

WESTERN WANDERER

Colac Bay | Orepuki | Tuatapere | Clifden | Orawia | Blackmount | Monowai



IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

EMERGENCY

POLICE /FIRE/AMBULANCE: 111

MEDICAL CENTRE: (03) 2266 123

COMMUNITY WORKER:

027 757 5983

HAUROKO VALLEY SCHOOL:

(03) 2266 753

WAI AU AREA SCHOOL:

(03) 2266 285

TUATAPERE CEMETERY TRUST:

(03) 2266 065

CHAMBERS SERVICE STATION:

(03) 2266 654

TUATAPERE SERVICE STATION:

(03) 2266 475

TUATAPERE FOUR SQUARE:

(03) 2266 898

**TUATAPERE OUTDOORS &
HARDWARE:**

(03) 2266 363

*Photo Credit to Karen Lord
for this month's cover image
Sunset at Monkey Island*

We Want Your Photos!

Share your local area snaps with us
via Instagram or to the
"This is Tuatapere" Facebook page
and tag them with
#yourwesternwanderer

You can also email us a copy to
yourwesternwanderer@gmail.com

We'll choose one each month to feature
on the cover of the Western Wanderer!

Tuatapere & District Promotion Inc

Special thanks to



WAI AU AREA SCHOOL
Year 1-13 Education

Live to LEARN, LEARN to Live

for their support with the printing

Tuatapere & District Promotions Inc

Paula McKenzie, President

What happened to February ... ? And more importantly, what has happened in February?

Thanks everyone for the tremendous, positive feedback on the first WW edition for 2020. We have received some fantastic photos too. Please remember that it is landscape photos we are after - not people shots!

On another note we are always looking for ways to reduce costs (and our footprint). If you would like to receive the Western Wanderer via email instead of snail mail please contact us (yourwesternwanderer@gmail.com) with both your physical address (so that we can let the posties know) and, of course, your email.

Did you know that family and friends not in our delivery area can download a digital version (PDF) of the WW each month from:

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

It was lovely to see so many turn up for our first promotions meeting of the year and so lovely to have Ngarita back on deck after her nasty fall late last year. If you are keen on being involved with our merry little group give me a call. Paula 0274346777.

We will have more information in next month's issue on the projects that the Promotions group will be focusing on in the near future.

Have you got a community notice, event, fundraiser, or content/article you'd like to contribute for any of our monthly WW editions? **Let us know by the 20th of the month - yourwesternwanderer@gmail.com**

NEXT PROMOTIONS MEETING

Our next Promotions catch up is

Thursday 19th March, 7.30pm

at the Waiau Hotel

See you there!

TUATAPERE HANDYMAN SERVICES

- **Painting - Interior/Exterior**
- **Waterblasting**
- **Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning**
- **Spider & Fly Spraying**
- **General Repair Work**
- **Lawnmowing / Hedge Trimming / Weeding**

Barry Bennett

(03) 226 6730



Our Community Notice Board

125TH JUBILEE

The Hauroko Valley School and surrounding districts schools are celebrating 125 years this year. The committee will be meeting soon to put things in place for this celebration. We'll keep you all updated via the School's various communication options and via local news bulletins.

A few more on the committee would be awesome too so please get in touch if you can help in any way, even just supplying some info on the history of the schools would be great.

You can contact us at
haurokojubilee@gmail.com
 or message Nikki 027 506 2673.

TUATAPERE AMENITIES TRUST

The Tuatapere Amenities Trust has funded many projects that require repairs and maintenance but are very passionate about supporting new initiatives for our community.

Application forms are available and may be collected from Tuatapere Service Station, Chambers Garage and Tuatapere Outdoors and Hardware. Completed application forms need to be submitted by **30th April 2020**.

The Trust wish to remind applicants that funding for wages, administration and operational costs or retrospective funding will not be granted.

TUATAPERE RSA MEMORIAL BURSARY TRUST APPLICATIONS

Applications are open and available for pick up from the Health & Gift Shop at the Medical Centre in Tuatapere.

Applications close March 30th 2020 and the recipient will be notified before ANZAC day.

All enquiries to:
 John Munroe (03) 226 6341

WEEKLY EVENTS

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| Monday | Mainly Music |
| Tuesday | Fire Brigade Practice |
| Wednesday | Eastern Bush Playgroup |
| Thursday | Bowls Practice (beside Waiau Area School) Cards at WTCC Swimming Club Rugby Practice (starting March) |
| Friday | Tuatapere Playgroup |

Do you have a regular event happening in the district? Let us know so that we can add it here for you! Email us at yourwesternwanderer@gmail.com

WESTERN SOUTHLAND GUN CLUB

Duck Shooters Shoot

Sunday 5th April 11.00am

Pukemaori Grounds

Sponsored by CUSTOM GUNS

60 Targets \$45 Entry

Ammo Available with Firearms License

Good Prizes & Drawn Entry Prize

Inquires to D Chambers (03) 226 6655



THE BIRCHWOOD HUNT

The Birchwood Hunt will be hosting the South Island Hound Show and a week long of hunting **1 April- 5 April 2020**.

We will be based in Tuatapere for this week and camping on site at the Waiau Town & Country Club.



DO YOU LOVE TO READ?

We would love to include a book review or two every month in the Western Wanderer!

We're looking for short reviews, no more than half a page. Please include Book Title, Author, and your review with the name that you'd like to be included with the review.

Email your review by the 20th of the month to yourwesternwander@gmail.com

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WESTERN SOUTHLAND HEALTH SHUTTLE

A St John Health Shuttle service is available in your community to provide transport to Invercargill for health related appointments.

We travel 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 well rewarding organization.

Due to retirement and relocation of members, 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.



WESTERN WANDERER - DIGITAL VERSION (PDF)

Did you know that you can get a digital version of the Western Wanderer (including past issues too!)

Ideal for sharing with family & friends outside of the free delivery areas.

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<https://onnaturesedge.co.nz/>

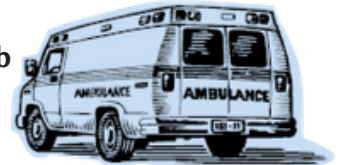
TUATAPERE AMBULANCE

Did YOU Know?

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

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**



At the moment St John have a new system in their Ambulances and we are experiencing some 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**

TUATAPERE & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB PROJECT

SUPER DIRT

Super dirt bags are now weighed so more in each bag!

\$8 per bag - ready for your garden!

Super dirt can be collected at
Cracks Yard

Grove Burn Road,
in the mornings Monday to Friday.

Weekends by arrangement.

Delivery by arrangement
but not guaranteed

Phone Trevor (03) 225 5864 or
Stephen (03) 226 6817



SENIOR CITIZENS

Senior Citizens is a group of over 60s that meet every Friday afternoon at 1pm at the rooms behind the RSA Hall.

We are always looking for new members so if you would like a fun afternoon playing bowls, cards or just catching up with friends, come and join the group.

Contact: Olive Bennett Ph (03) 2266 477

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T.P.C MARKET DAY

Where:

Tuatapere Presbyterian Church Hall

When:

Every 3rd Saturday of the Month!

Next Market Days

Saturday 21 March

Saturday 19 April

Book a table for \$5 - this helps build the maintenance fund for the church.

Contact: Jackie Howden (03) 225 5161
or Vicki Unahi (03) 226 6172

TUATAPERE ENVELOPES

Envelopes printed with the "Tuatapere on Natures Edge" Logo are now available again.

These can be purchased at
Country Corner Craft Shop
1A Orawia Road



Cost \$3.00 per 10

COUNTRY CORNER CRAFTS

CRAFT CENTRE "SUMMER HOURS"

10:00am - 4:00pm

Come in and browse and see what we have to offer. Hats, scarves, children's knitwear, cards, jewellery, woodware, sewing, jams, pickles, sauces, etc. Tuatapere souvenirs "On Natures Edge" logo are always available.

Is anyone interested in joining to sell their crafts? You are more than welcome to contact us.

If anyone wants to volunteer their time and work in the Craft Centre - let us know! It's a great way to meet people!

If you wish to view the shop and it is closed, please ring

Louise Greber (03) 668 6001 or

Lyla Sherriff (03) 226 6187

and they will open it for you.

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AN ECUMENICAL CHURCH SERVICE

for

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

will be held in the

Tuatapere Presbyterian Church

on

Friday 6th March at 10am

All welcome!

CATHOLIC MASS TIME CHANGE

In Tuatapere Catholic Mass is now at 5:00pm every Saturday evening at St George's Anglican Church, corner of Orawia Road and Birch Street.

All welcome! For those who want to make contact with our Parish Priest, please phone Fr Jacob on (03) 225 8158

TUATAPERE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - SUNDAY SERVICE

All Welcome! Come and join us!

Morning Service: 10:30am

Contact: Chris Howden (03) 225 5161

Church & Hall Bookings/Hire

Contact Vicky Unahi (03) 226 6528

SOUTHLIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Truro Street, Orepuki

We invite you to our 10am Sunday Services. Steve and I are credentialed Pastors.

We are available for weddings and funerals.

We are also available for support for those tough places in life that we face at times.

Please don't hesitate to call us:

Steve Calder 027 321 1108 or

Sharon 027 321 1109



WESTERN SOUTHLAND WOOLCRAFT GROUP

Spinning, Felt, Weaving, Knitting, Crochet
1st Wednesday of the month. 10am - 3pm.

Tuatapere Presbyterian Church Hall

Cost - \$2 BYO Lunch

Other crafts welcome!

For more information please contact

Helen Todd 022 378 9743

Our Community Notice Board

CALLING ALL LOCAL COMMUNITY GROUPS!

Share what's happening with your club, team, group, committee etc. with the Western Wanderer readers!
Need help putting something together? We can help! Send us an email:
yourwesternwanderer@gmail.com

CLIFDEN PLAYGROUP

45 Otahu Eastern Bush Road.
Every Wednesday 10am - 2pm.
All mothers and children welcome.
Bring something small for children's shared morning tea! Any queries to Lynley Patterson 027 429 7436

PUKEMAORI BOWLING CLUB

Practices - Thursday nights at 7:00pm
Anyone interested in having a roll is very welcome to join us!

TUATAPERE BUSHMAN'S MUSEUM

Orawia Road. If the Bushman's Museum is not open when you have visitors who wish to view, you can contact:
Lindsay Faulkner (03) 226 6650 to arrange a suitable time.

TUATAPERE COMMUNITY WORKER

Office Hours: Monday - Thursday
10am - 3pm
Contact: Keri Potter 027 757 5983
Location: Medical Centre Building
Room 5/69a Orawai Road,
Tuatapere 9620

WAI AU MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Library Hours: Fridays
10am - 11:30am
2:30pm - 4:00pm
7:00pm - 8:00pm

TUATAPERE PLAYGROUP

23B Orawia Road.
Our sessions are every Friday 9am-12pm.
All parents and children welcome!
Come and enjoy organised activities, shared morning tea and a coffee.
Any queries please contact:
Gemma Bennett 022 040 3368
Alice Harris 027 270 0363

TUATAPERE MAINLY MUSIC

A pre-school music and movement-based playgroup.
Mondays during the school term at the Tuatapere Presbyterian Church Hall.
Music session starts at 10am followed by a time of morning tea and play.
\$2 per family.
Morning tea is provided for all.
New families welcome!



Find us on Facebook:

"Tuatapere Mainly Music"

For more information contact
Heidi 022 315 3326

TUATAPERE TOY LIBRARY

Open Friday Afternoons
2:30pm till 4:00pm
18 Orawia Road, Tuatapere
(next door to
Tuatapere Service Station)



Please call in for a visit.
New faces and feedback always welcome.
General enquires please phone
Minessa 027 311 2112

TUATAPERE HEALTH & GIFT SHOP Riverton Pharmacy

We now have two courier drops for prescriptions for our Tuatapere customers: **1:00pm** and **4:45pm**.
The Health & Gift Shop is open from 12:30pm - 5:30pm.
If we can help in any other way, please contact Riverton Pharmacy (03) 234 8515

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AND WAIIAU RIVER JET

- Sightseeing
- Tramping
- Hunting
- Fishing Trips

THE ACCESS TO DUSKY TRACK
Phone Val McKay (0225) 6475

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Tourism operators based in Tuatapere met recently to coordinate services for the holiday season. Tuatapere offers a diversity of outdoor activities. Choose from helicopter charter, boating on Lake Hauroko, or the Waiiau River, or visit the best 'natural setting' Safari Animal Park and Lodge in the south. There is much for the camper too. Fishing, exploring lovely beaches and rivers, walks, shopping etc. Choose from accommodation at hotel, motels, or camps. All are surprisingly good value and you will have the 'best' in 'western' hospitality.

Visit Tuatapere's INFORMATION CENTRE for details to... catch a fish... jet a river... tramp a forest... barbecue a beach... stay at a country hotel, motel, lodge, cabin, or camp... fossick for gems... fly high... or just lie low. Tuatapere is great to visit these holidays.

Pictured from left: John Fraser, Tom Edgerton, David McNay, Pat Forde, Trevor Green, Barbara Miller, Alex Miller, and Val McKay — after a tourism operators meeting at Tuatapere.

WAIIAU HOTEL-MOTEL

PAM and DAVID McNAY
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Places To Visit and Things To Do

Drive from Invercargill to Riverton, then Orekupi and the Southern Coast to Tuatapere. Features some spectacular views of the Strait, the coast and a view of Fiordland Mountains. At Tuatapere note the end of Highway 99 (NZ's last!). Cross the Waiiau River, visit the bushlined Domain for a BBQ lunch, and drive on to Bluecliffs beach for the afternoon. (Fishing and whitebait in season). Return to enjoy a country motel or hotel in Tuatapere or stay at the lodge on Miller's safari animal farm at Te Tua. You should get the brochure on farm stay accommodation too. A farm stay in this area is highly recommended by many overseas and local guests. Return home via Otatautu and Thornbury, or take a longer drive past Monowai Lake to Manapouri and Te Anau. Experience the SOUTHERN SCENIC ROUTE right to Milford — if you choose, and return to Invercargill via Winton.

Charter the Boat on LAKE HAUROKO. The ride to the hut at the head of the lake is spectacular. Walk the Dusky Track if you have days to spare — or enjoy the lake front picnic area for a BBQ. (Take repellent) Then walk to the lookout for Hauroko's famous view. Camp a few km away at the entrance to the park or return to accommodation in the district.

Walk Southern Fiordland's tracks to Port Craig and Waitutu, or to Teal Bay and Rogers Inlet, or to the Green Lake, or Lake Poteriteri etc. Climb the Hump Ridge, the Takitimu (get permission!) for a real challenge try Caroline Peak. Take a breathtaking ride deep into Fiordland in minutes. And almost where you please. Enjoy the remote wilds of the Southwest effortlessly — by helicopter of course! Another suggestion is to spend time in the Orekupi, Monkey Island, Cosey Neuk area. Take your camera and also look for gemstones at Orekupi beach. There is history to fossick out from the goldmining and logging days when Orekupi was the second largest town in Southland with 12 hotels.

Clifden Bridge is protected as a historic place and there are walks to lookouts, limestone caves, Maori rock drawings, good fishing, a nice picnic area.

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Local Amenities

Golf Course — Tuatapere Club at Clifden.

Tennis Courts — Waiiau College Courts.

Squash Courts — King Street extension.

Playground — Half Mile Road.

Camping — Sites at Lilburn Valley, Monowai, Motu, Orawia, Clifden and Wairaki.

Fishing — Lakes Hauroko and Monowai.

Launch Trips — Lake Hauroko Tours by arrangement.

Boating Ramps — Lakes Hauroko and Monowai.

Medical Centre — Western Southland Medical Practice, Bridge Street, Tuatapere. Phone 6123.

Service Stations — Shell Garage, Main Street, Tuatapere. Ph 6364. BP Garage, Half Mile Road, Tuatapere. Ph 6217.

Banking — National Bank, Main Street, Tuatapere.

Postal Services — Post Office, N Main Street, Tuatapere.

Southland Times Agents — K. J.'s Dairy, Waiiau Discount Store.

Athletics Meeting — New Year's Day meeting at the Tuatapere Domain.

Helicopter Line

For helicopter charter based near Tuatapere

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NEW YEAR'S DAY SPORTS

TUATAPERE DOMAIN

January 1, 1988

See you all here seeing this...
The best sports meeting in the southern hemisphere!

1.30pm FUN RUN — 10km. Spot Prizes

1.15pm BIATHLON — 10km Run, 40km Cycle. INDIVIDUAL and TEAM RACE. Mike Hughes is competing.

FAMILY RELAY — Make up a team and join in

ATHLETICS — Run under NZAAA Rules

CHILDRENS RACES — For up to 16 years unregistered

CHILDRENS BIKE RACES — Bring your bike along

12.30pm Start — HIGHLAND DANCING. Come and watch.

11am Start — BUSHCRAFT. Logs donated by Timberlands. Underhands, Standing, Jiggerboard, Sawing, Axe throwing, Chainsaw Races.

10am Start — CLAYBIRD SHOOTING — Western Gun Club. Sheaf Tossing, Tug O' War, Wrestling, Lolly Scramble, Pipe Band Display, Married Womens and Mens Races, Booth.

START EARLY — GET YOUR ENTRIES IN EARLY
Chocolate Wheel ● Hangi ● Refreshments ● Candyfloss ● Hotdogs ● Boat Rides on Waiiau

Invalid Parking Available — also Petrol in town
Overseas Competitors
Local NZ Representatives

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY!
GATE: CHILDREN FREE
ADULTS \$4

Trophies and prizes for placegetters thanks to local sponsors
Drive through the bush road to domain, along side of river for a picnic setting surrounded by bush. Bring your barbecue!

TUATAPERE AXEMENS ATHLETIC SOCIETY
D. Dowling (0225) 6418

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Special Thanks to Tommy Forde for keeping this page safe and sharing it with Pat Forde (who shared it with us). Thanks Pat!

Community Events & Fundraisers

The Lions Club of Tuatapere

Bunny Shoot 2020

Starts 13th March
Prize Giving 29th March

Entry \$10 Per Team

Entry Forms at
Tuatapere Outdoors & Hardware
Tuatapere Service Station and
Chambers Repair Services

All Shooters Must Hold A Valid
Firearms License.

Enquires 027 496 5863



IT'S BACK



The resurrection year.

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REGISTRATIONS: www.blackmountaintrailride.co.nz
Registration by 28 February 2020: Adult \$55 - U15 \$35 - Mini's \$15
Late and day (cash) registration: Adult \$60 - U15 \$40 - Mini's \$15

Based at Belmont Station - McLees Road, Western Southland.
Big grin guaranteed - every ability catered for on 50km+ of track!
3.30pm The David Gray Memorial Hill Climb - give it a go, or watch from the car park.
Lunch included in registration. Food and refreshments available all day (cash only).
Need more info? www.blackmountaintrailride.co.nz or email blackmountaintrailride@gmail.com

Thank you to our major sponsors:



TE ANAU DISTRICT 52nd AUTUMN FLOWER SHOW 2020

SHOW OPEN: Friday 6 March 2.00pm - 6.00pm
Saturday 7 March 9.00am - 3.00pm

Admission
Adults - \$5.00
(Includes Refreshments)
Family Concession
Children FREE

ENTRIES taken
Thursday 5 March 1.00pm and close 7.00pm

Presentation of Trophies - Saturday 7 March 2.00pm

Fiordland Community Events Centre
Luxmore Drive - Te Anau

Classes for:
Dahlias - Novice & Open - Cut Flowers - Floral Art - Handicraft - Photography,
Vegetables - Baking & Preserves - Children's Section

* Stalls * Raffles

Contacts

Judy Matthews 249 7445 Laura Shefford 249 9439

Tuatapere Volunteer Fire Brigade
Sky Tower Challenge Team 2020
Supporting Blood & Leukaemia Foundation

Fun Car Trial

Fundraiser

(suitable for all warranted and registered vehicles)

Sunday 19th April 2020

Starting at 1pm with registrations, teams let go soon after

Waiau Town and Country Club

\$30 per vehicle

Raffles with an Auction to follow.

Prizes to 1st, 2nd and 3rd fully completed with some spot prizes

Auctions include:

- Firewood
- Mutton
- Accommodation
- etc



Waiau Town and Country Club Bistro Open at conclusion of event for meals.

Join us for a great family fun day out!!!!


GPSOS SERIOUS ON SAFETY Important Information Evening
Waiau Town & Country Club, 11th March 2020, 7pm

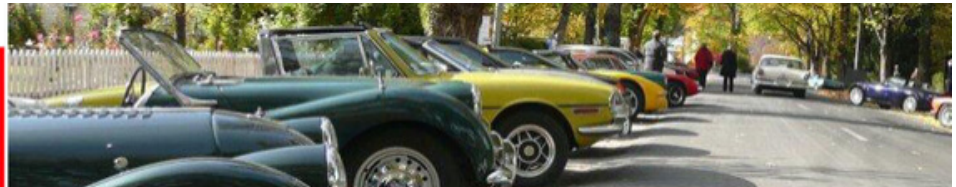
GPSOS Watches and Pendants key features are:

- Panic Button • Two way Communication • Excellent fall detection • Advanced GPS Tracking

GPSOS have kindly sent me 3 pendants to try in Southland, I have one pendant in circulation now and I hope this person will be able to give an overview of their experience with the Pendant. I will also be sending one of the pendants to another support worker here in Southland to try out as well.

Come along and see for yourself, just how good this product could be for someone in need in your family.

Keri Potter, Tuatapere Community Support Worker 



Thursday 23rd April 2020

at the Tuatapere Domain

Classic Cars due to arrive at 12 noon!

Come down and take a look!

**Want you car washed and dried,
windows cleaned?**

Price arranged on request!

Contact: Rex Hibbs
Flat 1/26 Orawia Road
Tuatapere

WANTED TO BUY

Possum Fur, Hard deer,
Antler, Deer Velvet.
Phone Leith 027 496 3721

Relief Milker Required

We are looking for an Experienced Relief
Milker to **start late March** on our
Dairy Farm **15 minutes north of
Tuatapere.**

750 Cows - likely once a day by this time
Phone Jo Sanford: (027) 295 0429
Alister: (027) 438 2248

Calf Rearing Positions

If you enjoy working with animals and
would like to rear calves with us for
3-4 months from

Early August – Mid November!

Please contact
Jo: (027) 295 0429
Alister: (027) 438 2248

**WAIIAU VALLEY
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**Simon de Vries - 027 840 9867
Julie Heaps - 03 226 6212**

On the Community Beat

Graham Parsons, Tuatapere Police



Over the course of the last month there has been a couple of crashes that Police have dealt with. One occurred down near the mouth of the Waiau River on the Papatotara road involving a female on a bicycle crossing into the path of an oncoming vehicle. The cyclist was taken to hospital with significant injuries. In another crash in the Monowai area a tourist driver managed to roll their van on the Borland Road, no injuries resulted. Enforcement action was taken with the driver for careless driving.

Police have had to deal with four different reported incidents of threats or concerns around self-harm/suicide over the month. These situations are very varied and Police will often deal with the initial response to ensure that people are safe and referring or assisting the person to get the appropriate help and support from the right agencies. If you are aware that someone you know is struggling mentally we always encourage family and friends to take steps to get early intervention to avoid things escalating.

Police are investigating the killing and theft of a sheep on a farm in the Rowallan area in late February. The sheep had been killed and carcass taken. Anyone with information as to who might have been involved should contact us.

Police have dealt with two domestic related incidents in the Tuatapere area. One resulted in a male being issued a Place of Safety Order which is essentially a cool down period where they are ordered to stay away for a set number of days. The second investigation is ongoing with the male party who is from out of the area being sought by Police relating to breaching a protection order and theft.

Police dealt with a local man who was located in possession of a firearm with no licence, following being dealt with he has been charged with Possession of a firearm without a licence and will be appearing in court. Police also received a threats complaint over the handling of a tenancy matter by a landlord. When conflict arises in a tenancy situation it is always important to follow the Tenancy Act rules which if followed avoids situations that cause this type of conflict. A search warrant was executed at an Orepuki address and a local man has been charged with a number of historical offences.

In late February Police were called to a search and rescue job at Blackmount involving a man who had been lost in the Waiau River while involved in rafting down the river. The alert had been raised by a member of the group after their friend had fallen out in a rapid and disappeared. Following a search involving a number of local people including a local jet boat, Police, Search and Rescue staff plus a helicopter, the man's body was discovered further down the river. While it was not the outcome hoped for I would like to acknowledge the number of local volunteers in the Blackmount area who turned out and helped. It is times like these you really appreciate the willingness to jump in and help by our rural communities. In other search and rescue matter Police were called and responded to four overdue trampers on the dusky track who were located and removed by helicopter.

Lost & Found A wallet was lost in the area around monkey Island at Orepuki. Also in the Orepuki area a number of personal items have fallen off the back of a vehicle and included dry bags, wet suits, net, spear gun, hunting pack, GPS etc. An Expensive near new hunting jacket was discovered on the gravel road into the Waikaou River past Rarakau and handed into Police. If you have lost any of the items found or located the lost ones get in touch.

In closing a number of people are already aware but I will be ending my time Policing in Tuatapere in the near future. I will be heading to the West Coast going back into the CIB to work as a Detective at Greymouth starting at the beginning of April. My family and I have been in Tuatapere for the last six years and very much enjoyed our time in this corner of Western Southland. No doubt there will be some who have crossed swords with me in my job that will be glad to see me go, but that is Police work. Overall I have found the community to be very supportive in regards to the Police and will genuinely miss the area. In our time here we have made a number of good friends and built up connections and have gotten involved in the community in various roles. That solid community spirit and support is what makes, what can be a difficult job, much easier. The Police are currently advertising my job and in due course you will get a new Police Officer, until then Damon Templeton will be holding the fort as he has done a number of times in the past as other Police Officers have come and gone. A big thanks to Damon as well - he has been a top bloke to work with.

If you wish to contact us to discuss any matters outlined or other general inquiries we can be contacted at the Tuatapere Police Station on 03 226 9003.

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Welcome to the March Edition of "What's Happening?" at...

Kia ora and welcome to "What's Happening?" at Hauroko Valley Primary School! We've kick started 2020 with classes brimming full of enthusiasm for learning and lots of excitement for Term 1. Welcome to our new students and families! We also welcome Jen Armstrong to Totara class. If you have a 4 year old learner then 'haere mai' to HVP every Thursday from 1.30pm for Discovery Time! HVP Clubs is kicking into gear this Term for Years 4-8 - thanks to our parents we have opportunities in golf, ag kids, baking, photography to name a few!

It is always a pleasure to collaborate with local community members and Western Southland Schools. Thanks to Waiau Area School for hosting Craig Smith aka Wonky Donkey. We are also looking forward to visiting Takitimu School for Science In A Van! Our Home and School Committee is preparing for a fun filled family event on Saturday 7th March. **The Blackmount Trail Ride** is a major fundraiser for Hauroko Valley Primary School. Please join us! Check out the Blackmount Trail Ride FB page. Please follow us to keep up to date via our facebook page or school newsletter. Until next time, nga mihi nui - Julia Waikato - Principal/Tumuaki

Hauroko Valley School learners are...

Surf Life Savers

Our Senior Class - Rata completed Beach Education at Oreti with Surf Life Savers. The beach module focused on Surf Life Saving skills including identifying rips, channels, currents and surf safety rules.

Harold Fans

We love our visits from Harold and Teresa from The Life Education Bus. This year we also welcomed Educator Kirsty. Our Health Curriculum focus was on Relationships & Communities for Kowhai and Matai Classes (Years 1-3) and Identity and Resilience for Totara and Rata Classes (Years 4-8). Teaching and

learning programmes are reinforcing those concepts throughout the year through Key Competencies and our HVP School Values - Lots of Bucket Filling!

Triathletes

Recently we sent a team of 7 students to the Southland Secondary Schools Triathlon at Winton. Kenzie Martin and Katie Breach eagerly competed as a team in the Year 8 girls. While Baxter Erskine, Harrison Erskine, Jack Horrell, Hunter Norman and Lucas Templeton competed in the individual year groups. Thanks to Team Manager Sheryl Horrell.

Swimmers

This year HVP represented with 15 swimmers at the Western Swimming Sports in Riverton. It is a wonderful opportunity for our Year 4-6 students to showcase their freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke or butterfly strokes. Congratulations to individuals for personal bests and our teams for relays. Thanks to Manager Kirsty Erskine and our HVP supporters.

Always our Best/Tonu tatou pai

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Term 1 Events

March

Technology at Winton Year 7&8, Small Sticks Hockey Coaching, Science In A Van, HVP Clubs, Discovery Learning, Swimming Lessons, Grip Leadership Year 7&8

April

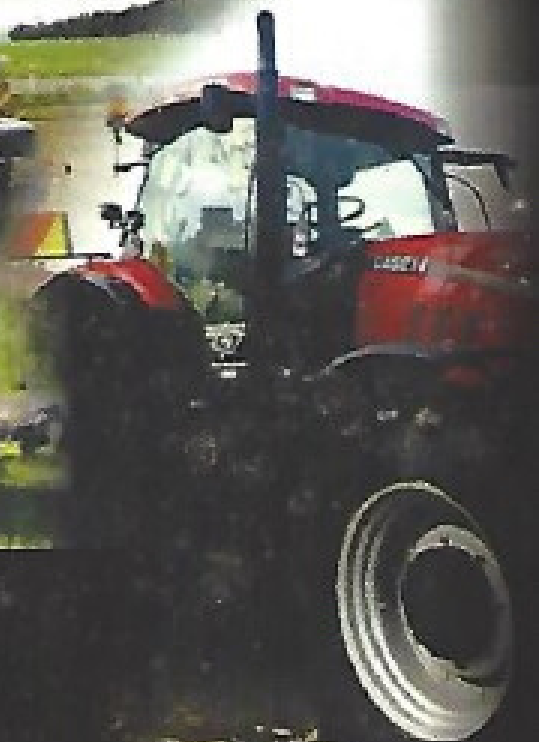
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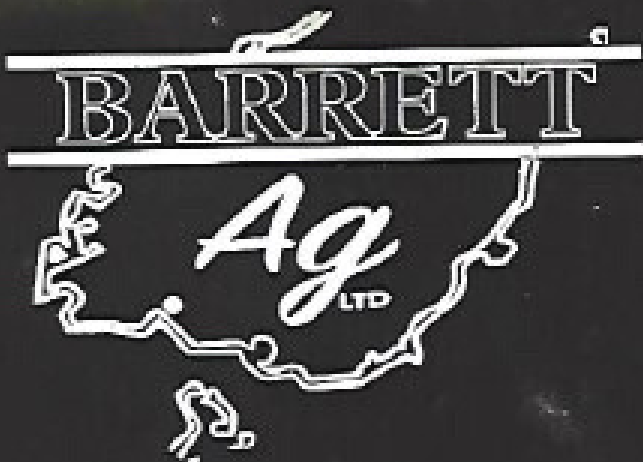


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Teaching Staff:

Mr Andrew Pardoe-Burnett - Principal.

Mr Richard Bennett - Senior Leadership Year 11-13, Health & PE, Gateway, Net NZ, PB4L coach. **Miss Jasmine Quinn** - Senior Leadership Year 9 & 10, English, Home Economics, Food Tech, Te Reo Maori and Languages.

Miss Clare Robinson - Senior Leadership Year 1-8, Room Two Teacher, Bus Controller.

Miss Brooke Anderson - New Entrant Teacher. **Mrs Chantelle Gibbs** - Year 4-6 Teacher.

Mrs Donnah Cleaver - Year 7 & 8 Teacher, Home Economics, Food Tech, & Student Wellbeing Coach.

Mrs Lisa Redhead - Music, Senior English, Languages and Kapa Haka Teacher.

Mr Keaton Hendy - Health & PE, Biology and Art Teacher. **Mrs Mary Ann McNab** - Senior English, Careers, Geography, History & Life Skills Teacher. **Mrs Hannah Wilson** - Art, Horticulture and Agriculture Teacher. **Mr Paul Maloney** - Maths Teacher, NCEA and Principal's Nominee.

Miss Hayley Landreth - Science - Chemistry, Biology & Physics Teacher.

Mrs Chrissy Lampitt - Digital Technology Teacher. **Mr Ian Russ** - Hard Materials, Engineering and Agriculture Teacher.

Support Staff: Mrs Charmaine Wedderburn - Office Manager. Mr John McNab - Property Manager. Ms Kiwia Howley - Librarian & Te Reo Maori support. Mr Scott Wilson - Student Coach and Mentor. Mr Joe Slade - Te Reo and Kapa Haka coach /support for teachers. Mrs Robyn Stanning - Teacher Aide. Mrs Mel Templeton - Teacher Aide. Mrs Rachel Pardoe-Burnett - Teacher Aide. Mrs Nina Smith - Office Support and BOT secretary. Mrs Cheryl Baldwin - Cleaner. Ms Crystal Smith - Cleaner. Mrs Karen Reid - Cleaner.

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Our **property upgrades** are progressing along nicely. The Hall interior, carpet in the Junior block and the Tech block corridor are completed just to name a few areas. Our Science lab and C block upgrade is at the halfway stage with the Gym and more roofing work to be done. Our local painter Barry and his crew have been busy painting our covered walkways. They look fantastic.

We're very excited about 2020 and what WAS is able to offer our students. We are able to provide a **wide range of subject choices** in the senior school with Net NZ (online teacher) as an additional option. Our small class sizes, teachers knowing their learners and a **strong sense of belonging** are proving to be a success - our student achievement results (NCEA and Years 1-10 data) are very positive. Our Primary aged children continue to reap the benefits of being in an Area School.

We welcome you to pop into WAS and see us in action. **Check out our Facebook Page!**

A Piece of History

with Des Williams

Image source: National Library of New Zealand

Bridging the Final Frontier

The first bridge across the Waiau River at Tuatapere was opened on Wednesday 17 March 1915. The 450-foot structure took two years to build and cost six thousand pounds.

The opening, according to FWG Miller in his booklet 'Waiau Crossing' (Wallace County Council, 1970) was attended by the largest crowd ever seen in Tuatapere to that time. Elaborate preparations had been made for the opening ceremony, and the day was brilliantly fine. The town was gaily decorated and the bridge itself was resplendent with bunting and evergreens. Chairman of the celebrations was Mr GE Charlton, a well-known storekeeper of Tuatapere and, with Hugh Erskine, one of the leading personalities in the campaign for the bridge.'

To Mrs Erskine went the honour of 'cutting the green ribbon' (it was St Patrick's Day, after all), but first the crowd listened to 'an eloquent oration of some length' from Mr JC Thomson, MP for Wallace County.

While construction by contractor Mr HJ White was a major undertaking, preceding efforts of the community in seeking government funding were no less commendable. Author Ken Bye relates in Wallace Rebel County (Southland District Council, 2000) how pressure began mounting in 1908, with the river punt proving inadequate for the ever-growing traffic both sides of the river.

The 'Waiau Bridge League' was formed in 1908, with key members being the afore-mentioned George Charlton and Hugh Erskine, together with Peter Hamilton, John Howell, JJH McLean and local councillor, James King.

A public meeting at West's Hotel in May 1909 was so well attended it had to be moved outside, 'with seats being improvised on the verandah and on the ground,' Ken Bye wrote. The railway linking Orepuki and Tuatapere had made the need for a bridge even more urgent. To that end, Mr Thomson MP was really 'earning his crust' in Wellington, lobbying and pressuring government ministers.

'Mr Thomson pointed out [to Cabinet] that the Tuatapere bridge was different from others in-as-much as its erection would make productive large areas of bush country and act as a feeder to the Orepuki-Waiau railway,' the Southland Times reported on 5 December 1910.

'Various other reasons he gave why an exception should be made in the case of this bridge and it is satisfactory to know that they have been deemed valid.'

The report also confirmed that six thousand five hundred pounds had been made available 'and probably that sum should just about erect the structure.' As indeed, it did.



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Aunty's Cookbook

With school back in full swing for 2020 I thought I would share this easy muesli bar slice recipe which is great for the lunch box. This recipe is quick and easy to make and I'm sure the whole family will love it.

Muesli Bites

List of ingredients

- 1 cup self-rising flour
- 1 cup coconut
- 1 cup rolled oats
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup of dried fruit of your choice
(i.e. Sultanas, apricots, cranberries)
- ½ cup chocolate chips
- 125g butter
- 2 dessert spoons of golden syrup
- 1 egg (lightly beaten)
- Handful of chocolate buttons for on the top of the bites



Method

Preheat oven to 175°C.

Melt butter and golden syrup together (I do this in the microwave).

In a large bowl add all other ingredients together (except the chocolate buttons).

Then add butter mixture and beaten egg. Mix together until moist.

Press evenly into a slice tin. Run a knife through pressed mixture to cut muesli bite into squares. Press 2 chocolate buttons into each bite.

Bake at 175°C for 20mins.

Enjoy!



30-40 minutes



12-20 bites



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How long have you lived in Tuatapere?

I moved to Tuatapere as a young bride from Isla Bank in 1962. When I first came here I lived in Sneyd Street, right down the very end (the house got burnt down a few years ago). My husband, Bill Sherriff was a builder.

What's the best thing about Tuatapere?

It's the unity spirit - people help one another if need be. The people and the friendships you make. That sums it up really.

What do/did you like to do here?

My personal favourite thing to do is my craftwork - sewing and knitting and making things. I've always sewn and knitted. My mother was a dressmaker and my father was a tailor. That was their training, but then came the depression and they were out of jobs. Nobody had new suits made so a tailor wasn't needed. So they came to farm at Isla Bank. So I've always been around sewing. They both sewed and we just grew up expecting that your parents did your sewing. It wasn't until I was almost at high school, I think, before I realised that other parents didn't make their kids' clothes. We just expected mum to make them, that's just the way it was.

When my young family was growing up, I was involved with the start of the playcentre. When they went to school I was on the Board of Trustees - it wasn't called that then. And we were involved with highland dancing. Invercargill, Gore, Winton had their annual competitions. There used to be a lot of small events like the Riverton Sports Day & Orepuki Sports Day that had highland dancing as part of it. You could be doing it every week if you wanted to.

What changes have you seen in Tuatapere?

When I first came to Tuatapere the river was big (like it has been lately). And the old bridge was much lower. So you were near the water when you crossed it. DT Kings yard was the Dairy Factory. The Tuatapere Grocery Store was on the corner of Ferry and Orawia Rd (where Solid Furnishings is now). You took a basket to the store and you didn't buy big lots at a time. They'd wrap everything in paper and the butcher delivered meat to you, to your door.

Who inspires you the most?

Probably my parents, they set the standard in the first place. And I've always been involved in the Presbyterian Church, so that's been a strong influence.

Something you might not know ...

Lyla has been involved in the Tuatapere Community for over 50 years. But she is very quick to tell you that she's not alone in working for the community and that she hasn't done much, just a little bit of this and that!

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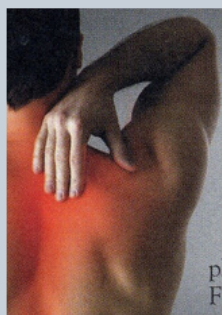
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Monday the 17th March is St Patrick's Day. We will be having drink and food specials so feel free to get into the Irish spirit (aka dress up) and join us for a great night.

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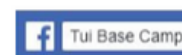
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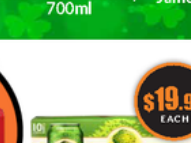
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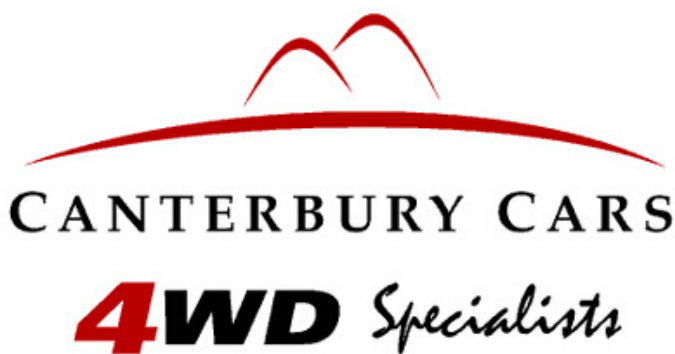
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