

# WINDOW ON WAKEFIELD

*Your Local News*

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## Brave Adelaide Still Smiling

by Caraline Dyson



Many of you will have heard of the plight of the Ketel family and their seriously ill daughter Adelaide. The beautiful 13 month old Wakefield girl was diagnosed with a tumour on her lung last month.

Initial fears that the tumour was malignant were quelled following her biopsy, but at the time of writing her parents Laurel and Andrew were still waiting to find out the scope of her illness and how doctors in Christchurch planned to treat Adelaide.

A Nelson Mail story raised the profile of the family's problem: they had just bought Queen St Fruit and Vege shop and with Andrew at Adelaide's side in Christchurch, they needed an expert produce buyer to run the business.

Within hours, offers flooded in from around the country,

and the immediate staffing problem was downgraded from 'urgent and important' to 'in hand'.

Friends rallied to do what they could and a quick Facebook campaign raised funds to provide a meal for the Ketel's and other families at Ronald McDonald House on Cashel Street in Christchurch. With the immediate future uncertain, a charity page was hastily arranged to help cover the spiralling costs.

Laurel and Andrew would like to thank everyone for the amazing support they have given the family. Hearing messages of love, hope and prayer has helped keep spirits high. Knowing so many friends near and far, old and new are willing Adelaide well means so much.

"People say they feel helpless, that they don't know how they can help, but just knowing we have all this support means so much."

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## News from Wakefield School



### New School Reporters

by Jessie Black

This year Wakefield School has some new school reporters. They have been grouped in a team of ten fabulous writers who are finding interesting topics around the school and community to write about for the "Waimea Weekly", our school Blog and the "Window on Wakefield". We all enjoy writing very much.

Paige Gallacher, a school reporter says "I think is great to have school reporters because I have always wanted to be a reporter so now I'm so happy."

Neve Lloyd, a school reporter says "I'm really good at writing and I love writing stories."

So watch out for our wonderful writing in the paper each month!

Photo: School Reporters - Liam Berry, Aria McNamara, Ethan Martin, Tara Cooney, Paige Gallacher, Abbey Simpson, Neve Lloyd, Jessie Black and Emma Davies

### New School Council

by Neve Lloyd

Wakefield School has had lots of changes this year.

One of them is the new Wakefield School Student Council.

It is made up of nine students and their principal, Mr Verstappen.

The students are: Sophia, Neve, Tayla, Sarah, Blake, Nathan, Mardena, Xavier and Brooklyn.

Wakefield Student Council is all about making Wakefield School a better place and a more organised place. The meetings are held in Room 9.

It was quite a complicated process to set up the council.

All of the school committees; the Enviro committee, the PE committee, the Library committee, the Peer Mediators as well as students from Matai 2 and Totara syndicates, voted for their favourite or most talented student to join the council.

The student council organises assemblies and decides and organises things for the school. It also talks things over to decide for example if we should be allowed to do some things like climb trees.

Tayla, a year 6 student on the council, says "I like being in the student council because I like helping the school and I like making the decisions."

Mr Verstappen, the principal explains "It's very early days, but I'm very pleased about how the children are coming up with all these ideas. There are many reasons why I set this up. One of these is that I think it is important that the children have their say. Another reason why is that it's really important for children to be leaders."



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## Muscular Dystrophy Fundraiser

by Liam Berry

On Tuesday March 25 an exciting and original event took place at Wakefield School.

Liam Berry, a year 6 student, organised a fundraiser to raise awareness about a medical condition called Muscular Dystrophy.

Muscular Dystrophy is a condition that affects your bones and muscles. It can put people in situations where they can't walk, so they have to stay in a wheelchair permanently for their whole life!

Liam was diagnosed with this medical condition when he was six. He says he used to be able to run but as he got older he has got weaker and weaker and now he can only walk. "I am very close to being in a wheelchair permanently for life and that's not something to look forward to. That's why I organised a fundraiser to raise that awareness." says Liam.

Students from Wakefield School paid \$2.00 to enjoy mouth-watering sausages cooked on the barbecue by Warren Berry and our caretaker, Bruce, so students could have a bit of a change from lunch boxes.

Students also had a wheels day on that same day. Each student at Wakefield School got to use their bikes, scooters, skateboards and rollerblades in a fun way for half an hour during school time - lucky children!

It was a great success. We raised about \$800. Thanks to all of those people that donated some money to this very good cause. Everyone at Wakefield School enjoyed their day. "Especially me!" says Liam.



Photos left and below: Wheels fun for teachers and students.



Photo right: Liam enjoys a sausage during the event he organised.



## New Changes at Wakefield School

by Ethan Martin

Wakefield school has made some new changes to Wakefield Primary School. We are trying out a new way of learning called the NEW 2014 MODERN LEARNING ENVIRONMENT.

This year instead of having three syndicates we have two. They are called Totara Syndicate which is for years 4, 5 and 6 and Matai which is for years 0,1,2 and 3.

We have a new name for our classrooms. They are called bases. Then three bases join up as a team to work together. There has been new comfortable furniture added into bases 6, 7 and 8. It is nice with blue stools and some fabulous bean bags. [We are so lucky to get three in each class].

We also get some wonderful chrome books (computers) for the use of the students to help their learning. Students also get more choice of where they work and who they work with. This is probably because it will make their learning more interesting and exciting.

Some people might have also noticed that Room 1 and 2 are in renovation. It will probably look awesome when it is finished and the people that get into that base will be very happy and amazed next term.



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## Wakefield School's Enviro Committee

by Paige Gallacher

"Kaitiaki" is a Maori word that means "guardians". Could we become better kaitiaki of our resources? This is the question for all you New Zealanders. This is also Wakefield School's new Enviro Committee's challenge to our school.

Students from Years 5 and 6 make up the Enviro Committee with our teacher, Isobel. We had to fill up an application form if we wanted to be part of the committee and our job is to make our school environment a BETTER PLACE. We meet every week with ideas about how to do that.

The first job we did was a rubbish audit with Adie Leng, from the Tasman District Council. We asked our caretaker, Bruce, to keep all the rubbish from three days. Then we put our gloves on and sorted it into what could be recycled and what would go in the landfill. There was 36 kg of recycling and 24 kg of landfill. That's a lot of rubbish for the landfill and I think we could do much better!

Some children were throwing away perfectly good food, as well as pencils and rubbers. We also found things that could have been recycled in the rubbish bin and things that needed to go in the rubbish bin in the recycling bin. We found a whole bucket of glad wrap which isn't good for the environment and we found lots of muesli bars and chippy packets.

We presented our findings at assembly and we were NOT PROUD of it. Now our job in the Enviro Committee is to come up with ideas to help our school to do better over the next year. We will let you know how we get on.



## Wakefield School Tent City

by Tara Cooney

Wakefield School's Totara Syndicate (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) had a great experience at "Tent City" on the 13th and 14th of March. We all slept overnight on the Wakefield School back field, in tents, which we put up ourselves.

The back field looked like a sea of multi-coloured dome shaped tents. Some people had difficulty putting up their tents so a few tents looked a little wonky.

When the tents were up and we had organised our gear there were lots of exciting, challenging things organised to do. We could ride our wheels around the school court or have sock and pillow fights or walk up to the Wakefield lookout and slide back down that hill on cardboard. Sliding on long straggly grass was itchy but fun and daring.

Then all the hungry children lined up to get a delicious meal of burgers, sausages and chips. The children from Years 3 and 4 had surveyed everyone before "Tent City" to see what they would like to eat and had organised the food they thought was best. They did a good job because no one went hungry.

After dinner we cleaned up and went for a cool down swim in the pool. Finally, after a movie, we all stumbled sleepily to our tents and tried to get some sleep. It was hard because we were not used to sleeping in tents.

When we woke up there were lots of smiling but tired faces. Finally we packed up our wonky tents and our messy gear.

Thanks to all the Totara Syndicate teachers for all the fun we had. I had never been camping before and even though I didn't get much sleep I would love to go again.



# The Adventures of Uncle Harry and Hardtop Farm

by Peter Verstappen

## Episode 5: Rufus Gets Wired

For years Uncle Harry had trained sheepdogs. Most evenings found him in the home paddock of Hardtop Farm, working a small mob of ewes with a couple of young dogs. It was patient work and Harry's old huntaway, Rufus, was an equal partner in guiding the young dogs.

One evening Harry's neighbour Clayton Piles dropped by and watched Harry at work.

"Of course, the trick with sheepdogs is your choice of words," Clayton offered.

"How's that?" replied Uncle Harry.

"You don't want to stun them with vocabulary. A few simple instructions repeated often, that's what matters."

"I reckon it's more the tone of your voice than the words," Harry said. "Dogs work from the heart, not the head. What they respond to is the rise and fall of your voice, not the actual words."

"Nuh, you're wrong there, Harry. A few words, simple and often, that's how to get the best out of your dog."

Harry felt a prickle of anger. As far as he knew Clayton had never trained a dog in his life. "I tell you, Clayton, it's the way you say the words that matters. I could say anything to Rufus, but he'd get the message from the tone of my voice."

"Go on, then," challenged Clayton.

"What?"

"Prove it. Get Rufus to bring in that mob using whatever words you want."

Harry felt a twinge of doubt but he wasn't going to let Clayton win the argument. "Rufus," he commanded, then shouted out the first thing that came into his head. "Rufus! Canterbury Crusaders!" Rufus stared at his master, puzzled.

"Perhaps Rufus isn't a rugby fan," smirked Clayton.

"Cuppa tea!" yelled Harry, gesturing with his arm for Rufus to get away back. Rufus looked up eagerly and thumped his tail. "Chocolate biscuit! Sausage roll! Bank overdraft!" Rufus was enjoying this game. He rolled on the ground and gave a long howl.

Clayton looked smug. "Like I said, Harry. A few words, plain and simple. See ya."

Harry was furious with himself. "C'mere, Rufus," he called. His old dog trotted up and licked his hand. "Sorry about that, mate," said Harry. "Made a bit of a fool of myself."

Things got worse over the next fortnight. Clayton just couldn't leave the issue alone.

"Harry!" he called over the fence one afternoon. "Does Rufus like music? Try him with the names of a few bands." Another day it was, "Harry, what about the bible? Read Rufus the gospels. That'll get the sheep in."

Clayton spread the story around the district and Harry was on the end of a few jibes. He wracked his brains for a way to get back at Clayton and eventually thought up a plan. He phoned his nephew, Baldwin – Baldie – who worked for an electronics firm, and explained his idea. Baldie, sniffing a business opportunity, was keen.

The plan was that Harry would shout out nonsense instructions while Baldie, standing out of sight, would relay the instructions in language Rufus understood through a radio microphone to a small receiver mounted on Rufus's collar.

After a few practises the system worked brilliantly. Harry stood in the paddock calling out rubbish. "Climb every mountain!" Harry shouted.

"Get away back," whispered Baldie into his microphone. Rufus got away back.

"Baked beans on toast!" yelled Harry.

"Speak up," said Baldie. Rufus barked.

Harry decided to prove his point to Clayton and the other doubters at the local sheepdog trials and on the day a large crowd assembled to watch the show. Many had laid bets with Harry, who was happy to take their money, thinking it was a fair return for the ridicule he'd suffered. Baldie arrived early, set up the radio and hid himself behind a clump of gorse bushes close to where the trialists stood. Harry was the last man up. The crowd waited eagerly.

"Half a pound of tuppenny rice!" shouted Uncle Harry.

The onlookers roared with laughter, then stopped as Rufus leapt into action. Laughter turned to amazement as Rufus expertly brought the sheep under control and herded them towards the yards, accompanied by a stream of apparently meaningless commands. "1942 Chevy! Knickers...knickers. Eat my shorts!"

All was going brilliantly until one of the sheep cut into a patch of broom. Rufus pushed his head into the tangled scrub to flush out the wayward sheep. "Hallelujah!" Harry called. Rufus looked puzzled.

"Custard Creams!" Rufus began licking his paw.

"We're in trouble, Uncle Harry,"

Baldie hissed from his hiding place. "The radio's come unstuck. He can't hear me."

Harry looked across at the audience, who were watching Rufus closely.

"What can we do?" he whispered to Baldie.

"I dunno. Can you call him in?"

"Look's like he's decided to do that himself."



### Rufus Gets Wired contd...

Rufus, in the absence of any commands from Harry, had started trotting back to his master. Just then one of the onlookers shouted, "Hey! That dog's got something on his collar." Then Harry heard Clayton's voice. "That's a radio! Harry Clout's pulling a fast one, and we've got money on this!"

There was a scuffle in the gorse and Harry saw Baldie sprinting for the fenceline. Across the paddock Clayton and the crowd surged angrily towards him. Rufus trotted up happily, the offending radio trailing in the mud. "Bugger!" said Harry quietly.

Rufus sat.

### WAKEFIELD FOODIE GROUP

by Rita Bell

In the last few months, hardly interrupted by Christmas, the WFG has had great get togethers exploring the mysteries of cooking with lemons, berries, making jam, salads and Christmas lunches.

Next on the list will be two interesting items: making sausages and preserving lemons, subject to our tutor's schedules.

We welcome women/men who enjoy cooking, meeting and sharing with others who do as well.

We focus on trying new foods or methods, and don't mind at all the occasional flop!!

We meet the second Wednesday of the month at 1pm in the St Johns Worship Centre's excellent kitchen, and eat and talk our way through a couple of hours.

If you would like to be part of the group, but would find evenings better, please make contact and let us know.

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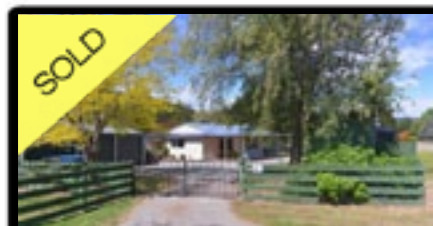
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# Waimea Senior Care

by Nicola Berthelsen

It is always a pleasure catching up with friends from the community at the start of a new year and getting the Waimea Senior Care programme under way after a long break. Our programme for 2014 began in February with a presentation from Cherie Thomas of Nelson Bays Primary Health. She spoke about fall prevention within the home and when we are out and about. Cherie's tips included the importance of supportive, well – gripping footwear, clean glasses and, if you need to use a walking stick that it should be measured to fit your needs. She was also adamant about remaining active and said that maintaining seemingly small daily routines, such as a walk to the letterbox, is important.

With this in mind, you may like to join Nicola for her exercise and games programme at 10am on a Thursday morning at Brightwater Community Church Hall. Because of the Easter holidays we will not be doing any activities in April but have two outings planned for May.

On Wednesday 7th May we will head for the Nelson Lakes, leaving Brightwater Community Church Hall at 10:30am. We will be visiting the Classic Boats Museum and having lunch at the new café before heading home by 3pm.

For our second event we will attend the Rebecca Bignall Dance Academy Gala and be treated to performances of ballet and jazz. If you are interested in either event, please contact Nicola Berthelsen ph: 5423694 or cell ph: 021 277 8061

# Womens Biz

Womans Biz held its first meeting of 2014 on 28 February at Hidden Sculpture Garden, Tapawera. An awesome turnout with lots of new faces attending.

We were fortunate enough to have two amazing ladies speak to us.

Francine Currie, a volunteer St Johns Ambulance Officer, presented her Sam the Ambulance Children's books series.

Francine came upon her Sam the Ambulance idea after recognising that children who require ambulance services are often unsure and scared. The stories draw inspiration from our beautiful Tasman area.

Her current publications are Sam the Ambulance, Sam goes to the Rugby, Sam and the Helicopter Paramedic and Sam goes to the Country. Her next book, Sam at the Speedway, is currently under production.

Francines books are available through her website [curriebooks.com](http://curriebooks.com).

Jo Jefferson was our second speaker. Jo is an international equestrian judge from the UK and was over in New Zealand to judge at the NZ Horse of the Year which was held in late March in the Hawkes Bay.

Jo spoke of how her lifelong passion for horses sent her on a journey and how that journey has gotten her to where she is today. We were entertained by many stories from Jo's life which were funny and informative. We thank Jo very much for taking the time out to speak to our group.

Womans Biz is now entering its third year and we have been overwhelmed at its success. We are constantly amazed at what clever ladies we have right on our doorstep and look forward to our monthly get-togethers.

Womans Biz is open to anyone from business owners to those who are simply interested in knowing what is happening out there.

Our meetings are relaxed, low key and free so if you think you might like to pop along to one just contact Sonia on 5419005 or Justyne 5224488.

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## WAKEFIELD ART GROUP GALLERY VISITS

Article by Sonja Lamers / Photos by Sandra Monro

On Thursday 6 March, the Wakefield Art Group had a lovely day visiting galleries in the Nelson region. The first visit was to the Tasman Visual Arts Group exhibition at Eyebright, where we looked at a variety of paintings. One of our Wakefield members, Garry Gibbens, had a number of landscape paintings in the exhibition and we were pleased to see several red dots near his paintings. We were able to talk to a few of the member painters, who were on site.

Next we went to Sally Burton, who gave us a talk on her passion of painting and told us about the different styles which evolved during her career. It was a most impressive talk with Sally, who went out of her way to tell us about the different themes she worked on over the years. She explained techniques she used in the current paintings in her studio. We came away enthused by her determination and perseverance pursuing her painting career.

Then we went to Woollaston Estate to see "Containment" a joint exhibition by Fran Maguire and Joanne Fieldes. The vessels by Fran Maguire and paintings by Joanne Fieldes were quirky and playful and gave us food for thought. Then it was off to Moutere Hills Vineyards for a well deserved lunch in the vineyards.

Our last port of call was ICON Gallery and Sculpture Park, where there were a number of displays by local and national artists. We were enthralled by the work of local artist, Emma Panting, whose exhibition "Muse" showed a number of smaller and bigger portraits and figures.

Thank you to Sandra Monro, who organised a fantastic day out.

Our Wakefield art group is open to anyone who likes to come along and on Thursdays give painting a go. We are a friendly group of painters who get together from 9 am to noon in the Wakefield Village Hall. For more information please contact: Sandra Monro, Phone: 541 9615 or Sonja Lamers 541 8176.



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## THE VICAR CONSIDERING EASTER...

by Rev. Allan Wasley

Easter this year is part of the primary school holidays, so teachers will be relieved, and some families will plan a long weekend away enjoying the beauty of NZ. A number of us will also be observing the celebration of the most significant festival of the Christian Church, which is Easter. It begins with Maundy Thursday, when Jesus had the Last Supper with his disciples in the Upper room. Services here include readings in a darkened church, a foot-washing to remind us of the call by Jesus to serve others, or the last communion before Jesus' crucifixion.

Good Friday is a day of sadness, marked by observing pauses along the road to Calvary Hill, remembering specific events which happened there. 3pm is the hour when we remember that Jesus died (gave up the Spirit) on the cross at Calvary. Some have an Easter Saturday evening vigil awaiting the light of Christ to return. Then on Easter Sunday we celebrate that Jesus rose from the grave, and appeared to his disciples and others, thus breaking the power of death, and giving us the hope of Eternal Life in the presence of God.

So there we are, rabbits, eggs, buns, may have some links, but therein lies the real reason for Easter. Do join a service somewhere and gain an insight into the Easter of Christian history.

# Wakefield Physio - Health & Wellbeing

## NEW CLASS COMING TO WAKEFIELD...

In Wakefield we have, and are beginning to get, a diverse range of exercise classes. We have yoga, pilates, boxing fit classes, aqua aerobics to name a few. But now we can add another class to our expanding repertoire.

### Modified Tai Chi is coming to Wakefield!

#### So what is Modified Tai Chi and what's in it for me?

Modified Tai Chi is an exercise that will help your overall health. Modified Tai Chi "involves a series of slow, fluid, gentle movements" that also helps you to "feel more relaxed and positive."

The benefits of Modified Tai Chi is that the movements will help you to improve your fitness, mobility, flexibility and balance. Studies have shown that improvements in lower limb strength and balance through Tai Chi have reduced the risk of slips and trips. This form of exercise is also good for people with arthritis and osteoporosis.

The classes are being run by Julia Ducray, who is a health professional who has a special interest in promoting health through exercise as we age. Julia is a certified Tai Chi Health Instructor and a member of the Tai Chi for Health Community NZ.

Classes are run on Fridays from 10am-11am at the Wakefield Village Hall. Classes start on Friday the 9th May and run during term time. The cost is \$3 per session. Please contact Julia on 5418521 if you have any questions or to register your interest.

Please support Julia in making these classes happen, no previous experience is necessary and no special equipment is required. All you need is some comfortable clothing and flat shoes.

Next month we will be looking at heat versus ice.

Kate West  
Physiotherapist, BPhy  
Wakefield Physio



## LIVE WELL STAY WELL GROUP

"Live Well Stay Well" is a health and social group (especially for the over 50s) that meets two weekly on Tuesdays in Wakefield from 9.45am - 11ish.

All interested are welcome to attend especially if you are new to the village.

A varied programme is organised which is informative and fun plus regular coffee and chat sessions followed by local walks.

- April 1 - Coffee at the Wakefield tea rooms followed by walk to Brookside Gardens at about 10.30am.

- April 15 - Coffee at the Wakefield tea rooms followed by a local walk.

- April 29 at the Wakefield Hall, Speaker Bryony Klink of "Way to Go" Whats so good about being active??

- May 13 meet 9.45 am outside Wakefield Hall for a local visit.

- May 27 - meet at Wakefield Hall, Speaker Laura Hayes, on "New Home Insurance Protocols, What do I need to know??"

Any enquires or to go on our email list to let you know what's happening, please call Margaret 5419693 or Yvonne 5422235.

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## MAINLY MUSIC

by Wendy Milson

On Monday March 17 we celebrated St Patrick's Day with the children and leaders dressing up in green. We also had green cupcakes, green scones and green cream. Yummy. We also heard who St Patrick was and a bit of his history. He was a missionary to the Irish people.

We meet Monday's at 10am at the Wakefield Village Hall during term time.



## PIGEON VALLEY STEAM MUSEUM

by Allan Palmer (Secretary), 027 319 7427

Pigeon Valley Steam Museum will be "On Steam" on Sunday 6th April and Sunday 4th May.

The 4th May will be the last steam day for the season, and we are having a celebration to mark the return to steam of the Hewitson 5hp Fowler Traction Engine. This engine has been under a prolonged restoration.

Other projects that will be well on the way by that time include the Harry Holmwood Memorial Shed, housing many of the exhibits from Harry's Golden Bay Museum. Under construction is also a big new shed for the Ray Win Jowett & Speedway Collection.

Come along to Higgins Heritage Park and bring a picnic lunch. The Nelson Vintage Car Club will be there along with other guests.

Entry on steam days is only \$5 for adults and under 13 are free.

Towards the end of May, the Army re-enactment group plan an Action Day to make up for the January event that was rained out.

Don't ever let the weather put you off coming to the park, as there are plenty of sheds to browse through.

# Wakefield Health Centre

Dr Audrey Vickerman is retiring from 40 years of working in General Practice at the end of May 2014.

Audrey has been a partner of the Wakefield Health Centre for the last 20 years, having bought Dr Ted Bassett's share in June 1994.

When Audrey joined the Health Centre she brought a whole new dimension to a male dominated practice. She was welcomed by both female and male patients. Audrey has huge experience in Women's Health and this has been a real asset to Wakefield.

There have been many changes in the health sector and Wakefield Health Centre during these 20 years. A big change has been the introduction of computers for all forms of the day to day recording of patient contacts, and recording of patient health problems. Also the Health Centre has become Cornerstone Accredited (to Royal NZ College of GP standards) and a Teaching Practice for trainee interns, GP Registrars, House Surgeons and nursing students.

Audrey freely admits that at times she has been challenged, stimulated, saddened and delighted.

The Health Centre will miss Audrey's knowledge, compassion and understanding, like many of her patients. We wish her the very best for her future leisure time and know she has many plans and will enjoy time with her husband and family.

### From June 2014 onwards:

We are very delighted to be able to offer such good GPs to continue your medical care, Kim Hurlow, Wayne Hurlow and Eloise Fry.

### "Healthy Choices" Bowls Tournament

Wakefield Health Centre congratulates Wakefield Bowling Club on its Smoke Free Policy and is pleased to sponsor "Healthy Choices" Bowling Tournament on 16 April 2014.

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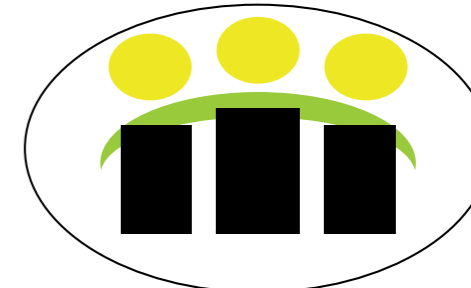
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# Town and Country Talk

## SENIOR PET HEALTH AND WELLNESS

by Brenda Halliwell

There are many situations where vets are needed for emergencies and sick animals but nowadays vets are also proactive about preventative health and wellness, especially in our pets. We often hear owners say "He's just getting old". **But age is not a disease.**

Just as our general health requirements change as we age, so do our pet's. Older people have different nutritional, exercise, weight, dental, joint and disease prevention issues than children do. Nowadays as our cats and dogs get older we can reassess their needs too to ensure they are in the best health for a fun, comfortable retirement!

We've all heard the saying one dog year is equal to seven human years. This is most accurate for a middle-aged seven year old dog which is similar to a middle-aged 49 year old human. But a one year old dog is equivalent to an 18 year old teenager, and 14 dog years is more similar to 75 human years. But basically, cats and dogs age faster than us. So by the age of only seven years old, we consider them to be middle-aged and some of the large breed dogs are considered seniors!

For this reason they will have health issues earlier than many owners expect. From the age of eight, a senior wellness exam is a proactive approach to providing optimum care for your cat or dog rather than waiting for obvious ill health.

### What do we do in a senior wellness checkup?

We assess weight and body condition, nutrition, dental disease, vision, hearing, heart health, lungs, abdominal organs, lymph nodes, joints, skin, nails and coat, lumps and bumps, parasite control and vaccination requirements. We often also run blood tests to check for diabetes, liver and kidney function and thyroid levels.

By being proactive, we can prevent many health problems such as obesity, we can slow down the progression of diseases like arthritis, and we have more success at reversing diseases such as hyperthyroidism, diabetes and heart disease when we find them early!

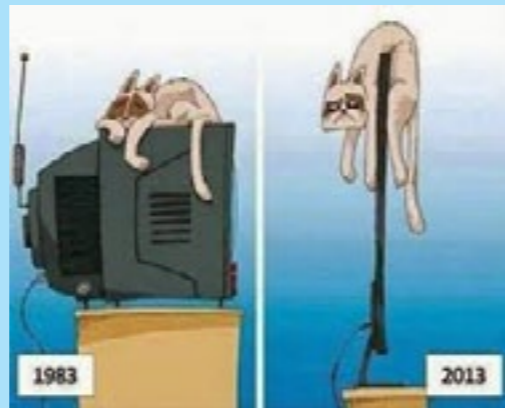
### What can you do at home for your senior pet?

Give your pet regular physical examinations yourself so you get to know what's normal. Keep an eye out for the following:

- Decreased or increased appetite
- Drinking more/urinating more
- Skin lumps and bumps
- Loss of muscle tone, stiffness or limping
- Doing less, less energy
- Loss of sight or hearing
- Coughing
- Incontinence
- Bad smells – mouth, ears, skin, genitals
- Behavioural changes
- Changes in colour or texture of fur

A change in any of these is not necessarily bad but early detection and discussion with a vet is best.

And don't let your senior pet be in pain. We have many treatment options available – more on this next time....





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# Wakefield Volunteer Fire Brigade

On Saturday 22nd of March Wakefield Volunteer Fire Brigade held there bi-annual Honors Evening celebrating the length of service each member has completed for the New Zealand Fire Service as well as the community. Our newest member had completed one month and 17 days while our longest serving member 39 years and 11 months.

The highlight of the evening was Geoff Shearer who received his Gold Star which is the award for completing 25 years' service. Generally this is the pinnacle for most fire fighters to reach this milestone.

It is a very small reward for all the hours of training the members put in each week, each year, as well as going to the calls-outs rain or shine and at all times day or night. However every brigade member gets great satisfaction when they have been able to help a member of the public.

Call outs have slowed down since my last report which is a pleasing sign but we must always take care while driving and taking care with anything involving a heat source.

Take care, Fritz Buckendahl, CFO WVFB

# Wakefield Community Council

## Who Cares About Wakefield? Your Community Council Do.

Recently we had the official opening and blessing of the community noticeboard that Todd Tudor made for his Venturer's Queen Scout Award. Pam Smith cut the ribbon as we acknowledged Chris Smith's contribution to our community over the years. We contacted the TDC about overhanging hedges and trees, also about the danger of rarely cut grass verges on rural roads, which need to be pedestrian refuges at times. These are only mown twice a year now.

We have purchased new Christmas lights at good prices, so that will make the village sparkle next year, and they will be powered by solar panels. The cycleway and walkway along the front of St Johns' Church now has the agreement of church and council, so we hope it will be actioned this winter, and will flow on into the filling in of open drains on Edward Street, to create a very safe people and cycle route.

Signs re: the Spooners' lookout, were thankfully removed, but we are still working on getting the lookout restored.

Our meetings are held on the Second Tuesday of each month, but in April, this slot will be taken by the TDC outlining the Draft Annual Plan to residents. If you come, you can influence the final plan, so be there on Tuesday 8th April, St Johns' Worship Centre, at 7.30pm.

Allan Wasley, Chair

## Rural Ramblers

Monday 10 March 2014 – Rabbit Island

Nine ramblers set off for Rabbit Island with the promise of a fair day and blue skies, which is exactly what we had!

We walked the length of Rabbit Island along the beach to the far end opposite Mapua, had a 10 minute photo stop and then boarded the Mapua Ferry.

We took in all the shops and bought goodies to take home.

Time then for lunch – most had brought their own, some had fish and chips out of the paper, yummy fresh fish, the seagulls waiting for scraps.

After lunch we walked up the road to look at the lovely Tessa Maes shop, more purchases made there!

Back to the ferry and an ice cream before boarding.

We then walked back down the forestry track (cycleway) where we could get some shade as it was very hot by then. It was a good day out.

Next month (Monday 14 April) we are going to explore Wakefield so if you are interested in joining us please call for more information:

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# The Way We Were

## The Jimmy Lee Bridge

Prepared for the Waimea South Historical Society  
by Roger Batt

The first bridge across the 88 Valley Stream, just south of Wakefield, was opened in 1864. Although it was presumably a vast improvement on either an inferior make-shift structure or just a ford, it did not merit a mention in the Colonist of that year.

It was called the Jimmy Lee because of the proximity of a house built just below it on the south side from Wakefield by James Lee, an agricultural labourer, who had arrived in Nelson in 1842 aboard the Mary Ann.

He was fearful of floods (with good reason) and wisely built his house high off the ground. The house was high enough to appear to be on stilts and could be considered the first "pole house" in the district.

The bridge that we hardly realise is a bridge today is at least the third one on this site.

The first could be the one described as a "cart bridge" shown in our photo and the second is the old concrete structure, still in place, which dates from about the 1920's.

Recently new signage has been erected on the current bridge through the work of Eric Hayes of Opus International and the Waimea South Historical Society. Our members feel it is important to remember our past because of the depth and meaning it gives to our lives today. There is also a practical reason.

Recently we held a function and gave directions to the venue as a kilometre south of the Jimmy Lee bridge. This was no help to two people who had no idea which bridge we were referring to.

Fortunately they eventually arrived but only after checking distances on their car trip recorder. No one will have any problems now.

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## All Accounts Matter

by Caraline Dyson

Accountants have a reputation for being boring. I don't really know why - I know several people who are accountants and none of them are boring (ok, one of them is, but he's a whole different story). Maybe the reputation comes from the fact that accountants like numbers and computers, and before we all became smartphone users, computers were daunting? Numbers are still daunting for some of us. So maybe we're not bored but AWED by accountants?

Sonia Emerson is an awesome accountant. With a career encompassing stints in movie booking, (bringing Hollywood to NZ), being multi-award winning Financial Controller of The Warehouse, running a team building business and working as a Business Analyst for PGG Wrightson, she began All Accounts Matter three years ago.

Being accredited by the New Zealand Institute of Chartered Accountants means they recognise Sonia has the knowledge and background to be able to hold a Certificate of Public Practice. But it is the personal testimony her clients give her that pleases her most. After growing up on a Motueka Valley farm, it is no surprise that Sonia enjoys working with country clients, as well as urban small businesses.

Some accountants and accountancy firms are all about rules and procedure. You have to file your information a certain way, and you have to meet their deadlines and pay bills to meet their calendars. The part of her job that Sonia likes the most is being flexible to suit her clients.

"I think the important thing is that my clients use a system of record keeping that works for them, because then they are likely to be able to do it. I have clients across the full spectrum; some use specific software packages and others throw their receipts and invoices in a shoe box." With All Accounts Matter clients can choose how they want their accounting to be handled, and if things change, they can change the way things are done. Nothing is set in stone because business is not set in stone, it constantly evolves.

The flexibility that Sonia offers her clients means she is available when it suits them, and often this fits outside the traditional 9-5 business day. "Many of my clients are small business owners or "mum and dad" operations. They need to be able to get hold of me when it suits them, which is often after hours, when they have finished doing their actual work. This is perfectly acceptable and I am flexible with meeting times and places that we meet." This means Sonia is available when her young son Bradley needs her, and also enables her to be involved in our community. I doubt there are many people in Wakefield that are more involved in committees and groups than Sonia, and those who know her in those capacities will testify to her ceaseless commitment.

All accounts really do matter to Sonia. Whether she sees you once each year to complete your end of year income tax with no other contact throughout the year, or at the other end of the spectrum, she manages all of your funds including invoicing, paying bills and staff, managing cash flow, GST, PAYE, and income tax. "I offer the full range of services including GST, PAYE, payroll, book keeping, forecasting, reporting, budgets, software setup and support, and compliance accounting and I am happy to do as much or as little as my clients wish."

Obviously, one of the most important facets of accountancy is saving your clients money. We've all heard that phrase "He has a good accountant!" It is no surprise that many of Sonia's smaller clients have come to her because their former accountant has charged them too much for too long, or even suggested they need to find a different accountant because their business is 'too small'.

**So if you are the victim of escalating fees and indifferent attitudes, why not arrange a meeting with All Accounts Matter and make this financial year awesome with Sonia?**

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## GREAT NEWS AT VILLAGE VETS

Written by Caraline Dyson

Recently one of my small furry family members had her eyelid ripped to shreds (don't ask), but it wasn't all bad news... because Paula Oram is back at Town and Country Vets. Following her maternity leave, Paula is back at Wakefield every Thursday between 9am and 12:30pm. I am sure you will agree, this is great news, but it gets even better.

From the start of May, Wakefield's own Brenda Halliwell will be offering new consulting sessions on Monday mornings between 9am – 12:30pm and moving her regular Tuesday morning sessions to between 2:00pm and 5:00pm on Tuesday afternoons.

It is great to have even more access to these talented ladies right here in the village, and I know I appreciate not having to drive my sick pets all the way into Richmond. If your pet is due a WOF next month, why not call and arrange their appointment now, and take advantage of the new extra hours?

I admit, calling the vets has changed a little - you may have to tell the new receptionists your name... but don't feel sad about lovely Linda not being there, because I hear she is really enjoying her retirement. (Have seen her and her sister Denice living it up around the village?!)

On Thursdays we still have Natalie on reception, and as a qualified nurse she is always very knowledgeable, not just about her specialist passions - puppy training and ponies - but whatever your query. Emily covers Tuesdays and Wednesdays and she shares Natalie's love of horses and will be completing her nurse training this year.

Monday's receptionist is Jenny, and she is ultra-organised and the queen of purchasing, so if you have any specific stock questions, she's your lady.

Finally, we can't have an article about Town & Country vets without mentioning Danny – the country part of our village vets, who is still out on our country farms, as ever!

If you really like Brenda and Paula, you could always encourage your pet to get into a fight and they could repair them, but I wouldn't recommend that.

Just remember, you don't need an appointment to say hello to Jenny and Emily – just put your head around the door and welcome them to Wakefield.

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# A Matter of Accounts

## THE HERE AND NOW - BREAKEVEN

It can often be quite daunting initially to try and predict the financial future of your business. So, as a starting point, you should at least know what your breakeven point is. In simple terms, breakeven is where total sales minus total costs equals zero. It is the point at which losses stop and the business starts to become financially viable and make profits.

### HOW TO CARRY OUT A BREAK-EVEN ANALYSIS

1. Separate your costs into the two types; fixed costs and variable costs.
  - a. **Fixed Costs or Overheads** – These are the costs which are payable even if your business doesn't sell anything eg rent, rates, advertising. These are generally the easiest numbers to find and are usually a total per year.
  - b. **Variable or Direct Costs** – these are the costs that only occur if a unit is made or a sale is made eg variable labour, raw materials or production costs. These are usually expressed as a variable cost per unit ie \$10 per unit.
2. Now work out what your gross margin per unit or contribution margin is. Gross margin per unit is the total selling price per unit minus the variable cost per unit.
3. Then, carry out the following calculation to find your break-even point:  
**Total Fixed Costs ÷ Contribution Margin = Sales Volume Required to Breakeven**

### EXAMPLE:

A window cleaner has fixed costs of \$15,000, and the business' variable costs average \$15 per job and the charge out rate is \$40 per job, so his contribution margin is \$25. To break even he needs to carry out:

$$\$15,000 \div \$25 (\$40 - \$15) = 600 \text{ jobs}$$

For a more honest estimate of viability, the business owner should include their own salary into the fixed cost part of the equation.

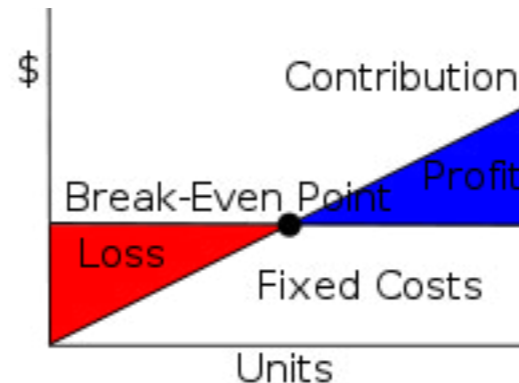
To obtain a dollar break-even point, you can then multiply the number of units/jobs by your selling price per unit, and this will tell you what \$ sales you need to make for the year to breakeven ie \$40 x 600 units/jobs = \$24,000.

Finding the break-even point is one of the most useful processes an entrepreneur can undertake. It helps you answer questions such as:

- What volume of sales do I need to break even? This can then help you to set a sales benchmark.
- What profit can I expect from a particular volume of sales? This way you can estimate when the business will become profitable.
- What price should this product be sold at ie what impact does a small increase in selling price per unit have on the business?
- Should I undertake this advertising campaign? Once you know that you have "broken even" or covered your fixed costs, you can work out how many extra units you will need to sell/hours you will need to bill in order for the extra advertising to pay for itself ie in the example above, if the extra cost of advertising is \$1,000 and your contribution margin is \$25, you will need to sell an extra 40 units before you have covered the additional cost. If you think that is easily achievable, the advertising is probably worth doing.
- Should I consider expanding my business by putting on more staff or increasing production? As above with advertising, you need to work out how many extra units/hours you will sell to cover the extra costs to expand your business.

Once you know the breakeven point, you know what you need to sell in order to cover your costs so then you can measure your results against the breakeven point and also keep an eye on the overheads and make sure that they do not increase over time. If your overheads increase, your breakeven point will also be higher.

Obviously the aim isn't to break-even though, but to make a healthy profit. You can use the breakeven information to explore the effects of various changes to your business such as reducing fixed costs or increasing the average sale price per unit sold. These factors along with sales volume combine to form some of the key drivers of business profitability.



Next month, "Looking Back - Reporting and Reviewing"...

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# Wakefield Guides

## GUIDING IN WAKEFIELD AND THE RURAL AREAS

### Biscuits

All units have been very busy biscuit selling, both door to door in the villages and Richmond and on 22nd March we had an all day stall in the Mall outside Farmers. The stall was covered by both leaders, girls and parents all day from 9.00am until 5.00pm and we thank everyone who joined the roster and did such a successful job.

Westpac, Four Square Wakefield and Hammer Hardware have also been very helpful to us. If you need biscuits please contact us as we are now getting well down on our stocks. We have some plain cartons and some chocolate left but no minis.

### Units

Wakefield Pippins, Brightwater Guides and Waimea Brownies have spaces so if you have girls interested in any of those age groups please contact Sue on 541 9689.

We congratulate Josie Macdonald who has completed her leadership training and are very grateful that Rachel Pilcher has come forward to lead Waimea Brownies.

Melissa Elvines is also helping out at Wakefield Brownies. The District is very pleased to have such great volunteers!

Sue Burrowes  
DC Twin Peaks Rural Area.



# Wakefield Scouts

We currently have room for new youth in all sections.

Here are our details:

- Keas: for 5 – 8yr olds. Meet Tuesdays 4.30 till 5.30.
- Cubs: for 8 – 10 ½ yr olds. Meet Thursdays 6.30 till 8pm.
- Scouts: for 10 ½ - 14 ½ yr olds. Meet Wednesdays 6.30 till 8.30
- Venturers: for 14 ½ - 18 yr olds. Meet Tuesdays from 6.30 most sessions.

All sessions are based at the Wakefield Scout Den in Treeton Place (at the base of the lookout) except Venturers which is based at the Venturer Leader's (Sarah) place most Tuesdays.

### Upcoming events:

National Kea Sleepover, National Kea Hike, Wakefield Cub and Scout Camp, Venturer Cooksey and Velocity courses, ongoing Leader and youth training including Outdoor First Aid.  
If you would like more information on any of our sections, please email any of the Leaders at wsg4kids@gmail.com.

Currently our Leaders are Nick Law (Group Leader), Sarah Arnold, Sheryl Guyton, Debi Bongers, Lance Wakefield, Todd Tudor, Emily Tudor, Andy McKenna, Angela Burke and Julian Eggers (PAL). Thank you to John Amosa for his time as a Leader in the Kea Section.

Our Committee consists of Genie Bradley, Claire and Simon Busbridge, Marie Savage, Julie McKenna and Tracy Gibbs. Thank you to Jen Amosa for her previous time on the committee and to the current committee for their hard work and time. Thank you also to our wonderful parents and local businesses who continue to support our group.

If anyone is interested in buying wood for the coming winter, orders are now being taken. Just send us an email with your contact details and someone will phone you. Money goes back into the group to help bring the costs down.

We are currently looking for fundraising opportunities so if you know of a fundraiser for the youth and parents, please flick us an email or phone Nick on 541 9190. We would like to encourage the youth to earn their camps etc so any assistance is appreciated.

ADVENTURE PLUS!



# Country Players Update

## MID-WINTER CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION

We are planning a mid-year performance and we are seriously considering Cinderella by Roger Hall, to be performed approximately the end of July.

As this is a pantomime we thought we would make the event a mid-winter Christmas celebration with all the trimmings. If it's going to be winter, then let's get through it in style.

We are looking to give new people in the community the opportunity to come forward and take part in putting together this show. If you've ever thought about getting involved in theatre then a pantomime is good for first timers. They are fun and non-threatening.

We have experienced people on hand who are only too happy to show any newcomers the ropes.

We are seeking a director, a musical director, pianist, stage hands, someone to do wardrobe, set design, lighting, someone to do hair, make-up and of course we need the cast.

### Cast list:

- Cindy: youngish woman
- Fairy godmother: male
- Ugly sister: camp guy, straight female
- Prince: youngish man
- Villan: man
- Backpackers: one guy, one girl



Get in touch with Dixie by April 8th to offer your assistance in any of the jobs above or if you would like to be in the cast.

Phone 5418862 for enquiries or email enquiries@countryplayers.org.nz.

### WAKEFIELD BOWLING CLUB 61 Whitby Road, Wakefield

School Holiday Bowls  
Age 8 – 16 yrs

Wed 30 April & Thursday 1 May  
10am – 12 noon  
No charge

Come and experience our Junior bowls

Bring water bottle, sun hat and other suitable clothing

To register or for more info  
phone Tony on 541 8316

## Modified Tai Chi for Health Classes



### Modified Tai Chi - The Programme

This is modified Tai Chi, developed by Dr Paul Lam a family physician in Sydney. You attend once a week during term times.

### Your Instructor

#### My name is Julia Ducray

I am a health professional and have a special interest in promoting health through exercise as we age. I am a certified Tai Chi for Health Instructor and a member of the Tai Chi for Health Community New Zealand

### When and Where

**Starts:** Friday 9th May 2014 to 4th July  
**When:** Every Friday  
**Time:** 10 am-11 am  
**Where:** Wakefield Village Hall, Whitby Road, Wakefield

Telephone

541 8521

**Cost:** \$3 per session

**Clothing:** Comfortable clothing and flat shoes

### What is Tai Chi?

Tai Chi is practised throughout the world as an exercise for better health.

Anyone can do Tai Chi. It can be done sitting or standing

### How will Tai Chi help me ?

It involves a series of slow, fluid, gentle movements that improve fitness, mobility, flexibility and balance. Participants also learn how to feel more relaxed and positive, helping their overall health.

There is strong evidence that Tai Chi helps prevent slips and trips by improving leg strength and stability.

To get maximum benefit from the exercise you need to keep up the practice and attend regularly

# Village Sports News

## TOTARADALE 9 HOLE GOLF CLUB

It has been a busy month at the Totaradale Golf Club for the Ladies 9 Hole Golf Group. Friday 7th March saw our Annual Ladies 9 Hole Summer Tournament. Entries were strong with a total of 40 players teeing off in the morning.

We were pleased to welcome players from several Tasman and Nelson clubs including three ladies who travelled over from Blenheim to join us.

The weather was great, not too hot with a welcome breeze at times, just what we ordered! Everyone enjoyed their morning (even if some of us were not happy with how we played).

Many of the visitors commented on how beautiful our course was. The views are wonderful and the variety of trees, some beginning to show their Autumn colours, add to the picture. We all appreciate how lucky we are to have such a great club on our doorstep.

Following the game we adjourned to the clubhouse, for lunch, game analysis and prize giving. New friendships often evolve at these events and are continued when we meet again at other tournaments. This all adds to the congenial atmosphere. The noise level rises as shots are discussed and the world is put to rights.

Well done to the following winners and the runners up:

### GRADE A

Gross Score - Yvonne Burbidge  
Nett Score – Suzanne Clifford  
Stableford Points – Jill Jorgensen

### GRADE B

Gross Score – Willie Simpson  
Nett Score – Judy Beaumont  
Stableford Points – Norma Clarke

Wednesday 12th March was our open Social day, and surprise, it was raining! Not enough to deter six of us, who went out and had an enjoyable time.

Usually these games are followed by morning tea at the Village Tea Rooms in Wakefield.

If you are thinking that you might like to be part of our 9 Hole Golf Group it is a good time of the year to join.

Group coaching is about to start on Friday mornings before our weekly game. And the course is playing well.

If you have never played golf before, our group offers a great introduction into the sport without giving up a whole day.

The children can be dropped off to school and you are finished in plenty of time to collect them again. We would love to see more younger players taking up the sport.

Totaradale offers a great incentive subscription price with discount for new players. Come along and check us out on a Friday morning.

For more details call Jackie at the club 541 9100 or our Captain Esme 544 0280.




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Anzac Day - 1pm - 8pm



# Wakefield Playcentre

This month the tamariki at Playcentre have been busy. We went on a trip to St Arnaud and got to have a paddle in a kayak, feed the ducks and watch the eels. We have been drawing our shadows and making smoking volcanoes. At Playcentre we encourage our kids to challenge themselves to do new things (well done Chloe for getting your hands in the goop).



## WW1 SOLDIERS ROLL OF HONOUR - FOXHILL REMEMBRANCE OBSERVATION

Originally intended to take place on ANZAC Day 2014 at the Rutherford Memorial Hall, Foxhill, the remembrance service will instead be held as part of the WW100 Observations.

Following discussion with the RSA, it was agreed that the Foxhill service would take place at a time closer to the centennial of the outbreak of WW1, declared in August 1914.

Housed in the hall, the names listed on the Roll of Honour are: Lt P. Palmer, Pvt H. Syder, Pvt R. Price, Pvt T. Robb, Pvt W. Watson, Pvt P. Watson, Pvt C. Burgess, Pvt I. Kerr, Pvt H. Smith and Pvt W. Masciorine.

Descendants are warmly invited, along with others who may wish to remember the event.

Details of date and time will be advised closer to the time.

For anyone interested in finding out more about the history of WW1, go to the excellent website set up by the Department of Internal Affairs, <http://ww100.govt.nz/>.

Enquiries contact: Secretary/Treasurer Erica Short, 541 8882 or Helen Pullan 541 8058.

# TDC Flood Modelling Information Summary

by Shelagh Noble, TDC

[Information taken from presentation on Thursday 27th March].

The TDC has a responsibility to manage flood risks. Flood modelling shows the majority of the Wakefield urban areas are not subject to significant flood risk.

Large areas of rural land are affected by flooding with flood hazard mostly low to medium with areas of high to very high in flow paths.

Flood modelling shows most of the problem flooding in urban areas is from the smaller tributaries (ie 88 Valley, Pitture, Pigeon Valley).

Comparison of projected climate change impacts shows that in general there is not much change in flood extent or depth for most areas.

Shallow overland flows from Eighty-Eight Valley stream may cross the Wakefield urban area in a 1% AEP event which could be avoided by a relatively small improvement to an existing 50m bank.

### Where to now?

Model results will be used to:

- \* Inform LIM and PIM comments and resource and building consent application assessments
- \* Inform Council's Growth Model review - which looks at suitability of areas for future development and supply and demand levels
- \* Inform Council's review of the policies relating to Wakefield as part of the upcoming Strategic Review Project lead by Council Policy Planner Shelagh Noble.

There are no flooding related projects for Wakefield in Council's current Annual Plan or in the Long Term Plan.

TDC Annual Plan meeting is on 8 April at Wakefield Village Hall - drop-in session 4.30-5.30pm.

To see maps which show the likely flood paths and depths, or more information, visit:

<http://www.tasman.govt.nz/tasman/projects/environmental-projects/brightwater-wakefield-flood-hazard-project/>



## Apple Fair

6<sup>th</sup> April 12.30pm to 4pm

Willow Bank,

79 Wakefield-Kohatu Highway, Wakefield

Free entry

Ever wondered what to do with all your apples? Worry no more! At the Apple Fair: we will crush and press your apples into juice, and pour into bottles for you to take home. Bring your own clean bottles - use our sterilising bath. New plastic bottles for sale.

Home garden/ produce exchange  
Wine making demonstration  
Tea and coffee.

### How to get there?

1.5km South of Wakefield (towards Christchurch) look for sign "79 Willow Bank". 50m further turn left and follow the parking signs.

For more information please contact Sylvia 541 9762 Christine 541 8595

## WAKEFIELD BOWLING CLUB

### Children Playing Bowls

Downer Utilities, maintenance contractors of Tasman District Council's water, wastewater and storm water systems has donated a set of "Junior Ace" bowls to Wakefield Bowling Club with another set donated by club members John and Wendy Mills-Ramage, John being the Downer Utilities' Contract Manager.

Several children have attended the community bowls sessions during the summer with a set of these bowls bought with a grant from Tasman District Council proving very popular. The Club is very grateful for this donation of two more sets of these small size bowls to help more children experience the game.

The Club will be running sessions for children during the school holidays on Wednesday 30 April and Thursday 1 May 10 am – 12pm. To register interest, contact Tony on 5418316.

### Smokefree

The club has recently reviewed its policy on smoking and decided to limit this to a designated area in order to reduce the hazards of passive smoke to other bowlers and damage to the greens. The monthly tournament on 16 April will be smokefree and is sponsored by the Wakefield Health Centre which offers assessment and advice on healthy choices and support for lifestyle changes as well as medical management.

### Recent Successes:

#### Champion of Champions:

Played against the champions from all the other Nelson/Tasman Clubs.

\* Linda Sisterson and Diane Holland won the Women's Junior Pairs. Diane is a first year bowler having started at the Club's community bowls last summer. This is the third year in succession that Wakefield has won this title; Margaret Eames and Carolyn Mason having won the previous two years.

\* Lesley Morris, Wendy Mills-Ramage, Adrienne Waters and Carolyn Mason won the Women's Fours.

\* Stu Peterson made the final of the Men's Vet Singles but lost a close game.

There are more Champion of Champion events throughout March and April.

#### Interclub Competitions:

\* Wakefield won its annual challenges for the Washbourne Shield against Richmond Bowling Club and the Gould Cup against Ngawhatu Bowling Club.

\* The Men's midweek interclub team of Les McJarrow, Jim Bonnington, Stu Peterson and Graham Burrows made the final playoff but lost to finish second overall.

#### Golden Bay Women's Triples Two Day Tournament:

Wakefield team of Julie Hall, Margaret Eames & Linda Sisterson won on both days of this popular annual event at Takaka & Pohara.

Wakefield hosts an Open Junior Triples Tournament on Sunday 6 April and several Wakefield players are invited to the Nelson Development Singles on 12/13 April.

## WAKEFIELD FOOTBALL CLUB

The 2013 season was another milestone season for the Wakefield Football Club. We fielded a 1st Division team for the first time in the club's 31 year history. The team performed beyond most people expectations, finishing the season unbeaten by Suburbs and taking points off all other clubs. We finished the season having earned the respect from the local football community and a great sense of pride for us all.

This year we will again be competing in the local 1st Division, 3rd Division and 4th Division. We have again entered in New Zealand Football's coveted Chatham Cup competition and trust you all will support us in our endeavours to progress, with our first win in our third attempt. This is a true "Club" trophy and we will be making a big day of it if we are fortunate enough to secure a home draw, as we did in our first attempt against FC Nelson in 2012.

We are still looking for keen players to be part of our upcoming season, so if you have even the slightest inkling that you can or could play, then please come on down on a Tuesday night from 6.30pm and get involved as all are welcome.

The season kicks off for all teams on Saturday 5th April and during the season we will be holding a number of "Club Days" as we now have two fully functional fields, which will allow us to host all three teams on the one game day.

We will also regularly be hosting two fixtures on a Saturday with a 1.15pm kick off for our 2nd or 3rd XI, followed by a 3.00pm kick off for our 1st XI.

Wakefield Football Club is a community focused club, and as such, hope that you will get behind us by coming on down to the ground, watching and supporting your teams compete against other Nelson and Tasman clubs.

In fact, we need your support and we are sure that with it we can make another great success of our season.

**BRING IT ON 2014!!!!**



(Downer Utilities' Contract Manager, John and Wendy Mills-Ramage with Peter Sisterson, President of the Wakefield Bowling Club, and the three sets of Junior Ace bowls)

There are more Champion of Champion events throughout March and April.



# Community Diary & Classifieds

### WANTED

Swan plants for harvesting.  
I need fresh foliage to feed my hungry Monarch butterfly caterpillars from anyone in Wakefield who can spare some.

Phone Diana 5418950.

### WANTED

Jam jars for home preserving.  
Phone Diana 5418950

### WORK WANTED

Experienced Accounts Person looking for 1-2 days per week office work.

References available.  
Phone Claire 541 8686

### WANTED

Ice-cream containers 2lt, with or without lids.

Drop off at Strawberry Patch Wai-iti or Wakefield Trading.

### EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Retail space centrally located in Wakefield

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Artist – office space – retail space – mini gym – the choice is yours!

Two units of 36m2 each or can be combined as one open floor area of 72m2

For further information Tel : 021 1673803

### WANTED TO BUY

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Phone Christine 541 8595

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Manager: Melinda Kelly  
541 9393 or 0277340350  
Email: manager@wrh.co.nz**

## MONTHLY COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### APRIL 2014

Tue 1	9.45 am - Live Well Stay Well Group, Villa Tearooms 7.30 pm - Wakefield Village Hall meeting
Wed 2	9.15 am - Craft Group, Wakefield Village Hall
Thurs 3	7.30 pm - Wakefield Recreation Reserve Meeting, Clubrooms
Sat 5	9.30 am - Wakefield Community Toy Library open
Sun 6	All Day - Wakefield Plunket & Playcentre Photo Shoot Fundraiser All Day - Pigeon Valley Steam Museum, "On Steam" 12.30 pm - Apple Fair, Willow Bank 79 Wakefield-Kohatu Highway
Mon 7	10.00 am - Mainly Music, Wakefield Village Hall 1.00 pm - Indoor Bowls, Wakefield Village Hall
Tues 8	10.30 am - Wakefield Community Library open 7.15 pm - Indoor Bowls, Wakefield Village Hall 7.30 pm - TDC Draft Annual Plan, St Johns Church
Wed 9	9.15 am - Craft Group, Wakefield Village Hall 1.00 pm - Wakefield Foodie Group, St Johns Worship Centre
Thurs 10	9.00 am - Wakefield Art Group, Wakefield Village Hall 6.00 pm - Wakefield Community Bowls
Fri 11	2.30 pm - Wakefield Community Library open
Sat 12	8.00 am - Wakefield Market Day, Village Green 9.30 am - Wakefield Community Toy Library open
Mon 14	10.00 am - Mainly Music, Wakefield Village Hall 1.00 pm - Indoor Bowls, Wakefield Village Hall
Tue 15	9.45 am - Live Well Stay Well Group, Villa Tearooms 10.30 am - Wakefield Community Library open 7.15 pm - Indoor Bowls, Wakefield Village Hall
Wed 16	9.15 am - Craft Group, Wakefield Village Hall "Healthy Choices" Bowls Tournament
Thurs 17	9.00 am - Wakefield Art Group, Wakefield Village Hall 12 noon - Outreach Lunch, St Johns Worship Centre
Sat 19	9.30 am - Wakefield Community Toy Library open
Mon 21	10.00 am - Mainly Music, Wakefield Village Hall 1.00 pm - Indoor Bowls, Wakefield Village Hall
Tues 22	10.30 am - Wakefield Community Library open 7.15 pm - Indoor Bowls, Wakefield Village Hall
Wed 23	9.15 am - Craft Group, Wakefield Village Hall
Fri 25	All Day - Anzac Day
Sat 26	9.30 am - Wakefield Community Toy Library open
Mon 28	10.00 am - Mainly Music, Wakefield Village Hall 1.00 pm - Indoor Bowls, Wakefield Village Hall
Tue 29	9.45 am - Live Well Stay Well Group, Wakefield Village Hall 10.30 am - Wakefield Community Library open 7.15 pm - Indoor Bowls, Wakefield Village Hall
Wed 30	9.15 am - Craft Group, Wakefield Village Hall

### MAY 2014

Sat 3	9.30 am - Wakefield Community Toy Library open
Sun 4	All Day - Pigeon Valley Steam Museum, "On Steam"
Mon 5	10.00 am - Mainly Music, Wakefield Village Hall 1.00 pm - Indoor Bowls, Wakefield Village Hall
Tue 6	7.30 pm - Wakefield Village Hall meeting 10.30 am - Wakefield Community Library open 7.15 pm - Indoor Bowls, Wakefield Village Hall
Wed 7	9.15 am - Craft Group, Wakefield Village Hall
Thurs 8	9.00 am - Wakefield Art Group, Wakefield Village Hall
Fri 9	10.00 am - Modified Tai Chi begins, Wakefield Village Hall 2.30 pm - Wakefield Community Library open
Sat 10	8.00 am - Wakefield Market Day, Village Green 9.30 am - Wakefield Community Toy Library open
Tue 13	9.45 am - Live Well Stay Well Group, Wakefield Village Hall 7.30 pm - Wakefield Community Council AGM, St Johns Church

# Community Notices

## WAKEFIELD RECREATION RESERVE COMMITTEE

Triennial Elections  
Thursday 3rd April 7.30pm  
Wakefield Recreation Reserve Clubrooms

Please feel welcome to attend our triennial elections and meeting regarding the management of the Wakefield Recreation Reserve.

The area under management includes the playing fields, tennis courts, gun club, BMX track and "gravel pit" car park.

If you have any questions regarding the Reserve please feel free to contact me on 5419429 or 02102545565.

We look forward to seeing you. Richard Malcolm, Chairman, Wakefield Recreation Reserve Committee.

## OUTREACH LUNCH

Is held the third Thursday every month. The next one is 17th April, 12 noon at the Worship Centre.

All warmly welcome, gold coin donation. For catering purposes please ring Brenda 541 9413.

## WAKEFIELD MARKET DAY

Saturday market to be held at Village Carpark every second Saturday of the month, commencing 9am.

The next market will be held on Saturday 12 April. Wide variety of local vegetables, fruit, plants and trees, together with numerous other stalls and of course the ever popular sausage sizzle.

For a site, please contact Jean Southward ph 541 8154

## WAKEFIELD ART GROUP

Thursdays from 9am-noon Thursday 3, 10 and 17 April. (No art group during school holidays) Then again Thursday 8, 15, 22 and 29 May. For more info please contact Sandra Monro at 5419615 or Sonja Lamers at 5418176

## FOXHILL TENNIS COURTS

658 Wakefield-Kohatu Highway (at rear of Rutherford Memorial Hall).

### FREE PUBLIC USE.

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

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

## YOUTH GROUP IN WAKEFIELD

6.30pm on Fridays in School Term time, St Johns Church runs a Youth Group.

Of combined ages, led by Mr Hayden Stevenson. Phone 544 9632.

# Wakefield Craft Group

Come and join the ladies craft group  
Wednesday mornings in the Village hall supper room  
9.15am - 12pm.  
Bring any project - sewing, knitting, crochet etc.  
and join us for coffee and company  
\$2 per morning  
Phone Judy on 541 8342



## MAINLY MUSIC

Wakefield Village Hall.  
Mondays, 10.00am, cost \$3.00 per family.

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

Term time only. Contact Wendy Milson 544-5494.

## WAKEFIELD INDOOR BOWLS

Weekly new season starting:

Mondays from April 7th @ 1.00 pm, and  
Tuesdays From April 8th @ 7.15 pm

At the Wakefield Hall

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Come and have a go  
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For more information please contact :  
Ren Olykan on 541 8275

## Who is interested in sharing knowledge about growing food and preserving?

Please contact Christine: ivyplus@clear.net.nz

## WAKEFIELD TENNIS

Program starts in Wakefield Friday 14th February.  
Register online www.caldertennis.co.nz

## WAKEFIELD & BRIGHTWATER BOOK CLUB

Meets last Wednesday of every month  
Contact Pauline Coy 542 3994  
paulinebc@gmail.com

## WAKEFIELD COMMUNITY COUNCIL

AGM  
7.30pm  
Tues 13 May

If you are keen to find out what's going on in the community, come along and join us - everyone welcome



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# Community Directory

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548 2117 - 0800 367 222

**Guiding Co-ordinator**  
Sue Burrowes 541 9689

**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 Brownies**  
Veronique Law 541 9190  
nvaslaw@gmail.com

**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**  
Sheryl Guyton 541 9178

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

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

**Womens Biz**  
Justyne McGaveston 522 4488  
Sonia Emerson 541 9005

**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/Brightwater Guides**  
Josie Macdonald 544 2660  
macdonald.josie@gmail.com

**Wakefield Methodist-Presbyterian Church**  
Meet 1st & 3rd Sundays 11am  
Rev Paul Tregurtha 544 8394

**Wakefield Plunket**  
Donna Todd 541 8583

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

**Wakefield Smallbore Rifle Club**  
Ian Hutchings 541 8342

**Wakefield Village Rest Home**  
Gerri Harvey 541 8995

**Wanderers Sports Club**  
542 3344

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

**Focus Wakefield**  
Diane Blackburn 541 9725

**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**  
Allan Wasley 541 9622

**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**  
Jeanette Mattsen  
ptawakefield@gmail.com  
03 541 8118

**Wakefield Tennis Club**  
Ngairie Calder 541 9419

**Wakefield Village Hall**  
Rob Merilees 541 8598

**St. John's Worship Centre**  
Caroline Gibbs 541 8491

**Waimea Plains Junior Football Club**  
Grant de Joux  
542 4452

## CIVIL DEFENCE - WAKEFIELD AREA COMMUNITY RESPONSE

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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**96 HOULT VALLEY ROAD**  
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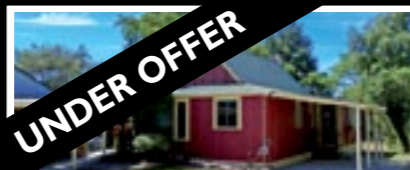
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