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AGM—TAINUI SEARCH AND RESCUE

3:30pm 1st October 2017 at Awakino hotel Could all SAR members please be present.

AND

AGM—TAINUI PIG HUNTING CLUB

4:30pm 1st October at Awakino hotel

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Ngā Hapū o Poutama - Pānui

Tēnā ra koutou katoa.

Ahihiti School enjoyed another noho marae at Tongaporutu Pā 15TH Sep. After a short wānanga, the tamariki took the role of hau kāinga and the adults took the role of manuhiri. Their karanga was loud and clear, the whai kōrero with the tokotoko was fantastic and leading the waiata was excellent. All the tamariki were confident and comfortable in their roles and did a fantastic job 'welcoming us on'. The day was topped off with a delicious hāngi that the tamariki helped prepare before settling in for bed. We have noticed their confidence growing with each noho, both personal and in terms of being on a marae. It's great to see this is now a regular experience for the kura.

Recently, we were privileged to be visited by Dr. Tero Mustonen, a leader of the award winning Snowchange Cooperative. Tero a is passionate defender of traditional worldview and cosmology of his people and is head of his village; Selkie in North Karelia, Finland. He has won several human rights and environmental awards for his work with Snowchange and Indigenous peoples of the Arctic. He is a well-known scholar of Arctic biodiversity, climate change and indigenous issues, having written over a dozen publications on the topics including the ground-breaking Eastern Sámi Atlas and Snowscapes, Dreamscapes.

Approximately 9 years ago, we hosted members of Snowchange, including Tero's wife Kaisu, at Tongaporutu Pā. It was a moving few days for us all, and hearing firsthand the effects of climate change from those who experience it first was sobering. Long lasting bonds and friendships were established in that initial visit, so it has been wonderful to meet with Tero again. We accepted an invitation to join Snowchange at Steering Committee level and look forward to meeting up again in the near future. Take a look at www.snowchange.org to see the achievements the organization has made since it was first established over 16 years ago. Needless to say, we were honoured to host them all.

Dung beetles have made the news in the last few months with the Regional Council promoting the beetles in natural systems as an environmental management tool. We were excited to see this, as dung beetles have been a fixture on Clifton Road for nearly 40 years now! In the 1970's, Gaelyn and Victor Gibbs made the decision to stop applying chemical fertilisers to pasture and instead, fed the soil with natural products like lime and seaweed. Stock health improved and earthworm population multiplied, but there was still a problem with dung lying on the surface of the soil, unavailable for pasture to utilise.

In 1979, they came across an article about a farm near Whangarei where dung beetles had been thriving for over 20 years. Gaelyn and Victor traveled north and collected approx. 100 dung beetles from this farm. The beetles were 5-20mm in length, and looked like black beetles with a horn on the head. They were located mainly in very fresh sheep manure. Little was known about dung beetles then. When they were released at Tongaporutu, they made a shrill chirping sound on exposure to light, and quickly burrowed into the ground. The Gibbs' carefully monitored them until 1987, by recording the odd cast seen in the original release paddock and small piles of soil at the site of fresh dung. To this day, the dung beetles are established and have multiplied across the majority of the farm. They are a great tool for the farm ecosystem!

Next month we will be visited by Chief Katagtau of Rotuma Island. He is a Chief of Maftoa village of Itumitu District in Rotuma, and will be traveling here with another Island Chief and his wife. We have visited them in Rotuma twice in the past two years, and feel very honoured and look forward to hosting them during their first visit to Aotearoa. They are facing issues with depopulation of rural areas, which is an issue they have in common with northern Arctic peoples and of course, here in Aotearoa. We are looking forward to the korero around this, and hopefully will have ideas to share.

He aha te kai ō te rangatira? He Kōrero, he kōrero, he kōrero.

MOKAU RIVER TOURS SAILING OCTOBER 2017 PHONE 067529036

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MUSEUM?

We have been making some extremely exciting plans this month which involve our 3 schools and the art gallery. The principals of Mokau, Whareorino and Ahititi Schools have all been contacted with regard to partnering with Mokau Museum and Gallery to produce a professionally run exhibition featuring children's art. We are all full of ideas and we are working towards making this a spectacular event which will take place August/September 2018. We are seeking your inspiration and input – so put on your thinking caps and let us know your ideas.

Speaking of the school children – our congratulations go to Sophia and Billy Smyth, Jessica and Grace Lovell, Kayla Gorrie, Merekara and Matua-Roy Tupu-Ngahere who won the prestigious Te Kuiti Gym Sports Hip Hop Competition. Well done Mokau School for making your region proud of you once again!

Here is something you can contribute to during the school holiday period which begins the first week of October. The 'Community Cabinet' initiative is all set to take off. We have a new cabinet set aside specifically for items which you would like to put on display for a limited time at the museum. The items remain your property – you do not need to donate them to the museum. Just bring your items along to the museum with a label saying what the items are and who they belonged to. What were they used for – and why? You may even be able to position them in the cabinet yourself. We are really looking forward to seeing what items come from this amazing community. I am going to bring my grandmother's spectacles and her opera glasses which are like a tiny miniature pair of binoculars.

What's new at the art gallery? We have an incredible exhibition opening the first week in October. Father and son artists Wayne Morris and Stuart Tullett Morris will be displaying their work until 09 November, so you have plenty of time to come in and browse more than once. Wayne specialises in "Found Art" – interesting pieces made from whatever he has managed to salvage. And Wayne's talented son Stuart is a painter. You can preview their work by going to our website: mokaumuseum.nz. Click on Exhibitions.

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Finally, we are thrilled to welcome Lou Lucas (Jeffares) to the team. Lou is looking after the museum and gallery on alternate Thursday afternoons. So if you'd like to find out about the history of the Awakino Hotel, do pop in on a Thursday and chat to Lou. The hotel's 60th anniversary is coming up on 22 December and I know Lou is seeking information from all those with a long memory. Jan Brown, secretary

Mokau Museum and Gallery, open seven days, 10am – 4pm

TAINUI HISTORICAL SOCIETY

LOCAL SHIPWRECKS - THE KAPUI

Built in 1902 by Land & Sons, Whangaroa, after a series of owners, the Kapui was purchased by the Taranaki Shipping Company Ltd in 1928, for the purpose of running between the ports of Waitara and Mokau. Before making her first run her owners ran into trouble with the Marine Department, resulting in Capt. R.S. Halcrow, on behalf of the owners, interviewing Premier Coates, pointing out that she was ready for sea except for the difficulty over the lifeboat. The Kapui would carry a crew of 3 and they had a lifeboat which could carry 5. As long as the boat was used for fishing there was no objection to her going to sea, but because it was proposed to enter the trade between Waitara and Mokau the Department insisted that the lifeboat provided must carry a crew of 8. It was pointed out that a crew of 3 would not be able to launch such a boat nor be able to handle it in heavy seas. The situation was resolved with the Premier's help and her first run north was on 16th November, 1928. She was contracted by the Public Works Dept. to carry barrels of bitumen to Mokau for use on the road on the north side of Awakino and was to return with loads of coal.

On 18th April 1929, with a full cargo of 40 tons, including 20 tons of bitumen for the PWD and manure for farmers she touched the bar, missing the channel as she entered the Mokau River on the evening tide, eventually beaching about 100 yards to the north of the river mouth where she remained for 4 days. Fortunately the weather continued fine and she was floated off on 22nd April with very little damage.

The Kapui continued plying between the 2 ports with a variety of cargo, including basic slag for farmers, returning with wool and consignments of fat pigs for the Works at Waitara. A profitable sideline for the crew was the sale of fresh fish caught at Tongaporutu en route to Waitara. On 2 December 1932 under Capt. G. Sang the Kapui left Mokau with a cargo of 10 pigs, 16 bales of wool and 40 tons of coal, running into very heavy seas until nearing calmer water at Waitara. After cruising around she approached the channel about 5.45pm when nearing the bar, a rain squall blotted out all visibility. Simultaneously she was struck by 3 big waves, skewing her around. The captain had almost righted her when she was struck by another big wave, the heavy seas carrying her onto the east beach where she stuck on an even keel in approximately 3 feet of water at low tide. A rope was secured to the wall at the mouth of the river and an unsuccessful attempt made to refloat on high tide at 3a.m. Later that morning the pigs and wool were unloaded and another anchor was taken out and buried in the sand. A further attempt to haul her off by anchor was made on 8th, but failed due to the tide not being high enough.

TAINUI HISTORICAL SOCIETY—CONTINUED

A northerly wind the following day drove her well up onto the beach and by evening with the use of her anchors she was moved towards the north wall and by 6.45p.m. she was in sufficiently deep water to enable her propeller to be used and by hauling on the line on the wall her bow was turned at the appropriate time and she reached the channel safely. By 7 p.m. she was berthed at the wharf. Again very little damage was done and repairs were quickly made. She sailed for Mokau on 17th.

In 1933 the Kapui was kept very busy bringing in coal in bulk from the new mines as well as wool and pigs from the river stations along the route. In April she brought down a large number of pukatea blocks for the Easter chopping and sawing events. Sometime in June or July Capt. H. Stead formerly of the Mahurangi took over the command of the Kapui. On 25th July, with a cargo of basic slag, while attempting to enter the Mokau River, she was caught in a strong current running out, went ashore on the north beach where she was left high and dry by the receding tide. Early attempts were unsuccessful when an anchor rope parted and she was carried further inshore. A party of men then jacked her up 3 ft on skids, then at high water on 20th August she was skidded into the water, taken up to the Mokau wharf where she was found to have very little damage. She was returned to Waitara and was put on the hard for examination.

In August 1934 the name of her captain was given as George Sang and her owner Mr Chas Wright, Mangatoi Station. She retained a crew of 4. Early on 21st August with a cargo of 30 tons of coal she left Mokau River on the full tide, crossing the bar at 6.30a.m. when she shipped a particularly big wave. The water lifted and powered through a skylight, flooding the engine room and putting the oil engine out of action. Though the anchor was immediately put out it could not hold and she was carried on to the beach 300 yards to the north of the river mouth where she was left high and dry in almost the same spot where she had run aground 4 years previously.

Next day two thirds of her cargo had been salvaged when bad weather set in and by 24th August, after two days of pounding by heavy seas there appeared little hope of salvaging the vessel. The upper works and deck fittings were extensively damaged; the hull was thrown about and became wedged even tighter in the sand, the sea piled the sand up, in and around her to within a foot of her decks. At high tide she was battered almost continuously by the waves breaking right over her.

By Saturday 26th all salvage attempts had been abandoned. All moveable fittings were saved and attempts were made to salvage the oil engine. The last of the coal was also removed and the following spring tide completed the work of destruction.

Source M. de Jardine's Shipwrecks on and off the Taranaki Coast

From Your Councillor

As a lot of you will appreciate, the cyclones in April, combined with the recent almost continuous rainfall, have created a lot of problems on our road network. The damage done by the two cyclones amounted to almost \$1.5m, spread over nearly 240 sites. Urgent safety repairs should have been completed by now, with the rest of the work to be completed by our contractor, Inframax Construction Ltd, over the next two years, alongside their normal contracted maintenance programme. The more recent damage will of course compound the problem and extend the timeframe for completion.

The elected Councillors and Staff have a busy programme this year with our Long Term Plan review which sets our proposed budgets and workplans for the next ten years. The procedures for this are set out in the legislation that governs Local Government and any proposals that trigger the 'public consultation' thresholds, will be well publicised for your consideration in early April 2018, with our final decision on it in June 2018.

Alongside this work we are also commencing the review of our District Plan, which sets out all the planning and land use rules for our District, with notification of the new Plan in early 2019. A number of aspects in the Plan will have particular relevance to the Awakino/Mokau area and we are planning specific consultation for the area early in the New Year (2018) to ensure contact with both permanent and 'holiday home' residents. Details are still being sorted, but plenty of notice of the final arrangements will be given.

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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