# PIO BIRDTALK

Bi-monthly community newsletter covering Piopio, Aria and Mahoenui districts

## Memorial for Brian and Marie Pyke

From their childhood in Piopio, lasting memories have brought the Pyke family back with a Memorial for their late mother and father, Brian and Marie Pyke.

On Saturday the 29<sup>th</sup> of February, a seat was unveiled at the Rukuhia Domain by Brian and Marie's two daughters, Val and Celia. Together with their two brothers, Chris and Nick, the memorial for their parents had been a well-planned out event.

Although Brian and Marie may not have been known to us all, they put forth a tremendous amount of spirit into our village during their many years in Piopio.

Together with their four young children, Chris (6), Val (5), Nick (4) and Celia (1), they initially departed England in 1959 for America. They brought a car in New York and travelled overland to the other side of the States, before then boarding a boat bound for New Zealand.

They arrived in New Zealand in 1960. Both Brian and Marie were qualified veterinarians and Brian began practicing with Ruawai Vet Clinic in North Auckland.

From England, you would expect they were used to rain, however Marie was said to have described her first 10 months in NZ as the wettest she's ever been in her life.

After a year at Ruawai, they shifted south to Piopio and in 1961 Brian started with the Piopio Vet Club. The family lived in the little vet club house on Kaka street and all four children went to school in Piopio.

Marie diversified her talents and around 1971 she taught at the Piopio District Highschool (as it was then known) for two years. Both Brian and Marie (and all four children) loved riding horses and formed lasting family friends with many still in our district.

Over the years, Brian was president of the Piopio Light Horse Club and Pony Club and he was also instrumental in developing the national New Zealand Riding Club. He was one of the initial instigators in forming the Hanovarian Society of New Zealand. Marie was a dedicated instructor and loved by all.

Brian was also active in the Piopio Theatre, for those that remember the days of local theatricals.



They moved house to behind the Piopio sale yards and later to a small farm on Tikitiki Road, before leaving the district.

Thank you to Celia, Val, Nick and Chris for their special contribution to our community in memory of Brian and Marie.



Pony Club camp at the Bevege's 1969L – R: One of the Wagstaff girls, Roger Bevege, Brian Pyke, Matheson, 'Charlie Horse' (nickname for the boy on the pony behind )Audrey & Jim Bevege, Peggy & Bill Finch.



Instructors course Mairoa L-R: Brian on Gaylene (Barbara (Hansen), Marie on Rusty (belonged to Olivers), Dicky (Miss Dickens – instructor), Jim Bevege, Errol O'Brien probably on one of Jim & Audrey's horses.



L-R Back: Vicki Stott, Ruth & Barry Stott, Lynda Cooper (Lord), Jon Nelson, Lynda Baines (Toms), Margie Macalister (Finlayson)

L-R Front: Pat Finlayson, Jean Toms, me, Audrey Bevege & Val Ballinger

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A free App is available on google Playstore to locate machines throughout New Zealand.



It's an uncertain time for our community, our country, our world!

To our readers: we hope that these next four weeks go as smoothly as they can and that you all stay well.



Prizegiving for Mokau Fishing **Club** is postponed and we are looking forward to doing this sometime in the future.

Thank you from Piopio Berry **Orchard** for your support throughout the season. We are now closed due to coronavirus.

Frozen berries continue to be available now and through the winter.

Please ring or email to arrange pickup

Please everyone, keep well. Cheers Angela

The Waitomo District Council has asked for research into Historic Buildings and Structures within the district, tasked to Danny Tanaka from Simmons and Associates.

He has requested if anyone has any historic information about the following sites or could refer him to someone that does, it would be appreciated. Thank you to Mr John Petre, who has already contributed his time and knowledge towards the research.

- 1) Mapiu Hall
- 2) Waitangauru Hall
- 3) Mapiu Store
- 4) Mairoa Hall
- 5) Mokauiti Hall
- 6) Mahoenui Hall
- 7) Benneydale Miners' Hostel
- 8) Red Barn Waitomo
- 10) The Ponga Pavilion at Aranui Cave Danny Tanaka Simmons and Associates Ltd 027 714 7136

### ARIA ORIENTEERING DATE CHANGE

Due to unforeseen circumstances we have had to change our Orienteering date to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June. Please amend your calendars to this date.

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# Rededication Ceremony for WW1 Veteran

#### Postponement date to be advised

Rowan Miller, regional co-ordinator for the NZ Remembrance Army discovered that Private Albert Rainbow, WW1 veteran had not received an official memorial, rather he simply had a wooden cross with a hand painted name on it.

Uniquely he was also one of only 500 POWs from the First World War. He was killed in an accident in 1922, before his service medals had even been awarded.

Rowan successfully applied to Veteran's Affairs to have a service memorial instated for him and it was intended to have a rededication ceremony just prior to ANZAC Day to unveil the new memorial. Due to recent events, the rededication ceremony is postponed until further notice.

The service will be attended by a number of dignitaries including Hon Barbara Kuriger and a representative of the Australian High Commission. Any interested members of the public are welcome to attend.

Following the service there will be light refreshments at the Piopio Cosmopolitan Club.



# Piopio ANZAC Commemoration Saturday 25th April

Has been cancelled due to Covid-19

Please use this day to privately remember our fallen and support our retired and current Personnel.

The ANZAC Parade and Service was being organised by Waitanguru Branch Rural Women NZ supported by the Piopio Lions. Future community input is most welcome. Please give Jenny Brodie (877 8033) or Liz Morgan 027 2846653 a call if you have any queries.

# Piopio Retirement (Paearuhe) Village

Although Paearuhe Village is enjoying almost full occupancy, there is not a large waiting list of people wishing to live there in the future.

If we do have a vacancy we always go to the waiting list first then try to fill the vacancy by 'word of mouth' rather than advertise.

The Village lies on land donated by Mr Roy and Mrs Jessie Boddy in 1979 and the landscaping and initial planning was done through a major fundraising project in the district (\$129,000).

The purpose of the Village is to provide comfortable and affordable housing for people over 60, or with a disability, who have either lived in the Piopio district or have friends or family here.

There is no obligation to take an available unit if you are on the waiting list.

We therefore urge anyone who may

consider living in the village in the future to let us know.

Let us know also if you could be interested in purchasing a home if one comes available.

Paearuhe Village has two 2-bedroom units, five 1-bedroom units, and three privately owned homes.

Contact Jenny Brodie (Secretary) Ph 877 8033 or Gavin Todd (Chairperson) Ph 877 7700

Piopio Retirement Trust Board

### **The Latest Surplus:** News from Piopio Community Fruit & Veg Stand

are upon us and on offer at our Community Fruit & Veg Stand.

First it was plums, plums, now it's a mix of apples, apples, apples and peaches, peaches, with pears; feijoas, quince, figs and walnuts coming along soon.

Anyone growing tomatoes this season knows it wasn't the best year for those. I think perhaps because we had a blast of chilly weather right when they were flowering and setting fruit. If you tried to grow tomatoes this season for the first time, please don't be put off by what happened. As the saying goes: if at first you don't succeed, try, try again!

The trusty telescoping fruit picker was deployed on a number of huge plum trees as well as heritage apples after calls came out and/or I approached houses with dripping fruit trees. I'm getting over my hesitancy about knocking on doors for the cause, since everyone to date has been graciously willing to share. My offer still stands to come and pick fruit that people are unable or too busy to pick themselves, so long as you are willing to contribute it the Stand. Depending on quantity picked and its condition, some may get taken to the Te Kuiti food banks and Hillview. Let's make sure that the good fruit grown in our wider area gets used and doesn't go to waste.

On a related note, I am propagating some heritage fruit trees: Blackboy and white peaches, Mapiu and Grandpa Anselmi's damsons, "Huia" figs, the "Old Post Office" walnut, and plums. Experimenting with Mrs. White's and the Kawana and Tui Street plums for the first time this year to see if I can get those growing. If you're interested in a free seedling tree of any of those (assuming they grow this season), let me know and I'll put them aside for you.

You may not realise it, but Piopio operates one of the more sustainable stands in this national initiative, with thanks to everyone who contributes and keeps an eye on things. Your support matters and is appreciated.

Check out our FB page "Piopio Community Fruit & Veg Stand" for

It's that wonderful time of the year posts on what's on offer each day, as when bumper crops of seasonal fruit well as the main "Community Fruit & Veg Stands" page to see what's happening at different stands around New Zealand.

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Donna and I are now working from home, contact details below.

We are keeping in touch with our clients and together with the assistance of our suppliers and reps, we are recommending the best options for each individual client. As you can imagine all suppliers are inundated with worldwide client requests as well as changing government advisories, and patience is key at this time. As soon as we are being updated we are passing this information to our clients. We will also be using this valuable isolation time to keep updating and upskilling so we are prepared when the virus passes.

Keep safe and healthy, look out for one another- this too will pass.

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# Mokau Kohunui Marae Rebuild Project

He Urunga mou, he wahi whakataa, he wahi whangai e te tinana mou, he wahi whakatau ngakau, he Paa mo ngaa Iwi katoa

In 2017 Mokau Kohunui Marae set about establishing a strategic plan with the help of Te Whare Wananga o Aotearoa and Community Waikato.

Through this many families alongside the Trustees and Komiti put in place goals to future proof the buildings, grounds, infrastructure. Strengthening te reo The journey has meant Trustees of and tikanga at the marae and bringing our people together were high priorities which included establishing a robust Charter and sharing information on the history of the marae.

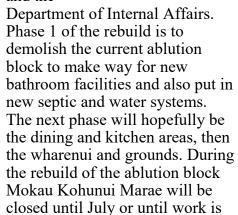
Acknowledging all those who built us. the marae, who moved buildings and kept Mokau Kohunui afloat

since the early 1920's was and is important so that we are able to move forward with the knowledge that we were upholding the mana of those who did that mahi before

These wananga and hui were a turning point in the Mokau Kohunui Marae rebuild project which has been a 2 year process to get to the stage where ground work was to start on March 16<sup>th</sup> 2020, since delayed due to lockdown.

the marae have needed to involve their whanau in planning and consultation which has been great for us all to get to know each other and meet regularly for a project that is important to

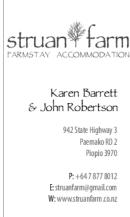
We are thankful to all those who supported and continue to support this project especially from Te Puni Kokiri and the



completed. If there are any queries or if families need alternative venues please do not hesitate to contact me. Ngaa mihi nui, Kristen Pari parihaulage@gmail.com or 0274713788

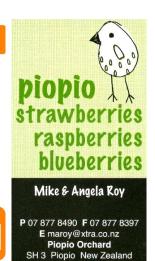












# **MOKAU EASTER ....**

reschedule

There would have been four good reasons to visit Mokau this Easter: Bone carving in the Hall; Pop-up craft market; Family Gala at Tainui Wetere Domain; and new displays at Mokau Museum and Gallery.

The bone carving symposium has gathered momentum over the last four years and is now a national event that was to attract over 40 carvers from New Zealand and Australia. Nowhere else will vou see such a large gathering of carvers and it is right at your back door. Although the event will be affected by NZ's current lockdown,

New event dates to be advised if able to hopefully, at a later date, you can come and meet the carvers in a relaxed setting and see them working their magic. Entry is free and they will have their unique treasures for

> Friday night was to kick off at 6pm with a shared community dinner and a keynote address by professional artist Daniel Ormsby of The Red Shed, Waitomo. Carving was to take place from 9am to 5pm Saturday and Sunday and till noon on Easter Monday. This year's special guest carver was to be Fumio Noguchi from Nelson, one of New Zealand's most admired bone carvers. Also making guest appearances were Owen Mapp



Bottom image from a previous workshop and above a piece made by Fumio Noguchi out of deer antler

and Steve Myhre, two more of New Zealand's best.

We wish to thank Waitomo District Council for its generous financial support through the Creative Communities scheme. Through this arts funding initiative, Waitomo District Council has nurtured Mokau Bone Carving to the point that it now runs independently with its own corporate commercial sponsor, First

View *mokau bone carving* facebook page to get an idea of the carving you could experience.

For further information, contact event organiser, Mike Brown 22pilotroad@gmail.com

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### TOY LIBRARY

It's a tough decision that nobody wants to make!

But we have decided to temporarily close down until further notice. I will be slowly contacting members to return toys in a timely manner. This may seem like a strong reaction,

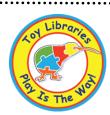


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but COVID-19 is fast evolving and we need to be prepared.

I'm really sorry to have to inconvenience everybody, Thanks from Lulu





### **Davis Motors News**

We'd like to introduce to the Community our latest recruit, Kasun Suranimala.

Kasun originates from Sri Lanka and brings with him a wealth of knowledge and experience in the Automotive Industry.

He has been in New Zealand for the last 6 months and hopes to have his wife and son join him here soon.

He enjoys swimming and going for drives in his time off and has been exploring the area.

Kasun recently had a day out on the water down in Mokau which he enjoyed, despite not having sea legs and suffering the funny tummy. Lol

Kasun is currently undertaking English Language lessons to enhance his communication, so we please ask for your patience and understanding as he is getting to know us here in Piopio.

And on that note, we would like to thank the Community for the continued support over the past year. We hope 2020 has been kind to you all so far.

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### Piopio Garden Circle change of day

It is now on the 3rd Thursday of each month apart from December which is on the 1st Thursday. There will be no meetings in January or August. This April we were going to visit

the Hamilton Zoo- please contact us prior to visits to ascertain if they will be going ahead.

Cheers, Gillian

# Cherrybank Stud and May was to be



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### SPORTS NEWS

### Piopio Rugby Club

We are happy to announce that the season has started- but unfortunately Corona Virus has put a halt to proceedings. At this stage all club rugby is on hold until April 18th. A review of things from that point will be done and it will be decided where we go from there.

This season we are looking forward to another very competitive year. We wish to try and carry on (and better) the momentum developed over the last 4 or 5 years. Gary Jeffries has stepped out of the coaching job and Ben Draper and Roy Simpson have taken up the reins. So far, we have had really good numbers and talent at training coupled with a lot of enthusiasm. Considering the hot dry conditions, it bodes well for another top year for PPRFC.

We will keep you informed as to when and what rugby will develop. To all our sponsors and supporters thank you for waiting we look forward to getting back on the field.

Until then Keep Safe Pete Hurley PPRFC



Congratulations to **Kathryn Corry** for her recent success at HOY, Horse of the Year Show. Competing against New Zealand's best, she came home with the following placings:

**Ganache MH:** 2nd, 2x3rds, 6th in Musical Freestyle, 4th in HOY title. Finished 5th in National Musical Freestyle series Elementary level.

**Anuschka PSH:** 5th, 8th & finished 6th in the National Musical Freestyle Series, Advanced Medium level





The **Piopio Amateur Swimming Club** held another very successful Carnival on Sunday the 1<sup>st</sup> of March, at our Piopio Community Pool.

Almost 60 competitors on the day, students from Taumaranui, Tekuiti, Te Awamutu and Otorohanga competed with our team of 28 Piopio Club Swimmers, ranging in age from seven to seventeen.

The weather was kind, the pool looked great and many thanks to the multitude of parent helpers and officials from all districts on the day.

Results showed over 80% of our swimmers shaving seconds off their personal bests during the event. Congratulations to all involved and see you again next year! *Kate Carter* 

### **WOMEN'S HAVE-A-GO GOLF SERIES:**

Postponement date to be advised if able to reschedule

Hi all potential female golfers!

If you have always wanted to have a go at golf but never really done anything about it.....these FREE Have-A-Go sessions could be for you.

All women and girls across the North King Country are welcome to come along to the Fun and Relaxed Sunday afternoon sessions at Waitomo Golf Club – 29<sup>th</sup> March and 5<sup>th</sup> April to begin with – then possibly 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> April. All gear will be provided as well as a cuppa and snacks to finish the day.

Our coach will be Golf Professional

Renee Fowler from Taupo Golf Club.

I would then love to see you all go and join a club of your choice in the area, take your families along, give them a go and enjoy this sport together.
You can play golf socially or competitively throughout the year.
Please send this on to friends and put it up on facebook. Call me with any questions.

This Project is supported by Sport Waikato This is Me, Te Kuiti Community House Trust, Waitomo District Council, New Zealand Golf, Waitomo Golf Club.
Cheers, Dede



# Mairoa Muster – A huge success

For the sixth time in February, Mairoa Line dancers hosted an annual muster with participants coming from between Wellington and Auckland for a weekend of dance, socialising and good food. Most are repeat attendees and the event has become so popular we are in the embarrassing position of having to limit numbers.

Camp Mairoa below. Right: Rain dance on the street, not sure if it worked!









# King Country River Care

Farmers taking charge of improving the environment together with the community

# **Federated Farmers Update**

#### **Huge effort**

Submissions on the National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity (NPSIB) closed 14 March 2020 and Federated Farmers understands over 7000 submissions were lodged. That is fantastic effort on the back of a tough year of central government proposals.

Like many of the previous proposals, including the Essential Freshwater package, the worthy goals and intentions, have been lost with poorly drafted consultation documents. Readers are left with more questions than answers unfortunately.

Federated Farmers lodged a substantial 200-page submission on the NPSIB after our analysis of the proposals triggered serious concern as to whether regional and district councils had the resources, both in terms of staff and dollars, to meet the requirements which will be imposed on them by central government.

Fortunately this concern has been widely shared by councils across New Zealand who, on behalf of their respective ratepayers, used the public consultation process to push back strongly on the potential implementation costs.

The purpose of the NPSIB is to set out objectives, policies and implementation requirements to maintain indigenous biological diversity. The NPSIB is set by central government but it will be implemented by local government and will be paid for by ratepayers not taxpayers. It is also very descriptive meaning once central government makes the final decision councils will have no choice but to do what it says.

Common concerns raised by submitters include the lack of capacity and capability within councils to implement the NPSIB as proposed and the associated costs. The costs will vary depending on a number of factors but a significant one will relate to where

councils are at with identifying areas of indigenous vegetation in their district. In this regard the work Waitomo District Council has been undertaking for their district plan review should go a long way towards meeting that aspect of the NPSIB requirements.

Federated Farmers took the opportunity to remind Government that farmers value and are proud of their achievements around retaining and managing indigenous biodiversity. Farmers who have actively managed or protected biodiversity to date have largely done so voluntarily, so tell us they are offended and discouraged by the proposition that red tape and regulations is needed to tell them how to operate their farms in sympathy with biodiversity.

For more details on the NPSIB proposals or for a copy of the FFNZ submission please go to our website www.fedfarm.org.nz or contact Hilary Walker, Senior Policy Advisor at hwalker@fedfarm.org.nz or ph 0800 327 646.

# THANK YOU, Richard & Nicky Atkinson

1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 marks the start of a new era in the lives of Richard and Nicky Atkinson who have served the Piopio community in a stellar fashion with

their business Atkinson & Associates Veterinary Services for the last 34 years.

After searching for some time, they have found a team to take over their 'baby'. It was very important to the couple that the right people were able to take the business over and continue the excellent independent service and advice that they are so well known for.

Michael and Hannah Catley were both working as vets in Otorohanga previously and have relocated to Piopio, purchasing a property on Paekaka Road. They, along with Anna Martyn, one of Atkinson's senior vets and John Bernau, the trading manager who took

over Jennie Howie's role last year – form the shareholder team who will continue trading as Atkinson & Associates after the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020.

It is worth noting that Richard and Nicky had strong interest from a corporate veterinary group but chose to keep the business independent and owner/operated.

They really enjoy travelling and once the pandemic has settled plan on enjoying many more trips away. They have raised their daughters Georgia and Ashley here in the Piopio community and have no plans to move away.

A big thanks to the Atkinson family from everyone here in Piopio, all the best for the future and enjoy your new found freedom!

### **Hunters converge on Pureora for annual competition**

Hunters from across the upper North Island were to converge on the Pureora Forest Park over the next few weeks for one of the North Island's longest running and most anticipated Red deer hunting competitions.

The Pureora Forest Park Hunting Competition usually runs from 13 March to 19 April and is the only hunting competition in the country organised by the Department of Conservation (DOC).

It has been held since 1988 and, along with the annual Sika Show and Competition, is one of the most popular hunting competitions in the upper North Island. It usually sees hundreds of hunters converge on access points to the 78,000ha forest.

Kina Campbell, DOC Te Kuiti's Senior Ranger Community says the event suits experienced and competent hunters with a high skill level.

The competition culminates with official head measuring by trained New Zealand Deerstalkers Association Douglas scorers.

Prizegiving would have been held at

DOC's Pureora Village Field Base (Barryville Rd) from midday on 19 April, with entries taken from 10am.

Casual observations through the 32 years of the competition suggest recreational deer harvest through the roar has remained reasonably stable, with an improvement in antler quality.

The annual competition is now an intergenerational affair for Te Kuiti hunter Bruce Dunn, who has entered every year since its inception and is now joined by his teenager grandsons when he participates.

Mr Dunn says one of the biggest changes he has seen in the competition is the evolution of technology – particularly the use of GPS systems, allowing hunters to go deeper into the forest.

A hunter for more than 60 years, Mr Dunn says he always tries for one reasonable deer head, "and I probably pass up more deer than I shoot these days".

"As you get older, you get more selective," he says. "I plan to keep involved in this as long as I can stand up."

There have been years when he's come back from the competition hunt empty-handed – part of the challenge and mystique of hunting and emphasising the need for hunters to be prepared and experienced with their stalking and roaring/calling skills.

Mr Dunn points to two key aspects as being crucial for those entering the hunt – the need for individuals to be fit (he does a lot of walking in the lead-up to the competition), and hunters taking the appropriate measures while in the forest.

For more information on the competition or enter email <a href="mailto:tekuiti@doc.govt.nz">tekuiti@doc.govt.nz</a>, or visit DOC's website



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Senior Citizen's Organisation Meetings first Tuesday every month, 10am All welcome. Wendy Weinberg (07) 8778686

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Piopio Rugby Club President Peter Hurley (07) 8777577 Secretary Emma-Jane McKinney (07) 8778415

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