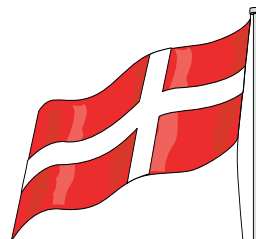


*The Danish Society (Inc.)
Auckland, New Zealand*



NEWS MAGAZINE

ISSN 0113-4965 (Print) ● October 2014 ● ISSN 2230-4800 (Online)



Young Over 60s Luncheon

*God smørrebrød. Good company. What more could you want?
(besides a snaps or two?!)*

Members 60+ Only

\$20 pp

**Sunday 19th October
1:00 pm**

Book with
Jo Rankine by Friday
10th October

socials@danishsociety.org.nz

Phone: (09) 296 7102
ASB a/c:
12 3036 067 1539 00
Ref. Soc1410

Would you like to help
us prepare smørrebrød?
If you are able to help
us in the kitchen on
Saturday morning,
18th Oct. please contact
vor egen smørrebrøds
jomfru Lene King on
021 717 496.

Coming Up...

New Event! New Event! New Event!

Beer Tasting

\$25

Hosted by international beer judge

Bradford Tetlow

Get to know your beer and join us for a
fun (and educational!) night with special
guest, Bradford Tetlow. Expertly paired
with food, we'll take you on a taste-tour
of craft beers. Come, eat, drink, be merry!

**7 November
7pm**

RSVP to Jo by 1.11.14 : socials@danishsociety.org.nz or 296-7102

Read our magazine in full colour online at www.danishsociety.org.nz

THE DANISH SOCIETY (INC)

P. O. BOX 12 279 - PENROSE 1642

6 Rockridge Ave., Penrose, Auckland. Ph 580 3103



www.danishsociety.org.nz

[facebook/danishsociety](https://www.facebook.com/danishsociety)

Bank A/C: ASB 12 3036 067 1539 00

Contact phone numbers

The Danish House 580 3103
Valhalla, Leigh 09 422 6194

Committee

PRESIDENT: Antony Barrett 444 0939
Email: president@danishsociety.org.nz

VICE-PRESIDENT: Helle Gilderdale 478 7016
Email: vicepresident@danishsociety.org.nz

TREASURER: Roger Knights 021 848 258
Email: treasurer@danishsociety.org.nz

SECRETARY: Pam Logan 480 9883
Email: secretary@danishsociety.org.nz

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Christine Futterup 299 6985
Anna Gilderdale 021 0229 6802
Kurt Marquart 476 0245
Jo Rankine 296 7102
Roselle Rasmussen 971 0248

EDITOR "NEWS MAGAZINE"
John Stewart 480 8282
88c Coronation Road, Hillcrest, North Shore 0627
E-mail: editor@danishsociety.org.nz

MEMBERSHIP
Kurt Marquart 476 0245
E-mail: membership@danishsociety.org.nz

WEBMASTER: Kurt Marquart
Email: webmaster@danishsociety.org.nz

MAILOUT
Helle Scott 521 2844

Other Addresses

ROYAL DANISH CONSULATE GENERAL
PO Box 38-446, Howick, Auckland 2145
www.newzealand.um.dk 537 3099

THE TRADE COMMISSION OF DENMARK
PO Box 2154, Auckland 1
Fax 307 5207 379 3119
www.dtcauckland.um.dk

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH
1 Harris Rd (PO Box 85-014) Mt Wellington
579 4490

DANISH CHURCH NEW ZEALAND INC.
Pastor Anja Grønne Mathiasen
www.danishchurchnz.org 03 464 0218

SUBSCRIPTIONS (2014 Financial Year – 1st Oct 2014- 30 Sept 2015)

Member:	\$65 per member
Senior rate: (65 & over)	\$55 per member
Youth rate: (18 to 25)	\$10 per member
Children under 18	Free
Family discount:	Less \$30 per couple

REGULAR EVENTS

DANISH HOUSE

An **Open House** is held on the **first Sunday** of each month from **2pm**

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

are held on the **second Monday** of the month at **7.30pm**

VALHALLA WORKING BEES

Working bees are usually held on the weekend of the **second Saturday** of the month.

CARDPLAYERS

meet on the **first and third Wednesday** of the month - **11am to 3pm**

DANISH MOTHERS' GROUP

Call **Randi** on **021 258 0538** for meeting times and venue

FOLKDANCERS

meet at **7.30pm** on the **second and fourth Tuesday** of every month

WEDNESDAY MORNING GROUP

Meets on the **fourth Wednesday** of every month at 10.30am

FILM EVENINGS

are held on the **third Friday** of the month at **7.30pm**

QUICK CHECK CALENDAR

November

Sun 2nd Scandinavian Jule Market
Mon 3rd Committee Meeting
Wed 5th Card Players
Fri 7th Beer Tasting
Sat 8th Danish House Working Bee
Tue 11th Folk Dancing
Thu 13th Craft Group
Sat 15th Christmas Party
Wed 19th Card Players
Fri 21st Film Evening
Sun 23rd **Patio Opening at Valhalla**
Tue 25th Folk Dancing Social Night
Sun 30th AGM

December

Wed 3rd Card Players
Sun 7th **Open House and Julegudstjeneste**
Mon 8th Committee Meeting
Sun 14th **Children's Christmas Party**
Fri 19th **Christmas Carol evening**

Danish Classes Wednesdays

Beginners 6.30-7.30pm

Intermediate 7.30-8.30pm

Private lessons are available on **Saturday mornings**.

For more information call

Connie Kristensen
0274 757 565

Danish House Hall Hire Rates

Members rates for hiring the hall for the whole day at the Danish House, Penrose.

Sunday to Friday inclusive \$110

Saturday: \$165

Half a day is \$27 less. Funerals – no charge.

The bond is \$150.00 per booking.

The booking/holding fee of \$50.00 is deducted from the total cost.

Call the Booking Officer:

Antony Barrett, Phone 444 0939

RATES FOR VALHALLA

Peak	Members	Guests
Adults	\$20	\$35
Children	\$10	\$25

Off-Peak

Adults	\$12	\$30
Children	\$6	\$20

Whole house daily rate

Off-peak \$120 Peak rate \$300

Christmas season \$330 Functions \$330

Off-peak = Mid-week only excluding Christmas season and school holidays

Peak = All school holidays, Christmas season and all weekends.

Christmas season = Christmas Eve to the end of Anniversary weekend.

The house can only be hired for 7 days at any one time.

Call the Booking Officer: Christine Futterup, 19 Mossford Green, Pohurehure, Papakura P: 299 6985 E: valhalla@danishsociety.org.nz

Committee Contacts & Convenors for Working Groups

Committee Contact	Working Group	Convenor	Phone
Cultural	Card Players	Oluf Basse	534 2798
	Danish lessons	Connie Kristensen	0274 757 565
	Danish Mothers' group	Randi Edwards	021 258 0538
	Films	Kurt Marquart	476 0245
	Folk dancing	Finn Nielsen	625 5533
	Library/Videos	Helle Gilderdale	478 7016
	Society history	Karen Yates	524 6016
Danish House	Welfare (Cards & Flowers)	Vibeke Courtney	576 3150
	Bookings	Antony Barrett	444 0939
Members	Maintenance	Kurt/Antony	476 0245/ 444 0939
	Membership	Kurt Marquart	476 0245
Communication		email: membership@danishsociety.org.nz	
	Editor	John Stewart	480 8282
Socials	Webmaster	Kurt Marquart	
		email: webmaster@danishsociety.org.nz	
Valhalla		Kurt Marquart	476 0245
		Jo Rankine	296 7102
		email: socials@danishsociety.org.nz	
	Bookings	Christine Futterup	299 6985
	Working Bees	Palle Olsen	021 062 7333

From the President's Desk - October 2014

Kære medlemmer,

Hello to you all and welcome back. This year is racing by and after surviving our General Elections we have some elections of our own to think about at our upcoming AGM at the end of November. We have a number of positions on the committee that are up for renewal. As I mentioned last month, a new treasurer is needed for a one year period as Roger Knights will be stepping down after filling the vacant position left by Tony Webber's resignation. Kurt Marquart will also be leaving us after a long association on the committee. I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank Kurt for the dedicated and selfless contribution that he has shown on the committee over the years. His experience and expert involvement in the running and maintenance of Danish House have been invaluable. Your shoes will be hard to fill. Nominations for his two year term as well as three other positions are required. Please consider if you or someone else you know of would be interested in joining our dedicated team. It's not all hard work and we do actually have a lot of fun. All nominations can be sent to our secretary Pam Logan.

Apart from all the usual goings on in the club there have been no stand out events to speak of over the last month. Sadly the **Auction** which was to be held on the 21st September had to be cancelled due to a bereavement in the Gilderdale family. All our thoughts and prayers go out to Helle, Peter and the girls.

By the time you read this we would have had our **Quiz Night** on the 26th September so no point in advertising that. What is worth mentioning though is **The Young over 60's Luncheon** coming up on Sunday the 19th October. Lena King and her crew promise to again delight and surprise you with their culinary flair. So if you currently own a gold card or are close to it, be sure to book early. I've still got a while to wait till I'm eligible otherwise I'd see you there. Also a quick mention about the Scandinavian Julemarked on Sunday the 2nd November wouldn't hurt. If you haven't been to one yet you're missing out. Mark it down in your calendar.

In my position as Bookings Officer for Penrose it would be remiss of me not to put in a plug for Danish House.

Do you have an upcoming private or corporate event that's short of a great venue? Have you thought of using our fabulous facilities for your pre Christmas party? Danish Society members get very favourable rates on hiring the hall or library so give me a call to make a booking before all the best dates are taken. Mine and all other important contact details are on the inside cover of this magazine.

Thank you for your attention and I'll "see you at the Club."

Antony Barrett



HELPERS NEEDED for SCANDINAVIAN CHRISTMAS MARKET

The Scandinavian Christmas Market is one of the most popular events on The Danish Society calendar, but requires a lot of organisation. This year we are looking for some more helpers to be responsible for a variety of small tasks. This will not require you to be there all day, but maybe just first thing in the morning, helping to set up, or at the end of the Market, helping with tidy up, moving some furniture etc.

If you would like to join our small, enthusiastic team and lend a hand, even in the smallest possible way, it would be most appreciated as it will ease the work load and will ensure that our hugely popular and successful Christmas Market can continue to run smoothly.

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Kirsten Jensen:

Email: kirsten.jensen2013@gmail.com



SCANDINAVIAN CHRISTMAS MARKET



Julemarked

Sunday, 2nd Nov, 10am - 4pm
Danish House, Penrose
See www.eventfinder.co.nz for details



LUNCH!



Neil putting the finishing touches to the mantelpiece



Yoren and Martin testing the Pizza Oven



September Working Bee

What a great working bee we had in the second week of September. Helpers were Mia Barr, Helena Barr, Isla Barr, Antony Barrett, Jan Barrett, Christian Conradsen, Christine Futterup, Kaj Futterup, Ayla Graf, David Ogilvie, Caelin Ogilvie, Inger Mortensen, Robert Grundy, Steen Grundy, Erik Grundy, Steve Harris, Dylan Harris, Tina Hejrshov, Mads Hejrskov, Martin Helbæk, Michael Kofoed, Pam Logan, Richard Logan, Ib Melgård, Kai Nielsen, Palle Olsen, Kaius Olsen, Yaron Owen, Todd Scott, Marcus Scott, Marion Stewart, John Stewart, Greg Taylor, Tove Treadaway, Neil Treadaway, Linda Williams, Janiya Williams, Alijah Williams and Tinne from DK. Thirty-nine in total so it was a big weekend and we got a lot of work completed.

Christian made quick work of felling lots of gum trees that are to become our firewood for 2017. Once on the ground Antony & Greg cut the logs into rings ready for the log splitter at the next working bee. A group of people transported a few loads of partly dry (felled last year) firewood to our neighbours. They own the gum forest and we have an arrangement with them that we supply them with split and dried firewood for their requirements and in return they allow us to take firewood for our needs. Robert, Todd, Steen, Erik, Marcus and others moved the remaining wood (that has been drying outside in the carpark) and stacked it in the woodshed. This will be our wood for the winter of 2016. The 2015 wood has already been in the woodshed drying for a year.

We supplied our neighbour on the other side (The Outpost) with some totally dry wood to help burn a large cattle beast that had washed ashore on Pa Beach. They also asked for some manpower to help collect driftwood and feed the fire so some of our members gave them a helping hand and the fire roared!

Back to our other neighbour, she had asked if we would clean up all the untidy and dying native plants along her boundary fence. She will then replace the dilapidated fence with a new post and rail fence. A team consisting of Tove, John, Ayla, David, Pam, Richard, Tina & Mads got stuck in there with the aid of a chainsaw and mulcher. Some of the dead wood found its way down to Pa Beach and onto the cattle funeral pyre! New plants were planted where the old ones had been removed and it was ready for the new fence to be erected.

Linda, Mia and Inger worked through the weekend giving the house a major spring clean. Michael and Robert checked out the under bench filter in the kitchen. That's the one that we can never get a decent flow from! We are now going to replace it with a new, larger unit. Michael also got up onto the roof to check out a potential hole. Kaj fixed one of the showers



along with other house repairs. Neil repaired the small square table from the lounge.

Progress was also made on the patio. Just after dawn at 6am on Saturday morning we got the concrete base in the fireplace laid in, hand mixing the concrete in a wheelbarrow.

The pizza oven was given a trial run by its builders Yaron and Martin. The fire was actually to help in the process of drying the oven out ready to be used. Kai tiled the BBQ area. Steve laid in additional electrical cables ready for the lighting. Neil worked on the mantel piece – well, actually three mantel pieces! Jan and Ib put in the brick garden edging around the back of the BBQ, fireplace & pizza oven.

While all this work was going on Christine and Marion were working hard in the kitchen so all the hard workers were fed wonderful food and coffee during the breaks. We had a great Saturday night dinner and as it was Kaj's birthday we also had cake with candles while we sang "I dag er det Kaj's fødselsdag, Hurra, Hurra, Hurra!"

All in all a great working bee. A big thanks to you all for responding to the request for help.

I hope to see you all at the next one - October 11th-12th.

Palle, Email: palle@olsens.co.nz.

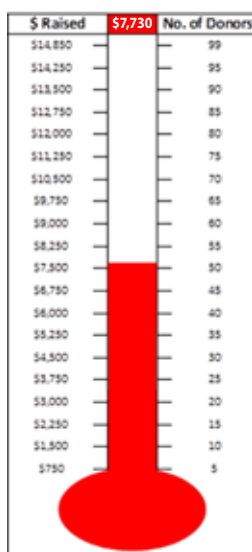
Phone: 021 062 7333



Nearly there ...

PATIO FUND

The Great Patio Fundraiser!



As you can see from the fund raising thermometer the funds are still coming in. Many thanks to all of you that have contributed to date. Last month when we reported on the patio fund it stood at \$6,130 and we are now \$7,730 so a further \$1,600 has been donated which is fantastic!! We do still require further funds to complete the project over the next 8 weeks before the grand opening so ... if you are yet to contribute ... now would be a great time!

... (I think I have written that before!!) But seriously folks we do need the last of the funds to finish the project. We are getting people now contributing a second \$150 which is fantastic but it would be great to see all users sharing the contribution to get this project finished.

So ... please help out if you can.

Many, many thanks, Palle

Phone: 021 062 7333 Email: palle@olsens.co.nz

Saturday night dinner and Kaj's birthday toast

The Mark of Denmark

The current Danish Cadet ship, *Danmark*, is a full rigged ship owned by the Danish Maritime Authority and is based at the Maritime Training and Education Centre in Frederikshavn. The vessel is 77



metres in overall length and has a depth of over five metres with a gross tonnage of 790 tons. She was originally designed for a complement of 120, but in a re-fit which took place in 1959 the crew was reduced to only 80. The *Danmark* is equipped with a 486hp diesel engine and is capable of a speed of nine knots. However, she has retained many of the basic characteristics and features for sailing. The steering gear lacks any mechanical assistance, and the anchors are raised by a capstan and not by a power source. The permanent crew has standard berths but the trainees sleep in hammocks.

After the loss of the *Koebenhavn* in 1928, the *Danmark* became the principal cadet training ship for Denmark. She was launched in 1932 at Naskov Shipyard and was fitted out the following year. She was purpose built to train officers for the Danish Merchant Marine and the Royal Danish Navy. In 1939 she visited the U.S.A. to participate in the World Fair in New York that year. However, as WWII broke out in September she was ordered to remain in U.S waters to avoid capture by the Germans. She then sailed to Florida where she was based at Jacksonville and maintained with the help of the Danish/American Community. When the U.S. entered the war in late 1941 Captain Knud Hansen offered the ship to the U.S. Government as a training vessel, and this

was gratefully accepted by the U.S. Government. The *Danmark* moved again and this time to New London, Connecticut to train cadets for the United States Coast Guard. It is estimated that over the years that

followed 5000 cadets were trained on *Danmark*. At the end of the war, she sailed home to Denmark again after almost six years absence.

In 1946 she resumed her cadet training, and in recognition of her war time service a bronze plaque was presented and placed on the main mast. The *Danmark* was given the honour of leading the parade of ships at the 1964 World Fair in New York. The U.S. experience with the *Danmark* prompted the U.S. Coast Guard to acquire the "USCG Eagle" as a replacement training ship for their cadets.

The *Danmark* continued to offer cadet training and this time not only to Danes but also to trainees from some other countries. She was used in the British BBC TV-series *Onedin Line* during the 1970s, and her strong bond to New York City is enduring.

Sent in by Carlo Mikkelsen

AGM

Sunday, Nov 30th, 4pm

Send in any remits and/or committee nominations to Pam Logan by Nov 3, Email: secretary@danishsociety.org.nz

Film Aften
Friday, Oct 17th, at 7.30pm
KLASSEFESTEN 2,
BEGRAVELSEN
"THE REUNION 2, THE FUNERAL"
Comedy 2013

Synopsis:

The three friends are back, and this time they have both a funeral and a wedding to worry about.

Come and watch a best seller movie
Members \$5, non members \$7

DANISH STUDENT INTERNS IN NEW ZEALAND

Dear Danish Society.

I am a 21 year old female from Denmark named Trine Uhre. I study to become Pedagogy (a holistic, personal approach to work with children and young people, across service) in Denmark.

From December 1st until the end of May 2015 I'm going to intern at Sandringham Kindergarden in Auckland.

I'm writing to you because I would like to live with a family in New Zealand Auckland. Like a hostfamily, that can help me out and introduce me to New Zealand and the culture of the land. Do you provide any service of that kind or are you willing to help me out?

I've heard that the public transport in New Zealand is quite bad? And that it will take quite a while to go from one place to another? Like going to work? Is that true?

Thank you for your time! I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards, *Trine Kunz Uhre*

Email: tullepigen44@hotmail.com

MANDOLIN CONCERT

Unfamiliar as I am with the mandolin instrument, I was intrigued enough to go along to the Mandoline Concert held on 31st August. On stage was a full orchestra consisting of different sizes and tones of mandolins as well as a couple of guitars, accordions, a double bass and a flute. The combination provided a magical fit to the wide variety of tunes plucked, strummed, whistled and squeezed by the orchestra – European folk, American blues, excerpts from operatic and musical scores, classical overtures and contemporary songs – each introduced by the conductor with a short commentary on the tune's composer and history. A delightful afternoon with a delicious intermission consisting of generous servings of German cream cakes as baked by Diehl's Bakery, served with coffee and tea!

The Danish House hall has great acoustics and lends itself perfectly to performances like this in a sheltered and relaxed environment - opportunities to hear the musically-talented, be they with voice or instrument, should not be missed! Thank you to the German Society for arranging this special event for all to enjoy.

Roselle Rasmussen

Come to the
Open House
Sunday, October 5th from 2pm
Come and meet your friends or get some new ones – Everyone is welcome!
Coffee & cake from \$2.50
(Next Open House – November 2nd)



The next magazine deadline is **Nov 14**

All contributions welcome – in English or Danish (with a short summary in English).

The magazine can also be read (in full colour) online at www.danishsociety.org.nz.

Note: ads for events must be in a calendar month before the event.

John Stewart (Editor)
editor@danishsociety.org.nz



Wednesday Morning Group Wednesday, 22nd October Last Meeting of the year

Our outing to Puhoi has been postponed to next year

We will see the film

Hvidsten Gruppen - The Hvidsten Group *English subtitles*

A group in a small community decides to participate in the resistance during the occupation of Denmark in the 2nd World War.

What happens when the group is discovered?

*The film reflects the Denmark of the 1940s
and is based on a true story*

10.30am Coffee and Chat
10.45am Film Commences

Bring your lunch to eat following the meeting and continue the friendship

All Welcome

Focus of group "Friendship alongside Danish life and culture"

Christmas Party

Saturday 15 November

Plan ahead ... Keep this date free. Traditional Danish fare.

Details in November newsletter





WELCOME TO QUIZ NIGHT

One of this year's most intriguing new events unfolded at the Danish House on Friday 26th September. The first ever Quiz Night was a success with five teams hotly competing for the chance to win some delectable prizes. The quiz, with a heavy Danish twist, included everything from club history, to sport, to Auckland's wacky ways, to comedy videos, culture and music. Did you know that Denmark has its own national Rugby Union team?! The quiz delighted and bamboozled – and the Quiz Master (Peter Gilderdale) entertained, bantered, and took to pelting teams with lollies.

Competition on the night was fierce and each round saw the teams turning the tables on each other. The five teams (The President's Table, Danish Diaspora, Danish Knights, And Coming Last Is, and The Springers) each showed their prowess on different rounds, winning some much needed chocolatey sustenance to accompany their wine and beer. Whilst each table had brought snacks with them (there may have been some inter-table food envy), Inger Mortensen and Carina Nielsen-Tetlow had provided some tasty snacks for people to feast on and, manning the bar, Inger kept everyone well-hydrated (wink, wink) throughout the night.

The surprise come-back of the night was made by 'And Coming Last Is...' who were indeed coming last for the first few rounds, but shot into the lead at the last moment and, in the end, came first! Many thanks to the Socials Team, the quiz compilers, and to all our helpers and cleaner-up-ers who made the event such a triumph. A great big 'thank you' must also go to Roger Knight for very kindly donating the proceeds of an abundant crop of lemons (sold on the night) to the piano fund – 'thank you!'

Next year's all go! Watch this space – this event will be back, bigger and better than ever!

Anna Gilderdale

Check inside the magazine for what's happening this month!