

### To contact us

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### Office hours:

9.00am - 8.00pm Monday - Friday

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### Background:

**Country & City Contacts (NZ) Limited** was started in 1996. The founders realised it was difficult for 'single' (never married, separated, divorced or widowed) people of all ages, living and working in rural areas of New Zealand to meet people with the prospect of forming friendships, a genuine companion or meeting a potential marriage partner.

In 1998 due to demand, membership was extended to include town and city people, so allowing urban dwellers to take advantage of the personal level of service **Country & City Contacts** provides.

### Aim:

Our aim is to help 'single' people to meet others with compatible personalities and interests so that friendships may develop naturally between them.

We aim to assist people who seriously and genuinely want friendships, companionship as well as those seeking a marriage partner.

In New Zealand, there are thousands people who are single. Although some are content to remain alone, the overwhelming majority want, and indeed need to share their lives with someone special, whether this be in a friendship or a deeper, more intimate relationship. Of this number, a significant proportion are actively seeking out this special person.

### Bars & Clubs:

Most of us have been through a phase, particularly when younger of going around the 'bars and clubs'. Being with, and constantly meeting people of the opposite sex was a way of life.

But now things have changed. Many of your friends have become attached; your commitments have grown; your career or other commitments now take up much of your time; going alone to bars and clubs is no fun.

You now need an alternative way to meet others. That is why **Country & City Contacts** is enjoying huge popularity. People like yourself are seeing the sense of using us to help provide those opportunities that you want.

We take much of the initial hard work out of sifting out from the crowd those whom you would really like to get to know better. Think about it ... on your own how many times, how much cost, and how much wasted effort would you need meeting people before you really meet 'somebody special.'

*Every day of your life is precious ...  
don't let another one go by  
without sharing it with that special person  
who is out there somewhere.*

Let Country & City Contacts help you find that person.



### How Country & City Contacts works:

Please fill out the on-line application form, honestly and thoughtfully. Your credit card will not be debited until we have processed your application. The information you provide about yourself will be put on our database, and a Personal Profile compiled from the information you provide with some editing if necessary.

You will then receive by mail from **Country & City Contacts** the Personal Profiles of members from the preference range you selected (i.e. the members who in return are open to receive your profile). In time, your Personal Profile will be posted to members (of the opposite sex) in the preferences and requested details that they have selected, but only as they request an 'update', and to members who join after you.

In essence, **Country and City Contacts** is a 'personal information service' set up to provide you with information about members who are in the selections you choose. This information will help you decide which members you would like to contact, and perhaps meet. Therefore you will not feel as though you are meeting total strangers.

This contact will be made directly by yourself, or through you writing to them via our Mail Forwarding Service (M.F.S.)

Maybe you have been through a separation or death of your partner and feel you are not as confident as you once were about meeting new people. We fully understand your situation. We appreciate that you may also need help in meeting new friends or that 'special person'. **Country & City Contacts** is the service to give you that help.

**Country & City Contacts** will endeavour to introduce you to people who are not only compatible with you, but want to meet someone just like you. We provide a far more viable alternative than blind dates, bars, advertising yourself in the Personal columns, or searching the internet.

Once **Country & City Contacts** has received your completed application along with your annual membership fee, your details will be placed on our Membership Files. We will then be able to inform other members about you. They will then know your interests and background and your geographical location, as well as your desire for a friend, companion or perhaps a lifelong partner. The more honest and thoughtful you are in filling in the Application Form, the more effective you and other members will find our service.

### Membership Number:

Once your application has been received you will be given a number. When we post you your first Personal Profiles, we will include your own Personal Profile which will show your membership number.

### Members on Hold:

If for any reason you do not want your Profile to be sent out (e.g. you have met someone) please notify **Country & City Contacts** and your file will be placed 'on hold'. Your file will be re-activated on request.

### Mail Forwarding Service:

M.F.S. is a special service for members who wish their name and address to remain confidential. Due to the administration costs involved, an extra \$20 will be charged to members who select this optional service. Only our office knows the person's identity and address.

Members who choose this method must realise this is a much slower method of being contacted. Do not choose this method unless you are prepared to answer all correspondence forwarded to you from our office.

### Updates:

An 'update' of new members Profiles after your initial posting will be sent only at your request (but no more than every 2 months). Profiles will be posted only if any are available in your preferences.

### Membership Fee:

Applications will not be accepted without payment of this annual fee. Payment is accepted by cheque, cash and Mastercard / Visa.

Your annual fee covers receiving Profiles of all current active members within your preference range, and also those joining or re-joining for the following 12 months. Your membership commences from the date your payment is received and runs for 12 months, and includes the times you may wish to place your file 'on hold.'



### New Members:

We are continually seeking new members to enhance the selection for existing members. If you know of anyone who may benefit from joining, please tell them of **Country & City Contacts**. We advertise in over 40 different daily and community newspapers throughout New Zealand, magazines, all Telecom Yellow Pages and we have our own website ([www.countrycontacts.co.nz](http://www.countrycontacts.co.nz)). Referrals are also an important part in keeping up membership numbers.

### Past Relationships:

In fairness to other members, we ask that an intending member is over any past relationship, including the grief caused by the breakup or death of a spouse, as commitment and trust are essential in forming any new friendship. If there is any hope or desire for a reconciliation with a previous partner, then we encourage you to use all avenues (e.g. counselling) before committing yourself to our service.

### No Guarantees:

We will endeavour to provide you with members' Personal Profiles that match your selected preferences, but **Country & City Contacts** cannot guarantee you will meet 'someone special' through our service.

### Courteous Behaviour:

We specifically request that all members treat each other with respect, honesty, integrity and be sensitive to the feelings and requests of other members.

### Flexibility:

Please understand that you should try to keep your options as general as possible when selecting from the type of person you would like to meet. For example, you will increase the number of members available for possible introductions if you increase the number of regions; widen your requested age range; be less particular about a height preference.

If your Preferences are too restrictive or unrealistic then the number of Profiles you receive will be limited, and therefore there may be other members whose Profiles you will not receive who could be suitable.

**Country & City Contacts** is New Zealand wide. As some regions are less populated, membership is smaller. Therefore members in these areas should be prepared to travel to other regions for their introductions.

### Conclusion:

If you have any questions or need help completing the Application, please do not hesitate to contact us.

*If joining please keep this information for future reference.*

We will not join a member unless **Country & City Contacts** can supply six Personal Profiles in the first posting. In the rare case where a member does not receive twelve Personal Profiles during their year's membership, they will be given an additional twelve months free membership extension.

For your confidentiality, all our envelopes are plain and show no return address.

We look forward to receiving your **Application form and Membership Fee** so that your search for a special friend can begin.

### Conditions of Membership:

1. **Country & City Contacts** is an Introductory Service only for genuinely unattached men and women. We are very strict about this rule and members who are dishonest by still being in a relationship will have their membership terminated.
2. **Country & City Contacts** cannot accept any responsibility for the actions of individual members, including those who are slow to act upon contact from another member.
3. **Country & City Contacts** will not be held responsible for any incorrect information received from a member.

4. The Personal Profiles you receive from **Country & City Contacts** are confidential and strictly for **your** information and use only. Membership will be terminated if breaking this condition.
5. Your membership commences once full payment is received by **Country & City Contacts**. Your membership will continue to run for 12 months even when your file is **'on hold'**.
6. **Country & City Contacts** reserves the right to decline a membership and no correspondence will be entered into.
7. **Country & City Contacts** reserves the right to terminate a membership at any time and no correspondence will be entered into.
8. Membership fees are nonrefundable under any circumstances including but not limited to the closure of this Service within the member's membership period.
9. **Country & City Contacts** will only accept written resignations.
10. Membership is for New Zealand citizens or those who have obtained permanent N.Z. residency.

#### Requirements:

1. It is expected that all members be honest, act with integrity and be sensitive to the feelings of fellow members. Always respect the confidentiality of all members.
2. You should adequately identify yourself when emailing, writing or phoning **Country & City Contacts**. Always include either your full name and membership number, or your full name and address.
3. Please include your membership number, or your name and address, on the back of an envelope when sending mail through the Mail Forwarding Service, because our office will enclose a copy of your Personal Profile with your unopened letter, forwarding both of these together (in a larger envelope) to the member you have written to.

**Country & City Contacts guarantees to treat your Application with confidentiality and to act in a professional and caring manner.**

#### From the heart...

**Excerpts of letters received from hundreds of happy members...**  
*"I found this an excellent way of meeting people in a similar situation as myself ..."*

*"Many thanks for the part you played in turning a light on in our hearts ..."*

*"If having to wait 'til I'm 54 to find true love, the wait has been worth it - it's unbelievable ..."*

*"Thank you for your service. It has been a great way to meet people, for some folk, the only way!"*

*"I don't know why I put off joining - the Profiles certainly take the guess work out of choosing ..."*

*"It is wonderful to be treated with respect and to enjoy a man's company - he makes me laugh."*

*"Thanks for encouraging me not to give up: something worth having takes time - a big thank you."*

*"If it wasn't for you, it never would have happened, we are very grateful. Our 'big day' is on ..."*

*"Now we are married our life is complete. We have found our soul mates, thanks again. Do visit ..."*

*"We thank you from the bottom of our hearts ... for the joy and love it has brought us ..."*

*"My hairdresser told me your agency was very helpful and friendly ... what have I to lose!"*

*"I have heard through others you have a reputable business and now find myself taking the plunge."*

*"I really appreciate your 'personal touch' ... your service has given me hope ... I think it's great!"*

