

# WINDYhands

'COOLEST' LITTLE DEAF & SIGNING CAPITAL

MARCH 2016



A GREAT FAMILY SUMMER PICNIC



## **Welcome to the 'coolest' little Deaf & Signing community capital, Wellington Deaf Society.**

*Deaf? Hard of hearing? NZSL Interpreter?  
NZSL Student? NZSL Tutor?  
Have a Deaf family member?*

*Looking for opportunities to hang out with other people outside of school, university, and work, to use NZSL in a natural setting? The Wellington Deaf Society offers regular opportunities to do so. It was set up in 1938 to provide social, sporting and recreational activities for the Deaf community. It has grown a lot since then.*

*Anyone is welcome – bring your family and friends along too, and encourage them to become a member!*

### **No Deaf Club? No worries!**

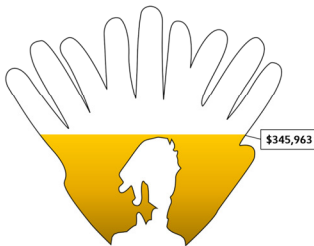
We have a Friday Deaf Club gatherings every second Fridays from 7pm at various places around Wellington as well as special events throughout the year, keep your eyes peeled on our website and our Facebook page to be in the know, or text us to find out. Please see inside for dates and locations.

### **Newsletter Advertising**

Please email [secretary@wds.org.nz](mailto:secretary@wds.org.nz) if you wish to place an advert in our newsletter before the **20<sup>th</sup> of each month.**

### **Our new 'second home' fundraiser**

Help us raise funds towards our new Wellington Deaf Club! You can donate at [givealittle.co.nz/cause/mysecondhome](http://givealittle.co.nz/cause/mysecondhome)



### **Board of Management**

Shannon Krogmann  
President

Joanne Becker  
Secretary

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Treasurer

Riaan Janse Van Vuuren  
Co Treasurer

Erich Krogmann  
Committee

Candice David  
Committee

Craig Becker  
Committee

Chuck Odsey  
Committee

### **Our Staff**

Nicolette Janse Van Vuuren  
Newsletter Editor

Lyneen Allen  
Community Coordinator

### **Our Life Members:**

Florence McNatty, Doreen Howell, Janette Smith,  
Toni Rees, Tony Walton, Kaz Witko, Pam Witko,  
Maureen Tompson, Robert Cameron, Alex Jones,  
Tony Kuklinski, Eric Blum

### **Get in touch:**


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f facebook.com/wellingtondeaf society

 **Watch in NZSL:** [youtube.com/wellingtondeafsoc](https://youtube.com/wellingtondeafsoc)

Summer has been definitely treating Wellingtonians very decent lately with high temperatures, hope you have been keeping cool and making the most of doing summer activities. Make the most of it before it ends soon!

At our February's newsletter, we hope you enjoyed the new design and look of the newsletter. We would absolutely love to hear your thoughts, we have received a few positive feedback from our members and would love to hear more!

In February, we had our annual Family Summer Picnic over at Days Bay in Eastbourne. The day raised a few eyebrows of the grey clouds with a few drizzles... But, after trusting our Wellingtonian weather radar, just before lunch time it was full of blue skies and definitely got much hot. This event attracted at least 50 people with their children – a fabulous turnout! We had our annual competitions, the Egg'n'Spoon race, Jumping Sacks and Tug'o'War. Lots of determination and enjoyment was very obvious by all. Congratulations to the winners, and many thanks for coming along, it was good to see people travelling from other cities across NZ attending our picnic.

If you recall our new yellow branded mugs with our new logo. We have these ready for your purchase! Please be in touch to own one of these bright yellow mug to brighten up your cuppa time.

Our Annual General Meeting is approaching us in April. Packs will be distributed soon, it is an important time for us to reflect our Society in the past year, we also welcome interest to be involved with us as a committee member. We are very much considering people to help us with reviewing and updating our Constitution Rules, especially with the Incorporation Societies law changes.

We hope you enjoy our events we have organised for you during this year!

Thank you,  
Shannon

## WHAT'S ON...

### PARENTS GATHERING

Kinderbear Café & Rag  
136A Jackson Street,  
Petone,

6th March, 11am to  
2pm

### HAPPY PATRICK'S DAY

Kitty O'Shea's Irish Bar  
28 Courtenay Place,  
Wellington

17th March, 7pm  
Wear green & win!

### NETBALL MATCH

25th & 26th  
March 2016

7 Allison Ferguson  
Drive, Stonefield  
AUCKLAND

### *Friday Deaf Club Gatherings, from 7pm onwards*

<b>4 March</b>	Brewers & Butchers, 175 Jackson St, Petone
<b>18 March</b>	Roundabout Pub, 99 Main Rd, Tawa
<b>1 April</b>	Supply Room, 105 Mana Esplanade, Paremata
<b>15 April</b>	CQ Hotels, Cuba Street, Wellington
<b>29 April</b>	1841, Disraeli St, Johnsonville (Upstairs)
<b>13 May</b>	Brewers & Butchers, 175 Jackson St, Petone
<b>27 May</b>	Roundabout Pub, 99 Main Rd, Tawa

### *Blast from the Past*

*Florence McNatty (nee Burr)  
was the first woman President  
for WDS. She was President  
1961-1962 and was heavily  
involved with WDS.*



**CONGRATULATIONS!** Oliver, Bridget, Zoe and Elijah  
welcome their new baby son, Carter Henry Ferguson  
on 17th February 2016

### *Wellington Deaf Dine Events:*

*April - Mexican*

*June - South Africa*

*August - Italian*

*October - Japanese*

*More information of  
these dine events will  
be informed soon.*

*Lets get together for  
dinner and a glass of  
wine!*

*If you have any dine  
suggestions, please  
email*

*hello@wds.org.nz*







## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**When:** Saturday 16th April 2016

**Time:** 1pm

**Where:** Johnsonville Community Centre, Frankmoore Ave, Johnsonville

Please stay on after the AGM for afternoon tea and a catch up with your friends ☺

The WDS BOM will report back on 2015/2016 activities, report on WDS's financial situation, and present annual audited accounts. The 2016/2017 Board of Management will also be elected. The officers are: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and five Committee Members.

If you wish to be part of the BOM, you must be a current Deaf member of WDS. Please fill out the form at the bottom, get it signed by another current WDS member, and post to PO Box 6028, Marion Square, Wellington OR scan and email to [secretary@wds.org.nz](mailto:secretary@wds.org.nz), OR bring to the AGM meeting and give to BOM before the meeting starts.

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Members may also submit motions for discussion at the AGM.

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Apologies and proxy votes (i.e. the name of a Deaf WDS member to vote on your behalf if you can't make the AGM) can be emailed to [secretary@wds.org.nz](mailto:secretary@wds.org.nz).

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### WDS Board of Management 2016/2017 Nominations

I wish to nominate: myself/another person (please circle) \_\_\_\_\_ (name of person), to stand for the 2016/2017 WDS Board of Management, for the following:

- |                                    |   |                                    |
|------------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> President | <input type="checkbox"/> Vice President       | <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Secretary | <input type="checkbox"/> Committee Member (5) |                                    |

Your Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Signature (if nominee is not yourself): \_\_\_\_\_

*You must get a second WDS member to sign this nomination below:*

## You have to be Deaf to understand

What is it like to "hear" a hand?

You have to be deaf to understand.

What is it like to be a small child,

In a school, in a room void of sound-

With a teacher who talks and talks and talks;

And then when she does come around to you,

She expects you to know what she's said?

You have to be deaf to understand.

Or the teacher thinks that to make you smart,

You must first learn how to talk with your voice;

So mumbo-jumbo with hands on your face

For hours and hours without patience or end,

Until out comes a faint resembling sound?

You have to be deaf to understand.

What is it like to be curious,

To thirst for knowledge you can call your own,

With an inner desire that's set on fire-

And you ask a brother, sister, or friend

Who looks in answer and says, "Never mind"?

You have to be deaf to understand.

What is it like in a corner to stand,

Though there's nothing you've done really wrong,

Other than try to make use of your hands

To a silent peer to communicate

A thought that comes to your mind all at once?

You have to be deaf to understand.

What is it like to be shouted at

When one thinks that will help you to hear;

Or misunderstand the words of a friend

Who is trying to make a joke clear,

And you don't get the point because he's failed?

You have to be deaf to understand.

What is it like to be laughed in the face

When you try to repeat what is said;

Just to make sure that you've understood,

And you find that the words were misread-

And you want to cry out, "Please help me, friend"?

You have to be deaf to understand.

What is it like to have to depend

Upon one who can hear to phone a friend;

Or place a call to a business firm

And be forced to share what's personal, and,

Then find that your message wasn't made clear?

You have to be deaf to understand.

What is it like to be deaf and alone

In the company of those who can hear-

And you only guess as you go along,

For no one's there with a helping hand,

As you try to keep up with words and song?

You have to be deaf to understand.

What is it like on the road of life

To meet with a stranger who opens his mouth-

And speaks out a line at a rapid pace;

And you can't understand the look in his face

Because it is new and you're lost in the race?

You have to be deaf to understand.

What is it like to comprehend

Some nimble fingers that paint the scene,

And make you smile and feel serene

With the "spoken word" of the moving hand

that makes you part of the world at large?

You have to be deaf to understand.

What is it like to "hear" a hand?

Yes, you have to be deaf to understand.



# Happy St. Patrick's Day



COME AND JOIN THE FUN!

When: Thursday 17th March 2016

Time: 7:00PM

Where: Kitty O'Shea's Irish Bar  
28 Courtenay Place,  
Wellington

Wear St Patrick's  
Costume or hat

The best dress  
win a prize!

RSVP: WDS Coordinator  
Email: [hello@wds.org.nz](mailto:hello@wds.org.nz)  
Text: 0220245229





**25<sup>TH</sup>/26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2016**

**Deaf/Hearing  
Impaired/Cochlear Netball  
is back!**

**AMI Netball Auckland Netball Centre**

7 Allison Ferguson Drive, Stonefield

**AUCKLAND**

If interested to play – please contact your local host

Support by Lyneen Allen (NZDRFU)

**25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup>  
March 2016**

There will be a  
netball match on the  
Friday and Saturday  
morning (TBC)

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Come on  
Northern, Central,  
& Southern  
It's fun social game!

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Get together and play  
netball.

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**GO GO GO  
WOMEN!**

**HOST'S**

Northern  
SUSAN THOMAS  
027 788 8281

Central  
CHANTELL DE CLEENE  
Text no 021 070 9927

Southern  
LISL AGNEW  
Text no 021 619 201

# 2016



## DEAF DROP CENTRE

This is for anyone who is Deaf, Hard of hearing, NZSL interpreter, student, and family are most welcome to come along to the Deaf Drop Centre every once a month.

We do fun activities, see below. There will be different people that will lead this activity.

25<sup>th</sup> Feb – Walking group in Wellington  
24<sup>th</sup> March – Art in Petone  
14<sup>th</sup> April – Te Papa/Museum in Wellington  
26<sup>th</sup> May – Cooking in Petone

There will be no Deaf Drop Centre from June to August due to winter and everyone prefer to be home.

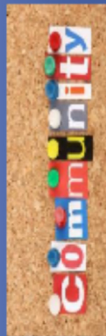
22<sup>nd</sup> Sept – TBC in Wellington  
27<sup>th</sup> Oct – 10 Pin Bowling  
Nov – Deaf Expo (TBC)  
22<sup>nd</sup> Dec – Xmas lunch (TBC)

If you are interesting please contact Lyneen and she will give you the address where to meet.

See you there!

Contact:  
Lyneen Allen  
Community coordinator

Email: [Hello@wdr.org.nz](mailto:Hello@wdr.org.nz)  
Text: 022 0245229







## FAMILY SUMMER PICNIC

Our annual summer gathering at Days Bay, Eastbourne was a crowd pleaser, attracting at least 50 people from Wellington and across the country enjoying our competitions, flocking around across the park and cooling off with ice creams and spending the day catching up with old and new friends, congratulations to the winners of the competitions, **HANDWAVES!**

Pop on our Facebook page to see more photos and check out the people having fun but in their competitive spirit in our activities.







## THE WINNERS:

### EGG AND SPOON RACE

**Up to 5 years old:** 1. Jessica Heather 2. Amelia Curry 3. Dario Alexander  
**Over 5 years old:** 1. Matthew Janse Van Vuuren 2. James Whale 3. Cameron Whale  
**Women:** 1. Nicolette Janse Van Vuuren 2. Lyneen Allen 3. Karen Bell  
**Men:** 1. Daniel Janse Van Vuuren 2. Erich Krogmann 3. Kaz Witko

### STOCKING AND BOTTLE GAME

**Up to 5 years old:** 1. Dario Alexander 2. Jessica Heather

#### Over 5 years old Relay Race

**Winning team:** Matthew Janse Van Vuuren, James Whale, Cameron Whale

#### Men Vs Women Relay Race

**Winning team were the Men** – Martin Russek, Tony Kuklinski, John Whale, Erich Krogmann, Darryl Alexander, Daniel Janse Van Vuuren, Craig Becker

#### Mixed teams Relay Race

**Winning team was:** Sonia Pivac, Sara Pivac, Tony Kuklinski, Kaz Witko, Erich Krogmann, Allan Pugsley, Jason Eady, Joanne Witko

### TUG OF WAR

**Up to 5:** Dario, Jessica and Jesse

**Over 5:** Matthew Janse Van Vuuren, James Whale, Lily Eady

**Men:** Daniel Harborne, Darryl Alexander, John Whale, Chris Spencer, Kaz Witko

**Women:** Cheryl Tangiwai, Jackie Davidson, Sonia Pivac, Candice David, Amber Shaw

### HOPPING SACK RACE

**Up to 5 years old:** 1. Jessica Heather 2. Dario Alexander 3. Amelia Curry

**Over 5 years old:** 1. Milly Whale 2. Matthew Janse Van Vuuren 3. Cameron Whale

#### Men Relay Race

**Winning team:** Allan Pugsley, Tony Kuklinski, Daniel Harborne, John Whale, Rahui Lee

#### Women Relay Race

**Winning team:** Sonia Pivac, Krista Clifford, Theresa Cooper, Sara Pivac, Lyneen Allen



# Wellington Deaf Society

## Mexico Restaurant

When: 9<sup>th</sup> April 2015

Where: Tequila Joe's

Cnr of Tory St and Vivian St

Wellington

At 6.30pm

Children are welcome to join!



RSVP: 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016

WDS Community Coordinator

Txt: 022 024 5229

Email: [hello@wds.org.nz](mailto:hello@wds.org.nz)

# Deaf Indoor Bowls N.Z.



Are Hosting the

## 50<sup>th</sup> Deaf National Championships

Which is being held at the

### Upper Hutt Cossie Club,

Logan St, Upper Hutt over Easter Weekend.

Come and see the Deaf Bowlers in action. An Australian Team will be joining us and you all are welcome to watch.

Dates are

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2016 - Fours and Singles

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2016 – Pairs and Triples

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Rest Day (Bus Trip organized by DIBNZ)

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2016 – Playoffs and Finals

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2016 – Interclubs.(9am Start)

All games start at 8.30am.

### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Buffet Dinner and Prize giving.

Everyone welcome to join us.

Tickets on sale at \$35 per person.

Deadline for tickets is 4<sup>th</sup> March 2016 for Catering numbers.

See DIBNZ Secretary Martin Holtham or

Email him at [holtham@paradise.net.nz](mailto:holtham@paradise.net.nz) or Fax (04) 9386618

Or Text on 021623351.

# Family's event

(Children's Day)

A Kinder Bear

136A Jackson Street

Petone

6th March 2016

11AM to 2PM



Kid's Space - Coffee Time - Rescued Art Gallery

A family run business that offers good honest kiwi food (all day brekkie, burgers, fish 'n' chips) in a space that is family & friendly.

Fun for the  
Children.

29th February 2016  
RVSP: WDS Coordinator  
Email: [hello@wds.org.nz](mailto:hello@wds.org.nz)  
Text: 0220245229





# WELLINGTON DEAF SOCIETY **COMMUNITY EVENTS** FOR MEN AND WOMEN

## Women's event

16th April - Dancing lesson with Saran TBC

25th June - Crystal making, Petone

16th August - Amazing Race (Men & Women), Lower Hutt

October - Masterchef with Partner (TBC)

## Men's event

28th May - Beer Tasting, Wellington (Men & Women)

July - Poker game (TBC)

16th August - Amazing Race (Men & Women), Lower Hutt

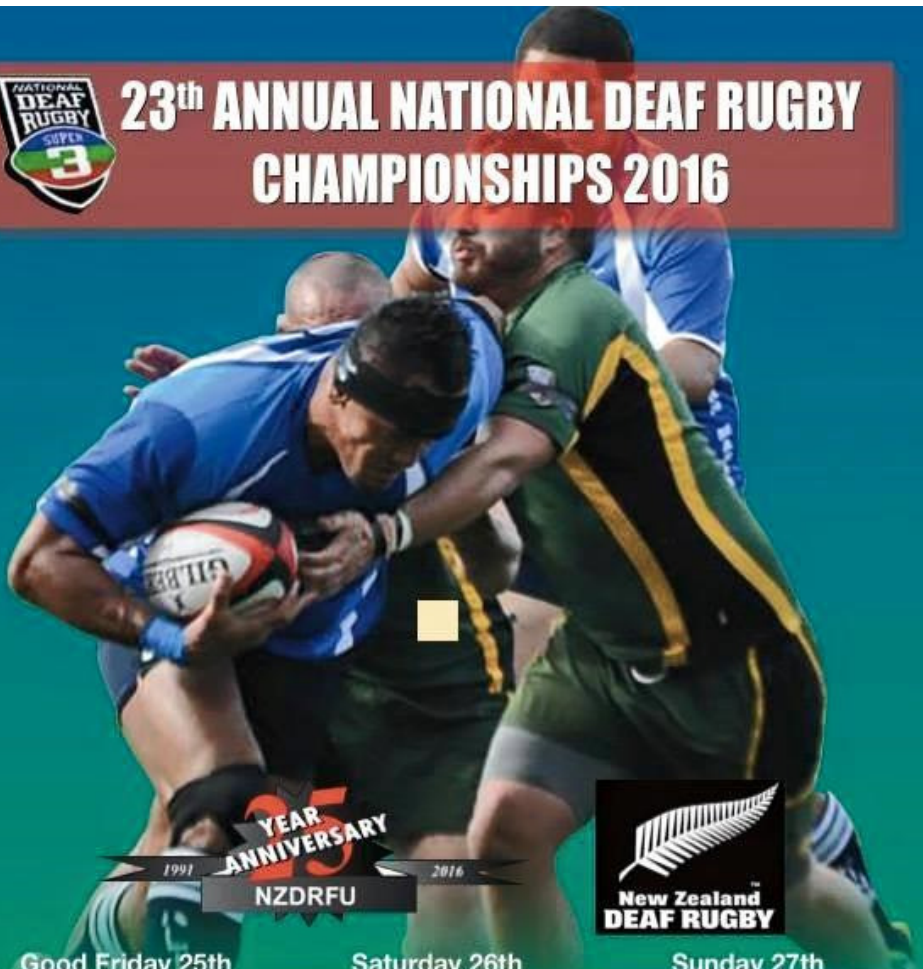
October - Masterchef with partner (TBC)

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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# 23<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL DEAF RUGBY CHAMPIONSHIPS 2016



Good Friday 25th  
**NORTHERN MARLINS**  
- VS -  
**SOUTHERN ZONE**

Saturday 26th  
**NORTHERN MARLINS**  
- VS -  
**CENTRAL ZONE**

Sunday 27th  
**CENTRAL ZONE**  
- VS -  
**SOUTHERN ZONE**



**Easter Weekend March 25th-27th**  
**Kick-off: Friday & Saturday 2pm / Sunday 1.30pm**  
**Ron Keat Drive, Papakura (Massey Park)**

Contract: Secretary of Northern Marlins Deaf Rugby Union email: [deafmarlinsrugby@hotmail.com](mailto:deafmarlinsrugby@hotmail.com)



# **SPECIAL NZDRFU 25th JUBILEE DINNER**



**Alexandra Park Function Centre  
Greenlane Road West  
Epsom, Auckland  
(Rutherford Room, Level 2)**

**27th March 2016  
5:30PM to 12:00AM**

**Dinner at 7:00PM**

**Admission \$65 per person - Formal dress (no jeans)  
including: Buffet, Speech, Music-DJ, Performance,  
Awards, Video of Deaf Rugby's history**

**DEADLINE: 4th March 2016  
RSVP: Kirsten Sutherland  
NZDRFU Secretary  
Email: [secretary@nzdrfu.org.nz](mailto:secretary@nzdrfu.org.nz)  
Text: 021 858 701**

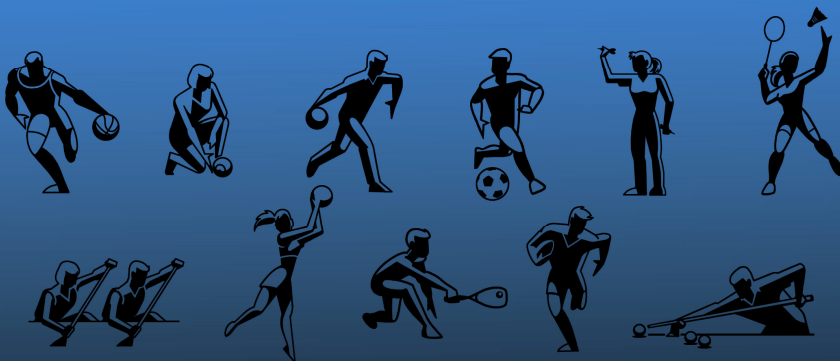




*Looking forward to  
see you in Hamilton*



New Zealand  
**Deaf Games**  
Hamilton 2016  
20 - 23 October



**Host Orgainser: Rachel Turner**  
**[deafgames@deafsports.co.nz](mailto:deafgames@deafsports.co.nz)**



**Deaf Sports  
New Zealand**  
Hākinakina Turi Aotearoa





# WELLINGTON Deaf Society

## MEMBERSHIP 2016 - 2017

NAME

ADDRESS

EMAIL ADDRESS

MOBILE

Memberships for 2016 - 2017 are FREE with the exception of posted newsletters.

PLEASE TICK: ☐ E-newsletter (email) FREE ☐ Newsletter (post) \$10

ARE YOU:

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP:

☐ DEAF

☐ INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP

☐ HEARING

☐ FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

*Above details are for statistical and funding purposes*

PAYMENT METHODS:

CASH: Pay to WDS Committee

CHEQUE: Post payable cheque to address below

BANK DEPOSIT/TRANSFER: (BNZ) 02-0560-0041556-00

Your reference: Name, memb 2016 (eg: JOHNMEMB2016)  
and email [treasurer@wds.org.nz](mailto:treasurer@wds.org.nz) when payment has been made

### All about you... (optional)

*We are interested to know your interests to help us organise events, workshops for our members to enjoy together.*

*What are your interests?*

*Please fill your name and contact details so we can be in touch!*

Send this form to address below, or give to WDS Committee, or email to [secretary@wds.org.nz](mailto:secretary@wds.org.nz)

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