



# WELFARE NEWS

## December 2009

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### Happy Christmas



### And a Prosperous 2010



### Christmas Holiday Office Hours

The office will close at 3pm on December 23, 2009 and will reopen on Tuesday January 5, 2010 at 9am.

If you have any urgent problems over this period, contact your Regional Rep or the Secretary.

See back page for details.

Phone messages will be cleared and actioned on Dec 29, 30 and 31.

Our normal office hours are between 9am – 3pm weekdays

0800 OK FIRE  
(0800 653 473)

# **A**CCURATE RECORDS - Your Details

## *Are Your Records Up To Date*

It is important that our records are correct, if there has been a change in your address or phone number, please advise us as soon as possible. We can be contacted at the office on 0800 65 3473, or Fax 0800 653 475 or via email at, [thesecc@firefighters.org.nz](mailto:thesecc@firefighters.org.nz), so we can update your details.



If your circumstances have changed with regards to your Funeral Benefit Payment Instructions, please take the time to complete the form below.

## *Funeral Benefit Payment Instructions*

(Person(s) to whom you instruct us to pay the funeral Assistance Benefit in the event of your death)

Name	Date of Birth	% of Benefit to Receive

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



***Please Note That Rule “6a-iii” States***

- (a) Any person wishing to become a member of the Society shall:
- iii “In case of a non-employee of the NZFS advise the Society of the method of payment elected and in the case of fortnightly or monthly payments deliver a DIRECT DEBIT Authority addressed to the applicants bank.”

The rule requirement for a Direct Debit and NOT an automatic payment is because if there are any changes to your contributions we are able to change them hassle free at the office. With an Automatic payment it requires you to go to the bank to make change. If this isn't done in a timely manner it can result in you not paying the correct amounts if you have had a contribution change.

***September AGM 2009 Rule Change***

At the AGM held at Masterton in September 2009 it was decided to delete the “*Sick Leave Assistance Benefit*”. The benefit was rarely used and only applied to the paid Fire Fighters. The Board felt that using Grants and other benefits available to members would provide appropriate cover for this sort of situation in the future.

The New Rule change has been registered and is able to be viewed at [www.societies.govt.nz](http://www.societies.govt.nz).

***Register to View Convalescent and Holiday Homes Online***

Please also remember that you can register with us so that you can view The Holiday and Convalescent homes availability online. It is as simple as sending an email to [thesec@firefighters.org.nz](mailto:thesec@firefighters.org.nz).

On behalf of the Board and Staff of the Fire Fighters Welfare Society we would like to wish all our members and their families a Happy Christmas and a Safe New Year.

## NUMBERS FOR BOARD MEMBERS AND OTHER AGENCIES

### Healthcare 99 Mutual Fund

Owned by Healthcare 99 members  
Provides Medical & Hospital Benefits  
For more information contact  
the Society's Office on 0800 OK FIRE  
0800 653 473

### General Insurance, Travel Insurance, Income Protection, Life Insurance

For house, contents, cars, boats and caravans,  
income protection, travel and life insurance.  
Members receive good value for their dollar.  
Contact Aon NZ Limited 0800 50 51 52

### Discount Travel Insurance

For competitive airfares and travel insurance  
Ring Colin Perry (04) 238 1665  
Fax (04) 238 1666

## AUSTRALIAN HOLIDAY

The following establishments offer our members  
discounted rates. Check our web page for further  
information - ring them direct for reservations  
and prices.

### Surfers Paradise

Beach Haven Holiday Apts	0061 75570 3888
Villa de la Mer Apartments	0061 75592 6644
Canes Court Holiday Apts	0061 75538 1288
Cascade Gardens	0061 75592 0567
Le Lavandou Holiday Apts	0061 75539 0244
Old Burleigh Court Apts	0061 75570 3888

### Sunshine Coast

Beachcomber Peregrin Beach	0061 75448 1306
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### Gold Coast

Oceanside Cove Holiday Apts	0061 75520 0040
Diamond Cove Resort	0061 75572 2277

## RECIPROCAL RIGHTS

Remember we have reciprocal rights with  
The Police Welfare Fund &  
The Army Central Welfare Fund  
we can use all of their holiday homes.

Police	0800 500 122
Army	0800 111 823

## WELFARE SOCIETY

### Office



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## BOARD MEMBERS & OFFICERS



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Green Watch		Lower Hutt



### Secretary

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Blue Watch

### Region 2



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Blue Watch

### Region 3



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Black Watch

### Region 4



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Green Watch

### Region 5



Waitaki River No	Kevin Crozier	
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Brown Watch

### Region 6



Waitaki River So	Owen Williams	
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Blue Watch