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Another Popular Museum Sunday Talk

Last Sunday 25 members and friends of the Morrinsville Museum were given an insight into the workings of three of the town’s service clubs. All the service clubs emphasised their involvement in and the aid they give to the community, schools and local organisations and clubs.

Bruce Dewhurst told those present of the long history of Rotary and the fund-raising, grants, community projects the Morrinsville club undertakes. The main project this past year has been the refurbishment of the Senior Citizen’s hall with the kitchen and lounge having an upgrade. The hall has been renamed the Rotary Community Centre.

Pat Bruce spoke on the evolvement of the Pakeke Lions and the work they do to provide funding for community projects such as Pakeke Park and the wonderful Slink Calf Scheme which enables them give large donations to the schools in the district.

Meghan Apperley from Altrusa gave an interesting insight into her club and how their involvement in the community.



From L Ian Bruce, Pat Bruce, Anne Gifford, Bruce Dewhurst from Rotary, Bette Blance



Pat Bruce from Pakeke.



Megan Apperley from Altrusa



Did You Know?

The Morrinsville Museum is the only place in the **WORLD** where you can enjoy - 'The Green Circle' film and view our Mana Whenua o Piako exhibition.



What do YOU think????

We are wondering whether we should re-organise the exhibition hall!!

Change the exhibitions and displays to other positions.

Have the museum set up in chronological order – e.g. a timeline of Morrinsville

More tactile displays

What would you like to see in our museum?

Some members have already started suggesting ideas and layout

Come in and have a look and walk around and let us know as we would be very interested

September Sunday Talk

1.30pm on 29th September we will be featuring a couple of historical films and sharing reminisces of the time.

Then a chance to have a look around the Museum and behind the scenes if you wish.

Followed by afternoon tea, members a small plate please.



Volunteers Report from Bette

The Thursday group – from L Cliff Thomas and Bob Todd (naming photos from the Piako Post), Echo Li (on computer entering data), Mary Cobham (entering book indexes), Michelle Walton (our textile expert researching)

Thursday is a full house.



Mike's farewell from committee lunch – from L Cliff Thomas, Jan Gribble's head, Joan Jenkin, David Sing, Mike Gribble, Bruce Dewhurst, Anne Gifford, Barbara Dalziel and Bette Blance took the photo.

*Our lovely roast dinner raffle – leg of lamb and veges
Was won by ticket #1 Barbara Dalziel
We have another one starting very soon!!!!*

Waikato Wars Road Trip

27th October 2019

Leave Museum at 9am and return approximately 4.30pm.

Additional information can be found at <https://www.heritage.org.nz/places> and a Waikato Wars driving tour app is available for download.

We will begin at Pokeno, lunch stop will be at Rangiriri and last stop will be Ngaruawahia.

Names will be required by the 17th of October to the Museum. More information closer to the time.



Rangiriri looking north west, showing Rangiriri Street in the foreground, Rangiriri Church on the left, and the British Redoubt built over the pits (now known as Te Whero's Redoubt) on the right, 1864. Alexander Turnbull Library G.94992.1/2

For ten months during 1863-1864, the once-peaceful hills and plains of Waikato rang with battle cries and the boom of warships. At stake was some of the North Island's most fertile farmland around the Waikato and Waipa rivers. When the smoke cleared, the British had seized more than one million acres of tribal territory, and the door open to Pākehā control of the North Island.