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PRESIDENT'S PAGE

David & Stefanka are still away and now in Bulgaria. It sounds as though they are having a wonderful time in assorted places. No matter how beautiful Toronto is, I know I'd struggle in 40 degrees of heat so I hope it is somewhat cooler where they are with their Bulgarian family.

We definitely have spring weather now as the winds have started. Our home is on the beach and the requirement for window washing is well and truly back. After so many weeks of mostly calm days it's a pain!

The September Club meeting went well with 2 excellent speakers. Shirley Clarke's visit to Monglolia sounded such a wonderful trip and her talk about Soroptimists was very interesting. She is an inspirational woman with all her amazingly intrepid travel.

Then Navina Clemerson and her book based on the terrible events which happened to her family. I thought she is a very brave woman to write about such horrendous things, and then to speak about them to us. It was clearly not easy for her, but oh so interesting for us. I have bought the book as I read a lot about the lives of civilians during WWII. If anyone wants to borrow it when I have finished, they are most welcome!

Liz Thevenard called our attention during the meeting to all the work which is done behind the scenes to organize the Club Outings and Dine outs. Currently Charlie Metcalfe organizes the Dineouts and Maggie Copland arranges the Outings. They both do such great jobs and they are both big jobs. Finding suitable places which are available when we want. Arranging transport to venues as required and guides to show us through museums and galleries. Then collecting names and marshalling on the day. For both activities they do their best to accommodate as many members of the Club as possible but sometimes, as members, we have to choose whether to attend a Club Outing or do some other pre-arranged activity. That is not easy.

The next Dine Out is lunch at The Jolly Pub & Kitchen in Paraparaumu on Thursday next week. It is a lunch because it is still winterish in that it still gets dark fairly early. After Daylight Saving begins, we will go back to evening meals for the summer. There are quite a number signed up for this and I'm sure it will be a most enjoyable occasion for all who are able to attend. I will see you there!

The next Outing is an evening trip to the Ashton Norwood Gardens in Kaitoke on 25 September to see the blossoms at nighttime. It is a wonderful place to visit and I'm sure that it will be an enjoyable and memorable occasion too.

In October David & Stefanka will be back from their travels. I look forward to seeing him chair the Club meeting on 7 October!

Ann Vice President

TIDY-UPPERS – OCTOBER – CHRIS and JOAN FARROW

This is NOT an onerous task – vacuuming the floor only. No moving chairs or tables – just vacuuming.

PLEASE NOTE - If you are unable to do your turn, please find a replacement to stand in for you and advise David Goggin, Phone 022 6202 236 or the President of your replacement.

Next Meeting

TUESDAY 7th OCTOBER at 2pm

Waikanae Community Centre, Utauta Street

Guest Speaker: Emma Fromings

Subject: "How to Keep Our Brains Healthy"

It will not primarily be about the dementia problem but will discuss expectable changes to our memories as we grow older and how we can help ourselves by exercise and otherwise to keep our minds active. This talk has been well received when previously offered around the Kapiti area.

Cameo Speaker: Shirley Goggin

APOLOGIES

Please Telephone Cathy Mitchell 04 479 2993 or 027 206 7831

PLEASE REMEMBER

 # To wear your Name Tag # Tick your name on the Attendance Sheet

 # Collect your Lucky Number # Support the Raffle

SEPTEMBER MEETING

Attendance: Present: 66 Apologies: 29 Silent: 13

Lucky Number: Lynda Jackson **Raffle:** Barry Truman

OUR ALMONER/CARER

Our Club's Almoner/Carer is **Judith Binning. Phone 021 168 1574**, **email** judywilliams6@hotmail.com

If you know of a club member who is not well, has had a bereavement, or may need transport to a meeting, please let Judith know. Also contact her if you know someone has a milestone birthday or anniversary coming up. Then Judith can make contact or send an appropriate card from the club.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

If your address, email, etc has changed please inform Cathy Mitchell 04 479 2993 or 027 206 7831

www.waikanaemillenniumrebus.nz

Above is the link for our website. We encourage you to click on the link and have a browse at the very professional production produced by our web sub-committee. We suggest you get familiar with its layout, content, looks and feel. You might well have some comments and perhaps ideas for additional content. We will always welcome your views. The site will be updated continually and we suggest you visit on a regular basis.

A very important purpose of the website is to attract new members and if talking to any interested folk please advise them to look at the website.

IS THIS YOUR JACKET ?

This jacket (a woman's) was left at the meeting last week. I have it and am happy to return it to its owner when you contact me. Ann Harkness 027 430 3534

INTEREST GROUPS

WALKING GROUP

Conveners: Rosemary Wells Ph: 293 7421 and Jennifer Komar Ph 027 726 4671
Meets 9.45am every Wednesday for coffee (wet or fine) followed at 10.30 for a one-hour or 30-minute walk.
If you require transport, contact either Rosemary or Jennifer before Wednesday.

17 Sept	Vintage Village for Wesley Knight Park from Alexander Road (612)
24 Sept	Riverstone for Otaki River Walkway from SH1 (110)
01 Oct	Long Beach for Kennedy Park and Marine Lagoon (425)
08 Oct	Harrisons for Mickell Road and Catalona Estate (213)
15 Oct	Olive Grove for Winara Avenue- Kakariki Reserve (417)
22 Oct	Long Beach for Pine Ridge lookout and Waikanae Beach Walk (436)
29 Oct	Olive Grove for Mazengarb Park (504)

BOOK GROUP

Convenor: Anne Wall. Phone 293 5000. Meets 2nd Monday of the month.
The Group is meeting on **Monday 13th October at 2pm**
at the home of **Alison Viskovic**

CYCLING GROUP

Convenor: David Funnell. Phone 021 260 6811
Meets every Monday morning at 9am.
If you are interested in joining this group ring David.

COMPUTER SUPPORT GROUP

Convenor: David Goggin, Telephone 022 620 2236
Meets 2nd Thursday of the month.
The next meeting is on **Thursday 9th October** at **10am**
at the home of **David Goggin**

WRITING FOR FUN GROUP

Convenor Alison Viskovic. Phone 021 159 4945. Meets on 2nd Tuesday of the month.
Next meeting **Tuesday 14th October at 2pm** will be at
the home of **Sue Hodgson**
We have a vacancy for one person if a newer member would like to join.

MUSIC GROUP

Convenor Diane Aviss. Phone 293 7434. Meets 3rd Wednesday of the month.
Next Meeting **Wednesday 17th September at 2pm**
at the home of **Alison Viskovic**

DISCUSSION GROUP

Convenor Rosemary Wells. Phone 293 7421. Meets 4th Friday each month
The group will meet on **Friday 25th September at 10am**
at the home of **John Barnett**

GARDEN GROUP

Convenor Kirsty Provan, Phone 021 0264 7486, Meets 4th Thursday morning each month.
If you want to know more contact Kirsty.

GARDEN GROUP TRIP IO NGA MANU
Club members are welcome to join in this outing. See details on page 5

BOOK AND DVD LIBRARY

At each meeting tables laden with books, jigsaws and DVD's are available for members to borrow. There is no checkout list to sign, it's just help yourself and no time limit for keeping the books and puzzles.
It is requested that you make your selections before the meeting starts or during afternoon tea - not after the meeting as they are then very busy packing up.
Anyone wanting a book between meetings ring: John Harkness 021 481 85 or Ann Harkness 027 430 3534

OUTINGS AND DINEOUTS

Please wear your Name Tag to all Activities

Please remember to put your name on the Intention Sheet before you pay for the Activity.

You can pay at the club meeting before an Activity or Online.

SEPTEMBER LUNCHEON

"THE JOLLY PUB AND KITCHEN"

93 Mazengarb Rd, Paraparaumu

Excellent Parking and Access at this Venue

THURSDAY 18th SEPTEMBER at 12.15pm

A LA CARTE MENU - PAY ON THE DAY AT THE DINEOUT

Still time to book in for the dine out at the Jolly.
Deadline 16th September
Ring Charlie Metcalfe. Phone 021 165 5362

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SPRING IS IN THE AIR

VISIT TO ASHTON NORWOOD GARDEN AFTER DARK BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

Kaitoki, Upper Hutt

THURSDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER

Depart by Bus from Waikanae Railway Station at 5pm
Arrive Kaitoki Ashton Norwood Gardens 6pm approx.
A walk thru the gardens and admire the Blossoms and lights – lots of photo opportunities. 1km of walkways a few steps and uneven places.

Enjoy a meal at one of their food options. The street food at the stables in the garden has a Japanese theme with costs between $10 and $25 depending on what you have, there is also a hot chocolate and sweet treat cart at the lower pond. The Café is also open serving restaurant meals but would need a reservation.
Depart Ashton Norwood at approx. 8.30pm to arrive back in Waikanae by 9.30pm approx..

COSTS - Entry and Bus $35 per head –
PAYABLE TO THE TREASURER BY MONDAY 15TH OF SEPTEMBER.
Food at your own cost.

There are still seats available for this outing to Ashton Norwood
Ring Maggie 027 479 1487

GARDEN GROUP - NGA MANU VISIT

THURSDAY 16th OCTOBER BETWEEN 10AM AND 2PM

Bring your own lunch and a drink. there will be limited thermos water, tea, coffee, sugar and cups. This is for a lunch which we will share. together.

Am; Sally Matheison is kindly giving us a bush guided walk from 10am.
Bruce if available will give us a talk about ferns on the way back for lunch, on Fern Island.

Pm; After lunch if you wish to stay there is free time to look thru the enclosures or take a walk up to the lookout for a panoramic view of the park.

Cost is $12 dollars per head.
Entry is by group it will be paid for once everyone turns up. please bring the correct money to reimburse the payee.

If you would like to enjoy this outing please contact Maggie 027 479 1487 or
Kirsty Provan 021 0264 7486 so that we know to expect you.
There is shelter in case of rain and a mobility scooter can be arranged.

ONLINE PAYMENTS FOR ACTIVITIES/SUBS

Pay Online to ANZ Bank No **06-0592-0051708-00** Waikanae Millennium Rebus Club.
Please ensure you enter your name and Sub or the Activity in message or reference fields.

COFFEE BUILDS STRENGTH TO BE ABLE TO BIKE HOME

The Cycling group enjoying coffee at the Raumati Social Club

POINTS TO PONDER

Why do British people never sound British when they sing?
Why are you "in" a movie but "on" TV?
When does it stop being partly cloudy and start to be partly sunny?
In a movie theatre, which armrest is yours?

OUR PRESIDENT ON HOLIDAY

David and Stefanka have moved on from Canada and are now holidaying in the Balkans and Bulgaria.

The 15th century Old Bridge in Mostar in Bosnia, which was destroyed in the 1990s conflict and now rebuilt using the same materials and technics. It is a UNESCO World Heritage site.

The church is the Alexander Nevski Cathedral in Sofia, Bulgaria.

Another photo to prove the pen is mightier than the sword. These pens, for sale in the market are made from the millions of used bullets from the 1990s Balkan conflict.