



28 June 2020

Dear Members

It is with great sadness and disappointment that I write to you today. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic it has been necessary to seek permission to cancel the WAFA NZ Seminar which was to be held in March 2021. Christchurch and Queenstown environs were to host the event.

The WAFA NZ Committee planned to shorten the program and move the date to March 2022, however this too caused concern as it may have impinged on the World Show in 2023. In the meantime we received information that the NZ Government would not be issuing incoming visas in the near future. This was the catalyst that moved the FASNZ Board to cancel the Seminar to ensure protection for the WAFA NZ Show.

FASNZ has now had our request supported by WAFA Ltd; we will notify the invited countries of this outcome and also adjust information on our websites <u>www.fasnz.org.nz</u> and <u>www.wafanz.co.nz</u>.

On behalf of FASNZ Inc. and WAFA NZ I thank you for your support and understanding at this most difficult time. Appreciation must also be given to Clubs, Areas and Academy for their financial support in the past and I am aware of clubs planning further fund-raising ventures. Along with returning deposits from Seminar venues, these funds will now support the World Show and be gratefully received.

Please stay safe, continue to enjoy club activities, and I pray it will not be long before we meet up again.

Sincerely

Nancy Murphy President, FASNZ, WAFANZ.