



TE AWAMUTU RSA

Monthly Newsletter

November / December 2025



Christmas Message from TARSA President

Merry Christmas to all members and staff of the TARSA!

As the days tick closer to Santa making his appearance for all the good boys and girls of the world, I want to extend my Christmas well wishes to all members and staff.

We are in a period of change within our club at the moment, and our goal is to come out the other side stronger and in a better position than we have been in for many years.

Many of our issues are long standing ones that are affecting all clubs, as well as changes to society that were accelerated by the Covid period and the decisions made at government levels at that time. Changes in how people socialise and the cost-of-living crisis we are currently experiencing has heightened these issues and we must now navigate our way through these turbulent waters to safety.

Our executive has a big job ahead in finding and appointing a new manager while navigating the next few months without one. I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to all exec members, current and retired for the changes that we have already made since being elected in June

A massive thanks must go to Don, who has stepped up to cover as the interim manager on top of his normal job. Hopefully Santa is especially nice to you!

Our staff are our biggest asset, and I wish them all a Merry Christmas and the happiest of New Years. The last few months have been a rough road, and I want to acknowledge their dedication to our members and their ability to keep our club as a bright, cheerful place to come and enjoy. Please keep doing what you do best, and from myself and the exec team, thank you!

To all our members, hopefully you have done enough to get onto the “nice” list this year. However, if you are worried that you might be heading for the “naughty” list, please consider spreading positive words about our club, be kind to our staff and bring along your friends and family for dinner and a drink to the RSA. Santa has told me that if you do that, it will balance any chances of waking up with a lump of coal in your stocking!

We head into the New Year with a positive vibe in the club, and I can't wait to see what we can accomplish in the future!

Daniel

RSA Fishing club newsletter

Good evening

Below is for the TARSA Newsletter on behalf of the Fishing Club

from Jim Perkins - Phone 021 2784389

19/11/2025 18:45

Hi everyone

The "3 way challenge" was cancelled due to bad weather and has been rebooked for the 24th January 2026.

The latest trip to Kawhia with Dove Charters was a successful day with some nice fish caught by a good fishing team.

The next fishing trip booked on the Legionaire with Bob is on the 25th November 2025.

A trip to Kawhia has been booked for Sunday 14 December 2025, which will be placed on the fishing board shortly.

A Christmas get together dinner (Christmas Menu) will be held on Saturday 29th November. Come along, have a good social night and dress festively if you like. Music provided by Mo and raffles available.

8 Ball Club

We recently held our end of season break-up at one of our members homes, was a great night had by all, enjoyable company and great xmas prizes.

We are currently booking our competitions for next year. We will still be there club nights and Sundays for anyone to join us.

Contact Lyn Watson 0221228440 or Beiggel 0273516517

TARSA November 2025



PAK'nSAVE

Pac n Save Te Awamutu, RSA Ham Draw, December 2025

Te Awamutu District and Memorial RSA will be hosting their annual Christmas Ham Draw on Friday 12 December 2025. 30x half hams have been generously donated to the RSA by the **Te Awamutu Pac n Save** branch manager Jeremy Bennett. This generous donation will allow three draws of ten hams at 7.00 pm, 8.00pm and 9.00pm, drawn from a registration sheet which members will enter on arrival at the RSA. Members can only win one ham each and their number will be deactivated after being presented with a ham voucher, members can then collect their ham from the RSA bar.

Club raffles will also have hams available as prizes leading up to and after Friday 12th December.

Members are encouraged to support this event and recognize the generous donation from **Te Awamutu Pac n Save** manager, Jeremy Bennett.

Lou Brown

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Group Events and Functions

Searching for an ideal venue to host your next christmas function, team meeting or seminar? Look no further, call the Te Awamutu RSA today!

We welcome groups of all sizes, whether you're organizing a club event, special occasion, funeral or a birthday celebration. Our venue is equipped to cater for large, medium and small groups. We can offer packages tailored to your group's size. Contact us today to discuss how we can help make your next private or public event or celebration a memorable success.

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18 November 2025

TO: Executive Committee of the Te Awamutu RSA
FROM: Raewyn Adams, Treasurer, Women's Section
RE: Women's Section Report

Women's Section 83rd Birthday

On Wednesday 12 November we celebrated the 83rd birthday of the Te Awamutu Women's Section. We are not 100% sure, but we think we are the second or third oldest Women's Sections in the country. We are very proud to still be going strong after 83 years and bringing joy to the ladies of the greater Te Awamutu area as well as helping and aiding the RSA itself.

Our "top table" of distinguished guests consisted of Judith Steel District President and MC for the day, Diane Wilson National Women's President and our very own RSA President Daniel Van Der Hulst.

Our guests (39 of them) started arriving a bit early, but we were ready for them. What an amazing bunch of ladies. They descended on us from Birkenhead, Hibiscus Coast, Mt Maunganui, Waihi, Franklin, Waihi Beach and Paeroa.

We had a Grocery Hamper donated by each of our local supermarkets, Fresh Choice, Woolworths and Pak'nSave to raffle off. There were also raffle prizes donated by our committee along with many Spot Prizes that were won by the lucky number underneath each placemat.

Speeches were made before eating the beautiful lunch prepared by our Chef Louise. An amazingly tasty meal of hot Ham, Roast Beef and Gravy, new potatoes, peas, Lettuce Salad, Beetroot Salad and Egg Salad. This was followed by dessert of mini-Pavlova, Fresh Fruit Salad and Whipped Cream.

Our Birthday Cake was made and iced by Dianne Nicholson which was delicious as usual and decorated with our signature poppies.

The cutting of the cake was carried out by Judith Steel and RSA President Daniel Van Der Hulst.

There was much laughter and hilarity with a few hi-jinks thrown in before drawing the last of the raffles.

Our visitors left to go home, in the rain unfortunately, but even the weather couldn't dampen the mood or the great time that was had by all who attended.

A huge thanks must go to Louise and the Kitchen staff for ensuring the serving of the food ran so smoothly.

Also thanks must go to our amazing committee who showed resilience and tenacity in the way they all pulled together to make the day so successful.







High Tea

On 20th November we are holding a High Tea on the property of one of our member's family.

We are selling tickets at \$20 per person for the High Tea itself and then you can take a walk around their beautiful gardens. Raffles will also be available on the day.

Interested parties can get their tickets from Val Phillips and she can be contacted on 027 415 0991

Facebook

Please remember to go in to Facebook and follow us as we have now started our own Facebook page.

It is a place where we can document things that have happened or are going to happen. It is still in the early stages so please bear with us.



Remember –

*We of the Women's Section are here to help the RSA whenever you need,
but we are not mind readers.*

*Speak up, let us hear your voice,
You only have to ask.*



And from the Motorsport club

First of all - welcome to our newest member of the Motorsport Club section – Paddy Shannon.

Bathurst Day event -

This event ended up going better than expected thanks to the enthusiasm of the Team and those that bought their cars in for the Display.

A big shout out to those members for cooking on the BBQ and the Companies that donated the prizes.

Congratulations to Ashley Lucas who won both sweepstakes as well as the Raffle Winners and Free T Shirt give away.

Motorsport Memorabilia Table update –

A number of badges etc have been collected and passed on to Karl who is doing the work for us similar to the Veterans Tables.

WE MEET AT THE RSA ON THE LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 6-30pm.

That's it from me until next time and remember – “Keep Your Pedal To The Metal”

Andrew Ross

Directory

Want to know more? Here is our contact list:

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WEEKLY SPECIALS



Monday
Fish & Chips \$20

Tuesday
Pizzas \$15

Wednesday
Schnitzel, coleslaw & wedges \$18

Thursday
Pinot & Pasta \$25

Friday
Surprise Special!

Saturday
Seafood Platter for two \$45

Sunday
*Roast \$20 +
½ price desserts*



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From the Dart club

Well what a great season we had, we came 5th in the second division, lots of ups and downs but we fought our way through.

We had our team break up in October with prizes given to high scores, low scores and 180's.

All players are keen to come back for next season with a few new players so we will be having two teams.

If you are keen to join us feel free to contact Lyn Watson on 0221228440

We are holding a Ham & Chicken comp' with drawn Pairs on the 6th of December 2025 with a \$5.00 entry fee, open to all RSA members



Weekly Club Activities

Monday	Tuesday
Bar Opens 11am-9pm Restaurant Lunch 12-2pm, Dinner from 5pm Monday Swindle Members Draw from 6.00pm	Bar Open 11am-9pm Restaurant Lunch 12-2pm, Dinner from 5pm 500 Card Club 1pm
Wednesday	Thursday
Bar Open 11am-9pm Restaurant Lunch 12-2pm, Dinner from 5pm Knitting Club 10.30am Raffles from 4.30pm Members Draw from 6.00pm Indoor Bowls from 7pm	Bar Open 11am-9pm Happy Hour 4.30-6.30pm Restaurant Lunch 12-2pm, Dinner from 5pm \$10 Lunch 1pm BINGO
Friday	Saturday
Bar Open 11am-11pm Restaurant Lunch 12-2pm, Dinner from 5pm Mahjong 1pm Raffles from 4.30pm Jokers Wild Members Draw from 6.00pm	Bar Open 11am-10pm Restaurant Lunch 12-2pm, Dinner from 5pm
Sunday	
Bar Open 11am-9pm BINGO from 3pm every 2 nd Sunday Restaurant Lunch 12-2pm, Dinner from 5pm	

COURTESY VAN AVAILABLE FROM 4PM DAILY.

We pick up from home and/or drop you off at your home –
within 12km radius of club rooms.

Talk to Bar Staff or phone 07 871 3707 extn 4

Alternative Transport Taxi TA A2B ph: 07 392 8808

BINGO:

Every Thursday at 1pm

AND

Sunday 5th & 19th September at 3pm

HAPPY HOUR

Thursday 4.30pm – 6.30pm

Discounted Tap Beer and Wine

'Come in and catch up with your mates'

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Te Awamutu & District Memorial RSA



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...I would like to thank the Te Awamutu RSA for their support and encouragement to open this restaurant.
- Andrew Priest, Executive Director

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