



The RAZZA

WHANGAMATA RSA NEWSLETTER

ISSUE 101
WINTER 2023

“If you see someone without a smile - give them one of yours”



DOLLY
visits the RSA

PRESIDENTS REPORT Geoff March

Our last Newsletter was in May, a lot has happened since then.

Sadly we lost Ying's New Zealand Dad, Lek's husband Neville after an illness, we farewelled Neville on Tuesday 1st August. Our thoughts are with Lek, Ying and family at this difficult time.

On Monday 31st July we hosted another Veterans Clinic, we were surprised with the attendance due to the late notice given. We had Veterans come and verify they were getting what they are eligible for, of those 4 were new Veterans to our registered Veterans our local Support Advisors look after. We look forward to positive results for those Veterans. We had three from National Support and our District Support Manager who were very informative.

We had a new group entertain us on Sunday 23rd July, Gerri and Armand, a clever duo who played to those attending and taking request, their music was that everyone knew, and we had lots of dancing and laughter, they will be back. On Sunday 6th August we have Glenn Carley from 5pm, everyone knows Glenn, so please come along and make the most of another great night. Then Sunday 13th we have EbonyIvory from 4pm. So while the weather is cool come along and warm up at the events.

Sunday 27th August, we have our annual Combined Services Day, this year promises to be bigger and better than ever, check out our posters, noticeboard and TV for details, registration forms are at the bar, please get in early.

We had had a quote from Lion Brewery to upgrade our Bar taps, Bartop and keg delivery system, no date has been set with having this done, we are excited as it will improve the look of our bar area and will upgrade our support system that is due for replacement. We will keep you informed on progress.

The next thing, we have been asked by the Indoor Bowls and others to upgrade the lighting in the main hall area, we have to repaint the ceiling and then replace the lights to LED, at the moment we are applying for funding support to be able to carry out this upgrade.

Our big project is the upgrade of the Remembrance Wall area, we are close to reaching the funding required, so I am certain we will be able to start the process so we can have it all in place and ready to go by ANZAC DAY 2024, this has been very well supported by our members, the community and best of all our Veterans families that wish to leave a Legacy for the relative who was a Veteran.

Our activities and RSA programme is on our Website, Facebook page, Noticeboard in the front foyer along with the TV by the bar and our What's On board.

Again, I would like to thank you our members for being so welcoming and friendly to other members, guests, and families this is what makes our RSA unique and the success it is, and is talked about by other RSAs, well done all.

Womens Section Report

Lyn Ward – President

Steve Bagnall was our guest speaker at our meeting held on Tuesday 4th July. He spoke about his cycling the length of New Zealand to raise funds for prostate cancer research. This took him about 26 days going on bike trails, forest tracks and country roads rather than the main highways.

Steve was also able to catch up with friends along the way and make new friends. A very interesting insight into how to keep yourself going when riding over 100km each day.

At our AGM held on Tuesday 1 August we had 20 members attend. Geoff March (RSA President) was our guest speaker and gave us an update on the remembrance wall, the RSA generally and thanked the Women's Section for the continued support to the RSA. There was no election of officers and committee as the present committee stood again and there were no nominations from the floor.

We have a new Patron with the committee putting forward Jocelyn Wright who accepted. Geoff presented with her new badge, and I presented her with a lovely floral arrangement prepared by Barbara Collett. Millie Hawtin is our Past Patron as she is now a full-time resident in a care home in Katikati. The meeting finished with a lovely afternoon tea provided by the committee.

Officers and committee as follows:

Patron Jocelyn Wright
President Lyn Ward | Vice President Sharyn Yearbury
Secretary Jackie Moore | Treasurer Joyce Deeming

Committee Ann Hyde, Gay Donaldson, Karyn Jones and Stella Leach

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 5 September at 1.30pm. All new members are welcome.

DID YOU SERVE IN THE ARMED FORCES?

If so we would like to meet you

No matter how long you served,
with which Service or Country

We are meeting the first Wednesday of each month, 5pm at Whangamata RSA

A casual gathering to chat and if you want, have a meal

We hope to see you there!





WHAT'S ON

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

August

Sunday 6th

**COUNTRY & VARIETY
MUSIC CLUB** 12PM
*Guest Artist
'Glenn Carley'*



**GLENN
CARLEY**
5PM



Sunday 13th

EBONIVORY 4PM

Sunday 27th

COMBINED SERVICES DAY

11AM START | MORE INFO ON NEXT PAGE

September

Sunday 3rd

Fathers Day

**COUNTRY & VARIETY
MUSIC CLUB** 12PM

GERRI AND ARMAND 4PM

Sunday 10th

KEVIN GREAVES 4PM

Saturday 30th

MS FUNDRAISER QUIZ NIGHT

7PM | TICKETS \$25/P

October

Sunday 8th

KEVIN GREAVES 4PM

Saturday 21st

Labour Weekend

PIECES OF EIGHT 7PM

RSA



WHANGAMATA RSA (INC) ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday 24th September 2023 at 11.00am

Notices of Motion, and Nominations for the Executive Committee are to be in the hands of the Secretary by 5.00pm Friday 25th August 2023

K. Bain
Secretary/Manager

VETERANS SUPPORT

If you served in any of the NZ Armed Forces and you have a NZ Operational Service Number, including CMT and National Service

you may be eligible for assistance from Veteran's Affairs.

Please contact one of our Support Advisors:

John Gillooly – 027 480 5456

Pam Murray – 027 610 5599

Nick Penney – 027 654 8501

Doug Walters – 021 102 8602

We welcome to our team of Support Advisors Pam Murray and Doug Walters.

Also, Doug Walters is a JP here in Whangamata and is happy to offer his services to our Members.



**Everyone welcome,
we are a family friendly RSA**

Looking for something to do?
We have...

Snooker and 8 Ball tables free to use

Library full of books, puzzles and magazines
(kids books and puzzles too)

Fun games for the family
Cornhole, Giant Jenga, Quoits...

Free Wifi

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is available for Returned, Service and Associate

Over 18 years of age (\$40/year)

Veterans Returned and Service 75+ (\$20/year)

Junior Membership is available for 16 to 18 years of age (\$25/year)

Current Serving - Serving Uniformed Members of the NZ Defence Force
and NZ Police - this is a complimentary membership. (Free)

Paid your Subs but don't have your card yet?

Come in and pick up, your card will be at the bar waiting for you.

(This applies to members with a Whangamata address - if you have an out of town address your card has been posted, please contact us if you have not received your card).



JOIN NOW
\$40 until 30th June 2024

WHANGAMATA COUNTRY AND VARIETY MUSIC CLUB

12NOON... 4PM

6TH AUG

**GUEST ARTIST
GLENN CARLEY**

**VENUE :
WHANGAMATA RSA
324 PORT RD
WHANGAMATA**
**ENTRY MEMBERS \$3
NON MEMBERS \$5**

GLENN CARLEY



**SUNDAY
6TH AUGUST**

5PM

WHANGAMATA RSA

enjoy a great night of music and dancing!

"Neville Ormsby"

EBONIVORY

Whangamata RSA

**SUNDAY
13TH AUGUST**

4PM



COMBINED SERVICES DAY

To honour those who have served or are still serving in Defence & Police Forces

Whangamata RSA

Sunday 27th August 2023 - 11am start

We extend a warm welcome to anyone who wishes to attend a day to remember and talk about for years to come

Rum Ration - Parade of Flags - Last Post

Medals to be worn
Entertainment by Ebonivory
Raffles

If you do not want to have lunch you are still more than welcome to come and share the day with us, buy some raffles and enjoy the entertainment

**RSVP
Wednesday 23rd August**



\$30/person
Bookings Essential
Bookings



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phone 865 9419 or
come in and see us

RIFLEMAN MANUEL JOAQUIN VIEIRA

SERVICE NO: 26720 *BORN:* 19 April 1896 Puketui, Hikuai

SON OF: Manuel Joaquin and Annie Maria Vieira nee Cooper of Puketui, Hikuai, Thames

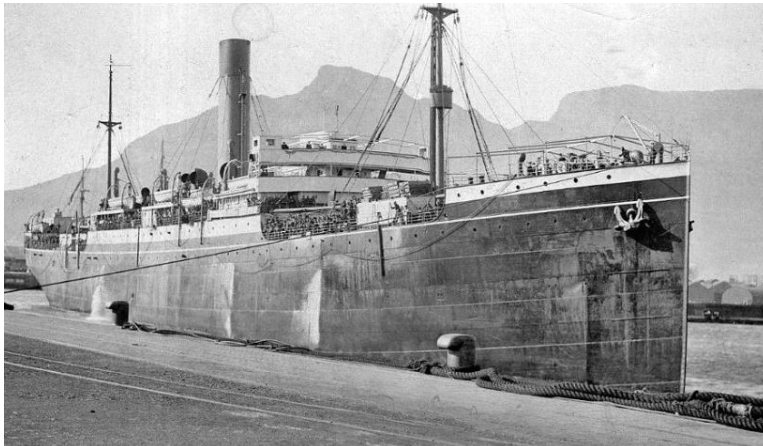
OCCUPATION BEFORE ENLISTMENT: Fireman to W G Niccal, Auckland *ENLISTED:* 27 May 1916

EMBARKATION DETAILS: 23 Sep 1916 HMNZT 65 Pakeha Rifleman 8th Reinforcement's 4th Battalion, H Company, New Zealand Rifle Brigade

LAST RANK: WW1 Rifleman New Zealand Rifle Brigade, 2nd Battalion

DIED: 12 October 1917 aged 22 Killed in Action in the field Ypres, Belgium *BURIED:* Unknown

MEDALS RECEIVED: British War Medal | Victory Medal



**PREVIOUSLY REPORTED
WOUNDED; NOW REPORTED
WOUNDED AND MISSING.**

RIFLE BRIGADE.

(October 12.)

M'Connell, Robert James, corporal (Mrs E. M'Connell, Lower High street, Christchurch, mother).
Oldfield, Frederick Wm. (Mrs S. Oldfield, Temuka, mother).
Vieira, Mammel (Mr M. Vieira, Puketui, father).

come to
Ying's

@ the RSA

**OPEN
TUESDAY - SUNDAY**

LUNCH 11AM - 3PM

DINNER 5PM - 8PM

FRIDAY & SATURDAY 5PM - LATE

Dine in or Takeaway

Authentic Thai & European Cuisine



Catering and Buffet available | Vegetarian and Gluten free options

FAMILY TRAVEL TO BE WITH ARTHUR AT MUD CORNER CEMETERY 100 YEARS AFTER HIS DEATH

Ila Pellow

Arthur Henry Walker Service NO. 12306 2nd battalion Auckland regiment, NZEF Born 1893 in Selston Nottinghamshire England. Died 1st of August 1917 aged 23. He came to New Zealand with his parents in 1913.

Enlisted when he was 21. Selected for G company of the 3rd reinforcement of the 3rd Battalion. Embarked May 6th 1916, for Suez, Egypt.

Two of his brothers also served. Frederick Dean Walker service number 29518, and Joseph Moody Walker service number 29519, in the first battalion reinforcements NZEF.

Fred and Joe were very close brothers and best of friends. When Fred enlisted in the army on June 26 1916, so did his brother.

Joe was too young at the time (18 years) both lifted their age by a year so they could go and fight together. Fred and Joe were injured on 8th of June 1917 at Messines (sitting opposite each other and from the same bomb). Both were sent back to Hornchurch in England to heal with Fred being sent back to New Zealand in December and Joe returning to Belgium.

On 30th of July 2017 13 relations went to Ypres/leper Belgium to be with Arthur 100 years after his death. On 1st of August we travelled out to Mud Corner Cemetery (used from 7th June 1917 to December 1917). Buried are 85 soldiers. Identified as 52 New Zealanders, 31 Australians. Unidentified one New Zealander one from the UK. From Mud Corner Cemetery you can see two other cemeteries.

The previous day we had travelled to Warneton to the Dedication of the Memorial to the La Basse-Ville battle. In this little known battle which 1006 soldiers lost their lives. The battle was from 11th of June to 28th of August 1917. Most of the soldiers if not all were New Zealanders. This battle was part of the Third Battle of Ypres. The soldiers were sent to distract the Germans while the British Army attacked Passchendaele.



Taken on 1st of August 1917. This must be how Mud Corner Cemetery got its name.

Thank you to Ila for sharing with us.
If you have a family story that you would like to share?
Please get in touch rsamanager@outlook.com



Family with Arthur.



Photos taken by Roul, a local man who goes out and checks the graves each year for families and sends photos.



PINK RIBBON FUNDRAISER

Anna and Lindsay Martyn held a Pink Ribbon Fundraiser at the RSA on 27 May with raffles, silent auction and themed cupcakes.

A large display of 'The Flash' and 'Coastal News' newspapers were very interesting to look at, bringing back memories from the past.



WORD SEARCH

Human Bones

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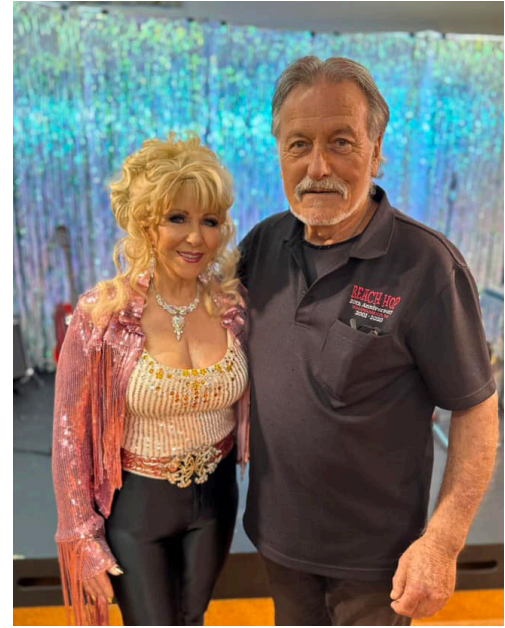
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**Congratulating
Kevin Greaves
50 years
in show biz!
Sunday 11th June**

THE DOLLY PARTON EXPERIENCE

On the Sunday of King's Birthday Weekend, we had a full house for the 'Dolly Parton Experience' (Karen Davy as Dolly and Ken Strong as Kenny). A very enjoyable and entertaining night out!



GOLDEN OLDIES SNOOKER

Golden Oldies Tournament

14th June Away Game

Played: Te Aroha Won 15 - 1

28th June Home Game

Played: Waihi Beach RSA Lost: 12 - 4

12th July Home Game

Played: Whangamata Club Lost: 11 - 5

26th July Home Game

Played: Katikati Won: 10 - 6

Golden Oldies Practice Round

30th May Players: 13 Highest Break: Voucher - 16 Bob

Winner: Ying's @ the RSA - Bill S; 3 Wins, 196 Points

Runner Up: Meat at the Beach - Jack; 3 Wins, 228 Points

Raffle: Meat at the Beach - No. 6 - Graham Walder

6th June Players: 12 Highest Break - 23, Bob

Winner: Ying's @ the RSA - Bob; 4 Wins, 226 Points

Runner Up: Meat at the Beach - Cherie; 3 Wins, 211 Points

Raffle: Meat at the Beach - No. 5, Rex

13th June Players: 8 Highest Break: Voucher - Bob. S.

Winner: Ying's @ the RSA - Bob S. 3 Win, 235 Points

Runner Up: Meat at the Beach - Graham W. 3 Wins, 206 Points

Raffle: Meat at the Beach - No. 10, Ray

20th June Players: 10 Highest Break: Voucher - Bob S, 17

Winner: Ying's @ the RSA - Ray, 4 Wins, 225 Points

Runner Up: Meat at the Beach - Bob S, 3 Wins, 194 Points

Raffle: Meat at the Beach - No. 3 Rex

27th June Players: 10 Highest Break: Voucher - Graham W, 29

Winner: Ying's @ the RSA - Cherie; 4 Wins, 162 Points

Runner Up: Meat at the Beach - Rex; 3 Wins, 197 Points

Raffle: Meat at the Beach - No. 4 - Graham W.

4th July Players: 8 Highest Break: Voucher - John N, 32

Winner: Ying's @ the RSA - Graham; 4 Wins, 225 Points

Runner Up: Meat at the Beach - Rex; 3 Wins, 191 Points

Raffle: Meat at the Beach - No.6, Graham

11th July Players: 8

Highest Break: Voucher - 15, Grant, Bill S, Roger

Winner: Ying's @ the RSA - Bob S, 3 Wins, 215 Points

Runner Up: Meat at the Beach - Bill S, 3 Wins, 184 Points

Raffle: Meat at the Beach - No. 13, John N.

18th July Highest Break: Voucher - Stephen 22

Winner: Ying's @ the RSA - Jack, 4 Wins, 229 Points

Runner Up: Meat at the Beach - Stephen - 3 Wins, 194 Points

Raffle: Meat at the Beach - No. 13 R. Scott

25th July Players: 12 Highest Break: Voucher - Graham 22

Winner: Ying's @ the RSA - Graham; 4 Wins, 244 Points

Runner Up: Meat at the Beach - Bill; 3 Wins, 188 Points

Raffle: Meat at the Beach - No. 18 Roger

SNOOKER

23rd June

Winner: Paula, 3 Wins

Runner Up: Alex

Hi Break: Gavin, 20 Points

Sponsor's Prize Raffle Winner: Ted



INDOOR BOWLS

On Tuesday 13th June 20 members attended and were drawn into 10 teams to compete in our Drawn Pairs Championship.

After 4 games of qualifying play 5 pairs qualified for post-section play. Alex Steel and Basil Johnstone played Betty Wilmer and Patrick Cairns to determine who would go forward to the semi-final with Alex and Basil taking the win.

The semi-final saw John Hares and Lynda Callaghan play Jim and Janet Foley and Alex and Basil play Cynthia Colville and Paulene Rollo.

The final play off was between John and Lynda and Cynthia and Paulene with Cynthia and Pauline taking out the win 11-5. Congratulations ladies.

Our AGM was held on 11th July with 27 members attending. Two games of bowls were played in the morning followed by the AGM.

The Committee is made up of Jim Foley (President), Erin Wyatt (Secretary/Treasurer), Patrick Cairns, Heather Dansby-Scott, John Hares and Brian Wyatt. After the meeting we all enjoyed a lovely lunch in the restaurant.



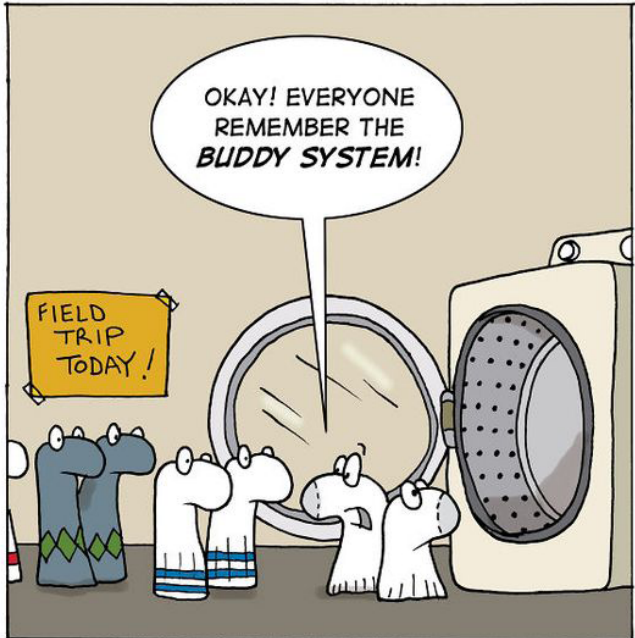
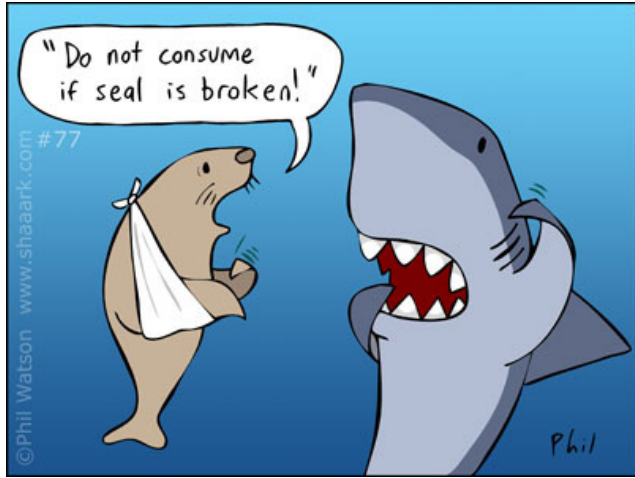
Paulene Rollo and Cynthia Colville winners of the Drawn Pairs Championship

500 CARD CLUB

Our annual mid year lunch was enjoyed by all. We had a few drinks, a wonderful lunch and a delicious desert followed by our weekly card game.

We have had an explosion of new members to our Wednesday games which has been fabulous, all the more laughter and fun.





8 BALL

Tradies Tornado 2023

1st
Paul & JP
\$600

2nd
Wade & Matty
\$400

3rd
Chris and Mark
\$300

4th
Pardy & Corey
\$200

Winners of Super liquor sponsored prizes. Paul, Pardy.

Congratulations to all our winners.

This year we ran with 10 teams (20 players), playing two rounds.

Each team had to play at least 36 games and score well to reach the prize money.



Mahjong

Every Thursday 10am to 1pm

All Welcome

Contact
Donna Lowrie 027 818 6041
for more information

Word Search Solution

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Whangamata RSA Member and Entertainer Kevin Greaves 2023 Tour

The 2023 Tour is well up and running, so far we have been to San Francisco, Salt Lake City, Evanston WY, Cody WY, home of Buffalo Bill, went to a great Show at the Cody Cattlemen's Club, the singing, harmonies and playing were superb. We went to the rodeo in Cody, it runs for 90 days straight, with the proceeds going to the local high school.

Then off to Yellowstone Park, what a great day, saw lots of Bison, Elk, Deer, but unfortunately no bears or wolves. Went to the Little Big Horn Battlefield, learned a lot about Custer, Crazy Horse and the Lakota Indians. We did this on the way to Rapid City.

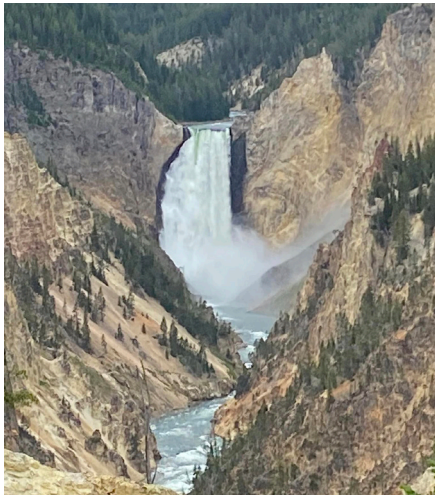
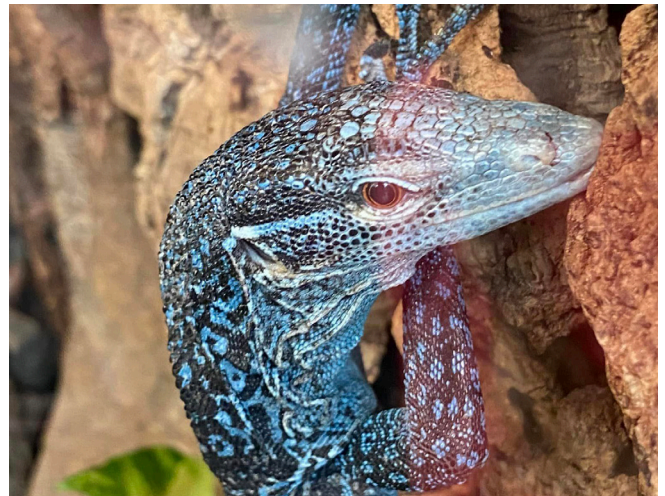
We went to Deadwood, lot's of shopping for the girls. I was chosen to be part of the re-enactment of the Wild Bill Hickok Shoot out, a bit of fun. Then on to Mt Rushmore beautiful view in person if you ever get the chance I really recommend going here and the Crazy Horse Monument

Reptile park South Dakota Rapid City, I recommend going here if you ever go to Rapid City it's very fun

We had a great night at Dolly Parton's Stampede. Have a look at the group photo below, you may recognise a few Whangamata RSA members.

Tennessee Memphis Sun studio and Graceland's are truly wonderful get it from me its now my 21st time going to Graceland and it gets better and better every time

I think Nashville in my opinion is my favourite place in America well I might be a bit biased because I lived there for 15 years but I recommend visiting Nashville if you're interested.



FRIDAY QUIZ NIGHT

Lots of Fun - Test your Trivial Knowledge
Teams of up to six players - \$2/person

**COME AND JOIN IN
ALL WELCOME!**

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OUR KIDS CLUB MEMBERS HAVE SHARED
WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN UP TO.

DO YOU HAVE SOMETHING THAT YOU
WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH US?

ART, SOMETHING FUN, HOLIDAYS,
SPORTS, SCHOOL, ACHIEVEMENTS?...

KIDS CLUB
MEMBERS

? Friday ?

QUIZ NIGHT

6.30PM



from
5.15pm

DRAW NIGHTS

Wednesday, Friday
& Saturday

Raffles

Jokers Wild

Membership Draws

Must be in to win!



HOUSIE

Thursday
4pm

ADJUNCTS AND GROUPS



GOLDEN OLDIES SNOOKER

Tuesday
1pm

SNOOKER

Thursday
6pm



500

Wednesday
1pm

INDOOR BOWLS

Tuesday
9.45am



FISHING

Please check
noticeboard by
8 Ball tables for
trip info



MAH JONG

Thursday
10am



8 BALL

Wednesday
Register by 6.30pm
Play starts 7pm
All Welcome
\$3 Entry
Pub Rules

UKULELE 'HIGHLY STRUNG'

Thursday
1.30pm



TAI CHI WITH CHERRY

Wednesday &
Thursday
9am - 10am
\$5



LINE DANCING

Friday
(every 4th Friday 1pm)
9.30am beginners
10.30am - 12pm
\$3/person
all ages, abilities welcome