

# THE DUNEDIN CLUB

FOUNDED 1858 - ESTABLISHED AT FERNHILL 1874

## CLUB NEWS – NEWSLETTER NO. 136 – JULY 2017

### CLUB EVENTS



### PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

#### July

##### Thursday 27th

Central Otago Perigord Truffle Dinner 6.00 for 6.30pm

#### August

##### Thursday 3rd

4th Winter Series Club Dinner 6.30 for 7.00pm

##### Monday 7th

Club Lunch  
12.00 for 12.30

##### Thursday 17th

The Annual Beer & Curry Night  
6.30 for 7.00pm

##### Tuesday 15th

Members Defibrillator Training and Drinks  
6.00pm

##### Tuesday 22nd

Squash 4.30 to 7.00pm followed by dinner

##### Thursday 24th

Fernhill Whisky Club Tasting  
6.30pm

##### Friday 25th

Bledisloe Cup Speakers Lunch 12.00 for 12.30

##### Saturday 26th

Bledisloe Cup Pre-Match BBQ Dinner 4.00 to 7.00pm

Coach Transfers to & from the game

#### September

##### Friday 1st

4th Winter Series Club Dinner  
6.30 for 7.00pm

##### Monday 4th

Club Lunch  
12.00 for 12.30

Details of Club Events emailed weekly

Dear all

Sometimes we hear the cry that everything is for others and what's for members? Here is some of what is going on.

Winter Dinner speakers

Last Friday we had a well-researched and fascinating talk from Maurice Davis on the subject of our harbour and in many cases some quite entrepreneurial marine engineering. Rather one of "better to seek forgiveness, than ask permission". Thursday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of August has Barrie Clarke speaking on 'Dunedin and its future'. For those of you new to these evenings I would guess that Barrie will doubtless drop in the odd yarn (perhaps read as bomb) which often times are not for the faint hearted! We finish this year's series with Marshall Seifert on Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> of September. Marshall's speech will be the usual 'tour de force'; an educational, thought provoking and humorous rendition on the subject of 'alcohol and me.' This wraps up our dinner series for this year. Our aim was to expose some of the talent amongst club members and here I must confess to the considerable joy of picking the speakers.

Defibrillator and CPR training evening for those interested.

Conducted by Colleen Mackie of Red Cross.

Tuesday the 15<sup>th</sup> August at 6pm (1 hour)

Sandwiches and a drink – no charge

Spring Working Bee Sat 30<sup>th</sup> September.

Come and help David, our gardener, get a head start for the year

10am to 3pm. Morning tea and finger food lunch – no charge.

The plus of last year was that a number of the team had not met before.

AGM and buffet dinner Wednesday the 23<sup>rd</sup> of August.

5-30 pm in the billiard room. This is unlikely to be the supposed dry affair of annual meetings as we will have sufficient committee nominations in place and a range of quite meaty subjects for your consideration.

Warm regards

Austen

### MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

#### Candidates for Membership :

Mr. Brent Weatherall, Jeweller, Proposed by G Paine & Seconded by A Banks

Mr. Xiang (Andre) Shi, Restaurateur, Proposed by P Buckner & Seconded by D Adamson

#### New Members:

Mr. J W K Blaikie, Proposed by G Easton, Seconded by J Elsom,

Ms. S R Lamb, Proposed by S Cumming, Seconded by G DeCourcy

Mr. D F McDonald Proposed by A J Wright, Seconded by I Farquhar

### **The Annual Beer & Curry Night**

Join us in the Bar for a relaxed curry dinner on **Thursday 17 August**

6.30 for 7.00pm \$45

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### **Bledisloe Cup Speakers Lunch**

Friday 25 August 12.00 for 12.30

Join us for a set two course lunch with Guest Speaker \$35

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### **Bledisloe Cup Tie Me Wallaby Down**

#### **Family Pre-Match BBQ Dinner**

Saturday 26 August 4.00pm to 7.00pm

Adults \$40 & Children under 12yrs \$15

#### **Entertainment**

The renowned Magician Johnathan Usher  
and the Landrebe Country Singers  
following their performance at last year's  
Tamworth Country Music Festival

#### **Return Coach Transfers \$20**

#### **Bledisloe Cup screening & half time super \$15**

From 7.00pm in the Bar

### **Manager's Message**

Dear Members

June was a quieter trading month for the Club although we still managed to host 28 functions and five Club events. We had two new function clients with AMP Auckland hosting an advisor morning tea and the University of Auckland hosting a two day course and feedback received was very positive. Accommodation sales were good particularly with the annual stay of Doctors attending the surgical course at Dunedin Hospital. St John provided the staff with training on the new defibrillator which is now housed on the wall next to the under stair cupboard in the Main Hall. The hedge that lines the entry driveway has been pruned back revealing in part, a magnificent view and we had a tree removed from north east boundary which was causing a number of problems, particularly for our neighbors. The Councils Health Officer inspected the Clubs kitchen and the processors used and I am very pleased to say, the Club was again awarded it's "A" grade for excellence. This is such an important area of operation and Jeff and his small team is to be congratulated on this excellent outcome. Mr. Norcombe Barker from Larnach Castle presented the second Winter Speakers Dinner and Ms. Sarah Anderson, from the Regent Theatre presented a behind the scenes talk at the monthly Club lunch. The Highlander's match against the British and Irish Lions was well attended and I must sincerely thank Mr. Nick Smith for organising a pre-match lunch for 60 guests with Mr. Earle Kirtton as Guest Speaker. The Fernhill Whisky Club tasting and the annual Game Dinner were "sold out" events and from all accounts, enjoyable evenings were had by all.

We have the fires blazing and I hope you will have time to visit the Club this month and we look forward to welcoming you back soon. Stephen Dawkins.



### **AUGUST CLUB LUNCH**

#### **Monday 7 August 12.00 for 12.30 \$28**

Guest Speaker: Professor David Baxter, Director,  
National Science Challenge – Aging Well

Topic: *What you need to know about aging well in  
New Zealand*

### **Central Otago Perigord Truffle Dinner**

**Thursday 27th July 6.00 for 6.30pm \$55**

A Special dinner to celebrate the first Central Otago Perigord Truffle harvest of the season! Our chef is preparing a delectable three-course meal to compliment the fresh truffles from Black Quail Vineyard, the southernmost truffler in the world. Seating is limited so make your booking soon— you don't want to miss out on this gourmet evening.



### **WINTER DINNER SERIES 2017**

Thursday 3 August - Barry Clarke 'Dunedin  
and its Future'

Friday 1 September – Marshall Seifert 'An  
educational, thought provoking and quietly  
humorous tale - Alcohol and Me'

