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Club Garibaldi News

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Note from the President



Photo:

Ambassador Fabrizio Marcelli & Alfonso Basile (Vice President Club Garibaldi) cutting the Anniversary cake.

The Club celebrated Italian's National Day on Sunday 3 June in style. Approximately fifty members from Garibaldi and Circolo attended and everyone had a wonderful evening. Great food, drink and laughter flowed throughout the evening. Tiana So'oiolo (daughter of the ex All Black Rodney) was our special guest singer – and boy did she bring the house down. What a voice that girl has! And she is only 16 years old. Accompanied by our resident singer, Grant Quinn, Tiana sang songs like "Che Sera, Sera" and 'Crazy' just to mention a few. She had people dancing and singing along - a few members even danced the Tarrantella thanks to the guidance of Maria Elenio.

Later in the evening we were privileged to listen to the dolce tones of Raffaele Abbate, Fifi Esposito, Teresa Mollo, Maria Elenio and Josephine Van der Donk performing their "wonderful 2018 rendition" of Santa Lucia and other Italian songs!!! (*Will there be a recording contract at some stage in the future???? – Watch this space!*)



Photo:

L-R- Maria Abbate, Maria Elenio, Raffaele Abbate, Teresa Mollo, Josephine Van der Donk & Fifi Esposito

The Club is looking for a volunteer who is able to put together our newsletter each month. After 9 years of doing such a FANTASTIC job, and due to family commitments, Club Member Melanie Federico has advised us that she would like to take a break. If you can help us out, it would be greatly appreciated. Melanie has outlined what is required below.

Subscriptions are due now, so please make sure you pay yours if you haven't done so yet.

Ciao for now, Linda

Wanted – Newsletter Help

Can you use Microsoft Word? Every month our Club newsletter needs formatting and then emailing to our printers. This involves taking the draft newsletter content written or sent through from the Club President, and formatting it into the newsletter template/style. It also involves inserting and placing photographs into the newsletter of our club members and events. Once the newsletter is finalised, it is saved and emailed (as a PDF file) to our printers (with mailing labels) and to the Club to be emailed out to some members. It takes a few hours each month, and you don't need any special skills, just know your way around Microsoft Word and have a bit of an eye for layout and design. If you can help, please contact Linda and let her know. I (Melanie Federico) could give someone some help and training to get started if they need to.

Winter Afternoon at Club Garibaldi – Sunday, 1 July



Something a little different at Club Garibaldi on **Sunday, 1 July** – Entertainment with musical performances by David Trott on piano and singers. Italian songs and dolci for all to enjoy!

This will be the first of several social events organised by our new Clubrooms Manager, David Hyams, in conjunction with the Executive and Social Committees. David and his wife Christine will provide a "Garibaldi Afternoon Tea" with Garibaldi punch being served along with Garibaldi biscuits and other dolci. David and his wife have

enjoyed a long career in the hospitality sector, including owning restaurants and a wholefood bakery.

Janet Palmer is one of the singers. She is a soprano in the St Anne's Choir in Karori where David Trott is Choir Master. He is also organist at St Mary's of the Angels in Boulcott Street.

Come and join us for Afternoon Tea at 2pm on Sunday 1st July.

Entry \$5, Tea or coffee and dolci included.

Performances from 3.00pm & Cash Bar open until 5.30pm.

Annual Subscriptions – Due Now

Subscriptions for the 2018/19 financial year are now due. For a mere \$50 per couple or \$30 single what you get in return is pretty good. Our regular fixtures each year are – Family picnic (and the Club provides all the meats, fruit and prizes for games), We celebrate Italian National Day with a wonderful evening of entertainment, formalities and supper; The annual Football game and function (with Club Italia, Nelson – and the Club subsidises the players when they go to Nelson; our Children's Xmas Party (where the Club provides lunch, a Show and Santa's visit for the children), and Senior Citizens Xmas lunch (gratis for our over 65 year olds). And every so often we throw in either a "Mother's Day Luncheon" or New Year's Eve party and other one off events. And this year we hope to host even more events. Also we now have the option of the young children learning Italian. That's a very attractive deal for such a low membership fee. If you know someone who is not a member, has Italian lineage and would like to become a member, please get in touch with us via our email.

Aldo Cuccurullo Memorial Trophy Football Game: 3 November 2018 (Nelson)

The date has been set by Club Italia in Nelson for this wonderful annual event. This year the game will be in Nelson on Saturday, 3 November. If you are interested in playing for our Team, please contact the Club ASAP via our email. All players must be paid up current financial members. The Club does subsidise the players. And the sooner we can get our team confirmed, the quicker we can book airfares – at the moment Jetstar have some very cheap fares to Nelson/Return. So let us know quick if you will be playing.

Children's Italian Lessons

Enrolments for Term 2 are underway, so if you wish to enrol your child, please contact the Club. Members child \$50 per term, per child and Non-Member \$70 per term, per child.

Happy 21st Birthday Wishes

Happy Birthday to Marco & Vince Costa of Island Bay (sons of Vince & Wendy Costa) – Marco is on our Executive committee and studying at Vic University, and Vince is down studying at Otago University. The boys celebrated with family. All the best on your coming of age boys!



Congratulations

Last month we congratulated Liberato Cacace of Island Bay who had then wound up a stella season playing for the Wellington Phoenix Football Club. Well even better news now... Liberato has made the NZ All Whites team – the only second Italian local boy to do so (*Raffaele De Gregorio was the other person*). What a fantastic achievement for such a young talented man. Well Done Liberato and all the best for your future soccer playing career.

Condolences

The Club wishes to express its condolences the Serci family of Lower Hutt. Vera Serci passed away recently. Vera and her husband Joe Serci were long-time members of the Club and frequented the venue lots when it was located at Wakefield Street. RIP

Dates for your Diary



Sunday, 1 July (2pm)

Club Day Afternoon Tea/Entertainment (Club Garibaldi)

Sunday, 5 August

Club Shared Lunch (more details to come)

Saturday, 3 November

Aldo Cuccurullo Memorial Trophy Football Game (Nelson)