



TE AWAMUTU RSA

Monthly Newsletter

October 2025



Live Entertainment

Friday 3rd Niupz DJ

Friday 17th SWAT

Sunday 12th Live Sky Coverage Bathurst

Friday 31st Ebonyivory

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Members Draw

Monday, Wednesday and Friday between 6pm & 7pm

New web page:

www.teawamutursa.org.nz

Directory

Want to know more? Here is our contact list:

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From the Office

The end of September marks halfway through the financial year.

New website www.teawamutursa.org.nz went live, as scheduled, to improve communications within the club. An amazing amount of work has gone into this. A huge thanks must go to Jared Wright St-Clair in herding everybody and everything together. The webpage drives newsletters, purchases from the webpage and what's on at Te Awamutu RSA calendar. Whilst we acknowledge some issues exist, these are being worked upon. We hope that members benefit from the improved communications and ability to engage with activities of the Club.

The constitution has been reviewed by our Executive Committee and on Sunday, October 19th at 1pm an Extraordinary General Meeting is being held with the purpose of adopting the draft constitution so that we can re-apply for reregistration under the Incorporated Societies Act 2022. See notice within this newsletter for further information. Copies of the Draft Constitution are available on website and limited number, due to size of document, are available in clubrooms.

A gentle reminder to members that we want to be known as a friendly and welcoming club to new members, guests and visitors from other clubs. We encourage people to talk to new people in a friendly manner and to welcome people into the club, even invite them to join you at your table. Imagine being told, as a new member, by someone that you can't sit there because that is my seat.

Welcome onboard to Gillies Miles and Edmonds Judd Lawyers as sponsors. If you are speaking with them, please thank them for their support as I am sure they want to know that their advertising is working out in the community.

Congratulations to Mark Sullivan for winning the Must Go Members Draw of \$2,050.00.

Please note: we will be closed Monday, Labour Day 27 October 2025.

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SHOCKTOBER IS HERE



Sudden Cardiac Arrest **Awareness Month**

Every year, thousands of lives are lost to Sudden Cardiac Arrest. But with greater awareness, faster response and wider access to AEDs, survival is possible.

This October, during **Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Month**, we invite you to take action: help raise awareness and ensure AEDs are within reach when they're needed most.



October is now dubbed Shocktober for the third year running and Hato Hone St John (HHStJ) is on a mission to empower as many people as possible with lifesaving skills as part of its Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) awareness month.

This October we've dedicated the entire month to educate as many kiwis as possible across the motu how to respond to someone having a cardiac arrest.

A free 3 Steps for Life session for your local community club can be organised. Register your interest in attending at the Bar – we need 10 people so we can organise with St John.

Bathurst 2025

Sunday, 12 Oct 2025 (All Day)

Bathurst at the RSA - Car displays, raffles and prizes throughout the day

Details

Bathurst at the RSA Car displays from 9am, raffles and prizes throughout the day \$20 Lunch Special to set you up for the 1pm Live Sky Coverage

Come along, bring your mates and support the Motorsport Group on this special day.

Weekly Club Activities

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

October		
1	Sinking of the LISBON MARU with the loss of over 800 Allied POWs (including New Zealand naval personnel) of the Japanese. The ship was not marked as carrying POWs - a violation of the Geneva Conventions.	1942
1	RNZN Birthday. Commemorate all who have served in the RNZN. RNZN established in 1941	Annually
3	Vella La Vella. 3 (NZ) Division secures Vella Lavella Island, Solomon Islands	1943
4	Battle of Broodseinde, Ypres	1917
7	Malayan Emergency: 41 Sqn, RNZAF conducts first operational flight.	1949
12	First Battle of Passchendaele (Our Darkest Day)	1917
16	1st NZEF Main Body departs NZ	1914
20	CMT: Military Training Act 1949 passed, introducing Compulsory Military Training in NZ	1949
21	Boer War: Commemorate all who served in the Boer War. 21 Oct 1899 marks the day NZ troops departed by ship for South Africa.	1899
23	Sinking of the SS Marquette. NZ Nurse's Day that commemorates all NZ Nurses who served in war and conflict.	1915
23	Battle of El Alamein, North Africa	1942
27	Mono Island. 3 (NZ) Division lands on Mono Island, Solomon Islands. First opposed landing for NZ troops since Gallipoli.	1943
28	Te Pūtake o te Riri, He Rā Maumahara / National Day of Commemoration of NZ Wars.	Annually
31	Capture of Tel el Saba. NZ Mounted Rifles capture vital high ground overlooking Beersheba, creating the tactical conditions for the subsequent Australian Light Horse charge.	1917
No date recorded	Bess, one of only four horses to return from over 10,000 NZ horses who served overseas in WW1, passes away.	1934

HAPPY HOUR

Thursday 4.30pm – 6.30pm

Discounted Tap Beer and Wine

'Come in and catch up with your mates'

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1 October 2025

NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting will be held at the RSA Clubrooms 381 Alexandra Street, Te Awamutu on:

Sunday 19th OCTOBER 2025 commencing at 1.00pm

Purpose:

REMIT 1: ADOPTION OF TE AWAMUTU & DISTRICT MEMORIAL RSA INCORPORATED CONSTITUTION

The Executive Committee recommend that the Te Awamutu & District Memorial RSA draft constitution, as circulated to members be adopted in its entirety.

Background/ Rationale

As per the recommended process/timeline for reregistration the Executive Committee commenced a review of the Te Awamutu & District Memorial RSA Incorporated Rules. As per our rules RNZRSA must agree to any changes and firstly, had to go through a process of review of its own constitution which was adopted in April 2025.

Late in May 2025, RNZRSA provided a draft local association constitution that had been updated to Executive Committee for consideration which has been updated by our Executive Committee including feedback from members.

At the Executive Committee Meeting August 2025, Executive Committee Members finalised the draft constitution.

Please refer to the following supporting documents available from Te Awamutu RSA website:

- Te Awamutu & District Memorial RSA Incorporated Draft Constitution
- Additional information from RNZRSA is [available](#):

A limited number of hardcopies (due to document size/cost) are available for perusal at the Clubrooms.

REMIT 2: REREGISTRATION UNDER THE INCORPORATED SOCIETIES ACT 2022

Subject to the passing of Remit 1 above, the Board recommend that Te Awamutu & District Memorial RSA to reregister under the Incorporated Societies Act 2022 to remain on the register of Incorporated Societies.

Background/ Rationale

The Incorporated Societies Act 2022 came fully into force on 5 December 2023. To remain on the register and maintain Incorporated Society status, Te Awamutu & District Memorial RSA Incorporated is required to reregister under the new Act. This remit seeks the approval of members to commence reregistration.

Graeme Ambler – Secretary Manager

Weekly Specials

MONDAY

**Shepherd's Pie,
Garlic Bread &
Shepherd's Whiskey
\$20**



TUESDAY

**Half priced main with
every full priced main
purchased
(cheapest meal is half price)**

WEDNESDAY



**Schnitzel
\$18**

THURSDAY

**Pasta & Pinot
\$25**



FRIDAY

**See the specials board
for awesome deals**

SATURDAY

**Seafood Spectacular
entrée & main • \$30**



SUNDAY

**Roast • \$20
& ½ price desserts**

• A la carte menu also available every day •



Join Our Wine Evening! Thursday, October 30th at 7pm

Curated Wine Selection

Guests will savor a selection of red, white, and sparkling wines from international prestigious vineyards, enhancing the evening's experience.

Live Entertainment

Community Wines is hosting this event, making the night lively and memorable for all attendees. They know their stuff and make the evening entertaining.

Appetizers and Socializing

Delicious appetizers and lively conversation create the perfect setting to unwind and meet new friends.

\$20 a ticket and at the end of the evening you are welcome to place an order with Community Wines. Tickets available from Website or from the bar.

Contact: Ann Lincoln 022 300 5362



BATHURST 2025

Saturday 11th From 6pm

- Hot Laps Sky Live Coverage
- Sweepstake

Sunday 12th 9am Onwards

- Car displays
- Lunch \$20 for Members, Guests and Visitors from Affiliated Clubs
- 1pm Sky Live Coverage of 161 laps and 1 winner
- Sweepstakes, Raffles and Prizes all afternoon

Contact: Andrew Ross: Motor Sport Coordinator on 027 496 5613



**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
TE AWAMUTU AND DISTRICT MEMORIAL RSA (Inc.),
HELD AT THE RSA CLUBROOMS, 381 ALEXANDRA STREET, TE AWAMUTU,
ON THURSDAY **21 August 2025**, COMMENCING AT 7.00PM**

PRESENT: D. van der Hulst (Chair), D. Ramsay, J. Wood, G. Smith, P. Bishop,
J. Knowles, , A. Mitchell, L Brown, G. Jull, J. Wright-StClair, A. Te Huia

IN ATTENDANCE: G. Ambler (Secretary), T. Wood, Raewyn Adams, H. Upston, Ann Lincoln.

1. WELCOME:

The Chair welcomed everybody along to the meeting.

2. APOLOGIES:

RESOLVED that the apologies from A. Paterson, A. Cornelissen be received and accepted.

L Brown/ A Te Huia

CARRIED

3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Explanation of conflict-of-interest register provided. Members reminded to update the register

4. MINUTES OF MEETING

RESOLVED that meetings of 15 July 2025 minutes are a true and correct record of the meetings.

D Ramsay/A Mitchell

CARRIED

Matters Arising

- a) Lease of building raised and is to go to general business section of meeting

5. FINANCIAL REPORT

Monthly Management Report tabled with summary provided by T Wood.

RESOLVED that the Financial Management Report tabled be accepted.

J Knowles/ J Wright StClair

CARRIED

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

1. ADJUNCTS – FINANCIAL RISK

Members of the Finance Committee attended a meeting Graeme organized with Adjunct office holders, particularly their financial officers, highlighting the financial risks the RSA faces when the Club's Adjunct policy is not adhered to. This follows up on the Club Smart document on the 'Taxation Liability for Adjuncts/Sections' included in last month's meeting material (pgs. 31 - 33).

It appears that some Adjuncts are operating outside the Club's financial systems, and this results in GST not being declared on income although in most cases Adjunct expenses are being paid through the Club and GST claimed. This GST 'mismatch' is a concern for the Club. There is also a risk regarding the Club's gaming license when raffle income is not accounted for by the Club and when IRD rules concerning sports tournament prizes are not followed.

Daniel emphasized that the Adjuncts are an integral part of the Club operations and drew attention to the fact that if the Adjuncts thrive the Club will thrive. Jared encouraged Adjuncts to provide material for the Club's website. Having active, vibrant Adjuncts is beneficial to all members.

The Finance Committee is happy to meet with any Adjunct to assist them with their financial reporting. However, where an Adjunct continues to operate outside the Club's Adjunct policy, consideration should be given to closing the Adjunct down.

2. DAILY SALE ANALYSIS

This ongoing problem is well on the way to being solved with management, the Club's accountant and the auditor working together to ensure the system developed meets each party's requirements.

3. LOAN

The application to the Ivor Walter Charitable Trust for a loan for capital expenditure purposes has been approved by the Trustees. As the funds are to be used for capital development, it is recommended that the funds be kept separate and their use clearly recorded.

4. CHANGES

It is good to see management and executive committee members putting forward ideas to improve or add to the Club's operations. Every change will involve some cost and the Club's cash flow is extremely tight. It is a matter of assessing each proposal and if it has merit, looking at funding options rather than setting it aside because the Club currently doesn't have the cash. Change/development is crucial for the Club's survival.

RESOLVED that Financial Committee Report is received

A Mitchell/ P Bishop

CARRIED

RESOLVED Accounts for payment of \$67,845 be approved for payment as funds available.

J Wright St Clair/ G Jull

CARRIED

RESOLVED that payments of accounts only be as funds are available.

L Brown/ A Mitchell

CARRIED

6. MANAGERS' REPORT

Managers' report tabled.

- Big screen TV not seen as worthy investment.

Resolved that sponsorship agreement presented be distributed and businesses sought to support the club

J Wright St-Clair/G Smith

CARRIED

RESOLVED to remove Just Water facilities and use alternative water vessels to supply water.

D van der Hulst/D Ramsay

CARRIED

Agreement that we run a club raffle in support of Club NZ Club Connect.

RESOLVED that the Managers Report is received.

J Wood/ L Brown

CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Carl Turner Roof Repairs:

RESOLVED to accept roof repairs

D van der Hulst/ P Bishop

CARRIED

District Meeting 21 September 2025. Confirmation required and members encouraged to attend.

JB Hart Donation \$200 Received

Dispute Tribunal: J Rendle disputing Melbourne Sweepstake prize money. Tribunal Teleconference information sent.

Angela Kervall complaint regarding communication. Committee consider that they are addressing all issues raised. To acknowledge receipt

Citizens Advice Bureau AGM invitation. Lou Brown to attend representing TARSA.

RESOLVED to accept correspondence.

A Mitchell/ J Wright St Clair

CARRIED

8. SUPPORT SERVICES

Other commitments took up my time.

Little activity during July due to my coming down with the flu so was not able to make regular visits.

LSA level 2 training was approved for Aug 18 and 19 in Taupo. Paddy Shannon, Sue Johnson and Sue White were asked to attend.

While outcomes belong in next months report can tell you that all 3 were successful.

Paddy Shannon

RESOLVED that the Support Services report is received.

A Mitchell/ L Brown

CARRIED

9. HEALTH & SAFETY

- Nil.

10. GRANTS

- Nil

11. New Members

RESOLVED to accept new members to Te Awamutu & District Memorial RSA.

L Brown/ A Patterson

CARRIED

12. Sub Committees

Core Values:

- Armistice Day planning underway for Tuesday 11 November at ANZAC Green. We can use alternative of Sunken Cross.
- Afgan Veteran evening will have live Bugel played.
- Rosetown Funerals have offered to print programmes for Armistice and ANZAC Days
- Schedule of Executive to undertake ODE on Fridays is available to be copied.

Communications:

- Website presentation given by J Wright St Clair
- Facebook access to be obtained and action plan being worked upon.

R&M:

- Replaced broken Toilet Seat in men's toilet
- Fixed Women's Section Cupboard in back storeroom
- Storeroom door fixed
- Lower carpark weeding and spraying done
- Roof has been tech screwed.

Women's Section Report:

Much to the joy of our ladies, we are getting increasing numbers to our get-togethers at both our Monthly General Meetings and our Morning Teas. It is lovely to see everyone getting together for a laugh and a chat.

Old St John's Church

We made arrangements to pay a visit to the Old St Johns Church. It was a freezing cold day and pouring with rain but what a great building, not just to have it still standing, and knowing it is the oldest building in the greater Waikato, but the fact that it is still in regular use.

Services are held in this church at 8am every Sunday. Opened on Easter Sunday in 1854 it is now 171 years old.

I, as a small child used to love looking at the old ceiling to find the footprints where a child ran across the planks while they were still wet and sticky with the sap used to seal them. I proudly pointed these out to a couple of the ladies in attendance. We had a debrief of our morning as well as a very welcome cup of coffee at St Roberts (Robert Harris) afterwards.

Knitting for our Veterans

Our ladies are frantically knitting scarves for our veterans. So far, we have had several handed in, plus we are still knitting blankets for the animals, and the small rabbits for the sick and hurt children in hospitals and ambulances.

Celebration in Waihi



Seven ladies attended Waihi Women's Section's Birthday celebration. There was a theme of and Pink with a Fascinator". We had a beautiful course meal which consisted of:

Main Meal

Ham on the Bone
Chicken stuffed with Cream Cheese and Cranberries, Cauliflower/Broccoli in Cheese Sauce,
Roasted potato, Kumara and Pumpkin Gravy



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Dessert

Bread and butter Pudding with Custard
Then to be followed by birthday cake which was made by the Waihi RSA President Ellen Henderson.

This lovely meal was at a cost of \$30 per person and worth every cent.

Daffodil Day 29th August 2025

Some of our ladies have volunteered to man a table of seven collection spots around the CBD for Daffodil Day on behalf of the Cancer Society. The coordinator for the collections is Julie Gregory and came along to speak to us about Daffodil Day.
can be contacted on 027 285 6732



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Julie

Daffodil Day started in Canada in 1950 with just morning teas being held at people's places and asking for donations.

In New Zealand it started in 1990, and it is now the largest fund raiser for the Cancer Society.

Four out of every 10 people over the age of 75 are diagnosed with some form of cancer.
Every 28 days someone dies from Cancer in New Zealand.
Funds raised go towards:

- Research
- Lions Lodge in Hamilton where there is accommodation available for patients to stay while they undergo treatment for their cancer. It is also the place where all merchandise is sorted, sold and distributed
- Drives for different types of cancer

In Te Awamutu alone, the Cancer Society raised \$10,000 with 60+ volunteers collecting in 2hour shifts.

Businesses advertise with posters, products and yellow paraphernalia as well as dressing up for the day in bright yellow.

ANZ Bank is their largest sponsor and the money collected is counted in the Methodist Church and overseen by two bankers.

In 2024 Waikeria Prison raised \$1000 simply by holding out a bucket to their staff as they came through the gates to start their shift at work.

The Waipa Workingmen's Club are holding a function on 23 August from 5.30pm – 8.30pm. there will be a free Country and Western Band along with raffles to buy in support of Daffodil Day. The raffle proceeds will be donated to the Daffodil Day fundraiser.



Fisher Nurseries from Cambridge grow 80,000 daffodils every year which he donates to the Cancer Society, who then, on-sells them for \$10 per bunch.

Remember –

We of the Womens Section are here to help the whenever you need, but we are not mind readers. us know. You only have to ask.



Special Projects:

Constitution:

- Meeting held and Constitution should be out by over weekend
- Special General Meeting proposed date of 5 October.

Risk Register is with D. Ramsay and has been revised. To be distributed..

Fundraising: Sponsorship package being undertaken. Difficulty in raising funds due to having Gaming Machines.

Net Proceeds Committee: To get working.

RESOLVED Sub section reports be received

G Smith/ A Mitchell

CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS

Club New Zealand Governance Training attended by D. Ramsay, J Wood, J Wright St Clair, J Knowles, Pat Bishop.

J Wood thanked James Cullen Building, Pete Watson, Harrisons Transport, Brendon Sterling, M Paterson for assisting with getting portable building on site and in position. He also observed servicing of Hob filters and Gloria cash recycler have its service undertaken during the building siting project.

A paper was distributed amongst Executive Committee Members as to what constitutes an Adjunct. Travel Club and Outdoor Bowls are to be reviewed.

Policy is to be developed for Gift Vouchers to be given out for weekly Membership draws closest number winners instead of \$50 cash.

Graham Jull encouraged dual pricing at the Bar as other clubs are doing it.

The work of Core Values to date was acknowledged. A Purpose Statement has been produced and monthly activity focus created.

RNZRSA National Conference is 4/5 November in Wellington. D van der Hulst will be attending.

Club Secretary/ Manager employment was raised at Club NZ training. D van der Hulst advised the committee that the employment agreement is with the President and not the Committee. KPI's are being met and reviewed.

Bank Authorities have D van der Hulst, D Ramsay together with P. Watson who has been continued.

There being no further Business, the Meeting was **closed** at 21:25.

The **Next Meeting** is scheduled **Tuesday 16 September 2025 at 7pm.**



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