



# Whangarei Country Music Club Inc

## November Newsletter 2022

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Hello Everyone

We seem to have had quite a busy month, with lots of things happening at club and around the region. Let's start with our visit to the RSA last Saturday. I've been isolating with Covid, so many thanks to Pat for her summary of the afternoon. Although numbers were down (I expect we were competing with the rugby!), it was a most enjoyable afternoon. Thanks to Murray, Steve and JK for taking care of the equipment and sound set-up, Maude for compering, Elva for handling the charts and Ellen for handling the money and raffles and, of course, all the singers and supporters. The band (Ray on bass, Yvonne and Wilkie on rhythm, Rob on lead and Colin and Mary sharing the drumming) did a wonderful job. It was great to see Colin back in action again and we would like to thank Mary, who is a very talented all-round musician, for helping us out while Colin has been recovering.



A huge thank you to Kim Copedo, who we always enjoy listening to. He gave his usual very polished performance, which was much appreciated. We wish him every success with the latest song he's written, Smoke and Perfume and hope it does well on the Australian country music charts.



On our club day on 16 October we had an unexpected visit from members of the Far North and Hokianga Country Music Clubs, which certainly livened up the afternoon! There was lots of lively music and line dancing and some of our members joined in and kicked their heels up too!



It was nice to see Noelene Hughes back at club that afternoon.

Going back a bit further to the first week-end of October, quite a few of our members were away at the Hokianga Country Music Festival, either playing in bands or just enjoying the music. Here's Mike with his Red Eye Band, Ray on bass and Yvonne helping with lyrics.



Here's Sue with her band Hot Diggity playing at the Opononii Hotel.



Some of you will remember Nelton and Fay Paki, who have been guest artists for us at the RSA in the past. Nelson is no longer in good health but here's Fay singing with one of the bands.



Below: Neville Shelford and Country Drifters from Whakapara, Jack and the Boyz from Little Tennessee and Motown Forty 40 from Moerewa. You may have seen them playing at the Whangarei RSA on a Friday night.



Here's Cheryl enjoying the line dancing and Lyn and Lyn enjoying the music at Opononi Hall. Many thanks to Maude for some of the photos.

I'm sorry to have to tell you that Murray has decided to resign from his position as President and also the committee for health reasons. We would like to thank him for all his efforts over the last 18 months and hope that we will still see him at club helping with the sound. Maude has also resigned and we would like to thank her for the contribution she has made to the committee over the last few years.

### Birthdays

Our best wishes this month go to: Maureen Smith, Jenny Pasley, John Keating Peter Lister, Yvonne Harris, Noelene Hughes, Eileen Thorburn and Jan Bailey. Hope you all have a great day!

### Country Calendar

06 November	1.00-4.00 pm
20 November	1.00-4.00 pm
4 December	1.00-4.00 pm
18 December	1.00-4.00 pm

That's the news for this month. I look forward to seeing you all on Sunday. Take care and

## Keep it Country!

