

Croatian Cultural Society Of New Zealand (Inc)



Hrvatsko Kulturno Društvo - Newsletter November, 2017 - Volume 53

2nd Quarterly Members Meeting

Sunday 19th November 2017 - 4pm

The 2nd Quarterly Members meeting for the 2017/2018 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
- Minutes of previous quarterly meeting
- Correspondence
- President's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Financial Overseer's Report
- General Business

Events Calendar

Ladies Luncheon	Sunday 12 th November, 2017 11.30am, CCS Clubrooms
Junior Inter-village	Saturday, 18 th November, 2017 CCS Clubrooms, time to be advised
2 nd Quarterly Meeting	Sunday 19 th November, 2017 4pm, CCS Clubrooms
Inter-village Tournament	Saturday 2 nd & Sunday 3 rd December, 2017 CCS Clubrooms
Kralj Tomislav Christmas Concert	Saturday 9 th December, 2017 6pm, CCS Clubrooms
CCS Kids Christmas Party	Sunday 10 th December, 2017 2pm, CCS Clubrooms
CCS Annual Croatian Picnic	Sunday 28 th January, 2018 Wenderholm Regional Park



CONGRATULATIONS TO HNK AUCKLAND CROATIA FOR A STUNNING RETURN TO THE ANNUAL AUSTRALIAN NEW ZEALAND SOCCER TOURNAMENT WHICH SAW THEM MAKE THE FINAL IN THEIR DIVISION



President's Report – September 2017

I would like to congratulate HNK Auckland on their fabulous performance at the 43rd Croatian Soccer Tournament in Canberra, which was held at the end of September. Our boys did us proud and went all the way to the final, to go up against Brisbane Croatia. After a hard-fought game our team went down 2-0 in extra time. To achieve runner-up status in their first year as a new team and back in the tournament for the first time in many years is a testament to their hard work and organisational skills. Well done to the team managers Stefan Laušev, Fabian Ukich, Stefan Bebić, Nick Farac and Zoran Bartulović, and the entire team on a great achievement!

On behalf of the Committee and our members, I would like to congratulate Goran Katich, who has been appointed as the NZ representative for NZ Croatians abroad. As a member of this advisory group, Goran will have input into the decisions and policies made by the Croatian State Office for Croatians Abroad. We all wish Goran well, and I know that he will represent the interests of NZ Croatians with integrity and plenty of enthusiasm.

Goran succeeds Leo Panzić, who has done a superb job on our behalf. I would like to thank Leo for his services, not only in this position, but also as a great ambassador and champion of our Society over many years. As our Honorary Croatian Consul, he continues this great work, and we are very fortunate to have him representing us.

We have a busy schedule between now and Christmas, with many exciting events that we know you will enjoy, so make sure you lock them into your diary.

We have our annual Ladies Luncheon on Sunday the 12th of November, so get your friends together for what will be a great afternoon of food, friendship and entertainment.

Junior Inter-Village will be held this year on Saturday the 18th of November. With the outstanding growth in the number young players, this has now established itself as a standalone tournament in its own right. So, make sure you come along and support our young ones and cheer them on!

We then have the seniors playing for the Inter-Village Robert Vichelich Memorial Trophy on Saturday the 2nd and Sunday the 3rd of December. This is always one of the highlights in our calendar, and a feast of soccer action, as well as a great opportunity to catch up with friends and family.

On Saturday the 9th of December we have our annual Kralj Tomislav Christmas Concert. This will showcase the achievements of all of our kolo groups over this last year, and it will be a must-see concert. Make sure you get your tickets early.

This will be followed on Sunday the 10th of December with our annual Kids Christmas Party, so get the kids ready for some fun with their friends.

See the enclosed flyers for further details on all of these events.

Bog i Hrvati

Len Stulich

HNK Tour Breakdown

We were drawn in group A with defending champions Strathmore Split along with Canberra Croatia, HNK Edensor Park, and Zagreb Hurstville. We went through our group undefeated and finished on top with three wins, a draw and not a single goal conceded.

In a dramatic quarter final we defeated Wollongong Croatia on penalties to set up a semi final against a strong St Albans Vukovar. A late goal from Oliver Sardelic was enough to take us through to the final against Brisbane Croatia. This is where our dream return to the tournament ended, as we went down in extra time 0-2. The team put up a strong fight but it just wasn't meant to be.

Dean Lausev had an outstanding tournament for HNK Auckland and received the best and fairest award for our division. This is awarded to the player of the tournament and is a great achievement that recognises his hard work.

A big thank you must go to Deakin Croatia for hosting an excellent tournament that was very well organised and a pleasure to be a part of. Overall the tournament was a great success for us and we are truly proud of all the hard work we have put in and how we have represented our club members and sponsors in Canberra. A big thank you must also go to Steve Laus for managing the team all the way to the final.

Next year's tournament will be held in Gold Coast, Australia from the 27th of September to the 1st of October. I'm sure this is going to be a huge tournament and we look forward to sending our team over in our quest to go one step further and win the second division.

HNK FESTA - Awards Night and 25 Year Reunion

On Saturday the 16th of September at the Croatian Cultural Society our very own HNK Auckland Croatia hosted their end of season Festa which included an awards night and a 25 year reunion of the 1992 Croatian soccer team.

The night was fantastic and enjoyed by all, the reunion being the special touch. This gave the 'originals' a chance to catch up and relive the good times they had together in that inaugural season, with special guest Scott Tomas coming over from Australia. The highlight for them, as many know, was winning the Ethnic World Cup vs Scotland at Anderson Park. We heard more stories as the night went on and this part of the night concluded with the current team donating two framed pennants to the Croatian Cultural Society, one from 1992 and the other from 2017. This was in honour of 25 years of Croatian football in Auckland. The current team know we owe a debt of gratitude to the 1992 squad and organisers for getting the ball rolling. We salute you.

2017 Season Awards Ceremony

We would like to congratulate our 2017 award recipients:

Supporters of the Year:

Christopher Marinovic and Mirko Rosandic

Players' Player: Petar Curin

Golden Boot: Oliver Sardelic

Player of the Year: Felipe Corredor

We would like to thank our team sponsors this year: Lufthansa, Eurodell, Flyadriatic, Promet Makarska, Eco-Lightech, Botica Timber, Steve Nuic, and Stirling Sports New Lynn and North West. Your support in getting the team over to Canberra for the 43rd Australian and New Zealand Croatian Soccer Tournament was greatly appreciated. We wouldn't have made it there without you. The team loved having you at the club and we hope you had a good night.

We would also like to thank all those who helped set up and decorate the hall, most notably Anija Lausev, Marlen and Annette Farac, Nada Stulic, and Katica Katich. Special thanks to Grant Cibilich for providing the audiovisual equipment for the evening and to Prva Liga for providing the live entertainment. The drinks were flowing and the spread put out was unbelievable. It was so good that many went back for a second helping! So a very special thanks to our lovely men and women in the kitchen and the bar. Over 270 guests attended the evening and they all seemed to have left satisfied. Well done to all our hard working volunteers!

Lastly we would like to thank the HNK Committee. A lot of extra hours have been put in by Nick Farac, Fabian Ukic, Stefan Lausev, Stefan Bebic, and Zoran Kacic-Bartulovic. We now set our sights on the 2018 season here in Auckland. We have already started working hard to make the next season bigger and better than the last.


HNK AUCKLAND

HNK AUCKLAND 2017

Canberra, Australia Croatian Tournament


HNK AUCKLAND


PROMET
Makarska


ECOLIGHTTECH


STEVE NUICH
PANELBEATERS SPRAYPAINTERS


EURO-DELL
IMPORTERS OF FINE FOODS


flyadriatic
EUROPEAN AIRWAYS SPECIALIST


BTS


Stirling Sports
New Lynn & NorthWest



BACK ROW:
L-R Steve Laus Manager, Tomislav-Ante Trbuhovic, Mijo Kacic Bartulovic, Luka Matkovic, Stefan Lausev, Petar Curin, Jacob Posa, Regont Murati, Zoran Kacic Bartulovic (C), Christopher Marinovic Assist. Manager.

Front Row:
L-R Stjepan-Jakov Trbuhovic, Oliver Sardlic, Dean Lausev, Tony Tomas, Marko Nuic, Anthony Hagan, Paul Rhodes.





The Croatian Cultural Society presents

LADIES LUNCHEON

SUNDAY 12TH NOVEMBER * 11.30AM

WITH SPECIAL GUEST

Deanna Didovich

Deanna is the talented designer behind the brand RUBY; an elegant, youthful, modern label.

TICKETS * ADULTS \$45 * UNDER 12 \$25

To reserve your table contact Katica 834 7237 ccssecretary@hotmail.co.nz

JUNIOR INTER-VILLAGE

SATURDAY
18
NOVEMBER

Junior Inter-Village
Group Play Kick Off 10.00AM
Semi Finals Kick Off 2.00PM
Finals Kick Off 3.30PM

KNOW SOMEONE
THAT WANTS TO PLAY?
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR
TEAM MANAGERS!
CONTACT US TODAY!

✓ PLAYGROUND
✓ BOUNCEY CASTLE
✓ BAR
✓ MUSIC
✓ BBQ MEALS
✓ FUN



VENUE: CROATIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY 161 MCLEOD ROAD, TE ATATU
PLEASE FILL IN A REGISTRATION FORM TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN
FOR THE JUNIOR INTERVILLAGE TOURNAMENT
CONTACT: FABIAN fabianu@ihug.co.nz 021-587-250 or NADA nada.stalich@stra.co.nz 021-587-388



INTER-VILLAGE

ROBERT VICELICH MEMORIAL TROPHY

2017

SATURDAY

2

&
SUNDAY

3

DECEMBER

SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

2
DECEMBER

Mens Inter-Village
Group Play Kick Off 10.00AM Rounds 1 - 3

SUNDAY

3
DECEMBER

Mens Inter-Village
Group Play Kick Off 11.00AM Rounds 4 - 5
Semi Finals Kick Off 2.00PM
Finals Kick Off 3.00PM
Prize Giving & Full Dinner to follow.

✓ PLAYGROUND
✓ BOUNCEY CASTLE
✓ BAR
✓ MUSIC
✓ BBQ MEALS
✓ FUN

WANT TO PLAY? CONTACT A TEAM MANAGER!

2016 WINNERS -

ZAGREB	Miro Major 021-384-237
KORČULA	Nick Farac 021-758-591
PUPNAT	Nik Posa 021-046-6380
RACISČE	David Unkovich 021-870-876
HVAR	Zoran Bartulovich 021-478-777
SUČURAJ	Tomi Slavich 021-023-16511
PODGORA	Mike Marinovich 0274-961-551
NERETVA	Stefan Bebich 021-0491-772
VRGORAC	Stefan Lausey 021-633-844
SPLIT	Luka Matkovic 021-129-6197

SHOW YOUR COLOURS
SUPPORT YOUR TEAM!

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CONTACT: FABIAN fabianu@ihug.co.nz 021-587-250 or NADA nada.stalich@stra.co.nz 021-587-388

The Croatian Cultural Society presents the

Kralj Tomislav

CHRISTMAS CONCERT 6pm

2017
December 9th
Saturday

Croatian Cultural Society

161 McLeod Road, Te Atatu

ADULTS \$30 * KIDS UNDER 12 \$15

Tickets: Katica Katich ccssecretary@hotmail.co.nz/8347237

Concert will be theatre style
seating - first in first served

Supper provided * a plate for
coffee would be much appreciated





COME ALONG FOR CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES INCLUDING BOUNCY CASTLE,
CRAFTS, FACE PAINTING AND MUCH MORE!

KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER*2PM*CCS



WITH SPECIAL GUEST
SANTA

PLEASE BRING A WRAPPED, NAMED GIFT FOR YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN NO MORE
THAN \$10 IN VALUE

A PLATE FOR AFTERNOON TEA WOULD BE GRATEFULLY APPRECIATED

THE CROATIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY PRESENTS

The Annual Croatian PICNIC

SUNDAY 28TH JANUARY 2018 ❖ WENDERHOLM REGIONAL PARK

Fun and friendship for the
whole family!

GAMES AND RACES FROM 2.30PM

WHERE:

Wenderholm Regional Park
37 Schischka Road, Waiwera
Park entrance is on State Highway 1
just north of Waiwera
Park Area: Site 2

WHEN:

Sunday 28th January - All day

WHAT TO BRING:

Picnic gear, lunch/dinner for your
family, swimming togs, beach games
and your whole family!

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

Summer gate opening hours: 6am-9pm

Wenderholm has no rubbish bins so
please take your rubbish home with
you!

There are 3 designated car parks for
use

We have booked site 2 along with the
Dalmatian Cultural Society

For directions to the park please
follow the link on our Facebook
page under the 'events' section

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE SOCIETY CLUBROOMS WILL BE CLOSED ON THIS DAY

For more information please contact the secretary at ccssecretary@hotmail.co.nz

PHOTO GALLERY *Visit our Facebook page for more photos*

HNK Auckland Croatia at the 43rd Annual Australian New Zealand Soccer Tournament



Photos from Croatian Independence Day, 8th October, 2017 with Mr Zvonko Milas, State Secretary of the State Office for Croats abroad and his collaborators and Mr Ivan Penava, Mayor of Vukovar. In attendance was also Ms Croatiana Orešković and Mr Dario Magdić and Vukovar veterans Damir Plavšić and Damir Markuš.



Photos with the Bosnian President Dragan Čović and members from our Society on Sunday 29th of October



Photos courtesy of Josip Matkovich

SOCIETY NOTICES

CCS Playgroup Notice

We are pleased to advise that the CCS Playgroup has started up again at the Croatian Cultural Society! It's a chance for families within our community to bring along their pre-schoolers to meet for a kids and adult catch-up.

The group meets monthly on Monday mornings from 9:00am-11:00am as suits. All are welcome for a coffee and kids playtime.

If you have any questions or would like to join the email database, please contact Iva Stulich:
ivastulich@gmail.com

**The next playgroup is on:
Monday 27th November, 2017**

Kitchen and Bar Christmas Hours

BAR - CLOSED ON SUNDAY THE 24TH DECEMBER 2017 & SUNDAY 31ST OF DECEMBER 2017. THE BAR WILL REOPEN ON SUNDAY 7TH OF JANUARY 2018.

**KITCHEN - CLOSED FROM SUNDAY THE 24TH OF DECEMBER 2017 UNTIL SUNDAY THE 28TH OF JANUARY 2018.
THE KITCHEN WILL REOPEN ON SUNDAY THE 4TH OF FEBRUARY 2018.**

THE CROATIAN ANNUAL PICNIC IS ON SUNDAY 28TH JANUARY 2018 - THE CLUBROOMS WILL BE CLOSED THAT DAY

SOCIETY INFORMATION

BEREAVEMENT NOTICE

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

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CCS HALL HIRE

Hall and kitchen available for events and functions. For bookings, options and more information please contact:

Bozenka Mrkusich 021 341 634.

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

For further information please contact:

John Vujnovich 021 922 044

OUR KITCHEN

SUNDAY DINNERS 6PM

Call 836 6550 between 3pm - 5pm to pre-book your dinner or come long and place your order. **Dinner tickets are \$20** for a delicious hot dinner provided by the Sunday evening kitchen crew.

CROATIAN LANGUAGE LESSONS

For information about learning the Croatian language please contact the club secretary on:

ccssecretary@hotmail.co.nz

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

Michal Nola 021 051 1139

AUSCRO GOLF CONTACTS

Mladen Goricki: 027 454 5074 or

Nick Suvalko: 027 481 0586

FOLKLORE

Anyone interested in joining the Kralj Tomislav Folklore Ensemble please visit the CCS Website for a registration form or contact:

Goran Kačurov:

kacurovs@yahoo.co.nz

Nada Stulich:

nada.stulich@xtra.co.nz

Our groups include:

Senior Group: 16 years and over

Intermediate Group: 10-15 years

Junior Group: 4-9 years

Orchestra

NEW MEMBERS INVITED

If you have friends and family that are eligible to join, encourage them to enjoy the privilege of being members of our Society.

We offer our members a place where they can uphold their Croatian identity and enjoy the services on offer which includes sports, kolo, choir, card playing, bowls, library services and Consular visits, 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 or email the secretary, Katica Katich for an update. We remind you that only financial members are eligible to attend the Members Meetings.

Katica Katich

ccssecretary@hotmail.co.nz

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS

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



CCS CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUP

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TAMBURICA & INSTRUMENT TUITION

If you or any person you know of are interested in learning the tamburica or another musical instrument, contact Goran Kačurov: 021 877 247



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Bar Manager	Goran Katich
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CCS Kids Playgroup	Katica Katich: ccssecretary@hotmail.co.nz
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