



Whangarei Country Music Club Inc

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Hi Everyone

Another month done and dusted! Last Sunday was an awesome day, thanks to Doug Kitchen's entertainment and it was great to see lots of new faces in the audience.

Thank you, as usual, to our workers - especially those who helped pack up. The band and kitchen ladies did an awesome job and there was lots of food. Once again, thank you all.

Don't forget our AGM on 4 May. If anyone is interested in being on the committee or has any questions, catch up with me at club.

Regards
Elva

Hello Everyone

Well, what a busy month this has been - three club days and a bus trip to Kaitaia and we finished off the month with a great afternoon last Sunday with Doug Kitchen as



our guest artist. What a great entertainer he was and he gave us such a variety of songs, many of which we could sing along with. We had an audience of 80 that afternoon and they were all very appreciative of his talent.



We had quite a few visitors that afternoon, including Dot and her husband and Mihi from further north. Dot sang

Riding High and Mihi sang a gospel number, Down On My Knees. Many thanks to Dot for also helping out in



the kitchen on what was a very busy afternoon and Kathy too. It was good to have Sue back at club after her trip away and she sang Queen of Hearts. Also nice to see Judith and Meryl playing their ukuleles together again.

The bus trip the previous week-end went well and the Far North Club made us very welcome. Here are Alan and Alanah, taking their turn to entertain the audience.





Earlier in the month both Rita and Elva had 10 minute spots. Rita was accompanied by her friend Bob and, although she was a little nervous to begin

with, she soon got into her stride and we all enjoyed her three songs, which included Blue Bird and Send a Message to My Heart. Elva gave her usual polished performance, which included I Don't Think She'd Really Mind At All and The Biggest Fool Of All. This month Alan Morrison has the 10 minute spot.



On the second club day of the month, Rob started off the afternoon by giving us **two** songs - Fields of Athenry for St Patrick's Day and Turn The Lights Down Low. This was especially to impress his son, who was visiting from Taranaki and had come along to club just to check that his dad still had some musical talent! I'm sure he wasn't disappointed.



Membership fees are now due - \$25 family, \$20 single from 1 April. These should be paid before the AGM on 4 May. If you prefer to pay on line, these are the details: Whangarei Country Music Club Inc 12 3099 0425896 00

A reminder also about the suggestion box. If you have any suggestions or complaints we will be happy to hear from you.

Mike Hoeta has had a short stay in hospital recently, but is home now and Dennis Joll had a nasty fall last week and is out of action at the moment. We send them both our best wishes.

Some Dates to Remember

- The Arapera Wards are on **11-13 April** at the Pukekohe Cosmopolitan Club

- The Taranaki Country Music Awards are on **19-20 April**.
- Our AGM will be held on **4 May**.
- The Bay of Islands Country Rock Festival is on the week-end of **9-11 May**.
- The Matamata Country Music Awards are on **17 May**.
- The Te Puke Country Music Awards are on **28 June** at the Te Puke Baptist Church.
- Annette and Kim are having a fundraising concert for the Special Olympics at the Kamo Club on **27 July**.

Birthdays

Our best wishes this month go to: Sue Drake, Wilkie Major, Ruby Reihana, Don Cleary, Bev Hanson, Alanah Brabham and Steve Detlaff. Hope you all have a great day!

Country Calendar

06 April	1.00-4.00 pm
20 April	1.00-4.00 pm
04 May -AGM	1.00-3.30 pm
18 May	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!

