



MILLENNIUM NEWS

Waikanae Millennium Rebus Club

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YOUR CLUB COMMITTEE 2026-2027

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Outings	Maggie Copland	027 479 1487			
Life Members: Chris Lehen, David Goggin, Hugh Scott, Alison Viskovic.					

PRESIDENT'S PAGE

The Club's AGM was held last week and the Committee for 2026 elected. My job this year is President but unfortunately, I was unable to attend as my husband was facing a triple bypass operation that day. I was needed elsewhere. He is now at back home recovering slowly.

I am very grateful to David Funnell who continued to chair the meeting in my absence, and I gather the speaker, Penny Gaylor, who is the Kapiti representative on the Greater Wellington Regional Council, was excellent.

A large number of others attended to matters which should have been my responsibility for the meeting, including delivering the books to the meeting and returning them for us, and I am very grateful to them. I was with the Club biking group when my husband had the heart attack which precipitated all this and the kindness and thoughtfulness shown to me that day by so many members of that group was a great example of one of the purposes of our Club: support of each other. I have continued to feel the support of these good friends over the past 4 weeks.

For those who don't know this new president: for 40 years I was a lawyer and mediator specialising in family law and working particularly with care arrangements for children. Work I loved, but eventually burnt out doing. It is high stress for all involved. I also worked with the local Law Society and eventually became its president. From the very beginning of my career I was active in promoting women in the male dominated legal profession, and indeed was one for the first 2 part time lawyers in the country. What was a bizarre idea then is now common practice, and embraced by men as well as women.

Since I retired 10 years ago, I have built a house (where we now live), spent countless hours with our 9 grandchildren and done a great deal of travelling overseas and in NZ. We are also both involved in a number of volunteer roles in the community and I am involved with St Michael's Anglican church at the beach. John and I have 5 children between us and are extremely fortunate to have only 1 living overseas. Most of the grandchildren live in Wellington or thereabouts and, in these days of 2 working parents we have been privileged to be closely involved in the lives of many of them. Although I am glad our days of looking after preschoolers are now over. My strength is not the same as it was 10 years ago!

Don't forget the upcoming activities and dine-outs. On **Thursday, 19 March** at 12pm Charlie has organized a pizza lunch at the Mediterranean Foods Trattoria in Coastlands. They do great food there and the Club lunches I have attended have always been great fun. Then on **Tuesday 21 April** Maggie has organized a bus trip to Wellington to take a tour of Parliament which includes the Historical Collections and Art, and then go on to visit the Cable Car Museum and have lunch at the Eatery there. Sounds a great day to me! Our next Club meeting has very interesting speakers too: Sonja Dreyer and Jessica Longley speaking about medical research.

Ann

SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE

The Subscription for 2026 is \$35

You can pay at the meeting or pay online to ANZ bank number **06 0592 0051708.00**, Waikanae Millennium Rebus Club. Please ensure you enter your name, and 2026 sub in message or reference fields.

Next Meeting
TUESDAY 7th APRIL at 2pm
Waikanae Community Centre, Utauta Street

Guest Speakers: Sonja Dreyer and Jessica Ongley
Momentum Clinical Research
Cameo Speaker: Hugh Scott

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

MARCH MEETING

Attendance: Present: 59 Apologies: 20 Silent: 26 Visitors: 3

TIDY-UPPERS – APRIL – LIZ LANCASHIRE and RON MELVILLE

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.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

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

RESIGNATIONS

Joan Childs has resigned from membership of the Club. Joan was a Foundation Member and very involved in the Card Making group until it went into recess.

Lynne Voyce has tendered her resignation. Lynn joined our Club from the defunct Combined Rebus Club. Sadly **Mike and Rita Hollow** have resigned. They have been members since 2001. Mike was a member of the Golf group and for many years oversaw the hall setting up. They were both members of the Walking group.

We thank them for their participation and wish them all the best for the future.

CHANGE OF PHONE

John Orr's new number is 027 965 6399

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.

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.

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.

- 18 March Vintage Village for Matthews Park (601)
- 25 March Long Beach for Coastal Walkway to Peka Peka (403)
- 01 April Reds Otaki for Otaki Beach (101)
- 08 April 180 degrees for Jolly Pub and neighbouring Streets (514)
- 15 April Vintage Village Café for Raumati to Wharemauku Stream (615)
- 22 April Olive Grove Café for Greenaway Reserve to Swing Bridge (409)
- 29 April Ambience Café for Paraparaumu Beach to river mouth (511)



BOOK GROUP

Convenor: Anne Wall. Phone 293 5000. Meets 2nd Monday of the month.

The Group is meeting on **Monday 13th April at 2pm**

at the home of **Christine Thornley**



CYCLING GROUP

Convenor: Walter Brock. Phone 04 904 0747

Meets every Monday morning at 9am.

If you are interested in joining this group ring Walter.



COMPUTER SUPPORT GROUP

Convenor: David Goggin, Telephone 022 620 2236

Meets 2nd Thursday of the month.

The next meeting is on **Thursday 9th April at 10am**

at the home of **Don Smith, No 189 Summerset, Waikanae**



WRITING FOR FUN GROUP

Convenor Alison Viskovic. Phone 021 159 4945. Meets on 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Next meeting **Tuesday 17th March at 2pm** will be at

the home of **Alison Viskovic**

We have room for one more member - if you are interested phone Alison, 021 159 4945, to learn what we do.

MUSIC GROUP

Convenor Diane Aviss. Phone 293 7434. Meets 3rd Wednesday of the month.

Next Meeting **Wednesday 18th March at 2pm**

at the home of **Diane Aviss**



DISCUSSION GROUP

Convenor Rosemary Wells. Phone 293 7421. Meets 4th Friday each month

The group will meet on **Friday 27th March at 10am**

at the home of **Hilary Cunningham-Orr**

GARDEN GROUP

Convenor Kirsty Provan, Phone 021 0264 7486, Meets 4th Thursday morning each month.

If you want to know more contact Kirsty.



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.



MARCH LUNCHEON

MEDITERRANEAN FOODS TRATTORIA AND DELI

Coastlands Parade, Coastlands.

THURSDAY 19th MARCH – 12pm

There is excellent parking and access to the venue
Classic Neapolitan Pizza Menu - Pay on the day

If anyone who hasn't put their name on our list who would like to come along please call

Charlie Metcalfe. 0211655362

PARLIAMENTARY COLLECTIONS TOUR

(includes Historical Collections and Art}

AND CABLE CAR MUSEUM

TUESDAY 21ST OF APRIL 2026

9am - Get on board your transport from the
Waikanae Railway Station

10am (approx) - Organised Tour of Parliament
(60 minutes)

11.30pm - Visit the Cable Car Museum and have
lunch together at the Cable Top Eatery

1.00pm - Visit to Wellington Museum if required.

3pm - expected time of return to Waikanae

**COST - TRANSPORT \$15.00 - payable to the Treasurer by Monday the 13th of April
Lunch - pay for your own.**

Maggie Copland is the contact 027 479 1487



MAY LUNCHEON

THE BOUNDARY TAP AND KITCHEN

3 Raumati Road, Raumati Beach.

THURSDAY 21st MAY at 12pm

There will be a notice at the April club meeting.

Contact is Charlie Metcalfe 0211655362

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.

BAR – BE - CUE PICNIC

On 18th February 30 members enjoyed a lovely day in brilliant sun. There were lots of activities – quoits, find the hole. pétanque and kayaking. The meat patties and sausages cooked by Bruce Scott and Chris Jackson were very tasty plus the trimmings added by Joce Scott and Lynda Jackson. Thanks Maggie Copland and Liz Thevenard for a great day.

