

Local Liquor Wanganui

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A newsletter prepared by the Wanganui District Licensing Agency for those in the Liquor Industry

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Daylight Savings Ends – Sunday 20 March 2004

With the ending of Daylight savings nearly upon us it is timely to remind you of our local policy in this regard, for those late night traders.

Licensed premises will trade through until normal closing time, close up, then put your clocks back an hour.

Similarly in six months time you will trade through until normal closing time, close up, and then put your clocks forward an hour.

This agreement was based on the swings and round-about principle and has worked satisfactory thus far.



Trading over Easter

A reminder for those premises which operate a Hotel or Tavern type On Licence and Off Licences. Good Friday falls on Friday 9 April 2004 and Easter Sunday falls on Sunday 11 April 2004, which means no liquor is to be sold or supplied on either of these days, and for those premises who would normally trade after 12.00 midnight **on the Thursday before Good Friday and on Easter Saturday your premise can only trade until 12.00 midnight.**

Trading hours for Anzac Day

This year Anzac Day falls on a Sunday, which means no liquor is to be sold or supplied after 12.00 midnight on Saturday 24 April 2004 and premises cannot commence trading again until after 1.00pm on Sunday 25 April 2004.

Conditions on your licence should read:-

"It is a condition of every on-licence granted in respect of a hotel or tavern that no liquor is to be sold or supplied on Good Friday, Easter Sunday, Christmas Day, or before 1.00pm on Anzac Day to any person other than-

- (a) any person who is for the time being living on the premises, whether as a lodger or an employee of the holder, or otherwise; or*
- (b) Any person who is present on the premises for the purpose of dining"*
- (c) Liquor may be sold only on the following days and during the following hours:*
 - (i) Monday to Sunday __.00 am to __.00 am the following day; EXCEPT THAT*
 - (ii) On the Thursday before Good Friday; and on Easter Saturday; and on Christmas Eve; **and on the day before Anzac Day, liquor may only be sold between __.00 am and 12.00 midnight.***

And under Section 14.35 the Sale of Liquor Act 1989:-

"Under 3 (2) Anzac Day Act 1966, when Anzac Day is not a Sunday it is nevertheless observed until 1.00pm as if it were a Sunday. From 1.00pm onwards it is observed as if it were a Saturday. In practical terms, that means no casual bar trading until 1.00pm without a special licence."

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Applications

The District Licensing Agency (DLA) continues to receive applications for Licenses that don't allow the sufficient timeframe to be processed before the licence is required. Applications are at risk of being opposed on this basis due to the lack of time to obtain the required approvals from other agency's involved in the licensing process. An application is deemed received once all application forms, fees, and the appropriated supporting documentation have been submitted to the DLA.

Applications for Specials, Temporary Authorities, On, Club and Renewal of these Licenses are all forwarded to the Police for their recommendations on whether the applicant is suitable to hold a licence. The Medical Officer of Health is forwarded the application and will also base the applicants suitability on a questionnaire which should be obtained when applying for a licence. These agencies have 15 working days to lodge their objects with the DLA.

Applications for Managers Certificates and Off Licenses are only sent to the Police.

Welcome

Welcome to the District to all the new Premise owners:

Amadeus Riverbank Café Ltd for the Amadeus Riverbank Café; Dalton Gorrie for The What Café; Big Orange Limited for Ceramic – Winebar; Robina Holdings Limited for Victoria's Restaurant:

Farewell

The District Licensing Agency and the Local Liquor Liaison Group wish to farewell Wanganui RSA Manager – Bill Campbell who is retiring at the end of the month. The Local Liquor Liaison Group wish to thank Bill for his input and attendance at the Groups Meetings as a Representative of Clubs in the District.



Flood Victim

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Russell Parry owner of the Whangaehu Hotel. The Hotel was vastly damaged in the Floods that affected the Whangaehu area.

Health Promoters Report

RECOGNISING MINORS

It's now four months since the Local Liquor Liaison Group hosted a series of workshops for liquor industry workers. The level of attendance at, and participation in, the workshops was a big plus and a clear indication that there is a real need for these type of events.

It is timely to revisit some of the key messages the workshops promoted. High on the list is the need to make sure that you sell alcohol only to adults – those aged eighteen years and over. Young people are pretty good at 'doing themselves up' to look older than they really are. As the workshop "Guess the Age" line ups also illustrated, most of us fail to guess the correct age of young people most of the time! Given what is at stake in terms of fines and other consequences, relying on your ability to guess a young person's age is not a very safe bet.

Remember to request, and carefully check, ID. Acceptable forms of ID are:

- NZ drivers licence
- HANZ 18+
- NZ or overseas passport

It is not uncommon for young people to present ID that really belongs to an older brother or sister. Sometimes they will present ID that has been tampered with. **Be alert to this too.**

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