

August 2013

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Promotional Offers



Caps

\$25 each
includes package
and posting.



Free First Aid Kit

Join Healthcare 99
and receive a free
First-Aid kit.

New Member and Existing Members Draw

9-11 Stair Climb 2013 - Sky Tower Climb 2014

AGM Notice

Avalon Towers
First Floor
September 5, 2013
1900 hours
Meal and refreshments
1830 hours

Chairman Re-elected



Keith Nixon
Re-elected
Chairman

Healthcare 99

Can I afford NOT to protect myself and my family against the rising cost of medical care and the increasing uncertainty of public healthcare support?

Reminders

- insurance industry changes
- care deposits are gone
- Welfare AGM September 5
- new look web site 2013
- 30 day rule enforced



New Edition Welfare Caps

New Welfare Caps



If you would like to own a new edition Welfare Cap, please contact the office. They are available for \$25.00 which includes post and packaging. The logo is larger and clearer. The embossed flames on the bill are an eye catcher.

Join Healthcare 99 Promotion



Anyone who joins Healthcare 99 will receive a free first aid kit as soon as your application has been processed.

New Members Draw

There is a "New Members" draw every second month. The winner receives a prize pack. The contents of this prize pack may vary from season to season.

Existing Members Draw

There is an "Existing Members" draw every month. The winner receives a prize pack. The contents of this prize pack may vary from season to season. This gift is to thank our members for their loyalty.

9-11

Firefighters Memorial Climb 2013

This event is in its fifth year and is held at the BNZ building in Auckland. The concept of this event is like an ANZAC Day for Firefighters. Due to the growth of this memorial climb and the distance in which Firefighters are now travelling to this event, it has been decided to add some competitive stair climbing events in the morning of the 11th, these are short but still painful and will be over by early afternoon. The Memorial event will be held later in the afternoon.

The main focus of the day is for firefighters to climb in memory of fallen firefighters, these are NZ firefighters and also the NYFD firefighters that lost their lives in 9-11. There is a short formal start to the event with Names of the NZ Firefighters read, and the Engine and Ladder Companies of the NYFD read. The day concludes with a get together in the viaduct harbour. The US Consulate are trying to get a New York Firefighter to attend this year's event here in NZ.

Anyone interested in taking part in this Memorial Climb go to www.fireup.co.nz for further information or contact the office.

Sky Tower Stair Challenge 2014



The date for the 2014 event is May the 17th 2014. The 2013 event saw 550 spaces sell out in 31 minutes. We are pleased that we will have over 600 spaces available in 2014 event for Firefighters. Next year's event marks Ten Years for the Firefighter Sky Tower event as a Firefighter fund-raiser with \$489,000 being raised in 2013 for Leukaemia and Blood Cancer. A total of 1.6 million raised by NZ Firefighters in nine years!

As it's our tenth year as a fund-raiser, a challenge has been laid to raise one million dollars in a single event. To do this, the event is opening this year in February to allow time to achieve this target.

Next year's event will be one not to miss, so follow **Fireup** on facebook, and be sure to see what's happening on our website www.fireup.co.nz

Notice: AGM September 5, 2013



You are invited to attend the 26th Annual General Meeting to be held at the NZ firefighters Welfare Society Offices on the first floor of Avalon Towers, Thursday, September 5, 1900 hours. Please join us at 1830 hours for a meal and refreshments prior to the AGM Meeting.

AGENDA

1. Welcome - Open Meeting
2. Apologies
3. Minutes of 2012 AGM – Approval of Minutes
4. Matters Arising
5. Annual Accounts
6. Secretary's Report
7. Chairman's Address
8. Trustees report - Election
9. Returning Officer's Report
10. Appointment of Auditor
11. Rule Changes
12. General Business

Chairman Re-elected



Keith Nixon was re-elected Chairman for another 4 year term commencing July 1, 2013. There was no one else standing for this position. Congratulations Keith and thanks for offering your talents and time to the New Zealand Firefighters Welfare Society for an additional 4 years.

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Healthcare 99 - a benefit available to members

The cost of healthcare is increasing. If you are concerned about the costs of healthcare for you or your family, you might want to check out Healthcare 99 on the New Zealand Firefighters Welfare Society's web site.

Healthcare 99 is not an insurance plan, rather it is a mutual fund. Contributions to that fund are available to help pay healthcare bills to its members for healthcare needs that may arise now or in the future. Like health insurance, there is a schedule of payments for medical procedures and amounts that are payable to members. Unlike health insurance, there is no incremental increase in contribution rates for each year after age 60. Unlike health insurance, the fund pays the member directly rather than the doctor or hospital. Unlike insurance, if there is good reason for additional healthcare financial help, a member may petition the fund for some assistance.

Ask yourself these simple questions

- can I afford NOT to protect myself and my family against the rising cost of medical care?
- can I afford to wait for the public health system to look after myself and my family?

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Reminders

Insurance Industry Changes

Are you aware of industry insurance changes. Please contact your insurance company to see how your house insurance has been affected.

Care Deposits

Welfare Society members no longer are required to make a care deposit before renting a holiday home.

Welfare Society Board Meeting

September 5-6 - Welfare AGM

Keep free Thursday evening, September 5, for a Welfare AGM Meeting to be held at Avalon Towers., 1900 hours, preceded by a meal and refreshments at 1830 hours.

New Web Site

If you haven't visited our website since Christmas, please do so as there is a fresh new look. Any form you need to download or print off can be found under the "Members" tab. www.firefighters.org.nz

Healthcare 99 - 30 Day Rule

The 30 day rule is being rigidly enforced. Claims need to be sent in within 30 days of the event one is claiming for.

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Don't forget to visit us on facebook.

You can find us at "The New Zealand Firefighters Welfare Society"

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HEALTHCARE 99 Mutual Fund

Owned by Healthcare 99 members
Provides Medical & Hospital Benefits
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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 0800 50 51 52

Discount Travel Insurance

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

Cannes Court Holiday Apts 0061 75538 1288

Villas de la Mer Apartments 0061 75592 6644

Cascade Gardens 0061 75592 0567

Sunshine Coast

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www.beachcomberperegiatbeach.com

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Beach Haven on Broadbeach 0061 75570 3888

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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.

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