

ASHBURTON HEARING ASSOCIATION

Supporting the hearing impaired and those with Tinnitus



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President's Message

Hello Everyone! as we have welcomed a New Year. The first time in my life that I was not awake to 'see it in' So far it's made no difference and I guess I've joined a few of you who didn't experience the midnight episode either. We have had a quiet and relaxing time with sufficient rain to keep the garden and roses looking pretty good and likely to look great again next month and no doubt it's the same at your homes.

The Christmas Dinner was superb thanks to Rosa Bennett and her team from the Hinds Church who have really spoiled us for the past 10 years or more. Rosa is 'retiring' from this work and we thank her most generously for the excellent manner in which she has presented food for us at least four times a year.

THANK YOU ROSA very much.

The Association was privileged to host the N Z President Mr John Harwood and Executive Member Michelle Holland in November and we thank them for the huge amount of work and time they give to the hearing impaired throughout the country.

We have planned the year ahead starting with the

BUS TRIP on FRIDAY 24th FEBRUARY
Leaving from the Seniors Centre at 9.00a.m.

It was suggested we go as far as **Mesopotamia** and we are fortunate to have **Mr John Acland** join us at Mt Peel Church, stay with us

throughout the day and tell us about 'his' area. We have 'booked' a forty four seat bus and knowing it will be a great day are asking you to reserve and pay your **\$20 before Tuesday the 14th February**, earlier than usual to allow us to offer seats to others should our numbers not stack up. This will be an outstanding trip and you are urged to invite non member friends on a first in basis.

Just remember to bring your lunch, thermos and a seat as usual. Please note the date has changed, and we are now going on the Friday.

The **Annual General Meeting will be held on Friday April 27** and we ask you please to mark this date on your calendar. We'll arrange a good speaker and afternoon tea.

The committee looks forward to seeing 43 people on the bus and even more at the AGM.

Kindest wishes

Russell

Sympathy - We record our sincere sympathy to the families of Kevin Sanford and Dominic Prendergast whom have passed away. Kevin and Dominic have been very supportive members of our Association for many years and they will be greatly missed on our bus trips and at our lunches. We will miss Dominic when setting up the hall for our lunches and the AGM and appreciate the many years he did this with the Committee.

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Lighthearted Lines

A college student challenged a senior citizen, saying it was impossible for their generation to understand his. "You grew up in a different world," the student said. "Today we have television, jet planes, space travel, nuclear energy, computers"

Taking advantage of a pause in the student's litany, the geezer said, "You're right. We didn't have those things when we were young; so we invented them! What are you doing for the next generation?"