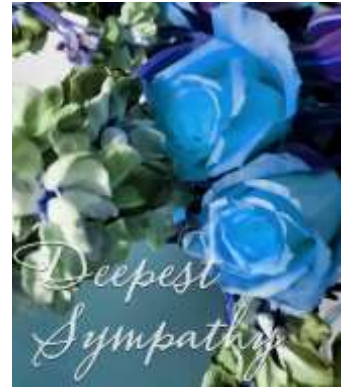


TRUST NEWSLETTER – AUGUST 2020

The Trust wishes to acknowledge the passing of John A'Court and offers its condolences to June's family and friends.



Snippets from the August Trust Meeting:

- The Whangarei District Council has sent the latest rates invoice and this now means that the rates rebate declaration certificate forms (for residents who qualify for this), are now available. Graeme Brider has been given copies for you to complete. Remember - residents must contact Council to make an appointment for interview from 14th September until 30th June 2021. You cannot go in without making an appointment as they may not have the staff available to see you.
- Seniorline – Northland Information update. Seniorline is a national service contracted by New Zealand District Health Board to provide information to older people and their families on how to navigate the health system. Nationally, the service offers information on how to get help to stay at home, relief care for carers, long term care and the funding for these services. Their website www.seniorline.org.nz carries all the above information in PDF format which can be downloaded as required. They can also be contacted on (09) 3754395 or 0800 725 463 between the hours of 8am and 4pm – Monday to Friday.
- The Ngunguru Fire Chief Officer, Mike Burr, has also met with members of the Trust and are currently in negotiations with the supply and installation of new Smoke Detectors. It was decided at our August meeting that a Questions and Answer meeting with the residents and the Fire Department would be helpful in information sharing and a morning tea financed by the Trust will be arranged and Heather will inform everyone when the timing has been set.
- An urgent reminder!! Colin Gibson Plumbers has asked that the hot water zip in the Hall Kitchen is **NOT TO BE EMPTIED AND/OR NOT SWITCHED OFF UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES!** Yes, it will gurgle away all day and every night, but it is very important that we do not interfere with it, other than to extract hot water from it. Please remind any out of village visitors who are in our hall.
- I shall probably get into trouble with Linda for this – but, **THANK YOU LINDA** for sprucing up the Village Hall windows and entranceway. I am assured that the residents and Trust much appreciate your thoughtfulness.
- Policies: A further 3 policies were reviewed by the Trust and re-approved with very minor alterations. The policies are: Community Consultation and Communication, Repairs & Maintenance Procedures, Health and Safety. The Fire Protection and Emergency Management policy is also still under review and the Trust is working with the Fire Service in relation to this
- Six of the garden plots are to be given a further Board's height and the surrounding area sprayed, weeded and metal compacted in an effort to tidy up the grounds. The extra height was deemed a Health and Safety issue for those residents who cannot tend their plants easily with the low gardens.



That's all for now folks.

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August Social Club Newsletter. 2020

Happy Hour: It was a shocking night weather wise. That did not stop 12 villagers arriving. The quiz was won by Rory.

Window Cleaning: I want to thank **Linda Spratt** again for cleaning the windows and the entrance to the hall once again. Linda did a professional job of the windows and you can see out and in easily now. A big job well done. **Thank you.**

Covid Coming Out Dinner

A wonderful evening, with good company, good food, prepared by the social club members and women and men in the village. Again, I say thank you to those who assisted setting up the hall in the morning, those who prepared food, those who did the dishes and more dishes and knives, forks and spoons, and those who came and cleaned the hall the following morning, and all who attended, sharing stories, laughed and told more stories. A very pleasant evening for all.

We held a luncheon and celebration of life for John A'Court on Saturday morning. Family and villagers arrived, sharing stories and enjoyed a delightful light luncheon.... A banquet really. Thankyou June and Christine for your invitation to attend. Rest in Peace John.

We had an unplanned, but eventful morning with Shane Reti. (National Candidate) Shane answered questions we asked, sang and played his guitar. Tea, Coffee and biscuits were consumed during his presentation. While the weather was poor it did not stop 16 of us turning up to hear him.

It was also planned to have Emily Henderson visit (Labour Candidate), however with Covid at new levels, Emily will not attend the village. Emily and her team had planned to be at the Community Hall, however a date is yet to be advised.

Coming Up.

AUG 15th: Quiz Night. This night has been cancelled due to insufficient numbers.

AUG 21st: Operatunity Show. It was intended to trial a new system for paying and booking seats. But wait!! Covid is back. Due to level three in Auckland the show is postponed until further notice. Please hold your tickets until we get further information.

SEPT 6th: Happy Hour. Mulled wine will be provided.

Take care, Keep warm.
Heather