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Thank you!

A big thank you to those farmers that brought their used drench and chemical containers to our Aggrecovery collection day.

We received 330 containers from 8 farmers. Some thing to think about "CAN WE IMPROVE OUR RECYCLING" After all when you buy a product from a company participating in the aggrecovery scheme you have actually paid to have it recycled.

We will be holding another collection sometime in the future but in the mean time keep your containers triple rinsed and clean.

Any Suggestions as to how we could improve our collection day then give Quinton Erskine a ring on 2266969



We had 9 Scouts attend a Cosgrove Camp and they took part in a variety of activities with other Scouts from the Western Zone. They all had an enjoyable time and are looking forward to the next camp.

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COUNCILLOR'S CORNER:

Hi and welcome to the May Edition.

We have had our share of rain but we will just have to take what comes I guess.

It was with great sadness that June and I, along with several other locals attended the funeral of our late Mayor, Frana Cardno.

The weather gods backed off and presented her with a beautiful day in an extraordinary setting for her final farewell with a large crowd in attendance. We send our condolences to her family.

On the govt scene we read of the absurd idea of changing our national flag, this in my opinion gives a kick in the butt to all our servicemen who enlisted, fought and died for our freedom. Coming after our 100 year Gallipoli Anzac day services only adds insult to injury. There is a face book page open for your ideas on the LGNZ site.

As the cost of this scheme and its associated select committee is estimated to be around \$26 million I urge you all to voice your opinion however you see fit, closing date is 17/5/15.

On the council scene we have two or three days coming up on submissions on the ten year plan.

We have over 100 received so it will be an interesting time. Many may have a good reason for their objection and will be decided upon case by case.

Locally, on behalf of the local RSA we thank all those who gave their time and vehicles to do the poppy collection, thank you all for your attendances on Anzac Day, for your efforts in the hall, being part of the service or cleaning up; many of us are slowing down and your assistance is greatly appreciated.

That's all for this month.

Your councillor George Harpur

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News From Your Community Board

It's hard to believe that we are almost halfway through the year and that Anzac Day has already come and gone! Congratulations to Les Kollat and his RSA committee for another very successful occasion.

The Dawn Service at Orawia was very special and the beautiful sunrise added to the mood.

The 10am Service, like the Dawn Service, was well attended. It's especially heartening to see the number of young families who see this day as important and well worth commemorating.

Our Southland District Council Mayor, Gary Tong, was also in attendance. Having other services to attend he left before the parade but it was certainly impressive that he made such an effort!

There were a few extra touches to our hundredth anniversary of the Anzac landing at Gallipoli. These included the colourful Anzac flags flying from the street poles, a display of war memorabilia in the RSA shop window and the inclusion of the Australian National Anthem.

The display of children's art work demonstrated how perceptive and sensitive young people are to the devastation of war. Well done to the children and to the teachers who have inspired their students.

During my teaching career it was always apparent how respectful and understanding children were when discussing the personal impact of war.

Apart from the hall receiving a spring clean and the recently completed exterior painting, a new sign 'Tuatapere RSA Memorial Hall' is now in place.

The hall and the memorial library (also recently painted) looked very tidy and attractive and are local landmarks of which we can be proud. Thanks must go to Wayne Edgerton for the new library sign!

The parking area on Main Street is looking neater as it has been recently re-surfaced.

The Board were saddened to hear of the death of past District Mayor Frana Cardno and would like to acknowledge the positive impact Frana had in her 21 years as Mayor.

It was an outstanding commitment, especially in a personal way, as she balanced a devotion to her family and a tireless energy in being a strong advocate for the Southland community.

Anne Horrell

Community Notice Board:

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Editor-Loretta.



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The April period saw a continuation from March with two more reported incidents of Unlawful Hunting on private farms, one in the Lillburn Valley which featured in an article in the Southland Times on poaching and a second incident in the Blackmount area. Following on from investigation into an incident involving unlawful hunting in the Lillburn area on two other properties in March involving the killing of two domestic pigs, Tuatapere Police assisted by Invercargill Police executed search warrants at two addresses in Invercargill seizing firearms and pork. Two Invercargill men have been arrested and charged with two charges of Unlawful Hunting and two charges of Theft of Animals.

There has been a range of offending both criminal and traffic occurring or reported over the April period. In the Rowallan area theft of building materials timber and iron was reported from a private hut in the Rowallan forest. In the Orepuki area a vehicle was intentionally damaged while parked outside the Orepuki tavern. Two holiday homes have been targeted with theft and burglary with property stolen including timber, a lawnmower and a chainsaw. A rural property outside Orepuki has also been the target of further fuel theft involving petrol from storage drums on the property. Police also dealt with two youths in the Orepuki area who were involved in an altercation on private property which has resulted in both being warned for the incident.

In Tuatapere a property was targeted with a rock thrown through a window. Two letter boxes were stolen from a rural property on the Otatau – Tuatapere road-the initial letter box over Anzac weekend followed by its replacement letter box over the following week. The theft of a recently shot stags head was reported to Police from a property in Tuatapere. The stolen item was returned to the owner and two offenders were spoken to. A youth involved was warned and the adult co offender was arrested and released on a pre charge warning. Police were called by a home owner in Otatau after he disturbed two offenders attempting to carry out a burglary at his house. Police located and arrested the two offenders, both from Invercargill in a vehicle a short time later. Stolen property was located in the vehicle and inquiries established that the offenders had been in Tuatapere earlier in the evening and carried out two burglaries at two neighbouring dwellings, stealing motorcycle equipment and fuel from garages on the properties.

Police executed a search warrant at an address in Tuatapere in relation to Cannabis offending, two men were arrested for offending involving possession and cultivation of cannabis. Two firearms were also removed from one of the arrested men's vehicle visiting the address. While he had a firearms licence his suitability is now under review. This situation is a valuable reminder to those of you who hold firearms licences, if you become involved in criminal offending you run the risk of losing your licence and opportunities to be involved in activities involving firearms. For many this is a significant impact on their recreational pastimes so the obvious solution is don't get involved in things you shouldn't. In a separate matter a 17 year old Otatau man was arrested for Possession of Cannabis after he was spoken to and a search done of the vehicle he was travelling in at a roadside alcohol checkpoint in Tuatapere.

In relation to traffic matters Police dealt with three vehicle crashes during April, one in Orepuki at the entrance to Gemstone beach where a vehicle leaving the carpark failed to observe an oncoming motorist resulting in both vehicles colliding. One of the drivers was taken to hospital for treatment to minor injuries. A tourist camper van got into trouble near Clifden and lost control crashing off the road and through a farm fence, both occupants escaped without injury. A third crash occurred in the Merrivale area involving two vehicles, a car received minor damage from a passing agricultural contracting truck. The mother of a young child was issued with an instant fine after her unrestrained two year old fell out the window of her moving vehicle while engaged in farm related activities. This situation is a salient reminder that young children can be unpredictable and you need to ensure they are adequately restrained in a vehicle even in situations that you would not consider normal road driving. A Tuatapere man has been charged with breaching his Zero Alcohol Licence after being located drink driving.

Police have also received a complaint from the Public regarding teenagers in Tuatapere riding their bikes down the footpath and not being respectful of other pedestrians on the footpath. While we don't enforce it due to potential safety issues with young children riding on the road, there is a \$55 instant fine that can be issued for riding your bike on the footpath instead of the road. If we do receive complaints offenders may find themselves receiving fines. If you are riding the footpath on a bike remember that the person walking on the footpath has the use of the path and you need to ride around them rather than dominating the footpath.

In lost and found a large 60mm water intake hose similar to what you might use for a portable water pump was located on Papatotara Coast road and handed into Police. A Garmin GPS was reported lost in the Rowallan area. A ladies/girls pink & grey coloured mountain bike fell off a vehicle near the gemstone beach. If anyone has come across these lost items they can be handed into police as we have the owner's details for return of their property.

Graham Parsons,

Tuatapere Police

**ATTENTION ALL COMMUNITY
GROUPS**

We would like the community groups of Tuatapere to send us an update of what's been happening with them. It will also be a great way to get the word out to what we have around the community to the new families that don't know the area,

Really hope to hear from anyone for June's Edition, Loretta.

Welcome to Target Shooting in

Southland

The Southland association is made up of five districts, Southern, Invercargill, Northern, Eastern and Western. The Western district has two clubs, Nightcaps and Tuatapere.

All Clubs run through the winter months usually starting about the middle of April and have available gear that the beginner can use, along with people who are willing to coach you and lead you through your first shot or get you set up if you haven't shot for a while. Nightcaps meet on a Monday night and the contact person is Raeleen Sinclair 2257834, and Tuatapere meet on a Wednesday night and the contact person is Kevin Daly 032345162 or Quinton Erskine 2266969.



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1. Leave it as is. On Christmas Eve.
2. Have our parade on the 23rd of December, one day before Rivertons parade.
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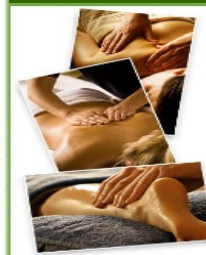
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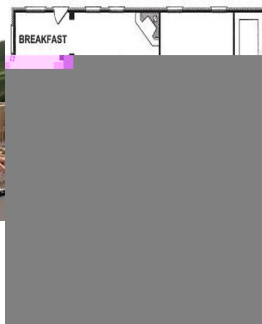
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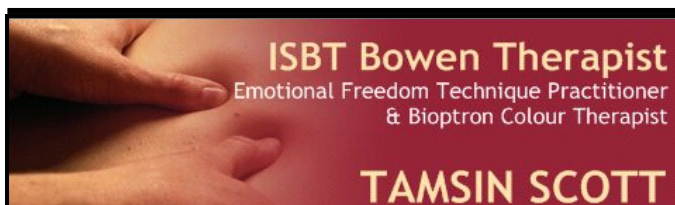


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The Ministry of Health is concerned about a recent measles epidemic in the USA, and potential threat of it spreading to New Zealand. The ministry is encouraging all people between the age of 10 and 29 years to ensure they are properly vaccinated with two vaccinations. If you are not sure of your vaccination status please phone a nurse to discuss.

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We quite often get asked about shingles vaccine. Zostavax is the vaccine for this and is **recommended but not funded** for adults aged 50 years and over, regardless of a known history of chicken pox. Please feel free to discuss with the nurse whether this is suitable for you. This is one of the most expensive vaccines, and is not subsidised. The cost is \$245.00.

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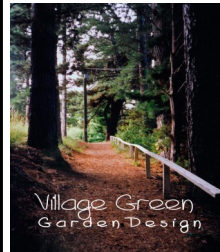
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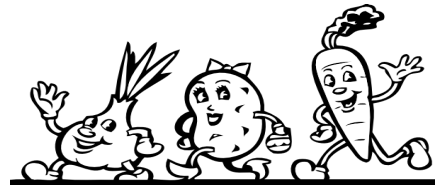
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The Committee of the Tuatapere Community Garden would like to let the Community know that things are happening behind the scenes. It does seem to be taking a while to get things going but good things take time.



We have applied for a grant to get equipment to help at the garden and are waiting to hear if we have been successful.

We would like to thank Mr Steel for cutting up the water tanks which will eventually be placed strategically around the plot and planted out. Thanks to the people that donated the tanks and if anyone else has anything they think would be useful just drop it off at the section. This would be greatly appreciated.



Also a big thankyou to Val Withers for supplying the sheep that are grazing the section, also to the ladies and gentlemen that have sprayed, built and painted at the site. Things are looking nice and bright.

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TUATAPERE GOLF CLUB NEWS

Welcome to our update to keep the community informed about what's happening at the club.

Men: If you are interested in playing competition the men's is on Saturday's teeing off at 1pm, for more info ring C Flynn 2255230. Mens Monthly Winners: 28 March: Phil Erskine, and then again with a very successful few weeks Monthly Medal winner Phil Erskine, 11th April: M Ottley, 18th April: G Ridder, 25th April: W Laurie & 2nd May: W Laurie.

Women: Carol Erskine is our Club Captain if you are interested in playing or would like to know more about golf give Carol a buzz 2266602. Ladies Monthly Winner: 18th March: C Erskine, 25th March: C Erskine, 1st April LGU Winner: D Fowle, 15th April: W Knowler, 22nd April: C O'Brien, 29th April: No Golf, 6th May LGU Winner: L Chambers.

Coaching: Scott the Pro at Invercargill Golf Club is returning to give lessons to our members in May, this is also offer to new & juniors so if your child or yourself is interested give Debbie a call 2255052.

Also our club rooms have recently under gone renovations and look awesome, we would be happy to hire them out for functions for more information phone our President Peter Gow: 2255003

Congratulations: to our member Graham & new wife Michele Ridder who were recently married at the club making use of the course and clubhouse (which looked wonderful) an awesome day all the best for the future. If you are interested in hiring out the clubrooms for a function give our President Peter Gow a call.

March has been an extremely busy month in our club with lots in the programme here's the results.

Visit to Queens Park: This is an annual event and this year was held at the Queen's Park Course, our club had a great turn out but Peter Gow, Walter Clarke, Jane Norman & Jon Bennett were the only winners on the day, well done guys. So the Shield stays their until next year!

Laing Shield: Our club challenged on Sat 28th but was not to be the team managed a draw which means the trophy stays at Tokanui for another month. They put up a great challenge on behalf of the club and were extremely close matches. Paul Maloney, Nigel Fowle & Jon Bennett winning their matches, with Doug Erskine, Colin Flynn & Phil Erskine losing their's but very close.

Men's 27 Hole Tournament: This was held on the 29th March with 36 entries, the weather played it's part. It was a great day with the course looking fantastic. Winners on the day were 1st: Phil Erskine, 2nd Chris Boyce (Queens Park) & 3rd Zack Fowle.

Ladies 27 Hole Tournament: This was held on the 9th April with a field of 31. The weather, course, food once again was outstanding. Best net: Angela Gerken (Queens Park), Best Local Net: Lynda Fountain. Well done to the players and everyone who helped out on the day.

Club Champs: Finals for the men were held on Saturday the 11th April. Senior: Paul Maloney won to Rohan Knowler, Intermediate: Doug Erskine won to Phil Erskine, Junior A: Nigel McLellan won to Colin Flynn, Junior B: Trev Phillips won to Andrew Lord, congratulations to all the trophy winner. The Women are still completing theirs let you know results



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TUATAPERES GREATEST MILESTONE by Edith E Miller

Tuatapere celebrates its first one hundred years
So lift your glass and have a drink; remember to say "cheers"
Built on solid rock formation by pioneers who passed this way
It came from little hole in bush to what it is today
The story of this little place is full of ups and downs
Who should have the accolades and who should wear the crowns
The Railway and the Saw Mills I think will pass the test
To bring us all prosperity they truly did their best
The Railway now has done its dash; it helped us on the way
We have still got a Water Tank and Station here to stay
One thing we remember is good old Railway Row
Jacksons, Baldwins, Tanners all made the whistle blow
We had sawmills up the Alton, the Groveburn and the beach
One tucked in behind the town, with Happy Valley still in reach
Dean Forest was community with sawmill all its own
Then Dixon joined with Evans and now in our town has grown
Although we're miles from anywhere, we're never short of beer
There's doctors, nurses, ambulance, that seem to be right here
We've had visits from the dentist, the physio came too
The lawyers and accountants all proved what they could do
We used to have a traffic cop who popped in now and again
But now they seem to live here, and they don't tell you 'when'
Tuatapere has been moulded by four great 'Copper' men
McCulloch, Skippy, Hibbs and Tong, but I've lost track since then
It was Dr Gillies, Dr Dodds, then Dr Elder held the fort
He tended us for 50 years, he called at every port
Danie and then Clem were next, we bid them fond farewell
Now they seem to come and go, but Sue, you beat the bell
We've had many nurses and many midwives too
But none that was more versatile than Bev Pratt was with you
The Trust has been tremendous, we give thanks for their care
Jack Munro was good Samaritan, no better anywhere
McClymont was the chemist, with his shop beside the Bank
Then he moved to shoe shop before John Fraser said 'I Thank'
John later built his own shop, now it's so full of gifts

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While he is now in Riverton, prescriptions he still sifts
We recognise the councillors, Steve was before our Jack
Then Thwaites and Ashcroft had a go, before Anne had a crack
Now George is quite a Harpur, so I guess he'll get things done
Promotions could be going Gray, but Ngarita holds the gun.
Hinchcliff had the Bakery till Don and George came down
Then they surprised the daily bread and sold pies around the town
They seemed to know the adjectives that fitted with each noun
Had the Bakery been a Kingdom they would both have worn a crown
McLeod Bros owned the Tearooms, and Eva did her best
To keep them running smoothly until Blossom passed the test
That little kitchen out the back, was quite a meeting place
So many hearts were lost or won if they couldn't make the pace
The first Pub that was in the town was by the river way out "West"
Then they built a new one and put it to the test
The first time I was in this Pub, Bruce Brooks was not here long
Skippy bet us he wouldn't shout, Johnnie Walker proved him wrong
Next the pub was full of LOVE; Bill shouted night and day
Then George Harpur took it on before Pam and Dave McNay
Quinton Donnelly is the new man, I haven't met him yet
But Quinton I must warn you Skippy's not here now to bet
Charlton sold to Cameron and Finn, who with Langmuir's made a pair
'Til Ivan Bocket was so Smart, and opened up Four Square
Murray Dowling beats them all, Motels, Backpackers too,
Super Market Restaurant, what a BAA for you
The Sausage Capital of the Town has had a real sex change
Prendiville, Brown and Henderson, leave the girls to re-arrange
The Dairy too has filled the bill, I go back to Mrs Dewe
Then Lex and Betty had a swing, now others follow through

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