



**60'S UP MOVEMENT OF NEW ZEALAND (INC)  
WHANGAREI BRANCH  
MARCH 2024 NEWSLETTER**

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**PRESIDENTS REPORT:**

Hi members.

I would like to thank all of our members that came to our last general meeting, most of you would have noticed that we had an influx of new members, this first started at the beginning of this year. I would like to welcome all the new members that have come to join us. I hope you enjoy what we have to offer, if you need information about any of our activities you should be able to find who to ring in our newsletter, if not you are more than welcome to ring or better still txt me. The weather certainly seems to be better than the start of last year, this helping us all get out and enjoy life a lot more. Our committee is working hard at making this a very interesting year for you all.

Dianne

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**BIRTHDAYS FOR MARCH:** Congratulations and best wishes to Ida Moroney and Loma Thomas, we hope you both have a wonderful day.

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING:**

**Thursday March 14<sup>th</sup> 10am** at the Northland Club. Lunches are available for us to purchase from the Northland Club. Everyone is welcome come along and play board games, Indoor bowls and just enjoy our great company. There are raffles to be won – free tea and coffee, sometimes even biscuits. Can everyone please **wear your Name Tags** we have several new members it just makes it easier for everyone thanks. If you do not have a name tag, please contact me. 0272371700. The General Meeting will start at approx. 12:45pm.

**ENTERTAINMENT:**

For our March meeting Heather is trying to arrange for a guest speaker.

**TRAVEL:**

David is arranging a trip up to KawaKawa for Saturday March 23<sup>rd</sup>. We would be travelling in vans. You will be able to purchase morning tea on arrival then go on the **train**. After lunch at the Railway Café, we will have a mystery afternoon trip. This trip is suitable for most levels of fitness.

Our trip for April will be to the Auckland Zoo, on Monday 8<sup>th</sup>. We would be travelling by bus; I will be putting a list out to see who would be interested. The cost will depend on how many members are interested. There are free wheelchairs available if we book them in advance. Mobility Scooters are \$15 to hire.

**SUNDAY NIGHT DINNER:**

Our Sunday Night Dinner will be on 3<sup>rd</sup> of March at the Northland Club. Get your name on the list if you wish to go alternatively you can phone or txt Bev on 0272108400. If the venue number is full Bev will put your name on the reserve list. Please wear your name tags to these dinners – thank you.

**WELFARE:**

Bev Beasley and Lois Haden are our welfare officers. Other than Bev who has been unwell recently we all seem to be healthy at present. Please let Lois 0226212233 or Bev 0272108400 know via phone or txt, if you know of anyone who is not well, needs a welfare call, in hospital or recently had to go into a rest home.

**News from Our Special Interest Groups:**

**INDOOR BOWLS:** The entry time to the Northland Club in Porowini Ave is the same please be there by 9.30am so we can get started by 9.45am.

For more information contact Peter Schultz 09 438 7990. New members with a keen interest in indoor bowls and any level of skills always welcome.

## **WALKING FOR FUN AND FITNESS:**

This group is progressing well, and more members are taking up this opportunity every week. They have varied and interesting walks, for all levels of fitness or lack thereof. If you would like to know more, please contact Lois Haden 0226212233

**PETANQUE:** We have officially started for this year, Pétanque is held at the town basin on Tuesday mornings at 9.15am. This is situated between the children's playground and Reyburn House. Good numbers attending. This game is open to everyone, so all new members are welcome to come and join in, or just watch and come for coffee after we finish.

**10 Pin BOWLING:** 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of month – Held at Action zone 129 Port Road 10am. Numbers slowly improving – all welcome for more information contact Ian Halstead 021 08577249 We now have a cup for the best scores for women and men. February was won by Nancy and Ken, congratulations to you both.

## **THEATRE GROUPS - NIGHT SHOWS WITH DINNER.**

The next show will be "Darling Buds of May", we have booked 29 tickets for this show for Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March, you can still put your name down on a reserve list, if the booking list is full as we often have people drop out at the last minute for one reason or another. For more information or to get your name on the list early contact David 027 723 3444 or Dianne 027 237 1700.

## **DONATION TABLE:**

All donations are gratefully accepted, books (larger print only please) jigsaws, fresh produce from your gardens. Even the odd packet of mixed fruit, chocolate chips, flour and sugar would be welcomed for the ladies who do our baking. Please contact Val Malcolm 09 553 3722 or Judith Mack 021 0265 5836.

## **RAFFLES:**

AS many of you are aware we have changed our raffles due to the prices of food, so from now on any Non-perishable food donations are gratefully accepted. Tinned baked beans, spaghetti, soup, packets of biscuits, tea and coffee, bottles of sauce, pickle anything would be gratefully accepted. The club supply the eggs and the meat for the raffles. For any more information please contact Ruth Roberts 021 132 0419.

## **HOT CROSS BUN DESERT**

x1 hot cross bun per person

Custard Hot or cold.

Fresh / tinned fruit

Whipped Cream

Slice the bun in half and toast under the grill. Place the bottom half into each serving dish. Spoon some custard over it. Add a layer of fruit then place the top of the bun on top. Add more custard and top with whipped cream.



**St Patricks Day March 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Easter – Good Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March - Easter Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April.**

Hope you are enjoying our newsletter.

Judith Mack and Dianne Willetts