

# Croatian Cultural Society Of New Zealand (Inc)



Hrvatsko Kulturno Društvo – Newsletter February, 2015 – Volume 35

## Annual General Meeting

**Sunday 17th May 2015—2pm**

All members are notified that the Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 17th May at 2.00pm at our Society Club rooms.

### Agenda

Apologies  
Minutes of Previous AGM Meeting  
Matters Arising  
Correspondence—incoming/outgoing  
President's Report  
Treasurer's Report  
Financial Overseers Report  
Election of Scrutineers  
Election and Appointment of Officers  
Election and Appointment of Financial Overseers  
Member Fees Recommendation

### General Business

#### Membership Fees for 2014/2015

Please be aware that your CCS membership subscriptions must be paid for the 2014/2015 financial year. This payment is required **before** Sunday 17th of May 2015 in order to attend the AGM.

## Events Calendar

<b>CCS Kids Playgroup</b>	<b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2015</b> 9.30am at the CCS Clubrooms (Final one for the year)
<b>CCS Annual Buce Tournament</b>	<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February &amp; Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2015</b> 10am, CCS Clubrooms See flyer for details
<b>Vrgorac Dinner &amp; Dance</b>	<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March, 2015</b> 7pm, CCS Clubrooms
<b>KT Trivia Night</b>	<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2015</b> More details to come!

## Presidents Report February 2015

### ***Congratulations Auckland City FC***

The Croatian Cultural Society would like to congratulate Auckland City FC on their fabulous achievement of third place in Morocco at the Club World Cup!

Congratulations to Ivan Vicelich, the Auckland City FC captain and the most-capped international player, who was made a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit, this capping an outstanding year which saw him lead his side to third at the Club World Cup, where he was also named the third best player, and received a Halberg Award nomination for sportsman of the year. What a great achievement! Ivan you and the boys made us extremely proud.



*Auckland City FC's Ivan Vicelich, left, celebrates after defeating ES Setif during the soccer match against ES Setif. Photo / AP*

*When Auckland City beat Moroccan champions Moghreb Tetouan to advance to the quarter-final of the Club World Cup, coach Ramon Tribulietx said it was "probably" the best moment of his coaching career.*

*But when the amateur Kiwi side stunned the footballing world by beating the African champions ES Setif 1-0 to set up a semifinal with Argentine giants San Lorenzo, there was no more playing coy.*

*"It's definitely the best moment now," Tribulietx said. "We are not professionals but we have beaten two professional sides to get to the semifinal of the Club World Cup without conceding a goal. It's just dream world, this is unbelievable."*

*The footballing world is now at Auckland's feet. (New Zealand Herald)*



*Auckland City FC players celebrate their quarter-final win*

Our Annual Croatian Picnic, on the 25<sup>th</sup> of January, had a record turnout of club members and friends of the society. The weather didn't disappoint and a great day was had by one and all.

We have our Annual Croatian Buće Tournament coming up on Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> February & Sunday the 1<sup>st</sup> of March. This promises to be a fantastic fun filled family weekend and don't forget the delicious dinners prepared by the kitchen crew. Please refer to the flyer in this newsletter.

Coming up on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March is Vrgorac Night our first regional dinner and dance for 2015. Our own resident band Prva Liga will be performing and a delicious dinner will be on offer. Tickets are available for purchase from Len Stulich and Anton Tolich. Please refer to the flyer in this newsletter.

The next Consular days for the Croatian Consulate General in Auckland will be held during mid April. Confirmed dates will be published in the next CCS Newsletter.

I look forward to seeing you all at our Buće Tournament and our regional dinner and dance – Vrgorac Night.

Bog I Hrvati  
Goran Katich

## **Croatia Rugby Test: Rugby Campaign 2014**

In the first two weeks of November the Croatian National Rugby team played two tests in our division of European Nations Cup competition.

In the first game against Malta in Malta, we played well in patches and scored 4 tries to 3 against. Unfortunately for us, the home team, who was supported by a vocal crowd managed to convert their kicking chances and held on to take the win 31-26. By finishing within 7 point and scoring 4 tries we got 2 important competition points from the game.

We returned home for the following week's fixture against Israel, the newly promoted side to our group. In a bruising encounter the side dug deep and held off a physical Israeli team in an entertaining match broadcast live on HRT2 television. New Zealand based players Mario Ozich and Dusan Hakaraia both had major rolls to play in the match with Dusan scoring one of the teams 5 tries and Mario finishing the game heavily bandaged around his head after a collision in the first half. The team enjoyed playing in front of our home crowd at Stadion Stari plac in Split (home of Nada Rugby Club) and it was the first opportunity for us to show off our new BLK jerseys



and playing gear, kindly sponsored by Peter and Tyler Rakich of BLK New Zealand. A final score line of 31 – 20 gave us 5 competition points to add to the 2 gained from the Malta game. This leaves us with 7 points from a maximum of 10 after two matches and has us sitting 2<sup>nd</sup> on the points table.

The team is well aware of the support it receives from New Zealand as is very appreciative of this and honoured to be able to represent Croatians from all corners of the world.



## SAVE THE DATE - QUIZZ NIGHT AT THE CRO CLUB!!!



**FRIDAY 1<sup>st</sup> MAY**

Have a fun night out with friends and at the same time help raise funds to support the KT Folklore Ensemble 2015 Tour to Croatia.

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Look out for further details in the next newsletter.

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# VRGORAC

## *Dinner & Dance*

SATURDAY  
28<sup>th</sup> March

7PM

Music by PRVA LIGA

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ADULTS \$45



UNDER 10 FREE  
10-18 YEARS \$20

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Len Stulich [len@adriacp.co.nz](mailto:len@adriacp.co.nz) 021 893 500 or 412 9817

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*IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE NZ CROATIAN BUĆE ASSOCIATION THE CCS IS DELIGHTED TO ANNOUNCE THE*

# **ANNUAL CROATIAN BUĆE TOURNAMENT**



**SATURDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> FEB & SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> MARCH**

**CCS CLUBROOMS ● 10AM START**

Come to the club any Sunday to practice your skills in order to take the 2015 title.

- Teams are to consist of three players.
- Only one regular Sunday player (currently or formerly) per team (**NO EXCEPTIONS**).
- Entry is \$150 per team which includes complimentary dinner on each of the two nights.
- The team with the best uniform will win a bar tab at the club.
- Games to be played to 13 and you must win by 2.
- "HUGE" prize pool! Find entry form included in this newsletter.

**FINAL DATE FOR REGISTRATION IS 24TH OF FEBRUARY. NO EX-  
CEPTIONS, DON'T EXPECT TO PLAY IF YOUR FORM ARRIVES  
LATE!**

For queries contact Steven Stulich 021 779 500 or [steven@adriacp.co.nz](mailto:steven@adriacp.co.nz)

## Society Information

### Bereavement Notice

To all members and families who have lost loved ones, we offer our sincere condolences and deepest sympathies.

Počivali u Miru Božjem

### CCS Hall Hire

Hall and kitchen available for events and functions. For booking, options and more information please contact Rosana Vuksich on 027 478 2740

### CCS Soccer NK Auckland Croatia

If you are interested in registering for soccer with our Society, contact Fabian Ukich for more information about joining NK Auckland Croatia.

Fabian Ukich: 021 987 250

### New Zealand Croatia Cricket

New Zealand Croatia Cricket exists to provide a home for New Zealanders with Croatian ancestry to come together through their mutual love of cricket to connect, share and celebrate their Croatian heritage and culture. Check us out at:

[www.nwezealandcroatiacricket.weebly.com](http://www.nwezealandcroatiacricket.weebly.com)

For further information please contact

John Vujnovich: 021 922 044

### Croatian Library

The Society's library is currently under construction. Thank you for your patience.

### Our Kitchen

#### **Sunday Dinners 6pm**

Call 836-6550 between 3pm and 5pm to pre-book your dinner or come along and place your order. **As of 1st February 2015 Sunday dinners will be \$20.00.**



Cost \$15 for a delicious hot dinner provided by the Sunday evening kitchen crew.

### Croatian Rugby Reps – NZ

If you are interested in being associated or playing rugby in Croatia (with the possibility of playing for the Croatian National Team), contact the New Zealand Representatives for Croatian Rugby:

Michael Borich: 021-717-303

Michael Nola: 021-051-1139

### Folklore

Senior Group: 16yrs and over

Middle Group: 11yrs – 15yrs,

Junior Group: 4yrs – 10yrs

### **KT Registrations:**

Anyone interested in joining The Kralj Tomislav Folklore Ensemble please visit the CCS Website for a registration form.

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### New Members – Invited

If you have friends and family that are eligible to join, encourage them to enjoy the privilege of being a member of our Society. We offer our members a place where they can uphold their Croatian identity and enjoy the services on offer – including sports, kolo, choir, card playing, bowls, library services and film nights, various social functions and more. Your nomination and their membership will be mutually rewarding to us all.

### Subscriptions

A friendly reminder to those members who have overlooked their membership. If you are unsure of the status of your membership please call the Secretary for an update. We remind you that only

financial members are eligible to attend the Members Meetings.

### New Member Applications

The following applications for full membership have been recieved:

**Ujdur, Joe & Tamara & family** - nominated by Goran Katich and seconded by Barry Stulich

According to the rules of our Society, any objection to any membership application notification must be lodged in writing to the Secretary within 14 days of notification.

### CCS Children's Playgroup

The **CCS Children's Playgroup** is meeting fortnightly on Friday mornings, from 9:30am-12:00pm as suits. The next playgroup for 2015 is **Friday February 20<sup>th</sup>**. All are welcome for a coffee and kids play time. If you have any questions or would like to join the email database, please contact Deanna Vuksich Tarawa at [dvuksich@hotmail.com](mailto:dvuksich@hotmail.com).



### Tamburica & Instrumental Tuition Lessons

If you or any person you know of are interested in learning the tamburica or another musical instrument, contact:

Goran Kačurov: 021-877-247

### Croatian Language Lessons

For information about learning the Croatian language please contact the club secretary on: [ccssecretary@hotmail.co.nz](mailto:ccssecretary@hotmail.co.nz).

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