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NEWSLETTER NO 28

Appointment of an additional Board Member. The Rebus Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Norma Anne Parker. Norma is in her second term as President of Rebus Club Orewa. As will be seen from her CV below, she brings to the Board table, a range of skills accumulated over many years from the many and varied positions she has held.



Norma Anne Parker. Born Auckland 1936. Retired.

Resides at Evelyn Page Retirement Village, Orewa these past 5 years. Has three daughters and six grandchildren.

Education. Wellington East Girls College. Victoria University Wellington. Career path in Accounting. Financial Costing and Factoring.

Work History. Accounting positions held in Manufacturing, Engineering, International Air Freight, Plant Tissue Culture and Heylen Research.

Extensive international travel involved.

Community involvement. Through interests in debating and public speaking, has represented N.Z. at an International Toastmistress Conference in Denver in 1980. Then embarked on a six month speaking tour covering 25 States of America and coast to coast in Canada speaking to Lions, Jaycees and Rotary clubs. Returned to N.Z. to work with Heylen's Research on Political and Environmental issues. While at Heylen, joined a women's lobby group and lobbied Parliament on women's affairs. Principal aim was not to change the government but to create awareness of women's issues.

Whilst in Sydney for 6 years setting up a branch office for an American International Freight Co, became the first woman President of Sydney Toastmasters. Currently involved in local Croquet and Mah-jong Clubs, Hospice and instructs a weekly Swim Gym class at Evelyn Page.

Probus History. Member of Titirangi Ladies Probus and on shifting to Orewa, joined Orewa Probus in 2012. Became President in 2016 and now in her second term 2017/8.

Letter of apology and retraction – Jim Taylor and Fellowship NZ Inc.

In Newsletter No 27, we mentioned that our request had been agreed to and that all Clubs who had previously received the offending material would be copied with the letter of apology and retraction dated 23 March. Whilst this was done, some Clubs have reported to Rebus that when attempting to open the attachment to FNZI's letter, it had mysteriously disappeared. If your Club was one of those who were unable to view the letter, a copy is attached.

REBUS continues to receive additional applications for affiliation which is most gratifying.

Best wishes from "The Team at REBUS."