

# Croatian Cultural Society Of New Zealand (Inc)



Hrvatsko Kulturno Društvo – Newsletter October, 2015 – Volume 40

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly Members Meeting

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2015—4pm**

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly Members meeting for the 2015/2016 year will be held at our Society Club rooms at 4pm. All members and their families can stay on following the meeting as Sunday Dinner will be available.

### Agenda

Apologies	Treasurer's report
Minutes of previous quarterly	Financial Overseer's report
Correspondence incoming/	General business
President's report	



## Events Calendar

<b>Croatian Consular Days June 2015</b>	31 <sup>st</sup> October, 1 <sup>st</sup> , 28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> November 2015 10am - 6pm, CCS Clubrooms
<b>CCS Kids Playgroup</b>	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> October, 2015 9.30am at the CCS clubrooms
<b>CCS Annual Ladies Luncheon</b>	Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> November, 2015 11am, CCS Clubrooms See flyer for details
<b>Inter-village Tournament 2015</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> , 13 <sup>th</sup> & 15 <sup>th</sup> November, 2015 Taking registrations to play now—see flyer
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly Members Meeting</b>	Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November, 2015 4pm at the CCS Clubrooms
<b>Kids Christmas Party</b>	Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> November, 2015 2pm, CCS Clubrooms
<b>Kralj Tomislav Christmas Concert</b>	Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> December, 2015 CCS Clubrooms

## Kids Playgroup Zoo Trip



*Kids playgroup trip to Auckland Zoo - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October*

## Presidents Report – October 2015

After a relatively quiet winter, we have an extremely busy summer ahead of us.

We will be starting the summer programme with our Annual Inter Village Tournament. This year's tournament will be held over 3 days, starting with Friday evening the 6<sup>th</sup> of November - 7pm start, followed by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November - 7pm start and all day Sunday the 15<sup>th</sup>. A delicious \$25 'Lamb on the Spit' dinner will follow. For more information refer to the flyer in this newsletter.

Our Annual Ladies Luncheon is on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> of November. Last year's Ladies Luncheon was a great success, and I am sure this year's will be as well. Be sure to book your table A.S.A.P to ensure your spot! Please refer to the enclosed flyer for more details.

Loreta, our 'flying' Consulate, will be here at the clubrooms on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October and Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> of November, followed by another visit on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November and Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November. Please refer to the enclosed notice for more details.

As I mentioned in our previous newsletter, the Croatian Cultural Society Annual Picnic venue has changed to Wenderholm Regional Park. The Society's 2016 annual picnic will as usual be held on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> January – the Sunday of Auckland Anniversary Weekend. As many of you are aware, a working picnic committee, consisting of committee members from the Croatian Cultural Society & Dalmatian Cultural Society was formed. Our respective picnic subcommittees will be meeting shortly to work out the logistics of the day i.e. children's games etc. It will be a wonderful opportunity to catch up with family and friends in our community, and more importantly, to get our children and grandchildren together. We are looking forward to seeing you all there at this event.

Please check our calendar in this newsletter for the other exciting events coming to you before the end of the year, which also include our Kids Christmas Party and our KT Christmas Concert!

In conclusion, I would like to sincerely thank everyone who has worked hard to make our Society succeed and prosper. I look forward to seeing you all at our upcoming events.

Bog I Hrvati

Goran Katich

## 41st Croatian Football Tournament of Australia and New Zealand

Rocklea, Brisbane was the venue for the 41st Croatian Football Tournament of Australia and New Zealand held from 1-4 October. Our hosts, the Brisbane Knights and the Brisbane Croatian Community Centre were ready to welcome 39 teams from across Australia and New Zealand.

The NK Auckland Croatia women's team flew out on Thursday morning, already suffering from the loss of three players to injury just weeks and even days out from the tournament. Arriving to 28 degrees and a cloudless sky we knew we would be battling not only the other teams, but also the heat.

At the opening ceremony, the CSAA (Savez) unveiled a gift they had received from the Mayor of Knin, Gospodin Josipe Rimac. A large Croatian flag that not so long ago was flown from the Kninska Trdava during the 20th anniversary of Operation Oluja. The flag will be displayed at all future tournaments.

There were nine women's teams split into two groups with Auckland Croatia placed in the group of five. Our first game on Friday was against HNK Edensor Park from Sydney. An early 8.00am kick off, we scored twice and held on to win 2-0.

Our second game was versus Gospic Bears from Melbourne. The 2:00pm heat almost robbed us of another player and the Gospic defenders and keeper kept denying us any cause to celebrate until near the closing minutes when we were able to get in three quick goals to win 3-0.

The third and last game of the day was against Melbourne Croatia. We had watched the opening women's game the night before between Melbourne and Adelaide Lisice, giving us a glimpse of the high level of football we were to expect from these teams. Kicking off at a cooler 5.00pm this game was a nail biter. Auckland Croatia was almost unrecognisable as they stepped up to the challenge with some superb footwork and one touch passing in a fast paced game. Melbourne Croatia became the first team to get one past us, however we were able to equalise and held on to draw 1-1 at full time.

Adelaide Lisice were the final team to face in the group stage on Saturday morning. Needing a win or a draw to advance to the semi-finals and knowing that Melbourne Croatia had already beaten them, we knew we had a fighting chance. With the advantage of having watched Adelaide play twice our girls did exactly as required and secured our place in the semi-finals with a 1-0 win.

Croatia Deakin from Canberra, tournament winners for the last two years, were our opposition in the semi-final and we knew this would be a step up. We put up a grand fight, but their fast passing game combined with the afternoon 32 degree heat took its toll. When the final whistle blew we had lost 3-0.

The loss allowed us to relax on Saturday night, so we had some time out, swam in the pool and had a wonderful barbeque meal. Sunday was finals day and we returned to the club to watch North Geelong oust Canberra in a penalty shootout in the Women's final, eat our last cevapi sandwich or burek and soak up the atmosphere.

None of the above would have been achieved without our team manager Michael Marinovich and our inspirational coach Phillip Pickering-Parker. Also not to



be forgotten are our supporters who also doubled as the team chefs, launderers, nurses etc Anne-Marie Laing, Denise Hislop and Zdenko Pusich.

Nevenka Erceg.

#### Tournament Results:

Division 1:	Melbourne	Knights
Division 2:	Gospic	Bears
Masters:	Strathmore	Split
Women's:	North	Geelong
Miss Croatia Australia and NZ:	Miss Brisbane	Knights, Anja Botic
Runner up:	Miss North	Geelong, Antonija Erceg
Miss Personality:	Miss Strathmore	Split, Natalie Konjevic
Host Club 2016:	Adelaide Croatia	



## CROATIAN CONSULATE GENERAL AUCKLAND: NOVEMBER 2015 CONSULAR DAYS

Consular days for the Croatian Consulate General in Auckland will be held from **Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October to Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2015**, with the following schedule:

**Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October from 10am to 6pm**

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November from 10am to 6pm**

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November from 10am to 6pm**

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November from 10am to 6pm**

The Consular days will be held at the Croatian Cultural Society clubrooms 161 McLeod Road, Te Atatu South. Payments for consular services need to be in the form of a cheque. We are unable to accept Eftpos or cash.

For all enquiries  
please email [crocons.auckland@mvep.hr](mailto:crocons.auckland@mvep.hr)

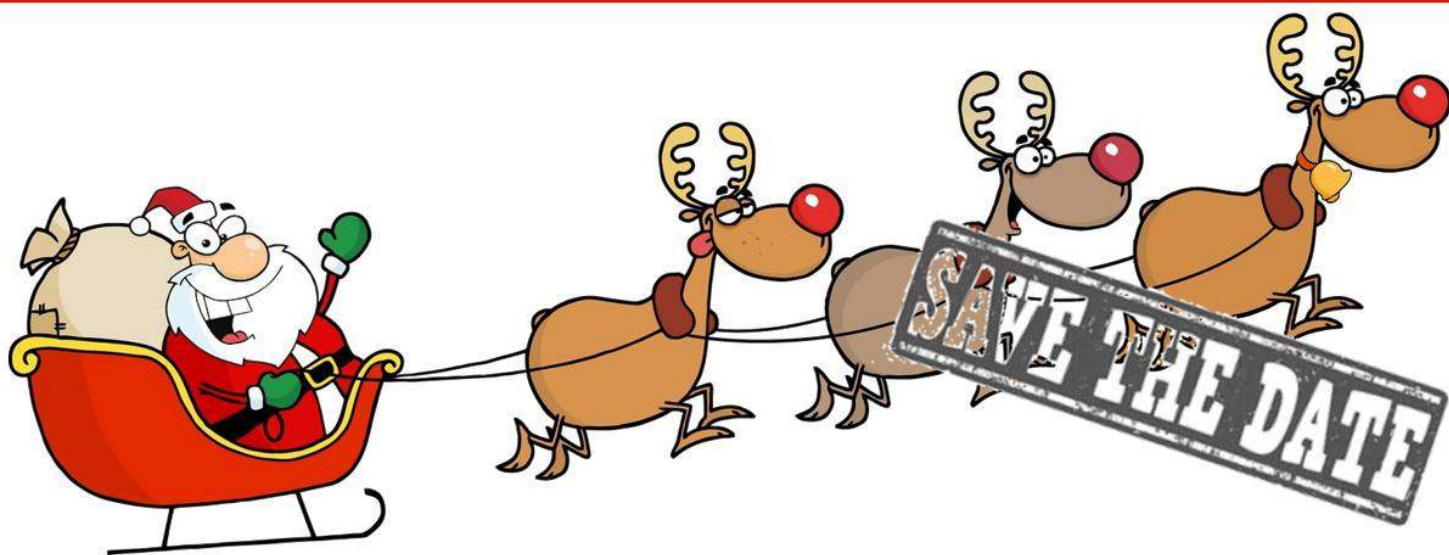
**SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER**  
**CCS CLUBROOMS 2PM**

### JOIN US FOR HOLIDAY CHEER....

*Christmas arts/crafts, face painting, games  
and afternoon tea!*

*Bring a wrapped, named gift (no more than \$10 in value)  
A plate for afternoon tea appreciated*

# KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY 2015







**The Croatian Cultural Society presents**

**HELEN MEDLYN**

**Mezzo Soprano, dancer, actress,  
musical theatre performer.....**

# **LADIES LUNCHEON**

**Sunday  
November 8<sup>th</sup>  
11.30am**

**TICKETS \$45**

**Katica Katich 834 7237 ccssecretary@hotmail.com**



# INTER-VILLAGE

ROBERT VICELICH MEMORIAL TROPHY 2015

**6<sup>TH</sup> 13<sup>TH</sup> & 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2015**

CROATIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY CLUBROOMS - 161 MCLEOD ROAD, TE ATATU

**TEAM MANAGERS:** Vrgorac: Stefan Lausev 021-633-848/Korcula: Nicky Farac 021-758-591/Pupnat: Ivan Tvrdeich 021-1075-261/Hvar: Zoran Bartulovich 021-478-777/Zagreb: Miro Major 021-384-237/Podgora: Mike Marinovich 0274-961-551/Račišće David Unkovich: 021 870 876



*Friday 6<sup>th</sup> - 6pm - 9.30pm followed by regional DJ Ante till late*

*Friday 13<sup>th</sup> - 6pm - 9.30pm followed by regional DJ Ante till late*

*Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> - start time 10am followed by prize giving/lamb on the spit*

PLEASE FILL IN A REGISTRATION FORM TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN FOR THE VERY POPULAR JUNIOR INTERVILLAGE TOURNAMENT

**Contact Fabian: [fabianu@ihug.co.nz](mailto:fabianu@ihug.co.nz) 021 987 250 or Nada: [nada.stulich@xtra.co.nz](mailto:nada.stulich@xtra.co.nz) 021 587 388**

**KIDS PLAYGROUP TRIP TO AUCKLAND ZOO - FRIDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**





# KRALJ TOMISLAV



## CHRISTMAS CONCERT

5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

TICKETS ON SALE SOON - SAVE THE DATE

Katica Katich 834 7237 [ccssecretary@hotmail.com](mailto:ccssecretary@hotmail.com)

## 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.newzealandcroatiacricket.weebly.com](http://www.newzealandcroatiacricket.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 \$20 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.

Contacts:

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Nada Stulich:

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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

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 October 30<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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