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Chairman's message

Welcome to the new look Auckland Branch newsletter. Thank you to our retiring newsletter editor John Kum who has done a great job collating and hunting out news to put into the newsletter for the past 6 years.

We are looking to revamp the way the newsletter is done and delivered and with also an updated look. Looking after this is one of our new committee members, Wilson Lowe.

In the coming newsletters, you will meet some of the new committee members. We as a committee try to organise events that will interest our members- if there is an event that you think would have some interest by our members please contact me and we can see if we can arrange.

One such event is the award-winning documentary Journey to Lan Yuan. The project, by Toitū Otago Settlers Museum, shed new light on the lives of Central Otago's Cantonese gold miners, as well as the subsequent generations of Chinese who fled to New Zealand to escape World War II.

This is the first time it has been seen outside of Otago and NZCA Auckland have made this possible with the help of the University of Auckland New Zealand Asia Institute- tickets are available now for purchase. Members of NZCA Auckland only \$5.

Richard Leung Chairman

Hello, everyone, my name is Wilson and I am the new editor for the NZCA Auckland newsletter. I was born and raised in Auckland, I have played in the annual Easter tournament since 2012. I attended this year's Leadership Development Conference in February where I realized my leadership potential, ambition and a desire to give back to the Kiwi Chinese Community, all of this led me to liaising with Richard Leung who mentioned that the NZCA Auckland Committee is looking for new members so I put name forward to be elected and now I hear I am, I will do my best to provide the best newsletter possible and represent NZCA Auckland as a whole.



Wilson Editor

Family Fun Day Event

Slime was the winner of the day!





Paper chains, crafts, making Slime and watching Monsters Inc. A great afternoon for the kids followed by a sausage sizzle and a potluck dinner. We had over 120 at the Family Fun event, a time to catch up and enjoy each other's company. The Mah Jong table came out as well. Special thanks to Yolande Joe, Stu Chong, Wendy Lau, Kelly Lowe and Raewyn Ho for organising this second event for our families.

We'd encourage those of you who are not current financial members to pay your subs. We had very positive feedback and we are keen to run more family-friendly events.

Future Dragonz Pub Quiz + Claws & Paws October

Event

Wednesday 8th

November Journey to Lan Yuan Film auckland.events@nzchinese.org.nz

Saturday 2nd December

NZCA Auckland Branch Christmas Party

14th-17th December YLC

nzcaylc@gmail.com

or see poster below

Weekly on Tuesday Women's Group

Weekly on Saturday

Cantonese music language school



Owning a pet is never a simple task and it is especially challenging when you're new to pet ownership and the responsibilities that follow afterwards. It can be difficult for owners to know how to best care for, train and recognise/deal with problem behaviours with their pets. At times the internet can also lead us astray but be at ease! We are excited to have a local veterinarian and veterinarian behaviourist with us to help pet owners get a better understanding of selecting, caring for and managing their pets.

Our speaker Dr Elsa Flint is one of the most qualified veterinarians and animal behaviourist in the country. She lectures in the specialised field of animal behaviour at a Veterinary technicians training school and Massey University. She has co-authored six books on animal care and behaviour and published several scientific papers.

We will also donate a portion of every ticket sold to SPCA so they can continue their great work on animal welfare in the community!

So if this presentation is for you, we'd love to see you there. Sorry, no furry friends are allowed at the presentation but please bring us photos!

If you have any specific questions you want to get answered in detail then please leave a comment on our FB event page or send us a message and we'll make sure to bring this up in the presentation. Otherwise, hold onto that thought and stick around for the Q&A.

Entry: \$10 for Future Dragonz members (\$1 goes to SPCA)

\$25 for 1-year membership and entry to the event (\$2 goes to SPCA)

Payment (Bank Transfer): Account No 06 0111 0341510 00 Reference: Full Name & "PawsClaws"

Payment (PayPal): \$10 option, \$15 option, \$25 option

Limited spaces, confirmation only upon receipt of payment and completion of the registration form. Register by 3 November 2017 at:

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In association with the University of Auckland New Zealand Asia Institute, we have been able to secure the Auckland Premiere screening of the award-winning documentary - The Journey to Lan Yuan.

The project, by Toitū Otago Settlers Museum, shed new light on the lives of Central Otago's Cantonese gold miners, as well as the subsequent generations of Chinese who fled to New Zealand to escape World War II. The producers travelled to remote locations in Central Otago and to China to retrace the steps of the men who were driven to New Zealand by desperation.

The Journey To Lan Yuan is based on the works of New Zealand historian Jim Ng, whose family took refuge here after the Japanese army moved into China in the 1930s.

Following the screening, we will have an exclusive Q&A with Sean Brosnahan.

Sean has worked at the Toitu Otago Settlers museum since 1988 and has been prominent in developing exhibitions on Otago's Chinese history for over 25 years. He will be sharing his experiences and insight into the research that the museum has gathered over the years and his experience is being part of this project.

Details:

The University of Auckland Business School
Owen Glenn Building, OGGB3 on 8th November 2017 at 7 pm

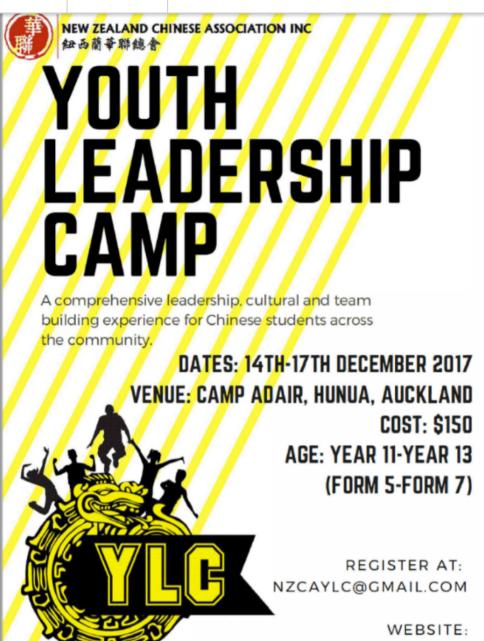
Ticket prices:

NZCA Auckland financial members \$5 General Admission \$10

Email for ticket sales: auckland.events@nzchinese.org.nz

Doors open at 6.30pm for a 7 pm start General admission seating Documentary is subtitled in Chinese

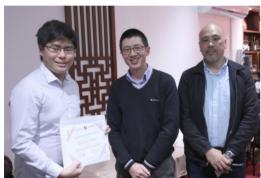
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August Moon Dinner







On August 26, 2017, NZCA celebrated the mid-autumn festival by holding a dinner party at the Lucky Fortune Restaurant in Three Kings, Auckland. The dinner event was well attended with over 180 patrons. During the night, NZCA President Richard Leung delivered his welcome message and introduced the current team of committee members to all present. Scholarship awards were presented to three outstanding students by NZCA Vice President David Wong. The three award recipients are Zachary Wong, Megan Chan and Calvin Fraser.

The atmosphere at the dinner was joyous, the food was yummy and plentiful. Everyone who attended had a great time catching up with old friends over dinner and was treated to a slice of home-made mooncake to finish off the sumptuous dinner for the night. Kudos and well done to Connie Kum and John Kum for a fantastic job in organizing the dinner event with great success and all committee members and their family who helped out on the night. I am sure like me, everyone is looking forward to the next dinner event where we would again meet and mingle as a big NZCA family.

Jennifer Phang Committee Member

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Future Dragonz

Leading up to this year's election and following on from the Future Dragonz Slanted series which started 5 years ago, Future

The event began with a panel of speakers, David Soh (Mandarin Pages), Victoria Young (NBR) and Dr Francis Collins (Auckland University) discussing the different perspectives around the current political environment, diversity in politics and issues around housing, transport, economy and immigration.

Lena Su Organiser

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Women's Group



On Saturday 16th September 2017, the Women's group was visited by Kwai Chong (a cake decorator with over 30 years experience) who demonstrated her skills and expertise in cake decorating and icing, along with the demonstrations, a workshop took place where all members participated.

We are on the hunt for a new coordinator/facilitator. Myra Lowe has been a great asset but will be stepping down in December 2017. We need someone to fill her shoes, the role will commence in January 2018. If you have a clear vision to take this group into the future – we need you!

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Bowls Tournament





On behalf of NZCA Auckland, I would like to express my thanks to all the bowlers who turned out and supported our tournament. A warm welcome to Arthur Tan and Ray Lowe who travel from Whangarei and Morrinsville respectively every year to participate. I trust that you all had an enjoyable day of "friendly" competition and fellowship.

This year the number of participants was down in previous years as several regular players took advantage of the cheap airfares and returned to Hong Kong for extended holidays.

Virginia Chong Organiser

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Annual Membership Form

Membership of New Zealand Chinese Association (Auckland Branch) Incorporated is open to persons who are of Chinese descent, a spouse of a Chinese person, or a child of a Chinese person and over eighteen years of age and resident in the Auckland area and agree to abide by the Rules of Membership.

If you or your family would like to become a Member,

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