

August/Sierpień 2025

AUCKLAND POLISH ASSOCIATION OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER



Welcome to our August newsletter. Please share the content with any people in our community and encourage any friends or family to send us their email addresses to get on to our database.

Witamy w naszym sierpniowym newsletterze. Prosimy o udostępnienie niniejszej treści wszystkim zainteresowanym osobom z naszej społeczności. Również zachęcamy każdego kto chciałby otrzymywać bieżące informacje na temat działań naszego stowarzyszenia do przesyłania nam adresu e-mail.

**Our newsletter is now available
on our website:**

www.poloniaauckland.co.nz

email:

info@poloniaauckland.co.nz

THIS MONTH'S EDITION CONTAINS:

- Polish Lunch event and photos
- Constitution information and meeting date
- Polish Spring Market
- Pahiataua scholarship
- Polish language school for children
- Polish Heritage Trust museum events
- Polish History website
- Polish APA member selling her motorhome
- Save the date
- Membership application

Polish/Polski Lunch



Dziękujemy!

Over 100 people joined us for a Polski Lunch at the Auckland Polish House. The lunch was a day of celebration and commitment to share culture, language and of course food!!

Dzisiaj był dzień celebracji, aby dzielić się naszą Polską, językiem i oczywiście jedzeniem.

Many thanks to:

Helena and Janek at the bar.

Magda from Polka Deli for divine sausages, cakes, homemade bread & soup.

Stah for delicious bigos.

Volunteers in the kitchen - Kelly, Antoni, Ania, Zuzia, Lidia.

Bronia, Maria and Jozef for setting up.

Main organiser - Piotr.

Also thanks to the wonderful guests. It was great to see some old and new faces.

More events at Dom Polski are planned - hope to see you again soon

**Nina Tomaszuk
(Prezes / Chair of
Auckland Polish Association)**



Photos of our Polish/Polski Lunch Sunday 3rd August



Photos taken by Maria Nowak

Writing the new **CONSTITUTION**

Are you interested in being part of writing the new constitution?

The Auckland Polish Association has to write and submit a new constitution by April 2026.

A sub committee and the executive committee have been working toward this document as well as gaining legal advice from lawyers.

We will present the constitution draft with commentary of what the changes will look like and this document will be available for viewing on our website and emailed out to members from **11th August** . If you wish to be involved in this process, we welcome all feedback to be in writing to info@poloniaauckland.co.nz by **25th August**. We will be holding a Special General Meeting for Auckland Polish Association members who are interested in the constitution at Polish house.



DATE: Monday 8th September

TIME: 6.00pm

ADDRESS: 1 McDonald Street, Morningside

website: www.poloniaauckland.co.nz



**Please join us for further discussion on this document.
Light refreshments will be served.**

Polish Spring Market/Lunch

Date: Sunday 14th September

Time: 1:00pm Start

1 McDonald Street, Morningside



Bar open - Eftpos available
Cash sales



All welcome!



A scholarship in honour of the 'Polish children and caregivers of Pahiatua' \$2,000

This scholarship commemorates the arrival in 1944 of the 733 Polish children and their mainly female caregivers who, initially deported from Eastern Poland to Siberia during World War II, were invited by the NZ government to stay in Pahiatua, Manawatū.

Many of these children, mostly orphans, remained in NZ when they could not return to Poland, building new lives in their 'paradise'.

Recognising women committed to community engagement or cultural preservation, this scholarship is intended to assist a female student, who will be enrolling full-time at an approved tertiary institute in the Auckland or Northland region in 2026.

Closing date: 18 October 2025

For more information or to donate towards the scholarship or to apply, please go to

https://kateedgerfoundation.org.nz/award_list/scholarship-in-honour-of-the-polish-children-and-caregivers-of-pahiatua/

Polish Language School for children



Classes are weekly on Saturday at 9am

duration: 90 mins with breaks

Classes are taking place during the school term

It is learning through fun and play

Children 5 years old and up

Term 3 dates:

August: 2, 9, 16, 23

September: 6, 13, 20

Price: \$20 per child per lesson for APA members

or \$30 for non APA members

\$10 for additional children from the same family

All classes are at Polish House

1 Mc Donald Street, Morningside.

Please email: info@poloniaauckland.co.nz

Subject: school

for more information

Are you interested in Adult classes?

Please contact the above email address for details



Polish Heritage Trust Museum

Upcoming events

Sporty Poles in Akl

Auckland Heritage Festival workshop

with balloon tennis

25 Sep 10am-12 noon & 5 Oct 2-4pm

\$10 per person

Polish Museum, 125 Elliot St, Howick



Polish Heritage Trust Museum



Famous Sporting Poles in Akl

Auckland Heritage Festival exhibition

21 Sep-5 Oct: Tue-Fri 10-4 & Sun 12-5

Polish Museum, 125 Elliot St, Howick



Polish Heritage Trust Museum





Interested in learning more about Polish people in New Zealand?

The first “brilliant but cranky” Pole arrived in Dusky Sound with his son in March 1773 with Captain Cook’s ship, Resolution.

During the next 100 years, mostly single men—adventurers—followed, but it was not till 1872 that the first significant groups of Polish families arrived, and started their lives in a land that was as foreign to them as they were to it.



Read about them, and the rich tapestry of Polish lives in New Zealand since then at:

<https://polishhistorynewzealand.org/>

FOR SALE: 2018 Dethleffs Trend – 4-Berth European Family Motorhome

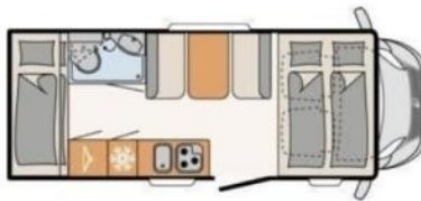
Asking Price: \$100,000 ONO

Located in Titirangi, West Auckland

We're selling our beautifully maintained Fiat Ducato 2018 Dethleffs Trend, a high-quality European built motorhome designed for family comfort, style, and reliability. This 4-berth motorhome is ideal for two adults and two children — perfect for family adventures around Aotearoa.

Family-Friendly Features:

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- Sleeps 4 people comfortably (rear double bed + bunk bed) 6 belted
- seats Bike rack securely carry up to 4 bikes Certified self-contained
- (toilet, shower, grey/clean water tanks) Fully equipped kitchen with gas
- hobs, sink, and 3-way fridge Spacious lounge and dining area Hot
- water shower and flush toilet Solar panel and large house battery for
- freedom camping TV, heating system, USB charging ports European
- build quality and layout suited to Kiwi families Ample storage inside and
- external lockers Drive on a car licence It has always been a non-
- smoking and pet-free vehicle, kept clean and well cared for
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Vehicle Info:

- 2018 Dethleffs Trend, German import, built for family touring
- 90,814 kms
- Regularly serviced, clean mechanical record
- Current WoF, Rego until 23rd June 2026, and Self-Containment Certificate
- Electrical and Gas Safety Certs up to date
- Diesel engine with both automatic and manual modes – smooth to drive, and manual option is especially helpful for uphill and downhill control.

Why We're Selling:

Due to my husband's recent job redundancy, we've made the difficult decision to sell our motorhome to help ease financial pressure. It's been a wonderful part of our lives — especially when our boys were younger — and now that they're teenagers, we hope this motorhome can bring the same joy to another young family with little children.

Asking \$100,000 or near offer

Serious buyers only. Viewings by appointment in Titirangi, West Auckland
Contact: text only 021 073 9497 or email: monica.b.b.leach@gmail.com
Ready to drive away for your next adventure!



POLISH HOUSE EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE....

Sunday 14 September – Polish Spring market

Sunday 19 October – Polish Children of Pahiataua

November – Andrzejki

Sunday 9 November – Polish Independence day

Sunday 7 December – Oplatek/lunch

Sunday 14 December – Polish Christmas market

March 2026 – Polish Easter market

April / May 2026 – 3rd May celebration

50th Polish House anniversary – TBC

Celebration of Polish citizenship – TBC

June 2026 AGM

School for children – ongoing

Schools for adults – please email to enquire

Other – szarlotka festival, movies, Polish Immersion

For further information, please contact

info@poloniaauckland.co.nz



Join us Become a member!

Auckland Polish Association Membership

Prospective and returning members are invited to fill out the application form, and send to the Auckland Polish Association - Membership fees:
Adult (\$30), Senior Citizen, Beneficiaries & Student (\$15) for the year.

Stowarzyszenie Polskie Auckland Członkostwo

Osoby zainteresowane członkostwem oraz te, których członkostwo wygaśło są proszone o wypełnienie formularza zgłoszeniowego i przesłanie do Stowarzyszenia Polaków w Auckland - opłaty członkowskie dla dorosłych (\$30), seniorów i studentów (\$15).

