



Dalmatian Cultural Society Inc.
presents



Special Guest Speakers

Stefan Ozich

who ran the length of New Zealand twice
to raise awareness for this cause close to
his heart.

and also

Tai Tupou (Founder)
of the

Last Chance Project

Check in on someone close to you

**MEN'S
MENTAL
HEALTH**

**2.00PM
SUNDAY 16 MARCH 2025**

PLEASE HELP THIS WORTHY CAUSE
WITH YOUR DONATION

AND ALSO BRING A PLATE FOR AFTERNOON TEA

*A problem shared, is a problem halved.
Lets get together to make a difference.*

Stefan Ozich

<https://www.stefanozich.com>

<https://lastchanceproject.co.nz/>

**FUNDRAISING
AFTERNOON**
with
FOLKLORE PERFORMANCES
and
RAFFLES

VILLA DALMACIJA
10 NEW NORTH RD
EDEN TERRACE

Dalmatian Cultural Society Inc.
Member's Meeting

7pm Tuesday 25 February 2025

Villa Dalmacija
10 New North Rd, Eden Terrace, Auckland

Agenda

Apologies

Minutes of previous Member's Meeting 29 September 2024

Correspondence

Treasurer's Report

Financial Overseer's Report

Reports

General Business

**SAVE THE DATE
SAČUVAJTE DATUM**

Club Social and Folklore 2025 Opening

Friday 14 February, 2025

Dalmatian Bowls Tournament

Sunday 16 February 2025

Dalmatian Archive and Museum Meeting

2pm Sunday 23 February 2025

DCS Inc Members' Meeting

7pm Tuesday 25 February 2025

Fundraiser Afternoon

2pm Sunday 16 March 2025

DCS Members' Meeting

7 pm Tuesday 1 April 2025

Ladies Night

7pm Saturday 5 April 2025

Dalmatian Archive and Museum Meeting

2pm Sunday 6 April 2025

Auckland CultureFest-

Tarara Folklore Ensemble performing at 4.25pm

Sunday 6 June Mt Roskill War Memorial Park

Briskule Tournament Day 1 Registration

12.00pm Sunday 4 May 2025

Mother's Day Brunch

10am Sunday 11 May 2025

Briskule Tournament Day 2

12.00 pm Sunday 18 May

Men's Dinner

7pm Saturday 24 May 2025

Baba and Dida Concert

2pm Sunday 8 June 2025

Annual General Meeting 2025

2pm Sunday 22 June 2025

Open Day 2025

10.30am Sunday 14 September 2025

95th Anniversary Ball

7pm Saturday 11 October 2025

Ladies Lunch

12.pm Sunday 9 November 2025

Folklore Showcase

Sunday 7 December Time TBA



Welcome to 2025 at the Club

These are my last few months as your president. AGM is June 22nd when we will welcome our new president in, so you just have a few more months of these scintillating reports from me...

What's in store for 2025? For s start it marks our 95 year anniversary! And we shall have a ball to celebrate in October! Our traditional and favourite events are back, along with some new ones like Ladies Night which was such a hit last year we have decided to make it a regular event. And just wait to see what we have planned for it! Planning for Wine and Rakija and Dallies in the Valley is also underway.

We kicked off this year with a very well attended mini concert at the Museum for the official opening of the Dalmatian part of the Auckland exhibit. I was very pleased to see how many people came and how well our members performed. Speaking of which, our folklore classes start 14th February so if you wish to learn the language, kolo or join the orchestra or choir, now is the time!

You have probably heard that Stefan Ozich has run the length of NZ twice in order to bring awareness and fundraise for Mens Mental Health after a devastating family event. We are going to help by hosting our first event of the year, a fundraising afternoon tea on March 16th. Stefan will be speaking, our kolo will be performing and of course, there will be a lot of delicious food. We would love to see you there.

The team working on our Incorporated Society rules has made excellent progress. More information will be at our members meeting on the 23rd February. Will be a short but informative meeting, so hope to see you there.

We have also finally finished repairing all the water damage from the storms a few years back. The members lounge is now freshly painted and ready to welcome you back for dinners on a Friday night. Id love to tell you we have upgraded the curtains in the ballroom, but sadly they are still there.

2025 also brings in one of the reasons you have a new Members card. You may have been wondering why it has a QR code on the back and why we told you not to lose it. You will find out soon.

Thats all from me for now. Do feel free to come say hi or drop me a line if there is anything you wish to discuss. I look forward to seeing you at The Club sometime soon.

PS if you want to be more involved, but don't want to be on the committee, we welcome Volunteers with open arms! Just get in touch.

Julena Nola
President

Dobrodosli u Klub u 2025!

Ovo su moji posljednji mjeseci na poziciji predsjednika Kluba. Na godisnjoj skupstini koja ce se odrzati 22. lipnja izabrati cemo novog predsjednika, do tada imate jos samo nekoliko mjeseci mojih sjajnih izvjestaja. Sto nas ceka u 2025?

Za pocetak slavimo 95.godisnjicu postojanja Kluba. U listopadu cemo odrzati svecani bal povodom ove velike obljetnice. Vracaju se nasi tradicionalni i omiljeni dogadjaji uz nekoliko novih poput Ladies Night, koji smo, buduci je prosle godine bio veliki hit, odlucili staviti na listu redovitih dogadjaja. Samo sacekajte i vidjet cete sto smo sve isplanirali. Planiranje za Vino & Rakija te Dallies in the Valley takodjer je u tijeku. Ovu smo godinu zapoceli vrlo dobro posjecenim mini koncertom u Auckland muzeju povodom sluzbenog otvorenja dalmatinskog dijela izlozbe Price o Aucklandu. Jako me razveselilo vidjeti koliko je ljudi bilo prisutno i kakav su dobar nastup odrzali clanovi naseg Kluba.

Kad smo vec kod toga, folklorne sekcije pocinju sa radom 14. veljace pa ukoliko zelite nauciti hrvatski jezik, plesati kolo ili se pridruziti orkestru ili zboru, sada je pravi trenutak.

Vjerovatno ste vec culi da je Stefan Ozich, nakon razornog obiteljskog dogadjaja, dvaput pretrcao cijelu duzinu Novog Zelanda kako bi podigao svijest i prikupio sredstva za udruguza mentalno zdravlje muskaraca.

Pomoci cemo mu tako sto cemo 16. ozujka organizirati nas prvi ovogodisnji dogadjaj, humanitarni popodnevni domjenak za prikupljanje sredstava za pomoc udruzi. Stefan ce pricati o svom poduhvatu, nastupit ce nas folklorni ansambl, a naravno kao i uvijek, biti ce puno ukusne hrane. Bilo bi nam drago da nam se pridruzite! Tim koji radi na pravilima naseg Incorporated Society-ja ostvario je znacajan napredak. Vise informacija o njihovom radu bit ce na satanku clanova 23.veljace. Bit ce to kratak, ali informativan sastanak, pa se nadamo da cete doci.

Konacno smo zavrшили sanaciju svih steta uzrokovanih olujama prije nekoliko godina. Members lounge je sad svjeze obojen i spreman za vas povratak na vecere petkom navecer.

Voljela bih reci da smo zamjenili zavjese u plesnoj dvorani, ali nazalost, stare su zavjese jos uvijek tu. 2025. godina donosi ijedan od razloga zasto imate novu clansku iskaznicu. Mozda ste se pitali zasto na poledjini ima QR kod i zasto smo vam rekli da je ne izgubite. Uskoro cete saznati.

Toliko od mene za sada. Slobodno mi se javite ili svratite ako imate bilo kakvih pitanja.

Radujem se sto cemo se uskoro vidjeti u Klubu!

PS Ako zelite biti vise ukljuceni u rad Kluba, ali ne zelite biti u upravnom odboru, volonteri su nam uvijek dobrodosli! Samo se javite.

Duty Manager for Functions Required

We are looking for someone to join our Bar Team for club functions and private hires.

Please contact Dan 021 355 889.

No experience required,
just a good work ethic.

DALMATIAN ARCHIVE AND MUSEUM

If you have visitors who would like to see the Dalmatian Archive & Museum please contact the following to arrange a special visit.

Chairperson: Steven Sulenta 636 7788

Secretary: Slavenka Misa 623 3288 or 021 02750659

Treasurer: Linda Tolich 629 2353

Committee: Catherine Pivac; Pam Roderick; Glenda Lucich; Sylvia Sokolich



Thanks to the efforts of curators at the Auckland War Memorial Museum (AWMM) and the Dalmatian Cultural Society, the community is now officially recognised in the **'Tāmaki Herenga Waka: Stories of Auckland'** gallery. **A significant milestone.**

Opening night was on Tuesday 28 January 2025 with Kolo, Tamburica and Choir.



Dalmatian Archive and Museum

The Secretary, Dalmatian Archive and Museum

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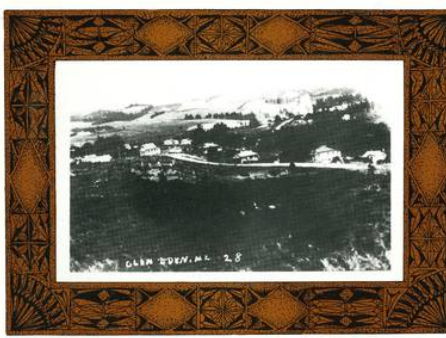
AMELIA BATISTICH

1915 - 2004

"See what we are making for you!"

**First meeting for 2025
will be
Sunday 23 February 2025 – 2pm
in the Members' Lounge
Our speaker will be
Dr Nina Nola**
Academic and Author,
who will talk about the work of Amelia Batistich,
Dr Nina Nola will talk about the journey of presenting an exhibition of the life and writing of Amelia Batistich, our celebrated writer who influenced the course of New Zealand literature.
Together with Amelia's son Anthony Batistich, Nina spent six intense months of 2024 preparing the exhibition; in September Hrvatska Matica Iseljenika in Zagreb staged an opening with Nina giving a lecture attended by cultural ministers, university lecturers and the Croatian Writers' Association, who also hosted Nina at their meeting.
Nina will present the story in and about the posters and share the Hrvatska Television news item on the exhibition. The title poster featured on Matica's front door of its headquarters.
Here is a link to an online report from the Croatian Writers' League who hosted Nina Nola after the exhibition
<https://matis.hr/novosti/poticajan-pregled-iseljenickog-knjizevnog-stvaralastva/>

**April Meeting
Sunday 6 April, 2pm**
We are lucky to have as our speaker
Pauline Vela,
**Subject:
History of Glen Eden**
illustrated with PowerPoint slides and sound recordings.
More detail to follow.
Pauline now works for
Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga
and was on the foundation committee of the
Dalmatian Genealogical and Historical
Society (DG&H) as we were named until
2022.

In Those Days

**An Oral History
of Glen Eden**
**In Those Days
An Oral History of Glen Eden
books**
will be sold at the April meeting.
\$20 each

May 2025 Meeting
7.00pm
Tuesday 6 May
Mark in your diary
Speaker to be
advised
Note change of day

Open Archive Friday Evenings
7pm to 9pm 28 February, 28 March
come and browse the collections or do some research.

Dalmatian Cultural Society Presents

LADIES NIGHT

Saturday 5th April

7pm

\$60 with 1 free cocktail

dinner, dancing, quiz, entertainment

<https://www.trybooking.com/nz/VTG>

10 New North Road Eden Terrace



Expression of Interest Costume Assistant

We are seeking a motivated and enthusiastic individual to take on the role of Costume Assistant. You will work closely with the Costume Manager, assisting with a wide range of tasks from care and maintenance to management of costumes for performances and functions. If you have a keen eye for detail and enjoy collaborative work, we invite you to express your interest by sending an email to dalmatiancultural@gmail.com.

HAVING A PARTY?

Hire our venue for Weddings, Birthdays, Anniversaries, Corporate Functions. We have lots of great options for your event. Fantastic food, drinks, music and entertainment are on offer.

Have a chat with our Events Team:

Email: events.dallyclub@gmail.com

Dalmatian Radio on Planet FM104.6

every Tuesday night from 7.20pm until 7.50pm where you are informed about upcoming events from the Dalmatian Cultural Society and hear the latest and greatest music from the various regions of former Yugoslavia.

You can also log onto Planet FM website

www.planetaudio.org.nz/dalmatianradio

where you can hear our radio programme, anytime, from anywhere in the world, and also download it.

Nick Bartulovich

Producer, Recording Engineer & Presenter.

DALMATIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY INC.

BRISKULE TOURNAMENT

DAY ONE SUNDAY 4 MAY 2025
12 PM

DAY TWO SUNDAY 18 MAY 2025
12 PM

MENS Race night DINNER

SATURDAY 24TH MAY

Sunday 11th May

Mother's Day brunch

**DALMATINSKO KULTURNO
DRUŠTVO INC.
DALMATIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY**

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FOLKLORE AND LANGUAGE

Marin Tokmadžić & Mara Vitasovich

HEALTH AND SAFETY - Annette Ciprian

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LADIES GROUP

Mara Vitasovich & Vojna Pavlovich

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Annette Ciprian & Veronica Shale

TRANSLATOR - Suzana Tokmadžić

COSTUME MANAGER - Radmila Lupis

YOUTH GROUP

Monika Palinich (Chair)
Nadija Palinich (Secretary)

VENUE BOOKINGS

events.dallyclub@gmail.com

NEW MEMBERS

NOVI ČLANOVI

We would like to welcome our new members

Danko Bizjak

Associate Members **Yousef Sammour, Jessica Barker**
and wish them many happy years of association with our Society.

**APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP
MOLBE ZA UČLANJENJE**

The following have applied for membership in our Society:

Sonja Mrsich

Nominator Mara Vitasovich, Seconder Berta Borich
*Anyone wishing to object can do so in writing within 14 days
receipt of this newsletter in accordance with Society rules.*

Get well wishes

Dobre želje

We wish all who are recovering from an operation or illness a
speedy recovery. Our best wishes to you all for health and
happiness.

BEREAVEMENTS

OSMRTNICE

*Our condolences are extended to those members who have
recently lost loved ones, both here and overseas.*

Peter Babich Lifelong supporter of the Society

Diane Dean Remembered for her golden voice at many community
events.

Počivali u miru

Parking your car at the club

Friday nights and Event nights are busy. When parking your car
behind another in our club carpark, please write your name and
number plate on the board in the Members' Lounge for ease of
locating the owner.

Please be respectful of the designated Disability Parking areas.

Library Knjiznica

The library is crammed with all your Summer reading with some
new titles. See Ljiljana in the Library on Friday nights until 8pm.

Change of Address

Promjena adrese

Please let us know of your change of address if you have recently
moved homes. We have had mail returned to us recently.

Emailed newsletter: "Novosti"

All newsletters will be emailed to known email addresses.

If you haven't received this newsletter in email form please send
your email address to the Secretary Mara Vitasovich at
dalmatiancultural@gmail.com or phone 021 362 872

For those who prefer the traditional format, we are still mailing out
the newsletter to some members. We greatly value our elderly
members and understand that accessing online content may not
always be feasible for them. These cherished members have been
a part of the Dalmatian Cultural Society for many years, and we
are committed to ensuring they stay connected with us.

Volunteers needed

Potrebni volonteri

Training given for members to work in a friendly happy
environment.

Includes: Bar work; Kitchen work; Functions; Special Events;
Private functions. Email: dalmatiancultural@gmail.com

or phone Julena 027 428 1922

New Year's Eve at the Club



Advertising spots available. Contact the Secretary at dalmatiancultural@gmail.com for details.

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FOLKLORE AND LANGUAGE CLASSES 2025

Enrolment and Classes begin on FRIDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2025

Villa Dalmacija, 10 New North Road, Eden Terrace, Auckland

The Enrolment Fee payable by all participants :

One applicant	\$70
Two Applicants in one family	\$110
Three or more applicants in one family	\$140

Please be prepared to complete Folklore and Language Enrolment form and pay the fee as soon as you join class (or two).



Classes with tutors are on the following days:

Croatian Language Classes with Baki Matarugić

Junior Beginners Friday 14 February 6.00pm

Adult Beginner Croatian Language classes Friday 14 February 7.00pm

Junior Kolo	Katja Mihajlov	Friday 14 February 6.30pm
Intermediate Kolo	Katja Mihajlov	Friday 14 February 7.15 pm
Tamburica Group	Nick Cebalo	Friday 14 February 7.00 pm
Dalmatian Cultural Society Choir	Damir Coklo	Friday 14 February 8.00 pm

“Tarara Folklore Ensemble” Youth Kolo 16 years +

Nenad Rajic Sunday 16 February 6.00 pm

Reunion Group Jakov Sale and Robert Blucher Wednesday 19 February 7.30pm



Please note that you (parents, grandparents, or guardians) or your children must be members of the Society to participate in our folklore activities. If you're not a member, it's easy to apply. Either pick up a Membership Application form from the Secretary's office downstairs, or at the Bar in the Members Lounge on a Friday night or download from our website:

<https://www.dalmatian.org.nz/>