



# Levin Cosmopolitan Club Inc

## November 2017 Newsletter

**Hello Members**, and soon it will be the month of Santa Claus and all things associated with this festive period of the year. Wow, where has the year gone!!

Our Club has been fantastically busy over the last few weeks with more than a dozen functions and occasions being held and celebrated within the Clubhouse. Amongst all our other regular activities and meetings, birthday meals and family gatherings we have hosted three dart tournaments, the inaugural Charles Upham VC & Bar 8 ball tournament, two wedding receptions, a spiritual seminar, the Pounamu Country Club Awards weekend, the Horowhenua Kapiti Rugby Football Union Awards evening, an "Elvis" show, a 21<sup>st</sup> birthday party and our very first for this year already a Christmas dinner party for visitors from Titahi Bay!!

As usual for our Club all occasions went off very successfully for all and we particularly acknowledge and thank **all** our wonderful staff for all their efforts on our behalf. You are all truly magnificent in "pitching in" so no one leaves the Club disappointed, but impressed with our hospitality. Staff – thanks so, so much.

And as another example of unselfish assistance to Club members, our own Roger Tapine (Life Member) has just completed 32 years as a committee member of our Mutual Aid Service Group (members welfare). We understand back in 1986 he, with the late Ross King (latterly Club Patron) and with others, quietly started the welfare assistance arrangements that are still in place today. Thank you Roger for your time and commitment to others and enjoy your retirement.

Cheers very much.



## Nurse in Club

Every month the LCC Support Group funds a registered nurse to visit the Club. This is an opportunity for you to have your blood pressure and sugar levels checked or discuss any other health problems you may be concerned about. Diabetic tests are also available.

### **1st Saturday of every month**

**Time:** 10.30am – 12.00noon

Held in the Club's Staffroom



## Member Birthday Meals

Birthday meals for November will be held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

**It is essential that when you receive your voucher that you book in with either the Office or Restaurant advising of your intention to attend, and numbers, by Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November.**

Invite your family or friends to come along and help you celebrate – their roast meal will be \$17.00.

***Please note the Blackboard Menu is not available on this night.***

## Levin Cossie Club Members

**Horowhenua Food Bank  
PLEASE DONATE**



**“Giving back to  
our Community  
for Christmas”**

***NO EXPIRED FOOD - PLEASE CHECK DATES***



## Remembrance

It is with great sadness that we have had to farewell two members this month;

***Bruce Martin***  
***Hank Artz***

***Member since March 1991***  
***Member since July 1979***

Our thoughts and condolences go out to the family and friends of these members

**Winning rugby team thank superfan**

**JOEL MAXWELL**

Some players get fat salaries and celebrity endorsement spots, while others get a dozen beers from Bruce Martin.

Martin and his fellow stalwarts around the country are the lifeblood of provincial rugby, and last week the Horowhenua-Kāpiti team paid a visit to his rest home in Levin to thank him.

The team won through to the semifinals of the Meads Cup on Saturday, beating Buller 30-26 in Westport.

If they were to win the tournament, it would be their first title since 1993. Martin, of course, was there then, and he will be at the semifinal in Levin this coming weekend.

"I've been following them for quite a long time," he said as the team paid a surprise visit to the Levin Home for War Veterans.

"I tell you what, mate. They're playing bloody good rugby."

He's been following the red, white and blue of Horowhenua-Kāpiti for so long he can't quite remember exactly. "Ages ago, mate. Since the 70s and 80s."

He remembers the provincial title win in 1993, when the team featured an exciting unknown college player called Carlos Spencer.

"I was there for the game. I went to Whanganui, all day I spent over there. I had a good day."

Spencer may have moved on to bigger stadiums than the Levin Domain in the intervening 24 years, but Martin still heads there regularly.

H-K coach Chris Wilton said visiting the likes of Martin put things in perspective. "We loved to go and do it. He's had a long association with our rugby team."

"He used to bring a dozen to trainings. After every training, if we won, he'd bike up to the training rooms and drop a dozen off to the boys."

H-K will face Buller again in Saturday's semifinal, this time at home, and Martin has no doubt where he'll be.

"I get picked up about 2pm and I get driven in and sit in the front of a big four-wheel-drive. I don't have to get out."

Go the 'Nua ... Levin's Bruce Martin has followed the Horowhenua-Kāpiti provincial rugby team for nearly 40 years. PHOTO: KEVIN TEPPER/STUFF

## Kapiti Coast Pool League

Not only did the weekend of the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> of October see the running of the 1<sup>st</sup> ever 'Crichton ITM Charles Upham VC and Bar Memorial Shield tournament', Sunday the 22<sup>nd</sup> saw the culmination of the forty second running of the Kapiti Coast Pool League (which has been running under one guise or another since 1975!), a very strong interclub and pub competition which this year, as with previous years hosted some of the regions strongest players.

Given the overall quality of the teams in the competition, the Levin Cosmopolitan Club punched well above its own weight division and succeeded in not only qualifying for the Plate teams finals for the second year in a row (A special mention to Phil B who scored a solid 81% success rate over the 22 weeks of qualifying play winning 13 of 16 singles he played) but we also had one player, Greg Creighton, in the final play offs of the singles competition as well.

## Kapiti Coast Pool League cont.

This year the finals were held at the Family Hotel in Otaki who to their credit turned on an excellent day for all the players from all over the region. Greg Creighton was first up in the Finals play offs for the singles but unfortunately was eliminated from the competition by the eventual winner, the representative from Paekakariki Rob.P.

The teams event commenced just after 2:00pm with Levin Cosmopolitan Club playing the Railway Hotel for the plate final and Paekakariki taking on (and beating) Telebarn (Otaki) in the trophy final. Levin needed to win 11 games to take the plate trophy and got off to a good start by taking a solid lead after the first leg by winning 6 out of the 8 games. Things however went somewhat sideways from there with the Railway clawing some back but Levin triumphed finally 11 to 9 frames.

A good day was had by all.

Earl Roberts

## Cards Adjunct

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> November five members from the Cards adjunct left for Petone to attend the Clubs NZ 20<sup>th</sup> North Island Euchre tournament where 153 players were competing.

While we were not up there with the major winners we all had an excellent weekend renewing old and making new friendships. Tin Hat prizes were won by Annetta, Gail and Dawn. Annetta won the \$200 draw. The top prize for the Individual went to a player from the Waiuku Cosmopolitan Club, while the teams event was won by the same club (Waiuku). Euchre is really strong in the Auckland region. The final placings for the Levin players were:

Gail Rae	82
Pat Perrin	112
Sarah de Veld	142
Annetta Stokes	146
Dawn Harman	152

Good effort to all.

We would like to thank the Levin Cosmopolitan Club for their support which made it possible to attend this event

Pat Perrin  
Cards Adjunct

## **Clay Target Adjunct**

### **The NZ Charter Clubs North Island Skeet Champs:**

The Cossie Club Clay Target team travelled to Taupo for the annual skeet championships for the North Island.

A very overcast morning with light rain coming in over the afternoon, but still ok to shoot in. We had seven shooters in the end, more than we had anticipated (which was great). Some shooters were unable to come because of the shoot date being changed. It has now been changed back to the original date – great news.

#### **1<sup>st</sup> event 25 target single rise individual**

It is really an eye opener for the team event. We all shot well with George Harper and Doug Turner taking places in the shoot off which is drawn on a score basis of top, middle and low scores which is usually above 20 from 25 targets.

George took 3<sup>rd</sup> and Doug 2<sup>nd</sup> – well shot lads.

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> event 50 target teams match**

The team of 5 shooters shot great and were top to start but got caught and finished 4<sup>th</sup> from 17 teams. We made the other teams work very hard for their place, one target between them. Doug shot 50, Blue Taylor 48, George Harper 47, Steve O'Hara 47, Dereck Taylor 46, Casey Wood (new member) shot 45, Gene Sandbrook 44. Top 5 were the team.

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> event 25 target individual**

Our lads shot like champs, 3, Blue, Dereck and Gene shot the lot, the rest on 24 & 23 (Wow) what a team. Over the shoot off Dereck came in 6<sup>th</sup> place in the top group and Steve was 3<sup>rd</sup> in the middle group. All in all on the first day all shooters made the shoot offs which is no mean feat considering the calibre of shooters that attend these events, the best around, so well done lads.

#### **Day 2 – North Island Skeet Champs**

Wet weather started our day, but not so windy. Our team had mostly a good shoot with some very good scores in our 5 man team event, just not quite good enough on the day. We were in the running for a while.

Our two man teams did better with Blue and Dereck shooting 43/50 targets – still no prize. In the individual event our lads did very well. The placings are high overall with Dereck Taylor taking 1<sup>st</sup> place with Casey Wood taking out 2<sup>nd</sup> place, which is great shooting. Well done.

## Clay Target Adjunct cont.

### 2<sup>nd</sup> event for the day is a 50 target event

Again some very good scores set. The grading here is Top, Middle and Lower. Doug Turner took 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and he is also the only shooter to shoot the 100 targets over the two 50 target events each day.

In the middle grade Steve took 7<sup>th</sup> place with Casey getting 7<sup>th</sup> in the lower grade. You need to shoot over 45 targets to make a shoot off. Not easy to do, but we all did it.

All in all a great shoot, the date for next year is going back to its original date so we will have the rest of our shooters available.

Any shooters or club members that tick the Clay Target box who want to be involved please contact George Harper or Blue Taylor and we will help you get started at our Horowhenua Club grounds. You will need a gun or firearms licence and other gear which we will advise you of.

Thank you team for a great weekend shoot.

Cheers  
Blue Taylor

**TAUPO COSMOPOLITAN GUN CLUB**

## TWO-DAY TROPHY SHOOT

- Including -

Clubs NZ  
LUCKY DRAW  
5 X \$50 PRIZES

**THE NZ CHARTERED CLUBS  
NORTH ISLAND SKEET TEAMS AND  
INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**Saturday, October 28 & Sunday, October 29, 2017**  
Taupo Clay Target Club Grounds, Centennial Drive, Taupo

### TEAMS EVENTS IN SINGLE RISE - SKEET

<p><b>SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 9 am START</b></p> <p>EVENT 1: The Great Lake Ammo Trophy Match of 25 Targets Single-Rise (1 target Eye-Opener). Six prizes in three divisions - Top, Middle and Lower.</p> <div style="text-align: center;"><p><b>Fly &amp; Gun Hunting &amp; Fishing</b> NEW ZEALAND</p></div> <p>EVENT 2: Fly and Gun Hunting &amp; Fishing 50 Target Single-Rise Team Match. Prizes to first, second and third teams. This event will be shot in two visits to traps</p> <p>EVENT 3: 25 Target Individual Trophy (six prizes, in three divisions - Top, Middle and Lower).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>\$65.00 per shooter per day</b></p>	<p><b>SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 9 am START</b></p> <p>EVENT 1: 25 Target Hcp Skeet Match. N.I. Chartered Clubs Teams and Individual Champs.</p> <div style="text-align: center;"><p><b>the Merchant</b> Food &amp; Liquor 114 Sea Road, Taupo Ph: 07 378 4656</p></div> <p>KINDLY SPONSORED BY THE MERCHANT, TAUPO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* Five-Man Teams * Two-Man Teams (extra \$5.00 per team) * Individual HOA</li></ul> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"><p><b>SKEET HANDICAP: A Grade, 0; B Grade, 1; C Grade, 3. Targets in hand into shoot-off.</b></p></div> <p>EVENT 2: 50-Target Single-Rise Trophy. Eight prizes in three divisions - Top, Middle and Lower. This event will be shot in two visits to traps</p>
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LOOKING FOR ACCOMMODATION?

### PRINCE

Cnr Tirapuenga Street & Roberts Street, Taupo

Your Hosts: Ron and Rachel Hunter

**Phone: (07) 377 8888**

Thanks to our Sponsors

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- The Merchant of Taupo
- ITW, Pauemut
- Prince Motor Lodge
- Gun Adjunct Members for generous raffle prizes
- 1st Choice Engravers

Trophy presentations will be made after each day's competition

Open to all members of the Chartered Clubs Association

Ammunition available on grounds

Contact  
Colin Shaw (07) 378 1260

## HIGH GUN OVER TWO DAYS

## Geoff & Teresa Herewini

Two of our own Club Members won “New Zealand Country Music Entertainer of the Year”. Huge congratulations to you both. They also organised the Pounamu Country Club Music Awards weekend held at the Club on 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> November.

Friday, October 27, 2017

### Club founders win entertainer award



NEW Zealand Country Music Entertainer of the Year winners Teresa and Geoff Herewini. PHOTO: ASHLEIGH COLLIS

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Pounamu Country Music Club founders Teresa and Geoff Herewini have taken the Entertainer of the Year 2017 title at the New Zealand Country Music Awards in Rotorua earlier this month.

The couple secured their place in the nationals taking out four titles — best senior male, best duet group, highly commended and best senior overall — at the Aotearoa Waitangi Country Music Awards held in Palmerston North in February.

The Levin residents, who duet under the stage name Double Blend, first made it to the nationals in 2015 and were runners-up.

Mrs Herewini said there was some stiff competition at this year's nationals. “The musicians we were up against were brilliant. It's not easy to get on stage in front of a theatre full of people, it's quite nerve wracking actually,” she said.

“I thought I could have performed a lot better but obviously the judges enjoyed us.”

Of the songs they performed that night, *Talk Back Trembling Lips* by Johnny Tillotson was her favourite, she

said. It came as quite a shock that they had taken out the prestigious title which came with \$2000 in prize money and a recording contract at Manuka Studios in Auckland.

“I was lost for words when they announced we had won. It must have been our lucky night,” she said.

“I am just really chuffed. We have always wanted to be able to record some songs and now we have the opportunity.”

The couple wanted to say a special thanks to the 34 Pounamu Country Music Club members who made the trip to Rotorua to support them.

Country music is a passion the Herewinis share, which brought them together for the first time in 2002 at the Te Teko's Texas Country Music Club.

The couple have been singing country music together ever since and made it official by getting married in 2015.

To see the award-winning couple live, they will be performing at the Pounamu Country Music Club's own Country Music Awards event at the Cosmopolitan Club in Levin on November 4-5. Auditions start 8am Saturday, with the finals on Sunday from 10am.



*Trophies and awards for the  
Pounamu Country Club Music  
Awards*



## **Monopoly 8 Ball Challenge**

The winner of the September/October Monopoly 8 Ball Challenge was:

*Gary Abella*



Congratulations Gary and a huge thank you to all who participated.



## Entertainment

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November

Live Band: Bad Habitz

Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November

Country & Variety Music Club 1pm - 5pm \$4 entry

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December

Karaoke with Hendrix

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December

Live Band: Make Believe

Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December

Kids Xmas Party 11am

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December

Live Band: Harmony Showdown

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> December

Band Jamm

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December

Country & Variety Music Club 1pm - 5pm \$4 entry

# Kids Xmas Party

**Sunday 10th December, 11.00am**

**Venue: Levin Cosmopolitan Club**

**Games & Prizes  
for the kids**



**Sausage  
Sizzle**

## A fun day for all

**For Members Children & Grandchildren  
12 yrs & under**

*Children must be supervised at all times*

*Parental help with running the games etc would be appreciated*

**Please write children's names  
on the list on the notice board**