



PAN PAC 2023

Thursday 14 to Sunday 17 September 2023

Kia Ora / Hi Everyone,

This Newsletter is primarily to keep in touch with you all, but also let you a little more about the exciting upcoming event.

Who will be coming to Pan Pac 2023?

This promises to be the biggest Barbershop Convention in the Southern Hemisphere – ever! You’d better be there. The winners of the various Pan Pacific contests will be true champions. And of course we have the BHNZ National contests and the BHA National contests running concurrently.

We have provisional indications that 575 persons will come to Pan Pac from NZ, 275 from Australia and maybe a small number from Hawaii. Let’s see if we can encourage a few more to come and bring the numbers up to a round 1,000!

Unfortunately, our Japanese friends from both the Tokyo Barbers and The Lockers have said they will be unable to make it on this occasion. They are very sad to be missing a highlight in their barbershop calendar but, for one reason and another (mainly travel restrictions associated with Covid), they are unable to join us.

What can you look forward to?

The programme has not firmed up yet and may change but here is our current thinking.

Wednesday 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. NZ Young Singers in Harmony Evening Show b. John Buckley Show – equivalent to the BHA John Little Show
Thursday 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Opening Ceremony b. Quartet Contests c. Harbour Cruise
Friday 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Quartet Contests b. Sing With The Champs c. DIY Afterglow



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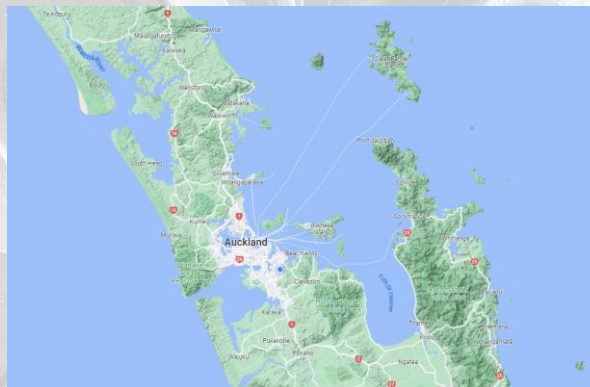
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Saturday 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Chorus contest b. Saturday Evening Gala Show c. Formal Afterglow
Sunday 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Faith based Services b. Farewell Meal together c. Wrap Up

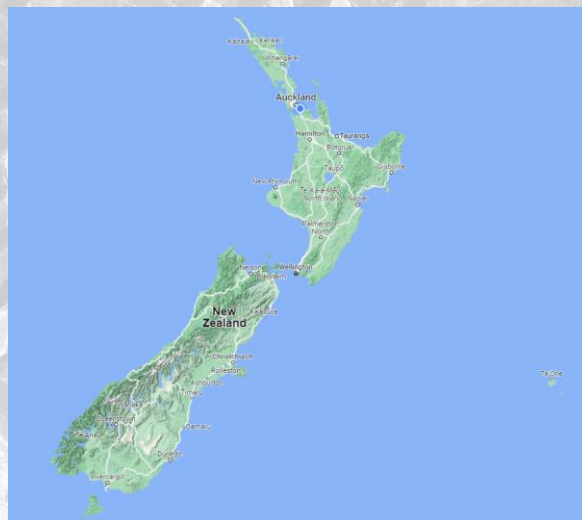
What to do in Auckland and New Zealand (for our overseas guests)

There is plenty to see and do and fascinating places to visit. But rather than try and replicate the information that already exists on the internet, we thought we would simply give you the links to the relevant websites, and you can do your own exploring. Here are the main ones:

Auckland <https://www.aucklandnz.com/>



New Zealand in general <https://www.newzealand.com/nz/>





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The Pan Pac 2023 Website and the Registration Fee

Find it at <https://www.convention.barbershopharmony.nz>

Don't forget to refer to the Newsletters, which can be accessed through the website. These contain interesting information about Pan Pac.

A vital part of the website will be the Registration Site, but it is not available yet. If all goes well, we hope to have it in place by mid-April. And the most important aspect of the Registration Site, as we all know, is the Registration Fee. Ouch! We should tell you that when we budget for an event such as Pan Pac, or indeed any Barbershop Convention, there is a huge amount of work behind the scenes with respect of assessing our costs and our income. We are narrowing down the costs, but the income is still an educated guess – and we must balance the two. If we set the Registration Fee to high, it may put people off coming. If we set the Registration Fee too low, we may not be able to pay for everything. Welcome to budgeting for Barbershop Conventions; it is real chicken and egg stuff! Why are we telling you this? Simply because we know that you want to know what the Registration Fee is going to be, and we can't tell you yet.

The Māori Language for Visitors

Now you are a whizz at pronouncing Māori words, let's find out some common sayings you may hear.

Māori	English
Haere mai	Welcome
Haere ra	Farewell
Kia ora	Hello or Thank you
Kia ora tatou	Hello, everyone
Ka pai	Good
Tena koe	Greetings (said to one person)
Tena koutou	Greetings, everyone
Ka kite ano	Until I see you again
Hei konei ra	See you later

Did you know all Māori words end in a vowel?

Stop Press - The Judges!!!

The Judging Panel have just been announced. Being a Pan Pac we have a fantastic team to help us run the contests. The fact that we have a three-tier panel is indicative of the importance of this show on the international barbershop stage. They are:



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- Scott Kitzmiller (USA) – Music
- Steve Armstrong (Canada) – Music
- Alex Morris (Australia) – Music
- Allen Otto (USA) – Performance
- Dusty Schleier (USA) – Performance
- Theresa Weatherbee (USA) - Performance
- Bec Hewitt (Australia) – Singing
- Ig Jakovac (USA) – Singing
- Tim Reynolds (USA) – Singing
- Linda Vinall (Australia) – CA
- Randy Rensi (USA) – CA
- John Faris (Australia) – CA
- Aaron Hewitt (Australia) – CA
- Kevin Day (New Zealand) - CA



Did you know that the term “Judges” refers to all involved in the Judging Panel, in other words not just the Judges but the CAs as well?

More about the Judges in due course.

Nga mihi mahana (Warm regards)

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