

Croatian Cultural Society Of New Zealand (Inc)



Hrvatsko Kulturno Društvo - Newsletter March, 2018 - Volume 55

Annual General Meeting

Saturday 19th May 2018 - 4pm

All members are notified that the Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday 19th May at 4.00pm at our Society Clubrooms.

Agenda:

Apologies
Minutes of previous quarterly meeting
Correspondence
President's Report
Treasurer's Report
Financial Overseer's Report
General Business

Events Calendar

Consular Days

14th & 15th April, 2018

See inside newsletter for opening hours

Sunday Night Lamb on the Spit

Sunday 29th April, 2018

6pm, CCS Clubrooms

Vrgorac Vecer

Saturday 12th May, 2018

CCS Clubrooms featuring NENAD VETMA

Annual General Meeting

Saturday 19th May, 2018

4pm, CCS Clubrooms

Croatian National Night

Saturday 9th June, 2018

CCS Clubrooms

Membership Fee Notice

This is a friendly reminder that the 2017/2018 membership fees are due. This payment is required before Saturday 19th of May 2018 in order to attend the AGM. **Note: No membership fees will be accepted on the day of the AGM.** Please feel free to contact the secretary at ccssecretary@hotmail.co.nz to check your membership status if you are unsure what it is.

WINNERS OF THE 2018 ANNUAL BUĆE TOURNAMENT



Winning team from left to right: Roy Milich, Tony Zivkovich & Tomislav Markotich

President's Report – March 2018

Our annual Buće Tournament was held on the 24th and 25th of February, and it was a wonderful weekend of buće and socialising, with superb weather as well. It was great to see another generation of younger players coming through and enjoying the game. Congratulations to the winning team 'Kamenjari' - consisting of Tomislav Markotić, Roy Milich and Tony Živković – well done on your win! The tournament resulted in a turnover in excess of \$24,000 and I would like to thank all the organisers and helpers who made the weekend possible.

Thank you also to Goran Vrdoljak, Vedran Skokandić, Mladen Gorički, and all the other volunteers who helped to build our new deck – a job well done! This was enjoyed by everyone at the buće tournament and is a great asset to our Society. We all appreciate the time and effort that you put into this.

We were proud to host 'Prva Liga' band on the following weekend. A great night was had by everyone that attended and I would like to thank all those that helped out on the night. The turnout was somewhat disappointing, however, and I would like to stress the importance of these functions and the need for us to all make an effort to support them. Whilst traditional functions like Balls and Dances seemed to have sadly faded into the history books, we should reflect on why this has happened and whether this is a positive thing or not. In my opinion, we certainly haven't advanced in terms of level our social interaction, and we are arguably going backwards on that front. Perhaps we should all reflect on this and look in the mirror, as I believe that we are all to blame for this ongoing malaise. I think we have a duty to turn this around, so that our younger people realise that there is a beautiful world out there and a more fulfilling life than one that is squandered by vegetating in front of the TV or Facebook.

On Friday the 6th of April, Croatian Rugby will be hosting a rugby luncheon with celebrity guests at the club to raise money for Croatian Rugby. This event is being organised by Michael Borich and Milan Yelavich, so if you are interested in attending this event or would like more information, please call Michael Borich on 021 717 303.

We will be celebrating 'Vrgorac Večer' on Saturday the 12th of May. This will feature the popular Croatian singer "Nenad Vetma", and this will be a great evening out. So please organise your table of friends and you can contact me for ticket reservations.

This will be followed in June by Croatian National Night (Saturday the 9th), which will include a celebration of 160 years of Croatian settlement in New Zealand. There will be a great programme from 'Kralj Tomislav', which will honour and celebrate these great achievements. Make sure you don't miss this.

To all of our members, I would like to wish you all a very happy Easter on behalf of our committee. Be kind to one another and enjoy the time spent with your loved ones and friends.

Bog i Hrvati,

Len Stulich

SUNDAY LAMB ON THE SPIT

CROATIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY
29TH OF APRIL 6PM

\$20.00



In the season of new beginnings, The Croatian Cultural Society Executive Committee wish our members a very blessed Easter with family and friends.

Sretan Uskrs



BEREAVEMENTS

Our sincere condolences to all members who have recently lost loved ones. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time of sorrow.

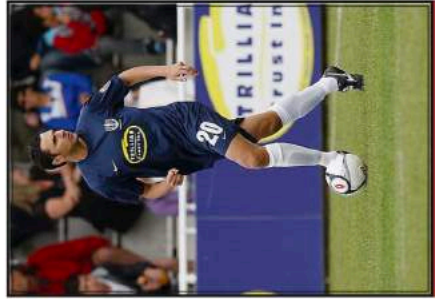
Počivali u Miru Božjem.

Mara (Marija) Sokol
Petar Usal (Usalj Peter)
Tomislav Panzic



GET TO
KNOW OUR
COACHES

HNK AUCKLAND Youth ACADEMY



GREG UHLMANN

CAREER
PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER, FOOTBALL COACH

PLAYING
CENTRAL UNITED FC 250 GAMES
AUCKLAND CITY FC 125 GAMES
BODENS BK SWEDEN
NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL TEAM

6 NATIONAL LEAGUE TITLES
4 CHATHAM CUPS TITLES
2 OCEANIA CHAMPIONS LEAGUES TITLES
2 FIFA CLUB WORLD CUP APPEARANCES
1 SWEDISH DIVISION 1 TITLE

COACHING
KRISTIN COLLEGE 2014-2015
RUTHERFORD FIRST 11 COACH 2017
- TRIDENT TOURNAMENT WINNERS
AUCKLAND CITY FC 2017 - ASSISTANT COACH

LICENSES
JUNIOR LEVEL 1
YOUTH LEVEL 3
SENIOR LEVEL 2 (OCEANIA C LICENSE)



DEAN LAUSEV

CAREER
PHYSICAL EDUCATION TEACHER AT SAINT KENTIGERN COLLEGE

PLAYING
CENTRAL UNITED FC OVER 100 GAMES
AUCKLAND CITY FC YOUTH
AUCKLAND CITY FC
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1 UNDER 15 NIKE CUP WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE
1 YOUTH NATIONAL LEAGUE TITLE
1 NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE TITLE
CENTRAL UNITED PLAYER OF THE YEAR AND PLAYERS PLAYER
2017 PLAYER OF THE TOURNAMENT AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND CROATIAN
FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT
AUCKLAND CITY FC YOUTH CAPTAIN
CENTRAL UNITED CAPTAIN

COACHING
AUCKLAND CITY FC PLAYER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
ST KENTIGERN 14 A GRADE COACH
ST KENTIGERN ACADEMY COACH

LICENSES
YOUTH LEVEL 2

SIGN
UP
TODAY!



DATE: FIRST TERM SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
TIME: 9AM - 12NOON
WHO: BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 5-15
WHERE: CROATIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY 161 MCLEOD ROAD, TE ATATU
BRING: BOOTS AND DRINK BOTTLE

TRAIN
WITH THE
BEST!

HNK AUCKLAND Youth ACADEMY

EXPERT TRAINING BY
GREG UHLMANN
(OFC CHAMPIONS LEAGUE WINNER & AUCKLAND CITY FC LEGEND)

AND
DEAN LAUSEV
(NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE WINNER &
CENTRAL UNITED CLUB CAPTAIN)



JOIN
US!

PLEASE FILL IN A REGISTRATION FORM TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN
CONTACT US AT: hmkouthacademy@gmail.com

The CROATIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY is delighted to present

★ NENAD ★ VETMA

PERFORMING AT

VRGORAC VECER

THE CROATIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY

161 MCLEOD ROAD, TE ATATU

SATURDAY MAY 12TH ★ 2018 ★ 7PM

TICKETS \$50 ADULTS U12 \$20 ★ TABLE BOOKINGS CONTACT KATICA KATICH ccssecretary@hotmail.com/8347237

TICKET INCLUDES ENTRY AND DINNER

THE CROATIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY PRESENTS

Dan Državnosti
AND
160 Years Celebration
OF CROATIANS IN NEW ZEALAND

*With performances from
Kralj Tomislav Folklore Ensemble*

❖ COME AND CELEBRATE ❖

SATURDAY 9TH | JUNE | AT 6.30PM
THE CROATIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY
161 | MCLEOD ROAD | TE ATATU SOUTH

*Special guest His Excellency
Dr. Damir Kušen*



TICKETS \$40 | INCLUDES DINNER | FOR BOOKINGS CONTACT KATICA KATICH CCSSECRETARY.CO.NZ/8347237



SOCIETY NOTICES

Consular Dates

Consular days for the Croatian Consulate in Auckland will be held on **14 and 15 April 2018** with the following schedule:

Saturday 14th April from 10.00am to 6.00pm
Sunday 15th April 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 or online. We are unable to accept Eftpos or cash.

For all enquiries please email crocons.auckland@mvep.hr

Croatian Language Lessons Expressions of Interest

The Executive Committee would like any expressions of interest in resurrecting the Croatian Language Lessons. We are especially interested to know how many young children would be interested in enrolling for language lessons but are happy to hear from all ages. We would need a solid number and level of commitment to pursue this interest.

Please express your interest via email to the secretary, Katica Katich: ccssecretary@hotmail.co.nz.

Lamb on the Spit Dinners at the Club

The CCS kitchen will no longer be serving dinners every Sunday night during the year.

Instead, the CCS kitchen will provide a LAMB ON THE SPIT dinner for it's members on the **last Sunday of each month**. Tickets will be \$20 each for a delicious meal cooked by our kitchen volunteers. It will be a great opportunity to come along with your family and friends for a catch up - a great way to spend a Sunday evening.

The next Lamb on the Spit dinner is on **Sunday 29th April 2018**.



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

LAMB ON THE SPIT DINNER 6PM

Lamb on the Spit dinners will take place on the last Sunday of each month starting on the **29th April, 2018**. **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

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.

Firth Family - Hamish, Donna, Sofia, Mila, Ana. Nominator: Anthony Arnerich/Seconder: Len Stulich

Selak Family - Michael, Claire, Todd, Anna. Nominator: Damir Selak/Seconder: Leo Panzic

Matt Selak - Nominator: Damir Selak/Seconder: Leo Panzic

Jacey & Craig Hitchcock - Nominator: Bozenka Mrkusich/Seconder: Goran Katich

Graeme Frank Jujnovich - Nominator: Mate Jujnovich/Seconder: Miro Bebich

Dario Antunovich - Nominator: Bozenka Mrkusich/Seconder: Goran Katich

CCS CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUP

The CCS Playgroup 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

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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	Paul Sumich
	Anton Tolich
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	Bob Vicelich
	Goran Vrdoljak
	Ivan Zonich
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Bar Manager	Goran Katich
Kolo Tutor/Folklore Director	Goran Kačurov
Catholic Church	Suzanne Pincevic: 021 024 59908
CCS Kids Playgroup	Katica Katich: ccssecretary@hotmail.co.nz
Women's League	Zdenka Batistich/Diane Yelash

