



# Northland Newsletter

## April / May 2019

### From the Branch Chair

The Northland branch of the Government Superannuitants Association continues to meet regularly and has an active and enthusiastic committee.

The next meeting of our branch with our membership will be at our Annual General meeting. This is scheduled for 12:40pm, Thursday 16 May at the Kamo Club.

Our guest speaker will be the Mayor of Whangarei Ms Sheryl Mai.

Two delegates from the Northland branch will attend National Council in Wellington in early September. This will be presided over by Tony Hamilton as National President. Council report back meetings: Whangarei on September 19; we will repeat the successful update meeting in Mangonui again this year. This will be held on Wednesday 25 September at the Mangonui Hall.

Good progress has been made by GSA Board in pursuing the Cost of Living anomaly which continues to disadvantage a number of our more Senior members. A recent submission was made to the Government select committee, although no decision has yet been announced by the Minister to correct this anomaly. We are hopeful for a successful outcome.

We look forward to a good attendance at the forthcoming Annual General meeting. We are also looking for new committee members – ask someone to nominate you if you don't feel comfortable doing it yourself. For prospective new members phone on 0800 888 472, or join on line [www.gsa.org.nz](http://www.gsa.org.nz)

~ Roger Barber, Chairperson

Sheryl Mai, Mayor  
Speaker at the AGM  
Luncheon  
Details on page four

**AGM starts at 12:40**

**Note later start**

### Your Current Committee

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#### Committee

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#### Receiving the Annuity News and the Branch Newsletter

With postage costs continuing to rise the Association is making a request to members to consider receiving our publications via email.

To do this please contact us either by email ([northland@gsa.org.nz](mailto:northland@gsa.org.nz)) or phone.

Please also contact us if your personal information needs updating (address, phone number etc). DATACOM also needs to hear about information changes.

#### Contact your Association

at any time by dialling

**0800 888472**

Financial Performance for the year ended 31 March 2019

New Budget Year to 31.3.20		Actual Year to 31.3.19	Budget Year to 31.3.19	Actual Year to 31.3.18
	<b>Income</b>	\$	\$	\$
4,490.00	Subscriptions GSF deducted	5,024.00	4,225.00	4,251.69
211.00	Subscriptions NPF deducted	227.00	212.00	211.00
85.00	Subscriptions direct	83.00	79.00	78.87
1,500.00	Functions Received	1,545.00	1,450.00	1,605.00
303.00	Interest Received	374.00	332.00	430.32
<b>6,589.00</b>	<b>Total Income</b>	<b>7,253.00</b>	<b>6,298.00</b>	<b>6,576.88</b>
	<b>Less Expenses</b>			
3,284.00	Functions	3,284.00	3,775.00	3,775.47
2,120.00	Communications	850.00	923.00	922.99
956.00	Organisation	955.00	588.00	587.64
	Remuneration	-	-	-
	Office	-	-	195.50
100.00	Review of accounts	100.00	100.00	100.00
	General		35.00	35.00
<b>6,460.00</b>	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>5,189.00</b>	<b>5,421.00</b>	<b>5,616.60</b>
<b>129.00</b>	<b>Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>2,064.00</b>	<b>877.00</b>	<b>960.28</b>

Financial position as at 31 March 2019

	Year to 31.3.19	Year to 31.3.18
	\$	\$
Accumulated funds 1 April	17,048.00	16,087.75
Surplus (deficit)	2,064.00	960.28
	<b>19,112.00</b>	<b>17,048.03</b>
Represented by		
<b>Assets</b>		
Cheque Account	7,131.00	5,406.02
Savings Account	1,981.00	1,642.01
Term Deposit	10,000.00	10,000.00
Total assets	<b>19,112.00</b>	<b>17,048.03</b>
<b>less Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable	-	-
	<b>19,112.00</b>	<b>17,048.03</b>

The finances are currently being reviewed.

2019 Council Report back meeting

Whangarei

September 19

Anglican Church Hall

Deveron Street, Regent

10:15 Cuppa

10:30 Report back

12:00 finish

No reply needed, just turn up

An email and postal reminder will be sent

2019 Council Report back meeting

North

Mangonui Memorial Hall

Waterfront Drive (opposite the wharf)

September 25

10:15 Cuppa

10:30 Report back

12:00 finish

No reply needed, just turn up

An email and postal reminder will be sent.

You can live to be a hundred if you give up all the things that make you want to live to be a hundred. **Woody Allen**

Regular naps prevent old age, especially if you take them while driving. **Author Unknown**

An archaeologist is the best husband a woman can have. The older she gets the more interested he is in her. **Agatha Christie**



September 2018 Council report back in Mangonui

**By the time a man is wise enough to watch his step, he's too old to go anywhere. Billy Crystal**

**You know you're getting old when the candles cost more than the cake. Bob Hope**

**You can't help getting older, but you don't have to get old. George Burns**

**A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory. Steven Wright**

*Please encourage any person you know who is receiving an annuity from the Government Superannuation Fund or the National Provident Fund Super to join and support the GSA.*

Northland Membership Count as at: February 2019						
	Total	Annuitant	Annuitant Spouse	Surviving Spouse	Pre Annuitant	Spouse Pre Annuitant
All	772	425	220	108	10	9
GSF	730	403	203	105	10	9
NPF	42	22	17	3	0	0

The Personal Data booklet is designed to record a wide range of information and a completed copy of this kept in a file with your statements from Datacom will be extremely useful for a surviving spouse. It will also be very helpful for a surviving spouse if your GSA six-digit number is written on the front of the file. If you don't have a booklet, or can't find it, contact your Branch Secretary at **0800 888 472**.

# AGM

## Annual General Meeting

**New committee members welcome  
(and needed please)**

**May 16**

The Committee meets just four times a year.  
**Meetings start 9:30 & last approx. 90 minutes.**  
**Wednesdays: August 14, November 6**  
**2020: February 19, May 6**

The committee keeps up with current issues relating to our Annuity, appoints the two reps to the Annual Council meeting, oversees the Branch finances and works for the benefit of local members.

Come and join us.  
 Speak to any Committee Member about it.

**Ask someone to nominate you,  
Or nominate yourself.**



Totara Grove School at the Christmas lunch

# Mid-Year Luncheon

will be held on

**Thursday 16 May 2019**

at the Kamo Club (Meldrum Street)

## NOTE

### CHANGES TO TIMES

**THIS IS SO MAYOR SHERYL  
CAN JOIN US FOR LUNCH**

11.45 Gather and socialise

12:15 Chairman's Chat

Board update

12.40 AGM

1.00 Luncheon

Juice provided

Other drinks at own expense

2.00 (approx.) Guest Speaker

Cheryl Mai, Whangarei District Mayor

Please complete and return the form below if you intend to be present for this event.

*Note: \$15 per person*

*Superannuitant non-members welcome too*

Please return to  
Tony Hamilton  
PO Box 3286, Onerahi  
Whangarei 0142

no later than Friday 10 May



Northland Branch G.S.A  
Mid-Year Luncheon

Enclosed is \$..... for Luncheon Booking/s  
(\$15 per person – our Branch provides a subsidy)

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Cheques should be made payable to  
'Government Superannuitants Assoc - Northland' (NOT Kamo Club.)

Or pay to online bank account:

GSA Northland, 11-5000-0724650-11

(Please include your name/s in the details, or email the information to  
[tah@ubernet.co.nz](mailto:tah@ubernet.co.nz) )

**NAMES FOR LABELS PLEASE**

**First and last names**

