



## TAUHINU SEA SCOUT GROUP

PO Box 15 Greenhithe, Auckland



### **DRAFT Newsletter October 2013**

Dear Parents,

Welcome to our new members and their parents. Our aim is provide you with quarterly newsletters to let you know what the group and committee have been up to.

The group has just closed its Financial Year End and we attach the group's financial reports. We are pleased to report that the group is ....

#### **Annual General Meeting Notice**

The committee would like to notify you of the group's upcoming Annual General Meeting to be held on Thursday November 21, 2013 at the Scout Ship at 6.30pm. All are welcome to attend. We have attached nomination forms that we would like you to complete and bring along to the meeting or post to Chiara's attention: P O Box 15, Greenhithe, Auckland, 0756.

This year we are looking for the following new committee members:

Equipment officer;  
Communication and Newsletter officer;  
Hall Manager;  
Secretary.

Our current committee members standing for re-election are:

Chairman – Earl Simpson  
Vice Chairman – Charles Kirkby  
Treasurer – Chiara Gauld  
Membership – Anoushka Hatch  
Scarf making – Joanne Fairley

#### **Term dates...**

The group's terms run to coincide as closely as possible with the public school terms and are as follows:

Term 4 – 14/10/13 to 12/12/13

2014 term dates:

Term 1 – 3/2/14 to 17/4/14

Term 2 – 5/5/14 to 4/7/14

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Term 3 – 21/7/14 to 26/9/14

Term 4 – 13/10/14 to 12/12/14

### **Fundraising...**

The group's annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser was again a success at not only raising awareness of scouting in the community but also raising \$1,650. Thanks go to our leaders, parents and sponsors for making this another great fundraiser.

### **Boat Storage...**

The committee received a \$5,000 grant from **PUB CHARITY** as a contribution towards two 40 foot containers. We hope to purchase these before the end of the year and relieve Mike's garden of another summer with boats in it. Thanks for your patience Mike and Nikki.

### **New life jackets...**

In readiness for the 2013/2014 boating season the committee has decided to replace its existing stock of life jackets with 50 new ones. Quotes have been obtained and the committee is going to apply for a grant for these as the cost runs into several thousands of dollars.

### **Another Grant...**

The group has also applied for and obtained a grant from the government for \$7,335 to cover the cost of various administrative costs.

What has been happening in each section and what is coming up...

### **Keas...**

We believe the parent roster currently in place has been working well. Unfortunately, we have not had any one step forward to become our permanent Kea leader so we are going to continue with the parent roster system. Please let Colin know if you know of anyone who would be interested in taking on the Kea leadership.

### **Cubs...**

### **Scouts...**

The Scouts who are going to the Jamboree at the end of this year attended a camp at Motutapu on July 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. The scouts walked up Rangitoto and across to Motutapu island on Sunday they did planting to help the Motutapu Restoration Trust. Here is a photo of our happy campers.



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### **Venturers...**

The venturers had recently competed in the Pit-Stop competition and in August went on a ski trip. They were also invited to the Warkworth Scout group who are considering starting a Venterur section and were asked to explain what Venturers were all about. The presentation included a video of their activities this year and was very well received by the Warkworth Scout Group.

The section is planning a canoe trip down the Waikato and a tramp around the northern part of 90 mile beach.

At a special ceremony held on July 11<sup>th</sup> Dion Mansfield received his Queen's Scout award. Dion is Colin's grandson and completes three generations of Queen's Scouts in his family.

Kind regards,

Your Committee

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