



Wellington Women Lawyers' Association

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Convenor's Letter

The year is rapidly coming to an end and Christmas is looming. WWLA has two events to mark this time of year and both include an element of social justice. Our first event to be held tomorrow (Wednesday) night, 1 December, is Trade Aid shopping. Last year this proved to be very popular and I can thoroughly recommend Trade Aid chocolate! Please feel free to bring along friends and men will be most welcome.

Our other event is Christmas drinks to be held on Monday 20 December at the Green Room. The Committee decided to hold the event on this later date as most members' Christmas parties appear to be scheduled earlier in December. If you bring a present (usually toiletries) suitable for women/children taking refuge with Women's Refuge, then your first drink will be on us! We hope to see you at both events.

While the Local Body elections seem so long ago, I'd like to express my thanks to our organisers of The "Meet the Candidates" function held at Foxglove. This was a very successful evening with quite a number of women candidates attending, most of who were either elected or re-elected. It was pleasing to see that Celia Wade-Brown, who made the effort to join us that night, was elected Mayor, so congratulations Celia.

May your Christmas be filled with peace and joy and your holidays rejuvenating, with lots of sunny, relaxing days.

As always, if you have any suggestions for an event, any questions or comments to make, contact me at nancy.watters@tpk.govt.nz

Upcoming Events

- **WWLA Trade Aid shopping night—Wednesday 1 December** – *Trade Aid, Victoria St 6-8pm*
- **NZLS Shirley Smith Address —8 December**—*Rutherford House, 5:30 pm*
- **WWLA Women's Refuge Christmas drinks – Monday 20 December**—*Green Man, from 5:30 pm*



The poster features a green background with a white border. At the top, there are two small images: on the left, several colorful gift bags; on the right, a group of people shopping. The main text is centered and reads: 'Come guilt-free shopping!' in large yellow letters, followed by 'Give Good Gifts & hear how you are making a difference for our Producer groups' in smaller yellow text. Below this is the WWLA logo, then 'Christmas Shopping Night at Trade Aid' in white, 'Victoria Street (opposite Lido Cafe)' in white, 'Wednesday 1 December 2010' in white, and '6.00pm to 8.00pm' in white. There are decorative elements including strings of colorful Christmas ornaments and a red gift box with a green ribbon. At the bottom, there is a red 'trade aid' logo and the text 'Wine & nibbles provided', 'Great new product lines', 'In-store specials on the night', and 'Family, friends & colleagues welcome' in yellow.

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at Trade Aid

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Movie—*Made in Dagenham*

Check out this great little movie about the strike which led to the Equal Pay Act 1970 (UK). Women machinists at the Ford car plant in Dagenham walked off the job in 1968, asking for the same wage as men.

Currently playing at Penthouse and Empire cinemas.

[Review of the movie](#)

And in case we need a reminder of why this is still a topical issue the 2010 NZ Census of Women's Participation revealed that female participation in governance, professional and public life has started to slide, erasing gains made in the past decades. Read the Stuff article [here](#).