



NZ China Friendship Society

Dunedin Branch

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RECENTLY...

LANGUAGE CLASS

A SUCCESSFUL BEGINNERS COURSE IN TERM TWO



It ended with a dinner together – lots of good talk! Thanks to the Chinese speakers who supported laoshi Annie and helped the learners with one-on-one conversation.



Thanks to those class members who completed a review sheet to help us with future planning. ...just one sample here...Q.8-10

Q8. Between each class, how much and how did you try to reinforce the lesson?

I didn't have much time during the week to practice but I am doing it now that exams are over!

Q9. How much did you achieve? Did the class deliver what you wanted?

Yes it gave me a good introduction to Mandarin. I just wish the classes continued for another month or so - I really enjoyed them and felt that I was improving.

Q10. In the future, what sort of class would most suit your needs?

This was great, I can't suggest anything else?!

Interested in learning Mandarin?

For more details about future courses, contact Language Class Facilitator, committee member Karen Tang Liantingtang2013@gmail.com



Coming up...

JULY MEETING

TIME: Wednesday 12 July 7.30pm

PLACE: St John's Church - seminar room. 373 Highgate, Roslyn. (Come up the driveway. Warm welcome and supper.)

“CHINA AND THE PACIFIC”

Guest speaker: Professor Brian Moloughney, University of Otago



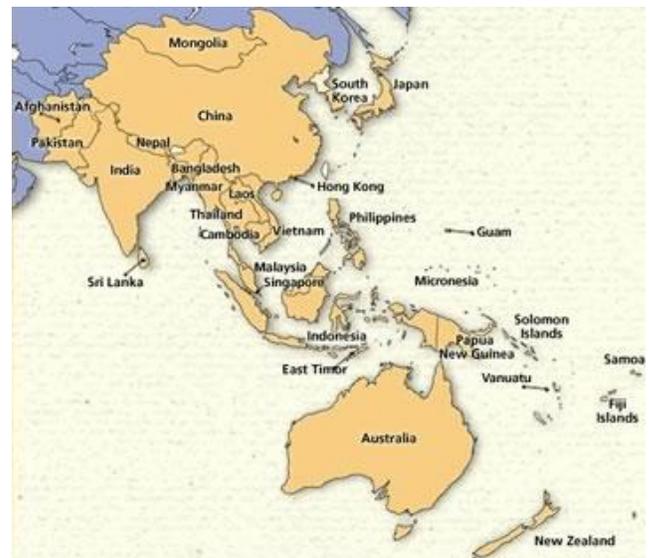
Following a number of years teaching Chinese history at the University of Otago, Brian became Head of the School of Languages and Cultures at Victoria University of Wellington, where he taught

in both the Chinese and Asian Studies programmes. For five years he was Editor of the New Zealand Journal of Asian Studies and he has served as President of the New Zealand Asian Studies Association. From 2010 until 2015 Brian was Pro-Vice-Chancellor Humanities at the University of Otago.

He will be talking to us about what the “Belt and Road Initiative” could mean for the Pacific. And we will enjoy his passion for China’s history, its culture and his understanding of China’s contemporary place in the world.

For a background article on the “Belt and Road Initiative” see this recent ODT article:

<https://www.odt.co.nz/news/dunedin/new-roads-new-vistas>





Otago Girls' High School has opened its very own Confucius Classroom. The classroom aims to support and encourage activities related to Chinese language and culture.

Watch this video for interesting interviews with students, teachers...goals and activities.

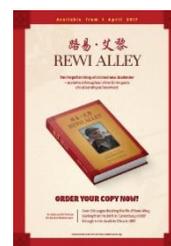


Channel 39

<https://www.odt.co.nz/the-south-today?video=5477183950001>



Branch President Craig Holmes (second from left) and committee member Annie Zong represented our branch at the opening. Craig presented a copy of the new book “Rewi Alley” for the classroom library.



(see June newsletter for info about this book)

<http://nzchinasociety.org.nz/30399/dunedin-june-2017-newsletter/>

Confucius Classroom in South

Otago. Earlier this year I reported on the opening of the CC at Rosebank Primary School, Balclutha.



Student Caleb Luke, 12, speaks here to an impressed audience. Recently Caleb earned a distinction at the New Zealand National Chinese Bridge Competition in Wellington.

Thanks to Balclutha Mandarin Language Assistant Huanhuan (Annie) Zhao who finishes her year's work at the end of this term.



MLAs Bonnie, **Annie**, Branch members Dong, Vivienne, Colin, MLA Amy on a cold Clutha evening (3°), farewell Annie as she returns to the warm climate of Jinan (35°).

BRANCH NEWS

Introducing...

Branch Committee member Simon Wang.

Simon is from Shandong China. He joined the committee in 2016. He worked in China for 7 years in education industry. He set up a traditional Chinese book reading club in China.

He came to New Zealand to study Postgraduate Diploma in Business in 2014. After graduation, he set up a business of NZ China International Understanding Ltd in Dunedin. The business aims at bringing Chinese students to New Zealand for further study. He hopes more New Zealanders could enjoy the charm of Chinese culture and also more Chinese could experience the real Kiwi life.



TOURS

A message from Dave Adamson...

Hi there. I am National Vice President South Island of the New Zealand China Friendship Society.

In November 2015 our society brought three craft women from China to New Zealand. This newsletter P.8 gives details of the visit.

<http://nzchinasociety.org.nz/23068/christchurch-branch-newsletter-january-2016/>

Over a two week period the women visited various craft groups around the country. We quickly realised there was a lot of interest from local craft people and that a tour from here to China was a distinct possibility.

As you can see from the **attached itinerary**, a tour has now been put together, and I will lead it. I have done counted cross stitch for 30 years and dabbled in pottery and silversmithing. I have been to China nine times, several of the visits as a tour or assistant tour leader. Our society takes two to three tours to China annually, each one with a different theme.

Please distribute this tour flyer through craft groups or individuals you feel could be interested; China is a crafter's paradise! If anyone had a specific interest in a particular craft, we would do our best to accommodate it, and of course

the tour is not just about craft, but will include some of China's key attractions as well.



NZCFS HANDCRAFTS TOUR OF CHINA

APRIL 9-28, 2018 20 DAYS IN CHINA

See the attached for itinerary details.

As you will see on the first page of the flyer, expressions of interest or enquiries can be made to tours@nzcfs.org.nz

If anyone wishes to discuss it further, they can contact me on 03 389 1376 or 022 1283215.

Kind regards. Dave Adamson.



Zhu Ernu from the Minhe County Tu Minority Embroidery Association



Zhu Ernu demonstrates Tu-style embroidery

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NZCFS, its history, its current projects
<http://nzchinasociety.org.nz/>

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