Te Kāhui Mutumutu o Te Upoko me te Karu o te ika-a-Māui



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"Providing support for amputees and their families"
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Christmas Newsletter 2022

President's Message

This is the last newsletter before Christmas. The speed at which it has arrived is frightening!

Covid has not managed to dominate our lives quite so much this year, in fact in fact the postponed & cancelled events from last year have now taken place. I had no idea how good 'Top Gun Maverick' movie would be.

The turnout for the movie plus our display for Amputee Awareness Week and stall at the Porirua Expo made them very successful and enhanced public awareness of our Society.

Our Matariki dinner & recent Christmas dinner at Quinns Post Tavern were well attended and it was good to catch up with some of you there. It was " 3rd time lucky " for myself as I actually made it to our Christmas dinner having spent the last two in hospital!

Christmas Day 2021 was a new experience for me as I was still in hospital. The staff did their best to make it a pleasant day.

I look forward to seeing some of you are future events. Our AGM is coming up next February, next years Amputee conference is in Christchurch in April and is generously subsidised for financial members.

At this time my thoughts go out to the families of members who passed away during the year plus those who have lost other loved ones.

Again my family and I wish you a great Christmas and happy New Year.

If you want a wee laugh, I just bought the horse his Christmas present - oddfellows!

Hari Kirihimete

Kath Stone

President









Amputee Society News



Christmas Dinner

We had 17 people attend our annual Christmas Dinner held at Quinn's Post. We all had a great time with many laughs and stories shared.



Amputees Awareness Week

This year we held an afternoon tea at the Wellington Limb Centre, it was followed by a 'behind the scenes tour' of the center where we got to see how and where our limbs are made. It was really informative and I'm sure we all left with a new appreciation of the process involved in limb making! A big thanks to Greg Vos for showing us around.











In addition to the afternoon tea we ran a stand in Pak'n'Save Porirua on a very busy Saturday, this proved to be a great opportunity to enhance public awareness of our society and promote amputee awareness. Thanks to all those that helped support our initiatives.









Collective Community Hub

We are thankful to use this Johnsonville facility free of charge to host our committee meetings and our upcoming AGM. This warm, modern facility is funded by Collective First National real estate and offers an amazing space free of charge for the community to use.

Bereavements

It was with great sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Juilet Elworthy, Juliet was a respected and valued member of our committee. Our condolences go out to Jo (Juliet's sister) and her family and friends.

"The sorrow we feel when we lose someone is the price we pay to have had them in our lives."

- Rob Liano

Upcoming Events

Sunday 19 Feb 3pm- Wellington Amputee Society AGM- to be held at the Collective Hub, 1/33 Main Road, Johnsonville

14-16 April- National Conference, Crowne Plaza, Christchurch. To register your interest please contact Raewyn or Ken whanau.tetau@gmail.com







Wishing you all a safe and Merry Christmas!

-Kate and two of my Christmas buddies



Tux our wonder dog
- we wonder how he manages to sneak
our dinner off the kitchen bench...



Binky our rescued feral goat
- thinks she's a dog and only recently moved
out of our lounge!

Christmas isn't about candy canes, or twinkling Christmas lights, it's about the hearts that we touch, and the care that we show...

-Anon









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He iti hoki te mokoroa nāna i kakati te kahikatea.

(The mokoroa grub may be small, but it cuts through the White Pine)

"Strength of Purpose Achieves the Impossible"









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