



Foxton RSA &
Community Assoc.

Aug-Sept 2019



Newsletter Editor

Our editor, Margaret Hunt, has relinquished the position due to other commitments. Margaret has done a sterling job over an extended period. Her contribution of providing this essential service is hereby acknowledged and appreciated.

Comming Events

SATURDAY 11TH AUGUST - SOUNDS 'N' GLITZ

The Taradale RSA Concert Party will be presenting a Saturday afternoon Varsity Concert in the Club commencing at 1.30 pm. This concert party has a well earned reputation for putting on professional quality shows. Tickets \$10.

SATURDAY 24TH AUGUST - AINSLEY ALLEN

Come and be entertained by Ainsley Allen, a singer, songwriter from Titahi Bay. This will be a **3 hour** show. Ainsley is an Independent NZ Country Music Artist. Her repertoire of original music together with a mix of Blues, Country and Pop/Rock will set the Club alight. Tickets \$20



If you missed the Dennis Marsh & Brendan Dugan show last month be sure NOT to miss this one!

SUNDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER AND SUNDAY 6TH OCTOBER.

The Delta Country Music Club will be having their regular Sunday concerts. Come along and be entertained or contribute to the entertainment. If you sing or play an instrument, whether you are a novice or experienced, it makes no difference. The friendly members of the Club will coach and encourage you.

THURSDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER.

The Women's Section will be having a Friendship Day. Come along and make new friends.

Regular Events

CARDS –

ARE YOU AN



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Do you enjoy playing cards? Was it your favourite past time? Why not come in on Friday afternoon at 1:30pm. All sorts of card games are played, from Skip-Bo to Rummikub and now 500. If you don't know how to play these card games, no worries' we will teach you! You're in for a treat come and play cards on a Friday, have a tonne of laughs. We would love to see you.

POOL ADJUNCT

The pool adjunct has been very busy with home and away games and express thanks to members that turned up to these events and helped make the home games even more successful and enjoyable with the plates you bring for the afternoon tea.



Wednesday pool days are still very popular - it is a good place to come to out of the cold! We welcome new players. Just come along and have your name in before 12.45pm and join in the fun.

August will be a very busy month as we have games against Bulls RSA and the Manawatu Marine Boat club plus we will be playing our Club Championships - good luck to all members that enter.

HOUSIE

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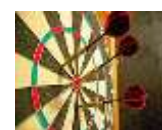
If Pool is not for you but you enjoy company and a gentle flutter why not try **Housie**. (sometimes known as Bingo). Wednesday night is 'Housie' night.

Cards are sold till 6.45pm. White cards are \$3 each and yellow super cards are \$1.

Some weeks the super house is over \$100! Bring your friends and family, the more people playing the higher the prizes will be. You are assured of a warm welcome.

DARTS

The Dart's Club meet each Tuesday evening from 6.30 – 9.00pm for competitive, yet friendly games of darts. New players are welcome to come and play and check us out. We also play away games/tournaments and have other clubs come and play at the RSA.



We are a mixed bag of players that range from very good to average and beginners so all are most welcome.

Upcoming Events:

Saturday 20 July Four Way Tournament (Levin, Tangimoana, Taihape and Foxton) being played at Taihape this year.

Saturday 31 August - Napier RSA will be playing with us at the Foxton RSA

Sunday 8 Sept - Playing Ashhurst RSA Sunday 8 Sept - Timings TBC

We have other matches pending and these will be included in future newsletters.

All RSA members are welcome to come along on Tuesday nights to socialise, play pool, have a go at darts or just to relax. There is also a range of trophies to be won annually. So whether you fancy your chances or not – come along.

TGIF - THANK GOODNESS IT'S FRIDAY

Friday night is Social Night! This is the time to wind down and enjoy a convivial drink, a hearty meal and engage in conversation the company of friends.

An array of raffles are on hand. These include at least 3 meat raffles, the Presidents \$50 prize, the 'Door Raffle' and the ever popular 'Joker'.

Each week a lucky punter, for an outlay of \$2, has the opportunity to turn over a card. If that card is the Joker you win the Jackpot, if not a consolation prize of \$10. The jackpot, if not won, gradually accumulates up to a maximum of \$1,000 at which point it **must be won!**



Jenny failed to find 'The Joker'

A NEW GROUP

There is a new group of people who are playing 8 Ball. 8 Ball Pool is claimed to be the biggest & best multiplayer Pool game online! So come and play in a cosy, friendly atmosphere! This new group will meet on Tuesday evenings and play from 6pm. This is not to be confused with our current Pool adjunct.

This is a new group that wish to play in Clubs NZ events, the rules are different to those that our pool club play by, but the two codes can co-exist in the club.



YOUR NEW EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



Photographs of the Club's Executive Committee will shortly be displayed in the main entrance.

Work continues on making the book shelves in the library freely accessible to members.

Non displayed memorabilia is being sorted and carefully stored. Once the mammoth task of photographing and cataloguing all items on current display is completed the task of reviewing the remainder will begin. Amongst items so far uncovered is a video, in VCR format, that has a story about Gallipoli.

There is a notation on the label that this was rescued from the fire. This is currently on the manager's desk - if you wish to borrow this. NOTE: You will need to have a VCR player!

On the topic of memorabilia, pleas for photos of the official opening of the premises, by Lt. Gen. Jerry Mateparae ONZM on 10th of May 2008, have proved fruitless.

However a treasure trove of photographs depicting the damage caused by the fire, which destroyed the old premises, together with the subsequent demolition and site clearance and construction of our present building have been donated by Kevin Dawson, a past club secretary.

A selection of these will be mounted and put on display.

A WARM WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

Johan de Maat	Karen de Maat	Diane Bray-Simpson
Natasha Lane	Scott Marks	Lyn Jones
Maureen O'Neill	Bob Newton	Leanne Takitimu
Corran Takitimu	Elizabeth Barrack	Colin Gabriel
Corine Cudbertson	Thomas Zimmernan	Alister Thorby
Margaret Godfrey	Dean Taylor	Terry Hansen
	Rex Rapson	

We look forward to seeing you enjoying the hospitality of YOUR club.

Despite this increase in membership the Friday night attendance seems to be in decline.
Could this just be due to the cold weather????

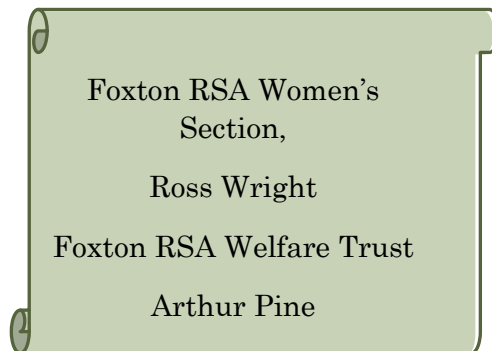
LATEST DONATIONS:

Your generosity has been outstanding and so much more helpful than you could imagine!
We still have a long way to go and every dollar helps!

If anyone else would like to make a donation please do head on into the Club and talk to the Manager

Alternatively, details for a bank deposit are :
Foxton RSA 03-0633-0004159-00.

Any and all amounts are appreciated.



COURTESY VAN

Currently the Club offers transport to and from both Foxton Beach and the town area. Anyone wishing to avail themselves of this service can phone the duty bar person to arrange pick up time. Nominally the van runs to a schedule: Foxton Town, on the hour and the Beach on the half hour.

Cost \$3 each way.



WE ARE IN DESPERATE NEED OF VAN DRIVERS.
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PROVISIONAL MEMBERSHIP IS NOW AVAILABLE AT THE CLUB.

Provisional Membership gives the applicant a trial period, as a bona fide member, for a period of 1 month, at the reduced fee of \$5.

At the end of the trial period the Provisional Member can apply to become a Full Member and if Full Membership is granted the \$5 fee will be deducted from the Annual Subscription.

Talk to the staff about this facility.

Why not ask a friend to come in and give this a try. They won't be disappointed.

THE LOYALTY DRAW

Thank you to those who support this.

Remember this is run every month for the whole month, you can buy a number individually or as a syndicate, the more who enter the bigger the prize pool. This is a great way to support your club and win yourself some money.

WOMEN'S SECTION



The National Women's RSA Women's Section conference and AGM was held in Hastings and two of our members represented our section at this. Diane Wilson from Taupo is the new President, also a new secretary and treasurer were appointed.

At our last meeting held in June we held a games afternoon with some visitors from Lonsdale and Riverside homes. We had bowls, indoor golf and quoits. A great afternoon was had by all who attended followed by afternoon tea.

The following Thursday was our annual High Tea for those in the community who are on their own. Number attending was down on previous years due to flu and colds going around the community, still we had 22 people attend including one gentleman. Everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. Thanks to all our members who supplied food for this event, we had a great variety of food. In July we have the Women's Section's birthday luncheon. It is our 63rd birthday! We are also presenting three of our members their long service badges. These ladies have given 10 years service to the Women's Section.

Thursday 19th September is our Friendship afternoon.

This is our fundraiser.

We invite members from our Provincial area and have stalls raffles and entertainment, please keep this in mind as we need your help to provide baking, produce, preserves, handcrafts etc. and a plate of food for afternoon tea.

This event will be discussed at our next meeting in August.

Also in September the AGM for the Manawatu Provincial will be held in Palmerston North.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

The Executive Committee held their first meeting since the AGM in May 2019. Committee Members have been allocated specific responsibilities for the following year – these are:

Raffles:	Gael Tapine
Van:	Brian Just & Joy Hansen
Social Events:	Bruce Winter, Jenny Blackley & John Barnes
Memorabilia:	John McConaghy–
Anzac Day:	David Roache John McConaghy, & member Ken McCrae
Building Maintenance:	Colin Mansfield, John Barnes & member Peter Ryan
Events Support:	i.e funerals & other events: Brian Just & John Barnes.

If there are any members willing to assist in these areas please contact the Manager, President-David Roache or Vice President-Bruce Winter. With Club turnover down in May and June the finance profit is down and the Club needs your support, with both financial and with Club Patronage.

Saturday 20th was a very enjoyable night with everyone having a great time. It was great to see the level of support from members and visitors.

The Memorial Hall

For your information :-

A planned public meeting is to be convened, for consultation with the community, regarding the future of the Memorial Hall. When a date has been finalised (hopefully some time in August) It will be advised on the notice board.

We have received a letter from the Minister of Police outlining the new firearms legislation re prohibited firearms.

However there is an option to apply for an exemption if you believe that your firearm is a collector's item.

A copy of this letter will be posted on the notice board.

David Roache
President

FOXTON RSA FAMILY RESTAURANT

The Manager is actively seeking a person to run our 'Family Restaurant' on a regular basis.

In the meantime please bear with the dedicated team of staff and volunteers who continue to produce a range of delicious dishes.

The restaurant is open to members and the public from 5.30 – 8.00pm on Fridays & Saturdays.

If you know of anyone who might like to be our chef, put them in touch with the Club Manager.



KINDLING

We still have kindling available to purchase to help with your winter warmers! Large bags will be available to order through the Bar Staff for \$10 per bag. The bags have been put together by the people at Idea Services (IHC) as a fundraising venture for them. We will have a bag available for you to view up at the bar.

CALLING ALL MERCHANT NAVY VETERANS

National Commemoration of Merchant Navy Day - 80th Anniversary
A series of events are being held in Wellington from 29th August till 4th September to mark 80 years of service by the Merchant Navy.

Amongst these are:-

31st August – Public open day of Ships in Wellington.

3rd September – National Merchant Navy Commemoration – Wellington.

For further information – Google ‘Maritime Festival’



THE TEMPORARY EDITOR'S FINAL WORD.

As mentioned earlier our Newsletter Editor has resigned – This is a vitally important role, without someone to take up the pen, or more probably the key board we will lose his avenue of information. It has been said that ‘*Everyone has a book lurking in their sub conscience*’. Here is an opportunity to release your latent literary talents and take up the challenge by becoming the Foxton RSA & Community Association Newsletter Editor.

It is not an overly taxing job but is it a vital component of the Club’s structure. It can give great personal satisfaction. You don’t have to be a Shakespeare or J K Rowling, your main task will be to mould the articles presented into a readable journal.

As Patron I have stood in, at short notice, to disseminate current topics to you our members. I have no desire to repeat the process – I am at the stage in life where I want to reduce not increase my commitments!

If you are interested please contact the Club Manager.

Finally throughout this issue I have continually made reference to the ‘Club’. Officially we are an Association but the word club runs off my tongue easier than association.

The Concise Oxford Dictionary (4th Edition) lists a club as being ‘*an association of persons united by some common interest*’ whilst an association ‘*is an organised body of persons*’ so I guess either goes.

Footnote

TO SAVE ON PAPER, PRINTING AND POSTAGE WE WOULD PREFER TO SEND AS MANY NEWSLETTERS AS POSSIBLE BY EMAIL.

IF YOU HAVE AN E MAIL ADDRESS PLEASE LET THE MANAGER KNOW.

Please email us at foxtonrsa@xtra.co.nz-in this way we will get YOUR correct e address.



CORRECTION

There is a mistake on the front page of this newsletter.

The Sounds and Glitz event is not on Saturday, it is on Sunday 11th August.

