



MILLENNIUM NEWS

Waikanae Millennium Rebus Club

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PRESIDENT'S PAGE



As I write this we are all holding our breaths and waiting to see where Cyclone Vainanu will wreak havoc with severe winds and rains and hoping that, as predicted, it will not be too bad in our part of the world.

The breath holding is not just about weather. The "situation in the Middle East" has been in the background of our lives for much of the 7+ decades most of us have been alive, and now it has been considerably ramped up.

It is a cause of deep concern for many of us. The horrific numbers of people being killed and displaced from their homes, and the effects on our lives through the fuel shortages.

This may raise issues for club members around getting to meetings, outings, dineouts or interest groups. The Committee plans to discuss this at our next meeting and as a start suggests that people look at carpooling or sharing regular trips. If anyone has any other ideas about how to ease these pressures, please let us know.

Our speakers at the last meeting were both a real treat. If Hugh Scott can be persuaded to do another 10 minute talk sometime about his travels in NZ with his wonderful photos he should not be missed. He was so interesting. Then Jessica Ongley from Momentum Clinical Research was fascinating, talking about their clinical research facility right here in Waikanae which I suspect most of us at the meeting were totally unaware of.

Next month our main speaker is Colin Keating who will speak about Global Rupture and NZ's response. This is a most important subject in these unsettled times. Susie Mills is our cameo speaker.

Please remember the May meeting will **not** be held at our usual venue. It will be held at the **Waikane Bowling Club** at 356 Te Moana Road. There is a large carpark so parking should be easy but if it is full, please park outside the club on the road verge with your wheels up on the grass. Also, please do **not** arrive before 1-45pm. We are not able to access the clubrooms before that time.

John and I will bring the books, jigsaws and DVDs to the meeting, but only a limited number. There will not be much time for looking at them before the meeting starts so please think about checking them out during afternoon tea.

There's lots of organised fun ahead for members. The next outing is the Parliamentary Collections Tour on 21 April, and there is to be a local outing to the new minigolf course in Paraparaumu on 26 May. This will be a fun day, with prizes for the best and worst scores! The May dineout is lunch on Thursday 21 May at the Boundary Tap and Kitchen in Raumati. I look forward to seeing you there.

Ann

FOR YOUR ATTENTION

**The May Meeting is to be held in the
WAIKANAЕ BOWLING CLUB**

More details on page 2

Next Meeting
TUESDAY 5th MAY at 2pm

PLEASE NOTE

The site of the meeting is the
WAIKANAE BOWLING CLUB

The Bowling Club building is in Te Moana Road. It is opposite the fire station.

You can enter the clubhouse from 1.45 pm onwards but not before.

We must have vacated the building by 4pm.

There is good parking at the site. Should it be full you can park on the road, using the berm.

Guest Speaker: Colin Keating

Among many other things he has represented our country on the UN Security Council and has served in Samoa, London and Washington. We are fortunate in having this distinguished international lawyer come to our Club. His theme will be international cooperation and NZ's role. Please make sure to be present if possible.

Cameo Speaker: Susie Mills

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

APRIL MEETING

Attendance: Present: 72 Apologies: 17 Silent: 14 Visitors: 1

Lucky Number: No 21 Cathy Mitchell **Raffle:** No 32 Dave Waddilove

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

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

NEW MEMBERS

Pauline Schwartz and Steve Sutton were inducted at our last meeting. Please make them feel at home. Their contact details are in the latest Members List which is attached with this Newsletter.

RESIGNATIONS

John Fuller and Pat Matin-Fuller have tendered their resignations. They were members from 2007. We thank them for participating in the club.

CHANGE OF PHONE

Walter Brock's new number is 021 188 7216

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.

MISSING BOOK

Alison Viskovic's copy of Jacinda Ardern's *A Different Kind of Power* has been circulating on loan for some time, being passed from person to person. She has lost track of it and would like to have it back to reread it herself. If you have it, when you have finished reading it would you please contact Alison so she can collect it. Phone 021 159 4945.

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.

- 22 April Olive Grove Café for Greenaway Reserve to Swing Bridge (409)
- 29 April Ambience Café for Paraparaumu Beach to river mouth (511)
- 06 May Vintage Village Café for Expressway Path- Raumati to Poplar Ave (616)
- 13 May 180 Degrees for Paraparaumu Historic Walk (513)
- 20 May River Stone Café for Lupin Road and Reserves (116)
- 27 May Ambience Café for Airport Walkway from Tahiri Road (516)



BOOK GROUP

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

The Group is meeting on **Monday 11th May at 2pm**

at the home of **Alison Viskovic**



CYCLING GROUP

Convenor: Walter Brock. Phone 021 188 7216

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 14th May 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 12th May at 2pm** will be at

the home of **TBA**

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 20th May 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 24th April 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.



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

Me: (sobbing my heart out, eyes swollen, nose red) I can't see you anymore.

I am not going to let you hurt me like this again.

Trainer:lit was a sit up. You did one sit up.



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.



PARLIAMENTARY COLLECTIONS TOUR 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. Lunch - pay for your own.

THERE ARE STILL SEATS AVAILABLE FOR THIS TRIP

CONTACT MAGGIE 027 479 1487



MAY LUNCHEON

THE BOUNDARY TAP AND KITCHEN

3 Raumati Road, Raumati Beach.

Excellent parking and access at this venue.

THURSDAY 21st MAY at 12pm

Pay on the day.

Deadline for bookings and cancellations 18th May

Contact is Charlie Metcalfe 0211655362

TOTALSPAN GOLF FOR GOOD MINIGOLF

Mazengarb Road Paraparaumu

TUESDAY 26th OF MAY

\$10 per head pay on the day

Coffee from 9.30am at the Ambience Café Paraparaumu Beach then Golf from 10.30am

Please enter your name so table and venue numbers can be arranged.

Grab a partner we will have pairs and prizes for the best or worst scores.

Contact Maggie Copland for further info 0274791487

Anyone wanting to save money on petrol phone Maggie to share with others.



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.

NEW PRESIDENT ELECTED

David Funnell (IPP) congratulates Ann Harkness on her Election as President for the year 2026-2027 and presents her with the chain of office.



TWO NEW MEMBERS INDUCTED



President Ann Harkness inducted two new members at our April meeting. From left: Steve Sutton, his proposer Bronwyn McDonald, David Goggin who proposed Pauline Schwartz and President Ann.

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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.