

The New Zealand Home Birth Association

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PROFESSIONALS for SAFE ALTERNATIVE CHILDBIRTH, U.S.A.

- ① To all Secs.
② Subs to Waring, Hunt
& Beetham. Sec.

Dear Secretary,

I enclose the first newsletter prepared here for distribution to all N.Z. members. Each copy costs the National Organisation 18 cents and if we are to prepare four a year then we think that distribution will have to be undertaken by each branch to local members. If you can let me know as soon as possible how many members your branch has, then I will send you that number of newsletters. It may be possible for you to distribute them in conjunction with your own newsletter or next communication. Please let us know how your branch feels about this.

The statistical collection sheet has been prepared and will hopefully be printed and circulated to midwives within the next fortnight. The collation of these statistics and information will be very valuable material.

The Auckland Branch has paid \$161 into the National funds as its contribution of \$1 per paid up member in the last financial year. The treasurer, Amanda Marks, is keen to receive all branch contributions. They should be addressed to her care of P.O. Box 7093.

We have applied for membership of and taken subscriptions to the following bodies and publications: International Childbirth Ed. Assoc., Perth Homebirth Magazine, Assoc of Radical Midwives (U.K.). Please suggest others which could be valuable. We will circulate material received to all branches.

Michael Adams has drawn up rules and all the documentation required to incorporate. We will proceed with this immediately.

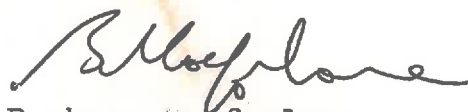
Deryn Cooper is the spokesperson for the National Body. She is completing her Ph.D. in psychology this month and will then really get stuck in. The rules for incorporation generally provide for a president and we have selected Deryn to fill this position as spokesperson-president seem to overlap. We will circulate the rules shortly.

I also enclose a copy of the Auckland midwives own submissions to the Maternity Services Committee.

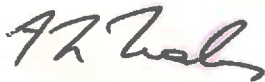
We are arranging for a further edition of bumper stickers soon. These seem to be very popular.

Please write in with any suggestions you have for the running of the National Association.

Yours sincerely,



Barbara Macfarlane



Amanda Marks