



DALMATINSKO KULTURNO DRUŠTVO (INC.)

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JULY-AUGUST 2025 SRPANJ-KOLOVOZ 2025

**SAVE THE DATE
SAČUVAJTE DATUM**

Writing Workshop with Dr Nina Nola
1pm Sunday 29 June 2025

Perth Trip 2026 1st Deposit
Sunday 30 June 2025

Dalmatian Archive and Museum Meeting
2pm Sunday 6 July 2025

Baking Class and Bingo
Sunday 20 July 2025

DA&M Friday Open Archive
7-9pm Friday 25 July 2025

Mid Winter Lunch
12pm Sunday 10 August 2025

Nominations Nelson Buildings Directors
by 8.00pm Friday 22 August

Ribarska Vecer
7.00pm Saturday 23 August 2025

DA&M Friday Open Archive
7-9pm Friday 29 August 2025

Open Day 2025
10.30am Sunday 14 September 2025

Perth26 Update
5pm Sunday 14 September

Perth26 A la Carte Brunch
11.30pm Sunday 21 September 2025

Nelson Buildings Annual Meeting
2pm Sunday 28 September 2025

Dalmatian Archive and Museum Meeting
2pm Sunday 5 October 2025

95th Anniversary BALL
Saturday 11 October 2025

DA&M Friday Open Archive
7-9pm Friday 31 October 2025

Dalmatian Archive and Museum Meeting
2pm Sunday 2 November 2025

Ladies Lunch
Sunday 9 November 2025

DA&M Friday Open Archive
7-9pm Friday 28 November 2025

End of Year Showcase
Sunday 30 November 2025

DALMATIAN CULTURAL SOCIETY
PRESENTS

**RIBARSKA
VEČER**

SATURDAY 23RD AUGUST 7PM

Early Bird Tickets \$60
from 1st August \$65
Children 5-14 \$20
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&
**THE TARARA FOLKLORE
ENSEMBLE**

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ON A FRIDAY NIGHT

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**Dalmatinsko Kulturno Društvo Incorporated is now
Re-registered in accordance with the
Incorporated Societies Act 2022.**

The Society's new Constitution, passed at a Special General Meeting on 14 June 2025, came into effect on Tuesday 24 June 2025.

A huge thank you to everyone who helped bring this long process to completion. Special thanks to Annette Ciprian for working with me to upload the final document in the Incorporated Societies Register.

We kindly ask all members begin referring to the new constitution which is attached in this email. Don't use the old one.

Hard copies of the new Constitution will be available at the Office on Friday nights, upon request.

As we all adjust to the new rules, let's all continue to support one another.

Mara Vitasovich, Secretary



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The Dalmatian Cultural Society is seeking...

Expressions of Interest

From **Performers, Supporters** and **Sponsors** for a
DCS Folklore Trip to Spearwood Dalmatinac Club

Perth, Australia



March 2026

24 March - 30 March

Performers, Supporters, and Sponsors, a polite reminder to
Register your Interest and pay your deposit by the required
date of 30th June 2025.

Please follow us on Facebook or Instagram for
more updates.

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For more information, please contact the Secretary
dalmatiancultural@gmail.com

Save the Date

SUNDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 2025 @ 5 PM

Perth 2026 Update

AND SPONSOR REVEAL



MEMBER LOUNGE

Dalmatian Cultural Society
10-14 New North Road, Eden Terrace

DONATION REQUEST

THE DCS PERTH ORGANISING COMMITTEE

We are seeking kind donations from any of our
members who may be interested in donating
any old or unused tea sets.

We are interested in collecting any matching
sets of cups, plates and saucers. Preferably not
chipped or damaged and in sets of 2, 4, 6, 8 or
more.

Colourful patterns, floral or retro. All are
welcome.

We will be accepting drop offs daily
between 8am-3pm in the offices of
Steven Barbarich, Travel Managers Group.
Level 1 – Dalmatian Cultural Society
clubrooms.

Or at the club on a Friday night

The DCS Perth Organising Committee invite you to

A Fundraising À La Carte Brunch

...back again by popular demand

Tickets : Sunday 21st September 2025

Adults - \$35

15 and under - \$15

11:30am

Tickets Include :

Free Raffle Entry

Complimentary Glass Sparkling Wine/Prosecco
(served after 12pm)

For Bookings Contact -

Steven - 021 034 6180 or Tamara - 021 740 568

10 New North Road, Eden Terrace



President's Report



Dear Members

Firstly I would like to say that I am very grateful for this opportunity to act as your President for the coming year, and I am looking forward to working closely with the new management committee for 2025-2026. From our newly elected Management Committee Officers we have an exceptional mix of people and talents, with some experienced members deciding to step back onto the committee alongside some new faces, all of whom will bolster the strong core of returning committee members. This range should allow for some fresh ideas to continue being mixed in with the wisdom that comes from experiences while on the committee. In welcoming this new committee, I would also like to put a special Thank You to Nicolette Palinich, for her outstanding work as treasurer over the past 6 years, and ask you all to welcome our new Treasurer, Roland Šokčević, who steps into the role from having been Nicolette's assistant for the past 3 years.

Our committee's goal for the future remains unchanged, with the main target to continue the great work put in place by Julena and her past committees, where culture and community remain high priorities along with adding a focus to the development of the folklore offering at our club.

As most of you are likely aware, we have recently completed the new constitution in order to re-register under the updated Incorporated Societies Act. These changes are the first in over 30 years, and positions our club to meet all of the new regulations, while honouring the past & heritage of our club. I would like to thank everyone who got involved with the discussions and voting at the two SGM's, discussions which were much needed, and eventually resulted in strong consensus agreements on some critical sections of the constitution. This new constitution now comes into effect and will see us through to the foreseeable future, one where I hope to see our club continue to grow and develop.

Thank you,
Marin Tokmadžić
President

Dragi članovi,

Prije svega, želim izraziti svoju zahvalnost na ukazanoj prilici da obnašam dužnost predsjednika u nadolazećoj godini, te se veselim bliskoj suradnji s novim Upravnim odborom za razdoblje 2025.–2026. Naš novoizabrani Upravni odbor čini iznimna kombinacija ljudi i talenata — neki iskusni članovi odlučili su se ponovno priključiti radu odbora, uz neka nova lica, a svi zajedno ojačat će snažnu jezgru postojećih članova. Ova raznolikost omogućit će nastavak unosa svježih ideja, pomiješanih s mudrošću koja dolazi iz prethodnog iskustva.

U sklopu dobrodošlice novom odboru, želim uputiti posebnu zahvalu Nicolette Palinich na njezinom izvanrednom radu kao blagajnice tijekom proteklih šest godina, te vas sve zamoliti da srdačno pozdravite našeg novog blagajnika, Rolanda Šokčevića, koji preuzima tu ulogu nakon što je tri godine bio Nicolettein pomoćnik.

Cilj našeg odbora za budućnost ostaje nepromijenjen – nastaviti sjajan posao koji su započeli Julena i prethodni odbori, s naglaskom na kulturu i zajednicu, uz dodatni fokus na razvoj folklorne ponude u našem društvu.

Kao što je većina vas vjerojatno upoznata, nedavno smo dovršili novu verziju statuta kako bismo se ponovno registrirali prema novom Zakonu o udrugama. Ovo su prve promjene u više od 30 godina i pozicioniraju naše društvo tako da ispunjava sve nove zakonske zahtjeve, a pritom odaje počast prošlosti i naslijeđu našeg kluba. Zahvaljujem svima koji su sudjelovali u raspravama i glasovanjima na dvjema izvanrednim skupštinama — raspravama koje su bile prijeko potrebne i koje su naposljetku dovele do snažnog konsenzusa oko ključnih dijelova novog statuta. Novi statut sada stupa na snagu i vodit će nas u doglednu budućnost, budućnost u kojoj se nadam da će naše društvo nastaviti rasti i razvijati se.

Hvala vam,

Marin Tokmadžić
Predsjednik



Life Members 2025 Ivo Tolich and Katica Gabric

Both Ivo and Katica have been loyal and long-standing members of our Society. Their ongoing dedication and consistent presence at events reflect their deep commitment to our community. They are both passionate supporters who regularly contribute thoughtful input at members' meetings. During his time on the Management Committee, Ivo took an active role in the kitchen and worked on renovation projects, often donating materials and time.

Both are truly deserving of recognition for all they have given to the Society.



President Marin Tokmadzic and Treasurer Roland Sokcevic

Showing them hard at work. Maybe you have seen them looking after you at the door & bar at functions. They have stepped up and are ready to be the best they can be for the Society and its members. Both were born in Croatia and came out to NZ at a young age. They started dancing kolo at 4 and 7 respectively and have never left! *Apologies re photo quality.*

Changes on the Management Committee 2025-2026

Welcome to the new
Management Committee Members:

Marica Jurasovich
Ivana Jurasovich
Johnny Nola
Vanya Piacun
Steven Sulenta

We farewell

Nicolette Palinich: who held the position of Treasurer for 6 years. With her expertise she revamped and brought new systems into place.

Annette Ciprian: who worked on Health and Safety. She will continue to work with the Kitchen group.

Zan Stoev: Great behind the bar and in the kitchen.

Moving forward we will continue to see Nicolette, Annette and Zan at the club helping out.



Overseers

Thank you to overseer, Zel Seputich and his assistant, Helen Marinovich, who worked together for the past 10 years.

Introducing

Anna McNabb (Pavlovich) an accountant, who will be a welcome addition to the Overseer's team.

Folklore and Language Classes 2025

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

The Enrolment Fee payable by all participants :

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

Classes with tutors are on the following days:

Junior Croatian Language Class Beginner	Baki Matarugić	Fridays	6.00pm
Adult Beginner Croatian Language classes	Baki Matarugić	Friday	7.00pm
Junior Kolo	Katja Mihajlov	Friday	6.30pm
Intermediate Kolo	Katja Mihajlov	Friday	7.15 pm
Tamburica Group	Nick Cebalo	Friday	7.00 pm
Dalmatian Cultural Society Choir	Damir Coklo	Friday	8.00 pm
"Tarara Folklore Ensemble" Youth Kolo 16 years +	Nenad Rajic	Sunday	6.00 pm
Reunion Group	Jakov Sale and Robert Blucher	Wednesday	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/>

DALMATIAN ARCHIVE AND MUSEUM

The Secretary, Dalmatian Archive and Museum
PO Box 8479, Newmarket 1149 Auckland. Ph. +649 3030366
Email: dalmatianmuseum@gmail.com
July August 2025



Thanks go to **Boris Bogdanovic** who gave a fascinating and enlightening talk last Sunday 8 June. He made us think about heritage in new ways and told us the story of the oldest standing house in NZ, the 203 year old Kemp House at Kerikeri. Those attending enjoyed this opportunity to increase their knowledge of the history of our country.

Thanks to Pam and Brian Roderick and their son Craig who recently donated several splendid, large (2m x 1m), black and white photo murals. One of the murals is an enlargement of an iconic Northwood brothers photo depicting a group of Dalmatian gum diggers posed at the edge of a gum hole in a swamp. *The photo above shows the gumdiggers laughing at a practical joke.*

Writing Workshop with Nina Nola

on

Sunday 29 June 2025 at 1.00pm

Join Dr Nina Nola for an hour and half workshop of writing, freeing up your writing, and discovering you have stories to tell in this hands-on, friendly, sharing session. No experience necessary.

Come with pen and paper so that you can share your work. Don't be shy: we are all full of stories to tell...we just have to trust that we have a voice to tell them, then put words to that voice.

(If you are someone who likes to write on a device, bring that too, but we will be doing paper exercises for some of the session).

All welcome, all ages. Nina looks forward to helping you unleash your storytelling potential.

NOTE: COMPETITION

Submit a story after the workshop and Nina will pick the winner! Details given during the workshop.

**Sunday 6 July Meeting
at 2.00 pm
Film/Video afternoon**

We have found some interesting recordings in our collection which deserve an airing. We are yet to make a final selection so it's

'Mystery Movies' in July at 2.00pm

If you have some historical family recordings to share please contact a committee member so that we can have them copied onto digital format.

There will not be an August 2025 meeting

Open Archive 2025 Friday Evenings 7pm to 9pm

27 June, 25 July, 29 August, 26 September, 31 October, 28 November

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 02102750659;

Treasurer: Linda Tolich 629 2353

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

Members Noticeboard

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

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.

Permanent Membership Cards

Those of you who have been patiently waiting for your membership cards will soon have these. Meanwhile those of you with your white permanent membership cards do get into the habit of bringing them to the club. The software is being developed for the Bar tills.

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

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

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. Especially a number with the 2025-2026 invoices.

Library Knjiznica

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

Duty Manager for Functions Required

We are looking for someone to join our Bar Team for club functions and private hires. No experience required, just a good work ethic

Please contact Dan 021 355 889

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

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.

This space could be yours in every Novosti for \$100 per year

Contact the Secretary at dalmatiancultural@gmail.com for further information

**John Schipper &
Tanja Nola-Schipper**

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email: dalmatiancultural@gmail.com

Website: www.dalmatian.org.nz

PATRONS Mate and Vojna Pavlovich

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 2024-2025 UPRAVNI ODBOR

PRESIDENT - Marin Tokmadžić

VICE PRESIDENTS

Daniel Kovačević & Julena Nola

SECRETARY Mara Vitasovich 021 362 872

Assistant: Tamara Ujdur

TREASURER: Roland Sokcevic

Assistant: Peter Sumich

COMMITTEE:

Nick Bartulovich	Vanya Piacun
Ivana Jurasovic	Vojna Pavlovich
Marica Jurasovic	Veronica Shale
Radmila Lupis	Ann Stanisich
Julia Matich	Steven Sulena
Slavenka Misa	Dina-Sara Vajsaković
John Nola	

NELSON BUILDINGS

Marin Matulovic (Chairman)
John Garelja
Marin Tokmadzic (President)
Tony Unkovich
Victor Yukich

OVERSEERS

John Garelja
Anna McNabb (Pavlovich)
Tanja Nola Schipper

DALMATIAN ARCHIVE AND MUSEUM

Steven Šulenta (Chairperson)
Slavenka Misa (Secretary)
Linda Tolich (Treasurer)

BAR MANAGER - Daniel Kovačević

EVENTS - Julena Nola

FOLKLORE AND LANGUAGE

Vanya Piacun, Marica Jurasovic

HEALTH AND SAFETY -

Peter Sumich, Julia Matich

TECH SUPPORT - Daniel Kovačević

KITCHEN MANAGER - Vojna Pavlovich

LADIES GROUP

Mara Vitasovich & Vojna Pavlovich

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT TEAM

Veronica Shale, Roland Sokcevic, Vanya Piacun

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 warmly welcome our new members

The following have applied for membership in our Society:

Ana and Keenan Bucan, Van and Lola Cook; Steven Erceg; Jessica Hartley; Mia Jovic; Christina Luksich, Stefan Paladin, Hone and Ivana Watling; Aleksander Milosaljevic; Lina and Marissa Neidhardt; Sloven, Vesna, Luka and Anja Tomic; Emil Unkovich; Pauline Vela

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:

Daniel and Elena Garelja

Nominator: Marin Tokmadzic, Seconder: Natasa Sulenta

Maria Hewison (Associate membership)

Nominator: Marin Tokmadzic, Seconder: Vanya Piacun

Nathan Hrstic

Nominator: Maia Sebenik, Seconder: Marin Tokmadzic

Anton, Susan, James and Scott Mikulicic

Nominator: Daniel Kovacevic, Seconder: Zan Stoev

Joshua, Tilly and Tomas Moore

Nominator: Julena Nola, Seconder: Emil Unkovich

Hanan Neil Musovich

Nominator: Marin Tokmadzic, Seconder: Petar Gorgiovski

John Stanisich

Nominator: Julia Matich, Seconder Vojna Pavlovich

Bob Tiler and Miroslava Njezic

Nominator: Daniel Kovacevic, Seconder: Milivoje Jovanovic

Ruby Yukich

Nominator: Marin Tokmadzic, Seconder: Petar Gorgiovski

Anyone wishing to object can do so in writing within 14 days receipt of this newsletter in accordance with Society rules.

BEREAVEMENTS

OSMRTNICE

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

Brian Martinovich Long time member, remembered for his performances when we had *Dallies got Talent* nights.

Martin Arndt Respected past member.

Pocivali u miru

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. Wrap up and keep warm and dry this winter.

2025-2026 Membership Renewal

A reminder that 2025-2026 Membership subscriptions are now overdue for those who haven't yet paid. These were due on April 1st 2025. Reminder notices are being posted out to those who have forgotten.

Volunteers needed

Potrebni volonteri

Training given for members to work in a friendly happy environment.
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Something for Everyone at the Club these past few months



Ladies Night Dance Class



Mothers' Day Brunch



Babe i Dide Concert



Men's Dinner



Some younger Kolo dancers with dreams and aspirations



Perth A la Carte Fundraising Brunch



EURO SUMMER PARTY

NELSON BUILDINGS LIMITED

10-14 New North Rd. Eden Terrace, Auckland. PO Box 8478 Newmarket 1149. Auckland.

27 July 2025

Nomination for Directors 2025-2026

Dear Members,

Two Directors retire by rotation this year, and they are Marin Matulovic and Tony Unkovich.

Nelson Buildings has conducted a review of its operations and those considering being nominated should be prepared to contribute up to a minimum of four hours per week in some circumstances on Nelson Buildings business.

Please complete the Nomination form below if you wish to stand as a Director of Nelson Buildings.

Please ensure the completed form is with the Secretary of the Dalmatian Cultural Society by

8:00pm Friday 22 August 2025

or posted by this date

Directors are elected for a two-year term.

The names of those nominated for Directors will be advised to members prior to the annual meeting in the next Society newsletter.

Regards

Marin Matulovic

Chairperson

Nelson Buildings Limited.

Nelson Buildings Limited		
Nomination for Directors 2025-2026		
All names shown on this form must be current full financial 2025-2026 members of the Dalmatian Cultural Society Inc.		
Nominee's Name	Nominee's Membership No	Nominee's Signature
Nominator's Name	Nominator's Membership No	Nominators signature
Seconder's Name	Seconder's Membership No	Seconder's Signature
Nominations are required to be with Secretary of the Dalmatian Cultural Society by <u>8:00pm, Friday 22 August 2025.</u>		
If you wish to post your nomination, please send to:		
The Secretary		
Dalmatinsko Kulturno Drustvo		
PO Box 8479,		
Newmarket		

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A basket of orange eggs, a wooden rolling pin, a metal sifter, and a bowl of flour are arranged on a dark surface.

Croatian **BAKING DAY**

JULY 20TH 2025
11AM

Afternoon Tea

All Welcome!

Let's Play **BINGO**

2.00 p.m. Sunday 20 July 2025

Villa Dalmacija

10 New North Road

Eden Terrace

Special Guest Caller

Great Company

A large, colorful spread of food including roasted meats, vegetables, and bread.

You're invited to our **MID WINTER LUNCH**

Sunday 10 August 2025

at
12.00pm

Goode Brothers

Lynn Mall

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The more
the merrier

Contact
Mara 021 362 872

Vojna 818 5497

After 1 August 2025