



**Amputee  
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**Newsletter March 2018**

**Greetings All,**

We live in interesting times. The weather has changed from a wet spring to a summer that produced drought conditions over many parts of the region. More recently the weather has become quite unsettled. The Winter Olympics has produced 2 medals for NZ, the Commonwealth games are only weeks away, Super Rugby is about to start and as I listen the Black Caps are in a tough final T20 against Australia. I hope this finds you all fighting fit.

The 2018 year was started with a member luncheon held on Sat 28<sup>th</sup> Jan at the Masonic Café in Levin. 12 members attended, the luncheon was good value and a special farewell was offered to Morena Taylor a long standing member of the society who is a resident at the Masonic Village.

**AGM Sat 24<sup>th</sup> March.**

The AGM of ASM will be held at St David's church hall on Main St (opposite the square end of Memorial Park) at 10.30am. There is ample parking, easy access and the facilities offer a central location for membership. The Agenda for the AGM is included. Following the AGM a luncheon is planned with the committee providing a range of cold meat and refreshments. Members are asked to bring a salad or dessert to share with others. With plenty of warning please consider your support by attending. Please let one of the office holders know of your attendance to assist with catering.

**Conference 20-22<sup>nd</sup> April 2018**

Conference 2018 will be held at the Brentwood Motel in Miramar Wellington. Funding thanks to Pub Charities provides for 12 members to attend conference with travel, accommodation and registration costs covered. At this stage a number have expressed interest in attending with registrations due to be returned by Sat 17<sup>th</sup> march. If there is interest by anyone else at this stage you will need to act promptly to avoid missing out. One or two gaps exist. Also if any members are aware of any youth aged between 16-35 then the committee would be keen to nominate them for the GIAG programme. The deadline for registration is the week before the AGM.

**Notice of motion.**

As required under the current rules of ASM a notice of motion is required of any changes to the current rules registered on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2014. As previously circulated for member comment at the AGM a motion(s) will be put to the meeting to change the rules in the following ways. The committee support these changes with a brief rationale given in italics.

- 1. 1.1 Definitions. Regional Society. An Amputee Society affiliated to the Amputee Federation of NZ Incorporated.** *(Previously the Federation referred to District Societies*
- 2. 2.1 Name.**

(a) **The name of the Society is The Amputee Society of Manawatu and Districts Incorporated.** *(With membership spread over a range of districts adjoining the Manawatu the committee supports this change).*

**3. 5.3 Quorum**

A quorum for any General Meeting will be six (6) members. If a quorum is not present within half an hour of the time appointed, the meeting shall be adjourned to a time and place fixed by those present. If a quorum is not present at the adjourned meeting, the meeting will be dissolved without further adjournments. *(It is of concern to the committee that in the last two years we have struggled to be quorate at the AGM)*

**4. 6.3 Financial Year.**

(a) **The Financial year of the Society will end on 31<sup>st</sup> December.** *(This now aligns again with the end of the Financial Year of the Federation.)*

**Agenda for ASM AGM**

1. Welcome	8. Committee
2. Apologies	9. Honorary solicitor
3. Minutes	10. General Business
4. Matters arising	Change of rules for ASM
5. Presidents report	Reviewer of financials.
6. Financial report	Conference 2018
7. Election of officers.	Membership subs 2018
Patron	Office holders' expenses.
President	Any other business
Vice president	11. Closure
Secretary	12. Lunch.
Treasurer	

**Subs 2018.**

To be confirmed at the AGM subs are expected to remain at \$5/year for both amputee and able bodied partners or supporters. This represents very good value especially if you are able to attend member functions. Subs can be paid by internet banking to the BNZ Acc 02 0719 0142317 00 or sent to Lester.

**Purpose.** Please find attached with your email newsletter or included with your snail mail newsletter the latest copy of Purpose. I trust you will find it informative and may consider contributing to future publications.

I hope to see a good number at the AGM on Sat 24th March, I assure you a good time will be had by those attending. If you need help with transport please ask.

Kind regards

John

