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The Newsletter moves to the Deep South: What are your thoughts about its future?

Marian Simms looks at the impact of feminism on party politics and policy in Australian and New Zealand

Manon Tremblay compares the perceptions of federally elected women in Australia and Canada regarding the political representation of women

Janine Hayward looks at the local government electoral option from the perspective of women's representation

Jennifer Curtin discusses paid leave for mums (and dads) in Australia and New Zealand

Katie Grace looks at the role of the human rights discourse in the revived equal pay campaign

## February 2004

Women Talking Politics is on the move again! In early 2003 I agreed to bring the newsletter to Political Studies at Otago University. With the support of the new Professor, Marian Simms, here is the first (albeit delayed) edition. At the New Zealand Political Studies Association conference in 2003 there was some discussion about 'upgrading' the newsletter to a refereed journal to encourage more contributions in the current research environment. If you are an avid reader of, or contributor to, the newsletter, please have your Email any suggestions say! to: janine.hayward@stonebow.otago.ac.nz I look forward to hearing from you.

My thanks to the contributors for their patience with the delays in publication. I hope you enjoy this edition and I look forward to sending you many more.

Best wishes for 2004.

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## Women and Politics Prize 2004

This Prize of \$1000, is co-sponsored by the Australasian Political Studies Association and the Institute of Public Administration Australia (ACT). It is awarded for the best essay on the topic of women and politics broadly defined. The criteria used in judging entries will be: originality of argument and/or material; usefulness to women involved in political practice or in teaching politics; and quality of presentation. Please note the following conditions:

- 1. Open to Australian and New Zealand residents enrolled as undergraduate or postgraduates on 30 July 2004;
- 2. Essays should be approximately 5,000 words (7,000 words absolute maximum) and unpublished, although entries which have been accepted for publication are eligible;
- 3. Five copies of the essay should be submitted; all should have a title page. The author should not be identified on the title page or in the essay. The covering letter must include name, address and contact phone number of the author and should clearly identify the essay by title.
- 4. Entries must be received at the address below by 30 July 2004.

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