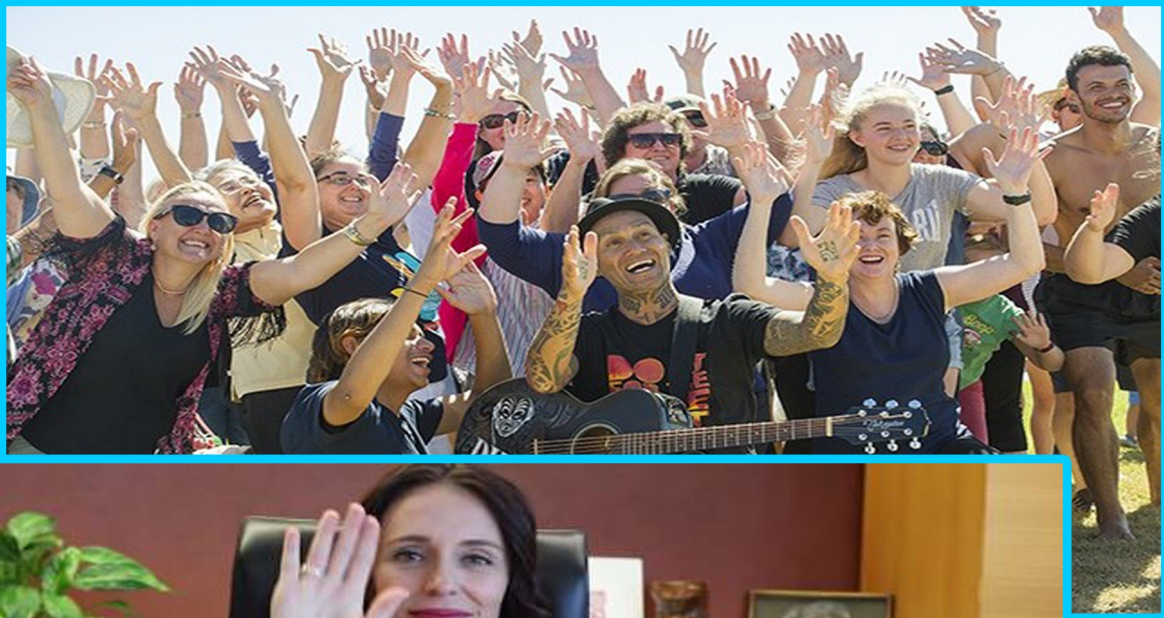
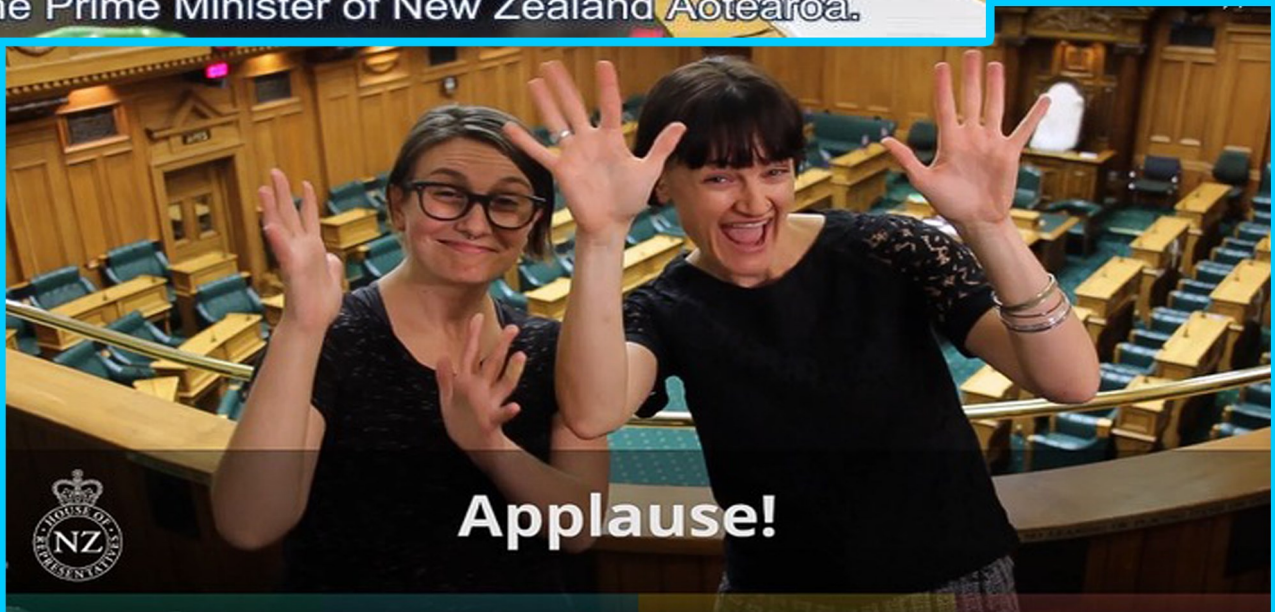


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'COOLEST' LITTLE DEAF & SIGNING CAPITAL



I'm the Prime Minister of New Zealand Aotearoa.



Applause!

June 2018

Photo sources: Deaf Aotearoa and Parliament NZ



WELLINGTON DEAF SOCIETY

Welcome to the 'coolest' little Deaf & Signing community capital, Wellington Deaf Society

*Deaf? Hard of hearing? NZSL Interpreter?
NZSL Student? NZSL Tutor?
Have a Deaf family member?*

Looking for opportunities to hang out with other people outside of school, university, and work, to use NZSL in a natural setting? The Wellington Deaf Society offers regular opportunities to do so. It was set up in 1938 to provide social, sporting and recreational activities for the Deaf community. It has grown a lot since then.

No Deaf Club? No worries!

We have events throughout the year around Wellington, once a month. See inside for dates and locations. Please keep your eyes peeled on our website, each newsletter and our Facebook page for updates.

Newsletter Advertising

Please email secretary@wds.org.nz if you wish to place an advert in our newsletter before the 20th of each month

Our new 'second home' fundraiser

Help us raise funds towards our new Wellington Deaf Club!

You can donate at givealittle.co.nz/org/wds

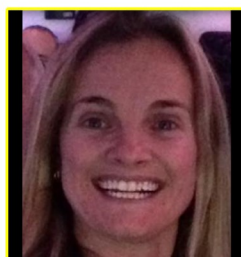
Our Life Members:

Janette Smith, Tony Walton, Kaz Witko, Pam Witko, Maureen Tompson, Robert Cameron, Alex Jones, Tony Kuklinski, Eric Blum

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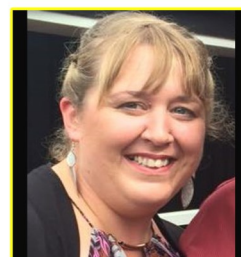


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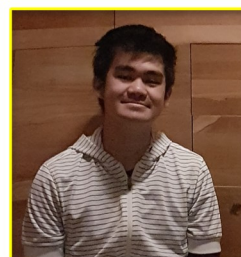
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Chuck Odsey
Newsletter Editor

Contact us:

Email: hello@wds.org.nz

Facebook: 'Wellington Deaf Society'

Post: Wellington Deaf Society, PO Box 13817, Johnsonville Wellington 6440



President Message

Hi everyone,

With a new board, we have a lot of ideas, activities that we would like to include in future. I am looking forward to making President Report in NZSL monthly, which will be attached to newsletter in email and on facebook. I would like to thank the Board for support to make this happen.

I am pleased to say thanks to efforts of Jackie Overall and Pam Wikto, Wellington Deaf Society will have its Friday nights gatherings again, 20 attended! See inside flyer for more details for next gatherings.

We had a wonderful NZSL week, did you catch the amazing tv ads and our Prime Minister signing? It is wonderful to see NZSL Week increases its exposure to make our beautiful language spread throughout New Zealand.

Next upcoming event is the poker night on 16th of June at Seatoun bowling club. Come and watch and have a go yourself. Maybe you want to play board games instead? You can, and bring your board games! It will be at Seatoun bowling club, where there is a bar as well, and hopefully live-streaming the rugby game All Blacks vs France will be on. Hope to see you there!

Soon, a special night is coming. From 1938 to 2018... Wellington Deaf Society is celebrating 80 years anniversary. Thanks to hard work from the 80th Anniversary subcommittee, we will have a history documentary screening, free entry so we can watch the history of Wellington Deaf Society. Afterwards is dinner which is \$65 a ticket. You can buy tickets now by emailing events@wds.org.nz

Make sure you keep warm. Have a wonderful month and until next time.

Yours in Signing

Anton.

NZSL interpreted performance of Meremere

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*Circa Theatre is thrilled to present a New Zealand Sign Language interpreted (NZSL) performance of the multi-media dance work **Meremere** on Saturday 23rd June 8pm.*

We are offering a special price of \$33 to all members and guests of the Deaf community aged 26 and up. For people 25 years old and under, tickets are \$25.

Meremere brings to you the incredible journey and story of Rodney Bell from an international career in integrated dance, through years of homelessness in the United States, to returning home to Te Kuiti, Aotearoa. The work layers movement, projected imagery and documentary footage to bring his stories to life in an hour-long work. A beautiful and intimate performance experience that invites the audience inside this unique and inspirational memoir.

To book tickets for Meremere please email circa@circa.co.nz Please provide your name, phone number and that you would like seats in the designated area in view of the interpreters. Tickets can be paid for on the night.

Please contact us if you have any further questions and we look forward to having you with us.

Sincerely

Georgia Latief

Circa Theatre

access@circa.co.nz

04 801 8137



WDS Friday evening gatherings are BACK!
Come and join us as you relax, catch up a with others on how your week has been. In Thank Goodness It's FRIDAY style!

WDS Gathering in July

DATE: Friday 13th July 2018

TIME:

VENUE: Angus Inn, Waterloo,
Central Lower Hutt



WDS Gathering in August

DATE: Friday 10th August 2018

TIME:

VENUE: CQ Hotel, 213-223 Cuba Street
Wellington City



WDS Gathering in September

DATE: Friday 7th September 2018

TIME:

VENUE: (TBC)





Wellington DEAF POKER Championship

Free Entry

- ● Seatoun Bowling Club ● ●
- 18 Dundas Street, Seatoun ●

Saturday 16th June 2018 at 3pm onwards

Not into Poker? Don't worry, there will be Darts, pool games, and board games! Bring your own board games to play. There is a bar, and live-stream All Blacks vs France. Problems with Transport? Want to help out with transport? Email Amber at events@wds.org.nz for carpooling.

Come along and enjoy a great afternoon/evening out.

*Poker buy in -
confirm on the night.*



New Zealand Deaf Games Wellington 2019

Apply to be on the
Games Organising Committee!

- Administration Coordinator
- Finance Coordinator
- Interpreters Coordinator
- Media Coordinator
- Sports Coordinator
- Entertainment Coordinator
- Infrastructure Coordinator
- Marketing Coordinator
- Sponsorship Coordinator
- Volunteer Coordinator

Position Descriptions available on
deafsports.nz

Please email your applications to the
Games Organising Committee
deafgames@deafsports.co.nz

**Deaf Sports
New Zealand**
Hākinakina Turi Aotearoa





WELLINGTON DEAF SOCIETY

80th Anniversary

6:00PM – 11:00PM
28.07.18

THE SPORTS BAR
PORIRUA CLUB

1 LODGE STREET, PORIRUA

TICKETS \$65.00*

FULL BUFFET DINNER, WELCOME DRINK, GIFT

CONTACT: events@wds.org.nz

* two or three month payment options are available. Please contact us for further information.

Volunteers wanted



The following events require volunteers to help run the events.

- Theatresports 22nd September
- Halloween 27th October
- NZSL Charades 17th November
- Christmas Party 8th December.

Please register your interest in volunteering by emailing us at hello@wds.org.nz

By volunteering for an event, you will be able to have free entry into another event (subject to management approval).



WDS Events Calendar 2018

More information will come for those events in coming months.

January

- Annual Family Summer Picnic,
Saturday 27th January
11am-2pm.
Harcourt Park, Upper Hutt

May

- NZSL Week Quiz Night
Saturday 12th May
hosted by Deaf Aotearoa

September

- Theatresports
Saturday 22nd September

- WDS Gathering
Porirua (TBC)

February

- Lawn Bowling
Saturday 17th Feb
2pm onwards
Seatoun Bowling Club

June

- Wellington Deaf Poker
Championship and
Board Games night
Seatoun Bowling Club
Saturday 16th June
3pm onwards.

October

- Halloween
Saturday 27th October

March

- Amazing Race
Tawa Squash Club, Tawa
Saturday 17th March
2pm onwards

July

- WDS 80th Anniversary
Porirua Club
1 Lodge Street,
Porirua
Saturday 28th July

November

- NZSL Charades
Saturday 17th November

April

- Annual General Meeting
and NZSL Challenges
Social Linden Centre
Saturday 14th April
2pm onwards

August

- Bakery competition
Saturday 18th August

- WDS Gathering
CQ Hotel
213-223 Cuba Street,
Wellington City

December

- Christmas Party
Saturday 8th December



Wellington Deaf Society Membership Application
2018-1st June 2019

Name _____ Birthdate ____/____/____

Postal Address _____

Email Address _____ Mobile _____

Are you: (please tick one)

Deaf/Hard of Hearing? ☐

Hearing? ☐

Are you: (please tick one)

Youth (under 18 years old) ☐

Senior (65+ years old) ☐

Student (Tertiary Education) ☐

How would you like newsletter delivered?

Via email? (free) ☐

Via Postal? \$10 ☐

Membership are until 1st June 2019 and is free for everyone

Above details are collected for membership, statistical and funding purposes and all information provided shall be protected by Privacy Act 1993.

Payment Methods:

Cash: Pay to WDS Board

Cheque: Post payable cheque to address:

Bank Deposit/Transfer: (BNZ) 02-0560-0041556-00. Please include in your reference: Name2018 (E.g. JohnSmith2018) and email treasurer@wds.org.nz when payment have been made.

Becoming member of WDS you agree to Membership obligations outlined in Rule 7 of the WDS Inc's Constitution.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Subject to the Constitution rules, membership begin from the date approved by the Board expire one year later. An invitation to renew will be send out before expiration date.

All about you.. (optional)

We are interested in knowing about you and your interests to help us organise events. What are your interests?

Send this form to address below, or give to WDS Board, or email to secretary@wds.org.nz
Wellington Deaf Society, PO Box 13817 Johnsonville, Wellington 6440



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Wellington Deaf Society is a registered charity. Your support through donations, fundraising and volunteering makes a difference and is greatly appreciated.

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