

## **MOTUEKA 50+ WALKING GROUP**

### **MINUTES FOR QUARTERLY MEETING 29<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

- **Welcome–**

Welcome everyone to our first quarterly meeting in June 2023,

**New members** – Alan Mouat, Greg Burghardt, Susan Buckle. *(if present, but welcome anyway)*–

**Visitors:** Kevin MacKay and supporters, some Rock Hound members, who have made a gold coin donation to our trading table ladies.

**Apologies:** none

- **Information requiring clipboard distribution.**

**First Aid Course Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August** clipboard to circulate.

\$5 per person, with a club subsidy \$10. Two sessions 9 - 10.30 and 10.30 - 12.15. Our social committee is kindly providing home baking for morning tea. Thank you to Elaine and Faye for organising this.

Max 18 per session. Please pay online to confirm your spot or bring correct change on the day.

- **80<sup>th</sup> Birthdays & Other Significant Events**

Ask the meeting if any ‘unknown’ (80) birthdays or other significant events

Elsa Lally 80<sup>th</sup> birthday

Kevin and Peg Piper 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

- **Almoner’s Report:** Norah

Nothing to report. Some emails of support sent.

- **Morning Tea Roster**

Thanks to Trish and Peter for our morning tea.

Thanks to Bevan for arranging the seating and Maureen Harris for sorting the meeting badges.

- **Minutes of Last Meeting**

April 27 meeting Minutes are on the Motueka 50+ website and I emailed everyone last week. Can I have a show of hands who has read these minutes? Approx 50% hands up.

Ask for a person present at that meeting to -

**Move that the Minutes of the April 27th 2023 meeting are a true and correct record.**

Mover: Tom Macartney

Seconded: John McArthur

Carried.

Amendment(s) none

Assuming approved: **Sign a copy of the April minutes.**

**Any matters arising from these minutes?** None

- **Treasurer's Report**

Ask Bill to present his report including forecast spend items.

At present we have \$2836.71 uncommitted funds

Bill to propose the adoption of the report.

Seconded: Gwen Brooks

Passed.

2 personal locator beacons needed battery replacement at \$335 each. This covers servicing as well and then they are good until 2030.

Karen

- **Membership:** Current statistics

Members 159	Honorary 53	Godwits 1
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Bills membership list allows for better management of who pays what and when, so people who have not paid subs have been removed from the membership list as well as some people who no longer wish to be a member.

AL: I would like to add a personal thanks to all the regular walkers who did pay their subs by April 30<sup>th</sup>. This has saved both Karen and Bill countless hours of chasing naughty people up!

- **Correspondence**

Karen -

Due to our new system of reminder for subs, we have had a lot of replies from people no longer wishing to remain members.

I'm now emailing our adverts weekly to The Leader for publication in Public Notices.

The Guardian advert is automatic, provided they have enough space for Public Notices.

Some people may have noticed the search walks on the website has had no walks listed. Yvonne and her son Dylan Hope have been sorting this.

Please check spam/junk box and let me know if you are not receiving our emails.

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

May 4<sup>th</sup> Pepin Island cancelled but walked on May 25<sup>th</sup> in brilliant sunshine.

W2 will go clockwise next time, as our ACW trial was much steeper, with 2 hills!

May 18<sup>th</sup> Maitai closed so walks in Caanan.

June 1<sup>st</sup> Jenkins Hill, Barnicoat closed so walks High Kaiteriteri. We had a good turnout and Anita has emailed Ross to make the suggested changes to the route for W2.

June 22 Piki ki t era Walk 3 was cancelled due to rain and wet slippery track. Walk 2 found it a bit difficult and quite slippery. Walk 1 enjoyed a good walk.

Are there any other important issues or points of interest that need reporting this month?

None.

- **Instructions for coming month's walks:** Jim Smith not present, so read by Anita

**July 6 9.00 am Nelson \$7**

Walk 1: Grampians steeper tracks (M3)

Walk 2: Grampians Kahikatea track and mast (M2)

Walk 3: Centre NZ and lower track to Founders (M1)

### **July 13 Wakefield \$8**

Walk 1:Belgrave-Norris Gully (M1)

Walk 2:Belgrave through Spooners Tunnel (E3)

**Walk 3 \$10** Through Spooners Tunnel and return (E2)

### **July 20 Nelson \$7**

Walk 1- Maitai- Tanragee- Sharlands Hill via Jacks track (M2)

Walk 2- Maitai- Tanragee- Codgers (M1)

Walk 3- Maitai- Arboretum and return (E2)

### **July 27 Coast \$2**

Walk 1- Kina Peninsular from McKee Domain (M1)

Walk 2- Ruby Bay Hinterland (E3)

Walk 3- Ruby Bay beach circuit HT 16.20 hrs

This is for July of the next quarter. Walks Organiser for August: Fran Forsey. September: Neville Bibby. They will notify you in the usual weekly email. Walks also available on the website and on the quarterly programme.

**Contact details for each monthly Walks Organiser are on the quarterly programme. Also secretary contact details if you require more information. These are also on the quarterly programme on the website.**

- **Planning Committee meeting:**

Held on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May 9.30 am at the RSA.

Lower numbers on walks might be due to people having other priorities right now eg economic pressures. Maybe we need a different advertising medium e.g., Facebook. Bill and I are meeting with our Website Support team tomorrow to update and simplify our website. A Facebook link to our website will be discussed.

Some walks are becoming difficult due to track maintenance or property use so more new walks are encouraged. Please email Tony or Anita if you have any suggestions or possible contacts on private land. We need every member to keep their eyes and ears open to help with this.

We are now into our quarterly meetings so we get 2 extra walks in the non-meeting months. Members need to check the walks description and information when they choose which walk to go on. Distance, grading of hills and description of track surfaces are all included.

Planning for the 4 yearly Walk planner is underway.

Next meeting Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August RSA 09.30am.

- **Health and Safety Matters**

It is important that people assess their own capability of doing a planned walk by looking at the walk's description on the website or on the walks map and email distributed the week before the walk.

If radios are not returned after a walk, Karen or Mark may call the walks leader to check the group is back safely.

- **General Business**

**Karen**

If members have any changes to their address or phone numbers, can they please let me know.

Due to our privacy policy, we do not advertise a members list with everyone's contact details. You can contact the secretary at 021 240 403 or email [secretary50pluswalkers@gmail.com](mailto:secretary50pluswalkers@gmail.com) and your request can be forwarded to the person required. Five contact details are already on the quarterly program.

The secretary, Karen and radio man, Mark will be away for most of July. Bob White has offered to look after the radio's and Petreah Carroll has offered to look after the group computer.

**Replacement name badges:** Kindly handmade by our member Clive Dyson. Email Karen or Polly if you would like one. \$2 to sales table.

**Pack or hat badges** now available at \$20 each. If you do not buy them at the meeting, Karen will have them at the REC Centre on Thursdays.

**Sales Table Report**

Ask for the Sales Table totals: Lee or Vivienne. \$21.00

**Instructions / transport for today's event.**

Mid-Winter lunch at Waimea club

Bus will be outside the RSA at 1130 for all those who have booked with Tony, our bus monitor! It is your choice if you want to wear a mask on the bus. But I recommend it for an enclosed space.

Total of 47 members for lunch and 24 members on the bus.

Some members are making their own way there.

For our first **Safety Skills presentation**:

Another great volunteer: Mark Falloon. He checks, charges, repairs, and replaces our 8 radios and 3 PLBs for our group. He will give a wee presentation on the Dos and Don'ts of radio use.

How to turn on, press and hold the white button to talk, release to listen.

**Guest Speaker:**

Big welcome to Kevin Mackay, who is a Marine Geologist and a senior member of the Wellington NIWA team. Very privileged to have him with us today, as he is in demand around the world as a guest speaker. He will speak to us about the Jan 2022 eruption of the underwater volcano, off the coast of Tonga, which sent shock waves throughout the atmosphere. Kevin has been instrumental in investigating the impact of this event. There will be a 5 min opportunity for questions afterwards.

Vote of thanks with card and chocolate gift: Bill

- **Next quarterly meeting on September 28th 2023. Same time and place.**
- **Meeting Closed**  
Anita closed the main meeting at 10.35.  
Guest speaker finished at 11.22 am.