

MOTUEKA 50 plus WALKING GROUP

MINUTES FOR MONTHLY MEETING 27th FEBRUARY, 2020

- **Welcome**

Norah M (vice Trevor) welcomed everyone (although still low in numbers) to the February 2020 monthly meeting. No new members or visitors were present. Norah set a good meeting tone with a couple of amusing sayings.

- **80th Birthdays, Anniversaries**

No one present admitted to having had an 80th birthday, or other celebration, this month.

- **Almoner's Report**

Norah reported that a bouquet of flowers had been delivered to Carol M with our best wishes for a speedy recovery from her mishap.

- **Morning Tea Roster**

Norah thanked today's team of Polly D and Annie H.

- **Minutes of Last Month's Meeting**

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

She asked that the January 30th minutes be taken as read, and asked that these Minutes be moved as a true and correct record of that meeting.

Moved: Tom Macartney

Seconded: David Lucas

Carried.

Norah signed a copy of the January 30th minutes.

- **Matters Arising...**

There were no matters arising from the January 30th minutes.

- **Treasurer's Report**

Dick presented his monthly report and proposed that it be accepted.

Seconded: Wayne C

Passed.

- **Correspondence**

Ian noted the following correspondence:

Inward –

Viv Diack (NCC) (31 Jan): Nelson area track information/closures – passed to Walks Committee.

Haidi Spence (NCC) (7 Feb): Nelson area reserve closures due fire risk – passed to Walks Committee.

Viv Diack (NCC) (19 Feb): Nelson area reserves, partial opening/closures – passed to Walks Committee.

Huia Rugby Club (20/24 Feb): Further request for support as they apply for funding. At their request, a member of our Executive should meet with the club to understand their position.

Google (23 Feb): Updated Terms of Service.

Viv Diack (NCC) (19 Feb): Nelson area: all reserves open again after rain – passed to Walks Committee.

Out -

Nil

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

Jan 30

After meeting walk at Rabbit Island via ferry from Mapua.

Secretary's apologies to Steve whose report was overlooked. Available in archive.

Highlights: stingray fin seen in channel; black-backed gull colony; ice-cream 1, swim 0.

Feb 06 (Waitangi Day)

Takaka Hill (anticlockwise) longer. Ian read Anita L's full report.

Takaka Hill (anticlockwise) shorter. Peg P gave a very succinct report, as well as one for the Falcon Ridge shorter walk.

Feb 13

Falcon Ridge Estate: (longer). David L presented a report on a short but pleasant day's walk.

Falcon Ridge Estate: (shorter). As above – Peg P.

0930 Gp: Heather A initiated a report on a trip to Occasional Monarchy, with comments from Norah. A monarch butterfly breeding facility at Hope run by Ian & Jill Knight (ex-Salvation Army), well worth a visit. Bookings necessary, \$10pp includes morning/afternoon tea.

Feb 20

Club bus trip to St Arnaud.

Walk 1: Tophouse, ridgeline, Parachute Rock, Lake Rotoiti (Kerr Bay)

Ross McD reported on the long but no more challenging walk than Mt Arthur.

Walk 2: Parachute Rock & return

Ian read Janet H's report on this steepish and longer than expected walk, but rewarded with great views from the Rock lunch stop.

Walk 3: Lake Loop track

Ian read Petreah C's report of a walk containing excellent photographic water & mountain views.

Walk 4: Peninsula Nature Walk

Heather A gave a verbal report of an enjoyable walk.

0930 Gp: Washbourn Gardens & Begonia House

Frances H reported that the begonia house is well worth a visit.

Feb 25

Tigers walk to Anatoki Bend

Ian read Bob W's report, which 14.5km/602m ascent walk included detail on variable terrain with slip challenges, a rock face passage, and a footing loss accident by Joy B resulting in a scalp laceration. (We trust she is healing well - Almoner).

- **Instructions for the coming month's walks:**

Kevin gave information and instructions for the March walks

Mar 05

Group 1: Mytton's carpark to Mt Peel (H1)

Group 2: Trilobite Hut to Tent Camp & rtn (M2)

Group 3: Trilobite Hut to Cahffey's Hut & rtn (M1)

09.30 Gp: Kina walkway from near the 'Talley house'.

Mar 8 – 13

Club walks: Many away for Marlborough walks based in Havelock.

Mar 12

Group 1: **0800** departure. A longish walk to Kings Creek Hut (on the Wangapeka Track). (H1)

0900 walks: NO walks due no leaders/TeCs available.

09.30 Gp: From the Brooklyn Valley Reserve.

Mar 19

Walk 1: Canaan > Moa Park > Mt Evans loop (M3)

Walk 2: Canaan > Moa Park & rtn (M3)

0930 Gp: Ruby Bay from near the Pine Hill Road toilets.

The walks programme may be found on the 50+ website, <https://www.motueka50pluswalkers.org.nz/>. Supplementary information about walks, and any updates/changes, will be disseminated in the week before the applicable walk.

Mar 26

The 50+ Walking Group **AGM** will be held this day. Please prepare for and make an effort to attend this meeting.

After meeting walk: Stephens Bay to Kaiteriteri (swim?) (E2)

- **Walks and Steering Committee**

- Norah indicated that planning for the away trip to Marlborough was “under control”.

- **Health and Safety Matters**

Nil

- **General Business**

- Name badges

Ian stated that there were about 2 doz wooden name badges yet to be uplifted. Our Policy and Guidelines asks that name badges be worn on all walks. It is recommended that one be attached to the back of the pack and the other on a hat or other clothing visible to other walkers.

If members do not have name badges, please check with Maureen H or the Secretary and arrange to either uplift them at a meeting or otherwise obtain them.

- Frances H had earlier distributed an intentions board for a bus trip to Mangarakau Scenic Reserve (south of Farewell Spit) on April 16th or 23rd. She spoke of the wonder of this place and encouraged members to consider going on this outing. Date, timing and prices TBA.

- **Sales Table**

\$39+ was received today, with books and veges still available.

- **Today's Walk**

Ian described the starting point and this week's walk: > Motueka Estuary walk to Macartney's (lunch & swim), approx. 6 km/1 hr, & return. A leader and TeC were called for from those attending.

- **Meeting Closed**

Norah closed the meeting at 10.50am.

