



**SEPTEMBER 2020**

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Up until recently I continued to work, mainly in town as a business advisor/coach within the SME sector but COVID has brought about a change of perspective. Forced to be at home, I picked up the tools again, and I actually quite enjoyed it. I like the detailed work, have always taken pride in what I do and commit fully to the job at hand.

With these times a-changing, I thought why not do more in the local area? So, with tools dusted off, coveralls on and paint brushes primed, why not? So, if you need something built, tidied up, or just some advice then give me a bell.

I say that "I will do the whole job for you". While I can do most things, the things I can't, I will organise for you working with other local trades people, saving you the headache.

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Ngā mihi, Murray  
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## CHURCH NOTICES

### 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 92:1&2

#### Welcome to Sunday Services!

Sept 6: Family Communion 2pm Rev J Singh  
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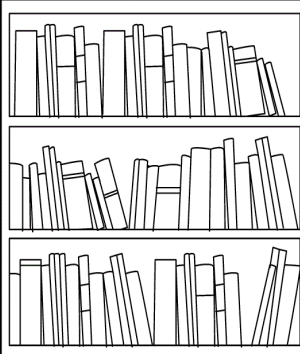
Vigil of Second Sunday of the Month

**Saturday September 12th at 5pm**

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# September Tides



Date	AM High	AM Low	PM High	PM Low	PM High
TUE 01 SEP	-	03:01 0.7m	09:28 3.2m	15:21 0.6m	21:47 3.4m
WED 02 SEP	-	03:43 0.6m	10:11 3.3m	16:00 0.5m	22:26 3.5m
THU 03 SEP	-	04:20 0.5m	10:49 3.4m	16:36 0.5m	23:04 3.5m
FRI 04 SEP	-	04:56 0.5m	11:26 3.4m	17:11 0.5m	23:39 3.4m
SAT 05 SEP	-	05:29 0.5m	12:0 13.3m	17:44 0.6m	-
SUN 06 SEP	00:13 3.4m	06:03 0.6m	12:35 3.3m	18:18 0.7m	-
MON 07 SEP	00:46 3.3m	06:37 0.7m	13:08 3.2m	18:53 0.8m	-
TUE 08 SEP	01:19 3.1m	07:13 0.8m	13:42 3.0m	19:31 0.9m	-
WED 09 SEP	01:56 3.0m	07:52 0.9m	14:22 2.9m	20:15 1.1m	-
THU 10 SEP	02:39 2.9m	08:37 1.0m	15:11 2.8m	21:08 1.2m	-
FRI 11 SEP	03:33 2.7m	09:32 1.2m	16:18 2.7m	22:15 1.3m	-
SAT 12 SEP	04:43 2.7m	10:40 1.2m	17:36 2.8m	23:32 1.3m	-
SUN 13 SEP	06:02 2.7m	11:56 1.1m	18:46 2.9m	-	-
MON 14 SEP	-	00:42 1.1m	07:11 2.9m	13:05 0.9m	19:44 3.2m
TUE 15 SEP	-	01:39 0.8m	08:09 3.1m	14:01 0.7m	20:36 3.4m
WED 16 SEP	-	02:29 0.5m	09:01 3.4m	14:51 0.4m	21:24 3.6m
THU 17 SEP	-	03:16.0 3m	09:50.3 6m	15:37.0 2m	22:11.3 8m
FRI 18 SEP	-	04:02 0.1m	10:36 3.8m	16:23 0.1m	22:56 3.9m
SAT 19 SEP	-	04:47 0.0m	11:22 3.8m	17:08 0.0m	23:42.3 9m
SUN 20 SEP	-	05:32 0.0m	12:07 3.8m	17:53 0.1m	-
MON 21 SEP	00:28 3.7m	06:17 0.1m	12:54 3.6m	18:39 0.3m	-
TUE 22 SEP	01:16 3.5m	07:04 0.3m	13:42 3.4m	19:29 0.5m	-
WED 23 SEP	02:06 3.3m	07:53 0.6m	14:35 3.2m	20:23 0.8m	-
THU 24 SEP	03:02 3.1m	08:48 0.9m	15:35 3.0m	21:27 1.0m	-
FRI 25 SEP	04:06 2.9m	09:54 1.1m	16:43 2.9m	22:46 1.2m	-
SAT 26 SEP	05:17 2.8m	11:16 1.1m	17:53 2.9m	-	-
SUN 27 SEP	-	00:06 1.1m	07:28 2.8m	13:32 1.1m	19:59 3.0m
MON 28 SEP	-	02:08 1.0m	08:30 2.9m	14:31 0.9m	20:54 3.1m
TUE 29 SEP	-	02:58 0.8m	09:22 3.1m	15:18 0.8m	21:40 3.3m
WED 30 SEP	-	03:40 0.7m	10:06 3.2m	16:00 0.6m	22:21 3.4m

## TAINUI WETERE DOMAIN

Whitebaiting season got off to a hiss and roar. Weather was brilliant and while there were a few tall tales, they were running and most got a feed. Its great to see the campers back enjoying the beauty and bounty of the Mōkau.

What a transformation a month and a bit of mahi can do. Thanks to the many volunteers the club-rooms have had a spruce up and geeze it looks

great. A few finishing touches to go for the big reveal. Our thanks really goes out to Max who is relentless in finding the funds, buying materials and organising the ravel to get things done. Max the community puts their hands together in appreciation, Ngā mihi.

COVID has and continues to impact on the 2020 rugby season. However, the Tainui boys are fizzing to get out on the field. At this stage there's potential of a tens tournament on for the 12 September but for this to happen we will have to be in Covid Level One. This will be the last chance and hopefully we are able to pull it off.

Tainui Pet Day is on the 23rd of October, everyone is looking forward to seeing the children with their pets, come down and join us for this fun day.

Matt Faull  
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# Community Notices

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MUSEUM

Don't know if you had noticed, or maybe its just me, but there seems to be more campervans and caravans on the road. Even though the museum is closed Tues and Wed over the winter the visitor numbers was an all-time record for July. Its great to see Kiwi's take the opportunity to see their own backyard.

Jolly COVID has again given the country a bit of a swipe and I suspect is going to plague us for a bit longer yet. However, at level 2 the museum is able to remain open to the public. Extra precautions have been taken by the volunteers to ensure we are operating within the MoH guidelines keeping ourselves and the public safe.

In late July the museum hosted a class from Francis Douglas Boys High as part of a research project they were doing on coastal erosion in the area. The place was buzzing with 35 teenage boys as they had a good look through the displays. From the archives the museum presented maps and photos to show how much land has been lost to the sea over the past 5 decades. Particular thanks goes out to Phil Gudopp who enhanced the boys experience, taking them out on the farm to see the effects first hand. The teachers were impressed with the resources that were available and indicated a similar event will be planned for next years intake. A museum is more than just a collection of stuff and stories of a bygone era. It's a place where history can be presented in a way that brings reflection, and by doing so impacts on the decisions we make in the future and is captured well in this whakataukī, "Titiro whakamuri, kia whakaata i a tatou kia kaha ai to tatou haere whakamua". Look back and reflect so that we can together move forward.

History happens daily and the museum has been working with Fulton Hogan and NZTA to capture the key aspects of the Awakino Tunnel project. Both NZTA and Fulton Hogan have created a display that defines the project scope, outlining the engineering works and communicates recent activity. The purpose of the display is to keep the community and the public informed on the project progress. The team is excited to be working with NZTA and Fulton Hogan on this project.

Every month something new happens in and around the museum. There are more project ideas than there are people to pull them together. If you have a particular interest topic that you would like to contribute to, Jennifer would love to hear from you

**ART GALLERY:** Denise Newland and Pat Greenfield didn't really know each that well and they were both visiting the museum at the same time a few months ago. We asked each of them if they would like to exhibit and they both said no - "I don't have enough work" so it was suggested that they exhibit together. Since that decision was made a wonderful friendship has flourished and this shows in their delightful exhibition named 'Diversity'. Do come in

and check out the incredible variety of work on display from carvings (stone and bone), geometrical drawings and paintings, colour pencilled works, to photography! On until September 24. And then it's that time of the year that we get to check out what the Cluster Schools' art is going to be for their exhibition that starts on September 25.

Ngā mihi  
Murray

## TAINUI HISTORICAL SOCIETY

*Researched by Jennifer Topless*

### AWAKINO

From our own correspondent  
(Taranaki Herald, 23 September 1920)

September 21 - As a result of its recent victories the Awakino Football Club received a challenge from a Maori team selected from Natives living between Tongaporutu and Mahoenui. The challenge aroused considerable interest and when the teams met last Saturday there was naturally a general flocking to Awakino to witness the result. The teams took the field near enough to 2.30 though there was some delay partly owing to the football bladder leaking and partly owing to the difficulty of securing a referee as the usual referee was absorbed in the Awakino team. In appearance the Maori team reminded one somewhat of the Maori team that visited Australia a few years ago, but not as regards uniformity of attire, or yet as regards alertness so that any suspicion of them being dark horses was soon dispelled. For the first five minutes the game was very fast and the ball travelled some, but after that the "All Blacks" found the pace too hot and judging by the amount of puffing and blowing you could tell that the majority was becoming overcome by that "done his dashness" sensation that is hard to throw off. However the skippers had wisely decided to play four spells (or eight if necessary) instead of the orthodox half time, and for this they earned the duskies' life-long gratitude. Score upon score was piled up against them until the welcome whistle sounded with the score reading 17 to nil in the pakehas favour.

Interesting side shows during the progress of the game was an impromptu attack by dogs on a neighbours quite inoffensive pig, an uninvited visit from a rather vicious looking young bull, and the inevitable dog fight.



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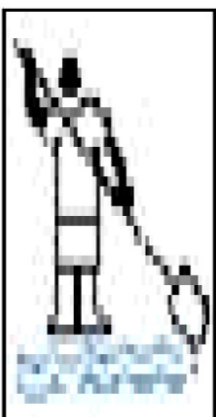
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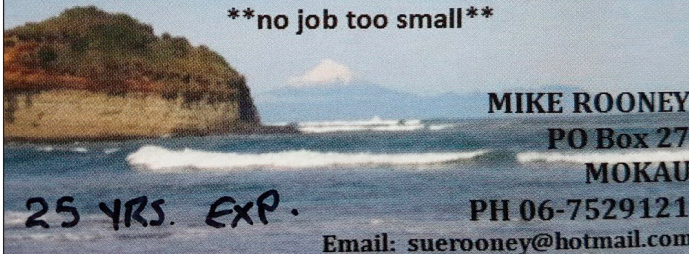
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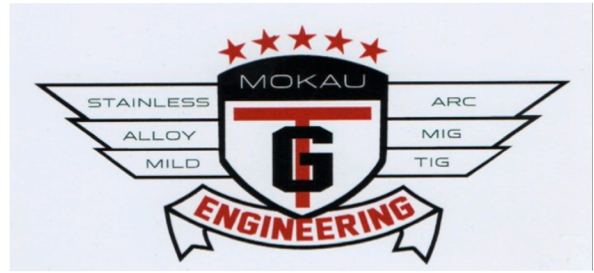
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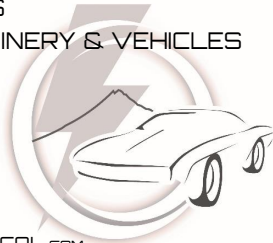
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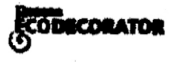
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**Business Computer Services**  
Ross Smith - 07 877-8880

**Chartered Accountants**  
Lionel Smith & Shelley Mitchell  
Phone - 07 878-1098 Te Kuiti

**Earthmoving / Cartage**  
Chris Wise - 06 752-9710

**Electrician**  
Peter McNeice - 06 769-9596 or 027 445-6456

**Engineering**  
Tony Grant - 021 129-6814

**Fencing Contractor**  
Matt Faull - 027 344-2979 / 06 752-9057

**General Store - Mokau**  
022 428-0238

**Hairdressing / Le Reve**  
Heidi - 027 679-1931

**Handyman/Property Maintenance -**  
Trevor Walshaw - 06 752-9813

**Handyman Services (building etc)**  
Mike Rooney - 06 752-9121

**Home Handyman & Painter**  
Murray Seamark - 021 431-1432

**Mokau Butchery**  
06 752-9844

**Mokau Couriers Ltd**  
021 081-77631

**Ngā Hapū o Poutama - 06 752-5868**  
karuu.poutama@xtra.co.nz

**Plumber**  
McIndoe Group - 07 878-5026

**Plumber & Gasfitter**  
Peter Langridge - 027 804-8913

**Property Maintenance**  
Geoff Preston - 06 752-9780

**Trucking**  
Progress Transport - 07 877-8058

## ACCOMMODATION

**Awakino Hotel**  
06 752-9815

**Awakino River Lodge**  
021 775-397

**Graeme & Cheryl Coombe**  
06 758-9922 / 027 246-3090

**Mokau Motel**  
06 752-9725

**Seaview Motor camp**  
06 752-9708

**Tasman Sunset Studio- Book a Bach**  
06 752-9115

**Tongaporutu Hall**  
06 752 5872 or  
tongaporutuhall@gmail.com

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**Barbara Kuriger MP**  
06 756-6032

**Justice of the Peace**  
Gay Andrews : 06 752-5870

**Marriage Celebrant**  
Heidi : 027 679-1931

**Mokau Nurse**  
06 752-9723

**Mokau Police**  
Andrew : 021 191-1266

### NEW ZEALAND FIRE & EMERGENCY

If you are interested in joining please phone  
**Andrew Warren 06 752-9059**

### TAINUI ST JOHN'S

Our Service requires Volunteers to help with the  
operation of our ambulance service



**Lynette Adams: 07 877-8877**  
lynadams@xtra.co.nz

**Eric Cryer: 06 752-5821**

## NURSE'S NOTICE

### 06 752-9723

CLINIC HOURS:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9-11am

*Services available include:* \* Blood pressure monitoring \* Blood sugar monitoring (diabetes check) \* Wound care (dressings) \* Immunisations \* Cervical screening (by appointment) \* Lifestyle and Health Education \*Pregnancy tests • Home visits by appointment.

**If you need a response today**

PHONE 0800 735 466 and Ambulance Control in New Plymouth will contact either Taranaki Base Hospital Emergency Department or New Plymouth District Nursing.

**PATSY BODGER**  
MOKAU DISTRICT NURSE