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Services

Support & Advocacy

Our Community Workers can provide support and assistance, advise on available services, liaise with other community agencies and are available to visit at home.

Total Mobility Scheme (Wanganui only)

(Horizons Regional Council) Assessments provided for people with disabilities to access half price taxi fares.

Elder Abuse and Neglect Prevention

Our Co-ordinator is available to confidentially discuss problems of suspected abuse, neglect or mistreatment and can assist in obtaining help. Training for carers and professionals and a public awareness program is also available.

Accredited Visiting Service

Our Co-ordinator trains and supports volunteers who visit those living alone in the community. Both the older person and the visitor enjoy the friendship that develops from this regular contact.

Transport

Volunteer drivers help those who have no transport - taking them to medical and other essential appointments – for a donation towards petrol.

Supermarket Shopping

Volunteers take those who have no transport to the supermarket, assisting with shopping and taking them home – assessment required, donation to the driver.

Steady As You Go (SAYGo)

Strength and Balance exercise program for men and women.

Welfare Service to Tenants of Pensioner Flats (Wanganui) & Community Housing (Rangitikei)

Our Welfare Officers provide support to tenants of the Wanganui District Council Pensioner Flats and Rangitikei District Council Community Housing.

Health Promotion

Seminars and forums organised on a range of topics relevant and interesting to older people.

Senior Driving Program including CarFit

Drive with confidence, share experiences and learn how your car can 'fit' you. A refresher course designed especially for senior road users.



Information

Contact us for a wide variety of information on available services. Call in or phone to speak with our reception volunteers or staff.

Volunteer Opportunities

A number of volunteering opportunities are available:

- Meals on Wheels delivery
- Transport & Supermarket Service
- Visiting Service
- Reception
- CarFit

All volunteers are given training and support.

Membership and donations to Age Concern Wanganui are appreciated and accepted. Donations of \$5 or more are tax deductible.

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Notice is hereby given of the: AGE CONCERN WANGANUI INC. **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Wednesday 31st August 2016 2.00pm at Age Concern Wanganui 164 St Hill Street, Wanganui **RSVP**



Age Concern Wanganui has our very first car! A huge thank you to Scott and the team at Wanganui Car Centre for their generous support. If you are in the market for a new or replacement vehicle, mention Age Concern Wanganui and the guys will take care of you!!

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Enquiries: Rosemary Christison Ph: 343 8116



Wanted - Can Openers

You might ask why we are asking for donated can openers.....it appears not everyone has one!! The Food Bank very generously provides food to those that need it however much of the food is canned which may pose a problem if the can can't be opened.

We take it for granted perhaps that everyone has a can opener in their kitchen but...maybe not.

So, if you have a spare or are able to donate a can opener, please pop it in to Age Concern Wanganui at 164 St Hill Street and we will pass them on to the Food Bank. Thanks!!



OUr voice Advance



Advance Care Planning (or ACP) is the process of thinking about, talking about and planning for future health care and end of life care.

Advance care planning gives everyone a chance to say what's important to them. It helps people understand what the future might hold and to say what treatment they would and would not want. It helps people, their families and their healthcare teams plan for future and end of life care.

If you have had a chance to think about the care you want towards the end of your life, you may want to write your thoughts down. This makes it much easier for families and healthcare providers to know what you would want - particularly if you can no longer speak for yourself.

'My Advance Care Plan' forms are available on line at www.advancecareplanning.org.nz or you can contact Age Concern Wanganui on (06) 345 1799, the Whanganui Regional Health Network on (06) 3448 0109 or your GP.



Upcoming Events

Save the Date!

AGM 31 Aug 2016

Members Mystery Matinee 20 Sept 2016

Volunteer Celebration 13 Oct 2016

Senior Driving Programmes from November

ScamSavvy Date TBC

Enduring Power of Attorney Info Sessions

Dates TBC



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The Rates Rebate Scheme - District Council

Age Concern Wanganui is encouraging older people in Wanganui/Rangitikei to check to see if they qualify for a rates rebate under the Rates Rebate Scheme. The Rates Rebate Scheme provides a rebate of up to \$610 for low income earners who were paying rates for the home in which they were living on 1 July 2016. Your rebate will be calculated based on your income, rates and the number of dependants living with you. The income eligibility for a rebate is \$24,470. However, if your income exceeds this amount you could still be entitled to a rebate depending on the total cost of your rates and the number of dependants.

You need to provide accurate information about your income (and that of any spouse/partner and/or joint home owner who lives with you) for the tax year ended 31 March 2016. You also need to provide your regional council rates bill if received separately.

Please refer to the application form or the local council for more information.

Application forms are available from the local council or can be downloaded from the internet on

www.dia.govt.nz/ratesrebates

District council contact: Rangitikei (06) 327 0099 Ruapehu (07) 895 8188 Whanganui (06) 349 0001



Fun Facts

- **1.** People say "Bless you" when you sneeze because when you sneeze, your heart stops for a millisecond.
- **2.** It is physically impossible for pigs to look up into the sky.
- **3.** More than 50% of the people in the world have never made or received a telephone call.
- 4. If you sneeze too hard, you can fracture a rib.
- **5.** Rats multiply so quickly that in 18 months, two rats could have over a million descendants.
- **6.** The cigarette lighter was invented before the match.
- 7. Most lipstick contains fish scales.
- **8.** Elephants are the only mammals that can't jump.
- 9. Honey is the only food that doesn't spoil.
- **10.** Pearls melt in vinegar.

Members' Mystery Matinee Tuesday 20th September 2pm - 4pm in the Age Concern Wanganui Board Room 164 St Hill Street, Wanganui. We plan entertainment & afternoon tea especially for you! Come along, make new friends, have fun...the more the merrier. RSVP 16 September 2016 to Tracy - 345 1799

Fire Safety Advice

Kitchen

25% of ALL house fires start in the kitchen

- If you must leave the room, TURN OFF the stove.
- Clean your stove grill after each use to prevent the build-up of spilled fats and burnt foods.
- Clean rangehood filters regularly.
- Curtains, tea towels, oven mitts and any flammable items should be kept well away from the cooking area.
- Have a fire extinguisher and/or fire blanket correctly located in your kitchen and make sure you know how to use them.
- Never throw water on to a frypan that's on fire.
- Never, ever attempt to carry a burning frypan outside.
- If your frypan is on fire, wet a teatowel and place it over the pan or use a large flat object (like a chopping board) to starve the fire of oxygen.
- If you do have a fire on your stove, try (if you can) to turn the power or gas off either at the stove or at the mains.

 Alcohol is involved in 50% of all fatal fires. So don't drink and fry, get takeaways delivered instead or use the microwave

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Bedroom

Worn and old electric blankets can cause an electric shock, fire and possibly even death.

- At the first sign of wear have your electric blanket checked by a qualified electrician.
- Replace your electric blanket every five years with newer heat protected models, which are safer.
- Don't place heavy objects on the bed while the blanket is on.
- Make sure the blanket is always flat on the bed and that controls or cords are not twisted or caught between the mattress and the base of the bed. Twisted cords are a common cause of electric blanket fires.
- Roll your blanket when you store it for the summer. Don't fold it.

www.fire.org.nz/Fire-Safety/Fire-Safety-Advice/ Pages/Inside-your-home.html





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- GBDFA
- PITCH
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- ____
- PICCOLO
- STRING
- FORTE
- ORCHESTRA
- SHARP

- HALFNOTE
- BASSCLEF
- FACE
- TEMPO
- RHYTHM
- HARP
- CELLO
- BRASS
- PERCUSSION
- MEZZOFORTE
- PHRASE
- FLAT

- WHOLENOTE
- STAFF
- ACEG
- DYNAMICS
- GRANDSTAFF
- VIOLIN
- BASS
- WOODWINDS
- METRONOME
- MEZZOPIANO
- STACCATO
- NATURAL

Enduring Powers of Attorney put you in control

Do you feel confident that someone else will know how to look after you and your property if you ever become unable to do so?

There might come a time, perhaps because of illness or an accident, when you will need someone you trust to make decisions on your behalf or to manage your affairs. You can be more in control of your future by using enduring powers of attorney (EPOA).

An EPOA is a legal document that enables you to state who you want to look after your affairs if you lose the ability to make decisions.

If you become unable to manage your affairs and you don't have an EPOA in place, the law gives the Family Court the power to appoint someone to be your welfare guardian and your property manager. This could mean that the person appointed may not be someone you would have chosen. Setting up enduring powers of attorney before you need them makes sense and puts **you** in control.

Please contact Age Concern Wanganui for more information and brochures -

'What happens if I can no longer make decisions' (also available in Te Reo, Hindi and Chinese (traditional).

'Planning Your Future' – The role of enduring powers of attorney.

The Office of Senior Citizens' website at

www.osc.govt.nz has Frequently Asked Questions and a worksheet that can help you.

It's Not Whether You Win or Lose that

MATTERS

It's how you play the Game

There are five key recommendations in regard to physical activity to help older people live longer, healthier lives.

How many can you tick off:

- ✓ Be as physically active as possible and limit sedentary behaviour
- Consult an appropriate health practitioner before starting or increasing physical activity
- Start off slowly and build up to the recommended daily physical activity levels
- Aim to increase physical activity on five days per week for at least 30 minutes if the activity is of moderate-intensity; 15 minutes if it is of vigorous-intensity; or a mixture of moderate- and vigorousintensity aerobic activity
- Aim to do three sessions of flexibility and balance activities, and two sessions of muscle-strengthening activities per week.



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Falls prevention and treatment efforts get a leg up from ACC

ACC has announced an investment of \$30.5 million over four years to support new and existing initiatives aimed at preventing falls and resulting injuries.

Age Concern NZ is extremely pleased to hear this news.

"This significant investment shows commitment to strengthening health and quality of life outcomes for older people through strong ties between departments like the Ministry of Health, DHB's, Office for Seniors and NGO's. It is the responsibility of all these departments to work together in achieving the best results for older people," says Age Concern NZ CEO Stephanie Clare.

The investment will be used partly for in-home and community-based strength and balance programmes. An example of one of these programmes is the Steady as You Go (SAYGo) programme which started in Otago, through the dedicated efforts of Margaret Dando, and has spread all over the country.

It is a community, peer lead programme teaching people to manage the risk of falling:

• Simple activities, seated in a chair, standing and walking.



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- Class members enjoy being with a social and friendly group of like minded people.

"I'm sure everyone knows an older person - family or friend - who has had a fall, causing them a whole lot of grief. I'm sure everyone knows someone that could be at risk of falling," says Stephanie.

"It's extremely important that programmes like SAYGo get the support they need. Falls are the most common form of injury in older people. One third of people aged over 65 fall each year. Half of people over 80 fall each year."

The \$30.5m investment will be used to fund these categories:

- In-home and community-based strength and balance programmes
- Fracture liaison services, to identify and treat those at risk of osteoporosis and further fractures
- Assessment and management of visual acuity and environmental hazards in the home
- Medication review for people taking multiple medicines
- Vitamin D prescribing in Aged Residential Care
- Integrated services across primary and secondary care (including supported hospital discharge) to provide seamless pathways in the falls and fracture system.

Age Concern Wanganui is pleased to announce that a further 6 SAYGo classes will be added to the current 13 classes currently available. We hope to begin classes in Raetihi and Taihape plus 4 new classes in Wanganui.



Steady As You Goo

Falls Prevention



Strength & Balance Programme

WANGANUI

MONDAY

Christ Church Community Centre 10am -11am & 11.15am - 12.15pm

Masonic Court Rest Home. 10.30am - 11.30am

Laird Park Bowling Club. 10.00am - 11.00am

TUESDAY

St Peters Church Hall, Gonville. 10am - 11am

WEDNESDAY

Faith Academy. 10am - 11am

THURSDAY

Churton School Hall, Aramoho. 11am - 12noon

RSA, St Hill St. 9.30am - 10.30am

Putiki, Parish Hall, 10.00am - 11.00am

St Lukes, Castlecliff. 10.00am - 11.00am

MARTON - TUESDAY

Marton Bowling Club. 10am - 11am

BULLS - WEDNESDAY

Bulls Friendship Hall. 10am - 11am

OHAKUNE - TUESDAY

St James Anglican Church. 10am - 11am

HUNTERVILLE - WEDNESDAY

Scots Hall. 1.15pm - 2.15pm

Classes cost \$3 per session.

For more information or to enrol in a class, please contact the Steady As You Go (SAYGo) Coordinator: Janet Lewis at Age Concern Wanganui.

Phone: (06) 345 1799



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BEEF PATTY

Ingredients

200g lean minced beef Salt & pepper to season

½ tsp ground cumin

½ tsp ground coriander

1/4 - 1/2 tsp minced garlic

1 tbsp tomato sauce

1 tbsp water

1 tsp sweet chilli sauce

1 tbsp red or green pepper - chopped and deseeded (optional)

Method

- **1.** Mix all ingredients together thoroughly.
- **2.** With wet hands shape into a large, flat patties (or smaller ones if preferred)
- 3. Grill under high heat for approx.5 minutes each side.

Serving Suggestion: Cut into slices or wedges and serve with chutney or relish, salad and a fresh bread roll. Alternatively, serve in a bun with salad. Bon apetit!!

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Age Concern Wanganui's Accredited Visiting Service

The Accredited Visiting Service is a proven and effective intervention aimed at improving the health and independence of the loneliest older people in our communities. Among our clients are older people who are so isolated that they count brief visits by delivery people as the most significant social interaction they have.

Each client is matched with a trained accredited visitor who provides regular caring contact. The visitor is also able to identify and act upon the early signs of illness or increasing frailty.

Our visitors are well-trained, resourceful and can effect real change. Many of them also give much more, of their own accord, than the one hour a week they have signed up for - further increasing the value for money of the Service.

How you can help:

- Keep in contact with the older people in your family.
- Look out for the older members of your neighbourhood and community. Make an effort to get to know them.
- Volunteer with Age Concern Wanganui to be an Accredited Visitor.
- Businesses can help by providing a welcoming and accessible environment for older clients and customers.
- Health professionals can help when assessing an older patient. Consider whether loneliness and social isolation are contributing to health problems and offer support as required.

Call Kay Taylor at Age Concern Wanganui (06) 345 1799



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Senior Driving Programmes

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'Keys to Safe Driving'

A road code refresher course designed specifically for seniors. Includes lunch.

'Carfit'

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'Hanging Up the Car Keys'

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Kowhainui Home first in Whanganui

Enliven's Kowhainui Home in St John's Hill has become the first fully registered Eden Alternative home in Whanganui.

The home, operated by Presbyterian Support Central's Enliven aged care arm, has successfully achieved all the ten principles needed to become a fully accredited Eden Alternative (Eden) home. It is one of just a handful of aged care facilities nationwide to hold the accreditation.

Kowhainui Home manager Des McGrath explains the Eden Alternative is a unique elder-directed model of care that follows ten principles that work against the plagues of loneliness, helplessness and boredom, which are recognised as major concerns for elders nationwide.

"Eden is a model of care that recognises the three main problems faced by elders and aims to alleviate these issues by changing the culture of the home to create a more homely, lively and spontaneous environment," says Des.

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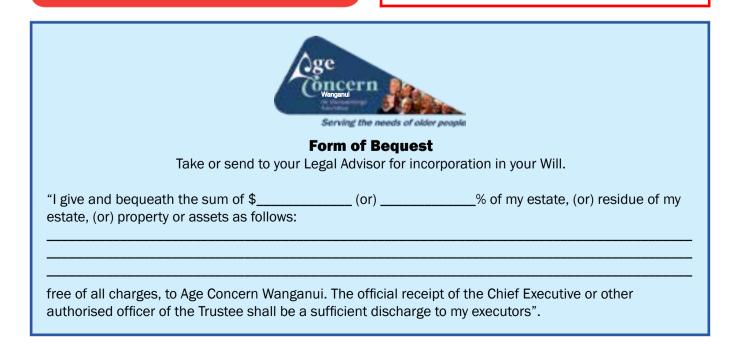
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Keep your eyes on the stars. and your feet on the ground.



Those nasty callers intent on illegally separating you from your money have been in the news again. To raise more awareness of the problem and to hopefully give everyone more confidence in dealing with these tricksters we plan running a ScamSavvv session in November.

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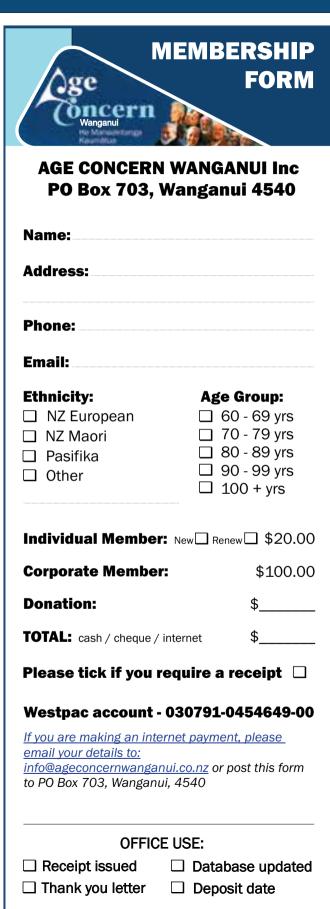




Age Concern Wanganui 'Members Mystery Matinee' get together on Tuesday. Members were 'lei'd' by Born & Raised Pacifika who came and shared some of their culture with usfa'afetai,vinaka,meitaki ma'ata and thank you!!











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