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Newsletter 3, April 2021 Course 3 - Financial Matters

Course Organisers: Rosemary Du Plessis and Brian Le Vaillant, assisted by Rosemary Tredgold

Members suggested a course that addressed financial issues when they were surveyed about future courses in 2019. This course was developed in response to those expressions of interest. Our goal has been to combine presentations on national issues relating to economic strategy and housing with attention to particular financial matters of interest to members, such income in retirement and diverse investment strategies.



Session 1: 27 April:

Professor Paul Dalziel, Professor of Economics and Deputy Director Agribusiness and Economics Research Unit, Lincoln University

Economic Strategies for Wellbeing in Post-COVID New Zealand

The COVID-19 crisis has caused major disruptions to economic activity in New Zealand and elsewhere. Governments around the world are looking to support economic recovery. The NZ Government has committed itself to wellbeing budgets. Paul will explore what this might mean for New Zealand's future economic policies.



Session 2: 4 May:

Shamubeel Eaqub, CFA, economist, author and media commentator, Sense Partners

Housing in Aotearoa

The housing market in Aotearoa is broken. How did we get here and how can it be solved?

Please note - as we expect this to be a popular presentation no visitors will be admitted.



Session 3: 11 May:

Dame Diana Crossan DNZM, Retirement Commissioner 2003-2013

Financial Matters – Facing up to the future

How I became the Retirement Commissioner in 2003. The issues for New Zealanders financially preparing for their retirement and what has changed.



Session 4: 18 May:

Andrew Withers, Senior Investment Advisor, Forsyth Barr Ltd.

Financial investment in a low interest environment – Balancing risk and financial security

Investing in a low interest rate world, venturing beyond bank deposits. Investing for a greener world, environmental considerations when selecting stocks.



Your Committee 2021:

Back L to R:

Yvonne Ekdahl, Shona Anderson, Kate Windsor, Liz Goodrich, Rosemary Du Plessis, Catherine Ward Front L to R:

Joan Hazlehurst, Rosemary Smart, Sue Allard, Maxine Macaulay, Rosemary Anderson.

Morning Tea/Coffee:

Organiser: Yvonne Ekdahl, Phone: 021 169 7596

Trish Le Valliant and Kate Livingstone have kindly volunteered to help for the duration of this course.

Coming Up:

Course 4 June 1 – June 29 Potpourri Course 5 July 20 – August 10

Ngai Tahu 2 – Future Visions Course 6 August 31 – Sept 28 World Issues Course 7 Oct 19 - Nov 16 Potpourri

Final session23 November Spring lunch 21 September