



AUCKLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL OLD GIRLS' ASSOCIATION (Inc.)

Haere mai, Talofa lava, Malo e lelei, Huan yin, Swaagatam, Merhaba,

Hi there everyone and welcome back to AGS-OG - ALL- AGOG.

AFTERNOON TEA on Sunday 3rd July in the Study Hall at 2:00pm – 4:00 p.m..

Please let your friends from AGGS know. It's a great chance to catch up whilst enjoying the entertainment and activities we have planned for this function.

The raffle. Fifteen excellent prizes for the winners to choose from so please make sure you bring cash for this. \$5.00 for 3 tickets or \$2.00 for 1 ticket.

The raffle proceeds go towards funding our 3 annual Senior awards of \$500 each. They are the Maureen Wilson Award for Citizenship, the Music Award for Service to the School and a Vocational Training Award. Details of the 2021 recipient's awards are to be found on pages 2 & 3.

Subscriptions and or Donations.

The awards are also supported by new or renewed memberships or donations paid to the association each year. Membership sub. \$20.00. *If you are a new member, please email Chris with your maiden name if applicable, your years at A.G.G.S. and your contact phone number.* The committee will gladly accept subscriptions or donations in cash at The Afternoon Tea or of course **you can pay online anytime.**

Obituary – Lillian Crystall.

Many will be saddened to hear that Lillian passed away in February this year at the age of 95. Lillian was one of the 5 original Trustees of the Old Girls' Trust, established in 1990 with initial funding coming from the Centennial Celebrations. The others were Joan Holland, Bernice Stevens, Robin Fraser and Monica Asher. Our longest serving member, Lillian relinquished this position in 2017. The Trust awards two scholarships annually.
The Edith Winston Blackwell Memorial Scholarship of \$4,000
The Elsie M. Johnston Scholarship of \$2,000

Lillian had an outstanding career as a pioneering woman architect in N.Z. including as the first woman to lecture at the School of Architecture at the University of Auckland. Lillian designed the Gardner Block (G Block) with a nautical theme. The block was named after the two Gardner Headmistresses and completed in 1995. It was officially opened by Louise Gardner.

Lillian was significantly involved in the community, especially the ASB where she was the first woman on the Board of Trustees and the first female President of the ASB Board. She received an OBE in 1989 for her contribution to the community and to architecture.

Those of us who have been Trustees for a while well remember her warm, welcoming personality and her generous hospitality in hosting Trust meetings at her home in Wood Street, Ponsonby. In particular, she always made sure she had plenty of home baking for our meetings! Lillian brought a wealth of knowledge and compassion to her work as a Trustee, with a genuine love and respect for her School and what it offered its students.

The Trust is seeking an old girl with accounting qualifications who would be happy to annually review or audit the accounts. Please contact Chris Wargent wargies@xtra.co.nz

Kind wishes

Chris Wargent
President

The AGS-OG Committee 2022

PRESIDENT:	Chris Wargent	(1963-66)
VICE PRESIDENT:	Dr. Judy Selvaraj	(1961-63)
HON.SECRETARY:	Alison McLellan	(1951-54)
HON.TREASURER:		
COMMITTEE:	Jillian Mowat-Smith	(1962-66)
	Pamela Peryman	(1971-75)

If there are any old girls who would like to join our committee. Please email Chris.

Recipients of the AGS-OG awards for 2021

These awards were presented at the Senior Prize Giving last November outside on the lawn under COVID.

Each award is for \$500 which is made available through Old Girls fundraising activities such as subscriptions, donations and raffles.

The Maureen Wilson Award – Jashika Rai

Recommended by Eimear Harridge Yr 13 Dean.

Jashika has been Head Librarian for 4 years and involved in various clubs at AGGS including Sisters United (2018-21), Trees for Survival (2019-2021), AGGS Hockey (2017-2018), Shakti (2019), BP Business Challenge (2018), Get2Go challenge (2018), MHC Shakti programme (2019).

Jashika was of great assistance during the recent school production helping in many areas including costume, make up and organizing the drama lockup. She is shy by nature and often doubts herself and believes she is not good enough. I think this award would be an acknowledgement that we really appreciate and value her contribution to Auckland Girls' Grammar.

The Music Award recipient - Tusipepa Tautaiolevao

Recommended by Megan Moller Faculty Co-ordinator Arts

Tusipepa has given considerable service to the school throughout her years at Auckland Girls' Grammar School. She is an advanced musician and during her time here she has benefitted from having itinerant music lessons to develop these skills.

She has performed at numerous school events and assemblies as our school pianist, proving to be both reliable and dependable. Her pride in her school comes through each and every time she plays the school song. This year, she was part of our school production as the lead pianist for the show, impressively learning 17+ songs in a short amount of time. We could not have done the production without her.

The Trades Award – Ofa Gale

Recommended by Susanna Sabbage Gateway Coordinator

Year 12 student Ofa Gale took part in the Level 2 Construction Trades Academy at Manukau Institute of Technology (MIT) this year. She has proven to be a reliable and diligent student who has the ability to follow any given instruction easily.

In spite of being the only girl in her class at MIT, she has built a good rapport with her MIT lecturer and a group of students who are top of their class. Her MIT lecturer has provided positive feedback about Ofa's ability to undertake practical tasks in class and theory work online.

He mentioned that she was one of his first students to finish all standards during the most recent lockdown.

Furthermore, the MIT Trades Academy team suggested Ofa as a potential candidate for the PMVEA Prime Minister's Vocational Excellence Award in 2022.

Ofa is a calm and polite person who reaches out when she requires guidance. She has shown that she can balance her studies at school and the MIT Trades Academy and she also steps in to support her friends in class when they need some assistance. Ofa emphasized how much she is enjoying her vocational training at the Trades Academy and she is keen to continue the MIT construction programme at Level 3 next year.

Personally, I think that Ofa has grown and achieved a lot this year, on both a personal and academic level. She is a deserving candidate for the Trades Award in 2021 and I trust it will be beneficial for her to feel rewarded for her hard work and efforts this year.

Well done girls!