



TE AWAMUTU RSA

October 2026



The 2026 Repco Bathurst 1000 takes place from

Thursday, 8 October to Sunday, 11 October 2026

<https://teawamutursa.org.nz/>

email: tarsa@xtra.co.nz

Please note the RSA will be Closed Labour day 26th October



TE AWAMUTU RSA MOTORSPORT GROUP

BATHURST

ON THE BIG SCREENS

LEGENDS
CARS
MOUNTAIN
HISTORY

MOUNT PANORAMA

BATHURST
THE RACE LIVES HERE



SUNDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2026

STARTS AT 10AM



ALL MEMBERS
WELCOME



NON MEMBERS
WELCOME

BUT MUST SIGN IN
AT THE BAR ON ARRIVAL.



AUCTION



**BURGER DEAL
AVAILABLE**

Great Race, Great Atmosphere!

TE AWAMUTU
RSA



*People
Supporting
People* 

Celebrating
**FREDA
CAVANDER**
Day

Being recognised by
Volunteer Waikato
for all the community work
she does.



**THURSDAY
24TH SEPTEMBER
2026**



2:00PM



**TE AWAMUTU
RSA**



Light refreshments will be available.

Thank you Freda

FOR MAKING OUR COMMUNITY A BETTER PLACE



Core Values Advisory Group

August Report to the RSA Executive Committee

The Core Values Advisory Group continued to support the RSA's commitment to **remembrance, recognition, veteran support and community engagement** throughout August.

Key Activities and Achievements

Remembrance Services

The group successfully coordinated and delivered three remembrance services during August:

- **Peace Fountain Service** – a well-supported and respectfully delivered service, with strong teamwork across planning and delivery.
- **Vietnam Remembrance** – a meaningful commemoration honouring Vietnam veterans and their whānau, including personal kōrero from Lou Brown.
- **Afghanistan Remembrance** – a dignified service acknowledging the service and sacrifice of those who served in Afghanistan.

The group acknowledges all speakers, volunteers and supporters who contributed to the success of these events.

Community Engagement

The Peace Fountain Service generated positive community interest, including engagement from children and families. The group discussed opportunities to increase public awareness of the Peace Fountain and other memorials within the park, including the potential for future **VE Day and VJ Day commemorations** and increased use of social media to share their history and significance.

Veteran and Community Support

Weekly Thursday veteran catch-ups continue at the RSA, providing an opportunity for veterans to connect and access support.

The group is also looking at ways to strengthen its relationship with the **Cadets**, including earlier engagement in remembrance events and exploring opportunities to provide greater support.

Recognition and Legacy

Work has commenced on identifying RSA Life Members and others whose service and contribution to the RSA and wider community should be appropriately recognised. This will form part of the group's ongoing Recognition and Legacy work.

Communications

The group continues to work closely with John and Pat to ensure RSA stories, remembrance activities and community information are shared across our networks.

Looking Ahead

Key priorities for the coming months include:

- Planning for **Armistice Day and ANZAC services**.
- Preparing the upcoming **East Timor Remembrance Service**.
- Strengthening engagement with the Cadets.
- Developing opportunities to better promote the history and significance of local memorials.
- Continuing veteran support and community engagement.
- Developing a consistent approach to recognising members and contributors to the RSA.

The Core Values Advisory Group thanks the Executive Committee for its ongoing support and remains committed to ensuring the RSA's values of **service, remembrance, respect and community** continue to be reflected in our mahi.

Ngā mihi,
Adan Te Huia,
Team Lead

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SENIORS EXPO

Thursday 1st October 2026

Presbyterian Centre, 80 Mutu Street, Te Awamutu

Connect with local health, support
and community services,
all in one place.

ALL WELCOME!

FREE ENTRY

10.00am – 4.00pm

With thanks to our sponsors

Rosetown Funerals, Arvida Whai Mauri Ora,
Te Awamutu-Kihikihi Community Board



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SEMINARS

10.15 – 11

MidCPG Strength & balance exercises

11 – 11.45

Hato Hone St John CPR training

11.45 – 12.30

Rosetown Funerals Being prepared

12.30 – 1.15

Edmonds Judd Power of Attorney & Wills, planning ahead

1.15 – 2

Te Awamutu Police Elder abuse / crime prevention

2 – 2.45

CommSafe Neighbourhood Support

2.45 – 3.30

Cybersmart Kiwis Online safety

EXHIBITORS

- Hato Hone St John
- Diabetes NZ
- Maori Women's Welfare League
- Waikato RSA Welfare Co-ordinator
- San Michele / Camelia House
- Altrusa
- Raukawa Trust
- Frailty Admission Avoidance Service
- Age Concern Waikato
- Te Whatu Ora Cardiothoracic Team
- Citizens Advice Bureau
- Te Awamutu RSA
- Te Awamutu Fire Service
- CommSafe
- Te Awamutu Police
- Te Awamutu Grey Power
- Volunteering Waikato
- Waipā District Council
- 60s Plus Group
- Continuing Education
- Te Awamutu & Rosetown Lions
- Stroke Foundation
- Rotary
- Waipā Women's Hub
- Menz Shed
- Keep Te Awamutu Beautiful
- Te Awamutu Information Centre
- CHT Care Home
- Te Awamutu Museum
- Te Ata Rest Home
- Arvida Whai Mauri Ora Village
- Civil Defence Waikato
- Windsor Court Care Home
- Dementia Waikato
- Highfield Retirement Village
- Kokiri Trust (Whānau Pai)
- Rosehill Village
- Freeman Court
- Hospice Waikato

Thursday 1 October 2026 • 10.00am – 4.00pm • FREE ENTRY

Presbyterian Centre, 80 Mutu Street, Te Awamutu • All welcome

Sponsors: Arvida Whai Mauri Ora • Te Awamutu-Kihikihi Community Board • Rosetown Funerals

OCTOBER 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
			1 1.00pm Bingo \$10 Lunch Special 4.30 - 6.30pm Happy Hour	2 1.00pm Mahjong Membership Draw	3	4 5.00pm Sunday Roast
5 Membership Draw 1.00pm - 500 Cards 6.00pm - Rotary Club 7.00pm - Darts	6 1.00pm - 500 Cards 6.00pm - Rotary Club 7.00pm - Darts	7 10.30am - Knitting Group 6.00pm - 8 Ball Membership Draw 7.00pm - Indoor Bowls	8 1.00pm Bingo \$10 Lunch Special 4.30 - 6.30pm Happy Hour	9 1.00pm Mahjong Membership Draw	10 12.00pm - Rhodesian Lunch	11 Bathurst Day 5.00pm Sunday Roast
12 Membership Draw 1.00pm - 500 Cards 7.00pm - Darts	13 1.00pm - 500 Cards 7.00pm - Darts	14 10.30am - Knitting Group 6.00pm - 8 Ball Membership Draw 7.00pm - Indoor Bowls	15 1.00pm Bingo \$10 Lunch Special 4.30 - 6.30pm Happy Hour 6:30 Deertalkers meeting	16 1.00pm Mahjong Membership Draw	17 Fundraising Event	18 District RSA Meeting 5.00pm Sunday Roast
19 Membership Draw 5.00pm - Fishing Club meeting	20 1.00pm - 500 Cards 7.00pm - Darts 7.00pm - Exco. Meeting	21 10.30am - Knitting Group 6.00pm - 8 Ball Membership Draw 7.00pm - Indoor Bowls	22 1.00pm Bingo \$10 Lunch Special 4.30 - 6.30pm Happy Hour	23 1.00pm Mahjong Membership Draw	24	25 5.00pm Sunday Roast
26 LABOUR DAY - RSA CLOSED	27 1.00pm - 500 Cards 7.00pm - Darts	28 10.30am - Knitting Group 6.00pm - 8 Ball Membership Draw 7.00pm - Indoor Bowls	29 1.00pm Bingo \$10 Lunch Special 4.30 - 6.30pm Happy Hour	30 1.00pm Mahjong Membership Draw	31	

Out of the Office:

We have some great functions planned between now and Christmas -so watch this space.

A timely reminder that if any of the Adjuncts want to advertise their events please go through the appropriate channels i.e. discuss with myself in the first instance.

There is to be nothing posted to the RSA Facebook page or a community page with reference to the RSA without prior approval, there are strict boundaries that we must operate within, and our advertising cannot breach these or it will jeopardise our Liquor License. It is also a matter of courtesy.

We are planning to have a meeting with the heads of each of the sub groups within the club -to reiterate policy and establish good workable boundaries moving forward -date to be confirmed.

Thank you to all our regulars who show up, rain hail or shine to support the Club

- we truly appreciate your patronage -without it there will be no club.

(No information from RSA sources, eg newsletter or emails is permitted to be re-posted on the internet or any social media without the express approval of the RSA manager)

Want to know more? Here is our contact list:

Motor Sport Andrew Ross 027 496 5613	Women's Section Lois Knight 07 870 1431
Fishing Jim Perkins 021 278 4389	Indoor Bowls Linda King 021 238 7329
8 Ball Lyn Watson 022 122 8440	Darts Lyn Watson 022 122 8440
500 Card Club Kelvin Trass 021 1388 138	Travel Club Discontinued
Health Shuttle 07 870 3258 www.tahs.org.nz	Mahjong Robin Jackways 027 266 2259
Wine Club TBA	Support Services Gary Ridley Email; gary.ridley@hotmail.com LSA 07 8713707 opt 5 or 0273466588 Email:Teawamutu.assist.rsa@gmail.com
Bingo Cathrine James 021 217 1111	Knitting Group Karen Morgan 027 606 0113

Support Services

People helping people



The RSA needs you to help veterans and their families in need of assistance

Support services need your eyes and ears to help our veterans and their families. If you hear of any veteran in need, contact the LSA or hand them a card which is kept at the entrance to the RSA.

To Contact Support Services

Gary Ridley is the Support Adviser for Support Services
in the Te Awamutu Area (this includes Ohaupo and Kihikihi)

Contact: Gary Ridley Email; gary.ridley@hotmail.com

Phone: **07 8713707 extension 5 or 0273466588**

Upcoming Events

Support Services will have a stand at the

Te Awamutu Seniors Expo

Thursday 1st October 2026

Presbyterian Centre,

Te Awamutu 10 am to 4 pm

Health Appointments

Should you need transport please arrange with the Te Awamutu Community Health Shuttle.

This provides transport to Waikato and Te Kuiti hospitals, specialist clinics and private medical facilities in Hamilton for residents of Te Awamutu and surrounding districts.

Make a booking

Bookings are taken between 9am - 3:30pm on weekdays (excluding public holidays).

Contact 07-870 3258

Email; admin@tahs.org.nz

This is supported by the RSA, but a voluntary donation is also requested for this very expensive service.



Rotary meetings at the RSA:

- *Drinks and order meal at 5.30pm*
- *Dinner and meeting start 6pm*
- *Meeting close by 7.30pm*

All RSA members and the public are welcome to attend our fortnightly Rotary meetings held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Te Awamutu Rotary is a proud sponsor of this RSA.

	Tuesday 6 th October	Tuesday 20 th October	Tuesday 3 rd November
Guest Speaker 	Tricks of the scammers	Meeting at Pirongia Forest Park Lodge	Sara Hawken and Jodi Ellis Koru Educational Support Hub

What's on

- We held a very successful Trivia Quiz Night on Friday 28th August and raised \$550.
- The Potato in a Bucket project for Te Awamutu and District Primary Schools is underway.
- Entries for the Te Awamutu and District Primary School Essay competition close 25th September 2026.
- A student is being selected for the Rotary National Science and technology Forum , Auckland 9 - 23 January 2027.
- Ongoing repairs and maintenance at Lake Rotopiko.

For more information please contact:

Graham Jull 027 276 8181 or Gill Johnston 021 278 9915

Smarty Bags Children's entertainment

Available here \$2.00 each



Pack Includes:

- **25 x Cars, Trains and Planes Bags | 25 x Princess Bags**
25 x Mermaid Bags | 25 x Dinosaur Bags
- **Made from 100% recycled paper**
- **Pack of 4 Crayons (8 Crayon Colours)**
- **36 page activity booklet**
- **Stickers**
- **Background sticker card**
- **Punch out game**
- **23cm wide x 17cm tall with 5cm gusset**
(Sponsored by Annie Kearvell & John Knowles)

Friendly reminder:**FEES ARE DUE IN MARCH**

Member	\$50	Partner	\$40
Service	\$40	Returned	\$30
Over 75 is	\$20		

internet payment,
Te Awamutu & District Memorial RSA (inc)
03-0442-0100594-00
Details = name and member number please

THE LAST POST

We record with regret, and with sympathy to their families, the names of our Returned and Service members, as well as our RSA members, who have passed since we last recorded them.

Johnny Nelson

Christina West

Dawn Devine

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



TO: Executive Committee of the Te Awamutu RSA

FROM: Raewyn Adams, Treasurer, Women's Section

RE: Women's Section Report

15 September 2026

We have a group of ladies attending the Franklin Women's Section Birthday on 14 September.

Our next official outing is to the Velodrome Café in Cambridge on 17 September.

Our next Bar Raffle runs from 28th September – 1st October and will be predominantly 'blue' items for Prostate Cancer Month – Blue September.

Seniors Expo is being held at the Presbyterian Hub on 1st October. The Women's Section will be in attendance. I have made Flyers and printed "Application for Membership" forms to give out on the day.

Raffle Roster for Adjuncts 2026

SECTION	WEEK BEGINNING =2027						
FISHING	4/05	15/06	3/08	21/09	2/11	14/12	01/02
WOMENS SECTION	11/05	22/06	10/08	28/09	9/11	21/12	08/02
DARTS	18/05	6/07	17/08	5/10	16/11	04/01	15/02
INDOOR BOWLS	25/05	13/07	24/08	12/10	23/11	11/01	22/02
MOTOR SPORT	1/06	20/07	7/09	19/10	30/11	18/01	01/03
8 BALL	8/06	27/07	14/09	26/10	07/12	25/01	08/03

Kawhia Sports Club burnt down 1st July 2022. RSA lost 3 honours boards. Alexandra Images proposed design for replacement

Ross Dockery donated a slab of Kauri that was sourced locally.

Bill Kerr has volunteered his skills and time to create a new honours board for the Kawhia Sports club.

The club will open soon.

head quarters: 1011 Ohaupo Road, Te Awamutu

web: www.alexandrainages.co.nz

phone: 07 870 2243



DESIGN • SIGNS • PRINT • UNIFORMS



WW1

T.E. Atkins
P.C. Barton
H.T. Langley
R.E. Langley
R. Macalister
C. Robinson
J.E. Scott
O. Simons
H. Simons
R.W.G. Sircombe
G. Whitcombe

WW2

R.S. Aubin
W.H. Berg
J. Bernstein
J. Keepa
G. McDonald
A. Morris
A. Neilson
C.R. Parkinson
N.S. Walker
H.C. Whitwell

Malaya

R. Wahanui

Name Kawhia RSA

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Description Honours Board - Servicemen Remembrance

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* Please check all colours, images, text, digits, sizes and quantities are correct, once a go ahead is received verbal or otherwise, any additional amendments may incur extra costs

Thankyou!

RSA 500 CLUB.

Come and join our 500 card players, every Tuesday from 1pm till 4pm.
There's only a \$2 charge to play for the afternoon. Of which over the years, we have donated between \$500.00 +\$1,000.00 to the RSA or Poppy fund annually.
Its fun!, so come along and enjoy a game of cards and support our local club.
Learners welcome.
Contact..Kelvin Trass
0211388138





Fishing Trips 2026:

Month:	Day:	Date:	Coromandel:	Kawhia:
September	Tuesday	8 th		Wild Goose
	Tuesday	22 nd	Bob	
October	Tuesday	4 th		Wild Goose
	Tuesday	27 th	Bob	
November	Tuesday	3 rd		Wild Goose
	Sunday	15 th		Kids day fishing
	Tuesday	24 th	Bob	
December	Tuesday	8 th		Wild Goose
	Tuesday	22 nd	Bob	

Fishing Club:

Hi everyone,

Our new fishing season hasn't got off to the best start, with the weather gods having other ideas and our latest trip being cancelled.

Our next trip to Kawhia is Sunday, 4 October 2026. Weekend trips were discussed at our fishing meeting, so don't forget to support them.

An updated list of trips is currently on the notice board at the RSA for your reference.

At our last meeting, we also decided to start recycling scrap metal. If you have any scrap metal you would like to donate to the club, please add your name and phone number to the book on the fishing board. One of our members will then be in touch to arrange collection.

Welcome to our new fishing club members, it's great to have you onboard.

Our fishing club meets on the third Monday of each month at 5.30pm.

We look forward to seeing you on the water. Happy Fishing.

Jim

WEEKLY SPECIALS

Monday

*250g rump steak, served
with fries & eggs \$24*



Wednesday

*Schnitzel (beef, pork or
chicken), served with
coleslaw & wedges \$18*

Friday

Surprise Special!

Sunday

Roast of the day \$20



381 Alexandra St, Te Awamutu 3800
07 871 3707 | tarsa@xtra.co.nz

SCHNITZEL

NIGHT

WEDNESDAY

Beef, pork or
chicken schnitzel

Served with wedges
and coleslaw

\$18

Available from 5pm

Non-members welcome

Please sign-in



TE AWAMUTU
RSA

381 Alexandra St, Te Awamutu 3800
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Members Draw

Monday, Wednesday and Friday between 6pm & 7pm

I am trying to keep the draws up to date on the website, click this link to see.

(link is safe. created by editor)

[Membership - Te Awamutu RSA](#)



RSA Darts

Hello to our RSA Members:

We are now into the last few games of the TADA Championship rounds. So, there are still a few good games to be played.

The battle is definitely on between the division two teams, with only 7 points dividing 1st and 4th places.

We are looking forward to an end of the season get together with both teams representing the RSA.

There are more TADA competitions coming up -dates to be advised.

Regards Lyn Watson

Te Awamutu RSA 8 Ball

8 BALL FIREBALLS:

This month we have our last interclub competition against Te Kuiti on the 26th.

We also have an inhouse club champ toward the end of October/November.

We are looking for new members to join our happy bunch of players, so if you are keen to bash a few balls on a regular basis, please give us a call or give your details to the friendly bar staff.

Regards Lyn Watson





Te Awamutu & District Memorial RSA Incorporated

Trading Name	Te Awamutu RSA	Incorp # NZBN	Established: 24 May 1919: 214078 9429042863366
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Accountant Lawyer	Aaron Cornelissen: Elevate 360 Chartered Accountants cell: 021 250 0314 T: 07 242 0992 Sue Garmonsway: Gallie Miles Lawyers. 07 872 0560		
	Ivor Walter Stickley Charitable Trust Teresa Wood (sec) 027 278 3632	Bank	03 0442 0299089 00/20 112 994 948
	Te Awamutu Poppy Trust Cameron Stapleton (Sec) 021 024 68997	Bank	38 9025 0673632 01
Phone	07 871 3707 Extn 1. Bar Extn 2. Kitchen Extn 3. Office Extn 4. Courtesy Coach Extn 5. Support Services	Key Ops Contact	Secretary / Manager Heather Upston 027 271 3707 Bar Manager: Heidi Broughan Catering /Chef: Louise Chidlow Driver: 027 272 5667 Gary Ridley, LSA 07 8713707 opt 5 or 0273466588 Email: Teawamutu.assist.rsa@gmail.com Email; gary.ridley@hotmail.com
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Live Entertainment

Cathy Reason

Friday 27th October

Just a note

Many Members don't realize there is a notice board adjacent to the toilets on the wall of the Gaming room and on the opposite wall, there is often valuable information there, so check it out.



COURTESY VAN AVAILABLE FROM 4 PM MONDAY to FRIDAY

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

Talk to the Bar Staff or phone 07 871 3707 option 4

Alternative Transport Taxi TA A2B ph: 07 392 8808 or Uber

Please note due to the cost of running the van we have had to review operating times where the cost exceeds the benefits,

Special Weekend Event Transport by Arrangement, please call 07 871 7303



Please use the honesty box in the Van (Gold coin donation) The club cannot afford to run this service for FREE

, you don't want to lose it ,

Please respect the driver, he is here

To get you home safely

RSA Remembrance Calendar

Version 1, dated 14 Feb 25+2:144

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 Putake o te Riri, He R5 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 horse who served overseas in WW1, passes away.	1934

HAPPY HOUR

Thursday 4.30pm – 6.30pm

Discounted Tap Beer and Wine

(must be a member or signed in)

‘Come in and catch up with your mates’

Any adjuncts or members wishing to contribute to the next newsletter

Please contact John Knowles 027 571 3150 or email j.w.knowles@xtra.co.nz

Pat Bishop 027 281 1868 or email p.bishop@xtra.co.nz

Please get your article or information to us a week before the end of the month to give us time to complete and publish the newsletter in a timely manner, we want you to know what's coming as well as what's been and make it as useful and up to date as we can.

Information is as provided and is to the best of our knowledge accurate, if you discover any inaccuracies or errors please advise Pat or John so corrections can be made for the future

