



Newsletter December – January 2011

From our President – Beulah Heaven

Don't you just love living in this district when it gets to be December!

I enjoy the beach and the quiet atmosphere in Warkworth in winter, but once the days warm and lengthen and the tractors start at 5am to take their boats out on to the beach to catch the tide and hopefully a fish or two, it feels like summer and I revel in the happy holiday sounds. Many of us are in a position to enjoy the company of visiting family and grandchildren, knowing that they'll have a lovely time while they are here, and that they'll go home again!

I can potter in the garden, enjoy the birds and harvest some of the products of my labour that the snails or the said birds haven't got to first.

There are the delightful simple pleasures - like an icecream and strawberries from Charlie's, a coffee on Saturday morning at the market, a glass of wine at the movies or a walk with the grumpy old dog along the beach. Everything seems so much easier and more attractive in the summer. I wonder if we'd complain if it went on forever?

Some of our members have been unwell, and at least one is recovering from surgery. All good wishes to each and every one of us. Do remember that we are a group that is supportive of each other, and don't be afraid to ask if there is something you need a hand with. Season's Greetings - enjoy the holidays and be of good cheer!

I'd like to say a big thankyou to Nevill Ellison-Smith who has been a wonderful Secretary. (He and Elaine have sold their lovely home and are currently in Wanaka.)

See you on the 13th.



Beulah.



Christmas Party, with lunch

Do you remember what a great party the Groups put on for us for Christmas last year? Well, this year is going to be even better!

Mark “Monday 13th December” in your diary. Bring your \$10. The meeting will start at the usual time 10.00 am.

Annual General Meeting will be incorporate in our programme. It will be swiftly followed by the entertainment and then there will be a subsidised lunch.

Pay your \$10 at the door for fabulous finger food, plus juice and wine. (As we share the rooms with the Scrabble Club who are also having their Christmas lunch on that day, we have compromised and agreed to be finished and out by 12.30pm. We can do that, can't we?)

The Duty Group to set up and clean up after our Lunch is The Food For Thought Group.

Any extra help to do this in record time would be appreciated.

**Nomination Forms should be in by the 7th December
to**

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From the Committee: We have had a very good meeting every two months at President Beulah's home, worked through our Agenda with coffee in hand and had a good year. For those of you who are tentative about going on the committee I would say the work load is enjoyable and light. We suggest the Convenors of Groups for next year have a meeting in January so they can plan for their year ahead. Their programme for February and March will have to be in to the Editor by 24th Jan. so a schedule can be out before Anniversary Weekend.

A reminder to have the correct money (\$10) for your Xmas Luncheon please.

From the Editor: It has been brought to my attention, that several of you have not received a Newsletter. There may be several reasons why this has happened but firstly the committee tries to meet about 10 days before the end of every second month. I collect any information that the committee wants to be put in the newsletter , make up the newsletter, get it printed for those who want it sent out by mail and have an email made up and sent to those of you who actively receive emails, 4 to 5 days before the beginning of the next month,

Some people have put an email address down when joining but do not actually receive attachments. Others have their computers set up in such a way that letters not in the friends list get them automatically put in Spam or Trash files to be deleted. The Newsletters do only come out once every two months and some maybe expecting to hear every month

The January Committee meeting will be on the 17th Jan. at 9.30

Have a lovely Christmas with family and friends.



“Don’t” is not always negative.

Don’t ever take away someone’s hope, it may be all they have to hold on to.

Don’t put things off, do what is needed to be done in the moment.

Don’t be hard on yourself, you have come into this life to learn all about who you are, so enjoy the experience.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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Nominee Name _____

Signature _____

For position of: (please circle one)

President

or Committee Member

Nominated by:

Name _____

Signature _____

Seconded by:

Name _____

Signature _____

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Completed forms must be received by 7th December 2010