



SPIRITUALISM NEW ZEALAND

Report for the 12 months to 30 June 2020

Entity Information

Legal Name: The Spiritualist Church of New Zealand
Other Name: Spiritualism New Zealand
Type of Entity & Legal Basis: Registered Charity
Charity Registration Number: CC32420

Purpose or Mission:

Spiritualism New Zealand's purposes are:

- to advance, promote and foster Spiritualism by supporting individuals, groups, centres and churches that are practising Spiritualism in New Zealand in their practice of Spiritualism; and
- to do all things that are conducive or incidental to the attaining of the above.

Entity Structure:

Spiritualism New Zealand's governance and management is conducted by a committee (the Board) which is made up of a president, a vice-president, a treasurer, a secretary, a registrar and at least three other members. The members of the Board serve for a three-year term, unless they resign, and may be re-elected for a further two terms. Any vacancies are elected at the Annual General Meeting. Membership is open to spiritual persons and organisations at the discretion of the Board. There is no maximum membership number.

The accounts are required to be reviewed.

Main Sources of Cash and Resources:

Our charity's activities are funded by membership fees. Healing registration fees, from members and spiritual healers affiliated through our member organisations, cover the costs of their insurance and administration. During this financial year we ran our second spiritual retreat, in conjunction with our AGM, and on-line spiritual webinars: these both contributed to our income. Registrations for workshops held at our promotional events around the country help defray the associated travel costs.

Main Methods Used to Raise Funds:

We do not yet hold any fundraising activities.

Reliance on Volunteers and Donated Goods or Services:

The organisation relies on gifts of volunteer time and expertise to complete all the essential roles to maintain our organisation. Members volunteer to run the Board (committee), do the administration and run the services provided. Subject matter experts from the public also volunteer their time to lead some of our webinars, for which they may receive a nominal payment. The independent voluntary financial reviewer is paid a small honorarium.

Statement of Service Performance

Description of Outcomes:

To promote Spiritualism by supporting individuals, groups, centres and churches that are practising Spiritualism in New Zealand with information resources, training and the opportunity to connect.

On-line resources and information are available to members and the public at any time through our web site and Facebook page. Both give members and the public from around New Zealand the opportunity to connect and contribute on the spiritual topics of interest.

- Our www.spiritualism.org.nz website contains basic information about Spiritualism NZ and its aims, runs a blog on spiritual and self development topics, promotes its and members' events, advertises members that are offering spiritual services to the public, and allows the public to request information or help. This site is currently being redeveloped.
- Our Facebook page also promotes our events and other spiritual events in which we think the spiritual public may be interested, runs human interest stories on some of our members and has general posts on up-beat spiritual or personal concepts.

We email regular newsletters to members, healers and newsletter subscribers, which contain larger articles on spiritual topics and human interest stories, and promote any events that we are running. This is a way of keeping everyone involved, especially some of our older subscribers who might be less inclined to investigate our website or Facebook page.

We have found many communities still like the personal contact with our representatives, especially in communities where access to people able to facilitate spiritual training is limited. They ask us to visit to attend fairs, run workshops and/or participate in church services, however such trips had to be deferred during and after the Covid lockdown. The feedback from these events is always positive and everyone involved seems to leave inspired and motivated.

"On behalf of The Dunedin Spiritual Church members, I wish to thank you all for a wonderful weekend." – Anon

"I personally want to thank you for the enlightening learning and messages I received; opening my life to explore my spirit world." – Anon

"The feed back is all extremely positive, and the friendship between all, has grown, and that all thanks to you all." – Anon

"I'm still buzzing and now making time to meditate and look forward to my connection to my guides." - Anon

We ran our second spiritual retreat in conjunction with our AGM just outside Upper Hutt. Spiritual people from around the country attended to network together for a weekend and attend training workshops on a wide variety of spiritual, healing and business topics.

"I enjoyed the whole weekend." - AP

"It is wonderful that I travelled from South Africa to meet so many loving souls. New Zealand Spiritualism rocks!" – JB

"I got so much out of the weekend, thanks so much." – MC

"I really enjoyed being with like-minded people and learning new concepts and ideas, mind-opening." – JT

"It was fantastic." – LF

We are aware that many of our followers are in remote areas of New Zealand where there is limited access to spiritual information and resources of any kind. This year we continued running interactive spiritual webinars in which anyone with a computer/smartphone and internet access could participate and/or watch the recorded event afterwards. This year the topics varied in each 6-webinar series so people could book the whole series or individual webinars within the series.

During the Covid-19 lockdown, we offered them at nearly a third of their normal prices in recognition that many people did not have income security.

"Wasn't that such an interesting night! Fascinating..." - CV"

"I just wanted to thank you so much for last night's session. I thoroughly enjoyed it. ...I will listen to your meditation again in a quiet space and see how I go. Thank you so much..." – AH

"I have finally listened to the auto writing recording. I thoroughly enjoyed the session. ... I enjoy the light hearted way of connection which is also based in solid knowledge. Many Thanks" - AL

We also offered free on-line "coffee mornings" three times a week during lockdown and for short period afterwards, so people in isolation could connect and chat with other spiritual people.

"The regular BYO Cafe meetings via zoom on Spiritualism NZ were wonderful during the lockdown. I live on my own and I was happy to talk to likeminded friends and also that I was able to

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see them on screen. It really helped me going through the lockdown experiences. Thank you for being there for us in such a caring way." - FS

One of our member organisations ran online Spiritualist Church services each Sunday during the Covid lockdown, which we helped promote. Once that organization returned to physical services, we took over running the online spiritual services twice a month for those people unable to attend a physical service.

We provide all our spiritual healers with Public Liability Insurance cover, leaving them and their organisations to focus on the services they offer. Public safety is also important to us and the organisations for whom they heal, especially as our healers can and do work with the elderly, very young and vulnerable people among their wide range of patients. Our spiritual healers are vetted through the NZ Police system every five years.

Description & Quantification of the Outputs:

Description and Quantification (to the extent practicable) of the Outputs:	Actual This Year	Actual Last Year
On-line information and help available through our website.		
- blog topics discussed	24	4
- members' spiritual and healing events promoted	130	168
- members offering services to the public promoted in the Directory	47	46
- number of queries from the public handled	62	82
by category: Healing & entity removal	8	9
Church services, development groups	24	32
Other	30	41
Number of people following our Facebook posts	696	501
Newsletters distributed		
- Number published for the year	11	6
- Number of newsletters distributed to members and subscribers	8893	5188
Trips to promote spiritualism		
- Number of location-visits: Dunedin, Christchurch, Palmerston Nth (Last year = Taupo, Hastings, Chch, Hamilton, Taupo, Nelson)	3	6
- Number of places filled in the training workshops	209	263
- Number of people attending the church service demonstrations of mediumship	98	196
2 day spiritual retreat		
- Number of attendees	36	36
- Number of 2-hour workshops offered	14	17
- Maximum number of workshops attendees could attend	6	6
Interactive spiritual training via evening webinar		
- Number single webinars	-	3
- Number of 6-part webinars series	2	2
- Number of people attending one or more webinars	62	25
Online morning Café meetings		
- Number of meetings	13	-
- Average number of attendees per meeting	3.5	
Online spiritual Service		
- Number of Services	1	-
- Number of people attending	49	
Healer support		
- Number of Registered Spiritual Healers covered by our insurance	57	52
- Number of (trainee) Provisional Spiritual Healers covered by our insurance	5	7
- Number of healers' police vets completed	21	22

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Statement of Cash Flows

For the year ended 30 June 2020

	2019/20	2018/19
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash was provided from:		
Member Receipts		
AGM / Retreat	5,799.00	11,922.00
Membership subscriptions	5,010.00	4,470.00
Workshop fees on promotn trips	260.00	
Webinars	1,895.00	640.00
Healing fees	840.00	950.00
Donations	15.00	246.16
Celebrant fees	210.00	180.00
Other	5.00	120.00
	14,034.00	18,528.16
Providing Services (Public)		
AGM / Retreat registration	2,052.00	2,181.50
Workshop fees on promotn trips	3,615.00	2,442.10
Webinars	455.00	365.00
Healing fees	105.00	120.00
Celebrant fees	30.00	30.00
Other	25.00	
	6,282.00	5,138.60
Other Fundraising, Donations		
Donations		500.00
	0	500.00
Interest		
Term investment interest	1030.29	884.75
Bank interest	13.82	15.65
	1044.11	
Cash provided	21,360.11	25,067.16
Cash was applied to:		
Providing Services		
AGM / retreat expenses	10,440.09	9,831.06
Promotional travel, accommodn	6,339.26	3,811.08
Website maintenance, hosting	3,105.27	2,475.51
Insurance	1,725.00	1,150.00
Cancelled 2020 retreat refunds	1040.00	
Photocopying & printing	437.91	220.08
Webinars & on-line meetings	200.00	325.00
Other Administration costs	427.17	308.80
Promotional material	31.98	355.49
Celebrant fees forwarded	240.00	240.00
Service donations forwarded	30.00	
	24,016.68	18,717.02
Other Operating Payments		
Board training		281.75
Financial Reviewer Honorarium	150.00	150.00
	150.00	431.75
Cash applied	24,166.68	19,148.77
Operating Surplus (Deficit)	(2,806.57)	5,918.39
Cash was provided from:		
Cash flows from investing activities		
Porirua Church funds to invest	(264.27)	7,000.00
	(264.27)	7,000.00
Cash was applied to:		
Capital purchases:		
Website rebuild WIP	661.25	
Website build		184.00
Promotional banner		491.97
	661.25	675.97
Net increase (decrease) in bank accounts held	(3,732.09)	12,242.42
Cash/bank at start of year	57,829.42	45,587.00
Cash/bank at end of year	54,097.33	57,829.42

Statement of Financial Performance

For the year ended 30 June 2020

	2019/20	2018/19
Revenue		
Member Revenue		
AGM / Retreat	10,452.00	10,989.00
Membership subscriptions	5,140.00	4,520.00
Workshop fees on promotn trips	260.00	
Webinars	950.00	640.00
Healing fees	855.00	935.00
Donations	15.00	246.16
	17,672.00	17,330.16
Providing Services (Public)		
AGM / Retreat	3,722.00	3,196.50
Workshop fees on promotn trips	3615.00	2,442.10
Webinars	355.00	365.00
Healing fees	105.00	105.00
	7,797.00	6,108.60
Other Fundraising, Donations		
Donations		500.00
	0	500.00
Interest		
Term investment interest	304.35	379.57
Bank interest	13.82	15.65
	318.17	395.22
Total Revenue	25,787.17	24,333.98
Expenditure		
Providing Services		
AGM / retreat expenses	10,140.09	9,969.76
Promotional travel, accommodn	4,876.48	3,911.08
Website maintenance, hosting	3,151.27	2,242.52
Insurance	1,725.00	1,150.00
Photocopying & printing	437.91	220.08
Webinars & on-line meetings	200.00	557.99
Other Administration costs	427.17	308.80
Promotional material	31.98	718.71
Healing certificates & cards	2.08	
	20,991.98	19,078.94
Other Operating Expenditure		
Depreciation on assets	4,300.83	1,699.52
Board training	0	281.75
Financial Reviewer Honorarium	150.00	150.00
Bad debts	150.00	150.00
Doubtful Debts	50.00	50.00
	4,650.83	2,331.27
Total Expenditure	25,642.81	21,410.21
Net Surplus (Deficit)	144.36	2,923.77

Administration costs breakdown		
Telephone	168.00	168.00
Postage	130.00	48.00
Courier fees	60.56	32.00
Charities/C Annual Return Fee	51.11	51.11
Bank fees	15.00	
Stationery	2.50	9.69
	427.17	308.80

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Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 June 2020

	<u>2019/20</u>	<u>2018/19</u>		<u>2019/20</u>	<u>2018/19</u>
<u>Current Assets</u>			<u>Current Liabilities</u>		
Westpac Bank			Creditors – Membership prepaid	150.00	220.00
- Cheque A/c	7,210.59	11,970.08	- Retreat fees prepaid	90.00	7,363.00
- Savings A/c	11,223.47	17,952.09	- Webinars prepaid	1060.00	
Petrol Vouchers		10.00	- Website maint due	46.00	
			Total Current Liabilities	1346.00	7,583.00
Debtors - Membership	230.00	250.00			
Less Provison for Doubtful Debts	-50.00	-50.00			
	180.00	200.00			
Other debtors/refunds owing					
- Retreat refund owing	800.00	500.00			
- Airfare credits owing	684.00				
- Accomm refund owing	778.78				
Stock of Healer Certificates	280.58	282.66			
Total Current Assets	21,157.42	30,914.83			
			<u>Non-Current Liabilities</u>		
<u>Non-Current Assets</u>			<u>Seed funding obligations</u>		
Investments			Wellington church seed fund	18,177.33	17,636.98
Wellington Church Term Deposit	18,177.33	17,636.98	Porirua church seed fund	6,921.32	7,000.00
Westpac Fixed Term Investment	10,564.62	10,260.27		25,098.65	24,636.98
Porirua Church Term Deposit	6,921.32				
Other Assets			<u>Equity</u>		
Website (Cost)	7,570.60	7,570.60	Accumulated Funds at 1 July	32,247.87	29,324.10
Less Provision for Depreciation	-6,503.27	-2,387.84	Surplus for Financial Year	144.36	2,923.77
Net website	1,067.33	5,182.76	Accumulated Funds at 30 June	32,392.23	32,247.87
Website Redevelopment WIP	661.25				
Banners (Cost)	679.21	679.21			
Less Provision for Depreciation	-391.60	-206.20			
Net banner	287.61	473.01			
Total non-current Assets	37,679.46	33,553.02			
			Total Liabilities & Equity	58,836.88	64,467.85
Total Assets	58,836.88	64,467.85			

Statement of Resources and Commitments

As at 30 June 2020

	<u>2019/20</u>	<u>2018/19</u>		<u>2019/20</u>	<u>2018/19</u>
<u>Resources</u>			<u>Commitments:</u>		
Bank Accounts and Cash	18,434.06	29,932.17	Money Payable to creditors	46.00	220.00
Money held on behalf of			Other Commitments		
- Wellington Spiritualist Church	18,177.33	17,636.98	Pre-paid memberships	150.00	
- Porirua Spiritualist Church	6,921.32		Deposits for next Retreat	90.00	7,344.00
Money owed to SNZ by debtors	2,592.78	250.00	Pre-paid webinar fees	1,060.00	
Other Resources					
Term Investment	10,564.62	10,260.27	<u>Other Information:</u>		
Pre-paid Retreat expenses	0	500.00	Seed funding to be available to		
Stock of Healer Certificates	280.58	282.66	o a new Wellington Church	18,177.33	17,636.98
Website software at cost	8,231.85	7,570.60	until 26/2/23		
Banners at cost	679.21	679.21	o a new Porirua Church	6,921.32	7,000.00
			until 15/6/26		

Notes to the Accounts

Goods & Services Tax (GST)

Spiritualism New Zealand is not registered for GST. Therefore amounts recorded in these reports are inclusive of GST (if any).

Change to Depreciation Rate

The SNZ website had been expected to last five years and was being depreciated at a rate of 20% pa. It is now only expected to last three years before being significantly redeveloped so the depreciation has been adjusted to 33.3% pa (\$2523.54pa). This has resulted in an extra depreciation charge of \$1591.89 to realign previous year's depreciation up to the new rate.

Related Party Transactions

Board members regularly provided their time and skills to the oversight and operation of the organisation at no charge.

Events after the Balance Date

There were no undisclosed events that have occurred after the balance date that would have a significant impact on the above reports. (Last Year - Nil)

To the readers of Spiritualism New Zealand Financial
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Reviewer's Report

I have reviewed the accounts of Spiritualism New Zealand in accordance with accepted review standards and have carried out such procedures as I considered necessary.

Spiritualism New Zealand, in common with other such organisations derives its income from sources which can not be fully controlled or verified until they are entered into the accounting records. Subject to the foregoing, in my opinion the Financial Statement gives a true and fair view of the income and expenditure and the financial position of Spiritualism New Zealand for the year ended 30 June 2020



R G W Foster

Reviewer

11 August 2020