



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 – 19th August 2026

Comment:

Greetings to all members and guest to this month's meeting. Sue Malcahy, from Birkenhead Branch is joining us today. Sue is our regional Liaison Officer and will talk with us for a few minutes.

Last month saw us celebrate our 40th birthday in style. Those that were there enjoyed scones, and a birthday cake for this special occasion. Marguerita Minns was awarded Life Membership for services to our branch and along with Frank was given the honour of cutting the cake.

We were entertained by the Hibiscus Choral Group with songs and skits.

Recently, I had the pleasure of taking Frank Townley and Margaret Nieuwland to Warkworth to have lunch with Ron and Betty Smalley at the Somerset Village. Ron & Betty have been members of the club for nearly 40 years but due to their health have been unable to attend our meetings recently. They too have been honoured with Life Membership so we were there to present them with these awards, much to their surprise. A lot of reminiscing and laughter took place over the afternoon. What an amazing couple they are as they are still heavily involved in community groups in Warkworth.

The 60s Up Focus magazine is online to view if you would like to catch up with what other branches are doing around the country. Sorry we do not feature this time but hopefully in the future. You will see Janet Scott dancing up a storm on the dance floor at the recent conference. 60supmovement.org.nz

Earlier in the month we had a very enjoyable luncheon at the Wade Hotel. It was lovely to see all attendees enjoying the food and companionship. Thanks Colleen.

Our guest speaker this month is Tania Adams from Manly Pharmacy. Tania has been with us before and was so interesting we have invited her back.

Keep warm
Evelyn

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TRIP REPORT:

Here are the details for our next Trip.

Wednesday 2nd September 2026. Leave Orewa Beach Reserve at 9a.m.

First stop will be the Black Cottage Cafe in Coatesville for morning tea. On leaving there we will head towards the "Arataki Visitors Centre Waitakere" on the Scenic Drive. It is free entry to the Visitors Centre for everyone. On arrival we will be greeted by a member of staff who will give us a 10 minute talk on the history of the Centre and will be open to answering questions if you so wish. Following the introduction you are free to look around at your leisure. - feel free to ask her any questions you would like answered.

We will then leave the Centre and head towards the Riverhead Tavern for a relaxed lunch. Our arrival back at the Orewa Reserve will be at approximately 3p.m.

The cost of this trip will be \$20p.p. Please register your name with me at the next meeting. You can pay your \$20 cash to me on that day or pay online. Morning tea and lunch is at your own expense. Hope you can join us.

Kind Regards
Colleen

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. Let Marguerita know if you are unwell.

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.

August Happy Birthdays: Kathleen Bradley, Annette Copeland, Gael Heard, Bette Hick, Pat Klue, and Graham Thomas.

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.

DIARY DATES 2026

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| 19 August
Wednesday | General Meeting. 10.00am, HBC Community RSA Vipond Road.
Guest speaker today will be Tania Adams, our local chemist. |
| 19 August
Wednesday | Committee Meeting. Follows the General Meeting at the RSA. |
| 16 September
Wednesday | General Meeting. 10.00am, HBC Community RSA Vipond Road.
Guest speaker today will be an Auckland City Councillor. |
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