CANVASTOWN Community Association



CCA Chairmans Annual Report

Kia Ora Katoa

CANVASTOWN

This is my first annual report as Chairman of the Canvastown Community Association (CCA). It seems like it was only recently that I was voted in as Chairman of this committee and I am extremely grateful to the members of the committee who have been so helpful and supportive of our endeavours on behalf of you all.

Our June meeting was attended by only a small number of people but those attendees were able to hear of the updates to our Canvastown Community Enhancement project from Adi James, the Community Advisor of the MDC Small Townships Development Program. Regular monthly meetings have been held over the past 12 months and well attended by your committee members.

During the past year we have engaged with the community through the monthly newsletter, also we have convened two open day community meeting sessions that were supported by you and were an opportunity for us to hear what you want or would like to see in Canvastown, the village and the surrounding areas.

Your committee are comprised of many locals who are keen to see Canvastown develop in a positive way which can provide us all with a safer place for us and future generations whilst preserving the natural beauty of this area that we live in. We are being visited by more people each year and the increased traffic volumes are indicative of this. The Canvastown Community Enhancement Program is an important piece of this future planning.

We are always keen to see the hall used for community events and

suggest that you consider a booking for your next big social gathering. We have some basic rules regarding its use and the hall offers excellent value for a small fee.

We continue to support a monthly music jam night on the first Saturday of the month at 7.00 pm in the hall which we urge you to come along to. Bring that musical instrument that you play or may have previously, your singing voice (if you have one!)

Your CCA committee are working for the greater good on your behalf but we need to know that we are on the right path for your benefit. Hence, we need your input at any time you can come along to a monthly meeting at the Canvastown Hall on the second Tuesday of the month at 7.00 pm.

I wish to offer my thanks to all the committee members who have pledged their ongoing support for the coming year. We would also welcome any of you who would like to join our committee at anytime.

Best wishes for a prosperous year ahead

Alan Rees, Chairman CCA

TIT-BITS from THE TROUT HOTEL

The hotel pool team are having a mixed season playing other establishments in the area, Laurie [truck] is the man in charge and we thank him for his time and effort. We also ran a blind pairs competition on queens birthday, attracting 24 teams. AB, teamed up with Hayden from the Rai, won the event, a great day had by all, and again our thanks to Laurie for his help arranging the day.

The Trout social club sell raffles Friday nights, and tickets can be brought at the bar from Friday from opening time at the cost of \$2 a ticket. These are drawn around 7.00 pm.

The giant pumpkin was won this year by Kalab Godsiff, lots of decorated ones and even a pumpkin oven which worked! Thanks to all who participated. We will be holding the event again next season.

The duck race was held with much fun and laughter had, Bernie's duck came in first at least 10 mins ahead of the others, and the drug test results came back negative, Karen won the sponge competition, and wee Ron won best decorated.

WHAT'S COMING UP

Mid winter function 22nd June - we are having a buffet from 7.00 pm and bookings are essential. So call us today as numbers are limited.

Not far away is the mighty MELBOURNE CUP, we will be selling a sweep, only 24 tickets.

Then of course we will be having our annual Christmas party/raffle early December, tickets now available

Thanks for your support of the Trout Hotel

WHAT'S ON IN CANVASTOWN

1st Tuesday each month—Canvastown Ladies, 12.30 pm

2nd Tuesday each month—Canvastown Community Association Meeting, 7.00pm in the Hall (next meeting 9th July demonstration on how to use a Defib)

Every Wednesday—Bugger Night, The Trout Hotel

Every Friday—The Trout Social Club Raffles

1st Saturday each month—Music Jam Night, Canvastown Hall, 7.00pm

Saturday 22nd June, Trout Hotel Mid Winter function

August, TBA, Canvastown Community social get together—details coming soon!

The Canvastown Community Enhancement Plans



The proposed plans were made available to our committee for discussion and are being finalised as this goes to print. We will be able to reveal the final edition of the plans/drawings when they are completed by MDC in the next few weeks. Once we have the final draft we will ensure that full copies are available to view in the Hall

window/noticeboard and at No. 17 The Canvastown Store, next to the Trout Hotel.

We invite you to get involved with the works ahead and seek volunteers that may be able to help with their labour on the various projects. If you might be able to help out in some way then we would like to hear from you either by email to the newsletter editor or you could leave a contact note at No. 17 please.

The first event is the construction of a Miners Hut on the green space opposite the memorial. There are wooden pegs in the ground where our CCA working group plan on locating it. We are awaiting confirmation of cables etc. underground in the proposed area before we can start digging foundation holes!

The Miners Hut will form part of the revised green space which also includes pathways around the memorial and area down to a viewing platform area by the river. This will also link with the walkway upgrade across the Wakamarina River bridge on SH6 to Canvastown School. Additional traffic calming measures on Wakamarina Road and SH6 will help to slow traffic down to safer levels.



The committee has also asked for a review of road speed limits to be considered for Wakamarina Road, particularly in the entrance to the valley and the populated stretch of road for the first few kilometres up the valley. We are keen to have your response and input into road speed limits for Wakamarina Road in particular.

There are larger numbers of vehicle movements which includes logging trucks, campervans, caravans, walkers, mountain-bikers and of course our kids and animals. We really want your input! Be sure to see the plans that will be displayed to help you see what is being proposed.

There is also a 10 metre tall cell phone tower about to be installed adjacent to the trees on the embankment opposite No.17. The Rural Connectivity Group advise "...the work is to construct, place and maintain a coverage tower for the Rural Connectivity Group in order to provide wireless and mobile telecommunications services to customers in the vicinity of the Site". RCG includes Vodafone as part of this organisation.

There are other events planned including a mid year social night at the hall which we are working on the finer details about now and will advise more in the next newsletter

The Canvastown Community Association is an active group which relies on the enthusiasm of its members to make things happen. Come join us!

CANVASTOWN LADIES

The next shared lunch at my place, with the aim of ladies meeting other ladies and sharing ideas skills etc. will be on **Tuesday 2nd July**. We will have a shared lunch about **12.30** (earlier time, gives us more time before mums have to be home for children or pick up their children). Any queries, please phone or email me. If you have knitting etc, maybe a good time to do some or anything else you'd like to share.

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Cheers—Alan Rees—Chairman CCA



A Piece of History Oriwa Tahupotiki Haddon

Contributed by Linden Armstrong (nee Rush)

In the mid 1950's Oriwa Haddon (7-11-1898—17-6-1958) painted the murals in the Canvastown Memorial Hall

Oriwa has quite a history (on Google) - born Edward Oliver Haddon in Waitotara to a Methodist father (later changed his name Oriwa). His father was Robert Tahupotika Haddon of Ngati Ranui and his mother Huihana (Susan) Haerehau Shelford of Hokianga.

In 1919 his family went to the USA on a lecture and concert party tour. In 1920 Oriwa married his first wife Ruihi Moringa (Maringa) Reupena of Whanganui, they had four sons.

Oriwa became involved in the Ratana Movement and the Labour Party, he also became a broadcaster on 2ZB, with a programme called "Oriwa Maori Session", where he talked about Maori History, Mythology and Poetry.

After Oriwa's wife died he married Maaki Rakapa Taiaroa of Ngai Tahu and they had four daughters and three sons.

Recently I was contacted by a Gregory Smith from Auckland. He is searching for early murals, in particular by Oriwa Haddon who painted many around this area mainly in Hotels and Halls. Greg is coming down to see them, so if you know of where any were please let me know. There are two in the Havelock Hall.

Also a Great Nephew of Oriwa Haddon called into No. 17 shop recently and left his contact details. I have been in touch with him and he is very interested in the above.

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Applications for grants from 2019

Mussel Festival are invited. Closes 28 June 2019. Applications forms can be collected from Havelock Healthcare Pharmacy Depot, 56A Main Street, Havelock or by emailing ianc.cameron@xtra.co.nz

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