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Club Garibaldi News

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New President

Congratulations to Linda De Gregorio on her election as the club's new president at the special general meeting held this month. Linda lives in Island Bay. Her husband is John and she has two teenage children. Her parents are Camillo and Rosalia Amitrano. Linda won in a secret ballot over Cav Antonio Cacace, also of Island Bay. Linda is our second female president. She was a member of the executive for several years in the 1990s. She has promised to drive greater engagement with members through new social functions and events. Minutes after the ballot was declared, Linda, along with other executive members, was involved in her first official duty, attending a meeting with the new Italian Ambassador, Carmello Barbarello, and visitors from Italy.

Special General Meeting

The meeting attracted more than 80 people, most of them members. There was some lively debate. The meeting also approved changes to the constitution proposed by the executive committee that clarify the process for nominating and publicising the nominations for the executive committee ahead of annual general meetings.

Constitutional Issues

There appears to be a level of misunderstanding about the effect of clause 6 a. of the club's constitution which came into focus at the recent AGM and SGM:

It is here set out in full:

"6. MANAGEMENT

The management of the Club, except otherwise provided for by these rules, shall be conducted by a committee consisting of:

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Five committee members

to be elected annually at the annual general meeting except for the President who shall be elected for a two-year term."

From this it is clear that a person nominated for one of these positions still needs to be elected by those present at the meeting and eligible to vote.

Even a sole nominee (i.e. where there is no competing candidate in what is effectively a one-horse race) still requires to be confirmed by a majority vote in that person's favour i.e. they don't just win by default because nobody else is standing against them.

This elective process is reinforced by clause 7.1 (election of trustees) which states that members nominated as trustees shall be elected to the position by a majority vote.

Christmas Senior Lunch



This year's senior member's lunch will be held at the Club on **Sunday, 30th November**. All members aged 60 and over are welcome to attend this great function. If you are a couple, both of you must be members. Please be seated between 11.45am & 12noon as lunch will be served at about 12.15p.m.

Please confirm your attendance by Thursday, 27th November by contacting Maria Colucci on 383 8476 or Josephine Van Der Donk on 934 8720.

Congratulations

To Luigi Cacace, son of Cav Antonio and Luisa, on being awarded Proxime Accessit – runner up to the Dux at St Patrick's College, Wellington this year. Luigi's stellar final last year at the college included being Head Prefect of the college. Luigi is planning to study at Otago University in 2015.

Well done to Marco Mollo, son of Libby and Teresa who gained 3 scholarships at St Patrick's College.

We also congratulate Grace Amitrano, daughter of Matt and Lynda who received cups for public speaking and debating in her senior year at St Mary's College. Grace was also Deputy Head Girl of the college.

We also wish to congratulate both Jacques Cuccurullo, son of Joe & Yolanda and Antonino De Gregorio, son of John and Linda for making the NZ Under 20's Handball team. This team will be playing in an Oceania tournament, which will be held at ASB Centre, Kilbirnie in early December.

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, December 7.

Children's Christmas Party

This was held on Sunday 16 November and about 20 children attended. The children had lots of fun and all enjoyed face painting and crafts and of course the bouncy castle. Thanks to the social committee for organizing a fun event.



"A Night at the Garibaldi"

Both performances on Friday 6th and Saturday 7th March 2015 are now sold out. Waiting list enquiries to Rex Da Vanzo on 977 7609.

Annual Football Game – by Paul Muollo

The 20th anniversary of the first Aldo Cuccurullo Memorial Trophy game between Club Garibaldi and Club Italia (Nelson) was held in Nelson on November 1. The first game was played in 1995 and the 2014 game, like the first one, ended in a 2-1 win for the Nelson side.

We had a very good preparation for the match with some great, organised training sessions run by Mike Gaeta. In the past few years we have struggled to field a side but after last year's defeat to a young Nelson team we knew we had to bring in the Garibaldi youth for two reasons: one to ensure the future of this match and two to give us a chance to keep up with the Nelson boys. So this year we took a squad of 19 players down which included teenagers Liberato Cacace, Damon Muollo, Andre Devitt, Cory Loibl, Raffaele Devitt, Stefan Devitt, Santino Gaeta and Antonino De Gregorio.

We dominated the first half and put Club Italia under a lot of pressure while the Nelson side was very dangerous on the break and could have easily scored on more than one occasion. Club Garibaldi opened the scoring after some nice passing between Luciano Colucci and Raffaele Devitt before Paul Muollo finished. Half-time: Club Italia 0 Club Garibaldi 1.

With such a large squad we made a number of changes though the game and in the second half the Nelson team started to dominate and a good individual effort from George Molnar levelled the scores with 10 minutes to go. Then, with both teams pushing for a winner to avoid the penalty shootout, P J Lupi scored a well taken headed goal to give Nelson the win.

A great effort from all the Club Garibaldi side. Special mention to 14-year-old Liberato Cacace who played the full 90 minutes and also to Garibaldi's player of the day, 16-year-old Raffaele Devitt.

Following the game we went to the fantastic Club Italia clubrooms and enjoyed their wonderful hospitality. The pizzas from their oven and the food they put on was superb. We look forward to hosting Club Italia next year and hopefully a win on the field. Special guest on the day was the new Italian Ambassador to New Zealand, making his first visit to Nelson.

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Back row from left: Fabio Marciano, Damon Muollo, Santino Gaeta, Stefan Devitt, Jan Chmielewski, Damian Hannah, Cory Loibl, Carlo Petagna, Tony Gaeta, Tom Kelly, Mike Gaeta. **Front row from left:** Andre Devitt, Raffaele Devitt, Luciano Colucci, Dave Da Vanzo, Antonio Cacace, Liberato Cacace, Paul Muollo, Michael De Gregorio, Antonino De Gregorio

Seniors' Bus Trip 2015



The Senior Bus Trip is going to Hamilton next year – **2-5 February 2015**. Bookings are essential. Please contact either Maria Colucci on 3838 602 or Jo Gaeta on 3838008 to reserve your spot.

Dates for your Diary



Sunday, 30 November (12 Noon)	Senior Christmas Lunch
Sunday, 7 December (11.30am)	Italian Mass (St Francis de Sales, Island Bay)
2-5 February 2015	Seniors' Bus Trip 2015
Friday 6 & Saturday 7 March, 2015	A Night at the Garibaldi Concert Series
March 2015 – Venue & Dates TBA	Club Picnic

NOVEMBER 2014 KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY



Lots of Kids



Two Little Kids



Two Big Kids





Visitors from Napoli

Unpaid Helpers