



TE AWAMUTU
RSA



*Monthly
Newsletter
January 2025*

Welcome back from your summer wanderings.

A lot has happened over the Christmas period. Thank you for all those who have supported us over the holiday period. With a new year we have new happenings after taking time to reflect over 2024.

You will notice the modernised Bomber Command Restaurant sign as you enter the dining room. We are now awaiting Guthrie Bowron correction delivery. We are introducing a new Summer Menu and reviewing the point-of-sale system so we can deliver a Member/ Non member pricing in the Kitchen. Louise is working on some exciting theme nights throughout the week and is planning some spectacular events for the year such as Waitangi Day – celebrating kiwi food. We are doing a focus on our cabinet food as we know we have fallen off the rails by not supplying a wide range of food supplied in a timely manner to meet needs of members especially around lunchtime.

Functions are an important component to TARSA. If you're having a birthday or family celebration, please consider using TARSA. We have a wide range of catering options available. Keep an eye out for our members Birthday Celebration promotion coming.

Nikki has resigned to take up a local restaurant Manager position. Congratulations on her career move, we wish her well. Her last day with us will be 18 January. Staff have been encouraged to take annual leave to reduce leave liability at the end of financial year. Graham and John will be having time off on vacation over January. David will be taking three months leave from beginning of February and Lucky will be on leave mid-February and March so staff will be stretched over the next quarter.



Live Entertainment



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Thank you to our sponsors and contributors to Te Awamutu RSA. Without their support we would not be able to do things to benefit our members. If your business is interested in reaching our members, please contact the office or email tarsa@xtra.co.nz.

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Weekly Club Activities

<p>Monday</p> <p>Bar Opens 11am-9pm Restaurant Lunch 12-2pm, Dinner from 5pm Monday Swindle Members Draw from 6.30pm</p>	<p>Tuesday</p> <p>Bar Opens 11am-9pm Restaurant Lunch 12-2pm, Dinner from 5pm 500 Card Club 1pm</p>
<p>Wednesday</p> <p>Bar Opens 11am-9pm Restaurant Lunch 12-2pm, Dinner from 5pm Knitting Club 10.30am Raffles from 4.30pm Members Draw from 6.30pm</p>	<p>Thursday</p> <p>Bar Opens 11am-9pm Happy Hour 4.30-6.30pm Restaurant Lunch 12-2pm, Dinner from 5pm \$10 Lunch</p>
<p>Friday</p> <p>Bar Opens 11am-9pm Restaurant Lunch 12-2pm, Dinner from 5pm Mahjong 1pm Raffles from 4.30pm Jokers Wild Members Draw from 6.30pm</p>	<p>Saturday</p> <p>Bar Opens 11am-9pm Restaurant Lunch 12-2pm, Dinner from 5pm</p>
<p>Sunday</p> <p>Bar Opens 11am-9pm Restaurant Lunch 12-2pm, Dinner from 5pm Sunday Night Roast</p>	

Directory

Want to know more? Here is our contact list:

Motor Sport Andrew Ross 027 496 5613	Women's Section Judith Steel 021 155 9217
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 Jenny Magon 021 042 9945	Travel Club Loma Sattler 027 4905849
Outdoor Bowls Judith Cato 07 871 5388	Mahjong Robin Jackways 027 266 2259
Wine Club Ann Lincoln 022 300 5362	Welfare Paddy Shannon 027 346 6588 welfareteawamutursa@gmail.com
Bingo Graham Harvey 07 871 3707	Knitting Group Karen Morgan 027 606 0113
Pool Competition Graham Harvey 07 871 3707	Health Shuttle 07 870 3258 www.tahs.org.nz

We will be closed

Auckland Anniversary Monday 27th January

Waitangi Day Thursday 6th February

Members Draw

Monday, Wednesday and Friday around 6.30pm

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anApp mobile

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COURTESY VAN AVAILABLE FROM 4PM DAILY.

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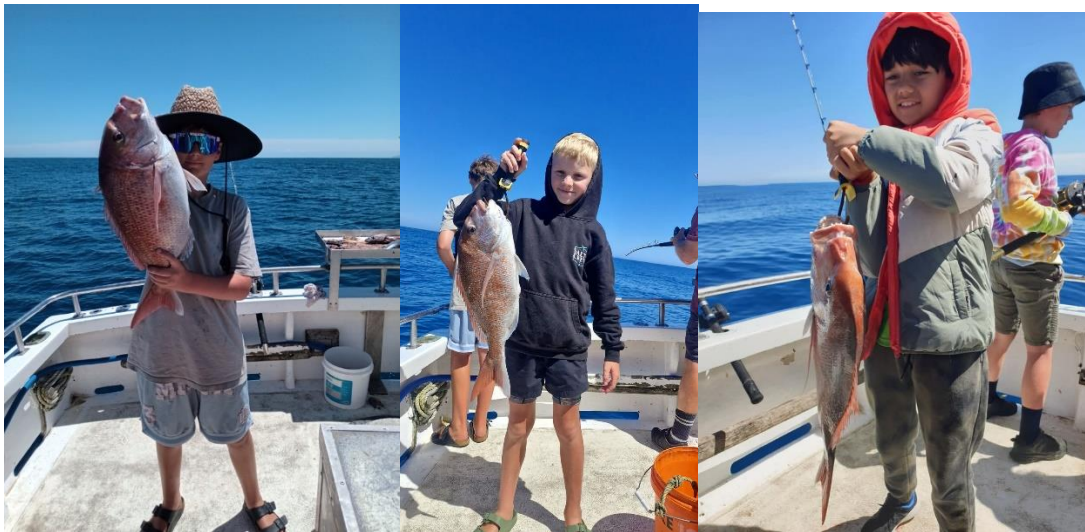
Fishing Section

It has been a busy end of year for the fishing folks.

Some great trips out of Coromandel on the Legionaire -limited out on both trips in under 2 hours.

The annual Quota challenge -between Waitomo, Te Kuiti Quota club and Te Awamutu, saw Te Awamutu retain the trophy and bragging rights for another year -the after function was enjoyed by all who attended.

We held a kid's fishing day on the Dove, out of Kawhia and everyone came away with some great fish. Special thanks to Wright Sports for their support. All the kids came home with a brand-new rod and reel to keep, a fun day was had by all.



What's Happening

Returning this month

- **Pool Competition** Wednesday 22nd
- **BINGO** Thursday 23rd

New Member Special

- New Members are welcome. Please encourage your friends, family and neighbourhoods to join us. Throughout January, February, March, NEW MEMBERS pay the normal annual subscription rate which takes them to **31 March 2026 – Giving them up to three months FREE!**

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Invitation to Four Pillars Australian Gin Open – APAC | 2025

- Lion have invited **staff** to win an all-expense-paid trip to Sydney and compete against APAC's best bartenders in the grand final where \$3,000 (AUD) is up for grabs.
- The challenge is simple: come up with an original cocktail using Four Pillars Gin – so, please *don't be disturbed if your asked to taste and provide feedback on a random drink!*

LADIES EVENING – Thursday 16th & 23rd January

- Make a night of it and come on out to an evening of Cocktails, fun and entertainment
 - *Staff need practice with their Gin Cocktails!*

Live Entertainment Friday 24th – RUFF COPY

Remembrance This Day in History

The office is presently collating a list of “What happened in this day in History” with the intention to place at Foyer. Any contribution welcome. Please see Heather or drop an email to tarsa@xtra.co.nz.

Keep an eye out over January for:

Bar Specials

- We are working with suppliers to install a Guest Tap which we will use to promote new beers, ciders and so on.
- We have our staff working on their Gin Cocktails which will mean specials on specific Gin Cocktails.
- Summer months are fantastic on our deck. If you're buying a jug ask the bar staff for a chilled jug with an 'ice stick' in it to keep your beer cold.

Restaurant Specials

- Whiteboard Specials
- Thursday & Friday Lunch Specials – from \$10 a meal
- Cabinet Food from \$3 – ideal for Lunch in a hurry

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- Theme nights and celebrations will take on a new look this year. Keep your eyes open for the adverts.

Raffles

Raffles will include Meat Raffles as well as some specific surprises - such as deck chairs!

Gin Night

We are working with a local Cambridge Distillery to host an evening. We are awaiting their availability of dates.

Birthday Celebrations Promo

If you are bringing in friends and family to celebrate your birthday, we are finalising a promotional discount on food and drink. Watch for the advertisement coming soon.

Welcome New Members

Rodney Dixon	Dianna Dixon
Tracey Karam	Deborah Foster
John Sanders	Jeanette Mannering
Janette Ware	John Barnes
Brian Alley	Hendrick Van Halem
Natasha Chadderton	Brett Fitzgerald
Katherine McFadyen	Marian Peck
Sue Matthews	Micheal Cullen
Adele Saywell	Gary Saywell
Chris Johnston	Faye Morris

Last Post

28/12/24 Ray Reynolds, Member 195, Service Number 597568

Our Famous People (NB. Taken 'some' years ago)



HAPPY HOUR Thursdays 4.30pm – 6.30pm

Discounted Tap Beer and Wine

'Come in and catch up with your mates'

STARTING UP AGAIN January 22nd

8 Ball Competition

\$5 Entry, Winner takes all.
EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING
Registration from 6.30pm, Starts at 7pm


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Latest Approved Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

**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 TUESDAY 19 November 2024, COMMENCING AT 7.00PM**

PRESENT: D Bowler (Chair) D. van der Hulst, J. Wood, A. Lincoln, M. Peterson, G. Smith, A. Mitchell, L Brown, T. Findlay, P. Watson, A. Ross, K. Wright.

IN ATTENDANCE: G. Ambler (Secretary), I. Wardlaw (Welfare), T. Wood, P. Shannon, K. Upston, H. Upston.

1. WELCOME:

The Chair welcomed everybody to the meeting especially to K. Wright being his first meeting as an Executive Committee Member.

2. APOLOGIES:

RESOLVED that the apologies from A. Patterson, be received and sustained.

All in favour

CARRIED

3. Minutes of Meeting

RESOLVED that meeting of 24 October 2024 minutes are a true and correct record of the meeting subject to correct Financial Committee Report included.

J Wood/ P Watson

CARRIED

Matters Arising

- a. Minutes are to be circulated within 5 days of the meeting.
- b. Board Meeting Packs are to be available for Committee Members to view 5 days prior to meeting.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT

T. Wood provided comments of the financial reports presented.

RESOLVED that the Financial Management Report presented be received.

M Peterson/ A Mitchell

CARRIED

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT – 31 OCTOBER 2024: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING – 19th NOVEMBER 2024

1. WELFARE POLICY

Daniel has been working hard on this and has set up a Welfare Support Flowchart to illustrate the process. He will present the draft in general business.

2. Application of Funds Received from the Repayment of Loan by the Ivor Walter Stickley Charitable Trust

The recommendations have now all been actioned:

Balance Bank 31.10.24: \$59,491

Further capital Expenditure \$25,690

Balance available **\$33,801**

Of the original liquidity buffer of \$100,000, \$33,801 remains. The funds are in the Westpac Online Saver -21 account.

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Graeme has been managing the flow of funds in and out of the revolving credit account well recently, minimizing the interest cost. With an overdrawn balance of \$36,229 in the revolving credit account and with \$33,801 available in the online saver, the Finance Committee recommends that \$15,000 be transferred from the Saver to the revolving credit account. That will leave \$18,801 available to cover contingencies and cash shortfall for the remainder of the financial year. This is in line with the decision made last December to utilise a liquidity buffer account to manage cash flow while club operations recovered.

3. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

The \$25,690 budgeted for capital expenditure is available in the online saver. For the year to date, capital items have been paid for through donations and smaller items through the operating account. Management is looking at a number of items where it may be appropriate to use these funds – upgrade of point-of-sale system, smaller items for the bar and kitchen. Graeme is still waiting for information on these items and will present his recommendations next month.

4. ADJUNCTS

As discussed last month, some adjuncts were disputing the equity balances allocated to them. As mentioned in the financial analysis report, the issue related to the 2022 transactions which had not been transferred from the individual adjunct accounts to equity. PKF have now entered all equity balances. The problem has been remedied and we now have balances that can be relied on. This process has taken time, and Graeme will be advising the Adjuncts of their positions in the next few days. Some Adjuncts have worked well with management in sorting out the problems and ensuring their contribution to the club remains positive from the financial perspective.

RESOLVED that the Financial Committee Report be received

T Findlay/ A Mitchell CARRIED

5. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

RESOLVED that Accounts Payable of \$76,474 be approved for payment.

D van der Hulst/ P Watson CARRIED

6. MANAGERS REPORT

G. Ambler presented Managers Report.

RESOLVED to write to member seeking explanation of behaviour

T Findlay/ G Smith CARRIED

Member complaining of Melbourne Cup Sweepstake prize pool to be provided with copy of DIA Class 1 Gambling information sheet stating all the profit (ticket sales less any actual and necessary expenses) must be used for the prizes.

RESOLVED to approve updated Health & Safety at Work Policy

D van der Hulst/ P Watson CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter to M Hancock
- Letter from Don Ramsay
 - Request to fly RFCS flag from main flagpole Jan 11 and 12 approved so long as RFCS flag is below NZ Flag.
- Letter from Te Awamutu College

RESOLVE after an immeasurable amount of effort to accept I Wardlaw letter of resignation and to offer best wishes and our extreme thanks for input over the years.

D Bowler/ A Lincoln

CARRIED

8. SUPPORT SERVICES

Support Services Report: Executive Meeting 19.11.2024

Te Awamutu Health Transport Trust, October States

Days Travelled	22
No of Clients	132
No of Wheelchair Clients	5
No of RSA Members	23
Vehicle Mileage	5547
Volunteer Hours	400
No of Volunteers	54

- Booking Line for Health Shuttle: 07 870 3258 (9am-3.30pm Mon to Fri)
Website: <https://tahs.org.nz/>
- Support Services to local rest-homes/hospitals, no issues reported by the by the Volunteers who do visiting in Rest homes, hospitals and RSA Members in their own homes.
- Support Services meeting was held in November.
- Attended meeting with DSM.
- Ongoing weekly Training for new LSA. , 3 months of 1 day a week, of hands on training. The LSA training is on the 27th at Tauranga RSA starting at 10.00 am until 3.00 pm. Tea/Coffee and biscuits will be available throughout the day, lunch will be at the participants cost. The RSA has a bar menu or there are cafes within a 5-minute walk of the RSA. I need to ask that the RSA supports the cost of transport and lunch for the training.
- I also need to inform you that Garry Maughan has resigned from the position of VSW after approximately 13 years visiting rest homes and before that being the representative of the TARSA on the Freeman Court Trust. Garry was also an Executive Member of the TARSA. Thank you Garry for your Service over many years, I have appreciated your Support and dedication to the TARSA and especially your Support of Returned and Service Members of Te Awamutu.
- **We need 3 more VSW urgently** to cover the rest homes and hospitals and in the next 6 months we will require **another 2**. We could also give improved support if another person was willing to train as a LSA.
The VSW (Volunteer Support Workers) job is to visit rest homes, Hospitals and older clients at home report to the LSA (Local Support Advisor) if any issue needs to be resolved. At the end of the month that will be Paddy responsibility. Paddy's contact details.
Te Awamutu RSA Welfare welfareteawamutursa@gmail.com
- Over the last few months we have not been informed of Deaths, sickness and other issues. We would like better communication from the office, **via email or Text**, so we can do a better job. Unless we are informed widows or widowers can miss out on support they are due.

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- To ensure that there is a smooth transition from myself to Paddy, here is the procedures for those who appear unfamiliar and are already asking Paddy about Support services procedure.
 1. Paddy's line of communication is to the DSA (Irene Wardlaw) and if not available to the DSM (Tricia Hague).
 2. Paddy will be responsible for the VSW.
 3. Paddy does not report to anyone other The President, usually no confidential information is passed on at those meetings.
 4. Paddy, Reports to the Poppy Trust if he requires assistance for those whom qualify.
 5. The Office is to keep Paddy informed of sickness, deaths etc. as stated above.
 6. The Manager or any Member on the Executive is not Paddy's reporting up line.

An Overview of Support Given over the last 4 weeks.

- 56 x Visiting to Returned, Service and Widows/widowers in Rest homes and hospitals, and home visits.
- 2 x passing of veteran, service and widows.
- 22 x Advice and support for Members (non RSA)
- 4 x VIP application completed, plus phone calls to veteran affairs around VIP services.
- 0 x Support given to a Widow of Veteran with MSD/WINZ
- 2 x VA01 form being completed.
- 1 x VA56 form being completed.
- 1 x Support for family around death of a Service member.
- 0 x application for funeral support from Veteran Affairs
- 3 x medal, medical and service records have been completed and sent to the NZDF and certificate of service.
- 6 x Response to care in the community.
- 2 x Contact with Crew Cut, Area Manager re lawns, new contractor being put into place.
- 1 x contact with Paramount cleaning Services.
- 38 x home visits to Returned and Service members.
- 0 x home visit on request from Veteran affairs.
- 1 x mobility scooters require attention, visit, and no action taken.
- 1 x Poppy Trust applications in progress over the last month.
- 1 x poppy Trust meeting
- 2 x Veteran/service member/widow has changed Rest home care.
- Daily phone calls received. Numerous emails both Inward and Outwards, Veteran Affairs, National and District Support Services and TARSA members.

Irene Wardlaw

TARSA LSA (Local Support Advisor)

Contact details; Mobile 0274444374 email; dsa.waikato@rsa.org.nz

DSA, (District Support Advisor) for Te Awamutu, Ohaupo, Te Kuiti, Otorohanga and Kawhia.

RESOLVED that the Support Services report be received.

L Brown/ A Ross

CARRIED

9. GRANTS

Nil

10. HEALTH & SAFETY

No incidents to report.

11. New Members

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

L Brown/ G Smith

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Geoff Baker, Shanon Eyre, Amanda Foster, Liam Foster, Wendy Mitchell, Bryan Mitchell, Linda Lucas, Barry Lawry, Melissa Mace, Vikki Perana, Leon Perana, Bridget Swift, Douglas Wilson, Leon Green, Sandra Stone, Nigel Wilde, Andrew Donaldson, Martha Bradstreet, Kathryn Horton, Dawn Ludlow, Ngaire Te Pairi, Nash Te Pairi, Kaylene Oswald.

12. Sub Committees

Core Values:

- Progressing Pukeatua ANZAC Services 2025 which are intended to be larger than normal with Patriots inviting wider national membership to the event.

PR:

- Busy. Seeking volunteers from Executive to give a hand so as to improve communications and enable to work at least a month ahead, .

R&M:

- Lower rose garden weeded.
- Honours Board now updated with Vietnam conflict
- Table legs of donated tables painted.
- Feature wall in dining room delayed due to Guthrie Bowron supply
- Electric open signs still a work in progress.

Women's Section Report:

Had 82nd Birthday and everything went well. Kudos to all catering staff. The food was delicious and service wonderful. Everyone had a goodtime. Helen Riley and Tony Hill where in attendance. Upcoming Christmas function on Wednesday December 11th.

RESOLVED to accept reports received

J Wood/ G Smith

CARRIED

13. GENERAL BUSINESS

Welfare Support process flowchart presented and explained. Executive Members are asked to provide feedback to D van der Hulst for finalisation at next meeting.

RESOLVED to write to Council about Disability Parking on roadside outside Club Rooms since we have had no response over the issue which was raised over a year ago.

T Findlay/ G Smith

CARRIED

Deck Fireplace: T Findlay has calculated that it will cost 'next to nothing to install a fireplace on the deck' however was seeking funds available to purchase the fireplace. He will present a selection of fireplaces and costs at next meeting.

Communications: Communications of events needs to improve to get numbers to attend events based on Melbourne Cup and Batons Up functions recently held.

BBQ On the Deck: The idea was mooted to hold a BBQ on the deck to attract patrons.

Wall Photos from Bomber Command Restaurant: Confirmed that photos are stored safely in Garage.

Member Survey: The idea was mooted to undertake a survey of members to understand them better which was considered unnecessary by Executive members.

Christmas Parade 7/12/24: Mooted that TARSA was in a prime location to take advantage of viewing.

Closed Christmas Day and Boxing Day together with New Years Day and Day after New Years Day.

Honours Board Function: I Wardlaw to communicate with Fisk family in regard to holding a core values function in recognition of the honours board being updated with Fisk Name.

New Members Evening: Expression of disappointment in communication to Executive of the evening.

D Bowler considered **Ivor Walter Stickley Charitable Trust** has provided grant funding to TARSA against the IWSCT Deed in providing \$4,000 towards Scholarships. It was pointed out that the Executive appoint Trustees to the Trust and that the Executive need to trust in that they carry out the responsibilities of the role. In addition, if the Executive Committee do not have the confidence in IWSCT Trustees, they are able to remove them from the role. D Bowler undertook to distribute to Executive Committee Members a copy of deed so that members could consider if IWSCT has breached its Deed by providing a grant.

There being no further Business, the Meeting was **closed** at 21:11 PM

The **Next Meeting** is scheduled Tuesday 17 December 2024 at 7pm.

CONFIRMED TUESDAY 17 December 2024

Bomber Command Restaurant

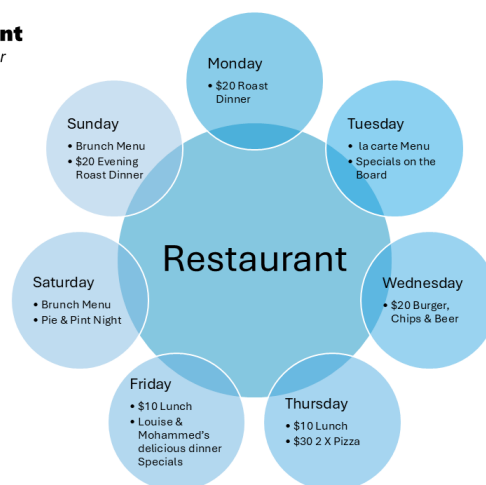
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