

# Whangarei Country Music Club Inc June Newsletter 2022

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### Hello Everyone

As you all know, we've just had our AGM, so many thanks to all the committee members who were happy to stay on. As I mentioned earlier, Mike is taking a break from club and we would like to welcome Elva as our new vice-president. Welcome also to Larry, who has joined the committee and I'm sure he will put in a great effort. Below are a list of club positions for the year:

MC Organiser Newsletter Editor PRO and Advertising Music Co-ordinator Gear Custodian	
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Afternoon Tea

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Here's the news for the month. The Bay of Islands Country Rock Festival was great and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. The club was



well represented, with Ray playing for Carlene and also Reg McTaggart. Bruce Stenhouse should have been drumming for Carlene, but came down with Covid a few days

beforehand. Fortunately, however, Richard

Pinney stepped into the breach and a total disaster was avoided! Carlene was the opening act at one of the venues and did a great job, as always, as did Kim Copedo. Kim was on his own this year as



Annette wasn't



available. Suzanne Prentice performed to full venues and she can still get the place rocking, as did Hot Diggity! Here they are, playing in the street on Saturday morning.



We had two very good club afternoons last month and congratulations to the band on the great job they did without a lead guitarist. It's been good to have Steve playing the steel guitar and Sue on banjo, Elva gave Pat and Wilkie a hand and many thanks to Don Morris for helping us out on drums. Elva and Steve were in their element when Elva sang The Steel Guitar song!









Dot and Rod were visiting us from Kaitaia on the first club day and here's Dot singing Turn Me Loose. Norma also gave



us a tune on her new piano accordion.

We have decided to keep the current format for afternoon tea on club days - just a cup of tea or coffee and biscuits provided by the club. Please feel free to bring something for yourself if you would like to, but not a plate of food to share. There will be no workshop this month - they will start again in July.



Many of you will have seen, or seen photographs of, the new building at the Te Hononga Hundertwasser Memorial Park in Kawakawa. This is New Zealand's first

commercial rammed earth building and Maude was the Arts Director for the project. She and her team have received two awards, Gold in the Tourism Category and Innovation in the National Commercial Project Category. The latter recognises the transformation and innovative approach in the field of process, design, construction materials and technology. **Congratulations and well done Maude!** 



Some of you will know by now that Marjory Smith passed away a few weeks ago - she was 102. She was a strong supporter of the club for

many years and attended regularly until well after her one hundredth birthday. She was amazing and after each club day she always took the tea towels home to wash them for us!

### Some Dates to Remember

- Waikato Awards 11 June, Plaza Theatre, Putaruru.
- Te Puke Awards 25 June, Baptist Church, Te Puke.
- Hokianga Country Rock Festival will be on the week-end **30 September-2 October**.

### Birthdays

Our best wishes this month go to: Elva Morgan, Bruce Stenhouse and Roberta Whitehead. Hope you all have a great day!

### **Country Calendar**

1.00-4.00 pm
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That's the news for this month. Enjoy your long week-end, take care and

## Keep it Country!

