



NETHERLANDS SOCIETY ROTORUA (Inc) **GEYSER NEWS** July and August 2022



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POTLUCK Lunch Saturday 16th JULY 2022

Bring along your favourite dish to share with friends and fellow club members. Enjoy your afternoon in our warm and cosy clubrooms. Doors will be open from 12 pm and you will receive a free drink on arrival.











The winter has arrived and this is a good time for a hot "Oliebol", a Croquette or a cup of coffee.







Coffee Mornings: **Tuesday 5 July and Tuesday 2 August Tuesday 6 September and 4 October**

Please note!! The Coffee Morning will now start at 11 am until further notice.

The organisers of the Coffee Club are offering soup and a bun for the cost of \$5.00.

55 cosy and the members were happy to go there. Due to Covid, we had to cancel the Bingo previously.



We like to start again and we will have our Bingo afternoons now on the <u>3rd Tuesday of the month at 13:30</u> and starting on 19th July.

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A CHANGE FROM WEDNESDAY TO TUESDAY!!!!!

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

It's that time of the year again to renew your membership. You are critical to the continued success of our club, so it is important that you continue to be a member and also spread the word amongst family and friends about our club.

To make it easy for you, we have enclosed a form to fill in and you can pay by internet banking as indicated on the form. Please include your name in the reference details.

You can also give it to Alie at a coffee morning or at the Market Day. If you are a new member, please complete the form and post or scan the form to us as we need your postal/email address.





Coffee Morning Every 1st Tuesday of the month at 11:00 Bingo Afternoon Every 3rd Tuesday of the month at 13:30

WE HAVE PURCHASED A NEW LARGER FREEZER AND ARE NOW ABLE TO BUY BOXES OF CROQUETTES IN BULK, SO THERE IS NO NEED TO PRE-ORDER YOUR BOX OF CROQUETTES, JUST ASK THE KITCHEN STAFF. 1 BOX OF CROQUETTES IS \$60.00.

We realise that some people don't want to buy a whole box of 32 frozen croquettes so we hope to

have organised boxes of 10 or 15 to sell at the next Market Day. \blacksquare





Instructions were given from Jo and they all are keen to go on their way to the first stop for Morning Tea.

DUTCH WEEK ORANGE BIKE RIDE





Lakeland Queen



Ohinemutu Maori Village

On the 1st of May we had our first Orange Bike Ride event in conjunction with Dutch Week. 25 people including 5 children made a super effort to dress up and decked their bikes out in orange for this occasion.

Our 24 km Orange Bike Tour started from the Dutch Club and we headed through part of the Redwoods towards the thermal area known as Sulphur Point and stopping along the way to take photos at our Thermal Wonderland, outside the Museum in Government Gardens and next to the

Wind Sculpture. We stopped for Morning Tea at Aroma Café in town before heading out through the Maori Village Ohinemutu onto the Ngongotaha Bike Trail that took us to Cafe Dynasti for our lunch stop. One of our lovely members knew where we were lunching, so we were greeted with tables organised for us all, decorated with the Dutch flag and tasty "Koekjes". We like to thank Mahalia for organising this, such a lovely touch to the day. We even had a Dutch quiz organised and prizes were given out to the winners, compliment of the Dutch Embassy and Rotorua Lakes Council.

The weather did look threatening at one stage but held out for our bike ride back to the Good Eastern Pub close by the clubrooms, where we enjoyed a few liberations and a debrief for a few hours before every one went on their way home.

It was such a fun day out with this group of social, and energised bike riders, we may even hold this event again next year!!!!!

Dutch Club Committee

The Dutch Bike Ride was an enormous success. Everyone is looking forward to do this again next year A big thank you goes out to the ladies who organised this event.



Sulphur Point



Museum in Government Gardens

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A Christchurch reporter has been doing an investigation into the dawn raids of the Pasifika community during the early 1970s and has discovered from many interviews that the Dutch community worked closely with the Pasifika people at the time and also experienced some awful behaviour.

I know it is a tough ask but do you know of anyone who might be able to speak to her about this subject? If so, please contact the reporter directly or the secretary from the Netherlands Society in Christchurch.

The reporter is: Vicki Anderson, email: <u>vicki.anderson@stuff.co.nz</u> Or email Miryam Denny: <u>secretary.nsc@gmail.com</u>



Giethoorn

On the Bike in the snow

Flower Parade

Lake Rerewhakaaitu











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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.

What a good turnout we had with the Bike Ride. They are all very keen to come back next year and more bike riders are interested.

The Market Day was very popular and we have served many Happy Customers.

We have to say a Big Thank you to all our Volunteers workers. They come in on Friday to set-up the Hall. Shop, Kitchen, Fish stall, and many more.

You can now buy a smaller box of croquettes. Good thinking of the committee as a box of 32 is sometimes too much for some people.

Many will be happy that we soon have Bingo afternoons again.

Take care and hope to see you all soon.



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