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TAINUI TRADING POST

APRIL 2016



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From Your Councillor;

2016 Resident Survey

Each year we survey Waitomo District residents to gauge their satisfaction with the different services provided by the Council, such as Roads & Footpaths, Water Supply, and Refuse and Recycling, for example. This year we are proposing an extra section on 'Livability – Waitomo as a Place to Live'.

The answers to this survey help guide the Council in it's planning for future service levels, and direction of development.

The 2016 Resident Survey will be a paper survey distributed to each letter box in the District, but will also be available on-line at www.waitomo.govt.nz

The Survey will be distributed in late April/early May, and is required to be returned to Waitomo District Council by Friday 13 May 2016. Each completed survey returned to Council by that date will have a chance to win one of five \$200 Te Kuiti New World grocery vouchers. So please take the time to complete the survey, preferably as soon as it arrives, and get it returned by 13 May, as your answers and opinions, and ideas, are very important in helping us plan for the future of our District, but please, only one completed survey per household.

On a local note, I'd like to extend my congratulations to the Mokau St Johns team on the culmination of a huge effort, with their recent 'Official Opening' of the new building, and the addition of a great facility for their District.

I also wish to congratulate the members of the Mokau Museum for their very brave decision, and commitment, to the upgrade their important little museum, and I hope some more members of the community will be happy to stand up and help show it off to the increasing number of visitors that I'm sure it will bring.

If you want to contact me about the survey, or anything else that concerns you, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Phil Brodie – Rural Ward Councillor

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MOKAU JONES The Budget 19TH January 1918

The late Mr Joshua Jones, whose death occurred on Monday last, had a varied and interesting career. Born in South Wales and educated at an English University, he left home at an early age and after journeying over a large portion of the world settled for a time in South Australia, where he joined a body of mounted troops which was organised for the purpose of controlling and protecting outlying settlements in the wide expanse of that colony. During his term of service he was selected as escort to the Duke of Edinburgh on the occasion of one of the Duke's excursions into the wild and always treasured a personal memento given to him by the Duke to mark the occasion. In rare moments of confidence he was able to give some interesting accounts of his experiences in the sandy deserts and waterless mallee country of South Australia and the contiguous parts of Victoria.

Of too restless a nature to bear tamely the restrictions of service he was attracted to the then newly discovered goldfields of the Northern Territory where his adventurous nature led him to undertake long and arduous journeys in search of the precious metal. During one of these trips over a length of 300 miles in hitherto undiscovered country, the subject of this sketch with his two companions endured very severe privations. Having amassed a considerable amount of property he took an active part in politics and on local self government being granted to the Northern Provincial Council. Owing to the great depreciation in values caused by the collapse of a mining boom he lost the greater proportion of his wealth.

Starting once again on his travels his attention was drawn to Taranaki by the reputed similarity of its climate to that of the southern parts of England. After a short experience as a selector in the then newly opened Moa Block near Tariki, Mr Jones turned his attention to the land at Mokau with which his name has so long been associated. Having established friendly relations with the natives in what was then looked on as a district not too safe for Europeans to venture into he ascribed his success in this particular to the easy confidence he showed by going amongst them unarmed. Much against the advice of more experienced settlers. Indeed, so strong was the feeling as to the injudiciousness of his actions in this respect, that the government of the day was subjected to criticism for allowing it. However, his knowledge of the aborigines in other parts of the world served him in good stead with the Maori and having received promises of assistance and encouragement from Sir Donald McLean he entered into negotiations for the acquisition of the now famous Mokau Block, and had the honour of leading the first survey party that had entered the King Country subsequent to the war. Mr W.H. Skinner, now a commissioner of crown lands at Christchurch, being the operating surveyor.

In the year 1878 he was largely instrumental in bringing about a meeting between Sir George Grey and Rewi Maniapoto, who had, after the fight at Orakau, maintained the strictest seclusion. For his good offices in this respect he was presented by Rewi, through the hands of Sir George, with a taiaha as a token of peace between the two races.

In 1892 he went to England with the object of obtaining capital to work the minerals on the property in which he had great confidence. Becoming involved in a lawsuit he spent the next sixteen years of his life in what proved to be unsuccessful litigation during the course of which his ability in conducting this attracted considerable attention and earned him the name of being the best advertising agent Taranaki ever had.

While in London he was a member of the Poor Law Board of Guardians of one of the metropolitan areas.

Unsuccessful in his endeavours he returned to New Zealand and has since resided at Waitara. Born of a very old Welsh Family which was related to one of the Ducal families of England his life may best be described as following the course prescribed by his family's motto:

"PER ARDURE AD ASTRA" (Through adversity to the stars)"

Deceased was a man of considerable literary ability and was noted among the few who were intimate with him for his quick and apt rendition of Latin.

MOKAU RIVER TOURS SAILING APRIL 2016 PHONE 067529036

Date	Day		High	Size	Low	size
1	Fr		6.pm	2.7	11.50am	1.2
2	Sa		7.15pm	2.7	1.05pm	1.1
3	Su	☀	6.25pm	2.9	12.10pm	1.0
4	Mo		6.50am	3.1	1.10pm	0.8
5	Tu		7.45am	3.4	2.05pm	0.5
6	We		8.35am	3.6	2.55pm	0.3
7	Th		9.25am	3.8	3.45pm	0.1
8	Fr		10.10am	3.8	4.30pm	00
9	Sa		11am	3.8	5.15pm	00
10	Su		11.45am	3.7	6.pm	0.2
11	Mo		12.35pm	3.5	6.50pm	0.4
12	Tu		1.30pm	3.3	7.20am	0.5
13	We		2.30pm	3.0	8.20am	0.7
14	Th		3.30pm	2.8	9.20am	0.9
15	Fr		4.42pm	2.8	10.30am	1.0
16	Sa		5.55pm	2.8	11.40am	1.0
17	Su		6.30am	2.9	12.40pm	1.0
18	Mo		7.20am	3.0	1.35pm	0.9
19	Tu		8.05am	3.1	2.15pm	0.7
20	We		8.45am	3.2	3.pm	0.6
21	Th		9.20am	3.3	3.30pm	0.6
22	Fr		9.52am	3.3	4.05pm	0.5
23	Sa		10.25am	3.3	4.40pm	0.5
24	Su		11am	3.3	5.15pm	0.6
25	Mo		11.30am	3.2	5.50pm	0.6
26	Tu		12.10pm	3.1	6.05am	0.7
27	We		12.50pm	3.0	6.45am	0.8
28	Th		1.35pm	2.9	7.30am	0.9
29	Fr		2.30pm	2.8	8.30am	1.0
30	Sa		3.35pm	2.8	9.25am	1.1

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