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Community News for the Wakefield Area

Celebrating Wakefield Trees

by Sonja Lamers

On the facebook page "Wakefield Community NZ" there is a beautiful photo in the heading taken by Melissa Woodhouse of a glorious autumn day at the Village Green with the sculpture "Celebrating Wakefield Forests".

The sculpture was erected in the Wakefield Village Green in 2006, designed by Rose Shepard and Meg Latham and made by a number of local people as was reported in articles of the Waimea Weekly and Nelson Mail from that time.

The name of the sculpture is: "Celebrating Wakefield Forests"

This sculpture has deteriorated and needs cleaning, repainting as well as replacing some 70 small tiles.

A few committee members of Wakefield Community Council; Colin Gibbs, Ewan Crouch and myself are organising the repair of the sculpture to occur in spring time.

Do go and have a look at this beautiful sculpture that depicts a number of native trees that are present in our Wakefield area.



Photos:

Top the plaque/stone naming the contributors to the sculpture

Bottom -Village Green Sculpture photo courtesy of Melissa Woodhouse



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On the Beat

Kia ora Wakefield,

I trust you are all looking forward to the winter season quickly approaching us. I for one can't wait to get back up to the slopes on the Rainbow ski field. Hopefully it is a great season. It is hard to believe we are in June already. I travelled down to Murchison to help my colleague last night and it was several degrees below zero.

With winter upon us I would like to remind you to take care on our roads. It's a good time to have your vehicle checked and remember to always drive to the conditions. It's better to take an extra five minutes to get to your destination than not at all.

I have attended two vehicle rollovers in the last month and both times the drivers were in breach of their licence. It is nothing short of miraculous that both times neither driver or passengers were injured. Both drivers have learned a valuable lesson that thankfully has not resulted in the loss of life or serious injury. If you have a young person on a learner or even restricted licence please make sure they are following the conditions of their licences. Having these conversations and conditions in place will without doubt save lives.

I have recently received some reports of people unlawfully on properties. Whilst on some occasions these may have innocent explanations, some certainly do not. If you find someone on your property it is paramount to keep yourself safe and secure. Secondly, it is vital that you contact Police as soon as practicable. Whilst the person may leave the property, we have a far greater chance of catching them if we are called as close to the incident as possible. Delay in contacting us can significantly reduce the chance of us locating the offender. If you are having issues we recommend looking into decent CCTV and security lights. We are more than happy to discuss this if you have any questions.

Whilst I am on the subject of contacting us, I may sound like a broken record, but we constantly get asked how people can contact us. If something is happening now and time sensitive call 111 immediately. You will not be criticised for calling 111 if it is time sensitive and you need Police assistance. Alternatively, you can call 105 to report crime that has already happened. Yes, I know you may be on hold for a while but unfortunately this does happen with the volume of calls we get. If you want to make contact with us at Wakefield we do not have a direct station phone line.

However, you can email us both at the following email addresses: jamie.white2@police.govt.nz and matthew.berquist@police.govt.nz It is important to email both of our email addresses.

If you have our work phone numbers please be aware that we generally do not answer them when we are not working. If we are on leave we generally do not check our phones and your matter may go unanswered until we are back from leave. I prefer that you text me if you cannot get hold of me rather than leaving a voice message.

Some of you will be aware I am on Facebook. I do keep an eye on the local pages and whilst I don't mind being tagged in things or being messaged please be aware that this is not the appropriate way to make contact with Police. I do respond to messages on occasion but would prefer that you make contact via phone or email rather than Facebook. I do not monitor Facebook, will generally never see it if I am working and prefer not to have to take work related messages when I am on leave

Well that's it from me I am being called out to a job.

Take care, look after each other and until next time be safe.

Constable Jamie White Wakefield Police







Health Centre

Health Improvement Practitioner

I have been working at Wakefield for a month now and it has been a pleasure to meet some of the Wakefield community.

I am excited to meet and help more people in my role at Wakefield Health Centre. It is a free service, and you can ring reception to book yourself in for an appointment. I am here Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

I can offer phone consultations as well as the more traditional face to face meetings. I can support you to access other community services.

If you are not sure this is suitable for you please still give me a call to see if we can help.











In The Bush

Our volunteers have certainly hit the ground running during the month of May.

Our big push was to do weed control and remove the protectors from the 2021 plantings at the Robson's Scenic Reserve – remember??? - there were 3,000 trees planted.

We have left protectors on the one's that just need a bit more time in incubation, but otherwise we were delighted that we had such a huge survival rate. We must give Eric Palmer a huge thank you for doing a lot of the weed release at the southern end and also Jeff Simpson, Ian Viapree and David Chadwick who on the day ably assisted with their weed eaters.

Extremely grateful to our committee and members for showing up over 2 - 3 days to tackle this mammoth task. But WOW we can stand back now and TOTALLY AWESOME springs to mind.

We also tackled a weed/protector release on our usual weeding bee 14th May with the 2020 plantings on the Lookout Hill, adjacent the Scout Den. With many a bemused expression from "us" older ones, like just two years on, how the heck did we manage to plant on such a slope?

But WE DID and the strike rate is also good.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of our Society was held on the 16th May, but so sadly without Doug South. Doug had left his notes for his Presidents report on his desk which read;

"I may not sit in my chair with you this AGM, but rest assured, I know your presence here means the society is in good hands. I leave in peace knowing this."

Doug had also arranged "secretly" with Titoki Nursery for a further donation from himself of 1,000 trees for The Robson Scenic Reserve. Our planting co-coordinator Dorothy Hole and our plant team have this week collected this "gift" from the nursery. In typical Doug style he had spent a lot of time researching and speaking with Titoki to get this order just right and different.

From Keith Roberts, Assistant Manager, Titoki Nursery Ltd

"When Doug first contacted us back in the spring, both Doug and we agreed that it was an opportunity to get some of the rarer or less common species into Robson's Scenic Reserve. These will complement the existing plantings and bring another layer of interest to the reserve itself".

So we think it is fitting to show a photograph of Doug picking up the 2021 trees from the Titoki Nursery and Dorothy Hole picking up Doug's gift this week.

Regards Evie-joy South, President, The Wakefield Bush Restoration Soc (2000) Inc Phone or Txt 027 907 2879 or Email tuiville@xtra.co.nz







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There is certainly a lot to love here and families especially will be drawn to the properties great location with Brightwater School just a minute up the road and the intermediate and college kids will enjoy the short distance to the bus stop. This spacious two story home is set on a large flat section at the end of a private lane.

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Team Heyward Property Talk

A calmer market presents fresh opportunities for all.

with Jilly Perry & Lydia Heyward

"As we accelerate, with renewed freedom, to the mid-point of a humbling year the national property sector is settling into a comfortable pace that offers an abundance of opportunities for those in the market," says Bayleys national director of residential, Johnny Sinclair. As Kiwis adjust to a higher cost of living, the factors driving residential decision-making continue to evolve, with previously low mortgage interest rates replaced by strong employment prospects, intra-region migration and the fundamental preference to invest in residential assets.

Record-low mortgage lending rates and a stimulatory pandemic response saw property prices boom beyond unsustainable levels during the pandemic, effectively eliminating a qualified corner of the buyer pool as some couldn't or wouldn't transact under light-speed market conditions.

Now, with cooler winter winds blowing through the sector, we are seeing a more manageable rate of growth attract buyers back to the fore – emboldened by more choice and a less frantic market pace.

Following its recent 50 basis point hike to the Official Cash Rate (OCR) – a move unseen for some two decades – Kiwis understand that cooling consumer demand is an economic necessity and the central focus of the Reserve Bank (RBNZ). Despite working hard to reign in rampant inflation before it becomes embedded, Kiwis across the country are paying higher prices for fuel, food and energy – meaning many are making more discerning choices when it comes to housing.

For buyers, sellers and homeowners this means a shift in market dynamics, as the drivers of super-low lending rates and strong demand against lacking supply come back into equilibrium. We now expect the availability of new listings, paper wealth accrued during the pandemic and a reopening international border will become the new whips for a more manageable residential marketplace. Across the country, however, one size does not fit all.

House Price Index (HPI) data from both the Real Estate Institute (REINZ) and data analytics firm CoreLogic show an emerging two-speed trend, where demand for residential property across the regions outpaces interest in some of our main centres. Underpinning economic activity across our regions are strong job prospects and record-low unemployment metrics, which provides Kiwis with a sense of prosperity, and a reason to use accumulated capital gains to trade up to a new home better suited to their post-pandemic lifestyle. Whether the result of employment opportunities, new supply coming online, greater professional flexibility or the experience of a global pandemic, it seems Kiwis are more curious about living their best lives – making it an excellent time to investigate opportunities.

During the dizzying heights of the pandemic property surge – which saw some regions exceed 30 percent annual value growth, qualified buyers and certain sellers chose to sit on the sidelines, unable to make a move because there simply weren't enough homes to move to. Fast forward five months and we are finding high building consent issuance is translating to a strong pipeline of new supply, with new listings providing buyers with more choices to make their long-awaited move.

By mid-year we know calmer market conditions offer more opportunity for all, with new pipeline supply proving interest-deductible, affordable housing options for first home buyers and investors, while movers will be taking their chance to trade up to the next level, taking confidence from record-low unemployment and very strong job prospects.

If you would like to talk more about this changing market and how it may affect your property, give Lydia Heyward and Jilly Perry a call anytime or pop in and see us at 10 Clifford Road, Wakefield, next to the Wakefield Bakery. We would love the opportunity to talk with you.

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Wakefield Bowling Club

by Julie Hall

On the 5th of April Wakefield Bowling Club played Richmond Bowling Club for the annual game for the Washbourn Trophy. This trophy was donated to Wakefield back in 1922 by Dr Washbourn. He was made a life member although he was never a member or played bowls.

Back then it was only for the men and was played all day, where as now it's for the men and women and played half day. Although we are looking to make it all day again as it's enjoyed by all!

As this was the centurion year, it was very fitting that after a number of years Wakefield won it back to its rightful place! Below a photo of members played.

On 25th April we held our popular Anzac Tournament which started with a cooked breakfast, a service then a day of bowls. The overall winner of the event was the team from Richmond. Photo below holding the Feathers Trophy - Helen White, Barry Chinnery and Maurice Dodsworth.

A big thank you to all those involved in making it a great success!!

Our next big tournament is on Queens Birthday Weekend. The two day event is sponsored by Wendy Pearson from Tall Poppy.

Wakefield Bowling Club would like to thank Wendy and all our sponsors for your continued support over the years.

Right - Holding the Feathers Trophy; Helen White, Barry Chinnery and Maurice Dodsworth

Below - members who played in the annual Washbourn Trophy game















Live Well, Stay Well

by Sandra Smith

BEES BRILLIANCE

On 24 May the Live Well Stay Well group visited Bees Brilliance in Brightwater and were given an informative and interesting tour by Co-founder and owner, Matt Cropp.

Matt, a 4th generation bee-keeper, and his wife, Julene, created Bees Brilliance in 2015, with the aim to provide high quality, simple, clean and safe skin care products. The business grew rapidly and in 2017 moved to the Factory Road premises.

Matt explained how they use nature and science to work together to create products aligned to skin issues and care, that are safe to use and perform well. Always keeping health and environment in mind, only quality oils and waxes are used, with the products making use of local honey bee colonies. The products include lotions, emulsions, balms and bubbles, and their newest product, deodorants that are aluminium free.

Bees Brilliance is a well organised and operated factory, with only four to five staff, who all work towards creating their excellent products. Conscious of the environment, packaging is also important, and the business endeavours to repurpose items such as storage drums, whenever possible.

At the end of our tour we had the opportunity to test and buy some of the products. The shop is open every weekday at 42 Factory Rd. Well worth a visit! Many thanks Matt and Julene.

Upcoming meetings:

7 June 2022: Coffee meeting at HQ Cafe in Brightwater, 9.45am onwards

21 June 2022: Susan Arrowsmith of Age Concern will talk to us about Visiting and Carer Relief Services, 9.45am-11am at Anglican Church Hall, Edward Street, Wakefield

12 July 2022: Coffee meeting at Cafe Rhubarbe in Wakefield, 9.45am onwards

Live Well Stay Well is a local health and social group that meets twice a month either in Wakefield or Brightwater. Our goal is to keep well and healthy, by encouraging good health practices and exercise, but also by having a positive social connection with others in our community.

Maybe you are new to the area, or feeling a little isolated, and would like to meet and get to know others who live locally, within a friendly environment. Or would you like to learn more about our community? Then our group could be for you.

Our group meets twice a month either in Wakefield or Brightwater on a Tuesday morning from 9.45am to 11am. One Tuesday we will meet in a local café for a coffee and chat, and the other Tuesday we have a guest speaker focussing on health knowledge or who can help us understand and learn more about our community. This could also be a visit to a local business of interest. We aim to arrange a varied and interesting programme.

The group is run on an informal basis and there is no joining fee. However when we have a guest speaker we do ask for a \$2 gold coin donation to help us cover the hire of the hall facilities and tea and coffee.

We advertise our programme in "Window on Wakefield", your local news magazine, plus on the community noticeboards in Wakefield and Brightwater. We also communicate what is happening each month by an email group.

You are very welcome to join us. We would love to meet you!

If you would like to be on email list, please contact one of the convenors.

Sandra 027 609 9202, Sonja 027 374 0500 and Christine 027 677 0080





Live Well, Stay Well

Tuesday 7 June 2022 Coffee at HQ Café in Brightwater at 9.45am

Tuesday 21 June 2022 9.45am-11.00am

Talk by Susan Arrowsmith

Accredited Visitor Service Co-ordinator for

AGE CONCERN

Susan will talk about Visiting and Carer Relief Services

Venue: Anglican Church Hall, Edward Street, Wakefield

Edward Street Wakefield

For information contact Sandra 027 6099202, Sonja 027 3740500 or Christine 027 677 0080

Higgins Heritage Park Happenings

by David Win

These winter months allow our teams to consolidate their maintenance efforts and put in place planning of events in readiness for the upcoming season.

Our events line-up so far includes:

4 September (Father's Day)

Open Day with classic vehicles display and steam up, hosted by the Rover Car Club

1 & 2 October

Transport Fest Weekend hosted by the Historic Transport Museum and steam up.

15 October

MoPars in the Park
Vehicle display (includes Chrysler,
Dodge, Ram, Jeep, Plymouth,
DeSoto, Graham Paige, Rambler,
Valiant, Hillman, Hunter, Humber)

6 November

Steam up and museum sheds displays

Many people will recall the humble Bradford vans and light trucks with their distinctive put put exhaust of the 2-cylinder horizontally opposed motors and three speed gearboxes made by Jowett.

Many of the bodies were built here in Rutherford Street Nelson with the chassis having been shipped to Nelson and then driven from the wharf to the body shop using an apple case as the seat – they were a great workhorse during the 1950-60's used by butchers, bakers, farmers and many trades people.

Our Ray Win Collection at the park has a wide selection of Bradfords and other Jowett models.

This montage of photos includes:

- * A new Bradford 'woody' van outside the Richmond town hall
- * Camping during the 1950's
- * a Gordon Burt photo of a Bradford Truck used by the Howell Piano Company of Wellington carrying two pianos on Oriental Parade circa 1950
- * Our Dave Nicholson painter and paperhanger van, this family business is now Nicholson's Protective Coatings in Beaty Street Tahunanui.





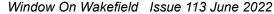
















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WAKEFIELD HOTEL

What's on - June

Wed 1st Quiz Sat 18th Don't Frett

What's on - July

Sat 2nd Karaoke Wed 6th Quiz Sat 30th West Coast Blues Band

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St. Joseph's Catholic Church Wakefield

150th Anniversary Book 1870-2020

Due to Covid-19, including
Delta & Omicron strains,
St. Joseph's Church has not been able to
celebrate its planned
Sesquicentennial Anniversary.

However, over the last two years, the Parishioners have been quietly working away on a book which covers the Church's history and events through 2021.

This book had its official "launch" on 7 May which was the 152nd Anniversary of the first Mass celebrated at the church on May 7, 1870.

The book is 90 pages and is for sale for \$30 per copy and may be purchased by contacting:

(Mrs) Sam Madill

Email stjosephs150years@xtra.co.nz Phone/text 027 454 4121 or 03 541 9555 P O Box 3640, Richmond, Nelson 7050

Your Financial Future

by Russell and Becky Johnson, Licenced Financial Advisers

Handling the High Cost of Living

I have recently been talking to my clients about there thoughts on how they are, or will respond to the everincreasing cost of living and here are some of their suggestions:

- Sell unwanted items on Trademe for extra cash.
- Make a budget and stick to it.
- Use a pre-written grocery list & stick to it.
- Grow your own vegetables.
- Make your own lunch & bake for kids lunches.
- Go to Powerswitch, you may be able to reduce your electricity costs (we did and saved!).
- Buy non-perishable foods in bulk when on special.
- Reduce unnecessary subscriptions.
- Support local cafes and reduce travelling costs.
- Make extra when cooking meals and freeze some for later.
- Resist impulse purchases.
- Walk more, not using your car for short trips.

- Try cheaper cuts of meat, great in the slow cooker
- Supermarket rule, home brands and lower shelves are the cheapest.
- Reduce spending on takeaways.
- Plan meals to avoid food waste & overindulgence.
- Avoid credit card debt with high interest rates.
- Look for specials in the supermarket, we recently picked up large chickens for \$5 and froze them.



This is just a selection of ideas, and I am sure you can come up with many of your own.

The main think is to give it some thought and planning. By doing this you can likely reduce your outgoing without any noticeable effect on your lifestyle. You are simply cutting out or reducing wastage. For example, we cancelled subscriptions on magazines we rarely had time to read.

We often buy books from books from Brents second-hand bookstore in Richmond and resell them back to him once read, a very cost-effective way of accessing books – or the library of course.

If anyone has any great ideas on how they are managing the lifestyle in the high inflation environment we are living in, we would love to hear from you.

<u>Please Note</u>: This information is intended as a guide only – it is <u>not</u> advice and seeking professional advice is highly recommended.





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Wakefield School

Story by Toroa Team

On Wed 11th of May the Toroa Team were lucky enough to be welcomed at the Whakatū Marae. This was a great day and the learning on this trip really complimented and consolidated the work that we are doing in our team. The mana whenua at the marae were impressed with the knowledge and the behaviour of our team. The tamariki were all engaged, learnt new things about our topic and asked great questions. Toroa were all impressed with the marae and enjoyed a great day of learning.

Here are a selection of student comments, a recount of the day and a picture.

At The Marae

A marae is a māori house that māori people would of used back in the day. At the start of the day kids were excited to go to the marae. When we got to the marae I felt like a māori warrior. I felt brave!

In the marae there was carvings of maori taniwha and other stuff made of timber or sticks.

Someone called Tom told us some new stuff about Kupe and more Kupe stories. I liked the Kupe stories because they are exciting. I did not know that one of Kupe's daughters fell into the sea and turned into solid rock.

There was also an eating room (wharekai) that had no carvings.

- Oakley, Room 1

The marae was a beautiful sight ... After we finished singing the people at the marae were proud. At the end of the day we felt tired and excited at the same time.

- Millie, Room 3

Matua Tom told us the story of Kupe and Te Wheke. It was awesome!

- George, Room 3

I learned that whenever people sailed past the eyes they had to put kawakawa over their eyes. I also learned that Boulder Bank was made by the karakia. I felt calm inside the marae. There's greenstone on either side of the wall as you walk into the wharenui.

- Brayden, Room 2

I really liked the detail in them. I noticed that there were lots of stories around the wharenui. I felt calm and relaxed in the wharenui. I was also quite nervous and excited.

- Brodie, Room 2

In the marae I learned from Matua Tom. It had the pole in the middle of the whare and it has a little guy who protects the pole. If it gets taken down the roof will just break.

- Anahera, Room 2

I learned about the blood staining the rocks. This came from Kupe and Te wheke's blood. I was thinking how many people lived at the marae. I had a great time and I did a good job.

- Soren, Room 1

I felt scared at first but then it was amazing because of the carvings. I liked the owls and birds around the carvings.

- Maddie, Room 1





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WHAT'S ON IN WAKEFIELD & BRIGHTWATER

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Ladies Group Fitness 6:00am Casuals Welcome \$10 per session Wanderers Community Gym, Brightwater Ladies Group Fitness 9:00am Casuals Welcome \$10 per session Wanderers Community Gym, Brightwater Wellbeing Yoga 4:00pm Wakefield Community Hall Metafit/Core 6:00pm Casuals welcome \$10 oer session Brightwater School Hall	Live Well, Stay Well Group 9:45am (fortnightly) Meets at various locations Senior Mobility Class 10:30am Gold Coin Donation Taylors Community Gym, Brightwater Prodigy Dance Ages: Preschool 2:15-2:55pm 7-6yrs 3:30 - 4:15pm 7-9yrs 4:20 - 5:05pm Seniors 5:10 - 5:55pm Brightwater Anglican Church Hall, Brightwater Junior Tennis Coaching 3:30 - 6:30pm Waimea West Club Powerhooping 6:00 - 7.00pm Casual \$12 (includes pwrhoop) Brightwater Public Hall	Ladies Group Fitness 6:00am Casuals Welcome \$10 per session Wanderers Community Gym, Brightwater Ladies Group Fitness 9:00am Casuals Welcome \$10 per session Wanderers Community Gym, Brightwater Yoga - Kokoro Yurt 5:00 - 6:15pm 6:30 - 7:45pm 112 Mt Heslington Rd Brightwater Yoga Class 6:30pm Casuals Welcome \$10 per session Lord Rutherford Park Hall	Senior Mobility Class 10:30am Gold Coin Donation Taylors Community Gym, Brightwater	Ladies Group Fitness 6:00am Casuals Welcome \$10 per session Wanderers Community Gym, Brightwater Yoga - Kokoro Yurt 9:30 - 11:00am112 Mt Heslington Rd Brightwater Senior Mobility Class 10:30am Gold Coin Donation Taylors Community Gym, Brightwater Social Bowls 1:00pm Names in by 12:45pm \$5 per session Free for under 16 yrs Flat soled shoes required Wakefield Bowling Club Senior Socia Tennis 6:00pm Wakefield Tennis Club

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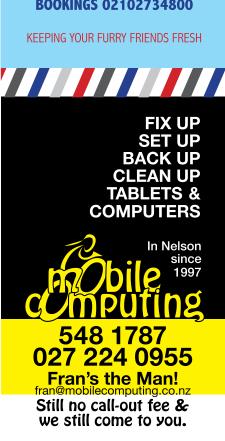
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POISONINGS

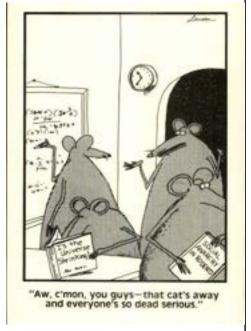
As we approach the cooler months, we often see an increase in pets being accidentally poisoned.

Rat Bait

When the weather is cooler and wetter, rats and mice start migrating into buildings to seek warmth and store winter food. Many people will lay poisonous baits and unfortunately dogs (and sometimes cats) will eat them if they find them. Often dogs are poisoned when the rat bait box falls off a shelf in the garage. We urge you to use a proper bait station which is pet-proof and secure the storage area.

Most rat baits act by stopping blood from clotting, so the animal bleeds internally. Symptoms vary depending on where bleeding is occurring but they will always become lethargic and their gums will be pale or white - this may take several days. If you suspect your pet has eaten bait, it is important to bring them in ASAP to induce vomiting and/or start treatment with an antidote.

It is interesting to note that poisoning from eating rats and mice that have been poisoned is unusual as a large number have to be eaten to cause illness compared with direct ingestion



Antifreeze – ethylene glycol

Antifreeze is extremely toxic to cats and dogs. It is sweet-tasting and attractive to animals, and is usually found in garages or on drives. Unfortunately cats only need to ingest a very small amount to become ill. A curious lick from a bottle or spillage or leaky radiator, or licking it off their paws after walking through a puddle are enough to cause big problems. Antifreeze is sometimes used in garden water features to prevent them freezing up and unfortunately this can also be drunk by a thirsty cat.

Symptoms of antifreeze poisoning occur quickly and include wobbliness, weakness, tiredness and as kidney damage develops they may drink more and become very unwell. Prompt treatment is the only way for cats to survive poisoning. Once kidney damage occurs, the prognosis is poor. Store your antifreeze well away from children and animals. Choose de-icers that don't contain ethylene glycol. Wipe up any spills and rinse thoroughly with water.



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Slug and Snail Bait

Unfortunately slug bait is attractive to dogs and sometimes cats. Slug bait poisoning is extremely serious and often fatal. Within minutes dogs will be anxious, panting, salivating, wobbly, may vomit, have diarrhea and start seizuring. It is imperative that your pet is brought to the clinic ASAP to start treatment.

There is no specific antidote but we can cause your dog to vomit up the bait and start intravenous fluids and other medications to manage the symptoms. Even with treatment pets can still die or suffer ongoing liver problems.

Always keep slug bait away from dogs and children. Try to use poison free methods in your garden or safer products such as Quash.

Two doctors texting each other on messenger.



Garden to Table Project

by Isobel Ford

Wanted - Volunteers for our Wakefield School Garden-to-Table Project

Can you help grow the next generation of gardeners or cooks in Wakefield?

We are looking for adults who can spare an hour or two a week during school term time to help with tasks in the school garden and orchard. We are keen to hear from anyone who is interested in supporting two or three children (age 5 - 11) with just one aspect of the garden or orchard.

The areas we are looking for help with are:

- seed raising
- compost making
- growing vegetables
- growing and drying herbs
- growing flowers
- fruit tree care
- produce stall
- cooking our produce
- propagation of native plants any other garden specialisation
- that interests you

If you have a special interest in one of these areas and you are willing to share that interest with our young gardeners, please get in touch.







We are also keen to hear from volunteers who prefer to work alone or with another adult, and would be happy to support with jobs that cannot easily be done with children, eg line trimming the orchard, fruit tree pruning and training, removing couch grass roots from one of the garden beds.

All tools and resources will be provided, and the teacher will discuss a plan with you beforehand.

Masks are optional when working outdoors with children. Most of these tasks will be outdoors.

Please contact isobel.ford@wakefield.school.nz or give the school office a call on 03 541 8332 and leave your number. We will get straight back to you.

Thank you to the wonderful people who got in touch to offer their help last August when we were unable to proceed due to Covid restrictions. Please let us know if you are still able to help.







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Time: 5pm

Where: St John's Community Centre, 120 Edward Str, Wakefield

Bring: - plate for shared potluck meal

- your own drinks

- something you no longer need from your home, wrapped for some fun present sharing

We dare you to come dressed as a Christmas character!

Everyone is welcome - bring your friends and family

For more information and to RSVP please contact Val 541 8539 or 022 314 0393 Event hosted by the Wakefield Anglican Church





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Wakefield Volunteer Fire Brigade

Good afternoon. Wakefield

As I write today it is another cold day and the nights have turn colder as well. When it gets colder during the night we generally sleep better than the hot summer nights but during winter nights the electric blankets goes on. Before you put the electric blanket on the bed please check the condition of the blanket making sure no bare wires can been seen and the blanket is in good condition. We also need to check the on off switch is in good order. Unfortunately, we do attend house fires where the electric blanket was the cause of the house fire due to the poor condition of the blanket or the blanket was left on during the day and the thermostat was not working.

Take care and be safe Fritz Buckendahl, CFO Wakefield Calls from April 24th to May 24th

Structure fire PFA Animal rescue Digger fire Grass fire Car crash House fire

Brightwater Brightwater Wakefield Tapawera Wakefield Kohatu Brightwater

Total calls for this year = 51 Total calls 2021 = 162

Exploding Totara Transformed

by Peter Verstappen, Principal, Wakefield School

In a modest suburban garage in Stoke four massive slabs from a totara tree are being transformed by master carver, Mark Davis. With hammer and chisel, Mark etches a landscape of trees, ferns and rivers, and populates it with birds and figures of ancestors. Under his insistent tapping the wood finds its voice, stories emerge and arch across the panels. Here is the great eagle whose pin feathers fell into the swamps of Aotearoa and became the kahikatea. Here is Rakaihautu with his digging stick, his ko, that gouged out the great lakes of Te Wai Pounamu. Here is Mary-Ann Baigent, whose pioneering spirit enriched the earliest days of our village. The timber lies calm, trusting, under its emerging tattoo.

The gentle tap tap of the carver's chisel is a peaceful resolution for a tree whose days ended explosively. This gnarly old totara lived its life on a hill-side slowly being consumed by the Wakefield Quarry. Over time it became increasingly isolated as it clung to the working quarry face, its trunk bruised by tumbling rocks, its roots scrabbling for purchase. Eventually it needed to be removed, and the owners, the Dick family, seeing the danger in trying to cut it down, resorted to the quarryman's art and blew it off the hillside with a well-placed charge.



Its splintered bulk yielded these four fine slabs. Milled and dressed and carved to distinction, they will grace our village for many years to come, in the form of a waharoa - a traditional gateway - at Wakefield School.

The waharoa project grew from a meeting of parents, students, staff and iwi a few years ago, as a way to tell our stories and celebrate the people - Māori and European - that have occupied this place over time, whose shared histories make our village unique. That's why Rakaihautu will stand at the base of one pou and Mary-Ann Baigent, who founded Wakefield School, at the other. That's why the carvings will feature the Wai-iti river and the podocarp forests, whose remnants we treasure in Faulkner' Bush and Edward Baigent Reserve.

It's a project that has needed many partners to succeed. Ngati Kuia iwi have walked alongside us through the journey, guiding and encouraging. The Dick family gave us the timber from that big old totara, and the Ross, Pyers and Davis families brought it to its finished state. Local artists contributed to the designs. We've received generous funding from the Ministry of Education, the Rātā Foundation and Tasman District Council's Creative Communities Fund. And we've worked closely with our builders, IMB Construction, to create a structure worthy of carrying the carvings.

So the mighty old totara's timbers will come to rest as our waharoa, facing St. John's church and beyond to the hills where they grew, and they will become, we hope, a proud addition to our community.

YOU ARE INVITED

Please join us to celebrate the opening of the waharoa

Thursday 23 June

6.00am: unveiling and dedication followed by breakfast, or 9.30am: powhiri and school celebration

There's no need to RSVP - just turn up on the day.

We hope to have your company for this important community event.



Community Notices



WAIMEA AREA QUILTERS **JUNE 2022**

Our next meeting is a "SIT & SEW"

ON SATURDAY JUNE 11[™]

9.30AM - 3.30PM

At St John's Church Auditorium 120 Edward Street, Wakefield

BYO Lunch, Tea & Coffee/Biscuits etc. Provided (\$5.00)

New Members Welcome to our Friendly Group

Contacts: Kay Norgate 02108114860 or kfnorgate@gmail.com Lesley on 0272954986 or philes@xtra.co.nz

WAKEFIELD ANGLICAN **COMMUNITY LUNCHES**

As we are now at the orange traffic light setting, we are able to hold the Community Lunches again.

> The next lunch will be held on Thursday 19th May in the Worship Centre lounge at 12.00 noon.

> > All welcome.

If you wish to attend it is helpful if you phone Caroline 541 8491 on the previous Monday, or just turn up on the day

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

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

For more information phone Judy on 5418342

THE WAKEFIELD **COMMUNITY BUS IS NOW RUNNING AGAIN**



Volunteer drivers are still needed but the bus can now run on Tuesdays at Level 2.

You **must** be Covid vaccinated with a valid vaccination pass, wear a mask and sign in on boarding.

Visit ntctt.org.nz for a timetable and phone 020 4195 8866 to book your seat or for further information.

Use the bus when you can and help keep the service

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Wakefield ART Group

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For more information contact

Alison 541 8822

Community Classifieds

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FOR SALE

May

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June

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WAKEFIELD BOWLING CLUB

Scrap metal

Wakefield Bowling Club is willing to collect any old metal, wiring, whiteware (excl fridge & freezers), car batteries, etc.

Please phone Trevor on 541 8855.

MEALS ON WHEELS DRIVERS WANTED

I need drivers to deliver meals on alternate Thursdays.

Meals are picked up from The Homestead Rest Home in Wakefield at 11am, and delivered to folks in the area from Foxhill to Brightwater and possibly Richmond.

This usually takes approx 1 1/2 hrs.

This service enables elderly and unwell people to stay in their homes longer.

Volunteers must be Covid vaccinated, and have a Vaccine Passport, and follow the rules for the current level.

If you think you would like to help with this community service, please phone Heather on 5418151.

RAW FOOD

Come and see what raw foodies eat that gives them so much energy and vibrant health!

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Cost is \$15 per person. Time: 12.30 - 2.30. Contact Sally for more info: 021 170 9443 or sally@naturalnosh.nz

Spring Grove Church of Christ

Main Road, Spring Grove

Worship and Communion Sundays 10am You are welcome to attend. Ph 541 8011

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Secretary: David Win 027 631 6786 info@higginsheritagepark.co.nz

Higgins Park Community Fair David & Diane Win 544 7096 info@higginsheritagepark.co.nz

Rural Ramblers Carolyn Mason 541 9200

Spring Grove Drill Hall C Stratford 542 3992

Totaradale Golf Club Megan or Jahola 541 8030

Wakefield Anglican Church - St Johns Sundays 9.00am - Holy Communion 10.30am - Family Communion Service Office 541 8883

St Johns Worship Centre Bookings Nigel Massey 541 8857

Wakefield Community Library Wendy Gibbs 541 8490 Pam Dick 541 8392 Hours - Tues 10.30 -11.30am Friday - 2.30 - 4pm Excluding Public Holidays (When library is not open book returns can be left at Hair Raisers Salon)

Wakefield Football Club (Seniors) wakefieldfootballclub@gmail.com

Waimea Plains Football Club (Juniors) waimeaplainsfootballclub@gmail.com

> Wakefield Medical Centre 541 8911

Wakefield Pharmacy 541 8418

Wakefield Playcentre Contact: 541 8866

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Jen Ámosá 541`8139 enquiries@countryplayers.org.nz www.countryplayers.wordpress.com

> Nelson Vintage Engine & Machinery Club Allan 027 319 7427

Pinegrove Kindergarten 03 542 3447

Rural Women Diane Higgins 03 542 4388

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

> **Taoist Tai Chi** Deb Knapp 022 083 9332

Waimea Sheepdog Trial Club Sally Powell 021 773 461 Email: sally@tcvet.co.nz

Waimea Area Quilters Sue Burrowes 541 9689 or 027 364 0773

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

Wakefield Bush Restoration Society Evie South 541 8980

> **Plunket Nelson Area Office** For appointments etc 539 5200

Wakefield School/ Community Swimming Pool
Karyn Young 021 112 4203
Libby Thomson 027 541 8202

Target Shooting Wakefield targetshootingwakefield@gmail.com Contact: Holly Gibbons 022 406 1674

> Wanderers Sports Club 542 3344

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

Wakefield Art Group Thursdays 9.30am - 12pm Alison 541 8822

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Adrian Mullan 021 118 4832 www.mmr.org.nz

NZ Postcard Society Inc 541 8980

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> **Spring Grove Church of Christ** Meet Sundays 10am 541 8011

Waimea South Historical Society Arnold Clark 544 7834

Wakefield Bowling Club Margaret Eames 541 8316

Wakefield Brightwater Book Club Sue McAuley 544 7325 sue.mcauley@ncc.govt.nz Meets last Wed of every month

Wakefield Community Council Julian Eggers 027 771 8556

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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 fullv self sufficient for at least three davs.

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