

NEW ZEALAND MARCHING CHAMPIONSHIPS

This information will help you and your team enjoy the NZ Marching Championships here in Hamilton 7,8, 9 March 2024.

Marching Waikato looks forward to hosting this event and we hope that all your dreams and wishes come true. Hamilton is a great city. Please try to take some time and enjoy the wonderful facilities available.

Please follow our Marching Waikato Facebook page as we countdown the the Championships for :

- Regular Championship Updates
- We have "Name the Ted" Competition info coming soon

<u>VENUE</u> Globox Arena Heaphy Terrace Hamilton. Vehicle access is via Brooklyn Road.

CONTEST FLOOR AREA IS CARPET.

CARPARKING

Team Mini vans/cars, invited guests and MNZ personnel only will be permitted into Gate 1 off Brooklyn Road, this gate will be controlled by security. On the days the teams are competing they will enter through **Door E24** from this car park. They will proceed to the changing rooms either Room 1, 2, 3, or 4. as per attached map. Please make sure you are considerate of other teams, no one team will take control of any changing room. Security personnel will be controlling this entry.

Public parking is further along Brooklyn Road entry through **Gate 4.** If you have a ticket to enter the viewing seated area upstairs you will enter the stadium via the walkway on the right hand side of the building, as you come from the public car park.

Carparks General - Is \$5 each time you enter, there are no pass outs

WARM UP AREA - Is the grassed area beside the arena

STADIUM RULES:

THIS IS A SMOKE FREE VENUE ALL SMOKING MUST BE OFF THE GROUNDS.

FOOD

- Will be available to be purchased via the concession areas on the concourse. There will be hot food available from 11.00am to 2.00pm. All other food will be available all day.
- Teams are permitted to bring their own team packed lunches/snacks, water bottles, from your motel. But for safety reasons, **No chilly bins are permitted into the grandstand.**
- No commercially prepared food is permitted anywhere within the stadium facilities. Claudelands park is adjacent to the parking areas so if the weather is good, eating outside under the trees might be a good idea, there are also seating areas on the concourse.

COST FOR TEAMS:

Entry for competing teams and team officials will be free of charge. Teams will be issued with passes as per your entry form. Which must be worn at all times when entering the Events Centre. Security will be checking for this.

Team passes will be available on Thursday at the souvenir collection point. We are asking that teams seat themselves to the sides of the grandstand in respect of paying guests.

GENERAL TICKET SALES

Marching Waikato have no tickets available for sale. Tickets go on sale mid February and can only be purchased online or from a Ticketek outlet.

Once we get confirmation when the tickets are available we will let you know.

Get your group or individual tickets now. All tickets are being sold as General Admission which means you are buying tickets which allows you entry to the venues, but not to a specific seat.

Pricing: \$20 per day per person \$30 two day pass per person

PLEASE NOTE: these prices do not include any bank card or booking fee as per normal ticket selling criteria.

OFFICAL MARCH PAST & OPENING

Where: Globox Arena When: Thursday 7 March

At the time to be confirmed - All teams will assemble in their Association Groups, in the area immediately inside the main entrance on the ground floor via Door entry **E5** (on your floor plan) for the March Past followed by the Official Opening.

The Technical Working Party will be sending out a new March Past, please keep an eye out for this.

The teams will assemble in their associations and then programme order, if your team has a flag, please appoint one of your team members to carry this in front of the team.

Each Association is to appoint a flag bearer who will march together carrying their Association flag and lead their respective association teams into the arena and through the march past.

Any supporters, coaches and team officials are invited to enter the seating area on Level 2 for the duration of the march past and official opening.

Teams are requested to supply one member in full competition uniform for the March Past and Official Opening. These members will stand at the front of the team during the Opening Ceremony and be available for publicity shots at the back of the field at the completion of the Opening Ceremony.

At the completion of the Official opening, Coaches will meet with the Technical Working Party to hand in team registration information and for an update of any notices regarding the championships.

Dispensations will also be considered at this time - please make sure you have all the appropriate medical certificates on hand to support this.

MUSIC

Could all music be forwarded to Bry Cassells at, please be mindful and don;t leave this to the last minute as Bry needs time to check that there is no problem with your music.

marchingwaikatomusic@gmail.com

SOUVENIRS

Attached is the souvenir list. We have limited stock so pre orders are encouraged. All pre ordered souvenirs will be available for pick up at the venue from Thursday 7 March at the Official Opening from the souvenir stand. Souvenirs will be available throughout the event while stocks last.

Order form and details attached including internet banking options

HAMILTON CITY PLACES OF INTEREST

Please take time to enjoy our city.

- Hamilton Zoo,
- Hamilton Lake. Including children's playground and Verandah Cafe
- Hamilton Gardens: Beautiful areas of gardens and walks Just Note that Hamilton Enclosed Gardens there is a cost
- Parana Park
- Waikato Museum including Exscite Centre .
- The Base & Te Awa Shopping Centre
- Westfields Shopping Centre Chartwell.
- Downtown Plaza. Hamilton City Centre
- Waikato River Walks.
- The Sculpture Park Waitakaruru Arboretum 207 Scotsman Valley Road RD7 Tauwhare, Hamilton 3287

MEDICAL CENTRE:

Angelsea Accident & Urgent Medical Centre is situated on the corner of Thackeray and Anglesea Street. This is open 24 hours and has an emergency Pharmacy attached. Hopefully no one will need to use this. Most suburbs have a medical centre that you can attend, but the after hours one is Anglesea Clinic. Should it be necessary the Waikato Hospital is located in Pembroke Street.

BOOT REPAIRS:

McCammon & Co: 120 Galloway Street, Hamilton East, Hamilton 3216 Ph. 07 8431768

Quality Shoe Repairs 559 Victoria St Ph: 07 539 5338

They are very familiar with Marching Boot repairs and will be able to help you if needed.

NEED HELP??

If you need help with anything during your stay in Hamilton please phone one of the below. We will do our very best to assist you. Gay Cubitt 027 664 7899 Lynette Malone 027 214 8647

On behalf of the Marching Waikato committee we wish you well for your stay in Hamilton and have a fantastic Championship.

Travel Safe.

Lynette Malone **Secretary Marching Waikato Association.**