

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

New Plymouth Branch



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PROGRAMME July – August, 2021

Venues & Time - Public and Members' & friends' meetings will be held where noted, starting at **7.30pm** unless shown otherwise. Members & friends' meetings begin with a Healing Group ceremony for the first 10 minutes.

If you're thinking of bringing a friend to a members & friends meeting, as a courtesy to the hosts, please phone Peter or Nina Vink on 758 8174 or Jim Scrivener on 021-2511 011, to let them know beforehand. Ideally we invite people to members & friends meetings after they have been to at least a couple of public meetings and show interest. If your friend hasn't made it to a public meeting and is still interested, then either point them to the Theosophy New Zealand website <https://theosophy.nz/> or hand them first some of the pamphlets and the 'green book' as an introduction, so they will have some idea of what we're about. Ring or email Jim Scrivener (see details above), for extra copies of pamphlets etc.

COVID-19: These dates apply providing Alert Level 1 applies or an equivalent where physical distancing is not required:

July 2021

Wednesday 7 th	<u>Mystery video 1</u> An interesting 'talking heads' documentary from a recent series. <u>Time & Venue:</u> 7.30pm, Peter & Nina Vink's house, 218 Mangorei Rd, New Plymouth	Members & friends
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Wednesday 21 st	<u>Mystery video 2</u> Another interesting 'talking heads' documentary from a recent series. <u>Time & Venue:</u> 7.30pm, Peter & Nina Vink's house, 218 Mangorei Rd, New Plymouth	Members & friends
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August 2021

Wednesday 4 th	<u>'7 major transformations to change the world'</u> - by <u>Donna Willard-Moore</u> A summary of a seven week online course run by Caroline Myss, an American author of numerous books and videos, including five New York Times Best Sellers: <i>Anatomy of the Spirit</i> (1996), <i>Why People Don't Heal and How They Can</i> (1998), <i>Sacred Contracts</i> (2002), <i>Invisible Acts of Power</i> (2004), <i>Entering The Castle</i> (2007), and <i>Defy Gravity</i> (2009). Her most recent book, <i>Archetypes: Who Are You?</i> was published in 2013. She describes herself as a medical intuitive and a mystic. <u>Time & Venue:</u> 7.30pm, Peter & Nina Vink's house, 218 Mangorei Rd, New Plymouth	Members & friends
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Wednesday 18 th	<u>The Energy of Homeopathy</u> - by <u>Wendy Dixon</u> Wendy's journey using homeopathy opened up an interesting world of how the remedies relate to the patients in sometimes strange and wonderful ways, having a deep and healing effect. The action of the remedies extends far beyond their chemical composition, as when a remedy is potentised beyond 12c potency, there is not molecule of the original substance left, yet there are measurable electromagnetic changes in these highly potentised solutions. Wendy will recount her experiences using homeopathy, giving a brief glimpse into the fascinating world of how a remedy becomes a unique character, matched to its unique patient for the benefit of their health. <i>Wendy Dixon qualified in Veterinary Medicine at Massey University in 1993 but always had an interest in holistic healthcare. Therefore it was a natural progression after graduating to move to the UK and continue her education there, becoming a member of the British Association of Homeopathic Veterinary Surgeons (BAHVS) and Association of British Veterinary Acupuncturists (ABVA) after additional study in these fields. Wendy</i>	Members & friends
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worked in a holistic veterinary practice in the UK for the next 19 years, one of the first in its field to embrace the best of both worlds, using conventional medicine alongside holistic approaches. A journey that continues today back in NZ where she now works at the New Plymouth Veterinary Group on St Aubyn Veterinary Clinic.

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Other events outside our branch – keep an eye on the Theosophy NZ website <https://theosophy.nz/> for upcoming events you might be able to attend.

Also keep an eye on neighbouring branch activities via the pages at <https://theosophy.nz/centres> (e.g. Whanganui, Hamilton, Palmerston North, Napier, Wellington) - if there is a talk or event you'd like to attend, email jimscrivener56@gmail.com to see if other members here are also interested in getting a car-load together. If you register with the branch in good time prior to the event, there may be a chance of applying for a subsidy towards travel or accommodation costs. Note that it can't be retrospective.

Other resources on the web – Theosophy World
<https://www.theosophy.world/>

Have a look at a wealth of articles publications, ebooks, video and audio archives, all searchable and perfect to help you research something.

Facebook Streaming

Our facebook live streams are available to the public so you don't need to log into facebook to view them. Simply go to [facebook.com/TheosophyNP/](https://www.facebook.com/TheosophyNP/) at the advertised time and the video will be right there. If you need help please call Ben on 027-517 6739 and we will make sure you can get to the stream.

New Plymouth Branch Library of over 700 books is now in shelves sorted & catalogued by author at the vice president's place. Work is under way to classify them by subject to make it easier to use. To visit, please phone or text Jim on 021-2511 011 (or email jimscrivener56@gmail.com) to arrange a time.

New Plymouth Branch Programme/Newsletter

We publish this usually every 1-2 months with the programme. If you have a short article, quotation etc. either your own thoughts or others' that is theosophically related, or generally helpful, please email it in to Jim at jimscrivener56@gmail.com While inclusion is not guaranteed we will do our best depending on content and space.

Membership subscriptions reminder

Subscription invoices issued on 6th August for Sept2020-Aug2021 were due on 20th September, 2020. A reminder that we have to lapse members when they are a full 2 years in arrears, so please check if you've had a reminder, or if you have any questions, email the treasurer Jim (jimscrivener56@gmail.com) or phone on 021-2511 011. Even if you can't make it to meetings, bear in mind the subscriptions are at a similar level to those for National Section members who are not affiliated to any branch, but still receive the magazine and all the other advantages of membership.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

NEW PLYMOUTH BRANCH

Wed 1st September – Julia and Orest Tarnawsky visit for a members and friends meeting, a pot luck dinner and followed by a public meeting. *Details to follow in the next newsletter.*

EVENTS AT OTHER BRANCHES

Sat-Sun 21st / 22nd August – Palmerston North Branch Regional Event. *Details to follow on their website. This is a Central Region Event, for which there may be some subsidy towards travel and accommodation. If you'd like to car-pool, email jimscrivener56@gmail.com who will put you in touch with others wanting to do the same.*

NATIONAL EVENTS

30th July - Induction day, for new members and new to committee only. *See website & June 'TheoSophia'*

31st July / 1st August - Immersion Weekend – Theosophy, Reincarnation Explored. *See website & June 'TheoSophia'*

23rd – 25th October - National Event. *Still being worked on. Details to follow on TSNZ website.*



Seek refuge in the attitude of detachment and you will amass the wealth of spiritual awareness. The one who is motivated only with the desire for the fruits of their action and anxious about the results is miserable indeed.

*Bhagavadgita, Chapter 2
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