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NEWSLETTER August 2016

This will be extremely short and very much to the point, since it should have gone out a good deal earlier.. (Life gets too busy at times)

There are two main reasons for the urgency, both events in this month: the AGM on the 28th, but a week before that, the second of our 'Sunday Afternoons in the Museum'. This will take the form of a film-show, with Judy Reinken, the producer of the Hokianga film *Tumanako – Hope*, introducing it for us before it's screened. Judging by the amount of interest shown so far, I just hope that the museum will be big enough to cope. As it's a minor fundraiser towards Judy's dream of really going big-time, we are going beyond the Koha contribution to (for once) charging admission, \$3.00 per person or \$5.00 for two plus. Mind you, a Significant Koha is always acceptable Instead! 2 p.m., Sunday 21 August, Hokianga Museum, 14 Waianga Place, Omapere.

Then, following on a week later,

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Sunday, 28th August 2016, 2.00p.m.

In the Omapere Church Centre, SH12, Omapere.

Agenda:

Karakia
Apologies
Minutes of previous AGM, 15 August, 2015.
Correspondence
Reports: 1. President; 2. Curator; 3. Financial.
Election of Officers: President; Vice President; Secretary,
Treasurer; Curator; & 5 Executive Members
Patron; Hon. Auditor
Subscription Rate
General Business.
Close of Meeting.

A Nomination Form for your choice of officers for the year is attached – please use!

After all that, afternoon tea is always very welcome. We've usually tried to insert a 'show and tell' type of members' contribution while it's being prepared – as a sort of carrot to maybe persuade more to come – but enthusiasm was never high and I think we've given up on that this time. People have lots to talk about anyhow.

In July's 'Sunday afternoons' we only had about twelve attending to hear Doreen Beer describe her life in law which was a pity, as she was very entertaining and informative. Of course we'd struck the school holidays, which meant many who might have been there were dutifully looking after mokopuna; also, Country and Western were doing their thing in Rawene at the same time (we always seem to coincide with

them at some stage, no matter what we plan) So we were grateful to the twelve who did turn up, and an especial accolade to Diane Mountain for coming over from Whangarei for it!

Doreen described attending a British-run Law School in Hong Kong, the only non-Chinese in the class, partly as an escape from having to play bridge with ex-pats. Later, after moving to New Zealand, she worked in a range of high-powered law-firms in Wellington and then Auckland (did I say she was very entertaining? She was!) before finally coming to Kaikohe in search of a quieter lifestyle. It may have been quieter but there was no lack of stories to be told, though she discreetly withheld names because of geographical and time-wise proximity. Now in retirement, she has let her registration lapse and is enjoying the freedom – “I might be a marine scientist next”.

Looking forward to September, our final ‘Sundays’ programme is going to be another “entertain and inform” experience. Robin Hoare will take us on power-point through all the discoveries he made on investigating the small wreck alongside Kohukohu’s main drag.

That has to be all for now, folks, – except for this very necessary form (attached) :-

Alexa Whaley

**HOKIANGA HISTORICAL SOCIETY Inc.
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 28th AUGUST 2016**

Positions to be filled:

Chairman	Vice Chairman	
Secretary	Treasurer	
Curator	and	FIVE ordinary members.

NOMINATION FORM FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE POSITIONS 2016-17

Nomination for the position of

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Nominee

Proposer

Secunder.....

I agree to accept this nomination

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(Nominee)

Please complete this form and return to Secretary, HHS, Box 26 Opononi 0445,
or scan, attach & send to hhs@ourhokianga.com by 21 AUGUST 2016.