



**OCTOBER 2024**

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

## LOCAL LEGEND MAKES BIG SCOOP

Maxine Lovell scooped all the prizes and points with her dazzling images at this month's Mokau Camera Club meeting. The theme for the month was, Food. Maxine's photo entitled 'The Best Burger in Town', taken of the lamb burger at the Awakino hotel, had the salivating club members reaching for their vote sheets. Her beautiful

'Pre-dinner Nibbles' image received honours. Then, as if that wasn't enough, Maxine's Open image, 'A Bird in the Hand...' won her overall top photo for the month. Legend. Well done Max Unfortunately, Maxine was overseas, she missed the meeting and all the fuss.



## COMING SOON!

Where do you go when  
you need something?

**Awakino Store:  
Ma's Place**

Waitomo Gas Station; 4775 State Highway 3, Awakino

For all your grocery needs

**Opening early  
November!**

## MOKAU FISHING CLUB



## ICE BREAKER COMP

**October 26-27th**

Our first competition for the year is not  
far away.

For more info and entry forms (will be out  
start of October) go to our website  
[www.mokaufishingclub.co.nz](http://www.mokaufishingclub.co.nz)

Or follow us on Facebook.

*LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU  
ALL THERE*

# Community Notices

## CHURCH NOTICES

### St Peter's by the Sea

Welcome to our fortnightly services:

Oct 6 Family Service 2pm

Oct 20 Family Service 2pm

After each service there is a nice afternoon tea provided. Children's activities are available at all services and toys for babies.

Contact Church Secretary Dorothy Lowry 06 752-9123

### BOYS' AND GIRLS' BRIGADES

Term 3 the children will meet after school on Tuesday from 3-4.30pm. All children from 5 years and upward are welcome to attend. Please contact leaders: Please contact leaders:

Boys: Shane Lowry 06 752-9124

Girls: Dorothy Lowry 06 752-9123

### Christian Church Meetings

Every 2nd & 4th Sunday, 1.30pm

328 Mohakatino Road

### Ladies Bible Study

Every 2nd & 4th Friday, 2pm

328 Mohakatino Rd, Phone 06 752-9124

### Our Lady of the Wayside

### Catholic Church Mass

Vigil of Second Sunday of the Month

**Saturday, October 12th at 5pm**

## #loveMOKAUhall#

### HALL HIREAGE FEES:

Entire Hall ~ from \$100 per day

Supper Room and Kitchen ~ from \$65

Supper Room only (not inc. Kitchen) ~ from \$50

Trestle Tables Off Premise ~ from \$5.00 each + Bond

Chairs Off Premise ~ from \$1.00 each + Bond

**Contact Heidi 027 679-1931**

### AWAKINO COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Contact JENNY LEWIS

PHONE 752-9838

or contact Waitomo District Library  
on 07 878-1028



# October Tides



Date	AM High	AM Low	PM High	PM Low	PM High
TUE 01 OCT	-	03:58 0.6m	10:17 3.0m	16:15 0.6m	22:32 3.1m
WED 02 OCT	-	04:34 0.5m	10:54 3.1m	16:49 0.5m	23:07 3.2m
THU 03 OCT	-	05:07 0.4m	11:28 3.1m	17:21 0.5m	23:39 3.2m
FRI 04 OCT	-	05:39 0.4m	12:00 3.2m	17:53 0.5m	-
SAT 05 OCT	00:10 3.2m	06:11 0.4m	12:30 3.1m	18:25 0.5m	-
SUN 06 OCT	00:40 3.1m	06:43 0.5m	13:01 3.1m	18:59 0.6m	-
MON 07 OCT	01:12 3.0m	07:18 0.6m	13:33 3.0m	19:35 0.7m	-
TUE 08 OCT	01:46 2.9m	07:54 0.7m	14:10 2.9m	20:16 0.8m	-
WED 09 OCT	02:26 2.7m	08:35 0.8m	14:52 2.8m	21:02 1.0m	-
THU 10 OCT	03:13 2.6m	09:24 0.9m	15:46 2.6m	22:00 1.1m	-
FRI 11 OCT	04:14 2.5m	10:24 1.1m	16:55 2.6m	23:12 1.1m	-
SAT 12 OCT	05:30 2.5m	11:38 1.1m	18:17 2.7m	-	-
SUN 13 OCT	-	00:31 1.0m	06:54 2.6m	12:57 1.0m	19:31 2.8m
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WED 16 OCT	-	03:30 0.3m	09:55 3.3m	15:52 0.2m	22:14 3.5m
THU 17 OCT	-	04:17 0.1m	10:43 3.5m	16:40 0.1m	23:01 3.6m
FRI 18 OCT	-	05:03 0m	11:30 3.6m	17:26 0m	23:47 3.6m
SAT 19 OCT	-	05:48 0m	12:15 3.5m	18:11 0.1m	-
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SAT 26 OCT	06:12 2.5m	12:15 1.2m	18:49 2.6m	-	-
SUN 27 OCT	-	01:04 1.1m	07:20 2.5m	13:28 1.1m	19:49 2.7m
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TUE 29 OCT	-	02:46 0.8m	09:04 2.8m	15:06 0.8m	21:21 2.9m
WED 30 OCT	-	03:26 0.7m	09:46 2.9m	15:44 0.7m	22:00 3.0m
THU 31 OCT	-	04:02 0.6m	10:24 3.0m	16:19 0.6m	22:36 3.1m

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE MUSEUM

Tēnā tatou katoa

The museum belongs to all the people of the Mōkau districts and is a safe place for the varied histories of all cultures to be told and displayed. The museum is also unique to Māori, has within its collection area is the shared history of both Ngāti Tama and Ngāti Maniapoto. Over the past 7-8 years the museum, its volunteers and the committee has continued to build the relationship with iwi under the principles of Te Tiriti, and while we haven't always got things right, we are all on the journey of a greater understanding of each other. As a result, the museum is better off and therefore the Mōkau community is richer as well.

The Treaty Principles Bill that is heading to Parliament has no doubt caused hurt and despair within our Māori community, and while it seems not have a lot of support to venture into law the debate and rhetoric that will stem from it will cause division within communities. There is no question that up until the 1970s Māori aspirations and culture had been ground down and the treaty document was long lost in the memory of main society.

Since then, successive governments have listened to leaders from within Maoridom which has forced New Zealand to face its history and set us on a journey that will unite us and establishing a set of principles in the 1980s has been a key part of this journey of understanding.

For the museum, our experience as an organisation the dialog has been enriched as we have embraced our iwi partners. We have shared history that unites us and a desire to build and strengthen our relationships with each other. If this is what the principles of TeTiriti has done, then we cherish it and remain focused on supporting iwi partners through turbulent waters ahead.

While all this is happening around us, life continues at the coal face as Kath and the team continues to build and display the collection. Recently added is a short video of our local fossil hunter, Glen Wilson as he explains how he finds previous life in unexpected places. We have some of these in the museum and the video tells us how they got there. Thanks, Glen, for your kōrero.

Also, museum volunteers have created a quarterly newsletter about what is going on behind the screens in the museum and encouraging membership. Check this out on Facebook

On now at the Art Gallery is an exhibition showing an eclectic collection of art created by Arno and Dimphy de Vaan. Arno creates by planning, measuring and precision work, while Dimphy plans a starting point and then lets intuition direct her creative practices. There will be hand pulled original prints, some even created with a chainsaw, sculptures from andesite as well as clay, and other artforms on show.

Both, Arno and Dimphy, value the process more than the end product. They believe everyone is creative! Dimphy facilitates workshops so participants can unleash their creativity.

Division brings despair while hope brings life, and without hope a community will crumble. As we face the challenges ahead together let us hold onto hope or tūmanako. Kia mau ki te tūmanako, te whakapono me te aroha. "Hold fast to hope, faith and love"

Ngā mihi  
Murray

## TAINUI HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Researched by Jennifer Topless

### AWAKINO MAY HAVE HOTEL IN DECEMBER

#### Old Building Being Converted

Taranaki Daily News 16 October 1957

Awakino's new hotel is expected to open on 7th December. It will be the seventh to be opened since hotel licences were granted in the King Country area.

The hotel is being formed from the former Awakino private hotel and the old wooden building is being entirely modernised and renovated.

Situated in the Awakino township, the hotel will have accommodation for 17 guests and modern drinking facilities. Work is proceeding with a modern main bar, a lounge and women's lounge, is included in the planning.

As soon as work on the building is completed a start will be made on installing a beer garden.

The Awakino Hotel will be the third on the New Plymouth-Te Kuiti highway between Waitara and Te Kuiti. Others are at Urenui and Piopio.

The licence for a hotel in the Awakino area was formerly allocated to Mokau, a few miles south. The licence was not taken and was later allocated to Awakino.



### OPENING DAILY over Labour Weekend

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## God is a relational God (Part 1)

In the Genesis creation account (1:26-27) we read:

*Then God said, "And now we will make human beings; they will be like us and resemble us. They will have power over the fish, the birds, and all animals, domestic and wild, large and small." So God created human beings, making them to be like himself. He created them male and female.*

Down through the centuries people have wondered what this means and precisely *what* part of *our* human nature bears *God's* image. But how people think about themselves in relation to God has enormous power. It has the power to shape entire cultures and civilizations, and historically the two most influential ideas have been that God's image in human beings are our *rational intelligence*, or the power of our *minds* that gives us intellectual mastery over the world of ideas, and our *creative ability*, or the skill of our *bodies* that gives us technological mastery over the world of things.

However, if we emphasise our *rational intelligence*, this so easily ends up devaluing people who are not intellectually gifted and so easily leads to the arrogant presumption that our human reason is uncorrupted by sin thus encouraging foolish over-confidence in the power of our human rationality.

And if we emphasise our *creative ability*, this so easily ends up devaluing people who are unable to make a worthwhile economic contribution and when we harness our creative abilities to technology, politics, and commerce but disconnect them from an ethical basis our creativity becomes a source of destructive exploitation of people and the environment.

And so, we should be very cautious about thinking of *God* primarily as a rational or creative being and thereby using this to understand *ourselves* as primarily rational or creative beings.

But if we think of God primarily as a *relational* being this changes our world view of who God is fundamentally and thereby our view of humanity in the world. Understanding God as a *relational God* is something we see in John's Gospel where in 1:1

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.*

God is a *relational* God. "With God" means distinct from, but in close relationship with God. And "Was God" means having the same being and nature as God. This means that the Word or Jesus Christ, is both *distinct from* God thus allowing for the freedom of individual personhood, yet also *one with* God thus allowing for a relationship of intimacy and oneness.

Last month I concluded that *God is Love*, and love by its very nature is relational. To love there must be both a giver and a receiver, both a lover and one who is loved, and this means that at the core of the very being of God is loving relationality. But in understanding this, how does this change us? More, next month.

**Murray**

**St Peters by the Sea**

## CLIFTON COMMUNITY BOARD

### BEYOND THE AWA IN CLIFTON

Your board members have had initial discussions around a waste management strategy at Tongapōrutu that keeps some activity at the transfer station for residents north of Mt Messenger. While council is familiar with systems to manage domestic waste quite well, agricultural waste is another matter, and they are investigating how they can partner with established rural waste recyclers to make collection effective and efficient. Once we have a handle on this a bit more, I will be going out to the community to see if its going to work. On the domestic waste front, council is looking into a new electronic system for a bag dump and having glass, plastics, and metal recycling available for the community. Large items and trailer sized non-recyclable waste will most likely be encouraged to go to Awakino, but still early days yet.

The road construction and maintenance period has started, and our rural roads will see have drain clearing work done by Christmas and the grader through sometime late November. Prior to this, potholes will be repaired, and metalling carried out as required. Mohakatino Rd will have some major work done to fix the weak areas in the sealed area and the road completely resurfaced in Feb 25. Work has also begun on the under slip 0.5km up the Okau Rd which is expected to take some time. This work will cause some travel disruption, and I ask residents to be patient and considerate around the contractors working on our roads.

The community board and Councillors were invited to a guided tour of the Mt Messenger project. It is not until you get up on the gondola and have a birds eye view, do you realise how steep the terrain is. On the North face you could literally hold your arms out and touch both sides of the ravine. Quite impressive so far and a real engineering challenge

Part of the Tongapōrutu Reserve is the old bowling green situated behind the tennis courts. Back in the day lots of chemicals were used on bowling greens to keep things pristine for those championship matches, and your community board thought it would be good to know the current levels of any chemical residues. Soil testing has shown pockets of raised levels of arsenic and lead and while not suitable for growing edibles the area is considered safe for recreational purposes. Good to know what we have and is now on file for the future

Finally, a reminder that if you see anything that needs council attention pls register a Service Request either by the NPDC app, phone 06 7596060, or email [enquiries@npdc.govt.nz](mailto:enquiries@npdc.govt.nz).

Ngā mihi  
Murray Seamark  
Board Chair  
021 431432

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## HANDY TIPS FOR AROUND HOME



The lad passed his exams and now my plumber is certified for gas works. If your water cylinder is getting on or you are sick of the kids hogging all the water an infinity unit may be the thing you need.

Also now is the time to think about getting those odd jobs done before the holiday season. As time marches on pretty quickly these days let me know if you need a hand

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.**

### Blood Tests



- ▶▶ Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup>
- ▶▶ Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>
- ▶▶ Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>

If you need an urgent test, please call me to discuss. I can take blood on any clinic day if you can arrange to get it into town.

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## TAINUI Garden Group

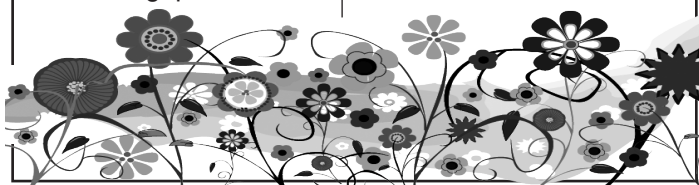
Jennifer Topless  
opposite Pilot Road  
Tongaporutu

**11<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER ~ 1pm**

*All are very welcome*

**Exchange seeds, plants,  
produce, and ideas**

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## COMMUNITY MONTHLY GET-TOGETHER

**Friday October 25, 10am in St John's lounge**

Michael Cooper and Mitch Snowdon from First Gas will be our guest speakers.

Come along and hear all about First Gas. Time to ask any questions you might have

*All welcome*

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## TAINUI WETERE DOMAIN

Whitebaiting is back and so are the campers. Its great to see people out on the river trying their luck. Every winter the domain committee tries to do some improvements to the facilities so that the place can be enjoyed by more. With the help of Lotteries funding this year we have metalled and shaped the drive, extended the deck so that the marquee fits, and soon to be installed is a playground for the little ones. Thanks to all who have helped with these.

A couple months back we had a burst pipe in the paddock. This was noticed by the sudden reduction in the tank float and was located and fixed immediately. This one incident paid for the tanks as before the leak would have continued on the town supply which would have resulted in a huge water bill. Over the past year Josh Adams has been managing the grazing of the paddocks. Thanks Josh the place is looking great,

Murray  
Chair

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## from your WAITOMO DISTRICT COUNCILLOR

The positive results received in the recent Council residents survey was very encouraging. However, the survey was completed by under 10% of our ratepayers. It would be great if more people took an interest in local body politics.

Recently submissions opened for Council Representation Review, with very limited replies. I can only assume that everyone is happy with the Council's performance!

It is great to see the community interest in working with the Council in the administration of the Piopio Hall. This has been in recess for a while and we are sure we can form a working partnership going forward.

During the winter I watched my Granddaughter playing soccer at Centennial Park. It was good to see the school sports being so well supported.

A big thankyou to all those who coach our sports teams and the supporters for the encouragement they give our young sports people.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any concerns or queries you might have.

Gavin Todd  
[Gavin.Todd@Waitomo.govt.nz](mailto:Gavin.Todd@Waitomo.govt.nz)

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# The untapped resources we all have

by Barbara Kuriger, MP for Taranaki-King Country

The New Zealand farming family justifiably claims to be among the most technologically advanced in the world.

Our farmers and those who support them excel at just about everything we do, whether it is soil sciences (the subject of my last column), stock management, environmental protection or the myriad of other matters that make up modern farming. Our agricultural universities are world-renowned for turning out world-class graduates and cutting-edge research. We have much to be proud of.

So, it is with some surprise and not a little concern, that I detect a despondency among some farmers because they believe they are not being supported or resourced to a level they would like, or that farming is not rebounding from years of government neglect as quickly as they want.

Regarding the “neglect” aspect, all I can and will say is something like that takes time to fix, but at least we now have a government that is—well—fixated on fixing it—a government of farmers for farmers.

Concerning support and resourcing, there is a cause for hope there. There is a lot of work being done on farming by our universities, researchers and scientists to improve farming practices.

More than just hope, there is a wealth of technology, advice, and financial and other support readily available right now for farmers. It's there, waiting to be utilised.

Most of us can access stock and station agents — they are good and a given. But there is other information out there—freely given. Our big agricultural federations are excellent sources.

Look at the Dairy NZ, Beef+Lamb, Lincoln University, and Horticulture New Zealand websites. There is a wealth of resources and research (sometimes called knowledge hubs) on them.

I am frankly astounded at what I found on them. The information they provide may not exactly be the most

riveting bedtime read — at least to my mind. But it is, to my mind, untapped and under-used.

Have a look next time you are online.

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## Is it Time to Make Time for Your Wellbeing?

Creating time for our self-care can feel like a bit of a roadblock. We can think we are far too busy for that “stuff”, and feelings of guilt and selfishness can arise. Thoughts around taking any sort of time out just feels like a massive challenge. Looking after ourselves can also have connotations of being “soft”. Just harden up and get on with it!!

I get it. I lived in that mindset for a long time, but it wasn't until I went on my own journey to improve my wellbeing with a holistic approach that I saw how beneficial and life changing it was.

Our wellbeing is important. You are important and deserve to make your wellbeing a priority. It is essential for our existence and there is now a big generational shift towards making it a focus. The great thing is it can just take small changes each day to create that shift. Simple things such as going for a short walk, reading a book, switching off with a podcast or some quiet time can make a big difference and if you want to make some bigger steps to create long lasting change, then I am here to support you.

After embarking on a massive career change a couple of years ago, I set up Body & Soul Holistic Wellbeing out of a desire to support people with their health and wellness needs from a holistic approach to focus on the body mind connection. Our psychology & physiology are intertwined. What we think and feel has a massive impact on how we function. I offer services that support people holistically via massage, fascial unwinding and 1:1 support sessions. Perhaps you want to book a massage and/or fascial unwinding session to have time out to relax and unwind or need a focus on reducing muscle and tissue tension, or perhaps you want support with specific life challenges and need a space to talk and work through what you are experiencing, which we can do with a 1:1 support session. We can also combine services. Feel free to reach out and talk about your needs. You can call me on 021 557 187 or head to my website [www.bodysoulholisticwellbeing.net](http://www.bodysoulholisticwellbeing.net) where you can find more information about myself, my services & book appointments.

It's time to make time for yourself.



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# Waitomo Energy Services Customer Trust Update

Have you heard of the Waitomo Energy Services Customer Trust? (WESCT for short) You may have heard of us, but do you know who we are or what we do?

WESCT owns 100% of The Lines Company (TLC) on behalf of its beneficiaries – the community. Which makes TLC 100% community owned!

WESCT has over 8000 beneficiaries who largely live in or around Te Kūiti, Ōtorohanga, Piopio, Mangakino or Mōkau.

Trustees manage WESCT on behalf of its beneficiaries (the community). The six Trustees are: William Oliver (Chair), Cathy Prendergast (Deputy Chair), Janette Osbourne, Yvette Ronaldson, Guy Whitaker and Erin Wirihana. (Trustees are elected or appointed).

Their role is to look after and grow TLC, this important community asset so it can continue to benefit our communities and beneficiaries for generations to come.

One benefit of community ownership is the TLC Discount. Trustees strongly advocate for the discount being paid out each year (usually twice a year), which appears as a credit on electricity bills, with the most recent discount being paid in May. In this coming financial year, the TLC discount is budgeted to increase from \$4.3 million to \$5.2 million. Which we think is pretty great news for beneficiaries.

UPDATE to our trust deed - The Trust have been working on updating the Trust deed which was formed 1993. We are now seeking comment of the proposed amendments. All the details can be found on our website.

Meeting of beneficiaries – each year we hold a meeting for beneficiaries to hear how both the trust and TLC are performing. This year it will be held in Te Kūiti – Thursday 17 October, 6pm @ The Panorama Motor Inn. All are welcome. For more information on the trust visit: wesct.org.nz

## Mōkau Community Trust (MCT) SEPTEMBER UPDATE

Here is an update on the MCT activities this month.

### GRANTS

- The 2024 funding application round closed on the 30th September. Applicants will be contacted shortly.
- The reports received from 2023 applicants have indeed been heartwarming. We would like to acknowledge the achievements of the students supported in studies, sports, and from new and established groups.
- Watch this space for more opportunities in the New Year to apply for funding from our local Trust.

### WEBSITE

- We're gearing up for some exciting promotional filming in the upcoming months to showcase Mokau on the website.
- Don't forget, the Tainui Trader is just a click away on the website!
- Want to showcase your event on the website? Email us at mokaucomtrust@gmail.com

### MARQUEE

Running an event and would like to hire a marquee? Please contact us for further details mokaucomtrust@gmail.com

Don't hesitate to get in touch with any queries or ideas and thoughts to support our local community.

## OHURA VALLEY MARKET

First Sunday of the Month  
10am to 1pm

Enquiries: [ohuravalleymarket@gmail.com](mailto:ohuravalleymarket@gmail.com)  
Mobile: 027 717-0963 (Kat)

## Barbara Kuriger

MP for Taranaki-King Country

### Constituent Clinic

*In conjunction with Heartland Services, Te Kuiti.  
If you have a concern that you would like to talk to me about please contact my office to make an appointment.*

**Friday 8 November, 10am - 1pm**  
Mokau Hall, 33 North Street, Mokau 4376

Email [Kuriger.kingcountry@parliament.govt.nz](mailto:Kuriger.kingcountry@parliament.govt.nz)  
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### TAINUI NURSERY

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If you want something grown or need plants for a future project give us a call.

Contact Shane, Rebecca or Thomas

Phone 06 752-9124

Email: lowry@outlook.co.nz

### MOKAU MOTEL

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LAUREL & MURRAY REED

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Coast Road, North Taranaki, PO Box 38 Mokau



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