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JUNE-JULY 2015

Notes from the AGM 2015

The 2015 Annual General Meeting of the Grey Power, Wellington Central Association was held at the Museum Hotel, Wellington on 25 May.

The Meeting was attended by 25 members and was presided over by Treasurer Brian McLachlan as acting Chairperson. He opened the meeting with a welcome to all those present. The minutes for the 2014 meeting were accepted. Bruce then presented the Chairman's report in which he made mention of the Wellington Central Association having been in a moribund state during the 2014/2015 year because of a lack of numbers to make up an effective committee. He went on to say that unless more members joined the committee then he could see one of the following future for the Association:

- 1. Struggling on as an ineffective Association:
- 2. Joining/amalgamating with another Association;
- 3. Winding up the Association.

Discussion followed mainly regarding how Grey Power was structured.

The Financial Report was presented by Treasurer Bruce and it showed that the Association was in relatively good heart with funds on hand of \$13,625. The cost of the Web Site was queried.

The meeting then proceeded to the Election of officers with Bruce advising the meeting that he would not be available for nomination as either Chairman or President (although he would be available to serve on the Committee). No written nominations having been written,

nominations were called for from the floor. The following Executive Committee was elected:

President - Vacant meantime
Vice President - Vacant meantime
Secretary - Pat Hubbard
Treasurer - Terry Scoble
Membership Secretary - Ray Markham
Newsletter Editor - Elaine Scoble

Committee Members — Bruce McLachlan, Joan Brown Caroline Hubbard and Bernadine Pool

The meeting agreed that the incoming Officers would have the power to appoint officer bearers on an acting basis and to co-opt further members to the committee. (The committee has met since the AGM and this will be reported on later).

In General Business two matters were raised:

- Extension of the Gold Card to the hours 'enjoyed' by Auckland users
- Greater contact with other like organisations such as WEA, Retired Members Group with a view to holding joint meetings from time to time.

The meeting was declared closed by the Acting Chairman and was followed by light refreshments and fellowship.

Prepared by Terry Scoble, Treasurer 2015 Email: greypowerwellington@gmail.com

GREY POWER WELLINGTON CENTRAL ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

Statement of financial performance for year ended 31st March 2015

		2015
\$	Income	\$
4,555.00	Subscriptions	2,965.00
430.00	Donations	395.00
321.45	Interest – Fixed Term Investment Account	461.88
	Ryman advert in newsletter	40.00
5,306.45		4,271.88
	Expenditure	
1,450.00	Capitation NZ Federation	1,415.00
877.75	Advertising	0.00
539.99	Newsletter	174.00
469.98	Travelling and Meetings Expenses	75.00
248.19	Printing – Typing - Stationery – Photocopying	263.82
170.00	PO Box Rental	170.00
140.00	Functions—Christmas and subsidised lunches	0.00
138.44	Web Hosting	138.44
70.00	Subscription fees Age Concern	70.00
10.00	Zone Meetings and Representation Expenses	0.00
0.00	Postage	382.50
4,114.35		2,688.76
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	Statement of financial position as at 31 st Marc	
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PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT

Committee members will take turns at chairing the meetings this year. Meetings are on the 3rd Monday of each month.

However, we **really need to have a President and Vice-President**. Are there any people out there in our membership who would be prepared to take on one of these not very onerous tasks? (Well, actually, they can take as much time as you'd be prepared to offer. But we're fun to work with).

Please contact Secretary Pat Hubbard, on Ph 384 2646, or email her: pathubbard@xtra.co.nz.

Do You have a Disability**?

Is there anything you want health staff to know about you, to help keep you safe and improve your experience as a patient?

The Wairarapa, Hutt Valley, and Capital & Coast District Health Boards (3DHBs) want to improve your experience when using your hospital and community services and have undertaken two key projects recently to do this.

Disability Alert

A Disability Alert (icon) is an electronic flag placed within the management system. This highlights your particular needs to staff. Alert access is now available to people who with to identify any disability or access related needs they may have.

People who receive Ministry of Health funded Disability Support Services (usually under 65) already have alerts added todate, and have had the opportunity to enter their nees next to their impairment groups/s. The categories are the same as use within the recent census, and main groups are: physical, intellectual, sensory, psychological / psychiatric, and other.

This information will help DHBs plan services and respond more appropriately to your needs when using any health service.

You can help ensure your disability support needs are met by:

- Phoning (04) 806 2434 or (04) 806 2436 letting them know your support needs.
- Emailing srdag@sidu.org.nz to let them know your support needs.

Examples of support needs: I wear hearing aids, I need a spe

cial mattress to prevent bed sores, I need appointments organised on certain days, I need to be met at the door with a wheelchair and taken to and from my appointment, I need NZSL interpreter, etc.

Health Passport

The Health Passport helps health professionals better understand your care and communication needs. It is now available across the greater Wellington region.

If you do not have a Health Passport, we can send one to you free of charge and include instructions on how to use it.

When you take up a Health Passport you need to show it to your GP or practice nurse, so they can add it to their system. This will help them and other health professionals to better support you.

If you wish to download and type your own Health Passport to your personal preferences, we can provide you with a purple cover so it is recognised.

http://www.ccdhb.org.nz/Planning/disability/healthpassport.htm

**A physical intellectual sensory mental health or other long term condition/s (lasting 6 months or more) which impacts ability to function as peer group.

> (Copied from Kapiti Grey Power Newsletter, Issue 114, May-July 2015)

What are our Issues?

The new committee wants to know what our members are concerned about—at all levels.

What do you want us to be focussing on?

In Wellington Central: Amenities for Seniors? Health services? Transport? Information about events?

In Southern North Island (Zone): Super City or other amalgamations? Transport?

At National level: National Super rates and policy? Health and welfare? Gold card? Power?

Please let us know your concerns, and what you would like to happen about them! Or anything else?!

Have you renewed your Grey Power membership for this year?

The year runs from 1st April 2015 to 31st March 2016

Committee Members and Contact Details 2015/2016

President	Vacant			
Vice-President	Vacant			
Secretary	Pat Hubbard	Mt Victoria	Pathubbard@xtra.co.nz	384 2646
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Newsletter Editor	Elaine Scoble	Churton Park	escoble@vodafone.co.nz	461 6399
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	Bernardine Pool	Karori	bernardinepool@gmail.com	476 7696

SPEAKER'S MEETING

Will be held at ANVIL HOUSE, Wakefield St, at 10:30am on Thursday 27th August.

A representative from Kiwibank will speak about privacy issues, and Kiwibank's relationship with Grey Power. **Please note this in your diaries.**

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR RENEWAL FORM

Name:		Membership Number:
Address:		Phone No:
		Mobile Ph:
		Post Code:
Email:		_
Subscription for year: (Circle as appropriate) Individual (\$15)	Apr 2014 – March 2015 Apr 2015 — March 2016 Couple (\$20)	Donation: (Amount)
	or cheque to "Wellington Central	

Payable by Cash or cheque to "Wellington Central Grey Power" (attach to this form)
Or: pay by Internet Banking to Kiwibank, A/c 38-9008-0407615-00
(Please include your name and/or membership number in banking details and send this form to PO Box 13-755 Johnsonville)

I am interested in:

- Giving a lift to a member in my area when attending meetings
- Helping with phoning members reminding them of meetings
- Working on the Committee