

#### LAKE TAUPO BRANCH

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#### 2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

followed by lunch. (\$15 per person)

Venue: Taupo Bridge Club Date: Thursday 1st June 2023 at 10.30am

Introduction and welcome.

Apologies.

Minutes of AGM 2022

Annual Report.

Financial Report

Election of committee.

Election of reviewer.

**General Business** 

Address by Alan Peck Taupo Branch Liaison Representative

11.15 a.m. Our Guest Speaker

11.45 a.m. Social time with complimentary drinks followed by a light lunch.

# **Branch Report.**

### Dear Members

Almost time for our AGM again – this year seems to have passed very quickly what with Covid, rain and then a cyclone. I hope you were not badly impacted by any of them. We in Motuoapa had some dramatic scenes after the cyclone, I opened my curtains next morning and couldn't believe my eyes – the whole of our forest which surrounds our village had gone! We can now see the Kaimanawas from Parekaawa Drive.

Little seems to have changed in the GSA except for staff. First we lost Hannah Hsu, her job has been taken over by Sue Thompson. Then our Executive Officer, Gabe Pang resigned due to ill health. The job has been advertised and by the time you receive this there should be a new EO in place.

So it is time again for our Annual General Meeting. We will have our Branch Representative Alan Peck up for this meeting. Committee wise we need another member due to Graeme Downes' ill health. The job isn't arduous with a lot of the interaction being done by email and phone. So please consider coming aboard – you would be very welcome. At the moment our committee consists of myself as Chairperson, Colin Crowe our Secretary, Winston Grantham as Vice Chairman and committee Alison Crowe, Graeme Downes, Marie Grantham and Graeme Crowe.

With all the money being spent on flood and cyclone damage we should not expect to see the COLA problem being at the forefront of the Government's spending again this year. Perhaps they will wait until there are no pre 1985 retirees left.

Our membership has now reached 188 with six new members, three moving out of the district and sadly four deaths. We welcome our new members and hope they can come to our functions.

So let's see as many of you as possible at the AGM and luncheon on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June 2023. Unfortunately with the cost of food having risen so much our caterers have also increased their price so we have therefore had to put up the price of our luncheon. If you need help getting to the Bridge Club let Colin know and we will see if we can arrange transport for you.

#### **Financial Position**

This year's financial activities were the AGM and the Christmas Function, the branch continues to maintain a sound financial position.

# **Guest Speaker**

At the time of this publication our speaker had yet to be decided.

| Diana Pye    |  |
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| Chairperson. |  |
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Please pay your \$15.00 per person entry into the GSA Bank Account the account number is :West Pac **030430-0257922-00.** Remember to provide your names and the number attending.

## Or alternatively

Please pay in cash \$15.00 at the door and advise the Secretary by email at **crowesroost@xtra.co.nz** or phone (07) 378-6627 of your attendance by Friday 26 May 2023. This will assist us in advising numbers to the caterer.