



Whangarei Country Music Club Inc

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Hi Everyone

Welcome to our March newsletter. We've had two great club days in February, which have been very well supported. Thank you to all our workers and musicians who make these club days possible. It was nice to have a visit from Julz and Alan Hutton, Treasurer and Secretary of NZCMA, last club day.

This month will be busy, with our bus trip to the Far North Club and a club day on the fifth Sunday. The guest artist that afternoon will be Doug Kitchen.

Regards
Elva

Hello Everyone

As Elva mentioned, we've made a very good start to the year. Club afternoons have been well supported, even though they've been very hot! It was so nice to see Pat at club again, doing what she loves best - playing her bass guitar. The first 10 minute spot of the year went to Julz and Wilkie.



Julz sang Back in Baby's Arms, Wilkie sang Coalminer's Daughter and they sang Mama's Rocking Chair as a duet - well done to both of them. This month Rita Gregory has the 10 minute spot.

Last club day Rob played lead and it was good to see him fully mobile again. He gave us a Johnny Cash number to start the afternoon. Also nice to see Mike at club again and he entertained us with



Danny Boy, which he played on his saxophone. Our visitors Julz and Alan Hutton really enjoyed the afternoon.



Julz sang Coat of Many Colours and When You Say Nothing At All and Alan sang You Look So Good In Love.

After the break, Alan presented Colin



with his life membership badge and Colin was so thrilled to receive this. He was sick at the end of last year when the other presentations were made

We were all so pleased to see Yvonne at club again that afternoon. She's looking really good, after a rough couple of months and several weeks in hospital.

Now for a few housekeeping matters:

- The bus trip on 23 March - the bus will be leaving the Kensington Stadium car park (toilet block end) at 9 am. Don't be late because the bus won't wait!!
- A reminder please about talking when people are singing. As well as putting the singers off, it can be distracting for the person who is operating the sound system and trying to concentrate on giving the singers the best possible sound.
- We really appreciate your help in the kitchen when it's needed, but lately there seem to be too many people in the kitchen at times. There's not a lot of room and, if there was an accident, the Club would be held responsible. The ladies who organise the afternoon tea will ask for extra help when they need it.
- If you could please make sure that your chord charts are well organised, it will be helpful for the stage manager.
- Membership fees are now due - \$20 family, \$15 single. 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
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Some Dates to Remember

- The bus trip to the Far North Club is on **23 March**.
- 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**.

Birthdays

Our best wishes this month go to: Norma Venables, Richard Goodall, Susan Marsh and Patsy Rudolph. Hope you all have a great day!

Country Calendar

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| 02 March | 1.00-4.00 pm |
| 16 March | 1.00-4.00 pm |
| 23 March - trip to Kaitaia | |
| 31 March | 1.00-4.00 pm |
| 06 April | 1.00-4.00 pm |
| 20 April | 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!

