



OCTOBER 2023

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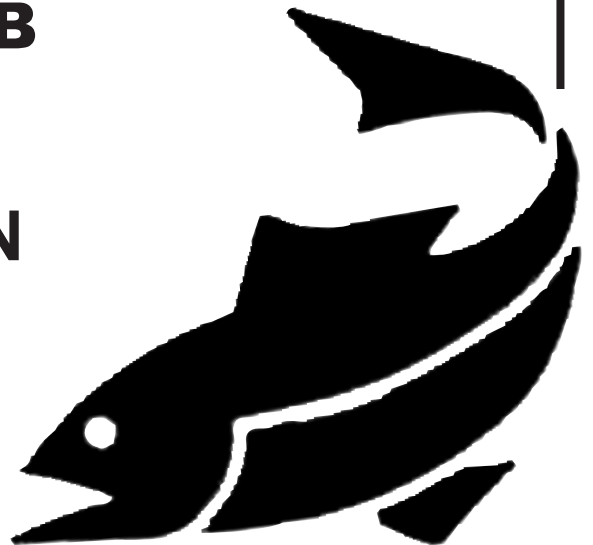
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Community Notices

CHURCH NOTICES

St Peter's by the Sea

"For God so loved the world, that he gave His only begotten Son, that who-soever believes in Him, shall not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16

WELCOME TO OUR FORTNIGHTLY SERVICES

Oct 1: Family Service 2pm Minister P Demchy

Oct 15: Family Service 2pm Minister C Hamilton

All are welcome to come and enjoy the Service and a nice afternoon tea to follow. There are activities for the children, and toys for babies. Contact D Lowry 06 752-9123

MEMORIAL SERVICE:

We were very sad to hear of the passing away of our dear friend and caretaker of the church Noel Eckstein at Waikato Hospital. A memorial service was held for Noel on Sunday 17th September at St Peters by the Sea, and attended by many friends and family members. Noel will be sadly missed by all who knew him, and remembered as a kind and generous man.

BOYS' & GIRLS' BRIGADE

All children, five years old and older, are welcome.

Girls meet at the Awakino hall (transport provided). Boys meet at the Mokau Hall. All sessions are free. Inside and outside activities provided for all ages. Sessions are from 2.30-4pm.

Contact: (Boys) Shane Lowry 06 752-9124

(Girls) Dorothy Lowry 06 752-9123,

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Contact Heidi 06 752-9780

October Tides



Date	AM High	AM Low	PM High	PM Low	PM High
SUN 01 OCT	-	05:41 0.2m	12:16 3.9m	18:02 0.3m	-
MON 02 OCT	00:33 3.9m	06:23 0.3m	12:59 3.8m	18:45 0.4m	-
TUE 03 OCT	01:16 3.7m	07:05 0.5m	13:42 3.6m	19:28 0.6m	-
WED 04 OCT	01:59 3.5m	07:47 0.7m	14:25 3.4m	20:12 0.9m	-
THU 05 OCT	02:43 3.2m	08:30 0.9m	15:11 3.2m	21:01 1.2m	-
FRI 06 OCT	03:31 3.0m	09:17 1.2m	16:04 3.0m	21:59 1.4m	-
SAT 07 OCT	04:28 2.8m	10:16 1.4m	17:08 2.9m	23:18 1.5m	-
SUN 08 OCT	05:39 2.7m	11:42 1.5m	18:20 2.8m	-	-
MON 09 OCT	-	00:45 1.5m	06:52 2.7m	13:11 1.4m	19:27 2.9m
TUE 10 OCT	-	01:46 1.3m	07:57 2.8m	14:10 1.3m	20:22 3.1m
WED 11 OCT	-	02:34 1.2m	08:49 3.0m	14:54 1.1m	21:08 3.2m
THU 12 OCT	-	03:12 1.0m	09:33 3.2m	15:31 1.0m	21:49 3.4m
FRI 13 OCT	-	03:46 0.8m	10:12 3.3m	16:04 0.8m	22:26 3.5m
SAT 14 OCT	-	04:19 0.7m	10:49 3.5m	16:35 0.7m	23:01 3.6m
SUN 15 OCT	-	04:51 0.6m	11:24 3.5m	17:08 0.6m	23:36 3.6m
MON 16 OCT	-	05:25 0.5m	11:59 3.6m	17:43 0.6m	-
TUE 17 OCT	00:11 3.6m	06:01 0.5m	12:34 3.5m	18:20 0.6m	-
WED 18 OCT	00:48 3.5m	06:39 0.6m	13:11 3.5m	19:00 0.7m	-
THU 19 OCT	01:27 3.4m	07:20 0.7m	13:51 3.4m	19:43 0.9m	-
FRI 20 OCT	02:09 3.2m	08:04 0.8m	14:36 3.3m	20:32 1.0m	-
SAT 21 OCT	02:58 3.1m	08:54 1.0m	15:30 3.1m	21:30 1.2m	-
SUN 22 OCT	03:59 2.9m	09:53 1.1m	16:38 3.1m	22:39 1.2m	-
MON 23 OCT	05:13 2.9m	11:05 1.2m	17:55 3.1m	23:55 1.2m	-
TUE 24 OCT	06:33 3.0m	12:24 1.1m	19:07 3.2m	-	-
WED 25 OCT	-	01:07 1.0m	07:43 3.1m	13:36 1.0m	20:09 3.4m
THU 26 OCT	-	02:08 0.8m	08:43 3.4m	14:34 0.7m	21:04 3.6m
FRI 27 OCT	-	03:01 0.5m	09:36 3.6m	15:25 0.5m	21:54 3.8m
SAT 28 OCT	-	03:48 0.4m	10:24 3.7m	16:12 0.4m	22:40 3.8m
SUN 29 OCT	-	04:33 0.3m	11:09 3.8m	16:57 0.4m	23:25 3.8m
MON 30 OCT	-	05:17 0.3m	11:52 3.8m	17:40 0.4m	-
TUE 31 OCT	00:08 3.7m	05:58 0.4m	12:34 3.7m	18:22 0.6m	-

Community Notices

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MUSEUM

Tēnā tatou katoa

A huge mihi to all those who have or are responding to the call for cash to help cover the unexpected costs in the construction of the new frontage of the museum. A big thanks to Julianna Raven who through her networks brought media opportunities that really raised the profile to a wider audience. Julianna and Maxine also set up a Givealittle page and donations have been rolling in from unexpected sources. I also notice organisations doing their own thing is raising cash for the cause. Ngā mihi to each and all of you.

Despite the shortfall we are continuing to proceed as planned having faith that our community will meet our needs. The build disruption has caused some delays and we now hope to be open in November. Next month we will have some more details on when this will be and how we are going to celebrate the occasion, ensuring everyone is involved. Keep your ears tuned.

Over the past year or so we as a committee have had the desire to take the museum out more into the community. Well, this has taken a literal step now. Kath and the team of volunteers have created window displays that will be lit up, so even at night it will look like the lights are on and people can take in some local history. This also solves a problem of having too much daylight inside and is a smart win-win solution.

Gez the year just wizzes by and while we are in the middle of delivering everything in the F24 plan, we are now beginning to plan what to do for F25. This plan and the resulting budget are what we create a story which we then sell to our funders. If anyone has any ideas on what could be included in this plan, let Kath know.

In writing this I just flicked open my book of whakatauki and this opened up. Tohaina ō painga ki te ao. *"Share your gifts with the world"*. How appropriate and thank you all for doing so

Ngā mihi
Murray

NOTE from Kath @ the Museum:

October Monthly Catch-Up is on the 27th at 10am - the last Friday of the month.

We have Alasdair Nicoll who has Tramped extensively throughout New Zealand, has a Video on Fiordland to show us. He is a very interesting speaker.

Our craft this month will be card making.

Also, we have a lot of interest in starting a garden club / pot luck lunch, details at the get-together.

RSPV Kath for catering. 021 132-5390

TAINUI HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Researched by Jennifer Topless

MOKAU DISTRICT NEWS

ATHLETIC MEETING RESULTS

Taranaki Daily News 31 October 1933

The fourth meeting of the Tainui Amateur Athletic and Harrier Club was held at Mokau on Saturday. The weather was fair and there were a large number of spectators.

A senior cycle race from Mokau to Awakino junction and back, a distance of ten miles, was won by P Sheen, Mokau, off the 3 minute mark, his time being 33 minutes. I Hammond (scr.), Mokakatino, was second and B Bryant, Awakino, third. I Hammond made fastest time, covering the distance in 30 minutes.

The junior cycle race of one mile was won by N Bishell, Mohakatino with D Opie, Mokau, second.

A junior harrier race over a course of approximately half a mile was won by W Welch, Te Kawau, K Winstanley was second and R Winstanley was third.

The putting the shot event was won by J Bryant, Awakino, 35ft 1in. L Bryant Awakino was second with 31ft 10in, and K Welch, Te Kawau was third with 31ft 7in.

It was decided to hold the next sports meeting on November 11, when a relay race will be included in the programme.

HANDY TIPS FOR AROUND HOME



The thing about being a jack of all trades and master of few is that can often learn the hard way. One tip I have learned to be true in every circumstance is to ensure all foundations, seen or buried are square and level. You then don't have to remember the variances on the way up. And even if you are connecting to an existing structure which isn't square, it's easier to make the adjustment at the connecting points. Put the effort in the initial detail and it will pay off later.

Murray Seamark
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DISTRICT HEALTH NURSE



BLOOD TEST dates for October -
These are the days I can take blood tests into town for processing.

- » Wednesday 4th
- » Wednesday 18th

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October 16th is **WORLD RESTART A HEART DAY**



For more information, visit www.nzrc.org.nz

You never know when you may be required to provide CPR – be informed and ready. There is a defibrillator on the front wall of the St John building, to take it out of its lock box call 111 and ask for the code to unlock. There are others around the district. To find out where the closest is to you I suggest you download the app AED locations – its free and this shows where the closest AED is to where you are which can save vital moments in an emergency.

Daylight savings is here, time to shake off those winter blues, get out into the fresh air and make the most of the longer, warmer days. Do remember to take care around our beautiful beaches and rivers. I have had seen two people in recent weeks who have had close calls with rogue waves and strong rips.

Stay well, stay safe

Cynthia



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in photos for the
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CLIFTON COMMUNITY BOARD

BEYOND THE AWA IN CLIFTON

Every 6 years by law, Council must review the way they manage and facilitate the districts refuse. As part of this Officers have produced a Draft Waste Management & Minimisation Plan which will guide the focus in this space for the next 6 years and continues its ambitious goal of Zero Waste 2040. This document briefly summarises the progress to date, research data of where the current short comings are and some actions they hope will close these gaps. <https://www.npdc.govt.nz/community/have-your-say/consultations/draft-waste-management-and-minimisation-plan/>

This document went out for community consultation of which the Clifton Community Board made a submission. As part of this we created a short survey to gain a better understanding of the thoughts out there and I thank those who contributed to forming the response. Essentially the town models of managing rubbish do not work well out in the rural communities and the feedback that was consistent is that the current service is largely inaccessible, inefficient, and very expensive. There is no question that some infrastructure is needed in rural areas to help us reduce our environmental footprint, and while most really want to the right thing the trouble is that council expects this at their convenience. Its time to think smarter in this space to make self service options available at minimal cost. Let's see if we can get this message across.

I attended an event hosted by NP Business Chamber where local politicians, the 3 Taranaki district councils, TRC and Waka Kotahi got to view their points on the state of SH3 and indeed the entire roading network. As usual its always about prioritising the cash pot to the most urgent need, however it was commonly accepted that the state of the overall asset had been run down. Interestingly, or as anticipated, road cones came up. Did you know that 30-50% of project cost is now spent on these things? Yep, and believe it or not this is getting attention as they try to make the dollar go further, and about jolly time as well.

However, the thing I mostly got from this meeting is the need for our community board to be more active in the Taranaki Transport Forum. This is the best space to get our community needs across and hopefully more action on things that matter the most to us. Could well be pissing against the wind but will give it a go anyway.

Just on SH3 there is some resealing work coming up north of the Tongapōrutu bridge and traffic management will be in place for the 3-4 week period

Keep registering those service requests as you see things that need to be done. Council really does reply on our eyes to help them keep on top of things. enquiries@npdc.govt.nz

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

Ngā mihi
Murray Seamark
Board Chair
021 431432

WE NEED YOU!

**MIGHTY MOKAU TRAIL BIKE
RIDE**



If you are interested in being involved in helping to organise this great community fundraising event.

Please come to this first meeting of the 2024 Ride.

Thursday 26th October 2024

Tainui Domain

7.30pm

Please come and support this event.

Look forward to seeing you.

Info Ph: Maree 067529765

FROM YOUR COUNCILLOR

As a Waitomo District Councillor I have been asked to represent the Piopio, Aria, Mokau area and have been appointed the Council representative on the Tainui Wetere Domain Board.

I have attended Domain Board meetings and was most impressed with the enthusiasm of the members. Council hopes to enter into a formal lease agreement with the Board in the near future.

I receive the Tainui Trading Post regularly which keeps me informed of what is happening in your area.

Good to see the new parking areas underway in the middle of town.

Thanks to those who completed the recent Council questionnaire.

Council is about to hear submissions on Maori Wards. Thank you to those who sent in submissions.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with your concerns and queries.

Gavin Todd

Gavin.Todd@Waitomo.govt.nz

TAINUI WETERE DOMAIN

More people, less sheep is our guiding mantra. However, those white fluffy things perform an essential role in keeping the grass down. The problem has been in keeping the little beggars off the main road. Thanks to Kane and his crew the boundary road fencing is now complete, and we can rest more easily knowing that we have this traffic responsibility under control.

A few people from WRC came down to see what we have done along the riverbank. They are suitably impressed on what we have managed to achieve on our own so far. They gave some advice on what more can be done in the erosion zone and sourced some more suitable plants for us. Thanks to those who helped us get these in the ground.

A month or so back Council approved the Domain Reserve Management Plan (RMP). While it sounds like a bit of fluff, it is an important document. During the consultation process the domain name got officially changed to "Tainui Wetere Domain", and now recognises the whānau who gifted the land for "sports and games" back in 1938. The other thing this does is allows a legal process to begin in establishing a formal lease agreement with Council, and access to funds via WRC and other organisations. This will enable the committee to do more in the domain for the overall benefit of our community.

Murray
Chair

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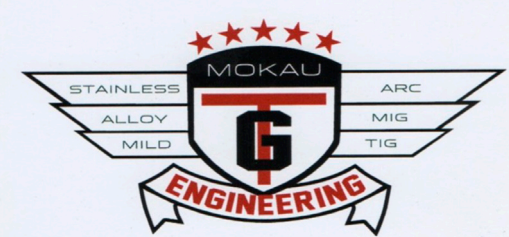
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Progress Transport - 07 877-8058

SCHOOLS

Ahititi School
06 752-5890

Mokau School
06 752-9733

Whareorino School
06 752-9850

SERVICES

Awakino Library
06 752-9838

Mokau Museum
06 752-9072

New Plymouth District Council
06 759-6060

Tongaporutu Hall
Phone 752-5872

Waitomo District Council
0800 932-4357

Barbara Kuriger MP
06 756-6032

Justice of the Peace
Gay Andrews : 06 752-5870

Marriage Celebrant
Heidi : 027 679-1931

Mokau Police
Kelly : 021 191-5229

Maniaroa Marae
Iwi, hapū, community enquiries
maniaroa@gmail.com

CLUBS / GROUPS

Awakino Bowling Club
06 752-9014 (Gail O'Keeffe)

Bone Carving (Mike Brown)
027 223-6138

Boys' Brigade (Shane Lowry)
06 752-9124

Girls' Brigade (Dorothy Lowry)
06 752-9123

Tainui Playgroup
06 752-9132

Tainui St John
07 877-8877 (Lynette)

ACCOMMODATION

Awakino Hotel
06 752-9815

Awakino River Lodge
021 775-397

Mokau Motel
06 752-9725

Seaview Motor camp
06 752-9708

Tongaporutu Hall
06 752 5872 or
tongaporutuhall@gmail.com

Whitebait Inn :
Campground & Cabins
06 752-9713

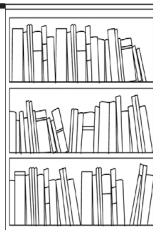
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Contact JENNY LEWIS

PHONE 752-9838

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MOKAU HEALTH CENTRE

WALK-IN CLINIC HOURS:

9am-11am - MON/WED/FRI (excluding Public Holidays)

Nurse: CYNTHIA

Phone: 06 752-9723

Nurse Mob: 021 638-859 (limited reception)

Where: St John's Rooms

Messenger: MOKAU NURSE

Email: mokau.nurse@urenuihc.com