

Committee Members Profile



BRIAN CARRAN – CHAIRMAN

- Married to Cath, they have 5 children and 8 grandchildren. Brian is retired but formally was a Supermarket owner with 280 staff. His interests are skiing, boating, fishing and travelling. His past community service includes; 11 years as a uniformed scout leader, 17 years in Jaycees service club, being NZ President, an International VP and Executive VP, Finance Chairman for building committees for the SPCA and a Squash club, 12 years as chairman of Ruapehu Enterprise business development Agency, 17 years a Trustee of Sir Edmund Hillary OPC (now 'Hillary Outdoors'), and is currently Chairman of the Greenhithe Residents Association a position held for the last 19 years.



TRISH CASSONE – DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

- Trish Cassone and her family moved to Greenhithe 8 years ago. The main attraction to draw the family to Greenhithe was the village atmosphere and a reputation for people still connecting with neighbours and residents being involved within the community. Continuing on from serving other community groups both overseas and in New Zealand, Trish joined the Greenhithe Residents' Association and currently holds the position of deputy chairman. When not working at Massey University, Trish's spare time is taken up with family activities, socialising and house renovations.



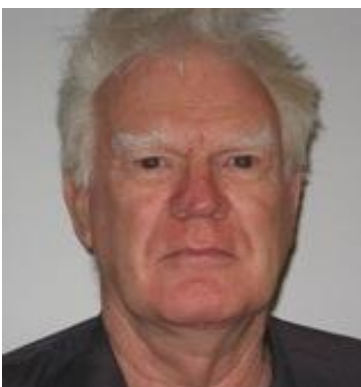
STEVEN OH – TREASURER

- Happily married to Rose with 2 sons, both in Malaysia, Steven will retire in June this year after working in PNG for more than 8 years. Rose lived in Greenhithe 18 months ago and Steven will join her upon his retirement. Over the duration of his stay in PNG, Steven is a committee member of the Malaysian Association of PNG (MAPNG), having served as the Treasurer as well as the Vice-President for 2 years in each capacity. MAPNG has raised more than PGK9.4 million over an 18 years duration and funds raised yearly are immediately allocated to numerous deserving organisations in PNG. This is Malaysian way of giving back to society in the country that we worked and lived in. He is a Chartered Accountant and has worked for more than 47 years in the United Kingdom, Malaysia, New Zealand and PNG. Whilst in Malaysia he held the positions of the Treasurer as well as the President for the Company's Sports Club for a number of years.
- A passionate golfer who also goes tramping/camping regularly, he is a devout Christian.



IVY LU – SECRETARY

- She immigrated to New Zealand in 2014 from China and settled in Greenhithe after an elaborate hunt for the best place to call home. Blessed with a lovely daughter and a loving husband, she completed a BA degree in the University of Auckland after immigration and is now actively pursuing a new career in teaching. She likes baking, running, music and Greenhithe! She joined the GRA committee in mid-2018 and has been enjoying her role since then.



DENNIS THORNTON

- Born, raised and educated in Auckland. Specialist training at HMS Excellent and HMS Collingwood while on attachment to Navy Office, London, 1965. Total 50-year employment with NZ Defence Force since 1959. Resident of Greenhithe for 29 years. Chairman of North Shore Neighbourhood Watch for three years. Established Volunteer Community Patrols on the North Shore in 2006. Founding member of Greenhithe Community Emergency Response Group formed in 2012. Committee member GRA for the past five years. Currently member of Amateur Radio Emergency Communications (AREC) group, Vice Chairman North Shore Radio Club.
- Hobby interests include fishing, photography, Ham Radio, woodworking, computers.
- Now retired. Shares a home with one ginger cat.



DALE MORRIS

- Our family have been Greenhithe residents for 17 years, all three of my kids attended Greenhithe Primary School. I'm a PWC trained Chartered Accountant. Spent a number of years running my own accounting practice and as a business owner of a Kyocera Copier/printing franchise. I have served a number of corporates in a financial role and am currently a residential property investment consultant to one of the larger Real Estate groups. A keen sports follower of most sports, including rugby, motor sport and surfing. Interests are travel, wine and SUP'ing (Stand up Paddle), not necessarily in that order.



ANNIE YONG-MEWBURN

- Annie has a passion for people & property. Top Barfoot & Thompson real estate agent from her branch in the last 6 years, she is originally from Malaysia and has earned a reputation as a human dynamo, always cheerful & full of energy. A talented communicator with her ability to speak five languages display a genuine interest in understanding the needs of those she is helping. Annie's previous careers have left her with a passion for food, interior design & marketing. Married to a Kiwi & living in Greenhithe for the past 12 years, Annie has been an active member of the community as she is the main organiser /co-sponsor of the annual Greenhithe Lantern Festival, sponsor and supplier for Greenhithe Football with drink bottles of more than 500, sponsor for the International Friends with Greenhithe Community Trust. Annie can be found enjoying nature, in her garden with her dog, or on the water, be it kayaking or boating.



MICK SINCLAIR

- Mick Sinclair is married to Alice, with a son named Edward. We have been in Greenhithe for 4 years, and love living here. I am a practising lawyer, specialising in Intellectual Property and Media law. I have been on a number of arts boards, including the Black Grace Dance company, the Going West Literary festival and the International Comedy festival. I am presently on the board of the Screen Producers organisation, which represents film and television producers. Aside from the arts, my interests are sailing, skiing and gardening.



MICHELLE HEALD

- Michelle is married to Phillip, and they have three sons. They moved to Greenhithe 7 years ago. They have had a business on the North Shore for 20 years. Michelle really loves the community feel of Greenhithe, where people are always offering help if needed. Michelle is on the Committee for Tauhinu Sea Scouts and looks after Grants and helping organising the Pancake Breakfast. Michelle enjoys gardening, reading and cooking.



EHSAN ZABIHI

- Happily married to Maryam and we have 2 sons who we love them a lot. My main academic study was on Software Engineering and Mastering of Business. I have extensive experiences in IT management and Paid-Search Marketing. Have a company in North shore with 4 employee doing international marketing on the internet giant paid-search marketing platforms for a big retailer in United States. We moved to Greenhithe 4 years ago from Takapuna and fell in love with the very peaceful and quiet environment of this area. I am also pleased that I have been invited to participate in the Greenhithe Residents Association and really hope my IT Management and Marketing skills can be helpful for Greenhithe and the community.



NIKA OSBOURNE

- Originally from Russia, Nika moved to NZ in 2002 and has been living in Greenhithe with her family since 2011. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Business management and a PG degree in Marketing, and has more than 15 years experience in strategic marketing, brand management and organisation of dynamic corporate trade-shows and events.
- In her free time she enjoys yoga, skiing, surfing and gardening. She likes the community feel and village atmosphere of Greenhithe and will continue to support the needs and interests of this area.