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# Club Garibaldi News

**JULY 2014**

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## **Special Function – Muscle Up!**

The club's football players are organising a special evening and all members and their friends are welcome to attend. The theme of the night is Jersey Shore – based on the Channel E programme of that name. Come dressed as your favourite Jersey Shore character – we will have an expert ready to apply the fake tan!

The party is on at the clubrooms on **Saturday August 2** from 7.30pm (note – change of date due to the previous one clashing with other football-related events). The bar will be open and finger food provided. Funds raised will go towards paying the costs of Club Garibaldi's team going to Nelson to win back the Aldo Cuccurullo Memorial Trophy.

Tickets are \$20 each and can be purchased from one of the following:

Maria or Luciano Colucci	383-8476
Josephine Vanderdonk	934-8720
Peter Elenio	027-699 2789
David Davanzo	021-183 7446

## **Special Event at Victoria University**

Victoria University invites members to the premiere of STEFANO'S TEAM, a short documentary that deals with themes of cultural integration, friendship and passion by Michele Fontana and Alfio Leotta. STEFANO'S TEAM tells the story of an Italian migrant who has moved to a rural region of New Zealand. He has carried with him his passion for football that he tries to share with both local people and international travellers. He has to overcome countless obstacles to pursue his passion while living in this unspoilt natural paradise.

Alfio Leotta and Michele Fontana are both based in the School of English, Film, Theatre and Media Studies (Victoria University, Wellington). Alfio is a lecturer in film studies, while Michele is a PhD candidate in theatre & museum studies.

The screening will be introduced by: Dr Catherine Trundle (Lecturer at the School of Social and Cultural Studies, Victoria University), Paul Elenio (Author of the book *Alla Fine del Mondo - To the Ends of the Earth*), and Ginette Toscano Page (former president of Club Garibaldi).

**Time:** 5-6pm, Thursday 31 July 2014, Lecture Theatre 104, Hugh Mackenzie Building (HMLT104), Victoria University, Kelburn Parade . Free entry.

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## Farewell to Ambassador

In between newsletters the Italian Ambassador to New Zealand, His Excellency Alessandro Levi Sandri's term in Wellington came to an end and he returned to Rome. On behalf of the club former president Cav Ginette Toscano Page visited the embassy and presented him with farewell gifts on behalf of Club Garibaldi. He asked Ginette to pass on the following message to Club Garibaldi members:

*Arriverderci to all the club members; his sincere thanks to the club for the gifts; for always making him feel welcome whenever he visited us; and wished us well for the future .... and added that he hoped the club survived another 100 years!*

In turn, Ginette thanked him for his support for the club and once again, for his generosity to us over the years (two personal monetary gifts - i.e. not from the embassy). He replied it was a pleasure. Unfortunately we were unable to farewell the Ambassador at the Italian National Day celebration because he was very ill. He also missed the embassy's function for the anniversary.

A new ambassador is due to arrive in New Zealand in August/September.

## Condolences



The club offers sincere condolences to the family of Dominic Famularo, long time resident of Island Bay and in recent years living at Irwell Rest Home. RIP

## Film Festival – Italian Films

The annual International Film Festival is showing films at a variety of cinemas from July 25 to August 10. The following are movies that are being screened in Italian with English subtitles. To purchase tickets go to: <http://www.nziff.co.nz/2014/wellington/ticketing/buying-tickets/>

### ***Human Capital (Il capital umano) 2014***

Two of Italy's leading actresses, Valeria Golino and Valeria Bruni Tedeschi, star in a stylish whodunit based on Stephen Amidon's best-selling book of the same name, expertly intertwining love, class and ambition. The tenuous relationship between two families comes under intense scrutiny in this vivid whodunnit and Italian box office hit. Serena, daughter of a struggling real estate agent, has been going out with Massimiliano, party boy son of a hedge-fund millionaire. Serena's father Dino sees an opportunity in this connection: in Dino, Massimiliano's father Giovanni sees a sucker best avoided. Meanwhile Carla, Giovanni's neglected trophy wife (Valeria Bruni Tedeschi, never better), hopes to endow a theatre restoration with her husband's largesse. The network of characters affected – fatally or otherwise – by this confabulation of desire and money is extensive, and fleshed out with deadly accuracy by a superb cast.

### ***Particle Fever***

"Stakes come no higher than in *Particle Fever*, a dazzling, dizzying documentary about nothing less than whether we exist in a coherent universe of ordered, even beautiful laws – or whether, as Princeton physicist Nima Arkani-Hamed theorises, our universe is one of an infinite set of other universes defined by a chaotic mash-up of unstable, inexplicable, random conditions. (The final verdict, unsurprisingly: still out!) The film follows the first proton-smashing experiments conducted in Switzerland's Large Hadron Collider; through compelling interviews with physics theorists and experimentalists, and effervescent science animation.

## **Sacro GRA**

The first documentary ever to be awarded the Golden Lion for Best Film at the Venice Film Festival, *Sacro GRA* wanders the Grande Raccordo Anulare, the gigantic ring road encircling Rome. We are shown into several lives unfolding in houses, apartments and public spaces that line it. Some, including a self-described prince in his amazing kitsch castle, are encountered directly. Others are viewed, though not pruriently, with *Rear Window* fascination.

## **The Wonders (La Meraviglie) 2014**

Italian filmmaker Alice Rohrwacher joined the all-too-small pantheon of women directors honoured at Cannes when Jane Campion's jury awarded the Grand Prix to this aptly titled film. Brava! "A mesmerising coming-of-age tale: small and sweet in every good way, but alive with a power that seems to surge up from deep beneath its sun-roughened landscape... The film is heavily inspired by the director's own childhood in the countryside between Umbria, Lazio and Tuscany. It centres on a German-Italian family of bee-keepers, and particularly 12-year-old Gelsomina (Maria Alexandra Lungu), the eldest of four sisters and the notional heiress to this traditional and increasingly rare way of life...

## **Italian Film Festival**

Festival organisers advise that the 19<sup>th</sup> annual festival will be held at the magnificent Embassy Theatre this year. Please find all the details on the festival's website at [www.italianfilmfestival.co.nz](http://www.italianfilmfestival.co.nz). If you would like a sneak peek at a montage of snippets from some of the films take a look at the festival's trailer while you are there. Further details on the films will be released in August. If 2013 information is displayed please refresh your browser (Ctrl & F5).

We are also pleased to announce the release of the 2013 festival's DVD set. We are releasing 18 Italian films on one DVD set this year, all for \$175. The set contains the majority of the 2013 Italian Film festival's films plus many more. Information is on the festival's web site and also at the Italian Film store, the NZ home of Italian film on DVD. Please click on the link to go directly to the store [www.italianfilm.co.nz](http://www.italianfilm.co.nz).

## **Online Exhibition**

Thanks to work by our Web Developer, Merrin Brewster, Special Collections is pleased to announce the on-line LIVE version of ***Viva l'Italia: A Regional Romp through Italy***. Of course the physical version is so much better (it runs until September 5), so do please call in and view it when you can. But for those of you outside Otago, here is the link: <http://www.otago.ac.nz/library/exhibitions/italy/index.php>

For further information contact Dr Donald Kerr, Special Collections Librarian at the University of Otago (03) 479-8330

## **Circolo August Social**

At 7.30pm on Thursday 7 August, Lesleigh Salinger will give a presentation on the topic: **"Old Mistresses; the Status and Place of women in Renaissance Art"**. She will consider women artists and how women were represented in art. Lesleigh, who is a long-standing member of Circolo Italiano, is an art historian and consultant and lecturer in the arts. Her honours studies specialised in Italian Renaissance art and architecture. Club Garibaldi members are very welcome. A \$5 charge towards costs will apply.

## **Cartolina Radio**



**13 August: Pier Paolo Pasolini** is the subject of a multi media exhibition that Cartolina co-producer Denis Walker has visited in Roma. We talk about Pasolini's activity as a poet, a film director and a communist philosopher. We play "Supplica a mia madre" and "Canto popolare", as recorded by Pasolini himself, and we play "A Pa", the song dedicated to him by Francesco De Gregori.

**27 August: Made in Italy** is a new all-in-Italian radio programme, produced in Italy and made available worldwide, that we have brought to Plains fm 96.9, every Wednesday at 7.15 to 7.30 pm. We meet the team behind the programme.

Cartolina is proud to announce: **MADE IN ITALY RADIO** on Plains fm 96.9

A variety of guests talk about fashion, technology, design, the arts, cuisine, science and tourism ... in fact everything interesting about Italy. Made in Italy is produced in Italy, for Italians living overseas, and for the people who speak Italian all over the world. So be part of a community and a network of friendship... Italian style. Every Wednesday, at 7.15pm. You can listen to the programme live from <http://plainsfm.org.nz>

## Italian Mass



On the first Sunday of every month Mass is celebrated in the Italian language at St Francis de Sales Church, 173 Clyde Street, Island Bay. Everyone is welcome to attend and members are encouraged to spread the word to others, including non-members, so they have the opportunity to hear Mass in the native tongue. If you can help with a reading or would like to bring up the Offertory gifts at the Mass please call Ida Basile, 934-7814. We are grateful that Mass continues to be celebrated by either the Apostolic Nuncio to New Zealand, Archbishop Martin Krebs or his Secretary, Monsignor Jean Sylvain.

**The next Mass will be celebrated at 11.30am on Sunday August 3.**

## Newsletter

If you would prefer to have the monthly club newsletter sent to you by email please let Caterina Costa know at [costac@xtra.co.nz](mailto:costac@xtra.co.nz). If you have items for the newsletter please contact [paulelenio@gmail.com](mailto:paulelenio@gmail.com).

## FILM – Underground – Tunnelling for Power

*Underground – Tunnelling for Power* is a 62-minute documentary film of the story of Kiwi and the many Italian tunnellers who worked in some of the most difficult and hazardous conditions imaginable to drive the 50 km of tunnels and build the vast underground power station at Rangipo in the central North Island. The film features the late Johnny Da Ros and many other underground workers telling their personal stories of their experiences, their challenges and the special camaraderie that developed amongst these men which still lasts to this day. DVDs are \$40 plus \$3 postage from [jbproductions@ihug.co.nz](mailto:jbproductions@ihug.co.nz) or (07) 386 5138.

## Dates for your Diary



Thursday, 31 July (5pm)	Stefano's Team Film Launch (Victoria University)
Saturday, 2 August (7.30pm)	Muscle Up – Football Fundraising Function (Clubrooms) – All welcome!
Sunday, 3 August (11.30am)	Italian Mass (St Francis de Sales, Island Bay)
Thursday, 7 August (7.30pm)	Circolo August Social (Lesleigh Salinger)
Sunday, 28 September (7pm)	Club Garibaldi AGM

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – NOMINATIONS AND MOTIONS

This year’s annual general meeting of the club will be held at the clubrooms at 7pm on Sunday September 28. Only paid-up financial members are entitled to serve on the executive committee and vote at the meeting.

*Motions:* Members wishing to submit motions for consideration at the Annual General Meeting must do so in writing. Motions must be addressed to: The Secretary, Club Garibaldi, P O Box 6451, Wellington 6011, and be in the hands of the Secretary by 5pm on Friday, August 29.

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*Nominations:* Nominations for the 2014-15 Executive Committee will be accepted up until 5pm on Friday August 29. Nominations must be made on the form below, and can be sent to the above address or placed in the box on the bar at the clubrooms.

Current members of the Executive Committee are: Alfonso Basile (vice-president), Maryrose Basile (treasurer), Catherine Monastra (secretary), Maria Colucci, Matt Amitrano, Martin Van der Donk, Larry Greco. Trustees: Paul Elenio and Robin Page. Solicitor: Rex Da Vanzo.

Please note that the following committee members will be standing down and are *not* available for re-election: Catherine Monastra, Martin Van der Donk, Paul Elenio. Note that as the president’s position has been vacant for the last year that, too, must be filled.

**Please ensure that those you nominate have agreed to stand and serve on the Executive Committee and are current financial members.**

Position	Nomination for 2013-2014	Position	Nomination for 2013-2014
Patron:	Italian Ambassador	Committee Member:	
President:		Committee Member:	
Vice President:		Committee Member:	
Secretary:		Committee Member:	
Treasurer:		Trustee:	
Committee Member:		Trustee:	

**Name of member making these nominations:**

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**Signature of member making these nominations:**

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