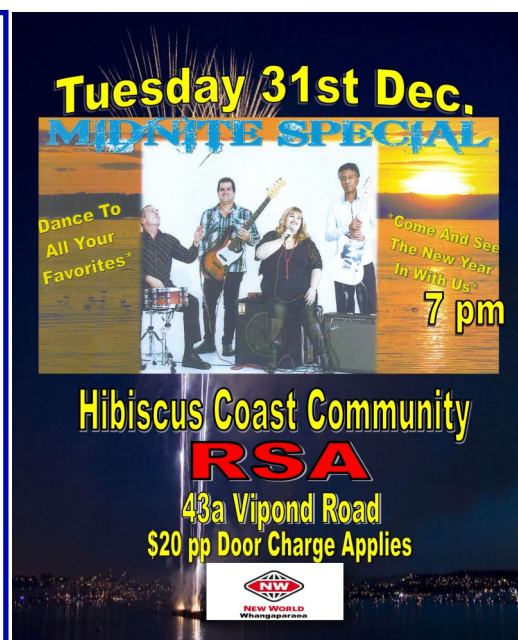


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Sat 7th	Klassic Trax	7:00pm	\$7 pp
Sat 14th	Second Innings	7:00pm	\$7 pp
Sat 21st	Steve Tulloch	7:00pm	\$7 pp
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10	27	39	59	75

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DECEMBER 2019 NEWSLETTER

Presidents Report

Greetings members,
Welcome to the festive season.

At the last Executive meeting we formally welcomed Craig Ireland and Dave Paul who volunteered to join the committee and their expertise will be fully utilised.

Recently the Executive Committee hosted the staff and volunteers to a barbeque evening with some drinks provided by our suppliers to say thank you for all the dedication and hard work carried out over the past year.

The entertainment questionnaire completed by a number of members indicated a preference to carry on with the current format, which is Saturday night bands and dancing. As a result of this the door charge will increase to \$10 per person from 1 January 2020.

Congratulations to the 8-Ball Club who hosted an inter club tournament for some 60-70 players which was conducted over the whole of a Sunday.

A note here about the disability car parks and no stopping lines near the main entrance to the club. These specified spaces are provided for the convenience of members who need to park close to the door. They do not become special car parks until the official opening time of the club and during club hours. Outside of these hours, persons who are working around the club - whether they be contractors or volunteers - are more than welcome to park near the door for ease of access. The club is on private land and, as such, sets the rules for the use of these marked car parks. They are painted these colours so that they look like other specified carparks to make it easy for those who need to use them. When these three spaces are full there are other marked spaces available in the main carpark.

At present we have no further update regarding the Resource Consent Application currently with the Council.

Remember there will be a band and dancing at the Club on New Year's Eve. (See entertainment page)

Don't forget the Happy Hours on Thursday and Fridays from 1600 (4.00 p.m.) till 1800 (6.00 p.m.) for both bar and food specials. So far there have been favourable reports from this innovation.

The Committee and Staff are still working hard for the RSA on a number of fronts trying our best to reduce and/or eliminate expenses as we move the Club forward. This includes a lot of voluntary work being carried out by a few members.

We are interested in hearing from anyone who would like to volunteer their assistance to the Club in any capacity they think they could help with. Please contact the Club or talk to an Executive Committee member if you are interested.

I hope more of you will take advantage of the Clubs amenities and its adjunct sections.

On behalf of the Executive Committee and personally I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New year.

Cheers

David

W. David Dryden
President



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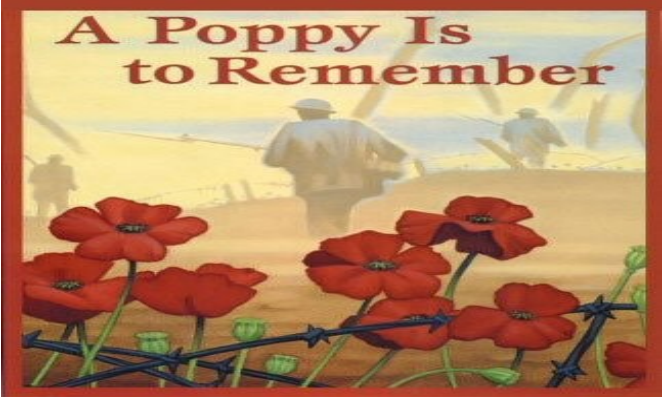
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CLUB TRADING HOURS

RSA OPENING HOURS

BAR

MONDAY	CLOSED
Tuesday - Thursday	12 noon to 10pm
Friday - Saturday	12 noon to 11pm
Sunday	3pm to 8pm

MUSEUM

Open every	1pm to 3 pm
WEDNESDAY	or by appointment

Day	Time	Activity
Tues	12.45pm	Indoor Bowls —names in by 12.30pm please
	5.30pm to 6.30pm	Line Dancing Beginner-Intermediate
	6.50pm	Open Pool Competition
	7.00pm	Darts Club
Wed	12.15pm	Outdoor Bowls Roll up
	1.00pm	Bingo
	5.00pm	Raffles
	6.30pm	Members' Draw
	7.00pm	Quiz night
Thurs	12.45pm	Indoor Bowls—names in by 12.30pm please
	6.30pm	Ballroom/Latin American /R&R lessons
	7.00pm	Snooker Club & Snooker Raffle
	7.00pm	Bingo (3rd Friday of each month)
3rd Fri	1.00pm	8 Ball Club Games
Sat	12.15pm	Outdoor Bowls Roll up
1st Tuesday	12 noon	Women's Section Get together

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MUSEUM	Patricia Stroud	09 424 1035
NAVAL CLUB	Vince Sturmey	09 428 5222
	Dave Dryden	09 428 7509

RESTAURANT OPENING HOURS

MONDAY	CLOSED
TUESDAY	12 NOON TO 8.30 PM
WEDNESDAY	12 NOON TO 8.30 PM
THURSDAY	12 NOON TO 8.30 PM
FRIDAY	12 NOON TO 8.30 PM
SATURDAY	12 NOON TO 8.30PM
SUNDAY	5PM TO 8.00 PM

Way Home Family Restaurant at RSA

Christmas Hours

24/12 – 12:00pm - 7:30pm

25/12 – **Closed**

26/12 – **Closed**

30/12 – **Closed**

31/12 - 12:00pm - 10:30pm

1/1 – **Closed**

2/1 - **Closed**

Happy Holidays!!!!

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR CLUB HOURS

24/12 - Tuesday - Open Normal hours to 10 pm

25/12 - Closed

26/12 - Closed

27/12, 28/12, 29/12 Friday - Sunday Open Normal hours

30/12 - Closed (Monday)

31/12 - Tuesday -12 noon to 12.30 am **NEW YEARS EVE PARTY**

Door sales for unreserved seats available on the night \$20 pp.

1/1 - Closed

2/1 - Closed

3/1 Tuesday - Normal hours recommence

Fishing Club

The club managed to get in two trips on Kiwi Angler this last month. 11th and 25th November. Both trips were in quite good weather conditions.

11th November we had thirteen members on board, and set off in the direction of Kawau Island somewhere towards the middle of the island from the south. Anchored in about 35 meters of water and commenced fishing, but it was not long before Rex decided the fish were not big enough and we then shifted further in toward the island. Further in was a massive workup of hundreds of Gannets diving in to the water, this carried on for about an hour. The spot chosen then proved to be a winner with some quite large fish coming onboard. Rex fired up the BBQ earlier than usual about 1115 and we then enjoyed a sausage whilst trying to continue with the fishing.

Graeme Barlow was the winner of the day landing 7.835kg Snapper, (No prize though). The quality of the Snapper caught then meant an earlier start to home with a fair weight of fish. On return, the fish were unloaded and each member was able to take home 6 Snapper, which with the sizes would have equaled 7 each had we continued. 2 Gurnard and 6 Kahawai were landed during the day.

25th November we set off again with a new crew including a new member, Dave Somerville (Welcome aboard). We again headed in the direction of Kawau, but a little further to the east than last trip, anchored in about 37 meters of water and commenced fishing. Number two spot again proved to be the place to be, with Mike Roland landing his 7 tagged fish very quickly, before even some others only getting two or three fish in the bin. He also hooked up to a very fiery Kingfish, which took 25 minutes to subdue taking him for a joyride around the boat. This was a very impressive fish weighing in at 11.25kg.

We had 14 fishers onboard this day and we left the fishing grounds around 1130 with a binful of fish, not to the same size as last trip, but nice sizes to satisfy the fishers. On landing the fish there were 7 each to take home with Sue Lenton landing the heaviest for Ladies at 4.32kg. Sue also landed a Kingfish as well, a keeper, but the weight not recorded. 2 Trevally were also landed.

A new tagging system was introduced on both trips with new tags numbered and some with names coupled up with a **black** 200mm cable tie. The second trip these tags were mounted on to a board and was quite successful in assisting Rex to keep an easier eye on the Snapper being loaded into the bin. A few mods and this method may help in the future. A proposed trip on the Kaipara scheduled for the 9th December had to be cancelled due to not getting enough members to participate. The next scheduled trip on Kiwi Angler is the 27th January.

A Very Merry Xmas to you all. Stay safe and enjoy the festive season.

Dave Wadman

Naval Club

Report from meeting 17th November 2019

Apologies were received from Graham Holloway, Geoff Nichol, Peter Atkinson, Graham Wattam, Alby Robertson. The Navy Club met at the HBC RSA on Sunday the 17th November at 0945 for a luncheon trip to Wellsford RSA. This trip was discussed at the October meeting and was then arranged and confirmed by Alex Watson. A memo was then sent out to the Navy Club membership to advise of the trip and asking them to confirm their intentions to participate. It was pleasing that there were other members of the RSA who also expressed their interest in also accompanying the group to Wellsford.

There was a muster of 36 members for the bus trip and we were joined at the RSA by a further 4 for the lunch. The Wellsford RSA committee put on a BBQ style lunch which was very well received by all. Drinks and Banter prevailed for the duration.

At 1330 the group again entered the bus for the trip home. It had been previously arranged for the bus to divert to Puhoi for an hour but due to the traffic on the highway and around Warkworth, and the difficulty in getting back onto the highway from Puhoi, the diversion was cancelled. The bus then continued to the HBC RSA at which some attendees adjoined to the bar and others made their way home.

In all a very successful day out and I think enjoyed by all those who attended.

The December meeting will be at the HBC RSA on the 15th December at 1600 followed by dinner at 1700. This will be the Clubs Annual Xmas dinner. An A La Carte menu has been decided on and the cost will be \$8 per head.

Dave Wadman

Secretary

FROM THE WELFARE OFFICE

Where has this year gone?! December already and 2020 looming large...

In talking with a few of you over the last month, I want to reassure you all that arrangements for transport to medical appointments can still be made through the festive season.

My last day in the office will be Friday 20th December and I am back Tuesday 7th January 2020. During this time, if any transport needs arise, please contact me on 022 572 7722 to ensure that we can make the required arrangements.

I know that Christmas can bring with it added stresses and memories of times gone by, and the Welfare Office is a safe place to relax and chat about what's going on. If you're not up to visiting me, I can pop over and see you.

Otherwise, I hope you're all prepared for the silly season and whatever – and whoever – it brings! Best wishes, one and all.

Sandy



MONSTER RAFFLE TICKETS NOW ON SALE

\$3.00 PER TICKET

Will be drawn at Members Night 18th December 2019.

Be In to Win—lots of lovely prizes, and a fun night to be had!!



KEV News

Again, member turnout for our November meeting was modest, with no more than a dozen or so attending. Age and infirmity is catching up with all of us.

Secretary Mark is on the ball with arranging our Christmas lunch, to be held on 8 December with RSA open at 12.00 noon. A reminder cost \$20.00, and if attending, ensure you advise Mark if you have not already done so. Mark's contact 09 4209677 or 0276449122.

Discussion among members focused on the RSA's definition of the way forward. What have we applied for under our resource consent application? Does it need to be publicly notified? The intention is for Secretary Mark to write to the RSA President to seek some clarification. As yet we are unaware if the RSA has formed any association with the Ranfurly Trust regarding veteran welfare benefits. Mention was made of the Armistice Day function in Cornwall Park hosted by the South Korean Consul. The Korean Vets were in attendance, but their National Office has closed with many of their branches going the same way. Not unlike the KEV.

Our guest speakers for the day were Mary Fallon and Mark Challenor of Kiwi Bank. Their topics were scams and the non acceptance of cheques after 28 February 2020. Discussion was lively, as so many of us are pretty dependent on the use of the cheque book. There has been some customer loss but the bank are into extensive customer PR activity to minimise the impact of the change. Will other banks follow?

We have our Christmas lunch as advised above and then we are in recess until February 2020.

To all members and your families and friends have a safe an enjoyable Christmas.

Frank Townley

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS IN THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Mr Andrew Chandler, Mr Cliff Simpson, Mr Maurice Addy, Mr Christopher Randell, Mr Reuben Bore, Mr Jonathan Beck, Mr Rowan Hirst, Mr Maxwell Thomas, Mrs Joy Thomas

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN THE CLUB



Indoor Bowls

Christmas is just about upon us and the weather finally more settled. Our bowler numbers have remained consistent throughout November.

The annual competition playing for the Marie Dennis Trophy was held on November 14th and this year was taken out by the young guns Betty, Martin and Noeline our congratulations to them.

Our final bowling day for this year will be December 10th with our Christmas luncheon to be held on December 12th.

Our starting date for 2020 will be Tuesday February 11th so if anyone hasn't been part of our social bowling club and is thinking they might like to give it a go turn up that day or in fact any other bowling day or for further information contact John Roscoe on 4247823 you would be more than welcome.

We wish a Merry Christmas to one and all and safe travels if you are going away. We look forward to seeing you all back fit and healthy in the New Year.

Why is Christmas just like a day at the office? You do all the work and the fat guy with the suit gets all the credit.....

Merlyn Jacob



Women's Section

Hi everyone.

The Women's section wish you all a very Happy New Year.

I hope this newsletter finds you all in good health and that you have a wonderful Christmas.

This is a very short report as our Xmas party on 3rd December was our last ladies day for the year.

We have included a photo of November's Melbourne Cup Day - three happy well dressed ladies!!



Hope to see you all soon. Keep safe and well.

Kay Chilman



Roll-Up Bowls

Summer is here and it's been hot out on the green.

If you forget sunscreen or a cold drink, they are available on bowls day. Also, the RSA clubrooms are a welcoming end to the afternoon with the air-conditioning and the cold refreshments!

We will be playing right through Christmas, so for those players who are not away over the holidays, we will be open usual bowls days.

The president and the committee wish all bowlers a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year. See you over the break, and for those going away stay safe.

Feel free to turn up on a Wednesday or Saturday between 12pm and 12.30pm. If you don't have bowls we can supply a set for the day. Remember please, flat-soled shoes must be worn.

Any queries, call Vince Sturmey 428 5222; Kerry Hamilton 424 8914; Ash Nicholson 428 0619; or Ian McGovern 027 483 6751.

Trevor Lewis



Wai Firkin and Bill Bull enjoy a recent Saturday at the club.



Our oldest member, 93-year-old Jim McDonald, wishes luck to John Ellis, as Alan Gravestock looks on.

Golf Section

The away trip on November 23rd and 24th was fortunate to have great spring weather - sunny but rather windy. The bus arrived at The Pines in Whangarei at 10.15 am just in time for the scheduled 10.30 am tee-off. Breakfast in Wellsford was good - but not quick service! The Pines golf course was in good shape, but was challenging with narrow fairways, water hazards and drains. Also, the greens were fast and some were steep - especially the 9th and 18th holes!

Bob took out NAGA with 25 Stablefords. The longest drive was won by Peter Williams - well done! Nearest to the pin in two was won by Mattie Oakes - congratulations! Nearest to the pin was won by Mark Smith - great shot! The best gross was won by Peter Williams with an 81 and the best Stableford score was won by Mark Smith with 40. The best net for Saturday was John Gillespie, with a 65 - great golfing! There were 27 golfers on Saturday and the closest Stableford guess was won by Troy with 905 (904 was the actual score).

Saturday night was spent at the RSA in Whangarei. Debbie and Max provided the entertainment with guitars and a singalong. A courtesy coach + Mark ensured nobody had to drive or walk to or from the Central Court Motel.

Sunday was sunny with a cool, blustery wind. Some people had to be dragged out of bed to make the departing bus (Rick) and there were bleary eyes at the breakfast at Warkworth golf club. Great spread laid on to get the golfers ready for day 2 of the away tournament. The course was in good condition but a challenging walk in places. There were 25 golfers on Sunday and those with the least Stablefords teed off first, with the leaders - John Gillespie, Mark Smith and Troy Sealey - playing last. NAGA for Sunday was Alan Holstead with a 20. The longest drive was won by Elaine Jordan - go girl! Closest to the pin in two was won by Craig Edwards - a lovely close shot. Closest to the pin in one was Troy Sealey - great shot! Best gross was won by Michael Black with 84 - fantastic! Best Stableford for the day with a 41 was John Gillespie and best net with a 67 was Mark Smith. The closest Stableford guess was won by Cheryl with her guess of 821 (822 was the actual score).

Overall weekend results: NAGA of the weekend was closely contested between Bob and Alan - but Alan Holstead took it out with 56 combined Stablefords. Total best gross was Peter Williams with 167. Total best Stableford was won by Mark smith with 81. The total best net, and jacket winner, was John Gillespie with 133. Great golfing to all the winners - holding steady for two days. We are glad Dave Bolton is still with us and not dead after hitting a tree and having the shot rebound past his head, just grazing him, and knocking off his hat!

Upcoming tournaments: Rum for Fun at Whangaparaoa is on Sunday, December 1st. Phone Whangaparaoa golf club to get your name down. Assemble at 9am for complementary run - tee off at 9.30am. December 8th is the RSA four club challenge, also at Whangaparaoa golf course. Tee off time is 10am, please get your cards in to Mark by 9.30am.

Mark the January 2020 RSA tournament on your new calendar - we are playing at Redwood Park on January 19th.

Please visit the HBC RSA Web page for all the latest news from the club

<http://hbcrsa.org.nz/sections-and-clubs/>

On behalf of - **The Golf Committee**

John Gillespie jacket winner



Snooker Club

The Snooker championship Singles Competition is nearing the Finals stage. The last semifinal will be played on Wednesday 4 December. Hopefully the Finals will be completed by 11 December.

The snooker tables are being well patronised throughout the week. Hopefully we will continue to get new members as people try out the game, and appreciate how enjoyable it is.

On behalf of the Snooker Club I would like to wish all RSA members a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

John Walding

Snooker Leader