



HIBISCUS COAST

**60's UP MOVEMENT OF NEW ZEALAND (INC)
HIBISCUS COAST BRANCH**

**MEETINGS HELD MONTHLY (3RD WEDNESDAY) 10AM
HIBISCUS COAST COMMUNITY RSA
43A VIPOND ROAD, STANMORE BAY**

Newsletter – 18th March 2026

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PRESIDENTS REPORT:

Kia Ora and welcome to members and guests to this our monthly meeting for March 2026. As I write this short commentary I am wearing a jersey so either my blood is thinning with advancing age or winter is making its presence felt. I'd like to believe it's the latter. Today we'll be having a quiz which should be a lot of fun as we get the brain box working. Members will form teams of a maximum of 4 members and there will be modest prizes for the first 3 teams at the conclusion of the quiz. If needed, further clarification on the day.

We will be holding our AGM in May and in lieu of a guest speaker we are looking for a member to give a little talk about themselves. It could be about their life experiences, work, hobbies, travel, anything. The field is open so don't be shy.

Nga Mihi

Frank

TRIP REPORT:

Wednesday 1st April, meet at the Orewa Beach Reserve at 9am, bus will leave at 9.15am. Travel to Devonport and visit the Torpedo Bay Navy Museum for a guided tour. Torpedo Bay Cafe for M/Tea. Ferry ride to Auckland City. Time at the Viaduct and lunch at your leisure. Ferry ride back to Devonport. The Coach will leave at 2.30pm to return to Orewa, arrival approx 3.15pm. You will need your Gold Card to swipe at the Ferry ticket office to enable you to get your ferry rides for free.

Please wear your name badge with emergency contact details on the back.

Seat belts must be worn on the bus.

M/tea and Lunch will be at your own cost.

TRIP REPORT continued:

Cost of trip will be \$25 per person. Please pay this when you register your name.

If you have any further questions please feel free to let Colleen know at the Wednesday meeting so we can discuss them.

Welfare Report. To those members who are unwell or are in hospital, we wish you a speedy recovery and hope you will soon be out and about. We look forward to seeing your smiling faces at our Meetings.

Apologies. Members to give Evelyn all apologies for General Meetings. They can be emailed to evstraka@gmail.com – or texted or phoned to 021 0241 8429.

March Happy Birthdays: Colleen Davies, Barbara Fromont, Fay Mills, Marguerita Minns, Louise Taylor, Myrna Verhoeven and Peter Batten.

Payment Options. Our ASB bank account No is 12-3084-0086844-00. ASB Bank are requiring our full name which is:

60's Up Movement Hibiscus Coast Branch.

Subscription Renewal: This is now due, and has been set at \$20.00, the same as the current year. Subscription renewal forms are available, please fill one out and return to Peter.

DIARY DATES 2026

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| 18 March
Wednesday | General Meeting. RSA, Vipond Road. Quiz Morning. Come along and have some fun with a quiz by Frank. |
| 18 March
Wednesday | Committee Meeting. Follows the General Meeting at the RSA. |
| 1 April
Wednesday | Devonport and Ferry trip. Visit Torpedo Navy Museum and Viaduct. Cost \$25. Morning tea and lunch at own cost. Please register and pay today. |
| 15 April
Wednesday | General Meeting. RSA, Vipond Road. Guest speaker will be Professor Julian Paton talking about innovative treatments for heart failure. |
| 15 April
Wednesday | Committee Meeting. Follows the General Meeting at the RSA. |
| 20 May
Wednesday | General Meeting. RSA, Vipond Road. This will be the Club's AGM and election of officers. Following the AGM, is there a member who would like to give a short talk on their interests/life. |