

MOTUEKA 50 plus WALKING GROUP

MINUTES FOR MONTHLY MEETING 24th JUNE 2021

Welcome

President, Tony Pearson, welcomed everyone to the June 2021 meeting.

New members present: Brian (& Teresa - apologies) Hosie (Ruby Bay).

Visitors: Nil

Apologies: Brian Bell, Mary Devine

Tony gave a quick reminder re the now closer threat of Covid-19, and the advisability of jabs.

- **Clipboard Information**

First Aid kit wound dressings, etc were on display at morning tea. A sign-up board for purchases at a good price thru Danny Fowler (Motueka Regional Ambulance, First Aid refreshers) was being overseen by Vivienne P and Lee M.

- **80th Birthdays, Anniversaries, Significant Events**

Another(!) 80th will be acknowledged at a later time.

No other admissions today!

- **Almoner's Report**

Norah reported that:

- cards were sent to:

- Bev Teece – recovering well after a knee op;
- Tony Murphy – successful cataract op;
- Annie Harris – ankle operation

- emails will be sent to:

- Rob Brown with back injury;
- Eve (& Bill) Heritage on the passing of her brother.

Thank you to those who continue to keep in touch with members who are ill or that could do with a phone call or seeing a friendly face!

Please do keep Norah up to date with member's significant status.

- **Morning Tea Roster**

Tony thanked today's team of Trish & Peter who served tea in the main room. This was felt to be much more sociable. Tony will enquire of RSA staff if this could be the usual set up.

- **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

Tony asked that the May 27th minutes, available on the website, be taken as read, and moved that these Minutes be a true and correct record of that meeting.

Moved: Tony Pearson

Seconded: Judy Fisher

Carried.

Tony signed a copy of the May 27th minutes.

Matters arising:

Nil.

- **Treasurer's Report**

Dick reported on the month's finances to May 20th. The **Club account** stood at a balance of **\$4584** and the **Save-and-Win account** at **\$2007**.

He then proposed the adoption of the report.

Seconded: Trevor Michell

Approved.

Tony confirmed with Dick that he had mastered payments from the club current account using the new (2-signature) electronic debit system - "Bring back cheques"!

Membership (22 Jun 21)

Apart from Tony's introduction of new members, Secretary Ian reported:

Resignations: Pauline Neal (still working)

Current Statistics

Total membership: 209, incl

Honorary (80+): 45 (21%)

Godwits: 6

Ian noted that the Membership renewal period had closed, and that, with the exception of Honorary members, members that had not paid would be removed from the group (walks) mailing list. He asked for any feedback from a list of such members to date.

If a member wished to re-engage with the group, a full joining fee (\$20) will be payable from July.

- **Correspondence**

Ian noted that, other than that to do with membership matters, the only significant correspondence this month was:

unsubscribing from Motueka Seniors Group activity notices: and

an appreciation of our thanks for the 88 Valley Farm (N.E. Parkes) walk, along with a (electronic) copy of our Policy and Guidelines manual, to wit: "We can welcome your

group another time”.

- **Reports from the previous month’s walks/events**

1. Tony reported that, on a recent visit to Whakapuaka Cemetery, all subjects of interest viewed were “dead centre”!! 😊

2. Heather A gave another entertaining report on the recent 0930 group walk around Monaco:

- * Mike N’s garage collection of 460 M&M figures;
- * a lady, replete in camo-clothing with metal-detector, who showed some fascinating pictures of her finds, incl. an 1860’s Australian cricket belt badge.

- **Instructions for coming month’s walks**

Walks and monthly coordinators can be found in the quarterly walks programme

Wayne C briefed the meeting on the following, for which there are still spaces available for leaders and TECs:

NOTE: A revised koha rate was approved at this meeting (see below), and the kohas indicated below reflect this decision.

Jul 01 \$9

Walk 1: Rawhiti caves + Motupipi Hill bike tracks (M1 + M1)

Walk 2: Motupipi Hill bike tracks + The Grove (M1 + E1)

Walk 3: Motupipi Hill bike tracks (M1)

0930 Gp: TBA.

Jul 08 \$7 **Potential for Helicopter Spraying – bring a mask!**

Walk 1: Hacket Hut via Browning Hut (M3)

Walk 2: Hacket Hut (M1)

Walk 3: Chromite Mine (replacing Whispering Falls) (E2)

0930 Gp: TBA.

Jul 15 \$8

Walk 1: Belgrove – Norris Gully (M2)

Walk 2: Belgrove – Spooners Tunnel (M1)

Walk 3: Belgrove – toward Spooners Tunnel (E3)

0930 Gp: TBA.

Jul 22 \$7

Walk 1: Grampians – steeper tracks (M3)

Walk 2: Grampians – Kahikatea track + mast (M2)

Walk 3: Nelson Green ramble (E2)

Note: Walk 3 separate transport from Walks 1 & 2

0930 Gp: TBA.

Jul 29 \$2

Morning Tea at the RSA 09.30. Meeting 10.00

After meeting walks – **Standard and Workout walks**

Lower Moutere Hall to Tasman View lookout, and beyond (E3)

- **Walks and Steering Committee**

Tony P spoke about and led small discussions on the following:

1. **Alternative walks** for those not wishing to attend Thursday meetings
The Walks Committee has considered the issues regarding a Walk 1 on meeting days and recommends:

1. As well as the Standard Walk on the meeting day, a **Workout** Walk of Walk 1 grade will be trialled over the three months beginning July as follows:

29 July - Tasman view from Moutere Hall to the shade sail or beyond

26 August - Watering Cove, ATNP – as far as time and motivation allows

30 September - Graham Valley North Branch – to the top or as high as time and motivation allow.

These walks will be incorporated into the Quarterly programme.

2. Convene at RSA immediately after the meeting ends (10.30 - 11.00am)
3. Trip Leader and Tail End Charlie to be confirmed on the day
4. Steve to bring radios and PLB to the meeting for distribution.

Please be aware that this is a TRIAL formulated after considerable discussion with members who may wish to take part and will be reviewed for the next quarter.

Also, there will be no change in the Tigers group meetings on the Tuesday preceding a monthly meeting.

2. **Approval of the new Koha rate**

Recommendation from Steering Committee (Group email 6 June)

1. A reduction of the current rate from 15 cents/km to **7.5 c/km**, along with
2. A **small (\$1) increase in Rough Road surcharge**, and

3. A **minimum rate** of \$2.

A show of hands indicated **unanimous support** for the revised rates, which would become

Effective: for JULY walks – a new programme will be issued

3. **Approval of proposed Document Retention Policy**

Recommendation from Steering Committee (Group email 6 June)

Existing paper records to be held by the Secretary as follows:

- * AGM papers **5 years**
- * Monthly meeting papers **2 years**
- * Treasurers records **7 years**
- * Membership application forms **1 year**
- * Emails **1 year** (Sec to use discretion/confer with President if doubt)
- * Maps **5 years** for the issued weekly maps as a back-up to the website
- * Other Electronic files **2 years** (Sec to use discretion/confer with President if doubt)

A show of hands indicated **unanimous support** for the policy, which would become **Effective:** immediately.

This means that paper records will begin to be destroyed forthwith, with AGM and monthly meeting records being passed to (incoming Secretary) Karen Gregory for history gleaning (*see General Business*) prior to destruction. The Secretary will maintain all future records on the Group laptop, backed up to Dropbox.

4. **Next committee meeting**

The next meeting will be at the **RSA, Mon 13 Sep, 09.30.**

All constructive input and member attendance welcomed.

• **Health and Safety Matters**

First Aid Kits

As a follow-on to previous information disseminated, Vivienne spoke about the updating or replenishing of personal first aid kits, including the purchase of any of the items (at cost thru Danny Fowler) represented on display at the meeting. These include large gauzes/sterile pads (grazes & gashes), saline solution (wound irrigation and, in some circumstances, dressing moistening to lessen gauzes/pads sticking to skin), and ‘Fixomull’ stretch tape for binding/securing or wrapping of bandages or patches.

An order sheet was available for member purchases with an Email being sent round for general circulation.

- **General Business**

- **Damage/loss of radios/PLBs**

Tony indicated that a radio had been returned in a damaged condition. He stated that, while damage was unfortunate and could sometimes happen, this was a **Club and not personal liability** matter. Any damage *must* be reported. Radios and PLB are not insurable and sufficient funds are held to replace these, as necessary.

- **Pack/hat name badges**

Tony indicated that Clive D had secured a supply of vinyl (flexible and waterproof) for the production of badges. Some older wooden ones were beginning to break. Please contact the Secretary if replacement badges are required - \$2 per badge, to Club funds.

- **Formation of History Sub-committee**

Tony indicated that a small sub-committee was being formed with the Purpose - To put together a history of the Club that can be maintained on the Website, and to incorporate a selection of the Club's historical photo record files. This will be coordinated by Karen Gregory and include Barbara Loveridge, Lillian Turner, Jennie Askew and Jane Cumming. Any other volunteers should make themselves known to Karen.

Tony explained that the photo collection recently searched for belonged to a former member, Eric Goodwin. Therefore, the committee would be pleased to receive any significant photos of past club walks and activities.

- **Sales Table Report**

Marja-Mia reported that \$60 had been received today. She noted that Bob White had donated a table for the display of goods. Thank you, Bob!

Walkers are encouraged to bring items for the 'table', particularly plants and (home-made) produce, and to purchase as a means of boosting club funding.

- **After Meeting Event**

Approximately 50 members would be attending the annual mid-winter luncheon at the Waimea Club in Richmond.

- **Meeting Closed**

Tony thanked members for their attendance.

The meeting was closed at 10.55 am.