



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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November - December 2024

JOYFUL AND TRIUMPHANT

A Play by Robert Lord. Director Jacquelyn Harding

Dolphin Theatre, 12 Spring Street, Onehunga
Saturday 9 November at 8.00pm

A Kiwi Christmas classic. Amusing and heartwarming portrayal of New Zealand culture from 1949 to 1989.

Further info: Optional dinner beforehand. Venue yet to be confirmed.

Cost: \$28.00

Pay by: Pay into the TUAC account no. 12-3014-0118011-00 only when I confirm I have booked you a seat.

Confirm by: Bookings available from 1st October

Contact: Annie Melrose – 021 157 6005 or email:

annmelrose@gmail.com



EAGLES TRIBUTE – TAKE IT TO THE LIMIT

Huapai Tavern, 319 State Highway 16, Huapai

Sunday 10 November 2024

Further info: Music from 3pm to 6pm.

Suggest we meet at 1.00pm for lunch beforehand and secure an outdoor table.

Bring: Dancing Shoes.

Cost: Lunch and drinks at the venue – your cost.

Confirm by: Friday 1 November 2024

Contact: Annie Melrose email annmelrose@gmail.com or

021 157 6005



AUCKLAND JAZZ N BLUES CLUB – "THE DESOTOS"

Recreation Drive, Birkenhead

Tuesday 12 November 2024

From 7.30 – 9.30pm

This will be the first show of an eight-date North Island tour, culminating in a major Festival appearance in Rotorua. The DeSotos tour also celebrates the release of four new original songs that the band has been recording at the LAB in Mt Eden, with Wayne Bell handling production duties and Olly Harmer engineering. Since the early 2000's The DeSotos have occupied a unique space in the New Zealand country blues scene, with their melodic songwriting accompanied by strong vocal harmonies and tight musicianship. The band also features songs from the likes of Neil Young, Tom Petty and the Allmann Brothers Band in their setlist.

Further info: Suggest meet at say 6.30 and have a meal beforehand.

Cost: Members: \$10.00. Non-members: \$25.00 cash. No eftpos.

Confirm by: Saturday 9 November.

Contact: Janice Calvert on 0274 605704 or email:

icalvert@kinect.co.nz



ANNUAL XMAS PARTY

Cornwall Park

Saturday 30 November 2024

To be held on the corner of Grand Drive and Bollard Ave. Arrive from 11am onwards for pre-lunch drinks and a catch up with other members. Xmas lunch will be served promptly at 12.30pm. There will be a lovely selection of ham on the bone, cold meats and salads, Xmas cake, fresh fruit platters and strawberries. Wine and juice provided. Please let us know if you have any special dietary requirements.

Further details: A map with directions of where the site is, will be sent closer to the date to those who have confirmed they are attending.

Secret Santa: Again, this year the committee are sponsoring the gifts. You will get an entry ticket for this when you sign in on the day.

Bring: Beach chair. To help reduce NZ's waste problem and keep NZ clean and green, there will be no plastic/disposable plates or cutlery provided. We are asking for everyone to bring their own plate(s), glass and cutlery and to take all your rubbish home.

Confirm by: Friday 16 November 2024

Contact: Annie Melrose 021 157 6005 or email:

annmelrose@gmail.com or Libby Lyver on 021 137 1488 or

email: libby.lyver@gmail.com



WEEKEND IN WHITIANGA

Friday 6 to Sunday 8 December 2024

Come and spend a weekend with me on the Coromandel Peninsula. Address to be supplied when you confirm you are coming.



Friday: Arrive any time from 3pm. Book and pay for your own accommodation.

There are lots of Airbnb's in the area.

For those with caravans/campervans, there is a NZMCA campground on Debenham Drive.

Fri night dinner -option to go to the RSA for dinner (jigs and dancing for those so inclined) or fish and chips.

Saturday: Glass bottom boat – 2 hr Cathedral Caves \$135.00 per person or group discount if 10 or more \$110.00 (boat limited to 14 people).

Other activities – beach walks, museum (9am-3pm), bike park.

Sat night dinner – Pot luck at my home. Details to follow.

Sunday: Option to go across to the 'Whiti' on the ferry. (Called that to distinguish it from the 'Whiti' on the lake). Cycle the loop (approx. 32km) to Hahei and/or Hot Waterfalls. There are a few cafes within walking distance from the ferry landing.

Further info:

<https://allaboutwhitianga.co.nz/visitor-information/things-to-do/mountain-biking-cycling/Whitianga-bike-park>[https://www.glassbottomboatwhitianga.co.nz/gallery/](https://allaboutwhitianga.co.nz/https://www.glassbottomboatwhitianga.co.nz/gallery/)

Cost: All activities as above, pay own accommodation. Meals out your cost.

Pay by: When you book your own accommodation.

Contact: Hillary Scott – 021 258 4186 or email:

hillary.scott.54@gmail.com

FULLY BOOKED

XMAS THEMED NEW YEAR

Stanmore Bay

Thursday 2 January 2025

Come and celebrate the end of the festive season with a walk along Stanmore Bay followed by a potluck BBQ.

Christmas attire is very welcome, but optional.

Further info: Meet at my place at 3.00pm. Address to be advised when you confirm attendance.

Bring: Own meat and drinks plus a plate to share (please advise what you are bringing).

Cost: Free

Confirm by: Monday 30 December 2024.

Contact: Mary-Therese Caldwell on 021 140 7544 or email:

marytaskew@gmail.com



WENDERHOLM CAMPING WEEKEND PLUS COULDREY HOUSE SUMMER SERENADE CONCERT Friday & Saturday 7th & 8th March 2025 Schischka Campground, Wenderholm



Further info: The campground is located alongside the Puhoi River which is a short walk to the beach and Couldrey House. There is kayaking, swimming, bush walks and enjoying the beach and sunbathing.

Saturday night: A shared meal. The Club BBQ will be provided. Also Couldrey House Summer Serenade Concert with Jane Horder and Band. Tickets on sale early November.

If anybody is interested in this concert, let me know ASAP so I can get early bird tickets. As yet not sure how much the tickets are.

Bring: Camping gear/tent/ motorhome/ chair/walk shoes/kayak (optional).

Cost: \$17.50 per person per night.

Pay by: ASAP to TUAC bank account: 12-3014-0118011-00 as there are a limited number of spaces.

Contact: David Verrall on 027 203 5508 or email:

gundesenverrall@xtra.co.nz

JOKE

BEFORE MARRIAGE

John - Ah...At last. I can hardly wait!
Jane - Do you want me to leave?
John - NO! Don't even think about it.
Jane - Do you love me?
John - Of course! Always have and always will!
Jane - Have you ever cheated on me?
John - NO! Why are you even asking?
Jane - Will you kiss me?
John - Every chance I get!
Jane - Will you hit me?
John - Hell no! Are you crazy?!
Jane - Can I trust you?
John - Yes
Jane - Darling!

AFTER MARRIAGE

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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