

# Newsletter December 2024

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#### 2025

### January

27th Club night, live music with Anthony

#### **February**

3rd Beginners lessons week 1 6.45-7.30, Club night 7.30-9.30pm 10th Beginners' lessons week 2 6.45-7.30, Club night 7.30-9.30pm 17th Beginners' lessons week 3 6.45-7.30, Club night 7.30-9.30pm 24th Club night live music with Les Donaldson 7.00-9.30pm

#### March

3rd Beginners' lessons week 1 6.45-730, Club night 7.30-9.30pm 10th Beginners' lessons week 2 6.45-7.30, Club night 7.30-9.30pm 17th Beginners' lessons week 3 .45-7.30, Club night 7.30-9.30pm 24th Club night 7.00-9.30pm 29th Birthday dance 'Hot wire'

### April

28th Club night live music with Nigel Withington

### May

26th Club night live music with Ian Mac

### June

21st Club champs and dance, live music with Des Newton 30th Club night, live music with Gary Carter (Gaz)

### July

12th Interclub competition 28th Club night live music with MYNT

### **August**

25th Club night live music with Anthony

### September

6th Dance with The Coyotes

### October

20th Les Donaldson TBC

#### November

24th Club night live music with Ian Mac

### **2025 Dates**

In our sidebar calendar you'll see the key 2025 live music dates for our #musicmondays, and the programme continues to fill out as we confirm our monthly Monday music performers. You'll also see the dates for our two big dances for the year, in March and September. Please note the change of date for our birthday dance in March. Make sure you get the dates into your 2025 diary right now.

# Thank you, and merry Christmas

Thank you to everyone, both members and non members, for your amazing support over the course of 2024.

Voluntary clubs exist for and because of their members. Without members we are nothing. We hope that in the course of the year we have offered club nights, dances, events, and fellowship, that have brought you some joy. That is our purpose.

Whatever the Christmas season means to you, we wish you all a good one, and look forward to seeing you back with us on the dance floor in late January 2025..

### **Robin and your Committee**

### **Senior Nationals**

Wow, what a blast, what a weekend, what a nationals that was, certainly the best since 2019. In my thank you speech at the end I quoted this whakataukī:

He aha te mea nui tea o? He tangata he tangata, he tangata!'

What is the most important thing in the world? It is people, it is people!

.. and our weekend certainly proved that. So many people to thank: our committee, our amazing team of members/helpers, the officials and the Association executive committee, and of course ALL of the dancers and supporters.

We are stronger together, we are stronger when we support each other, we are stronger when we bring everyone along together.



# Senior Nationals 2024 Christchurch RnR Club placings

Congratulations to all of our dancers

**Best dressed competitions** 

**1st Best Dressed Diamond Restricted** Robin Sutton & Anne Jamieson

**1st Best Dressed Open Same Sex** Karina Lilley & Natalie Lilley

**2nd Best Dressed Novice** Kelsi McCarthy & Sarah Bleeker

**2nd Best Dressed Diamond Restricted** Stuart Lucas & June Read

### **Dancing competitions**

### **Novice**

3rd Kelsi McCarthy & Sarah Bleeker

### **Diamond Restricted**

4th Stuart Lucas & June Read

### Open

2nd Shaun Birchall & Hayley Birchall

3rd Caleb McNaughton & Ella Dodd

### **Open Same Sex**

2nd Hayley Birchall & Keithleen Javier

# New sound system

We've just invested in a new sound system for the training hall (Hei Hei). The old system had reached the end of its useful life, having served us well. To use the new system, you will need a phone that can connect via bluetooth. There are instructions in the pocket of the cover case. In case you don't, the old system will be in the hall for a while yet, with its old school iPod, so if you are lost, just grab out the old system. Thanks to Tony and colleague for researching the new system It's a hit with those training at the hall.



### **Raffle Donations**

Our thanks once again to those who have given the generous donations of prizes for our monthly raffles. Every bit counts, every, act of kindness matters.

## Hei Hei Hall hours 2025

The start date for our hall hire at Hei Hei for 2025 is Tuesday 21st January.

Our regular booked hours will be:

Tuesdays 6-8pm Sundays 2.30pm-5pm

### Nationals 2025

Junior Nationals Easter weekend 2025 is being held in Wellington. We are finalising accomodation in December. If you are interested in attending, please contact Connie connie@vanslooten.co.nz

Senior National s Labour weekend 2025 is being held in Rotorua. If you are interested in attending, please contact Karyn at kethomson@xtra.co.nz