

MOTUEKA 50 plus WALKING GROUP

MINUTES FOR MONTHLY MEETING September 29 2022

Welcome

President, Tony Pearson, welcomed everyone to the September 2022 monthly meeting.

Mask's may be worn if you choose and vaccinations including flue jab are Still important.

Covid and its variants are still around with over 250 cases locally.

New members Robyn McLachlan.

Visitors/ prospective members:

Apologies: Gwen Brooks, Jim Smith.

- **Clipboard Information**

A clipboard from Francis to register interest in a bus trip to St Arnaud in November.

ATNP annual boat trip is postponed until Autumn due to severe track damage.

Contact Tony if you have grandkids who would like to participate in a kids first aid course.

Honorary lunch organized by Ann Dorne has no venue for now, so the date is not finalised. 50 members and partners need a large venue.

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

Dick Bensemann, Christine Davidson and Alan McKenzie were congratulated at the discussion meeting in August. Also congratulated was Vicky Stocker who sent a very nice email to the group thanking everyone for her card and voucher. She also commented on the excellent idea of the discussion group last month and how the numbers were a bit skewed toward the more mature members. She also thanked the committee and other volunteers for their great job.

- **Almoner's Report**

Christine Davidson had an operation in July and is coming along nicely.

Elsa Lally has a broken finger so is keeping a bit quiet for now.
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 Peter and Trish Beaumont for morning tea and Bevan for setting out the seating.

- **Minutes of Previous Meetings**

Tony asked that the June 30th minutes, available on the website, be taken as read, and **moved that these Minutes be a true and correct record.**

Moved Vivienne Pearson

Seconded John McArthur

Carried.

Tony to sign a copy of the June minutes.

Matters arising:

Nil

- **Treasurer's Report** read by Bill Herritage.

The group's finance total's as at the end of August \$5495.96

A hard copy of the month's figures will be available at the meeting for members to review.

Bill then proposed the adoption of the report.

Seconded: Tom Macartney

Approved.

Membership current statistics:

Total membership: 190, incl

Honorary (80+): 50, Godwits: 6

- **Correspondence**

Karen reported- emails concerning walks notifications and program changes. Also about the website familiarization course and about Graeme's discussion meeting

Some new member inquiries

Emails to some members concerning whether they wish to remain as members and between the committee to sort the membership list for easier access and updating.

- **Reports from the previous month's walks/events. Are there any issues or points of interest that need reporting?**

July 28 meeting cancelled due to increasing risk to members from increasing numbers of Covid infection. Walks continued for those who chose to participate.

August 18 Grampians walk cancelled due to weather.

45 people attended the annual mid-winter lunch held at Waimea. Lots of very good food thanks to the cooks.

30 plus people attended the website familiarization course. If members wish to access the maps, email the secretary for a password request which will be forwarded to the appropriate person. A very good course and well presented, thank you to Yvonne and Laurie.

About 46 people attended the discussion meeting run by Graeme Nicholas. Everyone had plenty of opportunity to have their say about how the group is operating and some good suggestions for improvement or refinement have been put forward. The members present, emphasised the importance of our continued socializing and fitness and the opportunities offered by being part of an organized group. There is a lot of information to be processed but a detailed report will be presented to the group. Many thanks to Graeme, who calls himself a retired researcher, for your expertise in this field and your input into helping members have their say in the forward planning of the group. Tony and members who have seen the draft report are very impressed.

- **Instructions for coming month's walks** Kevin reported as follows

October 6 09:00. Caanan \$6

Walk 1: Trig K Mt Evans (H2)

Walk 2: Trig K circuit (M2)

Walk 3: Monument, Tapu Bay, Great taste trail LT 13.46 Coast (E2) \$2
9.30 group Brightwater gardens of the world

October 13 09.00 Coast \$2

Walk 1: Dicker Rd-Tasman View to Lookout (M3)

Walk 2: Dicker Rd -Tasman Viewt (M2)

Walk 3:9.30 Dicker Rd-Williams Rd (E2)

9.30 Group Faulkner's Bush

October 20 09.00 Coast \$2

Walk 1: Ruby Bay Hinterland (M1)

Walk 2: Ruby Bay Hinterland (M1)

Walk 3: Ruby Bay Mapua Beach walk circuit LT 12.30 (E3)

0930 Gp: TBA

October 27 Coast \$3

10am meeting at RSA. 9.30 morning tea

After meeting walk Split Apple Rock. Swim optional HT 12 noon (E2)

Workout Walk Towers Bay. Swim optional (E2)

Walks and Steering Committee

Committee meeting- held 09.30am August 29th at the RSA.

Walks area map to be included in new members packs with guidelines and enrolment forms.

A competition will be run to design a new cloth pack badge for members.

Many walks will have to be checked for walking and accessibility due to storm damage.

Pages will be added to the website for updates to the guidelines and a general overhaul and update of the website.

Jim Smith has mapped out some new walks around Kaiteriteri and has gained permission for us as to walk as long as we follow the rules and signs.

There are some walks requiring permission from different companies like forestry. These must be gained and renewed for each walk and check about parking space.

Due to storm damage to tracks it was decided to put the ATNP boat trip off until Autumn. Summer customer numbers may make it difficult to get a bulk booking sooner.

All constructive input and member attendance welcomed.

Next meeting of the walks committee is on **Monday 5th December at the RSA 9.30am.**

- **Health and Safety Matters**

Slippery tracks, cold weather, rain and Covid. Consider taking some extra clothing or a towel to leave in the car in-case of sudden wetting while walking.

- **General Business**

. Can members please notify secretary of contact detail changes.

Replacement badges in the new flexible material can be ordered from Polly. Donation required.

Banking signatories have finally been sorted.

Congratulations to Marja-Mia and Norah for their work and success with making a more interesting and varied walk 3. So far, the trial is going well.

After 12 years looking after the group radios, Steve Gately has handed over their care to Mark Falloon. Thank you Steve, for a job well done.

There will be a group away trip based in Rangiora planned for March 23, 2023. Details to be discussed at the October meeting.

- **Sales Table Report** \$54 from sales today.

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.

- **Instructions/ Transport required for today's walk/ event.**

Walk cancelled again due to weather.

Tony thanked members for their attendance.

The next meeting will be October 29th 2022.

Meeting Closed a

The meeting was closed at 10.45 am.