



Whangarei Country Music Club Inc

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Hi Everyone

Another month gone - at least the weather should be brighter. It's been a busy month, with the three club days and our participation with the Golden Church's 50th. We had a photo board - it was sad to see photos of the members who have passed. The church will be holding an Expo on 4 October, which will be part of the Silver Festival and we will also participate in that. It will be an opportunity for us to pass on information about our club.

Last Sunday went well, with Tupu Campbell as the guest artist. His entertainment was well received.

Thanks to our musicians - especially Mike for filling in during the past month. Our workers did a great job, as usual. Thanks to all involved.

Regards
Elva

Hello Everyone

Well, it has been a busy month again! Last Sunday Tupu had us all tapping our feet and singing along to some old favourites like Good Hearted Woman, Blue Eyes Crying in the Rain and Dance the Night Away. We all enjoyed his interaction



with the audience and he obviously loved what he was doing.

That afternoon it was good to see Diane at club again, after quite a long break. She sang The Rose, in memory of her son who had passed away



recently. And here's Murray with our new super-size mighty mop, demonstrating how easy it is to use, in the hope that someone would volunteer to do the job.

Apparently we're dropping too many crumbs during afternoon tea!



Earlier in the month we had a visit from Doug Kitchen and he sang Foolish Heart. You may remember that he was our guest artist in March.

Annette was also at club that afternoon and sang Blue Mountain Melody. Maude had the 10 minute spot and we



all enjoyed her singing and playing her guitar. She sang All I Need Is You, The Rock and Yesterday Just Passed My Way Again.

This month Anne Stott has the 10 minute spot.

While Sue has been away, we've been so lucky to have other musicians who have been able to step in and help us out, including Mike and Donna. Many thanks to all of you.



Bev Hanson has been a little unwell lately and has not felt confident enough to come to club. However, she's being very positive and is looking forward to a trip to Australia in October to visit her family. We send her our best wishes.

Now for a few housekeeping matters:

- The committee would really appreciate it if you did not arrive at the hall until after 12 o'clock. They like to have everything set up before people come in.
- A reminder about the length of your song - try to keep it to three minutes.
- If you are downloading chord charts from the internet, you may not be aware that the chords are often not in the correct position in relation to the words. This makes it difficult for the band at times. If you're not sure about this, Elva is very happy to check your chord charts for you. Touch base with her on your arrival at club.
- If you need to change the height of the music stand, please speak to the MC when you go on stage.

Now, I'm saving the best news until last. We recently applied to the Whangarei District Council for a grant to help pay for a new sound system. Our application was successful and we've received \$6,000, so we're really thrilled. This will mean that setting up and putting away gear on club days will be so much easier, as we'll no longer need to lift heavy speakers onto stands.

Some Dates to Remember

- The Hokianga Country Music Festival is on the week-end of **26-28 September**
- The Silver Festival Expo at the Golden Church is on **4 October from 1-4 pm**. The club is going to be part of this and we will have a display board and someone in attendance.
- The Ngaruawahia Veterans' Awards will be held at The Narrows Park on **22 November**.

Birthdays

Our best wishes this month go to:
Pat Wallace, Rita Gregory, Susan Marsh
Alan Morrison, Ken Smith, Dot Armiger
and me. Hope we all have a great day!

Country Calendar

07 September	1.00-4.00 pm
21 September	1.00-4.00 pm
05 October	1.00-4.00 pm
19 October	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!

