

INNER WHEEL CLUB OF MATAMATA

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Meetings held second Monday evening, 7.30pm, in members' homes.



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Greetings Roses Far and Wide

I don't know if I'm suffering from *Covid Caution* or *Lockdown Lethargy*, but August slipped past without a club newsletter from yours truly.

Seriously, however, it was more a case of simply allowing life to get in the way!

Our August meeting saw the very welcome visit of our District Chair Rina Maxwell-Hesp. You may remember that our District NZ293 disbanded with affected clubs invited to join either of two neighbouring Districts – we went to NZ291.

Of course, Covid-19 has precluded any physical district gatherings to date; however, we are all looking forward to catching up with our new friends one day. And, of course, we make the most of technology to keep in touch.

Rina, born in Amsterdam, proved a dynamic and passionate speaker. She spoke of the friendship she found when she joined IWC Mt Roskill in Auckland and emphasised the value of goal-setting and having fun.

Rina encouraged active involvement from all members, pooling skills and maximising the benefits of diversity. Her advice was...if something doesn't work, learn from it, build on the experience and move on.



IW Matamata President Gail, far right, presented Rina with a gift bag of products created by member Pauline Stuart.

Pauline's home-based business uses natural ingredients (such as calendula-infused oil, carrot oil, cocoa butter and shea butter) in her products to moisturise and soothe the skin. Pauline grows masses of

calendula - reputed to have anti-inflammatory, antiseptic and antifungal properties which promote speedy wound healing – on their rural property.

We have so many talented women in our club it fair leaves me breathless!

During the past month, two of our members hosted fundraising morning teas with the proceeds earmarked for Breast Cancer and the Waikato Cancer Society respectively. The teas not only provided a great opportunity to support great causes, but also to have fun together.

While Covid seems to have taken a chunk out of our lives, I am always grateful that we can keep in touch across the district, country and globe.

As always, I wish you and yours well and hope that life is treating you kindly.

In friendship

Sandra

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