



**Amputee
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of Otago &
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Greetings Members,

As you can see we are up to newsletter number 200 – quite fitting as we celebrate 75 years as a Society. Lots of info and advertising this quarter so my intro is short. Maybe you can do a little celebrating with us in April.

75th AGM

Saturday 23 February. The meeting will be held at the Otago Bridge Club in Otaki Street, Dunedin, at 4.30 pm, following which our Guest Speaker will give a talk on the “Disability Information Service – information, advice and resources”. This will be followed by a meal at approximately 6 pm at a cost to members of \$20 and the full cost to non-members of \$28. In lieu of a raffle this year, donations of goods towards our Jubilee hamper would be very much appreciated. The Financial Statements will be available at the meeting. There's plenty of parking at the Bridge Club but get in touch if you need transport. Complete the form on page 3 and return it by 20 February. Hope to see you there!



75th Anniversary 2019
Amputee Society
of Otago & Southland Inc

It would be great to have a good turnout of members at our 75th Jubilee which is being held at the Distinction Hotel in Dunedin and combined with the 72nd National Conference of the Amputees Federation of NZ Inc. The programme for the weekend is included with this newsletter, along with a registration form for Otago/Southland members. (Note that we will be fully subsidising the cost of our members attending the Jubilee Dinner). In addition, we have received some funding towards accommodation for O/S

members but it will be a case of first in. This weekend is an occasion not to be missed! Complete and return the registration form now!

LIMB CENTRE - SOUTHLAND CLINIC



The next Clinic is scheduled for 4th April at Kew Hospital, first appointment time 9 am and last appointment 12:30 pm. This is an opportunity for you to consult a limb-fitter if you have minor problems or repairs, without having to travel to Dunedin. If you wish to attend, ring Sue at the Limb Centre on 0508-474-474.



INVERCARGILL MEETING

Our annual Meeting and Dinner was held on Saturday 17 November at the Working Men's Club. A very nice and abundant buffet meal was enjoyed by 25 of our members who came from far and wide. Thank you to all those who attended and made it the success it was.

MEMBERSHIP

New Members – A warm welcome to new members Vinnie Moore of Mosgiel and Natalie Kennedy of Gore.

Our Numbers - Our membership has again dropped this year, down to 168. However, this newsletter is being sent to a large number of "old" members in the hope that they (you) will rejoin and take part in our Jubilee celebrations.

Subscriptions - There are a number of current members who haven't paid a sub for last year (2018) and if you are one of these, there'll be a red dot on the front page of your newsletter (or if you are getting this by email, a separate reminder will follow). It would be appreciated if you could bring your sub up to date – either send Lorraine a cheque, or pay \$20 (covering 2018 & 2019) direct into our bank account 031355 0277644 00 (please identify with your name), or pay Sue at the Limb Centre.

Included with this newsletter is a magnetized calendar for your fridge – if you are receiving your newsletter by email and would like a calendar, please let Lorraine know.

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USE THIS FORM TO SAY YOU'LL BE AT THE AGM, AND TO PAY YOUR SUBSCRIPTION

Number
Yes No Attending
☐ ☐ ☐

I will be present at the AGM and Dinner

Payment to cover the following can either be made by cheque (made out to the Amputee Society of Otago & Southland Inc.) or by direct credit to our bank account 031355 0277644 00 (please detail with your name and what the payment covers e.g. dinner/sub/donation etc.). Receipts will be either emailed or sent out with the next newsletter.

Dinner (\$20 for members, \$28 for non Members) \$.....

Membership subscription (\$10) \$.....

Associate Membership for spouse/partner (\$10) \$.....

Donation (Donations over \$5 are tax deductible) \$.....

Total \$.....

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(Include name of partner if subscribing as an Associate Member)

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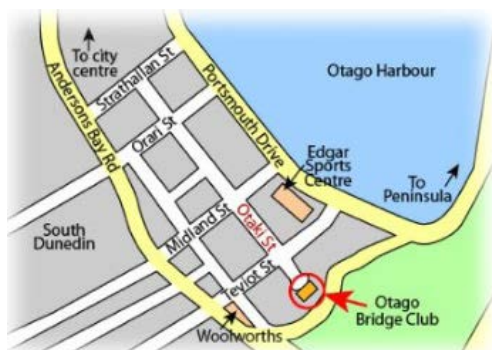
(Please tick the box if you would like to receive newsletters by email)

If paying by cheque, return with form to Lorraine at 213a Bay View Road, St Clair, Dunedin 9012

VENUE FOR AGM - SATURDAY 23 February

From the city, drive along either

Andersons Bay Road or Portsmouth Drive Turn into Teviot Street and then into Otaki Street.



ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2018

Greetings at the beginning of another year to all members and supporters. May your 2019 year be happy and blessed. Yet another year has passed and a few things have been happening in our local Amputee Society.

Our 74th AGM and dinner at the Otago Bridge Club on Saturday 10th March drew our usual core group of loyal supporters plus one or two newcomers. Unfortunately our guest speaker was unable to be present. However, we spent a productive time discussing the upcoming 75th Jubilee and Conference in 2019.

I was re-elected as your President, Anna Grimaldi as Vice President, Lorraine Peacock as Coordinator, (without whom we would flounder), and other committee members elected were Tony Horsfall, Simon McMillan, Rod Oakley, Holly Robinson, Graeme Sayer, Tony Wilson and Bruce Tritt. Unfortunately, we have had a couple of resignations due to other commitment issues and ill health and of course the sad loss of Tony Wilson. I take this opportunity to thank wholeheartedly those members for their years of service, in particular Tony Horsfall and Rod Oakley

Our annual Invercargill Meeting and Dinner was held on Saturday 17 November at the Working Men's Club. Twenty five attended and a good and convivial evening was had by all, finishing with a lovely buffet style meal.

A pre-Christmas Dinner held in November at the Equinox Restaurant in Dunedin was enjoyed by those who attended.

Unfortunately, the annual Golf and Barbecue at Mosgiel is on hold indefinitely due to the loss of our organizer and stalwart Tony Wilson.

The Federation AGM was held in Wellington in 2018. One of the up and coming things that received attention was the implementation of the peer support programme now operating in our country. This programme endeavours to match like for like to help new amputees e.g. a young male below knee amputee matched to someone similar. This will take time to fully implement but will be a worthwhile help to many.

We are grateful for the support received in the way of grants during the year namely from the Invercargill Licensing Trust, NZ Lottery Grants Board and the Lion Foundation. Thank you also to those members who have given donations to our Society. Without the help of these grants and donations it would be nigh impossible for us to function.

Condolences go out to all those who have lost family and friends this year. We have lost a few faithful members.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the AGM and dinner on Saturday 23rd February and of course our Jubilee celebrations on 12-14 April.

David Johnston

President



**Amputees
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of New Zealand
Incorporated**

72nd NATIONAL CONFERENCE - DISTINCTION HOTEL, DUNEDIN

12-14 APRIL 2019

PROGRAMME

Friday 12 April

7.30 pm

Official Opening

Dave Cull, Mayor of Dunedin

**73rd National Council Meeting
“Mingle & Greet” with Supper**

Saturday 13 April

A.M.

Enjoy your Leisure Time

12.15 pm

Lunch

1.15 pm

Living Life Unlimited

Korin Barrett - Speaker, Mentor & Ambassador

2.15 pm

Being Your Best

Jan Aitken - Life Coach

3.00 pm

Afternoon Tea

3.30 pm

Prosthetic Services in New Zealand

4.30 pm

Sponsor's Slot

7.15 pm

OTAGO/SOUTHLAND 75TH JUBILEE DINNER (Scottish theme)

Haggis Ceremony (7.15 pm)

Music by band “Ynot”

Sunday 14 April

9.15 am

Sponsor's Slot

9.30 am

My Journey

Holly Robinson - Paralympian

10.00 am

Morning Tea

10.30 am

How I Survived a Volcanic Eruption

William Pike - Inspirational Speaker

11.30 am

Sharing with *Give it a Go!*

12 noon

Lunch

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75th JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS – 12-14 APRIL 2019 OTAGO/SOUTHLAND MEMBERS' REGISTRATION FORM

(Please return this form indicating the events you will be attending and payment if applicable. This form must be returned by 9 March)

MEMBER'S NAME

Name of Partner and/or

Other Family Members

Address

Email **Phone**

Please indicate in the box provided the number of people attending each event

Official Opening and "Meet & Greet" - Friday evening

Saturday Afternoon Session

Jubilee Dinner - No charge for members, \$55 for non-members

Sunday Morning Session

Note: If having lunch at the hotel on Saturday and Sunday, a charge of \$26 pp will apply on both days

Payment (if applicable)

Saturday lunch (\$26 pp)

Sunday lunch (\$26 pp)

Jubilee Dinner (\$55 for non-members)

Accommodation is available at the Distinction Hotel. Please indicate below if you wish to apply for one of the limited number of rooms which will be available at no cost to Otago/Southland members.

Yes, I would like accommodation at the hotel for Friday and/or Saturday nights

Return this completed form, with payment as follows (if applicable)

(a) By post to Lorraine Peacock, 213a Bay View Road, St Clair, Dunedin 9012, along with cheque (payable to the Amputees Federation of NZ Inc.); or

(b) Emailed to lorrystan@xtra.co.nz with payment by internet banking to 031355 0301026 00 (please identify with your name).