



# SERVAS - NEW ZEALAND

*Servas for Peace*

## Newsletter – March 2011

**Tena koutou, tena koutou, tena koutou**

### **From the National Secretary**

The recipients of the Peace Foundation's 2011 Peacemakers Awards were Ms Dorothy Brown and Mr Chris Barfoot mainstays of the Aotearoa New Zealand Peace and Conflict Studies Centre Trust Te Whare O Rongo. Through their energy and financial support the Trust has been successful in its aim to establish in Aotearoa New Zealand a designated, well-funded Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies.

Prof. Clements, the Foundation Chair, speaking to the Award, traversed the story of the remarkable Dorothy Brown. Her extraordinary determination and gift for bringing together people and resources over 8 years along with a significant financial donation has led to the establishment of the Chair of Peace and Conflict Studies at the University of Otago. The department is in its third year and now there is a Diploma course running with 19 students, 10 Masters thesis and 6 PhDs.

We sites: [www.peacetrust.org.nz](http://www.peacetrust.org.nz) and [www.otago.ac.nz/ncpacs/](http://www.otago.ac.nz/ncpacs/)

Dr John Hinchcliff, Chair of the Board of the Peace Foundation, presented the awards. It was an honour to witness Dorothy and Chris receiving this award. I have much admiration for their profound and lasting contribution to Peace appreciation in NZ.



**Dorothy Brown & Chris Barfoot after receiving the 2011 Peacemakers Award**

Left to right: Dr John Hinchcliff, Chair of Peace Foundation Board; Marijke Batenburg, Servas; Dorothy Brown and Chris Barfoot; Prof. Kevin Clements, Director of the New Zealand National Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies ( NCPACS), University of Otago.

## **From the Peace Secretary**

Nick Clarens, the author of the contribution below, stayed with us as a traveller and was a delightful young Frenchman with a twinkly eye and excellent English. A Swiss woman and her German partner, Servas travellers, were also staying. This made for much interesting discussion around the table and a strong wish that the world should comprehend how stimulating an exchange of ideas can be, how understanding and tolerance grows, and how this must lead to peace.

Jocelyn Bieleski

### ***"Peaceful times while travelling in the South Pacific"***

Servas has been a long serving social organization which remains very much in line with how Emmanuel Mounier, a French philosopher from the 1930s, depicted his vision of society: "a model for a communitarian and personalist non-violent revolution to change the social order".

While modern times construct and reshape the world in which most of us live, the active and conscious intervention of individuals can give rise to a new sense of freedom: let's remember what is happening in Tunisia and potentially in Algeria right now. Despite a basic anxiety about the openness of the future at times, what is happening in some parts of the world reinforces my conviction that belligerent behaviours remain a minority.

On a much more modest scale (but still valid to mention in my opinion), while travelling round the South Pacific between September and December 2010, the numerous encounters made through Servas, or just randomly during the course of my trip, re-invigorated my thinking that we are so many sharing a positive and non-aggressive attitude towards others whether they are guests, hosts, travellers, bus passengers, trekkers etc.

The empathy I felt when meeting Servas hosts around New Zealand has been tremendously helpful in making such a journey an enjoyable one. I will fly back home to France with a lively faith (despite my being part of the network for 12 years) in accepting others and believing in the noble purpose of Servas. I am sure I will have numerous tales to tell about how this faith translated into hospitality and much more at times."

Nicolas Clarens, French traveller from Nantes, France

<http://nickosouthpacifictour.wordpress.com/>

## **Best Wishes to Christchurch from other Countries**

### ***Uganda***

We have just read in the news about the earthquake in Christchurch, words seem inadequate to express the sadness we feel. May the comfort of God help you during this difficult time.

Moses, Youth Representative, Servas Uganda

### ***Australia***

First let me extend my own condolences to NZ re the devastating earthquake.

I hope that you and your family and friends have remained safe.

We stayed with Val & Roger in Christchurch in 2008 and hope that they are far enough from the centre to survive unscathed.

I've been offline for a week as the overhead cable was taken out by a garbage truck!

Telstra subcontractors, and their cherrypickers (ladder trucks) have mostly 'gone North to the cyclone area' so it took a week for anything to happen.

Best wishes,

Norma, National Secretary

### ***Israel***

Dear friends in Servas New Zealand,

We want to convey our deepest sympathy and condolences on the loss of life in Christchurch.

We have fond memories of our trip to your country where we were hosted by many Servas members. In Christchurch in particular we were hosted by Mary Hamilton and Mary Cavanagh. Unfortunately I do not have an e.-mail address for them so please convey our message to them.

Thank you.

Ilana Berner and Tzvia Yedidia, Servas, Israel

Dear Marijke and Chris,

I have just come back home after a few days of travelling with my Servas guests / friends from Poland, and I am watching the sad news which is being endlessly shown from the tragedy in Christchurch.

To be honest, I can't remember well if you yourself live in Christchurch. I only remember that once we spoke about a Servas family who lives there. So first and mainly, I strongly hope that you and all you dear ones are well and safe.

I have just heard about the Israeli traveller who lost his life there when a big piece of concrete fell on him and his friend's car.

My dear friends, I also wish to send you and all the New Zealand people my personal deep condolences for the so many who lost their life and the so many who suffer right now. My heart and thoughts are with all of you.

Amir, Haifa, Israel

*We, Marijke, Chris and now Jessica have got to know Moses, Norma and Amir at recent Servas General Assemblies.*

## **Invitation to Servas International Youth Event in Uganda**

Dear Servas Friends,

It is a pleasure for me to invite you to the coming Servas International Youth Event in Kampala, Uganda. Following the experience and the success of an series of Servas International youth events in the world now here we are presenting our first event in a beautiful African land. The event will occur on 30 July - 6 August 2011 in Kampala near Lake Nyanza (Victoria) at the Lweza Training and Conference Center.

The annual youth international events are open to all of those members that believe in the youth as a value, that believe in the power of the young minds and spirits. We are working hard to offer Servas new generations of leaders. Leaders connected with the experience of the older and with the enthusiasm of the younger Servas people. We have a plus on this opportunity, we will be sharing the venue and agenda with the African Regional Meeting. It will be an excellent moment to increase our synergy and outreach. A new line of young African leaders is on the way, you need to be there to take part in this historic moment for Servas.

We ask a specific favour to all who are in charge of national websites. Please include our invitation so every one in Servas will be aware about our project. A final request, could you please help us to spread this piece of info through your Servas friends also through your Servas data base in case you have access to one. Thank you.

Moses Kigozi  
Youth Representative,  
Servas Uganda

## **From the South Island**

Sorry for not having been in touch for a while. Computer down for a few days. Our days are becoming a bit more normal and I seem to get a bit more energy.

Not quite sure what to contribute for the newsletter as my head is all over the place.

May be something like:

Hello, I so hope everyone is safe after this strong earthquake and the many unsettling aftershocks we have experienced here in Christchurch. Please get in touch if you need any support. Many thanks to all the people who offered their help with accommodation. The hosts in Nelson have been very busy accommodating travellers who intended to stay in Christchurch but went to Nelson instead.

Best wishes to all of you.

Bee (Birga) Ruder

## **From Auckland/Northland**

In Auckland, 2010 closed on a high with a well attended dinner held at Genghis Khan, a Mongolian buffet restaurant at Epsom at the end of November. The thirty-odd hosts and guests enjoyed the food, drink and networking. Plans are underway to have a similar gathering on the North Shore in April/May 2011.

The beginning of 2011 started off quiet. However the devastating earthquake in Christchurch at the end of February touched all of New Zealand and our hearts and minds are with you all constantly. If we can help in any way, please do let us know.

On a brighter note, I will be leaving for Mumbai, India, for my youngest sister's wedding on 19<sup>th</sup> April and will return on 14<sup>th</sup> May. I am looking for a volunteer to oversee the Regional Co-ordinator's position for about a month. If you see it in yourself to contribute to Servas in a different way, now is the time to get involved at the grass root level, so please get in touch with me.

Jessica Andrades



Servas Northland/Auckland dinner at Genghis Khan

**From the Lower North Island  
(Taranaki-Wairarapa-Wellington)**

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It may be dry for our farming communities, and we get the odd windy blast off the Tararuas and up from the south, but that all pales into insignificance when witnessing remotely the devastation of Christchurch and the unfolding catastrophe that has shattered Japan.

Our hearts and prayers go out to the many who are faced with having to pick up their lives and believe in a future. It transcends borders and boundaries, politics and religion, bias and prejudice, lawlessness and anarchy that too often occupy headlines from around the globe.

In so many ways, there are ordinary people doing extraordinary things. It is the coping everyday with the ordinary that amazes. It is people going about their everyday lives, having been subjected to such devastating and catastrophic events that is so incredible.

If ever there was a time for our global community to reach out it is now. The effort to mobilise aid has been immense. The human spirit is again proving to be indomitable.

We can all have a part to play, be it as Servas hosts opening our homes to those in need of support and comfort, be it as friend and neighbour opening our hearts to listen to their stories.

Take care and be kind to each other.

Peter & Sandra Debney

**From the ‘Central’ Region  
(Coromandel/Waikato/Bay of Plenty/Gisborne-East Coast/Hawkes  
Bay/Rotorua/Taupo and Tairāwhiti)**

Our thanks to the organisers and hosts for the recent Secretariat meeting in Wellington. As first time attendees, we had no idea there was so much business to attend to in order that Servas N.Z. Continues to run as efficiently as it does. A credit to all involved, especially Marijke and Chris!

One of the trends we have noticed over the last few months is an increase in the number of New Zealand members who are travelling within the country and staying with New Zealand hosts. This is to be encouraged as there appear to be less overseas visitors than in years gone by. It could have something to do with the cost of overseas travel and possibly a reaction to the environmental impact of intercontinental flights.

Quite a number of our new members are immigrants who have recently settled in New Zealand, many having been involved with Servas before they arrived here. For them to be able to travel around their new country, staying with Servas hosts, is a great way to get to know New Zealand.

Over the last few months we have had as many requests for Host lists for Asian countries as we have for Europe and North America. There are many hosts in India and an increasing number in countries such as China, Taiwan and Indonesia. Independent travellers are starting to realise that it is not so very difficult to get around in these countries. We spent six weeks in Western China and Northern Myanmar last year and had no problems. We stayed in small family run guest houses and used public transport. It was very satisfying to know that the dollars we spent were going into the local economy rather than the Government coffers, especially in Myanmar.

One of our hosts has drawn my attention to the need, when emailing about Servas, to always put “Servas” in the subject line. With the amount of spam some receive, it is all too easy to delete an email from a potential visitor.

Sarah & Rodney Faulkener

## **Notice of Servas NZ Officer Vacancies**

### ***National Treasurer (to start in October 2011)***

Position description:

*Philosophy congruent with Servas* - Are you someone who wants to put words into action and contribute to a healthier planet by supporting the Servas network in particularly the regional coordinators who are liaising with hosts and travellers?

*Organisational skills* - Are you organized and systematic?

*Accountancy skills* - Do you have a creditable history and experience as a treasurer/accountant working within the constraints of a charitable trust? Are you familiar with internet banking. The position is available from October 2011

*History as traveller and host established* – While there is no time period that one needs to have been a member experience of both activities are essential to comprehend this position.

*Space* - To store accounts and bank documents.

*Computer access* - Nearly all correspondence now occurs electronically so it is essential the treasurer has access to a computer.

*Problem solving abilities* – Responding to requests which may vary in their complexity. The ability to bring a grounded response to the regional coordinators requests requires a considered and steady approach.

The position of Treasurer involves:

- Operating our bank account, banking monies, making payments
- Maintain our accounts, overseeing our finances
- Offering quarterly reports to the National Secretary
- Reimbursing expenses of members of the secretariat
- Providing an annual set of accounts for publishing in June newsletter.

***Please send your expression of interest to the National Secretary, Marijke Batenburg.***

## **Webmaster for Servas NZ**

This relatively new role will become vacant October 2011.

An outline of the position by David Minifie, the current Webmaster follows:

### **Webmaster - Description and Tasks**

You need:

- The ability to write and update web pages.
- To be able to use FTP for changes.

David notes: The current page was written in Front Page. If a complete redesign is decided upon it should be a simpler task to update. The site is an add-on to my personal site, so a new host will be required.

The tasks include:

- Minimal activity, usually. I only put up national events.
- This could be changed to include local ones. This would necessitate a lot more communication with local organisers and can run the risk of the web page becoming out of date.
- Checking the page occasionally to make sure it is working OK and answering any queries from people who are having difficulties – not often.
- Working with the Servas NZ On-line team to establish secure access protocols to proposed on-line host and traveler information systems.
- Making the necessary changes to the web site to support access to on-line host and traveler information systems once this is implemented and available.

This is an open-ended position that can provide a great outlet for someone with the right blend of technical and creative skills. As people - hosts, travelers and enquirers - make more use of the web page, many other ideas and possibilities will emerge.

***If this interests you - contact the National Secretary Marijke Batenburg.***

## Youth Representative – Our Link to Servas Youth!

In 2004 the Servas International General Assembly held in Barcelona voted to create SERVAS YOUTH to continue the great work of many people developing the youth project within Servas. SERVAS YOUTH is trying to combine and intensify the potential of Servas as a human world-wide network with the needs and possibilities that the population under 30 have to offer to our organisation.

To date, a number of successful Servas Youth International events have taken place: Patagonia '06, Yorkshire '07, Istanbul '08, Rosario '09, Xochicalco '10 and Bahia '10. This year we are proud to present the 7th Servas Youth International Event to be held in Kampala, Uganda, the first Servas Youth meeting in Africa!

For further details go to the Servas Youth Web Site: <http://servasyouth.org/>

Some people may ask: what or who are the youth of this generation? Why should you put your hand up to be the Youth Representative of New Zealand?

Pablo from ARGENTINA, the Youth Co-ordinator for SERVAS YOUTH says we need to be “Like a kid who wants to change the world. Make a difference. Be counted. We have the chance to do it, we will do it, that is why we are young in heart, mind and outlook. For the Servas organisation, youth have huge potential and a key roll to play”

Cassandra from NEW ZEALAND states that Youth is a state of mind. It is a mad passion for life, a belief that you can do anything, be anyone, love everyone. As the years progress and we strike difficult times we often lose sight of our “youthful innocence”, our belief that the world is good, that we, as individuals, can really make a difference. In Servas, youth is who we are. We believe in the goodness of humankind, in the love shared between strangers, in the possibility of a global and enduring peace between men. Regardless of the number of years we have lived we, as Servas people, are youthful people. Through the SERVAS YOUTH arm we should encourage a new generation to hold tight to their idealism, passion, spirit and love of mankind, and help those that had once lost it to rediscover the youth inside of them. Let us love each other like children do – fully, honestly and without fear.

Diana from SINGAPORE rightly states that there are lots of projects that focus on sharing, helping, making the world a better place, where we are attempting to maximize the tremendous potential of the "young by number" who are within Servas's reach and encourage them to share their strengths. The Youth Program has begun on a wonderful step in that direction. It has begun to erase the distinctions between "we and they" which so frequently pose a threat to real communication.

Two initiatives started by a core group of people include: **Servas Youth Languages Experience** (SYLE), where a youth has the opportunity of visiting a foreign country for one month of learning the language of that country through a total cultural immersion experience. The other is the **Travel Award** which will offer sufficient resources for a young person to participate in an international Servas event combined

with a programme, ideally over a few weeks, in the country or region where the event is taking place.

Servas NZ is looking for an enthusiastic person who will be able to coordinate and manage the youth initiative. Besides extending the scope of the travel award and SYLE initiative, we need fresh innovative and creative ideas that will demonstrate that Servas can offer 'added value' to young people, not so easily found in the increasing number of internet-based hosting networks. The philosophy on which Servas is based can be of real relevance to young people looking to make travelling an in-depth experience and keen to make a contribution to a more peaceful world.

So if this sounds like you or you know of anyone who has the interest, time and most importantly the drive to lead this project, please contact:

Jessica Andrades at 021 0524 386 or email [j\\_b\\_andrades@hotmail.com](mailto:j_b_andrades@hotmail.com)  
or Marijke Batenburg, National Secretary.

## **Home Exchange**

This year we are extending the Host List abbreviations by including **Home Exchange (HE)** on membership application form. **HE** is used when a Host interested in house exchange, but Servas does not organise it.

Interested NZ hosts will have the opportunity to network with similar minded hosts (eg: in Britain) to set up such an exchange.

**Servas New Zealand Secretariat meeting  
– Wellington, 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> February**



***The Secretariat meeting at work on Sunday ...***

Clockwise round the table:

Rodney & Sarah Faulkner, Central North Island; Sandra Debney; Jessica Andrades, Northland/Auckland; Jocelyn Bieleski, Peace Secretary; Jan Carr, Host List Coordinator; Peter (&Sandra) Debney, Lower North Island; Derek Carver, Host List Editor; David Minifie, Webmaster; Michael Innes-Jones, Treasurer; Marijke Batenburg, National Secretary.

Photo: Chris Patterson

Note: Bee Ruder, South Island Coordinator, returned to Christchurch after the Saturday sessions for a family event.

The outcomes from many of the topics discussed during the weekend are reported in the following sections. The full minutes of the meeting are available on request.

## **Youth Initiatives**

In the past 5 years at least, there has been focused discussion on what would draw more young people to use Servas in New Zealand. At the February Secretariat meeting there were two proposals put forward. Both were supported unanimously.

### **Youth Representative position**

One is to create a **Youth Representative position** on the Secretariat of Servas New Zealand. There is a growing Youth Network in other countries and a report has just been put out on the internet about their activities. There is a link to these reports on the Servas NZ website.

*If you know of anyone who*

- *Is between 18 – 30*
- *Is willing to develop the participation of young people in Servas NZ*
- *Be networked with other Servas Youth initiatives in South America, Africa and Europe*
- *Be supported to attend an international gathering once every three years*

***Please put their name forward and/or encourage them to write a letter expressing their interest to the National Secretary Marijke Batenburg.***

### **Young Adult Exchange**

A second proposal was to develop **Young Adult Exchange** for New Zealand. This will be done by adding YA – Young Adult Exchange - to the abbreviations list in the next host list. The entry **YA** – means a family is interested in young adult exchanges, especially for young people from 18 to 25 who wish to undertake voluntary work of a conservation and/or community service type staying with a group of host families for up to a month (eg: a week with each of 4 families). Arrangements are made and agreed to direct between families. Servas NZ accepts no responsibility for organising or arranging these exchanges.

*Note: The use of letters YA = Young Adult - in the NZ Host List is to distinguish this exchange from the Servas Britain Youth (14 to 18) Exchange (Y).*

Interested NZ host families have the opportunity to network with similar minded families to set up such an exchange.

The article written by Jessica on pg 5 provides more information on Servas Youth.

### ***Construction of Servas NZ On-line.***

The Secretariat supported three members, Peter Debney, Derek Carver and David Minifie, to investigate the construction of a NZ Servas on-line membership directory database and its relationship with Servas International developments in Dolphin and Servas On-Line. They have been given authority to progress the development and obtain detailed estimates and ongoing maintenance costs from appropriate professionals. They are due to report back to the Secretariat in June. We will update the membership on progress in the June/July newsletter.

### ***Servas NZ to move on establishing a Constitution***

At the Secretariat meeting 19/20 February 2011, a key agenda item was the pros and cons of establishing a constitution. In 45 years Servas NZ has been active in NZ, we have not had or needed a constitution. There was agreement on the table that it had functioned very well without. There was therefore a significant discussion identifying why now when this has been the case. Following this discussion, the several points in favour of having a constitution were tabled (whether it be an incorporating society or a charitable trust). In no specific order the points were:

- 1) We (Servas NZ) have a liability and a duty of care to members
- 2) To support succession planning in the offices of Servas NZ
- 3) To be able to govern the assets responsibly
- 4) If there is any conflict within Servas NZ or it falls apart there is a process which guides us in how to resolve matters
- 5) It would define the governance relationships
- 6) It would prevent another Servas NZ to be registered by someone else
- 7) It would guide us as to how to wind up the organisation if that was what was needed
- 8) It would give a mandate to discipline or control members if needed
- 9) It would confirm and affirm the need to consult members

Points against having a constitution were:

- 1) The informal structure has worked well for the history of Servas NZ
- 2) There have been no serious incidents which infer we've been lucky.
- 3) The cost of incorporating is possibly great on our modest resources
- 4) Any significant on-going costs, eg. of possibly being required to have audited accounts
- 5) The time that it will take on the part of the volunteers in the group to implement the constitution whether that be incorporated society or charitable trust.

Following the discussion, the following motions were passed:

1. The Secretariat moved that a constitution for Servas NZ be established and adopted.
2. That Servas NZ seeks incorporation under an appropriate act.
3. That the meeting authorise the National Secretary to engage Gaze Burt on the terms they have outlined in the letter of 11 February 2011.

The motions were supported by all.

Some time was then spent adapting sample rules to fit Servas NZ as a first step in creating a draft constitution for a society incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act. Chris Patterson was instrumental in offering a diagrammatic form of the proposed functioning of the new constitution. This assisted the understanding of officers present.

Chris obtained initial advice on incorporating Servas NZ by consulting Michael Hockly, an Auckland host and a lawyer at Gaze Burt. Thank you Michael and Chris.

It was further proposed that the drafting of the constitution should reflect the specific focus of Servas NZ. A draft constitution will be prepared in consultation with members of the Secretariat and the lawyer who will also guide Servas NZ on the best options considering we are a voluntary network spread around the country that wishes to keep matters simple. The Secretariat supported Chris Patterson's ongoing involvement in preparing the constitution and his consultation with the lawyer.

In the June/July newsletter 2011 we hope to bring you an update on progress on the constitution and the incorporation process.

### ***Travel by New Zealanders in New Zealand***

There are now many wonderful stories of local New Zealand travellers visiting local hosts. This is encouraged and supported. There has been some discussion as to whether a LoI is required. Please note a stamped LoI is NOT required. Some Regional Coordinators wrote an introductory note which simply stated that the person:

*“is a member of Servas NZ. Please accord them the same hospitality you would a traveller from overseas.”*

The ‘no letter needed’ position is based on all New Zealand hosts having access to a host list where the “local traveller” is also listed. The entry can be checked by the host or pointed out by the “local traveller”. If necessary, they may provide a secondary piece of identification such as a drivers licence. A note to this effect will be added to the Guidelines for Servas Travellers in the next New Zealand Host List.

## **Travellers' Tales**

### ***Tips and Tricks for Vancouver Island***

I was lucky enough to spend ten days on Vancouver Island back in August last year - so still in the Canadian Summer. Thanks to Servas and their cool, friendly and 'out there' hosts I had a wonderful time. From visiting Tofino - a west coast beach resort on the island - spotting black bear, cute otters sunbathing on the surface of the water, to whales and hanging out in natural hot springs. Finishing the day off with Servas hosts around a camp fire, toasting marshmallows and singing songs.

My other hosts on the east coast of the island, took me to all sorts of cool places, from recycling centres to buy bits and bops for their houses, swimming at nearby beaches, to riding a bike (for the first time in decades) to lighthouses just out of Victoria (the capital of British Columbia). Oh and not forgetting the coolest Servas place, right on the coast, looking out over the ocean to the bright lights of Seattle in the distance.

Much more to add, but have to keep the word count down, so in a nutshell all four sets of hosts were fabulous, easy to talk with, took me to all their local haunts and made me feel so welcome, I didn't want to leave.

Virginia I-J, Auckland

### ***Servas report 2010 Highlights in Southern England. (edited)***

Many New Zealanders watch a TV show about British couples converting old barns into liveable homes. We had the pleasure of staying in a converted milking parlour (a cow shed in NZ.) It is now a delightful 3 bedroom home on a VERY narrow Devon lane. Each of the original farm buildings is now a delightful home.

Because I am a nurse I enjoy meeting people from the medical profession and we stayed with a nurse and union activist who is actively involved in United Nations. Her small town was first named ANZAC-ON-SEA but the name was changed to Peace Haven in the 1920s. Here the Meridian Line enters the English Channel.

A couple I phoned told me they would be delighted to host us as this was their 59<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary and their family could not come to visit. They have visited NZ several times and were very pleased with my handcrafted Anniversary card with a NZ theme with flowering pot-plant in matching colours to adorn the table.

If you travel by car you can stay in villages and see a different side of life in England. An Historic Places NZ membership card entitles you to visit National Trust properties such as the homes of Winston Churchill and Agatha Christie. One day we located the former Sling Camp, near Bulford Army Base, where 4,500 soldiers from NZ trained in WW1. Above the Camp site we saw the 100m tall KIWI carved into the hillside. As a child I recall my grandfather talking of this huge Kiwi. A thrill to see it in person.

We DO SO ENJOY our visits to lesser known villages. A big thank you to those that coordinate the Host Lists in every country.

Patricia and Keith Janes, Orakei, Auckland.