

Club Garibaldi News

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THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Cav. Ginette Toscano Page President As you all know, that after 8 years as President of Club Garibaldi, I will be retiring at this year's Annual General Meeting on 29 September, and as such, this will be the last issue of the newsletter I will be writing. Knowing how much you all enjoy reading the newsletters, I invite members to give consideration to come forward and offer to take over this task. If you are computer literate, interested in people, enjoy writing interesting articles etc. I'm sure the executive committee members would love to hear from you.

ON THE LIGHT SIDE

By Vic & Merlyn Criscillo, whilst holidaying in the USA

From Los Angeles, off the coast of Long Beach, about an hour by catamaran, is the small island of Catalina:



As we were having a few drinks at Antonio's Pizzeria, on the waterfront, we could see a number of bright orange fish, about 300mm long. To our surprise they are called '*Garibaldi fish'*, named after Giuseppe, whose followers often wore scarlet or red shirts. Also, at night there are flying fish. Seeing is believing!

LOOKING BACK......

Two great photos from the past. Sadly, some of these lovely people are no longer with us today. However, it's still good to look back and remember.

Senior Luncheon 2000



Senior Luncheon 2006



FROM THE CLUB'S ARCHIVES

By Cav. Ginette Toscano Page

Note from Ginette: Whenever I have researched it never ceased to amaze me how incredibly generous our not-so-well-off Italian fore-bearers and members of Club Garibaldi were when it came to give monetary donations to different organisations and people in need. It is truly heart-warming!

Evening Post – 22 September 1928 Wellington Hospital Radio Fund

The following is a list of further donations to the Wellington Hospital Board's Radio Fund: J.M. Whiteman, Woolston Tanneries Ltd, Mrs B M Dwers. H Godier, S.B. Shortt, R.H. Wilson, D. Campbell, R. Ronayne, Brandon Ward and Hislop, United Insurance Office, Booth and Co, H Moult Ltd, **Garibaldi Club**, R.L. Button, H Coote, Vacuum Oil Co, J Duthie & Co, Goldingham & Beckett Ltd, Shell Co of NZ, and E Ivory.



CONDOLENCES

Our deepest sympathy to Michelle & Peter White of Petone, on the passing of their mother and mother-in-law, Janie Di Mattina, wife of late Dominic Di Mattina of Lower Hutt.

ITEM OF INTEREST



Golden retriever saves family from fire. Arturo and Mia among hero dogs honoured at awards ceremony

ANSA - San Rocco di Camogli, August 16, 2013

A brave golden retriever who saved her family from a house fire was honoured Friday during an awards ceremony for heroic canines. Mia, an 18-month-old golden retriever, barked until she was able to wake a member of her family who then smelled the smoke that signalled a house fire and called the fire brigade. Mia's story was one of many heard at the annual ceremony in the community of San Rocco di Camogli, in north-

western Italy, honouring dogs who have saved their families and other humans. Also on the honour roll is Arturo, a five-year-old Rottweiler who helped recover survivors from the wreck of the Costa Concordia cruise ship at Giglio Island off the coast of Tuscany. Thirty-four people died in that January 2012 shipwreck.

FOOTBALL GAME



This year it is Club Garibaldi's turn to host Club Italia, Nelson, in the annual football game for the Aldo Cuccurullo Memorial Challenge Trophy. Nelson are the current holders of the trophy and we would like it back where it rightfully belongs! Training for the game, which is tentatively scheduled for the first weekend in November, starts in early September. Club members and club members' children who would like to join the squad preparing for the game should contact David Da Vanzo.

HUMOUR IS GOOD FOR THE SOUL

Knock knock Who's there? Italian Italian who? Italian you for the last time, open up!

TOMBOLA



The next tombola night will be on **Tuesday, 24 September 2013**, at the usual time of 7.30pm. Please come along and join the fun – feel free to bring a friend.

ITALIAN FILM FESTIVAL



This year's Italian Film Festival season in Wellington will begin screening at Paramount Cinemas, 25 Courtenay Place, Wellington, on Wednesday, 9th October and will run until Sunday, 27th October.

Join us as we celebrate the opening of the 18th Italian Film festival in Wellington, featuring the premier of 'Welcome to the North (Benvenuti al nord)'. The quirky postal workers of the 2012 festival hit 'Welcome to the South' reverse direction in this year's hilarious opening night selection.

When and where: 9th October, 7:00 for a 7:30pm, screening at Paramount Cinemas.

Price: All tickets \$27.50 including a choice of Italian beverage. Seats are limited so booking is advised.

Enclosed with this newsletter is a film festival brochure for your information. Check out films and the schedule of screenings in the 2013 festival at: www.italianfilmfestival.co.nz

CIRCOLO ITALIANO – OCTOBER SOCIAL

To celebrate the 200th anniversary year of the birth of Giuseppe Verdi we have arranged a special treat for members of the Circolo and Club Garibaldi. Roger Wilson, who is one of New Zealand's most experienced singers will talk to us about the life and works of Verdi and he will play recorded music from some of Verdi's famous operas. The social will commence at **7.30pm** on **3 October**, venue Club Garibaldi. Don't miss this excellent opportunity to enjoy a special night out with members of both Clubs and a very warm welcome is extended to all! A \$5.00 cover charge towards supper will apply.

ITALIAN MASS



On the first Sunday of every month the Mass is celebrated in Italian at the Church of St Francis de Sales, 173 Clyde Street, Island Bay. Mass starts at 11.30am. Everyone is welcome and it would be good to see more members and their families attend, as we are very fortunate to have this opportunity in New Zealand. If you can help with a reading or the offertory, please contact Ida Basile. Holy Mass is celebrated by Archbishop Martin Krebs or Mons Jean Sylvain Emien from the Apostolic Nunciature.

The next Mass will be on **Sunday**, **6 October 2013**.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Tuesday, 24 September (7.30pm) Tombola

Sunday, 29 September (7.00pm) Club Garibaldi AGM
Thursday, 3 October (7.30pm) Circolo Italiano Social

Sunday, 6 October (11.30am) Italian Mass

Wednesday, 9 October – Sunday, 27 October — Italian Film Festival

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