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# Club Garibaldi News

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### Note from the President

The first month of the year is already over and I can see this is shaping up to be another fast year.

Hope everyone enjoyed the January holidays and are back into the swing of work and school life, or if you are lucky enough, retired life.

Over the next few months your executive will be planning a membership drive to attract new members. We will be working on targeting all the people we know who have Italian lineage, so if there is anyone you know that maybe interested in becoming a member, or was previously a member and now isn't, please let us know by email to [clubgaribaldi1882@gmail.com](mailto:clubgaribaldi1882@gmail.com) or they can visit our website [www.clubgaribaldi.org.nz](http://www.clubgaribaldi.org.nz)

In the meantime, enjoy the read and the rest of this wonderful weather.

*Tanti Saluti – Linda*

### Children's Italian Classes

Last Chance: if you wish to enrol your child into the Italian Classes for 2015, please do so urgently by contacting Maryrose Basile on phone 383 4905. The first class now commences on **Tuesday 17 February**.



### Club Picnic

The Club annual picnic will be held at **1pm on Sunday 1 March** at Bishop's Park Eastbourne. As usual, the Club will provide the steaks, sausages, watermelon and game prizes, and we hope that all our members will attend and share in the fun and festivities. Remember there is a pool next door, so you can bring your togs. This year the picnic coincides with the Italian Mass, so we will be starting the picnic a little later from 1pm.

### Birthday Wishes

Happy 21<sup>st</sup> Birthday to Antonella Cuccurullo who celebrated her birthday in January. Antonella is daughter of Gino and Caterina, and celebrated with her family in Island Bay. Later on in February she will be having another party with her friends in Dunedin, where she is currently studying. Enjoy the celebrations Antonella.

## Baby Congratulations

Congratulations to Ferdi and Maria Petagna on the birth of their first born baby – Michael John Petagna. Ferdi is son of the late Michael Petagna and Josephine Van der Donk. Michael served for many years on the Club executive committee, and Josephine is on our Social Committee. We wish both Ferdi and Maria all the best for the years ahead, and the many sleepless nights!

## Italian Embassy Job Vacancy

The Italian Embassy in Wellington is seeking to employ an Administrative Assistant at its Thorndon office. This is a full time position and is Intermediate level entry. Duties include issuing visas, passports and general Consular business. The preferred candidate must be fluent in both Italian and English languages and must have a minimum of 2 years residency in NZ. Applications close on **Monday 16 February 2015 at 6pm**. For further information, or to apply for this position, please visit the Embassy's website at [http://www.ambwellington.esteri.it/Ambasciata\\_Wellington/Menu/In\\_linea\\_con\\_utente/Albo+consolare/](http://www.ambwellington.esteri.it/Ambasciata_Wellington/Menu/In_linea_con_utente/Albo+consolare/) or contact the Embassy by telephone.

## Italian Films

Thanks to the Italian Embassy in Wellington, we are happy to announce that we are able to bring you a variety of 2014 Italian films. Club Garibaldi, Circolo Italiano and Victoria University have joined forces and will screen these movies to our members over the up coming months. Once we have more details on dates, venues and film titles, we will advise you. So watch this space for more info. Entry will be Free. All the films are in Italian with English subtitles.

## "Origins Italy"

A fantastic opportunity is being offered by the ITA (Italian Trade Agency) in Rome and the MIB (international School of high Management Training, based in Trieste). They are offering a scholarship to attend a management course for young Italian descendants of second and third generation Italians who live in countries outside of Europe. The course is intended for people who hold a degree or diploma of any kind, or those who have had some experience in the entrepreneurial and managerial field.

The aim is to: – Foster **collaboration between local companies and Italian emigrants** all over the world; **Strengthen the cultural and professional ties** between the descendants of emigrants and their land of origin; Help participants **develop new managerial and international business skills** through classroom learning, seminars, workshops and in-company experiences. The participants will have the chance to rediscover the culture, history and language of their forefathers and **strengthen their own identity**, while exploring new entrepreneurial and managerial experiences in collaboration with important local companies

The **course lasts 4 months (13 July 2015 – 14 November 2015)** and is taught **in English**.

For more information on this course, and details on how to apply for the scholarship, please visit their website <http://mib.edu/en/master/origini-programme/origini> **Applications close on 31 March 2015.**

## NZ Visit of Andrea di Robilant

Heritage Roses NZ Inc is bringing acclaimed Italian writer Andrea di Robilant to New Zealand for two events (Christchurch and Wellington). Attached to the end of this newsletter, please find the press release and poster which gives details and information of his tour and how you can book.

## Foodie Blog

Club member Denise Menara has set up a Foodtravel Blog. If anyone would like to follow this for automatic weekly updates, you can contact her at [denise.menara@clear.net.nz](mailto:denise.menara@clear.net.nz), and she will sign you up.

## Italian Mass



At 11.30am 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.

**The next Mass is on Sunday, 1 March.**

## Cartolina in January and February



Our traditional summer compilation is this year dedicated to **Mina**. The iconic Italian singer is 74, and going from strength to strength. She releases new compilations regularly, to great acclaim, so we are now catching up with her production.

This 4-programme series is realized thanks to Mina-ologue extraordinaire Luca Manghi. Luca realized a summer series on Mina almost 10 years ago, so there's a lot to talk about on more recent events and songs. The programmes are aired on: 14 January, 28 January, 11 February and 25 February. For details on the single programmes check the Dante Christchurch Facebook page... or just listen and enjoy!

As usual all programmes are available via internet live or in podcast from <http://plainsfm.org.nz>

Cartolina producers Wilma Laryn and Denis Walker wish you all: Buon ascolto!

And don't forget to listen to **Made in Italy**, the new all-in-Italian radio programme, produced in Italy and made available world-wide, that Dante Alighieri of Christchurch has brought to Plains fm 96.9, every Wednesday at 7.15 to 7.30 pm. 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 7.15 pm. You can listen to the programme live from <http://plainsfm.org.nz>

For more information and pod casts visit [www.madeinitalyradio.it](http://www.madeinitalyradio.it)

## Dates for your Diary



Sunday, 15 February 2015 (2.30pm)	Blessing of the Boats (Island Bay Beach)
Tuesday, 17 February 2015	Children's Italian Classes begin
Sunday, 1 March (11.30am)	Italian Mass (St Francis de Sales)
Sunday, 1 March (1pm)	Club Picnic (Eastbourne – rain day 8 March)
Friday 6 & Saturday, 7 March 2015	A Night at the Garibaldi Concert Series <b>SOLD OUT</b>



**PRESS RELEASE: 22<sup>nd</sup> JANUARY 2015**

**Andrea di Robilant in Wellington 26 February 2015 for one event**



Andrea di Robilant, Italian journalist, historian and author of *Chasing the Rose*, is coming to Wellington direct from the Perth International Arts Festival for a very special event.

In his 2008 biography (*Lucia: A Venetian life in the age of Napoleon*) of the great Italian lady Lucia Mocenigo, Andrea di Robilant described a pink rose that grows wild on the family's former country estate. Could this unnamed rose possibly be the long-lost Rose Bichonne, a China rose that nineteenth-century growers cultivated but which had apparently disappeared since?

In *Chasing the Rose*, he recounts the enthralling search for the identity of this rose, taking us back in time to Josephine Bonaparte and into some of the most delightful rose gardens in Europe today.

Heritage Roses NZ Inc, in partnership with NZ Book Council and Old St Paul's, presents Andrea di Robilant telling the story of his quest in Old St Paul's on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February.

Books on sale, book signing after the event.

**EVENT:** Andrea di Robilant  
**VENUE:** Old St Paul's 34 Mulgrave Street  
**DATE:** Thursday 26th February  
**TIME:** 6.30pm  
**TICKETS:** \$22 (\$20 HRNZI, NZRS members, Book Council members)  
from [bookcouncil.org.nz](http://bookcouncil.org.nz) or (04) 801-5546.