



MILLENNIUM NEWS

Waikanae Millennium Rebus Club

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Life Members: Chris Lehen, David Goggin, Hugh Scott, Alison Viskovic.					

PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Spring in Waikanae

A week ago it was the first day of spring and some lovely fine, calm weather followed. But on Friday that all changed. As we sat reading the paper an ominous bumping sound started up outside. The wind was howling and the thumps got louder until there was an almighty bang! We struggled out into the gale and discovered the wind had been so strong it had blown our sky dish to smithereens. The bits were still attached by a long cable to the roof so "a man" was required, and duly found, and we now have a dish free roof (and, of course, no ability to watch tv!) Such is spring life on Waikanae beach.

The Club continues in good heart though. We had 69 people at the last Club meeting and 3 new members were inducted. We welcomed Chris Harris, Peter Rickard and Kathy McBride. I hope

they enjoy their time in the Club and find lots of companionship, intellectual stimulus and fun!

Our Cameo speaker, Steve Sutton, had his work cut out delivering his excellent talk about his scientific studies of Kapiti Island as we had major tech issues. Cathy Mitchell and Hugh Scott did a great job fixing them but it is clear we need some more expertise in this area when David Goggin is away.

Hugh Scott and Robert Johnson have very kindly volunteered to assist David with this.

Our guest speaker, Graham Bird, spoke about his work of many years on the taxonomy of small marine crustaceans. They are certainly small. He passed around a tiny bottle with some examples in it and they were minute! He also was most interesting. It is wonderful what unusual information and subjects we get to hear at Club meetings. Don Mathieson does an excellent job finding these wonderful people. The Shotters have been doing a sterling job organising the raffles and lucky number prizes every month for a long time. They wish to finish at the end of the year so we need a volunteer for this job. Indeed 2 volunteers as it is a big one for one person on their own.

Happy Spring, everyone! *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 regularly. 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

Next Meeting
TUESDAY 5th OCTOBER at 2pm
Waikanae Community Centre, Utauta Street
Guest Speaker: Marina Dzhelali

*Two questions will probably be in many minds as we look forward to Marina's talk.
How is current medical research at the Medical Research Institute helping to 'improve the health of New Zealanders? And what important findings have emerged from the Institute's completed research in 2026?*

Cameo Speaker: Dave Waddilove

APOLOGIES

Please Telephone Cathy Mitchell 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: 69 Apologies: 15 Silent: 20 Visitors: 2

TIDY-UPPERS –OCTOBER – Cathy Pentecost and Kirsty Provan

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 027 206 7831

NEW MEMBERS

Chris Harris, Kathy McBide and Peter Rickard were inducted at the September meeting. Please make yourself known to these folk and make them welcome. Their address details are in the email intro blurb.

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.

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 021481854 or Ann Harkness 0274303534

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.

INTEREST GROUPS

WALKING GROUP

Conveners: Rosemary Wells Ph: 021 262 2547 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.

- 16 Sept. Kowhai Otaki for Rangiora Road and Coastal Walk (105)
- 23 Sept. Olive Grove for Three Reserves Central Waikanae (415)
- 30 Sept. Olive Grove for Parkwood Forest Walk to Tui Dell (426)
- 07 Oct The Blackhood Bakers for Peka Peka Beach walk (304).
- 14 Oct Vintage Village for Wharemauku Walkway to Midlands (610)



BOOK GROUP

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

The Group is meeting on **Monday 14th September at 2pm**
at the home of **Anne Wall**



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.



WRITING FOR FUN GROUP

This group is in recess over winter, and will resume in spring if we can get one or two new people to join us. We will then choose a day and time to suit the group, it may not go back to the second Tuesday afternoon.

For more information contact Alison Viskovic, 021 159 4945 or alisonviskovic76@gmail.com



MUSIC GROUP

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

Next Meeting **Wednesday 16th September at 2pm**
at the home of **Diane Aviss**



DISCUSSION GROUP

Convenor Rosemary Wells. Phone 021 262 2547 Meets 4th Friday each month

The group will meet on **Friday 25th September at 10am**
at the home of **Sue Hodgson**



GARDEN GROUP

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

If you want to know more contact Kirsty.



MOVIE AND COFFEE GROUP

Convenor: John Harkness Phone 021481854

This group will meet monthly to attend a nominated movie at Shoreline with coffee/tea before or after the movie.

If you are interested in joining the group and have not already supplied your details to John please do so and you will receive advice each month of the movie and time.



A husband came home to find his wife surrounded by shopping bags.

"What happened?" he gasped.

"We agreed to save money!"

"I'm sorry," she replied. "I was driving by the boutique, and the devil whispered in my ear, 'You look beautiful in that dress, you should buy it.'"

The husband groaned. "Why didn't you do what the Bible says and tell him, 'Get thee behind me, Satan?'"

"I did!" the wife said. "And from behind me, he said, 'It looks even better from the back!'"

A brand new teacher noticed that the kids kept calling one boy Micky the Moron. At recess the teacher asked why one of the boys said because he's a moron. Watch this. He held out a big \$0.50 coin and a smaller \$1.00 coin. Micky looked at both and just like the kids expected took the 50 cent piece. Later the teacher pulled Micky aside and gently said Micky the \$0.50 coin might be bigger but the \$1.00 is worth more you understand that right? Micky sighed and said of course I understand that Sir. Then why do you always choose the 50 Cent? Micky grinned – replied, the day I take the dollar is the day they stop giving me money.



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 DINEOUT THE VISTA CLUB

Vista Club Sunset Grill, Marine Parade, Paraparaumu (There is a lift)

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 24th

at 12 midday

Pay on the Day

A return to this popular diner with great views of Kapiti Island.

For any enquiry's call Charlie Metcalfe 0211655362

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PARLIAMENTARY COLLECTIONS TOUR AND VISIT TO WELLINGTON CENTRAL LIBRARY AND CITY GALLERY

TUESDAY 20TH OCTOBER 2026

Bus leaves Waikanae Station (shopside) at 9:00am

10:30am Guided tour of Parliament's Art and Historical Collections

12:00pm Combined Lunch at Copperfield's Cafe

1:00 PM approximately visit to Wellington Central Library and City Gallery

2:30 PM return home.

Costs \$15 for the bus payable to the treasurer by Monday 12th October 2026

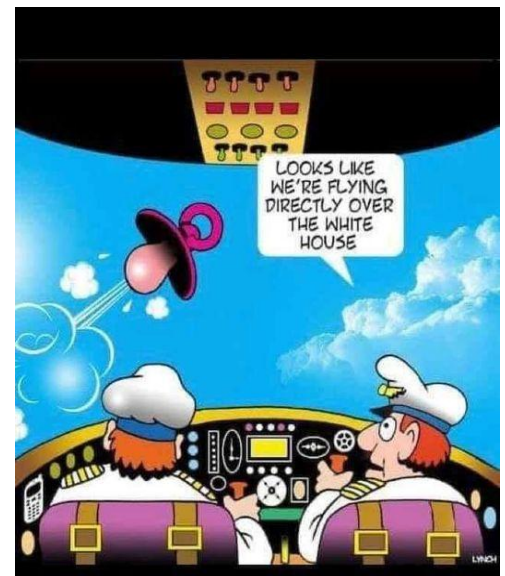
Lunch at your own cost.

The contact for this trip is Maggie Copland. Phone 027 479 1487



"Mom! Today in school we used a smartphone, smartwatch, smart-TV, iPad and computer. What did you use back in your day?"

"Our heads."



THREE NEW MEMBERS INDUCTED



At the August Meeting President Ann Harkness inducted from left Peter Rickard, Kathy McBride and Chris Harris into membership of our Club all nominated by Cathy Mitchell.

WALKING GROUP WITHSTAND THE COLD AT HARRISON'S CAFE

Two members celebrated significant Birthdays at morning coffee prior to going off walking.

John Barnett (top pic, far right) celebrated 85 years old on that day. Don Smith (sitting centre in centre pic) recently celebrated his 90th Birthday



VISIT TO THE TE HORO KILNS AND CLIFTON MOTORS HISTORIC FARM MACHINERY THURSDAY 20th AUGUST 2026

The outing to Te Horo Kilns and Rod Clifton Motors was interesting. Initially we had 18 people for this but with the flu season it decreased to 13. Those that endured had an inspiring time with the history of how the Kilns and its original owner Mirek had made a name with it. The Kilns has just won the 2026 Arts and Culture award for Kapiti.



Rod Clifton was equally inspiring with his dedication to collecting over 400 tractors and the display of other farm equipment and historical gizmos, like washing machines, tools and irons (all restored) with stories to go with them of how he collected and restored them, a testament to his dedication for his hobby, who knew this collection was there?. Not me, it was a treat. Those that missed out I hope you get along there soon.

