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#### **George Parson**

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of George Parsons, truly one of the great old plumbers.

We had the pleasure of meeting George in Wellington and in Nelson over the years as he was an avid supporter of the Plumbers Gasfitters and Drainlayers Federation and its purpose.

He was fully supportive of fairness and accountability and was happy to voice his concerns. George spoke to us on numerous occasions about industry matters and he wasn't shy about having a go at the Plumbers Gasfitters and Drainlayers Board.

Our lasting memories will be of a no nonsense man who was strong and honest in his views. Our

### The Year That Was



The Plumbers Gasfitters and Drainlayers Federation Executive Committee wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

This has been another year where time has been spent trying to get fairness and equality for the industry and that fight will continue.

The Chairman Wal Gordon thanks you all for your support and donations throughout another busy year where the gains may not have been big but they were still gains for the industry.

He especially wants to publicly thank the Federations Executive Committee for their commitment to the industry. They do the thankless work which keeps our fight on track at a price we can all afford.

Their high moral standards are a credit to them. They sacrifice family and work time to help the industry progress and most of them have been doing this for six plus years.

For the readers of the Fellow Practitioner you'll notice this is Issue 349 so from small beginnings seven years ago we are still going trying to keep you informed and keep relevant issues in front of you.

The Federation hopes you have a good rest over the holiday period and soak up the family cheer and goodwill. We realise not everyone

condolences to his wife Gloria. From an unknown author:

Life should not be a journey to the grave with the intention of arriving safely in a pretty well preserved body, but rather to skid in sideways in a cloud of smoke, thoroughly used up, totally worn out, and loudly proclaiming "Wow what a ride!"

will be taking a break as the hardened few need to keep the country safe over the holidays.

Have respect for yourselves and everyone who is working so others can have holidays and remember next year is probably one of the most important years for the industry as the Board will be consulting on how many classes of registration are needed.

The decisions made will determine if the industry will progress or if it says as it is now. We'll be in touch about our thoughts and the thoughts of others. In the mean time have a great holiday season and come back to help fight the fight.

## REST IN PEACE GEORGE

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