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Issue 259

At a glance ... what events are on this month?

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAIURDAY	SUNDAY
	1	AGM - Tuatapere RSA/Armed Services Memorial Bursary Trust 7:30pm Tuatapere RSA Hall	3	4		6 n & Heritage Trust Sale 10am - 4pm
7	8	9	Otautau Museum & Heritage Trust Annual Book Sale 10am - 4pm	11	Tuatapere Community Market- The Shed at the Well 10-1pm Otautau Museum & Heritage Trust Annual Book Sale 10am - 4pm	13 AGM - Southland Locator Beacon / Charitable Trust 7:30pm Tuatapere Fire Brigade Hall
14 The Future of the Bushmans Museum Meeting 7:30pm WTCC	15	16	17 Quiz Night Cancer Society Fundraiser - 7:30pm Orepuki Tavern Otautau Museum & Heritage Trust Annual Book Sale 10am - 4pm	18	Otautau Museum & Heritage Trust Annual Book Sale 10am - 4pm	Deadline for WW August Issue content
21	22	23	24	Cancer Society Daffodil Day Stall Outside 4 Square 10am - 4pm	26	27
AGMs for Tuatapere Community Medical Services Trust & Waiau Health Trust Ltd - 7pm Day Activities Room Medical Centre		30	31	1	2	3
	Coming	Waiau Community Theatre Show 1-2 September 7:30pm Waiau Area School Hall				

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QUIZ NIGHT

Thursday 17th August
Orepuki Tavern
Commencing at 7:30pm

Donations for the raffle table would be greatly appreciated. We are hoping for a very successful fundraiser as this is the only one this year for the district.

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO





Daffodil Street Day

Friday, 25 August 10am - 4pm

Outside 4 Square - donated of food etc gratefully accepted!

Contact Isobel Green (03) 226 6065

ALL GOOD THINGS MUST COME TO AN FND ...

The Western Wanderer has been incredibly fortunate to have had a printing deal with Waiau Area School and their printing/photocopier supplier - formerly CSG, now Fujifilm. Phil, from Fujifilm has gone above and beyond each month printing our issues. We'd like to take this opportunity to thank Phil for everything he has done for us!

Unfortunately, due to many reasons, including a change of ownership, rising printing and paper costs our awesome local printing deal has come to an end. With it's demise comes a massive jump in costs to continue to produce the Western Wanderer in colour print each month.

The Western Wanderer Committee, together with the Tuatapere Promotions, are currently looking at various costing options to see if we can continue to produce the WW in its current form. Other factors being considered are the return to Black and White printing only, reducing the number of copies printed, promoting our online version that is always available to read online or download to read offline later, and using Social Media (Facebook) to help spread the link to the online version. We will keep you posted!

Just in case you didn't know, every issue (past and present) of the Western Wanderer is available to read/download online from:

https://www.onnaturesedge.co.nz/tuatapere/ community/western-wanderer/

Without the support and volunteer hours of a number of people and businesses the WW would not be able to be printed and/or delivered around the Tuatapere Te Waewae Community. So we'd like to thank Waiau Area School for their support, DTKings, Bonita (NZ Post), Coke, Karen, Paula and Nathalie for help with delivery drop offs. Many thanks to Myles at On Natures Edge for hosting the WW online.

We'd also like to take this opportunity to say a massive thank you to Eileen Forde (& family/friends) for delivering the WW to local letterboxes in Tuatapere for over two years now. We are extremely grateful for all the volunteer hours this has taken and you have been very much appreciated.

We are now looking for a volunteer(s) to take over from Eileen - please contact us at

yourwesternwanderer@gmail.com if you can help us out! It's great exercise once a month!

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

TUATAPERE PLAYGROUP

Tuatapere Playgroup welcomes all 0-5 year olds & their parents/ caregivers to come join the fun!

You'll find us at 23B Orawia Road, Tuatapere

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Friday mornings from **9:30am to 12:30pm.**Bring a packed morning tea and drink bottle.

We provide a warm, friendly atmosphere for children to form bonds and learn alongside each other and a place for parents to connect.

For more info message our Facebook page or contact Gemma on **022 040 3368**

CLIFDEN PLAYGROUP

45 Otahu Eastern Bush Road. Join our FB Group to check if it's on: Wednesday (during School Term) 9:30am - 12:30pm.

All mothers and children welcome.

Bring packed lunchbox for your child's morning tea.

Contact: Sarah 027 699 5234

TUATAPERE TOY LIBRARY

Tuatapere Toy Library has been a toy swap/hire service provided to the young families of Tuatapere and surrounding districts since 1989.

The purpose is to create opportunities for the little people of our community to have accessibility to toys.

A small contribution of an annual membership allows families to join the group and have access to the toys.

For more information or questions please text or ring Nathalie Pahl on 027 4759 075

TUATAPERE COMMUNITY MARKET

Second Saturday of the month. **10am - 1pm** In the Shed at The Well.

Please text **027 297 4767** to book a \$5 table

TUATAPERE AMBULANCE

Did YOU Know?

The Tuatapere Ambulance is a funded service by the Tuatapere Lions Club, for the residents of Tuatapere & Districts.

Should you receive an account for this service from St John, please forward it immediately to:

The Treasurer

Tuatapere Lions Club

PO Box 47

Tuatapere Sometimes

Sometimes we experience difficulty in receiving the invoices for YOUR trip - so PLEASE do forward them on to us. Thank you!

Tuatapere Lions Club Charitable Trust Ambulance Committee

WESTERN SOUTHLAND HEALTH SHUTTLE

The Western Southland Health Shuttle Service travels from Otautau, Ohai, Nightcaps, Tuatapere, Riverton - covering all of Western Southland. We also connect with the Invercargill-Dunedin shuttle.

The Western Southland Health Shuttle operates Monday - Friday (excluding Public Holidays).

Bookings are required by 3pm the day prior to transport.

Ph: 0800 103 046 to book.

Please book as soon as you receive your appointment.

TUATAPERE VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE

We're on the lookout for members to join this rewarding organization. We are looking for persons who are, ideally, available throughout the day.

If you think that you would like to try this (sometimes lifelong) commitment, then please feel free to come and try it!
We train on Tuesday nights at 7:30pm during daylight saving and 7pm through

the winter months.

We look forward to meeting with you.



COMMUNITY NOTICES & EVENTS

<u>Waiau Valley</u> <u>Presbyterian Church</u> <u>Tuatapere</u>

Main Road

We meet every Sunday at 10.30am

Need to know more?
Phone or message

Cedric on 022 027 3834

WESTERN SOUTHLAND CATHOLIC MASS

Held **Fridays** at **4.30pm** in the Anglican Church cnr Orawia Rd & Birch St Tuatapere.

We are a friendly, lively group of people and everyone is very welcome to join us especially those who are visiting the area.

Grateful thanks also to the Tuatapere Anglican Community for sharing their church facilities with us.

Fr Brendan Ward (Parish Priest)
Ph: 03 218 4123
basilica.invercargill@gmail.com
Fr Jaewoo Lee (Asst. Priest)
Text preferred - 027 309 422

Get your car washed, dried and windows cleaned. Price arranged on request!

Contact: Rex Hibbs Flat 1/26 Orawia Rd, Tuatapere





Once again it is August and Daffodil Day is on August 25th.

Unfortunately this year we are not having a quiz in Tuatapere (due to lack of support) but there is a fundraiser quiz being held at the Orepuki Tavern, 17 August at 7:30pm.

Thanks to our local Lions Club for their donation of \$2,000 plus two trailer loads of firewood - we will raffle one load and auction the other load at the Orepuki quiz night.

We have fresh daffodils - please order online (name & Tuatapere) or give me a call on (03) 226 6065 by August 4th.

Our **usual stall** will be outside the 4square on Friday, **August 25th** from **10am to 4pm**.

Any donations of food etc would be very much appreciated!

Thank you!

Isobel Green, Tuatapere Area Coordinator

CALLING ALL LOCAL COMMUNITY GROUPS SPORTS TEAMS / CODES ETC

It's free to advertise your local group, sporting team/code in the Western Wanderer! If you want to share the results of a game and/or tournament or celebrate the achievements of a team member or player - we can print that too! Email

yourwesternwanderer@gmail.com

by the 20th of the month prior & we'll also add any event notices to the Community Noticeboard for the next issue!

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20th of AUGUST (for the September Issue)

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Can you help with any of the above for our customers?

Many, many thanks for your support of the shop.

Contact Carol Diack 021 110 1835

KEEN FOR A GAME OR WANT TO LEARN CHESS?

Sundays 3-5pm at Last Light Lodge Gold coin donation appreciated! See you Sundays - just turn up!



WESTERN SOUTHLAND WOOL AND CRAFT GROUP

Spinning, Felt, Weaving, Knitting, Crochet.
Other crafts welcome!

1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month.

10am-3pm. \$5. BYO Lunch. Scout Den, Erskine Street.

For details please contact:

Helen Todd 022 103 9327

NEED A JP?

The following Justices are available by appointment:

Tuatapere - Keri Potter - 027 526 3137

Te Waewae Bay - Shirley Whyte - 027 504 5220

Blackmount - Nicky Baker - 027 643 5880

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WAIAU MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Library Hours: Fridays

10:00am - 11:30am

2:30pm - 4:00pm 7:00pm - 8:00pm



Tuatapere Community Pool

Please consider joining the committee or volunteering your services for the 2023/24 season.

President: Minessa 027 311 2112

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TUATAPERE COMMUNITY WORKER

Room 5/69A Orawia Road Tuatapere Medical Centre

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 10am to 3pm

Keri Potter **027 757 5983** Email: **tcworker@xtra.co.nz**



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Free legal information and advice for the community of Southland. 2nd Floor, Cue Building, 33 Don Street,

Invercargill. Phone (03) 214 3180

Freephone: 0800 550 800 (outside Invercargill city only)



COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

OTAUTAU MUSEUM AND HERITAGE TRUST ANNUAL BOOKSALE

Our annual booksale will be held in the Old Sunday School Hall (Otautau Connect) cnr Chester & Queen St on the following days in August.

Saturday 5th August, 10am - 4pm Sunday 6th August, 10am - 4pm

Thursday 10th August, 10am - 4pm

Saturday 12th August, 10am - 4pm

Thursday 17th August, 10am - 4pm

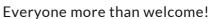
Saturday 19th August, 10am - 4pm.

Any enquiries please phone Robyn 027 338 6237.

There will be a sign on the corner of Main Street and Chester Street.

KEEN TO GIVE SQUASH A GO?

Great exercise & social time! We are practicing on Mondays.





Men - Sam Egerton 027 250 5477 or

Women - Rebecca Robertson 027 424 6129

INDOOR BOWLS

Waiau Town & Country Club Indoor Bowls are desperately needing more members weather your young or old it's a game for all. School kids also welcome!

Practice nights Mondays 7.30pm - be good to see some new faces! Full coaching provided. Please email jessejculbertson@icloud.com

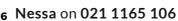
ORAWIA HALL - BOOTCAMP GROUP

Come along to our bootcamp to improve your fitness, strength and well-being.

It runs for 1 hour every Monday, Wednesday & Friday morning from 6am to 7am.

New people are always welcome.

Cost is \$5 per session - pay as you go! Contact: Kathy on 021 0811 6603 or



COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

TUATAPERE BUSHMANS MUSEUM

Question: Does the Bushmans Museum have a future??

Answer: That is entirely up to YOU!

Meeting to decide the future of The Bushmans Museum

Monday 14th August, 2023, 7.30pm at the

Waiau Town & Country Club, King Street, Tuatapere.

Hope to see you there!

AGM FOR TUATAPERE RSA & TUATAPERE ARMED SERVICES MEMORIAL BURSARY TRUST

The Tuatapere RSA and the Tuatapere Armed Services Memorial Bursary Trust AGM will be held on **Wednesday August 2** at **7:30pm** at the Tuatapere RSA rooms. Please ALL members attend. Thank you.

AGM FOR SOUTHLAND LOCATOR BEACONS LTD & SOUTHLAND LOCATOR BEACON CHARITABLE TRUST

The AGM for Southland Locator Beacons Ltd and Southland Locator Beacon Charitable Trust will be held on Sunday August 13th at 7:30pm at the Tuatapere Fire Brigade Hall. All supporters welcome!

AGM FOR TUATAPERE COMMUNITY MEDICAL SERVICES TRUST & WAIAU HEALTH TRUST LTD

The Annual General Meetings will be held on Monday, 28th August 2023 at 7:00pm for Tuatapere Community Medical Services Trust followed by Waiau Health Trust, at the Day Activities Room, Maternity Hospital, 69a Orawia Road, Tuatapere.

Trustee nominations are invited for the Tuatapere Community Medical Services Trust.

Please apply in writing by 11th August 2023 to PO Box 10, Tuatapere 9642 or to kristy@tuataperemedical.co.nz

SYD SLEE CHARITABLE TRUST

Applications are open from 1st - 31st October 2023. For our Application Form and Information Guide Sheet please email ssctrust17@gmail.com
Nicky Baker, Secretary, Syd Slee Charitable Trust

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If you need a ride - we can pick you up! Please contact:

Olive Bennett **(03) 2266 477** or Alison Bennett **027 224 2724**

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TUATAPERE CHRISTMAS PARADE

We are only a little over four months until our famous Annual Christmas Parade in the Domain and it's going to be awesome. Let's make this one bigger and better than last year! Put your thinking caps on for Floats, cars tractors trucks ANYTHING with wheels or hooves!!

We will have the Chocolate Wheel there again, a lollie scramble, Santa and presents, Music, Sausage Sizzle, Good Mood Food and of course, Coffee!

We need someone to do face painting & we need some mums & dads to runs some games for the children - running races, bag races, egg & spoon races! Please get in touch with John Munro 027 412 2925

8 if you want to come and run something!

Waiau Community Theatre

A.S.

The Waiau Community Theatre Players and Singers are looking forward to our production for 2023, which involves an evening of great variety.

You will be entertained by familiar locals performing a murder play, hilarious short skits and great singing.

The production dates are **Friday 1st September** and **Saturday, 2nd September** starting at 7.30pm at Waiau Area School Hall.

Bookings Open at Waiau Area School Office: Wednesday 16th August 9am-3.30pm

Ticket Prices:

Adults \$30.00 School Students: \$15.00

Enjoy a delicious country supper and refreshments along with the show. Get a group together for a fun night out!

Enquiries: Anne Horrell 021 216 9808 or

Helen McLean 027 220 6005

MONOWAI - 100 YEAR CENTENARY

Merrill Laurence, Mountain Edge Cabins

In May 2025 Monowai will celebrate their 100 year centenary along with the power station. The residents of the village are planning a celebration.

I am looking to find people who have had an association with the village in their younger years etc.

The history of the camp is a little sketchy especially how and when the camp came about. I would be particularly interested in old photos and stories.

Our celebration will be open to anyone who wants to come along but at this stage I'm just looking to gather information.

Over the years many people have popped in to the camp telling me their dad/uncle etc worked here, I only wish I'd taken their details!

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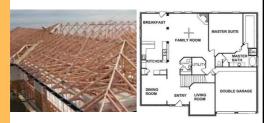
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Agri-Kids: The 3 Western Girls Sierra Bennett, Elly Hurley and Sophie Parris

After competing in the Agri-kids Otago/Southland Regional final in Middlemarch on the 25th of March, we took home first place and a spot at the nationals in Timaru.

In the lead up to the grand final we were supported by many people in our community to learn lots of new things about farming from motorbikes, allflex automation, fertiliser, Fonterra, insurance, fencing, planting and lots of general knowledge.

We participated in the region-off challenge which saw us contributing in many different ways to the community through gardening, a meal for the senior citizens and a delivery of meals to some of our elderly residents that live alone and caretaking.

Fast forward to the 6th of July and we headed to Timaru. We met with all the competitors and along with all representatives for the Otago/Southland region walked in the grand parade through the main st of Timaru to the sound shell in Caroline Bay where they held an opening ceremony and all the teams were introduced.

The next day we all met at Winchester Showgrounds at 8:15am and at 9 the competition started. We competed in a general knowledge quiz, a race-off which included matching pigs to breeds, cuts of wool to part of sheep, creating a bird scarer, grading potatoes, throwing eggs, carving a bushbuck logo into a swede and saddling a pony. We then went through 7 modules of 10 minutes each all related to agricultural things. The modules included a bit of tractor driving with GPS tracking, Fire & Emergency challenges & questions, planting maize, safely loading a motorbike with appropriate gear and weight loading for a planned day, secure fencing, weeds & pests.

We all had a good feeling about our results but it was really hard to tell how anyone of the other 20 teams had done! That night we were eager to hear the results. Along with watching the top five Junior Young Farmer teams go head to head in a quiz and the seven Young Farmer of the Year contestants speeches we had the prizegiving.

"And second place is ...

THE THREE WESTERN GIRLS!"

We were so proud and thrilled to receive second and for our school mates Southern Boys to get third made it even more exciting. Our first time and we went out with a second was awesome! What an experience and what an opportunity.

The biggest thank you to all of our family, friends and our supporters. To our wonderful sponsors thanks so much for believing in us, dressing us and helping us get there:

NZ Adventures
Takitimu Ag
Clifden Rural Women
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Photos: Top left: With our prizes;

Top right: Working hard at the modules; and Bottom: The 3 Western Girls in the parade.



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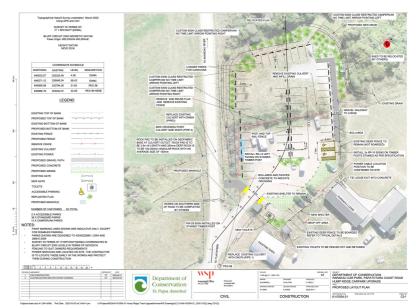
Hump Ridge Great Walk Project – Rarakau carpark is currently closed

Kia ora! We want to share that the construction work has begun on the redevelopment and upgrade of the Rarakau carpark. As you can see from the design layout plan (see Image 1) the parking area is being expanded to allow more parking spaces, and spaces for different types of vehicles. Also among the improvements is the installation of a twin cubicle Norski toilet, a new shelter and fencing.

The contractors started their construction work on 11 July and are expected to be onsite for 9 weeks. The carpark is closed to all users while the work is taking place. Alternative car parking is available and identified along the edge of the road towards the track entrance. The helicopter operations area that was in the rear part of the carpark has been moved into the paddock across the road from the carpark.

The contractor will be using heavy earthmoving equipment and there will be increased traffic volume on Papatotara Coast Road and around Rarakau car park for the duration of construction works. For road users, the road culvert is also being replaced so there may be delays or closures of the road at times. The contractor will attempt to keep one lane open at all times.

All going well, the carpark should be ready to open towards the end of September. We will update you on the progress of the upgrade and when it is completed. For more information or ask questions, please contact the team via https://example.com/humpRidgeGWP@doc.govt.nz.



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Funding options available for community projects:

Southland District Council has a variety of funding options available to assist community projects and initiatives.

More information can be found in the Council or the Community and facilities section on our website www.southlanddc.govt.nz

The Community Partnership Fund is administered by our nine community boards. Applications closing on 31 August are for the Northern, Oraka Aparima, Tuatapere Te Waewae and Wallace Takitimu community board areas. Applications closing on 30 September 2023 are for the Oreti, Ardlussa and Fiordland community board areas. Applications for Waihopai Toetoe community board close 15 September with Stewart Island/ Rakiura community board applications closing on 31 October.

Applications for the following funding options all close on 30 September:

- For projects of a larger scale which benefit for the whole region, or at least two community board areas, the District initiatives Fund supports the development and implementation of initiatives
- Local arts initiatives can benefit from Creative Communities funding, while the Ohai Railway Fund provides grants and loans for the benefit of the residents of the former board area
- Junior school and club sports teams (children age 5-18) could be eligible for the Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund to help subsidise transport costs to games when competing regularly in a local competition.

Application forms and criteria are available at www.southlanddc.govt.nz/cpf

Nominations are now open for the annual Southland District

Nominations now open!



Council community service awards

Designed to recognise outstanding contributions, it's a fantastic opportunity to honour and celebrate those people in our communities who truly go the extra mile to make a difference.

Community members may nominate an individual or group who have provided a significant contribution to their community board area through leadership, volunteering, or community service.

Nominess contributions could be in the education, youth, health, sport, heritage, art, culture, environment.

Nominations close on 30 September 2023. Southland's nine community boards will then consider any nominations received and allocate up to two community service awards from their respective areas.

Nomination forms are available from SDC offices or online at: www.southlanddc.govt.nz/community-and-facilities/community-service-awards/



Anne Horrell, Chairperson Contact: 021 216 9808 Email: altonlea.horrells@xtra.co.nz

As usual, we have reason to celebrate the great things happening in our community:

- Hauroko Valley Primary Superstar
 'Agrikids' who achieved amazing results at
 a National Level. Congratulations Sierra,
 Elly and Sophie (2nd place) and Oliver,
 Tomas and Sam (3rd place), as well as
 Tomas being awarded 'Contestant of the
 Year'.
- 'Lean on a Gate; Talk to a Mate'. Thank you Lynley and Terry for hosting this worthwhile event at 'The Shed' promoting mental health in our community.
- Carol Diack's 'Pop up Shop' with pre-loved items (laundered and beautifully presented) are sold at minimal cost with proceeds to the Tuatapere Presbyterian Church.
- Suzi Best -l ocal historian of Central and Western Murihiku Southland Archive - a volunteer generously preserving local history.
- Donna Harpur-Swain- an ex- local girl, educated at Waiau College and now residing at Lake Hayes, has achieved success with recent prestigious real estate awards.
- Our heritage orchard has received some TLC with a good pruning by Robyn Guyton, Dylan Graves and other wonderful people. Thank you!
- Hungry Hippo's 'new look' is great.
 Congratulations Jeet and Vipi!

Community Board news includes:

Requests for Service (RFS 0800732732).
 A follow-up has been re-installation of rugby posts at Hirstfield Domain at Orepuki. Thank you Alistair for your vigilance with this! Speed bumps have also been re-installed on Elder Drive.

- Monowai Village have recently lost a treasured community member -Peter Murdoch - who looked after the water supply and did regular community mowing for many years. Condolences to Peter's family and friends. Thank you to Neil Wohlers and the Monowai Village Services Society members who continue to look after and take pride in their special village, all on a voluntary basis.
- The Poisoned Trees at the Ivan Hansen Park block have been removed in a tidy, considerate way. There is very little profitable timber. However, the plot will be spread with chip as mulch. A line of Japanese Cypress trees at the edge of the block are remaining as a shelter for neighbouring gardeners.
- A Combined Meeting of representatives from the Community Board, Southland District Council, Domain Board, Rugby Club and Southland District Council staff (with a written contribution from local Police) took place. The purpose was to address the ongoing issue of vandalism to buildings and turf at the main Domain grounds. It was decided that a unified approach is best. A plan is in place to 1) improve the CCTV quality so that number plates are more identifiable and, if this does not help the situation, then 2) a locked gate will be installed for use during night hours.
- The Tuatapere Te Wae Wae Community Board Community Partnership Fund applications close 31 August, 2023 (available from SDC website).
- Community Board Meeting 8th August
 3.30pm at Waiau Town & Country Club.



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Kia ora Western Wanderer Readers!

Room 1

We have been celebrating our wonderful support staff. We appreciate you all so much and thank you for being important members of our classroom. You help us and

our teachers in so many ways.

Thank you Miss Karen for keeping our classroom lovely and clean,

Mr Warwick for fixing everything at our school and for always being kind to us, Miss Charmaine for being the best office manager ever, we love sharing our work with you, you make us feel really special every day. Mrs PB for helping us in Early Words and in the classroom - you are always so patient and kind and we always feel safe with you. Mrs Stanning for helping us at Early Words and in the classroom. Mrs Bennett and Mrs Cleaver would never cope without you and you help us be the best we can be. We love your smiley face and your yummy cuddles.







Hi from Room 2!

The year is flying by, Term 2 was full of awesome moments and were looking forward to some more for term 3. We had an amazing time at Camp Columba, and competed hard in cross country. We really put the effort in and it showed on the day.

Turning our eyes to term 3 we are looking forward to working on our number strategies, school production and learning about our native animals and pests in New Zealand.







Room 3

Kia ora from Room 3. Term 2 sure was another busy one. A quick highlight reel of Term 2 includes learning about Polynesian Navigation and Mahinga Kai, learning about Healthy Hearts with Yvette which involved a trip to the 4 Square to do some label reading (thanks heaps team for accomodating us), putting in an awesome effort to train and participate in cross country and an epic Camp Columba trip!











Room 4

Room 4 has had a very busy term. We have been learning about careers and preparing our speeches. Southland Cycling also came to teach us important skills needed for riding on the roads. To finish the term we went to Camp Columba at Pukerau. This camp was fantastic. Students were testing their confidence and their ability to support friends on a variety of challenges.

We were lucky enough to have Mr McLelland teach at the end of term to support the careers unit. In Hard materials, we saw the class making a foldable chair and an egg holder.





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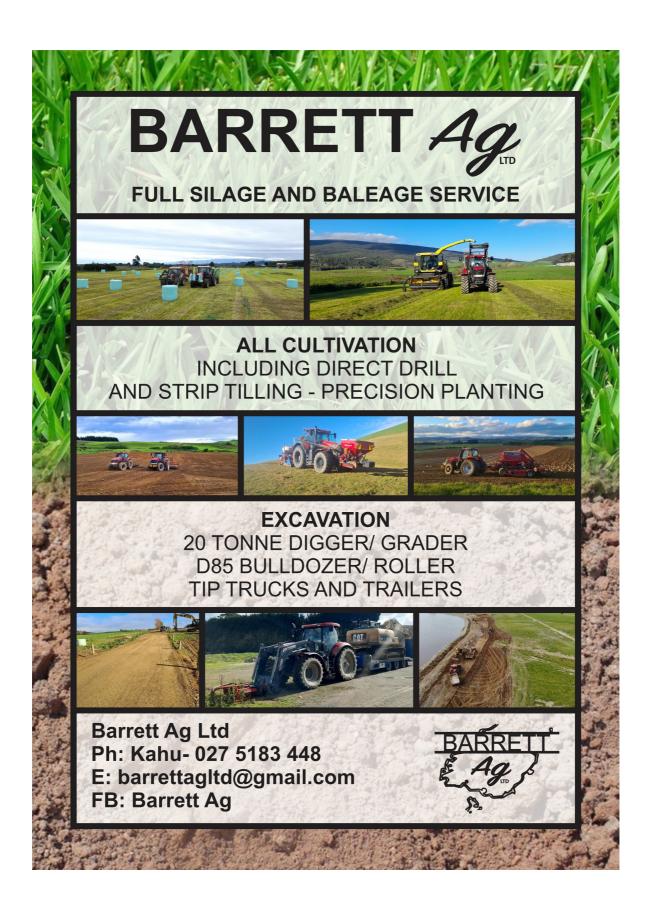
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IN & AROUND THE COMMUNITY

Tuatapere Reserve Pest Control Group

The Tuatapere Reserve Pest Control Group had another public meeting on Sunday 16th at the Country Club. Quick updates on progress with SDC and DOC were that we are in patience mode after sending through our completed Project Plan and Health & Safety Plan. Then on to an informative and interesting talk by committee member Tony Shore on mokomoko (lizards) with an emphasis on geckos. He has many years of experience researching, breeding, and releasing geckos mostly in the North Island. A synopsis of his talk is that generally reptiles are quite sparse in Southland. The southern grass skink could be present in the Alps (higher country) near Tui and the green skink could be found anywhere (backyards and in remnant bush). Bearing this in mind means preserving habitat suitable for reptiles (native bushes, large grasses, stone/rock piles, and rotting logs) and resisting the spraying of herbicides and other poisons. Tony has seen Australian whistling tadpoles around 1400m near Tui and 2 species of green geckos could be here in the Domain or other places with native plants; the Jewelled gecko and the Korero gecko. About 200 hundred pairs are necessary for a stable population. A female may inhabit 1 cubic metre, but a male would be 10 times this amount. We have much to gain from reducing the predator burden in the Domain Reserve areas. So far no sightings in iNaturalist for the greater Tuatapere area. Keep an eye out and snap a photo if you see one!



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LOCAL HISTORY - SPECIAL FEATURE

Sent in by George Charlton

The following article was published in the Southland Times, 3rd December 1963

Wingy Henderson: Hauroko Hermit

Joe Henderson, who in December 1963, was 64 years old had lived at Hauroko for over 20 years; from 1940. He was born in Gore in 1899.

A one-armed angular figure, Joe had lost his left arm in a deer stalking accident in 1932. He was 33 years old at the time and was married with a family of five boys and two girls. He was an individualist; wounded in France with the 14th reinforcements during World War 1. From the time he was six he had a rifle and was a marksman. From shepherding to a gardening job in Invercargill he then moved to Hauroko, judging it to have the best commercial hunting prospects (deer and possums). With rifle, ammunition, seeds, a few provisions and a five pound axe Joe settled into the area. There, without nails, he built his bunk houses, cookhouse and wigwam; 22 feet high and 18 feet across to be used as an all- weather fireplace burning manuka and rushes. He put in a vegetable garden and built a 10 foot high fence around the establishment to keep out deer and pigs. Sometimes he shot 20 deer a day; skins were dried and packed out. Joe cleared 500 pounds to 600 pounds a year; this with only one arm. In isolation he showed how "I can dig as fast as you can friend so why should I lie down?"

He had a 16 foot boat with a 4 HP outboard motor. He tied himself to the oars so he could use them to skin animals. Joe adopted a battery clip to make up for his lost arm. He considered daylight to be so valuable that he sometimes tramped the 10 hours back from Tuatapere by night. To him it was all a challenge. There were rewards in the birdlife and vegetation. There was the thrill of seeing gold's fleeting colour in the Hay River and in treading the giant diamond shaped slip of Oblong Hill.

Joe also built a hut on Dean Hill 10 times better than the hut at Hauroko with the advent of the new road. When it was suggested he might maintain the road he said "Now there's a job I'd like!"

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Also wishing Wendy and Jason all the best for their new venture in the Boundary Creek General Store.

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We wish the new owner of our building all the best.

Thank you once again! **Paul and Judy**

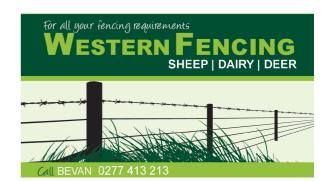


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Welcome back to school and Term 3. Nothing beats having our tāmariki fill our kura with their vibrance!

To start the July holidays our two AgriKids teams headed to represent Otago/Southland at the 2023 National Young Farmers Grand Final in Timaru. Their Term 2 was exceptionally busy, as they spent considerable time increasing their knowledge and skills in preparation for a range of challenges. Supporting each learner was their family - thank you siblings and especially Mums and Dads! Thank you to those people that offered their time and expertise to support upskilling our teams. How lucky are we to live in such a supportive community? Thank you to each of our sponsors, whose generosity made it possible.

At the championship, our students competed head to head with 30 teams from throughout Aotearoa. They had to complete a race-off, with a variety of fabric, and fiber modules, and an agriculture quiz, while also ensuring well-presented attire and high standards of conduct throughout the competition.

Our students showed a tremendous amount of determination, diligence, and teamwork with strategic approaches to problem solve and complete tasks. The results included 2nd place = "The 3 Western Girls" - Elly, Sophie & Sierra with 3rd place = "Southern Boys" - Oliver, Sam & Tomas. Congratulations to each of our learners for their achievements! We are phenomenally proud of these exceptional results. Well done to Tomas who was named overall AgriKids Contestant of the Year - what absolutely outstanding performance!









We are delighted to have been involved in designing for our communities' flags to showcase local special features. Well done to Sophie, a Year 8 at HVP in 2022 whose art features on the flags for all to admire, what our place has to offer. It gives our school great pride to be part of initiatives for our people and place.



This Term we spend time learning poems to recite as part of our Year 1-3 Poetry Presentations. It is enjoyable seeing our learners develop their confidence in memorization, voice - pace, expression, and eye contact.

Our Year 4-8 students prepare and present speeches on a topic of their choosing. Several students excel at the crafting of their speeches, while others enjoy the performance or delivery, and some love both!

Term 3 is also a cultural celebration for us, as we head to the Miharo Murihiku Polyfest stage at the end of August. Our performance is at Stadium Southland from 11.20 am-11.40 am on Friday 25th. Save the date to share in our school's special performance.

We look forward to sharing more of our learning adventures with our Western Wanderer whanau soon!



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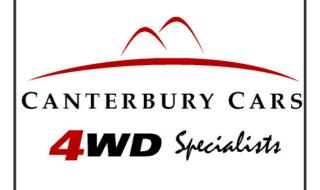
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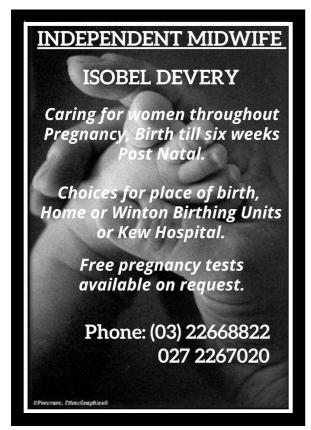
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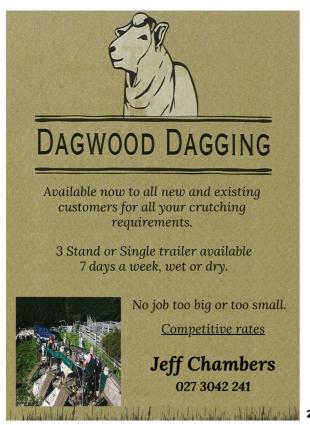
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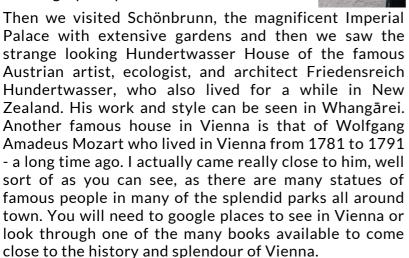
The Adventures of Charlton

Vienna! What a lovely city it is! So much history and so much to see. I hardly know where to start ... Wien (in the German language) is the capital city of Austria. It was

once and still is a grand city and the magnificent old buildings are still dictating the cityscape. cobblestone streets lined with thick-walled buildings; Horse drawn carriages and the sound of hoofs on the stone; you could easily think you are walking around in

another era, centuries ago.

I had the pleasure of seeing the wellgroomed horses of the Spanish Riding School performing. The school is located in the winter riding school of the Imperial Palace. It is the only school in the world to practice classical riding for over 450 years. It features the Lipizzaner horses, also known as the dancing white horses - they are sooo elegant looking as they walk around the arena, and I am told that only Stallions used these the are choreographed performances.



On the fun side, eating some of the food that comes from Vienna I managed to sample Sacher Torte - The famous Chocolate Cake, Wiener Schnitzel and of course Apple Strudel with lots of cream. I remember not feeling too good in the tummy after all that, I think too much of the chocolate cake was to blame!

We walked and walked for hours and then got on a bus to see more of the city, leaving Vienna for a bit of the countryside. The great river Danube runs through Vienna and not far from there through a valley; there we visited one of the many picturesque monasteries, the Melk Abbey.

I got really tired after all that much history and slept for most of the remainder of the tour, tucked away in the camera case. We left Vienna by plane and stopped over in Hong Kong on our way back to Australia. Another story to tell about another stunning city, although very different from those old cities in Europe ...



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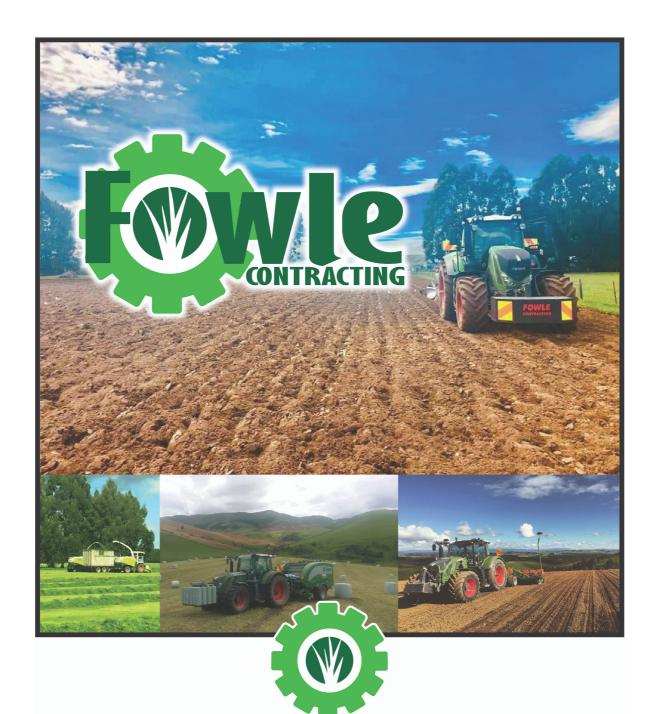
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We then supply guaranteedquality solid fertiliser for your pasture and crops, monitor production and other outcomes, and update your Plans as required.

It's free to talk so don't hestitate to give Tim a call. Phone 021 418 224



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HYDRAULIC FITTINGS & HOSES

We stock a good range of crimp on hydraulic fittings for agriculture hoses, we can also repair or make up new hoses.

WHITEBAITERS

The season is almost here so start thinking about getting those nets out and checking them. We have plenty of mesh and ulstron netting if you need to recover them or come in and pre order your nets now



RIFLES & SHOTGUNS

We have the following rifles in stock and will consider any reasonable offers

1 x 270 Mossberg 4x4

1 x 308 Mossberg 100ATR

1 x H & R .17 Mach 2 Single Shot

1 X 20Ga Escort Semi Auto Shotgun

HOURS

Monday to Friday 8.00am to 5.00pm