



60s-UP MOVEMENT OF NEW ZEALAND (INC) WHANGAREI BRANCH MAY 2026 NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Hi members,

I do hope that everyone is feeling well. We have a busy time ahead, birthday party for all members who turn 90 years of age this year. We also have the Conference in June and our mid-winter lunch in July, I would like to mention here that your committee does heavily subsidize the mid-winter lunch and the Christmas lunch while also subsidizing our monthly trips. We also provide the afternoon tea at the branch birthday and the 90+ birthdays as well out of our funds, just in case any of you were wondering where the money went. Your committee are all volunteer's and as such we do not get paid for the privilege of serving you.

Do not forget Mother's Day Sunday May 10th also, **the next meeting** is our AGM on 14th May, please come along and have your say.

Dianne

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BIRTHDAYS FOR MAY:

Judith Mack, Rob Antunovic and Ian Reid. Congratulations and best wishes to you all, we hope for a wonderful day.

ENTERTAINMENT:

Unfortunately I have had a complaint from one of our guest speakers – she was very upset by the behaviour of a few of our members, she had brought a cake with her for us to enjoy while she spoke, as she cut the cake, she watched in disbelief as some members took a piece of cake then walked out – they did not even have the decency to stay and listen to her speech. This is not going to happen again! As usual instead of entertainment for our April meeting, it will be our pleasure to celebrate our members who have reached 90+ years. This year we have - Yvonne Edwards, Ida Maroney, Betty Knight, Eunice McQuin, Margaret Cairn, Loma Thomas, Vic Gunko, John Ogden, Don Hunter, and Ken Smith. There will be a special afternoon tea to celebrate these very special members **ALL members** are invited to stay and have a cup of tea and some cake.

This will be starting after voting in the committee for 2026/2027 so approximately 2.00pm.

WELFARE:

Lois 022 621 2233 and Mary 09 438 3889 are our welfare officers. This month Lois has sent cards to Beryl Smith and Mary Le Myre both have had a little stint in hospital but are home now. Lois also sent a bereavement card to Barbara Whiston. Please tell Lois or Mary of anyone who is not well or needs a welfare call, in hospital or rest home.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: Thursday May 14th 10am at the Northland Club in Porowini Ave. It is that time again where you vote for your new committee, the old committee is Dianne Willetts (President), Judith Mack (Vice President) Valarie Malcolm (Treasurer), Dianne Pascoe (Secretary) Isabel Hunter, David Rowntree, Albert Biller, Lois Haden and Peter Schultze are all working committee members. Our 2025/2026 committee finishes on 14th May 2026. The nomination form for renewals is printed below. So, fill in your form and come along and have your say. You are allowed to vote us back in - - The Annual General Meeting will start at 1:pm by the end you will have your 2026/2027 committee.

Copies of this form will be available at Indoor bowls and Pétanque .

60s-Up Whangarei Branch



Annual General Meeting 2026

I wish to nominate

For the position of

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SUNDAY NIGHT DINNER:

Our Sunday Night Dinner will be on 3rd of May at Turkish Delight at Okara shopping centre. get your name on the list if you wish to go alternatively you can phone or txt Bev on 0272108400. If the venue number is full Bev will put your name on the reserve list. Please wear your name tags to these dinners – thank you.

NEWS FROM OUR SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS:

INDOOR BOWLS:

The entry time to the Northland Club in Porowini Ave at the usual time please be there by 9.30am so we can get started by 9.45am.

For more information contact Peter Schultz 09 438 7990. New members always welcome.

PETANQUE:

Held at the town basin on Tuesday mornings at 9.15am. Good numbers attending. New members always welcome. All members playing or **not** are welcome to come to lunch with us after pétanque has finished. Albert Biller is our contact – 027 553 9880

WALKING FOR FUN AND FITNESS:

This group was progressing well, I would like to remind members that this group walks at all speeds – it would be possible for the faster walkers to go ahead while those that prefer a more leisurely pace could meet them at a prearranged spot for ice creams or coffee, so please come and give it a go, Lois arranges varied and interesting walks, for all levels of fitness or lack thereof. If you would like to know more, please contact Lois Haden 0226212233

10 Pin BOWLING:

1st Friday of month – Held at Action zone 129 Port Road 10am. Numbers slowly improving – all welcome for more information contact Nancy Dodds 0212085220. Due to Easter and the Good Friday, there were no 10-pin bowling this month.

THEATRE GROUP - NIGHT SHOW ONLY.

The next show will be “Dad’s Army” at the Riverbank Theatre at 71 Reyburn Lane. There is no meal with this event the show starts at 7pm. There is a café next door that opens for dinner. For information or to get your name on the list contact Dianne 027 237 1700.

TRAVEL:

Our next trip is to Warkworth on the Thursday 30th April, there is still time to get your name on the list, any questions contact Dianne Willetts 027 237 1700. Our Kerikeri trip will be back on Saturday 16th May going to the Markets – lunch – then Mini golf, most members have already paid for this trip.

DONATION TABLE:

All donations are gratefully accepted, jigsaws, fresh produce from your gardens. Even the odd packet of mixed fruit, chocolate chips, flour and sugar would be welcomed for the ladies who do our baking. Please contact Val Malcolm 09 553 3722 or Judith Mack 021 0265 5836.

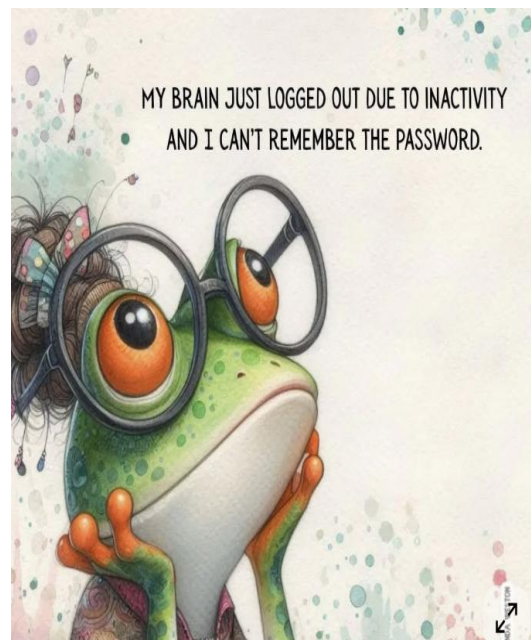
RAFFLES:

Non-perishable food donations are gratefully accepted. Tinned baked beans, spaghetti, soup, packets of biscuits, tea and coffee, bottles of sauce, pickle anything would be gratefully accepted. Fresh vegetables from your garden. The eggs are donated each month by Dianne Willetts, and the committee supplies the meat for the raffles. For any more information please contact Barbara Marks 0274 889 666.



Happy Mother's Day

May 10th, 2026.



Dianne Willetts