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Community members on arrival to the Sports day, 19th June 2010. Auckland, Cornwell park.

Winter sport fun for young and old

Dear friends,
Welcome to our winter issue. The June-July brought our community some uplifting news and events. And community grown up in numbers due to couple of new born babies.

the participants were greatly surprised by the quality of play that resulted with brilliant goals - the goalless FIFA World Cup stars (like Messi or Kaka) could have learnt a lot from our very own stars. Also, we managed to

The Best Player's Award went to Andrew Fedchuk - his goalkeeping skill can with necessity lead him to the mighty All Whites in the future.

As for the other memorable moments of the day, the press-ups competition's main prize - no big surprise there - was easily taken by Paul Towler, kempo black belt holder.

Vlad Vernygora, who had seen the football about 8 years ago for the last time, could even do some decent juggling, a feat in itself.

On Saturday, 19th June, a steady group of the UANZ members (19 people and Thomas the Dog) gathered in the beautiful and 'winterish' Cornwell Park to take part in the Sporting Day. What can be better than, together with friends, showing the almost forgotten 'what was called 10 years ago football skill', fun-relay racing, playing charades and having the most deserved delicious lunch afterwards?



get through without any injuries - not to mention Ievhen Diachenko's broken glasses.

We would like to express our gratitude to Shii Fedchuk, our coach and referee, for taking care of the sporting side of the event and ability to quickly teach our potentially talented people how to play the ball.

The fun-day was magnificently wrapped up by a great lunch - deroony, marinated mushrooms, pies, homemade bread, salads...Yummy! Big 'thanks' and appreciation to all of our cooks - Larysa, Natalka, Ievhen & Svitlana.

Thank you for your active participation! The next Sporting Day will be scheduled for spring.

The final result of the uncompromised football match was 3:3, with plenty of different styles and techniques shown by our young and 'non-so-young' (but no less passionate) players. Spectators and some of



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“Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success.”

Henry Ford



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By Nataliya Poshyvaylo-Towler

HOT NEWS!!!
Congratulations to Iryna Bettany and Olena Kudrina on birth of baby son Michael and daughter Naomi Lili!
We wish you and your Babies all the best!



Yours truly,
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Father Mykola Serdiuk from UAOC in Australia visit to New Zealand

by Ievgen Dyachenko

On Sunday of 27 June father Mykola Serdiuk, representative of Ukrainian Autocephalic Orthodox Church in Australia and New Zealand, has visited Auckland. In spite of rainy day about 20 people made their way to the Church of Ascension in quiet Point Chevalier. A few children came with their parents as well.

Father Mykola was not alone. Mother Taisia came along to support her husband during the service with her beautiful voice. Couple of visitors were also eager to assist her.

The service lasted a bit longer than expected. The climate of New Zealand in winter did not hinder the father to conduct the full service according to all pastoral norms. Aotearoa is not that close to the rest of the world to come for a short visit here anyway.

The father finished the service by noting once again how important it is for us,

Ukrainians, to gather for preserving our cultural values and educating our children. Afterwards we dislocated to the neighboring building with playroom and kitchen for a cup of coffee and some awesome snacks. Eventually, in about an hour of friendly chat people started to head off back home. We all knew: tomorrow was Monday.



On photo from left to right Father Mykola Serdiuk during church service.

Afternoon tea with community post church mass.

