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Our next meeting in **Waikanae** includes a Luncheon and is set down for

> Thursday 22 November 2018 from 11:30 am

> > At

Plateau Function Centre Parkwood Village off Ngarara Road Waikanae

Partners are welcome.

Our Next Meeting in Levin includes a Luncheon and is set down for

> Thursday 29 November 2018 from 11:30 am

> > At

RSA Clubrooms 9 Devon Street Levin

Partners are welcome.

END OF YEAR MEETINGS

There will be a brief update on current GSA issues at each of our meetings as well as a guest speaker. Please arrive in time for a prompt 11:30 am start to the meeting. Because of catering requirements you must notify the Secretary and make payment in advance. The cost has been set at \$20 in each case after a subsidy from branch funds.

Waikanae Meeting - Refer to Page 4 for further details.

 $\underline{\text{Guest Speaker}}$ – The guest speaker has yet to be finalised but several options are being considered – all of them should be of interest to our members.

<u>Venue – Plateau Function Centre – Pukeko Street - Parkwood Village Waikanae</u> This is a comfortable purpose built venue for a meeting and luncheon with experienced in-house caterers. Parking is available adjacent to the venue.

<u>Luncheon</u> - A two course (main and dessert) meal is available.

The charge is \$20 per head payable in advance.

Note that there is a limit on the number who can attend.

Levin Meeting - Refer to Page 3 for further details.

 $\underline{\text{Guest Speaker}}$ – The guest speaker has yet to be finalised but several options are being considered – all of them should be of interest to our members

Venue – RSA Clubrooms – 4 Devon Street Levin

The RSA Clubrooms have a spacious dining area and a bar. Parking is available outside the venue. There is a bar facility available.

<u>Luncheon</u> - A two course (main and dessert) buffet style meal is available. The charge is \$20 per head payable in advance.

National Newsletter

This newsletter is included with a copy of the GSA National Newsletter – The October issue of Annuity News covers business at Council 2018 including the newly elected Board, This issue continues the policy of covering only GSA related items and the resulting reduction in size also means a reduction in production costs. It is important that members keep themselves informed of GSA matters by reading this publication.

Spouse Members Welcome

Our branch has many members who have taken the step of enrolling their spouse as a GSA member which they did at no cost. This has been really meaningful by boosting the GSA membership numbers. Also, at the time of the demise of the pensioner, it provides continuity with the GSA for the surviving spouse. If you have overlooked enrolling your spouse then take advantage of this reminder and contact the Branch Secretary on O800 888 472 to start the process (or email horo.kapiti@gas.org.nz)

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Branch AGM 2018 – Election of Officers The local branch AGM was again held at the Otaki RSA in May. The Branch committee members elected were

Chairperson:- Roger Pitchforth <u>Committee</u> :- Ian Bryce Paul Gardner Trish McKelvey Jan Reid Edgar Spark David Swallow Brian Tyler Paul Gardner will continue in the role of Branch Secretary. New Secretary Needed The Branch Secretary has decided to retire as from the 2019 AGM (which he will not be able to attend) so a replacement is needed. The duties are not onerous and would suit someone with basic office and computer skills. An honorarium is currently paid and this could become a monthly stipend. The position is available to anyone, not just GSA members. The current secretary is available to give advice and support to his replacement to bring them up to speed. Contact Paul Gardner to find out what is involved.

Bob Norman's Latest

Many thanks to Bob Norman for stepping in to cover Randal Heke as guest speaker at our Waikanae meeting last November. Bob has produced another book and we are pleased to promote it. Look for '*Tales of an Engineer*' covering his long and interesting career. See also the promo on our branch web page.

GSA Membership Roll Numbers

At the end of September our branch membership stood at 1263 made up of

<u>2018</u> 660	<u>2017</u> 728	- Ordinary Members
235	246	 Surviving Spouses
333	365	– Members' Spouses
35	17	 Current Contributors & Spouses
1263	1356	•

The reduction is due to natural attrition with an very few new member enrolments. The major source of prospective members is those who have long been retired but have failed to support our association

GSA Horowhenua/Kapiti Branch Members End of Year Meeting at LEVIN on Thursday 29 Nov 2018

The branch committee has decided to have a luncheon in conjunction with the members meeting again this year following the success of last years meeting..

The programme is

- Arrive at venue and register
 Meeting begins at 11:30 am
- 3) Update on Current GSA Issues (10-15 minutes)
- 4) Guest Speaker up to 25 minutes)
- 5) Socialise until luncheon (smorgasbord) at 12:30pm

The meal will consist of a main course and dessert followed by tea and coffee There is a bar available selling wine and beer as well as non-alcoholic refreshments.

If you wish to attend this meeting you need to post the attendance slip to arrive on or before the 24 November 18.

You can pay by enclosing a cheque made payable to *"H/K GSA Inc"* or by using internet banking to pay directly into the GSA branch's bank account number **38-9014-0275903-01 (Kiwibank)**

If you pay by interr	net banking you must also confirm by email or forward the attendance slip below.		
For your records	Attendance Slip completed and posted or emailed on//2018 Payment made by Cheque / Internet Banking		
Directions To Venue –RSA Clubrooms, Devon Street, Levin From the south travel on Levin's main street (Oxford Street) and turn left (west) into Devon Street From the North travel on Levin's main street Oxford Street and turn right (west) into Devon Street. The RSA clubrooms are on the left – continue on Devon and turn left into Bristol street for access to the RSA car park. X			
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GSA Horowhenua/Kapiti Branch Members End of Year Meeting At Lloyd Parker Plateau Centre – Parkwood - Waikanae on Thursday 22 Nov 2018

This year the branch committee has decided to have a luncheon in conjunction with the members meeting instead of an afternoon tea. Note that there are no liquor sales available.

The programme is

- 1) Arrive at venue and register
- 2) Meeting begins at 11:30 am
- 3) Update on Current GSA Issues (10-15 minutes)
- 4) Guest Speaker Up to 25 minutes
- 5) Socialise until luncheon at 12:30pm

The meal will consist of a main course and dessert followed by tea and coffee This is a very pleasant dining venue within the Parkwood retirement village.

If you wish to attend this meeting you must post the attendance slip below to arrive on or before 17th November 18.

You can pay by enclosing a cheque made payable to *"H/K GSA Inc"* or by internet banking pay directly into the branch's bank account number **38-9014-0275903-01 (Kiwibank)**

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For your records Attendance Slip completed and posted on ____/___/2018
Payment made by *Cheque / Internet Banking*

Directions To Venue – Lloyd Parker Plateau Centre – Travel along Te Moana Road until Ngarara Road and travel north on Ngarara Road to Pukeko Street (opposite Waikanae cemetery and next to number 137 Ngarara Road. Pukeko Street takes you into Parkwood village - shortly after, on the left, is the entrance to the Plateau centre carpark.

The function rooms are straight ahead through the main entrance on the ground floor.