



Whangarei Country Music Club Inc

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Hello Everyone

We've started off the year quite well, with a couple of good club afternoons and audiences of about 35-40 people. On both days we had several visitors, some from Jane Mander and some from the Marsden Retirement Village, and also members of the Variety Club who contributed to the afternoon, which was great to see. We missed Wilkie and Sue last club day, but Mike, Ray, Yvonne and Colin held it all together and we had some good music



and entertainment. So nice to hear Norma playing her accordion - here she is playing Blue Eyes

Crying in the Rain. Also great to see Bruce again, entertaining us with his



mouth organ. Thanks to everyone for responding to our request regarding length of songs, instructions to the band and picking up your own cord charts after you've

finished your song. Our last club afternoon went very smoothly. Thanks also to those of you who've offered to help out in the kitchen when Ruby or Yvonne are not there.

Don't forget the workshops - they're up and running again on the first Wednesday of the month from 1-4 pm. Speak to Elva if you would like to book a slot for one of these - there's a small charge. This is a good opportunity to practise a new song or get some help with chord charts. Many thanks to Mike, Ray and Sue for giving up their time for this.

Some sad news again this month - Munro Lambly passed away a few weeks ago. Munro was a strong supporter of the club for many years and loved his music. In recent years he has been a resident of Merivale Rest Home. We've also heard that Rex Scrivener and Peter Lister are not well at present, so we send them our best wishes.

Some Dates to Remember

- ✚ Our AGM will be on **1 May**, so **membership fees are due now** - \$15 or \$20 for a family. You must be a paid up member of the club if you wish to vote at the AGM. If you wish to submit a remit, this must be handed in by the last club day in March (20th), together with your reason for wanting to make a change.
- ✚ The Taranaki Country Music Festival is on **15-17 April** at the Waitara Memorial Hall. This could be reduced in size if Covid restrictions change.
- ✚ The North Country Variety Club awards are being held on **23 April** at 1 pm at the Kaitaia RSA. You have to be a financial member of the club (\$10) and it also costs \$5 to enter the awards. Entry forms are on the back table.
- ✚ The Gisborne Country Music Awards are on Saturday, **7 May** and the finals concert will be on Sunday **8 May**.
- ✚ The Bay of Islands Country Rock Festival will be on **13-15 May**. This will be something for us to look forward to.

Birthdays

Our best wishes this month go to: Norma Venables and Richard Goodall. Hope you both have a great day! If we've missed your birthday, please add your name to the birthday book, which is on the back table.

Country Calendar

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| 06 March | 1.00-4.00 pm |
| 20 March | 1.00-4.00 pm |
| 03 April | 1.00-4.00 pm |
| 17 April | 1.00-4.00 pm |

Thanks to everyone for complying with all the restrictions in place because of Covid. We really appreciate it.

That's the news for this month. Take care and

Keep it Country!

