

Some more history from Denis Skilton (compiled in May 2017)

Hello Keith

I've enjoyed looking at all the improvements you have made to the web site, especially seeing some of the photos recently added.

As a consequence I have spoken with Euan Ross who was principal of Omokoroa No 1 School. when the AOEC was being established, and subsequently moved to Te Puna School in 1976. Euan found photos he had taken at that time and I have scanned them and spent considerable time visiting old friends and colleagues trying to identify people in the photos.

The following photos were taken on a weekend orientation visit (c 1978) for teachers in the surrounding catchment.

Those identified are:

Russell Kirk (Katikati)
Colin Pettigrew (Omokoroa Point)
Margaret Steer (Omokoroa N° 1)
Lloyd May (Pahoia)
Ray Sorrenson (Te Puna)
Betty Sorrenson (Te Puna)
Ann Stout (Te Puna)
Rebecca Nicholas (Te Puna)
Iain Bibby (Te Puna)
Brian Miller (Matahui Road)
Denis Skilton (Whakamarama)
Betty Skilton (Whakamarama)

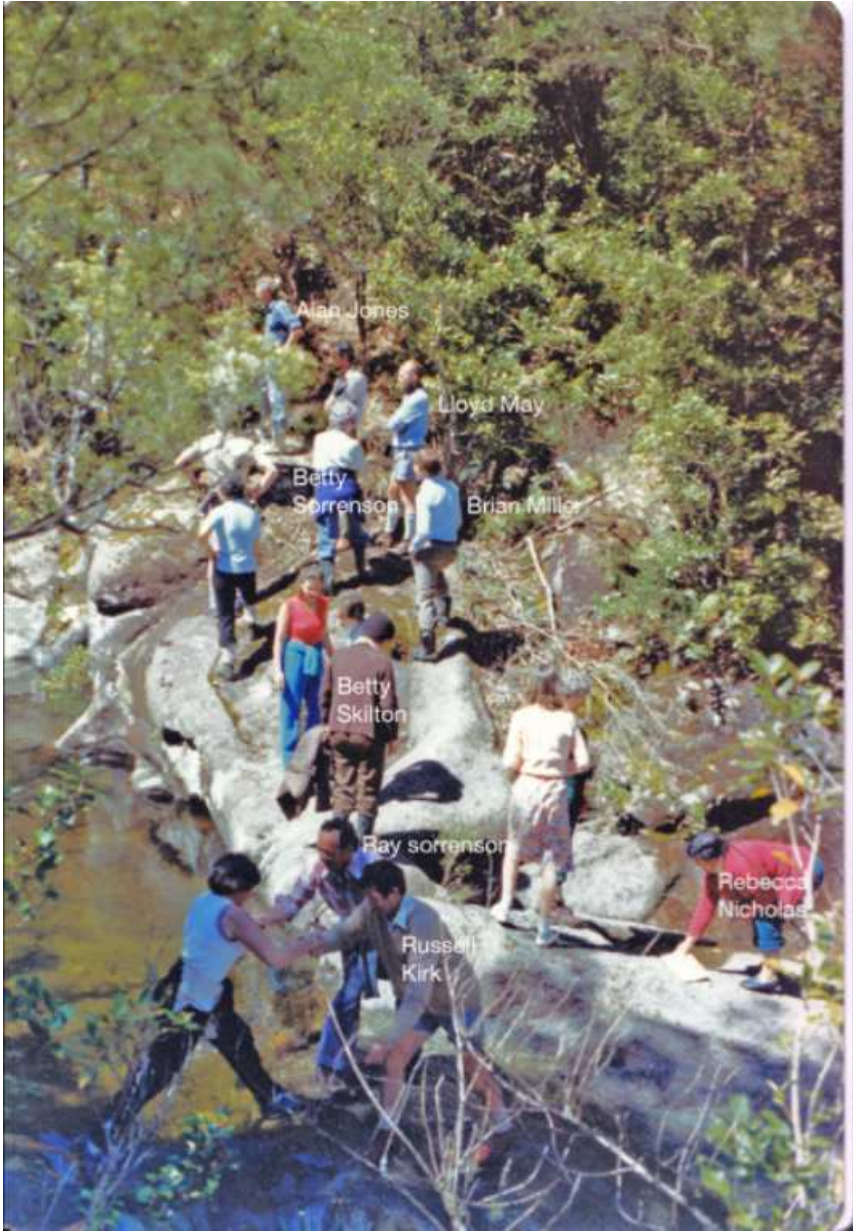
also identified are:

Hans Meys

Alan Jones who was in charge of the local Forest Service Office Office and subsequently DoC.

Gordon Kingsbury who was our next door neighbour and our first honorary caretaker.







And at the Lodge



And at another meeting at Te Puna School



Lunch at Te Puna School. L->R:
Betty Skilton, Denis Skilton,
next 2 not identified as yet
Colin Pettigrew, Betty Sorrenson, Ray Sorrenson
man at end not identified.

photo by Euan Ross