



# NSNZ NEWS

Neighbourhood Support New Zealand Inc

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## Welcome to our first issue

This newsletter is to provide Neighbourhood Support Districts, Areas and Groups across New Zealand with an overview of the developments, projects and updates within the organization and the national office.

This quarterly newsletter is aimed at a wide audience and we encourage all Neighbourhood Support areas to submit material for this newsletter and our National Facebook page. We would like to share your successes, celebrate your volunteers and hear about your good news stories. Please send any material to Kelsey: [nsnz.nationalmanager@gmail.com](mailto:nsnz.nationalmanager@gmail.com)

## NSNZ National Manager - Kelsey Scarr

Kelsey is the new face of Neighbourhood Support New Zealand (NSNZ), having been appointed as the National Manager in October 2015. Kelsey is based in the NSNZ National Office, working out of Police National Headquarters, Wellington.

Kelsey background is very grass-roots as Coordinator and Manager of Hutt Safe City Group Charitable Trust for 5 1/2 years. Her role encompassed that of governance and administration of;

- Neighbourhood Support
- Junior Neighbourhood Support (JNS)
- Community Patrols
- CCTV Cameras

Kelsey, knows the organisation well having spent time as Deputy and then, moving onto District Representative for Wellington District and as a member of the JNS National Development Committee.

Raised on a farm in the Wairarapa, Kelsey enjoys spare time relaxing with friends and family, along with both being a participant and spectator of Netball, Rugby and Cricket.

Kelsey bring to this new role passion and the drive to see our organisation grow, to be seen as a leader in both community safety and the not for profit sectors.

*“Volunteers don’t get Paid, not because They’re worthless, but Because they’re Priceless”*

*- Sherry Anderson*



Kelsey Scarr  
National Manager



## In This Issue

Meet the National Board  
NSNZ initiatives and future projects  
Update from National Tour

# Introducing the new NSNZ National Board

at the  
Annual General Meeting,  
October 2015



*From back left:* **Sharron Callaghan** (Central); **Wendy Foreman** (Junior Neighbourhood Support); **Kathy Webb** (Bay of Plenty); **Jocelyn Larsen** (National Administrator); **Sharleen Stirling** (Chairperson); **Kelsey Scarr** (National Manager); **Caroline Faass** (Vice-Chairperson); **Richard Hurrell** (Waikato); **Gary Spence** (Tasman)

*Middle:* **Avon Lines** (Auckland); **Shelley Willott-Henderson** (Northland); **Paula Holt** (NZ Police Representative)

*Front:* **Dawn McKinley** (Wellington), **Ho Yoong Hoh** (Counties Manukau), **Louise Grevel** (Waitemata); **Brian Hall** (Eastern)

## Exciting new direction from the National Board

In October 2015 we welcomed new and existing members onto the Neighbourhood Support New Zealand National Board.

The transition time between the old office and the new certainly created delays, however provided an opportunity for NSNZ to rediscover our vision, our objectives and ask 'How does NSNZ look to our communities?' and 'Where does NSNZ want to be?'

The Board, will be focusing on its relevance as a national body and the benefits it provides to our NSNZ family and communities. The 2016 national tour has begun with 6 of the 9 North Island districts being visited to date — the focus is to connect with our grass-root coordinators nationally and to ensure as a national organisation we are providing relevance and a more personal approach. Discovering what **you** want and require from us.

During February and March 2016, NSNZ undertook a national survey to gain feedback from our members and stakeholders— how the organisation is perceived and where to grow the organisation. As a result of the survey, NSNZ are in the initial stages of re-branding — this work will enable NSNZ to present to our communities in a modern, relevant and effective way to ensure we remain a key part of the community safety and connectedness.

It is our time to share the Neighbourhood Support journey, tell our story and celebrate the individuals within the Neighbourhood Support organisation throughout New Zealand.

# NSNZ Security Vetting Service

Security clearance is available and completed through NSNZ National Office.

A security clearance must be completed for the following persons working within Neighbourhood Support;

- Committee members
- Coordinators
- Volunteers
- Paid Staff

Complete the form which can be found on the NSNZ website (guidelines included) <http://www.ns.org.nz/cpr.html>

## NSNZ Affiliation

National Office are working very hard to create a national consistency and support package through an affiliation programme for local areas and committees who are coordinating neighbourhood support, this is for both independent stand-alone organisation and 3rd party organisations who deliver a Neighbourhood Support Programme in their community.

Any organisation wishing to use the NSNZ branding (Logo) will be required to be affiliated to the National Body.

Although currently under development the Affiliation benefits could include;

- use of NSNZ brand and logos
- free access to the 'Gets Ready' website if purchased by NSNZ
- resources such as business cards, signage, certificates, policy & operations manuals etc
- contestable funding and external funding assistance
- entry into annual NSNZ Awards

All individual neighbourhood support organisations should be affiliated to NSNZ.

The Neighbourhood Support name and logo are trademarked and permission through affiliation is required for their use them.

Affiliation will incur a small annual fee.



Combined meeting of representatives from the 3 Auckland Districts in March 2016

## National Tour 2016

The aim — for Kelsey to visit all 12 Neighbourhood Support Districts in New Zealand, to engage with our grass-root communities. There are many benefits to this national tour, including;

- Meeting the local coordinators, committees and stakeholders who are the face of Neighbourhood Support across NZ
- Networking and assisting with queries at a local level, which will strengthen the working relationship between National Office and local areas
- How can we help — this could be assisting local areas with resources, affiliation, vetting, advice and support

Half way there with 6 districts visited as of early April. Each area / district operates just a little different to ensure they suit the requirements of their community.

Highlights so far have been:

- Being given a warm welcome into your communities
- Meeting members of the larger Neighbourhood Support organisation in their own communities. These are the people on the ground who work tirelessly for the better of neighbourhood support—our unsung heroes. You guys and gals are the real champions of Neighbourhood Support. We appreciate every one of you and thank you for all you do.
- Networking and creating partnerships with key stakeholders, including local Police Staff, Civil Defence advisors, Local Government representatives and community organisations. It is fantastic to see how relationships connect in different areas, and all your amazing ideas will be shared at a national level.
- Being able to share with everyone the exciting journey NSNZ is on, the new initiatives being discussed and rolled out at national board level.

Six districts left to visit, we need to secure the funding and ensure we can visit at a time convenient to you.

I would like to personally thank each of the districts I have visited for their kind hospitality, I have seen wonderful places and met more amazing people which just highlights to me how fantastic the greater Neighbourhood Support family is.

*Kelsey Scarr, NSNZ National Manager*

# Project Focus

## Neighbours Day Aotearoa (NDA)

promotion and participation in NDA activities

## National Office Tour

to visit all 12 districts in an unprecedented way

## Relevance of NSNZ

ensuring National Board is providing benefit to local NS communities at grass roots level

## Accessibility

ensuring the National Office is accessible to NS communities

## Website and Social Media

increase the presence and vibrancy of NS brand online

## Rural Crime Prevention

support for all communities. To enhance trust and confidence and prevent victimization and harm from crash and crimes in rural communities through a collaborative, problem solving approach.

## Contestable Funding

supporting grass roots communities

## Junior Neighbourhood Support

Promoting a sense of pride, safety and community spirit in children in our schools and communities

## Community Patrols of NZ

develop a letter of agreement to enhance the collaboration at National and Local level

## Civil Defence and Emergency Management

develop a Memorandum of Understanding to enhance the collaboration at National and Local level



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