retiring Superannuitants still recognise the advantages of Tauranga's location and climate, and for as long as all can, we will ignore the ever-increasing traffic and congestion.

With the ever-increasing cost of fuel, we are conscious that our members from outlying areas may feel disadvantaged knowing that the fuel cost will be greater than our subsidised meal cost. It is timely to advise that at our last Branch meeting in February, it was agreed that all those attending the AGM luncheon will only be requested to pay \$20.00 per head for the meal, with the balance being met from our accumulated funds.

In October we are planning to visit the outlying areas and share a morning tea or luncheon with members there. Your Area representative will be kept abreast of the plans and will communicate with you when we have firmed up the dates.

I would like to remind you all that we are here to best represent you and encourage you to communicate with us and to remain or become active members. I hope this newsletter finds you all well in this ever-changing Covid times.

Darryl Bellamy Chair

GOVERNMENT SUPERANNNUITANTS ASSOCIATION – BAY OF PLENTY BRANCH –

Annual General Meeting & Luncheon

VENUE: - CITIZEN'S CLUB -	· 13 TH AVENUE, T	AURANGA.		
TIME: - 10:30 A.M. ~	DATE: -WEDNE	ESDAY, 25 May. 2022.		
MENU: -	ROAST BEEF	AND ROAST CHICKEN		
	Vegetables	s: - Roast potatoes', kum	ara, and pumpkin	
		Cauliflower & Brocco	li (white sauce)	
		Honey Baby Carrots	and Minted Peas.	
DESSERTS: - Fruit Salad I	Pavlova & Whi	ipped Cream.		
COMPLIMENTARY: - Tea a	nd Coffee.			
I / We – shall be attending	g the 'AGM and	Luncheon Meeting' and end	close payment of: -	
	<u>\$20.0</u>	00 per person.		
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