



# Birth and Beyond

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## SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

A special general meeting of Birth and Beyond was held last week to finalise the closing of the society.

The members present unanimously voted to wind up the society, not because we feel any differently about the principles and ideals of Birth and Beyond, but because we have put a lot of time and energy into setting up the birth centre, and after three years have not achieved our aim.

We hope that in a few years time we may be able to press for a birth centre once again, or perhaps someone else will take up where we left off. All our records and information are being kept for this reason.

## DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS

We then tackled the problem of distributing our funds, which amount to \$1182. This includes members fees, fundraising and interest. It was felt that the money should go to groups with similar aims as Birth and Beyond. With this in mind we have donated \$400 to the New Mother's Support Groups, and the remaining \$774 to the Home Birth Association. We are sure that these groups will use the money effectively.

## PARTICIPATION IN OTHER 'BIRTH' GROUPS

We would like to encourage our members to continue with the fight for more birth alternatives in Wellington by becoming active in other organisations such as the Home Birth Association, New Mother's Support Groups and Hecate Womens Health Collective. With the recent resignation of Wellington's domicilliary midwife, there is now NO CHOICE for women about where they have their babies. It is up to us to ensure that this situation does not continue.

Lastly, we would like to thank all our members for their support over the years. It was always good to know that we had so many members who believed in the same things that we did.

Thanking you,  
The Administrative Core Group.