



**OMANU REBUS CLUB  
JUNE 2023 NEWSLETTER**

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**Next Meeting: 8 June 9.30 am at Omanu Golf Club, 98 Matapihi Road, Mt Maunganui. Please try to arrive by 9.05 am in order to pay for morning tea, to purchase raffle tickets, if you so wish and to socialise. Meeting cost is \$9 per person.**

**Welcome:**                    **Co-President – Doug Guthrie**

**Speaker:**



**Steve Davie** is the Key Account Manager - Forestry Services, for C3 Ltd, one of the largest marshalling and stevedoring companies in Australasia. **Steve** has headed up a major project in the last few years to develop a system for loading logs from the shipside to the holds of ships without human involvement. Using historical methods this has been a very dangerous occupation, with several watersiders having lost their lives or had serious injury accidents.

So the great and positive news is that C3 has developed this innovative system and will be rolling it out to all ports throughout Australasia, in the coming months/years.

Steve has a graphic presentation to show us and in the world full of negativity its nice to hear some good news and its happening right on our doorstep!

**Vote of Thanks:**         *Doug Guthrie*

**Apologies:**                **Thank you for apologies received for the last meeting.**

**Visitors:**                    We appreciate you bringing visitors to the meeting. If you are bringing a visitor please would you kindly phone **Margaret Clark 5420548 or Adrienne Wilson 5742392 or 0212393380** Thank you.

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**Deadline for Apologies:**    Unless there is an emergency or illness, please ring **Margaret Clark 5420548 or Adrienne Wilson 5742392 or 0211393380** before **10am on the Wednesday** preceding the monthly meeting. **Note:** **If you forget to apologise we will ask you to pay the \$9 for that meeting, as the club has to pay the caterer for the number submitted on Wednesday morning!** So please make sure that if you can't come to our meeting that your apology is with Adrienne before **10am on the Wednesday morning before the meeting!** Thank you.

**A Reminder:** Please contact **Rose Coutts 5742232 (email: [coutts.jim-rose@xtra.co.nz](mailto:coutts.jim-rose@xtra.co.nz))** or **Margaret Clark 5420548 (email: [historynutmarg@hotmail.com](mailto:historynutmarg@hotmail.com))** for any changes to your contact details. **If you are no longer using a landline please let Rose know your mobile phone number.**

## Co-Presidents Ponderings

I hope you all enjoyed Steve Zubritsky's presentation on Antarctica which was fascinating. Now you don't need to go there yourselves. As one of our valued members said it would be a lot of money to spend to get there and not be able to land in some of the important places because of the ice. I really loved the photos of the animals he saw including many penguins, seals, sea lions and the odd whale. It was interesting to see the inside of the cruise ship he sailed in and the quantity of warm clothing he had to buy. Steve certainly seemed to enjoy his trip and we saw him several times relishing his "champagne on ice" on the ice. I asked myself who had the responsibility of toting champagne glasses onto the ice shelves? As luck would have it, that day turned out to be icy in Papamoa and some of us were caught on the hop with the wrong clothing even here in these sunny climes.

When you get this newsletter I shall be somewhere in mainland Europe, hopefully experiencing good weather and eventually going to see my family in the UK. So Doug will be running the June meeting so I'd like to wish him lots of luck.

**Sue Rawson**

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The highlight, for me, of Steve's presentation was the post restoration condition of Scott's hut.

I understand the project to preserve Scott's and Ernest Shackleton's huts took 7 years and cost \$8 million. More than 18000 artifacts were preserved. The project, led by The NZ Heritage Trust, involved a total of 60 conservators from 11 countries working on the ice over the length of the work. Judging by Steve's photos, it was time and money well spent.

I never cease to be amazed and impressed by the scope and quality of the innovative ideas that have and continue to be initiated and developed in this little country of ours. I think of :

- Richard Pearse's bamboo frame, canvas skin and basic engine of his own design aircraft that some say flew before the Wright Brothers.
- Peter Becks Rocket Lab.
- Bert Munro setting land speed records on a highly modified (in his Invercargill garage) old Indian motorcycle.
- Bill Buckley's BSL, the world's leading supplier of large electromagnets used in the production of 90% of the world's supply of silicon chips, flat panel screens and high end particle accelerators.

This leads to my looking forward to our June guest speaker, Steven Davis from C3 Limited, who will be talking about an innovative, locally developed and manufactured log loading system.

I know you will all join with me in wishing Sue a safe and enjoyable European adventure. I look forward to seeing photos of her trip.

Yours Aye, **Doug Guthrie**

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### **Almoner's Report:**

**Maggie Thomson 5744592**

A report will be given at the meeting.

**Yours in friendship Maggie Thomson, Almoner**

### **Birthday Coffee Morning:**

**Sue Rawson 0210600896**

**June Birthdays:** *Joy Earle, Fran Gee, Johanne Henry, David Hesse and Heather Green.* We wish each one of you a very Happy Birthday and would love to see you at **Pacifica, Tara Road on Thursday 29 June at 10 am.** Everyone is welcome.

### **Golf Croquet:**

This group meets every Tuesday at 1 pm at Club Mt Maunganui. If you are interested in joining this group please phone **Margaret Burton** on 5755125 or 0210456865.

**Knitters and Friends:****Mavis Davidson 5753897**

We will meet as usual on **Wednesday 7 June at 10 am at 1 McDowell Street, Mt Maunganui**. Plenty of parking inside. You are welcome to join us even if you are not a knitter, just come and enjoy a coffee and a chat. Please phone me on **5753897** if you would like to join us.

**Music Group:****Kirsten Jorgensen 5740250**

The music group will meet at **Kirsten Jorgensen's home, 39 Santa Barbara Drive, Papamoa on Wednesday 7 June at 1.30 pm**. For apologies please phone **Kirsten 5740250**. Looking forward to seeing you all.

**History Group:****Margaret Houghton 5755256**

We are still hopeful that we can re-start our History Group meetings even though Margaret is no longer be able to host the group at her home (there is no parking outside on the street - yellow lines everywhere)! Please let Margaret know if you would like to join this group.

**Travel Group:****Fay Lauder 5725000**

A very small group came for our May meeting but we all enjoyed seeing a video about Croatia. A few people who were unable to attend would like to hear a little about this beautiful country. We will have "Croatia Part 2" for our June meeting which will be at my home, **3 Reef Avenue, Papamoa**. I will find another short video and a couple of members have photos of visits to Croatia which we can share. All Welcome. Email : [flauder@kinect.co.nz](mailto:flauder@kinect.co.nz) Mob 027 3266392

**RSA Film:**

*The RSA Movie "Mrs Harris Goes to Paris" will be held on Monday 26 June at 1.30pm in the Gallipoli Room RSA Mt Maunganui.* A humorously heartwarming tale about London housecleaner Ada Harris, who thinks her lonely life might turn around if she can become the owner of a Christian Dior gown. This uplifting story of how an ordinary woman becomes an extraordinary inspiration by daring to follow her dreams. Starring **Lesley Manville, Jason Issacs, Isabelle Huppert and Lucas Bravo**.

**Wine and Dine Group:****Margaret Overington 5749465**

Our Wine and Dine Group will be dining at the best Chinese - **Restaurant 88 801 Road, Tauranga on Thursday 15 June at 6pm**. Please note change of date. If you are interested in joining a very lively group please put your name down on the list at the June meeting.

**JUNE DIARY**

<b>Every Monday</b>	1 pm	Bowls	Club Mt Maunganui
<b>Every Tuesday</b>	1 pm	Golf Croquet	Club Mt Maunganui
Tuesday 6	9.30 am	History	TBA
Wednesday 7	10 am	Knitters and Friends	1 McDowell Street, Mt Maunganui
Wednesday 7	1.30 pm	Music	39 Santa Barbara Drive, Papamoa
<b>Thursday 8</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>REBUS MEETING</b>	<b>Omanu Golf Club, 98 Matapihi Road</b>
Thursday 15	6 pm	Wine and Dine	801 Cameron Road, Tauranga
<b>Tuesday 20</b>		<b>Newsletter deadline</b>	
Thursday 22	1.30 pm	Travel Group	3 Reef Avenue, Papamoa
Monday 26	1.30 pm	RSA Film	RSA Mt Maunganui, Gallipoli Room
Thursday 29	10 am	Birthday Morning Tea	Pacifica Café, Tara Road, Papamoa
Thursday 29	7.30 pm	"The Cemetery Club"	Detour Theatre, Historic Village, 17 <sup>th</sup> Ave

Please refer to group details for further information

ANYTHING YOU WISH TO HAVE IN THE NEWSLETTERS PLEASE SEND TO ADRIENNE WILSON AT: [graemewilson254@gmail.com](mailto: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 and subs 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**

**Don't forget to buy a raffle ticket as you enter the Golf Club at our monthly meetings. \$2 a ticket or 3 for \$5. Thank you.**

**Rebus Inc. Club News:** We would like to draw members' attention to the Rebus Inc. Club News which can be accessed on the website. [www.rebus.nz](http://www.rebus.nz). There is very interesting reading about the activities of the other Rebus Clubs throughout New Zealand.

### OMANU REBUS CLUB OUTINGS

**June** Detour Theatre's performance of *The Cemetery Club* promises to be yet another great show: "A group of friends meet weekly to celebrate the past and cope with the present. But when life throws them a few unexpected curves, they happily discover the best times are still ahead. The Cemetery Club is a gloriously funny and touching dramatic comedy about learning to laugh, live and love after loss". Join us on **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June** at Detour, Historic Village, 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue at 7.30 pm. Cost \$23.50 per person. Guaranteed entertainment!

**July** **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July** **Mid-Winter Lunch:** Please join us at Club Mount, Kawaka Street at 12 noon (to eat at 12.30 pm). Our meal will be either smorgasbord (at a set cost) if we have sufficient numbers attending, otherwise it will be from their regular menu at their usual prices. Drinks are available from the bar.

**July** **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July** **Greerton Op-Shop Trip:** Using our Bee cards (free bus travel), join us for a trip to Greerton for morning tea, browsing the Op Shops (and there are plenty to choose from) as well as viewing the yarn bombing – theme this year is Waterways of the World! Always spectacularly creative! Please put your name down on the list at the meeting with your phone number – if the weather is too wet and windy we will postpone. We'll leave Bayfair (Farm St) on the CT bus at 9:59 am.

**August** **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> August** **Port of Tauranga Tour:** **Watch this space:** Arrangements are in hand, and we are very fortunate to be able to offer our members a 1 ½ hour tour of the Port – this will be from a bus (so not weather dependent) with a commentary from a Port staff member. This kind of tour is usually available only through the public summer tours. As the Port operates with strict security requirements, we must have a list of people who wish to go before the tour commences. Full details will be available as soon as we have this confirmed.



**Every Monday at 1pm, subject to weather, a small bunch of amateurs try hard to learn the art of playing *outdoor bowls*.**

*This photo is hot off the press from last week's major contest and look at the subtle yet sophisticated grouping of these two bowlers!!! You too can do this!!!*

Join us at Club Mount. All bowls and equipment supplied for \$5 per person. Contact **Rick Elliott Ph 0212673197** for details.

Cheers Graeme Wilson