

Newsletter November 2022

Welcome to an update on happenings at Brook Park, Motakiora.

Fireworks extravaganza!

Last Saturday night -November 12- we hosted our fireworks extravaganza. Again, this was really well supported and enjoyed by the public. One goal of this event is to provide a safe inexpensive evening for everyone to enjoy. We encourage families to attend our event and enjoy the spectacular fireworks display, rather than the expense of buying their own. This event is our major fundraiser for the year and would not take place without the substantial support of our sponsors. A price increase for the pyrotechnics was met by the generous contributions of our sponsors, both monetary and in kind. **Johnny Dryden** from Cruize FM was once again the MC for the night and kept people entertained with music and commentary.

This year our major sponsor was. The Lines Co

Along with New World Te Kuiti,

King Country News, Te Kuiti Medical Centre, Mitre 10, McIndoe group, P C Soft, Wireless Dynamics, Stoked Eatery

General Automotive, NPG, Placemakers, Forgeson Law, Appliance Plus Te Kuiti, Cruize FM, Fine Woodworking, Smith Mitchell, 1st Scaffolding, Fine Woodworking,

Marshall Electrical, King Country Furniture, Te Kuiti Laundromat, D & M Jewellery Design, V J Williams, Shoppington, King Country Kitchens,

Special mention must go out to **Inframax** for the traffic management plan, which is always a major undertaking. They kept traffic flowing, kept pedestrians safe, and provided all the staff and signage required. A huge thankyou to **Inframax**.

A thankyou also to **Signs Alone** who keeps our sponsor board up to date each year.

Also the **council staff** who help prepare the park, the **volunteers and committee** who helped on the day, and members of **Legendary Te Kuiti** who manned the gate to collect the donations.

GUY Competition



This year we attracted 9 entries. Some entries were made by groups of children which made for some exciting banter.

1st Duder and Fagan family's

2nd Ashton Moys

3rd Tess O'Halloran

Thankyou to the prize sponsors

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Membership

The membership subs are unchanged from last year.

A one-off life membership - \$100 per person

Or an annual sub - \$ 10 per person.

As a financial member you will be kept informed through this newsletter of events we are running and any Working Bees we will be needing help with.

If there is anyone who you think would enjoy being involved in the Park, please pass on this newsletter and invite them to become a member.

Membership subs can be paid in person to a committee member or paid directly into the Brook Park Bank account 030449 0222594 00. If this method is used, please follow with an email of registration including your email and phone number to our treasurer Phillip Houghton. pkhoughton@hotmail.com

Fundraising:

We have the opportunity to raise some money for Brook Park, at the Op Shop from 21 – 25 November. Offers of help and saleable goods including clothing, baking, plants, etc, over this week would be appreciated. Contact Helen ph 07 8785019

Wednesday Weeders group

Great progress is being made on targeted areas in the park. The Rhododendron Dell has had tracking completed, an access gate and bridge is in progress. Weeding and planting of shelter/shade trees is completed to protect new Rhodo plantings. Tiding up around the Memorial Grove was completed before the fireworks night. We are lucky to have some council help on some of the larger tasks.

This group meets on a Wednesday 9am at the gate into the park behind Bosco's. Anyone interested can just turn up. This group meeting is weather dependant.

AGM

Our AGM this year will be held on 5 December at 5.30pm at the Waitomo Council chambers. Entry is to the left side of the building where the car park is - up the stairs through the side door. Come along as an interested local, potential member or to be elected to the committee.

Brook Park Bookings

Groups who wish to make a booking for the use of the park for an event should make their booking at the Waitomo District Council Office front desk. Liz Riley is the council contact person for any queries.