



Newsletter

Manawatu Branch

APRIL 2019

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Branch Committee

Chair: Gordon Batchelar.
 Deputy Chair: Roger Openshaw
 Committee: Arthur Evans:
 John Lowen. Ian Knowles. William White.
 Robert Crawley. Sid Murdie.

Delegates to Council. 2018

Gordon Batchelar.
 Arthur Evans.

 Secretary/Treasurer. Meg Vining
 Reviewer. Helen Susmilch.

Annual General Meeting and luncheon.

All members, spouses, and partners are welcome to our Annual General Meeting and luncheon. (See details below)

Date: Wednesday 29TH May 2019

Meeting time: 10.00 am

Meal time: 12.00 Noon.

Venue: Hunterville Room. Hotel Coachman. 140 Fitzherbert Avenue. Palmerston North.

Parking available.

Membership

As of 31 March 2019, membership totaled 1,100
 It now totals 1094 (see database)

Member Categories	31st March 2018	26 th March 2019
Annuitant	572	545
Annuitant spouse	266	284
Surviving spouse	163	155
Pre-annuitant	15	31
Pre-annuitant spouse	13	27
Total	1059	1042

I/We will be attending the Luncheon on
 Wednesday 29th May 2019

Names.....

Address.....

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Phone().....

Number Attending.

Cheque.....

Chairperson's Report. 2019

During the year our Branch Committee has been busy looking at ways we can introduce members to the Branch Committee and to be coming Branch Officers in the future. Our Branch has over 1000 members and these members have to have a Branch Committee to report to and give suggestions to which can lead to remits etc., for Council. If the numbers of the committee fall any lower than the 8 present members including Branch Officials, we could be one of the first Branches to be amalgamated. I was pleased to install Sid Murdie to the committee earlier this year.

I particularly wish to thank Secretary/Treasurer Meg Vining, Roger Openshaw and the members of the committee for their work during the year, and thanks to Helen Susmilch our Reviewer for her work in reviewing the accounts each year.

YOU AND THE GSA

YOU at the AGM

Elect/Appoint Branch Delegates who serve **your needs** on the National Council

Elect **your** Branch Committee

THE BRANCH COMMITTEE

Assists and supports YOU

By advising and implementing administrative processes

By taking **your** views to National Council

By organising functions locally

By representing **you** at functions in this district

NATIONAL COUNCIL

Protects YOUR interests by

Protecting **your** annuity

Interacting with Government

Ensuring continuity of existence of the **GSA**

Giving **you** a voice

To ensure a strong, vibrant organisation

YOUR COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU

Come along and hear your National Council Chairman Tony Hamilton speak of the ongoing interaction with Government and the work being done to protect your Annuity.

MEETING AND LUNCHEON.

AGENDA

10-00 a.m. Welcome and Apologies.

Presidents Report.

Previous AGM meeting minutes.

Secretary's Report.

Election of Committee if required.

Guest Speakers

National Council Chairman Tony Hamilton.

12 NOON Luncheon.

MENU

Bread Rolls

Mixed Leafy Greens Salad with and citrus dressing.

Moroccan couscous salad

Roasted lemon and thyme Chicken breast

Beef Bourginion

Roast Gourmet potatoes

Steamed seasonal vegetables

Raspberry and White chocolate cheesecake

Fruit salad.

Tea/Coffee.

Your meal has been subsidized by the Manawatu Branch. PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORM ON PAGE 1 (ONE) AND RETURN TO THE SECRETARY BY SATURDAY 25th MAY 2019 Remember the mail is only delivered to me on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday.

Make cheques payable to "GSA Manawatu Branch" Endorsed "Account Payee Only" No cash via post please. Cost \$20.00 per person. To reach the Secretary by SATURDAY 25th May 2019.

If you wish to pay via Internet Banking. The Bank A/c No is 030726057895200 Make sure you put your name in the Reference. Please do this by FRIDAY 24th May 2019.

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Secretary/Treasurers Report.

As the financial year draws to a close, it only remains for me to re-iterate Chairman Gordons plea for members to volunteer to come on to the Branch Committee. It is imperative that younger members put themselves forward for their Branch committees. For too long members of all organizations have sat back and let others do the work. All too easy to say, "I'm busy". Ideally a committee should have a representative from our various sections of the G S A. i.e. Annuitants, Annuitant spouses, Surviving Spouses, Pre-annuitants and Pre annuitant Spouses. This would ensure knowledge and continuity of Branch functioning. We are fortunate in having Council Chairman Tony Hamilton with us this year and it is my fervent hope that after his speech there will be an influx of folk wanting to help the Branch to flourish. We function well and our finances are in good shape, so PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE, come onto the committee. We need you to continue to go into the years ahead with a forward-thinking committee.

My thanks to Gordon, and the committee for their support and to reviewer Helen Sussmilch for her unfailing help in reviewing the accounts.

Government Superannuitants Association Manawatu Branch.

Annual Financial Report.
Statement of Financial Performance
Year Ended 31st March 2019

<u>2018</u>	<u>Income.</u>	<u>2019</u>
5623	Subscriptions (deducted) GSF	6556
392	“ (deducted) NPF	413
180	“ (deducted) paid direct	446
2353	Functions	2193
<u>108</u>	Interest Received	<u>185</u>
8656		9793
	 <u>Expenses.</u>	
3991	Functions	3900
272	Printing & Stationery	126
----	Telecommunications	----
----	Furniture	----
3000	Secretary's remuneration	3000
---	Postage	228
247	Committee Expenses	487
<u>179</u>	Technology	<u>229</u>
7689		7971
<u>967</u>	Surplus	<u>1822</u>
8656		9793

Financial Position as at 31st March 2019.

8583	Accumulated Funds	9552
967	Surplus	<u>1822</u>
9552		11374

Represented by

Assets

2650	Cash Account	4167
1471	Savings	1593
<u>5431</u>	Term Deposit	<u>5614</u> deposited for 6 months @ 3.25% due Sept 2019.
9552		11374

Signed  Meg Vining. Treasurer.

Signed  Helen Suszmilch Reviewer

Signed  G. Batchelar. Chairman.

I have reviewed the financial statements above for the year ended 31st March 2019.

A review is limited primarily to enquiries of branch personnel and an analytical review of compliance with policy and procedures as applied to the financial data. I have not performed an audit and accordingly I do not express an audit opinion. On the basis of my review nothing has come to my attention that causes me to believe that the above financial statements do not give a true and fair view.