



CANTERBURY WOMEN'S CLUB INC.  
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This message is being sent to members and interested friends to accompany the notification of the 2020 AGM. I know it has been a long year for all of us and for those who have not been able to get out and about even longer. It is in these kinds of circumstances that we would have hoped for the Club to be available as a venue and a connecting space for women in Canterbury. We are sorry that has not been possible.

We are getting there, but as many of you will be aware earthquake rebuilds and repairs can take what seems like an extremely long time. We have made progress in many areas but the major one of the building being repaired, is still consuming energy and mind space. But as I said above – nearly there. Those working to help the Club move ahead are a small group who all share the work, but we do not have enough time to arrange and organise the extra things I wish we could do. Arrange groups, small events, small gatherings etc. We wish we could.

We have recently had 2 new additions to our committee and we very much appreciate their involvement. Their input is refreshing and energising, and it is wonderful. The tasks get shared and they all seem smaller because of that. Things which we have not managed to find the time for or have even thought need doing are being attended to.

We would very much welcome new members to both the Club and the Committee, to help us get back doing what we want to do for Women in Canterbury. How we are involved may be different to the way we were before and that is another important discussion to have. The next year will hopefully be an exciting one with real progress for the Canterbury Women's Club and we would love more of you to be involved in some way. It is a club or gathering place for the Women of Canterbury and we need to help it come alive again. Your thoughts, ideas, involvement are welcomed.

I am about to spend a significant amount of time away from Christchurch in 2021 as my daughter and her husband in Auckland are expecting twins to add to their family in January. My focus will change and the time available for the Women's club will be reduced markedly. Having more people support the committee will make this much easier.

So, if you have an interest, a small amount of time available and wish to be involved in any way, even if just intermittently, we would love to welcome you on board.

The Committee meets once a month, currently on the 4th Thursday in the early evening. Last night's meeting had the bonus of Chocolate Brownie provided by one of our new members and there is always laughter and a feeling of being in something together.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the AGM where the formal part is only a small segment of the gathering. The most important part is catching up with people, celebrating another year and looking forward to 2021. We will help this by providing cake and nibbles.

Warm Regards

Wendy Butcher

President, Canterbury Women's Club.

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