

## ACTIVITIES•TRIPS•EVENTS

### MONTHLY MEETING:

#### ● **3rd Thursday of the month.**

Monthly Meeting with entertainment or speaker. \$5 which includes morning tea and a lucky door prize. Optional raffle tickets can be purchased. Meeting starts at 10.30am and finishes about 12.00pm. Doors open 10am.

St Joseph's Church Hall,  
Taharota Road, Takapuna.

Vehicle access and parking:  
10 Dominion Street.

### MONTHLY OUTING:

#### ● **1st Wednesday of the month.**

Coach outing to various places followed by lunch. Separate payment.

### LINE DANCING:

#### ● **Tuesday afternoon at 2pm**

Birkenhead Bowling Club.

Contact Elaine Utting. Only \$5 per session.

### FILM DATE:

#### ● **Wednesday, 25 March at 10.30am. St Josephs Catholic Church Hall (end room).**

Start with coffee/tea and bickies. "FAR AWAY". After inheriting a house on a Croatian island, a woman embarks on a spur-of-the-moment trip that reignites her joy in life and opens a door to new love. Starring Naomi Krauss and Goran Bogdan.

### EXERCISES AND RUMMIKUB:

#### ● **Thursdays (except 3rd Thursday)**

Exercises at 10.30am .

Rummikub at 11.30am.

\$5 including cuppa and biscuits.

Contact Janet 027 532 0963.

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St Joseph's Catholic Church Hall  
Taharota Road, Takapuna

*All correspondence to be sent to our*

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***Be a Friend - Bring a Friend***



Wasn't it such a lovely, sunny day at Addenbrooke Gardens on Wednesday the 4th? If you didn't know the beautiful gardens were there, nestling in the hills of Bombay, you would miss them. But since then, what has happened to our summer weather? The wind is getting colder and the days shorter. I think like "The Last of the Summer Wine" summer has gone by too fast. But although the weather may be changing, our Club has some great trips planned for you for this year, so keep coming and supporting our Wednesday outings. You will always have a great day.

**PS:** Please see the message elsewhere in the newsletter regarding the only bus stop we will be using for our outings.

## **IMPORTANT NOTICE!** **PLEASE TAKE NOTE!**

BUS PICKUPS: FROM NOW ON THERE IS ONLY ONE BUS STOP WE WILL BE USING. WE WILL ALL BE GETTING ON AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH BUS STOP, TAHAROTA RD (NEAR DOMINION ST). THIS WILL BE FOR EVERY BUS TRIP FROM APRIL ON REGARDLESS OF WHETHER WE ARE TRAVELLING SOUTH OR NORTH. YOU CAN PARK IN THE CHURCH GROUNDS. THE BUS WILL LEAVE PROMPTLY AT 9.30AM. THE BUS WILL BRING US BACK TO THIS BUS STOP TOO. REMEMBER: ONE BUS STOP ONLY AND THE BUS LEAVES AT 9.30AM SHARP. PLEASE ALLOW TIME TO PARK.

## **UPCOMING BUS TRIPS**

**WEDNESDAY, 1ST APRIL 2026**  
**RED BEACH SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB**  
**A ONE-STOP ONLY TRIP**

Bus departs from St Joseph's Catholic Church, Taharota Road only, at 9.30am sharp. Please be on time. Remember: This is the only bus departure point and that there are no pick-ups on the way. Coffee and tea on arrival, then a talk on the training and life saving activities of the Club and also their Search and Rescue missions. If the weather is kind we can enjoy a lovely walk on the beach. This will be followed by lunch at the same venue. \$40 all included.

**WEDNESDAY, 6TH MAY 2026**  
**MARINA VIEW SCHOOL, WEST HARBOUR**

We will be visiting Marina View School at West Harbour and will be entertained by their choir and music group. A cuppa on arrival and after the concert we will have lunch at the Henderson RSA. \$40 all included.

## **COMING SOON**

**60's Up Regional Meeting:**  
28 March 2026 10.30am, Hobsonville.

**Branch Meeting 23 April:**  
**(not 16 April)\***

Our guest speaker will be talking on the Mercy Ships and the amazing work this organisation does.

**Branch Meeting 21 May:**  
Triton Hearing will be speaking about hearing. "Pardon, what did you say?"

**2026 Conference and AGM:**

13-14 June 2026:  
Novotel Rotorua/Ibis Hotel,  
Lakeside, Tutaneikai Street, Rotorua.

### **APRIL MEETING DATE CHANGE\***

Please note that our April Branch Meeting will take place on 23 April and not 16 April.

### **RUMMIKUB AFTER MEETINGS**

Members are welcome to play Rummikub after our monthly branch meetings. We just need enough players. A minimum of two but more would be preferable.

### **ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION FEES**

Aah! Another year has passed and as from April 1 the annual branch subscription fee of \$20 is due. We kindly ask that you give this matter your early attention. Thank you. Our banking details:

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**MARCH TRIP TO ADDENBROOKE GARDENS**



Our March "one stop" trip was to Bombay and to Addenbrooke Gardens to enjoy a "place where beauty, spirituality and the rhythm of nature come together". On arrival we were served tea/coffee and delicious scones with strawberry jam and cream. Then, following a brief introduction, the gardens were free for us to enjoy and reflect

on, before high tea was served under a large gazebo. I felt like royalty, sitting there eating cucumber sandwiches and small cakes under beautiful sunny skies in idyllic surroundings. But alas, even royalty has to go home so it was back to Takapuna we headed in a coach that was not gold nor horse-drawn. B. Photos by Nilda