

NOTICE OF BI-MONTHLY

ST STEPHENS CHURCH
HALL

2 Mahoe Street
MELVILLE

The dates are as follows or
2022.

March 27th 2.00pm to 4.00pm -
Cancelled

May 29th 2.00pm to 4.00pm (AGM)

July 31st 2.00pm to 4.00pm

September 25th 2.00pm to 4.00pm

November 27th 2.00pm to 4.00pm

Do I have your email address if
not please forward it to
janoiam1st@gmail.com

Tea Parties

Whangamata
Paeroa
Hamilton
Cancelled.

Thames

on the 4th Thursday of every
month at 10.30am on the 3rd
Floor Apartment Lounge of the
Richmond Villas Thames.



Paddy and Murphy
on a building site.

Keep Calm And Oh Fuck It Enjoy Some Ciale

A slate falls off the
roof slicing Paddy's
ear off!

Murphy finds it and
says,
"Is this yours
Paddy?"

"No, mine had a
pencil behind it!"

The Presidents Message – Michael Sumner

What a start to the year. January has been and gone already and I hope you are all able to enjoy Summer in your own way. I've been trying to enjoy the mornings to get the day's work done then hide from the heat for the afternoon.

It's been a scorcher so far.

I need to put in a very special thank you to Jano for all her help and assistance she has given me, the society and members over the years. Due to changes in her circumstances we need to find a new Secretary as soon as possible. If you or someone you know is able to help out, please let me know.

The dreaded virus that has plagued us for the last couple of years is still impacting us and looks likely to play a significant part in this year as well. We all know what we need to do and choose between what's important and what can be avoided to help slow the spread.

With this in mind the senior members of the committee have decided that we will put in place a few things to help out and have a "wait and see" approach for how the next few months play out.

1. Cancelled our February BBQ and Rodney and Helena's.
2. Meeting on the 27th March is to be cancelled.
3. Postpone the AGM from 27th March to 29th May.
4. Putting a freeze on subs for 2022.

It is sad to have to put this place. I'm sure like me, you are all missing each other and itching to catch up face to face and share some stories.

If anyone would like a chat or visit, just let me know. My phone number is 021 245 5064 or you can email me at

michael.sumner@xtra.co.nz

Till next time, stay safe and take care.

Regards,

Michael Sumner

**Asia & South Pacific Ostomy Association – Ostomy New Zealand Joint
Ostomy Congress
September 2023**

We are looking forward to welcoming Ostomates from not just NZ,
Australia and Asia but also from other parts of the world

Bulletin No1 4/2/2022

Now that we are starting to get just that little bit closer to the event, we thought that a series of informational bulletins would be sent out on a reasonably regular basis to keep everyone informed of progress.

Date: September 7th – 10th 2023

Venue: The MILLENNIUM HOTEL in Rotorua New Zealand.

Rotorua is a resort city and has good air links from everywhere else in New Zealand, most people will be flying into New Zealand via Auckland International Airport and can catch a regional flight from there to Rotorua and we can also arrange to people to be picked up from Auckland International Airport and transported to the venue in Rotorua by road if needed.

Covid: New Zealand is right now working its way out of Covid lockdown and we will be keeping everyone updated via these bulletins as to what is required in the way of vaccinations etc.

Sponsorship: At the time of writing this bulletin we are in the process of approaching sponsors within New Zealand for event sponsorship and in the near future will be talking to overseas sponsors as well.

Program: This is being put together now and when we have finished sorting out speakers this will be sent out.

Registration forms: These are almost ready and we have been waiting on the results of the sponsorship proposals before finalizing these.

Speakers: We expect to have speakers from both within New Zealand and from Overseas and will endeavour to have a good range of topics covered.

Congress Convenor: Richard McNair

Committee and members of the Western Bay of Plenty Ostomy Society Inc.



Hi Team due to ill health I regret I am going to have to resign as Secretary of the Waikato Ostomy Society.

With me going this will leave Michael Sumner as the Treasurer and ACTING President and he has bravely put his hand to take over the Secretary position as well. The Job Description for the position of Secretary is as follows:-

- 1) Attend and record and publish minutes for the Bi Monthly Meetings.
- 2) Forward a Newsletter Bi Monthly or as required.
- 3) Manage new members via the Web Site page.
- 4) Manage members listings and mail outs.
- 5) Assist the President and Treasurer when required.

This could be done by Job Share. Training and support will be ongoing.

Please team lets rally around Michael as I believe there is important work to be done and it would be the biggest damn shame if the association will have close due to the lack of support from the members.

Please feel free to ring Jano with any questions on 027 727 2098 or 07 843 7505

Q: What's this?



A: Some Irish i's a-smiling.

the lessons life taught me.

- 8) Don't take yourself so seriously. No one else does.
- 9) No matter how you feel, get up, dress up and show up.
- 10) Envy is a waste of time. Accept what you already have not what you need.
- 11) It's never too late to be happy. But it's all up to you and no one else.
- 12) Don't compare your life to others. You have no idea what their journey is all about.
- 13) Life isn't tied with a bow, but it's still a gift."
- 14) The best is yet to come...

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What other people think of you is none of your business.

However good or bad a situation is, it will change.

Time heals almost everything. Give time TIME.

This newsletter is kindly printed and posted for us by Mr. Ralph van Dalen