FOREWORD

It gives me great pleasure to provide you with this final report on New Zealand’s strategy for the International Year of Older Persons 1999.

The report illustrates the many achievements of communities around New Zealand in contributing to positive outcomes for the Year. I have been impressed by the special projects and programmes that took place during 1999. There is no doubt that the work done by communities has significantly raised awareness of the value of older people and the contributions they make to their families and communities.

The United Nations theme for 1999 was *Towards a society for all ages*. The many intergenerational programmes listed in the report demonstrate New Zealanders’ commitment to this vision of a society that embraces people of all ages.

It is pleasing to see the participation of government agencies through a wide range of innovative and challenging initiatives that have raised the profile of older people’s issues and contributed to productive policy developments.

I am committed to continuing the valuable work that was undertaken throughout 1999. A National Co-ordinator has been appointed to my Senior Citizens Unit to carry on the work with communities and I have already directed that work be commenced on the development of a Positive Ageing Strategy. I am confident that this will ensure that New Zealand is well placed in meeting the challenges of the expected demographic changes and the diverse needs of all New Zealanders into the 21st century.

Hon Lianne Dalziel  
Minister for Senior Citizens
Executive Summary

The United Nations General Assembly decided to observe the year 1999 as the International Year of Older Persons, providing an opportunity to promote positive attitudes to ageing and older people, and to highlight the need to prepare for an ageing population. The United Nations theme of the Year was *Towards a society for all ages*.

The International Year of Older Persons provided an opportunity for Government to work in partnership with the community to promote positive attitudes to ageing and reinforce the value of older people in New Zealand society. Government funding was provided for community projects and events, and 34 government departments and 45 Crown entities undertook activities which supported the aims of the Year. Government funded a research project to assist future policy development to meet the needs of an ageing population.

The New Zealand Government allocated funding of $500,000 (GST exclusive), ($562,500 GST inclusive) for the observance of the International Year of Older Persons in New Zealand. The main features of the national strategy for the observance of the Year were:

- to implement the two main objectives for the International Year of Older Persons in New Zealand, which were:
  - promoting positive attitudes to ageing and older people
  - preparing for an ageing population
- the development of a New Zealand logo and theme, *Valuing Older People*, to link events and activities
INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF OLDER PERSONS 1999 • TE TAU WHAKATAIRANGA KAUMATUA PUTA I TE AO

- a focus on three key dates during the Year
- funding (GST exclusive) directed as follows:
  - $250,000 for community projects
  - $120,000 for a communication strategy
  - $50,000 for a research project
  - $80,000 for administration of the national strategy
- a specific Lottery Grants Board fund of $250,000 to support community activities
- all government departments and Crown entities were requested to identify relevant projects or parts of projects as part of the Government’s contribution to the Year

The Senior Citizens Unit of the Department of Social Welfare was the United Nations national focal point for the Year and was responsible for implementing the national strategy (Since 1 October 1999 the Senior Citizens Unit has been part of the Ministry of Social Policy which devolved out of the Department). The Unit worked closely with community organisations representing older people’s interests, to fully participate in the United Nations theme Towards a society for all ages.

Establishment of local volunteer community co-ordinators, through older people’s and iwi/Māori organisations, was an essential component of the national strategy. The role of the co-ordinators was to mobilise communities and encourage activities at a local level. The success of their work is evident in the number of activities that took place during the International Year of Older Persons, as listed in the Calendar of Event.

An important outcome of the national strategy has been the strengthening of community networks, including the development of positive relationships and understanding between generations. These relationships provide the foundation for continuing a number of activities that were undertaken during 1999 and for developing further initiatives to strengthen and enhance communities.
United Nations International Year of Older Persons 1999

In 1992 the United Nations General Assembly adopted resolution 47/5 which proclaimed 1999 as the International Year of Older Persons. New Zealand co-sponsored subsequent resolutions on the International Year of Older Persons in the General Assembly and delivered a statement in support of the International Year.

The overall objective of the Year was the promotion of the United Nations Principles for Older Persons which address quality of life of older persons, including independence, participation, care, self-fulfilment, and dignity.¹

The United Nations theme for the Year was *Towards a society for all ages*, to include participation for all generations and many sectors and organisations. Member States were asked to nominate a lead agency, or focal point for the Year, to co-ordinate activities within their country. The New Zealand focal point was the Senior Citizens Unit of the Department of Social Welfare.


New Zealand strategy

In New Zealand, funding of $500,000 (GST exclusive) ($562,500 GST inclusive) was allocated by Government for the national observance of the International Year of Older Persons. The Senior Citizens Unit of the Department of Social Welfare was responsible for the development and implementation of a national strategy for the Year.

This report summarises New Zealand’s observance of the International Year of Older Persons, providing details on each of the main components of the national strategy, which were:

- to implement the two main objectives for the International Year of Older Persons in New Zealand:
  - promoting positive attitudes to ageing and older people
  - preparing for an ageing population
- the development of a New Zealand logo and theme to link events and activities
- a focus on three key dates during the Year
- funding (GST exclusive) directed as follows:
  - $250,000 for community projects
  - $120,000 for a communication strategy
  - $50,000 for a research project
  - $80,000 for administration of the national strategy
- the Lottery Grants Board to consider establishing a specific fund for the Year
- all Government departments and Crown entities were requested to identify relevant projects or parts of projects as part of the Government’s contribution to the Year

Objectives

The objectives for the International Year of Older Persons in New Zealand were:

- promoting positive attitudes to ageing and older people
- preparing for an ageing population

These objectives supported the United Nations theme *Towards a society for all*.

¹ Refer Appendix 1.
ages, and were sufficiently broad to encompass a wide range of activities and initiatives, and to encourage the involvement of all older people, as well as younger generations. In addition, they incorporated a number of key messages which supported Government’s commitment to strengthening families, which were promoted during the International Year of Older Persons. These key messages include:

- valuing older people
- promoting independence
- promoting greater participation and integration of older people in our society
- recognising the contributions of older people
- promoting intergenerational activities with older people

In addition to supporting the United Nations theme of *Towards a Society for All Ages*, a specific theme was developed for New Zealand:

“Valuing Older People
– Kaingakautia nga Kaumātua”

Co-ordination and administration of the national strategy

The Senior Citizens Unit of the Department of Social Welfare was responsible for developing and implementing the national strategy for the International Year of Older Persons.

The International Year of Older Persons project was managed from within the Unit’s existing resources, with additional funding of $80,000 (GST exclusive) provided for administration and co-ordination costs. A proportion of this funding was used to employ a part-time Communications Co-ordinator for the Year, to maintain links with community organisations and co-ordinate the communication and information strategy.

Support provided from other areas within the Department of Social Welfare included expert advice to assist the community project funding process, database administration, financial accounting services, communication, publicity and postal services.

Appendix 2 details expenditure of the $500,000 (GST exclusive) ($562,500 GST inclusive) allocated for the national strategy for the International Year of Older Persons.

New Zealand logo and theme

The New Zealand version of the United Nations logo for the International Year of Older Persons was launched by the Minister for Senior Citizens on the International Day of Older Persons, 1 October 1998. The New Zealand logo has both English and Māori language wording and includes “NZ” in the graphic.
Key dates
Three key dates were identified to focus activities on particular aspects of the theme. The focus of each of the three key dates, and the major events undertaken, were:

1 February 1999: “Valuing the contributions of older people – Te kaingākau ki te wāhi ka taea e te hunga kaumātua”

February 1 was the first of the three key dates agreed for the Year. This date coincided with the removal of an upper age limit to provisions in the Human Rights Act 1993 prohibiting discrimination in the workplace on the basis of age. The focus around this time was on productive ageing and valuing the contributions of older people.

The major events undertaken were conferences, hosted by the Human Rights Commission, in Auckland and Wellington on March 10 and 12 respectively. Issues arising out of the changes in legislation and employment issues for those aged 45 years and over were examined. The conferences targeted employers, employment agencies, policymakers and researchers, and included speakers from Australia who discussed the impact of recent similar legislation in that country.

On 18 May, the Minister for Senior Citizens, with the assistance of the Minister of Education, launched the “LinkAge” handbook at the Beehive. The launch was attended by school principals from the Wellington region, representatives of older people’s organisations and other non-government and government agencies. It received national media interest.

The LinkAge handbook provides guidelines on establishing and maintaining intergenerational programmes, particularly within schools.

15 May 1999: “Valuing relationships between young and old – Te kaingākau ki te whanaungatanga i waenganui i te rangatahi me te kaumātua”

The United Nations International Day of the Family is celebrated on this day, providing an opportunity to reinforce Government’s commitment to strengthening families and valuing the role of older people in family/whanau. Activities in May had an intergenerational focus.

The oldest British Olympic competitor was Hilda Johnstone who was aged 70 when she took part in the equestrian dressage in the 1972 Games in Munich, Germany.
It was developed by the Senior Citizens Unit of the Department of Social Welfare in collaboration with Age Concern Hamilton, a number of schools in the Waikato and Wainuiomata, the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Te Puni Kokiri. Following the launch, copies of the LinkAge handbook were distributed to the 2,800 primary and secondary schools throughout New Zealand, and to all branches of the key national older people’s and other community organisations. Approximately 3,100 copies in total were distributed in 1999.

1 October 1999: “Celebrating the value of older people – Te whakanui i te uara o te hunga kaumātua”

The United Nations International Day of Older Persons was the grand finale to celebrate the value of older people. Activities around that time focused on the theme of “Celebrating the value of older people: Te whakanui i te uara o te hunga kaumātua” and the day was marked by local celebrations throughout New Zealand. The Tower Senior Achievers Awards, which recognise and honour the role and voluntary contribution of older people in society, were presented at Government House on this day.

One of the key international events for the International Year of Older Persons was the World Health Organisation’s Global Embrace. This was a worldwide walk event timed to follow daylight around the world and continue for an entire day. In New Zealand, the Hillary Commission for Sport, Fitness and Leisure worked with its Regional Sports Trusts and Age Concern to plan walks in a number of locations and link with the Global Embrace. More than 3,500 people joined the walk in 37 cities and towns throughout New Zealand.

Community positive ageing projects
Funding of $281,250 (GST inclusive) ($250,000 GST exclusive) was allocated for community projects which met the following criteria required by Government:

- relevant to the themes and objectives of the International Year of Older Persons
- had practical and enduring outcomes
- did not require ongoing funding from the Government
- were to be completed before 1 October 1999

The Minister for Senior Citizens announced the 24 successful applicants, spread from the Far North to Invercargill, on 15 January 1999. A brief description of each of the projects to receive funding is provided in Appendix 3.

Key older people’s organisations were consulted about the kinds of projects they would like to see funded during the International Year of Older Persons. The representatives of Age Concern NZ, the Alzheimers Society, Grey Power NZ, the Mature Employment Support Services Association, the Retired Persons Association, SeniorNet, and the University of the Third Age
recommended that priority be given to funding the following types of projects:

- activities involving older people
- displays and exhibitions
- publications and audio-visual productions
- information and other resources
- workshops/seminars/hui

Applications for funding within the range of $5,000 to $20,000 were open to non-profit organisations which were legal entities. In October 1998, over 2,000 preliminary notices were sent to community organisations advertising the availability of funding. Over 500 copies of the Funding Guidelines and the Funding Application Form were sent out in response to requests from organisations, resulting in over 250 applications being received by the closing date of 27 November 1998.

The applications were considered by the Advisory Council for Senior Citizens, which made recommendations for approval to the Minister for Senior Citizens. Recommendations took into account:

- geographical distribution of projects
- balance between projects undertaken at a national and community level
- representation of applications by iwi/Māori groups
- representation of applications by Pacific peoples and other ethnic groups

Funding for the successful applicants was distributed in two instalments – up to 70% in February 1999 on completion of a letter of agreement; and the balance in July 1999 on receipt of a progress report.

On completion of the projects, each successful organisation provided a final report to the Senior Citizens Unit, summarising the activities undertaken and evaluating the success of the project in meeting its objectives.

Lottery Grants Board funding

The Lottery Grants Board allocated $250,000 to a specific fund for the International Year of Older Persons, administered by the Lottery Aged Committee. The Senior Citizens Unit and Lottery officials worked together to ensure that complementary criteria and applications processes for this fund and the government funding for the Year were put in place. Applications for the Lottery fund closed on 15 February 1999.

A total of 200 applications seeking $1,550,000 were considered by the Lottery Aged Committee on 31 March 1999. Of those, 108 applications received grants ranging from $250 to $11,000. Most of the successful projects were celebratory-type events such as kaumātua balls, luncheons for older volunteers, concerts, festivals and information days.

Research on maintaining independence in older age

As part of the national observance of the International Year of Older Persons, Government allocated $56,250 (GST inclusive) ($50,000 GST exclusive) for a specific research project to investigate and identify factors that allow older

At age 102 years, Florence Laine of Christchurch was the oldest person in the world to make a hot air balloon trip.
people to remain independent. Gray Matter Research successfully tendered for the research project, which was jointly managed by the Senior Citizens Unit and the Research Unit of the Ministry of Social Policy.

The research project has been completed and the final report provided to the Senior Citizens Unit. The Ministry of Social Policy has published the report, combined with the literature review. The findings of the research will be useful in the development of policy to meet the needs of an ageing population.

Methodology
Information for the research was gathered in four main ways, as follows:

- **Literature review** – relevant New Zealand and overseas literature was reviewed and census data used to identify significant trends.
- **Interviews with key informants** – information was obtained through personal or telephone interviews with approximately 24 experts or people working with older people from throughout New Zealand.
- **Focus group discussions with older people** – 51 people aged 50-90 years took part in a total of eight focus groups in Taranaki, Taihape, Kapiti and Wellington.
- **Personal stories from older people and caregivers** – 73 letters were received in response to publicity about the research project which was included in the first information kit for the International Year of Older Persons.

Findings
The report identifies and discusses the following important personal factors and environmental factors that affect the independence of older people:

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The report reviews the services available that help maintain the independence of older people, with specific comment on those available for older people with disabilities, and their carers. Observations and suggestions on ways to improve access to services and better meet the needs of older people are offered, with personal anecdotes from respondents. These provide powerful illustrations of shortcomings experienced by older people and their families. These sections demonstrate how some minor changes to service delivery, particularly within the health sector, could have a significant impact on improving outcomes for older people. The availability of good information about services, for example, is one area that is identified as in need of improvement.

The report ends by identifying "critical support issues" for older people, with recommendations for Government action under each of these areas. They are listed in order of priority:

- positive attitudes to ageing
• income
• support with personal health needs and needs arising from disability and degenerative conditions
• housing and security
• access to transport
• recreation, education and use of public amenities

Other recommendations are provided relating to: co-ordination and partnership, research gaps, addressing Māori issues, addressing issues for Pacific people, and building a long-term consensus on critical issues.

Future use
The purpose of the research is to contribute to policy development in response to an ageing population. The report offers practical and often simple suggestions, from a consumer perspective, on ways to improve the ability of older people in New Zealand to maintain their independence. Further, it prioritises “critical support issues”, with recommendations for action which reflect the level of importance respondents suggested should be given by Government in order to improve outcomes for older people.

The research report, and its recommendations, can be used to positively inform policy development for older people and for an ageing population. Planning is currently under way within the Ministry of Social Policy for the development of a strategic policy framework for an ageing population. The information in the research report will be a useful resource. The project will also involve wide community and interdepartmental collaboration.

Communication strategy
Approximately $167,000 (GST inclusive) was used to fund the communication strategy for the International Year of Older Persons. The purpose of the strategy was to provide information about events planned for the Year, and to increase awareness about positive ageing and the ways older people contribute to the community.

The main components of the communication strategy were:
• production of poster, badges and folders to promote the logo
• distribution of information and resources through mailouts
• establishment of local volunteer community co-ordinators
• establishment of a website
• development of a calendar of events
ongoing liaison with key older people’s organisations
• publicity and information through other agencies

Information mailouts

More than 20,000 information kits promoting the International Year of Older Persons were developed and distributed by the Senior Citizens Unit. There were four general mailouts – in October 1998 and around each of the three key dates during 1999.

A special mailout was also sent to schools in December 1998 through the Education Gazette. Every school in New Zealand received a copy of the poster developed for the Year, and a list of ideas for school projects. A number of schools organised classroom projects and other activities focusing on older people.

The content of the information kits was tailored to the particular theme of each of the key dates, and included resources such as fact sheets, posters, suggestions for activities, information about planned events, updates on the community projects, and contact details for additional information. Contributions from other organisations such as the Human Rights Commission, the Retirement Commissioner, Tower Senior Achievers Charitable Trust and Age Concern were also included.

The information kits were distributed to a broad range of organisations including older people’s organisations, community organisations, Pacific peoples and other ethnic organisations, youth and tertiary institutions, private sector, public sector, local government (including mayors), Safer Community Councils, community development advisers, libraries and media, and public relations and marketing agencies. Copies were also sent to the United Nations, national focal points of other countries and international older people’s organisations.

Māori language versions of each of the kits were produced and distributed to iwi/Māori groups and organisations through Te Puni Kokiri district offices.

Location of NZ volunteer community co-ordinators

Twenty-nine volunteer community co-ordinators (VCCs) for the Year were established in locations throughout New Zealand. The role of the VCCs was to encourage involvement in activities at the local level and to ensure that the Senior Citizens Unit received information about planned community events.
The VCCs were nominated through older people’s and iwi/Māori organisations, and an initial grant of $500 was provided to each nominating organisation for reimbursement of the volunteers’ expenses. A further grant of $1,000 each was later provided to contribute to local events for the grand finale on 1 October 1999. During the year, the Senior Citizens Unit maintained regular contact with the VCCs, providing administrative and other support.

The VCCs played a critical role in developing networks within their communities and encouraging activities at the local level. The success of their work is evident in the number of activities that took place during the International Year of Older Persons, as listed in the Calendar of Events (Appendix 5). The community networks and positive relationships developed between various groups and individuals in their communities are significant achievements which will continue beyond the International Year of Older Persons.

In November 1999, the Minister for Senior Citizens hosted a function at the Beehive during which certificates of appreciation were presented to the VCCs. A list of the Volunteer Community Coordinators is provided in Appendix 4.

Website

A New Zealand website for the International Year of Older Persons was launched in November 1998, with the address www.iyop.govt.nz. The site detailed information about the national strategy for the Year, including the key dates and themes, and ideas for involvement, as well as suggested projects for schools. A calendar of events was regularly updated, with information on planned activities available on a geographic basis. Information on the community projects that received government funding was also displayed. The site contained direct e-mail contact with the Senior Citizens Unit for people seeking additional information, and a number of government and non-government agencies established hyperlinks from their websites to the IYOP site.

Information about selected departmental and Crown entity activities was also included. The cost of establishing and maintaining the website over two years was about $8,500 (GST inclusive).

The site attracted an average of more than 400 users per month. For the period November 1998 to March 2000, about 51% of users were from New Zealand, 22% were from the United States, 3% were from Australia and 2% were from Canada. The number and international spread of users progressively increased during 1999, with a total of 25 countries accessing the site. The site will remain active until October 2000.

Liaison with key older people’s organisations

The Senior Citizens Unit held regular planning meetings with representatives of Age Concern NZ, Grey Power NZ, the Mature Employment Support Services Association, the University of the Third...
Age, the Alzheimers Society, the Retired Persons Association, and SeniorNet. Meetings were also held with other key community organisations and several representatives from the private sector.

**Communication with iwi/Māori**

Information kits for the Year were produced with key phrases and information in te reo Māori. As its contribution to the Year, the Māori Language Commission checked the translations before the kits were distributed to iwi/Māori groups and organisations through Te Puni Kokiri’s 15 district offices. Te Puni Kokiri also assisted with the establishment of iwi/Māori local community contacts. This strategy resulted in a number of activities for the Year being planned by iwi/Māori.

**Communication with Pacific peoples**

The Ministry of Pacific Island Affairs undertook responsibility for communication with Pacific peoples about the International Year of Older Persons. The Ministry promoted the Year with Pacific peoples’ groups and distributed information through its extensive networks.

**Communication with rural people**

The Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry publicised the International Year of Older Persons in the *Rural Bulletin*, which reaches networks of more than 200,000 rural people.

**Publicity and information through other agencies**

A number of agencies, both government and non-government, publicised the International Year of Older Persons, and activities during the Year, through externally distributed and in-house publications, and through other means. As an example, the Retirement Commissioner included the logo and information about the Year in publicity released by his Office during 1999.

**Media**

Most media interest in the International Year of Older Persons was at the local level, and focused on reporting local activities or publishing information contained in the Senior Citizens Unit’s information kits for the Year. At a national level there were several television and radio interviews on current affair and magazine-type programmes, with the LinkAge guidelines in particular attracting national media interest.

**United Nations and international communication**

As the national focal point for the Year, the Senior Citizens Unit maintained regular communication with the United Nations, through receiving regular bulletins of international information and providing progress reports and information about New Zealand’s activities. The Unit also received information direct from other countries and international organisations.
Government department and Crown entity activities

Government agencies were requested to identify and undertake activities in support of the International Year of Older Persons. The following range of suggested activities was identified in a series of workshops hosted by the Senior Citizens Unit in July and August 1998.

**Government Policy**

- **Strategic planning** — as part of departmental strategic planning exercises, agencies could include consideration of the effects of an ageing population on policy development and service delivery.

- **Research** — research projects undertaken or funded by agencies could include topics or components relevant to older people and/or the ageing population.

- **Funding** — agencies which provide funding could give priority to projects or research that considers or includes older people, or the effect of an ageing population.

**Human Resource Policy**

- **Employment provisions** — existing employment provisions could be reviewed to encourage older employees to remain active in the workplace. Issues such as mentoring, flexibility of working hours, and family friendly policies for workers caring for older relatives could be included in the review, as could issues related to retirement planning.

- **Retirement planning for all staff** — activities could include workplace seminars and distribution of information produced by the Retirement Commissioner.

**Communication**

- **Newsletters** — both internal and external newsletters could include information about the International Year of Older Persons and issues relevant to an ageing population.

- **Publications** — agency publications could include articles about issues or research relevant to older people and an ageing population.

- **Staff debates and seminars** — these could raise awareness about issues relevant to older people and an ageing population.

- **Website** — government agencies could include a hyperlink on their own website to connect to the International Year of Older Persons website.

**Administration**

- **Logo** — government agencies could publicise the International Year of Older Persons through use of the national logo on stationery, or newsletters and publications.

- **Franking envelopes** — agencies could raise awareness about the International Year of Older Persons through franking envelopes with the logo and a message about the Year.

A total of 34 government departments and 45 Crown entities reported undertaking relevant activities including policy, research, funding, human resource policy, communication and administration. Appendix 6 provides a detailed description of government agencies’ contributions to the International Year of Older Persons.

*Now in her 80s, Julia Child is still writing and teaching about her favourite subject – food.*
Appendix 1: United Nations Principles for Older Persons

Independence
Older persons should:
• have access to adequate food, water, shelter, clothing and health care through the provision of income, family and community support and self-help
• have the opportunity to work, or to have access to other income-generating opportunities
• be able to participate in determining when, and at what pace, withdrawal from the labour force takes place
• have access to appropriate educational and training programmes
• be able to live in environments that are safe and adaptable to personal preferences and changing capacities
• be able to reside at home for as long as possible

Participation
Older persons should:
• remain integrated in society, participate actively in the formulation and implementation of policies that directly affect their well-being, and share their knowledge and skills with younger generations
• be able to seek and develop opportunities for service to the community and to serve as volunteers in positions appropriate to their interests and capabilities
• be able to form movements or associations of older persons

Self-fulfilment
Older persons should:
• be able to pursue opportunities for the full development of their potential
• have access to the educational, cultural, spiritual and recreational resources of society

Dignity
Older persons should:
• be able to live in dignity and security and be free of exploitation and physical or mental abuse
• be treated fairly regardless of age, gender, racial or ethnic background, disability or other status, and be valued independently of their economic contribution

In the ten years prior to his death at age 76, Sir Apirana Turupa Ngata was very active in cultural and academic activities, including a revision of the Māori Bible.
Appendix 2: Budget

The New Zealand Government allocated funding of $500,000 (GST exclusive) ($562,500 GST inclusive) for the observance of the International Year of Older Persons in New Zealand. The funding was allocated over two financial years.

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### COMMUNITY PROJECTS

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<td>Te Runanga O Whaingaroa Kaeo</td>
<td>Teams of kaumatuas working with young students suspended from schools.</td>
<td>Monthly activities involving exchange of skills and knowledge</td>
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<td>Northland Library Network Whangarei</td>
<td>Large-print and audio books</td>
<td>Non-funded local co-operative library operated by volunteers</td>
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<td>Onepoto Awhina Auckland (Northcote)</td>
<td>Setting up small and community gardens for and with older people — produce for low-income older people, and involving youth and ethnic interaction</td>
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<td>LEGENDS — Our Kaumatua Resources</td>
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<td>Manukau Chinese New Settlers Service Trust Auckland</td>
<td>Exhibitions of elders’ skills including cooking arts, crafts, calligraphy, tai chi, and tai chi sword performance. Visiting and performing to local people. Aims to display skills, increase self-esteem and integrate elders</td>
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<td>Promotion of Chinese Elders in both Chinese and Pakeha communities Displays/exhibitions</td>
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<td>Mangere Community Law Office Trust Auckland</td>
<td>Older people to go to Manukau Polytech and local colleges to learn computing, information on rights/retirement planning, record stories, songs and proverbs for families, schools and libraries</td>
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<td>Voyages of Discovery for South Pacific Older Peoples Network Intergenerational workshops</td>
<td>Older people to go to Manukau Polytech and local colleges to learn computing, information on rights/retirement planning, record stories, songs and proverbs for families, schools and libraries</td>
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<td>Age Concern Hamilton (national project)</td>
<td>Revise existing intergenerational resource kit for schools, and develop new video and educational worksheets for use in schools</td>
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<td>A Wrinkle in Time Educational resources</td>
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<td>Te Waiariki Purea Trust Rotorua</td>
<td>Te Arawa Journey</td>
<td>Extension of existing successful programme for at-risk youth to undertake weekend activities with kaumatua</td>
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<td>Gisborne Community Arts Council Gisborne</td>
<td>Visual and performing arts exhibitions</td>
<td>Visual art exhibition of works by older people. Performing Arts Festival of older artists. Artists from community, retirement villages and residential care</td>
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<td>Central Hawkes Bay District Library Waipawa</td>
<td>Computer coaching</td>
<td>Computers on a bus for older rural people to learn new skills — taking technology to the people. Equipment to be hired, use of expert trainer with young people as tutors</td>
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<td>Pukeariki Maori Women’s Welfare League New Plymouth</td>
<td>Wahine Toa — celebrating the lives of older women</td>
<td>Research lives of older women achievers and recognise with &quot;This is Your Life&quot;-type event</td>
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<td>Resources/celebration</td>
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<td>Te Whare Akonga — Open Learning Centre Palmerston North</td>
<td>Valuing Yesterday Tomorrow</td>
<td>Research lives of older people — younger and older people working together learning new skills. Completed work to be displayed in public library, copies to City Archives</td>
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<td>Sport Manawatu Palmerston North</td>
<td>A celebration of older people in the Manawatu</td>
<td>Large public gala event with displays by older people through sporting activities, crafts, etc and interactive activities with young</td>
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<td>Masterton District Library Masterton</td>
<td>&quot;Project packs&quot; of facets of Wairarapa history for schools, libraries</td>
<td>Using existing oral history tapes collected over 15 years. Also knowledge and stories of older people today. Leaflets/tape will be produced and presented to local primary schools</td>
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<td>Senior Achievers Charitable Trust Wellington (national project)</td>
<td>Promotional video of previous award winners Resource</td>
<td>Will seek TV screening of video. Video to be part of information pack, with other costs to be met within general promotion budget</td>
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<tr>
<td>Age Concern Wellington</td>
<td>Directory of assistance for older people Resource</td>
<td>Revision and reprint of existing directory produced in 1995. To be distributed to 10,000 older people, libraries, CABX and community organisations</td>
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<td>YWCA Wellington &amp; Hutt Valley Wellington</td>
<td>YWCA — celebrating the contribution of old and young women Displays/workshops</td>
<td>Displays of activities involving older women. Workshops and quiz teams with old and young women. To honour and acknowledge the work of older members and volunteers</td>
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<td>Relationship Services Wellington (national project)</td>
<td>Relationship guide for older people Resource</td>
<td>Publish and distribute throughout New Zealand a booklet on relationships for older people and their families</td>
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<td>Tasman Bays Community Broadcasting Society Inc Nelson</td>
<td>IYOP Community Access Radio Project on Fresh FM Radio programmes</td>
<td>Research, produce and broadcast 43 weekly 30-minute radio programmes by and for older people, including personal profiles, histories, information about social services, examining the future for older people</td>
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<td>Nurse Maude Association Christchurch</td>
<td>Video guide to services for older people Resource — Video</td>
<td>Educational video to assist older Christchurch people, their families and carers to access services to help them maintain their independence</td>
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<td>Presbyterian Support Christchurch</td>
<td>Valuing Older People Through Learning Seminars/Workshops</td>
<td>Monthly workshops for older people, carers and families. Topics include: Ageing is a Family Affair, Grandparenting, Older Volunteers and Volunteering with Older People, Dementia in the Family, Relationships in Retirement</td>
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<td>Central Otago REAP Alexandra</td>
<td>Get Involved</td>
<td>A social, educational, safety, health, leisure event for older people in Alexandra and Clyde districts. Various monthly activities including computer training, games day and Master Olympics</td>
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<td>Age Concern Otago Dunedin</td>
<td>Age on the Go 1999 special programme</td>
<td>Age on the Go is a successful annual event. This funding is for a special programme, including a Mayoral concert</td>
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<td>Age Concern Southland Invercargill</td>
<td>Golden Mile Intergenerational activity</td>
<td>Planting Golden Mile of daffodils along SH1 entering Invercargill, involving older people, service clubs and schools. To flower each October</td>
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Appendix 4: Volunteer Community Co-ordinators

The names of the International Year of Older Persons Volunteer Community Co-ordinators are listed in geographic order.

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<td>Audrey Harris</td>
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<td>Florence Shearman</td>
<td>Te Whare Iwi Whangamata Thames Valley/Coromandel</td>
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<td>Sandra Larsen</td>
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<td>Tony Rika</td>
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<td>Yvonne Vere Williams</td>
<td>Western Bay of Plenty Grey Power</td>
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<td>Alfred Bidois</td>
<td>Huria Community Care Tauranga</td>
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<td>Kathleen Stewart</td>
<td>Ngati Awa Social &amp; Health Services Trust Whakatane</td>
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<td>Roma Cook</td>
<td>Rotorua District Golden Years Centre</td>
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<td>Whare Hornfeck</td>
<td>Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa Rotorua</td>
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<td>Judith Pirie</td>
<td>Mature Employment Support Hawkes Bay Trust</td>
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<td>John Cunningham</td>
<td>New Plymouth Grey Power Association</td>
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<td>Maikara Tapuke</td>
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<td>William Frith</td>
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<td>George Bowers</td>
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<td>Anne Hines</td>
<td>C.A.R.E. Greymouth</td>
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<td>Robin Taylor</td>
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<td>Ricky Mackle</td>
<td>AMES (SC) Charitable Trust Timaru</td>
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<td>Colin Schaab</td>
<td>Mature Occupational Support Service Southland</td>
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Appendix 5: Calendar of Events

The Senior Citizens Unit received information about the following activities that took place in New Zealand during the International Year of Older Persons. Activities are listed in geographic order, following descriptions of those undertaken at the national level.

NATIONAL ACTIVITIES

During 1999  
Tower Senior Achievers Awards Video  
Promotional video of previous award winners which will be part of an information pack about the awards

Organisers:  
Tower Senior Achievers Charitable Trust  
Tel: (04) 527-3118 Fax: (04) 527-4118

This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons

10 & 12 March  
Conference: “Valuing the Older Worker”  
New Zealand and overseas speakers will examine current and future issues and opportunities for employers and older workers as a result of the February changes to the Human Rights Act

Venue:  
Ellerslie Convention Centre, Auckland, 10 March  
Plaza International Hotel, Wellington, 12 March

Organisers:  
Human Rights Commission (09) 375-8621

31 March  
Television Documentary “Inside New Zealand”  
The TV3 documentary The Last Resort goes inside the oldest pensioners’ pad in New Zealand, Parkwood Retirement Village in Waikanae, Kapiti Coast, to find out what really happens behind the rose bushes in the 10 kph zone

6 - 9 April  
Conference: “Challenges and Opportunities: Issues for the Millennium”  
The biennial conference of the New Zealand Association of Gerontology with both international and New Zealand speakers. Topics include lifelong learning and work, research issues, alcohol and substance abuse in old age

Venue:  
Te Papa Tongarewa Museum of New Zealand

Organisers:  
Wellington Gerontology Association and Senior Citizens Unit, Department of Social Welfare

13 April  
Launch of 50 plus Immigration Guide

Venue:  
Beehive Foyer, Parliament Buildings

Organisers:  
New Zealand Immigration Service (04) 915-4222
18 May
Launch of LinkAge Handbook
Venue: Beehive Foyer, Parliament Buildings
Organisers: Senior Citizens Unit, Department of Social Welfare

30 June
Launch of Ageing is Living
An education and training resource for positive ageing
Venue: Centre for Continuing Education Te Whare Pukenga
Organisers: Age Concern New Zealand (04) 471-2709

July -
Ageing is Living Workshops
Details: Will be held around the country
Details: Contact the organisers or local Age Concern Council for details about a workshop in your area
Organisers: Age Concern New Zealand (04) 471-2709

18 August
Launch of Body Image and Ageing
Pick up a booklet at your local Body Shop
Organisers: Body Shop

1 September
Move It or Lose It Day
Celebrating keeping fit and active
Venue: Cities and towns throughout New Zealand
Organisers: Arthritis Foundation with the support of Osteoporosis New Zealand and sponsored by Dairy Advisory Bureau (06) 354-5400

13 - 19 September
Epilepsy in the Older Person – Launch of Pamphlet
To be distributed during Epilepsy Awareness week
Organisers: Epilepsy Association of New Zealand Inc (03) 684-8649

1 October
International Day of Older Persons Walk – Global Embrace
A walk event that will take place in many locations around New Zealand
Organisers: Hillary Commission and Age Concern New Zealand 0800 228-483

1 October
Tower Senior Achievers Awards
Presentation of awards to recognise the outstanding voluntary services and achievements of older people
Venue: Government House, Wellington
Organisers: Tower Senior Achievers Charitable Trust Tel: (04) 527-3118 Fax: (04) 527-4118
6 October  Launch of Booklet on Relationships for Older People and Their Families
The booklet will be distributed throughout New Zealand
Organisers: Relationship Services, Wellington (04) 472-8798
This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons

NORTHLAND
Monthly in 1999
Te Pakiaka
Intergenerational activities – teams of kaumātua or kuia working with young students suspended from schools to exchange skills and knowledge
Organisers: Te Runanga O Whaingaroa, Kaeo
This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons

23 March  Launch of Large Print Books
Books will be available to older readers throughout Northland
Venue: Launch at Coronation Hall, Main Street, Waipu
Organisers: Northland Library Network (09) 439-9611
This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons

26 May  Department of Work and Income Seminar
Opportunity for older people to learn about the new structure of and the services provided by the Department of Work and Income
Venue: Senior Citizens Hall, Russell
Organisers: Age Concern Mid-North (09) 402-6658

7 June  Golf Tournament
For all ages and for golfers and non-golfers. Prizes for all entries
Venue: Wellsford Golf Club, State Highway 1, Wellsford
Organisers: Northland Golden Oldies Hockey Association (09) 423-7129

13 June  Afternoon Dinner
To celebrate the International Year of Older Persons and the second birthday of the "Age Well" programme
Venue: Ngawha Springs Marae
Organiser: Bella Tari, Te Hau Ora O Kaikohe "Age Well" Programme (09) 405-2647
15 June  International Year of Older Persons Concert and Afternoon Tea
Venue: Memorial Hall, Kerikeri
Organisers: Age Concern Mid-North (09) 402-6658

6 July  Age Concern Mid-North Council Luncheon
Gathering of Council to celebrate IYOP and to hear speakers
Venue: Age Concern Mid-North
Organisers: Age Concern Mid-North (09) 402-6658

27 July  Diabetes Seminar
Raising awareness about diabetes
Venue: St John's Ambulance Hall, Kawakawa
Organisers: Age Concern Mid-North (09) 402-6658

3 September  Afternoon Concert
Line dancing, Scottish dancing and the Spice Grannies as well as items from three schools
Venue: Maungaturoto Centennial Hall
Organiser: Mary Corker, Kaiwaka (09) 431-2024

10 September  Ticket to Ride
Venue: Vintage rail steam train/Ferrymans Restaurant
Organisers: Age Concern Mid-North (09) 402-6658

16 September  Tea Dance
Venue: Dalmatian Hall
Organisers: Age Concern Kaitaia & District, Mangonui (09) 406-0899

27 September  Morning Tea with Lottie Trevarton
The fabulous, exciting, warm-hearted jazz musician
Venue: Day Care, Rawene Hospital
Organisers: Rawene Lions Club and Day Care, Rawene Hospital (09) 405-7557

29 September  Children's Day
Poster competition for children at Rawene School and Omanaia School on the topic “Your impression of the older people you know”
Venue: Hokianga Health Enterprise Trust Day Care
Organisers: Rawene Lions Club and Hokianga Health Enterprise Trust Day Care (09) 405-7557
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<td>Celebrating International Day of Older Persons</td>
<td>Bus trip, walk and BBQ lunch Buses leaving from Kawakawa/Kaikohe/Paihia/Kerikeri to Matauri Bay Organisers: Age Concern Mid-North (09) 402-6658</td>
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<td>Launch of “Golden Oldie” Storybook</td>
<td>A collection of stories collected from older people attending Hokianga Health Enterprise Trust Day Care A Senior Achievers Award will also be presented Organisers: Rawene Lions Club and Hokianga Health Enterprise Trust Day Care (09) 405-7557</td>
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<td>Craft Exhibition</td>
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<td>Mix and Mingle</td>
<td>Centred around ethnic food cooking and tasting Organisers: Onepoto Awhina (09) 419-1692</td>
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<td>Meet and Mingle</td>
<td>Organisers: Kaipara District Council, Margaret Hitchens (09) 439-5142</td>
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<td>Lunch and Movie</td>
<td>50 older people will be taken by bus for lunch and to see a movie Organisers: Rawene Lions Club and Hokianga Health Enterprise Trust Day Care (09) 405-7557</td>
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9 October  Afternoon Concert
Entertainment and afternoon tea
Venue: Kaiwaka Community Hall, Mangawhai Road
Organisers: Kaiwaka Girl Guides and Units (09) 431-2024

18 November  Outing and Lunch at Kaikohe Pioneer Village
Organisers: Age Concern Kaitaia & District, Mangonui (09) 406-0899

27 November  Honorary Dinner
Dinner/Nga Mihi (speeches) followed by entertainment, band, activities and dance/mix and mingle
Venue: Mangaiti Marae, Mangaiti Lane, Omauna Road, Kaeo
Organisers: Mangaiti Marae (09) 405-0262

2 December  Cottage Meeting
Lunch for members and potential members unable to attend meetings
Venue: Kohukohu, Broadwood, Hokianga
Organisers: Age Concern Kaitaia & District, Mangonui (09) 406-0899

WHANGAREI

28 March  Golden Oldies Hockey Festival
Six-a-side hockey
Venue: Carters Stadium, Park Road, Kensington, Whangarei
Organisers: Northland Golden Oldies Hockey Association (09) 423-7129

13 April  Protecting Your Future Seminar
Guest speaker from Guardian Trust
Venue: Age Concern House, 16 Manse Street, Whangarei
Organisers: Age Concern Whangarei (09) 438-8043

21 April  Elder Abuse and Neglect Seminar
Venue: Age Concern House, 16 Manse Street, Whangarei
Organisers: Age Concern Whangarei (09) 438-8043

28 April  Safe with Age
Safe driving for older people
Venue: St John Driving Academy, Whangarei
Organisers: Age Concern Whangarei (09) 438-8043
29 April     Elder Abuse and Neglect Seminar  
Venue: Age Concern House, 16 Manse Street, Whangarei  
Organisers: Age Concern Whangarei (09) 438-8043  

9 May      Golden Oldies Hockey Festival  
Eleven-a-side hockey  
Venue: Tomarata Domain, Pariki Block Road, 4 RD, Wellsford  
Organisers: Rodney Hockey Association (09) 423-7129  

11 May      Coping With Failing Sight Seminar  
Guest speakers from Foundation for the Blind  
Venue: Age Concern House, 16 Manse Street, Whangarei  
Organisers: Age Concern Whangarei (09) 438-8043  

15 May      Spirit of New Zealand  
Two sailings specifically for older people aboard the Spirit of New Zealand  
Venue: Port Road, Whangarei  
Organisers: Spirit of Adventure Trust and Age Concern Whangarei (09) 373-2060  

22 - 23 May   Healthy Ageing Seminar  
Guest speakers from the Order of St John  
Venue: Age Concern House, 16 Manse Street, Whangarei  
Organisers: Age Concern Whangarei (09) 438-8043  

September      Memories  
An “open house” display of mementos, tools and other interesting things belonging to older people who will talk to invited primary school children about these special items  
Venue: Age Concern House, Whangarei  
Organisers: Age Concern Whangarei (09) 438-8043  

15 - 16 September      Ageing is Living  
A two day workshop to address issues relating to positive ageing for those who work with older people  
Venue: Order of St John Ambulance Centre  
Organisers: Age Concern Whangarei (09) 438-8043
21 September - Young at Heart Art

1 October A range of art and craft activities for young people and an older friend/relative
Venue: The Quarry, Selwyn Avenue, Whangarei
Organisers: Te Kowhai Print Trust and Age Concern Whangarei
(09) 438-5868 or (09) 438-8043

1 October Global Embrace
International Day of Older Persons Walk. Walk to The Quarry and enjoy a cuppa and chat with “Young at Heart Art” and view the artwork
Venue: Kensington Park
Organisers: Age Concern Whangarei (09) 438-8043
KiwiSeniors, Sport North

9 October Luncheon
Older rural residents will be hosted for luncheon
Venue: County Garden Teahouse, Glenbervie, RD 3, Whangarei
Organisers: Kiripaka Branch WDFF (09) 437-5613

AUCKLAND

During 1999 Golden Years – Garden Project
Small and community gardens set up for and with older people
Organisers: Onepoto Awhina, Northcote, Auckland

This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons

Monthly Special Interest Walks in 1999
Local rangers will be the guides on these monthly walks in the Waitakere Ranges and coastal beaches. Walks will include talks on local Māori and Pakeha history, botany, insect life, etc.
Organisers: Sport Waitakere (09) 836-7719 or 025 274-2280

13 - 14 February Dance Extravaganza
A full weekend of dance lessons and classes incorporating Old Time, Modern Sequence, Ballroom, Latin American, Line and Square dancing
Venue: New Lynn Community Centre
Organisers: Sport Waitakere (09) 836-7719 or 025 274-2280
15 - 18 February  Conference: University of the Third Age
Venue: Auckland University
Organisers: University of the Third Age Auckland

26 February  Healthy Lifestyles
Find out what you can do here on the North Shore
Venue: Mary Thomas Centre, 3 Gibbons Road, Takapuna
Organisers: Age Concern North Shore (09) 489-4975

27 February  Round the Bays Walk
For people not confident enough to do the Fun Run/Walk in March
Venue: Leaving from the ferry building
Organisers: Sport Waitakere (09) 836-7719 or 025 274-2280

6 March  Warrant of Fitness – Health Check Day
Health and fitness check-up, eyes, hearing, diabetes
Venue: Big Top Recreation Centre
Organisers: Sport Waitakere (09) 836-7719 or 025 274-2280

10 March  Conference: “Valuing the Older Worker”
Venue: Ellerslie Convention Centre, Auckland
Organisers: Human Rights Commission (09) 375-8621

26 March  Footcare
Organisers: Age Concern North Shore (09) 489-4975

25 April  Legends of our Kaumātua – Anzac Day Reflections
First in a series of television programmes. Focuses on perspectives of older veterans and cadets towards ANZAC Day
Venue: Triangle Television, Auckland
Organisers: Waiata Artists Trust (09) 376-6514

26 April  Mass Sit Dance
Fun-filled exercise and entertainment for residents of rest homes and others unable to exercise standing up
Venue: Big Top Recreation Centre
Organisers: Sport Waitakere (09) 836-7719 or 025 274-2280

30 April  Planning Ahead Seminar
Venue: Mary Thomas Centre, 3 Gibbons Road, Takapuna
Organisers: Age Concern North Shore (09) 489-4975
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22 May  Celebrating International Year of Older Persons
A special market with community group stalls, music, entertainment and dancing by young and old
Venue: Ostend Market, Waiheke Island
Organisers: WICOSS, Waiheke Health Trust (09) 372-6375

28 May  Nutrition Seminar
Venue: Mary Thomas Centre, 3 Gibbons Road, Takapuna
Organisers: Age Concern North Shore (09) 489-4975

5 June  Holistic Health Day
Holistic health professionals will be available to discuss the services they provide
Venue: Big Top Recreation Centre, Henderson
Organiser: Kay Lindley, Sport Waitakere (09) 836-7719

25 June  Successful Ageing Seminar: Do you have a positive attitude?
Venue: Mary Thomas Centre, 3 Gibbons Road, Takapuna
Organisers: Age Concern North Shore (09) 489-4975

July  Variety Concert
Involving school children and older people
Organisers: Age Concern Rodney (09) 426-0916

3 July  Pacific Older People – Cultural and Arts Day
Venue: Pacific Elderly Day Care Centre
Organisers: Tongan Community Trust Inc (09) 620-0128

9 July  Lower Huia Dam Walk
Guided walk to learn about ecology and human history
Organiser: Kay Lindley, Sport Waitakere (09) 836-7719

12 - 18 July  Programmes for Older People
In conjunction with the community centres and community houses in Waitakere City
Organiser: Kay Lindley, Sport Waitakere (09) 836-7719

16 July  Day of Prayer and Cultural Events
A special day to acknowledge the importance of older people in the community
Venue: Pacific Elderly Day Care Centre
Organisers: Tongan Community Trust Inc (09) 620-0128
20 & 27 July  The University of Auckland Winter Lectures
International Year of Older Persons: Challenges for the new millennium

Topics:
20 July – Sustaining ageing: The competing needs of the baby boomers and the baby blippers. Professor Ian Pool, Director Population Studies Centre, University of Waikato
27 July – The ageing workforce in the new millennium: Benefit or burden. Professor David Thomson, Head of History Programme, School of History, Philosophy and Politics, Massey University

Venue: Maidment Theatre, 8 Alfred Street, Auckland
Organisers: The University of Auckland

28 July - Chinese Traditional Arts Exhibition

12 August  Promotion of Chinese Elders in both Chinese and Pakeha communities
Organisers: Manukau Chinese New Settlers Service Trust, Auckland
This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons

30 July Elder Abuse Seminar: Do you suspect this?
Venue: Mary Thomas Centre, 3 Gibbons Road, Takapuna
Organisers: Age Concern North Shore (09) 489-4975

August - Voyages of Discovery for South Pacific Older People’s Network
December 1. Computing, legal issues, and oral history workshops
2. Launch of booklet containing stories of older people. The launch will take place in December

Venue: Pakuranga Culture Centre, Auckland
Organisers: Mangere Community Law Office Trust
This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons

3, 10, 17, 24 The University of Auckland Winter Lectures
August International Year of Older Persons: Challenges for the new millennium

Topics:
3 August – Superannuation: A conundrum for the millennium. Ms Susan St John, Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, The University of Auckland
10 August – Through a glass darkly: Seeing old age and the old. Ms Anne Else, Honorary Research Associate, Women’s Studies, Victoria University of Wellington
17 August – Caring and sharing: The state, the family and the people who are ageing with intellectual disability. Dr Jennifer Hand, Senior Lecturer, Department of Community Health, The University of Auckland

24 August – Older Māori in the new millennium. Associate Professor Ngapare Hopa, Head of Māori Studies, The University of Auckland

Venue: Maidment Theatre, 8 Alfred Street, Auckland
Organisers: The University of Auckland

13 August Waitakere Fairy Falls Walk
See the beautiful bush and many unusual plants plus 400-year-old kauri tree
Organiser: Kay Lindley, Sport Waitakere (09) 836-7719

18 August Healthy Ageing Expo
Promoting healthy, positive lifestyle choices for older citizens
Venue: Ellerslie Convention Centre, Auckland
Organisers: NZ Nurses Organisation Gerontology Section (09) 524-4405

20 August Natural Therapies/Holistic Health Information Day
Organisers: Age Concern North Shore (09) 489-4975

21 August Feest dag voor de oudere Nederlanders (Day for the Elderly Dutch People)

Venue: Kelston Community Centre, Auckland
Organisers: Friendly Support Network Auckland of the Netherlands Community (09) 834-6247

25 August - Biblical Study

15 September Discussion/reflection on new questions of then and the new millennium
Venue: 637 Sandringham Road, Auckland 3
Organiser: Sister Moira Feeney (09) 629-2128

27 August How Safe is Your Environment?
Falls and fire prevention
Venue: Mary Thomas Centre, 3 Gibbons Road, Takapuna
Organisers: Age Concern North Shore (09) 489-4975
1 September  | International Move It or Lose It Day  
| Tai Chi, Yoga and Forever Young Programme  
| Venues: Club Physical, Westgate, New Lynn and Te Atatu  
| Organisers: Sport Waitakere (09) 836-7719  

8 September  | Rest Home Olympics  
| To promote active ageing and the benefits of physical and social activities  
| Venue: Badminton Hall, 99A Gillies Avenue, Epsom  
| Organiser: Sharon Rimmer, Sport Auckland (09) 358-1238  

10 September  | Rest Home Games  
| Modified games for older people, run like the Olympics with gold, silver and bronze medals  
| Venue: Big Top Recreation Centre, Henderson  
| Organiser: Kay Lindley, Sport Waitakere (09) 836-7719  

11 September  | Tai Chi Friendship Performance and Competition  
| Promotion of Chinese Elders in both Chinese and Pakeha communities  
| Venue: Howick Recreation Centre, Auckland  
| Organisers: Manukau Chinese New Settlers Service Trust, Auckland  
| This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons  

15 September  | Line Dancing  
| Come and enjoy the fun  
| Venue: Prescott Club, Takapuna  
| Organisers: 60s-Up Movement of NZ Inc (09) 489-5922  

16 September  | Festival  
| Display of arts and crafts, entertainment and shared lunch  
| Venue: Vaine Mo’onia Hall, Richmond Road, Ponsonby  
| Organisers: Pacific Older People’s Auckland Network (09) 623-3010  

20 September  | Display of books of interest to older people  

3 October  | School holiday programme – one-day activities on the theme “Grandparents”  
| Venue: Glenfield Library  
| Organisers: Glenfield Library (09) 486-8554
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One-hour walk at three levels, catering for different abilities, followed by displays, seminars and health checks. Activities include children and older people painting tiles together; these will be used to create a wall commemorating the International Year of Older Persons

Venue: Ellerslie Convention Centre, Auckland
Organisers: Age Concern Auckland (09) 623-0184, Sharon Rimmer, Sport Auckland (09) 358-1238

30 September  Seminar at the Health Ageing Expo
The Marianne Caughey Smith-Preston Trust Board will sponsor a seminar at the Expo

Venue: Ellerslie Convention Centre, Auckland
Organisers: Marianne Caughey Smith-Preston Trust Board (09) 520-3014

30 September  Ageing is Living Workshop
Organisers: Age Concern Auckland (09) 623-0184

30 September  Open day
Venue: Methodist Church, corner Lake Road & Tennyson Avenue, Takapuna
Organisers: 60s-Up Movement of NZ Inc (09) 489-5922

Weekly during October  The Tai Chi Ball Method
An holistic approach to exercise

Venue: Fencible Lounge, Uxbridge Road, Howick, Auckland
Organisers: Counties Manukau Sports Foundation, Leanne McDonald (09) 358-1238

1 October  Positive Ageing Walk
Celebrating International Year of Older Persons with a brass band and marching girls

Venue: Walk starts at North Shore City Council Buildings
Organisers: Age Concern North Shore (09) 489-4975

1 October  International Year of Older Persons Concert
Venue: War Memorial Hall, The Strand, Takapuna
Organisers: Age Concern North Shore, Maxine Clarke (09) 489-4975
1 October  International Day of Older Persons Walk
One-hour easy walk of local interest followed by a cuppa in
Café 1 at Big Top
Venue: Meet at Big Top, Henderson
Organisers: Henderson Senior Walk Group, Grey Power – Waitakere
Superannuitants Association Inc (09) 836-1095 or (09) 818-2580

1 October  Photographic Exhibition Preview
Venue: War Memorial Hall, The Strand, Takapuna
Organiser: Chris Jones (09) 489-4975

1 October  Tree Planting and Special Cake Cutting
Special guests will be present for this special event
Venue: Lady Allum Village, 20 Napoleon Avenue, Milford
Organisers: Lady Allum Village

1 - 10 October  Photographic Exhibition Preview
Venue: Bruce Mason Centre
Organiser: Chris Jones (09) 489-4975

2 October  Onepoto Awhina’s Ethnic Food Tasting and Sharing Day
Venue: Northcote Community House by Northcote Intermediate School
Organisers: Diana or Wallace Ngapo (09) 419-1692

3 October  Old Time Tea Dance
Chic Littlewood compèring, local music, square dancing
demonstration and afternoon tea
Venue: Ostend Hall, Waiheke Island
Organisers: Waiheke Health Trust, WICOSS and Auckland City
(09) 372-6375

8 October  Let’s Make a Garden
Kindy kids and grans planting flowers donated by Papakura
District Council
Venue: Central Park, Papakura
Organisers: National Council of Women Counties, Manukau Branch, Papakura
District Council and Nina Busing Kindergarten (09) 298-1098

Michelangelo painted his masterpieces on the ceiling of
the Cistine Chapel, St Peters Basilica, between the ages of 71 and 89.
9 October  
**The International Year of Older Persons Celebration Party**
Promotion of Chinese Elders in both Chinese and Pakeha communities

**Venue:** Papatoetoe Town Hall, Auckland

**Organisers:** Manukau Chinese New Settlers Service Trust, Auckland  
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10 October  
**Special Worship Holy Communion Service**

**Venue:** Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 20 Church Street, Devonport

**Organiser:** Rev Murray Spackman (09) 445-0378

10 October  
**Interdenominational Church Service**
Up to 1,000 people will celebrate the contributions of older people on Mental Health Day

**Venue:** Auckland Cathedral of the Holy Trinity

**Organisers:** Mental Health Foundation (09) 630-8573 Extn 814

11 October  
**Morning Melodies**
Celebration of Age

**Venue:** Bruce Mason Centre

**Organisers:** Bruce Mason Centre (09) 488-3133 or Linda (09) 489-4994

13 October  
**Walking Event**
Special guests will be present for this special event

**Venue:** Lady Allum Village, 20 Napoleon Avenue, Milford

**Organisers:** Lady Allum Village

15 October  
**First School Mass**
Invitations to older people

**Venue:** St Joseph's Church, 10 Dominion Street

**Organiser:** Anncha Woodhead (09) 489-4994

29 October  
**Enduring Power of Attorney Seminar**

**Venue:** Mary Thomas Centre, 3 Gibbons Road, Takapuna

**Organisers:** Age Concern North Shore (09) 489-4975

29 October  
**Thanksgiving Service, Art and Crafts Display, plus Entertainment**
A special day to mark the International Year of Older Persons

**Venue:** Lotofaleia Methodist Hall, 34 Orly Avenue, Mangere

**Organisers:** Tongan Community Trust Inc (09) 620-0128
31 October  
**Push Play Mayoral Challenge**
National walk with Mayors leading and encouraging others to walk

**Venue:** Opanuku Walkway, Henderston Park, Wilsher Crescent

**Organisers:** Sport Auckland Waitakere (09) 836-7719

**November**  
**Caughey-Preston Gerontology Nursing Scholarship**
A grant of $2,000 will be awarded annually to a registered nurse to further his/her studies in the care of older people. This scholarship has been established to mark the International Year of Older Persons

**Organisers:** Cambridge Co-ordinating Committee for International Year of Older Persons (07) 827-6097

7 November  
**Coast to Coast Walk**
A walk for striders and strollers from Onehunga to downtown Auckland

**Venue:** Walk starts at Hornes Reserve, Onehunga

**Organisers:** Sport Auckland Waitakere (09) 836-7719

12 November  
**Celebrating Age Expo**

**Organisers:** Age Concern North Shore (09) 489-4975

26 November  
**Road Safety Seminar**
Pedestrian and driving issues

**Venue:** Mary Thomas Centre, 3 Gibbons Road, Takapuna

**Organisers:** Age Concern North Shore (09) 489-4975

### HAMILTON

**During 1999**  
**Sponsorship of park benches**
To encourage older people to get out and walk for exercise and mobility

**Organisers:** Cambridge Co-ordinating Committee for International Year of Older Persons (07) 827-6097

3 January  
**International Year of Older Persons Display**

**Venue:** Hamilton Central Library

**Organisers:** Hamilton Central Library and Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266

1 February  
**International Year of Older Persons Display**

**Venue:** Hamilton Central Library

**Organisers:** Hamilton Central Library and Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266
10 February  Seminar: “To be or not to be”
Topics include: Removal of an upper age limit to provisions in the Human Rights Act 1993
Reinventing yourself
Rock the Boat – it’s time to issue the challenges
Venue: Hamilton City Council Reception Lounge
Organisers: Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266

9 March  Health Checks
Venue: Chartwell Shopping Centre
Organisers: Health Management Group and Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266

11 March  Artmakers Intergenerational Art Workshops
Venue: Age Concern Hamilton and Brylyn Resthome
Organisers: Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266 and Brylyn Resthome

17 March  Poem Competition
Winner receives Hot Air Balloon ride for self and grandchild
Venue: Age Concern Hamilton
Organisers: Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266

24 March  Celebrating Age Forum
Presentations about personal safety, information about crime and safety related services, kaumātua well-being and self-defence for older people. Invited guests include the Minister for Senior Citizens and the Mayor of Hamilton City
Venue: Celebrating Age Centre, 30 Victoria Street, Hamilton
Organisers: Safer Hamilton and Celebrating Age Centre in association with Grey Power, Age Concern, Senior Citizens Association and iwi/Māori (07) 834 2306

7 April  Mayor’s Morning Tea
The Mayor is hosting a morning tea for people in Hamilton who are over the age of 90 years
Organisers: Hamilton City Council and Age Concern Hamilton, (07) 838-2266

21 April  Positive Ageing Workshop
Venue: Volunteer Centre, Hamilton
Organisers: Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266

27 April  Through Other Eyes Workshop
Venue: Te Awamutu
Organisers: Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266
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27 May  | Celebration of Age
        | Groups of children will run assemblies, including plays, songs and
dance to demonstrate changes over the years, to an audience of
grandparents and older friends invited by the students.
Venue: Frankton School
Organisers: Frankton Primary School (07) 847-6726

June - August  | Celebratory Luncheons
               | 250 people over 75 years will be hosted for lunch and
entertainment by young people
Dates: 21 June, 6 & 19 July, 3 & 16 August
Organisers: Cambridge Co-ordinating Committee for International Year of
Older Persons (07) 827-6097

3 June  | Morning Tea
Venue: Assisi Rest Home
Organisers: Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266

17 June  | Concert
        | Intergenerational concert for school pupils, community members,
rest home residents, individuals and groups
Venue: Simmons Hall, Aparangi, Te Kauwhata
Organisers: Community Representatives c/- Aparangi Residential Care Unit
(07) 826-3542

July  | War Song Concerts
Venue: Methodist Church, London Street, Hamilton
Organisers: Methodist Church, London Street, Hamilton

July  | Lunch-time Soup and Concert
Venue: St Albans Church, Hamilton
Organisers: St Albans Church, Hamilton

5 August  | BBQ
Venue: Hamilton East Shopping Centre
Organisers: Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266

31 August  | Sit and Be Fit (For Move it or Lose it Day)
Organisers: Sport Waikato and Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266

8 September  | Positive Ageing Workshop
Venue: Volunteer Centre
Organisers: Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266
15 September  International Year of Older Persons Rest Home Games
Venue: Hamilton Gardens
Organisers: Sport Waikato (Hamilton) (07) 838-2655

20 September  International Year of Older Persons Display
Venue: Hamilton Central Library
Organisers: Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266

28 September  International Year of Older Persons Rest Home Games
A fun day of exercise and activities involving more than six rest homes and community volunteers and visitors
Venue: Trinity Church Hall, Cambridge
Organisers: Sport Waikato-Waipa District and Waipa Rest Homes (07) 823-25110

29 September  Opening of Budget Advice Service for Older People
Venue: Celebrating Age Centre, 30 Victoria Street
Organisers: Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266

1 October  Launch of booklet – Memories and Anecdotes of Older People
Window displays in shops celebrating older people
Organisers: Cambridge Co-ordinating Committee for International Year of Older Persons (07) 827-6097

1 October  Champagne Breakfast/International Day of Older Persons Walk
Breakfast with Hubbards Cereals – live entertainment, spot prizes followed by Sport Waikato/Age Concern’s International Day of Older Persons walk and morning tea
Venue: Celebrating Age Centre, 30 Victoria Street, Hamilton
Organisers: Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266 and Sport Waikato (Hamilton) (07) 838-2655

1 October  Launch of Body Image Project
Organisers: Body Shop and Age Concern Hamilton (07) 838-2266

1 October  Te Awamutu International Year of Older Persons Rest Home Games
Nine teams of residents from rest homes in the area will take part in Olympic-style games. The Mayor and other celebrities will attend the games
Venue: Te Awamutu Bible Chapel, Swarbrick Drive
Organisers: Sport Waikato and Te Awamutu Diversional Therapists (07) 838-2657
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**Afternoon Tea Dance**
Enjoy dancing and afternoon tea to the music of a seven-piece band

**Venue:** Tauranga RSA  
**Organisers:** Western Bay of Plenty Grey Power (07) 576-7991, Age Concern Tauranga (07) 578-2631

**30 April**  
**Kiwi Sports Day**  
Intergenerational sports day with single events, mixed-team events and old-fashioned events, e.g. egg and spoon races

**Venue:** Morgan Park, Clarke Street, Waihi  
**Organisers:** WEN Community Agency Inc. (07) 863-6866

**May - September**  
**Book: Celebrating Older People in Waihi**
Students from schools in Waihi will interview older people and collect anecdotes and recipes. These will be published in a limited edition book with photographs and drawings. The book will be launched on 1 October

**Organisers:** WEN Community Agency Inc (07) 863-6866

**2 May**  
**Concert: A range of groups will perform and a souvenir programme will be issued**

**Venue:** Baycourt, Durham Street, Tauranga  
**Organisers:** Western Bay of Plenty Grey Power (07) 576-7991, Age Concern Tauranga (07) 578-2631

**17 - 21 May**  
**Kainga Kautia Nga Kaumātua “Valuing Older People”**
Art exhibition and workshops including precious Māori relics from the past and the present. Workshop with master carver and student carvers and Māori women weaving flax

**Venue:** Baycourt, Durham Street, Tauranga  
**Organisers:** Huria Community Care (07) 578-4006 or (07) 578-7838

**21 May**  
**Positive Retirement Expo**
Opportunity to view products and services that are available for people in retirement or those approaching retirement

**Venue:** Greerton Community Hall, Cameron Road, Greerton, Tauranga  
**Organisers:** Aspect Leisure and Education Services (07) 579-1156

**17 August**  
**Healthy Ageing Expo**
Products and services available for people in retirement or approaching retirement

**Venue:** Waihi Memorial Hall, Seddon Street, Waihi  
**Organisers:** WEN Community Agency Inc (07) 863-6822
30 September  International Year of Older Persons Seminar
Speakers, entertainment and finger food
Venue: Community Village Hall
Organisers: Age Concern Tauranga (07) 578-2631

1 October  Walk for Health
Encouraging positive exercise
Venue: Tauranga Harbour Estuary
Organisers: Huria Community Care (07) 578-4006

1 October  Fashion Parade
Cultural clothing/eveningwear/children’s clothing will be displayed
by kaumātua/rangatahi/pepe
Venue: Tamapahore Marae, Tareha Lane, Mount Maunganui
Organisers: Whaioranga Trust (07) 544-0381

1 October  Kapa Haka
Come and enjoy the music
Venue: QE2 Park Stadium
Organisers: Huria Community Care (07) 578-4006

1 - 29 October  Through the Eyes of a Child
Art Competition for primary schools in Tauranga and district.
The art works will depict the value, wisdom and mana their
grandparents possess
Venue: Pictures displayed at Gisborne District Library
Organisers: Huria Community Care (07) 578-4006

9 October  Performing Arts Festival
Older and younger adults together with children will perform
cultural and contemporary dance and music
Venue: Queen Elizabeth Youth Centre, 11th Avenue
Organisers: Huria Community Care (07) 578-4006

20 - 22 October  Reflections of the Century
Photos, clothes and much more, depicting the last ten decades in
Tauranga
Venue: Baycourt
Organisers: Tauranga District Council
ROTORUA

Weekly in  Marae Line Dancing
February  Line dancing to music for older people
Venue:    Mondays – Apumoana, Hurunga, Hinemihi Marae
          Tuesdays – Ngongotaha Health Centre
          Wednesdays – RSA
Organisers: Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa, Whare Hornfeck (07) 348-3377

14 February  Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa Sports Festival
             Sport and cultural festival for all ages and abilities
Venue:      Rotorua Aquatic Centre, Lake View Golf Course, John Paul College
Organisers: Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa (07) 348-3377

18 February  This is Your Life
             “Unsung Heroes” profiles/photos, line dancing, Age Concern
             singers, culture group, stalls, etc
Venue:      City Focus Mall, Rotorua
Organisers: Roma Cook (07) 348-7258 and Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of
            Plenty (07) 348-4125

20 - 21 February  Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa Sports Festival
                  Sport and cultural festival for all ages and abilities
Venue:      Rotorua Boys High School, Lake Tikitapu
Organisers: Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa (07) 348-3377

March - June  Te Arawa Journey
Four two-day intergenerational hui held at different marae for
young and older people to share experiences, views, opinions,
whakapapa, oral history, waiata, knowledge of kawa/tikanga and
stories from the local area
Organisers: Te Waiariki Purea Trust, Rotorua

Weekly in  Marae Line Dancing
March     Line dancing to music for older people
Venue:    Mondays – Apumoana, Hurunga, Hinemihi Marae
          Tuesdays – Ngongotaha Health Centre
          Wednesdays – RSA
Organiser: Whare Hornfeck (07) 348-3377
2 March  Picnic in the Park
Lunchtime picnic with other rest homes,
Kuirau Park, Rotorua
Organisers: Mitchell Downs Complex (07) 347-9658

5 March  Mokoia Island Tour
Organiser: Roma Cook (07) 348-7258

13 March  Te Arawa Regional Kapa Haka
Cultural festival involving all age groups. Finalists go through to national Kapa Haka competition
Venue: Sportsdrome, Rotorua
Organisers: Rotorua Regional Kapa Haka Committee (07) 348-3377

13 - 14 March  NZ International Walk
Contact the organiser for details
Organiser: Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125

28 March  Te Arawa vs Mataatua Challenge
Sport and cultural challenge, involving all age groups in a range of sports and activities
Venue: Western Heights High School, Old Quarry Road, Rotorua
Organisers: Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa (07) 348-3377

April  Arts Day
Try your hand at different forms of art
Organiser: Roma Cook (07) 348-7258

6 April  Ten Pin Bowling
Organisers: Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa (07) 348-3377

17 April  Kaumātua Autumn Ball
Organisers: Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa (07) 348-3377

19 April  Geyserland Ten Pin Morning
Come and join other older people's organisations and see the demonstrations
Venue: Geyserland, Rotorua
Organiser: Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125

22 April  Street party
Older people's organisations will hold an open day at their premises
Venue: Contact organisers for information. Transport will be provided by Lions Club
Organisers: Roma Cook (07) 348-7258 and Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125
26 April  Open Day – YWCA  
  Strollers, walkers, trampers, yoga newrhythmics, self-defence  
  **Venue:** YWCA, Rotorua  
  **Organiser:** Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125

1 May  Rotorua Marathon  
  International Year of Older Persons will be highlighted at the start of the marathon. Profiles of older people participating in the marathon will be publicised prior to the event  
  **Organiser:** Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125

3 May  Indoor/Outdoor Bowls – Open Day  
  Join the fun and join club members for afternoon tea  
  **Venue:** Rotorua East Indoor/Outdoor Bowls Club, Warwick Drive, Rotorua  
  **Organisers:** Rotorua East Indoor/Outdoor Bowls Club and Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125

7 - 10 May  Celebration of King Koroki’s Anniversary  
  Queen Ataarangi Kahu Day of Celebration. Rotorua Marae Line Dancers invited to take part  
  **Venue:** Turangawaewae Marae, Ngaruawahia  
  **Organisers:** Rotorua Marae Line Dancers (07) 348-3377

14 May  Grandparents Day  
  In schools and rest homes  
  Contact the organisers for details  
  **Organisers:** Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125  
  Roma Cook (07) 348-7258, Whare Hornfeck (07) 348-4125  
  and Hinemaua Rikirangi Thomas (07) 348-3377

15 - 16 May  Hikoi (Walk) to Tarawere Mountain  
  An educational and leisure walk and boat ride to learn about the history of the area  
  **Organisers:** Tuhourangi Runanga (07) 349-0216

19 June  Hat and Glove Tea Party  
  Hosted by Mayoress Sandy Hall  
  **Venue:** Sheritan Hotel – sponsors  
  **Organisers:** Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125  
  Roma Cook (07) 348-7258 and Whare Hornfeck (07) 348-4125
August  Water Sports
Join in the fun at the pool – swimming, aqua jogging, flutter boards/fins
Venue: Aquatic Centre
Organiser: Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125

August  Senior Citizens Open Day
Organisers: Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125
Roma Cook (07) 348-7258 and Whare Hornfeck (07) 348-4125

August  Storytelling Workshops
With Jill Walker
Organisers: Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125
Roma Cook (07) 348-7258 and Whare Hornfeck (07) 348-4125

August  SeniorNet
Computer skills for seniors
Organiser: Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125

August - Memoir Writing
4 September  An opportunity for older people, living in the Bay of Plenty, to write about events in their life prior to 1970 (no more than 1,250 words)
Organisers: Rotorua Writers Group (07) 348-7400

September  Commemorative Garden
A garden to commemorate the International Year of Older Persons
Organisers: Rotorua District Council, Roma Cook (07) 348-7258

1 September  Move it or Lose it
Exercises and sitting down activities
Venue: Rotorua City Focus
Organisers: Arthritis Foundation of NZ and Osteoporosis New Zealand
Jessica Pickering (07) 348-5121
Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa (07) 348-3377

4 - 5 September  Self-defence
For women 55 plus, come along and learn self-defence
Venue: YWCA, Te Ngae Road (opposite Big Fresh)
Organisers: YWCA, Sue McGeorge (07) 348-5445
11 September  **Golden Years Tea Dance**  
Non-stop music, nostalgia and jazz bands, Monte Carlo, spot waltz and supper plus ballroom and line dancing demonstrations  
**Venue:** Rotorua Soundshell  
**Organisers:** Roma Cook (07) 348-7258 and Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125

15 September  **Down Memory Lane**  
Bus tour of historic places organised by Rotorua District Council including the Commemorative Garden  
**Organisers:** Rotorua District Council Support for the Elderly Group, Roma Cook (07) 348-4125

16 September  **Golden Years – A day with “Mrs Bucket”**  
**Venue:** Marist St Michael’s Club, Te Ngae Road (opposite Big Fresh)  
**Organisers:** Roma Cook (07) 348-7258 and Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125

17 September  **City on its Feet – Heart Week Celebration**  
Get out and about, look for the checkpoints and buy a passport to be in for the big draw  
**Organiser:** Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125

1 October  **International Day of Older Persons Historical Walk**  
An historical hikoi through old village areas, graveyards, forgotten lakes and a marae that is submerged by water  
**Organisers:** Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125 or Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa (07) 348-3377

1 October  **Memoir Writing – Prizegiving**  
**Venue:** Galleria, Civic Centre, Rotorua  
**Organisers:** Rotorua Writers Group (07) 348-7400

1 October  **Department of Work and Income Open Day**  
Practical demonstrations of old recipes, remedies, traditions, music and much more  
**Organisers:** Department of Work and Income, Rotorua

3 October  **Mayoral Command Performance**  
**Venue:** Convention Centre  
**Organisers:** Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125  
Roma Cook (07) 348-7258 and Whare Hornfeck (07) 348-3377
13 October  Rotorua Rest Home Games
Venue:  Sportsdrome
Organiser:  Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125

15 October  Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa Auahi Kore Sports Awards
Including Kaumātua sports awards
Venue:  Sheraton Hotel, Rotorua
Organiser:  Olive Morgan (07) 348-3377

30 October  Marae to Marae Fun Run Around Lake Rotorua
A relay event involving 14 marae and people from all age groups.
Kaumātua will carry the baton on the first leg of the run
Organisers:  Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa Whare Hornfeck (07) 348-3377

November  War Veterans Event
Venue:  Contact the organisers
Organiser:  Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125

November  Leisure Marching Expo
Venue:  Contact the organisers
Organisers:  Rotorua City Leisure Marchers, Mary Ann Nixon, Sport Bay of Plenty (07) 348-4125 and Whare Hornfeck (07) 348-4125

4 - 7 November  Kaumātua on the Road
Promoting positive living for older adults through line dancing.
The final day will include a low-impact Top Town
Venues:  Schools, marae and community groups, East Coast, Bay of Plenty
Organiser:  Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa, Whare Hornfeck (07) 348-3377

20 November  Kaumātua Cabaret
A time for older people to enjoy each other’s company as the Year draws to a close
Venue:  Waikite Rugby Club, Bellevue Road, Rotorua
Organisers:  Te Papa Takaro O Te Arawa (07) 348-3377

GISBORNE

8 February  Magical Mystery Walk
Bring your family and friends along
Venue:  Heipipi/Endeavour Park
Organiser:  Miriam Swarbrick, Gisborne City Council (06) 867-2049
19 February  
Open Day at Arohaina – Garden Party
Displays, 50s Forward/U3A/60+, line dancers, etc
Venue: Arohaina
Organiser: Miriam Swarbrick, Gisborne City Council (06) 867-2049

March  
Have-a-go Day
Pool day for seniors. Aqua-aerobics, kayaking, swimming, scuba, etc
Venue: Olympic Pool
Organisers: Miriam Swarbrick, Gisborne City Council (06) 867-2049

March  
Wine Trail Bus Tour
Organiser: Janice Petty, Age Concern Gisborne (06) 867-6533

7 April  
World Health Day
Join 50s Forward for Aerobics on the beach followed by an International Year of Older Persons sandcastle competition
Venue: Waikanae Beach, Gisborne
Organiser: Bruce More (06) 868-9954

24 - 25 April  
Arts & Craft Exhibition
Creativity doesn’t stop at 60! Talented all-comers over 60 are eligible to enter any work done over the past five years
Venue: Museum & Arts Centre, Gisborne
Organisers: Gisborne Community Arts Council, Gail (06) 867-2049
Extn 8522 or Margaret (06) 867-3471

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27 April  
“Autumn at Eastwoodhill” Bus Trip
Organiser: Miriam Swarbrick, Gisborne City Council (06) 867-2049

May  
Building Bridges
Grandparents day at schools
Organiser: Miriam Swarbrick, Gisborne City Council (06) 867-2049

17 - 20 May  
IYOP Coromandel Bus Trip
Four fun-filled days experiencing the delights of the Coromandel
Venue: YMCA, Childers Road, Gisborne
Organiser: Colleen at Age Concern, Derby Street (06) 867-6533

June  
Cooking for One
Making the most of your microwave
Organisers: Miriam Swarbrick, Gisborne City Council (06) 867-2049
June

Let's Go Dancing
Old-time dancing and Line dancing festival
Organiser: Miriam Swarbrick, Gisborne City Council (06) 867-2049

19 - 21 July

“Creative Seniors” Arts and Craft Expo
Working demonstration of talented older people at work in an intergenerational setting
Venue: Gisborne Intermediate School Hall
Organisers: Gisborne Community Arts Council and International Year of Older Persons Committee (06) 867-2049

This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons

26 August

Warrant of Fitness Day
Personal health assessment, displays and seminars
Venue: Lawson Field Theatre, Gisborne
Organiser: Miriam Swarbrick, Gisborne City Council (06) 867-2049

10 September

Tour of Wharves
Visit Tolaga Bay and Tokomaru Bay wharves which were a hive of activity pre-1950
Organisers: Parkinsonism Society Gisborne Inc (06) 867-3385

11 - 12 September

“Creative Seniors” Performing Arts Weekend
Variety show featuring singers, comedians, musicians, dancers and much more
Venue: Lawson Field Theatre, Gisborne
Organisers: Gisborne Community Arts Council and International Year of Older Persons Committee (06) 867-2049

This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons

1 October

Global Embrace
The Mayor will lead the walk around the river walkway. Spot prizes
Organiser: Sport Eastland, Bruce More (06) 868-9943

1 October

International Year of Older Persons – Unsung Heroes Luncheon
Organiser: Miriam Swarbrick, Gisborne City Council (06) 867-2049
HAWKES BAY

During 1999  Computer coaching
Taking computers by bus to older people in rural areas and using young people as tutors
Organisers: Central Hawkes Bay District Library, Waipawa

This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons

Commencing Water Aerobics
February  An opportunity to exercise and socialise
Venue: Swymgym, Maraekakaho Road, Hastings
Organisers: Age Concern Hastings (06) 870-9060

10 February Tai Chi
Opportunity to take part in a gentle, slow form of exercise
Venue: Age Concern Drop-in Centre, 440 Heretaunga Street, Hastings
Organisers: Age Concern Hastings (06) 870-9060

3 March Coffee Morning – Knickers Through the Ages
A collection of undergarments from days gone by
Venue: Age Concern Drop-in Centre, 440 Heretaunga Street, Hastings
Organisers: Age Concern Hastings (06) 870-9060

17 March Norsewood Trip
Bus trip to Norsewood – cheese factory, museum, Norsewear factory, factory shops, lunch
Venue: Contact organisers for departure details
Organisers: Age Concern Hastings (06) 870-9060

May - August Feel Good with Age
Education sessions
Venue: Eastern Institute of Technology
Organisers: Eastern Institute of Technology (06) 844-8710

14 May Relationships between Young and Old
Bringing children and older people together to sing and have fun
Venue: Richmond School, Napier
Organisers: Omahanui Rest Home (06) 835-3637

15 - 25 June 70, Girls, 70 Dinner and Show
You’ll laugh, you’ll hum, you’ll wish you were up there
Venue: Playhouse Theatre
Tickets: Denton, Wyatt, Hastings (opposite HB Power)
20 June Older Adults Sports Day
Indoor and outdoor bowls, aqua exercise, etc
Venue: Hastings RSA
Organisers: Sport Hawkes Bay and Age Concern Flaxmere (06) 835-5470

23 - 25 August 60s-Up Celebrate the International Year of Older Persons
Display of members’ arts and creativity
Venue: Cosmopolitan Club, Napier
Organisers: 60s-Up Movement of NZ Inc (09) 425-9625

15 and 16 Day Tripper
September Day of activity and fun including golf, bush walks, croquet, lunch and a sing-a-long
Organisers: Sport Hawkes Bay and Age Concern (06) 835-5470

30 September Step Back in Time
Nostalgic Afternoon Tea
Venue: Tararua Club, 15 Tararua Street, Pahiatua
Organisers: Tararua District Council (06) 374-4080

1 October Step Back in Time
Nostalgic Afternoon Tea
Venue: Dannevirke Sports Club, High Street, Dannevirke
Organisers: Tararua District Council (06) 374-4080

29 October Rest Home Olympics
Seventeen Rest Homes will participate in a variety of games including toss the haggis, parallel bungy jumping and wheelchair obstacle races
Venue: Centennial Hall, Napier
Organisers: Sport Hawkes Bay (06) 835-5470

NEW PLYMOUTH

Throughout 1999 Virtues Project (promoting desirable values in society)
Feasibility study to determine the need for such a project in Taranaki
Organisers: Age Concern Taranaki (06) 753-6210

19 April Depression and Anxiety
Dispelling the myths
Organisers: Mental Health Services, Taranaki Health Care (06) 753-6139 Extn 8573
20 April  Health Awareness Day
Eye, hearing and other health checks, exercise and dancing, and information stalls
Venue: TSB Stadium, New Plymouth
Organisers: Westpac Trust Sport Taranaki (06) 757-9049

15 May  Mana Wahine – Celebrating the lives of older women
A special event honouring the contributions nine women have made to the marae and the community. The stories of all the women will be compiled into a book
Venue: Plymouth Hotel
Organisers: Pukeariki Māori Women’s Welfare League (06) 758-9473
This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons

2 June  Seminar – “Managing Your Life as a Senior”
A panel will address the participants and answer questions on legal, health and tax issues
Venue: Citizens Advice Bureau, Community House, 32 Leach Street, New Plymouth
Organisers: Citizens Advice Bureau (06) 758-9542

9 June  “Values in Education” – Public Forum
Involving the community in identifying key values and how schools can help to maintain them
Venue: New Plymouth District Council Chambers
Organisers: Taranaki Workers Educational Association (06) 758-0960

27 June  Special Afternoon of Entertainment Music and Dance
Traditional country music
Venue: Ferndale Hall, Barry Street, New Plymouth
Organisers: New Plymouth Traditional Country Music Society (06) 751-3625

30 June  Lunch and Entertainment
Traditional country music
Venue: Tikorangi Hall
Organisers: Tikorangi Country Women’s Institute

28 July  Keeping Independent Now (KIN)
Seminar celebrating International Year of Older Persons including information about services that assist older people to remain independent
Venue: West End Bowling Club, New Plymouth
Organisers: Department of Work and Income (06) 759-9604
28 July    Driving Licence Seminar
Venue: Beach Street Hall
Organisers: Grey Power New Plymouth

10 August    Celebrating Difference
Children’s Art Exhibition commissioned for UNESCO to commemorate 50th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and to celebrate the removal of an age limit in the workplace. Guest speakers and awards presented to participating schools
Venue: District Council Civic Centre, New Plymouth
Organisers: Human Rights for People with Disabilities Co-ordinator (06) 758-7094

21 August    Seminar – Moving Forward at 40+
An education/information seminar for people over the age of 40
Venue: Baptist Centre, Liardet Street, New Plymouth
Organisers: Taranaki Arthritis Foundation (06) 759-0068

23 August    Nostalgia Concert
Jim Sutton compère
Venue: TSB Showplace, New Plymouth
Organisers: Taranaki Rest Homes, Taranaki Disabilities Resource Centre Trust, LBN Entertainers, Roy West (06) 752-7816, John Major (06) 758-0982, Raewyn Lucinsky (06) 758-7351

13 September    Open Day at Owae Marae
An opportunity to hear about marae history and customs and to acknowledge the contributions of older people
Venue: Owae Marae, Waitara
Organisers: Te Maunga Hauora Trust (06) 754-7787

October and November    Fund-raising for Cardiac Unit
Organisers: Grey Power, New Plymouth (06) 757-5885

1 October    Global Embrace Walk
Come and enjoy the bands and join groups of older and younger people who will meet up and continue the walk together
Venue: Older people will gather at TSB Stadium
Younger people will gather at YMCA
Organiser: Westpac Trust Sport Taranaki, Kent Mori (07) 757-9049
4 - 5 October  Time Continuity and Change
A Social Studies unit across the whole school
Organisers: Frankley School (06) 753-6436

7 October  Mayor’s Morning Tea for Older People
Plus tour of Council buildings and information about the role of Council
Venue: New Plymouth District Council Chambers
Organisers: New Plymouth District Council

9 October  Kaumātua Ball
Venue: Owae Marae, Waitara
Organisers: Te Maunga Hauora Trust (06) 754-7787

21 October  Morning Tea
For residents and their families
Venue: Riverview Rest Home
Organisers: Riverview Rest Home (06) 757-9344

WANGANUI

May  Essays – Valuing Relationships Between Young and Old
Forms 1 and 2 students from local schools
Organisers: U3A Wanganui (06) 345-0291

3 - 27 May  Op-Teen '99
Groups of older people picked up from home, taken to a school, and “buddied with a student” who escorts them around. Lunch provided
Venue: Six secondary schools in Wanganui
Organisers: Christian Social Services Wanganui (06) 345-2139

29 May  United Nations Association of New Zealand National Conference
“Towards a society for all ages” – Speech awards for secondary school students
Venue: Wanganui Collegiate School
Organisers: United Nations Association of New Zealand (06) 345-5714

30 May  Variety Concert
Items by young and older people including old-time music
Venue: Central Baptist Church, 285 Wicksteed Street, Wanganui
Organiser: Maureen O’Sullivan, Age Concern Wanganui (06) 345-7337
6 August  Health & Fitness Expo plus Kapahaka Entertainment
An opportunity for young and older people to spend a fun day together
Venue: Te Kura O Kokohuia School, Matipo Street, Wanganui
Organisers: Awa Sport, c/- Whanganui River Māori Trust Board
(06) 345-8160

1 September  Pearls of Great Price
A seminar exploring aspects of positive ageing
Venue: St Joseph Conference Centre, 14 Hillside Terrace
Organisers: Sisters of St Joseph (06) 345-5047

8 September  Multicultural Women’s Group Special Morning
Older women invited to hear speakers and share interests and challenges of older age
Venue: Wanganui Polytechnic
Organisers: Multicultural Women’s Group (06) 345-0997

12 September  Intergenerational Concert
An afternoon of classical music by some of Wanganui’s favourite vocalists and instrumentalists
Venue: Christ Church Community Centre, 243 Wicksteed Street
Organisers: Age Concern Wanganui and Institute of Registered Music Teachers
(06) 345-1799

1 October  Positive Ageing Theme Day and Global Event Walk
A wide range of displays and activities
Venue: Trafalgar Square
Organisers: Age Concern Wanganui (06) 345-1799
Sport Wanganui Active-Living Co-ordinator (06) 348-1440

1 October  Me and My Gran – Photography Competition
Photographs displayed and judged on 1 October
Venue: Trafalgar Square
Organisers: National Council of Women (06) 345-2841

6 - 28 October  Op-Fest ’99
Lunch, activities and entertainment each Wednesday and Thursday during October
Venue: St Pauls and All Saints church halls for lunch, and four separate afternoon entertainment venues
Organisers: Christian Social Services Wanganui (06) 345-2139
13 October  Bus Trip
An opportunity for older and younger learners, tutors and supporters from different cultures to enjoy time together and visit a museum
Venue:  Tawhiti Museum, Hawera
Organisers:  Wanganui ESOL Home Tutor Service (06) 345-0997

19 October  Ecumenical Church Service
A simple, all-inclusive service of prayer, music and reflection for older people in Wanganui
Venue:  St Mary’s Church, Guyton Street
Organisers:  Nazareth Rest Home and Chaplains (06) 345-8548
Age Concern Wanganui (06) 345-8548

30 November  Happy Feet Finale
An afternoon of dancing and dance entertainment
Venue:  Jubilee Stadium, Wanganui
Organisers:  The Hillcrest Project and Sport Wanganui (06) 344-3927

MANAWATU
Weekly in 1999  International Year of Older Persons Radio Broadcast
Older people talking about planned activities, issues relevant to older people, oral histories and other matters of interest
Venue:  Manawatu Souz – Access Radio, Queen Elizabeth College, Rangitikei Street, Palmerston North
Organisers:  Manawatu Souz – Access Radio (06) 357-9340

21 February  Oaklee Rock ’n’ roll Revival Festival
Celebrating the 1950s and 1960s. The event will be videotaped and tapes will be available for sale
Venue:  Oaklee Garden, McDonell Road, 9 RD, Palmerston North
Organisers:  Oaklee – The Garden Estate (06) 329-3702

April  Adult and Child Golf Tournament
An intergenerational event
Venue:  Pahiatua Golf Club
Organisers:  Pahiatua Eagles Society (06) 376-8761

May  Concert
Band and singing group will perform songs of yesteryear
Venue:  Tararua College Hall, Churchill Street, Pahiatua
Organisers:  Tararua College (06) 376-8344
13 May  Valuing Yesterday Tomorrow – Joan Druett – Author
Talking about issues relevant to older people, oral histories and other matters of interest
Venue: Ground Floor Meeting Room, Palmerston North Library
Organisers: Te Whare Akonga – Open Learning Centre

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17 & 24 May  Technology in the Library
A hands-on introduction to technology in the library using Internet, CD-ROMs and the library computer catalogue
Venue: Palmerston North Library
Organisers: Palmerston North City Library (06) 351-4100

18, 19, 25, 26 May  Reel Movies
Movies of the 1920s to 1950s
Venue: Globe Theatre, Palmerston North
Organisers: Palmerston North City Library (06) 351-4100

19 & 26 May  Making Contact
A hands-on introduction to using computers to make contact with people around the world
Venue: Palmerston North Library
Organisers: Palmerston North City Library (06) 351-4100

21 & 28 May  Internet Pathways to Information
An introduction to the Internet
Venue: Palmerston North Library
Organisers: Palmerston North City Library (06) 351-4100

24 May  Glimpses of the Past
A slide show of the history of the city, followed by a “share your memories” session and afternoon tea
Venue: Ground Floor Meeting Room, Palmerston North Library
Organisers: Palmerston North City Library (06) 351-4100

July - Valuing Yesterday Tomorrow – Workshops
September Topics include oral histories, mentored writing, editing and publishing
Organisers: Te Whare Akonga – Open Learning Centre, Palmerston North
(06) 357-7882

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1 October  
**Story Telling Dinner**  
Banquet, guest speakers and life stories of past and present residents  
Venue: Brightwater Centre  
Organisers: Brightwater Centre (06) 358-3067

2 & 3 October  
**A Celebration of Older People**  
Displays, interactive activities and special guests, and Global Embrace walk  
Venue: Showgrounds Recreation Centre, Pascal Street Stadium  
Organisers: Sport Manawatu (06) 358-6004  
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3 October  
**Festival – City Procession and Picnic**  
Horse-drawn vehicles, bands, vintage cars and people in period costumes, followed by a city picnic, entertainment, displays and concluding with a tea dance  
Venue: Palmerston North City and Barber Hall  
Organisers: Palmerston North City Council – City Alive! Unit  
Lyn Gray (06) 356-8199 Extn 7162

**WAIRARAPA**

14 May  
**Grab A Gran (Gran-mother, Gran-father, Gran-daughter, Gran-son)**  
A fun run, walk or wheelchair event. Spot prizes galore!  
Venue: Around the town centres in the Wairarapa region  
Organisers: Sport Wairarapa and Showcase ’99 (06) 370-9157

14 May  
**Family Walk Around Masterton**  
Organiser: Whaiora Whanui (06) 370-8145

14 May  
**Young and Old Plant a Weeping Cherry Tree**  
A special event involving hospital day care and early childhood centre, ending with lunch together  
Venue: Glenwood Hospital, Masterton  
Organiser: Glenwood Hospital (06) 377-0221

16 June  
**Classic Films**  
Venue: Regent Theatre, Masterton  
Organisers: WOOPS, Rita Parkinson (06) 377-0066

21 June  
**Mid-winter Dinner**  
Organiser: Whaiora Whanui (06) 370-8145
7 August
Duo Fiddlesticks (Eketahuna)
Enjoy the musical entertainment followed by afternoon tea
Venue: Community Hall, Haswell Street, Eketahuna
Organisers: Showcase ’99, Margaret Oliver (06) 375 8185

14 August
Vaudeville (Featherston)
Young and older entertainers and artists from Greytown and Featherston
Venue: Anzac Hall, Featherston
Organisers: Featherston Events Committee and Greytown Little Theatre (06) 308-9521

1 September
Spring Carnival
Celebrating the International Year of Older Persons with entertainment, a fashion show and afternoon tea
Venue: Colombo Rest Home, 2 Colombo Street, Masterton
Organisers: Colombo Rest Home (06) 378-8809

5, 12, 19, 26 Walk Series
September
In conjunction with the Heart Foundation
Venue: Sports Bowl, Masterton
Organisers: Sport Wairarapa

10 September
Mini Olympics
Teams comprising pre-schoolers to grandparents will take part followed by a BBQ and disco/dance
Venue: Eketahuna Primary School, Alfredton Road
Organisers: WOOPS (Eketahuna Sub-committee) (06) 373-8185

22 September
Classic Film Matinee
Showing of “African Queen” film followed by afternoon tea
Venue: REAP House, 340 Queen Street, Masterton
Organisers: WOOPS (06) 377-0066

October
Launch of Project Packs of Facets of Wairarapa History for Schools and Libraries
Organisers: Masterton District Library, Joy Tutty (06) 370-5089

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Made by residents using buttons donated by staff, relatives and members of the community
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Organisers: Kapiti Rest Home (04) 298-4532

Easter
Competition of Easter bonnets and hats for the men made by residents
Venue: Kapiti Rest Home
Organisers: Kapiti Rest Home (04) 298-4532

100th Birthday Celebrations
A week of festivities to celebrate this special event
Venue: Kapiti Rest Home
Organisers: Kapiti Rest Home (04) 298-4532

Those Were The Days
Brides and grooms in fashions of 20 - 60 years ago joining with carers and volunteer visitors for a wedding reception
Venue: Eldon Lodge Rest Home
Organisers: Eldon Lodge Rest Home (04) 298-8199

Display by Local Volunteer Associations
Stands, stalls and videos
Venue: Coastlands Shopping Mall, Paraparaumu
Organisers: Citizens Advice Bureau (04) 298-4944

Positive Approaches to the Ageing Process
Seminar – The Law Can Help
Venue: Waikanae Memorial Hall, Pehi Kupa Street, Waikanae
Organisers: Age Concern Kapiti Coast (04) 298-8879

Positive Approaches to the Ageing Process
Seminar – Security and Confidence
Venue: Community Centre, Ngahina Street, Paraparaumu
Organisers: Age Concern Kapiti Coast (04) 298-8879

Positive Approaches to the Ageing Process
Seminar – Getting About
Venue: Waikanae Memorial Hall, Pehi Kupa Street, Waikanae
Organisers: Age Concern Kapiti Coast (04) 298-8879
16 & 23 July  U3A Winter Series
Guest speakers will present a range of topics of interest to older people
Venue: Community Centre, Paraparaumu
Organisers: University of the Third Age (04) 293-2583

26 September  Golden Concert
Music for older people to enjoy and join in with
Venue: Southwards Theatre, Paraparaumu
Organisers: Age Concern Kapiti Coast and RNZAF (04) 298-8879

1 October  Global Embrace Walk
Come and join in the fun and receive a certificate for the laps you walk
Venue: Mazengarb Park, Paraparaumu
Organisers: Combined Committee. Contact Felicity Stacey (04) 297-2624

1 October  International Day of Older Persons Parade and Exhibition
Rest homes and continuing care hospitals in Kapiti are making banners which will be carried by residents who are mainly in wheelchairs. Paintings and crafts will be on display
Venue: Coastlands Mall, Paraparaumu
Organisers: Sevenoaks Lodge (04) 297-0116, Sport Wellington Region (04) 293-1859

2 October  Garden Walk
Open day to celebrate the opening of the lake walkway
Venue: Sevenoaks Retirement Village
Organisers: Kapiti District Trust Board (04) 297-0116

WELLINGTON

During 1999  Directory of Services for Older People
To be distributed to 10,000 older people, libraries, CABX and community organisations in the Wellington region
Organisers: Age Concern Wellington (04) 564-6963

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Ongoing in  Transport in the Earlier Part of the 20th Century
1999  An oral history project involving Te Hopai Rest Home and St Anne’s Primary School, Newtown
Venue: Final display – Newtown Public Library in September
Organisers: Te Hopai Rest Home (04) 389-6193
2 - 23 February  Kaumātua Art
Arts and craft afternoons, Māori weaving, carving, painting, etc
Venue: Te Aroha Sports and Health Pavilion, Lower Hutt
Organisers: Waiwhetu Kaumātua Group (04) 566-2059

March -  Monthly Interviews with Jewish Seniors
December  These interviews will be published in the Jewish newspaper The Chronicle and will feature Jewish seniors who have survived major 20th century upheavals such as wars, famine and massacres
Organisers: Care of Aged, E Rothman (04) 479-1541

12 March  Conference: “Valuing the Older Worker”
Venue: Plaza International Hotel, Wellington
Organisers: Human Rights Commission (09) 375-8621

April - June  Fortnightly Concerts
Various types of music likely to appeal to older listeners
Venue: Wellington Senior Citizens Centre
Wellington Central Library, Cable Street, Wellington
Organisers: Wellington City Council (04) 385-1929

April -  Looking Back: New Zealand on Film
September  A series of screenings especially selected to appeal to Wellington’s senior citizen community
1st Thursday in the month
Venue: Rialto Cinema 3, Cable Street, Wellington
Organisers: The Film Centre in association with Wellington City Council’s Senior Community Network (04) 384-7647

1 April  Radio Interview: International Year of Older Persons
Margaret Wright interviews Lys Noble
Venue: Access Radio
Organisers: Age Concern Wellington (04) 564 6963

28 April  Model United Nations General Assembly
Fourteen Wellington secondary schools, representing 28 countries, debate the resolution: International Year of Older Persons, as it relates to the country they represent
Venue: Wesley Centre, Taranaki Street, Wellington
Organisers: Wellington Branch of the United Nations Association (04) 938-5162
29 April  Positive Ageing at Marsden School  
Presentation at assembly  
Venue: Marsden School, Karori, Wellington  
Organisers: Age Concern Wellington (04) 564 6963

May  Food from Yesteryear  
Taste the delights from Sri Lanka  
Organisers: United Sri Lanka Association (NZ) (04) 478-4014

1 May  Growing Old Disgracefully  
A forum for women aged over 50 to discuss common issues, feel pride in their age and their achievements, challenge stereotypes and find a way to live creatively  
Venue: Wellington High School, Community Education Centre  
Organiser: Maggie Kirby-Barr (04) 527-0425

12 May  Secondary Schools Speech Awards – Regional Final  
Topic: “Valuing older people: my vision”  
Venue: Mayoral Chambers, Wellington Town Hall  
Organisers: Wellington Branch of the United Nations Association (04) 938-5162

15 May  YWCA – Celebrating the Contribution of Old and Young Women  
Displays of activities involving older women. Workshops and quiz teams with older and young women  
Venue: Quality Hotel, 335 Willis Street, Wellington  
Organisers: YWCA Wellington & Hutt Valley (04) 385-0505 
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24 May  Positive Ageing  
Talk by Sir Ross Jansen  
Venue: Beehive Theatrette, Parliament Buildings  
Organisers: United Nations Association of New Zealand (04) 389-2188

19 June  Super Expo  
Activities and displays for older people  
Venue: Miramar Community Centre  
Organisers: Miramar Community Centre (04) 388-1944
24 June Radio Interview: Working as an Older Volunteer
Margaret Wright interviews Jean Godkin
Venue: Access Radio
Organisers: Age Concern Wellington (04) 564 6963

29 June Beamed up into Cyberspace
Launch of free internet access for older people
Venue: Wellington Senior Centre
Wellington Public Library, Mezzanine Floor
Organisers: Wellington Senior Centre (04) 801-4117

July Family Tree Resource Kit for Schools
Kit includes exercises that look at the contributions grandparents make to the family. Kits have been distributed to Catholic schools and are available to other schools on request
Organisers: Catholic Family Life Office (04) 496-1744

July - August Busy Fingers
Older people knitting slippers for children at Pomare School and peggy square rugs for the Women’s Refuge
Organisers: Aroha Care Centre for the Elderly (04) 567-1026

5 - 18 July Retired! What now?
Come and see what Mana U3A is doing
Venue: Pataka Community Gallery, Porirua
Organisers: Mana University of the Third Age

25 July Grandparents Workshop
Topics include the dynamics of three generations living together, grandparenting from a distance, passing on traditions and grandparenting through divorce
Venue: St Mary’s College, Thorndon, Wellington
Organisers: Catholic Family Life Office (04) 496-1744

1 August Grandparents Service
Grandparents and grandchildren come together for worship followed by morning tea and BYO lunch
Venue: St James Church, Woburn Road, Lower Hutt
Organisers: St James Church (04) 569-6737
2 August  Ageing is Living Community Seminar
What ageing means to me – what helps me to age well. Discussion, storytelling, making wind banner and cloak of age. Intergenerational and active ageing activities
Venue: Cook Islands Community Centre, Cannons Creek, Porirua
Organisers: Contact: Kathy Glasgow, Age Concern New Zealand (04) 471-2709 or Lynne Patterson, Porirua Healthy Safer City Trust (04) 237-2112

8 - 10 September Conference: “Home Is Where The Health Is”
Venue: Plaza International Hotel, Wellington
Organisers: NZ Home Health Association Inc (04) 472-3196

16 September Radio Interview: International Year of Older Persons
Margaret Wright interviews a 70-year-old karate instructor who teaches older people to be “streetwise”
Venue: Access Radio
Organisers: Age Concern Wellington (04) 564-6963

18 September Society for All Ages – A Celebration of Life
Workshops, visits, displays and Cathedral Service
Venue: St Pauls Cathedral Wellington, Molesworth Street
Organisers: Association of Anglican Women Wellington (04) 389-3553

25 September Senior Recreation Festival
Sports expo for older adults to have a go
Venue: Upper Hutt Civic Hall
Organisers: Upper Hutt City Council (04) 527-2134

1 October The Age of Opportunity Festival
A celebration of older people’s involvement in performing and visual arts, including fashion show and tea dance, art exhibition, musical items, old home cinema
Venue: Wellington Town Hall, Civic Square
Organisers: Arts Access Aotearoa, Wellington City Council, Age Concern Wellington, Presbyterian Support Services, Te Hopai Trust (04) 384-1113

1 October Global Embrace
Join in the fun and be part of this worldwide event
Venue: Starts and finishes at Civic Square, Wellington
Organiser: Natalie Batey, Sport Wellington (04) 380-1754
2 October   Global Embrace and Keeping Active, Healthy and Safe Expo  
Join the Global Embrace walk and have fun at the Expo  
Venue: Queensgate Mall, Lower Hutt  
Organisers: Hutt City Council, Sandy Beath-Croft (04) 570-6758

26 October   Ageing is Living  
Seminar leaders Sonja Davies and Margaret Wright  
Venue: Women’s Centre, Lower Hutt  
Organiser: Margaret Wright (04) 564-6963

29 - 31 October   Royal New Zealand Airforce Association 54th Reunion  
Venue: Airport Hotel, Wellington  
Organisers: Royal New Zealand Airforce Association, Wally Lake (04) 389-7721

14 November   Festival Kite Day  
Mini craft market, kite demonstration and competition, and much more involving young children and older people  
Venue: Manor Park School, Manor Park  
Organisers: Manor Park Hospital (04) 563-5780

9 December   Reading of Children’s Poems for the International Year of Older Persons  
Venue: Access Radio  
Organisers: Age Concern Wellington (04) 564-6963

CHATHAM ISLANDS  

22 - 31 March   Poetry Competition  
Poems focusing on relationships between children and older people, written by children. Winning poems available for publication  
Venue: All schools on Chatham and Pitt Islands  
Organiser: Pitt Island School Principal  
E-mail address: pitt.is.sc@xtra.co.nz

**Thomas Fuller, an American slave known as the “Virginian Calculator”, was aged nearly 80 when he calculated the number of seconds in the life of a man who had lived 70 years 17 days 12 hours. It took him 1 1/2 minutes to give the correct answer of 2,210,500,800.**
NELSON

Sundays during 1999
International Year of Older Persons Community Access
Weekly radio programmes by and for older people –
43 weekly 30-minute radio programmes including interviews,
personal profiles, histories, information about social services and
examining the future for older people
Organisers:
Tasman Bay Community Broadcasting Society Inc, Nelson
(03) 546-9891
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the International Year of Older Persons

Ongoing in 1999
10 February
Knit and Chat
Knitting bedsacks, hot-water bottle covers and mittens for
residents of nursing homes
Venue:
Senior Citizens Hall
Organisers:
Age Concern Nelson Craft Group (03) 546-7682

17 March
Interaction Day at the Marae
A Māori welcome and tour of Wakatu Marae followed by a hangi
Venue:
Wakatu Marae
Organisers:
Age Concern Nelson (03) 546-7682

17 March
Wheels and Walkers ’99
A rally and parade of people on scooters, in wheelchairs and
walkers ending with afternoon tea
Venue:
Stoke Memorial Hall, Main Road, Stoke, Nelson
Organisers:
Combined Organisations Stoke, Nelson (03) 547-2660

20 April
Yesteryear Concert
Old songs from older performers
Organisers:
Age Concern Nelson (03) 546-7682

30 May
Street March
Retired and present-day marching girls, and the town will be
decorated
Organisers:
Age Concern Nelson (03) 546-7682

June & July
Social Dance
Live band and supper
Venue:
Richmond Town Hall
Organisers:
Nelson Old Time Dance Club (03) 548-2236
23 June  Old-time Sing-a-long Concert and Afternoon Tea  
**Venue:** St Johns Hall, 55 Muratai Street, Tahunanui  
**Organisers:** The Order of St John, Alan (03) 547-5652, Joy (03) 548-6164 or Elizabeth (03) 548-1309

30 June  Cool Pool  
**Venue:** RSA Rooms  
**Organisers:** Age Concern Nelson (03) 546-7682

20 July  Mid-winter Christmas Dinner  
A roast dinner followed by humorous skits and a sing-a-long for rest home residents  
**Venue:** Senior Citizens Hall  
**Organisers:** Age Concern Nelson (03) 546-7682

28 July  Variety Dance Party  
Dress up and enjoy the old-time music, and launch of a new publication combining newsletters of groups working with older people  
**Venue:** Stoke Hall, Main Road, Stoke, Nelson  
**Organisers:** Combined International Year of Older Persons Committee (03) 548-2090

29 July  Mid-winter Walk  
Walk along the river and enjoy the company of others. Everyone will receive a certificate and a mug of hot soup on completion of the walk  
**Venue:** Senior Citizens Hall  
**Organisers:** Age Concern Nelson (03) 546-7682

19 August  Lough Cup  
Bowls tournament  
**Venue:** Hope Hall, Nelson  
**Organisers:** Age Concern Nelson (03) 546-7682

16 September  Let’s Have Fun in the “Old Style”  
Entertainment and afternoon tea – the train will be running  
**Venue:** Founders Park, Nelson  
**Organisers:** Age Concern Nelson (03) 546-7682
26 September  Interdenominational Church Service  
Celebrating older people  
Venue:  Nelson Cathedral  
Organisers:  Combined Churches of Nelson (03) 548-2090  

October -  Solo Bicycle Tour of the South Island  
December Highlights of the tour will be broadcast on National Radio and, on the completion of her cycle tour, Mrs Robin Robilliard plans to write a guide book for older people who would like to plan a cycling tour  
Organisers:  Mrs Robin Robilliard (03) 525-9051  

1 October  International Day of Older Persons Walk  
Walk through the Japanese garden and Founders Park  
Organisers:  Combined Organisations (03) 546-7682  

MARLBOROUGH  
1 October  International Day of Older Persons Walk  
A walk around the streets of Blenheim followed by morning tea  
Venue:  Walk will leave from Sport Tasman, 19 Kinross Street  
Organisers:  Sport Tasman, Jackie Hegglun (03) 577-8855  

WEST COAST  
13 May  Going With The Times  
Older people taken on a school tour by the students  
Venue:  Greymouth High School  
Organisers:  C.A.R.E. and Sport West Coast (03) 768-4600  

15, 22, 29  Mid-Christmas Get Together  
June Dinner at the Hotel  
Venue:  15 June – Paroa Hotel  
22 June – Revingtons Hotel  
29 June – Union Hotel  
Organisers:  C.A.R.E. and Sport West Coast (03) 768-4600  

28 July  Shantytown Shebang  
Bus to Shantytown, tram ride, three-course meal and an evening of entertainment  
Venue:  Shantytown  
Organisers:  C.A.R.E. and Sport West Coast (03) 768-4600
4 & 25 August  Music Days
Scottish dancing demonstrations

Venue: RSA
Organisers: C.A.R.E. (03) 768-4600

11 August  Arnold Dam and Lake Brunner Walk
Lunch at Moana Hotel and “Warehouse” visit

Organisers: C.A.R.E. (03) 768-4600

September  Party at the Pictures
Old movie and afternoon tea

Organisers: C.A.R.E. (03) 768-4600

28 September  Dawn Walk and Breakfast
A one-hour walk viewing whitebaiters in action followed by
breakfast and sharing treasures and stories from the past

Venue: Meet at Diego Restaurant
Organisers: Sport Tasman (03) 789-6779

CHRISTCHURCH

During 1999  Video Guide to Services for Older People
Educational video to assist older Christchurch people, their families
and carers to access services to help them maintain their
independence

Organisers: Nurse Maude Association, Christchurch
This project was undertaken with special government funding for
the International Year of Older Persons

During 1999  Valuing Older People Through Learning Workshops
Monthly workshops covering a range of topics for older people,
carers and families

Organisers: Presbyterian Support, Christchurch (03) 366-5472
This project was undertaken with special government funding for
the International Year of Older Persons
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14 - 18 June  Photography exhibition
Portraying older people as vital, visible and valuable. The exhibition is open to all ages
Venue: Age Concern Canterbury, 64 Cashel Street, Christchurch
Organisers: Age Concern Canterbury (03) 366-0903

July onwards  Life Tubes
in 1999  Distribution of Life Tubes to older people living on their own
Organisers: Age Concern Canterbury (03) 366-0903

26 September  Celebration of Ages
Open-air church service, great family entertainment, demonstrations, stalls, food stalls or bring your own picnic
Venue: Amberley Domain, Douglas Road
Organisers: Amberley IYOP, PO Box 82, Amberley

30 September  Charity Golf Match
Sponsored 18-hole golf tournament
Venue: Burnham Golf Course
Organisers: Age Concern Canterbury (03) 366-0903

1 October  Celebration of Older Cantabrian Celebrities
Have fun, enjoy good food and listen to well-known Cantabrians sharing their stories
Venue: Age Concern Canterbury, 64 Cashel Street, Christchurch
Organisers: Age Concern Canterbury (03) 366-0903

1 October  International Day of Older Persons Global Walk Christchurch
A walk followed by activities at Age Concern Canterbury
Organisers: Age Concern Canterbury (03) 366-0903
Sport Canterbury, Anne-Marie Tweedie (03) 377-0962

1 October  International Day of Older Persons – Amberley
A celebration of ages day
Organisers: Sport Canterbury, Vicki Mathieson (03) 377-0962
Committee for IYOP Amberley

1 October  Teddy Bears Picnic
Local primary school and residents will bring old and new teddy bears and share stories
Venue: George Manning House, Hennessy Place, Lyttleton Street, Christchurch
Organisers: George Manning House (03) 338-9164
1 October Stoddart Strollers
A walk in the grounds of Mona Vale and morning tea under the trees
Venue: Mona Vale
Organisers: Margaret Stoddart Retirement Village (03) 348-4955

SOUTH CANTERBURY

22 April Living Confidently
Organisers: Age Concern Ashburton (03) 308-6817

13 May Variety Concert
Venue: Theatre Royal
Organisers: Timaru Senior Citizens (03) 688-0588

23 May Film Showing
Organisers: Age Concern Ashburton (03) 308-6817

23 June Mid-winter Christmas Dinner
Organisers: Age Concern Ashburton (03) 308-6817

23 June Fashion Parade
Venue: Timaru Senior Citizens Centre
Organisers: Timaru Senior Citizens (03) 688-0588

21 July Winter Splash
An afternoon of fun and games
Venue: Timaru Senior Citizens Centre
Organisers: Timaru Senior Citizens (03) 688-0588

8 August Music Club Afternoon Concert
Organisers: Age Concern Ashburton (03) 308-6817

15 August Hymn-along
Venue: Woodlands Road Church
Organisers: Age Concern Timaru (03) 688-0588

26 August Volunteers Luncheon
Venue: Timaru Senior Citizens Centre
Organisers: Timaru Senior Citizens (03) 688-0588

25 September Golden Memories
Special dinner party for 350 older people including a surprise guest
Venue: Sports Stadium, Waimate
Organisers: Community Committee, Waimate District Council (03) 689-8079
1 October  Family Picnic  
Venue:  The Domain  
Organisers:  Age Concern Ashburton (03) 308-6817

1 October  International Day of Older Persons Walk  
Venue:  Caroline Bay  
Organisers:  Age Concern South Canterbury (03) 688-0588

17 October  Tea Dance  
Venue:  Timaru Senior Citizens Centre  
Organisers:  Timaru Senior Citizens (03) 688-0588

19 October  Hymn-along  
Venue:  St Mary’s Church  
Organisers:  Age Concern South Canterbury (03) 688-0588

31 October  Variety Concert  
Venue:  Theatre Royal  
Organisers:  Timaru Senior Citizens (03) 688-0588

12 - 13 November  Senior Craft Show  
Venue:  Timaru Senior Citizens Centre  
Organisers:  Timaru Senior Citizens (03) 688-0588

14 November  Thanksgiving Service  
Venue:  Chalmers Church  
Organisers:  Timaru Senior Citizens (03) 688-0588

OTAGO  
During 1999  Get Involved Activities/Displays  
Various monthly activities in Alexandra, Clyde districts including social and educational events, games day and Master Olympics  
Organisers:  Central Otago REAP, Alexandra  
This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons

March - April  Computers  
Find out what computers can do and how you could use one  
Venue 1:  Alexandra Senior Citizens Club  
Venue 2:  Ranui Home, Alexandra  
Venue 3:  Central Otago REAP  
Venue 4:  Cromwell Sports Centre  
Organisers:  Central Otago REAP (03) 448-6115
17 April  Opening of Octagon Club
Organisers:  Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

23 April  Picnic with Oamaru Senior Citizens Clubs
Organisers:  Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

23 April  Cultural Day
Organisers:  Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

May  Valuing Relationships Between Young and Old
Magic Balloon Lady talks to primary school children about Alzheimers disease using balloon characters
Venue:  Primary Schools in the Dunedin area
Organisers:  Alzheimers Society Otago (03) 477-9849

29 June  Community Sing-along
Favourite hymns and choruses followed by afternoon tea
Venue:  Ross Chapel, Ross Home, North Road, Dunedin
Organisers:  Ross Home

5 July  Ask for the Moon
Play by “Emerge” about the rag trade set in three generations
Venue:  Ross Home, North Road, Dunedin
Organisers:  Ross Home

13 July  Mid-winter Concert
Concert staged by the residents
Venue:  Ross Home, North Road, Dunedin
Organisers:  Ross Home

20 & 21 July  Valuing the Older Worker
Workshops by the Human Rights Commission
Venue:  Otago Southland Employers Association, 16 McBride Street, Dunedin
Organisers:  Human Rights Commission, contact Maree or Ngaire (03) 455-5165 or freephone 0800 656-757

26 - 29 July  Groovy Glasses Week
Sassy specs made by residents will be judged on final day
Venue:  Ross Home, North Road, Dunedin
Organisers:  Ross Home
August  
**Computer Day**
Ross Home meets the new age!
Venue: Ross Home, North Road, Dunedin
Organisers: Ross Home

20 August  
**Bowls Tournament**
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

September  
**Generation Days**
Grandchildren invited to bring a favourite toy
Venue: Ross Home, North Road, Dunedin
Organisers: Ross Home – Presbyterian Support Services Otago (03) 473-0029

September  
**Fashion Show With Older Models**
Also enjoy lunch and technology demonstrations
Organisers: Age Concern Waitaki (03) 434-7008

2 - 17  
**“Rossart”**
Venue: Dunedin Community Gallery, Princes Street, Dunedin
Organisers: Ross Home – Presbyterian Support Services Otago (03) 473-0029

8 September  
**Spring Luncheon**
Venue: Dunedin Town Hall
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

27 & 28  
**Flower Show**
Venue: Ross Home, North Road, Dunedin
Organisers: Ross Home – Presbyterian Support Services Otago (03) 473-0029

28 September  
**Rest Home Talent Quest**
Venue: Southern Hills Christian Centre, 234 King Edward Street
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

28 September  
**Concert at Milton**
Entertainment by A4
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040
30 September  Age On the Go Festival – Mayor’s Variety Concert
Appearances by the best of Dunedin’s entertainers
Venue: Regent Theatre, Dunedin
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040
This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons

1 October  International Feast Day
Celebrating our international family of older people
Venue: Sacred Heart Home, 295 Brockville Road, Dunedin
Organisers: Little Sisters of the Poor (03) 476-2028

1 October  International Day of Older Person Walks
BBQ lunch and indoor activities to follow
Venue: Start and finish of walk at Otago Women’s Bowling Centre, Logan Park
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

1 October  Emergency Workshop
Venue: Red Cross Headquarters, 31 York Place, Dunedin
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

1 October  Choir Festival
Venue: Kaikorai College, Kaikorai Valley Road
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

1 October  Morning Tea
Celebrating the completion of computer catalogue training for people aged 50 plus
Venue: Dunedin Public Library, 4th Floor, Moray Place
Organisers: Dunedin Public Libraries (03) 474-3690

3 October  Fortune Theatre Music Hall
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

4 October  Concert at Alexandra
Entertainment by A4
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

4 October  Line Dancing
Venue: South Dunedin Community Hall
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040
4 October Morning Tea
Celebrating the completion of computer catalogue training for people aged over 50
Venue: Mosgiel Public Library, Downes Room
Organisers: Mosgiel Public Library (03) 474-3501

5 October Petanque, Indoor and Lawn Bowls
BBQ lunch
Venue: Caversham Sports Club, Hazel Avenue
Organisers: Hazel (03) 488-3846 or Terry (03) 487-9118

6 October Concert
Venue: Karitane Hall
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

6 October Antiques
Stay for afternoon tea
Venue: First Church
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

6 October A Play by Simon O’Connor
“My Place” explores aspects of ageing and stories of older people
Venue: Burns Hall, First Church
Organisers: Production by Presbyterian Support Otago and Talking House, a Dunedin community theatre group

7 October Concert
Venue: South Dunedin Community Hall
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

8 October Debate – “That young people need to make their own mistakes”
Venue: Octagon Club
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

8 October Concert
Venue: Palmerston Presbyterian Church, Clarkes Hall
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040
11 October  Charles Croot Essay Competition
Theme – Thank goodness for the generation gap
Entries close 31 August at Age Concern Otago
Venue: Prizegiving at Octagon Club
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

11 October  Fly Fishing
Supported by Fish and Game Otago
Limited Flies – Spinners, Lures available. BBQ lunch
Venue: Sullivans Dam, Old Leith Valley Road
Organisers: Hazel (03) 488-3846

11 - 15 October  Generations Together
St Andrews Aged Care Facility and St Bernadettes Primary School will combine activities including art, story times and reminiscing, sports, music, etc. The week will conclude with a shared fish and chip lunch
Venue: St Andrews Aged Care Facility and St Bernadettes Primary School, Macandrew Bay, Dunedin
Organisers: St Andrews Aged Care Facility (03) 476-1501

12 October  Recreational Festival
Leisure activities, numerous sports, health and fitness checks
Venue: Dunedin Stadium, Victoria Road
Organisers: Sport Otago or Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

13 October  Clutha Super Master Games
Venue: Memorial Hall, Balclutha
Organisers: Age Concern Otago (03) 477-1040

12 December  Christmas Party for Living Treasures
Church service, Christmas lunch and concert
Venue: Frankton Presbyterian Church and Queenstown Memorial Hall
Organisers: Friends of the Senior Citizens’ Communities of Central Otago (03) 442-3318

SOUTHLAND

1 - 3 March  Golden Mile
Older people and students planting a “Golden Mile” of daffodils
Venue: State Highway 1 – entrance to Invercargill
Organisers: Age Concern Southland (03) 218-6315

This project was undertaken with special government funding for the International Year of Older Persons
19 - 20 May  Older People Reading to the Young
Promoting intergenerational relationships
Venue: Invercargill Public Library
Organisers: Invercargill Public Library (03) 218-7025

16 July  Grandad’s Back Yard Shed
A hallowed den of tools and treasures from yesteryear including old tobacco tins, bike parts, prams, clocks
Venue: Elm Court Longstay Hospital, Invercargill
Organisers: Elm Court (03) 214-7230

19 July  Valuing the Older Worker
Workshops by the Human Rights Commission
Venue: Invercargill Working Men’s Club, Esk Street, Invercargill
Organisers: Human Rights Commission, Contact Colin Schaab (03) 217-3350

September  Talent Quest and Luncheon For Older People
Venue: Wallacetown Senior Citizens
Organisers: Age Concern Southland (03) 218-6315

11 - 17 Golden Week for Southland
September
Organisers: Age Concern Southland (03) 218-6315

18 September  Bringing Generations Together Expo
Displays, activities and much more
Venue: Ascot Park Hotel, Invercargill
Organisers: Combined organisations. Contact Colin Schaab (03) 217-3350

1 October  International Year of Older Persons Walk Day
Walks will be held in Invercargill, Gore, Queenstown and Winton
Organisers: Sport Southland (03) 214-7159

1 October  Have-A-Go-Day
Six activities to have-a-go at, then enjoy afternoon tea served by the Mayor and Councillors followed by a sing-song
Organisers: Gore District Council, Wendy Barron (03) 208-9080

Frank Lloyd Wright, America’s greatest architect, began his most creative and prolific work from the age of 69.
Appendix 6:
Government Department and Crown Entity Activities

Activities undertaken by government agencies are listed before those undertaken by Crown entities and others. Listings are in alphabetical order by agency name.

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| Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry | Operational research and facilitation programme  
Discussion paper on the intergenerational transfer of farm property.  
Publicity  
The *Rural Bulletin*, which reaches networks of more than 200,000 people, provided rural people with information about the International Year of Older Persons. |
| Children, Young Persons and their Families Agency (part of the Department of Social Welfare until 1 October 1999) | Publicity  
A special issue of *Focus* monthly staff magazine, with articles on older people’s contribution to the Department’s work with children, youth, and their families. Production of an International Year of Older Persons “Grandparents are Great” poster. Issue 33 of *Outreach* magazine, sent to contract providers and other stakeholders in the social services sector, featured an article on IYOP and included the poster. |
| Ministry of Commerce | Provision of business advice for older persons  
The Ministry’s December 1999 issue of *Business Development News* profiled the work of older people providing business mentoring services.  
Input into safety installations for older people  
The Office of the Chief Electrical Engineer sponsored the production, by Standards New Zealand, of a Handbook (NZMP 600:1999) *Safer Electrical Installations in Homes for Children, the Elderly and People with Disabilities*, aimed at people designing, supervising, or using private or commercial premises for occupancy by those groups.  
Input to “Owlmark” project for electrical appliances  
The Office of the Chief Electrical Engineer sponsored work by the NZ Council of Elders to identify and assess the usefulness to older people of a range of electrical products.  
Publicity  
IYOP posters were placed in cafeterias and tearooms. IYOP stickers were placed on envelopes. |
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<td>The vital contribution of older people to the conservation of NZ’s natural and historic heritage was acknowledged in events during 1999:</td>
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<td>• “Common Ground” — 16-month calendar showcasing the conservation efforts of New Zealanders profiled six older people</td>
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<td>• Arbor Day (5 June) events around the country included kaumātua and retired people</td>
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<td>• Kakapo Naming Contest — winners included two older people who received a trip to Maud Island to see three kakapo chicks</td>
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<td>• Kiwi Recovery Programme — visit to Otorohanga Kiwi House arranged for 101-year-old woman, for her first meeting with a live kiwi</td>
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<td>• Conservation Awards — older people were recipients in Northland, Waikato and Wellington. DOC nominated several volunteers for Tower Senior Achievers Awards</td>
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<td>• Memory Week (11 - 16 October) Taupo — establishment of local heritage database from copies of photos, clippings, etc held by the public</td>
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<td>• Conservation Volunteers — although programmes do not target specific age groups, many of DOC’s volunteers are older people</td>
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<td>The Department’s Psychological Service has achieved representation of kaumātua and kuia on all BTM Committees. In many cases, kaumātua and kuia are service providers of the new bicultural therapy programme.</td>
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Seminar

An in-house seminar entitled “Ageing Gracefully” was held for all staff in February 1999. This seminar was presented by a Crown Counsel and outlined the changes to the Human Rights Act, and the implications for staff and for society as a whole.

Human resource policies

Staff who are making the transition to retirement have the option of reduced hours available to them. Flexible work arrangements for staff with older relatives in need of temporary care are also available. All human resource policies, except the collective employment contract (currently under revision) are in compliance with the Human Rights provisions that came into effect on 1 February 1999. A booklet reminding staff of the changed Human Rights provisions and the implications for staff will be distributed in early 2000.

Internal human resources policy

Policies reviewed and references to retiring age or age-related provisions removed. Retirement seminars for staff were organised, and part-time opportunities promoted for older staff wishing to remain in the workforce. Between 1997 and 1999, 51 staff were recognised for their outstanding integrity and loyalty through a long service award programme.

External client service policy development

New initiatives catering for older and disabled travellers at the three main Customs centres in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch include separate processing facilities, availability of information from airlines on passengers requiring special assistance, monitoring and identifying passengers requiring assistance.

Publication

Recommendation, following consideration, for a special section on advice and availability of services for older and disabled passengers to be included in a pamphlet on Customs services.

Retired staff social events

Existing staff continued regular meetings with retired staff, at social self-funding events. On 1 October 1999, International Day of Older Persons, retired Customs personnel were invited to the Auckland airport to view the redeveloped Customs operations. Activities included a briefing on information technology systems, a walk through the passenger clearance process, a behind-the-scenes view of the operation, lunch with management and a bus tour of the airport.
Promotion activities

December issue of *Contraband*, in-house magazine, included an article on the retired staff members’ tour of Auckland airport facilities. It also featured the IYOP logo.

**New Zealand Defence Force**

**Army**
- Hosted and provided support to a number of ex-service members’ reunions, visits and the RSA annual conference
- Assisted in the move of two hospitals to new buildings
- Community service provided to rest homes
- Maintenance of contracts to ex-service members through SAS Association

**RNZAF**
- Hosted base visits and functions for senior citizens
- Hosted a number of ex-service members’ reunions
- Working bees at retirement villages
- Hosted presentations for retired Squadron Leader and retired Commanding Officer
- RNZAF Central Band performed at Kapiti “Golden Years” concert

**RNZAF Museum**
- Maintains discount entry price for older people
- Provides special “Nostalgia Programmes” for older groups, with free coffee/tea and other discounts
- Actively seeks older people as volunteers for guiding and other support activities
- Provides research and Studies Department historical information free to inquirers

**RNZN**
- Planted the “White Ensign” rose at homes for ex-navalmen’s/ex-service personnel
- RNZN band performed at homes for ex-navalmen’s/ex-service personnel
- Provided assistance to a number of ex-service reunions

**Ministry of Education**

**Promote and publicise International Year of Older Persons to education sector**

Several articles on links between education settings and older people and the contribution of older people were published in the *Education Gazette*. One example, “Crossing Generations”, described the partnership between a school and the nearby rest home. Another identified the literacy and numeracy strategy as
an especially important area where older people could help in encouraging children’s learning in everyday ways.

**Distribute resource materials to schools**

The Ministry assisted the Senior Citizens Unit in distributing the LinkAge handbook to schools. LinkAge was also publicised, at the time of its launch, in an article in the *Education Gazette*. In addition, the Ministry is working with the Senior Citizens Unit to place LinkAge on the recently launched Online Learning Centre (Te Kete Ipurangi) website for teachers and principals.

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**Education Review Office**

**Human resource provisions**

Developed a guide for managers and staff on elder-care issues within the Office. A review of the *Human Resources Policies and Procedures Manual* included ensuring policy alignment with the changes to the Human Rights Act.

**Retirement information**

Displayed and distributed information from the Office of the Retirement Commissioner to staff.

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**Ministry for the Environment**

**Human resource provisions**

Inclusion of elder-care in the Ministry’s Work and Family Policy, along with provisions for flexible working arrangements. A policy on working from home is currently being developed. The collective and individual employment contracts are currently being brought into line with recent changes to the Human Rights Act, with alternative developed to replace any age-related clause. Increasing use of short-term contracts provides the potential for flexible employment for people who have retired from full-time employment but wish to remain in the workforce.

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**Ministry of Fisheries**

**Human resource strategy**

- Employment contracts reviewed and clauses relating to retirement removed
- Staff encouraged to attend retirement planning seminars, held monthly at various locations throughout the country
- Undertaking review of Flexible Working Arrangements Policy, including provisions for older staff and care of older dependants and family members
- Analysis of financial assistance for Compliance staff, supporting them to consider retirement issues

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**Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade**

**Core foreign policy objectives**

The fourth New Zealand periodic report under the International Covenant on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights, which includes aspects relevant to older people, was prepared.
In addition, the New Zealand Permanent Representative to the United Nations delivered to the General Assembly a statement on New Zealand’s contributions to IYOP, drafted with input from the Senior Citizens Unit. In late October, New Zealand also co-sponsored the UN General assembly resolution on follow-up to the International Year.

**Human resources strategy**

A Working Party with management and staff representatives was established in February 1999 to consider the Ministry’s human resources strategy. A report will be delivered to senior management in December 1999, containing a number of recommendations on long-term career issues.

**Participation of Ministry staff**

- In sector planning groups for IYOP promotional activities
- At appropriate conferences and seminars discussing wide-ranging issues for older people
- In the working party advising Age Concern on the development of “Ageing is Living: an educational and training resource to prepare for positive ageing”
- In the December 1999 OECD meeting on “Implications of Disability for Ageing Populations: Monitoring Social Policy Changes”

**Publication**

Publication of a booklet, “Older People and Disabilities”, the first analysis of nationally collected data on the level of disability and support received by a sample group of older people.

**Promotion**

Use of the logo for IYOP on Ministry stationery during 1999. Promotion of a poster display at the NZ Association of Gerontology Conference marking IYOP and World Health Day on 7 April.

**Seminars for tenants and landlords**

Older people were represented in the seminars for landlords, which focused on the rights and responsibilities in relation to tenancies.

**Human resource policies**

The Ministry’s family-friendly policy incorporates negotiation of flexible hours to enable staff to care for dependants including older relatives. Clauses in employment contracts relating to compulsory retirement ages have been removed. Consideration is being given to flexible work arrangements for staff approaching retirement.
Customer service

Initiatives to improve access to departmental services included consideration to ensure the needs of older people are met. Information is provided through Citizens Advice Bureau, Age Concern and Grey Power to promote use of departmental services.

Human resource policies

Initiatives undertaken to raise awareness and assist staff approaching retirement or with elder-care responsibilities include: availability of reduced hours for staff to assist the transition to retirement; availability of flexible work arrangements for staff with dependent older relatives in need of temporary care; inclusion of a section in Human Resource publication “Flexible Work Arrangements” on managing issues affecting staff with elder-care responsibilities; addition of information about Human Rights Act provisions regarding discrimination on the basis of age in Human Resource Manual; and briefing of HR Advisers on implications of legislative changes in the Human Rights Act.

Publicity

In May 1999, publication of article about International Year of Older Persons in department’s on-line newsletter.

Strategic planning

Development of age profile within the HR Resource database. Exploratory work to research impacts of changing age structure on human resource strategies.

Lottery funding for International Year of Older Persons

Provision of services to the Lottery Aged Distribution Committee which allocated $250,000 for community projects to mark the Year.

Settlement guide for older immigrants

The NZ Immigration Service produced a specialist guide for the older person immigrating to New Zealand.

Research on immigrants

Qualitative research undertaken by the NZ Immigration Service included parents sponsored to NZ by family members, and examined aspects of the parents’ settlement including cultural differences.

Information on issues relating to age discrimination in employment

The Equal Employment Opportunities Fund, jointly administered by the Industrial Relations Service and Ministry of
Women’s Affairs, funded a project to produce a guide for employers relating to EEO issues for older workers. The guide will focus on human resource issues such as selection of staff, job analysis and employment options. The booklet is expected to be available by May 2000.

Health and safety issues for older workers

The Occupational Safety and Health Service is undertaking a project evaluating information on health and safety issues affecting older people in the workforce, identifying the industries and services with disproportionate rates of fatalities, injuries and illnesses in older workers, and identifying relevant personal and social factors involved. Completion date for the project is June 2000.

Labour market disadvantage

Older workers may be identified as a disadvantaged group in research being undertaken by the Labour Market Policy Group. If so, the factors contributing to disadvantage will be examined and policy responses to address disparities will be considered.

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### National Library of New Zealand

**Introduction to library**

An introduction to the library was undertaken with an organisation targeting education for older people.

### Ministry of Pacific Island Affairs

**Communication with older Pacific peoples**

The Ministry assisted the Senior Citizens Unit’s communication strategy by undertaking responsibility for communication with Pacific peoples about the Year. The Ministry also promoted the Year and distributed information through its networks.

**International Pacific Vision Conference**

The Ministry hosted the conference where older Pacific peoples were invited to participate in developing a vision for the future and strategies for improving the general status of Pacific peoples in NZ. Specific workshops were held on issues for older Pacific peoples.

### NZ Police

**Publicity**

The NZ Police distributed IYOP posters and other material to districts for distribution through stations.

**Confident Living Programme**

The Police continued to have dialogue with the Senior Citizens Unit on its guidelines for the Confident Living Programme. Local police will be invited to participate in these multi-agency programmes by way of promulgation of the guidelines.
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| LinkAge guidelines | Launched and distributed, to all schools, the LinkAge guidelines to encourage the development of intergenerational programmes in schools. |

| Gerontology Conference | Secretariat services and advice provided for the NZ Association of Gerontology Conference at Te Papa, 6 - 9 April 1999. |

| Confident Living Programme | Worked with NZ Police and NZ Fire Service on development of draft protocols for the Confident Living Programme. |

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individual employment contracts and will be removed from the collective contract when it is renegotiated.

Publicity
The Department’s Communications Unit included articles on IYOP in the internal and external newsletters during the Year. Media releases were circulated and national television coverage arranged. Assistance was provided in the establishment of the official IYOP website and hyperlinks established with the Department’s own website. Stickers with the IYOP logo were attached to external mail.

Research
The Department’s Research Unit and the Senior Citizens Unit jointly managed the IYOP research project to identify factors affecting the ability of older people to maintain their independence. The Department’s Social Policy Journal featured several articles and research on ageing and the ageing population during 1999. Seminars for staff and invited guests were held on topics relevant to older people and the ageing population, including older workers and intergenerational relationships.

Evaluation of community funding projects
The Department’s Evaluation Unit provided expert advice on the application and evaluation criteria for the community funding projects. The Business Support Group undertook responsibility for monitoring progress reports and approving payments.

Administration
The Senior Citizens Unit was provided with administrative support in connection with its IYOP activities.

State Services Commission

Employment issues policy work
Work was undertaken on:

- legislative protection of existing retirement leave benefits based on age incorporated in the Human Rights Amendment Act 1999
- publication of a booklet, *Age and Retirement in the Public Service*, analysing age-related issues and providing good-practice guidelines
- publication, with the EEO Trust, of *Age and Retirement: An Annotated Bibliography*

Statistics New Zealand

Publications
Inclusion of information on older people, such as living circumstances, health, work and income, on the redesigned website. Regular and ad hoc publications included, where
possible, statistics and analyses to highlight situation of older people in NZ.

Research

- A study of the external and internal movements of older New Zealanders was presented at the "Geodemographics of Ageing" Symposium in Australia and will be published in a future issue of *Demographic Trends*

- Work has begun on survey of older people to provide information on the standard of living of people aged 65 and over and the factors that influence or determine differences from working age people. Fieldwork will be undertaken in February 2000 and results will be available in November 2000

Photographic display

Arrangements were completed for a photographic display of kaumātua and kuia who are making an outstanding contribution to iwi, hapū and Māori. Nominations for "unsung heroes" were sought throughout Aotearoa, using iwi radio, Te Puni Kōkiri regional networks, the bimonthly publication *Kōkiri Patae*, and other publications. Photos of 70 kaumātua will feature, with brief biographical details, in an exhibition that opens on 10 June 2000 at Dowse Art Museum, Lower Hutt. The exhibition will then travel throughout the country for the next 18 months.

Policy initiatives

Te Puni Kōkiri contributed to two specific policy initiatives linked to the International Year of Older Persons: the *LinkAge* intergenerational guidelines; and research undertaken by the Retirement Commissioner on retirement issues for Māori.

Communication initiatives

Information specifically pertaining to kaumātua was included in Te Puni Kōkiri’s bimonthly publication *Kōkiri Patae*. In addition, the report “Oranga Kaumātua – the health and well-being of older Māori people” was promoted during 1999.

Local volunteer community co-ordinators

Te Puni Kōkiri regional offices assisted the Senior Citizens Unit to establish a network of iwi/Māori volunteer community co-ordinators, to provide information about and promote activities during the International Year of Older Persons.

IYOP communication strategy

Advice was provided to the Senior Citizens Unit to ensure information on IYOP was relevant to kaumātua. Regional offices distributed the Māori language versions of the IYOP information kits to their networks.
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| Publicity | Treasury envelopes have been overprinted with the logo for the International Year of Older Persons. |

| Seminar | A presentation for staff was held on labour force participation among older workers. |

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| Statistics on older people | Discussions with Statistics New Zealand regarding the collection and publication of information relating to older people. |

| Seminar on older women | To encourage Ministry staff to incorporate the perspectives, issues and experiences of older women within their work, and in particular how to recognise and consider the lives of older Māori women. |

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Ministry of Youth Affairs

Publicity
Promotion, in the Ministry’s newsletter which has nationwide circulation, of the LinkAge guidelines.

Runanga Kuia hui
Planned participation in hui, with Ministry of Women’s Affairs, with the objective of working collaboratively on issues of mutual interest.

Crown entities and other Activities

Accident Compensation Corporation
Community-based fall prevention demonstration projects for older persons
Ten community-based fall prevention demonstration projects for non-institutionalised older persons continued to be implemented during 1999, the second year the project operated. The programmes use a variety of strategies to prevent falls in older people, including lower body strength and balance exercises, public awareness, education and training, and environmental assessment and modification. Initial indications of success show that in general older people do benefit from these types of projects.

Home-based exercise project to prevent falls in people aged 80 years and older
ACC is collaborating with other organisations to support a research study by the Falls Prevention Research Group, University of Otago to prevent falls in women aged 80 and over who live independently. The project is conducted in three South Island communities, with another two communities serving as controls. Nurses are selected and trained to implement a 12-month home-based programme consisting of flexibility, strength and balance retraining exercises, and a walking plan. This project began in March 1998 and is due to be completed in June 2000.

Alcohol Liquor Advisory Council
Information pamphlets on alcohol and the older person
Worked with Age Concern to develop and distribute pamphlets on Alcohol and Older People: for Families, Friends and Carers; for Health and Social Workers; and for Alcohol and Drug Services.

New Zealand Gerontology Conference April 1999
ALAC sponsored and participated in the conference topic of alcohol and substance abuse in older people.
Published articles
A number of articles raising awareness of older people’s needs in relation to alcohol and drug use were printed in *Say When*, the ALAC periodical.

Animal Control Products Limited

Retirement seminar
An in-house seminar was held to improve understanding of the issues faced by older people and encourage staff to prepare for a financially independent retirement.

Human resource policies
Company policies and employment contracts were reviewed to ensure compliance with the removal of compulsory retirement dates.

Aotearoa Traditional Māori Performing Arts Society

Kapa haka performance competitions
Themes for haka, waiata, etc in regional competitions acknowledged the great contribution kaumātua have made. The society held a series of “golden oldies” kapa haka performances, as part of regional competitions, and these also featured in the Coronation celebrations.

Broadcasting Standards Authority

Information to older people
Special attention was given during the Year to making information about the complaints process readily available to older people.

Building Industry Authority

Promotion of issues relating to the health and safety of older persons
*BIA News*, with a monthly print run of 10,400 including distribution to every territorial authority, was posted in the BIA website, making it accessible to housebound or less mobile people. During 1999, articles were published on topics directly relevant to ease of access to buildings for older people. An address covering building code requirements for older people was delivered to the Residential Care NZ annual conference.

Promotion of safe water temperatures
Older people’s possible slower reactions and delicate skin means this issue is highly relevant to them. The BIA specialist in plumbing and drainage gave two invited presentations on this subject. The BIA collaborated with the Building Research Association of NZ to mount a plumbing seminar series, held in 23 locations, which included BIA input about safe water temperatures.

Review of fire safety clauses of New Zealand Building Code
The review included an investigation of fire risks in rest homes.
and of appropriate fire safety precautions, including sprinkler systems, to respond to that risk. Final decisions on proposed amendments to the building code and Approved Documents are expected to be published early in 2000.

Access projects
- Slip resistance of access routes — work is continuing on predicting the effects of weathering, cleaning, use of floor surfaces and the resulting hazards, particularly for older people who are the most likely group to suffer injury through slipping and falls
- Access in stadiums and theatres — work on access in stadiums and theatres has identified internationally used design standards that specify safe stairs and steps
- Counters and reception desks — work during 1999/2000 on practicable means of making counters and reception desks in public buildings more easily approached and used by people in wheelchairs, and allowing people to be able to sit while they conduct their business

Improvements in thermal insulation
A review of approved documents for thermal insulation is expected to be completed shortly. It is expected to lead to improvements in the level of thermal insulation in new houses in colder parts of the country. This will be advantageous for older people, as research has shown that cold houses may be a major contributor to illness and mortality in the older age group.

Human resource policies
A human resource strategy is being undertaken to address ageing workforce issues, including consideration of the impact of Human Rights Act provisions. A review of policies and employment contracts is being undertaken to ensure compliance with the Human Rights Act. Material from the Office of the Retirement Commissioner regarding retirement planning is available to staff.

Human resource policies
Action has been taken to ensure that the Commission's human resource policies comply with the Human Rights Act provisions prohibiting compulsory retirement on the grounds of age.

Research project
A small research project was undertaken on issues relevant to grandparents who are full-time caregivers for their grandchildren.
Children’s Day
Planning was undertaken with Child, Youth and Family and other agencies for a Children’s Day to be held in October 2000, where interaction between the young and the old will be emphasised.

Funding decisions
Research undertaken during 1998 confirmed that older people participate in the arts at the same high level as other age groups. Responsibilities regarding support for older persons as either practitioners or audiences were recognised in the intergenerational approach to supporting arts activities.

Earthquake Commission Act
A review of the Act’s definition of long-term accommodation for the elderly was completed. Comment from owners of residential care facilities indicated that they are satisfied with the provisions of the current legislation. Recommendations for change are still being considered.

Human resources
EQC’s human resource policy and superannuation policy are in the process of being reviewed. Once completed, arrangements will be made for a representative of the Office of the Retirement Commissioner to address EQC staff.

Discussions
There were informal staff discussions on issues associated with ageing during the year.

Publicity
A hyperlink from the EQC website to the IYOP site was established.

Information to older people
Older people have been identified as a particular target group who require additional assistance in learning about the electoral system. As a result, in the past year special attention was given to make information about MMP and the electoral process readily available to older people, with a particular focus on those in retirement villages and similar places of residence. A direct mail campaign was also targeted at women in a number of electorates between the ages of 60 and 65 as part of the lead up-to the general election.
**Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (EECA)**

**Energy efficiency initiative**
Continued involvement in an energy efficiency, housing and health project in association with the Wellington School of Medicine and Smart Power. The study is funded by EECA and others, and targets residents of pensioner flats owned by the Wellington City Council.

**Communication strategy for energy efficiency advice**
- Several Energy Saver Fund projects funded in 1999/2000 specifically target residences where older people live. These projects include energy efficiency retrofits of housing for the elderly in Hastings, Timaru and Kaikoura districts, and several private sector ESF-subsidised projects which aim to improve the energy efficiency of rest homes throughout NZ
- Residential efficiency initiatives such as *Energy Wise Home* magazine and the EECA-managed Bay of Plenty Electrical Consumer Trust “Energy Save Energy Safe project”, which includes older people in its target audience
- EECA’s transport activities in 1999 have focused on the roles of walking, cycling and public transport. As many older people rely on walking and public transport for independent travel, EECA initiatives will assist in creating more transport choices for older people

**Foundation for Research, Science and Technology**

**Research strategy development**
Strategic Portfolio Outlines, which identify directions and objectives for future research funding, have been developed and include three that are particularly relevant to older people: *The Peoples of Aotearoa/New Zealand; Families and Communities* and *Business and Economic Life*. For research relating to social outcomes, age is one of the core factors that are identified as possible factors for detailed analysis.

**Research funding**
Funding has been provided for two research programmes that focus on older persons – Intergenerational Communication and Stereotypes of the Elderly (Victoria University) and Employment of the Older Worker (Massey University). The Massey programme was highlighted in the March newsletter *Foundation*.

**Health Funding Authority**

**Publicity and planning**
- With the Ministry of Health, promotion poster displays marking IYOP and World Health Day
- Participation by key staff members in working groups planning for the promotion of IYOP in government agencies and voluntary organisations
Publication
Joint publication, with the Ministry of Health, of a booklet, *Older People with Disabilities*, the first analysis of nationally collected data on the level of disability and services provided to a sample group of older people.

Conferences and seminars
Participation of staff in appropriate conferences and seminars discussing wide-ranging issues for older people.

Research into ageing
Two articles about health issues affecting older people were commissioned and published in the June issue of the HRC newsletter. One focused on a major clinical trial which established that aspirin reduces the risk of blood clots in elderly people after hip fracture operations. The other discussed the benefits of calcium supplements and sunshine for preventing bone fractures from osteoporosis.

Research topic
Research into ageing is included in the Health and Independence of Population Groups’ portfolio, in the new HRC topic-based portfolio structure which focuses on achieving health outcomes. The new structure will encourage co-operation between researchers from different disciplines who are working on the same topics.

He Oranga Poutama – healthy lifestyles programme for Māori
Contributed during first six months of 1999 to He Oranga Poutama project of activities involving kaumātua, which was delivered through the Hillary Commission. The project operated in Waitakere, Auckland, Whakatane, East Coast, Gisborne, Tauranga, Rotorua, Taranaki, Hawkes Bay and Canterbury.

Sport and physical activities
- KiwiSeniors activity programmes in which approximately 18,000 older people take part each week. Activities are co-ordinated by 17 regional sports trusts, under contract to the Hillary Commission
- He Oranga Poutama in conjunction with Health Sponsorship Council
- Walks for International Day of Older Persons were held in conjunction with Age Concern on 1 October 1998 (2,500 walkers) and 1 October 1999 (4,250 walkers over 28 walks)
- Seven training workshops were held for gentle exercise instructors. The 92 attendees gave the series a 99% satisfaction rate
Conference
Funding provided for Susie Dinan (UK) to present one lecture and two workshops at the Wellington Gerontology Conference, April 1999.

Human resource policy
Employment contracts reviewed and clauses about retirement policy removed.

Website
The IYOP logo was added to the Corporation's home page and a link provided to the IYOP website.

Housing assets
Rebalancing strategy aimed at ensuring needs of customers are met has resulted in the creation of new homes and complexes with specifically designed features and amenities for older people. These include a 20-unit village complex for older customers in Clendon, Auckland; units for older, post-family customers in a Papatoetoe development; and four-bedroom units in Mangere to provide for extended family living. The principles of “Universal Design” are being considered for incorporation into properties purpose-built for HNZ, which would allow older people to remain in their property longer. Smoke alarms were installed in houses during 1998/99, providing increased peace of mind for customers.

Housing policy
Ongoing work on Tenure Protection Allowance and 55+ Rent Rebate was undertaken and the provisions remain available for eligible older persons.

Housing services
HNZ’s new role as Access Facilitator for customers in greatest need will identify issues specific to the older person and enable the company to develop and implement appropriate strategies to address them.

Age and employment conferences
Two “Valuing the Older Worker” Conferences were held in March 1999 in Auckland and Wellington which examined employment issues for older workers. The conferences, organised in conjunction with the Senior Citizens Unit, featured a number of international speakers and attracted 240 delegates. They were one of the national events planned as part of the Government strategy for International Year of Older Persons. A booklet of conference speeches was produced which addresses performance,
management and research issues for the older workforce and is in demand from employers, the public sector and others.

**Employment issues booklet**

In conjunction with the State Services Commission, a booklet was produced to provide guidance to public service employers on age discrimination in advance of the 1 February 1999 changes to the Human Rights Act that abolished compulsory retirement. The booklet covers legal and human resource implications of the removal of the upper age limit in employment.

**Age and employment seminars**

In conjunction with the Employers Federation, seminars for employers were held in Christchurch (June) and Dunedin (July) which covered retirement and performance issues for older workers.

**Published information**

Three articles covering age and employment issues for older persons were published in the Commission’s publication *Tirohia* in 1999. In addition, the Commission’s factsheets on age and retirement were updated.

**Human resource policy**

ESR promotes a Family/Employee Friendly Work Practice that recognises elderly dependants as part of the family.

**Human resource services**

Services routinely offered to staff, free of charge, include individual financial planning with a registered external provider, regular financial planning seminars (Family Trusts, etc), attendance at Retirement Advisory Service seminars, flexible and part-time hours of work, and reduced hours of work for staff approaching retirement.

**Provisions for retired staff**

Continued use of research and library facilities is available after retirement and Research Associate positions are available to retired science staff.

**Promotion of good laboratory practice in testing**

Improved quality of life in NZ by supporting protection of public health and safety, environmental protection, consumer protection, trade facilitation, and customer confidence through internationally recognised accreditation of all testing and calibration laboratories, inspection bodies and other technical professional services.
Promotion of good-quality assurance practice in the supply of goods and services
Assisted clients’ business development and growth through management system assessment and recognition.

Land Transport Safety Authority of New Zealand

Road safety initiatives
- LTSA has been monitoring crash trends and patterns among older drivers with a view to identifying appropriate road safety programmes
- For the first time, separate targets for older road users are being prepared for consideration in the draft Road Safety Strategy for 2010
- Funding for 11 community projects targeting older road users has been provided through the NZ Road Safety Programme for 1999/2000. These projects aim to increase the awareness of older road users about ways in which they can make themselves safer on the roads, both as drivers and as pedestrians
- Participation in two Australasian research projects related to the safety and mobility of older road users

Driver licensing changes
Changes have been made to driver licensing and testing routes. The changes include reducing the costs to older drivers by delaying the need for retesting and reducing the frequency for such tests (licences are renewed every two years after age 80 instead of annually after age 76). In addition, older driver practical tests and special testing routes for older road drivers have been developed.

Safe with Age programme
This educational course developed and funded by LTSA to promote road safety issues (with an emphasis on driving) among older people has been relaunched with a revision of the course and training for course providers.

Law Commission

Reports
The Law Commission’s Preliminary Paper 34 Retirement Villages (1998) has been followed this year with Report 57 containing recommendations. Paper 35 Shared Ownership of Land (1999) and Report 59 (1999) deal with publications about deteriorating buildings on land in multiple ownership. Both, and especially the former, have major significance to older people. Much other work undertaken has reference to older persons.
Management Development Centre

Organisational philosophy
The role of the Management Development Centre is to contribute to the development of management capability across the Public Service. The organisation’s belief system recognises that management roles often come later in careers, with age and experience contributing to judgement and wisdom in good management. The contribution that older people can make to the development of others is particularly valued.

Maritime Safety Authority of New Zealand

Medical fitness for seafarers
Developed new standards for medical fitness of seafarers working on large commercial vessels. Started work on developing new standards for medical fitness of seafarers working on fishing ships and vessels operating in restricted limits. This will help protect the well-being of older seafarers whose health and safety could be compromised by working at sea and assist those who are medically fit to remain eligible for seagoing employment.

Safety measures
A review of life rafts, buoyancy apparatus, life jacket and life buoy requirements for restricted limit ships took into account the need to cater for older people (and small children).

Human resource policy
- Encouragement of staff to attend retirement planning seminars arranged by MSA
- Availability of reduced hours, or other appropriate arrangements, for staff to assist with the transition to retirement
- Development of medical standards appropriate for various positions and the encouragement of staff to maintain fitness

Museum of New Zealand Te Papa Tongarewa

Exhibition
An exhibition of works by Goldie, featuring kaumātua and kuia, coincided with the NZ Gerontology Conference being held at Te Papa on 6 - 9 April 1999.

New Zealand Artificial Limb Board

Review of internal processes
NZALB has provided assistance to older amputees and their families. They have been encouraged to make the most of their prostheses, and advised about regional clinics where minor discomfort can be corrected easily, thus saving long travel times.
Information booklet
A special booklet of helpful advice for older amputees and for those involved with them has been written and published specifically to commemorate the International Year of Older Persons.

Research project
The availability of funding for a research project to study the application of energy-storing componentry for older amputees was extensively advertised (traditionally such componentry has been used more frequently for high-performance applications such as athletes, but it was felt that there was a possibility that its use could be of special benefit to older amputees in special circumstances). Unfortunately, there was little response to the proposal.

Publicise International Year of Older Persons
The IYOP logo was printed on letterhead and envelopes. IYOP logo stickers were fixed to all other mail.

Human resource policies
All internal procedures and staffing matters were reviewed to ensure due recognition was given to the Year, and positive attitudes to ageing and older people were promoted in all internal policies. As a result, an older person has been employed on a part-time basis.

Monthly public programmes
The Film Centre, in association with Wellington City Council’s Senior Community Network, presented Looking Back: New Zealand on Film, a special film series selected from the collections of the NZ Film Archive to appeal to Wellington’s senior citizen community.

Fire safety initiatives
- Inclusion of older adults, particularly isolated elderly, as a key at-risk group in the national fire safety promotion plan. Key messages included how to avoid fires and how to escape safely from a fire, bearing in mind special risks of older people due to loss of hearing, sight and mobility
- Inclusion in television advertising of the tragic death of an older woman in a house fire to promote the need for older people and families to have escape plans
- Proactively pursuing, in conjunction with the Ministry of Health, a fire protection and evacuation scheme upgrading state and private hospitals, rest homes and community welfare homes. This will ensure a safe environment for elderly people receiving medical, rehabilitative or aged care in these facilities
• Providing comment to the building industry during the Building Act, Code and Review to ensure all new buildings incorporate appropriate fire protection

• Contributing to, in association with the NZ Police and the Senior Citizens Unit, the development of draft national protocols for the delivery of the Confident Living Programme

Human resource policies
Planning retirement seminars are periodically arranged for staff. Fitness classes for older staff members are available upon request.

Publicity
IYOP will be acknowledged on a Lotto Draw to recognise that funding for the Year, provided through the NZ Lottery Grants Board, is derived from the Commission.

Funding for International Year of Older Persons
The Lottery Aged Committee distributed $250,000 allocated for the International Year of Older Persons. A total of 200 applications seeking $1,550,000 were considered on 31.3.99. Of those, 108 applications received grants ranging from $250 to $11,000, most of which were for celebratory-type events such as kaumatua balls, luncheons for older volunteers, concerts, festivals and information days.

Transport to concerts
Transport is provided at a highly subsidised rate to senior citizens. Passengers receive complimentary refreshments.

Day time/early evening concerts
During 1999, Tea & Symphony and Showstoppers concerts were scheduled during the day and early evening, to make them more accessible to older persons (as well as to some other groups).

Membership of NZSO Alumni Association
Allows retired ex-employees to continue their association with the orchestra and participate in social occasions, reunions, fund-raising activities and special projects.

Lunchtime symphony seminars/pre-concert talks
Pre-concert talks, provided free of charge to concert-goers, were launched in 1999. The seminars particularly attract older persons; and provide an opportunity for them to socialise and to develop their appreciation of classical music.
New initiatives
The NZSO is considering the following initiatives for the future which would benefit older people: social club for older persons developing a Rewards Programme; and offering travel discount packages for over-60s for international tours.

Reviewing retirement policy for employees
The NZSO is proactively embracing new retirement options for staff.

NZ on Air
TV3 documentary
Relevant documentary in production – will liaise with TV3 re appropriate scheduling.

Information to producers
Will advise producers of IYOP and ask them to consider featuring the Year in a special-interest series.

Information to Access Radio managers
Will advise Access Radio managers of IYOP and ask them to consider IYOP in programming decisions.

Assist broadcaster liaison
Provide advice and assistance to Senior Citizens Unit, if appropriate.

Office of Films and Literature Classification
Human resource policy
• Office policies, procedures and employment contracts have been reviewed to ensure compliance with the Human Rights Act
• Copies of the Retirement Commissioner Retirement Planner were distributed within the office, with copies located in each staffroom

Pacific Business Trust
Publicity and promotion
Assisted the distribution of IYOP material through networks in the Pacific community.

Celebration
Contributed to a celebration of older Pacific women in the Trust’s Contemporary Pacific Art Gallery.

Public Trust
External customer communications
• Article included in “Life Times” to raise awareness among older people of the importance of Enduring Power of Attorney
• Some regional offices hosted morning tea for older people on 1 October to mark International Day of Older Persons
Seminars
Developed ongoing networks with Probus organisation to raise awareness of the types of products and services that will protect older people.

Publicity
Promoted IYOP on the Public Trust Intranet to make all employees aware of the importance of the Year.

Publicity and promotion
The NZ logo for the Year was included on education and information publications, in particular the Office's newsletter *Future Focus*. The logo was also included on Office stationery where appropriate.

Database information
The Senior Citizens Unit was offered the extensive database established by the Office, to assist with promotional activities.

Website
A hyperlink was established from the Office's website to the site established for International Year of Older Persons.

Contributions to IYOP information kits
The Office provided information for inclusion in the IYOP information kits distributed by the Senior Citizens Unit.

Workplace Programme
The Office developed a Workplace Programme, designed to assist employers to identify opportunities to encourage private provision for retirement to employees, which will be launched in early 2000.

Matinee performances
A number of special matinees aimed at older people were presented in Auckland and Wellington.

Exemptions
A review of the exemption notice in respect of retirement villages was completed. As a result, a class exemption notice for retirement villages was published. This increases the safeguards for residents by improving the quality of information available to
them and imposing as a condition of exemption an independent person available to handle complaints. It also reduces compliance costs for managers of retirement villages, thereby reducing costs to residents.

Enforcement
In undertaking inquiry work, situations were targeted where savings of more vulnerable people in the community were at risk, particularly older people. Specific activities included prohibiting advertising that was in breach of the law for investments offered by four companies, issuing six warnings about dubious investment schemes, and initiating or approving inspections by the Registrar of Companies of documents of issuers or promoters of securities.

Reform
Having invited the Law Commission to review the law relating to retirement villages, we co-operated fully with the Commission and commented in detail on their discussion paper.

Public understanding
In its work to ensure that people can make informed investment decisions, the Commission:

- Reviewed 78 investment statements and 60 prospectuses of investments being offered to the public, to ensure information is provided in plain language so investors can make an informed decision. A significant number of offer documents were amended after discussion
- Warned commercial property syndicates about the manner in which returns are expressed, to avoid confusing or misleading investors
- Surveyed investors about the use and level of understanding of offer documents, and made results available to the public and issuers
- Published information on its website on obligations of investment advisers and questions investors could ask them

Analysis of information
Trends relating to age are monitored as part of ongoing organisational activities. Analysis of data by age within the programmes purchased by the agency is routine, with the aim of highlighting issues surrounding participation for older trainees.
Standards
New Zealand

Publications

The following publications have been undertaken during 1999 with a specific focus on issues related to older people:

- **NZMP 6004:1999** *Safer electrical installations in homes for children, the elderly and people with disabilities*

- National Health and Disability Sector Standards — to ensure services providing health or disability support to older people will be required to demonstrate compliance with a higher safety standard than previously required. These can be viewed or downloaded on Standard New Zealand’s home page where a hyperlink provides access to the IYOP website.


Te Taura Whiri
i te reo Māori
(Māori Language Commission)

Advice to Senior Citizens Unit

The Māori Language Commission provided advice on Māori language translations to assist the Senior Citizens Unit’s communication strategy.

Transfund
New Zealand

Social Services output class

$6.9m allocated in 1998/99 for passenger transport services for transport-disadvantaged people, some of whom are older. Regional councils manage the delivery of passenger transport subsidies, including concessional fares for older people.

Transit
New Zealand

Human resource policy

Ensured compliance with the Human Rights Act on retirement.

Sir Thomas Davis, scientist, traditional navigator, yachtsman, musician, author and philosopher, at age 81 still thunders through the sleepy villages in Raratonga on his Harley Davidson 1200cc Sportster.
The Senior Citizens Unit gratefully acknowledges the generosity of Age Concern Hamilton in providing the photographs used in the New Zealand poster and reports for the International Year of Older Persons.
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