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Community News for the Wakefield Area

## A WAKEFIELD MELODRAMA REVEALED - Part One - A House Divided

by Christine Grieder and Peter Verstappen

It is a curious fact that many people in our region regard Wakefield as occupying a place near the edge of the known world. From the perspective of metropolitan Nelson or cosmopolitan Richmond we are 'rural' or 'country,' implying, possibly, a slower pace of life and, perhaps, slightly rustic manners. With that in mind, we have stumbled upon a startling fragment of Wakefield history that will confirm our quaintness in the eyes of the world, and certainly did so a hundred years ago.

The photos tell the tale – two images of the same building, Johnson's Saddlery, an early occupant of Edward Street. The first shows a typically modest colonial shopfront, but the second is remarkable – the same shop ruthlessly split in two.

The dismemberment of Johnson's Saddlery on a fine spring morning in 1904 was the work of local builder, John McPherson, whose trusty handsaw stands like a courtroom exhibit in the right foreground of the second photo. But McPherson was a minor actor in a Wakefield melodrama whose plot trumpets the warning in Genesis that "if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand."

Here, then, is the story of a house or, in our case, two neighbours, divided. McPherson's cut was no random amputation. In what must have been one of the most unusual tasks of his career McPherson was contracted to split the building exactly along a boundary line that separated two disputatious landowners.

No doubt the operation, in broad view of the main street, attracted a crowd of amused onlookers as McPherson sawed through roof beam and rafter, weatherboard and window frame with the precision of a surgeon. His scalpel work complete, McPherson and a few others levered, hauled and slid the greater part of the structure about four feet to the side, leaving a small portion of the building, window panes intact, marooned on its own small frontage. In the space of a few hours the small wooden shop of Johnson, Saddler had been truncated to Johnson, Saddl, the 'er' continuing as a slightly startled appendix.

The main protagonists of our story are Ernest Hodgson and Thomas Hunt, and the tale begins a year or so earlier, in August 1903, when Hodgson's wife, Alice, bought a small property on Edward Street, adjacent to a larger section owned by her husband.

The vendor of Alice Hodgson's property was the curiously named Star of Wakefield Tent, a branch of the Independent Order of Rechabites. The main business of the Rechabites was to fight the demon drink and, to this end, the local Rechabite worthies had built a small Temperance Hall on the land about 20 years earlier, perhaps in provocation to the local publican next door. In addition to the hall the section also boasted a small shop where George Johnson, saddler, conducted his business. Johnson had been set up by a Mr Dickson of Nelson, who opened the saddler's shop in 1894.

Early in 1904 Ernest Hodgson entered into negotiations with Maud Hunt, wife of Thomas, to subdivide a small portion of land along the boundary between Ernest's and Alice's properties. Maud owned a larger commercial property further down Edward Street, with a frontage onto the railway yard, a valuable property no doubt, so why she wanted to purchase a further piece of land is not clear, particularly when the strip she eventually bought from Ernest amounted to just 700 square metres, with a street frontage just a few metres wide.

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**Above: Johnson saddlery before** - photo received from Helen Back great grand daughter of George Johnson

**Right: Johnson saddlery after** - Edward St, Wakefield. Nelson Provincial Museum, N Baigent Collection: 315786

**Left to right: Ivy Florence Johnson, George Johnson, Jack McPherson and Fred Fowler**



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## A WAKEFIELD MELODRAMA REVEALED - Part One - A House Divided [continued]

The sale was completed in April 1904 but then things began to unravel.

Thomas Hunt and Ernest Hodgson, in what was later reported as a "bar room quarrel" (neither, presumably, being a Rechabite), argued over the boundaries of the land sold to Maud.

To settle the argument Hunt had the boundary surveyed in September. The Nelson Evening Mail on 8 October takes up the commentary:

On a survey being made it was found by the purchaser (Hunt) that a portion of four feet of a dwelling (Johnson's Saddlery) adjoining the land was encroaching on the section.

The purchaser demanded a certain sum as compensation for the trespass. This the seller (Hodgson) refused to pay...

As neither party would yield an inch – not to mention four feet – a way out of the difficulty was found by sawing off that part of the building that was encroaching on the vacant section.

Thomas Hunt, having seized the initiative in the dispute by organising the survey that discovered the building was projecting onto his wife's newly-purchased section, then appears as the more obstinate party.

A report in the Colonist on 7 October said Hunt demanded rent from Hodgson for the bit of the shop on Maud's property and he refused Hodgson's offer of shifting the entire building across the boundary line, which led to Hodgson sawing off the offending piece of the shop and shifting the rest of the building to a point where he could rebuild it.

Our story will conclude in next month's Window on Wakefield when we tackle the question "can a building torn apart grow back together again?" and we reveal the modern identity of Johnson's interrupted Saddlery.

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Last year's fundraising activities were food and drink stalls, children's games and vintage studio photos. All groups really enjoyed themselves and made an excellent profit.

We welcome creative suggestions especially activities that follow either apple or heritage themes.

Christine, Sylvia, Amy, Meredith

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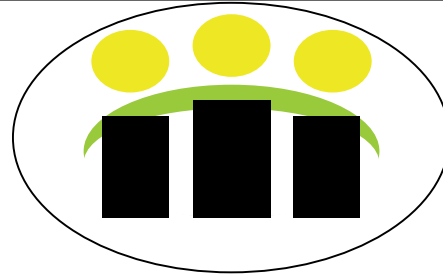
# Wakefield Health Centre

## STUDENTS 2016

Now the silly season is over it's that time to prepare for the new year.

If you are starting university, going to boarding school or have a child staying in the halls of residence, it is worth having a conversation about keeping safe at university.

This includes checking your vaccinations are up to date and also considering vaccinating against Meningococcal disease.



## Wakefield Health Centre

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Meningococcal disease is a bacterial infection that starts as a flu-like illness and in severe cases can lead to inflammation of the tissue around the brain, blood infection and lung inflammation.

People that are living in close proximity with one another such as boarding school, crowded households and the halls of residence are recommended be immunised against Meningococcal disease.

Unfortunately the Meningococcal vaccine is not funded.

If you are interested in having the vaccine please contact the Practice nurse, or if you have any concerns and would like to see the Doctor before you start your school year please contact us to make an appointment.

### Free emergency contraception

Did you know if you have had unprotected sex in the last three days you can now see our nurses for FREE emergency contraception.

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### Wakefield Health Centre

Our opening hours over the Christmas period are as follows:

Monday 21 Dec	Normal hours
Tuesday 22 Dec	Normal hours
Wednesday 23 Dec	Normal hours
Thursday 24 Dec	8.00am – 12.00pm
Friday 25 Dec	CLOSED

Monday 28 Dec	CLOSED
Tuesday 29 Dec	Normal hours
Wednesday 30 Dec	Normal hours
Thursday 31 Dec	8.00am – 12.00pm
Friday 1 January	CLOSED

Monday 4 January	CLOSED
Tuesday 5 January	Normal hours
Wednesday 6 January	Normal hours
Thursday 7 January	Normal hours
Friday 8 January	Normal hours

### Repeat Prescriptions

Please ensure you request your repeat prescriptions in good time.

# Wakefield Physio - Health & Wellbeing

## HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR BODY?

by Kate West, Physiotherapist (BPhy) at Wakefield Physio

1. Can you put names to the bones of the human body?

Use this list if you need a helping hand.

Fibula	Femur
Radius	Mandible
Scapula	Pelvis
Patella	Metatarsals
Carpals	Vertebra
Phalanges	Clavicle
Ulna	Humerus
Sacrum	Metacarpals
Sternum	Tibia
Cranium	Tarsals
Rib	

2. What is the largest organ in the body?

3. How many bones in the human body?

- A. 200
- B. 206
- C. 225

4. Do you know the correct medical names for the following?

- A. Kneecap
- B. Shoulder blade
- C. Collarbone

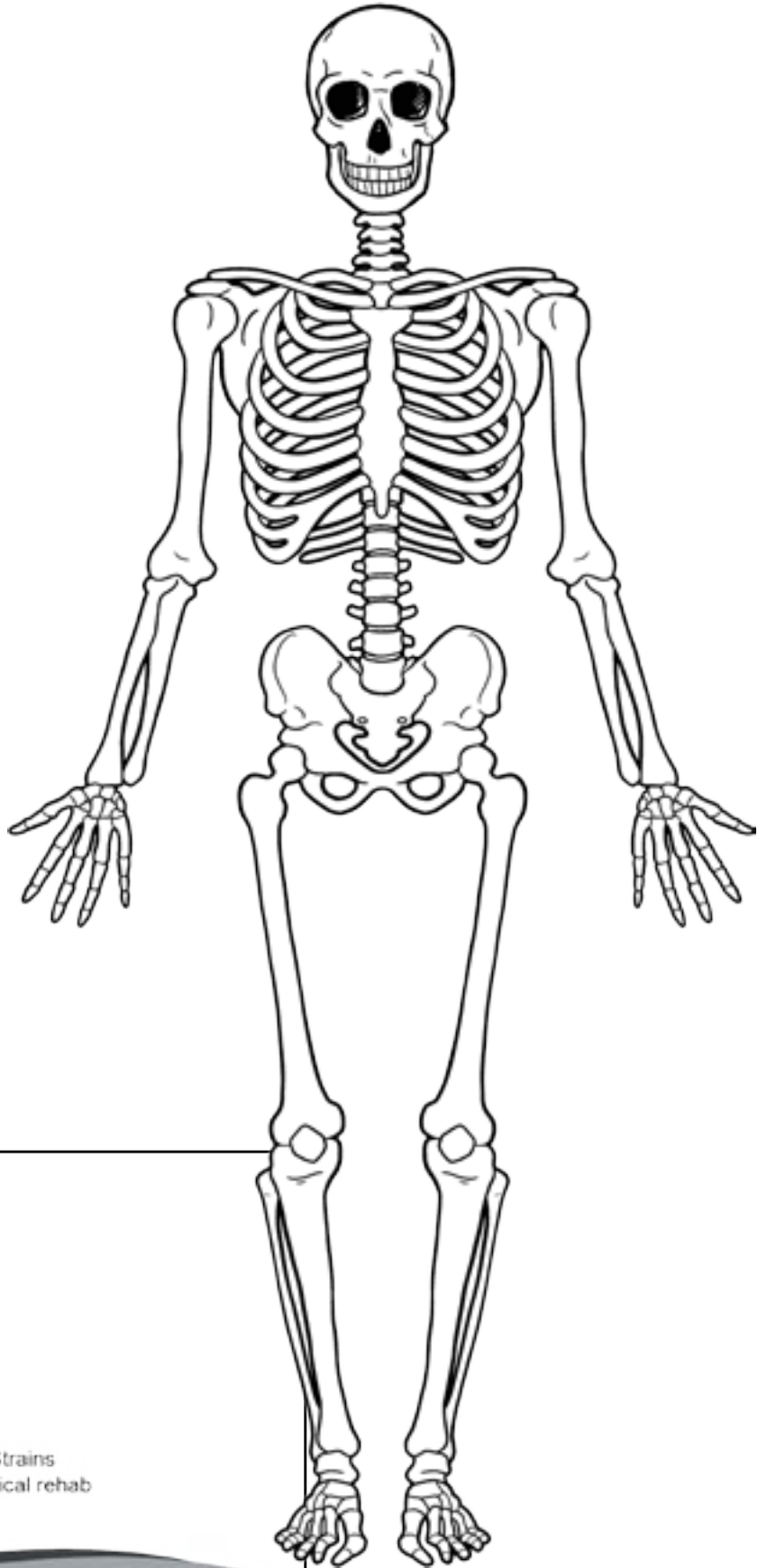
5. Our spine is broken down into five regions. Can you name them?

### True or False?

6. The acronym R.I.C.E stands for Rest, Ice, Continue activity and Elevation.

7. Bone is a living tissue

8. Your spine is shaped like a 'C'





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# Town and Country Talk

## GETTING PREPARED FOR SUMMER

by Brenda Halliwell

Last month I wrote about summer time hazards for our small furry friends so this month it's a look at a couple of the common summertime problems for large animals....

### RYEGRASS STAGGERS

We are again seeing cases of Ryegrass Staggers on farms. This is a disease caused by toxins produced by a fungus present in some types of Ryegrass. It usually occurs during summer and autumn when pasture levels are low and animals graze closer to the ground. The symptoms are tremors, jerky movements and staggering. It affects cows, sheep, deer and horses, and alpaca are particularly susceptible. Ryegrass Staggers is not fatal but affected animals are in danger of accidents such as getting caught in fences or falling into streams. They may also eat less and not drink enough. There is no specific antidote – the main treatment is getting affected animals off the ryegrass pasture and onto some other type of feed or safe ryegrass. Affected animals can take weeks to recover. There are many other causes of staggering, tremors and abnormal behavior – if you are not sure, it is best to get the vet out – sooner rather than later!

### FACIAL ECZEMA – NOT JUST A DISEASE OF THE SKIN

Facial Eczema is a disease of sheep, cattle, goats, alpacas and deer but not horses. It occurs in warm, moist summer conditions and continues into autumn. The cause is a toxin produced by the spores of a fungus in the base of the pasture. When eaten, the toxin damages the liver and a substance called phylloerythrin starts circulating in the blood. When exposed to sunlight, phylloerythrin releases energy and causes skin damage identical to severe sunburn. Affected sheep usually have drooping ears and swollen eyelids. They shake their heads and rub on fences resulting in sores and bleeding. These sores can become flystruck. Sheep are desperate to find shade and won't come out to eat or drink. They can die very quickly. Cows will have reddening and flaking skin on hairless and white skin areas. They are also desperate to find shade and are restless and itchy. Affected skin can be raw and painful.

Be aware that by the time you see skin lesions most of the liver damage has already occurred and that up to 50% of the mob can have liver damage without showing skin lesions. With Facial Eczema it is this unseen liver disease that results in a major reduction of farm profitability through:

- decreased production
- decreased reproductive performance at next mating
- increased death and culling rate
- metabolic problems and deaths around calving/lambing period

There is little that can be done once cows/sheep start showing symptoms because liver damage has already occurred. Blood tests can indicate the severity of liver damage and herd/flock exposure. Doses of vitamin B12 can help in the acute stages. Zinc supplementation is essential to prevent further damage. Prevention is always better than treating:

- Feed crop during risk periods
- Do spore counts and shift stock to lower risk paddocks
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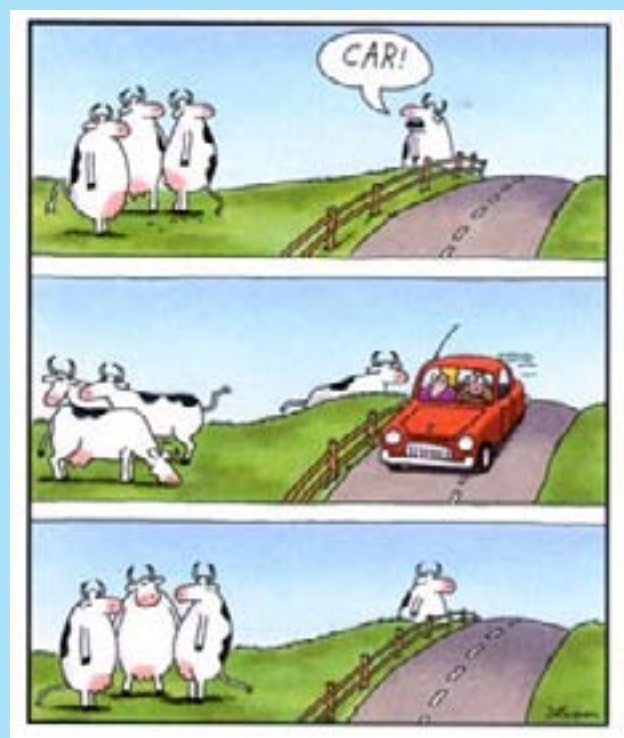
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# The Way We Were

## Spring Grove Church of Christ 1913-2015, Part III - A Century of Witness

Prepared for the Waimea South Historical Society by Roger Batt

“Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.” Hebrews 10:23

In 1908 the proposal was made to erect a new church building. (In fact, such a suggestion had been made in 1897). The old building was in need of extensive repairs to make it satisfactory for worship. When James Meyer died in 1909 he left a section of land to the church which provided the congregation with a valuable asset. In 1911 it was decided to proceed.

A section of land adjoining the old chapel was given by Mrs Dickson. Two large totara trees were offered by R Boddington. Bryant Bros promised 2,000ft of timber, W Anglesey offered 1,000ft of timber, and W Newth and E McPherson offered to dress the whole of it. In all, in cash and promises, approximately 290 pounds was available plus 70 pounds from the sale of the section in Wakefield. Mr FJ Phillips drew up the plans without cost.

Messrs Johnson and Manssen were duly contracted to erect the building which was opened with its first service on Sunday 21 December 1913. The meeting was presided over by John Griffith with SJ Mathieson giving the opening address. Devotional services were arranged for Christmas Day. With the new chapel for worship meetings, the old chapel became the bible school and youth hall.

In 1919 electric light was installed in both chapel and school hall at the cost of 45 pounds. The new building included a purpose-built baptistry constructed under the platform at the front which, when not in use, appeared simply as a raised stage. The floor of the meeting house raked backwards from the front, thus enabling those furthest away from the baptistry to see more easily into it.



Above Right: Interior of Chapel showing the diagonal rimu matchboard lining and the enlarged modern foyer and balcony.

Above Left: Interior view facing the platform and baptistry (concealed under floor).

In winter, specially designed immersion heaters were lowered into the water for several hours before the baptism to reduce the chill. The person officiating would wear chest-high fishermen's waders.

During the eleven year ministry of Robin Davis (1987-1989), when accommodating the growing congregation became a problem, an enlarged entrance foyer with a balcony above provided much needed extra seating.

With an emphasis on Bible-based rather than “man-made” forms of worship, the use of musical instruments during the morning services became an issue in 1915 when the church decided to purchase an organ. Strong opinions were held by some members but after considerable debate the majority view held sway with one or two deciding to attend Wai-iti where the organ was not used. In 1917 the use of individual cups for communion was accepted with little objection.

The church has always encouraged and supported its youth in the Brigade Movement, church camps and Sunday or Bible schools. In the late 1950's and 60's with the post-war “baby boomers” becoming teenagers, former Youth Leader Allan Moore remembers youth activities when up to 100 young people and leaders would be involved. At Spring Grove overseeing this work were Gordon Max and Pat Russ.

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# The Way We Were [Continued]

Allan remembers youth camps at Dovedale and Tapawera, picking up spuds on the farm of Mr A Wilkinson at Marawera which were later sold for youth funds and participating in "working bees" at the newly purchased Church of Christ campsite at Bethany Park, Kaiteriteri.

On Saturday evenings a church bus, bought by Mr Richard Polglase and driven by Mr Ken Hollis, would run from Belgrove to Spring Grove. More young people would be picked up by Gordon Max driving from Brightwater.

In the days before television and with a traditional non-dancing church culture (except for square dancing) the youth of the district were attracted to organised activities that would provide the opportunity to socialise.

Once a month there would be a film evening showing films from the Moody Bible Institute on topics such as God's Order in the Natural World followed by an evangelistic service and supper.



Rose window on front east wall of chapel at Spring Grove



As the church now looks toward the celebrations of 150 years of Christian witness in the Spring Grove community next year they wish to carry on the same customs and beliefs that have been upheld over these years - of faith in the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation, baptism by full immersion of those who thus believe, and the weekly observance of Communion.

The simple statement "No creed but Christ, no name but Christian, and no book but the Bible" remains the basis of their existence, and they wish to carry on presenting the same ideals as those of Thomas Jackson when he preached his first sermon on the streets of Nelson in 1844.

The church is much different from those days of course.

There is no longer an evening service, nor a Sunday School, or a paid preacher, but the principle of a Mutual Ministry – the priesthood of all believers, means that the fellowship is in good heart and maintains a positive witness and influence in the community.

With a large proportion of the offerings going to mission work both overseas and locally, they endeavour to fulfil their part in the great commission outlined in Mark 16: 15 "Go into all the World and preach the gospel".

#### Acknowledgements:

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#### Ministers at Spring Grove 1866-2004

E. Lewis 1866-1911

P. Bolton 1912-1914

M. O. Johnston 1914-15

S. J. Mathieson 1915-18

J. Watt 1918-26

G. Vercoe 1926-27

P. J. Fenn 1927-29

F. J. Marshall 1930-31

T. Bamford 1931-37

E. R. Vickery 1937-39

W. E. Vickery 1939-42

F. E. Slattery 1942-44

T. Bamford 1946-51

R. T. Findlay 1951-56

G. L. Benjamin 1956-58

P. D. Griffith 1958

F. Hay 1959-1960

L. W. Covic 1960-64

A. Templeton 1964-65

W. A. Curwood 1965-1969

G. Benjamin 1965-69

Bryan Kirby 1970-1976

R. S. Marshall 1977-78

R. Davis 1978-89

J. Stuart (Associate) 1982-89

G. Benjamin 1990-91

G. Rowell 1991-92

G. Cole (Youth) 1993-94

G. Rowell 1994-96

G. Benjamin 1998-99

G. Ritchie 1999-2004

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# Wakefield Volunteer Fire Brigade

I would first up like to thank all the Wakefield brigade members for giving another great year for the community. They give up their time voluntarily, working to help the community in the time of need. They do this through training each Wednesday night, completing outside courses from time to time and on top of all this responding to the calls-out 24/7 365 days. When needed, they are there.

John Ross and Robert Neame have completed the Executives Course in Rotorua which was a four day course. Vincent Hitchcock completed his recruit's course in Christchurch last week. This course is the longest course that each fire fighter must complete before they can start riding the appliances. This course takes seven days to complete. Well done men.

Also I would like to thank the community who has helped out us out throughout the year as well. Some have helped out by doing small services or jobs around the station or kind donations.

Last weekend we had our brigade Christmas function with our family, life members and other community helpers which included our brigade awards for 2016.

Garry Luff award for "Most improved Firefighter" went to Bradley Reader  
Allan Brown award for "A job well done" went to Nigel Patterson  
GW Scott award for "Over and above duty" went to Dean & Dot Ashton  
Most turned out fire fighter award went to Peter Ladley & Fritz Buckendahl

Unfortunately we are losing our DCFO Nigel Patterson due to Nigel moving out of our district to the Rai Valley area. Our loss but Rai Valley's gain. Therefore there is a position available to anyone who wishes to join the brigade in Wakefield. If you are interested please give me a call, 027 224 4162 or come down to the station one Wednesday night to have a chat.

Call outs for December

MVA = Motor Vehicle Accident

PFA = Private Fire Alarm

- Motor cyclist falls off bike Golden Downs
- Police assist Brightwater

Running total for 2015 = 71

From all brigade members we all wish you all a very merry Xmas and a happy New Year.

Please have fun and enjoy the festive season but as always take care and be safe.

Fritz Buckendahl  
CFO WVFB



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# Girl Guiding

I would like to thank everyone who has supported Girl Guiding in the villages over the past seven years of my tenure as District Co-ordinator. We have really appreciated your support especially during our Biscuit Campaigns and activities.

Our Brightwater Guides have been very ably run by Josie Macdonald (a very special lady) over the past three years. Josie is retiring as of the end of Term Four.

Twin Peaks thanks her and the mums that have helped her over Josie's leadership, especially Lynley, who has been a great support to Josie.

We wish Jorja all the very best at Jamboree and know she will have a great time and enjoy meeting Guides from all over New Zealand and overseas. Thank you sincerely to all in Brightwater for your fundraising support for our Jamboree Girls in Twin Peaks, especially the Sprig and Fern quiz teams.

Our Wakefield girls, both Pippins and Brownies, have had a great leader in Veronique Law over many years especially the past two years when she has run both units on her own. She has done a fantastic job and we are really sad to lose her also at the end of Term Four.

My thanks to all the super parents who have supported these two units, especially Lucy who has been a great help to Veronique.

As we have had no volunteers to take on these three units, sadly they will close unless anyone comes forward between now and the February re-start. Should there be any willing helpers please contact Kim Mundy Regional Contact on: kim@mundy.co.nz or 0211626733.

If you are out there I know Kim will be pleased to hear from you! It's extremely sad that a very long era of guiding in the villages might come to an end, and I sincerely hope there are a few community minded people out there who will enable guiding to continue in this area.

Sue Burrowes  
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## Quiz

by Derek Evans

### A Christmas Quiz - Answers

1. How many Wise Men were there according to the bible?  
It doesn't state any number in the bible.
2. What does "mistletoe" mean?  
It comes from two Anglo Saxon words; "Mistel" [means dung] and "tan" meaning twig or stick. Translated as "poo on a stick" - how romantic.
3. Which Lord Protector of the Commonwealth of England, Scotland and Ireland banned Christmas in 1647?  
Oliver Cromwell.
4. Which beloved film star and very quiet little man passed away on Christmas Day 1977?  
Charlie Chaplin.
5. What is the chemical formula for a snowflake?  
H<sub>2</sub>O
6. Which form of clean "transport" do Norwegians hide away somewhere in the house on Christmas Eve as a precautionary measure?  
Brooms in order to keep the witches away.
7. Which word, often associated with Christmas, stems from the Greek word for circle dance?  
Carol [choranlein].
8. Apparently in 1847 while poking at the fire, the London sweet shop owner Tom Smith got the inspiration to make what?  
Christmas crackers.
9. What is the name of the holly plant?  
Ilex
10. Which Christmas tradition, said to have originated in Germany, was banned in the Soviet Union until 1935?  
Christmas trees.
11. Traditionally, after kissing someone under the mistletoe, what should you then remove?  
The custom of kissing under mistletoe comes from England. The original custom was that a berry was picked from the sprig of mistletoe before the person could be kissed and when all the berries were gone, there could be no more kissing.
12. Why were Joseph and the expectant Mary on the road to Bethlehem in the first place?  
To pay tax [and take part in a census]
13. Christmas Challenge - The 64 dollar question... Name all ten of Santa's reindeer.  
The answer is in the extended entry; Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner and Blitzen (that's eight, Rudolph nine) and ...  
  
Olive the reindeer. Don't remember Olive? Of course you do, sing the song: "...Olive, the other reindeer, used to laugh and call him names, they never let poor Rudolph join in any reindeer games."

# Feijoa

by Jenni Komarovsky

Summer solstice, the time for red flowers.

Pohutukawa, Rata and Callistemon (bottle-brush) put on a show as it heats up. Poinsettias and red Geraniums appear in garden centres around Christmas time. Red Impatiens form a carpet below the Wakefield war memorial, and Feijoa bushes flower, promising succulent fruit in a few months.

The Feijoa, a relative of our native Pohutukawa and Rata, was introduced from South America in the early 1900s.

They are hardy plants that don't need a lot of watering and will tolerate moderate frost. They have multiple uses in the garden; they are great hedges or screening shrubs, the birds love eating the red stamens of the flowers, and the fruit is delicious.

A trick to getting good fruit is to plant two varieties. Some varieties are self-fertile, but you'll get better and heavier crops if there are two plants close to each other.



Planting two varieties will also extend your fruit-picking season.

So if you're thinking of planting a hedge, try Feijoas instead of ornamentals, and reap the sweet rewards from March through to June!

## A Rose Between Your Teeth

by Diana Gabric

Summer is upon us and it will be a hot, dry one. Time for barbies, beer and beautiful salads. I love rabbit food, as my other half calls it, and the more colourful the better.

Did you know that there are many edible flowers? Take a look in your garden and you may find some. Bold bright nasturtiums, calendula (marigold), violets, bergamot or bee balm, cool blue cornflowers and borage, the mauve-blue sage flowers can be added to salads. I also place borage flowers on iced cakes and in fruit salads - they are such an amazing sky blue and detach easily from the plant.

If you let your chives flower they produce small mauve pompom type blooms which look as though they'd stick in your throat! I thought that I should try some and they are amazing - a really zingy peppery taste. They will definitely be an addition to my salads, I love pepper and purple is my favourite colour. When you do use flowers try to keep to one range of colour as a hotchpotch of every flower will diminish the impact of one or two.

The Italians dip zucchini flowers in batter and fry them. I think it sounds wonderful and every year when I see those big blossoms on the plants I feel I should try it.

I was given some German chamomile plants by a friend and one survived the winter. I will let this one go to seed then I will have plenty of flowers to harvest for tea. The leaves and flowers smell of apples and the tea is a relaxing evening drink that helps you sleep. Hopefully I will have enough to dry for using year round. We have herbal tea everyday with freshly picked leaves - favourites include lemon verbena and lemon balm (with a slice of lemon), and a variety of different mints - lemon, ginger, peppermint and chocolate. You can experiment with different combinations of herbs and create some delicious teas.

If your man objects to having his steak or snarler sharing a plate with flowers he can always flick them on to yours - as we all know, ladies love flowers! That may not occur, though, as in my experience men tend to shy away from rabbit food.

By the way, you can eat roses, choose the very fragrant ones - remove the white part at the base of the petal as this is bitter. Unfortunately, as yet, I don't have any roses in my garden but I did in Wellington. One was called Deep Secret with velvety red, highly fragrant blooms and I used the petals in potpourri - I didn't know about edible flowers back then. I do recall when I was travelling round Croatia meeting all my relations being lucky enough to taste some very special and exquisite rose petal wine. Now that would require a lot of love and buckets of petals to produce so I doubt I will ever have the chance to sample it again.

So "bon appetit", enjoy your summer nosh al fresco - and try some colour - just half a dozen red and yellow nasturtium blooms as a garnish really does look spectacular and you don't HAVE to eat them..... Perhaps I should add some Croatian to that language mix...."dobar tek"!

# A Matter of Accounts

by Sonia Emerson, Chartered Accountant, BBus

## ACCIDENT COMPENSATION CORPORATION

If you work as a sole trader, in a partnership, or have withholding or schedular payments deducted from your earnings instead of PAYE tax, you are considered a self-employed person for ACC purposes. Self-employed individuals are required to pay for annual personal injury cover from ACC. ACC provides personal injury cover for all self-employed people as soon as you start self-employment.

### Self-employment cover options

You automatically get ACC CoverPlus, but have the option of choosing ACC CoverPlus Extra. The three options available are:

1. ACC CoverPlus: automatically provides personal injury cover for self-employed people, with access to the full range of medical treatment, rehabilitation benefits, and lost earnings compensation, if you are injured. The compensation you get under ACC CoverPlus may be minimal if you are newly self-employed or self-employed part-time.

2. ACC CoverPlus Extra: Similar to ACC CoverPlus but you can negotiate an agreed amount of lost earnings compensation which provides greater flexibility and certainty for self-employed people if you are injured and unable to work. Note: Not all self-employed part time people are eligible for ACC CoverPlus Extra [so check out the website to be sure you are eligible].

3. ACC Workplace Safety Discounts: ACC recognises good workplace health and safety systems, and rewards you when you improve safety through their Workplace Safety Discount programme. You get training and support to improve safety, as well as a 10% discount on your levies. [Check out the website for more details].

### What do I have to pay?

Payments to ACC for personal injury cover are called levies. The levy you pay when self-employed is calculated based on:

- Classification Unit – this takes into account the type of work you do by grouping together business activities with a similar risk of work-related injury and allocates a rate based on that risk
- Liable Earnings - your levies each year are estimated using your income from the previous year. Your liable earnings are the part of your income from self-employment upon which ACC levies are payable. Liable earnings are based on earnings from 'personal exertion' including:
  - o salary and wages
  - o shareholder-employee salaries
  - o salaries to partners in a partnership
  - o salary or wages to owners in a look-through company (LTC)
  - o active income from a look-through company
  - o income from self employment

The levies include:

- The Work Levy (including the residual portion) for work-related injury cover – through the cover products ACC CoverPlus and ACC CoverPlus Extra.
- The Earners' Levy (covers the cost for non-work injuries for self-employed people – this levy is automatically deducted through PAYE for employees.)
- Health and Safety in Employment Levy

### When do I pay?

Inland Revenue processes your IR3 tax return and sends your liable earnings details and business industry code to ACC. Invoices are then sent and your ACC invoice pack will include a summary of your account balance and a tax invoice for the year. Invoices are payable on normal business terms with penalties applied for non-payment. In your first year you will receive two invoices, one for levies for the past year and one for the next year.

### How do I make a claim?

The medical practitioner who treats you will submit your ACC claim. Delaying treatment delays your claim being submitted, and may make your injury worse. The sooner we receive your claim the quicker we can help you. ACC can help with your treatment costs, travel and medical bills, expenses and lost earnings while you recover. After your claim is accepted, we work with you to determine what support you need.

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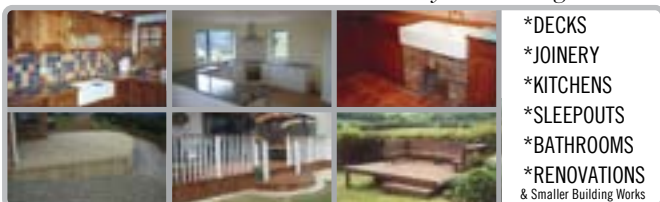
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Sophia Radcliffe	Wakefield Four Square Leadership Award
Aria McNamara	All Accounts Matter Academic Award in Mathematics
Emma Davies	Potton & Burton Academic Award in Literacy
Justin Smith	Ultraspec Building Systems Award for Excellence in Sports – Boys
Loren Martin	Young Swimmers Award for Excellence in Sports - Girls
Asha Donaldson	Wakefield Craft Fair Award for Excellence in the Arts

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Jet Beaumont	Achieving to a high standard in all areas, awesome attitude and effort at all times.
Emma Taaffe	For demonstrating an outstanding work ethic in all areas and showing dedication to her learning.
Gabriella Bucknall	Always a positive attitude, consistent effort, achieving a high standard.
Chloe Shefford	For demonstrating an outstanding work ethic in all areas and showing dedication to her learning.
Charlotte Bootwright	Achieving a very high standard in all areas particularly literacy.
Lochlan Gaul	Achieving a very high standard in all areas and a positive attitude at all times.

### MATAI RUA

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### MATAI TORU

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Jade Elvines	For her positive attitude towards learning and her progress in reading and writing.
Dustin Nisbett	For being an all-round positive role model and a great attitude towards his learning.
Keira Best	For being an all-round positive role model and a great attitude towards her learning.
Tommy McLean	For his positive attitude towards learning and achieving a high standard in maths.
Skye Pickering	For her positive attitude towards learning and being a great role model.

### TOTARA TAHI

Jordie Sowerbutts	For demonstrating an outstanding work ethic in all areas and showing dedication to his learning.
Tyler Taaffe	For demonstrating an outstanding work ethic and achieving to a high standard across all learning areas.
Joel Hawkins	For demonstrating an outstanding work ethic and being a role model for his peers.
Nathan Davies	For demonstrating an outstanding work ethic and achieving highly in mathematics.
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Brooklyn Burn	For demonstrating an outstanding work ethic and showing dedication when directing his learning.

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Isabella Doblanovic	Yr 4 highest all round academic achievement for excellence in maths and literacy.
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# Waimea Plunket Playgroup

by Wendy Wadsworth

Our first year at the Anglican Church creche as Waimea Plunket Playgroup has gone by so fast it is hard to believe it is December already.

We have been busy making Christmas decorations to take home to put on our Christmas tree and we had Santa visit us at our Christmas party.

Kramit band played, while the parents and children sang and danced along to them.

John's Frozen song was a big hit with the children.

Playgroup's last day for 2015 was the 16th December.

We would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

We hope you all get to spend time with family and friends over the holiday period. We wish everyone all the best for 2016.

Our first day back is Wednesday the 27th January 2016.

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# Household Management

## MANAGE YOUR DAY TO DAY

by Gracie Marsden

This is a subject I feel very strongly about and one of the reasons why I got into this business. People just don't have time to do every day chores. Careers have taken over, there are no Monday to Friday nine to five jobs anymore, there are late nights and weekends.

Families don't get the time to get out as a family and have fun activities. They have to worry about getting household chores done like cleaning, buying groceries, the washing and mowing the lawns, the list just goes on.

For this month I will provide some helpful tips to make things a little bit easier for everyone. First of all buy yourself a diary and a pen! People think I'm mad carrying round a diary all the time but I tell you what I'm the first to remember birthdays and events.

You can put whatever you like in this diary to suit you and your family life. Here are some ideas of what I have in mine; birthdays, events, my weekly budget, my daily to do list, addresses, my IRD number, my reminders and even my yearly goals!

I know I'm pretty much old school with pen and paper but it works for me. If you are more modern you can use your phone or your tablet but be aware they do run on battery and don't tend to last all day especially if you're on calls a lot.

Every night before I go to bed I sit down and write in order my day from 7am to 9pm. You know exactly what's happening and you can prioritise the most important stuff to be done earlier in the day. That way you are more likely to get it done. Put your to do list into a checklist form and tick it off when you have finished it. Doesn't it feel good to tick it off and say yes I've achieved this today.

Having a routine is particularly important especially with children. If children see their parents with a routine they tend to follow, so make sure you open the curtains first thing in the morning, let the morning light in. Sit down and have family breakfast time, get ready in a relaxed and organised manner. Don't forget to tidy the house before you leave. There is nothing worse than coming home to a messy home and not feeling in the mood to tidy it up.

Playing games with children in the morning can be a fun way of getting them ready. Why not make a life size cardboard mannequin of them and every night ask them to choose their clothes for the next day by putting them onto the mannequin so they are all ready.

Another fun way of getting children to get ready is a rewards chart. Reward the child for brushing his/her teeth, for eating breakfast, emptying the dishwasher and getting ready at a certain time. The rewards can be a weekly or monthly thing just dependant on what works for your family.

If your child struggles to eat in the morning try different shaped toast cutters and if you have time let them help in the kitchen making breakfast.

As we are always so busy so many of us just miss our meal times or grab something quickly. Try to meal plan for the week. Take regular breaks and eat little and often. Drinking plenty of water helps with brain activity so make sure you get two litres of water daily.

Having self control is hard so make sure you carry healthy snack food around with you. If I'm popping out for the day I will pack my two pieces of fruit, a handful of scroggin mix and a sandwich. I'm a sucker for chocolate so have a couple of squares of dark chocolate with you as well.

Here are some more tips and tricks on managing your day to day;

- \* Turn off cellphone and social network notifications
- \* Block out enough time for your duties
- \* Don't multi task! One duty at a time
- \* Lastly...Don't put too much on yourself



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# Hints from Beaver Creek

by Merv and Trish

## Hint One: Vegetable Garden Beds

Merv and I are always tinkering on the farm - trying new stuff and new ways of doing things. Some are successful and some are not but they all add to the fun and satisfy our enquiring minds. Our epic fail this year was the avocado orchard. We knew it would be borderline at our place but we also thought that with frost cloth covering during winter and windbreaks around them we might just pull it off. We tried valiantly and failed. Unfortunately this cold winter got the better of them and they died and headed off to warmer climes. On the upside, we have planted the area in mandarins - still a little doggy but should be a little hardier than the avos.

Our vege patches are a great success however! We have tinkered over the years and this style suits us and the veges very well. Raised garden beds for ease of weeding, picking produce and rotating crops are a must. The soil also warms up a bit quicker than the ground. Due to the chickens, starlings and other blighters around our place we needed to cover our veges and stumbled across some very good practices. We cover the beds with bird netting stretched over poly pipe hoops that are fixed at the edges by slipping them over some reinforcing steel rods inserted into the corners and middle of the beds (see pictures). This obviously keeps all the birds off but we discovered it also keeps the white cabbage butterfly off too, so we don't get caterpillars on our veges. The other great effect is that we leave the bird netting on year round and over winter and early spring they are covered with frost cloth lain over the bird netting. This protects the plants, reduces wind and our veges (winter ones obviously) continue to grow and get a really early start in spring when compared to our uncovered beds. Once the weather warms up then the frost cloth comes off and away you go. Our beds are filled with our homemade compost which is a mixture of horse manure, chicken litter and garden waste. You need to be a little careful what soil you use as ours has good nitrogen levels and last year Merv grew some super cabbages - 1.5 metres high and no head!



## Hint Two: Blood Pressure and Blood Sugars

We are distributors for Sujon Blackcurrant Powder which is usually used by athletes because it reduces lactic acid during exercise, increases heart function and muscle metabolism - all fabulous especially for endurance athletes and is currently (pardon the pun) used by many of our top sports teams in this country. However, a much less well known effect of this powder is to reduce blood pressure and blood sugar levels. We have many friends with both high blood pressure and Type 2 diabetes or pre-diabetes and the majority of them have experienced excellent results and many have been able to either reduce or remove their blood pressure medications. Several of our friends with a good sense of humour have started taking the powder but not told their GP about it when they have gone in for their health check. Our friends have reported that their GP takes their blood pressure, frowns, talk some more, then takes the BP again and then say that something weird is going on because their BP is normal! Then they fess up to their GP. We hear this over and over again.

One client said his BP was now lower than when he was a young man in the army. Sujon have just been given a government grant to investigate further why the powder seems to reduce blood sugars for diabetics as well. Although it is a fruit powder it does not appear to negatively affect blood sugar levels at all. I also found my energy levels improved significantly once I started taking the powder. We also have blackcurrant powder for horses to improve athletic performance. The Hong Kong Jockey Club orders it by the pallet load! So give it a go - all natural and you may be able to reduce your prescription medication load. See website below for online shop or email me to order if you are local, and I can deliver.



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# Children's Learning & Development

## Connecting With Nature

by Nurture@Home

At Nurture@Home we are passionate about encouraging children's engagement in the natural environment because we know the terrific learning and development opportunities this provides. By giving children the chance to be outside, to feel the ground, and to play and connect with nature in an unstructured way, we are giving them the greatest opportunity to de-stress and be kids. This has a fantastic calming effect and is also empowering to children and helps build sensory awareness.



Who doesn't feel a bit nostalgic remembering the childhood pleasure of going around barefoot? There are lots of good reasons to encourage children to go barefoot. Not just occasionally, but as often as possible. It's good for all of us, but infants and young children — whose bodies are growing rapidly — can especially benefit from going without shoes. Children need to climb, jump, run through the woods, pick up sticks, jump in mud puddles, and fall and get hurt on occasion. These are all natural and necessary experiences that will help develop a healthy sensory system—foundational to learning and accomplishing many of life's goals.

Here are a few great reasons to kick your shoes off this summer and connect your feet with nature:



**1. To allow feet to grow and develop the way they were meant to** - shoes actually change the shape of our feet over the course of our lives. Beginning in infancy - when bones are still forming - we start putting our children's feet into shoes that look the way we think they should look, ultimately changing the shape of their feet. And changing the shape will, of course, alter how effectively they work.

**2. To encourage children to learn a natural, healthy gait** - Wearing shoes changes the way we walk. And it isn't for the better. When we're barefoot, we naturally walk more gently, with a shorter stride, putting less pressure on our heels. Our knees bend to cushion the shock of each step. Our toes grip the floor and help propel us forward. Shoes change all that.

**3. Improved Safety** - The number one reason most people put shoes on their kids is for their safety. To protect their feet from hard, sharp surfaces. But, except in some circumstances, wearing shoes is actually more dangerous than going barefoot. When we go barefoot, we instinctively pay attention to where we're putting our sensitive feet. We watch the ground in front of us.

**4. Balance** - Balance, not traction, is what keeps a child from falling. Balance comes from the child's ability to feel the ground. It is why there are so many nerve endings in our feet. Putting shoes on children effectively puts a blindfold on their brains ability to build strong balance and control mechanisms.

Join us at Faulkners Bush from 10.30am every Tuesday during term time for NaturePlay – an opportunity for adults and children to explore in nature.

Sources: <http://redandhoney.com/5-reasons-let-children-go-barefoot/> Sandler & Lee; Barefoot Walking: Free Your Feet to Minimize Impact, Maximize Efficiency ...



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# Wakefield School

## Matai Tahī Visit Tahuna for End of Year Outing

by Sue McLaren

Matai children were very excited when the double decker bus turned up at school to take them to Tahuna for their end of year picnic.

What a day! The children and parents did not let the wind spoil their day. The children paddled, built sandcastles, shared a party lunch, and played on the playground. The day ended with a visit from Santa before we all returned tired but happy.

Thanks to all the parents and grandparents who came on the visit, your support makes these trips possible. The photos tell the story of an exciting day.



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## WORKSHOPS AND ALPACAS AT MAHOE HILLS IN BRIGHTWATER

by Marion van Oeveren, Mahoe Hills

My name is Marion van Oeveren and I was born in the Netherlands. I emigrated to New Zealand in 1992 with my husband and two year old daughter. In 1993 our second daughter was born and two years later we moved to our lifestyle farm in Garden Valley which is a side valley of Wairoa Gorge.

Fast forward 20 years and we are still very much enjoying our lifestyle in rural Brightwater. We have put in vegetable gardens and have planted hundreds of edible and native trees. In the early years our neighbour ran sheep on our block but we now have our own alpacas.

One daughter now lives in Dunedin and our younger daughter is studying at Victoria University. My husband has a manufacturing engineering business in Nelson.

I trained as a dietitian in the Netherlands and after many years working in hospitals and community I now have a small private practice. I provide dietitian services for residential care facilities and do a variety of project work. I provide sessions for community groups and also education for health professionals. I am passionate about nutrition and also like growing my own fruit and vegetables.

My work in nutrition is part-time and I am very fortunate to have a great craft studio. I started spinning and felting wool in the 1980s and enjoy working with simple materials and turning them into practical and beautiful items.

About 12 years ago I did a mosaics course and I have been hooked ever since. I use recycled tiles and crockery and source most of my materials from recycle centres and op-shops. More recently I have started dyeing my own fibres and I love the magic of using common garden plants for eco-printing and eco-dyeing.

I have combined my passions for crafts, nutrition and gardening and offer a variety of workshops.

There is increasing interest from people to go back to basics and learn age-old crafts such as felting and mosaics. It is very satisfying to create unique pieces with fibre from our alpacas and from recycled materials.

My website lists all the upcoming workshops plus how to book a workshop on request. Locals as well as visitors to the region can book in at short notice and come along for a creative day out in a beautiful setting.

I have hosted several groups of friends for special celebrations such as birthdays. Morning and afternoon tea are provided and lunch can be included as well.

*Marion with some of her mosaic work*

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# Wakefield Cubs

## Wakefield Cub and Scout Camp 2015

*by the Wakefield Cub Leaders*

On Friday 20th November a mixed group of Cubs, Scouts, leaders and parents all headed off to Gilbert Lodge for a combined camp. The aim of the camp was to foster closer ties between two of the Wakefield scouting groups, and of course, have loads of fun! Upon arrival at the lodge there was a flurry of activity while tents were put up and sleeping spots were claimed. Christian and Joseph in particular were in complete control over their tent and soon had it done without any assistance.

First up on the agenda for Friday night was a walk about the site to familiarise everyone with it. I think most of us spent the better part of the walk doing the sandfly dance! Once back at the lodge we tucked into a delicious supper put on by Veronique and her helpers and there was free time for all to enjoy.

Saturday started off with yet another wonderful spread from the kitchen and then into some activities. We had the flying fox set up, toboggans for the hill slide, the Nerf Howler being thrown around and a rugby ball being chucked about. There was no set rotation as we wanted the kids to be able to participate in what they wanted to.

After morning tea, we all headed up as a group for some epic tug-o-war battles. The kids were the clear winners of those battles as Amelia took charge during the 'kids v adults' battle and all the adults ended up on their butts when all the kids let go.

Then it was on to do some weeding around native trees that had been planted. The grass was taking over and some of the trees were a bit hard to see! Everyone pitched in and the job was done in flash.

We all then headed down to the river for a rock cairn building competition. There was an awesome amount of creativity as everyone got stuck in to make the biggest, best rock sculpture.

Once lunch was finished with we grabbed a bunch of tyre tubes and all headed for the river for a swim. Man that water was COLD!!!!

Nearly all the kids got in and had a splash. Some didn't stay in for long but it was the girls, Amelia, Alyssa and Teagan that stayed the distance, and, of course, Todd was last out! After everyone had gotten warmed up it was time for some free time.

We rounded off the evening with some charades lead by Andy and everyone had a good laugh at that. Sunday was for one last turn at the various activities, packing down of tents and a general clean up. A big thanks to all those involved, kids, parents and leaders. A special thanks to Veronique for her wonderful food and organisation in the kitchen and to Lance for making it all happen! We're all looking forward to the next camp already.....



## Nelson Zone Swimming Sports

Splashes and loud cheering were all you could hear at the Nelson Zone swimming sports which was held at the ASB Aquatic Centre on Sunday 6th December.

Different scout groups from all over the Nelson Zone which included Keas, Cubs and one Scout from Wakefield. The kids competed in races such as the egg and spoon race, Kea washing machine, freestyle, back stroke and butterfly.

The kids had a great time especially making a lot of noise which made Wakefield win the loudest group at swimming sports.

## Richmond Santa Parade

Did you see the Keas, Cubs and Scouts at the Santa parade?

Wakefield had a good turn out with Keas, Cubs and a Scout which joined up with Brightwater and Richmond scout groups in the parade.

Did you hear them? We were pretty loud!



# Wakefield Bowling Club

by Tony Eames

Two Wakefield teams qualified for post section play in the Nelson Centre Men's Open Pairs against some of the top players in the region. Stu Peterson/Kevin Galvin made the quarter finals while Tony Eames/Mark Connor reached the final losing a close game against a very experienced Stoke team to finish as overall runner up.

The Wakefield team has won the midweek Men's Fours Interclub competition winning its section over seven weeks play and beating a Stoke team from the other section in the final. Stu Peterson, Peter Sisterson, Kevin Galvin and Tony Eames played most games including the final with Don Sixtus and Les McJarrow substituting in some of the section games.

The Women's team finished a creditable fourth place in its midweek Interclub.

Wakefield is up there competing with the best in the region.

Several players are in the Nelson Reps Development squad with teams to be announced in January.

Club Championship winners:

Men's Fours - John van der Laan, Ron Charles, Don Sixtus and Harry Beckers.

Women's Fours - Margaret Eames, Linda Sisterson, Chris Evans and Di Holland.

Thanks to Big Kev at Westmeat, Richmond who has given us a good deal on hams for the Christmas Raffle and as prizes for our Christmas Tournament.

Also thanks to Pumps & Filters of Gladstone Road, Richmond for repairing our water filter with a "Merry Christmas" and no charge.

The Christmas Tournament was won by John and Pauline Cawthra's team from Motueka. Second was John van der Laan, Harry Beckers and Pam Bonis and third Peter and Linda Sisterson with Di Holland.

Community Bowls will recommence in February on Thursdays 6 – 8pm, see separate notice or contact Tony on 5418316 for more information.

Some keen new players are continuing to play informally on Thursday evenings over the summer and others are welcome.

Social roll ups are held on Monday and Friday afternoons at 1pm for anyone interested in trying it out or if you have visitors. Green fees are \$5 for casual players.

Merry Christmas to all and "good bowling" for the New Year.

Photo:

Kevin Galvin, Stu Peterson, Tony Eames and Peter Sisterson with the Miller Trophy for the midweek Men's Interclub.



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## WORK WANTED

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## MONTHLY COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### JANUARY 2016

Fri 1		NEW YEARS DAY
Sat 2		38th Annual Wakefield Craft Fair Steam Day, Higgins Park
Tues 5	10.30 am	Wakefield Community Library open
Fri 8	2.30 pm	Wakefield Community Library open
Sat 9	8.00 am	Wakefield Market Day, Village Green
	9.30 am	Wakefield Community Toy Library open
Tues 12	10.30 am	Wakefield Community Library open
Fri 15	2.30 pm	Wakefield Community Library open
	9.30 am	Wakefield Community Toy Library open
Tues 19	10.30 am	Wakefield Community Library open TDC drop in session, Wakefield Fire Brigade
Wed 20	9.15 am	Wakefield Craft Group, Wakefield Village Hall
Fri 22	2.30 pm	Wakefield Community Library open
Sat 23	9.30 am	Wakefield Community Toy Library open
Tues 26	10.30 am	Wakefield Community Library open
Wed 27	9.00 am	Waimea Plunket Playgroup, B/water Anglican Church
	9.15 am	Wakefield Craft Group, Wakefield Village Hall



### FEBRUARY 2016

Mon 1		NELSON ANNIVERSARY DAY
	10.00 am	Mainly Music, St Johns Worship Centre
Tues 2		First day of Term, Wakefield School
	10.30 am	Wakefield Community Library open
Wed 3	9.00 am	Waimea Plunket Playgroup, B/water Anglican Church
	9.15 am	Wakefield Craft Group, Wakefield Village Hall
Thur 4	9.30 am	Wakefield Art Group, Wakefield Village Hall
	6.00 pm	Community Bowls, Wakefield Bowling Club
Sat 6		WAITANGI DAY



# Community Notices

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## COUNTRY PLAYERS

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# Community Directory

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548 2117 - 0800 367 222

**Lord Rutherford Memorial Hall Foxhill**  
Helen Pullan 541 8058

**Pigeon Valley Steam Museum**  
Alan Palmer 027 319 7427

**Rural Ramblers**  
Carolyn Mason 541 9200

**Spring Grove Drill Hall**  
C. Pike 542 3904

**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**  
Richard Malcolm 541 9429

**Wakefield Medical Centre**  
541 8911

**Wakefield Pharmacy**  
5418418  
wakefield.pharmacy@paradise.net.nz

**Wakefield Playcentre**  
Contact: 541 8866

**Wakefield School**  
Edward Street 541 8332

**Wakefield Scout Group**  
wsg4kids@gmail.com

**Wakefield Toy Library**  
Saturday 9.30-11.30am  
Chris Gaul 541 8148

**Wakefield Volunteer Fire Brigade**  
DCFO Fritz Buckendahl 027 224 4162

**Womens Biz**  
Genie Bradley 541 9641

**Country Players (Drama)**  
Philip Calder 541 8442

**Junior Country Players**  
Dixie McDonald 541 8862

**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, Wed 10am  
Fr David Gruschow 544 8987

**Waimea Sheepdog Trial Club**  
Colin Gibbs 541 8435  
gibbs@ts.co.nz

**Wakefield Book Group**  
Mahala White - 541 8933 or  
Sheila Kennard - 541 8860

**Wakefield Bush Restoration Society**  
Doug South 541 8980

**Wakefield Craft Fair**  
Leanne and Glen Turner  
541 8306

**Wakefield Plunket**  
Donna Todd 541 8583

**Wakefield School/ Community Swimming Pool**  
Phill Platt 027 231 7610

**Target Shooting Wakefield**  
targetshootingwakefield@gmail.com  
Secretary : Bev Inwood  
5448074 after 7pm evenings

**Wakefield Rest Home Ltd**  
Pauline Coombs Manager 541 8995

**Wanderers Sports Club**  
542 3344

**Wakefield Physiotherapy**  
Kate West 03 541 8911

**Window on Wakefield**  
Advertising - 541 9641  
Genie & Lindsay Bradley

**Focus Wakefield**  
focuswakefield@gmail.com

**Just Gymnastics**  
Linda Mace 546 6013

**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

**Top of the South Rural Support Trust -**  
gibbs@ts.co.nz  
Colin Gibbs 541 8435

**Waimea Sth Historical Society**  
Jeannine Price 542 3033

**Wakefield Bowling Club**  
Margaret Eames 541 8316

**Wakefield/Brightwater Book Club**  
Pauline Coy 542 3994  
paulinebc@gmail.com

**Wakefield Community Council**  
Sonia Emerson 541 9005

**Wakefield Indoor Bowls Club**  
Ren Olykan 541 8275

**Wakefield Pippins**  
Veronique Law 541 9190  
nvaslaw@gmail.com

**Wakefield Preschool**  
Contact: 541 8086

**Wakefield School PTA**  
ptawakefield@gmail.com

**Wakefield Tennis Club**  
Ngaire Calder 541 9419

**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

**Window on Wakefield**  
Articles & Content - 541 9005  
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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