

TRUST NEWSLETTER – SEPT 2019



Snippets from the September Trust Meeting:

- Just a small reminder that your clocks need to be set an hour forward on the 29th September and Daylight Saving will be in force until April 2020.
- **CHANGE OF DATES:** a) Lindsay will not be available for APM on 16th October and therefore the date has now been amended to 23rd October. b) Our next monthly Trust meeting will be held on Monday 14th October. Always tends to get so busy towards the end of the year.
- The Long Term Maintenance Programme as quoted by Asset Management Solutions was discussed at the Trust meeting, and will not be accepted by us. Reasons are that it is very pricey, they do not

oversee the projects nor do they actually carry them out (resulting in further costs) and also that we already have a comprehensive LTM programme process, that seems sufficient for us for now.

- Stuart McAulay has signalled his intention to leave our Village and will be marketing his home, so don't be surprised to see lots of people coming and going to his house having a look-see.
- Stuart also applied to the Trust to house his partner's old cat (17) for a few weeks. The cat is house-trained and very rarely goes outside and the Trust agreed to his short term request. (As an aside, the cat has been taken to a cattery in the past and has suffered badly because of the number of other cats.)
- It is time to look at succession planning re our Trustees. A quick ask around at our meeting has resulted in all 3 of our current resident trustees signaling their willingness to serve another year. This does not preclude any other resident wishing to stand, if they want to. At this stage, I have only been assured that 2 of the 6 current trustees are willing, but I have yet to ask the other 4. Of course 2 of our trustees are in Auckland receiving treatment, so I'm guessing, they have other things on their minds.
- Residents are encouraged to bring any maintenance matters forward to Graeme or Bruce, but the Trust asks that the discussions be civil and without aggression. A recent phone call to Graeme was upsetting (aggressive and abusive language), and Graeme acknowledges it wasn't directed at him, but as he said he loves his job and his community with passion, but this was a bit off-putting.

A husband and wife were grocery shopping. He picks up a case of beer and puts in the cart. "What are you doing?" asks the wife. "They're on sale, only \$10 for 24 cans," he replies. "Put them back, we can't afford them", demands the wife.

They continue shopping.

Later on, she puts a \$20 jar of face cream in the basket. "What are you doing?" asks the husband. "It's my face cream. It makes me look beautiful," replies the wife.

He said, "So does 24 cans of beer and it's half the price."

(Aisle 5 – man down, man down.....)



That's all for now folks,

Cheers, Phi

Hi there,

Happy Hour with Bob Atkins in August was well attended and music was most enjoyable. September Happy Hour was also well attended with the quiz question being answered by Peter Robertson. But wait...I was not there so if I am wrong apologies Peter. Thank you to Rosemary who collected the tickets and distributed them to the attendees for The Operatunity Show in my absence. From what I have heard everyone who attended really enjoyed themselves. If you have any ideas for future entertainment the Social Club would love to hear from you.

Coming Up:

October 6th: Happy Hour: 4 p.m. start. A relaxed afternoon for all to enjoy. B.Y.O.

October 9th: 10.30.a.m. If you sat your drivers license today? Vicky Wright will be here to discuss driving in the modern world. Vicki is a passionate driving instructor and would very much like to come and speak with us about driving. We now have air bags, different brake systems, in our cars. This is an informal gathering. Morning tea provided.

October 11th: Operatunity in Whangarei. I only have 16 tickets booked. First in first serve. Please contact me A.S.A.P so I can ensure there will be a ticket for everyone.

October 23rd: 7.p.m. In our hall we will have the A.P.M. meeting. Note change of venue.

On a personal note:

Many thanks to all the people who reside in this village for their support and continued words of encouragement throughout my unexpected journey of ill health. Rod and I really appreciated knowing that help was right here when needed. Very much appreciated. We really do have a wonderful place here with many people with different views, however when it is required it is noticed 'BIG TIME' the way people support one another. Thank you.

It is also good news to see Bryan Hunwick has made such wonderful progress with his health. Well Done Bryan on your determination to improve your health and to Linda for keeping the ship on the straight and narrow.

Let's hope with spring in the air that we all can (at times) sit in the sun, smell the flowers, and be so grateful for a village full of caring people.

Many thanks to the Social Club committee for preparing the entertainment at the August and September Happy Hour. I truly appreciated the effort that went into making both evenings most enjoyable in my absence. Thanks folk.

That's all for now,

Heather