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# TAINUI TRADING POST

## AUGUST 2015



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22nd August Urenui Away 1pm kick off  
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5th September Urenui Home 1pm kick off  
12th September North vs South 1pm kick off.

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**ANDREW'S PATCH**

Hi all, incidents in the last month:

Some time between the 22nd and 29th of June, a property on the main road just north of Mokau was burgled. A quad bike, contiki, winch and other fishing gear were stolen.

On Saturday the 27th of June, three vehicles ripped up the Tongaporutu Reserve and Rapanui Reserve. Two of the drivers spent a morning recently cleaning it up and repairing the grass as best as they could.

Overnight on the 8th/9th of July, \$14,000 of drench was stolen from a vet clinic in Inglewood. If you hear of any drenching/fertiliser being sold cheaply or given away, please notify me.

On the 13th of July at about 11pm, four people were found trespassing on farm land near Mount Messenger. They had come from South Taranaki and are currently being dealt with by Police.

In the last month there have been two single vehicle crashes in the area, both causing minor injuries. The first on top of the Mahoenui Hill and was due to ice. The other was just north of the Awakino Gorge and was the result of poor cornering. On a positive note, considering the amount of ice on the roads recently and the amount of traffic using SH 3 due to the closure of SH 1, having only two minor crashes in the entire area shows people were driving to the conditions.

Whitebait Season starts soon! I hope it will be as peaceful as it was last year for everyone. However nets and equipment were consistently being stolen last season. Take it with you when you leave or secure it and mark it with a unique marking so as to tell it is yours. Good luck.

Cheers  
Andrew

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Date	Day	Sailing	High	Size	Low	size
1	Sa		10.10am	3.5	4.20pm	0.2
2	Su		10.55am	3.6	5.10pm	0.1
3	Mo		11.40am	3.6	5.55pm	0.1
4	Tu		12.30pm	3.6	6.20am	0.2
5	We		1.20pm	3.4	7.10am	0.3
6	Th		2.15pm	3.3	8.05am	0.5
7	Fr		3.15pm	3.1	9.am	0.7
8	Sa	1pm	4.20pm	3.0	10.am	0.8
9	Su	1pm	5.35pm	2.9	11.10am	0.9
10	Mo	1pm	6.am	2.9	12.20pm	0.9
11	Tu	10am	7.05am	2.9	1.25pm	0.8
12	We	10am	8.am	3.0	2.15pm	0.7
13	Th	10am	8.50am	3.1	3.pm	0.6
14	Fr	10am	9.30am	3.2	3.40pm	0.5
15	Sa	10am	10.10am	3.3	4.17pm	0.5
16	Su	11am	10.40am	3.3	4.50pm	0.5
17	Mo	11am	11.15am	3.3	5.25pm	0.5
18	Tu	11am	11.50am	3.2	6.pm	0.6
19	We	11am	12.20pm	3.2	6.20am	0.6
20	Th	1pm	1.pm	3.1	7.am	0.7
21	Fr	1pm	1.40pm	3.0	7.40am	0.8
22	Sa	1pm	2.30pm	2.8	8.20am	0.9
23	Su	1pm	3.30pm	2.7	9.15am	1.0
24	Mo	1pm	4.35pm	2.7	10.20am	1.1
25	Tu	1pm	5.50pm	2.8	11.30am	1.1
26	We	1pm	6.15am	2.9	12.35pm	0.9
27	Th	10am	7.15am	3.1	1.35pm	0.7
28	Fr	10am	8.10am	3.3	2.25pm	0.4
29	Sa	11am	9.am	3.5	3.15pm	0.2
30	Su	11am	9.50am	3.7	4.pm	00
31	Mo	11am	10.35am	3.8	4.50pm	00

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"This is a new problem to me," said the Minister of Works, Mr W.S. Goosman, yesterday when a Clifton County Council deputation met him at the New Plymouth airport to protest against a Ministry of Works request that it should maintain three bridges over the Tongaporutu River giving road access to five settlers. The river separated them from the highway between Tongaporutu and Ahititi.

Mr Goosman said he would ask the district engineer of works, Mr G.W. Sampson, Wanganui, to confer on the matter with the county council "Then we will look at it to see if there is a solution."

The county chairman, Mr L. A. Alexander, said the bridges were built by the council for its jurisdiction. The council, however, had never passed a resolution taking over the bridges because the cost was so great that it could not bear the responsibility. Maintenance of the bridges would cost £108 a year. The rates collected in the riding less administration costs were only £32, leaving a debit of £76 to be found by other ratepayers.

Under recent revaluation the capital valuation of the riding, which covered a third of the county, dropped by 21 per cent while the other ridings by between 46 and 63 per cent. This had magnified the problem, Mr Alexander said. The property owners stated they were incapable of carrying any extra burden, he said, and it was considered that the whole responsibility of carrying the area was too great for the council, which showed a loss last year of £4000.

Although the bridges were access bridges they were also county bridges, and could be a charge against the general account, said Mr Sampson. Clifton rating was above the average for New Zealand, and the capital value was slightly below the average. Mr Alexander explained that there were seven other properties on the river to which there was no access. The properties with bridges, however, were within the tidal area and could be reached by no other means. All the properties were on State highways. If the land was good would it not be reasonable to road it and put up one bridge to serve them all, asked the minister. That would be a greater liability on the county than ever, Mr Sampson said.

*Researched by Alf Lovell*

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## **Mokau Water Supply**



### Discolouration issues

We would like to provide some information about the recent (June) discoloration issues of the treated water supply.

The water was turning blue as a result of the Alum contained in the water supply, reacting with the chemicals contained in soap/ detergents and possibly minute traces of copper from household water pipes.

Higher rainfall and lower water consumption led to a build-up of Alum in the stored treated water.

We would like to highlight that Alum is not a toxic element it is not even included in the list of metals for which minimum allowable values (MAV) are recorded in the Drinking Water Standards (DWS). However, we understand that aesthetically this issue is not acceptable and we apologise for any inconvenience caused by the discoloured water.

We are addressing this issue and we will be keeping a very close eye on the water treatment processes going forwards. In the meantime, we encourage residents with any concerns to contact WDC directly on 0800 932 4357, or 07 878 0800, email [info@waitomo.govt.nz](mailto:info@waitomo.govt.nz) or fax 07 878 7771.

The raw water storage dam functioned well over the last summer and we expect that during the next peak summer period, there will be sufficient water available for residents and holiday makers. The larger storage to manage water shortage risks result in slower turnover of water which may result in some algae growth during hot summer months. If algae growth does become an issue, it will be addressed by WDC.

This is the nature of water storage used to overcome dry periods and one that the Waikato system supplying the main cities works on and also a number of other towns in New Zealand.

### **Work planned for Mokau Water Supply**

WDC will be working on the water reticulation network in Mokau to install additional valves to improve the functionality of the network.

This work will aid in the future maintenance of the network.

Our Contractor will hand out date specific shutdown notices to affected residential property owners closer to the time.

Work will begin at the end of July and is being carried out at night to minimise the potential for disruptions.

Thank you for your patience while we complete this work.

### **Regulatory Signs**

A review of Council regulatory signs has been completed and our team have been working on getting the new signs put in place at agreed locations around Mokau and Awakino.

The areas we have focussed on are public places and reserve areas located on Fraser Smith Road, Te Mahoe Road, Te Kauri Road, Aria Terrace and at the Cemetery.

Some existing signs have deteriorated and will be removed. We have also looked at the number of signs in an area and agreed to remove any non-essential Council signs that create confusion.

We hope this will support public awareness of the regulations set out in Councils Public Places Bylaw.

## Coastal erosion

Mayor Brian Hanna was interviewed by Waikato Times on the 6<sup>th</sup> July at Point Rd and at the Te Nau Nau Reserve. You may have caught this news article and video online or in the Waikato Times newspaper. If not we have made it available on our website [www.waitomo.govt.nz/Councilnews/coastal-erosion-eats-away-at-mokau/](http://www.waitomo.govt.nz/Councilnews/coastal-erosion-eats-away-at-mokau/)

A considerable amount of erosion has occurred at the Te Nau Nau Reserve and the road access has been blocked due to the unstable nature of the bank.

There are regular cycles of erosion that occurs every 3-4 years along the coastline mainly due to the high wave energy of the west coast. River floods, storm waves and changes in the river channel and its orientation will also have significant influence overtime on shoreline change occurring at Mokau Spit and this is visible in the Council's aerial photographs.



**Photo:** A 2004 aerial photo shows where the edge of the Point Rd sections sit in comparison with the shoreline.



**Photo:** A 2012 photo shows the effect of the coastal erosion as it encroaches 4 metres inland posing a real danger to the Point Rd properties. The property shown in the circle was removed following significant erosion events in 2013.

In an effort to delay the effects of erosion, Property owners on the seaward side of Point Road have constructed a variety of walls and barricades. In all cases the structures have failed with material either washed out to sea or scattered over the beach.

WDC and Waikato Regional Council have met with Point Road Bach owners and outlined the cyclic nature of the erosion events and the difficulties associated with engineering options to prevent further erosion.

Our ability to continue to alleviate the situation using temporary measures has reached an end. The financial cost of constructing an adequate sea wall that has a chance of acting as a true barrier would be a multi-million dollar project. Finding an engineering solution or contributing further funding towards the construction of a sea wall is not an option for WDC due to the significant capital costs involved and the rates burden that would place on the entire district.

We are recommending that Property owners put in place a plan to relocate their property ahead of further significant erosion events.

## Council communications

We understand the need to inform our residents and ratepayers about Council news and projects. There are many different methods we use to share information such as our website, Cruise FM radio, Facebook, newspaper, community newsletters, addressed letters and face-to-face.

We include updates in the Tainui Trading Post and provide copies of our flyers & newsletter to the Whitebait Inn and Awakino Hotel, for people to collect.

Information is shared regularly on our Council Facebook pages:

<https://www.facebook.com/waitomodistrict>

<https://www.facebook.com/MayorBrianHanna>

<https://www.facebook.com/WaitomoDistrict.animalcontrol>

<https://www.facebook.com/TeKuitiNZ>

### Waitomo Way

The newsletter is published online and in hardcopy every two months, and delivered as a district-wide letterbox drop. Note – the postal delivery service for this type of mail item, does not deliver to letter boxes that display a 'no circulars' or 'no junk mail' sign on it.

For those residents who have access to the internet, we would like to invite you to sign up to the newsletter Waitomo Way by visiting **[waitomo.buzzit.co.nz/subscribe](http://waitomo.buzzit.co.nz/subscribe)**  
An email will be sent to you when a new issue is published.

If you are currently not receiving the Waitomo Way in your letterbox, but would like to, please phone 0800 932 4357, (07) 878 0800 or email the Communications Officer [Kelly.marriott@waitomo.govt.nz](mailto:Kelly.marriott@waitomo.govt.nz)

### Provide feedback to Council

We welcome your feedback on Council services or facilities in your community.

Write to us: WDC PO Box 404 Queen Street Te Kuiti 3941

Send a fax: 07 878 7771

Service requests: make a service request online: <http://fixmystreet.org.nz/> or for urgent matters phone us on 0800 932 4357

## Delicious Winter Soup—Pumpkin & Roasted Capsicum

### Ingredients

1 Onion, finely chopped

1.2kg Pumpkin, peeled, seeded and diced

750ml Chicken Stock

Salt

Black Pepper, freshly ground

1 Avocado, peeled, stoned and sliced and also Coriander leaves for garnish

140g Sour Cream

2 Garlic Cloves, finely chopped

4 tbsp olive oil extra virgin

2 Roasted Red Capsicum scored, seeded and finely diced

### Method

Heat the oil over moderate heat and add the onion and garlic.

Fry gently without browning until the onion is soft.

Add the pumpkin and stock, bring to the boil and simmer 10 minutes until the pumpkin is soft.

Remove from the heat, cool then puree in a blender or food processor or mash well.

Pour back into a clean saucepan and bring to the boil.

Add the roasted red capsicum, mix well, taste and season with salt and pepper.

Serve garnished with sour cream, some sliced avocado and some coriander leaves

