



Epsom Girls Grammar School Old Girls Association (Inc)



E-Newsletter

February 2019

Dear Alumnae

Happy New Year to everyone, we hope you've had a relaxing break and that 2019 is off to a great start.

We are pleased to bring you this E-Newsletter, updating you on the latest happenings and events in the OGA world. We'll share further news in our regular March Newsletter, but we hope you enjoy this brief update – and future interim E-Newsletters throughout the year.

The OGA Committee is gearing up for 2019; we held our first meeting on Monday 11th February. It's a time for planning and reconnecting and we've started to prepare for the various OGA events we'll be holding this year – see info below and also the "Save the Date" section at the end.



New Committee Members

We are really thrilled to have three new members – Alice Raea as our Student Rep (in Year 11) and also new Alumnae Claudia Chaney and Lucie Chambers, who graduated last year. It's great to have fresh young faces and we look forward to an exciting fun-filled year of connections and social occasions with purpose. If you're keen to get involved, in Auckland or in the regions, let us know!

Morning Tea at Ed's Place

We've already held our first official event – a special Morning Tea at Edmund Hillary Retirement Village on Friday 1st February with 16 Old Girls coming along for a morning of memories.

Committee Secretary Virginia Bishop and Co-Presidents Sally Blyth and Lynley Sheweiry arrived early with plenty of memorabilia for the ladies to look at – old Yearbooks, photos, merchandise etc. Many of those who attended knew each other as Village residents, but the matter of where they (and, in a number of cases, their daughters and grand-daughters) had attended school had never arisen – so it was a surprise for some of them to discover the EGGs connection.

It was a wonderful and uplifting occasion and the group expressed an interest in getting together again.

Thanks to Edmund Hillary staff for assisting with organisation and providing the delicious morning tea, and to Gae Griffiths (resident) for getting this great initiative off the ground.

If you are living at a retirement village and would like to organise a gathering of EGGs Old Girls, let us know and we'll help get things in motion.



Annual Morning Tea & 1949/1959 Reunion Luncheon – Wednesday 10th April

We hope you'll join us for our Annual Morning Tea to be held at Epsom House at 10am on Wednesday 10th April. It's a great chance to get together and catch up on old times, and have a tour of the School and Archives.

Following the Morning Tea, we'll be holding a 60 and 70-years-on Reunion Luncheon for Old Girls who started in 1949 or 1959 (or joined these cohorts). Starts at midday, also at Epsom House. We hope to see you there!

Be assured, if you come by yourself, you won't be alone – you'll be amongst old friends and make new ones!

A Party In Paradise

Friday 1 March 2019 6pm-9pm In Paradise

We'd like to highlight this event to be held at the School. Tickets are \$45 and funds raised will go towards the L Block renovation. See the message below from the Foundation Office

Following on from the success of our Meet the Maker event last year, we are very excited to announce the EGGS Foundation and a committee of wonderful parents are hosting another L Block fundraising event for the EGGS community. Come and join A Party in Paradise on a beautiful summer's evening in the school gardens! The event promises you an unforgettable evening where you can enjoy live entertainment, DJ beats, canapés, quality New Zealand wine, craft beers and much more. Come together, connect and support our quest to raise funds for innovative learning at the same time.

Tickets are only \$45/pp and include a complimentary drink & canapés in a vibrant atmosphere. Book today at www.iticket.co.nz or [BUY TICKETS](#) Eftpos will be available and please park on the field.

All proceeds raised from the event will go towards transforming L Block into an innovative learning space. For more information visit www.eggs.school.nz/foundation/l-block-renovation.aspx



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WOMEN IN LAW – Wednesday 27th March at 6pm, Admin Building foyer at EGGS

After our successful "Meet the EGGS Judges" event, our EGGS Women in Law committee is planning another law-themed networking function in March. This is for all Old Girls but will have particular appeal to EGGS students interested in a legal career, current law students and legal alumnae. The event will be a panel discussion with both recent and experienced EGGS lawyers, facilitated by Dame Judith Potter.

Confirmed panellists include: Belinda Sellars QC, Freyberg Chambers; Kavita Deobhakta, Litigation Partner at Morgan Coakle; Yasmin Olsen, Solicitor at Kayes Fletcher Walker; and Tara Hauraki, Solicitor at Kahui Legal. The discussion will cover what lawyers in different types of legal practice do, the variety and range of work available in the legal profession and advice for young lawyers entering the job market.

Thanks to the generous sponsorship of Ulrich Milne Lawyers (3 Owens Road, Epsom) this will be a free event, with the opportunity, on arrival, to give koha of a gold coin or note towards OGA prizes and scholarship.

If you'd like to come, please email us on oga@eggs.school.nz

Save the Date - 2019

A Party In Paradise	Friday 1st March, 6-9pm
Women In Law 2019	Wednesday 27th March, 6pm
Annual Morning Tea	Wednesday 10th April, 10am
Reunion Luncheon for 1949 & 1959 3rd Formers	Wednesday 10th April, 12pm
AGM	Monday 10th June
Founders Assembly	Tuesday 18th June
Graduation Dinner	Tuesday 3rd December
OGA CENTENARY YEAR 100th Celebration	Friday 26th/Saturday 27th March 2021 (tbc)

We'll be in touch later in March with our full Newsletter but wanted to let you know about the wonderful Party in Paradise event which is being organised by the School and our other events so you can save the dates. We hope you'll come along on 1 March and enjoy partying in Paradise where you possibly used to have lunch!

Kind regards

Sally Blyth & Lynley Sheweiry, Co-Presidents