



NETHERLANDS
 SOCIETY ROTORUA (Inc)
 GEYSER NEWS
 SEPTEMBER and OCTOBER 2020

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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COFFEE MORNINGS TUESDAYS 1 September and 6 October @ 10:00

BINGO BINGO WEDNESDAYS 6 September and 14 October @ 13:30

BINGO: PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE Not 21 Oct NOW 14 OCT.



MARKET DAY – SATURDAY 3 OCT 2020

10:00 – 12:00 Noon

Spring Time: Come to the Market and enjoy a coffee or a cup of tea while talking to your friends.



THURSDAY 10 SEPTEMBER

We invite you to join us for soup and bread from 5:30pm onwards which is a great time to socialise and catch up with other members before we start the AGM at 7pm. You are most welcome to arrive at 7pm for the AGM if that suits you better. Coffee & cake will be served at the end of the AGM.

POTLUCK LUNCH Saturday 19 September – 12NOON

Bring along your favourite Lunch dish to share with friends and fellow club members. Try something different by making savouries, scones, scrolls, fancy sandwiches, bacon & egg pie, or anything else what you fancy. Enjoy the afternoon in our warm and cosy clubrooms



TEA AND COFFEE WILL BE AVAILABLE.

CHANGE OF OUR CUSTODIAN

From all of us a BIG THANK YOU to Alie Visser for a job well done. Alie has been our custodian for the past 15 years. Alie took over the custodian job from Yvonne Spijkerbosch when they moved to the South Island. This is one of the most important jobs in the club, and very time consuming but we must say, Alie has done an outstanding job in this position as custodian and we appreciate all her time and effort Alie has put in for the club. Alie will still organise the membership administration and the dispatch of the newsletter.



At the same time we welcome our new custodian, Chris Maher. Chris has been a member of the club for some time. We have been very lucky that Alie has kept an excellent record of all who have used the hall. Alie is also helping Chris to familiarise her with the custodian job. A Big Thank You to Alie and Chris for helping our Club with this important job!

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Joop van der Sluis on 19th July 2020. On behalf of our club Frans, has spoken a few words at the Requiem Mass at St. Michael's Catholic Church:



Regina van der Sluis and family, would like to thank everyone who helped care for and say farewell to Joe(Joop) our beloved husband, father and Opa. We are very grateful to the Hospice nurses, personal carers and the MND Association who helped look after Joe during his illness. The flowers, cards, MND donations and support from family and friends near and far has meant so much. Thank You.

(From (Daily Post 21-08-2020)

Hi everybody and welcome to this sad occasion. My name is Frans, I am a committee member and also the treasurer for the Netherlands Society of Rotorua. On behalf of the society I would like to speak a few words about Joop, who was one of our earliest members, in fact I was told he was one of the founding members. Sandra and I first met Joop and his lovely wife Regina more than 15 years ago when we started ballroom dancing lessons with Irene Oliver. Joop and Regina were great dancers and they thoroughly enjoyed themselves every time they were practising their skills on the dancefloor. As most founding members Joop and Regina spent a lot of their time building up the Netherlands society and on many occasions Joop could be found doing all kinds of jobs at the club. Being a plumber, and a good one to boot, the club benefitted from this on quite a few occasions. He filled many shoes in the club, from maintenance man to president and committee member. Many of us can recall Joop's involvement in playing the role of "Zwarte Piet" every year and he made the job of "Sinterklaas" a lot easier for whoever was portraying the popular Saint. Joop was very active playing cards and involved with the Klaverjas tournaments for many years. Both Regina and he attended a lot of coffee mornings, queen's birthday celebrations, potluck dinners and rice tables and market days, to name just a few. To Regina and Joop's family, we feel very sorry for your loss and wish you a lot of strength in the days to come. I am sure that all members of the society will agree with me when I say that Joop will be sorely missed. Goodbye and "Vaarwel" Joop. From the Netherlands Society, Rotorua

In the past month we also lost another club member, Margaret van Etten. Margaret and her husband Piet both had been longstanding club members and contributed a lot towards the Dutch Club. Behind every great man, is a great woman. Our sincere condolences to the family of Margaret, our thoughts are with you all.

WE NOW HAVE THE COVID TRACER QR POSTER UP ON THE CLUBROOM DOOR AND NOTICE BOARD SO YOU CAN SCAN THE POSTER ON YOUR PHONE TO SIGN IN – STOP THE VIRUS! THERE WILL ALSO BE A VISITORS SIGN-IN SHEET YOU MAY FILL IN INSTEAD, IF YOU DON'T HAVE A PHONE.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

For those of you who have paid the membership fees we thank you very much.

For those who need a gentle reminder:

Membership fees: \$30.00 per family and \$20.00 for a single person.

Internet Banking: Westpac – Account No. 03-1552-0094193-00. In Reference Box add your Name.

BUYING A BOX OF CROQUETTES

If you want a whole box of croquettes, you have to call Anneke, 357 4273, at least a month ahead of the Market Day.

Anneke can put a special order in for you. To come to the Market Day and ask for a box of croquettes is not possible, but you can put in your order for the next Market Day.



WHAT'S ON IN THE CLUBROOMS EVERY MONTH

Coffee Morning Every 1st Tuesday at 10 am

Bingo Every 3rd Wednesday at 1:30 pm

THIS IS YOUR COMMITTEE:

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Interesting Websites

www.stichtinggoed.nl The Federation of NZ Netherlands Societies is a partner of Stichting Goed

www.dutchcommunities.co.nz: Federation Website

De Schakel
Newsletters
Events & News
History

www.nederlandersbuitennederland.nl/webinar-terugkijken-over-dubbele-nationaliteit/

www.bit.ly/nationaliteit Double Nationality for Dutch Citizens

From the Editors Desk:



To those of you who have suffered the loss of a loved one in recent times, our thoughts are with you.

If you or your loved ones are suffering from an illness or injury, I hope there is a speedy recovery.

At the time of writing this Geyser News we are still in Lockdown level 2 but this can change anytime. It is therefore important that we have your contact details and preferable your email address. In case we have to cancel an activity or event we are able to contact you.

Please email your details to Ina hikroese1@gmail.com

Please take note of the upcoming events. Write these dates on your calendar or put the first page of this newsletter on your fridge so you can't forget the dates.

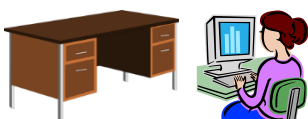
- 01 Sep. Coffee Morning
- 06 Sep. Bingo
- 10 Sep. AGM
- 19 Sep. Pot Luck Lunch
- 03 Oct. Market Day
- 06 Oct. Coffee Morning
- 14 Oct. Bingo This is the New Date

To those members who are in the age group 60-80 years you can get this year a free vaccine against the Shingles up to December. Just go to your GP and ask for this vaccine and he/she will check your medical records if you can have this. After December this vaccination is not funded anymore and will cost approximately \$300.00 from then on!

From experience I will advise people to get this vaccination because Shingles are very painful and can have long-lasting painful effects!

For Now: Be Safe, Keep Your Distance, Wear a Mask in Public and Keep in Contact with your Family and Friends.

I love to see you all, TOT ZIENS in the clubrooms



Ina Kroese