



# December Newsletter

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# Chairman's Report

## Operations

At the time of writing this report we are still operating under Covid Level 2 conditions. This will change from Friday 3 December to the COVID Traffic Light System ( TLS ). We will be, from that date operating at the TLS Orange Level, which essentially is a no change situation from where we have been operating at under Level 2. The major variation is that ALL PERSONS entering the Club, as from Friday 3 December 2021, must be able to produce and have recorded an Official My Vaccine Pass. The Pass can be on a device such as your mobile phone or a printed paper copy, able to be scanned. There are absolutely no exceptions to this. ALL PERSONS means Taradale Club Members, family, friends and guests of Members, Staff, Visitors, Trades and Service people.

THE RULE IS STRAIGHT FORWARD,  
NO MY VACCINE PASS, NO ENTRY, NO EXCEPTIONS.

The financial and regulatory penalties applicable to premises such as our's that do not comply are severe and we are not able to put our Club at risk through non-compliance.

Our new General Manager, Kim, now has her feet firmly under the desk and is working hard on bringing the Club into line in some important areas which have, to various degrees been neglected over recent times. Areas such as formal Operating Procedures, Health and Safety Procedures for Staff, Members and Visitors, Fire Evacuation Procedures have been sadly lacking attention. Kim is keen to meet as many members as she can and hopefully by now many of you have taken the opportunity to introduce yourself and welcome her to the Club. I am confident we now have a strong and capable Senior Management Team with our two most recent appointees, Gareth and Kim adding to an already great team.



## **Financial**

We achieved a successful trading result for the month of October, with a satisfactory net profit excluding Government support measures of Wage Subsidy and Resurgence payments. Given we have continued to have many functions, which were booked earlier in the year cancelled or postponed, we have managed to achieve this result from normal day to day trading. This is positive looking forward as we hopefully return to again hosting more functions and events. We have experienced a lift in activity during November and this trend will continue in the weeks leading up to Christmas.

Of significance we have experienced a real lift in Restaurant trading in recent weeks. Whilst this was necessary, I take this opportunity to congratulate Gareth, our new Head Chef and his team for the great job they have done in launching our new menu's and for the quality of the meals they are producing. I do not recall a time when we have consistently received so many positive comments as to the quality of our Restaurant and Bar service food. Gareth has also taken hold of improving our margins through more astute purchasing, stock control and food preparation. He is proving to be a great acquisition to our team.

## **New Microphone**

By now many of you would have heard we at long last, have a far better performing sound system in the Club. This has come about by a very generous offer from Peter Tutt, to purchase a new microphone and he would pay for it. Peter's offer was gladly accepted, and it is great to now be able to make announcements in the Club without the cutting in and out of voices. Many thanks Peter for your generous support in the true spirit of a great Club member.

## **Roof Repair**

We have now officially heard from our Insurers, our claim for damage to the roof from last year's major storm, has been declined. Whilst it has been acknowledged the storm did exacerbate the leak problems we have experienced; the Insurers Loss Adjusters were strongly of the opinion the construction faults and deterioration of the roof and guttering are the major reasons for our leak problems. We are proceeding to obtain quotes to repair and/or replace damaged and poorly constructed areas, with a view to having the leaks remedied before next Winter. You may recall we were authorised at our last AGM to proceed with this major work.



## Christmas Closure

With Christmas Day/Boxing Day this year falling on a Saturday/Sunday and bearing in mind Sundays and Mondays are traditionally very quiet days for the Club, we have decided the Club will be closed for three days, Saturday 25, Sunday 26 and Monday 27 December. This will give our Staff a well deserved three day break to share some quality Family Christmas time and some much needed rest towards the end of another difficult Covid affected year. We sincerely hope our Members will fully support our decision in this respect as a gesture of appreciation to our great team.

## Seasons Greetings

As this will be our last Newsletter for 2021, I take this opportunity, on behalf of our committee to wish all Members and your respective Families, a very enjoyable Christmas and our Best Wishes for a Happy, Healthy 2022.

Kind regards  
Lloyd

**Can we tempt you?** This menu is available from 12pm Wednesday to Sunday!

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# BAR MENU

Garlic **Bread** (V) \$8

**Crusty** Bread Platter w Dips (V) \$14

Lemon Pepper **Calamari** w Citrus Aioli \$14

Loaded **Wedges** w Sour Cream & Sweet Chili Sauce \$14

Chipotle Chicken **Wings** \$15

**Fish & Chips** w In-House Tartare, Battered or Crumbed - Small \$15, Large \$20

**Steak Sandwich** on Ciabatta w In-House Tomato Chutney, Onion Rings & Fries \$20

BBQ Chicken & Bacon **Burger** w Fries \$20

**Beef** Burger w Cheddar, Caramelized Onion & Fries \$20

250g Prime **Scotch Fillet** w Fries, Salad, and your choice of Sauce \$30

**Toasties:** 2 Fillings - Cheese, Bacon, Egg, Onion, Pineapple \$6

**Fried Platter:** Calamari - Prawn Twisters - Fish Goujons - Spring Rolls  
Samosas - Beef Nuggets - Chips & Dip \$20 *Half size available \$12*

## AND PIZZAS





# General Manager

First and foremost a big “thank you” to the Taradale Club family and members that I have had the pleasure of meeting since starting early November, and for making me feel so welcomed. I have enjoyed many conversations over the past weeks learning the history of this amazing club and how you all come together as a community, I am very grateful to be a part of it.

For those who have not met me yet, my background is hospitality, having spent most of my career within the service industry and for the most part, managing various luxury lodges around NZ including the Tongariro Lodge, the Bay of Many Coves in the Marlborough Sounds and most recently Kinloch Lodge and Manor and Treetops Lodge in the central north island. In my spare time I try a hand in golf (badly) love to explore the outdoors and have a passion for viticulture and culinary experiences.

I have moved to the beautiful Hawkes Bay along with my 16-year-old daughter Madison and I very much look forward to meeting all our members over time. If in the club, please don't hesitate to come up and say hi. Meantime may I take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very merry Christmas and a safe and successful year ahead in 2022.

Kim Smith





# Festive Opening Hours



Opening hours over Christmas and New Year  
for the Club, PIKOPIKO Restaurant and Bar:

## December

Friday **24** - Christmas Eve - 12pm to 7pm

Saturday **25** - Christmas Day - Club Closed

Sunday **26** - Boxing Day - Club Closed

Monday **27** - Club Closed

Tuesday **28** - 2pm to Close, Restaurant Closed, Cabinet Food Only

Wednesday **29** - 12pm to Close, Restaurant Open

Thursday **30** - 12pm to Close, Restaurant Open

Friday **31** - New Years Eve - 12pm to Close, Restaurant Open

## January

Saturday **1** - New Years Day - 12pm to Close, Bar Menu Only

Sunday **2** - 12pm to Close, Restaurant Open

Monday **3** - 12pm to Close, Cabinet Food Only

Tuesday **4** - 2pm to Close, Restaurant Closed, Bar Menu Only

Wednesday **5** - 2pm to Close, Restaurant Open

Thursday **6** - 12pm to Close, Restaurant Open

Friday **7** - 12pm to Close, Restaurant Open

Saturday **8** - 12pm to Close, Restaurant Open



# Racing

I hope you all had a good year as part of our Racing Adjunct. Unfortunately, we missed out last year on our June/July meeting through COVID-19 restrictions. However, we did manage a meeting later in the year at the Cheval Room Hastings Racecourse. Our numbers were a maximum of 50 but I believe it wasn't too bad a day better than no meeting at all.

The race meeting we went to on the 3rd of July was a great success. We had a total of 95 members that spent the day at the races in the Karamu/Estella Lounge, what a great venue, fabulous view of the racecourse for sure. The food was great, a couple of free drinks and betting vouchers, all in all a great day.

Looking forward, we are hoping to hold a "Punters Party" late January early February next year, followed by our trip to the races June/July.

Just a reminder that our Racing Adjuncts Financial year runs from 1 August to 30 September each year. Subs are due on the 1st November yearly. For those who are not yet financial but wish to remain a member of the adjunct a fee of \$10 can be paid to myself at the Club or into our Racing Adjuncts bank account under "Taradale Club Racing Adjunct" ANZ 06 0701 0596935 10 please use your name as the reference.

Well that's all the news for now, on behalf of the Racing Adjunct I would like to wish you all a merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year, especially when betting on the Horses!!





# Services Association

## Matariki Tu Rakau

In 2022 with the agreement of the NCC, the Services' Association is planning to plant a Pohutukawa or Kowhai at the Taradale Soldiers' Cemetery (Lone Pine) in the gully below the Puketapu Rd to honour each of our WW2 fallen heroes, and their whanau.

These trees will of course add colour in the flowering, make the cemetery more picturesque for those visiting loved ones, and have a tree for those fallen who still lay in foreign soils standing with those of their comrades who did return and are now buried at Lone Pine. The trees will also attract other species of birds, bees etc to the area.

We are planning the planting for 5 June 2022, which is Arbor Day, and will again seek the assistance of any whanau of our heroes that we can locate and invite to the ceremony, and of the High Schools to help in preparing the site for the trees and helping in the physical planting.

*Graham Duley has done some research on these heroes and has come up with this list:*

### Taradale Plunket Rooms Plaque

### Equivalent Listing On Former Plaque at Napier War Memorial

	Rank	First Name and Initials	Surname	Notes
ARMSTRONG C. E.	Pilot Officer	Cecil E	ARMSTRONG	
ATKINSON B. M.	Able Seaman	Basil M	ATKINSON	HMS Neptune
ATKINSON R. V.	Leading Seaman	Roy V	ATKINSON	HMS Neptune
BLAIKIE I.	Flying Officer	Ian A	BLAIKE	Dist'd. Flying Medal
Burr A.S.	Private	Alfred S	BURR	
CLAYTON S.	Flying Officer	Sydney E	CLAYTON	
COLWILL E. J.	Private	Edward J	COLWILL	
CULSHAW C.	Private	Charles	CULSHAW	
FRANKLIN B. N.	Private	Bruce N	FRANKLIN	
HARRISON I.	Driver	Ian A	HARRISON	
KEELING P.W.	Private	Percival W	KEELING	
MARTIN A.	Sergeant	Angus	MARTIN	
MURPHY J. E.	Aircraftsman Class One	James E	MURPHY	
McAULAY H. A.	Lieutenant	Hector A	McAULAY	
McCUTCHEON J. F.	Private	John F	McCUTCHEON	
REDWARD H. W.	Gunner	Herbert W	REDWARD	
SAVAGE T. G.	Aircraftsman Class One	Thomas G	SAVAGE	
SCULLIN J.	Private	John (Jack)	SCULLIN	
STRACHAN R. C.	Private	Roy C	STRACHAN	
STRATFORD J. P.	Private	Joseph P	STRATFORD	
WHITTON S.H.	Lieutenant	Stephen H	WHITTON	

We now need to see if we can find some living whanau of these men. If you are a descendant, or know of whanau, of those on the list please either contact them and advise them what we are doing, or give us their contact detail so that we can get in touch with them and invite them to plant a tree.

We also need to ensure that our list is correct and complete and ask that if anyone believes some aspect needs to be corrected, or that we are missing someone who should be on this list, please contact me on email at 'peter\_jackie@xtra.co.nz', with the detail and any authority that supports us adding to or amending that detail.

## **William Lee's Unveiling**

As many will be aware we are assisting the Remembrance Army locate the graves of WW1 service members who returned but have now passed on and are buried in Park Island Cemetery, many of which have no headstone. One such fallen hero was William Lee.

Father Bill's magic worked and on 6 Nov at 11am the clouds parted, the rain stopped for about an hour, and we unveiled William Lee's headstone without getting wet. It was a very special moment to be acknowledging a WW1 veteran with some of his whanau there from Whangarei (one of whom was 86) and some from Taumaranui.

The Unveiling was 'live streamed' and had people watching from all around the country. The Napier Army Cadet Unit added to the military aspect of the tribute as did having the Naval Liaison Officer, Paul Eady, there in uniform, wearing medals, along with our members.

The Remembrance Army have identified others from WW1 who don't currently have headstones, so there will be Unveilings to come in the future. In the meantime a couple of photos from William's ceremony:



**Christmas Cheer** on behalf of our Chairman, Frank, and all members wish you all, and your whanau, a very Merry Christmas, and if travelling please be safe out there. We want to see everyone back here again in 2022 getting on with the mahi of our Club and enjoying each other's company over a couple of 'coldies'.

MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR.

*Lest We Forget*

The Taradale Club Services Team



# Kids Christmas Party

Sunday 19 December

11.00am to 3.30pm



Contact Robyne for more details:  
06 844 2088 or [robyme@taradaleclub.co.nz](mailto:robyme@taradaleclub.co.nz)



# Fishing

## Happy Holiday Season

We are nearing the end of the second 3 week fishing comp, set to wind up on Saturday 18th December, with our normal Sunday comp on the 19th followed by our Christmas Break Up and Prize-Giving for both comps.

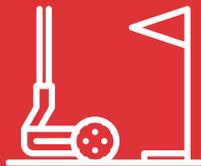
The weather has again shown us just how Hawke's Bay can be, with this much needed rain settling in. It has been good to hear of a few of you getting out and also most coming back with a good catch.

Look forward to seeing those of you who can make it on the 19th... Until then Tight Lines.

On behalf of the Fishing Adjunct have a safe and enjoyable Christmas and New Year.

Cheers Dion and Nikki





# 18-Hole Golf

We had a friendly challenge between Maraenui and Napier Golf Club Members at our last Club Day held at Napier Golf Club on Sunday 21st November. The local players had an advantage on their home turf and cleaned-up Maraenui visitors averaging 36 points to MGC's 33.5 points to retain the Challenge Shield for another year!

Other winners and gridders on the day were:

- Senior Mens - Maurice Free, Bob Dixon and Ian Toynbee
- Junior Mens - Doug Perry, Ian Gray and Charlie Christie
- Women - Di Dixon, Maureen Hansen and Julie Inwood
- Maureen won both prizes in the raffle and had a very broad grin at the end of the day
- Stick Man - best net - went to Maurice Free

Our next Club Day is 12 noon Sunday 19th December at Maraenui Golf Club, when we celebrate our Christmas Cheer and return to our Taradale Club to enjoy an evening meal.

Contact [denwise@xtra.co.nz](mailto:denwise@xtra.co.nz) if you wish to receive the 18-Hole Golf Newsletter and updates. Subs are just \$20, please pay them to any of our Committee Members.

Current Committee is Denys Carpenter, Gerald McCarthy, Walter Blatchford, Clint Hansen, Ian Toynbee and Charlie Christie . Please contact Denys if you feel that you could assist on the Committee.

