The North Island Leisure Marching Event
17th – 18th September 2027
The Walter Nash Centre, 22 Taine Street, Taita, LOWER HUTT

Your Hosts:
The AVALON TEAMS

NEWSLETTER NO. 1

THE FINE PRINT

Marching Venue
The Walter Nash Centre,
Tocker St, Taita,
Lower Hutt

Registration
$28.00 per team member
(If paid prior to 30th June)

Registrations from 1st July
$30.00 per team member

Function Venue
Upper Hutt Cossie Club
11 Logan St,
Upper Hutt
$35.00 per person
Theme - TBA

Run Throughs
Team run throughs will be available at the stadium on the Friday from 3.00pm until 7.00pm

Delegates Meeting
Friday 17th September
5.30pm, at the stadium.

Food & Drinks
Free tea and coffee available plus we hope to have a coffee van outside the venue on the Saturday. More information about on-site food options will be in the next newsletter. But there is an on-site café and less than 2 minutes walk away there is a bakery, dairies and variety of take away shops.

The Avalon teams are super excited to be hosting you all next year in our home city of Lower Hutt.
This newsletter is just a brief info sheet on the "important bits" so you can get your accommodation booked in plenty of time. We'll follow up with more information in Newsletter No. 2 in another couple of month's time, but in the meantime, here's a few accommodation options for you to mull over.

⚲ *Central Lower Hutt (Closest to the Action!)*

If you want a quick ride to the Walter Nash Centre, easy shopping, or nearby hospital access, stay right in the heart of Lower Hutt.
Approx - 6 kms to The Walter Nash Stadium (9 mins drive)
Approx –19 kms to the Upper Hutt Cossie Club (17 mins drive)

ASURE Green Gables Motel



Perfect if you are travelling with a crew. They have 14 self-contained options including massive 3-bedroom suites, full kitchens, 50+ Sky TV, and free parking.

- *Call: 04-569 3596*
- *Web:* greengablesmotel.co.nz

Camellia Court Motel



A quiet hidden gem away from highway and rail noise.
Bonus: you get free unlimited Wi-Fi and secure luggage storage.

- *Call: 04-566 9406*
- *Web:* camelliacourtmotel.kiwi.nz

Boulcott Lodge



A sleek, contemporary 5-star motel.
Plus - Guests get **free access to Les Mills gym** in Lower Hutt .

- *Call: 04-586 1558*
- *Web:* boulcottlodge.co.nz

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The Riddiford Hotel



If you love being able to stroll over to the shops or want a great meal right on your doorstep, this is a fantastic option. It is super close to Queensgate Shopping Centre, and they have an on-site Chinese restaurant that does excellent, fresh yum cha.

- *Call: 04 586 6318*
- *Web:* www.riddiford-hotel.northislandnz.net/en/

Carnmore Hotel



This is the one to pick if you want something that feels fresh, sharp, and modern. Previously the old Angus Inn it has recently undergone a massive multi-million-dollar makeover. It's got a really sleek, 4-star hotel feel right in the middle of town, complete with its own bar and restaurant.

- *Call: 04-560 1100*
- *Web*: www.lowerhutt.carnmore.co.nz

Abbey Court Motel



Perfect if you are just looking for a simple, comfy, and budget-friendly place to crash. It's a classic, no-fuss motel in Melling with handy little kitchen facilities in the rooms, making it a great money-saver if you want to prep your own snacks.

- *Call: 04-568 7405*
- *Web:* www.abbeycourtmotel-lowerhutt

Motel 22



Another great Melling option, but with a bit more of a contemporary edge. It's been recently renovated, so the rooms feel clean, crisp, and functional. It sits right near the Western Hutt Road, making it incredibly easy to hop on the highway and zip around the region.

- *Call: 04-566 2516*
- *Web:* www.motel22.co.nz

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⚲ ***Petone Beach & Foreshore Vibe***

Want sea breezes, great cafes, and amazing restaurants right down the street? Petone is your spot.

Approx – 10 kms to the Walter Nash Centre (15 mins drive)
Approx – 22 kms to the Upper Hutt Cossie Club (20 mins drive)

83 By the Sea Motor Lodge



Right on the Esplanade with beautiful sunset harbour views. They offer standard, twin, and 2-bedroom studios, plus they deliver hot breakfast right to your room!

- *Call:* 04-569 8121
- *Web:* 83bythesea.co.nz

Settlers Motor Lodge



All ground-floor units with parking directly outside your room. It is literally **50 metres from the new K-Mart** and a quick walk to the historic Jackson Street shopping strip.

- *Call:* 04-939 4088
- *Web:* settlersmotel.co.nz

Foreshore Motor Lodge



Super close to the main street and right across from the beach. They have 15 spotless ground-floor units that keep costs competitive.

- *Call:* 04-939 3609
- *Web:* foreshoremotorlodge.co.nz

B-K's Esplanade Motor Lodge:



High-end comfort featuring acoustic double glazing, air conditioning, and luxury spa suites with ocean views.

- *Call:* 04-589 7501
- *Web:* bksesplanade.co.nz

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Midway Pacifica Lodge



A straightforward, classic 3-star motor lodge set right on Hutt Road that features garden barbecue areas for when the weather plays nice. Location-wise, it's a quick walk to the train station or down to the local boutiques and restaurants.

- *Call:* 04-569 3735
- *Web:* www.midwaypacificalodge.co.nz

Quest Petone



An upscale apartment hotel with a very reliable, clean, corporate-meets-leisure feel. It's just a brief 5-minute stroll from the Petone Foreshore beach and the bustling Jackson Street cafe scene

- *Call:* 04-282 1680
- *Web:* www.questapartments.co.nz

♣ *Upper Hutt & Valley Escapes (Closer to the Function venue!)*

Perfect if you want to just stumble straight into bed after the night function!!

Approx – 14 kms to the Walter Nash Centre (15 mins drive)
Approx – 3 kms to the Upper Hutt Cossie Club (5 mins drive)

Wallaceville House



This is a stunning, "old-world" estate tucked away in gorgeous, manicured native bush grounds.
With boutique, motel-style units on-site it is the ultimate choice if you are looking to escape the city noise and get away from it all.

- *Call:* 04-527 7785
- *Web:* www.wallacevillehouse.co.nz/accommodation

Totara Lodge (Motor Inn)



Conveniently positioned directly opposite the Trentham Railway Station, means you could take a train to the stadium. The rooms are tidy and comfortable, plus there's a bar and restaurant right next door.

- *Call:* 04-524 9066
- *Web:* www.totaralodge.co.nz/location

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Wellingtons Kiwi Holiday Park



This peaceful, family run holiday park has something for everyone. As well as having powered and upowered sites, they also have basic cabins, and fully self-contained standard motel blocks. It is incredibly budget-friendly, relaxed, and a brilliant base camp very near Upper Hutt city.

- *Call:* 04-526 7400
- *Web:* www.wellingtonsholidaypark.co.nz

NZ Campus of Innovation & Sport (NZCIS / The Village)



This place is truly unique - it functions as the largest sports accommodation provider in the lower North Island. You can choose between their budget-friendly shared team dorms or book one of their 50 sleek, luxury serviced apartments featuring kitchenettes and chic bathrooms. Plus, it is right down the road from the popular Brewtown complex!

- *Call:* 04-213 9231
- *Web:* www.nzcis.co.nz/accommodation

As of Sunday 20th September 2026, there is only 362 sleeps until North Islands 2027!!
So now is the time to get your accommodation sorted. Hopefully this list helps.

We'll have more info about the night function and souvenirs in the next Newsletter, so until then, stay safe and HAPPY MARCHING!!

From the AVALON TEAMS



