



THE DUNEDIN CLUB

FOUNDED 1858 - ESTABLISHED AT FERNHILL 1874

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UPCOMING EVENTS



URBN VINO WINERY TOUR

Join us for a very interesting project visit
Sunday 15th May
4 pm tour at the winery, followed by drinks and nibbles at the Club.
Members and Guests Welcome - email
gm@dunedinclub.co.nz for details.



MAH JONG WITH WONG

First Mah Jong evening for 2016 is 6.30pm
Tuesday 17th May in the Club Card room
All past players and new players welcome



NZ V FRANCE

Come along and blind taste a sample of French and New Zealand bubbles and lets see which you prefer...

\$35 per person - Cheeses and platters included

6.30pm Wednesday May 18th

email gm@dunedinclub.co.nz for details

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

President's Column May 2016

April has been another busy month at the Club with a variety of Club functions including the Seafood dinner, Oyster lunch, Squash Club inaugural dinner, Under 40's lunch and our first 2016 Winter series dinner. There have also been a number of outside functions including the Victoria League 90th birthday party for Her Majesty the Queen and BNI breakfast functions.

As mentioned in the weekly update, I attended the dawn service on behalf of the Club to lay a wreath. It was humbling to be part of this commemoration and I met up with a number of Club members during and after the service.

We have recently had excellent reproductions of our club suggestion book dating back to 1875 delivered to and on display in the club foyer. Members and guests certainly weren't afraid to share their views in years gone by.

I commend our Winter series dinners to you, organised by the Vice President, Austen Banks. The series started last month with Past President David Humphrey giving an address. There are some very exciting speakers ahead to ensure those who attend are well informed and/or entertained.

I look forward to resuming mah jong evenings on 17 May.

Malcolm Wong.

LIMITED TICKETS

HIGH TEA with THE RNZB

SUNDAY 22 MAY
10.30AM

THE DUNEDIN CLUB
33 MELVILLE STREET

The Ballet Foundation of New Zealand invites you to a morning with the Royal New Zealand Ballet.

Hear Sir Jon Trimmer and Francesco Ventriglia, RNZB Artistic Director, talk about *The Wizard of Oz* and life with the RNZB.

Meet company dancers, view costumes, and bid in a silent auction.

TICKETS \$55
includes a glass of bubbly on arrival and high tea

Tickets available from
victoria@sequelevents.co.nz
021 990 040

All proceeds benefit classical ballet in New Zealand.

 The Ballet
Foundation
of New Zealand

EVENTS CALENDAR

MAY

Sunday 15th
Under 40s Winery Tour

Thursday 17th
Mah Jong with Wong

Wednesday 18th
NZ v France bubbly tasting

Thursday 19th
Club members breakfast

Sunday 22nd
RNZ Ballet High Tea

Thursday 26th
Under 40s lunch
Club dinner

Friday 27th
Auckland Councillor Cameron
Brewer Long Lunch

Saturday 28th
Steampunk fashion show

JUNE

Thursday 2nd
Italian Long Lunch

(No Club Members Lunch this month due to Queens Birthday weekend holiday)

Thursday 16th
Under 40s Lunch

Friday 17th
Game dinner

Thursday 23rd
Club dinner with Jane Hunter

Saturday 25th
Wales v All Blacks test

JULY

Monday 4th
Club Members Lunch

Fernhill Squash Club

The squash court is available for members and their families to play at any time.

There is a key to obtain access available in the club but regular players can get their own key.

There are racquetball rackets and balls at the squash court available for use. We have now add squash rackets and balls to this so please do use this fantastic facility.

The club had its first 2016 competition following the format of the Don Green cup followed by a dinner at the club on 19 April 2016.

Any queries contact Gerard DeCourcy phone 021 242 8666 email gerard@downiestewart.co.nz

Club Accommodation

May Feature Room - John Jones Suite

This suite boasts a comfortable queen bed and is a spacious room with built in wardrobes and small buffet kitchenette. Separate big bathroom with separate bath and shower incorporating toilet and hand basin. Lounge with breakfast table business desk, Sky TV, and comfortable leather lounge suite.

This suite also offers a Juliette balcony with view of city and harbor. No doubt John Jones himself took in this breathtaking view as his income sailed back up the harbour.

For bookings email dc@dunedinclub.co.nz



CLUB MEMBERS & GUESTS LONG LUNCH 27th May

Guest Speaker: Auckland Councillor Cameron Brewer

Former Dunedin resident now Auckland Super City councillor Cameron Brewer will be our guest speaker. He will focus on some of the enormous challenges New Zealand's largest city faces, some subsequent opportunities for Dunedin, and the successes and failures of Auckland Council since the 2010 amalgamation.

He was the high profile and successful Chief Executive of the Newmarket Business Association for five years, before being elected by a huge majority to the inaugural Auckland Council in 2010. In 2013 he was re-elected unopposed as Councillor for Orakei.

Cameron has worked in the political offices as a communications adviser to former Prime Minister Rt Hon Jenny Shipley, former Act Leader Rodney Hide, and former Mayor of Auckland City Hon John Banks.

As well as his extensive experience in politics and as a proactive business and retail advocate, Cameron has worked as a journalist, including two years as a publisher of a community newspaper he founded in Dunedin called Inside Otago.

The New Zealand Herald gave Cameron an 'A' for his performance on council, describing him as one of the most effective councillors. This was partly due to his ability to publicly raise issues and get results.

As well as a Super City councillor, Cameron runs his own public relations consultancy, Cameron Brewer Communications Limited.



MANAGER'S MESSAGE



Hello Members.

Well, what a cracker of a month we have had at the Club this April.

Numerous club members and corporate functions have kept all members of the team fully on their game with many members and guests enjoying the club as it should be ... busy !

Hielke our Club Maitre d yesterday commenting that "the past month has been like November" (in her finest dutch accent) which is traditionally our busiest month so a big thank you to all staff who have performed extremely well in all aspects of their work and presentation.

With the seasons (supposed to be) changing we switch mode into the clubs winter events with some exciting days and evenings ahead.

The Royal New Zealand Ballet, The Steampunk Fashion Show, The Long Lunch with Auckland Super-city councillor Mr Cameron Brewer all helping to ensure there is something for all members and guests to enjoy.

The Social, Building and main committees are all working hard to ensure the club remains vibrant and relevant for the future and thank you to all members who are contributing by attending lunches and events or using the club for their own private, business and organizational purposes.

Finally a reminder that as our financial year ends 31 May we ask that any outstanding account balances are please paid to ensure the club remains in a healthy cash-flow position.

Charity Event

on behalf of the



An invitation to a

VICTORIAN STEAMPUNK FASHION SHOWCASE

Storybook Imagination run wild

Held at

THE DUNEDIN CLUB

33 Melville Street, Dunedin on

28th May 2016

Promenade starts
at 3pm

To include bubbles and food
throughout Raffles, Spot prizes
and general splendishness

\$55.00

Cash Bar Available

charity number CC43580

Private area reserved for club members
attending.
email gm@dunedinclub.co.nz for details.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Candidates for Membership:

Mr Kyle Murdoch Proposer M Wong Secondor R Hall
Mr Hayden Breese Proposer G Easton Secondor H Van Leewen

New Members:

M Bell Esq Proposer A H Banks Secondor M Wong
Mrs C Bell Proposer A H Banks Secondor M Wong
Dr I R Hall Proposer G DeCourcy Secondor A H Banks