

# Motueka Valley Association Newsletter

## July 2015

### MVA OPPORTUNITIES

There's nothing as stable as change and it's time for "the changing of the guards" at the Motueka Valley Association. Many of the present committee members are standing down and the call is out for fresh blood.

The time commitment required is not large and the involvement in community activities can be very rewarding.

The MVA meets once a month and its goals are set out in its Community Plan;

- to improve communication within the community
- to encourage opportunities for social interactions
- to support the school as a community centre
- to ensure the voice of the MVA community is heard.

MVA also produces this monthly newsletter which is the main form of direct communication (apart from word-of-mouth) between the approximately 500 households in the valley. The newsletter is printed at the school and the content of local contributions is varied so an 'editor' is required to make sure there's enough copy each month. A computer-savvy person is also required for the collation and layout of the newsletter.

Looking back over the last few years of my involvement, some results of MVA input I have observed are;

- mural on the hall wall
- Local Business Directory
- working bees
- website created
- community picnics, walks, potlucks, dances and bonfire nights
- a 100th birthday party for Peninsula Bridge
- (helping) save Flora hut
- public meetings facilitated
- regular communication with TDC
- guest speakers
- local petitions support
- donations to community organisations eg. Motueka hospital and St James church
- support for community initiatives eg. Pokororo Women's group purchasing 2 defibrillators, flagpole erection, Ngatimoti Reserve committee purchasing a projector
- piano concert organised at St James
- submissions to TDC eg. speed limit review
- political meetings
- working with the promoters of the Great Tasman Taste Trail.

So please give these opportunities (committee members, newsletter editor and collator) some thought then make yourself known to one of the present committee persons or at one of the following meetings;

The Community Pot-luck @ Ngatimoti hall on a midwinter's Friday evening was very well supported and hopefully everyone went home sated. It was a great turnout. Thanks. And gives proof that the MVA newsletter IS read.



**Next MVA Meeting  
@ Ngatimoti Community Room  
7.30pm Wed 15th July**

**MVA 2015 AGM  
7.30pm Wednesday 19 August  
@ Ngatimoti Reserve Community  
Room**



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TERM DATES 2015

Term 1 : Tues 4 Feb – Thurs 2 April

Term 2: 20 April – 3 July

Term 3: 20 July – 25 September

Term 4: 12 October – 16 December

NGATIMOTI FESTIVAL SUNDAY 25 OCT

The Student Council has been learning about local places and their names, working with Ed Stevens. Ed is a real treasure trove of information, and this is helping the students put together a resource that we will use throughout the school.



Josh, Jordan and Ollie do some research with Ed Stevens

**Next term:** Ms Turner will be on sabbatical, so Mr Dunn will be the Acting Principal and Ms Reid is Acting Deputy Principal. Some of the planned areas of learning will be a unit of work on Sound for science, and a focus on Health which will include safety using the internet and stranger danger, as well as learning about how bodies change and grow. The senior class will be busy preparing for a MAS-SIVE performance, and all students will have a chance to participate in a school Talent Quest.

#### MVA Committee Members

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Lesley Hadley	526 8047
Stuart Granger	021 277 2704
Bernd Reiter	526 8545
Irma Jager	5268080
Nick Hancox	5268869

Please have all ads and copy for the newsletter in by the end of the previous month

**General Content:** Your contributions, ideas and community notices are welcome

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## FESTIVAL 2015

The Fabulous Famous FESTIVAL at Ngatimoti is our key fundraiser for school. It is held every Labour Weekend and this year that will be on Sunday 25 October. This annual Festival is held on the school grounds and the neighbouring reserve. It is a fantastic day that brings the whole community together. A parent roster is drawn up every year, as we expect all families to be involved. Many of our parents have now taken ownership of certain areas, and we are very grateful for this as it has made overall organisation much easier over the years. There is a lot to do in the lead up to the Festival, and so we will have our first meeting to begin organizing in the first week back at school next term. One of the things to discuss is repainting some signs. Something you might like to do during the holidays is sort some items to donate for our White Elephant stall. All offers of help will be gratefully received next term! Thank you!

**SCIENCE:** All classes will be presenting some of their learning in science on Wednesday 24 June. We have all been discovering just how much science goes on around us!

### Local Hall Bookings

Ngatimoti Memorial Hall - Paul Wielandt 5268047

Reserve Community Room - Sarah Bradshaw 5268026

Pokororo Hall - Brian or Giselle Storer 5268065

Woodstock Hall - Kerry Hall 5433884

### ST. JAMES CHURCH NGATIMOTI



#### Family Church Service

Sunday 19th July at 10:30 am

Conducted by Rev. Murray McCaskey

*All children welcome to Sunday School  
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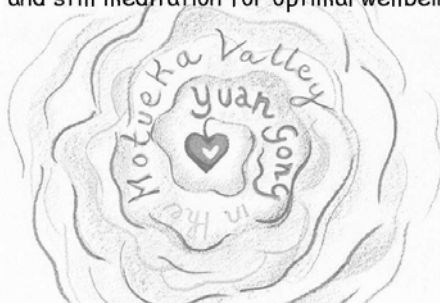
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The Motueka Arts Council is once again running a full winter workshop program. It's an opportunity to participate in art, learning and having fun. There is a display of Tutors work in the NBS window on High street and of past students in the Motueka Library. The courses are varied to cater for many peoples interests. We have engaged out of town tutors like Dr Carol Dawber who is a well-respected author of history and fiction. She is taking a session on writing biography and memoir. And there are many local artists willing to share their skills and enthusiasm. Everyone is welcome and course costs are subsidised.

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