



Thumbs Up Adventure Club Inc.
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"The Thumbs Up Adventure Club is a social and active group of people who enjoy living life to the fullest"

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June - July 2025

TEN PIN BOWLING – AT ZONE BOWLING AND TIME ZONE

28-30 Catherine St. Henderson
Saturday 28 June.

Meet at the Bowling club at 4.45pm

Come and have some fun 10 Pin bowling. We had loads of fun last time and the bowling alley is new as well as all the equipment.

Further details: We will bowl 2 games and then go to dinner at **Thai Peninsula** which is at 301 Lincoln Rd. The restaurant is licensed or BYO wine. Their menu is available online. At the restaurant it can be busy but there is usually parking in the yard in front or you can park by the Texas Chicken just to the left. There is parking for the bowling on the premises or on the street around it.

Confirm by: Monday 23 June

Cost: \$7 per person per game which includes your shoes with Gold Card or \$14.50 per game for non gold card holders. If you are wearing non slip sneakers you don't need to use their shoes.

Contact: Helene Harper



HIKE/WALK IN WAITAKERE'S UPPER NIHOTUPU

Saturday 5 July 2025 –
10am start at track

This is a 4km out-and-back trail (return same path). It takes an average of 1½ hrs to complete. The all-weather track is mostly flat, only uphill in a few places.

Further details: Take the Piha Road off Scenic Drive and park on the left in a small parking area by a gate. (Due to weather part of Scenic Drive is closed for a further 6 months – there is a detour down Shaw Road off Scenic Drive. (Carpooling to be advised closer to the time.)

Bring: Water and wet weather gear in case of light rain and wear suitable footwear for gravel track. Also bring a lunch snack and maybe a thermos for a short stop at picnic area before heading back to carpark – weather permitting.

Confirm by: Wednesday 2 July

Cost: Walk is free – but any other food/drink purchases at your cost.

Contact: Jean Wardle



SUNDAY ROAST DINNER

The Landing Restaurant & Bar,
2 Onehunga Harbour Road, Onehunga
Sunday 13 July at 6.00pm

Further Details:

The Roast will be either beef or Lamb with roast vegetables.

Cost: \$18.00 to \$22.00

Pay by: On the night.

Confirm by: 6 July 2025

Contact: Annie Melrose



AUCKLAND JAZZ N BLUES - MIHO'S JAZZ ORCHESTRA

Recreation Drive, Birkenhead
Tuesday 22 July 2025 from 7.30 –
9.30pm

Miho's Jazz Orchestra (MJO) is a 5 piece ensemble based in Auckland, led by

Japanese born multi instrumentalist and composer Miho Wada. Miho studied flute at the University of Canterbury, Trinity College of Music in London and in Havana and Santiago de Cuba. She has performed in Italy, France, UK, Morocco, Greece, Spain, Malta, Switzerland, Cuba, Japan, Australia and New Zealand. Since forming in 2011 the band has toured extensively around Japan, Australia and New Zealand with the NZ album charts hitting the top 10 and 20 numerous times.

A mischievous, uplifting and dynamic ensemble, MJO blends afro Cuban flute, J-pop and Pacific influences into a delightful jazz treat. Led by the unrestrained and vibrant Miho, the band melds her compositions together with violin, bass, guitar, drums and a selection of flutes and sax while she tells the tales that have charmed and sometimes shocked audiences around the world.

Further details: If coming for dinner, there is a restaurant there providing meals at a very reasonable cost. I would suggest arriving between 6.30 – 6.45 if you are coming for dinner. I will book a table.

Cost: \$10.00 **cash** for members and \$25.00 **cash** for non-members.

Confirm by: Friday 18 July 2025

Pay by: On the night

Contact: Janice Calvert



TAKAPUNA WINTER LIGHTS

Waiwharariki ANZAC Square
38 Hurstmere Road, Takapuna
Saturday 26 July 2025

(Session 1 from 5.00pm to 7.00pm)

The festival runs from Thursday to Sunday.
We have chosen Saturday Session 1.

Takapuna as you normally don't experience her, this much-loved family festival will once again transform the heart of the North Shore into a glowing wonderland of light, music, art and performance. Curated by internationally renowned light artist Angus Muir, the 2025 festival will blend cutting-edge creativity with community spirit, featuring immersive installations, interactive zones, and activations across Hurstmere Green, Hurstmere Road, Potters Park, and Waiwharariki Anzac Square.

Cost: Free. Dinner afterwards at your cost if anyone is keen, there are many restaurants in the area.

Confirm by: Saturday 19 July 2025

Contact: Joy Jordan



PICKLEBALL

The Y Sir William Jordan
Recreation Centre,
5 Pearce Street, Onehunga
Friday 15 August 2025 at
12.30pm

Pickleball combines a badminton court, tennis net, paddles and wiffle ball. Come along and have some fun trying out this very popular game.

Further details: All equipment provided at their indoor courts. A game usually lasts between 10 - 15 minutes for casual play & we have access to the court for 2 hrs. Rules for the game are first to 11 points (win by 2 points). I have never played before and look forward to giving it a whirl, but most of all having some pickleball fun!

Coffee or lunch option afterwards.

Meet at 12.15pm.

Confirm by: Monday 11 August 2025

Cost: Pay on the day. \$10.00 (for court and paddle).

Contact: Jean



CHICAGO – The Musical

Bruce Mason Theatre, Takapuna
Sunday 3 August at 6pm

Directed by Kiwi creative institution Michael Hurst, this brand-new production will boast a fully-professional cast of international and New Zealand singers, dancers and actors, who will bring all the glitz, glamour and scandal of 1920's Chicago to life like never before. A night club singer, a double-murderess, a smooth-talking lawyer and a cell block of sin.....Featuring one showstopping song after another including "Razzle Dazzle", "Cell Block Tango" and "All That Jazz" and the most astonishing dancing you've ever seen.

Further details: Optional dinner afterwards at a restaurant to be advised closer to the time.

Cost: Tickets from \$99.50 to \$142.50 (plus booking fee).

Confirm by: A.S.A.P.

Pay by: Immediately after I have confirmed purchase of your ticket into the TUAC account: 12-3014-0118011-00.

Contact: Janice Calvert



NZ SCULPTURE ON SHORE

Fort Takapuna, Vauxhall Rd, Devonport
Sunday 16 November 2025

Get ready to experience an extraordinary celebration of art in a breath-taking setting. New Zealand's largest sculpture exhibition returns again this year. Ticket sales support Women's Refuge.

Further info: Prices not announced as yet but expressions of interest being taken for now. Opening times still to be determined and will be advised once they publish this. Lunch either at the event or will choose a nice café in Devonport.

Cost: To be confirmed when published. Previous years have had early bird sales approx. \$20 / seniors \$15, and after that time approximately \$25.00 adults / \$20 seniors. Lunch at your cost.

Pay by: Online or on the day. Details will be advised when published. (Previously you have needed ID if buying a senior's ticket at the gate)

Confirm by: To be advised

Contact: Libby Lyver



WORLD PRESS PHOTO EXHIBITION

Smith & Caughey's Building,
Queen Street, (Elliot Street entrance)
Saturday 9 August 2025

Visit the World Press Photo Exhibition 2025 on it's world-wide tour, showcasing the stories that matter with photography from the 68th annual World Press Photo Contest.

Presenting the results of the 2025 World Press Photo Contest, this annual exhibition showcases the best and most important photo-journalism and documentary photography of the last year. The winners were chosen by an independent jury made up of 31 professionals from around the world who reviewed more than 59,320 photographs entered by 3,778 photographers from 141 countries

Further details: Meeting time to be advised.

Cost: \$20.00 (seniors reduced fee)

Pay by: At the latest Friday 2nd August into the TUAC bank account no. 12-3014-0118011-00.

Confirm By: Thursday 24 July 2025

Contact: Joy Jordan



JOKE

Three old Grandmas were sitting on a bench outside the nursing home when an old Grandpa walked by. One of the Grandmas called out, "Hey, we bet we can tell exactly how old you are!" The old man replied, "There's no way you can guess my age!" One of the Grandmas said, "Sure, we can! Just drop your pants and undershorts, and we can tell your exact age." Embarrassed but eager to prove them wrong, he dropped his drawers. They asked him to turn around a few times and jump up and down. Determined, he did exactly that. Then all three shouted in unison, "You're 87 years old!" Standing there stunned, with his pants around his ankles, he asked, "How in the world did you guess my age?" Slapping their knees, high-fiving, and grinning from ear to ear, the Grandmas said... "We were at your birthday party yesterday!" 🥳

EVENTS

And while we are talking about events, if there is something that you would like to suggest as an event, or even think you would like to organise yourself, speak to one of the Committee. They would love to hear your idea and even help you get it into the newsletter. The club exists because there are people who want to socialise with others and have adventures.

PHOTOS FOR THE WEBSITE

If you have any photos from any TUAC events, we would love to see them on our website in our photo galleries. You can email these to Ian Ashurst E: ashurst.family@xtra.co.nz who will upload them onto the website gallery. You will need to let him know what event they relate to and if you can give each photo a title, this can be loaded to accompany the photo. You will also need to send him a short, written version of what the event was about. For ideas on what this looks like, check out previous galleries. It does not have to be too involved as there is limited space for this. It should just be a precis of how much fun you all had!

EVENT AND PAYMENT DETAILS

If paying your subs, enter invoice number in payment details. You do not need to put your name in the details fields, as this is automatically displayed when using internet banking. Deposit cheques into the club's bank a/c 12-3014-0118011-00 and email Libby (libby.lyver@gmail.com) the same information.

BEFORE MAKING PAYMENT FOR ANY EVENT, CHECK WITH THE EVENT ORGANISER THAT PLACES ARE AVAILABLE

Non-members may attend some club events. Members have priority and a surcharge may be applied to non-members. Contact the event organiser directly to make a booking for any event.

If you have confirmed to go to an event where the ticket is prepaid by the organiser, or accommodation booked, pay by the due date. The ticket is still your responsibility to pay. You can sell it or give it away.

If accommodation has been made for you by the organiser, it is your responsibility to either pay the whole amount, or find someone else to take your place

If you cannot attend on the day, advise the organiser immediately, as they may have people wishing to attend.

INTRODUCE A NEW MEMBER: If you introduce a new member and they join the club you will get a credit of \$10 on your next TUAC membership renewal account.

LIABILITY: "I acknowledge and accept that neither the Thumbs Up Adventure Club ("the club"), nor any other party associated with any activity arranged by or through the club shall have any responsibility for any liability, financial or otherwise, which might arise whether or not by negligence, from any direct or indirect loss, injury or death which might be sustained by me or any other party directly or indirectly associated with me, from my intended or actual participation in any event or its related activities."

Any queries regarding an event please get in touch with the event organiser only.

Do not use the Hotmail account as this is NOT monitored frequently