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**Business/Programme
Meetings:**

1st Saturday of the month
2.00 pm at -
Knox Centre
28 Bealey Avenue
Christchurch 8013
(Parking off Bealey Ave)

Apologies/Guests:

Apologies/guest notification to
the President by mid-day on the
day preceding meeting.

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From the President's Pen:

We are well into July now and what a lot of wintry weather being thrown at us. I am making myself use this miserably wet day to write this message instead of lounging about with my nose in a really good book. The book will wait for me and so will 'Escape to the Country' or 'Antiques Roadshow'. There, now you all know my weaknesses.

I checked my Facebook site and note that our members have all met up with each other in Nashville and enjoyed a lovely lunch. How I wish I was there as well. Apart from a fantastic Convention to celebrate one hundred years of Altrusa, just think about what Nashville has to offer – all our Country Music singers and their history in one place! We are lucky to have so many of our own members able to travel so far and we are proud that District Fifteen has 25 representatives attending the Convention. We will be looking forward to their return and hearing tales of their travels and experiences and, of course, any new international policies that will affect us 'down under'.

We are well into our 'new year' now and each of our Standing Committees are well organised for the future. Our next meeting will be the responsibility of the Membership Committee and they have a very good programme organised and our newer members will learn a lot about Altrusa as well as having a lot of fun.

Until we meet again, keep safe and warm and enjoy indulging yourselves inside – the garden outside can wait until the weather gets warmer.

Yours in Altrusa,

Liz Lockett

ALTRUSA
100 Years Old !

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**There is nothing on this earth more to be prized than
true friendship.**

Thomas Aquinas

NOTICEBOARD

NEXT MEETING

Saturday 5 August 2017
at 2.00 pm
(Bring your Yearbooks)

KNITTERS GROUP

Thursday 27 July from
1.30 pm at 8
Newhaven Street.
Everyone welcome,
even if you are
not a knitter.

BIRTHDAYS

Marion Parlane
18 July



DATES TO REMEMBER

DISTRICT FIFTEEN CONFERENCE

Ashburton 4-6 May
2018
at Ashburton Hotel

GOVERNOR'S VISIT

Governor Christine
Melville club visit
19 August 2017
10-11 am at Terra Viva
Café

ALTRUSA TRAINING DAY

30 September 2017
at Ashburton

IMPORTANT DATES OF THE YEAR

11 July
World Population Day
12 August
International Day of Youth

CLUB COMMITTEE NEWS

Membership Committee

The committee met to plan the programme part of the August Altrusa meeting. It was decided to have an information update in the form of a Questionnaire. A Grapevine is to be sent to members asking them to bring their Year Books to the meeting, as most of the answers will be in the Year Book.

Isabell Linton Chair

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Bellyful Muffins

The muffin baking is going very well and two weeks ago a double lot was baked. We hear they are being very well received. We also need plastic trays for packing 6 muffins (like Chinese trays with lids.)

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REMEMBER !!!!!

Garage sale – Saturday 14 October 2017 at Janet's place.
Goods priced previous day and unsold goods will be moved from the site at end of sale. Thank you Janet for having us!

Bottle Auction – Wednesday 8 November 7.30 pm.

DISTRICT NEWS

Ashburton Conference 2018

This will be held 4-6 May 2018 at the Ashburton Hotel. Maureen Bishop is the Conference Chair and she can be contacted at conference@altrusa.org.nz Not far to go this (and no air fares to pay) so a good representation from our club would be great.

Incoming International President

Our very Warmest Wishes to Leanne Milligan as she takes over the office of Altrusa International President at Convention. Go Leanne!!!

CONVENTION

Great to see Christchurch club is well represented this year with Margaret, Christine, Marion, Danae, Chris and Rosemary Watson (from Taieri) joining the group. Sorry to hear Rosemary's luggage did not arrive with her but she managed to be reunited with it a day later. It seems some sight seeing is being done before the start of the Convention and we wish our girls all the best and look forward to hearing all the news!



Helen Bartlett presenting quilts made by our members to representatives from Age Concern Canterbury.

Editor's Message – Well, winter sure arrived this month! Hope everyone is keeping warm and well. We have some busy times ahead of us with our garage sale, bottle auction etc so "all hands to the pump"! Keep Warm. (Di)