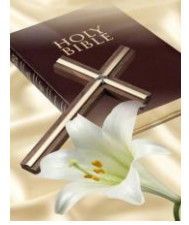




Minniesdale Chapel & Cemetery

Shegadeen Road
Wharehine



MINNIESDALE NEWS 2023

Greetings to all our friends and supporters

AN INVITATION TO ALL

The Minniesdale Chapel Trustees wish to extend an invitation to everyone who would like to join in our annual anniversary service. This will be on the 7th of January at 1.30pm and will be followed by afternoon tea at the, nearby, Wharehine Hall. In keeping with an 'old fashioned' tradition – 'ladies' please bring a plate.

Christmas Day and New Years Day both fall on a Monday, which is too close to our usual Sunday service for those who travel from out of town, so we have had to extend to a week later than usual.

This service will be officiated by Phil van der Mespel. Helen Diaz is leading her group 'HeartsAChord' for a couple of songs and there will be hymns for the congregation to sing also. We have Elizabeth Becroft to accompany our singing on the organ. All are welcome.

AGM 2023

The Trustees held the Chapel and Cemetery AGM on Sunday 11th June 2023. It was agreed by Trustees that current officers would continue:

Chairman: Tony Hayward Secretary: Liz Sanders Treasurer: Barbara Lane

Trustees are:

Pauline Stables, Linda Casci, Sue Andrew, Andrew Fairweather, Roger Brookes, Jacqui Brookes and Peter Marsh

PROJECTS

In January 2023 the chapel, picket fence, concrete ash berm and the outdoor seating were cleaned by Chemwash. During March 2023 Master Floor Refinishing NZ Ltd serviced the 'heritage protected wooden floors' in the chapel. While this was happening, we were able to store the pews and other furniture in Wharehine Hall.

The Wellsford Lions Club continue to mow and weed trim the cemetery although the bad weather hindered this progress until recently. A huge Karaka tree came down and by the time you receive this newsletter should have been cleared with only one headstone receiving minimal damage.

OTHER

We thank all those people who have donated funds to help Minniesdale Chapel & Cemetery and the historical booklet continues to sell well at just \$5 each.

Wishing everyone all the best for the Festive Season.

From the Trustees

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Merry Christmas to one and all.
May you have a happy time with family & friends.
The Trustees of Minniesdale Chapel & Cemetery wish you
the very best for the New Year 2024.