

MEMBERSHIP UNDERTAKING

The Te Kupenga Stone Carving Society wishes to provide all member artists a pleasurable and safe experience at the carving site. To this end, we ask you to abide by the guidelines in this pamphlet.

FELLOW MEMBERS

- Treat other members and supporters with respect at all times.
- Be supportive of other members and be willing to assist each other when the need arises.
- Respect the artistic integrity of other artists and not interfere with their work.

USING THE SITE

- Sign the Club Carving Register when you arrive/depart.
- Leave the club rooms clean and tidy after use.
- Share the load: tidy your site after carving and remove chips; be supportive of working bees and other club projects.
- On Club Weekends help with setting up and/or cleaning up. Take a turn to Host at Club Weekends to open/close the site, welcome public etc.
- See the Use of Club Facilities section for more details.

TOOLS

- Supply your own basic carving tools, hoses, electrical cords and safety equipment (some specialist items are available for use on the site at the discretion of the Property manager).
- Wear appropriate safety equipment at all times when carving, including: protective clothing, safety glasses, ear protection, particulate rated dust masks and adequate footwear.
- Use tools in a safe manner according to the manufacturer's directions.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP:

Enjoy the benefits of membership which include:

- Right to use the Club facilities including power and air
- Join in Monthly Club Carving Weekends (see back panel)
- Display up to 3 works at the site (subject to space)
- Advertise works on the club website
- Attend week-long Carve-Ins and other events arranged for members
- Voting rights at the monthly Club Meetings and AGM
- Receive Club agendas and minutes and emailed information relating to sculpture/art.
- Right to enter works into Cut & Polished Exhibition
- Right to apply for selection to carve in the Biennial Symposia (selection is competitive).
- Opportunity to serve as an Executive Officer.

CLUB MEETINGS

Support the Monthly Club Meetings held on the first Wednesday of the month at 6pm, or send in an apology if not able to attend. Te Kupenga is run by its members. Please read the agenda and contribute to the decision process by proxy if unable to attend.

The AGM is usually held in July with 21 days notice period. Nine executive members are elected by the members for 1 year terms. The Executive Committee has the power to coopt and to replace members. We encourage elected members to stand for two years to see the Club through the biennial Symposium cycle.

TWO KINDS OF MEMBERS

You may apply to be a **Financial member** who wishes to sculpt stone, or an **Associate member** who wishes to support the mission of Te Kupenga in other ways. Both are considered equal. Both may vote at meetings and hold elected office or take on other support roles.

Associate members do not pay the annual subscription. Financial (carving) members pay an annual subscription at the rate set by the last AGM.

Your membership may lapse if we have not heard from you and/or your annual fee (if applicable) has not been paid for over 12 months (unless leave has been granted).

PAYMENTS

- Pay for all rocks supplied by Te Kupenga at the rate advertised in the Club Rooms
- Pay a commission to Te Kupenga, at the rate set down in the AGM Minutes, for works made on site, or sold/ ordered through the agency of Te Kupenga from on-site exposure or the Te Kupenga website
- To maintain the benefits of financial membership, pay the current annual Club Membership fee for the period 1 July– 30 June. Payment is due prior to the AGM.
- Place any payments which are in cash or cheques in an envelope addressed to the Treasurer. Please put your name and what the payment is for on the outside of the envelope and post in the clubroom mail box or to Te Kupenga PO Box 6030 Moturoa, New Plymouth 4344.
- If you wish to pay by direct deposit; pay to TSB acc: 153942 0753835 00 Always identify your name.
- Email the Treasurer to advise of your direct deposit.

MAJOR CLUB EVENTS:

BIENNIAL INTERNATIONAL STONE SCULPTURE SYMPOSIA held on even numbered years on the Foreshore, New Plymouth featuring 25 selected international, national and local artists. Participation is competitively based on applications which close in July. Register your interest early and information will be sent to you.

CUT & POLISHED Small Stone Sculpture Exhibition held in alternate years to the Symposium. Open to all members.

CARVE-IN held during alternate January to Symposia. An opportunity for members and invited guests to carve stone for 9 days (2 weekends and the week between), sharing ideas and experiences in a casual atmosphere. No Exhibition or Auction. Open to all members.

USE OF CLUB FACILITIES

The Club facilities on Centennial Drive are available for all members to use. The following guidelines are to help ensure that the facilities are used to benefit all members.

- The showers, kitchen and toilet facilities are available for all members to use, and must be left clean and tidy after use (the shower mat needs to be hung to dry).
- The clubrooms are NOT to be used for private personal use or as sleeping quarters.
- Members' personal stone sculpture tools may be stored in the "tractor" container. Tools should be stored in a compact, tidy manner (preferable in containers), and not restrict access. Storage of larger personal items (such as tripods etc) needs to be discussed with the Property Manager first.
- Any maintenance issues regarding the club facilities or equipment should be recorded in the *Issues Register* held in the Club Rooms.
Alert the Property Manager directly about any urgent or significant issues. Any safety issues must be reported as soon as possible.
- Members may photocopy or print items on the printer. Spare paper is in the desk drawer. Follow the instructions carefully (on the lid). Please turn off and cover computer and printer after use.
- The trailer hoist and the tractor may be used to lift and turn rocks. Put away after using.
- Keep the veranda sliders closed while carving.
- Please ensure the clubrooms and containers are **securely locked** when the clubrooms are left unattended, or you are the last to leave the site.

OUR MISSION

Te Kupenga was incorporated as a Society in March 1999 with the objective to:

"PROMOTE AND REVIVE THE ART OF STONE SCULPTURE USING TARANAKI ANDESITE"

Kupenga means a Net which is a symbol of the "drawing together of intended people".

The Net is reflected in the logo design and our inclusive networking spirit.

MONTHLY CLUB WEEKENDS & OPEN DAYS

Enjoy the support and camaraderie of sculpting with other members at our regular monthly Club Weekends. These are held from 9am to 4pm on the first full weekend in the month (when the Saturday is the 1st or later day of the month). Open to the Public for viewing.

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FORMATION FOR MEMBERS

Te Kupenga Tikanga

**A Guide to Te Kupenga Procedures
and Expectations of Members**

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