

# The **RAZZA**

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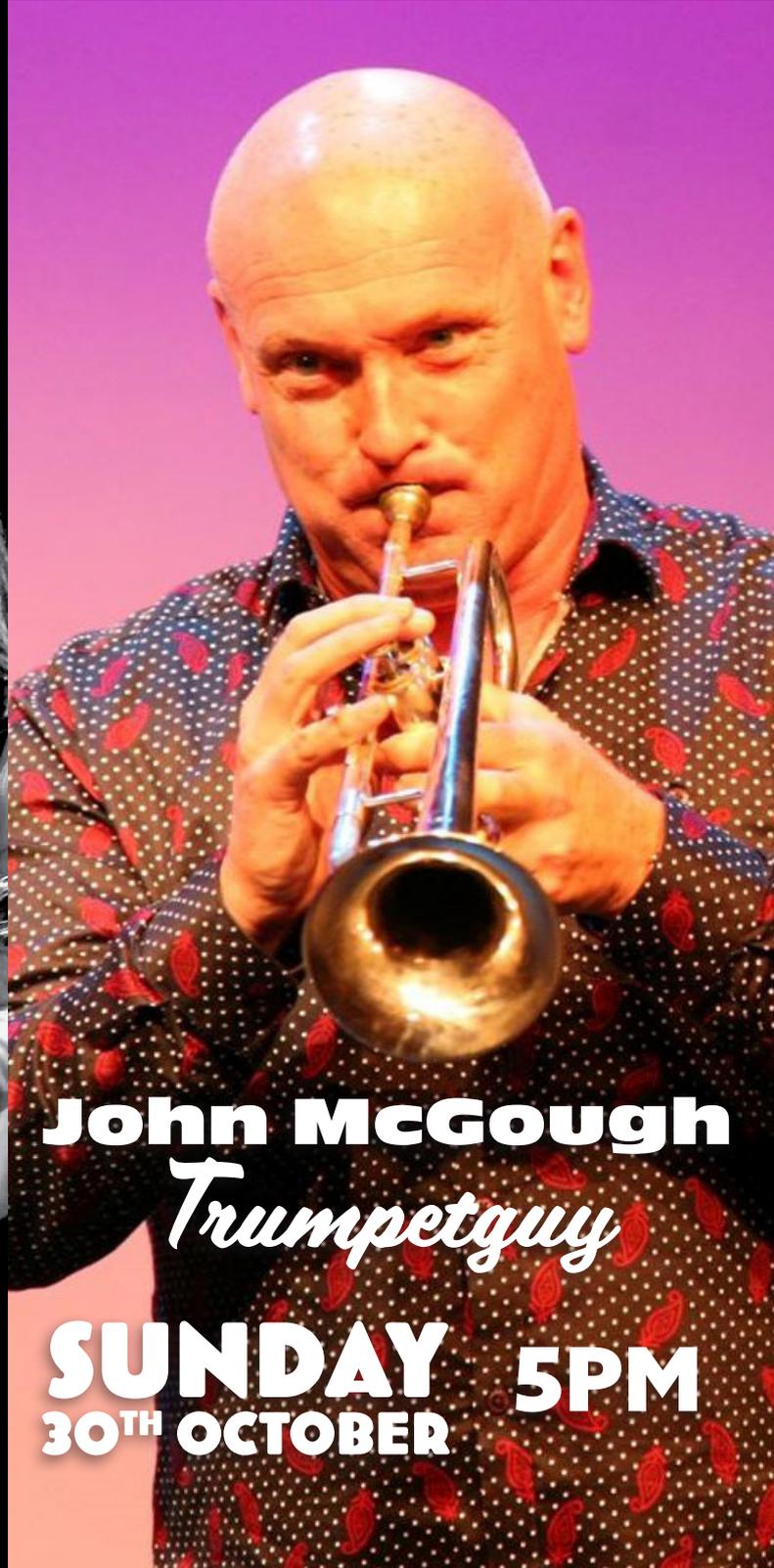
“If you see someone without a smile - give them one of yours”

**Labour Weekend at  
Whangamata RSA**

# maranda

**Sunday  
23<sup>rd</sup> October**

**5PM**



**John McGough**  
*Trumpetguy*

**SUNDAY 5PM  
30<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**

# PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Geoff March

October, the start of the weather warming up, even though you would have thought so for the first week of the school holidays, a few of our gardening members were caught out by the late frosts. They should be on the road to recover now.

We have enjoyed better numbers enjoying our RSA, I guess the school holidays help, but we have also got more entertainment on offer which has been attracting more guests.

The first committee meeting was held on Tuesday, having a new committee member onboard has already made a difference. We had a presentation from a local sculptor with an exciting concept for up grading our Remembrance Wall area, nothing is final, but the idea is worth investigating as we needed inspiration and there are funds being offered to help. We will need to do some fundraising if the idea gets accepted, and we will need to look for willing volunteers to help lowering the cost. Something like this would be great for our RSA image. We will keep you informed.

One of our members has an extensive selection of vehicles and Rock and Roll memorabilia in Whangamata, that he has offered an opportunity for our members to visit, check out the article in this edition on what it is, if you would be interested in visiting please let a committee member know and we will include you in the visit, and maybe come back to Ying's for lunch.

Things are speeding up towards summer, we have some amazing entertainers booked, Halloween is planned in the Hall Saturday 29th October with a couple of SPOOKY HUNTS in the RSA, Ying is offering a SPOOKY DESERT with each Kids meal purchased, a chase for your kids and grandkids to be involved. Starts at 4pm for small kids then 5.30 to 7.30 for the braver ones, He HE!!

Labour weekend promises to be busy and we have Maranda entertaining us on Sunday from 5pm, then Beach Hop, we have entertainment from Wednesday Night through to Sunday Night, Noddy has large numbers already booked in.

An exciting offer from Chemwash, who do the house washing and window cleaning for our Veterans, they are offering Whangamata RSA members a discount, if you are interested in having this done, please come and discuss it with me. So I can put you onto the right person to talk to and to see how many are interested.

**Coming events to look out for are the commemoration at Le Quesnoy Forest 11am 4th November at the Forest, followed a week later by commemorating Armistice Day at the Wall of Remembrance at 11am also. Both events will be of importance and worth attending.**

Thank you all for your support, we are recovering well after the recent restrictions and lockdowns and look forward to a busy and exciting summer period.



Whangamata Memorial Hall in association with the Whangamata R.S.A. presents...

## HALLOWEEN SPECTACULAR 2022

Saturday, 29th October

- Two RSA Spook Hunts
- Spot Prizes for Costumes
- DJ/Disco
- Hallway of Horror
- Photo Opportunities
- Free 'Spooky Dessert' with kids meals (Yings Restaurant)

4-5pm - preschool to Year 2  
5.30-7.30pm Year 3 to Year 8

**\$5 ENTRY FEE**

**Tickets at the door!**

Proudly sponsored by First National Pacific Coast

All proceeds go to Whangamata Area School



## UPDATE CONTACT DETAILS

Not getting emails? Change your address?

If any of your details need to be updated email [rsamanager@outlook.com](mailto:rsamanager@outlook.com) put "Contact Details" in the subject line

# WHAT'S ON

## UPCOMING EVENTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

### OCTOBER

#### LABOUR WEEKEND SUNDAY 23RD

Maranda - 5pm

#### SUNDAY 30TH

John McGough Trumpetguy  
5pm - 8.30pm

### NOVEMBER

#### SUNDAY 6TH

Whangamata Country Music Club  
12 noon - Guest Artist 'Debz Standen'

#### SATURDAY 12TH

Unique Wonder Mah Jong Tournament  
in Memory of Gay Laurenson

#### SUNDAY 13TH

Kevin Greaves - 4pm

### DECEMBER

#### SUNDAY 4TH

Whangamata Country Music Club  
12 noon - Guest Artist 'Toucan'

#### SUNDAY 4TH

Toucan - 5pm

#### TUESDAY 6TH

Women's Section Xmas Lunch

#### SUNDAY 11TH

RSA Xmas Party - Details to come

#### SUNDAY 11TH

Kevin Greaves - 4pm

#### NYE SATURDAY 31ST

Kevin Greaves  
Trish & Colin/Bill Bassett (USA)



# BEACH HOP 2022

23RD - 27TH NOVEMBER

WEDNESDAY 23RD | **Toucan 'Rock n Roll Paradise'** | 6.30 - 10.30pm

THURSDAY 24TH | **Tony Wellington & Woody** | 7.00 - 10.00pm

FRIDAY 25TH | **Crowd Pleazers** | 7.30 - 11.30pm

SATURDAY 26TH | **Pickup Truck Show** in Carpark

SATURDAY 26TH | **Crowd Pleazers** | 12noon - 2.00pm

SATURDAY 26TH | **Crowd Pleazers** | 7.30 - 11.30pm

SUNDAY 27TH | **Kevin Greaves & Eddie Low** | 4.00 - 7.00pm

with a Special Tribute to Roy Orbison and Elvis included in Eddie's show



Friday **QUIZ NIGHT**  
6.30pm

**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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## KIDS CLUB

**COME JOIN OUR KIDS CLUB TODAY**

We have over 300 kids club members!

Kids will get their very own membership card and special Kids Club Member benefits.  
Kids Club Membership is Free!



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

## DRAW NIGHTS

**Raffles Jokers Wild Member Draws**

Wednesday | Friday | Saturday

from 5.15pm



## HOUSE

**TUESDAY 7PM**

**THURSDAY 4PM**

# LANCE CORPORAL JOSEPH SLADE

SERVICE NO: 19429 BORN: 30 July 1886 Te Puke

SON OF: Edward (Ned) and Rangatu Slade nee Hoani of Mataora Bay, Whangamata

OCCUPATION BEFORE ENLISTMENT: Labourer for Steele Brothers at Mamaku Rotorua

ENLISTED: 8 September 1916 at Narrow Neck Camp

EMBARKATION DETAILS: 2 Jan 1917 bound for London on HMNZT 73 Opawa as part of the 12th Reinforcements Maori Contingent  
13 June 1917 Left London for France

LAST RANK: Lance Corporal New Zealand Maori Pioneer Battalion  
18 April 1918 Wounded in the field in France

DIED: 25 June 1918 aged 31 No. 5 Field Hospital in the field in France

BURIED: St Sever Cemetery Extension, Rouen, Seine-Maritime, France

MEDALS RECEIVED: British War Medal | Victory Medal



**DIED OF WOUNDS.  
PIONEERS.  
SLADE, JOSEPH. L.-Cpl., June 25—Mrs.  
R. Slade, Waihi (m.).**

# Le Quesnoy MEMORIAL FOREST

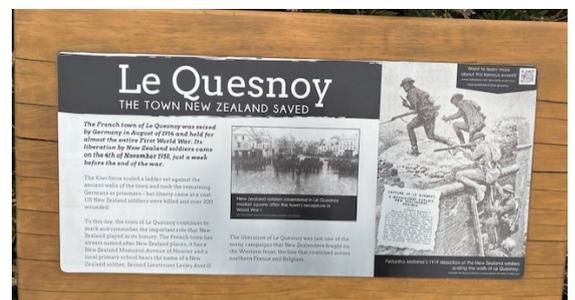
A bit of background about the Le Quesnoy Memorial Forest, in 2015 Whangamata was challenged to create a memorial nature tree forest, the battle we were given was Le Quesnoy, the last battle New Zealanders were involved in which took place 1 week before the end of WWI. 217 soldiers were killed with no civilian casualties, Le Quesnoy had been occupied by the Germans for most of the war.

Whangamata RSA, TCDC and Whangamata Lions Club all contributed to the effort of creating this forest which opened opposite the entrance to Moana House on ANZAC DAY 2015. Many people turned up to dedicate this forest, including one of the soldiers who went over the wall's daughter, she lived in Waihi Beach.

2022, the signs were looking rather drab and weather beaten, so we took the signs down and the Whangamata Menzshed agreed they could restore them, Peter Webster took charge and spent many hours scraping, sanding and fussing over the signs, a new product was found and used which will protect the signs for many years to come.

**The signs are back up, it is proposed to hold a memorial unveiling on Friday 4th November at 11am, please feel welcome to come along and mention this to anyone you know who should be there to see such a commentative occasion.**

**Then a week later we will commemorate Armistice Day at 11am at the Wall of Remembrance.**



# WOMENS SECTION REPORT

Lyn Ward – President

Our meeting on Tuesday 4th October was attended by 25 members. One of our members had their birthday on that day and as well as the small gift she received from the section; she was presented with a cake that we all shared at afternoon tea. Hope this made the day special for you Frances.

After the meeting we played five games of housie with the winners being Millie with two houses, Rua, Jocelyn, Cynthia, and Audrey. Each winner won a \$15 New World voucher.

As always this was followed by a lovely afternoon tea and friendly chatter.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 1st November at 1.30pm. November is our birthday month and coincides with Melbourne Cup Day. A High Tea is being planned and members are asked to come dressed up for 'race day'. I look forward to seeing as many of our members that can attend there and any new members are always welcome.



## COMMUNITY SUPPORT HUB

Friday 14th October what a huge success, the first HUB we held earlier this year attracted 6 people, we were happy, but we thought we could do better. So along with the amazing help from the Whangamata Community Services Trust we managed to attract 13 Support Parties to be in attendance:

**ENLIVIN, BESIDE THE SEASIDE, CANCER SOCIETY, WHANGAMATA COMMUNITY HEALTH, AGE CARE, SENIOR NET, PROSTATE CANCER, COMMUNITY SERVICES TRUST, RSA LSA'S, PODIATRIST, TE KOROWHAI ST JOHNS AND STROKE FOUNDATION.**

At 2pm there were around 40 people wanting to know more, I don't think they were disappointed, many had questions or situations that were addressed and directed to further assistance.

Talking to the Support Parties after, they were all glad to be able to make contact with others who support Whangamata, normally they come into town hold their workshop and leave, never interacting with others, they were so pleased to actually meet others doing similar support, this has started a collaboration and hopefully more co-ordination among Whangamata Support.

**THE NEXT HUB IS BOOKED FOR FRIDAY 20TH JANUARY 2PM TO 3PM,** it has been suggested to

make it for one hour instead of the current two hours, as the concentration of attendees was in the first hour. This will benefit the volunteers who give their valuable time, to be more effective.

Thank you for our Support Parties and to those who attended with queries, questions, and situations.



Photos were taken later in the session so most had already been and gone.



# My Pennyworth



From thumping rock to easy listening, the range and styles My Pennyworth (Paul Hoggard and Penny Rowsell) provide from their instruments delight their audiences. They mix up 70s music with a few Irish rock and ballads.

Paul is the main vocalist and plays a variety of guitars and percussion. Penny adds harmony and accompanies him on keyboards, accordion and – for the Irish numbers – the bodhrán and penny whistle. She is even known to bring out the bagpipes – to rapturous applause.

People are soon up on the floor dancing, tapping their toes, clapping along to a rocky beat, swaying to a waltz, and invariably singing along to well-known songs.

Their music suits all sorts of dancing, from line dancing, a bit of rock and roll or ballroom – even the Highland Fling has been attempted!

Paul and Penny have been performing together around New Zealand for 15 years, at private functions, restaurants, pubs, cafés, RSAs and festivals – plus a couple of trips to the United Kingdom.

They are also singer songwriters who can be broadly labelled folk rock and have recorded five albums. They have performed concerts of their own music at various venues including folk clubs, festivals and in the United Kingdom.

I was so privileged to see Penny and Paul when they played at the RSA. I implore all members and guests to come along and see them for an unbelievable show by a fantastic new duo to our RSA.

– Jennie Black (Whangamata News)



## MEMORABILIA MUSEUM

Member Alan Rees has an extensive range of vehicles and Rock and Roll Memorabilia, at his Museum in Whangamata. He has Corvettes, Trucks, Mustangs and many Beach Hop type vehicles, plus a good display of a Juke Box, signs, Elvis, Marilyn and the like, you get the idea there is a lot of very interesting items to check out.

He has invited our RSA to visit this at no cost, these are some photos of what to expect...

### VEHICLE AND MEMORABILIA VISIT

We would like to gauge our members interest in visiting his display, when would be determined by the majority available. An hour or two at the display and coming back to the RSA for lunch, possibly either a Saturday or a Sunday late morning.

If you are interested let a committee member know and when would suit you.





**JOHN MCGOUGH**  
*Trumpetguy*  
LIVE MUSICIAN \* DJ \* MC  TRUMPETGUY.CO.NZ

Award winning trumpeter, vocalist and entertainer John McGough the TRUMPETGUY will be making a popular return to the Whangamata RSA on Sunday 30th October from 5pm.

John has been called upon for many different jobs as an entertainer this year, ranging from hosting this years Variety Artist Club of New Zealand Entertainment Awards, he was also asked to perform. He is a regular feature at many chartered clubs and is also a familiar face at Aucklands Ellerslie Racecourse as he sounds the "Call To Post" as the horse race out on to the track.

But John is much more than just a bugler having won New Zealand solo titles, represented New Zealand four times as a member of the National Band of New Zealand and has been awarded for his skills as a solo entertainer with a Scroll of Honour for his achievements within the NZ entertainment, an Agnew Award for Excellence in the NZ Entertainment industry and was crowned the 2016-17 New Zealand Musician of the Year. John released his 2nd album this year entitled "Doin What I Do"

Sunday will be all about you with John playing, singing and DJing his way through the evening with all your dance favourites.



**SEE TRUMPETGUY LIVE AT WHANGAMATA RSA  
SUNDAY 30TH OCTOBER 5PM**

# INDOOR BOWLS

Due to some lost play time earlier in the year due to covid restrictions we have been catching up with some of our Championships.

Tuesday 13th September saw 8 teams contest the Drawn Triples Championship. Qualifying round saw the teams play 4 games and needing to score 5 points from those to qualify. The end of the qualifying round saw only 2 teams with the required points which lead to a straight final.

The team of Alex Steel, Basil Johnstone & Lynda Callaghan played Laurene Eades, Joy O'Sullivan & Janet Foley. Laurene's team came away with a good win after some close ends winning 12 - 5.

On Tuesday 27th September 6 players contested the Open Singles Championship with 3 people qualifying for the play offs, Ann Costar, Brian Wyatt & Alex Steel. Ann drew the bye and Alex and Brian played the semi-final with Alex winning 12 - 9. Ann was on good form and triumphed over Alex in the final winning 11 - 5.

# SNOOKER

## GOLDEN OLDIES PRACTICE ROUND

6th September 2022 | Players: 10  
Highest Break: \$7.00 Drink Voucher  
Winner: Ying's @ the RSA - Ray; 4 Wins, 165 Points  
Runner Up: Meat at the Beach - Bill; 3 Wins, 201 Points  
Raffle: Meat at the Beach - No. 7, Bob S.

13th September 2022  
Highest Break: \$7.00 RSA Voucher - Bob S.  
Winner: Ying's @ the RSA - Chips; 3 Wins, 192 Points  
Runner Up: \$7.00 RSA Voucher - Ray H; 3 Wins, 181 Points  
Raffle: \$15.00 RSA Voucher - No. 11, Angie

20th September 2022 | Players: 12  
Highest Break: Drink Voucher - Stephen H, 22 Points  
Winner: Ying's @ the RSA - Bill S, 3 Wins, 192 Points  
Runner Up: Meat at the Beach - Bob S, 3 Wins, 188 Points  
Raffle: Meat at the Beach - No. 4, John N.

27th September 2022 | Players: 11  
Highest Break: \$7.00 Voucher - Rex, 21 Points  
Winner: Ying's @ the RSA - Bob S; 4 Wins, 248 Points  
Runner Up: \$7.00 Voucher - Roger; 3 Wins, 151 Points  
Raffle: Meat at the Beach - No. 10, Graham W.

## GOLDEN OLDIES TOURNAMENT

21st September 2022  
Home Game | Played: Katikati | Lost: 6 - 10

19th October 2022 | Home Game  
Played Whangamata Club | Lost: 6 - 10  
Raffle: No. 18 Peter & No. 16 Barney

# FISHING

## DOC MEMORIAL FISHING TRIP | 13TH AUGUST

We left the wharf at 8 am on board the Te Ra and headed towards Slipper Island. It was a rock and roll trip and that wasn't just the music.

Everyone caught fish and there was a good variety including: snapper trevally, john dory, kawhai, porae, leatherjacket and an ugly moray eel, along with a couple of snags. Jane got the biggest snapper.

It was great to be on the ocean again, after the trials of Covid, breathing in the salt air, away from the pollen. We look forward to our next trip.

## RSA FISHING ADJUNCT AGM AND MID-WINTER CHRISTMAS PARTY | 30TH JULY

This was the first meeting for a couple of years due to Covid. It was a fun afternoon of fishy games, prizes and a barbecue to finish. Porker was the overall winner.

We welcome new members - \$15 joining fee.  
See Puti (Chairperson) or Jane (Secretary)  
Support the fantastic Friday night Fresh Fish Raffle \$2 / ticket.

## RSA FISHING ADJUNCT "FISH ON" TRIP | 1ST SEPTEMBER

We left the marina at 8 am on board Fish On and headed out to the Aldermans. On the way we came across a 'boil up' and spotted a Pilot whale.

It was a great day's fishing, and the haul of snapper was shared amongst the members, so everyone went home happy. Porka got the biggest snapper.



# 8 BALL

**Welcome to the visiting team from  
Glen Eden RSA, Sunday 23rd October  
at 12.00pm.**

# MEMBERSHIP

Haven't paid your Subs for 2022/2023 yet? It's not too late!  
Come in and see us or you can pay online: Bank Account 02 0472 0020608 00  
(Please include your name and membership number)

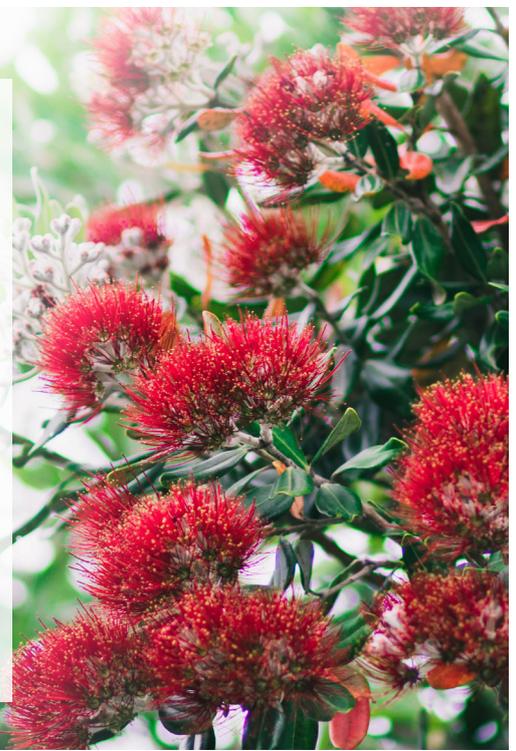
## Membership is available for Returned, Service and Associate Membership

Over 18 years of age (\$35/year)  
Veterans Returned and Service 75+ (\$15/year)  
Junior Membership is available for 16 to 18 years of age (\$20/year)  
Current Serving Members - 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).

*Thank you*



## SHARING A MEAL

A woman walks into McDonald and orders her meal. As she sits down with her food, she sees an old couple in a corner booth sharing a single happy meal.

The old woman ate while the old man watched hungrily.

"They must be really poor", she thought and decided to do a good deed and bought another meal and brought over to the old couple. When she brought the meal over and explained, the old man thanked her but declined.

"Thank you, my dear, but we have plenty of money. We are sharing because when we were married over 50 years ago we vowed to share everything. Even a simple meal"

The woman who bought the meal was embarrassed and apologized, but she had one more question before she left them alone.

"I understand sharing everything, but why are you watching her eat? why not split the meal and eat together?" she asked

The old man flashed his gums to the younger woman and told her: "Because it's her turn for the teeth"

"I know you think you're being funny, but honestly Dave, it's just hurtful."



**OpenlyGayAnimals**  
@oganimals

The word "homeowner" has the word "meow" in it.

Good luck pronouncing it correctly ever again.  
You're welcome.



# ADJUNCTS AND GROUPS



## GOLDEN OLDIES SNOOKER

Tuesday  
1pm

## SNOOKER

Thursday  
6pm



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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

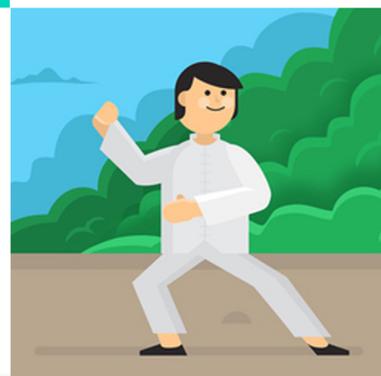
## UKULELE HIGHLY STRUNG'

Thursday  
1.30pm



## TAI CHI WITH CHERRY

Wednesday &  
Thursday  
9am - 10am  
\$5



## BALLROOM DANCING

Tuesday  
4pm - 6pm



## LINE DANCING

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