



Whangarei Country Music Club Inc

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Hi Everyone

Hope you're all well and haven't got any of the bugs which are going around.

Club days have been going well, with attendance up and down. Your support is very much appreciated, especially the musicians, kitchen workers and those who help with the packing up etc. Our 10 minute spots have started again, on the first Sunday of the month.

Another month to go and I think that means spring - no doubt the weather will dictate! Have a good month.

Regards

Elva

Hello Everyone

What a great afternoon's entertainment we had on the first Sunday of the month. We had about 80 people in the audience and 30 singers. Thanks to Ted and Ross for helping us out on lead and bass that day. It was quite a while since we'd seen Ted and it was also good to have Steve back



on the steel guitar. We had such a variety of songs. Steve Mette gave us a John Denver number on his harmonica and Cathy



gave us a very entertaining version of Jambalaya. Ruby celebrated Matariki by singing Have A Maori Hangi Tonight and Richard



sang a medley of songs, including Carolina Moon and Blue Smoke. It's been good to see Yvonne Bingley back at club again and



on a couple of occasions she's spent some time on the sound. Hopefully she'll be back playing her guitar again in the not too distant future.

Last club afternoon numbers were down considerably, as it was a terribly wet day, but we had a good afternoon. Here's Chucky singing Oh My Love My Angel. He helped us out by playing lead and Murray played rhythm.





Elva sang one of her old favourites, The Cheating Game. We may not see Maude at club for a little while. She's

been in Auckland Hospital, but should be home shortly. We send her our very best wishes.



You may have noticed a few of our committee members taking on extra tasks over the last few weeks on club days. Julz has been working on the sound, Alan has been MC, Sue has helped with the stage managing and Jenny has been in the kitchen. They've all done a very good job and we really appreciate their efforts. Thank you all for keeping out of the kitchen and could I also please ask you not to talk when people are singing. It can be quite distracting for them, especially if they're nervous. As Elva mentioned, our 10 minute spots are starting again and Ngaire will be entertaining us this Sunday.

We have another month with five Sundays coming up in September, so we'll be having a guest artist again on the third Sunday. This will be Dave Ewart and I'm sure you'll enjoy his music.

Some Dates to Remember

- ✚ Hokianga Country Music Festival is on the week-end of **27-29 September**.
- ✚ 2024 Entertainer of the Year will be held at the Howard Morrison Entertainment Centre, Rotorua on **12 October** - matinee 1.30 pm, evening show 6.30 pm. Entry to matinee **OR** evening show \$42, entry to both \$82.

- ✚ Tauranga Whetu Star Awards are on the week-end of **19-21 October** at the Baycourt Theatre.
- ✚ The Ngaruawahia Veterans Awards are on **23 November** at Narrows Park, Airport Road, Hamilton.

Birthdays

Our best wishes this month go to: Mike Hoeta, Lyn Gray and Anne Stott. Hope you all have a great day!

Country Calendar

04 August	1.00-4.00 pm
18 August	1.00-4.00 pm
01 September	1.00-4.00 pm
15 September	1.00-4.00 pm
29 September	1.00-4.00 pm

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

Keep it Country!

