



NZCA Waikato

FEB 2024 NEWSLETTER

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47 Lewis Street
Glenview, Hamilton

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2024—UPCOMING

ACC Chinese New Year Festival Market Day

Sat 3rd Feb, 9.30am to 4pm
ASB Showgrounds Auckland



NZCA Paruru Trip for youth WCA Far North Trip—SS Ventnor

3rd–6th Feb 2024



2024 WCA CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

Saturday 17th February 2024
WCA Centre, 47 Lewis Street, Glenview
Time: 5.30pm

Cost: For members: Its "free" if you bring a plate or savoury food sufficient for your family, otherwise there is a fee of \$10 per person, Non-members \$22 per person
YOU CAN JOIN OR RENEW MEMBERSHIP ON THE DAY
(Family \$25, Couple \$20, Individual \$12)

In the current climate, we understand that circumstances can change at the last minute but to help in our planning and ensure there is enough food and seating, please RSVP by Thu 15 Feb to Janet, E: waikatochineseassociation@gmail.com, P: 078539368, M:0272161888 or any other committee member.

Proposed format

5.30pm Mah-jong, Chinese New Year activity

6.15pm Welcome and Dinner

7.30pm Dance Performance – NZ Spring Arts Association



HAPPY CHINESE NEW YEAR
2024
YEAR OF THE DRAGON

WCA Foodie Group

Sat 9th March 2024 7pm

Canton Hong Kong, 32 Alexandra St, Hamilton, more info soon

NZCA SPORTS AND CULTURAL EASTER TOURNAMENT

29th March to 1st April 2024
Wellington

WCA AGM Light Lunch

Sat 15th June (TBC)



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year, everyone!

I trust this message finds you well, and that you had a wonderful Christmas.

I hope you were able to attend some of the events in the last quarter of last year. It was lovely to see members and friends socializing and participating in the events.

While I was overseas on business for the Mid-Autumn Festival, the feedback from the different format was favourable – Mooncake high tea and the usual mooncake making. The "Give it a Go" pickleball brought out the more active members, and those who preferred a more sedate activity enjoyed mahjong. Summer market day saw members getting rid of items, and thoughts are to amend the focus to provide a community market day in the first half of this year. Due to the need to hold Secret Santa Fusion BBQ on the same day, those that attended brought along their festive spirit and seemed happy with their acquired Secret Santa gifts.

This coming year has started with a number of activities which I hope will be attractive to you. Please continue to provide feedback and ideas on how things could be improved or activities so we remain relevant to your needs.

Thank you to the committee and members for your support.

Look forward to seeing you at one of our events soon.

Paul Chin

Waikato Chinese Association President

PAST EVENTS

MID-AUTUMN MOONCAKE HIGH TEA

The 2023 Mid-Autumn Festival took on a unique twist as members celebrated with a Mooncake High Tea. Guided by Alice Lee, the popular demonstration and hands-on mooncake making allowed members to create higher quality mooncakes. Attendees also indulged in a delightful afternoon tea.



GIVE IT A GO PICKLEBALL

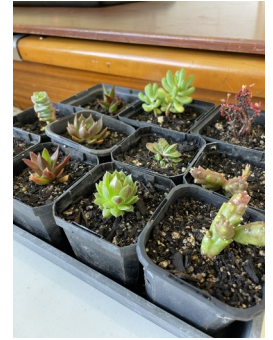
This event drew members and friends eager to participate in one of the fastest-growing sports. Special thanks to Michael Walmsley for dedicating his time to coaching and providing the pickleball net. The experience inspired many to delve deeper into the world of pickleball. While some engaged in the game on the court, others enjoyed Mahjong or socialized with fellow participants over refreshments.



PAST EVENTS

SUMMER MARKET DAY

The market day provided an opportunity for decluttering and selling goods. Approximately 60 people strolled through the stalls, with some making purchases and others simply browsing. Positive feedback from both the public and stall holders encourages the consideration of organizing another event, possibly themed as a Community Garage Sale.



SECRET SANTA FUSION BBQ

Despite the event coinciding with Market Day, the Secret Santa Fusion BBQ brought together members in the true spirit of Christmas. Although attendance numbers were lower, the festive activities and games generated much laughter and enjoyment among participants.



WCA MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION FORM

APPLICANT:	
NAME:	DOB:
SPOUSE/PARTNER:	
NAME:	DOB:
DEPENDANT CHILDREN UNDER 18L	
NAME:	DOB:
NAME:	DOB:
NAME:	DOB:

ADDRESS:		
No:	Street Name:	
SUBURB:	CITY:	POST CODE:
CONTACT DETAILS:		
HOME:	WORK:	MOBILE:
E-MAIL:		
MEMBERSHIP (Put a 'Y' next to the type of membership):		
Family: \$25	COUPLES: \$20	INDIVIDUAL: \$12
Donations would be appreciated: \$		TOTAL PAYABLE: \$

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PAYMENT METHODS (Put 'Y' in between Brackets):

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