



SPIRITUALISM NEW ZEALAND

Annual Performance Report for the 12 months to 30 June 2024

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

Constitutional Purpose:

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.

Vision:

To create a spiritual community throughout New Zealand.

Mission:

To support the growth and development of Spiritualism in New Zealand and promote spiritual values as a way of life.

Statement of Service Performance

Description of key activities:

Following the Strategic Planning session held in June 2023 and the subsequent meetings to clarify our priorities, we have concentrated on four main areas of activity this year.

- *Connecting with our national community.*
- *Promoting Spiritualism at a national and local level.*
- *Providing access to learning and development opportunities.*
- *Supporting and advocating for our members.*

Connecting our community through promoting Spiritualism

Online resources and information are available to members and the public at any time through our website, and social media channels.

- We are continuing to add and develop more spiritual information and resources on our website, www.spiritualism.org.nz .
- We established a new National Spiritual Day website <https://nationalspiritualday.nz/> ready to promote the 100 year anniversary of the passing of the Spiritualist Church of New Zealand Act 1924, which will be celebrated on 22 September. When passed, the Act legitimised spiritualist churches and their mediums giving them protection from prosecution and also made it harder for fraudsters to operate in this sector.
- We introduced free online Clairvoyant evenings on the 5th Thursday in any month, where the public can receive messages from those in spirit via psychics and mediums.

Description	Qty this year	Qty last year
Clairvoyant evenings		
- Number this year	3	-
- Average number of people attending	19	-

- We email regular newsletters free 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.
 - "I have just read the newsletter from Spiritualism NZ. Love it. I printed off heaps of articles and must connect with the Thursday night sessions." – PN

Description	Qty this year	Qty last year
Newsletters distributed		
- Number published for the year	8	12
- Number of newsletters distributed to members and subscribers	11,976	14,943

Connecting our community through providing access to learning and development opportunities.

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 again ran two series of online spiritual webinars containing six separate sessions each, the last of which was half way through at year-end. Anyone with a computer/smartphone and internet access could participate and/or watch the recorded event afterwards.
 - "It is absolutely fascinating and I am learning so much." – CH
 - "Thank you again for bringing us all these amazing speakers. And choosing amazing subjects that synchronise so well with the many paths that all of us who are Spiritually Awakening are on..." - CH

Description	Qty this year	Qty last year
Interactive spiritual training via evening webinar		
- Number of 6-part webinars series	1.5	2
- Number of people attending one or more webinars	64	56

- We introduced free online spiritual discussion evenings on every second and fourth Thursday evening in a month. A guest speaker would introduce a spiritual topic which was then opened up for questions and discussion from the public.

Description	Qty this year	Qty last year
Spiritual discussion evenings		
- Number of sessions	15	-
- Average number of people attending each session	16	-

- During 2023 we continued to run weekly meditation evenings online on Thursday nights free to the public, for the attendee's relaxation and personal development. In 2024 we introduced our YouTube Channel <https://www.youtube.com/@SpiritualismNewZealand>, where a variety of recorded meditations are accessed by the public at any time.

Description	Qty this year	Qty last year
Online meditations		
- Number of meditation evenings	18	50
- Average number of people attending mediation evenings	7	8
- Recorded meditations on the YouTube Channel	24	-
- YouTube Channel subscribers	68	-
- Total number of times the meditations were viewed	590	-

- We continued to run an online spiritual development group for remote members who did not have access to such groups locally through centres, churches or other contacts.

Description	Qty this year	Qty last year
Spiritual development group		
- Number of sessions	43	28
- Average number of people attending each session	6	6

- In October 2023, we ran a weekend retreat at Vaughan Park in Auckland, filled with spiritual workshops. Members and people from around the country attended. A previous retreat had been cancelled when Covid stuck and then we deferred arranging another one until the public safety situation stabilised.
 - "Enjoyed all the other attendees to the awesome courses, and awesome food & cannot fault anything " – J
 - "The courses I attended were all interesting, informative & great learning opportunities. ... easy relaxed atmosphere which encouraged open communication with all & those running the courses" – AM
 - "Thank you for an amazing weekend. Great company, learnt heaps, great food (ate too much) and very well run and organised." - D

Description	Qty this year	Qty last year
2 day spiritual retreat		
- Number of attendees	29	0
- Number of 2-hour workshops offered	12	0
- Maximum number of workshops attendees could attend	5	0

- We also did some local training. We ran a weekend of spiritual workshops in Dunedin to promote spiritualism, kicked off on Friday evening with a clairvoyant demonstration. Instead of running on-site spiritual healing training, like we did last year in Nelson, we started piloting online spiritual healing theory training for three sites while their Registered Spiritual Healers supervised the practical aspects of the training locally. This was to help support the local spiritual healing trainers and organisations without trainers who requested help.

Description	Qty this year	Qty last year
Training trips to promote spiritualism / Spiritual healing		
- Number of location-visits: Dunedin (Last Year: Napier, Nelson)	1	2
- Number of places filled in the training workshops	99	18
Online spiritual healing training		
- Number of sessions	3	-
- Number of locations covered: Christchurch, Upper Hutt, Nelson	3	-
- Average number of healers attending	20	-

Connecting our community through supporting and advocating for our members

- Our website is becoming an increasingly popular site for members to advertise their own spiritual services and events, and also for the public to ask for information or assistance.
 - "I received a message through the Spiritualism NZ site from someone who (was having trouble). ... she said she went to your page, to mine and then reached out. ... sending gratitude to you and the page because she may have been unable to seek help without your space available :)" - JL

Description	Qty this year	Qty last year
Services advertised through our website.		
- members' spiritual and healing events promoted	351	263
- members offering services to the public promoted in the Directory	68	67
Online information and help available through our website.		
- number of queries from the public handled	32	25

- Our Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/spiritualismnz> and Instagram "spiritualismnz" pages also promote our events and other spiritual events in which we think the spiritual public may be interested and has general posts on up-beat spiritual or personal concepts. As a result, our Facebook following is growing. We have also established a community Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/spiritualismnewzealandcommunitygroup> where people can discuss spiritual topics and promote their events.

Description	Qty this year	Qty last year
Number of people following our Facebook posts	1,900	1,600
Number of people following us in Instagram	69	57
Number of Community Facebook page members	392	-

- 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	Qty this year	Qty last year
Healer support		
- Number of Registered Spiritual Healers covered by our insurance	55	57
- Number of (trainee) Provisional Spiritual Healers covered	18	12
- Number of healers' police vets completed	11	29



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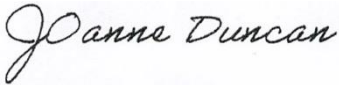
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We are thankful for all the volunteers from our community that have helped us deliver this program - the meditation, workshop and discussion leaders, the mediums and clairvoyants, and of course the members of the Board and sub-committees. We thank you for your generous support that has made all this possible.

This performance report has been approved on behalf of those charged with governance.

Date: 25 September 2024

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Signature: 

Signature: 

Joanne Duncan
President of Spiritualism New Zealand

Anne Roughton
Treasurer of Spiritualism New Zealand

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Statement of Cash Received & Paid

For the year ended 30 June 2024

	2023/24	2022/23
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash was received from:		
<i>Donations, koha, fundraising</i>		
Donations	80	100
	80	100
<i>Service delivery</i>		
Retreats	11,385	7,011
Webinars	2,000	2,260
Healing fees	2,795	2,760
Spiritual healing workshops	0	1,380
Development group fees	1,090	650
Services on promotional trips	1,710	186
Celebrant fees	180	180
Prepayments, overpayments	150	351
	19,310	14,778
<i>Membership fees & subscrip</i>		
Membership subscriptions	7,830	8,032
	7,830	8,032
<i>Interest received</i>		
Term investment interest	2,094	1,187
Bank interest	713	404
	2,807	1,591
Total cash received	30,027	24,501
Less cash paid for:		
<i>Volunteer related costs</i>		
Telephone allowance	168	168
	168	468
<i>Costs related to delivery of entity objectives</i>		
Insurance	2,956	2,520
Website maint., hosting, IT	7,450	2,952
Spiritual Healing wrkshop exp	25	1,048
Webinars & online meetings	580	867
Other Administration costs	395	453
Promotional travel, accommodn	1,234	429
Printing & Stationery	875	19
Celebrant fees forwarded	180	180
Retreat expenses & refunds	12,301	172
National Spiritual Day – 100 yrs	722	
Other Refunds	115	570
	26,833	9,210
<i>Other cash paid</i>		
Strategic planning	0	8,072
Financial Reviewer honorarium	518	300
	518	8,072
Total cash paid	27,519	17,750
Cash operating surplus (deficit)	2,508	6,751
Less cash paid for other activities:		
<i>Purchase of other assets:</i>		
National Spiritual Day Website	2,961	
	2,961	0
Net increase (decrease) in cash	(453)	6,751
Cash/bank at start of year	69,017	62,266
Cash/bank at end of year	68,564	69,017
Represented by		
Closing balance of bank accts	28,543	31,090
Balance invested in term depos	40,021	37,927

Statement of Financial Performance

For the year ended 30 June 2024

	2023/24	2022/23
Revenue		
<i>Donations, koha, fundraising</i>		
Donations	80	19,040
	80	19,040
<i>Service delivery</i>		
Retreat	18,106	30
Webinars	2,045	2,335
Healing fees	2,765	2,790
Spiritual Healing workshop	0	1,320
Development group fees	1,075	650
Services on promotional trips	1,710	186
Celebrant fees	180	180
	25,881	7,491
<i>Membership fees & subscrip</i>		
Membership subscriptions	8,340	8,105
	8,340	8,105
<i>Interest received</i>		
Term investment interest	1,697	776
Bank interest	713	404
	2,410	1,180
Total revenue	36,711	35,816
Expenses		
<i>Volunteer related costs</i>		
Telephone allowance	168	168
	168	168
<i>Providing services</i>		
Insurance	2,955	2,520
Website maintenance, hosting	6,754	3,999
Spiritual healing wrkshop exp	0	1,073
Webinars & online meetings	681	866
Other administration costs	395	453
Promotional travel, accommodn	1,751	398
Printing & stationery	476	418
Celebrant fees forwarded	180	180
Retreat expenses & refunds	15,885	0
National Spiritual Day – 100 yrs	732	
Healing certificates & cards	21	18
	29,830	9,925
<i>Other expenses</i>		
Strategic planning		8,072
Financial review	518	300
Depreciation on assets	1,131	1,048
Doubtful debts	50	390
	1,699	9,810
Total expenses	31,697	19,903
Net surplus (deficit)	5,014	15,913
Other administration costs		
Bank fees	261	232
Postage	0	170
Charities Srvc annual return fee	51	51
Promotional material	34	0
Survey tool	49	0
	395	453

Significant Assets & Liabilities

As at 30 June 2024

	<u>2023/24</u>	<u>2022/23</u>
<u>Significant assets</u>		
Bank accounts & cash	28,543	31,090
Debtors & prepayments	375	10,961
Investments	40,021	37,927
<u>Significant liabilities</u>		
Money held on behalf of others	8,718	22,962

Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 June 2024

	<u>2023/24</u>	<u>2022/23</u>
<u>Assets</u>		
Current assets		
<i>Cash & short-term deposits:</i>		
Cash	1,425	
Westpac Cheque A/c	15,262	19,567
Westpac Savings A/c	11,740	11,426
Stripe A/c	116	97
	28,543	31,090
<i>Debtors & prepayments:</i>		
Debtors - Membership	575	7,777
Less Provisn for Doubtful Debts	-200	-400
	375	7,377
Pre-paid Retreat Expenses	0	3,584
	375	10,961
<i>Inventory:</i>		
Stock of Healer Certificates	208	229
Total current assets	29,126	42,280
Non-current assets		
<i>Property, plant & equipment:</i>		
Website (Cost)	6,107	3,146
Less Provision for Depreciation	-2,354	-1,223
Net website	3,753	1,923
Banners (Cost)	679	679
Less Provision for Depreciation	679	679
Net banner	0	0
	3,753	1,923
<i>Investments:</i>		
SNZ Fixed Term Investment	32,290	30,593
Porirua Church Term Deposit	7,731	7,334
	40,021	37,927
Total non-current assets	43,774	39,850
Total assets	72,900	82,130
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Current liabilities		
<i>Creditors & accrued expenses:</i>		
Creditors – Accounts payable	978	1,470
	978	1,470
<i>Other current liabilities</i>		
Prepayments	9	60
Prepaid retreat fees	0	14,098
	9	14,158
Total current liabilities	987	15,628
Non-current liabilities		
<i>Other non-current liabilities</i>		
Seed funding obligations to:		
Porirua church	7,731	7,334
	7,731	7,334
Total non-current liabilities	7,731	7,334
Total liabilities	8,718	22,962
Net assets (assets – liabilities)	64,182	59,168
<u>Accumulated Funds</u>		
Accumulated surpluses at 1 July	59,168	43,255
Surplus for financial year	5,014	15,913
Accumulated Funds at 30 June	64,182	59,168



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Notes to the Accounts

Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation

This performance report is prepared in accordance with the XRB's new Tier 4 (NFP) Standard. The entity is permitted by law to apply this standard and has elected to do so. All transactions included in the Statement of Cash Received and Cash Paid and related notes to the Performance Report have been reported on a Tier 4 cash basis, including the previous year's comparative information.

The Statement of Financial Performance and Statement of Financial Position have also been presented voluntarily, and comply with the XRB's new Tier 3 accrual accounting standard (including the previous year's comparative information).

Treatment of Goods & Services Tax (GST)

Spiritualism New Zealand is not registered for GST and all amounts are recorded inclusive of GST (if any).

Related Party Transactions.

Description of related party transaction	Description of the transactions (whether in cash or amount in kind)	Value of Transactions		Amount Outstanding	
		Current Yr \$	Last Yr \$	Current Yr \$	Last Yr \$
Former member donated its residual funds upon winding up, plus interest, to SNZ.	Cash held in term deposit for 7 years by SNZ on behalf of the member, released to SNZ.	\$0	\$18,940	\$0	\$0
Board member's son-in-law's business provides IT hosting and support.	Charged SNZ at a discounted rate.	\$507	\$462	\$0	\$0
Board members regularly provided their time and skills to the oversight and operation of the organization.	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)



28th September 2024

TO: The Members of The Spiritualist Church of New Zealand

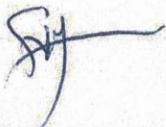
I have reviewed the extensive Performance Report of The Spiritualist Church of New Zealand (CC 32420) and have carried out an examination as I deemed necessary. An examination includes a review of the accounting records and working papers kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts and statistics presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

The financial and non-financial reports provide information about the financial performance and the "community outreach" of The Spiritualist Church of New Zealand and its financial position as of 30th June 2024.

My professional involvement with The Spiritualist Church of New Zealand is limited to the review of the records, working papers and financial statements and management reports based on the financial information provided. I am not involved in any financial decisions made by the Charity.

I must disclose that I am connected to The United Spiritualist of Aotearoa Incorporated, based in Christchurch, as a committee member and volunteer. I also attend their Sunday Services. This has no bearing on my ability to review the accuracy and fairness of the financial statements for The Spiritualist Church of New Zealand

Sincerely



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