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WAKEFIELD SCHOOL TWILIGHT GALA - Wakefield School PTA's Annual Fundraiser

by Anne Malham

Months of planning, weeks of praying for awesome weather, enlisting family, friends and community members to be helpers/workers and finding sponsors for this one special day in the year... is no "walk in the park" but... we did it. We did it for the kids, for our school, and for our community.

The day started off with a relaxed briefing at 8am, then the action began! Marquees and gazebos sprung up, with the most country of seating underneath; hay bales from the Robinsons. Kirsty and her hardworking food team set up their stalls - from hot chips, curry and wild meat sandwiches to doughnuts by Shelley at Freshbake in her own cute caravan. Milkshakes and candy floss, a well received surprise for the kids. Kylie served beautiful baking, tea and coffee, alongside the ever popular silent auction in the hall, where Rebecca and her team took great pride setting up and running a successful auction.

Laurel and Vikki welcomed their staff to the many exciting activities on offer. There were water inflatables, a climbing wall, pony rides, animals, the duck and dog show, face painting and mini train rides. Dan ran an awesome 'moto area' in the carpark with trials bike demos, skateboard and BMX, and then in a dark classroom, the scene was set by Jen and team, where the haunted house drew excited crowds.

Over in the classrooms, Johnny and his team of former Wakefield school students, impressed the adults working hard selling preloved toys. Lesley and team had constant crowds buying books. Chris and Simon set up the most fantastic array of garage sale items, and Kala, as usual, had an amazingly presented selection of preloved clothing. Jeanette had people lining up to buy her amazing plants and produce. I had organised twice as many mystery boxes filled with lucky surprises as last year, but kids flocked to buy these which were all gone in 45 minutes. Kent and Bob had the chocolate wheel humming, with the Westmeat meat packs and other awesome prizes disappearing fast!

In quiet confines, Linsey and her finance team were in full swing. Outside there were friends and families meeting, chatting and enjoying quality food and live entertainment; the likes of 16 year old Zac Griffith from St Arnaud. So many kids covered the grounds with smiles all around.

Here are some recounts from some Room 3 students at Wakefield School:

"My favourite thing at the gala was when I saw the dog catch the ducks. The dog put the ducks into little crates. The ducks were quacking. The dog was gentle." by Ella

"I liked the candy floss. It was yummy. I liked the stickiness." by Jinty

"My favourite thing was getting a mystery bag. I got a rainbow dash pony and Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom wand. I also really liked the love heart facepainting I got on my cheek". by Rose

"I went on the rock climbing wall. I got right to the top. It made me feel awesome! The haunted house was really creepy - but it was still fun. Im looking forward to next years haunted house" by Jayden

We would like to extend the hugest of thanks to all who donated, sponsored or worked in any way, to make this day possible and raise a healthy total of \$26,000!

Gala 2017 for me, had one quote; "There's no 'I' in team" and I was very proud to be (a reluctant) gala coordinator to an amazing team. We live in a fabulous community.



Our fantastic poster was designed by local legend Amanda Ledger. Kindly printed by Genie and Lindsay at Wakefield Print. Photos by Lucy Pearson.



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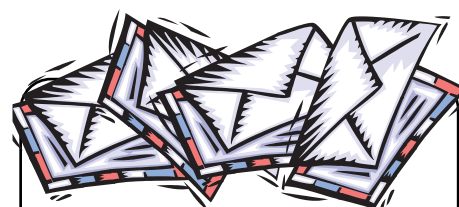
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In The Bush

On the 11th November we had another successful weeding bee with some new volunteers so all good. There has also been a huge increase in the rat and mice population at The Edward Baigent Memorial Scenic Reserve due to much more rubbish and food scraps left behind by campers. As a comparison, Faulkner Bush and Robson's Reserve have had very little activity. I must acknowledge our "trapping" team for their diligence in keeping the rodent population down.

Our next weeding bee, with a slight change of date, is the first Saturday of the month, 2nd December. We meet at the Scout Den, Faulkner Bush, off Treeton Place, starting at 10am but working a shorter time to have a bit of festive food. If wet it will still take place in the Scout Den building.

All volunteers deserve a holiday in January so our first weeding/maintenance day in the new year will be 11th February 2018.

The weather patterns have certainly given us weed problems galore, but it is now noticeable that the bush is starting to dry out through lack of rain and the wind. Please be mindful of this and do report anything that may be of concern either directly to me, or to the Reserves staff at the Tasman District Council. For the Horticultural Officer phone 543 8484 or the manager phone 543 8391.

Wishing you all a very happy time out with family and friends, stay safe, travel well and enjoy the festive season.

Regards Doug South
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Wakefield Community Craft Fair

A Fundraiser for the Wakefield Mural Group

by Avis Blowers

As friends do, a quick chat at another craft venue, and magic happens. "Why don't we do a fundraiser for the Wakefield Mural Group to assist them in their community undertaking to restore our heritage mural on the Wakefield Chemist Shop Wall?"

So we are throwing our hats into the ring and a quick phone call later to float our idea for a fundraiser to the Wakefield Mural Group for the mural, and the idea was received with great enthusiasm.

And because of a change of date for another enterprise now running what was the traditional Wakefield Craft Fair to Friday, 5th January 2018, we have secured 2nd January 2018 for our community support venture, on the Wakefield Village Green and at the hall.

It will run from 9am to 2pm, keeping it mainly for our local folks craft (i.e. "living local" from Burkes Bank to Spooners) and giving them the opportunity to "come out" and join in.

Just for fun our theme for the day will be historic hats (any vintage – just encouraging all who attend to join in the theme... if they wish) and as you can imagine lots more planned for a good old fashioned get-together.

All sites will be 3m x 3m and our site fees will be set at an affordable rate of \$20 per site.

We are thrilled and would ask any local craft folks who would be interested in a site, to pick up an application form from Paula at The Village Craft Shop (just up from the Four Square) or email wakefieldcommunityfair@gmail.com or contact Avis Blowers phone 027 319 2911.

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The Way We Were

175 YEARS OF EUROPEAN SETTLEMENT IN NELSON 1842-2017

THE VOYAGE OUT: A LIFE ON THE OCEAN WAVE

Prepared for the Waimea South Historical Society by Roger Batt

"A life on the ocean wave, a home on the rolling deep,
Where the scattered waters rave, and the winds their revels keep...
The land is no longer in view, the clouds have begun to frown
But with a stout vessel and crew, we'll say, "Let the storm come down!"
And the song of our hearts shall be, while the winds and the waters rave
A life on the heaving sea, a home on the bounding wave."

This popular Victorian parlour song, written in 1838 by Epes Sargent and set to music by Henry Russell seems to have been designed for all those seafaring emigrants who made the journey from Europe in the 19th century to the far-flung corners of the Earth. It would undoubtedly have been played and sung aboard those ships bound for Nelson and with its bouncy optimism sets the tone for the last episode of our series of articles on the dodransbicentennial anniversary of the settlement.

While up to now we seem to have concentrated on the difficulties and discomforts of the voyage; to balance the gloom (and possible doom!) we focus here on the joys and jollities which three months at sea also provided. It all depended on the mix of passengers, the willingness of those aboard to intermingle with each other and the personalities of the captain and surgeon – the two most important officers who set the tone of shipboard life.

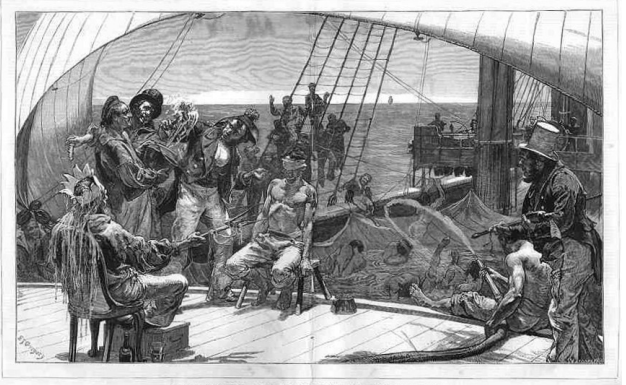
The following is a list of activities which could be on offer: concerts, debates, games (deck, parlour), gymnastics, dances (polkas, quadrilles, country), boxing matches, military drills (protection was necessary in a country of savage Maori warriors), producing a newspaper (in manuscript), writing letters home, reading (alone or aloud or teaching others to read), keeping a diary, knitting, needlework, playing in a band, making articles out of wood (with insufficient tools – the basis of "do-it-yourself" and the Kiwi gift for improvisation), not to mention going on watch, helping the sailors with tasks or fishing and walking around the deck. Did I forget tending the sick or entertaining the children? – that too.

Two major ceremonies held during the voyage also helped to brighten the lives of the passengers. "The first of these was the Dead Horse Ceremony that marked the end of the first month since the crew signed the ship's articles. When they signed on they received a month's pay in advance... which they unreasonably believed they spent... working for nothing, or 'working for the old horse.' When the month was over, normal pay resumed and they felt as though they were working for themselves again. To celebrate they held a mock funeral for the old horse." (Hastings p.52)

A model horse was made, stuffed with straw and tar. It was towed around the deck while the shantyman sang: "Oh, poor old man your horse will die, If he does I'll tan his eyes – Oh poor old man." Then everyone joined in the chorus, "And I hope so, And I say so, Oh poor old man." (Hastings p.53). Then a sailor would sit on his back while the crew hauled them both up into the rigging whereupon the sailor trickily set the horse afloat (but not himself) and dropped it off into the sea where it could be seen for miles while the ship sailed on. "In the case of the Wanganui sailing to New Zealand in 1879, those on board could see the burning horse in the sea for an hour and a half while the sailors were making merry on board." (Mclean p.83)

The second ceremony was Crossing the Line at the equator where the doldrums produced calm weather. This was an initiation ceremony for those men who had not ventured so far south before and is still practised today. It could be spread over three days and was an "opportunity for some skylarking and making the captain and the passengers pay for some grog.

On the "Loch Gloy" in 1883 they began on the 24th May when a voice was heard hailing the ship from the forecastle. Soon afterwards Neptune made his appearance complete with trident, rope locks and a dripping beard. In his entourage were his wife Amphitrite, his sons and daughters, a doctor, a barber, a latherer and some policemen. Neptune questioned the captain about where he was from and where he was bound. The captain asked Neptune about the weather and was told it was 'very wet on the outside but very dry inside'. The captain took the hint and stood everyone a tot of rum." Two days later the ceremony continued. (Hastings p. 55)



Crossing the Line – Father Neptune and his Court

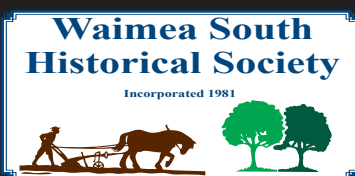
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A batch of initiates in a modern line ceremony



A splendid King Neptune and his wife ready to initiate his new subjects in a modern ceremony. (Source: <http://www.cruiseadvice.com.au/2015/11/onboard-king-neptune-ceremony/>)



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The Way We Were [continued]

On the "City of Dunedin" in 1864 "Mrs Neptune had on a fine gown of crinoline, a light shawl and a round hat, with a parasol in her hand. Just like the Dame in the Christmas pantomime, Neptune would then force people to swallow his 'pills' that were made out of flour, tea and cayenne pepper. A big sail would be doubled on the deck and hung so as to form a trough and then filled with sea water. Those chaps (wrote John Anderson) who had not crossed the line before were ducked in it by a sailor who was called 'the bear'. ...Then, after the ducking, the newly initiated would be shaved with a 'razor' (a rough piece of hoop iron) and soap - a lump of grease. The ceremony usually ended with the captain treating the sailors to some free grog." (McLean p. 85)

All of these "entertainments" helped break the tedium of a long voyage but it also signalled to everyone that from now on they could all enjoy cooler weather and expect to see the Southern Cross and the Magellan Clouds in the night sky. Their new life in the Antipodes had really now begun.

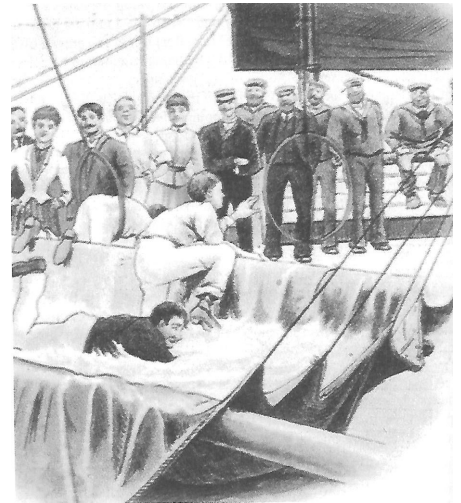
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"The Ducking" (McLean p. 86)

Edward Baigent Memorial Scenic Reserve

Update on the Edward Baigent Memorial Scenic Reserve Situation

ON THE POSITIVE

The submissions hearings here in Wakefield on the 30th October to all intents and purposes went well. With 32 folks speaking to their submissions over the course of that day, including direct descendants of Edward and Mary Ann Baigent. Heather and Kent Baigent flew in from Auckland. Also acknowledging others who came a distance to support the family and our community.

The presentations in most part were very constructive and passionate to the Chairperson Councillor Hawkes (Motueka Ward) and member Councillors; Sue Brown (Golden Bay Ward), Peter Canton (Motueka Ward) and Anne Turley (Moutere-Waimea Ward).

Documents were produced by Heather Baigent that categorically showed that NO camping was allowed from the time of gifting of the land (1951) for 40 years. Also there is NO gifting deed (as has on many occasions been alluded to by the TDC for the reasons that camping must be allowed there) but the title to the property was the gift document. The committee of Councillors were then to make recommendations to a full council meeting on the 16th November - their verdict - to close Edward Baigent Memorial Scenic Reserve permanently from all forms of camping. Good on them - great decisionbut unfortunately that did not come to fruition.



THE NEGATIVES

The TDC have since advised that the reasoning behind WHY IT CANNOT BE CLOSED is due to legalities, in particular the 2000 Moutere Waimea Reserves Management Plan bylaw stating camping can be allowed. Therefore, the recommendation from the Councillors was not made at this full council meeting, but held over. Mr Lindsay McKenzie, the TDC Chief Executive Officer, said he takes his "direction" from his Managers; in this instance the Reserves Manager and the Regulatory Manager, who state that they cannot stop camping until the review of the Moutere Waimea Reserves Management Plan has been done. To my mind a case of looking backwards instead of looking forward for a solution to the issue.

So it appears that we will be stuck with the Gypsy Camp at the Edward Baigent Memorial Scenic Reserve for another 12 months or more. (Photo above taken 3rd Nov 2017). If the process for deciding the camping issue has to wait for a change in the Reserves Management Plan, then that has to once again go to a public consultation process... and time keeps a rolling on, and on, and on.

Our Society is still carrying out monitoring of numbers using this Scenic Reserve and they are increasing since last year's counts. As an example, over the seven day period 16-24 November, 201 vehicles. What has also caused increasing concern is the evidence of high alcohol use, lighting of open fires, cutting of trees for tent poles and general rubbish strewn about. The fire and alcohol concerns have been registered with the Chief Executive Officer and the Reserves Staff of Council, also the Chief Fire Officer at Wakefield. Also Sunday, 26th November, 2017, there were three areas where human excrement had taken place in the bush area. I personally am totally disgusted, this has now become an incredible danger zone for any locals, particularly children and dogs to even visit this Reserve.

At this point in time, we are now seeking legal opinion on the TDC decision in failing to protect this Scenic Reserve and to honour the original gifting from the Baigent family for the purpose of recreational enjoyment, health and amusement of the public and for a picnic ground. The Wakefield Bush Restoration Society is fully aware that formal processes around the establishment of by-laws, amending the Reserve Management Plans and so forth must be followed and will take as long as they take. However, we respectfully submit that in the interim the Reserves Act (e.g. Sec 55) provides Council with options to immediately deal with the situation at The Edward Baigent Memorial Scenic Reserve, simply with a locked gate and signage explaining the need for closing off camping pending the outcome of decisions on the proposed by-law. I say again to our community, if you are not happy, keep officially complaining.

Regards Doug South, President Wakefield Bush Restoration Soc Inc (since 2000), Phone 541 8980 Mobile 027 907 2879 Email tuiville@xtra.co.nz

Health

Simple and Effective Breathing Exercises

by Dr Kim Hurlow

At times of illness, worry, fatigue or when you have a lot going on, it is especially important to take some time to stop and breathe properly. At these times our body naturally defaults away from diaphragmatic breathing which is the most efficient and healthy way to breathe.

If it has been a while since you have breathed using your diaphragm fully, it might initially be difficult to do these exercises – just keep practicing to retrain your diaphragm and it will get easy! If holding the breath ever feels uncomfortable or you feel lightheaded just take a break, and don't worry – even unsuccessful attempts are good retraining for the diaphragm.

1. Balanced breathing – start with breathing in for the count of four and exhaling over a count of four, all through your nose. As this gets easier lengthen to six (or even eight) counts each, or try,

2. Square breathing (a bit easier) – inhale for four counts, pause for four, exhale for four counts and pause for four and repeat. This has been used in the military for calm and focus in stressful situations.

3. Abdominal breathing – with one hand on your upper chest and one on your tummy, take a deep breath in through the nose, ensuring the diaphragm (the tummy hand) is doing most/all of the movement, not the chest. Exhale, pushing the last of the air out using your diaphragm and abdominal muscles. The goal is 6-10 slow breaths like this per minute for ten minutes each day.

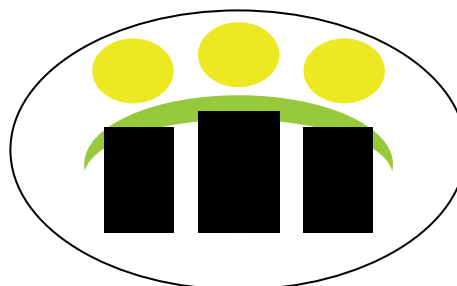
4. Progressive muscle relaxation – closing your eyes and lying down, focus on tensing and releasing each muscle group in your body – starting with your toes and moving all the way up to your jaw and eyes. As you tense each group breathe in through your nose, hold for count of five then exhale as you release the tension. This is great before bed! You can find a clip to talk you through this on You Tube.

5. Alternate nostril breathing – sounds weird but this one can be a great pick me up/wake me up (not so good prior to bed). Holding your thumb over your right nostril inhale deeply through the left nostril then unblock the right, block the left instead and exhale. Then, inhale through the left nostril switch over and exhale through the right nostril.

6. Visualisation – if you find it hard to do these techniques without your breathing feeling strained, don't worry, it will improve. In the meantime, some people find it easier to distract themselves from the breathing with another form of relaxation like visualisation. You can find guided visualisations on the Internet or just close your eyes and, in your mind, go to a place you feel happy and calm. Take some time to consider what you see, hear, smell, taste and touch. For our brain this can be as positive as being there!

Enjoy trying these out to see which suit you best and enjoy a calmer more focussed you!

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The Wakefield Mural Group

POSITIVELY INSPIRING

by Stu, Heather & Evie-Joy

Our very small group, Stu and Heather Watts and Evie-Joy South are at present simply over the moon with the incredible amount of enthusiasm and spontaneity shown by our community in support of the revitalisation of our current historical mural. And we have loved the extra historical research needed – a visit to Founders and a close “encounter” with “our” train was a highlight.

Thank you to all those who have contributed thus far, any further contributions would be gratefully appreciated. Donation boxes are located at these Wakefield localities; the Chemist, Town & Country Vet and Paula at The Village Gallery.

For our Brightwater supporters the donation box is located with Andrew and Maree at Ellis Street Auto's. If you require a bank account number just contact Stu or Heather, phone 541 8151 or email stuartandheather@live.com for these details.

As pointed out, yes, it will be different as all artists have their own flair and styles and perceptions. However very much on the plus side, we can more easily access avenues of historic research and imaging through which we have been able to correct these previous errors as we go along.

We are also adding a descriptive panel to give more in-depth knowledge for the historical elements within our mural as well as historic photographs pertaining to our village. We are sure that Gary Oldham our original artist in 2000, will be more than delighted with the result.

We have also been fielding many extra questions about the “job” we have taken on and can briefly cover some of these now.

Three well renowned mural artists expressed interest - one artist stood out and was selected by the mural group. All artists provided to our group, their expertise, examples of their work and a full comprehensive overview of the work needed.

All aspects of the wall were checked by all artists, so we knew categorically what to expect and the cleaning process needed as well as the condition of the previous paint work. Each segment being restored is individually cleaned and prepared before any painting takes place.

The successful artist is Pete Madsen and yes a contract has been signed by both parties i.e. Pete Madsen and the Wakefield Mural Group.

When the mural has been completed, checked and signed off, Pete will provide to us a contractual guarantee for his workmanship on our mural for a further 17 years.

How long will it last and will the paint fall off? Stu replies (with a smile) “it will weather as we all do and probably survive longer than many of us!”

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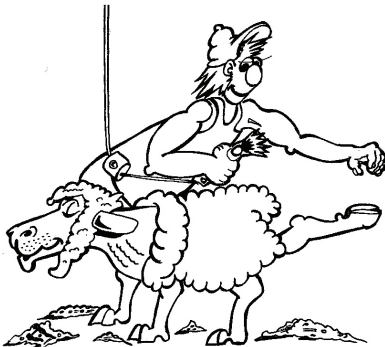
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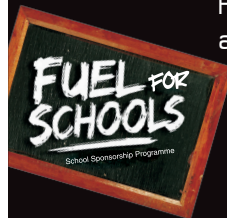
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DECEMBER QUIZ

by Derek Evans

1. Which brand of cosmetic cream gets its name from the Latin for Snow White?
2. Who or what was "Barry der Menschenretter"?
3. What does the LG make of computer stand for?
4. "Money is the root of all evil" is the saying - what is the correct quote and who said it?
5. In the world of film, whose Prime Directives were classified "to Serve the Fourth Public Trust", "Protect the Innocent" and "Uphold the Law" as well.
6. Who wrote Sinatra's song "My Way"?
7. How many continents are there in the world? Name them.
8. In 1982 what war started?
9. At what tournament did Andy Murray win his first Grand Slam?
10. Metro Goldwyn Mayer became most famous due to its iconic Leo the Lion trademark. What is the lions name of MGM?

Live Well Stay Well

by Margaret Clark

The "Live Well Stay Well" group has finished for 2017. We have had an interesting year and learnt a lot from visits out and about, plus our visiting speakers. Last month we had a great time visiting the "Pics Peanut Butter" factory in the Whakatu Estate. We learned about the whole process of their product and had tastings of their popular nut butters which have no additives. Thank you to Monica and her team. This was followed by lunch at the Saxton Cafe which was near to the factory. A most enjoyable day.

"Live Well Stay Well" is a health and social group that meets bi-weekly in Wakefield or Brightwater from 9.45- 11am. All interested are welcome to attend especially if you are new to the village. Our coffee and chat sessions which we hold monthly at local cafes in Brightwater and Wakefield are always popular and give us all a chance to get to know each other.

For 2018 we plan to start our fortnightly get togethers after the Easter Break. Any enquiries for transport or to go on our email list to let you know what's happening, please call Margaret 541 9693 or Yvonne 542 2235.

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Cycle Trail Update

by Jo Leyland, Trustee, Nelson Tasman Cycle Trail Trust

There have been some very positive developments with the cycle trail over the last few months. Firstly, the appointment of Josh Aldridge, the new part-time Trail Manager, who is funded by both Councils as well as the Trust, means that Josh is able to push on with the work of completing the Great Taste loop trail as well as promptly attending to repair works as a result of the recent storms. The Trust has submitted its business case to Government (MBIE) for funding to support the construction of the next phase of the trail that the TDC has already committed to match. There are positive indications but with the new government, it will take a bit of time for them to adjust and engage with the process established last year by Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE).

Closer to home, following individual consultations with landowners, we had a very useful meeting late September at the Kohatu Flat Rock Café with Josh and most of the landowners from Kohatu through to Tapawera. It was a good chance to jointly consider the possible trail route options and also raise issues around property accesses, fencing, easements and trail maintenance regimes etc. The preferred route was essentially along the line of the old railway, capitalising on the link with Spooners Tunnel and also minimising the number of crossings of the Motueka Valley Highway from a cyclist safety point. Josh, with support from John Ellis, will be taking this further.

It was also recommended that the section be split into two and to first prioritise construction of the trail alongside the more dangerous hilly, windy section of the Motueka Valley Highway at the Kohatu end – this would come after completing the trail section to Kohatu alongside SH6 from Norris Gully. There is also resolution on the section between Wakefield and Wai-iti which is good news.

The Cycle Trail Trust has been hosting a number of 'Official Partner' events around the Great Taste Trail and it is Tapawera's turn on Thursday, December 7th at the Tapawera Hotel from 6.30pm. With the Tapawera Promotion Association (TPA) recently becoming an official partner, we now have a page on the Trust's heartofbiking website at www.heartofbiking.org.nz/plan-your-ride/services-directory/tapawera-promotion-association.

If you have an interest in the cycle trail, either as a business or to learn more on its progress, please come along on December 7th. You can also hear more about what the TPA can offer as an official partner. And the invitation extends to other hospitality businesses wider afield such as Wakefield, St Arnaud and on towards Murchison. I will also be doing a short presentation on my recent charity bike ride to Vietnam so if that's of interest, welcome too! It would be useful to have an indication of numbers so if you are coming, it would be helpful if you can let me know either by emailing spacenotpace@gmail.com or calling 03 522 4411.

Wakefield Playcentre

by Liz Ashburner

At our recent AGM we talked about what we have particularly enjoyed over the last year at Playcentre and the answers were all along the same lines – we have all loved to see our children blossom and the relationships that have developed.

Although friendships between children are important, it is easy to overlook the needs of adults: for support, understanding, growth and friendship. Many parents join Playcentre, having moved to a new area as a way of meeting new people. Others join after completing the Space for You and Your Baby programme and realising the benefits of connecting with other parents.

Having someone to talk to about issues that you may be having as a parent; a space you can sit down quietly with a cup of tea, knowing that your children are playing happily in the next room; having the opportunity to put your skills and experience to use or develop new ones – these are just some of the ways parents can blossom alongside their children at Playcentre.

If you would like to check out what we have to offer, we are open Monday to Friday 9:30 until 12:00. Our last day for the year will be Wednesday, 20th December and we reopen January 31st.

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Wakefield Bowling Club

by Tony Eames

The November tournament was sponsored by Wakefield Auto Services. It was won by the home team of Chris Longman, Allan Robertson and Vicki Sixtus. Second was Stu Peterson with Richard Newport and Averille Welham from Richmond and third was Peter and Linda Sisterson with Nora Afleck from Stoke.

Club Championships:

The Men's Pairs has been won by Ron Charles and Don Sixtus. Women's Pairs - Linda Sisterson and Di Holland.

Nelson Centre Events:

In the Centre Mixed 2-4-2 Margaret Eames and Mike Wilson reached the final and played against husband and wife NZ International Black Jacks Shannon and Amy McIlroy; a close game which was tied after the allotted 16 ends but won by Shannon and Amy on the extra end. In the Centre Fours, two Wakefield teams qualified for post section play: the women's four of Margaret Eames, Linda Sisterson, Di Holland and new bowler Jan Dudley made the semi final while in the men's Peter Sisterson, Kevin Galvin, Trevor Woodbury and Tony Eames made the quarter finals.

Nelson Reps:

Further congratulations to Margaret Eames who has been selected to play for the Nelson Women's team for the Higgins Shield against Marlborough, West Coast and Buller on 4 December.

League Bowls:

Open to anyone in the community as well as club members. Playing for the Dennis Fraser trophies and other prizes. Thursday evenings 6 – 8pm. \$5 per player, children no charge.

Christmas Raffle:

Tickets are available from club members for the Christmas hampers (three prizes of goodies including hams) and will be on sale in Edward St in Wakefield and Ellis St in Brightwater. To be drawn at the club Christmas social on Saturday 23 December.

Summertime:

It is a busy time over the next few months with further Club Champs, Interclub and Nelson Centre competitions – all go! There will be many activities at the club and anyone interested is welcome to call in to watch or to have a go.

For more information contact Tony on 541 8316 or check our website <http://www.sporty.co.nz/wakefieldbowls>.



Photo - from left: Vicki Sixtus, Allan Robertson, Wendy Peterson from Wakefield Auto Services and Chris Longman.

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On The Beat

Hello Everyone.

We are very swiftly coming up to Christmas, or the silly season, as some people describe it.

This time of year can be very stressful for some. With the pressures of obtaining and paying for Christmas presents and the related festivities can be a headache for most. Some people do not handle this stress well. If you see that a family member or friend is struggling, please take the time to help them out or let someone else know. Possibly some help can be organised.

Traffic volumes increase dramatically around this time of year with families trying to get away on holiday. Police certainly notice that speed levels increase. The number of incidents where impatience results in drivers taking risks that put themselves and other road users in danger also increases.

Please stick to the speed limits. If you are travelling slower than the normal traffic flow keep an eye on your mirrors and pull over to let others passed when you see more than two or three vehicles banking up behind you.

There are a lot of roadworks happening throughout our district. Please slow down when travelling through these areas. The reduced speed limits in these areas are not only for your safety but also that of the road workers.

This is also Christmas work do season. If you are going to be having a few alcoholic beverages please do not drive afterwards. Arrange for a sober driver. Jamie and I have both dealt with too many drink drivers recently.

Be safe out there and don't be afraid to ring Jamie or myself if you have some issue you need help with. If we can't help perhaps we can point you in the right direction.

Both Jamie and I hope you all have a merry and safe Christmas.

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November has been like October with a lot of calls. The calls have been varied which makes our job interesting at times. No two jobs or calls are the same thus we have to train to learn the best way to complete the call in a safe and efficient manner.

The Wakefield fire brigade members would like to thank all the public who have helped us over the past year and we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and please take care on the roads and be safe.

Fritz Buckendahl
CFO Wakefield



Call outs for this Oct/Nov month	
Medical	Wakefield
Rubbish fire	Wakefield
Car fire	Kohatu HW
Medical	Wakefield
Medical	Wakefield
MVA	Motueka HW
PFA	Eves Valley
Car vs house	Brightwater
Car vs car	Kerrs Hill
MVA	Kohatu HW
Truck roll over	Brightwater
Car vs bike	Spooners
Smoking boat motor	Brightwater

Total calls for the year 119

Wakefield School

Josh Coppins Visit to Wakefield School

by Eli Neville-Webb and Joel (spud) Hawkins

On Wednesday, retired motocross legend Josh Coppins came to our school to talk to us about motocross, motorbikes and safety gear. We had time to ask questions about how he got started in his motorbike career and about how he has been racing since he was 11 and got his first motorbike when he was four. He has won over 500 trophies but he has given a lot away to people and given some of them back to clubs so they can rename them and they don't have to buy a new one.



He likes to have no trophies at home because he gets sick of dirt biking. He came to our school because the HFO (hunting, fishing and outdoors) writing group wrote letters to him so he could come and see us. Unfortunately he couldn't come and see us initially because he was in Europe with JCR, Josh Coppins Racing.

Josh also said what you need to succeed is a good attitude, you need to listen and you need to work hard, be motivated and believe in yourself. His favourite dirt bike is a Yamaha and his second favourite bike was a Honda. His favourite brand of gear is Fox and it was a awesome experience and was really cool.

P.S. he has even beaten Ryan Dungey!



Southfuels Spring Grove Fuels Wakefield School

Wakefield School recently received two large screen smart TVs thanks to a very smart sponsorship arrangement. Earlier this year Julie and Wayne Benseman at Southfuels Spring Grove teamed up with Wakefield School through Southfuel's nationwide sponsorship programme. Every litre of fuel sold at Southfuels Spring Grove earns 2c for Wakefield School, a small amount that quickly adds up. Total sponsorship for the year so far is \$6,000, with the school benefiting through the purchase of technology and sports packages provided in \$1,000 lots through Southfuels.

Wakefield School principal, Peter Verstappen, says the sponsorship is a windfall for the children's education. "This year our Southfuels sponsorship has enabled us to buy computers, large-screen TVs, gym mats, high jump pads and other sports equipment, all of which would not have been a priority on our tight budget."

"The benefits for our children are obvious and we are grateful to Julie and Wayne and their staff, to Southfuels for creating a brilliant community initiative and to all who purchase their fuel at Spring Grove. We're especially grateful to a few local businesses who contribute hugely through bulk purchasing."

"We are already well on the way towards our next \$1,000 package and the children are excited about what we will use that for."

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Town and Country Talk

by Brenda Halliwell, Vet

Getting Prepared for Summer!

As we all prepare for Christmas holidays, making arrangements for pet care over the summer and holiday period is an important consideration. Here are a few things to think about...

- Vaccinations for respiratory viruses in cats, and Parvovirus plus Canine Cough in dogs must be up to date in order to stay in boarding facilities. Call us for advice if you're not sure, and don't leave it until the last minute!
- Leave contact numbers for your vet as well as your mobile phone number with your pet carer.
- Beware of novel objects which could be swallowed by your pets such as Christmas tinsel, strings from the roast, kebab sticks from the barbecue, fish hooks and potentially obstructive food such as chop bones, corn cobs and peach stones.
- Most of us know that chocolate is poisonous for dogs. There is definitely more chocolate around at Christmas so remember to keep it out of reach of your dog. We often see dogs that have found the chocolate under the tree before their owners!
- Take care giving your dog leftovers from the BBQ or roast – bones, large amounts of fat and onions can all cause serious internal problems for dogs.
- Another food-related hazard is old food that your pet might find in compost heaps, rubbish bins and out on walks. There are millions of weird microbes growing in these places that, if eaten by your pet (especially dogs) can cause all sorts of symptoms from tummy upsets through to poisoning and seizures.
- Toxic algae are a warm weather hazard in our rivers. It's safest to avoid the rivers in summer and head to the beach instead.
- Heatstroke is common over summer particularly in larger dogs. Never leave dogs in the car on a hot day, even in the shade with windows down. Offer frequent drinks/stops on journeys. Restrict exercise to cooler parts of the day. Limit the length of walks especially for young energetic dogs, old dogs and dogs with medical problems. Provide shade for dog kennels and rabbit/guinea pig cages.
- Clipping long haired pets can prevent problems such as overheating, soiling, skin infections and grass seed problems. We often clip the underside/belly of long haired cats, and advise clipping under ears and around the feet of long haired dogs. Some long haired dogs which aren't traditionally clipped (e.g. Border Collies) are much more comfortable and active, even if they do look a bit odd!



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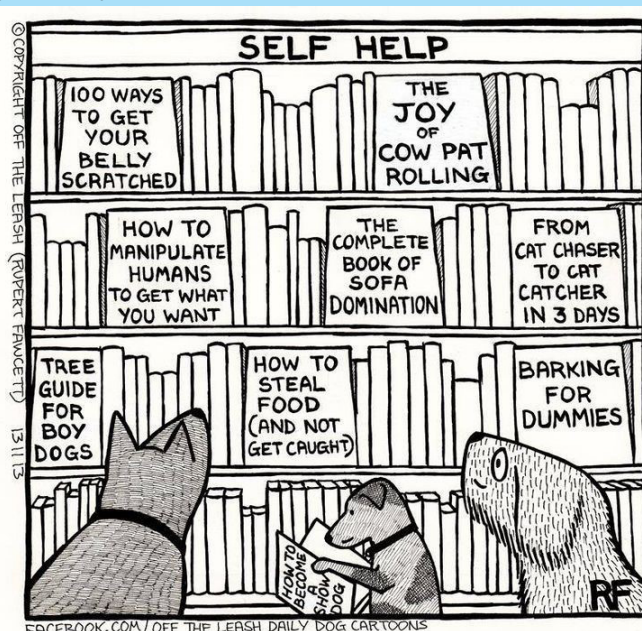
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- Warm weather accelerates development of flea eggs and larvae so flea prevention is important. We have many products available to suit your pets and their lifestyle including oral tablets, topical treatments and long-lasting collars. Some products now last six months or more so it's easy to keep your pet and house flea-free.



A Matter of Accounts

by Sonia Emerson, CA, BBus

This month I thought I would share a couple of extracts from the IRD website regarding IRD focus areas, as a reminder that it is important to get it right, and declare all of your income and expenditure.

Under-Reporting and Operating Outside the Tax System - <http://www.ird.govt.nz/aboutir/reports/compliance-focus/compliance-previous-years/compliance-focus-2013-14/other-focus-areas-13/underreporting-13/>.

Some businesses and individuals are more likely to be involved in using inappropriate practices to minimise the tax they need to pay. Such practices include: paying salary or wages in cash "under the table", not reporting the trade of goods and services, skimming takings from the till, not declaring cash jobs, failing to declare offshore income, income from organised crime, and income from property trading. This behaviour reduces our tax revenue and cheats all New Zealanders out of funding for the services that support our communities. Some individuals and businesses fail to record all cash income or find other ways to avoid paying the correct amount of tax on all income earned. They usually deal mainly in cash, which gives them a greater opportunity to understate their income, overstate their expenses or operate entirely outside the tax system.

To minimise those engaged in under-reporting or operating outside the tax system we are working to ensure that all businesses and self-employed people:

- file end-of-year tax returns
- are registered in the tax system, eg, have an IRD number
- are registered for all appropriate tax types
- report all income earnings and file correct returns, and
- claim the correct tax and social policy entitlements.



What We Are Doing

- Linking transaction data we receive from taxpayers and third parties between people and businesses.
- Obtaining third party data to identify unreported income and unsupportable lifestyles.
- Actively supporting the Canterbury Rebuild initiative and monitoring activity to minimise the opportunity for non-compliance.
- Our staff are working in the community to educate and help businesses understand their obligations.
- Working with other agencies to identify and disrupt tax fraud and criminal activity.

Declare it all. Or risk everything - <http://www.ird.govt.nz/m/apps/under-the-table.html>

We're looking hard at tax crime in the building sector. Tradies who do undeclared cash jobs can be hit with tax penalties, or criminal convictions that could lead to prison – costing them their business and their income. Doing jobs for cash or for your mates is okay - as long as you record them and declare the income when you're filing your annual tax return.

Make sure that you record every job, no matter how big or small. If you're registered for GST you charge it. You must register for GST when your annual turnover is more than \$60,000. You must register your employees and declare all your income when you file your tax return. If you're already paying tax on all your income, there's nothing more you need to do.

Putting Your Past Tax Returns Right

If you've left some income off your tax return, tell us now, rather than wait for us to find out some other way. By making a full voluntary disclosure you may benefit by not being prosecuted in court and having your shortfall penalty reduced by up to 100%. Choosing not to tell us may lead to late payment penalties, shortfall penalties, and prosecution.

In 2015, a survey by IRD of 420 Auckland tradespeople found that in the Auckland region, there's anecdotal evidence that up to a quarter of building and construction involves under the table work. If that's true, that's a lot of tax not being paid and that would have funded vital services we all benefit from such as schools, hospitals and social services.

Mr Goggin, Inland Revenue's Group Manager Investigations and Advice, said while the majority of tradespeople "do the right thing" by paying their taxes, there's a minority who are cheating the system and ripping off taxpayers. "I think what's encouraging though is that tradies are talking about their tax obligations with their mates in the industry and with their customers. And most are saying it's no longer okay to do work for cash and not declaring it." Mr Goggin said although Inland Revenue had identified the building and construction industry as being a high risk for tax evasion, all levels of tax evasion from any industry were treated very seriously.

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From *Hon Damien O'Connor*
MP for *West Coast-Tasman*

Have a safe and happy Christmas!
I wish you and your loved ones the very best for
the year to come.

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www.facebook.com/FocusWakefield

**Share your stories, photos,
events with the community.**

**Post items wanted, for sale,
help needed etc...**

Quiz Answers

NOVEMBER QUIZ ANSWERS

by Derek Evans

1. How did Sir Walter Raleigh die?
He was sentenced to death for treason by James I and beheaded in 1618.
2. Who was Eric Weiss?
The Escapologist Houdini
3. In the UK during the Second World War, who were said to be "overpaid, oversexed and over here"?
American troops
4. In which Olympic sport does the biggest jerk win?
Weightlifting
5. What is the national cheese of Greece?
Feta
6. Which of Henry VIII's wives gave him the male heir he wanted?
Jane Seymour
7. Which turbo-jet airliner is the most common worldwide?
Boeing B-737
8. What is a young spider called?
A spiderling
9. Which is America's oldest soft drink brand?
Dr Pepper
10. Which town in Central Spain is famous for it's swords and knives?
Toledo

QUIZ!

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Wakefield Mural - Pharmacy Wall

by Rob Merillees

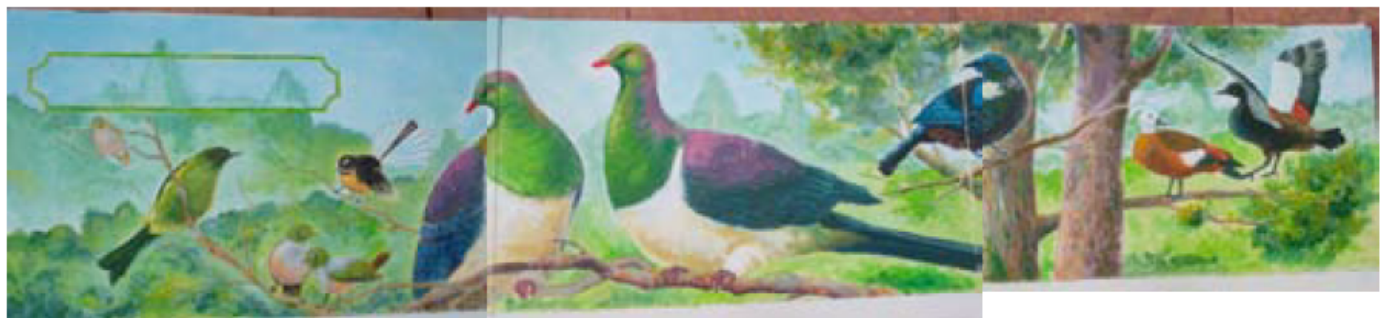
Last month [and also in this edition] you would have seen an article in the Window on Wakefield regarding developments with the mural on the Wakefield Pharmacy wall. You may remember a couple of years back where there were articles in Window on Wakefield and discussion in the village regarding the mural including this excerpt taken from the October 2015 edition.

Mural - Wakefield Pharmacy Wall

You may have noticed that some of the paint on the mural on the Wakefield Pharmacy wall is starting to flake and peel off. The Wakefield Community Council have spoken to many artists about whether it can be repaired or if it is better to replace it and the general consensus is that it needs to be replaced with a new mural to be done on a wood surface that can be fixed to the wall. This means that it can be more easily maintained in the future and also makes the painting of it initially more easy.

Below is a draft painting by local artist, Ren Olykan, of an idea of what could replace it. Ren has taken his inspiration from the many birds that can be found in the fantastic native bush areas that we have in and around Wakefield. A mock up of the mural has been on display at Wakefield Pharmacy, and has recently moved to Wakefield 4 Square if you would like to see it in more detail.

We are seeking feedback from the public about this proposed mural. If you would like to make a comment, please email windowonwakefield@gmail.com.



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The original artist of the mural was approached to see if he would be prepared to restore the mural and he declined, so as alluded to above, the Wakefield Community Council approached a number of local artists with no luck there either. We then decided to look for a local artist to paint a new mural and Ren Olykan was one of those contacted.

Ren asked for ideas from the Wakefield Art Group and from others in the community and came up with his design above, which was put to the Wakefield community for comment. The response indicated that there was no clear mandate to continue with either the original historic mural or the proposed bird mural with equal numbers of respondents for each option.

I requested permission to put it to the Wakefield retailers and businesses and see if they were prepared to help fund Ren's bird mural. During that process there was not one retailer or business who I approached that responded negatively about the mural and many were prepared to contribute to the funding of the mural.

A number of artistic people that we spoke with during this whole process, had expressed concern about the fact that the paint had defoliated off the pharmacy wall and therefore if it was restored on the wall, this may happen again. With that information and the fact that we had been unable to find someone to restore the mural, from there the proposed bird mural project continued by getting volunteers to help erect the mural (Richard Shephard and others) and in November 2016 the Wakefield Art Group was approached for assistance with the painting of the mural and several members put their hand up.

Ren wanted to paint the mural on cement board, because it was a more even surface therefore giving a better finish. There was no professional advice sought over the peeling of the paint as we intended to cover over it with the cement board. Ren then sourced and got the cement board donated for the project. Colin Gibbs helped by getting Goldpine to donate the wood to erect the boards. I sourced \$1,000 through the TDC's Creative Communities Grant. The overall cost was estimated to be under \$8,000 and with the donation of boards and wood and volunteer help the cost was going to be far less than that estimate. I was confident that the project would have been done without looking for any further funding. I was however prepared to investigate more options for funding if required.

This project had got to the stage where Ren was to pick up the boards and start painting when "The Wakefield Mural Group" who are having the repaint of the old mural done, requested the Wakefield Community Council give them an opportunity to find someone to repaint the historic mural. That group was given one month to see if they could do it as we did not want further delays as the present project could not afford more time delays with the artist and others having plans to complete the project in January 2018.

One month later the Wakefield Community Council decided to allow the restoration group an extension of time and consequently the original project managed by the Wakefield Community Council was stopped as Ren could not delay painting any longer.

by Sonja Lamers

To Ren Olykan and Rob Merillees, could I please say a BIG THANK YOU to both of you for your effort and enthusiasm in trying to create a new mural on the Wakefield Pharmacy Wall.

Live Local Shop Local

by Dee Wastney

VILLAGE KIDS

Hi I'm Dee. My husband Nathan and our two boys, Liam and Harrison, recently moved into the Wakefield community, living up Eighty Eight Valley Road. We live in a beautifully spacious home, in a rural setting, which provides our children with an abundance of exploration opportunities.

Prior to having our children, I was a preschool teacher for 12 years. I have a Diploma in Teaching and Learning (early childhood education) and a Bachelor of Teaching and Learning (early childhood education) also.

Our move has given me the opportunity to make a dream come true and stay at home with our children and work as an in-home educator, providing quality care for other children too.

I work for a wonderful company called Village Kids, owned and operated by Kirstie Van Houtte, who also has a Bachelor in Early Childhood Education herself.

Village Kids, and I, are committed to providing the highest quality early childhood education throughout the Nelson Tasman region. We provide great company subsidies for every family which are paid in addition to WINZ childcare or multiple births subsidies. We, as educators, are supported by experienced, qualified and registered teachers. We offer a program rich in community involvement, playgroups and excursions with unhurried time for your child to climb, build, bake, paint, laugh, dance, sing and play.

I have full and part time spaces available now. I open our home for child care Monday through Friday, 7.30am to 5.30pm.



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or Kirstie Van Houtte - 544 6249 Richmond Based

If you would like to discuss child care options for your child/ren please call me on 027 857 1041 anytime. I will return your call, should I miss it, as soon as I can.

Alternatively, you can text, and I will call you at an agreed time.

I look forward to meeting new people and becoming an active member in the lovely Wakefield community.



Wakefield Scout Group

Wakefield Scout Group has enjoyed a great year of growth and changes to our group and to our den which has seen some large improvements due mainly to the support of not only our members but the Wakefield community. We would like to say a massive thank you to each and every one of you who have supported and helped us over the last 12 months and we look forward to a great 2018 to come.

A special thank you to the Gibbs family who have supported the group over the years and allowed us to use their farm to raise so much money for the group. Also to Richard and Mel who have come on board in supplying us with sheep manure for us to sell. The use of both of your farms has allowed us to do so much for the youth and for our den. Jeanette Ellis, whom without the use of your place to sell our sheep manure we would be lost.

Thank you also to Neil & Jayn who have come on board with some Christmas trees for us to sell this year, to PackGearGo Wakefield who not only have donated items for the group for our raffles but also given us great prices to purchase new gear for the youth.

Thank you as well to Allan, David & Graham at the Waimea Menzshed in Richmond who took on our Cubs for the night and helped teach them a bit about building and having fun while doing it.

And of course to all of the following who have supported the group in many ways throughout the year: Pam Harwood (your continued support is appreciated), Neil and Johnnie Cushen (thanks for getting rid of that flax and patching our holes), Andrew Pedley, Nelson Pine (our ceiling looks great) and to each and every one of you in the community that have purchased a raffle ticket or helped us in any way, we would not be able to do what we do without your support.

And finally to all our members who get there and spend time on your weekends and nights helping not only with running the sessions but with our many fundraisers throughout the year!



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See you all next year for another amazing year at Wakefield Scout Group.

Community Notices

WAKEFIELD ART GROUP

OUR WORK
WILL BE ON DISPLAY
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9 A.M. TO 12.30 P.M.
SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2017

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Wakefield Craft Group

Come and join the ladies Craft Group
held on Wednesday mornings
in the Fire Brigade Supper Room
Pigeon Valley Road
9.00am - 12pm

Bring any project - sewing, knitting, crochet.
Learn to knit or crochet or just come for a look
and join us for tea, coffee and company.
Small donation

For more information phone Judy on 5418342

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Would you like to learn Te Reo in a fun,
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For more information contact Sonja Lamers:
sonjal@ts.co.nz or txt 027 374 0500.

INVITATION

Please join us at your local church, Wakefield Anglican
Church, as we celebrate the greatest gift the world has
received - the birth of Jesus Christ, our Saviour
We would love to meet you and assure you of a warm welcome

Sunday December 10th

Children's Christmas Play and prizegiving 10.30am at the
Worship Centre 120 Edward Street Wakefield
Includes light refreshments

Sunday December 17th

Community Carol Service 6.30pm at the Worship Centre.
Come and sing your favourite Christmas carols
Cup of tea and Christmas cake to follow

Sunday December 24th

(Traditional Christmas Eve Service)
"Midnight at Nine" 9pm at St Johns Church

Monday December 25th

Christmas Day Service
9am at the Worship Centre

Office enquiries phone 5418 883

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Community Notices



Wakefield Art Group

*Everyone welcome. All levels of interest.
Our group has been meeting weekly since July 2012 during school term.*

Every THURSDAY of the School Term
9.30 am – noon
Wakefield Village Hall – Supper Room
\$4 per session - cup of tea/coffee included

For more information contact:
Fiona Ph: 027 767 7909
E: kahurangicottage@gmail.com
or Sonja Ph: 541 8176
E: sonjal@ts.co.nz

WAKEFIELD XMAS MARKET DAY

Saturday 9th December

Come enjoy friendly cheer, bound to have something there,
9am to 12pm is our time

Be sure to see the many different stalls. Come one and all!
For sites ring Jean 541 8154, Merry Christmas to all

MAINLY MUSIC

Wakefield St Johns Anglican Worship Centre

Monday's 10.00am. Cost \$3.00 per family.

This is a time for parents and children to enjoy music, song, dance and lots of laughs.

Any queries please phone Wendy Milson 544-5494.

WAIMEA PLUNKET PLAYGROUP

The Brightwater Community

Anglican Church, Waimea West Road, Brightwater

Time: 9.00 – 12.00 noon Day: Wednesday morning Cost: FREE

PERMACULTURE GROUP

Our group meets informally on the 4th Saturday of the month.
If you are interested in joining us to share knowledge
or learn to start growing food organically,
then ring Diana and Iain on 5418950 for the venue.

FOXHILL TENNIS COURTS

658 Wakefield-Kohatu Highway
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FREE PUBLIC USE

Re-painted lines, nets up ready to go, for twilight practices and fitness.

Managed by Rutherford Memorial Hall (Foxhill) Assn Inc. for TDC
Erica Short Secretary/Treasurer 541 8882

WAKEFIELD ANGLICAN COMMUNITY LUNCHESES

The monthly community lunches recommenced for the
year on Thursday February 16th at 12 noon
in the lounge at the Worship Centre.

All welcome third Thursday each month.

If you wish to attend we prefer that you
let us know by phoning Caroline 5418491
by the previous Monday if possible.

Come and enjoy a social hour and chat over a meal.
A small donation is appreciated to cover expenses.

BERRY PICKERS

Berry pickers wanted for
school holidays

Must have good work ethic
and be reliable.

Anyone interested,
phone Christine 541 8564
or Steve 027 223 4788

COMMUNITY ORCHARD

My name is Sarah
and I am looking to form
a group of people interested in
starting a community orchard.

The plan is to plant a variety of
fruit and nut trees in our community
shared areas that are maintained and
enjoyed by the community.

As sections get smaller
and the next generation is
less likely to see where
their fruit comes from,
a community orchard
can be a great solution.

If you are interested in helping or learning
more please contact me on 5418117 or
email on andrewbowron@yahoo.com.

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Contact Nick & Jackie Costley

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Nick - 027 541 8581
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Meet up for a potluck lunch with
people interested in raw foods.

Meet like minded people and
learn more about this lifestyle.

We meet at people's homes
so ring Sally for details:
021 170 9443 or 548 8403

Community Classifieds

WANTED

August

Old computer discs, cds, dvds for craft project. If you have a stash you need to clear out I would love to have them. Will collect. Please email ylash@xtra.co.nz or call 541 9757. Thanks.

LAND WANTED

October

2-4 acres of flat land in Brightwater, Wakefield, Eighty Eight Valley, Pigeon Valley areas wanted. Services not required as we have a newly built full solar powered two bed home to relocate.

Private block only, not in a subdivision. Cash buyers.

Do you have a small parcel or lot you want to sell?

Please contact Rachel 021 227 7950.

FOR SALE

October

Children's sunhats. Various sizes and colours. \$12.50 each. Phone Deborah on 541 9045.

FOR SALE

October

Babies booties/slippers, woollen. \$3.00/pair.

Phone Deborah on 541 9045.

WORK WANTED

October

Child care/school holiday care available. 50 year old woman with care tickets. Private home, huge section, close to school and parks. Please phone Carleen on 541 8567.

FOR SALE

November

Camp bed single with mattress, three fold type for easy storage. As new \$50, phone 541 8363.

FREE

December

Single divan bed base, 3 drawers, and 2 single mattresses. Ph. 5418953

WANTED

December

Gardener wanted, mainly for weeding, trimming, mulching.

Student okay. Hours negotiable and flexible. No tools needed, all supplied.

Basic wage of \$15.75. Phone 03 265 5066.

FOR SALE

November

Chicken eggs \$5.00 per dozen
Pekin duck eggs \$4.00 1/2 dozen or \$8.00 dozen

Great for baking, can deliver Wakefield area, phone Teresa 541 8668

WORK WANTED

November

Do you need your lawns mowed, firewood cut, or any other jobs that you don't have time to do?

Phone John 541 9233 or 027 469 0964.

WANTED

December

Single male looking for single room/bedsit, communal facilities.

Contact Andy on 021 028 72731.

WANTED

Large quantity of stone free clay for McGazzaland.

Ph 0272 820 838

MONTHLY COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2017

Fri 1	2.30 pm	Wakefield Community Library open
Sat 2	9.30 am	Wakefield Toy Library open, Edward St
	6.30 pm	McGazzaland Fundraiser, Wakefield Village Hall
Mon 4	10.00 am	Mainly Music, St Johns Worship Centre
Tues 5	10.00 am	Tai Chi, Wakefield Village Hall
	10.30 am	Wakefield Community Library open
Wed 6	9.00 am	Waimea Plunket Playgroup, B/water Anglican Church
	10.00 am	Wakefield Quilters, Wakefield Village Hall
Thur 7	9.30 am	Wakefield Art Group, Wakefield Village Hall
	2.30 pm	Wakefield Toy Library open, Edward St
	6.00 pm	Tai Chi, Wakefield Village Hall
Fri 8	2.30 pm	Wakefield Community Library open
Sat 9	9.00 am	Wakefield Market Day, Village Green
	9.00 am	Wakefield Art Group Exhibition, Wakefield Village Hall
	9.30 am	Wakefield Toy Library open, Edward St
Mon 11	10.00 am	Mainly Music, St Johns Worship Centre
Tues 12	10.00 am	Tai Chi, Wakefield Village Hall
	10.30 am	Wakefield Community Library open
Wed 13	9.00 am	Waimea Plunket Playgroup, B/water Anglican Church
Thur 14	9.30 am	Wakefield Art Group, Wakefield Village Hall
	2.30 pm	Wakefield Toy Library open, Edward St
	6.00 pm	Tai Chi, Wakefield Village Hall
Fri 15	2.30 pm	Wakefield Community Library open
Sat 16	9.30 am	Wakefield Toy Library open, Edward St
Mon 18	10.00 am	Mainly Music, St Johns Worship Centre
	7.30 pm	Wakefield Community Council, St Johns Worship Centre
Tues 19	10.30 am	Wakefield Community Library open
Wed 20	9.00 am	Waimea Plunket Playgroup, B/water Anglican Church
	10.00 am	Wakefield Quilters, Wakefield Village Hall
Thur 21	2.30 pm	Wakefield Toy Library open, Edward St
Fri 22	2.30 pm	Wakefield Community Library open
Sat 23	9.30 am	Wakefield Toy Library open, Edward St
Fri 29	2.30 pm	Wakefield Community Library open

JANUARY 2018

Tues 2 9.00 am Wakefield Community Craft Fair



Community Directory

Citizens Advice Bureau
548 2117 - 0800 367 222

Rutherford Memorial Hall
658 Wakefield-Kohatu Highway, Foxhill
Bookings and enquiries:
Sue White 027 474 6324
Hire Rates & Conditions:
www.lordrutherfordhall.org.nz

Pigeon Valley Steam Museum
Alan Palmer 027 319 7427

Rural Ramblers
Carolyn Mason 541 9200

Spring Grove Drill Hall
C Stratford 542 3992

Totaradale Golf Club
Jacquie 541 8030

Wakefield Anglican Church – St Johns
Meet Sun 9.00am; 10.30am
Rev. Allan Wasley 541 8883

Wakefield Community Library
Wendy Gibbs 541 8490
Pam Dick 541 8392
Hours - Tues 10.30 -11.30am
Friday - 2.30 - 4pm
Excluding Public Holidays

Wakefield Football Club
Chris Olaman 027 541 9029
Ian Radcliffe 021 0244 6459

Wakefield Medical Centre
541 8911

Wakefield Pharmacy
5418418
doug@wakefieldpharmacy.co.nz

Wakefield Playcentre
Contact: 541 8866

Wakefield School
Edward Street 541 8332

Wakefield Scout Group
wakefieldgroupleader@gmail.com
Louis Hornell 027 759 3006

Wakefield Toy Library
Saturday 9.30-11.30am
Liz Ashburner 541 9453

Wakefield Volunteer Fire Brigade
DCFO Fritz Buckendahl 027 224 4162

Justice of the Peace
Katie Greer
896 Wakefield/Kohatu Highway
Ph 021 547 756

Country Players (Drama)
Jen Amosa 541 8139
enquiries@countryplayers.org.nz
www.countryplayers.wordpress.com

Nelson Vintage Engine & Machinery Club
Allan 027 319 7427

Pinegrove Kindergarten
03 542 3447

Rural Women
Dawn Batchelor 542 3628

St Joseph's Catholic Church
Sun 8am, Thurs 9.30am
Parish Preist Seth Pijfers 544 8987

Taoist Tai Chi
Deb Knapp 022 083 9332

Waimea Sheepdog Trial Club
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gibbs@ts.co.nz

Wakefield Book Group
Mahala White - 541 8933 or
Chrissy Harris - 541 9596

Wakefield Bush Restoration Society
Doug South 541 8980

Wakefield Plunket Volunteers Group
Wendy Wadsworth 541 9272

Plunket Nelson Area Office
For appointments etc 539 5200

Wakefield School/ Community Swimming Pool
Phill Platt 027 231 7610

Target Shooting Wakefield
targetshootingwakefield@gmail.com
Contact: Dot Ashton
541 8989 or 027 543 0529

Wakefield Rest Home Ltd
Lowreen Mani - Facility Manager
Navya Solomon - Clinical Manager/RN
541 8995

Wanderers Sports Club
542 3344

Wakefield Physiotherapy
Kate West 03 541 8911

Focus Wakefield
focuswakefield@gmail.com

NZ Postcard Society Inc.
Doug South 541 8980

Richmond Lions - Wakefield Rep
Ivan Burrowes 541 9689

Spring Grove Church of Christ
Meet Sundays 10am
541 8011

Waimea South Historical Society
Arnold Clark 544 7834

Wakefield Bowling Club
Margaret Eames 541 8316

Wakefield Community Council
Sonia Emerson 541 9005

Wakefield Indoor Bowls Club
Ren Olykan 541 8275

Wakefield Preschool
Contact: 541 8086

Wakefield School PTA
ptawakefield@gmail.com

Wakefield Tennis Club
Ngair Calder 027 279 9938
www.caldertennis.co.nz

Wakefield Village Hall
Rob Merilees 541 8598

St. John's Worship Centre
Nigel Massey 541 8857

Waimea Plains Junior Football Club
Debbie and Grant de Joux
541 8307

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Sonia Emerson

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In the event of an emergency, your first task is to ensure the safety of your own home, family and neighbours. Once you have attended to this, if you have **specialised skills/ equipment**, and/or feel you can assist others; or require assistance yourself, please make your way to the Welfare Centre which will be at the St Johns Worship Centre in Edward Street [unless notified otherwise].

Please note that the existence of a Welfare Centre does not absolve each individual from their **responsibility to be personally prepared**. You should ensure that you have your own **survival kit** in place, and that you are able to be **fully self sufficient for at least three days**.

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for the wonderful care and support
I receive from so many of you!

Wendy



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