



Monthly Community Newsletter supporting Tainui District -
Mokau, Awakino, Tongaporutu, Ahititi, and Waikawau

OCTOBER 2020

WHAT'S ON

Oct 3: Tainui Whitebaiters Assn AGM 6pm
Oct 4: Tainui SAR AGM 4pm
Oct 4: Tainui Pig Hunting Club AGM 4.30pm
Oct 7: Twilight Bowls start 5.30pm
Oct 13: Awakino & Districts 100 YRS + 10 meeting
Oct 23: Tainui Pet Day
Oct 24-26: LABOUR WEEKEND

Awakino Bowling Club

TWILIGHT BOWLS

start Wednesday October 7 at 5.30pm sharp
\$2 per person, per night

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◆ Family Photos, School Groups and Club Photos will be taken on the Saturday ◆ 1900-1920's Best Hat Competition ◆ Historic Station Tours ◆ Optional Dinner - booking at the Awakino Hotel or Awakino Hall ◆ Picnic Lunch ◆ Stalls

The Mokau Museum will be displaying old photos from the Awakino area in the lead up to the Reunion so please go along and put names to faces if you can.

The next Meeting for interested participants will be at the Awakino Hall at 4.30pm on October 13. Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far. Registration forms will be available in October.

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St Peters by the Sea

"It is good to give thanks to the Lord, and to sing praises to your name, O most High. To declare your loving kindness in the morning and your faithfulness every night."

Psalm 92

Welcome to our fortnightly Services

Oct 4: Family Communion 2pm Rev J Singh
 Oct 18: Family Service 2pm Pastor Terry Tutty

Children's activities are provided at all services, and toys for the babies. Everyone is welcome to join us for afternoon tea after the service. Enquiries to Dorothy Lowry phone 06 752-9123

Christian Church Meetings

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Our Lady of the Wayside Catholic Church Mass

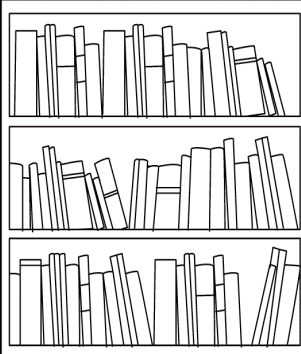
Vigil of Second Sunday of the Month

Saturday October 10th at 5pm

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October Tides

Please note that tide times have been corrected for daylight saving time.



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TAINUI WETERE DOMAIN

Things are picking up down at the domain. The clubroom spruce-up is finished and we are getting the place tidied up ready for the summer influx. To help remove the need for cash we have installed a Kiwi Camp payment system. These are now quite common throughout the country where the camper owns an electronic tag making it easy and seamless for them. The system also enables us to get some demographic information which will help us tailor the offering.

The team is now starting to think of the next project and many of us would like to tidy up the riverbank, deal with the pests and weeds and get some riparian planting in. The plan is to create a walking path with a few notice boards to highlight some of the river history. Not sure if you have noticed but there has been some erosion of the bank up by the mouth exposing a previous life, but it has been here before, as everything goes in cycles.

The place looks really great and thanks to all those who helped. The clubroom booking calendar is beginning to fill up so if you want to book the place for your function, you better get in quick. Message Tainui Weterere Domain or Tainui Rugby Club facebook page to secure your spot.

Well unfortunately we missed the boat for any rugby tournament this year. COVID just keeps getting in the way and we

ran out of time. But keep the boots oiled and stay fit over summer because the boys are hatching a plan to have a friendly late Feb. Will keep you posted.

Upcoming event at the Domain include

- Tainui Pet Day - 23rd October

Get in behind your community and support this event.

Matt Faull
Committee Chair

Jeff Davis
Rugby Club Chair



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Community Notices

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MUSEUM

Tēnā koutou katoa

As I write this it is te wiki o te reo Māori and reflecting on the past 10 years the language has become more common place within all communities. Most of us learned a few basics at school, yet while being able to recite the vowels in sequence many struggle to connect them into the words. There are many Māori place names in the Tainui district where this is evident. If we were to apply the vowel sounds of the o and au correctly, we would begin to pronounce these names as they were originally intended. Try it, the o becomes (or), the longer ō becomes (ore) and the au is more like (oe, as in toe). Stringing these together slowly Mōkau now becomes (More-koe), Awakino (Awa-key-nor) and Tongapōrutu (Tor-na-pore-ru-tu). It does take practise and a conscious effort but give it a go. Once you learn the basics many other place names come into light.

In 2022 New Zealand history will be compulsorily taught in our schools and if I am honest I am a little envious, as understanding our history helps us put into perspective who we are today. As the schools begin to teach this history, including pre-European as time moves forward this will shape our kids future and aspects of the Māori world view will be intertwined within the culture of the day. Places that record history, like the Mōkau Museum, will be an important part of the education of the future generation and we must maintain our relevance, or we may find ourselves politically out of step.

OPENING HOURS: Over the winter we have been closed for Tuesday and Wednesday. Now that the days are getting longer, we will be open every day from Labour weekend to Easter. To help us manage this we do need more volunteers, so if you are able to give 3 hours a week to be on the roster this will make a huge difference. It really is a great way to connect with locals and visitors alike and the time is far from being a bore. Pop in and talk to one of the team.

ART GALLERY: Rural Schools Rock #3 is here! The theme this year is 3D and it's AWESOME! Do come in and check out the talent these lil guys and girls are showing!! Ahititi, Whareorino, Mokau and Uruti are showing their works until 12 October. Mimi and Home School children will show their works from 12-29 October.

October 30 will see photographer Derek Hughes returning for his second visit. Michelle Wilson with her beautiful bird photography will be taking part as well.

He aroha whakatō, he aroha ka puta mai. If kindness is sown, then kindness is what you shall receive

Ngā mihi
Murray

TAINUI HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Researched by Jennifer Topless

MANY SLIPS

DAMAGE IN CLIFTON COUNTY TONGAPORUTU ISOLATED

(Taranaki Daily News - 29 October 1920)

As the result of recent rains serious slips have occurred in back country areas in Taranaki, and in some instances settlers have had to clear away the debris before being able to get out from their properties.

In the Mokau district numerous falls have take place. Tongaporutu is at present in an isolated position, and New Plymouth residents who recently made a trip out there have not been able to return home. Five slips have taken place in the district, cutting off communication. There is one particularly big slide near the tunnel, tons of earth and fallen trees being heaped up. Some days will be occupied in clearing this obstacle. There are also three slips between the Tongaporutu store and the ferry.

It was hoped to get mails over Mt Messenger by pack-horse yesterday, and the road will be passable for a light express in a day or two.

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Tainui Trader Edition October 2020

Kia ora koutou.

Welcome to the Tainui Trader edition of Mōkau School News. During school terms we will try to keep you up to date with what has been happening at school and the students will share some work and news with you. As we come to the end of Term 3 there is much to be very thankful for. We have an excellent staff that are always going above and beyond the requirements of their job and 11 wonderful tamariki. We really appreciate the strong support from our community from dropping in art supplies to gifting plants to each family, our community support us extremely well.

Ngaa mihi nui

Maryann Symonds
Principal

Te Wiki o te Reo Māori

The week of the 15th of September was Māori Language Week. We learn new kupu (words), waiata, use karakia and get instructions in Māori all the time but this week we had more quizzes and kēmu(games). Here are some useful tips pronouncing Māori words at home.

The short Māori vowels are pronounced,

a as in **cup**,

e as in **egg**,

i as in **eat**,

o as in **for**,

u as in **to**.

Kia kaha te reo Māori. Give te reo a go!
(Written by Xaphron Raumoā, Year 7)

Community Garden

The garden has been planted. We had a couple of afternoons weeding and getting the soil ready and it looks great. We have our community cupboard ready to paint and we are hoping to have this installed and operational very soon. This cupboard will be used to share our excess produce and seedlings with the Mokau community. We have seeds germinating at the moment and we welcome any help or donations. We will advertise this on the school and community facebook page when this is up and running.

Thank you

We are really grateful to the numerous volunteers from the community who have donated their skills, materials and goods to the school. Over the past few months we have had a hardworking team cutting down trees, building load out races and donating cattle feed. We appreciate each and every one of you. Ka mau te wehi!

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School pool

The school pool will reopen during Term 4 when the weather is warm enough (End of November). Season keys for the pool will be available for \$70 with a refund of \$10 if the keys are returned on time. The keys are available from the school office only so please contact us towards the end of November if you would like a key. The locks are changed each season so the previous season key will not be usable this year. There are still quite a few keys not returned from last year so we would appreciate it if those could be returned.

Dogs on school grounds

We love to share our kura with our community. We are happy to share our playground with everyone but we would really appreciate it if people did not bring dogs into the school grounds. Although there are clear signs on the gates dogs continue to be brought into the grounds and on several occasions we have had to remove dog poo from the sand pit and playground where our tamariki play.

Congratulations

Xaphron Raumoā has been selected for the New Zealand under 16 Pool Development Squad. We are very proud of you Xaphron. Ka mau te wehi!

Life Education

Life Education came to Mōkau School on the 9th of September. We were joined by Whareorino School to learn how to keep our body healthy and stay safe on line. We talked about our brains and learned that the more you practise anything the better you get. The best part of the whole day was having fun.

(Written by Brylee Robertson, Year 7)

Fun with Mr Bennett

(Mr Bennet is a relief teacher)

On Wednesday the 9th of September we had a go at archery with Mr Bennett. Whareorino School came to our school and had a try as well. When Mr Bennett comes to teach us we try all sorts of fun things like archery, darts, tennis and bingo. It is always fun when Mr Bennett comes to our school.

(Written by Mana Tupu-Ngahere, Year 5)

Dates to Note

October

12th Term 4 STARTS

17th Election –polling booth at Mōkau School.

21st Mōkau School Art and Pet day

23rd Tainui Pet Day

26th Labour Day

Clifton Community Board

BEYOND THE AWA IN CLIFTON

The Tainui region is divided by the Mōkau awa (river) into two regional communities. To the north, (including the Domain area) you have the Waitomo District Council where a local Councillor represents, and to the south is the New Plymouth District Council where the Clifton Community Board (CCB) is the representative. The CCB is NZ's largest Community Board by region and includes part of Waitara to north of the Mōhakatino river and inland to Mt Damper and it is the job of four elected members to represent the people of the district to the NPDC. Chaired by Warren Petersen, north Clifton is well represented by all other members having a connection to Tongapōrutu. These are Neville Hagenson, Tyla Nickson and Murray Seamark.

Every three years the 10-year community board plan is reviewed. While COVID threw a spanner in the works on how the Board consults with the community on what is important, thanks to all those who completed the on-line survey. This information was important in what your representatives should advocate for. The main points of focus that come clearly through include

- Advocating for safe and efficient roading
- Water and waste management
- Tourism infrastructure, and
- Iwi and Hapū engagement

The Board Plan is published on the NPDC website.

While things may appear slow and bureaucratic, without your Board representing the region the powerbase moves centrally and the local voice will be entirely lost in the noise. Thanks to the tireless work of the previous board, in particular Warren, the new toilet block at Tongapōrutu would not be there. This is a great asset to the community that rectifies the previous effluent problem and supports tourism to our district. Coloured in the theme of the baches and built like the preverbal, if there is ever a nuclear fallout you know where I will be heading. Thanks Warren.

If you need to contact your local member just search under NPDC Clifton Community Board and you will find our details. Anyway, more next month.

Ngā mihi
Murray

HANDY TIPS FOR AROUND HOME

Daylight savings means summer is on the way and now is the time to do those few jobs around the place so when the sun is high you don't have to. Time to waterblast and clean the gutters while the rain still fills your tank and to fix up any damage caused by the winter storms. Time to build the deck and BBQ area ready for the whānau to relax and enjoy, or to tidy up the interior to surprise them.

If you want stuff done on the bach while at home give me a call.

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From Your Councillor

After lots of to'ing and fro'ing, the plans for upgrading and sealing the entranceway to the Tainui Wetere Domain have been approved by NZTA, with the final step before commencement being NZTA's approval of the contractors traffic management plan, then it should all be good for many more years.

Hopefully all those people that use the jetty beside the boatramp on Te Kauri Road know the jetty is currently closed as it appears the piles have been damaged by marine worms. I haven't heard the results of the engineers inspection but we will keep you all informed on what developments transpire.

The Elected Members of the Council, and staff, are currently working their way through an intensive series of workshops in preparation for putting together our next Long Term Plan that will cover the 2021/2031 period. The process has been complicated by the impact of COVID 19 on a number of fronts. Despite a moderate effect on the provision of basic Council services, the impact on last years Capital Works (CAPEX) programme was quite severe with \$6.4m of work to be carried over and added to this years planned \$11.2m of CAPEX. On top of that, Council has signed up to the Governments Three Waters Tranche 1 programme which provides us with a further \$3.5m to be spent on projects related to water supply, waste water, and storm-water, that were not already budgeted to be done in the 2020/20231 year, and have to be completed before the end of June 2022.

Our staff have also been very busy planning, designing, and costing projects that have been put forward in applications to the Provincial Growth Fund, the 'Shovel Ready' project fund, and others. Unfortunately, it now appears our projects are just not big enough to interest them with one confirmed rejection and what now appears a likely similar result for the rest. The project rejected was for the upgrade of the Mokau Water Treatment Plant but hopefully we can get it done under the Three Waters Tranche 1 programme instead.

With the extra CAPEX workload, and the project planning workload in response to the Government funding incentives, we now find we didn't make sufficient provision in this years budget to meet the increase in capacity (Staff/Consultants) required to manage all the projects we need to complete,

therefore reallocation of some budgeted expenditure will have to occur.

There is also general concern in Local Government that there is insufficient capacity in the Contractor workforce to complete the proposed projects in the required timeframes. There are interesting and challenging times ahead.

If you need to contact me over any Council matters, please don't hesitate.

Phil Brodie
Rural Ward Councillor
Waitomo District Council

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Tainui SAR ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday 4th October ~ 4:00pm at Awakino pub

Followed by the

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Sunday 4th October ~ 4:30pm at Awakino pub

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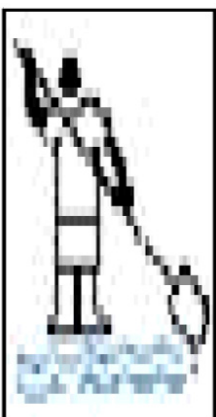
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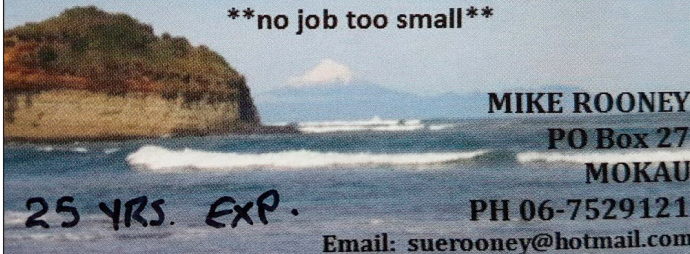
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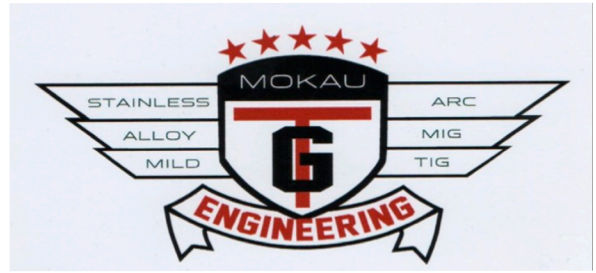
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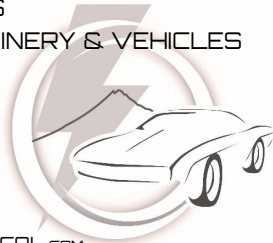
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