

President's Corner

The committee and I would like to welcome all our members back for another busy and hopefully, exciting New Year. Over the past year we have had some exciting outings. We have been to the theatre and enjoyed the entertainment provided. We had a great mid-winter lunch along with our annual Christmas lunch as well as having fun taking part in other club activities. We also had a very successful trip to Wellington to see the Terracotta Warriors. Along the way we have seen a drop in membership due to some of our members who have passed on, along with some members who can no longer make it to our meetings. The annual BBQ which is usually held at the Hillier Centre had insufficient members attending to make it cost effective to be held at that venue. Rose and Jim Coutts were very kind to proceed with the BBQ at their home where those attending had a great afternoon and a wonderful BBQ. A big thanks to Rose, Jim, Graham Mallett and Hugh Henry, the chefs. Also thanks to Rick and Graeme for setting up the venue and not forgetting the ladies who prepared the food.

This year we would like our members to look at encouraging new members to join our club. With decreasing membership numbers affecting most NZ clubs, we are having to look at more ways to gain new members. So, if you have neighbour or family friends, don't be afraid to give them our business card and an invitation to join us at our monthly meeting.

During the coming year our committee will be looking at a variety of entertainment, trips and social activities for our members to participate in. A lot of hard work goes in to organising these events so I would encourage our members to support the efforts made by our hardworking committee.

Jim Henry

Almoner's Report:

Maggie Thomson 5744592

Shirley Martin 5743224

Nothing to report.

Yours in friendship Maggie Thomson, Almoner

Birthday Coffee Morning:

Caroline Willoughby 5759392

January Birthdays: *Heather Crawford; Meg Rowe; Liz Woollard; Trish Peacock.*

February Birthdays: *Margaret Beckwith; Colleen Bimler; Joan Cosford; Kirsten Jorgensen; Fay Lauder; Tony Emtage; Liz Emtage; Delma Metcalfe; Maggie Thomson; Hazel Turner.*

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO EACH ONE OF YOU

Please join us for coffee at Pacifica, Tara Road, Papamoa at **10am on Thursday 27th February.**

Needlework and Craft Group:

Mavis Davidson 5753897

Our first meeting for 2020 on **Tuesday 4th February** will be at the BBQ Area at Cosy Corner Holiday Park at **10.30 am**. This will be followed by a pot luck lunch. We are to be joined by the History Group after they have had their meeting. Please bring a plate of finger food for a shared lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. Anyone else who would like to join us would be very welcome.

Music Group:

Kirsten Jorgensen 5740250

Our next meeting will be at Kirsten's home, **39 Santa Barbara Drive on Wednesday 5th February at 1.30pm.** Looking forward to seeing you there.

History Group:

Ted Davidson 5753897

Hello there and a Happy New Year. Our first meeting will be different. We will meet on **Tuesday 4th February at 10.30 am** and discuss this year's programme over coffee. The Craft Group will meet in the barbeque area at Cosy Corner at the usual time and we will join them at **12 o'clock midday**, for a pot luck lunch to start the year off.

WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE ALL OF OUR REBUS GROUP MEMBERS TO JOIN US.

Bring your husband, wife, partner or friend and join us for a simple pot luck lunch. Just bring finger food for the table. Just drive in to **No1 McDowell Street** and you will be directed to parking.

Any person with a disability can be dropped off within yards of our barbeque.

If the weather does not play the game we can seat 100 under cover.

KEEP TUESDAY 4th FEBRUARY CLEAR FOR THIS EVENT. THE TIME 12 O'CLOCK

Travel Group:

Fay Lauder 5725000

Happy New Year to you all. I hope you have enjoyed the festive season with family and friends and are feeling refreshed and ready for an interesting 2020 and maybe some travel in there somewhere too.

Our first meeting will be held on **Thursday 13th February at 1.30 pm at Rose & Jim Coutts home, 14 Abelia Avenue, Mount Maunganui**. Rose will tell us about their recent trip to the south of the South Island. Please come along and support the people who prepare interesting photos and information of their travels for your entertainment. Give Rose and Jim a call (5742232) and let them know if you are able to come to this meeting. (Email: flauder@kinect.co.nz)

Computer Capers:

Margaret Beckwith 5758975

The next meeting for Computer Capers will be on **Thursday 6th February at 1.30 pm at my home, 18 Kahira Crescent, Papamoa**. Please come armed with all the questions you have stored away since December.

RSA Film:

Margaret Beckwith 5758975

The film at the RSA the Mount will be shown on **Monday 24th February at 1.30 pm in the Gallipoli Room**. All are welcome to go and the restaurant does serve lunch if you wish to have lunch there.

Walking Group

Fern Twidle 5752857

Our February walk will be on **Wednesday 19th February 2020**. Meet on the boardwalk, opposite Dixie Browns, on Marine Parade at **10 am**. If you've not joined this group previously please give it a go. It is social walking. We split into different groups, Some members prefer a very short walk before returning to Dixie Browns for refreshments, others like a longer walk and frequently walk through the shopping street before returning to Dixie Brown and another group does a walk half way between the other two groups. The highlight is the comradery and chatter, together with a hot drink at Dixie Browns.

Wine and Dine Group:

Margaret Overington 5749465

Our Wine and Dine Group will meet on **Thursday 20th February at Freeport Restaurant, Bayfair Mall at 6 pm**. The restaurant is on the south side of the mall facing Maunganui Road. A list will be available at the meeting for names of those wishing to attend. (Email: margaret.overington@gmail.com).

ANYTHING YOU WISH TO HAVE IN THE NEWSLETTERS PLEASE SEND TO ADRIENNE WILSON AT: graemewilson254@gmail.com or phone 5742392. Thank you for being so prompt with your newsletter items. Please note: The deadline for newsletter entries is the **20th of each month**.

NB: Payments for club outings can be made direct to the Club's bank account – 03-1547-0010549-00. Please put your name and the outing in the reference and particulars fields.

FEBRUARY DIARY			
Every Monday	1 pm	Bowls	Club Mount
Every Tuesday	1 pm	Golf Croquet	Club Mount
Tuesday 4	10.30 am	History	1 McDowell St, Mt Maunganui
Tuesday 4	10.30 am	Craft	1 McDowell St, Mt Maunganui
Tuesday 4	12 noon	Pot Luck Lunch	1 McDowell St, Mt Maunganui
Wednesday 5	1.30 pm	Music	39 Santa Barbara Drive, Papamoa
Thursday 6	1.30 pm	Computer Capers	18 Kahira Crescent, Papamoa Beach
Wednesday 12	9.30 am	REBUS MEETING	Club Mount, Kawaka St
Thursday 13	1.30 pm	Travel Group	14 Abelia Ave, Mt Maunganui
Wednesday 19	10 am	Walking Group	Opposite Dixie Brown, Mt Maunganui
Thursday 20		Newsletter deadline	
Thursday 20	6 pm	Wine and Dine Group	Freeport Restaurant, Bayfair Mall
Monday 24	1.30 pm	Movie	RSA Gallipoli Room.
Wednesday 26	9.30 am	Outing to Katikati & Waihi Beach	Monowai Street, Arataki Park parking area to pool cars
Thursday 27	10 am	Birthday Morning Tea	Pacifica Café, Tara Rd, Papamoa

Please refer to group details for further information

OMANU REBUS CLUB OUTINGS

Let's make the most of the summer weather, so put your name down on the lists at our main February meeting or let Rose know by email if you want to join us.

February: Self-drive day out to the Katikati Bird Gardens and Waihi Beach, **Wednesday 26th 9.30 am**. We'll meet in Monowai Street (Grenada Street end) by the Arataki Park car parking area to pool cars. From there we'll head to the Katikati Bird Gardens where there is a cafe for morning tea and a tour of the bird park itself (**entry cost is \$8.50 for seniors**). We will leave there at about midday and drive through to "The Flat White Café" at Waihi Beach for lunch. After lunch we will drive back to Katikati for a short stop at the Western Bay Museum in Katikati where they are holding an interesting exhibition "Fashion and Photography". We can also make stops at the Waihi Egg Farm (for super fresh free range eggs) and Onion Place at Katikati for fresh vegetables if people so wish. Bring enough money for the Bird Gardens, morning tea and lunch as well as any shopping for eggs and veges. Also a \$5 contribution towards petrol would be appreciated if you are not taking your own car.

March: Full day out to Tirau to explore the quirky town and surrounding countryside. On the way home we will make a refreshment stop at the OK Hot Springs Hotel. If you haven't ever been there before you're in for a treat! Itinerary and cost to be advised but not expected to be more than **\$60 per person**.

"Last Legs" by Roger Hall: We are still hoping that **16th Avenue Theatre** will put this performance on in **March** after they had to postpone it last September. So far they have not got it scheduled on their programme list for 2020, but we are keeping an eye out for it!