Kiwi Writers Guide for New Members

Welcome to Kiwi Writers! We've got a lot of fun stuff around our little corner of the world and we want you to discover it all.

As a member of Kiwi Writers you can:

- Join in discussions on the forums
- Begin discussions on the forums
- Participate in challenges
- Challenge other members
- Built up a network of friends
- Exchange private messages with other members

Tell Us About Yourself

When you log in to Kiwi Writers you will always be sent to **My Pages**. Here and at the top of other member specific pages you will see your username followed by several option, as shown below.



Click on **Settings** and let's customise Kiwi Writers for you.

1. Account Info

This is where you can change some of the things you set up when you registered to be a Kiwi Writers member:

- Change your name (NOT your username)
- Change your email address
- Select your preference to receive site notifications
- Change your password

2. Profile

This is where you can tell us a little bit about yourself. You can be as honest or creative as you like when sharing your:

- Age
- Location
- Website
- Favourite Authors
- Favourite Books

3. Forum Info

This is where you can edit your signature that will show at the end of all your forums posts. You can use both BBCode and HTML to add formatting, links and images.

You can find out more information about Forum Signatures in the Forum FAQ.

4. Challenge Info

This is where you can set your time zone. By doing so all challenges that you join will begin and end according to your time in the world.

Introduce Yourself

Click on over to the Forums (one of the big tabs at the top of the page) and scroll down a little way to find the Introductions forum.

Above all the current topics on the right you will see a new topic link:



Give your topic a title and introduce yourself. If you're stuck for what to say let us know how you found Kiwi Writers. What interested you enough to join us? Have you written much before? Tell us a little about your writing history.

Then sit back and enjoy the friendly Kiwi Writers welcome. ☺

What's Been Happening at Kiwi Writers?

Now that you're here there's bound to be things other members are talking about that are confusing the heck out of you. A quick way to find out what has been happening at Kiwi Writers is to check out **News** and **Challenges**.

Every month (and more frequently during some of our site challenges) Kiwi Writers posts news to share with the world what has been happening at Kiwi Writers and some of the fun upcoming events. From the **News** tab you will also find Press Releases, Press Clippings, Interviews and our Kiwi Writers log, Klog.

Second only to the forums the **Challenges** area on Kiwi Writers is where all the action begins. Check out past, current and future challenges to give you some insight into the discussions happening around Kiwi Writers.

Learn a Little

Kiwi Writers has a large **Resources** area with links to sites focused on writing and writing in relation to New Zealand. You could spend hours researching and learning about writing but don't overlook our growing range of local resources. There are some great insights to writing provided in our Interviews, Klog and of course, our forums.

Join In!

Join in the forum discussions, accept a challenge and browse through our resources. In no time you'll find your friends list growing, your number of posts reaching higher than you thought and new KiwiMail arriving.

Accept the Challenge. Write for Fun.

Kerryn Angell