

MOTUEKA 50 plus WALKING GROUP

MINUTES FOR MONTHLY MEETING 26th SEPTEMBER 2019

1. Welcome

President Trevor M welcomed everyone to the September 2019 monthly meeting.

There were no new members or visitors/guests.

He thanked Tony, Viv and Norah for standing in for him while away for 3 months, indicating that it was good to be back after 3 months away, so much so that he backed this up by a good rendition of a 'Travellers' song.

Trevor extended Thanks to the Plant Stall convenors, Norah, Viv and Lee, for the work put in, as well as all who had contributed and bought goods, and indicated an interim sales total in excess of \$200.

Ian M was assuming Secretarial duties from today. Trevor gave a BIG vote of THANKS to Shirley H for a tremendous two-year effort as Secretary and presented her with a floral tribute, with acclamation from the meeting. She responded, thanking all for their efforts in making the job as interesting as it was, and paid particular tribute to the Walks Committee who put in so much effort to make each week's walks so enjoyable.

2. 80th Birthdays, Anniversaries

There were none present having had an 80th birthday or other celebration this month, but it was noted that Tim Rich had become an Octogenarian last week.

3. Almoner's Report

Helen reported having sent a card to Bob and Anne Bassford.

Anne spoke to the meeting, with much appreciation for the card and other acknowledgements afforded them by club members over their extended time of sickness. Bob is recovering well after a corneal graft, and Anne is responding well to treatment for a rare cancer.

4. Morning Tea Roster

Trevor thanked today's team of Peter B, Trish E and Lynn M.

5. Minutes of Last Month's Meeting

Trevor noted that last month's Meeting Minutes were on the Motueka 50plus website, as well as a copy on the Secretary's table.

He asked that the August 29th Minutes be taken as read, and asked that these Minutes be moved as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Moved: David L

Seconded: Neal D

Carried.

Trevor signed a copy of the August 29th Minutes.

6. **Matters Arising...**

There were no matters arising from the August 29th Minutes.

7. **Treasurer's Report**

Dick B presented his monthly report, which didn't include any significant transactions, and proposed that the report be accepted.

Seconded: Anita

Passed.

8. **Correspondence**

Ian noted the following correspondence:

Inward

JLF Design re Web Development – forwarded to Yvonne for noting;

Vector Free Marlborough Ltd – Notification of Imminent Commencement of Heaphy-Gunner Portion of Predator Control

Letter of appreciation from Daphne Hamilton, re her fall and rescue on 12 September.

Outward

Nelson HeliRescue – Letter of thanks and appreciation for service rendered to Daphne.

9. **Reports from the previous month's walks/events:**

Aug 29

After meeting walk – Chaytor Rd, Dominion Flats – Neville B reported for the 15 walkers, who travelled 6.1 km with 100m of ascent.

Sep 05

Group 1: ATNP Observation Beach }

Group 2: ATNP Apple Tree Bay } *All postponed to 12th*

Group 3: ATNP Coquille Bay } *due rain*

09.30: }

Sep 12

Group 1, 2 & 3 Mt Arthur walks were cancelled due road closure.

Group 1: ATNP Observation Beach – Ian read a report fm Janet H for the 12 walkers

Group 2: ATNP Akersten Bay – Lynn M reported for the 28 walkers

Group 3: ATNP Apple Tree Bay – Carol reported verbally for the 13 walkers

09.30: Frances N reported verbally on the changed walk in Richmond.

Sep 19

Group 1, 2 & 3 Champion Mine walks were cancelled due to culling in the area.

Group 1: Barnicoat Walkway > Jenkins Hill > Involution Bike Track – Ross McD reported for the 12 walkers

Group 2: Glider Road > Widdershins Bike Track > Involution Bike Track – Ian read a report fm Muriel M for the 23 walkers

Group 3: Marsden Valley and lower bush tracks in same area as Gp 1 & 2 – Angela J reported for the 5 walkers, who travelled 6 km

09.30: Founders Park to Miyazu Gardens, and return – Frances N verbally reported for the 3 walkers.

10. Instructions for the coming month's walks:

Kevin P gave information and instructions for the October walks, again inviting more to participate in Leadership and Tail End Charlie (TEC) roles.

Oct 03

Group 1: Blue Hills (Cable Bay) – summit, 760m, 16.6 km, H1

Group 2: Blue Hills (Cable Bay) – Bay View lookout, 570m, 13 km, M2

Group 3: Blue Hills (Cable Bay) – Skywire café, 305m, 8 km, M1

09.30: Flaxmore Gardens, Lower Moutere

Oct 10

Group 1: Canaan – Wainui Hut via Pisgah and Murray Peak (loop), 800m, 19 km, H1/2

Group 2: Canaan – Wainui Hut via Wainui Saddle and return, 395m, 15 km, M2

Group 3: Canaan – Wainui Saddle circuit, 150m, 6 km, M1

09.30: Cattermole's and Miriam's gardens, Thorp Street

Oct 17

ATNP Boat Trip – Gp A - Medlands Beach to Awaroa Beach (+ beach walk)

ATNP Boat Trip – Gp B - Tonga Quarry to Awaroa Beach (+ beach ramble)

ATNP Boat Trip – Gp C - Awaroa Beach exploration

ATNP Boat Trip – Gp D - Awaroa Beach enjoyment

Note: Go directly to the boat at Kaiteriteri, 08.45am at the latest.

09.30: Possible alternative to Gp D Boat Trip – Hodde Reserve; TBD

Oct 24

Group 1: Atawhai Ridge loop fm Miyazu Gardens incl CoNZ } *Alternative*

Group 2: Atawhai Ridge loop fm Miyazu Gardens } *Boat*

Group 3: Miyazu Gardens – Wakapuaka } *Trip*

09.30: Brook Waimarama Reserve } *date*

Oct 31

After meeting: Dicker Ridge – Williams Road loop

The walks programme may be found on the 50+ website. Information and any updates will be disseminated in the week before the applicable walk.

11. Walks and Steering Committee

- Leader / TEC buddy system

Trevor M spoke of the difficulty in getting names for Leader and TEC for several walks. Perhaps this was because of a perception of how difficult/complicated these roles might be, or that people might think they were ill-equipped. He invited those that might consider a role to talk to him (or members of the Walks Committee) about ‘buddying up’ with a leader or TEC who could explain the roles over a walk or two.

- Tony P thanked Kevin for the great work in reorganising walks in the past month due to various factors.
- Tony P indicated that \$500 was raised from the Te Araroa talk evening, and that this was donated back to the Trust for further work on the Walk.
- Tony P spoke concerning some items that came out of the recent heli-rescue, namely:
 - Activating a PLB would get a helicopter airborne earlier than a ‘111’ call, if circumstances necessitated;
 - Let a ‘111’ operator ask questions rather than trying to explain all in one hit;

- A walker's yellow medical card should be shown to paramedic personnel;
- The time as well as dosage of any medication, pain relief, etc should be noted and made available to paramedic personnel.

Graham I-M added further comments, and these would be taken on board by the Walks Committee.

- 2020 Away Trip (08 – 13 March)

Tony P gave notice that the next Away Trip will be walks in the wider Blenheim area, however, due to non-suitable and expensive accommodation for our purposes in Blenheim, good accommodation has been arranged in Havelock. An adjacent facility is available for those wishing to take campervans/caravans. The Havelock accommodation will necessitate driving to walk venues each day, possibly up to 30 minutes. A clipboard was circulated (and will be in further meetings) for people to indicate, at this stage, their possible attendance. Further details will be promulgated over the next months as plans mature.

12. General Business

- Annual Boat Trip to ATNP (17 October)

Trevor advised that Mary Shee has taken over the arrangements for this trip (see above for the walks).

Dick B is overseeing the list of people wishing to go. Payment of **\$40 pp** may be made directly into the club bank account **03 0693 0119919 00** with your name(s) and Reference: Boat Trip. Your name(s) will then be added to the list. **Cut-off is 10 October.**

- Barbara L spoke of the resignation of Marlene Jackson, an older, long-time member who cannot now be active, and has moved into care in Stoke.

13. Plant Sales

Trevor reiterated that further sales would be available for a short time after the meeting.

14. After meeting Quiz and Lunch

Trevor thanked Steve and Gill for organising the pending interlude before lunch, which would be served afterwards in the restaurant.

He also thanked Maureen H for her work setting out the name badges for each meeting, and Bevan C for his work in arranging the seating for meetings and returning them to the

‘RSA state’ afterwards.

15. Distribution of new Policy and Guidelines booklets

Tony P spoke briefly of the good information and guidance available within the revised booklet, and that our procedures were the envy of other walking groups. All walkers should read and understand the contents. A big thanks to all who had participated in producing the revised Policy and Guidelines. Anita L and Yvonne H distributed the booklet to all members present. They would be also be available at future meetings for those not present. In addition, copies can be obtained from the Secretary, Ian M.

16. Meeting Closed

Trevor closed the meeting at 11.12am.