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The Beth Radio & Television  
Social Club.

NEWS LETTER



INTRODUCTION LETTER

Dear Members,

A warm hello and a hearty thanks for re-electing me President for this session in which I assure you I will do my best to make this year successful.

I wish to thank the past committee members for the wonderful co-operation and determination which bought about a most successful year. During the last year we introduced "Ding Dong" and Block Bookings, thus another goal was reached thanks to the Management, Auditors (Mr. G. Whiterod and Mr. B. Hewitson), Typists and all who helped the committee.

At this stage I would like to welcome the new committee and look forward to a happy association with them. I know that they will have a hard task organising and conducting this year's programme and will use many hours of their own free time.

This is your Club so pitch in, give us suggestions and articles for your magazine.

As you saw from our Balance Sheet the raffle is our main source of funds, so your support is really necessary.

This firm employs just over 200 staff. The Social Club Membership is under 100. Where are the other 100 hiding?

Now look at this approximate list worked out from past functions:

THIS IS WHAT YOU HAVE BEEN GETTING FOR YOUR

1/- A WEEK:

SOCIALS for oneself and free partner	value £ 4. 10. 0
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PICNIC for oneself and free partner or family	value £ 1. 0. 0
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SICK GIFT	for persons ill for 5 consecutive working days	value	10. 0.
LEAVING GIFT	after 1 years membership	value 1.	10. 0.
THEATRE SUPPERS		value	10. 0.
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TOTAL			£ 8. 0. 0.
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Now may I introduce you to our new Committee for 1965:-

PRESIDENT:	Ron King
TREASURER	Mr. B. Hewitson
SECRETARY	Carol Bishop
NEWSLETTER	Doris Simpson, Leo Barnes, Robert Allen
SUBSCRIPTIONS	Helen James
BLOCK BOOKINGS	Muriel Feasey
RAFFLE	Mike Mercer, George Fluery
SOCIAL	Jack Donker

R. King,  
President

DON'T BE A  
SNUB



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SOCIAL CLUB!

## TRIP ON THE CONTINENT.

After spending a couple of months in London during which time we visited many of the well known points of interest we made preparation for our first trip to the Continent. To conserve funds we decided to hitch-hike where possible which meant out-fitting ourselves with packs in which we carried a minimum of clothing plus maps and guide books etc.

What a business! Hours spent pouring over maps trying to decide the route that would take in the maximum of sight-seeing and at the same time pacifying the odd member of the party who would want to go in a different direction. We had been warned by those with previous experience of the need to travel in pairs as this made it easier to get rides. We found it highly successful and met many wonderful people who not only transported us to our destination but in some cases went out of their way to take us further afield to visit places of special interest.

Each evening we would meet the other 2 members of our party at the appointed place and swap our experiences of the day. New Zealanders' rate very high on the Continent and this was decidedly to our advantage, so that we made sure that the pennants on our packs were displayed in a prominent place whenever we entered new towns and cities and we came to look forward to, and enjoy the barrage of questions about New Zealand we would be greeted with on our arrival.

Space will not allow a detailed account of all places visited but here are a few highlights and impressions of the trip.

A steamer trip up the Rhine was one of the highlights of our trip. It was very beautiful and most picturesque. We passed several historical castles built on strategic positions

and several small towns built in Gothic style on the banks. The mountains rose sheer on either side and were mostly grazing or bush. Certainly this is a most beautiful part of Germany and we took several slides. We stayed overnight at Boppard - a quite peaceful back-water. We were to catch the boat on to Koblenz next morning and were down on the wharf on time, but unfortunately no announcements were made in English and we missed it. As there was no other boat we decided to go by train. It hugged the banks of the river all the way so we still got our super view which now consisted of terraced vineyards on the sides of the hills.

BONN: Through our driver who was interested in New Zealand we were lucky to have an official guide take us on a conducted tour of the Bundestag (Parliament). It was really interesting and our driver translated for us and bought each of us a post card. We also saw Herr Schroeder the Foreign Minister who interested us very much as we had read so much about him.

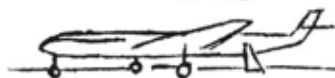
BERLIN: Those Soviet guards are more loaded down with ammunition than we were with packs. 2½ hours of formalities and form-filling to enter Berlin - a real eye opener. The Soviet part of the autobahn is all barbed wired and sentry posts and all the time we were driving they were watching us. They just do not glance at your passport they inspect it, then you, then the photo again.

Hitch-hiking in this part is difficult because regulations do not allow hitch-hikers on the autobahns, but surprisingly enough we were fortunate in that plenty of rides were offering because it appears that the German people receive better treatment from the Soviet guards if they are accompanied by foreigners. We spent several days in Berlin - a clean city with very modern buildings; the main street - Kurfurstendamm - with super shops is considered among the most up to date in Europe. We were anxious to go to East Berlin and hoping to go in by one route and return by another but only to find that the regulations required that you must travel out the same route as you came into the city. We travelled in the Metro (underground train) and after spending 3/4 of an hour over the formalities we were at large in East Berlin. Compared with the West this city is like a

country town, not many people and hardly any motor vehicles. The shops are rather poorly stocked and the people on the whole are withdrawn. Unlike the West many bombed buildings still remain.

However, we all agreed it was an unforgettable experience. The tulips in Kerkenhoff gardens, Holland; shops of Paris; snow covered mountains of Austria and Switzerland; bullfights in Spain and Portugal; the art treasures of Rome are among some of the memories that will remain of our enjoyable and worth-while trip. Nevertheless New Zealand is truly God's own country and I am pleased to be home again.

So You Want  
To Travel To Other  
Places



Well Join The Thrift  
Then Pack Your Cases.



### A THOUGHT TO THINK ABOUT.

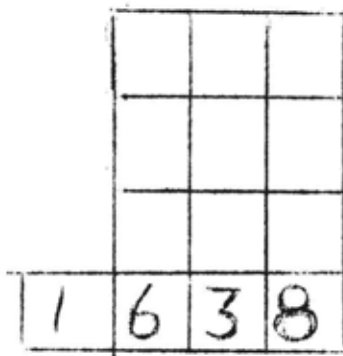
It is what we think we know already that often prevents us from learning.

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We are told of the radio Ham who bought a new receiver, and, among squeals and weird noises was thoroughly enjoying himself bringing in Morse and speech from all over the world. This went on for sometime until junior aged 4 getting restless said, "Dad let Mummy try she can get music."

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### FIGURE FUN



There are spaces for three three-figure numbers in the diagram. Using all the digits from 1 to 9 can you fill up these spaces in such a way that the second figure is twice the amount of the top figure and the third figure three times the amount of the top figure? But wait a moment! The three figures must total the figure shown.

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### HINTS FOR THE FISHING FANS

Recipe for bait - "tried and proved successful".

Take one loaf of bread

One bottle of beer

Break up the amount of bread required place in a container.

Then pour sufficient beer into make a thick dough

Place mixture on hooks

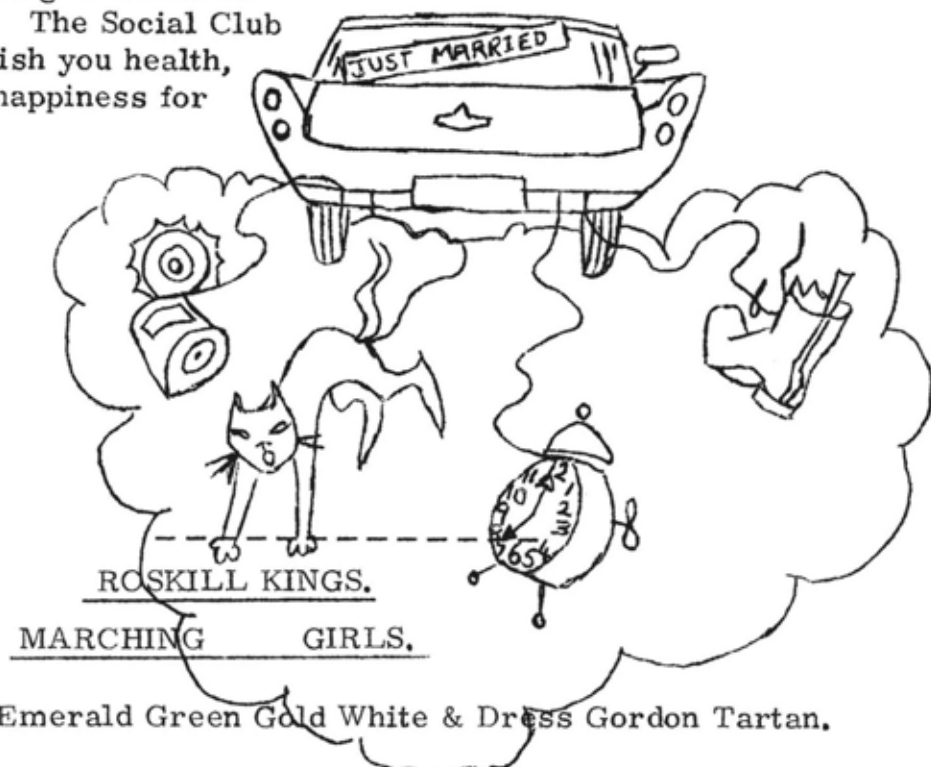
Now start fishing.....

Good luck.

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## WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS

To Leo Barnes and Judith Parkes  
who are getting married on  
April 10th. The Social Club  
members wish you health,  
wealth and happiness for  
the future.



COLOURS: Emerald Green Gold White & Dress Gordon Tartan.

WANTED: Girls 9-14 years to train for 1965-66 Season.

UNIFORMS: Marching & Travelling are free.

CONDITIONS:

- (1) Girls must be keen and of good character.
- (2) SUNDAY MARCHING: Will it interfere with your Church attendance?
- (3) To be your only "Sport" as marching is "Full Time".

John A. Roebuck,  
Sponsor & Instructor.

PHONE 557-441.

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STOP PRESS ! ! !

LADIES ! ! ! . . LADIES ! ! !

Are you conscious of your appearance?

The Social Committee have organised for the members and any friends who wish to attend, a demonstration of facial make-up by a trained Helena Rubenstein Beautician .

This is free and you will be under no obligation to purchase any products.

MT. EDEN, WAR MEMORIAL SUPPER ROOM,

TUESDAY, 13TH APRIL, 1965.

8 p.m. - at the very latest 11 p.m.

SUPPER WILL BE SERVED.

Please give your name to Carrol Bishop.

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DON'T FORGET LATE SHOPPING NIGHT WED. 14TH APRIL.

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FOR SALE:

Guitar (new) & case asking price	£ 6. 0. 0
Ladies Coat, Royal blue, white fur collar	£ 5. 0. 0
Girls Ball dress, suit girl from 15 onwards	£ 4. 0. 0
Bell Radio & record player (portable)	£ 5. 0. 0
Ladies Bicycle, good condition	£ 10. 0. 0
Records, price according to condition.	

APPLY TO: Miss. D. Marney,

Mask Assembly.

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STOP PRESS.!!!  
 YOUR ONLY CHANCE  
 TO SEE THIS FILM IN THE AUCKLAND PROVINCE  
 DURING 1965.

MY	MY
MY	MY
MY	MY
FAIR	FAIR
FAIR	FAIR
FAIR	FAIR
LADY	LADY
LADY	LADY
LADY	LADY

STARRING:

Audrey Hepburn, Rex Harrison, Stanley Holloway,  
 Gladys Cooper, Jeremy Brett, & Theodore Bikel.

TECHNICOLOUR - SUPER PANOVISION 70  
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8 p.m. Wednesday 19th May, 1965. EMBASSY:

Bookings are very heavy and this is the best we have been able to  
 do to get good seats BOOK EARLY with Muriel Feasey or Ron King.

MEMBERS 7/6 per seat

OTHERS 11/7 per seat

On this evening the Committee are looking into the possibility  
 of having a meal at a restruant. This would be no charge to  
 members and a nominal fee to others. However, nothing definite  
 yet.

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STOP PRESS ! ! ! !  
ROGER & HAMERSTEINS.

SOUND OF MUSIC  
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STEREOPHONIC  
TODD-AO  
DELUXE COLOUR

STARRING:

Julie Andrews, Christopher Plummer, Richard Haydn,  
Eleanor Parker.

Based on the real life story of the TRAPP FAMILY SINGERS.

Julie Andrews, Broadway's original My Fair Lady, plays the role of Maria, the tomboyish postulant at an Austrian abbey who becomes a governess in the home of a widowed naval captain with seven children, and brings a new love of life into the home. Christopher Plummer the distinguished Broadway star, plays Captain Von Trapp and Eleanor Parker portrays the lovely Baroness Elsa who wants to marry him.

WED. 28th APRIL, 1965.

PLAZA THEATRE.

8.00 p. m.

7/9    7/9    7/9    7/9    7/9    7/9    7/9

Contact Muriel Feasey or Ron King.

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KENNY BALL

IS COMING, MONDAY MAY 24th, 1965.

At the time of printing we only know this much. Bookings are not open in town yet so be the early bird and catch a good seat by giving Muriel or Ron your name. More details on the notice Board as soon as they are available.

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## BLOCK BOOKINGS.

Muriel Feasey looks after the Block Bookings for the Social Club Committee. At times it is a difficult task and requires a lot of her own time.

To start a Booking she must assess the number of persons who would likely attend - then make a tentative booking. (We must get at least 20 persons for Stage Shows and at least 30 for Movie Films to be eligible for price reductions etc.)

Generally she has to pay the money two weeks in advance from the date of the show. So please don't leave paying till the last minute. If you give your name to Muriel and then find you cannot attend PLEASE let her know as early as possible. DON'T leave it to the last day.

Realising that financial difficulties are easily fallen into why not think of opening a Thrift Club account to pay for your Block Bookings. Did you know that on application to the pay clerk the firm will deduct a nominated sum from your wage packet and Bank it for you.

These Bookings are organised by the Social Club committee for the members but welcome any friends or staff members to attend these bookings.

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## MARCH SOCIAL.

Bell's have once again lived up to their name by having another 1st class Social. Over 160 persons attended and there was not one who did not enjoy the night.

The music was good and kept the floor filled with dancers.

Most comment was about the Supper. Crayfish was the most popular dish surrounded by many other types of tasty food.

Thanks, to all who attended

Thanks, to all who helped.

Thanks, Committee.

When is the next one?

The Committee is planning it already.

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No doubt most of the staff heard the results of the first Auckland Junior Judo Championships and realized the winner, Open-Weight, Robert Willering is Peter's son. The superior height and weight of Robert proved too much for his opponent.

It seems as if son takes after father.

Yvonne is also in the news doing very well in the swimming world. Peter and Mrs. Willering take a keen interest in sport and encourage both children. They themselves were players of Hand Ball, a very fast and scientific game which we in New Zealand have not as yet been introduced. Peter is hoping this game will eventually become established.

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Welcome home to Anne Lineham. It's great to see you looking so fit and to learn that you had such a wonderful trip and that you met so many grand folk

Extract from a letter written and signed by three ladies of Fulham, South Australia; K. Maloney, Mrs. P. Harrison and Mrs. J. Field.

"While New Zealand supporters were no doubt disappointed that their team did not win the Series, we must state that the girls made every endeavour to bring honour to their country. The New Zealand team beat Japan 7-0 and were narrowly defeated by Australia 2-0; by America 1-0 and 3-1; and by Japan 4-2. It is in the opinion of all who came in contact with your girls that they were worthy representatives of the country both on and off the playing field and won the esteem and respect of all knowing them as players and as individuals.

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## PICNIC.

Saturday 27th February - a typical summers day, blue skies, glorious sunshine, what more could we have wanted for a picnic.

Two busloads of people, with just a handfull, who knew the destination (Waiwera), ideal for a picnic, with three mineral pools, in contrast, the cool sea, good picnic ground, plus the inevitable hotel.

On approaching the harbour bridge, one of our passengers, began to see the funny side of a mystery trip (Eve Price). Eve had previously spent  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours travelling, having left her home at 7.10 AM. to be at the factory in time, needless to say Eve lives on the North Shore, incidently we passed her home.

Having got all members into the picnic grounds, we had a few races, the highlight being an adults three-legged race. There were more participants laying doubled up with laughter on the grass than those who finished the race. One interested spectator, Harry Wilkinson captured the funny incidents on his movie camera; what we did not know is that Harry uses a telescopic lens.

The children, well having eaten ice-cream, lollies, apples, and the usual lemonade, enjoyed themselves. A picnic can be a tiring day and all passengers were on board at the stated time we were leaving, to this the committee wishes to thank all, their co-operation was wonderful, and it all helped to make a most enjoyable days outing.

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## WHICH IS THE STRANGER?

A letter from a friend in the Orient. European visitors to the Orient invariably return home to write about the queer people they have met and the strange clothes they wear.

Little do they realize that they themselves appear queer to us and we often smile (politely) and (tolerantly) about the gaudiness of their attire and the foolish impractical clothing they insist upon wearing in the hot climates.

Truly this is a strange world, but the strangest ones are not always the Orientals.

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## WORTH REMEMBERING.

A most interesting fact was demonstrated by some Boy Scouts, how to measure the height of a tree. They produced a staff of about 6ft. 6" long, and drove it into the ground until there was exactly six feet above the ground level. Then with a tape measure, measured the shadow cast by the stick and the tree.

The boys knew that the ratios between the shadows and the objects which made them would be the same. In this case the shadow of the staff was 9ft. It, therefore, followed that the height of the tree was two-thirds of its shadow. This was 108ft. 9", so the tree was 72ft. 6" high.

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STAFF NEWS LETTER FROM INVERCARGILL.

THE TEL-BELS  
FROM DOWN UNDER!  
INVERCARGILL.

First I must apologise to you for not writing you sooner.

Well unlike Wellington we have only one female here, our ace with the typewriter and pen, Pam Ramsay, also on the Tele-Hire side is Grant Bussell whom some of you may have met whilst we were in Auckland recently. On the Bell side we have Bill Jenkins our, Techninian, Alec Jamieson and Dennis McVay our Antenna crew and yours truly.

News on the home front: we have had too much rain, but we are hoping we can get a clear day as we have antennas' to put up.!!! I must say the people here in Southland are wonderfully friendly (the weather may be cold but the people are warm.)

We understand that there are a lot of changes in Auckland what with marriages, baby's etc. etc. May we here wish all those concerned our congratulations. We also understand there is to be a wedding at Dunedin - congratulations to your future better half and yourself Ron Kerr. Invercargill's population will increase by one? shortly, Bill's wife is expecting a baby next month (April)





The oyster season is here with us and we are all getting our share. "Cor Blimey, they're luv'ly". I am sending a letter to your president explaining the prices of the above. Maybe you can use them in a raffle.

Well this is a starter perhaps we can fill you in more later with local news as it happens, so from DOWN UNDER.....

Cheerio and keep smiling,

*Gene Whight*

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AUCKLAND STAFF NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS:

to Mr. Bruno Juergens who is now New Zealand Manager of Bell Service Departments,

and to

Mr. Ernie Hart who is now Auckland Service Manager.

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The committee take this opportunity of welcoming Mr. Vincent (production foreman) into the firm. We are sure he will find co-operation from the girls, and throughout the firm.

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Congratulations to Liz Anderson who recently became engaged. Liz, as most will know worked on the main T. V. line.

## WHERE DO FLIES GO IN WINTER ?

Quite a problem, this one, for the scientists and it has not yet been fully solved.

In the summer the female house-fly lays about 1,000 eggs in batches of about 150 during the course of her month's life.

She lays them in dustbins and other dirty places and it takes about 10 days to convert the eggs into flies.

This goes on steadily at summer temperatures but when the weather gets colder - about the end of April - the eggs cease to hatch out and the breeding cycle stops.

At least, it usually stops, but flies have been found alive and active throughout the winter in refuse heaps, where they have been kept warm by the fermenting rubbish.

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### FIGURE FUN ANSWERS

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SO YOU HAVEN'T SEEN  
SEEN THE LIGHT



WE'LL JOIN THE SOCIAL CLUB  
THAT'LL PUT YOU RIGHT.

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Prop. Brian & Pauline Spence;

APRIL 16TH IS EASTER. DON'T FORGET YOUR EASTER CARDS & GIFTS, TOYS, CHINA, FANCY GOODS, BOOKS & WROUGHT IRON, ETC.....

OPEN 7.30 A. M. LEAVE US YOUR DRY CLEANING WORRIES:

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Proud Fathers; You will have the honour of looking after the children while Mum has a night to attend a demonstration of make-up.  
This will be in the near future, more details will be posted on the Social Club Notice Board:

Go to ROGER!  
ROGER KNOWLES  
H.E HAS THE EASTER  
GIFT

DONT FORGET  
YOUR  
NEXT MONTHS

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