

Chairman's Report for AGM Held on 21 July 2019

In the six years since I became Chairman of ACCC, a small group have been extremely busy investigating, selling and buying commercial properties, arranging the fundraising programme and the building contract for the extensions to Mangere Hall, and organising the endless tidying up and shifting of furniture and equipment at various locations. In particular, I wish to pay special tribute to John and Connie Kum for their strong commitment and unwavering support during this period.

I am very pleased to now report that the ACCC is in the very desirable situation of having an excellent modern facility at Mangere which can cater fully for our sporting, cultural and social activities and two commercial investment properties with single long term stable tenants. The purchase of a child care centre at 168 Lincoln Road, Henderson for \$3.05M was finalised on 31 May 2019 and the settlement of a car sales showroom at 772 Great South Road, Penrose for \$2.34M will take place on 30 August 2019.

With stable income from these two investments, the newly elected Committee can now consider major improvements to the Mangere facilities such as refurbishment of the carpark, front security fencing and development of the front lawn area. The re-location of the Spark and 2 Degrees antennae and the replacement of the 40 year old original hall roof was finally completed in August 2018 but there are still some minor leaking issues to resolve. We have also converted a small portion of the back storeroom into a library and multi - purpose room.

All users of the Mangere Hall continue to enjoy the improved facilities and extra space with the normal activities of basketball, badminton, volleyball, ballroom dancing and social get togethers plus the Mandarin children classes have been held at Mangere since February 2019. The regular Tuesday gatherings of the Senior Lifestyle Group has attracted many new participants with attendance between 40 & 60 every week. Other new regular activities are on every Tuesday 9.00pm -10.30pm for pickleball which is a cross between tennis, badminton and table tennis, and a monthly dance on every 2nd Saturday with the net proceeds donated to ACCC (many thanks to Geoffrey Lim).

Our membership have slowly increased over the past few years and are now number about 1,500. Our Secretary, David Tai, had done an excellent job in the onerous task of administrating the membership records.

The ACCC Executive Committee are constantly looking to extend the range of activities for members and the wider Chinese community in Auckland. New initiatives include a \$5.00 yum cha held at Lucky Star Restaurant in Papatoetoe on 28 January 2019; a Ten Pin Bowling afternoon held on 26 May 2019 (many thanks to Harry Wong Kam); annual tertiary scholarships with the first recipient being Calvin Fraser (many thanks to Colleen Tang); the inaugural ACCC Children's Day to be held on Saturday, 12 October 2019 (many thanks to Chas Luen); and a car rally on Sunday, 10 November 2019 (many thanks to Philip Chong).

ACCC also continued with its usual events including a fundraising Social Dance on Saturday, 20 October 2018 (many thanks to Cecil Wong); the National Day celebration at Mangere on Sunday, 30 September 2018; the Guy Fawkes bonfire and fireworks display on Saturday, 3 November 2018; the CNY Festival & Market Day at ASB Showgrounds on Saturday, 2 February 2019; the riddles tent at the Lantern Festival at the Domain on 15 - 17 February 2019 (many thanks to Stan King); the 59th Anniversary Dinner at Lucky Fortune Restaurant on Saturday, 8 June 2019; and our 5th annual Chinese men's basketball tournament with co-host NZ Chinese Sports Association on 13/14 July 2019 (many thanks to our sponsors Legendary Homes & Carpetland and Tournament Controller, Laisen Joe).

Other upcoming activities are a Fundraising Dance on Saturday, 3 August 2019; the \$5.00 Moon Festival Yum Cha at Lucky Star Restaurant in Papatoetoe on Sunday, 15 September 2019; the National Day celebration at Mangere on Sunday, 29 September 2019; the Guy Fawkes evening on Saturday, 2 November 2019; and the CNY Festival & Market Day at the ASB Showgrounds, Halls 3 & 4 on Saturday, 18 January 2020.

In conclusion, I wish to thank all the members of the Executive Committee who have dedicated much of their time and effort in administrating and organising the Centre's affairs and also the members and friends who have assisted and supported our events and functions. Also I wish to acknowledge the contributions made over the years by Executive Committee members not standing for re-election, Tony Wong, Jacky Luk, Stan King, Geoffrey Lim, Myra Lowe, Colleen Tang, Chas Luen, Harry Wong Kam, Christine Chan, Robyn Shen.

Best Regards



Kai Luey
Chairman