



President's report

AGM 2024

Ladies and Gentlemen,

It is my pleasure to report on the working of the Czech and Slovak Club Tauranga and to give you an overview of our club activities over the past 12 months.

Thank you all for giving your precious time, it was valued more than ever! Thank you, our committee and volunteers Jana, Klara, Anka, Linda, Jana, Kamila, Eva and Petr. Without your support the club would not exist.

All together the club's organising team has put together or supported 15 events in the financial year end 2024 while still having regular school and playgroup groups as well as individual lessons.

Here are our events in financial year end 2024:

- Carodejnice - Burning Witches
- AGM
- 2x Rocktopia
- Oropi Hot Pools
- 2x Wine and Clay evening
- Pub Quiz
- 2x Movies
- Bonfire on the beach
- Mikulas
- Waimarino Water and adventure park
- Family weekend in Redwood valley farm
- Sipkovana v Puketoki Reserve

It is amazing what we accomplished, thank you again, team! What fun we all had and thank you so much for all your time you put in the club. I appreciate your hard work and dedication!

Being part of the Czech and Slovak Club has been a very special privilege when you live so far away from your native soil. It allows us to build community connections and for the kids to connect with their culture. But any club is only as strong as how much people are prepared to give to it. Many of us have given years to this club but it is not sustainable to keep running this without any additional support. If you believe in the value of the club and what it provides you and your family then I strongly suggest you apply for any role. It does not have to be forever if we all pinch in.

Volunteering is fulfilling. It is worth it and we would like to invite anybody who would like to step up and help, even to help out with running the club, some events like organising, booking or helping on site. No help is too little! Even helping and being an active member of the club for 10



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minutes is a huge difference!

Our Organising Team currently consists of:

President: Lucie Brooks
General Secretary: Jana Bennett
Financial Officer: Anka Bailey
Events Coordinator: vacant

Team members: Klara Luxford-Rulisek, Kamila Lyons, Linda Foukalova, Jana Benfell

Technical Support: Petr Faitl

Librarian: Eva Firth

Support for Individual Teaching Aids/books: Alena Slovackova in the past 2 years, now Klara Luxford Rulisek

I would like to thank everyone for their time and their effort in running the club and for their support in organising club events and projects.

Our club is here for everyone. It exists to support you, should you need it. Please speak to me directly or to any other team member if you are dealing with a difficult situation. Whilst we cannot promise that we will resolve it, we will assist you in finding the right organisation that can help. We also have an excellent working relationship with the MZV in Sydney, should you require consular services.

Thank you!

Lucie Brooks

President
Czech and Slovak Club Tauranga Inc.

Dated: 12th May 2024

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