



Thumbs Up Adventure Club Inc.
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“The Thumbs Up Adventure Club is a social and active group of people who enjoy living life to the fullest”

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Our account details: ASB Bank 12-3014-0118011-00 - For internet banking - state your name, cost and event you are paying for. Please deposit cheques directly into the Club's bank account and email Libby (libby.lyver@gmail.com) the same information.

CHECK WITH EVENT ORGANISER THAT PLACES ARE AVAILABLE BEFORE MAKING ANY PAYMENT

Non members may attend some club events. Members have priority and a surcharge will be applied. Contact the event organiser directly

If you have confirmed you wish to go to an event where the ticket is pre-paid by the organiser, please pay by the due date. The ticket is still your responsibility to pay. You can sell it or give it away

If you cannot attend on the day, please advise the organiser immediately as they may have other people wishing to attend

July - August 2015

DINNER & PROMISE AND PROMISCUITY

Uxbridge Theatre, 35 Uxbridge Road, Howick
Saturday 27th June Dinner 6pm – Show 8pm



Follow the fortunes of Miss Elspeth Slowtree as she battles literacy, snobbery, her mother's nerves and the unfortunate digestions of Cousin Horatio. Armed only with her superior wit and blushing countenance, Penny Ashton plays 9 Austenian characters in this award winning critically lauded smash hit show that has wowed from Bath in the UK to the Canadian Prairies. Meet at 6pm for dinner beforehand at Italian restaurant, La Padella, 503 Pakuranga Road, Highland Park. Show starts 8pm

Book your ticket direct with Uxbridge Theatre Ph. 09 535 6467, additional charges apply for getting tickets mailed out to you
Please let me know when you have bought your ticket.
Bring: A friend if you wish
Cost: Play \$24 Visa/Mastercard when booking by phone
Dinner at your cost, pay on the night BYO & Licensed
Confirm by: 19th June if coming for dinner
Contact: Libby Lyver - 021 137 1488 or libby.lyver@gmail.com

PIZZA, GAMES AND PUDDING NIGHT

Auckland Normal Intermediate School, Poronui Street, Mt Eden
11th July - 5.30pm to 10pm

Mike has been able to procure the staff room, located inside the Reception Building at Auckland Intermediate School. It has all the kitchen and room facilities suitable for our games evening. The school is centrally located. Poronui Street is off Mt Eden Road, adjacent to the Mt Eden shops. Drive down to the end of Poronui St to the large sign 'Auckland Normal Intermediate School'. Turn right down the drive and there is plenty of secure parking in the school carpark. The reception building is to your right. The staff room is upstairs. Mike will have directional signs and will be at the reception main door. For security reasons, please advise if you have a friend, family or prospective member coming. A fun night out playing board and card games you loved as a kid, with pizza to start and pudding to finish.

Further info: BYO drinks - tea and coffee provided
Bring: Yourself and a friend if you wish
Cost: \$15
Confirm/Pay by: 3rd July
Contact: Raywyn - raywynbrinsden@gmail.com or 021 455 863
Mike - mikemaran10@gmail.com or 0274 784 779

ESCAPADE

Level 1, 23 Victoria St East (cnr Lorne & Victoria St East by Albert Park)
Saturday 4th July at 10.45am

Fancy a bit of friendly rivalry or just straight out competitiveness, this escape game is for you. The most fun you will ever have in a locked room! We need quiet thinkers, sharp eyed observers with awesome powers of observation, super brains to pick up clues within clues and bundles of energy and common sense. You will be locked in a room with cryptic clues and will have to work together to decipher in order to get out of the room within 60 minutes. There is help from staff, who watch your every move on camera and communicate via an in-built speaker system if needs be. This session begins in the dark and players with torches have to solve brainteaser to open a series of locks and secret doors.

I have booked and paid for 2 rooms with 6 people in each for "The Bach" which is a classic Kiwiana bach with a mysterious message left behind by Grandma giving you a clue to the old mystery. There is a lounge bar where you can buy beer, wine, hot and cold non-alcoholic drinks, and snacks before or afterwards or we can go for lunch somewhere local. Selection of who goes in each room will be unbiased and done by drawing out a number from a bag. See www.escapadenz.co.nz
Parking at Victoria Street car park is \$2 per hour or find a spot on the road nearby.
Cost: \$20 (normally \$39pp or 35pp for groups over 4)
Pay by: ASAP as numbers are limited to the first 12 people
Contact: Alison Philcox - 021 257 6741 or a.philcox@clear.net.nz

SCULPTURE TRAIL

Kaipara Coastal Plant Centre, 1481 Kaipara Coastal Highway
Kaukapakapa

Sunday 12th July at 10.30am - Meet in Carpark
Come and enjoy the Gardens and the Sculpture trail with over 50 selected sculptures set in a tranquil oasis.

Bring: Your lunch and drinks or you may purchase at the cafe.
Good walking shoes
Cost: \$10 - Over 60s \$9
Pay by: Pay on the day
Contact: - June Bell 817-3093, 021-258-3013 or fiveofsix48@hotmail.com



TEXAS HOLDEM POKER NIGHT & POT LUCK DINNER

59a Vincent Street, Howick

Saturday 18th July at 6pm

Texas Holdem Poker is the fastest growing poker game in the US. The concept of the game is simple and easily learned. Come and have fun and learn how to play. Rules and all equipment supplied. Carpooling arranged if required.

Please phone Jocelyn to advise if you are bringing a Main or Dessert

Bring: Own drinks and food to share

Cost: Nil

Confirm by: 16th July

Contact: Jocelyn – 021 590 354 or sharplesjocelyn@gmail.com



PAKURANGA ROTARY TRAIL CYCLE RIDE

Saturday 25th July at 10am

Park and meet at 10am at the end of Kerswill Place, Pakuranga.

Plenty of parking in the cul de sac

A mostly flat ride beginning on the cycle path, then onto quiet roads through Half Moon Bay Marina and onto Musick Point for wonderful harbour views, returning to the Marina for an early lunch at one of the newly opened cafes. Return along bike path. I will make decision if the ride will go ahead by 8.30am after I check the weather. Please phone or text me after that time to check if ride going ahead if you are unsure of the weather.

Bring: Own bike, water bottle, wet weather gear (just in case), helmet and suitable clothing for cycling

Cost: Ride is free, lunch at your cost

Confirm by: Wednesday 22nd July by email or phone mobile on the day

Contact: Libby Lyver - 021 137 1488 or libby.lyver@gmail.com



MID WINTER FUN CYCLE RIDE

Okoroire Hot Springs Hotel

Sunday 26th July

Choose to ride either the 40km or 70km options on flat to undulating country roads in the Waikato. This will be held regardless of weather unless considered dangerous. Numbers are limited to 1000. Normal road rules apply. I'm doing the 40km ride which is mainly flat, with one reasonable gentle climb into Tirau, then an undulating road back to the Okoroire Hotel. Yes, it is winter, but wrap up warm and accept the challenge. If you want hot roast rolls afterwards these must be prepaid on your entry form. Only \$8.50

Registration from 8am-9.45am. Riders briefing 9.45am. All must attend this. Spot prizes drawn at 1.30pm. Further info <http://www.funcycling.net>

Car pooling available

Bring: Warm clothing for the ride and to change into afterwards

Cost: \$60 if paid before 22nd July, \$75 after that.

Pay by: Can register and pay online up to 25th July

Confirm by: Let me know when you have registered

Contact: Alison Philcox - 021 257 6741 or a.philcox@clear.net.nz



MOVIE WITH OPTIONAL DINNER & DRINKS

Rialto Cinema, Broadway, Newmarket

Sunday 26th July at 5pm

Meet at the Rialto Food Court at 5pm. Movies start around 6pm and as there are a choice of theatres, you can choose on the night which movie you would like to see. Movies advertised a week beforehand.

An option is going to the local pub for a meal beforehand instead of the food court.

AA members have a 40% discount for Rialto Cinema. Tickets must be pre-purchased. Book online www.aa.co.nz/eventcinemas.

Bring: Yourself and a friend if you like

Cost: Movie (around \$18 or \$11 with AA discount), dinner and drinks

Pay by: On the night

Confirm: Thursday 23rd July for movies and/or dinner

Contact: Raywyn - raywynbrinsden@gmail.com or 021 455 863



DOLPHIN THEATRE

PLAY CALLED RABBIT HOLE

12 Spring Street, Onehunga

Opening night - Saturday 1st August – show starts 8pm

This is a mature heart breaking story by David Lindsay-Abaire and directed by Jan Saussey

Further info: Cash bar opens at 7.15pm

Cost: \$25.00 which includes tea, coffee and biscuits at half time, end of show glass of wine, sandwich and meet the cast

Pay by: 17th July to TUAC account

Contact: Ann Melrose – 021 157 6005, 636 5417 or

annmelrose@gmail.com



CROQUET

25 Dignan Street, Pt Chevalier

Sunday 2nd August 2pm – 4.30pm

Drive in and park at the Pt Chevalier Bowling Club carpark or there is plenty of street parking. The Pt Chevalier Croquet club is situated behind the bowling club.

Have a go and get introduced to Croquet. A non-strenuous work out for the brain and body. This is an easy game of skill and tactics. It is an underrated game and everyone will be surprised by how good the game is. Mike has arranged for the club members to be on site to give us some tuition. We can divide up into teams of 2 or 4's.

Bring: Flat sole shoes and sunhat. Croquet mallets and balls supplied.

Cost: \$5pp everything supplied, including tea or coffee in the club rooms after

Contact: Mike Maran – 846 350, 0274 784 779 or

mikemaran10@gmail.com



ALL BLACKS -V- AUSTRALIA & POT LUCK DINNER

Saturday 15th August at 5 30pm

11 Edgewater Grove, Orewa

Come along for Dinner and drinks first, then watch the All Blacks game.

Bring: A pot luck contribution to the meal and your own drinks.

Please advise if you are bringing nibbles, a main or dessert.

Cost: Nil

Confirm by: Friday 14th August

Contact: - David Verrall - 09 426 9588, 027 203 5508 or

gundesenverrall@xtra.co.nz



TEN PIN BOWLING

AMF Panmure, 523A Eilerslie Panmure Highway

Saturday 22nd August

A fun night out with friendly competition followed by dinner at Spices Thai, 71 Lunn Avenue Mt Wellington.

I have booked two lanes and two games. Arrive 4.30pm for 5pm start.

Random team draw.

Cost: \$9.90 per game or \$14.90 for 2 games

Seniors \$7.90 per game or \$12.90 for 2 games

Pay by: On the night

Confirm by: 7th August

Contact: Peter Gerrard - 027 696 4997 or p.gerrard29@gmail.com



POT LUCK DINNER & PARLOUR GAMES

160 Main Highway, Eilerslie

Saturday 29th August at 6.30pm

After dinner, those who want to can team up to play a modern version of an old parlour game. Lots of laughs guaranteed.

Bring: Food to share and own drinks. Please advise if you are bringing a main, salad, vegetable dish or dessert

Cost: Nil

Confirm by: 22nd August

Contact: Jackie Humphrey - 525 1164, 021 167 4253 or jackiehumphreynz@yahoo.com



GRABONE - COROMANDEL ESCAPE

Abbey Court Motel, Coromandel

Saturday 5th to Sunday 6th September

Only 4 spaces left for this trip so be in quick if you want to come. Catch the 360 Discovery ferry at 8.45 am on the Saturday with your bike if you have one, or you can catch the free shuttle into Coromandel if not bringing a bike. Overnight at Abbey Court Motel (shared accommodation). Dinner out on Saturday at a local pub.

Sunday optional kayaking or explore Coromandel by bike or on foot. Return ferry 4.30 Sunday afternoon (2hr trip). Further details to follow once GrabOne voucher/ticket purchased.

Further info: GrabOne special is midnight tonight. If you don't have a GrabOne account contact me urgently on Thursday night and I will buy one for you. Can ring me up until 11pm on Thursday night.

Cost: \$45.00 for the return ferry trip if you get the GrabOne special, otherwise full fare is \$90 return. Accommodation around \$46.50 per person. Kayaking around \$35 each for 3 hrs (to be confirmed)

Pay by: GrabOne (by credit card when you buy the voucher if purchasing yourself – otherwise pay to Libby if bought for you). If you have your own GrabOne account, log into www.grabone.co.nz and search for 360 Discovery. Click on the \$45 figure and this will take you to the Buy page.

Accommodation and kayaking on arrival in Coromandel.

Confirm by: Please let me know if you book your GrabOne voucher tonight

Contact: Libby Lyver - 021 137 1488 or libby.lyver@gmail.com

FULLY BOOKED

QUEEN CHARLOTTE SOUNDS

Tuesday 29th December 2015 to Saturday 2^d January 2016

We have 18 people already booked in the lodges, so if you are interested, you must get in now.

Details: A standard 5 day Independent Walk Package, 4 days tramping - 3 days tramping (3rd day a long 8 hour tramp) to The Portage, stay for 2 days over New Year then the final day to Anakiwa.



Further info: Packs transported. We will also be staying in lodges at night (no camping I can hear the sigh of relief already!). The track is 70kms long

Package includes water taxi to and from your Picton accommodation to the track, luggage transfers, packed lunch each day and information pack including track guide.

Cost: \$810 pp - single room an additional \$410 pp
A \$200 pp deposit is required with booking with the remainder due one month prior to departure.

Credit card details can be safely submitted on a secure online system at www.wildernessguidesnz.com

Contact: Alan – alangrigg11@gmail.com

JOKE

A man goes to the doctor and says, "I have this problem with gas, but it really doesn't bother me too much. They never smell and are always silent. As a matter of fact, I've farted at least ten times since I've been here in your office. You didn't know I was farting because they don't smell and are silent."

On this the doctor says, "I see your problem, take these pills and come back to see me next week."

The next week the man goes back. "Doctor", he says, "I don't know what the hell you gave me, but now my farts - although still silent - stink terribly."

The doctor says, "Good! Now that we've cleared up your sinuses, let's work on your hearing..."

A BLAST FROM THE PAST 20 YEARS AGO...1995...HOW TIME FLIES

CAR RALLY/TREASURE HUNT

Sunday, 25 June

Spend Sunday afternoon looking for the mystery clues and finish at a well known bar and restaurant for drinks or a meal for those who want it. Meet at 1 pm and carpool so that you have a driver, a navigator, a runner (to collect the treasure) and supporters.

Prizes for the first (and the last)!!

Cost: \$5.00 Each Contact: Liz 836 0102

"GIVE US A CLUE" - CHARADES NIGHT

Saturday, 24 June Te Atatu

Leave your inhibitions behind and come along for a night of fun, hilarity and team spirit. Sidelines supporters welcome.

BYO and a plate of finger food.

TRAMP

July, 2nd or 3rd

If you would like a walk in the Waitakeres with Native Forest with "flying" birds (Waitakere Ranges), Waterfall (Cascade Waterfall), Lake (Lake Waiti next to Bethells Beach), Beach and sand dunes (Bethells) all in close proximity to each other for one day (one 1 hour return walk and one 2 hour return walk) on Sunday 2nd July leaving 11 am at Pak'N'Save, Lincoln Rd, Henderson

THE "GREAT KAIPARA ADVENTURE"

8th/9th July

Join us on a weekend, or 2 day journey with a difference, retracing the old steamer and sailing ship routes from Helensville to Dargaville through the historic Kaipara Harbour, aboard our comfortable vessel MV KEWPiE TOO. We also travel along the barren West Coast Beach in our dune bus from Glinks Gully to Pouto Point, before returning to Helensville aboard MV KEWPiE TOO.

The Trip Price Includes

- Kaipara Harbour Tour Aboard KEWPiE TOO
- 1 Nights Accommodation at Dargaville - B & B
- Evening Meal at the Central Hotel, Dargaville
- Dune Bus Trip along Ocean Beach

Cost: Approx. \$109

MEMBERS – INTRODUCE A NEW MEMBER

If you introduce a new member and they join the Club you will get a credit of \$10 on your next TUAC membership renewal account

"I acknowledge and accept that neither the Thumbs Up Adventure Club ("the club"), nor any other party associated with any activity arranged by or through the club shall have any responsibility for any liability, financial or otherwise, which might arise whether or not by negligence, from any direct or indirect loss, injury or death which might be sustained by me or any other party directly or indirectly associated with me, from my intended or actual participation in any event or its related activities."