



Club Garibaldi News

OCTOBER 2008

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

One of Club Garibaldi's biggest social events of the year is the annual soccer match against Club Italia Nelson. As always, the encounter will take place at Labour weekend, Saturday, 25 October.

This year Club Garibaldi, the current holders of the Aldo Cucurullo Memorial Trophy will host the game which will be played at Crawford Green, Strathmore, Wellington at 2.30 pm. Club members are asked to please attend the match and support your team, as well as to welcome our sister club members to Wellington. We also hope to schedule a curtain raiser children's game, which will involve the children of our members.

On the same night, the club will host our Nelson visitors at a shared dinner to be held at the club rooms from 6.30 pm. This is always a great night when the trophy is presented to the winning captain, and everyone gets the opportunity to say why their club team is the best one! Club members are asked to bring two generously sized dishes of their finest food to share with our visitors.

Another tradition is that on the following day, Sunday, October 26, our members and visitors are encouraged to get together for more social interaction over a meal, which is always a lot of fun! This year a decision was made to have lunch instead of an evening meal, as this would enable people from both clubs to attend the Phoenix soccer game at The Stadium during the afternoon, should they so desire. The venue is '4 Kings' in Taranaki Street, Wellington City, next door to Les Mills. A booking has been made for between 12.30 pm and 1.00 pm, and the cost is \$35.00 per person and \$10.00 for kids.

Due to computer difficulties, there will be no Italian translation this month.

Ciao a presto

Ginette Toscano Page

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN KNITTING AND EMBROIDERY?

A supply of patterns for knitting, embroidery and crochet, written in Italian, have been donated to members of the club. There is a stack of them on the shelf by the library door ~ please help yourself.

ENGAGEMENT CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Nicole Williams, youngest daughter of Francesca (nee Zame) and Garth Williams of Tawa, and Steeven Sharpe, son of Graham and Sheila Sharpe of Harrow, Middlesex, London, on their recent engagement.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

Angela (Lina) Panettieri of Kilbirnie, Wellington, Club Garibaldi's most senior member, celebrated her 94th birthday Saturday, 4 October 2008. Lina who was born in Stromboli, is an independent, deeply religious, wonderful lady, who continues to do most of the household chores and cooking. She also enjoys reading, and knits and crochets without needing a pattern!

Buon compleanno Lina, Club Garibaldi wish you many more happy and healthy years to come.



Angela (Lina) Panettieri

CHILDREN'S LANGUAGE CLASSES

For 13 years Nina Cuccurullo has been doing a brilliant job as co-ordinator of the children's Italian language classes. She has worked wonderfully to ensure the classes are well run and organised, has liaised with teachers and parents and maintained a positive link with the Italian Government through the Embassy. We would like to find a club member to assume the duties of classes co-ordinator and spend the first few months of 2009 learning from Nina.

APOLOGY

Our apologies to the Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Balvo, for the incorrect heading on the article in the September newsletter welcoming Don Marinko to Wellington. The heading should have read: Welcome to Don Marinko Antolovic – The Embassy of the Holy See, Wellington.

Don Marinko's position is Attache' of the Apostolic Nunciature.

SHARING NEWS

We are looking for Italian items of interest, as well as special occasions to include in future newsletters. Please feel welcome to share them with your fellow members.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ITALIAN MASS

The next Italian Mass will be held on Sunday 2 November 2008 at 11.30am at St Francis de Sales Church, Island Bay.

Mass is held every first Sunday of the month throughout the year.

SHARED LUNCH

The next shared lunch will be held at the Club rooms on Sunday 7 December 2008 at 1pm. All members and families are very welcome.



Please bring a plate.

ITALIAN FILM

Please note there will be NO FILM IN OCTOBER as the Italian Film Festival will be on from 15 - 29 October.



TOMBOLA NIGHT

Tombola nights are held every 4th Tuesday of the month.

The next night for Tombola will be Tuesday, 28 October, at the usual time of 7.30 pm. Please come along and feel free to bring a friend. Contact Maria on Tel: 976 5006 if you have any questions.

13th ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL, WELLINGTON

The dates have been set for this year's Italian Film Festival ~ 15 to 29 October 2008, at the new home of the festival, The Embassy Theatre, Courtenay Place, Wellington.

Please refer to the brochures which were enclosed with last month's newsletters, for the list of films.

CIRCOLO ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Circolo AGM will be held at 7pm on Thursday 6 November at Club Garibaldi. After the formalities light refreshments will be served.

CHRISTMAS SENIOR LUNCHEON

This year's Christmas senior luncheon date has been set for **Saturday, 29 November** at noon, for the meal to commence at 12.30 pm. For those senior members who plan to come, it is important you confirm that you will be attending by **Monday, 24 November**.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

This will be held on **Saturday, 6 December** at the clubrooms, and will be from 11.30 am until 3.00 pm. As always, Father Christmas will be visiting ~ please ensure that your child/children have a wrapped gift with their name on it, for Santa's bag. The value of the gift should be no more than \$10.00 each. Please confirm attendance by **Tuesday, 2 December** to.

ANNUAL BUS TRIP

Next year's annual bus trip dates have been set for **9, 10 and 11 February 2009** ~ destination Hastings and Napier. This is always a great trip with lots of fun to be had, and is thoroughly enjoyed by all those who go on it. As the bus fills up pretty fast, please do not leave it too late to confirm that you want to go. More details to follow at a later date. Although you do not need to be a club member to come, members will be given priority.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 25th October (2.30pm) - Soccer Challenge

Saturday 25th October (6.30pm) - Shared Dinner – Garibaldi Club

Sunday 26th October (12.30pm) - Soccer Lunch – 4 Kings

Tuesday 28th October (7:30pm) - Tombola

Sunday 2nd November (11:30am) - Italian Mass

Thursday 6th November (7pm) - Circolo AGM

Saturday 29th November (12.30pm) - Senior Lunch

Saturday 6th December (11.30am) - Children's Christmas Party

Sunday 7th December (1pm) - Shared Lunch

A BIT OF TRIVIA

ANSA - Sala Consilina, September 22, 2008

Italian cheese-makers smashed their own world record for the second year in a row on Sunday when they made the longest ever plait of mozzarella cheese.

The 29 cheese-makers turned a town street into an open-air cheese factory for the day, cooking up 4,000 kg of milk, 800 kg of boiling water and 10 kg of salt before twisting the famed soft white cheese into a Guinness record breaking plait 65.5 metres long. In 2007 the town's cheese-makers claimed a world first with a plait of mozzarella 56.5 metres long, breaking their previous 2006 record of 42.4 metres.

SILVIO SOLDINI – ITALIAN FILM DIRECTOR

On Saturday, 4 October, I had pleasure in attending a reception as a guest of the Ambassador of Italy, Giocchino Trizzino, held in honour of the highly acclaimed Italian film director, Silvio Soldini.

On his first visit to New Zealand, Silvio came specifically to present his latest film 'Days and Clouds' (Giorni e Nuvole) at gala screenings in Auckland and Wellington. In the year 2000, Silvio's film "Bread and Tulips" (Pane e Tulipani) swept the major Italian film awards, claiming nine David di Donatello statuettes.

Following the reception, guests made their way to The Embassy Theatre to view the gala premier screening. At the film's conclusion there was a commentary and questions and answers on the film by Silvio, which was moderated by Bernadette Luciano, Associate Professor of Italian and Head of European Languages & Literature at Auckland University.

I hope members take this opportunity to enjoy the very best of Italian cinema ~ you can be assured of great entertainment!



Ginette Toscano Page, Silvio Soldini, Cav Elizabeth Peek, Ambassador Giocchino Trizzino

FOREVER VESPA

A documentary about the worldwide phenomenon of a scooter! Exclusive interviews with designers, collectors, and commentators reveal how the six-decade-long Vespa story runs parallel with European history. Italian with English sub-titles.

When: Sunday, 23 November ~ 2pm–3pm.

Where: Te Papa Soundings Theatre, Level 2

Film courtesy of Cathay Pacific Italian Film Festival and The Embassy Theatre.

Tickets \$10, no concessions, available only at The Embassy Theatre, 10 Kent Terrace, Wellington, or by phone (04) 381 7657. Not online.



DO YOU REMEMBER THIS OCCASION?

A group of Italians at the welcome for Italian Senator Susanna Agnelli in October 1988.



Back row: Ida Basile, Anna Maria Muollo, Cristina Vinaccia, Salve Ruocco, Raffaele Muollo, Gaetano Tesoriero, Liberato Vinaccia, Vince Criscillo, John Cataldo, Cataldo Muollo.

Front row: Carlotta Volpiceli, Liberator Moreno, Antonino Muollo, Pietro Federico, Antonio Aprea, Antonio Mollo