



Club Garibaldi News

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Note from the President

For those of you wishing to attend the New Year's Eve party, please note we need to know your confirmation by **22 December** at the **ABSOLUTE LATEST!**

You will see in this newsletter we have a busy 2018 ahead. Two of our recently joined members are very keen to get some new "Italian" events introduced to the Club and we hope that all members support their wonderful initiatives – see more below.

The Club is also looking for a part-time Clubroom Manager so if you are interested or know anyone suitable please see contact details below.

As another year draws to an end, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support of our events this year. Safe travels if you are going away and all the best for a happy holiday.

Buon Natale e Felice Anno Nuovo a tutti. And here's to a bigger and better 2018 year at Club Garibaldi!

Ciao for now, Linda



New Year's Eve Party – 31 December **8pm onwards...**

Say goodbye to 2017 and welcome 2018 at the Club. On Sunday, 31 December the Club will party. There will be dance music and a light supper as well as a cash bar. This will be one of the best deals in town – cost for members \$15pp, non-members \$20pp. Children up to 12 years \$5pp. For catering purposes, please reply to Josephine 9348720 or the Club email **no later than 22 December**.



Condolences – RIP

The Club was very sad to hear of the sudden death of Elizabeth Peek (President Circolo Italiano). Elizabeth was a very active member of Garibaldi and loved attending all our functions we had. She made sure the Circolo club ran smoothly and organized all the Italian lessons. Elizabeth will be missed by many people.

Our condolences go out to her brothers Robert and David Peek and her sister Marie.

A "celebration of Elizabeth's life" was held at the Clubrooms on Sunday, 10 December and was well attended by many. It was a lovely send off for her – RIP

The Club also wishes to extend its condolences to Christina and Alan Fleming on the recent death of their Mother and Mother-in-Law, and long time Club member Iris Fruscalzo. Iris was one of the oldest Club members at 92 years. She will be missed – RIP

Senior's Christmas Lunch

On 26 November over 60 senior citizens sat down to a wonderful four course meal prepared by Alfonso. With an entrée of crayfish and squid we knew that what was to follow was going to be pretty amazing. And in true Alfonso fashion, he didn't disappoint. Main course was a rich creamy mushroom risotto, followed by Chicken Ciaccatore and salad. Dessert consisted of half a peach in a glass covered with gelato and raspberry coulis and topped off with chopped biscotti. Tea and coffee followed, accompanied by profiteroles and Christmas mince pies which were made by Jo Beavis and Maria Colucci. Thanks to Maria and Jo for your baking. Everyone came out feeling very full and had great comments on the whole day.

Thanks to the social committee for all your hard work, and of course to our Chef, Alfonso who once again surpassed himself! Please see photos of the day at the end of this newsletter. We look forward to what next year has to offer!

Children's Christmas Party

Sadly, one week later Santa got held up in the North Pole and couldn't get to Club Garibaldi. So we had to cancel the Children's party. This is the first time we have not had a party in many, many years – so it was **very disappointing**. The real reason is that only 5 children registered for the event, and it just wasn't worth going ahead.

However, we have two wonderful new members who have arrived in NZ recently from Italy, Lorenza and Beatrice who will be planning an Italian Carnival on 10 February 2018.

Welcome New Members

To Francesco Cantoni Copetti of Brooklyn, Beatrice Foschetti & Michele Benigna of Lyall Bay and to Lorenza and Alessandro Sabbioni of Strathmore.

We hope to see you at the Club soon.

Club Picnic – Sunday, 18 February 2018 Williams Park, Eastbourne



The Club picnic will be held on Sunday, 18 February at Williams Park, Eastbourne (map attached – please note change of venue). **However, if it is rained out the "rain check" date is the following Sunday 25 February, but at Bishop Park (old venue).**

As usual the Club will provide meats and fruit. There will be games and races and prizes. All you need to bring along your salads or whatever you wish to eat and your family. See you there!

Children's Italian Lessons 2018

We are happy to advise that we plan to recommence the Italian classes for children in 2018. These will be held on Saturday afternoons. The first lesson will commence on **Saturday 10th of February** and run through till Saturday 8 April 2018 (school term).

Children 5-8 year olds - 1.45 pm to 2.30 pm at the Club

Children 9-12 years old – 2.45pm-3.45pm at the Club

The charge is **\$50 dollars per child per term for children of Club Members.**

And **\$70 per child per term for children of non-Members.**

At this stage, please register your child by contacting Beatrice at beatrice.foschetti@gmail.com or telephone her on 021-0250-0022 before **Friday 26 January 2018**. Details of payment will be sent to you upon registration.

"Festa di Carnevale" Italian Carnival Party – Saturday, 10 February 2018



Carnivale is a traditional Italian event whereby children dress up in their favourite character. So get your child dressed up in his/her favourite character and come along to the Club to what promises to be a few hours of fun-filled arts, crafts, games and learning about this wonderful Italian tradition.

In collaboration with the Italian Playgroup the Club Garibaldi will host a family fun morning the 10th of February, from 10am to 1 pm for families and children.

All you need to do is bring a plate of food to share. Join us for a crafty adventure into the Italian Carnival. We will learn about historic characters such as Pulcinella and Arlecchino. This is a great opportunity to meet and

befriend newly arrived Italians in Wellington. Be prepared to learn some Italian songs and words! Italian classes will commence immediately after this.

For more info contact Beatrice. beatrice.foschetti@gmail.com 021 02500022

Italian Quiz Night – Friday, 16 February 2018

Come along to the Club and test your knowledge about Italy. Please join us for an Italian Quiz Night, on Friday the 16th of February at 7.30 pm. Nibbles are included. **\$15** per person – cash bar available. For tickets or more information, please contact either Beatrice beatrice.foschetti@gmail.com 021-02500022, or the club email.

Clubroom's Manager – Part-time Paid Position

Club Garibaldi, situated in Te Aro, is seeking expressions of interest for this part-time paid position, starting in February 2018. The Clubroom's Manager will be responsible for the supervision of the club's bar, and assisting with functions, events, etc, to be held in the clubrooms.

Approximately 12 hours per month may be required, with some weekend work and evenings. You must either hold, or be willing to obtain a Bar Manager's Certificate (at the club's expense) and be physically fit.

For enquires please contact Vic Criscillo

Phone: (04) 2338153 (Evenings)

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Arrivederci Radio Cartolina – Thank You!

Cari amici,

'Cartolina' has been airing through Community Radio Plains fm 96.9 since February 1999. In the special programme aired on 29 November, and available in pod cast from <http://plainsfm.org.nz>, the Plains fm staff and I celebrated two important occasions.

The first one is the interest from the New Zealand Archive of Film, Television and Sound (Ngā Taonga Sound & Vision), in acquiring the whole body of Cartolina programmes, as Taonga, or "treasure". I'm thrilled and also humbled. This is a tremendous recognition not only of my dedication, but also of the amazing work that Plains fm has been carrying out for so many years, to give voice to the local Communities, and the Italian Community in particular.

The second one is that, after about 960 programmes, for a total of 480 hours of broadcast in 19 years without any interruption, this was my last Cartolina. There are many other stories that could be told, and perhaps I'll work on in the future, but for now I feel that I've been putting too many things on my schedule so far. It's time for me to regain some of my free time, which is virtually non-existent at the moment.

While I'm digitalizing the programmes for Nga Taonga Sound and Vision, the first thing that strikes me, is that the programmes don't just chronicle the experiences of the Italians in Christchurch, but also, and perhaps even more importantly, the evolution of the relationship between the Italians and all the other New Zealanders in Christchurch, which Cartolina has also helped.

I've realized how many people have contributed to researching and presenting some programmes: Benedetta Damele, Luca Manghi, Lesley Evans, Robyn Black, Denis Walker, Silvia Cesari, and I apologize for any more that certainly escape me now. But there is one that I have to thank in a special way: my daughter Fiona, who would interview school children on Pinocchio, little friends on their Christmas expectations, and regularly record Gianni Rodari's filastrocche.

My thanks go to Plains fm's station master Nicki Reece, and Laura Gardner, Margaret Henderson, Naoko Kudo and Paul Zdrenka, (not forgetting David Glenn). Thanks to the Dante Society for promoting and supporting Cartolina. Thanks to all the listeners who have let my voice and the voice of my guests into their homes, or their cars. They have made Cartolina one of the three most downloaded programmes aired by Plains fm. My heartfelt thanks go to all the people who have accepted, and sometimes volunteered, to share their stories: their experiences, their memories, their dreams, which I have shared with all listeners, have made me a better person. My last thanks go to my family, daughter Fiona and husband Sandro, for having helped me with ideas and comments, and for being unfazed when I disappear to my studio and my computer to look for songs, to research new subjects, and to write outlines for interviews.

I wish all Dante members and friends the best for the coming Christmas and New Year, and thank you for listening, *Arrivederci*.

Wilma Laryn

Dates for your Diary



Sunday, 31 December (8pm)

Club New Year's Eve Party

Saturday, 10 February (10am-1pm)

Family 'Festa di Carnivale'

Children's Italian Lessons (1.45pm)

Friday, 16 February 2018 (7.30pm)

Italian Quiz Night

Sunday, 18 February 2018

Club Picnic, Williams Park, Eastbourne

(Picnic Rain Date Sunday, 25 February)

Seniors Christmas Lunch 2017



