

# From the Boardroom

## September 2024 Meeting

**Our most recent meeting was 26 September 2024.**

### **Governance**

Barry McCormack has been elected by the Committee to be the Club's new Chairman as from today. We all thank Barry for stepping up and know that the Club Members will support him, his Committee and Management team going forward. Barry will take my place on the various sub committees.

After a long stint as Secretary to the Committee Val McBride is stepping down. Val has given outstanding service and her work in the role has been much appreciated by the Committee's she has worked with. Both Lloyd Fitness and I valued her input greatly. On behalf of all members we thank her and wish her a happy retirement.

### **Subscriptions**

These are now overdue and for, members to avoid having their privileges removed we recommend paying as soon as possible. Please pay at the Bar or the Office or if you prefer pay online to our bank account TSB 15 3974 0021575 00 making sure you quote your name and member number.

### **Christmas Functions**

We are still taking bookings for these but spaces are becoming limited. If you want to have a family or Adjunct gathering pre Christmas please contact the club or [robyne@taradaleclub.co.nz](mailto:robyne@taradaleclub.co.nz) or ring the club on 06 844 2088 to find out more including pricing and what room size you need. Some information is available on our Website. [www.taradaleclub.co.nz](http://www.taradaleclub.co.nz)

### **Functions and Concerts**

As mentioned above please look out for these and they can be booked online.

Tuesday	5 November 2024	Melbourne Cup from Middy
Thursday	7 November 2024	Cossie Wine Club 6.30 pm
Friday	29 November 2024	Grease/Jersey Boys concert 7 pm

Tickets on sale either online or the Bar or the office or please just ring 06 844 2088.

### **Restaurant**

The changes we have made are successful and will be improved upon as we go.

Despite the inflationary age we live in we still get complaints on pricing and on occasions abuse directly to the staff. Be assured we make changes to save you money where we can and in limiting the number of servings we save on wastage, which is an important part of controlling costs. On behalf of the staff we ask those grizzlers to stop and think before you complain or sound off to the people that serve who are doing their utmost to ensure you have an enjoyable experience.

### **Staff**

Three of our key staff are back from holiday and another is on parental leave. They continue to do a great job and we thank them.

**My Lords and My Ladies**, the staff are looking at a Medieval Dinner possibly 23 November 2024. Should be a lot of fun. Keep a eye out for it.

### **Adjuncts**

These are thriving.

**8 Ball** had three weekends in a row and their next big one is usually the second week of November. We will reserve space for the regulars in the Sports Bar area but we all need to be polite and accommodating to our visitors.

**Outdoor Bowls** are into their championships and soon will be calling for Business House teams.

**The Racing Adjunct** has received news that the race day next year has been cancelled and are no doubt reshaping themselves maybe with a more at home menu.

**The Golf adjuncts** are prospering but would like a few more members. If you are interested please ask at the bar or office.

The **Taradale Services** continue to make an excellent contribution to our community.

## **Constitution**

**This is ongoing.** If any of you feel that some of our rules need changing please contact the office [robyne@taradaleclub.co.nz](mailto:robyne@taradaleclub.co.nz) and we will pass on your request to Richard. We would like the project completed for approval at the next AGM. So if you have ideas please don't leave them until the last second.

## **The Time has Come**

The time is right for me to step aside and let a new era in our Club's life begin or just evolve. There are exciting innovations using social media that are planned going forward so the Human Neatherdal that I am on those things can retire in the comfort that the Club is in good hands to shape itself a place in the future.

I have always believed in the words of the great man. **"it is better to create than to learn"** **Gaius Julius Caesar** We must continue on the path of creating new ways to evolve and improve – Like those before me I wish my successors well.

See you at the Club.

Gerald McCarthy  
Ex Committee Chair  
17 October 2024