



**Welcome to North Pres News.** In here you will find the dates for various Northern Presbytery events. More information can be found at our website at [www.northpres.org.nz](http://www.northpres.org.nz)

### Annual Reports and Accounts 2014/15:

Thank you to those parishes who have sent in two copies of their annual report and accounts for 2014/15. Just a reminder, if you have not yet done this, to post these to us at the Presbytery Office.

### Elders Commission for 2016:

Your Session needs to commission their Presbytery Elder and Alternative/Substitute Elder for 2016 and other office bearers details need to be updated. You will find the form to complete [here](#)

#### Diary:

- **Owairaka Cluster Meeting –Tuesday 8th December, 7pm**, at Mt Albert Presbyterian
- **Induction of Rev Richard Ward** –has been delayed until early 2016
- **Ordination & Induction of Mose Taumaoe – Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December, 4pm at Papatoetoe – St Martin’s Presbyterian Church, 22 Wylie Rd, Papatoetoe**
- **Ordination & Induction of Roxy Gahegan – Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 7.15pm** at St Cuthbert’s Chapel, 122 Market Rd, Gate 2
- **Closure Service for Balmoral Presbyterian Church –Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December, 3pm**
- **Summer Presbytery –To be confirmed.**

#### Voting for Presbytery Council:

Voting closes on the **6<sup>th</sup> December**. You are eligible to vote if you are the appointed Presbytery Elder or a Minister who is a member of Presbytery. Please get these votes to the Presbytery Clerk [clerk@northpres.org.nz](mailto:clerk@northpres.org.nz) as soon as possible.

#### Work groups & Council:

- **Presbytery Council** holds its monthly meeting on **Thursday, 3rd December** at 10am. Presbytery Executive Council meets weekly on the other Thursdays usually at 7.30 -9.30am at Papatoetoe –St John’s Church.
- **Property & Finance:** When: **Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> December** at 9am. Where: Presbytery office, 111 Great South Rd, Greenlane.
- **Ministry:** When: **Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> December** at 12.30pm. Where: Mt Roskill –St John’s Presbyterian Church, 422 Mt Albert Rd.
- **Prayer & Healing:** When: **Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> December** at 12pm. Where: Gathering to meet at Taksin Turkish Kitchen, 373 Manukau Rd. All most welcome.
- **Youth:** When: **TBC** at 10am Where: 111 Great South Rd, Greenlane

Requests to work groups, should be made available to the group a week before the meeting along with any supporting material. Please email these to the Northern Presbytery office. Thank you.

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connecting to grow churches, in Christ

### Presbyterian Support Northern (PSN) Trustees:

PSN are recruiting for two **voluntary** Trustee positions to be on the Presbyterian Support Northern Board representing the Northern Presbytery – specifically Northland and South Auckland. If you would like to apply please register your interest to [ira.dunlop@psn.org.nz](mailto:ira.dunlop@psn.org.nz) by 5pm 12 December 2015. Registrations of interest will be submitted to the Northern Presbytery Moderator for recommendation to the PSN Board.

For more information about Presbytery Support Northern and the role of a trustee please see [here](#).

### Pastoral Notice:

The Northern Presbytery are saddened hear of the passing of the **Rev David Inglis** in St Andrews Village on Sunday 29th November.

The funeral will be at **St Heliers Presbyterian Church** on **Saturday 5th December at 11am**.

### SPANZ Autumn edition:

Angela Singer, Communications Manager of the PCANZ has asked for help with the upcoming autumn edition of SPANZ. One of the stories will be on churches offering **Christmas dinner to the lonely and alone in their communities**. Another will be on how **youth are involved in activities and initiatives for addressing climate change, conservation and environmental issues**.

If your parish would like to be part of either of these stories, please Email Angela [angela@presbyterian.org.nz](mailto:angela@presbyterian.org.nz) by **14 December**. Angela pre-prepares much of the February edition in December as they lose a number of weeks to the Christmas New Year break - the magazine needs to be with the printer end of January 2016.

### Coordinator Sought by PWANZ:

*It is time for PWANZ (formerly APW) to share with the next generation its "taonga", to provide support and to "hand the baton on"!*

Presbyterian Women Aotearoa New Zealand (PWANZ) is seeking a Coordinator to lead a team to focus on younger women to reach their full potential for leadership, networking and growing the Church. Presbyterian Women recently agreed it was time to move forward, restructure and rebrand. The aim is to build capacity development of women in the Church. It wants to target those under 50 years; Pacific Island, Asian, migrant and rural women. PWANZ wants a structure created in which young women in the PCANZ may be empowered to be active in mission and ministry.

21<sup>st</sup> Century society is very different from those of the "Baby Boomers". Today's young women share many of the same passions e.g. being acutely aware of the Spirit of God and strong advocates for social justice. However, they socialise differently and tend not to attend meetings but prefer to "meet" through social media or face to face over "a coffee". These women are BUSY, juggling families, careers, some immersed in different cultures and church.

Presbyterian Women is *right now* establishing a Transition Team. Over the following ten months the team will consult with younger women as to how "*in their way*" the Church might engage with them to realise their full potential for



### Splice Summer Solstice Picnic:

Splice would be honoured to have your company at their end of year wrap-up: **the Splice Cuppa, Summer Solstice Edition**.

Please join them in **Victoria Park** on **Saturday December 19 from 4-7pm** for a picnic on the grass. They will be out the back of the Circability Community Centre (the old Campbell Free Kindergarten) with food, music, games, and of course, tea! (This time with the option of an added 'holiday' twist)

We'd love to celebrate a year of incredible collaborations, partnerships, events, and relationships that have cemented Splice's place as the 'Soul of the City'. You're welcome to bring-a-plate, a friend, a dog, a game, a song... Let's send 2015 off with some classic Splice flair! Please save the date and RSVP to [charlotte@splice.org.nz](mailto:charlotte@splice.org.nz) so we can get an idea of numbers for catering.


leadership, networking and growth. The Transition Team will continue to fulfill its advocacy role of the United Nations Commission for the Status of Women and its role in (Overseas) Mission.

The Coordinator's role is until September 2016 and is at present a voluntary one. We wish to have the team completed by Christmas.

Is God putting this challenge to you? If so, - then do request a Job Description now from Heather Tate [hvtate@vodafone.co.nz](mailto:hvtate@vodafone.co.nz)

#### PWANZ Advisory Team

*Valerie Anderson, Lafulafu Ekenasio, Lois Robertson and Heather Tate*



**WADESTOWN  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**MINISTER POSITION**

We are a central Wellington suburban church looking for a minister, up to full time.

We have a diverse theological and age range.

You'll be comfortable leading a mix of traditional and contemporary worship. You'll be part of a team with a strong vision for outreach and mission. You'll help lead WPC into our next phase of life.

Expressions of interest welcome before 1 February 2016. For a profile please contact [wadestownpc@xtra.co.nz](mailto:wadestownpc@xtra.co.nz)

## Community Minister

### Half time position

A suburban faith community on the south coast of Wellington seeks to expand its ministry team, deepening current connections with their neighbours.

The position will focus on the last, the least and the lost, inspiring and supporting congregation members to act on their hope in Christ, and linking in with the current team.

The position is a five year contract. For a job description please contact [office@ibpc.org.nz](mailto:office@ibpc.org.nz).



Applications welcome by February 1<sup>st</sup> 2016.

[www.ibpc.org.nz](http://www.ibpc.org.nz)



### Summer Breeze –Orama Great Barrier Island

**2<sup>nd</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> January 2016** Feel the warm summer breeze, revel in the spectacular & beautiful Karaka Bay, no need to cook or prepare meals, wonderful company in a Christian community. Then you can experience, worship & inspiration from outstanding international & local ministers. This year speakers Baxter Kruger & Kindra Green from the US and NZ's Malcolm Gordon. Kindra Green spoke at Going Further to 50 young adult

Presbyterians at Orama last summer and was outstanding (So good that Orama have asked her to come back to speak at Summer Breeze). Malcolm of course is known to many. This event is for all adult ages and there is provision to bring families. Here is an opportunity for a week's holiday, high quality Christian teaching and worship. A brochure and registration form is [here](#).

Read the Moderator of the Northern Presbytery's Christmas Letter [here](#)

