

THE DUNEDIN CLUB

FOUNDED 1858 - ESTABLISHED AT FERNHILL 1874

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CLUB EVENTS

February

Friday 2nd

Regular Friday Bar Dinner

Wednesday 7th

Monthly Speakers Lunch

Friday 9th

Regular Friday Bar Dinner

Saturday 10th

Summer Canapés & Cocktails

Wednesday 14th

Valentine's Day Dinner

Thursday 15th

Chinese New Year Dinner

Friday 16th

Regular Friday Bar Dinner

Saturday 17th

Bare Foot Bowls & BBQ

Thursday 22nd

Fernhill Whisky Club Tasting

Friday 23rd Regular Friday Bar

April

Wednesday 4th

Monthly Speakers Lunch

Friday 6th

Regular Friday Bar Dinner

Caricature Hanging for the

Immediate Past President

Mr. M. Wong

Friday 13th

Regular Black Friday Bar Dinner

Saturday 14th

High Tea at the Club

March

Thursday 1st

Black Tie Dinner

Friday 2nd

Regular Friday Bar Dinner

Wednesday 7th

Monthly Speakers Lunch

Friday 9th

Regular Friday Bar Dinner

Inaugural Club Wine Makers Dinner

Saturday 10th

Bare Foot Bowls & BBQ

Sunday 11th

Victoria league Commonwealth Day
Lunch

Friday 16th

Regular Friday Bar Dinner

Thursday 22nd

Fernhill Whisky Club Tasting

Friday 23rd

Regular Friday Bar Dinner

Friday 23rd

April cont.

Wednesday 18th

ANZAC Service & Club Dinner

Friday 20th

Regular Friday Bar Dinner

Thursday 26nd

Fernhill Whisky Club Tasting

Friday 27th

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Welcome back to the Club.

We have set out a calendar of events through to the end of April at this stage to enable members to plan further ahead. This has recently been sent out. Look out for the Chinese New Year celebrations (15 February) and the next whiskey tasting (22 February).

Particularly note your diaries for a black-tie dinner on Thursday, 1 March 2017. The guest speaker will be Rt. Hon. Sir Don McKinnon who will be speaking on the New Zealand War Memorial Museum in Le Quesnoy, France.

The Club continues to be open on Saturdays and a number of members have enjoyed coffee or lunch in the sun on the patio. Friday night dinner in the bar has now commenced. We will be continuing to promote membership for partners and spouses (at just \$200).

Thanks to the members who completed the survey. We had a near 70% response rate which is very good. 84% were positive about their experience is a member but fewer in number were prepared to recommend it. We continue this year to make the Club a place you will be proud of and will want to come to and recommend to friends and colleagues.

Gerard DeCourcy

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

New Members passed:

Penelope Easton, Proposed by G. Easton, Seconded by M. Skinner

Cecylia Klobukowski, Proposed by J. Chang, Seconded by G. DeCourcy

Karl Moran, Proposed by A. Hamilton, Seconded by G. DeCourcy

Paul Glue, Proposed W. Anglin, Seconded by C. Hung

Jessie Glue, Proposed W. Anglin, Seconded by C. Hung

Amy De Courcy, Proposed G. De Courcy, Seconded by P. Buckner

Benjamin Dillon, Proposed M. Haggart, Seconded R Garden

Ralph Pinnock, Proposed A.J. Brosnan, Seconded M. Skinner

The Victoria League of Otago Commonwealth Day Lunch

The President of The Victoria League of Otago (Inc) would like to invite Members of The Dunedin Club to the Commonwealth Day Service at St Paul's Cathedral, Octagon, Sunday 11th March, at 10am and afterwards a two course luncheon at The Dunedin Club 12-12.30pm. The guest speaker will be the Rt. Rev. Dr Steven Benford, Anglican Bishop of Dunedin.'

The Fernhill Whisky Club

The next instalment of the Fernhill Whisky Club will be on Thursday 22 February with Mr. John Eckhoff of Meenans. These are always a great night and if you haven't been yet it is well worth a try

We will have a moment's silence marking the loss of the great FWC stalwart and storyteller Mr. Barry Clarke

Black Tie Dinner with The Right Honourable Sir Donald McKinnon

Thursday 1st March 6.30pm for 7.00pm \$100 three course dinner, sherry, initial wines for the table and port. An information evening for the Otago launch for New Zealand's first permanent War memorial Museum on the Western Front

Club Speakers Lunch, Wednesday 4th March 12.00 for 12.30 \$30

Dr. Alex Tups from University of Otago will talk about a diabetes prevention treatment from the common flower, the Dahlia



Manager's Message

Dear Members

Happy New Year to you all.

I will begin with some acknowledgements and an apology. An apology for the late February Newsletter. I attended the Australasian Reciprocal Club conference in Australia arriving back the day we reopened and we don't seem to have stopped since with some very promising signs of a busy trading period ahead. I would like to thank and acknowledge the membership for their kind contribution to the staff gratuity fund at Christmas. I would also like to acknowledge a number of members who have recently donated to the Club. Mrs. Kirk for donating the purchase of Daffodil bulbs for the permanent planting of a Daffodil garden on the hill under the old trees. Mr. M. Seifert for loaning and rehanging some contemporary art works for the Café. Mr. N. Collins for donating a writing desk for the Business Center. Mr. M. Beaumont for donating books for the Reading Lounge.

For those of you have not been able to visit the Club yet, we have welcomed back Jan Orlowski, our head waitress following her extended absence.

With the Clubs new operating hours of Tuesday to Saturday between 10.00am and 7.00pm other than for functions, the Café and the Dining Room operations with the Bar open until 7.00pm, a regular a la carte dinner menu in the Bar on Friday evenings and some regular and some new Club Events this year, I hope to see you at the Club soon.

Yours sincerely

Stephen Dawkins