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# TAINUI TRADING POST

## MAY 2016



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From Your Councillor,

I attended a State Highway Three Working Party meeting in Hamilton last week and we received an update from the NZTA Project Manager on the proposals for the Awakino Tunnel to Mt Messenger section of SH3.

There are three projects affecting this section; Mt Messenger Bypass (budget \$85m – \$90m), Awakino Tunnel Bypass (budget \$10m - \$15m), and Corridor Safety and Resilience (budget \$25m - \$30m). All three are still in the planning stage, however the 'Corridor' project should commence next year, and the 'Mt Messenger' and Awakino Tunnel' projects should be underway in 2018.

The likely option for 'Awakino' is a 'two bridge' bypass, and the 'preferred corridor' for 'Mt Messenger' is a western route, but no other details are available currently. Whatever the final plans, there will be a lot of money spent on this section of road either side of you, so keep your minds open for opportunities.

Also on 'opportunities', does anyone have any bright ideas on how Mokau can better accommodate the 'big rigs' that stop for food and toilet, so they have less effect on the other parking users.

The April edition of Waitomo Way should have reached you by now, so please take the time to read it as we have outlined our plans for the 2016/17 financial year, which has resulted in a lesser rates requirement than we had budgeted for, in the 2015-25 Long Term Plan.

Don't forget to complete and return your 2016 Resident Survey before Friday 13 May, to be in the draw to win one of five \$200 Te Kuiti New World Grocery Vouchers.

If you want to contact me about anything that concerns you, please ring me on 07 8778033, or email me at [brodieauahi@xtra.co.nz](mailto:brodieauahi@xtra.co.nz).

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## TAINUI HISTORICAL SOCIETY

DISTRICT NEWS Taranaki Daily News, 24<sup>th</sup> January 1919

### MOKAU

(From our own Correspondent)

A meeting of the Mokau Cemetery Board was held on the 20<sup>th</sup> inst. Present: Messrs A.G. Sampson (in the chair), S. Whitehead, G. Lake, L.R. Jones, and J.L. McDonald.

Correspondence was read from Mr A. Kelly of Mokau River, along with a donation of £1.1s. towards the extinction of the debt incurred through fencing the cemetery; from Mr Paerau Batly, of Mowhango, enclosing a cheque for £3.3s. towards the same purpose; from W.T. Jennings, M.P., notifying the Board the Minister in Charge of Cemeteries had agreed to grant the sum of £15 by way of subsidy on the amount already raised by the Trustees for the purpose indicated above. The donors and Minister were thanked. Mr John Kelly, Awakino County Engineer, who had surveyed and drawn up the plan of the Mokau cemetery, intimated his intention to make a donation of his professional charge, viz., £3.3s. to the funds of the Board. It was decided that the very valuable services of Mr Kelly in connection with survey and draughtsmanship be placed on record in the Boards minutes, and it was decided to accept £2.2s. of the gift.

It was decided that relatives of certain deceased persons buried in the Mokau cemetery be charged with the burial fees incurred by the Trustees in the past, with the option of purchasing the plots at scale charges if desired.

The treasurer reported a credit balance of £9.

The resignation of Mr J.L. McDonald as secretary and treasurer to the Board, was accepted with regret. The appointment of a successor was left in abeyance pending the receipt of certain information required by the Board.

Mr W.T. Jennings, M.P. for the district, paid an informal visit to Mokau on the night of the 21<sup>st</sup> inst., and gave a short address in the Town Hall before a representative gathering on matters affecting the welfare of the district generally, Mr S. Whitehead acting as chairman. Among matters touched upon were the snagging punt, Mokau River, the metalling of Mt. Messenger, the metalling of the Valley road from Awakino to Mahoenui and the discontinued Mokau River mail service. Much valuable information was given by Mr Jennings on these subjects, and the apparently strange attitudes of the Department concerning them explained. He made it quite clear that the Departments, like the gods, "helped those who helped themselves," and he urged his hearers to leave no stone unturned in their battle for the rights of the district. For by doing so they would strengthen his hand considerably when he came to approach the various Departments.

Hereupon Mr McDonald handed a petition from the settlers on the Mokau River to Mr Jennings for presentation to the Minister in Charge of Post and Telegraphs, having for its object the reinstatement of the River Mail Service. Mr Jennings promised to do his best upon his return to Wellington.

### MOKAU RIVER TOURS SAILING MAY 2016 PHONE 067529036

Date	Day	Sailing	High	Size	Low	size
1	Su	1pm	4.45pm	2.8	10.30am	1.0
2	Mo	1pm	5.50pm	3.0	11.40am	0.9
3	Tu		6.20am	3.2	12.40pm	0.7
4	We	1pm	7.15am	3.4	1.35pm	0.5
5	Th	10am	8.10am	3.6	2.30pm	0.3
6	Fr	10am	9.am	3.7	3.20pm	0.1
7	Sa	11am	9.50am	3.7	4.10pm	0.1
8	Su	11am	10.40am	3.7	5.pm	0.1
9	Mo	11am	11.30am	3.6	5.45pm	0.2
10	Tu		12.20pm	3.4	6.35pm	0.4
11	We	11am	1.10pm	3.2	7.05am	0.5
12	Th	11am	2.10pm	3.0	8.am	0.7
13	Fr	11am	3.05pm	2.9	9.am	0.9
14	Sa	1pm	4.10pm	2.8	10.am	1.0
15	Su	1pm	5.12pm	2.8	11.am	1.0
16	Mo	1pm	6.20pm	2.8	12.pm	1.0
17	Tu		6.40am	2.9	12.55pm	0.9
18	We	10am	7.25am	3.0	1.40pm	0.8
19	Th	10am	8.10am	3.1	2.20pm	0.7
20	Fr	11am	8.45am	3.2	3.pm	0.7
21	Sa	11am	9.20am	3.2	3.40pm	0.6
22	Su	11am	10.am	3.2	4.15pm	0.6
23	Mo	11am	10.35am	3.2	4.50pm	0.6
24	Tu		11.10am	3.2	5.30pm	0.6
25	We	11am	11.50am	3.1	6.05pm	0.6
26	Th	11am	12.30pm	3.1	6.30am	0.8
27	Fr	11am	1.20pm	3.0	7.15pm	0.8
28	Sa	11am	2.10pm	2.9	8.05am	0.9
29	Su	11am	3.10pm	2.9	9.am	0.9
30	Mo	1pm	4.15pm	2.9	10.05am	0.9
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### ANDREW'S PATCH

Incidents in the last month in the Mokau area.

There were four reported vehicle crashes, only one of which an occupant of the vehicle was injured seriously, however this may have been avoided had a seat belt been worn. Further on the matter of traffic, I myself have witnessed some horrendous driving around the area so I am sure that others have as well, although you may not be able to phone immediately, the Police would still like you to report the matter, this can be done online or by filling out a small one page form which I have at the station. Like most things, the more reports we receive the more we will be able to identify a pattern of behaviour.

There have been two reported incidents of family violence in the area, if you suspect family violence is occurring in a home or in a relationship, contact me or another agency, it will be anonymous, but don't do nothing.

There were two reported burglaries around Mokau Township, it is clear that most burglaries / thefts are occurring at properties with beach access, please ensure that your property is properly secured and please arrange to have your property checked regularly. Signing up with North Taranaki Neighbourhood Support can assist with this.

Cheers  
Andrew

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### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MUSEUM?

This is the first instalment of a new monthly column designed to let you know all of the interesting things happening at your community museum.

As you know, the museum underwent a makeover in February as part of the TV series "Heritage Rescue". The makeover plus the roading upgrade model and the new art gallery have all combined to produce a phenomenal increase in visitor numbers – 800 people through the door this March, a new record.

What further activities are you likely to notice this month?

- Exterior and interior painting by local bach owner/painter/decorator Tony Johnson
- Signwriting on the buildings
- Garden landscaping plus a flat paved area in front of the new ranch slider thanks to the ever supportive Waitomo District Council

With all of this exterior activity, you may be wondering about progress inside:

- Digital cataloguing by contractor Amanda Griffin
- Newly painted art gallery complete with 4 spotlights
- Art exhibition by Rob Shewry. Go to [www.shewryart.com](http://www.shewryart.com) to see Rob's beautiful paintings which are selling fast

Have you considered helping out at the museum? We have 6 new volunteers, bringing our team to 12, but we still need 2 more volunteers for smooth running – remember a half-day slot takes only 3 hours, either 10 – 1pm or 1 – 4pm once a week. It's stimulating, you meet hordes of interesting people and you can immerse yourself in the Tainui region's history as much or as little as you wish. The museum computer is available for your use between meeting and greeting visitors.

Any queries, phone Jan, our secretary on 7525995 or 0274769697.

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