



MARCH 2023

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

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First Gas MOKAU BONE CARVING SYMPOSIUM : 7-10 April 2023

COMMUNITY POT LUCK DINNER

Join us in welcoming the carvers at the community pot luck dinner in the Mokau Hall at 6.30pm on Friday 7th April. Let's give them a taste of Mokau community spirit.

We have a record number of 60 carvers registered for this national event to be held in the Mokau Community Hall - it's a complete sell out! This year's special guest carver is Stacy Gordine, the lead bone carving tutor at Te Puia in Rotorua. Stacy's exquisite work is held in both private and public collections in NZ and around the world.

This year the carvers also have the very special privilege of being formally welcomed onto the Maniaroa Marae, an honour for which we are very grateful.

People are coming from all over Aotearoa New Zealand, (even 3 from Australia), to stay and carve in your beautiful village. It is exciting to bring so many gifted artists to Mokau for the biggest bone carving event in the country. Many of the carvers are bringing family for the Easter break. Let's give them the warmth and kindness of a classic Mokau welcome!

Here are some ways in which you can be involved:

- Attend the community dinner on Friday night the 7th of April to welcome our visitors. Bring food and drink and have a good time
- Come to the hall over the weekend to watch the carvers work, view their display items and take the opportunity to purchase your own special piece from your chosen carver
- Billet carvers. Do you have a spare bed, a spare room, caravan or bach? Accommodation is very tight at the moment and we need hospitality
- Morning and afternoon teas – are you proud of your scones or hot cross buns? Our carvers would love to sample them. Drop them in to Sheneen who is manning the kitchen

If you can offer help in any way, please contact Mike Brown, 0272236138 or email 22pilotroad@gmail.com

WHAT'S ON

Sat-Mon 11-13 March: Ahititi Tongaporutu Okau Schools & Districts Reunion



HANDY TIPS FOR AROUND HOME



End of March signals the end of daylight savings and all of a sudden summer feels like its over. What this means is that March is firewood collection time. Now whether you buy it or cut it, the most important thing is to get it dry before you burn it. Wet wood doesn't produce anywhere near as much heat and it clogs up the flue to boot. Get it under some cover while allowing the air to flow and come June it will love you for it. Also, daylight savings is the reminder to check those smoke alarms, so push the test button to make sure the battery is all good

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Community Notices

CHURCH NOTICES

St Peter's by the Sea

"Have mercy on me O God, have mercy on me, for in You my soul takes refuge. Yes, in the shadow of your wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities have passed."

Welcome to our fortnightly services

Mar 5: Family Service 2pm Minister Cruise Hamilton
Mar 19: Family Service 2pm Missionary Speaker

Come along and enjoy the services, with a nice afternoon tea provided. Children's activities are available at all services, and toys for babies. Contact Dorothy Lowry 752-9123

BOYS' & GIRLS' BRIGADE

These will commence on March 21st and are held every Tuesday afternoon at the Awakino Hall (Girls) and the Mokau Hall (Boys). Children from five years old and upwards are very welcome to come and join in the fun and games. During summer they begin at 3pm and finish at 4.30pm

Please contact the leaders:
Dorothy Lowry 06 752-9123, Shane Lowry 06 752-9124

Christian Church Meetings

Every 2nd & 4th Sunday, 1.30pm
328 Mohakatino Road

Ladies Bible Study

Every 2nd & 4th Friday, 2pm
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Our Lady of the Wayside Catholic Church Mass

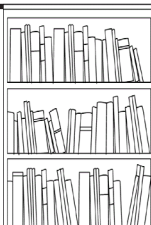
Vigil of Second Sunday of the Month
Saturday, March 11th at 5pm

AWAKINO COMMUNITY LIBRARY

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or contact
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on 07 878-1028



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HALL HIREAGE FEES:

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Contact Heidi 06 752-9780

March Tides



Date	AM High	AM Low	PM High	PM Low	PM High
WED 01 MAR	06:07 2.9m	12:16 1.5m	18:33 2.8m	-	-
THU 02 MAR	-	00:44 1.4m	07:16 2.8m	13:33 1.4m	19:41 2.8m
FRI 03 MAR	-	02:00 1.4m	08:19 2.9m	14:33 1.3m	20:43 2.9m
SAT 04 MAR	-	02:56 1.2m	09:13 3.1m	15:20 1.2m	21:35 3.0m
SUN 05 MAR	-	03:40 1.1m	09:59 3.2m	16:00 1.0m	22:20 3.2m
MON 06 MAR	-	04:17 0.9m	10:39 3.4m	16:34 0.9m	22:59 3.3m
TUE 07 MAR	-	04:50 0.8m	11:16 3.5m	17:07 0.7m	23:36 3.4m
WED 08 MAR	-	05:21 0.7m	11:51 3.6m	17:39 0.6m	-
THU 09 MAR	00:10 3.5m	05:54 0.6m	12:25 3.6m	18:13 0.6m	-
FRI 10 MAR	00:44 3.5m	06:28 0.6m	12:59 3.6m	18:49 0.6m	-
SAT 11 MAR	01:18 3.5m	07:04 0.6m	13:34 3.5m	19:27 0.6m	-
SUN 12 MAR	01:53 3.4m	07:43 0.7m	14:11 3.4m	20:07 0.7m	-
MON 13 MAR	02:32 3.3m	08:25 0.8m	14:52 3.3m	20:51 0.8m	-
TUE 14 MAR	03:16 3.2m	09:14 1.0m	15:40 3.1m	21:41 1.0m	-
WED 15 MAR	04:11 3.1m	10:12 1.2m	16:41 3.0m	22:42 1.1m	-
THU 16 MAR	05:24 3.0m	11:25 1.3m	17:59 2.9m	23:57 1.2m	-
FRI 17 MAR	06:46 3.0m	12:46 1.2m	19:21 3.0m	-	-
SAT 18 MAR	-	01:18 1.1m	08:00 3.2m	13:59 1.0m	20:32 3.2m
SUN 19 MAR	-	02:28 0.9m	09:03 3.4m	15:00 0.8m	21:33 3.4m
MON 20 MAR	-	03:25 0.6m	09:57 3.7m	15:52 0.5m	22:26 3.6m
TUE 21 MAR	-	04:15 0.4m	10:47 3.8m	16:40 0.4m	23:14 3.8m
WED 22 MAR	-	05:02 0.3m	11:33 3.9m	17:24 0.3m	23:59 3.8m
THU 23 MAR	-	05:45 0.3m	12:17 3.9m	18:07 0.3m	-
FRI 24 MAR	00:42 3.8m	06:27 0.4m	12:59 3.8m	18:48 0.4m	-
SAT 25 MAR	01:23 3.7m	07:08 0.5m	13:40 3.6m	19:28 0.6m	-
SUN 26 MAR	02:04 3.5m	07:50 0.7m	14:21 3.4m	20:08 0.8m	-
MON 27 MAR	02:45 3.3m	08:32 1.0m	15:03 3.2m	20:50 1.0m	-
TUE 28 MAR	03:29 3.1m	09:19 1.2m	15:49 3.0m	21:36 1.2m	-
WED 29 MAR	04:20 3.0m	10:17 1.4m	16:44 2.8m	22:34 1.4m	-
THU 30 MAR	05:25 2.8m	11:34 1.5m	17:54 2.7m	-	-
FRI 31 MAR	-	00:00 1.5m	06:37 2.8m	12:59 1.5m	19:07 2.7m

Community Notices

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MUSEUM

Tēnā tatou katoa

Well its taken a lot longer than we thought, but we finally leaped the last hurdle for the museum accessibility ramp project. Thanks to all those whom reached out to us to help to save on some of the build cost. Your contribution has made the difference.

I was volunteering at the museum the other day and witnessed an elderly lady being assisted by her husband up those steep stairs just to come in to have a look around. I apologised for the situation but was pleased to announce to them that they will be some of the last to do so. The access to the museum has restricted so many over the years and it is wonderful that this will soon be over. My heartfelt thanks goes to Elish Hagenson for being the inspiration to make this happen. Also thanks to the many volunteers who invested there time and resources into the design and fundraising to make this project happen. You have no idea the impact you will have on people's lives.

We have appointed Aaron Collins as the primary builder of Urenui as part of the specifications was to use local contractors where appropriate. Aaron has indicated construction to begin in May and will most likely continue into September.

For public safety reasons during this time the museum will be closed, however this does not mean that nothing is going on inside. Kath and the team of volunteers are really looking forward to this time where they can get busy creating new displays, so the museum will also look different on the inside as well. If you want to help, Kath would love to hear from you

Our Gallery volunteer, Emma is doing a marvellous job managing the gallery. Knowing that there are many talented local artists but maybe don't have enough work for an entire exhibition, she is co-ordination a collective exhibition from the district. Whether oils, sculptor, carving, weaving or photography is your thing, Emma would love to hear from you. Don't be shy, and is doesn't have to be for sale.

We have dedicated the gallery this month to the ANZACs. Our team of volunteers have lovingly pulled together the collection of photos and stories of our local returned servicemen and women. Come in and reflect on the true acts of bravery achieved by just ordinary people. Lest we Forget. The display will continue to the end of April.

The ramp project has been on the go for 4 years and this whakataukī is there to remind us that its not the efforts of an individual but the collective. E hara taku toa I te toa takitahi, he toa takitini. *My strength is not as an individual, but as a collective*

Ngā mihi
Murray



TAINUI HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Researched by Jennifer Topless

AHITITI HAS A FIELD DAY

CONTESTS FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS KEEN COMPETITION SHOWN

Taranaki Daily News 4 March 1933

Capturing the championship banner as well as taking the Herbert Smith point cup for the greatest number of points in all events, the boys relay race cup and the junior championship in both the boys and girls sections, the Ahititi School had a field day at Awakino yesterday. To complete the days successes Miss Fuller, the teacher at Ahititi won the teachers race for the second year in succession.

Eight schools, embracing the area from Mahoenui to Mount Messenger, took part in the sports, and it was refreshing to note the enthusiasm with which the children entered into the races and the sportsmanlike manner in which they accepted victory or defeat. They showed considerable speed and stamina and from the style displayed it was evident that the teachers had been taking a keen interest in their physical training. Though the roll numbers at the majority of the competing schools was small there were large entries in the events, numerous heats being necessary, showing that the majority of the children were taking part.

Ahititi, which filled the position of runner-up last year took both the championship banner and aggregate cup from Awakino which won them on two previous occasions.

Ahititi retained the Herbert Smith relay cup whilst Mt Messenger captured the girls relay cup previously held by Awakino.

Boys relay final: O Collins, M Collins, P Taylor, A Stratton - Ahititi 1st. W Hunt, R Hunt, B Lake, W Winstanley - Awakino 2nd.

The gathering was also in the nature of a picnic, the children being provided with cocoa which was dispensed by Mesdames L Jones, H Gray, W Winstanley and Miss E Garcia. A soft drinks and ice cream stall also did splendid business.

Old boys race: J Cannell (Okau) - Old girls race: J Blance (Ahititi) - Lady teachers race: Miss Fuller (Ahititi) - Mens teachers race: C Calvert (Okau).

CLIFTON COMMUNITY BOARD

BEYOND THE AWA IN CLIFTON

RATES INCREASES are coming. Expect something between 10-13% added to your rates bill for next year as council battles with increasing costs. Problem is, and what they fail to acknowledge is that increasing costs are affecting us as well, and while we must cut the cloth to suit or reinvent ways we do things, corporate council still seems to take the cost-plus attitude. And worst of all is history telling us that it's the rural sectors that will take the hit with reduced services as distant voices are not as loud as the one across the street. To get your concerns out there, the best method is to directly email our Ward Councillor, Tony Bedford at tony.bedford@npdc.govt.nz Don't hold back, he is there to represent you. And if you think one email doesn't matter, I tell you it does when a handful of submissions can dictate the outcome of something that impacts on 120,000 residents.

Your Clifton Community Board members, and I must say, all Community Boards, are taking a stand against councils inept to look within and change the way they do things. It's so bureaucratic and risk avert that that this has blinded them to the opportunity within, and there many. Anyway, we all have our sou'westers on and are facing into the storm, and while we are most likely to get snotted, they are going to hear it anyway.

While we deal with the raw with what lies immediately ahead, we must remember that council plans are really long term strategies which get reviewed every 3 years. This cycle has started again with the review of the Community Board Plans which feed into the next council Long Term Plan (LTP), which sets and prioritises activities for the next 10 years. The Clifton Community Board has developed a survey to gauge residents mood of the current plan and to seek your ideas and thoughts of what to include, or exclude in the next one.

So, go online to <https://www.npdc.govt.nz/council/strategies-plans-and-policies/plans/community-board-plans/> and under Clifton click "Have Your Say" which will open up the survey. Its takes 5 minutes, but your thoughts can impact for years. There is also a free text field to really express your mind.

The last LTP council changed its moto to "The Lifestyle Capital of NZ" which can tend to overlook all the hard mahi by the farmers and businesses that created the base where one could promote this sort of glorious statement. Maybe we should get back to basics and return to the old one;

Manaaki whenua, manaaki tangata, haere whakamua
Care for the land, care for the people, go forward

Ngā mihi
Murray Seamark
Chair

DISTRICT HEALTH NURSE

I had planned to focus on mental health for my March trader piece as the end of summer holidays, back to work and school can be tough times with all the associated financial and social demands. This is even more relevant this year following the events that have recently devastated so many across our beautiful country and the world. Day to day life can be overwhelming at times for us all and more so when confronted with so many scenes of destruction in the media. It is ok to feel stressed and anxious at times but when this is all we feel or it becomes overwhelming it is time to reach out for help. No issue is too small or insignificant if it is impacting your ability to find some joy in every day. There is no shame in seeking help, rather it is a real sign of strength accepting you need help and doing something about it. Many times, the solution is close at hand, take a bath, go for a walk, talk to someone you trust, just stopping for a break can short-circuit stress and allow a reset.

If you're worried about your mental health or that of someone you know, please contact your GP, healthcare provider or a support group for advice.

There are a many of resources and services available to help including phone and online services and information, as well as face to face support. Most services are free, and provide information and confidential advice from trained professionals. Here a selection.

- <https://www.healthnavigator.org.nz/support/m/mental-health/>
- Depression Helpline – 0800 111 757 or free text 4202 to talk to a trained counsellor 24/7
- Need to talk? Free call or text 1737 any time 24/7 - For support from a trained counsellor
- Alcohol Drug Helpline (0800 787 797)
- Anxiety NZ - 24hr support line on 0800 ANXIETY (0800 269 4389)
- Lifeline -0800-543-354 – free txt 4357. Confidential support by trained counsellors Free 24/7
- Youthline – 0800 376 633, free text 234 or email talk@youthline.co.nz or online chat
- ManAlive - Freephone 0800 TANE ORA or 0800 826 367. Run by men for men
- Suicide Crisis Helpline – 0508 828 865 (0508 TAUTOKO)
- Seniorline – 0800 725 463 A free information service for older people.
- Healthline – 0800 611 116
- Alcohol and Drug Helpline – 0800 787 797 or online chat.
- Are You OK – 0800 456 450 family violence helpline.
- Women's Refuge Crisisline – 0800 733 843 (0800 REFUGE)
- Gambling Helpline – 0800 654 655
- The Mental Health Foundation - <https://mentalhealth.org.nz>
- Farmstrong Information for farmers - <https://farmstrong.co.nz>
- Rural Support Trust A free and confidential service - <https://www.rural-support.org.nz>
- Rural Women - <https://ruralwomennz.nz>

You are always welcome to pop into clinic or message me if you are needing help.

Stay well, stay safe



TAINUI WETERE DOMAIN

The best laid plans of mice and men become unstuck when things get double booked. The Domain Committee had to make the difficult decision to cancel the community event this year and we are sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused. However, all is not lost, and we are already beginning to plan to resurrect it for the summer of 2024.

Max Lovell
Secretay

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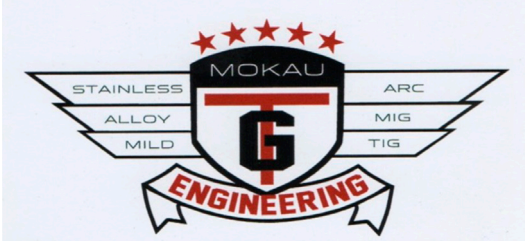


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Mokau Ratepayers Association (MRA) - Meeting with Waitomo District Council (WDC)

Minutes of Meeting of the Mokau Ratepayers Association and Waitomo District Council, held in the Mokau Hall Saturday, 7 January 2023.

Present from WDC: John Robertson (Mayor), Gavin Todd (Councillor), Ben Smit (Chief Executive)

John Robertson updated the meeting on the activities of Council and the Elected Members and some of the work that had been undertaken in Mokau – primarily the construction of new public toilets and sewerage drainage upgrade and the drinking water treatment and reticulation upgrade.

Discussion and comments from the MRA centred around:

Issue	Outcome / update
<p>Drinking water discolouration from 27 December 2022. The fault was logged and acknowledged by WDC. The discolouration improved but it took a period of time (10 days?). Had WDC not flushed the water lines this year like they had in previous years? What was the cause of the issue and its remedy.</p>	<p>WDC received three water quality complaints from Mokau but clearly the water issues were much wider than that. Flushing of pipes had not occurred before Christmas. The following will occur:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High Velocity water flush from all Fire Hydrants at Tanui, Oha, Rangi and a scour valve below the treatment plant but close to the seaside camp done on 31 January 2023. • Cleanout any settled dirt at all treated water reservoir and storage tanks at treatment plant. • Changes in Water Treatment Plant implemented 1 February. Will then sample raw water into plant, final water out of plant and four locations on network to help develop longer term solutions to the problem. Testing will be done for Total Manganese (black colour) and Total Iron (brown/red colour).
<p>Smell behind existing toilets in Village Centre. The smell has improved with the new drainage field but it still remains.</p>	<p>No obvious cause for this except some residual waste. Ongoing monitoring and community notifying WDC of ongoing issues is important. Property and Facilities believe this odour is coming from the inside of the building. The old toilet will be closed after the next Waitangi weekend for inspection.</p>
<p>Recycling and waste bins outside the new public toilets.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not cleared often enough to cope with holiday period use. • They attract people to dump household waste even though 	<p>WDC make a plan to clear these bins and recycling stations to cope with holiday period volumes. We need to try to reinforce messaging that it is not for household waste. Map signage will be installed next to the large bins directing to</p>

the signs indicate they are not for commercial or household rubbish.	T/S in both Mokau and Piopio. Bins will also be stickered.
Solid Waste Collection on Te Mahoe Road. Why is there no collection up this road and residents need to bring waste to the end of the road?	This was discussed with our contractor EnviroWaste. They are unable to collect due to the size (length) of their kerbside collection vehicle. It's a single gravel road with no turn around area big enough for their truck to turn around safely.
Advertising of the meeting and communication of news and updates	Tainui Trader is used to distribute news. People wishing to subscribe to this should email hutiwai@xtra.co.nz . WDC facebook posts will be picked up by Mokau Community Connections facebook page. New website (Mokau.nz) being developed currently.
Signage at Domain Campsite should be installed so people use the track and not the road	This will be investigated by WDC's property and parks team.
Signage on beach – off Point Road <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Where have the 'beware of the rips' signs gone? 'No dogs' signage. Want to protect nesting seabirds 	<p>The beach is unpatrolled so WDC would be interested in community suggestions for safe swims signs. That type of signage is not normally provided by councils.</p> <p>There is a 'no dogs on beach' sign at the top of beach access stairs at the end of Point Road. WDC's reinstating the signs on the beach which have been vandalised / removed.</p>
What is the potential for speed management on Point Road and Tokopapa Street. Suggestion was 10kmph to help safeguard pedestrians using these roads.	WDC will look at this as part of speed management review which will be undertaken this year.
21-23 Point Road walkway. Safety concerns with pedestrians, ATVs and motorbikes using this walkway from the beach to Point Road. Suggestions offered: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stairs at the beach end to improve steep access and to stop larger motor vehicles coming up off the beach. Bollards / barriers at the Point Road end to stop ATVs etc gaining access. Suggestion of constructing another walkway next to the Urupa. 	<p>Plan to install bollards / barriers at the Point Road entrance to the walkway. This will stop any motor vehicles gaining access to or exit from Point Road.</p> <p>Another walkway by the Urupa is not practical to build and maintain.</p>
No temporary toilets at the end of Point Road for beach visitors. This has caused human waste	External funding for the temporary toilets has ceased once the new toilets in the village were built.

<p>pollution issues in the surrounding area.</p>	<p>There is resistance to having any toilets in this area.</p>
<p>WDC coastal seawall erected in 2013 needs maintenance. Also shrouding material used in the seawall is causing rubbish on the beach and in the sea.</p>	<p>There is no further renew of this asset included in WDC's Long Term Plan indicating that no future upgrades are planned. WDC will work with WRC to look at how we can minimise pollution from the current shrouding.</p>
<p>Point Road coastal erosion of houses</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WDC and Waikato Regional Council to set up meeting with affected house owners on Point Road to discuss resource consenting requirements if they wish to erect seawalls or erosion control structures. Wayne Fairhurst is the first point of contact for residents. Residents to confirm dates for a meeting to discuss the resource consenting requirements. A previous report on the topic will circulated to effected landowners. • Link to Waitomo District Council Coastal Hazards report (October 2020) for your information. https://www.waitomo.govt.nz/council/publications/other-plans/ • See Section 8.2 and 8.3 for Mokau. WDC explore what activities New Plymouth City Council and Horizons Regional Council have undertaken to improve coastal erosion in Bellblock and Onaero. No update at this point.