# THE NEW ZEALAND CHINESE ASSOCIATION INC. (CANTERBURY BRANCH)

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# April 2017 Newsletter

# **Notice of Annual General Meeting**

An Annual General Meeting of the Canterbury Branch of the New Zealand Chinese Association will be held at the Association Hall, 22 St Asaph Street on **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 2.00pm.** Following the AGM, an afternoon tea will be provided by the Association .

#### **Business**

- 1. To receive The Annual Report.
- 2. To receive and consider the accounts and balance sheet for the preceding financial year.
- 3. To confirm the results of the elections for the Canterbury Branch Executive Committee members for 2017 and 2018
- 4. To confirm the recommendations from the Branch Executive Committee for the award of the Canterbury Branch Honorary Award.
- 5. General Business.

Papers for the above items 1 and 2 will be distributed at the A.G.M.

We invite and welcome you as a member to attend and express any matters of interest.



Celebrating Chinese New Year 2017! "Year of the Rooster"

A special occasion was well celebrated with our special guests. Well attended and enjoyed by all. A huge thanks to Mr Quoon Chin and his team for putting on once again a fantastic luncheon.

# 2017 Annual Membership Subscriptions and Donations (Annual membership 1st Jan-31st Dec 2017)

Thank you to all members who have promptly renewed their 2017 subscriptions.

A friendly reminder for Overdue Memberships for 2017: Annual subscriptions and donations are now due. Annual fee for a member 16 years and over is \$15.00, with an additional entry fee of \$5.00 (applies to new members only). Please submit membership applications with attention to print names clearly in English and Chinese.

Direct credit payment is preferred, cheques acceptable.

Please ensure that you submit your subscription before Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017 if you wish to remain a current 2017 member.

Return to:- The Secretary, NZCA Canterbury, P O Box 31 276, Ilam, Christchurch 8444.

#### **NZCA Academic Awards 2017**

Applications for the following awards based on 2016 examination results will be acknowledged by the New Zealand Chinese Association and are now being called for.

NCEA Level 1 or Cambridge International Examination (IGCSE) (three awards of \$250 each)

NCEA Level 2 (three awards of \$250 each)

NCEA Chinese Academic Award Level 3 or 4 (one award of \$250)

NCEA Level 4 Tertiary Scholarship Awards (three awards of \$750 each)

ILB Award (one award of \$450)

Cambridge Award (one award of \$450)

Encourage your child to apply for these special NZCA scholarship awards to acknowledge their success as a member of the New Zealand Chinese Association. Criteria for awards requires applicant or the family to be members of NZCA at least one year annual membership before applying. Applications to be received before 30 April 2017.

Please contact Rhonda Ding (<u>rding@xtra.co.nz</u> or 021 259 0745), for information and application forms.

# NZCA China Winter Camp 2017

Departs 26th November with options for extended stay in Hong Kong or further travel within China. All persons aged 18 - 29 years are eligible. Minimum 10 persons.

Explore and discover your roots and cultural heritage through visits to your ancestral homes and villages China has undergone many changes since the first China Winter camp held over 30 years ago. Spend time viewing the changes in the "New" China, yet enjoying the historic sights of "Old" China.

Register your interest by contacting Virginia Chong on 021 982 726, email vchong@ihuq.co.nz

#### **2017 Chinese New Year Function**

At the Chinese New Year celebration lunch, Ashleigh Goh and her brother Anthony Goh were two successful candidates presented with the NZCA Academic Award prizes for 2016 by the Consul General Mr Jin Zhijian.



Oscar Chen sang to the audience. The occasion was completed with a delicious New Year banquet of home-cooked traditional Chinese food.





# **Jung Festival and Family Day 2017**

held at the Chinese Association Hall 22 St Asaph Street, Christchurch

Sunday 28th May at 12.00 noon





The 2017 Jung Festival will be held at the Association Hall, 22 St Asaph Street, on **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May at 12.00 noon.** A luncheon consisting of a variety of tasty Chinese dishes including Jung will be served. Bring along family and friends to celebrate the Jung Festival.

An entry fee will be collected at the door:- Members - \$8, Non-members - \$15, Students 12-15 years - \$8, Children under 12 years - Free. Donations will be kindly accepted.

Due to construction work around the Hall, the committee is looking into alternative carparking sites for our members. We will keep you informed once approval of sites become available.

# 69h Annual NZ Chinese AssociationSports and Cultural Tournament 2017

The 69th "New Zealand Chinese Association (Inc) Annual Sports Tournament" and Cultural Show will be hosted by Canterbury Branch in our beautiful Garden City, Christchurch. Held over Easter weekend from Friday 14th to Monday 17th April 2017.



We warmly welcome participants, supporters along with your families and friends to fulfill the objective of the tournament in promoting goodwill, friendship, mutual understanding and healthy competition among our members. To bring people together to attend our premier event on the annual NZCA calendar. Athletics, basketball, dodgeball, golf, indoor netball, indoor football, netball, tennis, and touch rugby will be contested over the weekend. It is expected that the competition will be tough, but the spirit of participation will be rewarding! Organised socials held each night for the opportunity to meet up and renew old friendships.

The Opening Ceremony will be held at the Aurora Centre (Burnside High School), Greers Road from 12noon. A showcase treat with a wonderful Cultural Show featuring classical Chinese performers, popular music, martial arts, dance and a multi-media production.

#### **Socials:**

Friday 14th April: R18 MISH MASH BAR – Cnr Manchester & St Asaph Sts.

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April: U18 FLIP OUT – 230 Maces Rd, Bromley.

Saturday 15th April: R18 ZANZIBAR (Themed Comic Con) – 150 Aikmans Rd, Merivale

Sunday 16th April: R18 HOUSE PARTY 2017 – 22 St Asaph St

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April:** *GENERATIONS DINNER - RED BOWL RESTAURANT* (BYO)

57 Mandeville Street. (Riccarton) A family affair catered for all generations, young and old.

\*\*Dinner at 6pm. Cost \$30pp. Limited seating with pre-payment essential.

**NB**: An under 12, children's table will be allocated with a special menu at a reduced price.

Please purchase tickets from Rhonda Ding: 021 2590 745 or rding@xtra.co.nz

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April: *AWARDS BANQUET & CLOSING CEREMONY* – Madam Kwong's 155 Blenheim Road. *Celebrating the success of the tournament.* 

- \*\*Dinner, Entertainment and Presentation of trophies. Starts 6pm. Cost \$55pp.
- \*\*Dinner: Please advise Rhonda of any special dietary requirements.

A Closing Ceremony and presentation of trophies will be the highlight of the tournament. Entertained and feasting on a banquet at the lavish Madam Kong's Restaurant. Finally, dance the night away to celebrate the friendship and the end of an eventful weekend.

As a member of the New Zealand Chinese Association, your entitlement to participate at the tournaments and use of the facilities is covered by your annual membership.

Canterbury Branch acknowledges the generosity of the Chinese Poll Tax Heritage Trust, The New Zealand Chinese Association and sponsors for their utmost support in the funding of our major event.

#### For further information and interest contact Canterbury Controllers:

**Tournament Controller:** Tony Ng ph: 021-335-760 **Secretary:** Melissa Wong ph: 021-131-0177 **Canterbury Branch Representative:** Emmie King ph: 021-211-7441

Email address: canterbury.easter@gmail.com
Visit the website: http://nzcaeaster2017.org

Facebook page: facebook.com/NZCAEaster2017

### **NZCA Canterbury Website:**

# canterbury.nzchinese.org.nz

With the initiative of the national NZCA body, Canterbury Branch along with the other 13 NZCA Branches has launched a new generic website.

- ! Visit the website for latest updates, contacts, notices, activities, up-to-date events
- ! Follow NZCA Branch website links nationally for information, updates and resources.
- ! Our website has a photo gallery and access to past newsletters and events.
- ! NZCA Canterbury Membership & Subscription application forms can be downloaded off the website to join up as a new members.

We invite members wishing to contribute publication of any information or articles relating to NZCA Canterbury. Contact our Canterbury webmaster Ronald Lee (ronald18@orcon.net.nz)

<u>Check out our new NZCA Canterbury Facebook page</u> <u>https://www.facebook.com/CanterburyBranchNZCA/</u>

# NZ CHINESE IN HISTORICAL IMAGES

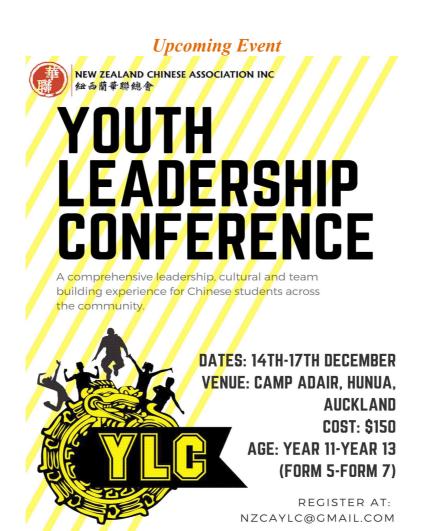
By Phoebe H. Li and John B. Turner



Published with support from the Chinese Poll Tax Heritage Trust, NZ Chinese in Historical Images presents a visual introduction to the history of the Chinese in NZ over the past 175 years.

Today over 170,000 Chinese New Zealanders call this country home. This book records the life experiences of Cantonese Chinese in NZ, from their arrival in 1842 to the present day, through not just photographs, but a vivid panorama of their vicissitudes, hard work, self sacrifice and determination, taking root and eventual integration. Sourced by Phoebe Li from public and private collections, we hope readers will appreciate the profound impact of the unique way that these photographs tell and retell our past.

Pre-order of books taken. Price TBA. Contact Rhonda Ding at rding@xtra.co.nz, 021 259 0745.



#### **Social Activities**

Regular weekly activities held at the NZ Chinese Association Hall, 22 St Asaph Street (Hagley Park end) unless specified. For interest contact the following:

**Beijing Health Promoting Exercise Group** - Mrs Sum Duncan (ph 342 7822)

Cantonese/Mandarin Classes – Mr Quoon Chin (ph 027 285 2859)

Line Dance - Saturday morning from 11-12am

New Vogue Ballroom Dancing - Emmie King (graem88@xtra.co.nz)

Qiao Yi Lion Dance Team - George Chan (021 188 6096, gwhchan71@yahoo.co.nz)

Senior/Lifestyle Group - Tim Ng (ph 339 0188, ng.tim@hotmail.com), Nelson Sue (332 8148)

Tai Chi Classes - Sunday mornings. 9-10am. Held at Association Hall.

Future Dragonz Canterbury - Melissa Wong (m.carley.wong@gmail.com)

- Tony Ng (ngtony85@gmail.com)

We extend a warm welcome to all new members and friends attending our social activities. We look forward to your participation to achieve the benefits of health and wellbeing provided by our association.

#### **Acknowledgements and Donations**

Thank you to our members and friends for your continuing support and generosity to contribute towards NZCA Canterbury Branch.

Our appreciation of thanks to the many volunteers who participated and supported the Chinese New Year lunch, Christchurch Lantern Festival, Cultural Galore, Weetbix TRYathalon, Bunnings sausage sizzle and Mitre 10 Sausage Sizzles. It is always a great fun day out and to enjoy the company of volunteers who share in the community spirit to help out.





# NZCA Canterbury Chinese Association Hall - AVAILABLE FOR HIRE



# 22 St Asaph Street, CBD

Ample floor area with removable stage large kitchen and cooking facilities Conference room, Sound system

Discounted hire rates for NZCA members

For bookings contact: Marisa Yeung (ph 021 112 6265, hopvick@xtra.co.nz)

#### Memberships, Receiving Newsletters by Email or Change of Address

Your continued support as a member is an important factor in our organisation. We provide funding for events, membership discounts to attend functions, activities for members and regular publishing of newsletters. For family or friends over the age of 16 years and would like to socially connect with our organisation, join up as a member to receive the many benefits.

Please advise a change of address in writing or email to The Secretary, NZCA Canterbury, PO Box 31-276, Ilam, Christchurch 8444

We encouraged members to receive newsletters and notices by email to receive current updates. Please contact Canterbury Secretary, Rhonda Ding at <a href="mailto:rding@xtra.co.nz">rding@xtra.co.nz</a> or 021 259 0745.

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