Barn Dance - A big thanks to everyone who helped make the Barn Dance a success. Thanks to: Chris, James and Johnathon for helping put up the stage and sort the sound system. Shiona for making a lovely supper (especially as she wasn't able to stay for the dancing!). The Musicans Emma, Paul and Peter for giving their time to play and call - just for petrol money. For Tracey and Georgia who helped set up on the night and clear away. To Michaela for her lovely lemon meringues. To all who helped clear away or set up in any way and to all who came and enjoyed themselves. Watch this space for more ALL AGE activities (if you have any ideas please let me know). Catherine

Calling all Musicians - Does anyone play the guitar and / or piano and would like to be involved in playing some carols with the children? Please let me know soon as I am planning for Christmas now! Thanks Catherine 0226479810

Church open for Prayer - Join in on Monday from 9.00am to 2.00pm to pray for your personal needs, our parish, our community and the world. Coffee and prayer. All welcome. Feel free to come and go.

Senior's tea and talk - 10.00am -11.30am each Wednesday morning in the Richmond Seniors rooms, adjacent to the Age Concern Offices, Oxford Street. The cost is \$3.00 to cover morning tea. Please come and invite any senior neighbours you may have. It would be great to have many of our people there as we start this exciting new venture! For information or to help please see Shiona or Yvonne.

Spring Fair - Our Spring Fair is on Saturday 15 October from 10.00am to 2.00pm. It will include all our usual stalls, and have a strong family /all age focus. If you have any ideas about what we can do to draw in families, including grandparents and grandchildren, please talk with me! The proceeds will go to Missions. Shiona Frengley 544 4155 or frengles@vodafone.co.nz

Afternoon AAW Group - The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 28 September at 2.00pm in the Lounge. Jean will give an illustrated talk covering a Baptism in Portland, Oregon followed by a magnificent garden on Vancouver Island to snow-capped mountain tops in Whistler, Canada (and things in between!) Afternoon tea to follow, Sales Table and collection box for Food Bank. Any new members are most welcome to attend. Enquiries to Jean McConachie 544 6921.

Delicious truffles – Only \$5 a dozen. All profits go to Mission Without Borders to support children in poverty in Romania and Moldova. Order forms and payment to Marianne Brosnahan by Sunday16 October Ph. 544 3972

Volunteers Wanted - Is there anyone (preferably two)who could sit in with the children to watch a veggie tales movie the Sunday of Labour Weekend 23 October? All you have to do is sit and be the adults, have a cuppa and so forth. I will be away camping and so my kids won't be there and neither will Michaela's. It could be very quiet! If you can help please call or txt Catherine on 022 647 9810 Cheers!

Birthday Celebration - Jenny Wells, Ron Barnes daughter, extends an invitation for Church friends of Ron to attend his 90th birthday celebration at an afternoon tea on Saturday 1 October at 2.00pm in the Senior Citizens Rooms, behind Age Concern, 62 Oxford Street. Please rsvp (for catering purposes) to Jenny 544 1847 or 027 464 131or email: jenny7wells@gmail.com (Jenny knows about the six folk coming from Ron's homegroup). Thank you, Yvonne

Christmas Shoe Boxes - We had a wonderful happy Thursday evening filling shoe boxes. Thank you AAW Ladies for a superb effort. First count is we have 60 boxes. Our need now is for funds to send them. Any donations towards this will be very welcome. Thank you. Brenda Page Ph. 544 5872.

Overseas Missions Fundraiser for NZCMS - Saturday 29 October an Arabian Meal at All Saints Church, Nelson. Tickets \$25 each which includes a memorable meal and a chance to hear two missionaries working in the Middle East. Tickets available from John Palmer.

August Results	Actual June	Budget	Variance	Actual Year to Date	Budget Year to Date	Variance
Income	\$25,397	\$17,983	\$7,414	\$142,292	\$143,866	(\$1,574)
Expenditure	\$24,216	\$21,621	(\$2,595)	\$178,878	\$145,989	(\$32,889)
Surplus (Deficit)	\$1,181	(\$3,637)	\$4,818	(\$36,586)	(\$2,123)	(34,463)

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