

Motueka Valley Association Newsletter

August 2014

MVA Meeting July

Ed Stevens informed us that the new ANZAC flagpoles are installed at the Ngatimoti church, total cost \$2786.51, so far fund raising has achieved \$1031, Ed would like to thank all those who have donated to the cause and would be very grateful if a few more people in the valley could help out with the shortfall.

This years AGM will be followed by a visit from Andrew Stanton (Network Tasman) who will explain to us the introduction of Smart Meters , it is a good opportunity to become aware of the advantages/disadvantages of their inclusion an opportunity to ask questions.

July's MVA meeting was attended by 24 valley residents who were treated to a fine collection of slides and film clips put on to dvd going back to the 60's , they covered the Nelson district including Golden Bay, Canterbury West Coast and the Motueka Vly, In those days the Motueka Vly had a camera club and often exchanged slides and film with other like minded clubs in the district, alas the onset of television saw its demise, fortunately Ned Knowles and Ian Davey who were members of that club presented a very interesting evening for us of bygone days. Many thanks to them both.

Next MVA Meeting AGM
7.30pm Wed 20th August
Ngatimoti Reserve Community Room

ELECTRIC POWER "SMART METERS" ARE TO BE INSTALLED ON YOUR SWITCH BOARD UNLESS YOU SAY NO.

Are you happy to have your electric power bill double in price without any benefit? This seems to be a common result where-ever in the World "Smart Meters have been installed to replace the original Analogue Meters allowing power companies to increase charges through "Time of Use Tariffs." Other serious concerns are "Smart Meters" causing fires, privacy of data gathering that can be on-sold, cyber attack and health issues from these continually pulsing meters.

On the 1st August 2014, the Provincial Government of Saskatchewan Canada, ordered the replacement of all the 105,000 " smart meters" which had been installed at a total cost of \$47 million after several fires were caused by the "smart meters".

In the future we are told that to get the most from the "Smart Meter" we need to replace all our electrical appliances with the new generation appliances that can send and receive information. Imagine the cost to the consumer but a bonanza to companies making and selling electrical appliances!

The Electricity Authority of N.Z. requires all power meters to be re-certified by April 2015.

Starting from 1st September, Network Tasman is to change all mechanical Analogue Meters with "Smart meters" at a cost to Network Tasman of \$15 million. "Smart meters use radio frequency radiation in the microwave spectrum capable of two-way transmission of data about electricity use.

A documentary DVD on the topic "TAKE BACK YOUR POWER" will be shown at the Ngatimoti Community Rooms on Friday 15th and Sunday 17th August at 7:30 pm.

The MVA AGM will be on Wednesday 20th August where Mr. Stanton spokesman for Network Tasman will give a talk and answer questions on the roll-out of "Smart Meters."

It is important to see the DVD documentary on "Smart Meters" and come prepared to ask questions for the Network Tasman spokesman on Wednesday 20th

Life Saving Machines Installed

The long awaited defibrillators are now installed and ready for use, if and when there is a medical emergency requiring them. A HUGE thank you to all who put the effort into making this happen ... from the individual who spearheaded this idea, Glen Davenport and to Kerry and Paula Hall, who have so kindly installed one of the machines at their business, and everyone in between.

The defibrillator machines (commonly known as AED's) are located at the entrance to the Community Rooms at the Ngatimoti Reserve and at Woodstock Automotive, 1982 Dovedale Road, Woodstock.

On the 5th of June approximately 18 community members gave up their evening to learn CPR and how to use the AED. These individuals are willing to step up in an emergency and use their skills to assist in an emergency requiring CPR and an AED machine. In a separate flyer we will distribute a list of names and phone numbers that you can use in case 111 has advised you to uplift the AED from one of the two locations. These individuals are willing to volunteer their time and skills to retrieve the AED and bring it to the location of the emergency and assist with CPR and the use of the machine.

Please remember your first point of call is 111. The volunteers are NOT paramedics, EMT's, doctors or nurses, they are individuals who can assist in the use of the machine and perform CPR.

If you already know how to perform CPR you can easily use one of these machines as they will talk you through the procedure when you open the box. If you have someone with you who can go and retrieve the machine while you continue CPR that would be your quickest response to possibly saving that person's life.

Remember time is of the essence and if you are aware of the location of the AED machines ... the sooner you retrieve it the better the prospect of a good outcome.

Please be aware that when the storage box containing the AED is opened an alarm will sound and a red light will flash.

Our hope in the community is that many of you will consider learning CPR as it can not only save a neighbours life but it could be your life being saved.

If you have any questions regarding the machines please don't hesitate to contact Gloria Anderson, Chairperson, Motueka Defibrillator Group, 526 8644 or email ja.ga.kiwi@gmail.com.



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TERM DATES 2014:
Term 3: Mon 21 Jul – Friday 26 Sept
Term 4: Mon 13 Oct – Wed 17 Dec
Festival Day Sun 26 October

Welcome back to Term 3 everyone!

Our Whakatauki for this term is

Naku te rourou, nau te rourou: ka ora ai te iwi

With your food basket and my food basket, there will be ample.

Term 3 is Festival organising time and there is lots happening behind the scenes already. This year is our lucky 13th festival and is to be held on Sunday 26 October, the Sunday of Labour Weekend. Craft stall holders can call Lou on 526 8815 for a form or download one from our website at www.ngatimoti.school.nz if you have not done so already. Please note, no food is to be sold as food stalls are by invitation only. We are always looking for helpful members of our community to help with festival so give us a call or email office@ngatimoti.school.nz if you have any ideas, are willing to give a couple of hours of your time or if you have any services, crafts or donations of any kind. We really do appreciate all the effort the whole community put into this day every year and hope this year will be just the same.

ROCK DA HOUSE! We are looking forward to some of our students taking part in the inter-schools choir performance at the upcoming Rock Da House extravaganza in Motueka on Tuesday 19 August. In preparation for this we are looking for glasses to wear as an important part of our costumes for the show. If you have any old sunglasses or 3d glasses we would appreciate it if you would donate them to school. Please note, we will pop out the lenses so please don't send glasses you need returned! Thank you.

ENVIRO REQUESTS A new term of Environmental studies begins soon and we have a number of exciting projects planned. We are looking for the following items to enable us to complete these projects and would be very grateful for donations of:

- Plastic bottles – any shape, size or colour.
- Dahlia bulbs – preferably red, yellow, orange or white.
- Timber off-cuts – Not treated/tannalised.

BOOK BONANZA Later this term we are planning a Book Celebration and hope to invite community members in to read or share a book with us. If you are an author or an illustrator, or you think you could contribute in some way to celebrating books, please contact Ali at school. Thanks.

Solar Panels The BOT have decided to begin the journey of going solar, to offset some costs and to continue to teach students some of the benefits of renewable energy.



Some of our brave senior students along with teacher Mr. L brace themselves for our annual mid-winter swim in the school pool recently.

MVA Committee Members

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LOST HAT We have received a letter from a gentleman who recently visited his family in the Ngatimoti area. He has lost a precious hat which has sentimental value and has asked for our help to try and find it. The hat is a beige "Ted Baker" cheese cutter style. We would appreciate it if you could contact the school if you have any information. Thank you.

Daffodil Day is Friday 29 August. Fabric daffodil pins and stickers are now available from the school office, for a donation towards the Cancer Society. Please support this invaluable annual fundraiser and help improve the lives of people affected by cancer.

Get your Warrant of Fitness done at Parkes Automotive, Motueka in August, September or October and they will donate \$5 to a school of your choice. Nominate Ngatimoti!



OUR NEW MURAL IS UP!

Huge thanks to Julie Edwards for this latest most beautiful creation, with the theme **PRECIOUS ENERGY**. Come and see it for yourself!

STORY-TIME AGAIN ... NEARLY

Loads of people asked us if we were going to have another story-telling evening at Pokororo, and, yes, we are, on the evening of Saturday 27 September. This time, since so many of us in the valley have seen a bit of the world, the theme will be travel. We'll need about eight people who can tell a good yarn. Your story needs to be:

- your own true experience, loosely on the theme of travel
- spoken live, unscripted, and without notes
- only 7 minutes long

Interested? Please phone either Heather on 526-8736 or Bridget on 526-8277. And if you're not a story-teller, but enjoy a great evening's entertainment, look out for more details in the next newsletter.

ST. JAMES CHURCH NGATIMOTI

Family Service

Sunday, 17th August at 10:30 am

Conducted by Beverley Dyke

*All children welcome to Sunday School
Morning tea and social time to follow*

Local Hall Bookings

- Ngatimoti Memorial Hall - Paul Wielandt 5268047
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