

FROM THE PRESIDENTS DESK.

A club is only as good as it's members and here at Auckland MovieMakers we have some great members. Some highly skilled in the art of movie making, some just learning and honing their skills, others come along for the fun and interest.

If you are a beginner we can through our membership and meetings encourage you to produce better home movies and from there into making travel, documentary, dramatic and interest program's. You can do as much or as little as you want, but of course you will get more out of the club if you participate.

The club The Auckland MovieMakers has been around for a very long time, thanks again in part to the many people who have assisted on committee over the years. Many of our members remember the 8mm, super 8, 9.5 and 16mm film days when the interest was what new Agafacolor or Kodachrome film was coming out. How to edit your films (with scissors splicer's and sticky tape) and how best to create a sound track using 1/4 inch reel to reel tape recorders, cassette players and even a Magnetic Stripe on the film.

Now things are so much easier, once you have got past the expensive purchase of your video camera the world its your oyster. No exposure, focus and audio levels to worry about, it's just point and shoot, even on the best of cameras.

After a while people want to store their recordings, edit them or go to the next stage and be creative. Joining a club can be a great help. These days life is so full of opportunities many people don't have the time to "Join a Club" but one evening a month or more if you wish can make a world of difference to your family videos, and who knows you may go on to become the next Peter Jackson. After all he started his movie career by being a Home Movie enthusiast.

Your first visit to our club wont cost you a thing as you would come as our guest and it will give you an idea if this is for you or not. We look forward to welcoming you to our next club night, phone the president, or secretary to insure you receive a great welcome.

Happy MoiveMaking

Bob Jessopp
President Auckland MovieMakers.