

Shooting the Breeze

RSCDS Wellington Summer School Newsletter

31 December 2024



Congratulations to our Kiwiana prize winners! Thanks so much to Aileen Logie and the Trevs, and our fabulous decorating team.

Catherine McCutcheon is presenting her tip and tricks for organising her digital music files and using Amazing Slowdowner to best effect: Teachers' Forum at 1:30 pm, Hall.

If you've volunteered to help with the exam class today, please be at Strathmore Park Community Centre, 108 Strathmore Ave, ready to start at 1:30 pm.

We're looking forward to Hogmanay tonight. The *Thirty-tvosome Reel* is danced immediately after the Hogmanay ceremony and will not be briefed. If you'd like to do this dance, please come to the 32-some practice in the Hall at 4 pm.

To protect the Gym floor, please remove your street shoes as soon as you enter, then find a seat to put on your dancing shoes.

There will be no newsletter and no classes tomorrow. Enjoy your sleep-in and brunch from 10.30 am. Maybe you can use the time to practice your Ceilidh item?

Warm regards, Wellington Summer School Committee.

WHAT'S ON TODAY?

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| 8:15 am | Transport leaves |
| 9 am – 12 noon | Classes |
| 1:30 – 2:30 pm | Teachers' Forum Using digital music in teaching |
| 1:30 – 4:30 pm | Exam class |
| 2:30 – 3:30 pm | Rock n roll with Jenn |
| 4 – 5 pm | 32-some practice + Maxina |
| 8 pm – 1 am | Hogmanay
Scots College Gym
Dress code: Formal. |

WHAT'S ON NEW YEAR'S DAY?

No morning classes; enjoy your sleep-in.

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| 10:30 – noon | Brunch for residents |
| 1:30 pm | NZ Branch AGM , Hall |
| 1:30 – 4:30 pm | Exam class |
| 5 – 6:30 pm | Residents' barbecue, near dining room. BYO beverage. |

Summer School Committee 022 092 4307.
Graeme Plank for Ceilidh 021 260 8727.

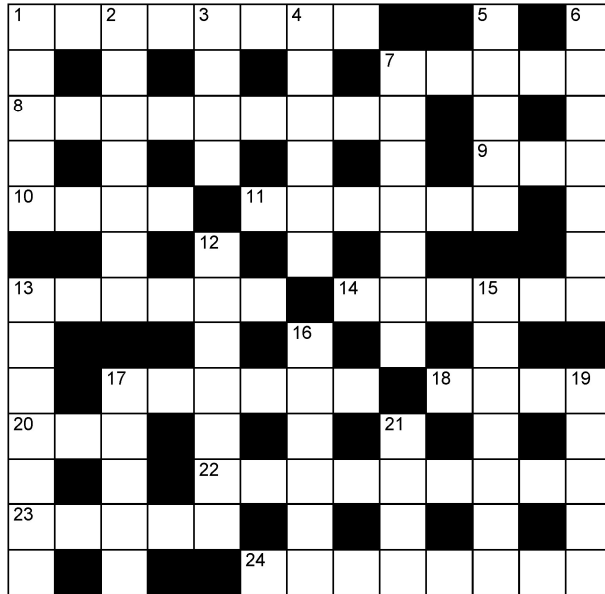
Find cribs [here](#), Evening functions, website.

Find many more fabulous photos at <https://flic.kr/s/aHBqjBWcJd>.

A purple ladies' short kilt size 12 is available at the Summer School office. Free or by donation to the NZ Branch. Thanks Amy!

You will be emailed a copy of *Shooting the Breeze* newsletter daily.
Some paper copies are available at morning tea.

CROSSWORD 3 by Deborah Shuker ©



ACROSS

- 1 One quarter of a St Andrew's cross (8)
- 7 Fred Flintstone's wife (5)
- 8 Schedule (9)
- 9 Native parrot (3)
- 10 As in Robertson and Illabo (4)
- 11 Ice cream dish (6)
- 13 A score (6)
- 14 Singular (6)
- 17 Common term for Hands Round (6)
- 18 Where you wear ghillies (4)
- 20 Lavatory (3)
- 22 Aileen Logie's forte (9)
- 23 Of the kidneys (5)
- 24 Snail as food (8)

DOWN

- 1 Instruct (5)
- 2 Huge (7)
- 3 Short letter (4)
- 4 Toil (6)
- 5 Lucky accident (5)
- 6 Four people setting in line (7)
- 7 Celebration for Mairi (7)
- 12 Everlasting (7)
- 13 Likened to skittles (7)
- 15 Standing in line (7)
- 16 Positions (6)
- 17 Key to time-keeping (4)
- 19 Principle or belief (5)
- 21 Opera solo (4)

SOLUTION 2: ACROSS: 7 Celtic, 8 Couple, 10 Absence, 11 Nadir, 12 Oboe, 13 U-Turn, 17 Xenon, 18 Trio, 22 Twirl, 23 Easiest, 24 Parade, 25 Ladies.
DOWN: 1 Octagon, 2 Glasgow, 3 Piano, 4 Corners, 5 Spuds, 6 Zebra, 9 Beethoven, 14 Ceilidh, 15 Arsenic, 16 Contest, 19 Steps, 20 Diary, 21 Oscar.

The **JAM FORUM** is at 12.30 pm on 4 January. Lunch will be provided, so if you're planning to attend, please sign up on the sheet outside the Summer School office.

JAM badges are available from Jeanette Lauder for \$7.50.

JAM = Junior Associate Member

OFFICE HOURS: McKinnon

1.30 – 3.30 pm, Lost & Found, First Aid.

BRANCH SHOP HOURS: McKinnon

1.15 – 3 pm

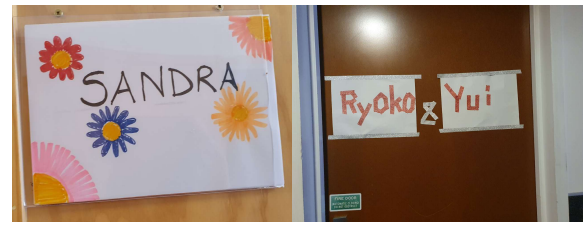
If you're not exploring local options for dinner on New Year's Day, sign up for the BBQ on the noticeboard outside the Summer School office.

ZEALANDIA TRIP. Sign up by 5 pm 1 Jan, SS office.

FRESH LINEN on 2 January in Main Gibb and Lower Gibb. See Welcome booklet for instructions.

The **PHOTOGRAPHER** will be at the President's Reception and Ball.

Congratulations to Sandra, Ryoko and Yui for your winning door decorations, and thanks to everyone who participated.



WHAT'S ON 2 JANUARY?

8:15 am Transport leaves

9 am – 12 noon Classes

2:00 – 4:30 pm Musicians' class

2:30 – 3:30 pm Step class with Kate

★ Dinner at 5 – 6 pm for residents.

7 pm President's Reception, McKinnon.

8 pm President's Ball, Scots College Gym. Formal dress.

Who knew?

If it was not for the weavers...? (Liam Clancy)

If it wasna for your wellies (Billy Connelly)

If it weren't for your gumboots (Fred Dagg)