



Whangarei Country Music Club Inc

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Hi Everyone

Thank you to those who supported the AGM. The committee is much the same - thank you to Jenny who has stepped down and welcome to Wayne who has stepped up.

This month will be busy, with five Sundays. We will have a guest artist on the 31 May.

Regards
Elva

Hello Everyone

We were pleased to welcome Wayne to our first committee meeting this week. I'm sure he will be an asset to the club. As Elva has already mentioned, May is going to be quite a busy month, as we have five Sundays again and on the fifth Sunday Arthur Pumipi will be the guest artist.

Our club afternoon on Easter Sunday was a little quieter than usual, with fewer people in the audience. Elva

had the 10 minute spot that afternoon and sang some old favourites, including the Steel Guitar Song, which everyone enjoyed.



Chocky helped us out last club day by playing lead and it's always good to see him. Warren sang When A Tear Becomes A Rose and Alistair sang Try A Little Kindness. It was good to see Alistair singing again.



Wayne has the 10 minute spot this Sunday.

We were sorry to hear that Lorraine Young has not been well. We send her our best wishes and hope to see her at club again soon.

Now for a few housekeeping matters.

- Don't forget the suggestion box, which is on the back table. If you have any positive suggestions, please share them. It is always helpful to receive politely worded ideas for improvements and these can be anonymous - you don't need to sign your name.
- Another reminder about not arriving at club before 12 noon. The committee members aren't able to start setting up until 11.30 am and they like to have the hall ready before people arrive.
- We're hoping to organise a bus trip to the Tuakau Country Music Club on 12 August. This is in the very early stages of planning, so more information later.

Some Dates to Remember

- The Bay of Islands Country Rock Festival is on the week-end of **8-10 May**.
- The Matamata Country Music Awards are on **16 May** at the Civic Centre.
- The Aotearoa Music Awards will be held on **28 May** at the Civic Theatre, Auckland.
- The Te Puke Country Music Awards are on **20 June** at the Baptist Church, Te Puke.
- The South Waikato Awards are on **12-14 July** at the Putaruru Plaza Theatre.

- The Southern Country Music Awards are on **12-14 July** at the Taieri Bowling Club, Mosgiel.

Birthdays

Our best wishes this month go to: Yvonne Bingley, Ngaire Cotton, Murray Elmes, Sandra Gillett and Gretta Kershaw. Hope you all have a great day!

Country Calendar

03 May	1.00-4.00 pm
17 May	1.00-4.00 pm
31 May	1.00-4.00 pm
07 June	1.00-4.00 pm
21 June	1.00-4.00 pm

That's all the news for this month.
Take care and

Keep it Country!

