



FROM THE PRESIDENT



January and February have been very slow months for the club however with the Jam Session and the Hokianga Country Clubs appearance we have had good crowds.

I am pleased to say that the Sunday roast has been doing a roaring trade. It is a great roast dinner at a very reasonable price. Come along and bring your family and friends.

I recently attended a meeting of the Far North RSA Presidents and I am pleased to say we are doing pretty well compared with some other RSAs – mind you we must continue to improve. The turnout at the EGM was excellent and it was great to hear from our many members on that night. Our 75th Anniversary is coming up later in the year. We will keep you informed with what we have planned.

EXTRA ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

The EGM was held on Thursday 2nd of February 2012 with a good turnout of members. The motion to change from an audit to a review was passed by those members present. The motion was "Once in each twelve month period the accounts shall be reviewed by an independent chartered accountant, who is not a current member of the Executive Committee". The motion was carried.

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP



It was suggested to me by a member that we have an acknowledgement section in our newsletter for those who help the club on a voluntary basis. I agree – so here is our first list of thank you's. Many thanks to Graeme Burkinshaw and John Otto for organising and hanging the new blackboard sign at the front entrance – this will enable everyone to be kept up to date with what is happening in the club.

Thanks also must go to Corey Harris (Tracy's son) for the designing and printing of the new entertainment posters. Great work Corey, they were amazing posters. These posters are being used by the entertainment committee to promote their entertainment calendar around the town.

WE NEED HELP



Does anyone have any firewood that they could donate to the RSA for the coming winter. Please give us a ring on 407-8585. We will arrange cutting, splitting and cartage.

Update on the house painting. We have now completed the water blasting of the house, however the start of the sanding and painting has been delayed. The tenants lease ends on the 10th of March 2012.

Once the house is empty I will be calling on those who volunteered their time as well as asking for other volunteers to assist.

We are looking at having a working bee around the same time. A BBQ and a few drinks will be provided for those who offer their services – further details to follow.

UPCOMING FUNCTIONS



Our social committee has arranged some great functions to be held at the RSA over the next couple of months. On the 24th of March we have our Rock-N-Roll night. Come on in, dress up in all that 60's gear and enjoy yourself at our Rock-N-Roll night. On the 21st of April we have our Talent Quest – we know a lot of you can sing – so come along and join in – it will be fun.

RSA GOLF SECTION



On Sunday the 29th of January, the Golf Section sent a six man team to Waipu Golf Club to compete in the Chartered Clubs Team Championships. These 'Band of Brothers', will be fondly remembered by the next generation of Kerikeri RSA golfers, for setting a benchmark that removes any pressure on them to succeed in the future, by coming LAST!!!of 15 teams.

To save them from being the butt of jokes in the bar, we have attempted to protect them by digitally touching up the team photo and altering the original picture - that of a team of young, fit, athletic sportsmen, and cleverly disguising them as a bunch of old, overweight, grey haired, boozy B*#@*%\$'s!!



From left to right - Richard Midgley, Mick Woods, Johnny Latell, Jim Tayler, Murray Anderson and Brian Fletcher.
As usual it was a very well run tournament hosted by the Bream Bay Club and despite our own performances, we had a great day out.

Thru' the Green

The day started out with Murray complaining, that unlike last year, there were no floods to drive through. On arrival at Waipu, Richard discovered he'd forgotten his golf shoes and had to play the round in Mick's trainers..... which confused the hell out of Richard's feet!!! Jim got into a tangle after hitting the same tree twice.... with his club, not the ball - a Woodland Trophy offence?. Johnny struggled with his game until he was able to have a

beer.....then he struggled with his game, but felt much better. On the drive back, we were amazed to find how many pubs were closed early evening on a Sunday!! Luckily we were just in time for a 'nightcap' back at the RSA.

Reminder: The next outing will be on the 26th February, at Kerikeri with a 10.30 Tee Off.

KERIKERI RSA BOWLING SECTION



Keith Hinton is interested in getting together bowlers from the Kerikeri RSA to form a Kerikeri RSA Bowling Section. We already have a number of members in the RSA who are bowlers so we could put up a formidable team.

Currently the Kerikeri Bowling Club is running a learn to bowl/rollup on Tuesday nights from 5.00pm for 6.15pm through to the 28th March. Members are there to assist and normally the bar will be open.

There are no commitments but those interested who may like to carry on and play club bowls on a Wednesday. All they need is flat soled shoes or bare feet, we supply the bowls, unless you have your own. There is no cost. I am sure that we could enter a team with existing players, should an event come up, & maybe create our own RSA event at the Kerikeri Bowling Club.

Anyone interested please contact Keith on 09 407-7607 or email Keith at spurwing@xtra.co.nz.

TERRITORIALS (ARMY RESERVE) TO BE REDUCED



New Zealand's six territorial forces will be merged into three, with the loss of up to 600 territorial soldiers, a briefing paper from the New Zealand Defence Force says. A Defence Force spokeswoman said a review was underway of how the battalions would be merged and where positions would be cut. The move would save \$9.25 million.

Volunteer forces have been part of the NZ Defence Force right back to the days of the Militia's, when volunteers paraded and provided an emergency armed force.

Great numbers of territorial volunteers formed the majority of soldiers who went overseas during WW1 and WW2. The Army Reserve (as it is now known) has around 1800 members, 600 of whom will no longer be needed. Over 300 territorials have recently served in Afghanistan, Solomon Islands, East Timor, Sinai, Lebanon and Korea.

EUCHRE



Euchre has started again with the following results on Monday 13th Feb.

A total of 11 players started the year with two tables of four and one of three. The winner with 46 points Murray Anderson followed by Claire Eyres with 39 points next was Russ & Dennis on 38. Bottom of

the game was Margaret with 27 points. New members are very welcome, just turn up before 6-30 on Monday nights.

8 BALL SECTION



The pool club kicked off Tuesday 7th Feb. with 11 players & a quick meeting beforehand to discuss member fees, fund raising & meet venues. We will keep you all updated as we finalize things. We played a 2 group round robin, always good for lifting your game skills, with the overall winner being: Graham Griffin.

The pool draw starts at 6:45pm every Tuesday & our aim is to finish around 10pm or earlier.

New members are always welcome, come along & have a go!

You don't need to be a pool shark to play, we have plenty of players who can get you started.

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER

If you have anything you would like placed in this newsletter then please email me at franlynn@xtra.co.nz and we will accommodate you. The more the merrier – an informed membership is a happy membership.

I am still looking for someone to take over this newsletter – it takes a few hours each fortnight – please give me a ring if you can help.

DEFENCE FORCE MAGAZINES

If you are interested in receiving the Army News, Air Force News or the Navy Today magazines then drop their circulation departments an email. These are great magazines that will keep you in touch with our defence forces. (It is interesting to see the changes since we were in the forces). All the branches of the NZDEF Forces will post you a copy of their magazine.

Air Force News – airforcenews@nzdf.mil.nz.

Army News – armynews@nzdf.mil.nz.

Navy Today – navytoday@nzdf.mil.nz.

Just let them know your ex army navy or air force.

RESTAURANT AND BAR



	BAR	RESTAURANT
Monday	3.30pm-8.30pm	Closed
Tuesday	3.30pm-7.00pm	Closed
Wednesday	3.30pm-8.30pm	6pm-7pm
Thursday	3.30pm-till Late	6pm-8pm
Friday	3.30pm-till Late	6pm-8pm
Saturday	3.30pm-till Late	6pm-8pm
Sunday	3.30pm-8.30pm	6pm-8pm

REGULAR EVENTS CALENDER

Monday	Bridge	Start Time 1.30pm
	Euchre	Start Time 6.30pm
Tuesday	Bridge	Start Time 7.30pm (In abeyance)
	Pool Club	Start Time 6.30pm
Wednesday	Quiz Night	Start Time 6.30pm
Thursday	RSA Night & the Ode @ Time for Ode	6pm
	Bridge	Start Time 7.30pm
Friday	Happy Hour	From 5.00pm – 7.00pm (Cheaper beer & Wine)
Saturday	Music Jam Session	first Saturday each month commencing at 0630pm

Don't forget our Sunday Roast's \$11.00 for members and \$14.50 for other guests.

The best roast in town....

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