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WCA Committee Profiles



President
Eileen Ng

Eileen has been a committee member and secretary for the branch for about 18 years and now President. She has enjoyed organising successful events and celebration for

Chinese culture and social events for the Wanganui District Council and local business associations. Eileen is well supported by her husband. Also, she is our branch representative at the NZCA executive committee numerous years



Vice-President
Lupton For

Prior to this current role of WCA Vice President, I have been on the committee and the honorary auditor of the WCA for approx 6 years.

I was raised and educated in Whanganui with a family background in a greengrocer's shop (in Guyton St) before leaving for uni in Palmerston Nth. I then worked and travelled overseas for approx 6 years before returning to Whanganui.



Secretary
Leonard Ng

Originally from Singapore, I moved to Wanganui in 2009 and have been a member of the Chinese Association since 2010. Since then, I have been a committee member and also conducted Mandarin classes for the local branch.

More recently, I have taken up the role of secretary, but have to temporarily withdraw from giving Mandarin classes due to time constraints. I come from a bilingual background and have a strong interest in Chinese culture and history



Treasurer
Betty Eriksen

The inaugural meeting of the Association was held 28 April 1991, and we were officially incorporated 3 August 1993.

I have been on the committee for the past 25 years; the first 7 as secretary, and the last 18 as treasurer.



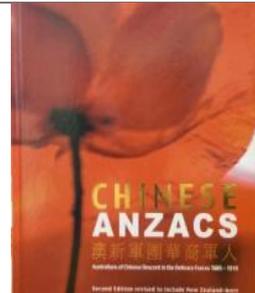
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Chinese ANZACs book launched – Asia New Zealand Foundation

A book that chronicles the contributions of men of Chinese descent who fought for New Zealand during the First World War was launched at Pukeahu National War Memorial Park in Wellington on March 2016.

This book also includes a special chapter covering the story of over thirty New Zealand-born Chinese who enlisted with the New Zealand Expeditionary Force between 1914-1919.



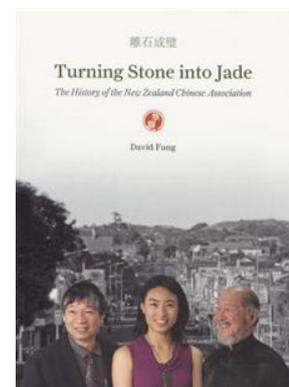
Retail price \$40

*Please contact one of the committee members if you wish to purchase a book.
Books can also be viewed/loaned out at Whanganui library*

NZCA History book – Turning Stone Into Jade

Turning Stone into Jade is a fabulous book which tells the story of one of New Zealand's oldest Chinese community organisations, NZ Chinese Association. Written by David Fung with contributions from the association's thirteen branches across the country.

In its early formation, the association offered kinship and a united voice for an often marginalised minority. As the New Zealand Chinese population evolved into a community the NZCA has had to adapt and change to reflect its current and future needs.



Turning Stone into Jade is the story of how a community founded by sojourners and migrants has adapted to a new homeland, far from the place of their ancestors' birth.

If you have an interest in the history of Chinese in NZ and the involvement of the NZ Chinese Association, consider buying a copy of the book.

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2016 Winter Camp: Deadline end of July 31/7/2016

Winter Camp is coming again this year!

Have you ever wanted to know more about your ancestral home and villages? Look no further, come join the Winter camp with other young adults who are of Chinese decent. Explore and discover your roots and cultural heritage.



Winter Camp is open to everyone of Chinese descent over 18 years of age, even if you have attended Winter Camp before!

China has undergone many changes over the last three decades. You will have the opportunity to view the marvellous changes and still enjoy the historic sights. This is your chance to meet new friends, and to explore and share your experiences.

This year's Winter Camp starts on the 26th November, the core of the trip will be in Guangzhou, with a minimum stay of 14 days.

Stay tune on the NZCA webpage for more information in the upcoming months. We will also post updates on our Facebook page.

Number of participants would ideally be 10 plus.

Expressions of interest or queries can be initially directed to:

Eileen Ng President

Ph: (06) 3454889,

Mobile: 0211798113

Email: Beijing@xtra.co.nz

Chinese (Mandarin Classes) – Tutoring Service



We currently have a small group learning Mandarin. Lessons are fully subsidized by the Chinese Association.

Happens every week on Thursday night.

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December 2016: Leadership and Development Conference (LDC)

Applications are now open for Leadership Development Conference in Feb 2017!



This 5-day leadership and development conference will be held in Willow Park, Auckland this year.

LDC has successfully run over the past nine years with many young adults attending. It provides an opportunity for young NZ Chinese to explore their identity and culture in a motivating and safe environment. The intention of the organising committee is to:

"Create leaders that will shape our future"

The conference programme is developed to help delegates build their leaderships skills in community, team work, business and sport. LDC puts individuals in a cultural context where they can develop deeper understanding of Chinese culture and also develop a positive attitude toward own identity. Delegates develop lifelong friendships with like-minded individuals.

Accomplished guests from around New Zealand will present their wisdom and knowledge and provide inspiration from their achievements. Aspiring speakers who attended past LDC include Mai Chen (Partner of Chen Palmer), Meng Foon (Mayor of Gisborne), Jacqueline Chow (Fonterra– Chief Operating Officer Velocity), Roseanne Liang (Film Director), Adrian Leat (Commonwealth Games Silver Medalist) among others.

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Conference Date	5 th – 10 th of February 2017
Target Age Range of Participants:	Delegates aged between 19-30 years of age
Positions:	50 people
Cost:	Early birds: \$150 (Ends on the 28 th August) Full price: \$190
Applications open:	30 th June 2016
Applications due:	30 th October 2016
Location:	Willow Park Convention Centre Eastern Beach Auckland
Accommodation and Meals:	Provided for the duration of the Conference
Affiliation:	In order to attend the 2017 LDC – all applicants must be a member of an NZCA branch.



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2017: NZCA Youth Leadership Camp

Too young to join LDC? Then join YLC and meet teenagers of your own age. This camp supports high school members in Year 9 to Year 13. The camp offers a comprehensive leadership, cultural and team building experience.



YLC is being hosted again for the 4th time in late 2017. Planning is still in the works.

We will keep you updated when more information is available.

English Classes – Tutoring service

Personal or group lessons to WCA members via skype.

First 30min free to discuss package of contents. Flexible time, content and numbers.

\$35/hr per person. \$10/40min per person.

For more information, please contact

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Other News

ChineseSkills –  

- Trying to learn Chinese? ChineseSkill is the perfect app for beginners learning Mandarin Chinese On-the-Go. The app contains numerous fun and engaging bite-sized lessons that test your listening, speaking, reading, and writing ability of Mandarin Chinese language.



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<p>April</p> <p>Fri 6th – mon10th April 2016 Easter Sport Tournament, Trust Stadium, Waitakere, Auckland</p> <p>6</p>	<p>July</p> <p>Sunday 24th July AGM</p> <p>24</p>	<p>September</p> <p>Sunday 18th September Moon Festival</p> <p>18</p>	<p>November</p> <p>Monday 28th November Christmas BBQ</p> <p>28</p>
<p>Sunday 10th April BBQ at Bason Botanic Garden</p> <p>10</p>	<p>Saturday 30th April Application for NZCA 2016 Academic Award deadline</p> <p>30</p>	<p>Sat 26th Nov - Sun 9th Dec Winter Camp in Guangzhou, China</p> <p>26</p>	<p>5th – 10th of February 2017 Leadership development conference</p> <p>5</p>



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We are also planning monthly events, please stay tuned for date and time :)

Events will be posted on Facebook or in our event newsletters



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Wanganui Chinese Association Inc joins Facebook!

Can't find where you put your Whanganui Chinese association newsletter? Forgot what events are coming up? Unsure if events are still on?

We have you covered. We are excited to announce we have officially launched our official Facebook page!

---Newsletter publishing---

Where did I put that newsletter? No need to sweat just go online and find the current newsletter with a click of a button.

We will be publishing our newsletters online so you can access them no matter where you are. For those who do not have Facebook, don't worry, we will still be sending you a hard copies of the latest newsletters.

Website: Coming soon! We will let you know when this is available via Facebook and newsletter

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/WhanganuiChineseAssociation/>

---Events---

It's hard to keep track of events that are months away with our busy lives, so we have made it simple for you.

Just like our Facebook page and you will receive notifications to remind you about events coming up or the latest news.

For current members who do not use Facebook, we will contact you the same way we have always done so you don't miss out on the awesome stuff we plan to do this year.