

Club Garibaldi News

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Note from the President

Buon anno nuovo a tutti.

Hope everyone had a nice Christmas break and are ready to get back into 2017!

The Executive met this Sunday for the first time this year, after a 2-month break, and we've covered a lot of ground.

A few things to mention. Firstly, due to the earthquake in Kaikoura the post office which holds our PO Box is closed indefinitely and our mail has been redirected to our street address. We noticed that over the past couple of months the PO Box has not received much mail, so we have decided to terminate the services once it comes up for renewal at the end of March. To that end, if you need to post any mail to the Club, please use the address at the top of this newsletter – 118 Tory Street, Te Aro, Wellington 6011. We will update our website and all correspondence from now on.

CARPARKS: Also please note the car parks that are available to Club Members are Numbers 1-13 Monday to Friday after 6pm, and all day in the weekends.

PICNIC: Unfortunately this year this year we couldn't get our BBQ and so the Club will provide Ham off the Bone and bread rolls, and of course watermelon. More on this later.

That's it from me – enjoy the rest of the read.

Ciao Linda

Picnic 2017 – The Great Day Out!



This will be held on **Sunday, 5 March 2017** from 12pm at Bishop Park Eastbourne. Mark this date on your calendar – this always proves to be a great day out. As mentioned earlier, the Club will provide Ham off the Bone, bread rolls, watermelon and of course all prizes for the races and games – all you need to bring along is your salads, afternoon tea and family. Let's pray the weather holds out well for us. If for some reason we have to cancel, an email will be sent out early in the morning – so check your computers if you're not sure.

Piniata and games will commence from 1.30pm.

Children's Italian Classes – Update

Early this week I met with our teacher Elenora Bello and she has advised that she will be heading off to Italy for 6 months to have her baby. She will let us know by mid-March if she has found a replacement teacher. We will keep those who have expressed interest in their children learning the language up-to-date as news comes to hand. Note: If we do recommence the classes, these will be held in Terms 2 and 3 of the school term.

Melhop Trust Award

Club Garibaldi, which administers the Melhop Trust, invites applications for funding from eligible students.

Applicants should be no older than 30 years at the time of application and be engaged, or about to engage, in a formal course of study provided by a recognized educational establishment in one or more of the following fields, namely: language and literature, including the publication of Italian migrant histories, vocal and instrumental music, the graphic arts or architecture and engineering. Applications close on 28 February 2017.

Applications, citing the course of academic study or project and demonstrating the applicant's Italian heritage, are to be sent in writing to the Secretary, Club Garibaldi, 118 Tory Street, Te Aro, Wellington 6011 or <u>clubgaribaldi1882@gmail.com</u>. The criteria for this annual award and is available on request from the Secretary, Caterina Costa.

New Members

Welcome to Christopher and Lauren Di Leva of Island Bay, and Joseph Valleli and Virginia Perry of Paraparaumu Beach, who have recently joined the Club. We hope to see you soon.

Fundraiser for Children's Hospital – Saturday 18 March



Robin Page and some friends invite you to a **'Shadows and Cliff Richard Party'** on Saturday, 18 March 2017 at 7.30pm (doors open 7pm) at the Club. Ticket entry: \$20.00 p/p (no door sales) Friends and non-members also welcome.

If you remember those magic years between 1958 and 1965, then phone Robin 383 6300 m 027 247 8130 or email <u>rpage@xtra.co.nz</u> for more details. All proceeds go to Wellington Children's Hospital.

Congratulations

To Liberato Cacace of Island Bay who has been named in the latest NZ Mens Under 17 football squad taking part in the Oceania Football Confederation U17 Championships in Tahiti. We wish Liberato all the best.

Donation of Italian Flag from Te Papa Museum



Recently a large Italian flag was donated to Club Garibaldi by Te Papa Museum. This flag was used for the opening ceremony of the Exhibition held at Te Papa Museum: Qui Tutto Bene: The Italians in New Zealand. Some of you will remember the flag being flown across the foyer of Te Papa and everyone gasping at how huge it was but also how it gave everyone such a sense of pride to be Italians in New Zealand.

The exhibition ran from13 Nov 2004 – 6 May 2007 and had over one million visitors and was one of the most popular community exhibitions. Pictured is Cav. Nina Cuccurullo (a member of the Community Advisory Group for the Exhibition), Linda De Gregorio (Club President) and Susan Superville (Te Papa Museum Community Relations Manager).

Below is a description of the Exhibition taken from Te Papa Museum's website.

"Ask Italians how things are going and they'll often say, 'Qui tutto bene' – everything's fine. Sometimes that is so – and sometimes it can cover mixed feelings.

This exhibition captured the mix of adventure, hardship, and success from which the Italian community in New Zealand has grown. It presented the story of migration from the earliest adventurers and families driven by economic necessity to those who could choose the best of both worlds – a New Zealand lifestyle, with opportunities for frequent visits back home. It also celebrated the skills, the style, and the taste that Italians have contributed to living here.

Qui Tutto Bene: The Italians in New Zealand was a collaboration between Te Papa and the New Zealand

Italian community, whose members have shared their expertise and a rich collection of stories, photographs, and objects. Through these, the exhibition showcased the fascinating story of a small and vibrant community and captured the wonderfully diverse influence their skills and flair for life have had on New Zealand."

MILLE GRAZIE TE PAPA E MILLE GRAZIE SUSAN!

Italian Border/Lodger

Martina, an Italian lady currently living in Auckland, will be taking up a full-time job with the Italian Embassy in Wellington, and requires accommodation for a couple of months untill she sets herself up.

If anyone can help out, please contact Martina at <u>mdepentor@gmail.com</u> Ideally she is looking for a furnished room to use 4 nights a week in a well set up apartment/house. She won't be at home much – if at all – during the day. If you're looking for some extra income and a bit of company, please contact her directly to discuss further.



Birthday Wishes

In January this year, Josephine Van der Donk turned 60 years young. Happy Birthday to Josephine. She celebrated in style at Fratelli Restaurant with family and close friends. We wish you all the best for the new decade.

Happy 21st

A very happy 21st birthday to Matt DiLeva, son of Joe & Maria of Island Bay. Matt celebrated his 21st with a party at the Mornington Golf Club along with friends and family and it was a fun evening for all. All the best Matt for many future birthdays.

Wedding Congratulations...Chris & Lauren

New Club Members Chris & Lauren DiLeva of Island Bay tied the knot in Taupo in January. Chris is the fourth son of Joe and Maria DiLeva (Island Bay). We were told the day went off perfectly and the happy couple are now learning the Italian language and plan to take another trip back to Italy to put their language into practise.

Circolo March Social

At 7.30pm on Thursday 9 March (note change from our usual arrangement), **Debbie Natoli**, owner/Manager, from **helloworld Travel**, **Miramar**, will give us a presentation on **Italy**. Debbie has been selling travel in Wellington for more than 40 years and has owned the business since 1998. She is an accomplished speaker on all aspects of travel in Italy and she will assist you with information about our favourite holiday destination - **Italy**! She will give us invaluable and useful hints and we will benefit from her extensive knowledge. The material and visuals will be new and we can look forward to being taken on a virtual tour around Italy. This Power Point presentation will be a "**not to be missed**" event. Come along and start getting your Italian holiday plans under way!!

Club Garibaldi members are very welcome!! A \$5.00 charge towards supper will apply.



Dates for your Diary

Sunday, 5 March 2017 (12pm) Thursday, 9 March (7.30pm) Saturday, 18 March 2017 (Doors open 7pm) Club Picnic, Bishop Park Circolo March Social Children's Hospital Fundraiser (Clubrooms)