



In touch Invercargill

PRESIDENT'S PIECE.

Good morning, everyone. I hope you are all managing to cope with the cold and the strong wind. It was good we didn't experience this weather on Saturday.

August proved to be a busy month for us, ending with the IFF Day. We had a small group but I think everyone enjoyed the day. Using the small room was a good idea. Because it was a small group everyone got the opportunity to get to know each other. Putting on an event like that is always a lot of work. I'd like to thank you all for the way you assumed the responsibility you were designated.

I also appreciated the way everyone got involved in "Teddy's Day Out". The members who were there on the day enjoyed chatting with the parents and grandparents when they brought the children into our area to choose books and draw / create their favourite teddy bear.

So now we look forward to a quieter month with just one activity to plan for.

I'll see you all on Wednesday night. Hopefully the weather will be calmer by then.

Yours in Altrusa

Ceciley



*'People take
different roads
seeking fulfillment
and happiness.*

*Just because they
are not on your
road doesn't mean
they've gotten
lost.'*

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← Ceciley, Jenny, Devon and Patrick preparing books prior to the giveaway events.



Teds Day out was very popular. The Mall was buzzing.

Over 215 books were given out to a wide variety of age groups across the broad ethnic community that is now Invercargill.

The idea of an activity table was fun for all. The children really enjoyed drawing and decorating the teddy bears.



Raising funds for Emma Corson, Denise's granddaughter to help her pursue her sporting goals.



Birthdays

No Christmas babies

Sept 8 International Literacy Day

Sept 19 Women's Suffrage Day



COMMEMORATING SUFFRAGE DAY

Each year on 19 September in New Zealand, we mark Suffrage Day to commemorate this milestone and acknowledge the contributions of women who have fought to advance women's rights and the betterment of our society.

On 19 September 1893, Governor Lord Glasgow signed a new Electoral Act into law, and New Zealand became the first self-governing country in the world to enshrine in law the right for women to vote in parliamentary elections.

Since 1933, 197 women have represented New Zealand as MPs. Upon being sworn in as an MP, women MPs receive a camellia brooch with a number engraved on the back of where in this lineage they fall to commemorate this lasting connection between the suffrage movement.

DIARY DATES

AUG 31	BOARD
SEPT 2	MEETING
	HOSTESS - ANGELA
SEPT 8	INTERNATIONAL LITERACY DAY
SEPT 16	ELIZABETH MILLAR STORYTELLING COMPETITION
SEPT 19	SUFFRAGE DAY
SEPT 21	INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE
OCT 5	BOARD
OCT 7	BUSINESS



Do not think your single vote does not matter much. The rain that refreshes the parched ground is made up of single drops.

Kate Sheppard, (1847-1934)



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Altrusa monthly meeting Apologies

A reminder to please have

meeting apologies to Lynette by 12 noon at the latest on the Tuesday prior to the meeting.

This includes letting her know if any guests are attending.

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EDITORS NOTE.

Hello everyone,

Phew! We made it. What a busy July and August it has been.

Hope the winter is treating you well. It has certainly been a bit chilly.

If you have anything you could contribute to the newsletter I would certainly appreciate it, be it a joke, a saying, a recipe, an article of interest.

Hope you can take the time to enjoy the signs of Spring in the garden in between the inclement weather of late. It will get better. Hold on to that thought.

Take care

Editor.



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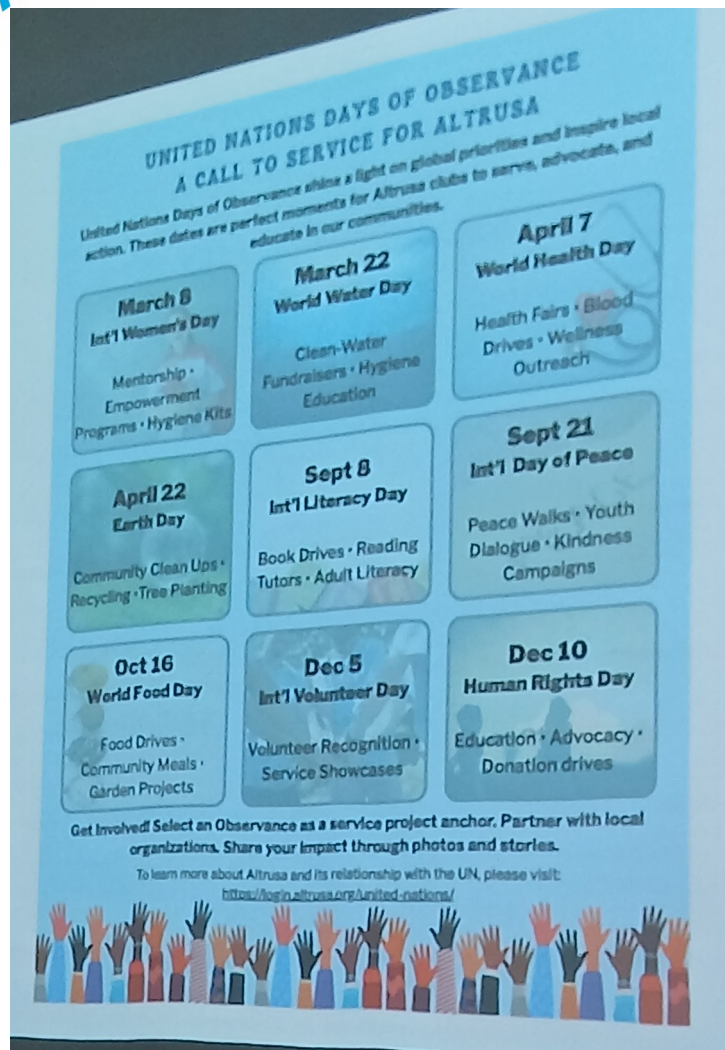


Biennium theme for

International President

Christine De Vlieger, something for us all to keep in mind.

At the IFF day, Governor Margaret suggested that we keep these dates and activities in mind as we plan our yearly events calendar.



Navigating the Altrusa Web...

- Important websites to know!

Districtfifteen.altrusa.org

International - www.altrusa.org (click Member Login in the upper right)

Give us some feedback and share your thoughts on improving Altrusa with the Suggestion Box

IFF day hosted by Invercargill on August 29th . Oamaru, Taieri and Queenstown attended.

The activity was making Love letters for the children at the Women's Refuge safe house and the children's ward at Southland Hospital. Approx 30 were made and what a great range of creative outcomes. The speaker was the Womens Refuge Manager, Cathy Robertson, and Governor Margaret brought us up to date on Altrusa news. Its always great to catch up with the other clubs and their news.

(You can google Altrusa Love Letters to find out more)

