



# Marlborough Branch Autumn 2017 Newsletter

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Annual General Meeting  
To be held at the  
Taylor's Bar & Restaurant  
(Clubs of Marlborough)  
42 Alfred Street Blenheim  
Monday  
19<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 1130 am.  
Doors open at 11.00 am.  
Finger Food Lunch  
(approx) 1215

Agenda:

- 1, Welcome
- 2, Apologies
- 3, Minutes of the 2016 AGM
- 4, Chairman's Report
- 5, Treasurer's Report
- 6, Election of Committee
- 7, Appointment of Reviewer
- 8, General Business

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A finger food luncheon will be held after the AGM at a cost of \$ **15.00** per member or spouse and \$ **20.00** for non- member.



RSVP and Payment Essential  
By **12<sup>th</sup> June 2017**  
(RSVP form at the end of this newsletter)

**A message from Chairman John Lewis:**

This is my last report as your Chairman and is short because very little progress if any has occurred with Tax Equity for all Annuitants and COLA problem for pre 1985 Annuitants.

I have been on the committee for a number of years filling the roll of committee member, Vice Chairman and for the last six years as Chairman.

Thank you all for electing me to these positions, I have enjoyed them. After our last function at THE VINES, the AGM is now being held in Clubs Marlborough Taylor Room on Monday 19 June 2017 Doors open 1100 finger food lunch will be at approximately 1215, Diane Ward our council representative will be attending.  
John Lewis  
Chairman

### **Board Representative Report:**

Hello to all members and especially new members. My name is Diane Ward and I am the Marlborough Branch Liaison person from the Board. I have been involved with the GSA for a long time in Nelson first as Secretary then Chairman and now as a committee member. After four years on the board I have decided to step down this year. I think it is important to keep adding fresh people to boards with new ideas and energy. I am in a way sorry to do this as I am the only Annuitant Spouse on the Board. It would be great if more would come forward onto committees and then onto the Board, as spouses and surviving spouses are an important part of our organization.

The Annuity News, which you receive with your newsletter outlines all the relevant topics discussed at Board meetings, plus the committee receives minutes from these meetings.

If you want further information on this contact your chairman or secretary. I hope to attend your AGM and look forward to seeing you all there.

Best wishes  
Diane Ward

### **Secretary:**

Where has the last twelve months gone?

This secretary position is certainly different to all other organizations that I have belonged to, perhaps other than our Community Hospice. I am working with some members at their most vulnerable time. Those that have lost a family member or indeed a spouse. I would like to think that through my background and experience I have been able to help everyone that I have come in contact with.

Support from the committee has been excellent and if assistance has been required all I had to do was ask.

Satisfaction in this position and continually learning the 'Rules & Regulations' I am happy to put my name forward to continue as your Secretary.

Diane Ward, our Board representative has been an active and positive member in support of my role as secretary.

Sorry to hear that she is standing down her contribution to the Board and to GSA alike has been outstanding.

With our Chairman John Lewis standing down following the AGM, I would like to offer my sincere thanks and gratitude for both his and Gloria's support over the last twelve months.

Thank you and keep safe.

Colin Draper



Lest we Forget

### Picton & Kaikoura Visits:

Visits to these locations will continue through 2017, as practicable as they can be due to recent (2015 earthquakes) events. Committee members are pleased to be able to retain contact with these members that may often feel isolated.



In loving memory of those members and family members who have passed away since Spring 2016.

A little girl asked an elderly Scotsman for a contribution to a religious organization – “money for the Lord” as she put it. How old are you, wee lassie ?  
He asked her.  
Ten years old she replied.  
“Well I’m eighty” he said. I’m bound to see the lord before you and I’ll give him the money myself.



**AGM**  
**MONDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2017**  
**1130AM**



**RSVP**

- Yes, I am coming to the AGM Luncheon on The 19<sup>th</sup> June 2017

I will be accompanied by  
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I enclose \$ .....

- No, I am unable to come To the luncheon.

*Please delete that which is not Applicable*

Signed .....

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