



# Club Garibaldi News

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## Note from the President

### THE RUSSO BOYS COME TO TOWN!!!

Part of the role of being President of this Club is fielding many overseas and local requests through our website – mainly through Italians, and as a result over the years I have met up and formed friendships with many new people.

Earlier this year we were approached by the owner of Ombra Restaurant and he was preparing a dish for the “Wellington on a Plate” which was taking place in August. He wanted to recognize one of the very first Italian immigrants to Wellington – Bartolo Russo. He planned to name his WOAP dish after Mr Russo. He approached me and asked if any of our members were related to or descendants of Bartolo Russo and wanted to contact them in order to gain permission to use the “Russo” name for his dish.



After delving into old records and asking around, I finally found two surviving descendants of Bartolo Russo and they live in the Waikato. I contacted a Ron Russo and found that he was a distant cousin of Bartolo. He was thrilled that the restaurant wanted to name a dish after his family, and he and his cousin Nick and their partners decided they would come down in August and personally try out the dish.

I met up with the Russo's one Friday night in early August - and what an enjoyable night that turned out to be. They filled me in on what they knew of their family history and were both so proud of their Italian heritage. They visited Rona Bay (Eastbourne) where Bartolo lived and visited Russo Terrace, which was named after Bartolo. They really enjoyed their Wellington stay and told me the Russo WOAP dish at Ombra was delicious. I really enjoyed meeting them and will keep in touch. Below is a photo of the Russo boys, their partners and myself outside Olive Café.

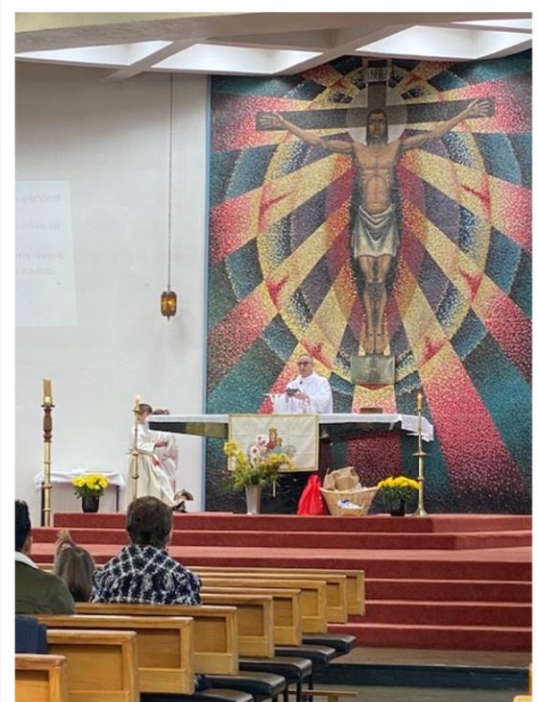
Unfortunately due to the whole country going into Lockdown 4 with the Covid outbreak in August, we reluctantly had to call off our Mid-year party. There was just too much uncertainty whether we'd be open to Level 1 on the Saturday and we had to make a call sooner rather than later - so we decided to play it safe and defer till another time. We were very disappointed because we had a good response.

However, don't despair – we've made a decision to hold this function in conjunction with our Nelson Football game on Saturday 6 November. Given it will probably be the final time we celebrate the Soccer after-match function in our Clubrooms, we plan to have a big party then. So save the date – and hopefully NO Covid problems will occur!!!

Mass on the 15th August (Feast of Our Lady) at St Francis de Sales Church was really nice. A last-minute decision from Ida Basile to ring around a few people and organize a morning tea after the Mass was a great idea. We had a good turnout of yummy food. It was really nice to see so many club Members attend the Mass. Some photos below show the beautiful flowers that were organized and arranged by Lina Volpicelli, Annamaria Muollo and Ida Basile (all pictured).

That's it from me. Ciao for now.

*Linda De Gregorio*





## Baby News

Well without a doubt Tony and Rosina Basile's family is growing and at a very fast rate! They welcomed their third grandchild in August. Their fourth daughter Antonia gave birth to Arabella Rose Maria (pictured). Antonia lives with her fiancée in London, and proud Nonna Rosina is hoping to visit their latest addition to the family soon.

Congratulations to you all on this wonderful news.

## Melhop Trust Award

Congratulations to Amelia Ruocco of Island Bay (daughter of Bidgi and Trish) and to Daniella Iaccarino of Newlands (daughter of Cataldo and Shareen) on being joint winners of the Melhop Scholarship Award for 2021. Both girls will receive \$1500 each to help with their future studies.

Well done to those who applied and again congratulations to our two successful candidates.

## AGM – Sunday 24 October 2021

This will be held on Sunday at the Club starting at 7pm. Attached is a Nomination Form – if you wish to nominate any member for any position, please make sure you have that person's permission first. Nominations to be sent to Secretary at the Club's email address no later than Friday 8 October 2021. Please note only financial members can vote or speak at the AGM, so make sure your subs are paid up-to-date please. Also attached to the end of this newsletter are Amendment to Constitution Motions to be discussed and voted on at the meeting.

## Aldo Cuccurullo Memorial Trophy

This year the long-awaited Football game between Club Garibaldi and Club Italia, Nelson has been scheduled for Saturday 6 November at Wakefield Park, Island Bay.

Save the date for now and more information will be given closer to the time. This game always proves to be a popular event for both the Nelson and Wellington communities and gives us the opportunity to catch up with our Nelson friends and form new friendships. Anyone wishing to play in the game that has never played before, please email us, and we'll connect you to the appropriate people.



## Subscriptions Fees Due

As previously mentioned in other newsletters, the annual subscriptions for the 2021/2022 financial year are now due. Please pay directly into our bank account. We ask that these payments be made before end of September



## Condolences

On behalf of Club Garibaldi, I sent a sympathy email to our former Ambassador, Fabrizio Marcelli and his wife Carol. On 28 August this year their son, Lorenzo (26 years old) was killed in Rome in a scooter accident. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all the family in Italy. RIP.

As I write this newsletter, it has also come to our attention that Lois Eileen Mathie (nee Bergamini), who is an Honorary Member of our Club has passed away in Christchurch.

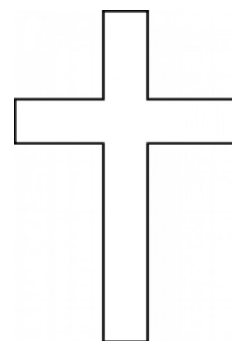
Our sympathy goes out to Lois's family at this sad time.

It was Lois's Great Grandfather, Carlo Bergamini Snr who sculptured a statue of Giuseppe Garibaldi. He kindly donated it to the Club, and that statue sits proudly in our Club's foyer. Attached is a photo of Lois and the Garibaldi Statue. RIP



**Lois Eileen Mathie (nee Bergamini)**

And closer to home we also express our sympathy to Tony & Eileen Muollo of Island Bay on the death of Tony's sister Rosalia Gifford (nee Muollo). Rosie (as she was fondly known by many) often attended many Club Garibaldi events with Tony and Eileen. She will be missed – RIP.



### Dates for your diary



Sunday 24 October 2021 – Annual General Meeting of the Club

Club Rooms, Wellington

Saturday 6 November – TBA Aldo Cuccurullo Memorial Football Game

Wakefield Park, Island Bay

## **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that an Annual General Meeting of the members of Club Garibaldi will be held at the clubrooms, 118 Tory Street, on **Sunday 24th October 2021** at 7.00pm.

A light supper and drinks will be provided after the meeting.

## NOTICE OF MOTIONS

Alterations to Club Garibaldi's Rules & Constitution

Prepared by the Constitution Subcommittee

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A copy of the current Rules & Constitution, November 2014, can be obtained by email, [clubgaribaldi@gmail.com](mailto:clubgaribaldi@gmail.com) or by mail, Secretary, Club Garibaldi, 118 Tory Street, Te Aro, Wellington 6011.

### DEFINITIONS

Page 1 – “Act” – add after ‘1982’; ‘and its amendments.’

- correction, change; ‘Registrar of Incorporated Societies’ to ‘Registrar of Friendly Societies’

MEMBERSHIP: Clause 3.g – insert; ‘made in writing to’.

Cl. 5.a – change in first line, ‘shall’ to ‘may’.

### MANAGEMENT

Clause 6.a – add; ‘Also, the Vice-President and Treasurer must have been financial members of the Club for a period of not less than two (2) years immediately prior to taking office.’

Cl 6.i – amend the first sentence; ‘Members of the executive committee who miss more than three meetings within a twelve (12) month period, without good reason, shall not be eligible to be nominated for an executive committee position the following year.’

Cl. 6.l – insert after ‘necessitate’; ‘usually monthly,’

Cl. 6.q – amend to; ‘other than President, Vice-President or Treasurer may be accepted,’

Cl. 6.r – amend to; ‘qualified under the Act’

- delete all section references; ‘s69of’, ‘s68 of’, ‘s65of’

### TRUSTEES

Cl. 7.c – new change; ‘The trustees shall be nominated prior to an annual general meeting or special general meeting called for that purpose, in accordance with clause 6.p, and be elected for a **three-year** term.’

Cl. 7.d – revised; ‘The position of one trustee shall retire at the end of the three-year term, and may be nominated for re-election for two additional **two-year** terms only.’

Cl. 7.h – replace the words; ‘Trustee Act 1956 (and its amendments)’

- insert; ‘sections 49 and 52 of the Act’

Cl. 7.l – new clause; ‘When the position of Trustee becomes vacant through death or resignation, a meeting of members will be held as soon as practicable to elect a replacement Trustee. No act done by any person appointed as Trustee shall be invalidated by the fact that there is a vacancy in the full number of Trustees.’

Old Cl. 7.l – becomes Cl. 7.m. : Also, add to end of clause; ‘or a special general meeting.’

Old Cl. 7.m – becomes Cl. 7.n. : Also, after ‘appointing the’ insert ‘the Trustee or’.

MEETINGS: Cl. 8.a – change; ‘6 weeks notice- to ‘5 weeks’.

FINANCIAL: Clauses 9.a & b – replace clauses (Refer separate attachment)

ACCESS TO INFORMATION: Cl. 12.d – amend to; ‘In accordance with the Act. Any Member’

### INSPECTION OF AFFAIRS

Cl.13 – amend to; ‘It shall be the right of a minimum of one-fifth of the total Membership to apply to the Registrar etc’.



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## NOMINATIONS

Nominations for the 2021/2022 Executive Committee will be accepted up to **5pm on Friday 8 October 2021**. Nominations should be made on the form below, and can be sent by email to [clubgaribaldi1882@gmail.com](mailto:clubgaribaldi1882@gmail.com) or mail to The Secretary, Club Garibaldi, 118 Tory Street, Te Aro, Wellington 6011.

Only paid-up financial members who have been members for a period of not less than 1 year are entitled to serve on the committee. The President and Trustees must have been a member of the Club continuously for at least 3 years. Only financial members may vote at the meeting.

One or more persons can be nominated for any position on the Executive Committee.

**Please ensure that those you nominate have agreed to stand and serve on the Executive Committee, and are current financial members, otherwise the nomination will not be accepted.**

Position	Nomination for 2020/2021	Agreed to stand (add word "Yes")
President (2 year term)		
Vice President		
Secretary		
Treasurer		
Committee Member (under 30)		
Committee Member		
Committee Member		
Committee Member		
Committee Member		
Trustee		
Trustee		

Name of Member making these nominations (print name clearly) .....

**CLUB GARIBALDI CONSTITUTION** Clause 9 FINANCIAL. Sub- Clauses 9a and 9b.

Replace Sub-Clauses 9a and 9b with the following :

- 9a (i) The Club's day-to-day operational banking arrangements shall be with the ANZ Bank or a Bank approved by the Executive Committee. All transactions up to a limit approved by the Executive Committee must be signed by two authorised signatories. The signatories must be the Treasurer and either the President, Vice-President or Secretary. In the absence of the Treasurer, signatories to be the Secretary and either the President or Vice-President.
- (ii) With the approval of the Executive Committee the Club may enter into arrangements, including additional banking facilities, with Financial Institutions for the general purpose of Investment of the Club's funds. The Investment of the Club's funds must be with Financial Institutions registered, licensed, or regulated by The Reserve Bank or The Financial Markets Authority. The Executive Committee may, with the agreement of the Trustees, undertake the acquisition, disposal, and management of such Investments on behalf of the Club in accordance with stated policy and principles of good governance.
- The Executive Committee will also appoint or change signatories, controllers, or administrators for all new facilities and arrangements as required.
- All transactions will require two authorised signatures or the equivalent of.
- Under electronic processing the standard procedure will be for one (A) signatory to be the Authoriser of an approved transaction and one (B) signatory to be the Initiator of an approved transaction. The Executive Committee will, in order to provide back-up, normally appoint two (A) signatories, and two (B) signatories in each situation.
- (A) Signatories can be one or both of the Trustees, or the President of the Club.
- (B) Signatories will be the Treasurer, who must be a signatory, and one of either the Vice-President, Secretary or a member of the Club with relevant experience and expertise, appointed at the discretion of the Executive Committee.
- 9b No Major transaction can be undertaken by the Club unless it has been approved by a Special Resolution passed at an Annual or Special General Meeting or is contingent upon such approval, or is a Major transaction which is an Investment as classified in Clause 9a (ii) which can be approved by the Executive Committee.

A Major transaction is one which involves :

1. The acquisition or disposition of, or an agreement to acquire or dispose of, whether contingent or not, assets the value of which is more than \$50,000 before the acquisition or disposition.
2. A transaction that has, or is likely to have, the effect of the Club acquiring rights or interests or incurring obligations or liabilities the value of which is more than \$50,000 before the transaction.