



HMNZS NGAPONA ASSOCIATION INC

LONGCAST

12 July 19 – Navy Club Lunch, Remuera Club
12 – 14 July 19 - Mururoa Vets Assn AGM, Warkworth RSA
19 July 19 - Ngapona Assn Lunch at New Lynn RSA
20 July 19 – Northland Lunch, Bay of Islands Yacht Club
3 August 19 – Ngapona Assn Mid Year Function at the Bays Club
11 August 19 – William Sanders VC Church service
17 August 19 – Navy Club AGM, Remuera Club at 1100
16 August 19 - Ngapona Assn Lunch & EGM at Birkenhead RSA

Hi Folks

NOTICE OF EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING - 16 AUGUST 2019

At the recent AGM of the Ngapona Assn it was unanimously decided to remove the requirement that limited the number of Associate Members to 25% of the number of Full Members. In order to change the constitution we are required to give a minimum of 28 days' notice to members and the change should then be ratified at a General Meeting of the Association.

It is intended that an Extra-ordinary General Meeting will be held at the conclusion of our lunch at the Birkenhead RSA on 16 August 2019 to change the constitution.

NGAPONA ASSN POLO SHIRTS

We are now taking orders for the Ngapona Assn Polo Shirts.

These are produced from good quality material, dark blue with white trim and the Ngapona crest on the left hand side.

Cost is only \$35.00 incl GST.

Please reply to this email with your name, delivery address and size.
Payment may be made on line to:
HMNZS Ngapona Assn Inc
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Use your name as reference.
Delivery expected in 3 - 4 weeks.

This is the last chance to purchase shirts with the current order.



HAVE YOUR SAY!

Here is A notice of the National RSA doing visits to a number of RSA's where a forum will be held to inform and enlighten you on research and entitlements.

Forums designed to educate and inform all veterans

The RNZRSA and the Mururoa Nuclear Veterans Group Inc are running a series of forums aimed at informing and enlightening veterans on research and entitlements, and progress on the issue of genetic defects.

The organisers stress that the forums are designed for all veterans, not just Mururoa veterans.

They will outline veterans' entitlements, the difference between the two acts, transferring from the old act to the new act, and the re-submission of claims declined under the old act.

The group is also interested in information on exposure to toxins: what veterans were

exposed to in daily life at sea; paint, solvents, asbestos, fumes, cigarette smoke and alcohol.

RNZRSA adviser and advocate Richard Terrill says a number of veterans are not receiving their entitlements from Veteran Affairs and the Accident Compensation Commission. Forums provide an opportunity for them to know their rights and ensure they get the advocacy support and benefits they are entitled to."

The meetings are open to all serving and ex-navy personnel. An RNZRSA adviser/advocate, Mururoa Nuclear Veterans' Group officers, and RSA district presidents and support advisers will be in attendance. The schedule is:

Tuesday July 2: Hamilton CSC, 11am
Wednesday July 3: Paeroa RSA, 3pm
Thursday, July 4: Howick RSA, 1pm
Friday, July 5: Birkenhead RSA, 1pm
Wednesday, July 10: Dargaville RSA, 1pm
Thursday, 11 July: Whangarei RSA, 1pm
Friday, July 12: Warkworth RSA, 1pm
Meetings were held in early June at the Whanganui Club Metro, the Waitara and the Taumarunui RSA.

• *Information and confirmation of attendance:*
Richard Terrill – 027 2109082; Richardt@rsa.org.nz.

NGAPONA ASSN - MID YEAR FUNCTION

Our Mid Year Function will be held at the Bays Club, Anzac Road, Browns Bay on the 3rd of August. This is a great venue and a special menu has been prepared for us.

An indication of numbers is required for catering purposes by 19 July 2019.

Please reply to this email.

Function Buffet \$26.50



Soup.

Tomato & Coconut with Bread Rolls

Carvery.

Honey Glazed Ham with Pineapple Salsa

Salads. Choose TWO

- ❖ Green Salad with Tomatoes & Spanish Onions
- ❖ Coleslaw
- ❖ Potato Salad
- ❖ Beetroot & Feta Cheese
- ❖ Cous Cous & Pumpkin with Spinach

Main Courses. Choose ONE

- ❖ Beef Stroganoff with Rice
- ❖ Curry (Chicken or Beef)
- ❖ Stirfry with Noodles (Pork or Chicken)
- ❖ Lamb Moussaka
- ❖ Pasta (Carbonarra , Vegetarian with Spinach Mushroom)
- ❖ Pork Belly with Coconut Reduction

All Mains will be served with Steamed Seasonal vegetables & Rosemary Potatoes

Desserts. Choose TWO

- ❖ Warm Chocolate Pudding with Chocolate Sauce
- ❖ Fresh Fruit Salad
- ❖ Cheese Cake of the Day
- ❖ Chocolate Brownie with Chantilly Cream
- ❖ Carrot Cake

Tea & Coffee

NORTHLAND LUNCH

It is great that Jill and Margaret are able to host another luncheon at the Bay of Islands Yacht Club, Waitangi on Saturday 20 July from 1230. Lunch will be served at 1300.

The usual sumptuous luncheon buffet will be served with dessert to follow.

As they have to set up on Saturday morning please time your arrival for midday.

Cost for Luncheon: \$25.00 per person

Raffles - \$2.00 per ticket or 3 for \$5.00 A Cash Bar will be available

RSVP for numbers by Wednesday 17 July 2019 Margaret Mitchell 09 838 2931 or Jill Thompson 09 836 5191

Email: margaretmitchell@xtra.co.nz or jillt.nz49@gmail.com

(See attached flyer)

FRIENDS OF THE RNZN MUSEUM TRUST

If you have an interest in the RNZN and preserving its history, why not join the Friends of the RNZN Museum Trust?

See the attached Enrolment Form..



DID YOU KNOW?

On 3 July 1998, HMNZS Waikato decommissioned at Devonport Naval Base after 31 years, eight months and 17 days' service in the RNZN.

Built by Harland and Wolff at Belfast, **Waikato** was launched by Her Royal Highness the Princess Alexandra with a bottle of wine from the Te Kauwhata vineyards on 19 February 1966. To help celebrate the commissioning, Waikato Breweries donated 40 dozen bottles of beer to the ship's company. The ship was commissioned into the RNZN at Belfast on 16 September and proceeded to Portsmouth for an extensive three month period of trials.

HMNZS **Waikato** returned to Auckland from her last period of seetime on Thursday 27 March 1997 and on 1 April the ship went to 60 days' notice for operations. It then remained alongside at the Devonport Naval Base as a stationary training and accommodation ship, being formally decommissioned on 3 July 1998. The hulk was then sold to a private individual, for the purpose of sinking it as an artificial reef. On Saturday 11 November 2000 **Waikato** was sunk off the Northland coast, near Tutukaka.



HMNZS WAIKATO

Take care

Jerry Payne

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"There are good ships, and there are wood ships, the ships that sail the sea."

"But the best ships are friendships, and may they always be."

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