



**Amputee  
Society**  
of Manawatu Inc.

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**Newsletter October 2017**

Greetings to all members and supporters,

It has been four weeks since the start of daylight saving and the general election and I hope both the weather and the outcome of the election will continue to improve. The issues of migration, housing, regional development, mental health as well as education and health in general are all likely to see change. With only 9 weeks until Christmas the first 100 days of the new govt will pass quickly enough.

**Last Function:**

On June 10<sup>th</sup> sixteen members gathered at the Turakina Antiques and Collectables for lunch and the weather allowed the gathering to proceed outdoors. The food was yummy as well as good value and those choosing the whitebait fritters were all pleased with their choice. The collection and display of antiques was extensive and thoroughly recommended as a stop off when travelling in the area.

**Next Function**

On Sat 11<sup>th</sup> Nov the kitchen, hall and Barbeque at Dudding's Lake camping ground has been booked. The plan is to gather from 12 noon and to cook once we are set up. Plates and cutlery are supplied. The committee will supply sausages, meat patties and soft drink. Members are asked to bring a dessert or salad to share with others. Being independent of the weather and with plenty of room indoors a great chance to invite extended family to join in.

If anyone needs help with transport please let someone know when confirming your intention to attend by Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Nov. This will help with catering.

Directions 8km on right from Turakina, and 13km on left from Bulls.

**Subscriptions Due and possibly overdue:**

A good number of subscriptions have been paid for the current year but too many remain unpaid. At \$5 for the year hopefully keeping your membership current remains good value. If members have an email address then please email me at [jmaher@orcon.net.nz](mailto:jmaher@orcon.net.nz) and your newsletters can be sent more easily at significant saving.

If there is a smiley face on your newsletter then your subs are up to date. If the term "Invoice" appears then subs are now due.

If the "invoice" stamp is circled both 2016 and 2017 subs are unpaid and this is a final newsletter and reminder. Subs can be sent to Lester or paid by internet banking to BNZ account 02 0719 0142317 00



**Conference 2018** will be held at the Brentwood Motel in Wellington, 20-22<sup>nd</sup> April.. The committee has plans to apply to Pub Charity for funding and being hosted by a neighbouring society it is hoped a good number of members will look to join in this enjoyable occasion. Please give this serious consideration and let someone on the committee know if there is any possibility of you attending.

**New Year Function:**

Advance notice that it is intended to hold a New Year Luncheon on Sun 28<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018 at the Masonic Village Café in Levin. More details of this will be sent out early Jan 2018.

**Dearly departed:**

It is with a measure of sadness that I have been asked to inform members of the passing of several long standing members of the society. Many of you may have been visiting in hospital by these members who were very active in the work of the society.

Warwick Lourie Marton, Graham Beckett Levin, Maurice Moffat Palmerston North.  
Deidre Moffat Palmerston North, Rex Raines Wanganui, Mysie Bird Palmerston North.

**Change of rules:**

A formal "Notice of motion" will be sent out prior to the AGM next year to change the rules of the Amputee Society of Manawatu in the following ways;

A change of name to "The Amputee Society of Manawatu and Districts Inc.

The balance date for the financial year to shift from 30<sup>th</sup> Nov to 31<sup>st</sup> Dec.

The quorum for AGM and any Special meetings to reduce from 10 to 6 members.

The term "district society" to become "regional society" as defined by the National Federation.

**A Fond Farewell:**

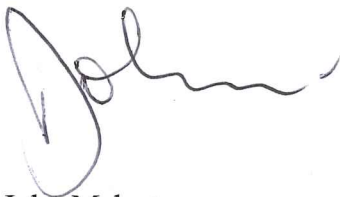
At the recent committee meeting we became aware that Bev Cooke has moved out of Feilding to be with family in the Hutt Valley north of Upper Hutt. Bev was an active committee member and we wish her well for the future. We look forward to catching up with her again at conference next year. Thankyou Bev and all the best.

**Purpose:**

If the snail mail has cooperated please find enclosed the latest copy of the "Purpose" While this has been expected the notice for the function on Nov 11<sup>th</sup> also serves some measure of priority.

I hope to see as many of you as possible on Sat 11<sup>th</sup> at the Barbeque and that the weather will cooperate.

Kind regards



John Maher