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DATES TO REMEMBER

Date/Day	Event	Venue	Time
Sunday	Miniball/Basketball Practices	Edgar/OBHS	9.30am -12 noon
Tuesday evenings	OSCA Women's team's games	Edgar	Evening
Thursday afternoons	OSCA Miniball team's games	Edgar	Afternoon
Saturday afternoons	OSCA Men's teams' games	Edgar	Afternoon
Thursday	Lion Dance Practices	OSCA Rooms	8.00pm – 9.30pm
Tuesday 2 nd June	Banana Conference Short Story Competition entries close		
Sunday 14 June Saturday 20 June	Children's Lantern Making for 2009 Dunedin Mid Winter Carnival	TBC	TBC
Sat 18th – Sun 19th July	Rising Dragons, Soaring Bananas - NZCA Banana Conference	Auckland	
Fri 28 th – Sun 30 th August	OSCA Annual Camp	Tirohanga Camp	
Sat 26 th – Sun 27 th September	South Island Basketball Tournament	Dunedin	

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President's Report

We have just had a couple of months of very busy time especially with our Youth Sub-Committee organising the largest contingent going to Christchurch for the Easter Tournament this year. As usual all those who went had a really good time, played well and fair. This year we had over 130 players and supporters who went up to Christchurch and they played 11 sports during the weekend. This year, instead of Canterbury putting on a cultural concert themselves, they asked for entries from all the centres. We had an entry in each of the three categories and won all three categories. A team of enthusiastic miniballers and parents also travelled away. We are just so proud of everyone who participated and contributed to this huge effort. Big thanks to Janice Sew Hoy and Frances Wong for the countless hours they put into the organisation of this trip beforehand. Also thanks to Peter & Janice Sew Hoy, Frances Wong and Linus & Leanne Chin who spent the weekend driving everyone around and looking after everyone.

Malcolm Wong, Chairman of the Dunedin Chinese Gardens Trust gave us a very informative talk on the history and the background of the Chinese Gardens. All those who attended said it was a very worthwhile talk and they all learned something about the Chinese Gardens that they didn't know.

In this newsletter you will find reports of our activities and events in the last couple of months but also really interesting up and coming events. Also remember our website which has been developed and kept up to date by Gordon Wong. Do check in from time to time if you want to keep up to date.

I wish you all a nice and warm Autumn and Winter.

Teresa Chan
President
Otago and Southland Branch

最近幾個月我們都很忙碌，尤其是為了青年小組最大的代錶團去基督城參加今年的復活節錦標賽。通常，所有去參加的人都有一個美好的時光，良好的髮揮和公平的比賽。今年我們一共有 130 個人（包括參賽者和陪同人員）去基督城參加了 11 個項目為期只有一個週末的比賽。今年，凱特伯雷自己舉辦了文化音樂會，他們邀請了所有的人參加。我們參加了三個不同的項目，並都獲得了獎項。Miniball 隊員的家長們為了助威也一起去了基督城。我們為每一個參加和組織，並獲得這次鉅大的成就的人感到自豪；同時也感謝 Janice Sew Hoy and Frances Wong 為這次的比賽付出了許多寶貴的時間；另外還要感謝 Peter & Janice Sew Hoy, Frances Wong and Linus & Leanne Chin 在週末的時候開車載團隊的所有成員來回基督城，並且對他們的照顧和關懷。

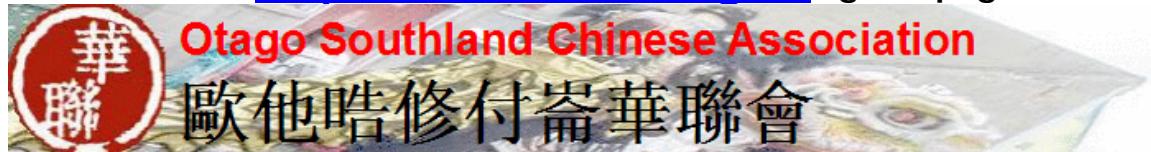
但尼丁中國花園基金會的主席 Malcolm Wong 紿我們介紹了中國花園的歷史和背景。所有參加的人都感到有很大的收穫，也都對中國花園有了新的認識。

有關于最近幾個月的報道和活動將會在這一期的報紙中登出來，還有一些新的有趣的活動等着你來參加。我們的網站也在髮展中，並且不斷的更新，謝謝 Gordon Wong 對此的努力。如果你想要知道新的消息，請隨時查看我們的網站。

我希望每一個人都有一個美好時光，不管是溫暖的秋天還是寒冷的冬天。

陳慕詩 Teresa Chan
會長
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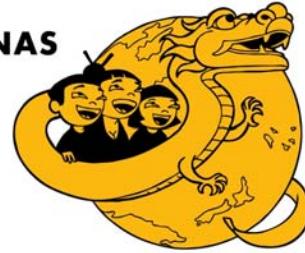
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RISING DRAGONS, SOARING BANANAS

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

18 & 19 July 2009



Make Way for Dragons and Bananas

New Zealand Chinese Association Auckland Inc. is delighted to welcome the return of the popular and iconic cultural storytelling experience, affectionately known as the 'Banana Conference', on Sat. 18 and Sun. 19 July at The University of Auckland Business School, Auckland.

Organised in conjunction with the International Society for Studies of Chinese Overseas (ISSCO), **Rising Dragons, Soaring Bananas** celebrates the journeys, stories and identities of high profile New Zealand and overseas born Chinese, positioning Chinese as proud, confident and leading the way on the world stage. A highlight of the ISSCO breakout sessions will draw on experiences about Chinese communities across the globe.

Rising Dragons, Soaring Bananas continues to push the boundaries by offering a fresh way for everyone to explore and understand the place and role of the Chinese in the world today.

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

- Libby Wong, Writer and Former Hong Kong Legislative Councillor
- High profile papers from ISSCO members
- High Flying Bananas - Success Stories Home and Abroad
- Cracking the Glass Ceiling - Career Velocity
- Falling Leaves Return Home - Life Changing Experiences
- Creative Chinese - The New Cool
- Chinese in New Zealand - Reclaiming Our History
- Short Story Competition - Bringing Chinese Voices to Life

Book early to avoid disappointment! Places are limited.

Conference Organiser: New Zealand Chinese Association Auckland Inc

Venue: The University of Auckland Business School

<http://www.goingbananas.org.nz/>

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NZCA SHORT STORY COMPETITION held in conjunction with the Rising Dragons Soaring Bananas International Conference

- Stories are to be based on your interpretation of the keywords "Chinese" and "New Zealand"
- Competition is open to any person of Chinese ethnic origin living in New Zealand
- No entry fees
- Stories must be of the entrant's own creation
- Stories must be in English and be unpublished work
- Maximum length of story to be 1500 words
- Entrants may submit a maximum of 3 short stories
- Entries close Tuesday 2 June 2009 and to be emailed and posted
- Entries will be judged by a panel of three

First prize \$1,000. Two runner- ups: \$500 & \$250
Merit prize for a secondary school student: \$250

The winners will present their stories at the Short Story session of the Rising Dragons Soaring Bananas International Conference' on Sunday, 19 July 2009

For all relevant and updated information, please visit our website www.goingbananas.org.nz

For enquiries please email Vivian Chow at nzcassc09@gmail.com

More OSCA Teams in the Dunedin Basketball Competitions!

Miniball and basketball continues to grow in popularity amongst our community!

This year OSCA has again sponsored teams in the men's and women's grades in the local weekly competitions. The popularity of our OSCA teams has increased with several of our newer basketball players signing up to play. As a result we have entered not one, but TWO men's teams into these competitions. The women's team plays every Tuesday night at Edgar Stadium. The men's teams play every Saturday afternoon at Edgar Stadium.

OSCA has also sponsored a miniball team for our enthusiastic younger players. This OSCA team is entered into the local Miniball competition. Their games will be played on Thursday afternoons at Edgar Stadium.



.....and one OSCA men's team will be travelling away to compete in the WCSCC Queen's Birthday Tournament in Wellington!

South Island Chinese Miniball & Basketball Tournament

DATE: Saturday 26th September and Sunday 27th September 2009

VENUE: Lion Foundation Arena, Edgar Stadium, Dunedin.

Grades:

Tiniball – younger players and new players to the sport

Miniball – Primary school children (up to year 6)

Intermediate – Intermediate school children (Years 7 & 8)

High School – High School children (Years 9-13)

University/Open – High school leavers, those in tertiary institutions and adults

There will also be a social function organized on Saturday evening. The tournament is a great opportunity to meet other miniball & basketball players on a social basis and provides some exciting competition. We welcome all existing and new players to our weekly practices.

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OSCA Mini Ball – 2009 Easter Tournament Report

By Adrian Thein and Glenda Kaan

The OSCA miniball team performed very well at the Easter tournament, resulting in 2 draws and 1 loss. They played against two very strong teams from Canterbury and Wellington, creating a few tense moments for the onlooking supporters! Our miniballers demonstrated some great team work, making sure to include the smaller players as well, and were a credit to their coaches, Jason,

Darren and Richard. A high turnout of OSCA families ensured all players were able to play, but were also given time to rest and observe the game. MVPs were awarded to Heidi Chin and Jasmine Ng at the post-Easter party. Congratulations to the whole team for their dedication and commitment, and special thanks to the coaches and all the organisers!

Full Easter Report – pages 13 to 15

OSCA Miniball & Basketball Practice Timetable

(Term 2 - 2009)

Date	Venue	Tiniball/Miniball	Venue	High School Girls	High School Boys	Women's Basketball	Men's Basketball
26 th Apr		HOLIDAYS		HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	9:30am – 10:30am	10:30am – 12pm
3 rd May	Edgar	9:30am – 10:30am	Edgar	9:30am – 11.00am	9:30am – 10:30am	9:30am – 11.00am	10:30am – 12pm
10 th May	Edgar	9:30am – 10:30am	OBHS	4:30pm – 5.30pm	5:30pm – 6:30pm	4:30pm – 5.30pm	5:30pm – 6.30pm
17 th May	Edgar	9:30am – 10:30am	OBHS	4:30pm – 5:30pm	5:30pm – 6:30pm	4:30pm – 5:30pm	5:30pm – 6.30pm
24 th May	Edgar	9:30am – 10:30am	Edgar	9.30am -11.00am	9:30am – 10:30am	9:30pm – 11.00am	11.00am – 12.30pm
31 st May	Edgar	Queen's Birthday	Edgar	Queen's Birthday	Queen's Birthday	9:30am – 10:30am	10:30am – 12pm
7 th Jun		NO PRACTICE		NO PRACTICE	NO PRACTICE	UNI EXAMS	UNI EXAMS
14 th Jun	Edgar	9:30am – 10:30am	Edgar	9:30am – 10.30am	9:30am – 10:30am	UNI EXAMS	UNI EXAMS
21 st Jun	Edgar	9:30am – 10:30am	Edgar	9:30am – 10.30am	9:30am – 10:30am	UNI EXAMS	UNI EXAMS
28 th Jun	Edgar	9:30am – 10:30am	Edgar	9:30am – 10.30am	9:30am – 10:30am	UNI HOLIDAYS	UNI HOLIDAYS
5 th Jul		HOLIDAYS		HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	UNI HOLIDAYS	UNI HOLIDAYS
12 th Jul		HOLIDAYS	Edgar	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	9:30am – 10:30am	10:30am – 12pm
19 th Jul		HOLIDAYS	Edgar	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	9:30am – 10:30am	10:30am – 12pm

Otago & Southland Chinese Association Basketball practice fees

The Otago & Southland Chinese Association Basketball annual registration fee for Term 1, 2 & 3 - 2009 is \$60 per player.

If you are new to our practices, the Otago & Southland Chinese Association Basketball practice fees for Term 4, 2 and Term 3 (2009) are \$20 per term.

You must be a member of the Otago & Southland Chinese Association to be able to play.

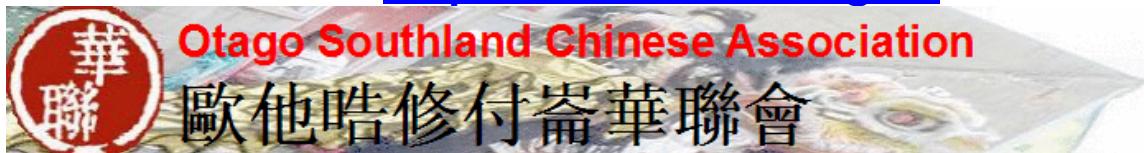
Payment entitles you to

- entry to Edgar Centre & OBHS for all timetabled OSCA practices in 2009.
- team coaching at practices.
- use of uniforms for OSCA teams in the local Dunedin competitions.
- use of OSCA uniforms at tournaments.

If you do not wish to pay the basketball term fee you can still attend our practices by paying \$3.00 per practice. Payment of the following fees **must be at the beginning of each practice/term**.

	Single practices	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Fee	\$3.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	TBA

<http://www.osca.org.nz>



OSCA has its own website! Check it out! If you see the banner above on the web, then you've arrived at the OSCA website. Find out what OSCA is about and what we do.

The website should be the first place to check for the latest information regarding OSCA events and any other Chinese related events. The aim is to place all known OSCA events into the calendar on the home page. You can scroll from month to month to see what's coming up. If anything is incorrect or if you have ideas about what should be included, simply contact us via the 'Contact Us' page.

OSCA Lion Dance Team



Weekly lion dance practices are held at the OSCA rooms on Thursday evenings 8.00pm – 9.30pm.

We are training with our brand new gear recently purchased from overseas. Our team of young and enthusiastic members are building on our previous experiences and working on improving the standards of our performances.

We are currently liaising with George Chan from the Qiao Yi Lion Dance Team in Christchurch and planning a weekend lion dance workshop with him and this team.

If anyone is interested in joining our fun and hardworking team, please contact us. Previous experience not required.



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OSCA Children's Sub Committee

2009 Dunedin Mid Winter Carnival

Come join the OSCA children's group to make a Chinese Paper Lantern to parade on the shortest day of the year!

The Octagon
Saturday 20th June 2009 5:30pm

Make Your Chinese Lantern with OSCA

Lantern Making Provisional Date

Sunday 14th June

Contact us by 15 May to book a place.

Email: gwongy@world-net.co.nz Gordon Wong

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Details:

All materials supplied

Wear old clothing

\$3 to cover costs

OSCA ANNUAL WEEKEND CAMP

Mark this date in your new 2009 diaries!!!

Date: Friday 28th August (late afternoon) – Sunday 30th August (late afternoon) 2009

(First weekend of the Otago University Mid-Semester Break)

Venue: Tirohanga Camp (5 mins drive from Mosgiel)

Cost: TBC but this is being heavily subsidised by OSCA

What is provided: Accommodation, food and lots of NEW activities.

What to bring: sleeping bag, pillow, warm clothes and either shorts and t shirt or swimming togs.

*****To be able to attend this camp you must be 15 years or over***

and

a member of the OSCA. **

- Meet new friends, spend time with old friends, learn some new skills and have lots of fun.
- There are endless NEW activities organized for the whole weekend. There will also be the popular annual competition for the OSCA Lip-sync Cup (great prizes!)
- Registrations will be taken in May 2009. Places are limited so you must ensure you have paid your money to reserve your bunk and to obtain your registration forms.
- Transport will be arranged for anyone who does not have their own vehicle. Small extra charge applies.

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The Ventnor

The Ventnor, chartered by the Cheong Shing Tong, left Wellington in October 1902 with just under five hundred coffins on board. Sadly the boat struck a submerged rock and then foundered just south of the Hokianga Harbour. Some of the Ventnor's unusual cargo washed ashore.

By Peter and Janice Sew Hoy

OSCA continues to work on the Ventnor project. In late February a group travelled to the Far North to meet with the iwi of the area. We represented the Otago & Southland Branch of the NZCA and travelled with this group. The purpose of this trip was to pay our respects to the dead and to show our appreciation to the local Maori for their care and respect of the remains that had washed ashore. The group was extremely warmly welcomed by the two marae that we visited and heard many amazing stories from the Maori. Most of these stories had been passed down from their grandparents. We were shown areas where the remains had been reburied by the Maori. We also discussed the possibility of a memorial to be laid to remember the story of the Ventnor.

The Ventnor Story and developments will be presented at the NZCA Banana Conference in July later this year.

We would like to thank the Chinese Poll Tax Heritage Trust for contributing towards the costs of this trip.

1902年10月 Ventnor 號船在昌善堂的支持下，離開惠靈頓碼頭，船上裝有不到5百個箱子（箱子裡裝的是華僑骸

骨並打算運回祖國安葬的）。不幸的是，船觸到了水下的暗礁，最後在 Hokianga Harbour（奧克蘭西南部的赫基昂加海灣）南部沉沒。在 Ventnor 號船上有一些不尋常的箱子，那是用來拋掉以減輕船浮力的。

歐他皓修付峇華聯會還在繼續關注着 Ventnor 這艘船的故事。在二月下旬，一群旅行者準備到北島旅遊並且拜訪了當地的毛利人。我們向華聯會歐他皓修付峇分部提議，和他們一起參加這次旅行。這次行程的主要目的是給當時遇難的人獻上鮮花和敬意，對當地毛利人照看紀念堂表示感激，還有緬懷那些遺留下來的箱子和遺骨。考查人員們受到了毛利人的熱烈歡迎。我們參觀了兩個毛利人的會堂，並且從他們口中聽到了很多不可思議的故事。大多數故事是從老一輩的毛利人那裏傳下來的。他們帶領我們參觀了遺蹟，並且對那些遺留下來的箱子和遺骨進行了新的葬禮。我們還討論了為 Ventnor 號船的遇難建立一個紀念碑，讓大家能夠記住緬懷 Ventnor 號船的故事。

有關 Ventnor 號船的故事和一些進展情況將會在今年 7 月的 NZCA Banana Conference 上展現給大家。

最後，我們對華人人頭稅歷史遺產信託委員會提供這次旅行的費用而表示衷心的感謝。



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5th May 2009

To the Chinese Community:

With the Dunedin Chinese Garden ("Lan Yuan") completed and officially opened it has now been gifted to the City of Dunedin to be run by the Dunedin City Council ("DCC"). We are very grateful for the valued contribution and continued support of the Chinese community which has enabled this to happen.

The Dunedin Chinese Gardens Trust ("DCGT") has a continuing role to work with the DCC to ensure that the authenticity and integrity of Lan Yuan is maintained as well as assisting with fundraising if required and to encourage membership to the *Friends of the Garden*. The DCGT also considers Lan Yuan will form a strategic element in the development of the future historic Central Otago gold trail.

As a significant tourist attraction the DCGT believes Lan Yuan will play a key role in *enlightening* the local population and visitors on the Chinese role in New Zealand's history and on the Chinese culture in general. This objective forms an integral part of the DCGT's Vision Statement.

The DCGT has entered into a sponsorship agreement with the SBS Bank, whereby the SBS Bank has made a generous donation and significant interest-free loan to the DCGT. The terms of the sponsorship agreement include the SBS writing off the loan once \$10 million of new investment business from DCGT supporters is generated over the two years from June 2008. If this target is not met the Trust is required to meet any outstanding loan balance not written off.

The role of the DCGT is to introduce the SBS Bank to people who may wish to consider the SBS as part of their investment portfolio.

We stress that once introductions by the Trust have been completed any business dealings between you and the SBS Bank are carried out in the strictest of confidence. The Trust receives no information on an individual basis and the only information that the DCGT receives is a monthly balance of the total business generated to date.

Your participation is purely voluntary but obviously we would be most grateful if you did choose to make SBS Bank part of your investment plan. Any business or investment that follows will be recorded by SBS Bank as resulting from the DCGT connection and a portion of the loan written off accordingly.

SBS Bank has attractive rates of investment competitive with other banking organisations and, of course, any monies deposited/invested (up to \$1 million) with the SBS Bank are covered under the Government deposit guarantee scheme. Please note that this notice does not constitute the provision of investment advice.

The agreement has been running for about eleven months to date and already it has generated about \$5 million of new business.

If you do choose to invest with the SBS Bank or decide to rollover your existing investments please contact Jackie Cooper (phone: 471 4432) at SBS Dunedin and inform her that you are doing so because of the Dunedin Chinese Garden connection.

Many thanks for your support.

Malcolm Wong (Chairman)

Peter Sew Hoy (Deputy Chairman)

Peter Chin (Immediate Past Chairman)



Invercargill Sub Branch Chinese New Year Lunch 8th Feb 2009



Greetings from the Sub Branch. So far it has been a busy year down south.

We are making good use of the Lion Dance gear kindly loaned to us by our parent branch.

This year we had very warm weather for our New Year Lunch. We were entertained by Lion Dances, Chinese Folk Songs and Chinese School Poetry Recitals.

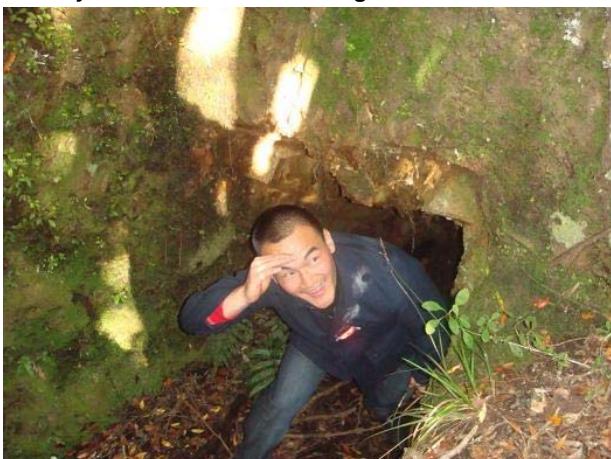
Our best wishes to Liu Shueng Wong who visited us in April. We hope that her trip to Southland has given her plenty of inspiration for her novel about Chinese gold miners.



Above: Sub Branch Lion Dance Performance on Race Relations Day (21 March 2009)
Photography courtesy of Kevin Tyree



RIGHT: Auckland novelist Liu Shueng Wong holding one of the pots left by the Chinese Miners living at Round Hill



LEFT: Xing Don Yan emerging from one of the tunnel like diggings that the Chinese miners made about 100 years ago



LEFT: 25th April 2009 Long Hilly Track (Round Hill)
Left to Right: Jim Wong, Andrea Tan, Xing Dong Yan & Liu Shueng Wong



OSCA's Trip To The NZCA Easter Sports And Cultural Tournament

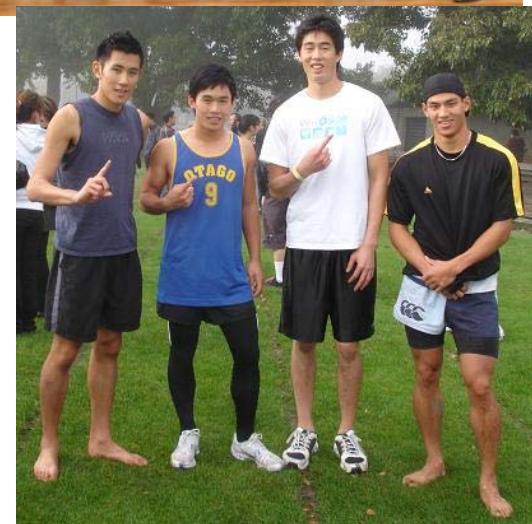
In Christchurch – Friday 10th to Monday 13th April



By Sarah King, Melissa Tan and Nicolle Wong

Friday:

The vans started bright and early at 6.30am Jenny Hu, Patrick Truong and Jono Wu on the journey to Christchurch for the annual Easter Sports Tournament. The journey was far from uneventful with a five car pile up just Rakaia Bridge. Whilst OSCA members checked up on those involved and acted as traffic wardens, panic set in for the OSCA Cultural Concert performers who were in a rush to make it on time for their big debut. However, this didn't hold them back. Arriving with OSCA just in time, Otago and Southland set the standard for the beginning of the tournament by winning all three sections of the Cultural Concert Talent Contest. Jason Wong's entry "180 Seconds" was the winner of the Multimedia section and Gabriel Smith won competitive and social entries in the tennis, with the Open section with his own Spanish guitar composition. The highlight of the event and winning the tennis overall. Later that Concert was the OSCA dance group "More than a Wu-man". With a combination of Café Bleu, giving everyone an opportunity to humour, Chinese opera and hip hop, the unwind and start the Easter partying. performers Brittany Wong, Lilian Pang,



Saturday:

There were early starts had by most, with the basketball beginning at 9.00am and continuing until 7pm. There were many closely fought games, with the OSCA Women's Overs team losing by four points to Auckland and the Men's Under 17 team winning a close game against Canterbury in overtime. Running concurrently with basketball was the touch rugby competition. The OSCA team did not do so well and lost all their games. However all the players had a lot of fun on the field. Miniball was also played over the weekend, with the team drawing two games and losing one. Later that evening the indoor netball was played, with OSCA fielding three teams, and two of them making it to the final "Super 6". Worthy of a mention is the game between the OSCA social netball team and the OSCA competitive team (Team Hungis),



where the social team triumphed in an EPIC VICTORY. The 18 and over social was held at Fat Eddies and Culture Club.



Sunday: Sunday was another early start for the Women's basketball. Hockey was also played on Sunday morning with OSCA entering a team with a wide range of abilities and experience. The team did well considering the very

strong competition. Overall they made the semifinals at night and finished third. The basketball semifinals were played in the afternoon with 2 close Men's Overs and Men's Under 17s games. The Men's Under 17's won by just 2 points to make it to the final on Monday. Mabel McCormick and Ray Lowe won the pair's title and came 2nd in the triples for the lawn bowls held throughout the weekend. Lisa Yue came 2nd in the women's table tennis final, beating many Christchurch representatives on the way. The 18 and over social was

combined with the Canterbury Singapore Students Association at Liquidity making it a great night out. The under 18's social held that night was at The Garage.



Monday:

Monday started with the Athletics with only OSCA and Auckland turning up to compete. OSCA won the Men's Relay, Mile and Women's 800m convincingly. Basketball finals were held in the afternoon, with our Men's Under 17 team being the only OSCA team to play. The rest of the finals were contested between Canterbury and Wellington.

The Presentation Ball for the Easter tournament was held at Hotel Grand Chancellor with a

masquerade theme. OSCA's Lynn Zhuo won the best dressed girl at the ball and a great time was had by all.

EASTER AWARDS WON BY OSCA

Athletics

- Men's 4 x 200m relay (Jason Wong, Nigel Sew Hoy, Henry Kuo, David Tonkin)
- Women's 800m (Kirsty Young)
- Men's Mile (William Sew Hoy)

Lawn Bowls

- Pairs Mabel McCormick & Ray Lowe

Golf

- Women's individual - Leanna Shum

Tennis

- Brittany Wong and Jessica Bing (won the Women's Competitive section)
- Richard Wong & Kristen Wong (won the Mixed Social Section)
- Jason Wong (won the plate final)
- OSCA was the overall winning team





OSCA Post Easter Party

By Janice Sew Hoy



The OSCA Post Easter Party was held on Saturday 25th April. 100 people attended and enjoyed an 8 course Chinese dinner followed by dessert. During dinner everyone watched a slideshow of Easter photos.



Each basketball team got together and presented their coaches with gifts to show their appreciation. The coordinators of the OSCA contingent were also given gifts of appreciation.



We were treated to live performances of the Easter Cultural concert winning entries as some of the contingent did not manage to attend the Good Friday Cultural Concert in Christchurch.

Certificates were given to the Most Valuable Players (MVP) for our Basketball teams

Miniball	Jasmine Ng & Heidi Chin
WU17	Lisa Yue
MU17	Michael Ng
WU21	Kristen Wong
MU21	Boris Ma
WO	Andrea Cho

The winner of the OSCA T shirt design, Jason Wong, was also presented with his prize.

Our younger players, the OSCA miniball team were all presented with Easter eggs. There were also numerous presentations of funny awards to embarrassed individuals.....who will not be named here.



Brittany Wong and Colin Chin then held an extremely amusing quiz game which kept the older members of the contingent busy with often hilarious activities (watch the website for video clips!) Our miniballers were also kept busy with lots of fun activities including fishing for chocolate fish!

To finish off the evening Lisa Yue and Jenny Hu organised a hilarious Truth or Dare Pass the Parcel game. (watch the website for more video clips!)

Thank you to Karena Sew Hoy, Sonya Ma, Jason Wong and Nicolle Wong for organising such a full and entertaining evening.



New Zealand Chinese Association Winter Camp Trip

(Nov- Dec 2008)

By Nigel Sew Hoy



This report is written in order of the cities that we visited and outlines the various attractions and personal memories that I can remember from visiting each city. It doesn't include all my memories because that would take far too long to put onto paper. For me, the China Trip was the best and most inspirational trip that I have ever been on. It certainly stirred up emotions when visiting the homes of my ancestors and it helped me to understand and appreciate the good life that I live in New Zealand.



Foshan City: I really enjoyed learning the kung fu routine at the Wong Fei Hong temple. The amount of time spent at the temple was perfect, and the routine learnt sufficiently difficult and complex, yet simple enough for us to learn in three days to perform to the public! The two kung fu masters were helpful, friendly and also very approachable. I enjoyed socialising with them at karaoke on the final night at Energy bar. Watching the other members of the kung fu school perform at their daily performances was also very inspirational.

Zhong Shan City: The visit to the Dr Sun Yat Sen memorial statue and the Dr Sun Yat Sen Memorial Park was a very educational and amazing experience. Prior to the trip, I didn't know the history or significance of this important figure in Chinese history. The statue was huge and the memorial park was equally impressive.

Shenzhen City: The highlight of my visit to Shenzhen city was our visit to the Magnificent China Folklore Park. I didn't realise how large and detailed the park and its exhibits were until I had visited the actual places at a later stage in the trip. It gave me a good rounded view of the geography and culture of China and its people. I was previously unaware of the vast number of different people who make up the people of China. The buildings, structure and scenery never ceased to amaze me. A particular highlight was the flying fox within the park, also the two magnificent shows that we attended during the evening.

Guangzhou City: Guangzhou city was one of the most interesting cities that I visited in China. Its proximity to many of the China Trip participants' ancestral villages, and its sheer size, make this city a definite favourite of mine. The visit to the Guangzhou Memorial Fort and the giant goat statue was hampered by rain, but still was enjoyable. The experience of buying umbrellas, and subsequently getting ripped off by 10 Yuan is still a vivid memory of mine. The cannons outside the Memorial Fort, the huge burial building and the amount of interesting history of Guangzhou and the Guangdong province made the visit a very enjoyable and educational experience.



Visit to Ancestral Villages: I was lucky enough to get to visit 3 of my ancestral villages. At each place, people were there to meet me, or if no one lived there anymore, the ancestral home was located with the help of Janet and local residents. These visits were an important part of the trip for us growing up as New Zealanders with Chinese heritage. It gave me much satisfaction to have seen the birthplaces of my ancestors and their way of life.



Shanghai: My first impression of Shanghai was that it was so much more advanced than any other part of China that I had visited so far. Shanghai seemed to be full of flash malls. Our visit to the lookout to see the amazing buildings that made up the Shanghai skyline was a definite highlight. The most impressive building was the Oriental Pearl Tower and the Financial Centre Tower. The Oriental Pearl Tower was an amazing sight and the museum underneath was equally impressive with much Shanghai history and wax figurines inside it. Nanjing road was another highlight in Shanghai for those looking to shop. The ancient road on which Nanjing Road is built upon reminds everyone of the history that China has.



On my free day in Shanghai I visited the Shanghai Technology Museum. This was easily the most amazing museum that I have ever visited. It was huge! It covered every area of science and even some that I didn't know existed. It took me a whole day to walk around the museum and even then I didn't have enough time to see and do everything that I wanted to.

Beijing: The Joy City Hotel that we stayed at in Beijing was amazing. It was built for the Beijing Olympics and attached to a large mall full of retail shopping and many food outlets. We didn't need to go anywhere else to go shopping as we had it all right there beside us. One of the highlights of our trip to Beijing was seeing Tiananmen Square, The Forbidden City, The Whispering Wall and the Temple of Heaven. All these sites were within walking distance from each other. We also went to see The Legend of Kung Fu show. This was an amazing show with mind boggling kung fu performances and fight scenes. The Summer Palace was also an amazing place to visit. It was winter when we went to visit and the large manmade lake was frozen solid, which was an amazing sight to see. Shopping in Beijing wouldn't have been complete without a visit to the Silk Markets. Some people went back multiple times to bargain and buy almost anything you could think of. We also had a delicious Peking duck dinner. By far my favourite day of the whole

trip to China was the day that we visited the Great Wall of China, the Ming tombs and the Beijing Olympic stadiums. The Great Wall is the most amazing place that I have ever visited, and the Birds Nest and Water Cube were some of the most amazing buildings that I will ever see.

Hong Kong: In Hong Kong we were allowed to explore the city by ourselves. Most of us split up into smaller groups and explored the seemingly endless number of shopping malls and arcades. Some of us went to HK Disneyland, others went to Macau to gamble and some also went to Ocean Park for some theme park excitement. My favourite places during the Hong Kong visit included visiting Ocean Park, shopping at the largest shopping mall in Hong Kong, Ocean City, and catching the ferry to Macau to look at the Venetian Casino.



Accommodation and Travel: The accommodation in the hotels was good with most hotels being centrally located to shopping malls and eating areas. The highlights were the hotels in Shanghai and Beijing. It took a while to get used to the hard beds in China, but apart from that the accommodation was very comfortable and suited to our tour group's needs. The free internet at most hotels was a definite plus to our accommodation and I would encourage future tour participants to bring a laptop with them so they can keep in contact with the western world! The travel on the tour buses was comfortable, and the bus drivers were always happy and helpful.



Janet/Jessie/Cindy/Sunny: These four people, our guides, were exceptional on this Winter Camp. The amount paid for the trip is very much worth it for the amount of knowledge, guidance and wisdom they have shared. You just cannot put a price on having people like this to show you around a foreign country. China wouldn't have been the same experience without having these four as our guides. All were approachable and very helpful in every aspect of the trip.

Conclusion: This winter camp has been a trip of a lifetime. It was both worthwhile and very eventful. I have made many new friends and learnt many history lessons. It helps me to appreciate where my family has originated from. It is a trip that I would recommend all Chinese New Zealanders' to take part in. Thank you NZCA! 10/10

Dancing Lessons For People With Two Left Feet



By Janice Sew Hoy

Wow! There were so many people with two left feet who responded to our advertisement. They came in droves: young, young at heart, romantics and older. They all came out of curiosity. How do people with two left feet dance?



Well Cecil and Nancy Wong sure got those left feet tapping. The scheduled two hours passed quickly.....it got later and later and those left feet were still tapping at 10.30pm! The break for a cuppa

ended up being a rush to quench a thirst.....all that exercise certainly worked up a sweat.



On the second night they came back.....and more. On the third night they came back and even more!



Cecil and Nancy made learning to dance so easy.....and so fun. Even the most uncoordinated ones amongst us found that we could manage our two left feet.

We learnt the basics of rock n roll, cha cha, waltz, salsa, bachata and hustle. We were rocking to the beat and the auditorium was a sea of smiles. We even learnt 3 sequence dances which had us all skipping in the aisles.

For those of us who did not miss this one off opportunity for members of OSCA to "have a go" we were really impressed that we could actually learn so much in such a short time.



Now we know why dancing is the craze up in the North Island.

It was so much fun!

Thank you Cecil and Nancy! When will you be returning to Dunedin?



Chinese New Year Picnic 2009

The Chinese New Year Picnic was held in very warm and sunny conditions on Sunday 15th February at the Brighton Domain. The Socials sub committee hosted the barbecue while the Children's sub committee ran the fun activities with help from experienced hands in the tug of war.

Photos contributed by Amy Fong, Kevin Wong and Davina Wong





OSCA Youth BBQ

The OSCA Youth Sub Committee held a barbecue and team building fun day at Woodhaugh Gardens on Sunday 15th March 2009.

Teams:

1. Colin, Charlotte, Bernard, Jun
2. Tasman, Jessica, Howard, Jonny
3. Regan, Phiona, David, Susan
4. Brittany, Jodie, Darren, Sin
5. Lisa, Deborah, Wang-Chi, Linus
6. Jenny, Karen, Albert, Kirsty
7. Jono, Matthew, Ryan, Natalie
8. Chee, Peter, Joanne, Kendall

Photos by Janice Sew Hoy and Frances Wong

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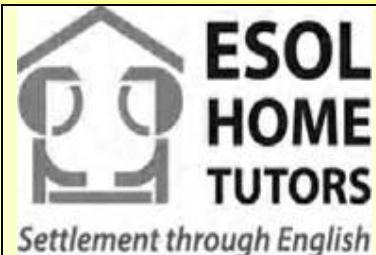
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The OSCA needs your input and ideas to further the community spirit.

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