



NEWSLETTER

September 2012

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

When: Sunday 28 October 2012 at 10:00 am
Where: Chung Wah Hall

We encourage all members, past and present to attend. New members are especially welcome.

For further information please check the Chung Wah Society NT website under the subheading of Annual General Meeting.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

There are still a number of CWS Members that have yet to renew their Membership. Membership renewals are now **OVER-DUE**. If you are unsure of your Membership status, then email membership@chungwahnt.asn.au or contact one of the CWS Committee Members and it will be followed up.



CARPARKING RENEWALS



There are still a number of CWS Carparkers that have not yet paid for their bay. Payment is now OVER-DUE. You are required to pay your outstanding renewal before the 30th September 2012, or your bay will be reassigned without further notice. If you have not received a renewal invoice, then you should contact carparking@chungwahnt.asn.au in the first instance.

MODEL MAKER WANTED

Wanted: someone to assemble a scale model of the Ming Dynasty (1405 to 1430 AD) Cheng Ho sailing ship. This is the style of Chinese ocean going junk that featured in Gavin Menzies' book "1421 – the year the Chinese discovered America" - 70 years before Columbus.

The model is 60 cms long and will be donated to the CWS museum. A fee will be paid to the assembler. If you are interested, please ring Richard Quan on 0412 613 055.

2012 MOON FESTIVAL CELEBRATIONS

Chung Wah Society invites Members and Friends attend our annual Moon Festival.

Date: Saturday 29th September 2012

Time: Gates open at 6.30pm Sharp

Entertainment: will be provided by the spectacular Lion and Dragon Dance Troupe and the fabulous Jade Dragons Traditional Dancers.



Traditional Lantern Parade: If you wish your child to participate in our popular Children's Lantern Parade, please make your own Lantern as there will be a prize for the best homemade Lantern on the night, although there will also be a limited number of Lanterns for sale on the night we encourage families to make their own lanterns so not to be disappointed.

Past Functions have been extremely well attended in the past as this Festival is promoted as a family function and in order to keep costs down, it is important that you read the following:

Note:

Limited Tables and chairs will be available however it will be on "First in, Best Dressed" basis. If you plan to be late, please bring your own Tables and Chairs.

Bring your own food for your own family/Group

Food will not be shared outside of your group (due to New Health Regulations)

Limited amount of Moon Cakes and Soft Drinks will be on sale

Food will not be available for sale at the venue on the night

BYOG - CWS encourage the practice of sensible consumption of Alcohol



THE MOON FESTIVAL

This year, the Moon festival (also called the Mooncake or Mid-Autumn festival) falls on Sunday, September 30.

Every year on the fifteenth day of the eighth month of the lunar calendar, when the moon is at its maximum brightness for the entire year, the Chinese celebrate "zhong qiu jie."

Children are told the story of the moon fairy living in a crystal palace, who comes out to dance on the moon's shadowed surface. The legend surrounding the "lady living in the moon" dates back to ancient times, to a day when ten suns appeared at once in the sky.

The Emperor ordered a famous archer to shoot down the nine extra suns. Once the task was accomplished, Goddess of Western Heaven rewarded the archer with a pill that would make him immortal.

However, his wife found the pill, took it, and was banished to the moon as a result. Legend says that her beauty is greatest on the day of the Moon festival.



ILLEGALLY PARKED CARS

There have been occasions, where a car has been illegally parked in a CWS Carparkers bay.

If you find that a car has been illegally parked in your bay, we ask that you inform the CWS Carparking Sub-Committee asap, via email (carparking@chungwahnt.asn.au), and provide as much information as possible of the illegally parked car (eg: rego number, colour, make, model).

We ask that you do not take any action(s) against the illegally parked car that may result in property damage. Once the CWS Carparking Sub-Committee are made aware of the illegally parked car, we will have processes in place to address such an occurrence.

If your assigned bay has an illegally parked car occupying it, you can **temporarily** park your car in one of the vacant bays next to the Temple - when doing this, you need to ensure that you leave a brief note inside your windscreen advising you have parked in the Temple bay as there is an illegal parker in your assigned bay.

Do note, that the Temple Bays are used by Temple Worshipers, so there may be occasions when there are also no available Temple parking bays.



USE OF CWS CARPARK BAYS

This is a reminder to all CWS Carparkers that as a condition of leasing a CWS Parking Bay, that you are **NOT** to sub-lease your assigned bay without prior consent from the Chung Wah Society.

If you are going on leave for a short period of time (4 weeks or less), and you would like someone to use it whilst you are on leave, then you will need to email carparking@chungwahnt.asn.au to inform us of this **PRIOR** to you commencing leave - ensure the email provides sufficient information (eg: name of person, contact no, rego no, make of car, model of car, colour).

If these details are not provided, then we will consider the car to be illegally parked on CWS premises.

CWS CARPARKING PERMITS

As mentioned in the Renewal Invoice sent out to all CWS Carparkers, we will be introducing the use of Carparking Permits.

These have now been manufactured and will be ready for collection from Friday (14/09) until Friday (28/09), excluding Mondays, between the hours of 11:00am until 02:00pm from the CWS Museum office.

You will need to present your 2012/2013 Carparking Receipt as proof of entitlement to receive the permit. CWS carparkers that have paid for additional permits have already been noted and they will receive their additional permits at the same time.

The Permits are electrostatic and can be placed on the inside of your windscreen or can just be left displayed on your dashboard - the Permit must be displayed at all times whilst you are parked in your assigned bay on CWS Premises.

We will have the Permit Number and associated car details recorded on our database, so you need to ensure that you have provided us with up-to-date details of your car(s) that will be using your bay.

Carparking Fees must be paid in **FULL** before you will receive your Permit.



Darwin Chinese Temple
Events for the Chinese New Year
The Chinese Year of the Dragon – 2012

Sunday 15th January

Friday 27th January

Saturday 28th January

Sunday 29th January

Saturday 4th February

Sunday 5th - Tuesday 7th February

FESTIVALS at the TEMPLE - 2012

Monday 23rd January

Thursday 26th January

Tuesday 31st January

Tuesday 7th February

Sunday 11th March

Saturday 24th March

Thursday 5th April

Tuesday 31st July

Monday 6th August

Saturday 11th August

Friday 7th September

Saturday 22nd September

Friday 2nd November

Sunday 11th November

Other Festivals

Sunday 1st April - Ching Ming Festival (Actual Date – Wednesday 4th April) Official service at Memorial Chapel at 0800 hours,
Then at the Chinese Cemetery – Stuart Park

Thursday 30th August - Yee Lun Festival

Official service at Memorial Chapel at 1930 hours,
Then in the open space between the hall and Temple

Other Festivals Observed

Saturday 23rd June

Sunday 30th September

Friday 21st December

Preparation of the Temple for New Year,
replacing altar ribbons, golden flowers, etc

Lion Dances to business. CASUARINA SQUARE

Lion Dances to business, houses, etc. DARWIN CITY - CBD

Lion Dances to business, houses, etc. PALMERSTON

Lion Dances to business, houses, etc. NORTHERN SUBURBS

Lion Dances to business, houses, etc. ALICE SPRINGS

New Year Official service at midnight Sunday 22nd January

Hoy Yin (opening seals) Official services at midnight Wednesday 25th January

Yook Wong Di Official services at 0800 hours

Chin Lo Kwan Official service at midnight Monday 6th February

Kwan Yin Official services at 0800 hours

Buk Di Official services at 0800 hours

Yuen Hun & Yee Ling Official services at 0800 hours

Loo Bun Official services at 0800 hours

Kwan Yin Official services at 0800 hours

Kwan Sing Di Official services at 0800 hours

Toy Buk Sing Goon Official services at 0800 hours

Ho Wong Official services at 0800 hours

Kwan Yin Official services at 0800 hours

Wah Kwong Official services at 0800 hours

Dragon Boat Festival No Official service at Temple

Moon Festival No Official service at Temple

Doong Festival No Official service at Temple

MEMBERS' SERVICE DIRECTORY

If you have a service or skill that may be useful to other members of the Chung Wah Society. Please email your details to newsletter@chungwahnt.asn.au

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Irene Musgrave	Bridgestone Select Winnellie	M 0428325153 B 8984 4546 E accountsbswinnellie@gmail.com	Tyres, wheels & batteries, rego checks & mechanical repairs

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SHARE YOUR NEWS WITH US

We would love to include your stories and photos in the Chung Wah newsletter.

Even if you just want to post a photo with a title/heading, we'd all love to see it.

Please email newsletter@chungwahnt.asn.au

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