



e-Messenger

The Methodist Church of New Zealand ~ Te Hāhi Weteriana O Aotearoa

"Our Church's Mission in Aotearoa New Zealand is to reflect and proclaim the transforming love of God as revealed in Jesus Christ and declared in the Scriptures. We are empowered by the Holy Spirit to serve God in the world. The Treaty of Waitangi is the covenant establishing our nation on the basis of a power-sharing relationship, and will guide how we undertake mission".



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Official Communications

A Message from the President and Vice President

The text for the 2009 Conference theme – ‘For in God we live and move and have our being.’ (Acts 17: 27b, 28) has been very much the focus for this month.

Reverend John Roberts and Vice President Lana Lazarus have recently returned from the Solomon Islands. They were asked to bring back the greetings of the United Church in the Solomon Islands (UCSI) by Moderator, Reverend David Barakana Havea, the Assembly Staff and members of the UCSI to The Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Hahi Weteriana O Aotearoa.

The purpose of their travel was to participate in the celebrations for the opening of the new Children and Youth Centre of the UCSI in Kokeqolo. The Centre was funded by Methodist Mission and Ecumenical (MM&E). Festivities for the opening continued throughout the day and into the evening. Acknowledgement and thanks were expressed to The Methodist Church of New Zealand – Te Hahi Weteriana O Aotearoa for the immense gift and asset provided to the UCSI for the work of children and youth.



Young people sing during the celebrations of the opening of Children and Youth

John and Lana were also there to visit the projects that our church finances through MM&E. They greatly appreciated the hospitality shown during their time in the Solomon Islands and say a very big ‘Leana Hola’ to all who welcomed and provided much kindness and generosity.



Back home, President Alan participated in the combined Otago-Southland and Central South Island School of Theology and facilitated the Connexional Budget Task Group meeting. Two very different gatherings but equally important within the life of the Haahi.

The Presidential Team attended the Executive meeting for Wasewase Ko Viti Kei Rotuma E Niu Siladi at the end of March. It was a special occasion for the Executive to have both the President and Vice President in attendance. We say thank you for the hospitality given during our time together.

Vice President Lana has also celebrated in the past week 'moving on' with two notable Methodist people – Mr Roger Biddle and Miss Jan Tasker. Each have given over forty years to teaching and were acknowledged by their schools (Wesley College and Target Road Primary School) for their significant work and distinguished service. Both were also recognised for the contribution that they have made to the church and we wish them enjoyment and pleasure as they begin a new journey in their lives.

Living, moving and having our being are all part of the relationships that we form and how we express these in various ways. Let us remember, these words of Becky Laird *"By living fully, recognising that all we do is by God's power, we honour God; who in turn blesses us."*

Grace and peace

Lana and Alan



A Message from the General Secretary

Recently I received a visit from Michael Harvey, an enthusiastic Englishman and promoter of 'Back to Church Sunday'. This simple initiative began in Manchester in the UK in 2004. It has now spread around the world and was featured in many Anglican Churches in New Zealand in 2008 and 2009.

Back to Church Sunday is based on the premise that on a particular Sunday in the year, there would be an emphasis on inviting people to share in worship. Many thousands have responded to those invitations. The response rate in New Zealand being slightly higher than the UK.

Over the last 30 years, I've been invited to part of several large scale evangelistic events. Some have been hugely expensive in both money and time. The style of the events has done little for Methodism as our average congregation is not drums, amplifiers and raz-mataz.

Back to Church Sunday advises churches not to do anything special – but to think about what we do to make it welcoming and to be ourselves. The Theme for 2010 is “come as you are”.

Back to Church Sunday is set down for 12 September. The resources and registration form can be found online [HERE](#).

To enable sufficient Posters and invitations to be printed, churches are asked to register by 1 June.

Peter McKenzie, Executive Officer of UCANZ called in this week. Methodist people are involved in ecumenical partnerships throughout the country, so it is always good to catch up on partnership matters.

Many of you will have contact with James Hubert over property and insurance matters. James and Sarah are now proud parents of a daughter, Ruby, born on 5 April.

We welcomed to the staff in March, Jane O'Neill as an assistant accountant. Jane replaces Victoria Sergal, who left the staff at the end of February.

Grace and peace

David





Connexional News

Pews For Sale

The Mt Eden Methodist Church in the Auckland Central Parish has a quantity of wooden (probably rimu) pews for sale.

Architectural plans in the Methodist Archives Christchurch

After two years hard work by two volunteers, the Archives' project to catalogue all architectural plans held, has been completed. Nadia Gush and Samantha Quigley worked on this volunteer project to document the collection. The lists they have created can now be viewed on the Methodist Church website

http://www.methodist.org.nz/archives/architectural_drawings

Parishes thinking about building development projects, can check to see if any plans are held in the Archives before commissioning expensive architectural surveys.

The lists have been divided into districts to make it easier to search. A catalogue number has been allocated to each plan, to make it easier to identify individual plans and if contacting the Archives, it is helpful to refer to this number. All plans are stored flat in plan cabinets to ensure their long term preservation.

A reminder from the Archivist that architectural plans are part of the records of a parish, and need to be archived (kept permanently) according to the Methodist Church Archives Policy, in the Methodist Archives.

If you have any plans which are being damaged by poor storage, or of buildings that no longer belong to the parish, please don't hesitate to send them to the Methodist Archives in Christchurch.

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Toner Cartridges available

The Connexional office has the following to give away. First in first served. A donation to cover postage would be appreciated. Please contact Peter Dent (peterd@methodist.org.nz or phone 03 366 6049).

Toner Cartridges / Drums available in the Connexional Office

Number Type

6 HP Colour Laserjet C4191A (HP Series 4500-4550) Black

2 Canon EP-83 Toner Cartridge

1 Canon EP-E Toner Cartridge

1 Canon FX 3 Toner Cartridge

1 OKI C5800/C5900/C5550MFP Genuine Image Drum Cyan

1 OKI C5800/C5900/C5550MFP Genuine Image Drum Yellow



Books for Sale

Mahurangi Methodist Parish has copies of the following book for sale. "150 Years of Methodism in Mahurangi" by John Northcott.

Hard cover - \$20 plus postage

Soft cover - \$15 plus postage

Contact – Misilei Misilei, Ph (09) 425 8660

PS: The book was part of the Parish's 150 years anniversary in Dec 09.



Hone Wetere Church, Taumutu 125th

Hone Wetere (John Wesley) Church opened at Taumutu on Easter Tuesday, 1885. Ngati Moki Marae and Ellesmere Cooperating Parish invite you to share in the 125th anniversary celebrations on May 1st and 2nd 2010. If you would like to send a greeting or some memories, or get a copy of the flier and registration form, you can e mail Fiona Sloane at taumutu@xtra.co.nz or Paul Eden at ellesmerecp@xtra.co.nz or Garth Cant at gandecant@xtra.co.nz.





Where the Spirit is aflame! Snippets from the MARCH Council meeting

Welcome to 2010 Students

Eight of the current Year 1 Students and One of the two current Year Two students joined Council Members for a light meal and discussion during the Order of the Day component of the Council meeting.

Students offered largely positive comments about their programme (the first year of the Block Course approach), particularly about the high quality of the tutors and the opportunity to get to know each other well as fellow students, right from the start of the year. They also offered constructive suggestions for improving the process. These suggestions included the possibility of face to face meetings with tutors prior to the commencement of the block courses.

Council noted the positive interaction between the students and Management noted the suggestions for improving the programme.

From the Principal we learned that:

- The tutors' meeting had welcomed the opportunity to discuss the concept of a one year Trinity Qualification in addition to the Diploma Qualification and had indicated they wished to discuss the matter with a wider group of interested parties – which is proceeding.
- The Memorandum of Understanding had been signed with the University of Auckland – the Placement Agreement for Nasili not yet available.

And the Council itself

- Requested that the arrangement with the University of Auckland, re Nasili, be completed with some urgency.
- Considered, carefully, the options for college administrative and educational staffing into the future, using as a base reference the report and options proposed by an external consultant. The Council:
 - supported the option for two full time educational development staff;
 - agreed to progress the first such appointment from November 2010;



- agreed, in principle, that the second appointment proceed from November 2011 unless deemed otherwise by the Chairperson and Principal) and to reconsider this intent in September 2010 and May 2011;
 - authorised the Principal and Council member Martin Sutherland to determine the shape of these positions and the associated job descriptions;
 - noted that such positions would be full time stationed resource positions within Trinity College that would involve both education and ministry development opportunities;
 - noted that the staged approach allows monitoring of such aspects as finance, staff/student ratios, wider church (stakeholder) requirements and physical resource requirements;
 - noted that this development retains the advantages of the scholar presbyter/ready parish model, through the retention of part time tutors;
 - authorised the principal to discuss the administrative staffing proposals with all administrative staff before a final decision is made.
- Noted that Susan Thompson would be acting as Chairperson during the Chair's absence 10 May to 30 June.

Catherine Gibson
Council Chairperson

Faith & Order

Faith & Order remind the Church that the first anniversary of the signing of the Covenant between the Anglican and Methodist Churches will take place on 24 May.

Parishes and Rohe are encouraged to be in conversation to find ways in which the Covenant can be celebrated in local situations with our Anglican neighbours.

The national implementation committee has plans to meet in April and May to take further the theological dialogue and to discover ways in which the Covenant can be expressed in worship and mission.

Terry Wall
Convenor



Mt Eden Methodist Church Redevelopment Underway

Following a karakia on 16th March, work has begun on the redevelopment of the Mt Eden Methodist Church and hall, to link the two buildings.

The redevelopment is a partnership between the Auckland Central Parish, Auckland City Council, and the Mt Eden Village Society to establish the Mt Eden Village Centre, and the culmination of years of dreaming and planning.

Substantial grants have been received from the Auckland Central Parish, the Auckland City Council, and the Lotteries Commission to enable the project to proceed.

The Mt Eden congregation has combined with the Epsom congregation while the work takes place, and will return to the Mt Eden centre on completion of work at the end of September.



Dr Bill Peddie, Tumuaki Rev Diana Tana, Rev Dr Lynne Frith, Mayor John Banks and others outside Mt Eden Church and hall on 16 March.



Job Vacancies

Social Justice Practitioner Opportunity

The Methodist Church of New Zealand is looking for a talented person to coordinate a nationwide public questions network. This is a unique opportunity to support people at the grass roots to contribute to socially, environmentally and economically just communities. This person will bring a mix of skills in research, policy, political processes and communications with a passion to resource people engage in public questioning as one expression of an authentic spirituality. If this full time position, based in Wellington, sparks interest in you please contact Amy Scott amys@methodist.org.nz (phone 03 364 9427) to request more details.

Applications close on 7 May 2010.



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A big day out in Munda

Saturday 13th March was an occasion for much celebration in Munda as the new Children and Youth Centre of the United Church Solomon Islands (UCSI) was officially opened. The centre, located in the village of Kokeqolo was funded by the Mission and Ecumenical (M&E) agency of the Methodist Church of New Zealand (MCNZ). It was a long time in the design and construction phase, but is now ready for use.

The Vice-President of the MCNZ, Lana Lazarus, and the M&E secretary, John Roberts, were present for the opening. The building was decorated with balloons, flowers and greenery for the occasion. People had been working through the night till five o'clock in the morning getting the centre ready for the opening.

The crowd was led to the new building by a procession of Youth, Sunday School and Girls' to all by the Master of Ceremonies Rev Tioko Beti. Rev George Alu, Christian Education and Evangelism resource person in the UCSI Assembly office gave an opening prayer. Lana and John then cut the ribbon and led everyone into the building.

When gathered in the building Rev Aaron Bea led a prayer of praise and thanksgiving. Speeches from Mr Isaac Dakei (UCSI General Secretary) and Rev David Havea (UCSI Moderator) followed. The keynote address was given by Lana Lazarus who said "My hope is that this Centre will be used to nurture the spiritual well-being of not only the children and young people but all who pass through these doors. May this building also be a place for prayerful reflection, much singing, joy and laughter as has already begun!"

John Roberts then handed over the keys of the building to the former Youth and Sunday School Coordinator, Mr Caleb Saiqoro, who had come up with the idea for the new centre. Caleb then handed the keys to the Moderator who proceeded to dedicate the building and declare it officially open.

A sumptuous lunch followed with the cutting of a cake by Lana, John and the Moderator, to mark the occasion. Much singing accompanied the meal.

In the evening there was a special gathering for children and youth. This began with a time of singing by the Roviana Circuit youth. Youth and Sunday School Coordinator, Mr Elijah Pitano gave a speech thanking the Methodist church in New Zealand for this great asset to the UCSI for work with children and youth. He also presented gifts to Lana and John. John was then invited to speak. He said that while it is often said children and youth are the church of

tomorrow, it is important that we see them as a significant part of the church of today. He reminded those gathered that when Jesus disciples tried to send mothers who were bringing their children to Jesus away, Jesus rebuked them, warmly embracing the children. There was also some fun activity led by the Youth and Sunday School Coordinator.

It was a long but memorable day. We were so glad to be there and experience the celebration and hospitality extended by the UCSI leaders and members alike.

The Children and Youth Centre stands on the site of the old Jubilee church built in 1952. The base and some of the shell of that building have been incorporated into the new centre.

Part of the centre is a completely new building which has an office, kitchen and ablution facilities on the lower floor. The Youth and Sunday School Coordinator will be based in the office. On the upper floor is self contained guest accommodation.

The architect, Mr Rusty Tion, of Lambete in the Munda area has designed a building that is now a standout feature in Kokeqolo.

There will be more information about this visit to the UCSI in the May issue of *Touchstone*, the MCNZ newspaper.

John Roberts

High level of violence against women in Pacific

According to the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) statistics, women in the Pacific Islands region suffer from a level of violence that is amongst the highest in the world.

The statistics were as high as 85 per cent in some countries. In the Fiji Islands 80% of women have experienced some form of violence in the home. In the Solomon Islands 55% of women reported experiencing male partner violence, and 37% of women reported sexual abuse before the age of 15. Similarly, 68% of i-Kiribati women reported experiencing at least one act of physical or sexual violence, or both, by an intimate partner. In Samoa 46% of women who have been in a relationship with a male have experienced one or more kinds of partner abuse.

UNIFEM regional program director Elizabeth Cox said, "While advances had been made towards women's empowerment and gender equality in the Pacific, women throughout the region continued to experience gender-based discrimination in too many aspects of their lives. UNIFEM, and the whole of the UN family, is committed to work with governments to close the gap between commitments made by Pacific Island governments and the reality of women's and girls' everyday lives." UNIFEM revealed that women were particularly at risk of infection through adultery by their partners and exposure to sexual violence. This increases their vulnerability to sexually transmitted infections.

"In the Pacific, women represent half of all reported HIV cases, with approximately 13,300 men and 15,000 women living with HIV in 2008," a UNIFEM statement said.

UNIFEM also says, "Women in the Melanesian sub-region experience particular forms of violence such as arranged and forced marriage, mistreatment of widows, sorcery murders and sexual trafficking, that reflect the rapid and complex transition they are making from traditional to modern, cash-based societies."

Solomon Star 9 March 2010

Call for churches to end violence against women

On International Women's Day, 8 March, ecumenical leaders urged churches to work to end violence against women in its many forms across the world.

"Violence and fear of violence blight the lives of many girls and women around the world," said Michael Wallace, the General Secretary of the World Student Christian Federation (WSCF). "If churches believe that every person is made in the image of God, then they must speak out about violence against women. We must make sure that women and girls can without fear participate in the life of our churches. Our churches must promote respect for women and alternatives to violence."

The WSCF, along with the World Young Women's Christian Association (World YWCA) and the World Council of Churches (WCC), promoted an online Lenten study, "Cries of Anguish; Stories of Hope", which focused on how communities across the world are working to heal and prevent violence against women.

Natalie Fisher, deputy general secretary of the World YWCA said that "Violence against women is a global violation of women's rights and it is the duty of churches and all of us to take immediate steps to end it. Violence is a means of controlling women."

She urged the churches to take a lead on this issue: "We cannot be silent about the abuse and suffering. Silence is akin to condoning and we must gather our collective voices to say it is no longer tolerated."

Dr Manoj Kurian, WCC programme executive for Health and Healing noted the compelling evidence that violence against women and girls has a negative impact on the public health of society as a whole. These challenges expose serious flaws in the equality of relationships between women and men in society.

"Sexual and gender-based violence shreds the very fabric of society" said Kurian. "While it undermines the physical and psychological health of people, it also questions the integrity of our life and faith. We have no illusions that these problems will be easily solved. We encourage churches and communities to examine what are often unspoken and unrecognised acts of violence, so as to address the root causes. We also encourage churches and communities not to use theology selectively nor hide behind cultural tenets to defend such violence. It is only by acknowledging the pain and the ongoing hurt that we can begin to seek justice, truth and ultimately the healing and reconciliation of individuals and communities."

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www.cws.org.nz

Mothers Day

Delight your Mum this Mother's Day with a gift that keeps on giving. CWS has a range of gifts supporting partner organisations. Choose from water, chickens, goats, seeds and much more. Each gift comes with a paper magnet. See our Gifted section on www.cws.org.nz or phone 0800 74 73 72.

Fair Trade Fortnight 1-16 May



This year's theme is the big swap to fair trade goods. The Fairtrade mark guarantees a fair price to producers and provides for community chosen projects like health clinics and education. Churches are invited to sign up for *A Fair Cuppa* after a Sunday service during that fortnight. CWS will provide a resource kit. Contact cws@cws.org.nz for further information. You can also become a Fair Trade Church. See <http://www.cws.org.nz/what-can-i-do/your-church>

If you live in the North Island, you can also mark Fair Trade Fortnight by trying Fairtrade bananas. Fairtrade bananas are in NZ at last but now we need to prove kiwis want a fairer deal for producers in developing countries. Help meet the challenge to buy 100,000 bunches. If you live in the South Island ask your supermarket to stock Fairtrade bananas.

Haiti Earthquake

CWS Media Officer Greg Jackson has returned from Haiti. He was there during the two month commemoration and a moving reflection of what he witnessed is available on www.cws.org.nz. He is able to come and speak to churches and groups in the Christchurch area. A PowerPoint of moving images from ACT Alliance is also available if you want to have a special focus on Haiti. Contact cws@cws.org.nz or 0800 74 73 72.

CWS asks that you keep the people in Haiti in your prayers. Conditions are still desperate as the poor nation struggles to cope with the aftermath of January's devastating earthquake. The CWS Appeal remains open and much more support is needed to fund longer term rebuilding as well as temporary shelter and trauma counselling. Donate on line at www.cws.org.nz or download an appeal leaflet for your church from the resources section or consider holding a special fundraising event in your community.



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**In the Chapel of St John of God, Halswell
(in Nash Rd off Aidenfield Drive)
on Sunday 2 May 2010 from 2 – 4p.m.**

All proceeds to the orphans of Haiti.

Tickets, \$25 (Senior Citizens \$20), available from Joan Curwood,
Ph 322 8317, Janet Hadfield, Ph 355 4088 hadfield@xtra.co.nz

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The religious value of wilderness

Jesus went into the wilderness to pray. The place of wilderness in the biblical tradition as a place of prayer and revelation is significant. Moses saw the burning bush in the desert. Elijah met God at the mountain of Horeb. It was often in the wilderness that the way of the Lord was prepared. In the debate about the place of mining in areas of national parks and places of high conservation values, it might be easy to simply focus on the cost benefits of gold. There are however some values more desirable than gold (Psalm 19). For many who take seriously their religion, wilderness as a place of prayer and inspiration has high value, and should not be dismissed by mining advocates as irrelevant.

Maori hold Ketetahi as a sacred place, yet have generously donated their mountains for a national park. Their sentiment will find sympathy with those of a religious faith who value wilderness as sacred place.

A month ago I, with my son, walked the Kepler track, in Fiordland National Park. We were surrounded by walkers from overseas – the US, Scotland, Germany, Israel, Iran, Australia, Japan. When it comes to considering the value of a national park, there is no doubt about its tourist value. That takes a utilitarian approach, how can the national park be a value to me? The non-utilitarian approach is to say that a national park has other values than in a cost benefit analysis.

One of the prime values of a national park is its wilderness experience. Part of the wilderness experience is actually walking up the tracks, having fantails or robins come and say hello. Seeing a carpet of ferns under the beech tree canopy, with light dabbling through the trees is an experience that a photo does not quite capture. There are prime values in the experience of walking in the wilderness that the economist or the mining industry will describe as “non-rational”. However it is a fact that while NZer’s go overseas to work, many return. One of the prime reasons they return is because they value the landscape and the wilderness. It is part of my identity. It is what makes me a New Zealander.

In the wilderness you are exposed to the forces of nature in a way completely outside of your control. You have to come to terms with living and experiencing life possibly in extreme weather changes. You are taken out of yourself and realise your own limits. Do not underestimate the wilderness as a place of religious significance. It has an intrinsic value, a value in its own right as part of God’s creation. For those open to God’s revealing presence, that value is one to be experienced. Lets not destroy that opportunity.

John Howell

Minister, St Paul’s Union Church (Methodist – Presbyterian)

Governance Workshop

Volunteering Canterbury, in association with Unitec, offers a short course on Governance on Wednesday 26 May. This day with tutor Garth Nowland-Foreman will increase your understanding of 'good governance' for not-for-profit organisations. Topics include Governance and management defined; how Boards can add value; avoiding common pitfalls; key functions and inherent dilemmas of the Board; roles, rights and responsibilities; board/staff relationships; effective meetings. Cost is \$85 for VolCan members and \$125 for non-members. Registration forms can be downloaded from www.volcan.org.nz.

Summer/Autumn Issue of Music in the Air



This issue's theme is Church and Public Issues: developing a public theology in worship and song.

Two keynote talks from the 2009 Labour Weekend Hymn Conference are published in full: Colin Gibson on 'Songs of Justice in NZ Hymnody' and Clive Pearson's 'Singing a Public Theology'. Whanganui religious artist Michael Haggie discusses his own recent 'Going to Cross Street' exhibition (relating skateboard youth and the Belmont Holden car to the crucifixion).

Geoff King reviews Hope is our Song. Marnie Barrell and Joy Dine present liturgies for the Mass and for Christmas. John Thornley picks 60 songs from the Hymnbook Trust collections addressing issues of Peace/Justice/Creation.

Annual subscription for two issues \$30.00. Make cheque payment to Music in the Air, and mail c/o 15 Oriana Place, Palmerston North. Format: A4 size, 36 pp. staplebound, with full colour cover, and extensive b&w illustrations inside.

Rural Network News

The latest New Zealand ecumenical rural ministry newsletter can now be found at <http://www.presbyterian.org.nz/national-ministries/rural-ministry/rural-network-news>
Please share this information with your networks.

Many thanks
Robyn McPhail



Christian Boarder, Hamilton

A furnished room is available for a Christian boarder, near the hospital and on bus route to town. Please contact Bill and Jan, phone 027 427 0656 or 07 843 5935.

Centennial Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 16-23 May 2010

Sister Catherine Jones came to the Council of Wellington Churches meeting to talk about the **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**, and the resources (attached as links below) which the NZ Catholic Church is sharing for this national and international ecumenical event.

Basically what is available is:

- Part 1: A Prayer of the Faithful
- Part 2: An Ecumenical Service
- Part 3: Personal and Communal Prayers for eight days



Suggested ways that parishes can use this material:

1. Print the suggested prayer in your parish bulletin and include it in the Prayers of the Faithful during the week and on Pentecost Sunday.
2. Hold a single one off service – preferably ecumenical – using some or all of the material given here.
3. Distribute Part 3 for private or communal prayer each day, for eight days, during this Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.
4. Catholic Parish Priests are asked to hand the resources out to Ministers' Associations.

Please click [HERE](#), to view the Booklet for 2010 (Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity).

Please click [HERE](#), to view the Biblical reflections and prayers for the eight days.

Disability Awareness Sunday - 20 June

All churches are encouraged to mark this special day on or near the third Sunday in June. If possible, involve people with disabilities already in your congregation e.g. reading, prayer, testimony, handing out bulletins, and invite others you know of.

The Christian Ministries With Disabled Trust has an eight page booklet of ideas which can be downloaded from the Vision Network New Zealand website.

www.vision.org.nz/disabilities/219-disabilities.html some ideas

Aucklanders can enjoy a special celebration at Harbourside Church, 48 Esmonde Rd, Takapuna, at 2.15pm followed by afternoon tea.

For further information contact CMWDT, P.O.Box 13322, Onehunga, Auckland, 1643. ph: 09 636 4763. fax: 09 636 5307 or email: info@cmwdt.org.nz



April Amendments

To the Yearbook

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