



**Newsletter**  
**Gisborne Branch**  
**November 2021**

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## **GSA Members Christmas & AGM, Luncheon 2021.**

The members Christmas luncheon will be held at 12.00pm on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of November 2021 at the Tatapouri Sport Fishing Club. The club will be setting up the Conservatory dining room for our sole use with tables set out for diners. The Tatapouri club has a special Christmas (a la carte) Menu with a choice of four mains, priced at **\$20.50**



**per person.** Each diner is expected to pay our Treasurer for their meal **\$15.00**, either prior, (Direct Credit Internet Banking: ANZ Bank account Number 11-6300-0610166-11. Please show your Surname in the Reference or the Particular column). Or **\$15.00** cash, no cheques, on the day and we will complete a tally sheet with your choice of meal from the set menu. This is a new requirement from the restaurant as they will not take individual payments for a set menu. These choices include **Hot Grilled Ham**, hot ham off the bone served with grilled pineapple rings, fries & salad. **Fish of the Day**, battered, crumbed or pan-fried served with salad & fries. **Chicken Breast**, grilled chicken breast, topped with tomato & chilly salsa, grilled with cheese, served with new potatoes & salad. **Minute Steak, Tender Ribeye** steak grilled, served with salad & fries, mushroom or pepper sauce. **Deserts** provided will be **Christmas pudding**, served with custard & cream. The committee will be providing on the table's wines & orange juice, along with a Christmas cake for all attending to enjoy.

As we did last year each member attending will be given a free raffle ticket, for a raffle with six draws for a box of biscuits or chocolates. Six prizes, however each member can only win one prize.

Should you require transport to attend the Christmas function please make contact with the Secretary who will arrange it for you.

For catering reasons could you also contact the **Secretary** by phone 06 8688384 or 027 3503058 or E mail [domundsen10@gmail.com](mailto:domundsen10@gmail.com) , by the 22<sup>nd</sup> **November 2021**, informing of the number in your party attending the Christmas luncheon. The Tatapouri Sport Fishing Club will be charging us for the numbers we notified attending, so if you are unable to attend after notifying us, please tell us as soon as possible so we can change our bookings.

### **Existing Committee members:**

**Chairperson:** Chesley Birch.

**Secretary:** Des Omundsen.

**Treasurer:** Evan Parkin.

**Committee:** Robin Arthur, Barrie Denham. Bruce Kells, Graeme Revell.

## **Passing of the Chairperson's wife.**

Elizabeth Mary Birch, the wife of Chesley Birch, our Branch Chairperson's wife passed away peacefully on the 9 September with Chesley at her side in Gisborne. Our committee along with the branch members would like to pass on our condolences to Chesley and his family. We know for certain that we never lose the people we love, even to death. They continue to participate in every act, thoughts, and decisions we make. Their love leaves an indelible impact in our memories. We find comfort in knowing that our lives have been enriched by having shared their love.



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## **Uncertain Times**

Due to this year's covid lock down and the fact that I have entered a change in my personal lifestyle, this newsletter is of a shortened version. The National Office has also seen some recent changes, having introduced a new Executive Officer and Office Manager. This year's council meeting which was to have been held in Wellington on the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> September has been postponed until Labour Weekend. Unfortunately, Gisborne elected delegates for this meeting have doubts that they can attend the meeting this year, because of previous engagements over this period. We hope that this meeting will be able to progress successfully and without interruption.

## **Love is a Many Splendored Thing**

A woman, cranky because her husband was late coming home again, decided to leave a note, saying, *"I've had enough and have left you...don't bother coming after me"*

Then she hid under the bed to see his reaction.

After a short while, the husband comes home and she could hear him in the kitchen before he comes into the bedroom. She could see him walk towards the dresser and pick up the note.

After a few minutes, he wrote something on it before picking up the phone and calling someone.

*"She's finally gone...yeah I know, about bloody time, I'm coming to see you, put on that sexy French nightie. I love you...can't wait to see you...we'll do all the naughty things you like."*

He hung up, grabbed his keys and left.

She heard the car drive off as she came out from under the bed, seething with rage and with tears in her eyes.

She grabbed the note to see what he wrote.

*"I can see your feet. We're outta bread; be back in five minutes."*

Merry Christmas from the committee to you and your family. Take nothing for granted and be thankful that you have such great family and friends to spend this joyous season with. **Wishing you a delightful Christmas.** Wishing you and your family health, happiness, peace and prosperity this Christmas and the coming year.

