

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

Dates of interest:

9th May—Garden Circle

10th May—Mighty Mokau Bike Ride AGM

14th May—Mothers Day!

15th May—Tainui Girls Brigade AGM

16th May—Mokau Museum AGM

19th May- Crop Swap

23rd May—Tongaporutu Hall AGM

27th May—Awakino Bowling Club AGM



Onetai Coast

Submit your photo to us and the best one will be placed here at the end of the month.

Community Notices



Mokau Wearable Art

Group



I am co-ordinating Mokau's entry to the 2019 Taranaki Wearable Arts event.

The plan is to present our wearable art in 2019 at:

Two Easter community events An exhibition at Mokau Museum and Gallery Taranaki Fashion Arts Awards September 2019

We are likely to receive funding.

Venues for workshops are also on offer.

So far we have 4 people on our team – Lou and Julia from the Awakino Hotel, Heidi and myself.

Our region has so many talented artists - please consider coming on board and supporting our community gallery and museum.

For further information, phone Rae Tissott 0221 396 774

St Peters by the sea

"Jesus said I am the way, am the truth, am the life. No one comes to the father except through me." John 14:6 Sunday May 6th 2pm family worship Pastor Pere Sunday May 20th 2pm Family service Pastor Tutty

All welcome to services and afternoon tea to follow. Enquiries to D Lowry 7529123

Awakino Christian Church

Meetings

Every 2nd and 4th Sunday Awakino Hall, 2.00pm

Ladies Bible Study

Every 1st and 3rd Friday, 328 Mohakatino Rd, 2.00pm Enquiries Phone 06 7529124

Our Lady of Wayside Catholic Church Mass

Saturday 12th May at 5 p.m.

Tainui Playgroup

Plenty of interacting through creative, outdoor and structured activities for your children. Lots of fun and great for the development and social skills of your child.

Bring morning tea for your child.

Everyone welcome.

Where: Tainui Street, Mokau

When: Wednesday, 9am till noon

Cost: \$3 session, \$20 term. \$30 family. Under 1 free

Christy Lowry 7529 132

NURSE'S NOTICE

06 7529 723

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* Blood pressure monitoring * Blood sugar monitoring
 (diabetes check) * Wound care (dressings) * Immunisations * Cervical screening (by appointment) * Lifestyle and health education * Pregnancy tests

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PH 0800 735 466 & Ambulance Control in New Plymouth

will contact either Taranaki Base Hospital

Emergency Department or New Plymouth District Nursing.

PATSY BODGER, MOKAU DISTRICT NURSE

Awakino Bowling Club

AGM will be held at the Awakino Bowling Club on Sunday the 27th of May at 1:30 pm.

Everyone Welcome :-D



Tainui Girls Brigade

Tainui Girls' Brigade invites you to the AGM

Awakino Hall

On Tuesday 15th May 2018

3.30pm

All Welcome

Tongaporutu Hall Society Inc

AGM will be held at the Tongaporutu Hall on Wednesday 23rd May 2018 at 7.30pm.

All Welcome

Mighty Mokau Bike Ride

AGM will be held at the Tainui Rugby Club on Monday 7th May 7pm

All Welcome

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MUSEUM?

April 2018 - This month Easter weekend has been even busier because of the Bone carving and the pop up shop.

The Easter bone carving workshop went extremely well, with 23 carvers coming from all over the North Island. Expert carver Owen Mapp from Paraparaumu led the workshop and displayed some of the finest bone carvings in the country. The combination of museum, hall, bone carving and pop-up market created a great vibe in the village. Thank you to all those people who donated food, goods and services to these events. The resulting community spirit is exactly what Waitomo District Council is hoping for by funding events such as this.

AGM: It is that time of the year again. Our AGM will be held on the 16th May at 4pm at the Museum. We need people who feel they can offer experience as committee members as well as volunteers for the day to day running of the museum, you don't have to know a lot about the district, just by being in the museum you will automatically absorb all the local knowledge you need. Come along to our AGM and see if either of these positions suit you.

Art Gallery: Our successful Pio Pio artist Jo Gallagher's exhibition will end on the 26th and our very own Photographers Kerry OSullivan and Chris Poletti's work will be shown from the 27th until the 14th June. Come along and support our local artists.

Our Collection: As we work our way through cataloguing the museum collection we come across interesting items. This month it is a small embroidered post card from world war one donated by

Generally known as "WW1 Silks". They were first produced in 1914 through to 1918 The WW1 cards were hand embroidered onto strips of silk mesh. Embroidered by French and Belgian women refugees who worked in their homes and in refugee camps. The embroidered strips were sent to a factories mounting onto a postcards. The WW1 Silks were wildly popular with servicemen on duty in France. The postcard that the Museum has is an embroidered ribbon with the words "From a friend". The UK flag on one side, the other side, flag of France. Sprigs of leaves and flowers are on either side of the ribbon.

Wearable Arts: If you could not attend the Wearable Arts meeting held last Wednesday and still want to participate, contact the museum and we can put you in touch with several people who are interested and are raring to go with their ideas but are still open to what you have in mind.

Many thanks to all those people in the past month who have contributed goods and services to the museum. The whole lamb and smoked snapper for the community dinner

- morning and afternoon teas for the bone carvers - a data

projector and photographic equipment which is just what we needed to produce wonderful clear pictures of artefacts.

The Museum is up dating its cabinets with new glass sliding doors. The old glass fronts are available free to a good home. Interested call in to the museum.

Our thoughts and good wishes are with the Whittakers after a disastrous fire has destroyed their home that happened in the early hours of Anzac Day.

#love MOKAU hall#

March saw some buzzy days in our Hall with a very successful Bone Carving Workshop

over the 4 days of Easter.. What a hectic time.. Around 20 carvers got stuck in, many being first timers, taking away some new skills and feeling pretty chuffed with the guidance they received from the amazing talent of some of the extremely skilled teachers.. Well done Mokau Museum for bringing this annual event to Mokau..

Also filling the Hall with vibrancy over the Easter break was Mokau Market Pop-Up Shop which was better than ever.. The local Art and Craft is very sort after and going by the numbers that visited the shop and the lack of stock left at the end of the Monday.. Well done and get crafting as the next Pop-Up is Queens B-Day which is only 6 weeks away..

There's been another Wedding in Mokau making use of the Halls trestles and seating for hire..

A start has been made on clearing and cleaning the basement with the idea of starting a Gym...Watch this space Mokau Hall has seen a busy summer.. and we are coming into a quiet time as the days get shorter.. If you have an ideas for an event in the Hall.. Get in touch.. There are plenty of people waiting to get involved and support your ideas..

WHATS ON @ the HALL MAY / JUNE

May 1st.. Wearable Arts meeting.. 10am.. Everyone welcome

Friday Night 1st June... Community Pot Luck Dinner, bring it all, food, drinks, plate, utensils and nobody gets the job of cleaning up.

June 1st - 4th.. Queens B-Day W-End.. Mokau Market Pop-Up Shop

June 14th..Thurs 7.15pm.. Hall Committee Meeting

Any enquiries contact Heidi Ph: 067529780 Email: <u>h.presto13@gmail.com</u>

Tainui Historical Society

The Chapmans of Rerekapa, Tongaporutu & Mt Messenger

(An abridged version of Phil Beard's Story)

On September 12th 1896 a 603 acre block of land in Rerekapa was proclaimed as "Greenlands Improved Farm Settlement". Six sections were allotted, five of 100 acres and one 103 acre, being Sections 2,3,4,5,6, & 8, Blk 13 Mimi S.D.

John James Chapman of the Wairarapa applied for and was granted a section 8. Mr & Mrs Chapman and their family of 10 aged from a baby to 15 yrs shifted to Urenui. From there J.J.C. and the oldest boys walked to the Rerekapa to start felling the bush. They walked from Urenui to Pukearuhe, along the coast to Tongaporutu, up the River and through a pass in the Mt. Messenger Range, carrying all their needs on their backs for a very Spartan existence. At what stage the rest of the family went in to live is unclear – in fact it could be that the family did not come to Urenui straight away, as the youngest child was born in Woodville on 24.2.1897 and was subsequently drowned at Rerekapa on 1.6.1898. Hers was one of the first burials at the Tongaporutu Cemetery (outside the present confines of the Cemetery).

In the first season 20 acres of bush was felled and 23 the next. The residence was started in 1898. On 6.3.1898 J.J.C. applied to exchange his allotment for Sec 8 Blk 4 Mimi SD at Tongaporutu. He being very fortunate to be granted this together with Sec 7 - 195 acres in all, which he took up on 2.1.1901. It would appear that most of the original Greenlands Settlers bailed out, leaving the Hutchins families with a viable amount of land.

On 1.1.1900, my father J.J.C. Jnr (then aged 18 yrs) in partnership with his brother Charles had also taken up Sec.9 Blk 13 of 250 acres of land in the Rerekapa. It has been suggested that the original purpose for the opening of this land was that it was on one of the possible railway routes. Ownership of this section passed to Henry (Harry) Jury on 8.9.1908.

Many years of hard labour went into the Tongaporutu farm, a lot of which was heavy swamp solid with fallen timber from bygone ages. Drains were blasted but the falling water table only brought more timber to the surface. When Maurice Collins, a returned soldier, took over in 1948 it was finally tamed. **Cont. on pg 5**



There were 6 reported vehicles crashes in the last month.

If you wish to join Search and Rescue, now is the time, get in touch.

Being in a rural area can make us a target for firearm theft, please ensure you have excellent security and report any suspicious vehicles or people.

'Cybercrime' is on the rise, hacked emails / social media, stolen bank funds etc. Set up 'two-step verification', on email, social media and bank accounts, purchase reputable anti-virus software and take care when opening links. Please report any incidents of cybercrime, hacking or scams. Check out the following links and follow Netsafe on Facebook.

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Cheers

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Tainui Fire and Emergency

After the recent house fire in Mokau, it's a timely reminder to check your smoke alarms are working and have a plan should you wake up to a fire.

Thank you to my fellow volunteers and their work that morning!

Bob Warren

If you are interested in joining our team please contact:

Andrew Warren - (06) 7529 059

Tainui St Johns



Our service requires volunteers to help with the operation of our ambulance service Contact Lynette Adams - **(07) 877 8877** email: lynadams@clear.net.nz

Eric Cryer (06) 752 5821

The timber had rotted somewhat and tractors came on the scene. The road frontage flats were good and in my time one paddock was used for football matches.

Two more children were born to the family at Tongaporutu. The first children were destined to work very hard but as time went by and finances improved the younger ones had more chances. Jean and Mabel became nurses and Edith would have been a good one. Henry was killed in WW1. Ada, Winifred and Philip became school teachers, Ada having taught at the Okau school, riding there from the farm each day on an ex racehorse which she owned. Winifred (dux NPGHS in 1914) taught at Awakino finishing there in 1921. Philip progressed to be a secondary teacher. J.J.C. Snr farmed the land, plus some Education Board land until he retired in 1920 when my father, J.J.C. Jnr took over. He had spent some of his life post Rerekapa working for surveyors, one of whom was a Mr Skiltrop. One of the jobs was the Waikawau Road. After that he worked for the N.P. Borough Council, renting a house where his sisters Ada and Winifred stayed with him while continuing their education. When he married in 1914 he went to the Kaponga area where my mother's family were from. My mother's grandmother had built the Kaponga Maternity and Surgival Hospital. It was there that their first son Bill was born. The first child born after the shift to Tongaporutu lived only 3 months and never came home. Three more were born while at Tongaporutu - Alf 1919, Phyllis 1924 and Hazel 1932. By 1936 the depression years had taken a toll on my father's health. The two sons had left home, the youngest, Alf, to get out of the mud at Tongaporutu. MUD was the abiding theme and memory of Tongaporutu to all who lived there in the early days. When Dad walked off the farm there was still another Chapman to take over the farm. Jean had married Otto McGregor and they farmed up the Okau. They leased the Tongaporutu farm and employed labour for it. All Chapman connection ceased when Maurice Collins bought it in 1948.

Ngā Hapū o Poutama...Pānui

Tēnā ra koutou katoa.

We have been wintering down the bees and doing AFB (American Foul Brood) checks. It is illegal to keep or ignore AFB contaminated hives. Hives with AFB must be destroyed within 7 days of discovery, usually by burning the whole hive with the bee colony inside.

Seems harsh but the whole industry would collapse if these methods were ignored hence the penalties involved. AFB spores can survive outside a honey bee colony for more than 35 years, and are able to withstand very high temperatures, including boiling water. **Continued...** The spores are also resistant to a range of disinfectants.

A honey bee larva is usually infected by being fed AFB spores which contaminate the brood food placed in its cell by nurse bees. The larva eats the spores, which then germinate in the larval gut, and turn into the vegetative form of the bacterium.

The vegetative form is in the shape of rods. These rods penetrate the gut wall of the larva, where they multiply, consuming the larval tissues. Death of the developing bee usually occurs either in the pre-pupal stage or just after pupation. When the vegetative rods have consumed all of the larval tissues, they turn into spores again. A single diseased larva may contain more than 2.5 billion spores. House bees in the colony try to remove diseased larvae and pupae and in so doing become contaminated with spores. New larvae are infected when they are fed contaminated food.

Spores are the only form of the disease that can infect healthy larvae. As well, the spores can only increase in number by infecting a larva. They do not multiply in any other environment (e.g. honey or beekeeping equipment). AFB spores will only multiply inside a larva. It's important to destroy the contents of diseased hives and to sterilise thoroughly any remaining hive equipment, by approved methods.

New Plymouth District Council have placed the NZTA Notice of Requirement on hold pending further information for the Mt Messenger Bypass Project. NPDC are looking at hearing commencement, Monday 11 June, 2018 NPDC have said a decision will be made later in the year.

Ngapera O'Sullivan helped team leader Stella McQueen and other ecological scientists from Kessels Ecology, carry out a fish depletion survey and stream diversion at the Awakino quarry recently. Everything went smoothly with over 1300 fish relocated. Fulton Hogan along with the ecologists have expressed their thanks and appreciation to Ngapera for her help and enthusiasm.

Ngapera enjoyed working with the team involved and was impressed at the meticulous skill throughout the project including the professionalism of the digger excavation work in the stream by Mark Vicker. Thanks to Phill Houben and the team at Fulton Hogan Ltd for ensuring that the environment within the stream has been protected for the many fish species living within it.

Tama tu tama ora, tama noho tama mate

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Congratulations to our 2018 Summer Comp winners:

Snapper 1st- Geoff Preston 9.93kg, 2nd- Don Halcrow
7.56kg, 3rd -Corey Proffit 5.44kg, 4th- Greg Benett
4.42kg, 5th- Bruce Purdie 4.01kg, 6th- Bill Harrison
3.58kg, 7th- Susan Chittick 3.38kg.

Gurnard 1st- Byron Chittick .84kg, **2nd-** Bryan Griffin .74kg, **3rd-** Ronnie Wisnewski .74kg

Kahawai 1st- Wal Death 3.08kg, 2nd- Melissa Jones 3.01kg, 3rd- Heather Griffin 2.88kg ,4th- Francis Proffit 2.72kg, 5th- Andrew Cook 2.33kg

Trevally 1st- John Casford 1.69kg, **2nd-** Jayden Wilson 1.48kg

Kingfish 1st- Kevin Proffit 7.1kg

Tuna 1st- Keith Tucker 7.8kg, **2nd-** Deb McFarlane 5.54kg, **3rd-** Jamie Griffin 3.88kg, **4th-** Keith Griffin 3.44kg

Surf Cast Kahawai 1st- Barb Proffit 1.96kg

Gurnard LongLine 1st- Stuart Rose .62kg

<u>Junior</u>

Kahawai 1st- Jorja Death 2.12kg, 2nd- Hayley McLean 1.95kg, 3rd- Deegan Shaw 1.76kg, 4th- James McLean 1.63kg, 5th-Katie Shaw (Hearing)

Other Prizes

Average Snapper- Corey Proffit 3.72kg

Ladies Pink Rod- Melissa Jones - Snapper 3.96kg

Most Dedicated Junior Angler- Hailey McLean

We would like to thank all our sponsors for their huge support over the year.



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MOKAU SCHOOL

<u>Together we can do it</u> <u>ka taea e tatou – together we are able</u>



The year so far has been an extremely busy one for everyone here at Mokau School. After relocating back from Ahititi School last year we have continued to address the ongoing challenges of building removal, reduced workspace, limited storage areas and falling roll numbers. However, thanks to the positive attitude and dedication of our BoT, staff, students and families we have managed to finish the term on a high note. Our four children are showing fantastic progress in their learning, they've enjoyed competing in interschool sports events and we are expecting two new students to join us in term two.

I discovered life sometimes has a way of giving you what you need, but not in the form you expect. (LK)

As a first time Principal the journey for me personally has been an interesting one. I have experienced many new challenges and I have to remind myself to take time to appreciate just how far we have come this year. I must acknowledge the many people I have around me both in and out of school who have helped to guide me and share their knowledge. I really enjoy this role and its many dimensions, so now that I have more understanding of the internal workings of being a teaching principal my goal for next term is to get out and about into the Mokau community a lot more. However, please don't wait for me to appear - you are more than welcome to come into the school at any time to say hello. We have an open door philosophy so nau mai haere mai ki te kura o Mokau.

You may have noticed a lot of activity around the school over the past two weeks with the removal of the old library and administration block. All is going according to plan and we aim to start term two with a fresh face and renewed energy so watch this space! The term is already looking to be a busy one with dates being confirmed for school and community meetings, professional development, and interschool events. The school newsletter will now be coming out on a fortnightly basis and we will do our bast to keep you informed on all that is planned and bappening here at Mekau

fortnightly basis and we will do our best to keep you informed on all that is planned and happening here at Mokau School. If you would like to be more involved and you have some skills or ideas to share with us we would appreciate your input. Our school is here for the Mokau community and we would love to hear from you. We will be focusing on 'flight' to start our term so your expertise and enthusiasm is welcome.

We hope you have enjoyed a safe and happy holiday break with your family.

From the staff and students of Mokau School.

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Crop Swap Mokau

Saturday 19th May

Steps of the Village Hall

9am start swapping at 9.30

Contact: Rae Tissot—022 1396 774

Garden Circle

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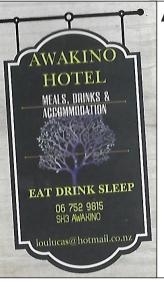
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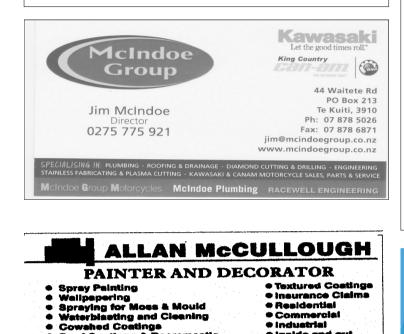
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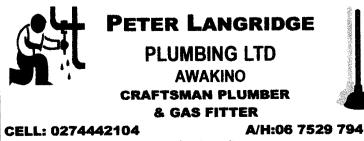
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