



friendship force

KAPITI COAST

November 2022



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BOARD MEMBERS 2022

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Newsletter Writer	Fran Kennedy		
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2022 BOARD MEETINGS

The Board meets monthly

Next Meeting:

TBA

Phone 027 2402349 or email
frankennedy@xtra.co.nz

if unable to attend

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 27th November	A.G.M. 11.a.m. at the Margaret Road Bistro, Raumati Beach.	
Wednesday, 14th December	Christmas morning Tea/coffee with Rhondda 10.15a.m. Venue: Salt and Wood Café, Waikanae.	r.s.v.p. Rhondda 904 4168 or 021 0721016

President's Chatter

We joined the Wellington Club to celebrate and present the Wayne Smith Medal to Debbie Lattey who has been a member of our club since 2006. The medal was given in recognition of her dedication and enthusiastic contribution to our club and to the Friendship Force of New Zealand.

Debbie did a stint as being our club's newsletter editor, secretary from 2009 to 2012 and President 2013-2014 (2 years). Debbie also edited the Club's 30th Anniversary book. She held the position of Field Rep. for the lower North Island. In 2018 she took on the position of the NZ Field Rep. Co-ordinator. Debbie has just been made New Zealand's first Regional Support Manager.(see letter of appointment) attached to this newsletter. Congratulations Debbie.



2022 is fast coming to an end. We had our last LEO for the year at the Trattoria Coastlands (the old Mediterranean Warehouse restaurant). It was lovely to see a great turnout of club members. Food was extremely tasty and well

received.

Also our AGM is in 2 and a half weeks on the 27th November at the Bistro on Margaret Road, Raumati Beach 11a.m. start meeting, lunch 12 Noon. We have lots of decisions to be made for the 2023 year and beyond. I am delighted to let you know, we have received 8 nominations for the 2023 Management Committee (Board).



2023 - To bring in the new year, we are planning a function in late January – date to be advised.

In February 2023, we have a scheduled meet up with the Wellington Club which we had to postpone from last month due to the social calendars getting a bit overloaded!! Hopefully, on the horizon is a trip to Rarotonga and a domestic trip either in the North or South Island. (suggestions are welcome). Also a trip to 3 Sydney FF Clubs being arranged by FF Taupo – flyer attached. There are still some vacancies.

In friendship Fran

What's COMING up?

A.G.M.

The Friendship Force of Kapiti Coast Inc.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – Sunday 27th November 2022

Time: 11a.m. followed by lunch at 12 Noon.

Where: Margaret Road Bistro, Margaret Street, Raumati Beach

We have 29 coming – the Bistro can only accommodate 30.

NOMINATION FORM

NOMINATION FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE 2022 BOARD OF THE FRIENDSHIP FORCE OF KAPITI COAST INC.

I wish to nominate:



.....(Name) (Please print)
For the position of: (Name)
Nominated by:..... (Name)
Seconded by: (Name)

Date:

Please return your nomination to the President, Fran Kennedy, 262a Rosetta Road, Raumati Beach or email frankennedy@xtra.co.nz by **13th November 2022**

The AGM papers will be forwarded to you this weekend. Have been waiting for a few last minute details to be forwarded to me.



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international

Dear Friendship Force of New Zealand,

It is my great pleasure to announce the hiring of New Zealand's first Regional Support Manager, Debbie Lattey. Most, if not all, of you know Debbie as an ardent supporter of the Friendship Force mission, first as a member, then as a Club President, Field Representative Coordinator and more recently as a Wayne Smith Medal recipient. Her drive, passion, business acumen and forward-thinking makes her the ideal fit for this newly created position in New Zealand. FFI's Kimberly Fraser will be working closely with Debbie in the transition over the next several months but she is readily available to answer any questions you have at debbie.lattey@friendshipforce.org.

Debbie's focus will be to support the Field Representatives in New Zealand, journey development, and oversee the rejuvenation efforts in New Zealand outlined at the recent Gathering.

In friendship,
Jeremi Snook
CEO & President

Hello members.

After a turbulent last few years it is wonderful to be opening up to international travel again, and I am excited about working with clubs to develop and promote your journeys. In my new role as RSM I will also be supporting your Field Reps, Jan and Graham, with club development, as well as working with the global membership team on recruiting new global members around New Zealand. This new role reflects FFI's commitment to redevelopment in New Zealand, as outlined at our recent Lakeside Gathering. It's a challenge I am looking forward to, and I ask for your support in my new role.

In friendship,
Debbie Lattey
NZ Regional Support Manager

Sydney - 15th to 30th March 2023

Journey to FF Southern Sydney, FF Blue Mountains and FF Sydney 15th- 30th March 2023

FF Southern Sydney - 15th – 20th March

- Opera House Tour
- Ferry tours around Sydney Harbour
- Symbio Wildlife Park
- Science Space Museum
- City walk including the Rocks area
- Harbour Bridge walk

FF Blue Mountains - 20th – 25th March

- Car tour to Lookouts, Upper Blue Mountains, historical Hartley and beyond.
- Katoomba day including scenic world, cultural centre, art street, and 3 Sisters.
- Autumn Gardens
- Bushwalks
- Jenolan Caves (own cost)

FF Sydney - 25th – 30th March

- Quarantine Station & Memorial Walk North Head
- Ferry trip to Parramatta, visit historical sites.
- Taronga Park Zoo
- Train Trip to Woy Woy
- Leisure day with hosts, you can choose to have a relaxing day or go site seeing.

Costs - These are in the vicinity of \$1400 per person for the 15 nights of home hosting, entry to attractions, and all internal travel cost.

Travel & Arrival - You will need to make and pay for your own air fares. Plan to be at Sydney Airport 2.10pm 15th March 2023. There is an Air NZ flight arriving about this time, but you could arrive earlier.

Other

- The hosts clubs require ambassadors to be vaccinated for Covid 19.
- You will be required to have travel insurance.

**If you are interested in this Journey,
please register with
Coordinator Colin Ridge colinjanet123@gmail.com 07-378 5088
with a deposit of \$300 (refundable)
payable to the
FF Taupo Exchange Account (put your name)
03-0430-0251248-001**

More journeys to tempt us

It's great to see some outbound journeys in the planning stages. If you are interested in any of these journeys, contact the NZ club for more information using the club's email address—see page 6.

- Wellington to **Eastern Washington, Northern Idaho & Lower Columbia, USA**, 16-30 June 2023
- Northland & Wairarapa to **Mt Gambia & Perth**, Australia, Sept/Oct 2023
- Tauranga-WBOP & Christchurch to **Haliburton Highlands & Winnipeg**, Canada, Sept 2023
- Hamilton-Waikato to **West Alajuela (Costa Rica), and Napa-Sonoma & Greater Seattle**, USA, Aug/Sept 2023
- Taupo to **Southern Sydney & Blue Mountains**, Australia, March 2023

Looking for something different? Check out the global journeys open to all members by clicking on the link to the FFI Journey Catalogue:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1Tf2cX72YdZtTgsGjGr-JaafTPMXxoGL-WI8G2nuMvIA/edit#slide=id.gc6f90357f_0_5

Inbound

- Wellington—hosting Sunshine Coast, Australia, and Charlotte, USA
- Northland —hosting Greater Orlando, USA, and Tokyo, Japan
- Tauranga-WBOP—hosting Greater Boston, USA, and Cedar Rapids, USA
- Hamilton-Waikato—hosting Western North Carolina, USA, and Tamworth, Australia
- Christchurch—hosting North Moreton & Brisbane, Australia, and Wisconsin-Madison, USA
- Southland—hosting North Moreton & Brisbane, Australia
- Manawatu-Whanganui—hosting New Caledonia
- Taupo—hosting New Caledonia, Hsinchu, Taiwan, Gold Coast, Australia, and Greater Orlando, USA

THE FRIENDSHIP FORCE PLEDGE

As a member of the Friendship Force, I recognise that I can make a difference.

I recognise that I have a mission.

That mission is to be a friend to the people of the World.

**As I embark on this adventure I know that others will be watching me.
I know that through my example to my fellow citizens and people of other
countries, the cause of peace and friendship can be furthered.**

I can make a difference.