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Your Local News

## Community News for the Wakefield Area

### Multicultural Festival

by Charlotte Thynne

On the 19th of March, Wakefield Playcentre combined with other Playcentre's in the Nelson/Tasman region to host the pre-school section at the Multicultural Festival at Founders Park. What a FABULOUS event! Beautiful food and performances and a real sense of diversity and community, it really was a fabulous reminder of how special our region is.

In the pre-school area we did our Playcentre thing and provided fun opportunities for kids to play. Obstacle courses, giant bubble blowing, playdough and art opportunities as well as a quiet area to read. We were busy all day with happy and engaged kids (and adults).

Our Playcentre plan is to lock this in every year as it really was an amazing event to be part of, so make sure you get it in you calendar next year and come along :-)

Wakefield Playcentre is open 9:30-12:00 Monday-Friday and is always excited to welcome new families. We are a parent-cooperative licensed ECE service, we can be your village!



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# Wakefield Community Council

by Julian Eggers, Chairperson

Monday Night, 17th April 7:30pm, the Wakefield Community Council will be meeting for its monthly meeting. Head down to the Wakefield Village Hall to be a part of a supportive, thriving community group who have a passion in seeing Wakefield blossom, problem solving and raising issues/awareness to our Tasman District Council Ward Councillors as we work in partnership together.

We will have an update from the Pigeon Valley fire four years on, hearing from the inquiry and any questions to be answered. What have we learned to prevent this happening again? Fire breaks and water supplies in forestries.

At the March meeting we heard from the Historical Society on making Edward Street an Historical precinct, an update from Nick Chin on works planned for the old library building, idea on a Wakefield tourism map and the TDC Councillors report.

Monday 27th March, Tasman District Council in partnership with the Wakefield Community Council hosted a long term planning workshop at the Wakefield Village Hall. Representatives from various organizations and groups from Wakefield met to review the current council workload for the next ten years. It was great to have all these representatives from Wakefield in one space to help put focus on what's most important for Wakefield and the Tasman District.

The Wakefield Community Council is an avenue to raise concerns, problems, get Tasman District Council help via our Ward Councillors, organize projects in our community and keep up to date with goings on in our community. It is an open door policy so the community is welcome any time or become a member.

We meet every third Monday of the month.

**Wakefield Community Council**  
**Monday 17th April, 7:30pm**  
**Wakefield Village Hall**

Any questions or additional agenda items please email Julian Eggers, Chairperson [eggers213@gmail.com](mailto:eggers213@gmail.com)

## Wakefield Anzac Service 2023

Wakefield Community Anzac Service will be April 25th, 10am at the Wakefield Cenotaph (Village Hall if wet). If you are an organization, business or club, that would like to lay an Anzac wreath at the service please keep in touch so we can add you to the service sheet.

Also if you have any Anzac or war memorabilia that you would like to showcase at the service, we would also love to hear from you too.

Please email Julian Eggers - [Eggers213@gmail.com](mailto:Eggers213@gmail.com)

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Council Meeting

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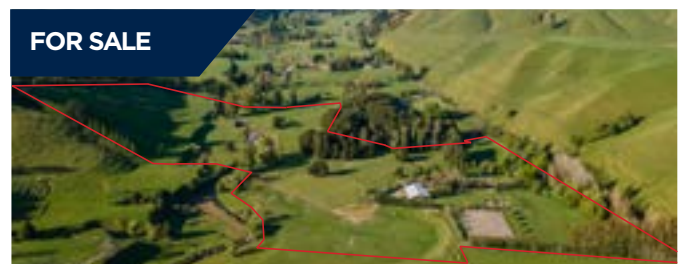
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by Brenda Halliwell, Vet

With the current egg shortage, backyard chickens have become increasingly popular! However there's a lot to consider before rushing out to buy your own egg supply. Chickens will add more to your family than just eggs! They are very social and make great pets! But the most important thing about keeping chickens is their environment - they must have a clean, warm area to sleep, have constant access to fresh food and water and be able to dust bath (this keeps external parasites under control).

**Lifespan/Laying:** Chickens live for 7-8 years depending on their breed. Most pullets (young hens) start laying at about 16-24 weeks of age, the first eggs are often small, odd shapes and sometime don't have shells. As they get larger you may strike the odd double yolker! As laying becomes regular the eggs will have healthy looking shells. They will continue to lay strongly for two to three years and then lay less and less as they age. Egg production will depend on the quality of their food and their living conditions.

**Housing/Cleaning:** Each chicken needs space to flap their wings, move about and build a nest. They require a minimum area of 3 square metres to house up to three large birds and 0.4 square metre per additional bird. If they are to be caged, then make sure they are not overcrowded. Is there enough room at the feeder for them all at once? Is there enough room on the perch for them all? Use clean straw on the floor and nesting boxes. They must be able to scratch around in the dirt and dust bath so a reasonable size run is important. They require a warm and dry area to perch each night. Young hens will mostly teach themselves to perch, but to ensure this happens, lift them gently onto the perch each evening until it becomes a habit (2-4 nights). Make sure the perch is just high enough that they can jump onto it from the ground.

Free range chickens can live and behave more naturally - interestingly a truly free range chicken can walk more than 1km daily! - but remember chickens are foragers and will happily destroy your veggie patch in a very short time if they get the chance! It is safest to be free range during the day and locked up at night. Free range birds will perch in trees if there is nowhere else but they prefer somewhere warm and dry. Provide a closed in nesting box so they have a safe place to lay their eggs. If they lay in the wrong place, put the eggs in the nesting box and they will usually go to that spot to lay next time.

**Feeding:** Start with a good quality pellet or mash for young chickens and then graduate to layer pellets when laying commences as their requirements change at this time. Feeding a good quality pellet is essential as it will be formulated to meet the requirements of a laying hen. The best food is one that contains 16-18% protein. They also require daily greens - silverbeet is a favourite. If they are caged and don't have access to insects and worms then get the kids to go on a worm hunt and give them as a treat. Chickens also require a certain amount of 'grit' in their diet, they naturally eat small stones which are stored in the gizzard to grind up their food. Caged birds can't get these naturally so giving them a handful of shell grit or ground up egg shells every now and then will help them digest their food better and keep their calcium levels up. Feeding kitchen scraps is a great way of recycling but you need to be careful as they can easily get too much salt and sugar. Have a look online for some good tips as to what is good and what is not.

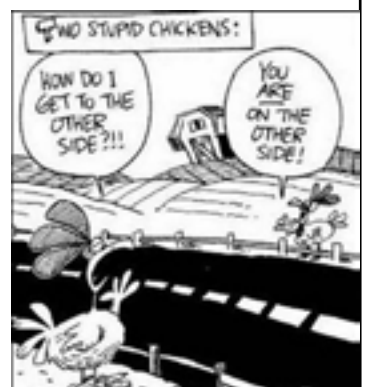
**Health and Disease:** Keeping your hens perch and flooring area clean is essential to keeping disease at bay. Clean your hen house out every 6-8 weeks (depending on size) and put in fresh straw. De-worm your hens twice a year, in spring and autumn. Check for mites and lice every week, general mites are tiny red specks and live in the cracks in your chicken house. Scaly leg mites burrow into the scales on your chickens legs causing raised encrusted scales. Lice are yellow and flat and can be seen at the base of the feathers. If you have any concerns, please call the clinic and we will help you diagnose the problem and treat accordingly.

**Predators:** Unfortunately hens are low on the food chain and they have a large number of predators such as dogs, cats, ferrets/stoats and hawks (and possibly pukekos depending where you live) so make sure they are safe!

**Moulting:** Chickens will moult once a year, usually during late summer or early autumn. They may not lay as well during this time and will look pretty scruffy.

**Broody Hens:** Occasionally hens will go clucky even without the presence of a rooster, they will sit on the nest and not get off. If a rooster is present then eggs will hatch in about 21 days. If no rooster is present you may be able to source fertilised eggs, otherwise you may remove eggs daily from your hen and she will eventually give up although this could take a few weeks in persistent birds!

**Crowing Roosters!:** Roosters can start crowing from 16-20 weeks of age. They generally do this in the morning but some will do it at random times during the day. They can start very early in the morning (usually first light) which is a great way to annoy your neighbours! Check with the council about rules in your area for keeping hens and roosters before you commit to your new pets.



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# Wakefield Bowling Club

by Tony Eames

The March tournament was sponsored by Lydia Heyward of Bayley's Real Estate. It was a progressive triples with players rotating positions for each game. The winning team was Bruce Smith, Jeanette Pauling and Denise Jacket from Richmond, second place was Carolyn Keehan, Greg and Nicki Reid from Stoke and third place was Wakefield's Margaret Eames, Julie Hall and Mel Mounsey.

In the Champion of Champion Singles, Mel Mounsey reached the semi final losing to the eventual winner and Margaret Eames made the final, finishing as runner up to NZ international, past World Champion and Commonwealth Games medallist, Val Smith.

In the Champion of Champion Fours, the ladies team of Margaret Eames (skip), Carolyn Mason, Lesley Woodbury and Bev Ashton made it through to the final winning the runner up trophy. A great day from our team culminating in a close game against a strong Stoke team with two NZ international players. What a great opportunity to play against world class players in the Nelson region.

We are very grateful for a generous sponsorship from Tasman Pine Forests for the popular Anzac Day tournament, held in agreement with the RSA.



There will be a breakfast and a memorial ceremony before play, the winner of each round will receive a prize and the overall winner will receive the "Wakefield Feathers" trophy, made with cap feathers from local soldiers who served in the Boer War. Poppies will be sold and a donation made to the RSA.

Community bowls has gone well on Friday evenings but this has now finished with cooler, darker nights as autumn closes in. Visitors are still very welcome to attend at other times, including the Monday and Friday afternoon roll ups, the Friday "après bowls" social or any other time by arrangement.

For more info: phone 541 8556  
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*Photo: Women's fours team with the runner up trophy at the Champion of Champions: Margaret Eames, Carolyn Mason, Lesley Woodbury & Bev Ashton with Pat Carrick, CEO Bowls Nelson.*



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Pigeon Valley Wakefield



# Waimea Sheep Dog Trials

by Sally Powell

The Waimea Sheep Dog Trial Club will hold its annual trial on Friday 21st and Saturday 22nd April at 320 Higgins Road, Wakefield. Competitors from as far away as Methven are expected for this trial, which will be the 102nd in the club's history. Trials begin with Heading dog events only from Friday at 1pm and both Huntaway and Heading events all day on Saturday. Spectators are most welcome and refreshments will be available in the club rooms (cash only).

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# Higgins Heritage Park Happenings

by David Win

We have had another great month of activities at The Park with the Riley Car Club National Rally visit, March Steam-up open day, and then the Vintage Machinery two day show which featured the Ferguson tractors along with the Steam-up of three traction engines which was a magnificent sight, rides and activities.

The Jowett Car Club National Rally with 20 Jowetts (regretfully eight were unable to cross Cook Strait due to the ferry cancellations) also visited the Ray Win Collection. During April we will again have vehicles in Wakefield for ANZAC day.

## 'Park' Dates to Remember:

- Sunday 2 April – Steam Up and museum sheds open day
  - Sunday 16 April – Museum sheds open day
  - Sunday 7 May – Steam up and museum sheds open day.
- (This is the last Steam up for the season)

We are also looking forward to a visit from the Woodsman's Training School Reunion which has over 150 attendees from all over NZ and Australia. The Woodsman School ran from 1951 to 1982 with the hostel originally based at Golden Downs Village but moved to Tapawera in 1974.

Our Higgins Heritage Park connections with the forestry industry of the district include the preservation of the Loggers Dream Machine – the original units were designed and built by Taylor Machine Works, Louisiana USA and capable of pulling and loading logs up to 10 ton weight. The units which came to NZ were mounted on war-surplus 6x4 GMC chassis and modified at the Waipa Forest Service workshops in 1952 for use in the forests for log hauling.

The Loggers Dream was used as a teaching aid at the NZ Forest Service Woodsman's School. It was also used in various places around NZ, including the Kaingaroa and Maramarua forests, Clutha River and by Colin Mackel in the Marlborough Sounds areas.

Loggers Dream was donated by Mr Clint Glennie of Marlborough and restored by Rex Kelly of Higgins Heritage Park.

Another of our forestry connections is the Golden Downs Old Forestry Village – Single Man's Hut Circa 1940's – 80's

Golden Downs Village was formerly the headquarters of the New Zealand Forest Service in the Golden Downs Forest from 1927 – 1987.

## Forestry Timeline:

- 1844 -- 1926 Pioneers, settlers and farming
  - 1927 -- 1939 Land acquisition -- Planting begins -- the forest grows
  - 1939 -- 1945 The war years
  - 1946 -- 1960 Expansion years
    - \* Golden Downs village built
    - \* Woodsman School opens
    - \* The Golden Downs Woodsman Training School
    - \* Village life and services
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  - 1960 -- 1987 The second planting boom
    - \* Wahine storm
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# Wakefield & Districts Health Trust

## TRUSTEE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Organisation: Wakefield and Districts Health Trust (CC54224)  
Location of applicants: Must reside in Wakefield or surrounding districts  
Duration of appointment: Three-year term (eligible for reappointment)  
Time commitment: Up to 12 meetings per year  
Remuneration: Unpaid

### INTRODUCTION

Wakefield and Districts Health Trust is the successor to the Wakefield and Districts Community Health Centre Incorporated, established in the 1980s to build a medical centre to ensure that residents from Wakefield and the surrounding district would always have local medical services.

We are now seeking expressions of interest for a Trustee to join our governance board.

### OBJECTIVES

The Wakefield and Districts Health Trust was established to be beneficial to the Wakefield and districts community by:

- Primarily, but not solely, maintaining a building adequate for the provision of medical services to, and for the benefit of, the community;
- Providing or otherwise facilitating the enhancement of medical and health-related services to, and for the benefit of, the community;
- Providing the community with access to medical providers and service outside of the Wakefield and Districts community; and
- Generally enhancing the health and wellbeing of the community.

### POSITION

We are looking for a new Trustee who can complement and work with our existing Board to make enabling decisions for the organisation. We want individuals who can support and are committed to helping us achieve our objectives.

### IDEAL APPLICANT DESCRIPTION

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the governance and oversight of the management of Trust. Board members should demonstrate some or all of the following attributes:

- A good knowledge of the Wakefield and districts area and an interest in health-related matters.
- An ability to contribute to meetings in a fair, balanced and considered fashion.
- An ability to present and convey information in a straightforward fashion.
- An ability to evaluate reports, assess data and to enquire when further information is needed.
- Governance experience.
- Excellent communication and relationship skills.
- Knowledge of financial statements and balance sheets.
- An understanding of strategic planning processes.

### TO APPLY

Please contact the Trust Secretary at [wdhealthtrust@gmail.com](mailto:wdhealthtrust@gmail.com) to request the Expression of Interest form and job description. Please complete the Expression of Interest form and return via e-mail with your curriculum vitae and a brief covering letter to:

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## Live Well, Stay Well

Tuesday 18 April and 9 May Coffee at  
The Villa in Wakefield at 9.45am

**Tuesday 4 April 2023 9.45am-11am**

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

## Wakefield Art Group

Exhibition & Sales

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Wakefield Bush Restoration Soc. Inc

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88 Valley Walnuts

Artist Jan's cards + bags & aprons

Artist Fiona's natural soaps

CASH SALES

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# Dizzying Heights

by Britt Coker

Rock climbing visitors at Bridge Valley Adventure Park are enjoying the use of 15 new harnesses and 10 helmets thanks to a recent grant injection by Network Tasman Trust.

While safety off the ground has never been an issue, General Manager, Dave Fraser says it's the flexibility of the new harnesses that makes everything easier now.

"The harnesses we've got are multi-sized so it means more people can be harnessed up at the same time. This is awesome because in the past we've had small, medium and large ones and when you've got lots of people onsite you're running around juggling them. If you've got a group of small people you have to keep adjusting them, so it really slows down how many people you can get experiencing a rock climb or flying fox. This means that we can keep everybody nice and safe and give everyone the most optimal time we can, growing and experiencing the fun activities and challenges."

Just in case you're a local that's looking for some thrill seeking in your backyard, Bridge Valley might tick the box if scaling up a 10 metre rock climbing tower sounds like a great way to spend a bit of time. And I know what you're thinking. Once you're at the top, it would be a shame not to abseil down it - and you would be right. The harnesses and helmets are also being used for Bridge Valley's flying fox zipline and an indoor climbing wall and high ropes course. So, a harness-wearing activity for everyone.

Dave wants to do a shout-out for the grant money to make the activities easier for everyone who goes on them.

"Thanks to Network Tasman Trust for the funding. It's been great to get it actioned and the grant is much appreciated."

In the last grant allocation round, Network Tasman Trust allocated \$160,820 in grants to 84 not-for-profit organisations in the Nelson Tasman area including wildlife groups, schools, sports teams and counselling and support services.



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## CONTACTS

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# Wakefield Pays It Forward to Children in Need

by Freya Hogarth, Principal, Wakefield School

This year Wakefield School has set up a "Pay it Forward" fund. This is a fund that is held by the school and is contributed to by generous families and businesses through donations. The funds are then used by the school to support Wakefield School children, whose families otherwise would not be able to afford the cost to access after school music lessons, school stationery, after school sports, school camps, counselling services, etc.

The Wakefield community is already fantastic at looking after our Wakefield community and the families within it. This is another great initiative that enables our Wakefield Community to support our children in need, so that they too can access added extras that would otherwise be out of reach for their family. The fund was started with a very generous donation from Fraemohs Homes Tasman at the beginning of this year and already students at Wakefield School have benefited from this. The school is hoping we can continue to encourage donations from our community so we can ensure all our students have great opportunities to participate in extracurricular activities that support their learning and development.

If you would like to make a donation to the school's 'Pay it Forward' fund, please make contact with the school office by phoning 541 8332 or emailing office@wakefield.school.nz. All money donated is used to directly benefit tamariki in need who attend Wakefield School.

## Live Well Stay Well

by Judy Berkett

### Visit by Live Well Stay Well Group to Village Grove Estate on 20 March 2023:

On a chilly autumn morning 17 of the Live Well Stay Well group met at Phil and Rachel Costello's olive grove, Villa Grove Estate, south of Wakefield. Rachel told us how when they took on the property in 1978 their house had no modern amenities and no garden. By 1983 they had modernised the house, started to make their beautiful garden and had their first 900 olive trees planted in 1995. These first varieties, barnea and manzanillo, did not do well and by 2000 had pulled them out and planted different varieties, koroniki, frantoio and leccino which continue to flourish.

Phil told us about the care of the trees, the continual work, the pruning and the new mechanical way of harvesting the olives. We were also told of the health benefits and how the olive oil can help with different ailments. Everyone tasted the oil, also the lemon infused oil, and some members purchased bottles. Afterwards we wandered through the olive grove and the beautiful gardens. Thanks Rachel and Phil for an interesting, informative and enjoyable visit.

by Sonja Lamers

### Upcoming meetings:

**Tuesday 4 April 2023:** presentation by Birte Becker-Steel, Welcoming Communities Officer of Tasman District Council on "HOW INCLUSIVE WE ARE TO NEWCOMERS IN OUR COMMUNITY" at Fire Brigade Rooms, Pigeon Valley Road, Wakefield, 9.45am onwards

**Tues 18 April 2023:** coffee meeting at The Villa in Wakefield, 9.45am onwards

**Tues 9 May 2023:** coffee meeting at The Villa 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 in Wakefield, mostly 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.

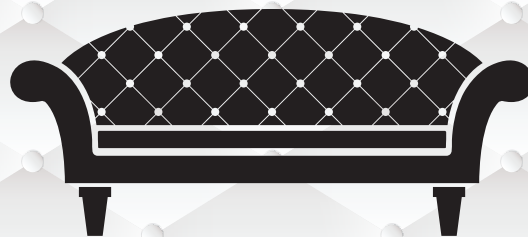
The group is run on an informal basis and there is no joining fee. However when we have a guest speaker we do ask for a \$2 gold coin donation to help us cover the hire of the hall facilities and tea and coffee. We advertise our programme in "Window on Wakefield", your local news magazine, plus on the Community noticeboards in Wakefield. 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



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# In the Bush

WELCOME to our monthly catch-up.

And YES you could easily have guessed that our maintenance days are always full on.

Saturday the 10th March saw us busy with a myriad of jobs at Robson's Scenic Reserve, not only all the usual but also keeping an eye on the wasps nests along one of the bank areas. One of our "qualified" members, has on three separate occasions dealt with these pests, so hopefully now there should be no further issues. At this time, the Society did put up a sign warning to the public, especially those walking dogs of the wasp problem, at the bottom of the track area and this was removed when it was felt that all was "safe" again.

The fantastic part about our work on Saturday was that we were in amongst our 2022 planting areas and very delighted at how well they have taken off. As would have Doug South, who kindly donated many more natives, for our Society to plant here. We did have some die off in the really shaded areas but we will deal with this loss in our 2023 plantings, and have our planting co-ordinators select the trees that will better suit.

I would also like to take the time to pay tribute to many of our volunteers, who are not only members of our Society, but also many others, and are all extremely dedicated to our village and region. However if I could just spend a moment in time, to especially give mention to Dorothy Hole (our societies planting co-ordinator for over 23 years) who has for well over 15 years also been producing many jams, sauces and relishes (and much more!) for the benefit of SO many folks. Dorothy was specially recognised by many friends and the congregation at the Hope Community Church recently, for her selfless acts of kindness through her industrious activities.

This "production of love" has featured over many years as a fund raiser for numerous Church's projects for good works in our community, region and overseas missionary services. It has been worked out from Dorothy's notebooks, that over this period of time, the total kilo weight, berries, fruit, etc. was a staggering 2,234 Kilos, give or take a few!!!!!! The occasion also marked Dorothy's decision to officially retire, so her Bird Haven label will be no more. However I would suspect that Dorothy's family and her biggest fan/neighbour Evie may benefit from some much smaller boil ups.

Please note our maintenance days are always on the second Saturday of each month - do contact me for further information. Extra days will be allocated when we start our planting programme over the June, July, August period.

Kind regards Evie-joy South, Proudly President, The Wakefield Bush Restoration Soc (2000) Inc. Phone or Txt 027 907 2879 Landline 03 541 8980 Or Email [tuiville@xtra.co.nz](mailto:tuiville@xtra.co.nz)



## IN REMEMBRANCE Douglas Hosking South (Doug) 5.11.1954 – 17.4.2022 J764114 Sgt .Marlborough Mortars.

Sadly our Society and community farewelled "our" Doug on the 17th April last year at his much loved Edward Baigent Memorial Scenic Reserve. We are all so heartened that one year on, "his" trees are forever paying tribute to the dedication and love of our three Scenic Reserves and his incredible capacity to just get the jobs done. During the last two weeks of his life, Doug often spoke of the Scenic Reserves, the Society and the team who were always on hand with a passion to match his own.

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Thankfully, we have moved on from that area and now we look for a range of skills that our community has in any aspect of the brigade's function. It maybe you have an interest in medical assistance but not necessarily comfortable donning a breathing apparatus and fighting a large fire. If you look at what we do and think you can help in any aspect, then we would be very interested in hearing from you.

As we sit today, we have: Electricians x 3, Safety Store Manager, Power Design and Build Manager, Crane Trainer, Driver Assessor, Forestry Log Distributor, Career Firefighters x 6, Honey Processing Factory Owner, Farmer, Paramedic, Truck Driver, Builders x2, Fishing Boat First Mate, Building Maintenance, Ferry Crew, Sawmill Workers x 2, Rest Home Worker, Stone Mason, Forestry Worker and a very helpful Retired Firefighter.

As you see we have an amazing variety of people that work all sorts of shifts day and night, as well as turning up for our trainings on a Wednesday night. These people then on top of that drop everything when the siren and pager go off to help someone in need. This is a very rewarding aspect of our service. We also cover some community events so you, the community, can see us in a relaxed non-emergency scene.

Going forward we would like to do more within our community to ensure your safety. We are fortunate to have three Operational Support staff whose role will include smoke alarm installations, Home Safety Visits alongside community events. We will do some advertising around these when we are ready to hit the go button.

On a fire safety note now is the time to have your chimney cleaned and checked. Hopefully you have all got your firewood stacked away and dry ready for winter.

It is also a good time to check any compost you have in your garden. Recently we have had a couple of composting heaps catch fire and one happened to be up against a shed. With the wet weather compost can cook at very high temperatures even though it looks green. Best solution if it is hot is to turn it over and release the heat.

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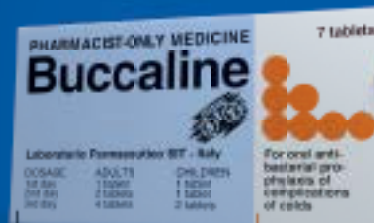


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Recommences 19<sup>th</sup> January 2023

## WAKEFIELD ANGLICAN COMMUNITY LUNCHES

The monthly Community Lunches held in the Worship Centre, will be on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 12 noon, from February until November.

Welcome to any who would like to attend and enjoy a meal and fellowship.

It is helpful if those wishing to attend phone Liz Massey 5418857 the previous Monday. Otherwise just turn up.

Lunch dates are:

April 20  
May 18  
June 15  
July 20  
August 17  
September 21  
October 19  
November 16

**Can we celebrate your special event or help remember someone dear to you?**

Please send your obituaries, birth announcements, wedding stories, other important notices to us at [windowonwakefield@gmail.com](mailto:windowonwakefield@gmail.com) or ring 541 9005



**Door-to-door to Richmond for only \$5 return**



We will now drive anyone from their home to the Sundial car park, Richmond, provided they live within the Wakefield of Brightwater boundaries or less than 500m from the bus route.

We can also stop at 185 on request. Buy your weeks groceries and save \$\$\$.

Visit [ntctt.org.nz](http://ntctt.org.nz) for a timetable and phone 020 4195 8866 to book your seat or for further information.



# Community Classifieds

## FOR SALE

Bundles of sawn slabs of firewood  
Ring Rex Kelly 027 4434 105

## FOR SALE

3 pure bred murray grey heifers 1 x 6 years,  
1 x 2 years and 1 x 18mths  
Phone Wendy 541 9119

## FREE

A never ending supply of horse poo. Come  
and load up your trailer... regularly.  
Phone Sonia 541 9005 for more info

## HANDYMAN WANTED

For my garden and property for 4 - 6 hours  
per month to Tapawera.

Jobs include mowing taller grass along the  
fence and bank, trimming branches and  
bushes, working where a ladder must be  
used, small repairs and anything that is to  
heavy/too much for an elderly person.  
Ph 0226795500 or c.k.loburn@gmail.com

## FREE

2-seat settee suitable for fabric repair or  
recovering.  
Phone Peter 541 8863

## FOR SALE

Leather work-boots, size 9.  
Oliver brand, steel capped, as new. \$50  
Ph 03 541 9635

## WANTED

Old straw or hay for mulch,  
spray free preferred.  
Please phone 541 8832 or 027 241 8832.

## FREE

Plant guards, corrugated plastic.  
280 used guards, in bundles of 20.  
Phone Lynne 021 0231 6121.

October

## WANTED TO RENT

Wakefield area, 2 bedroom cottage or flat.  
Retired couple, no pets  
Ph 027 693 4412

## FOR SALE

Treated fence palings.  
Phone Brian 541 8991 evenings

## FOR SALE

Ladies Golf Clubs in tidy condition, would  
suit a beginner - bag also available.

Piano Accordion in case, in tidy condition  
(Hohner 11 Base) suitable for a beginner.

Single bed with innerspring mattress in  
good condition, white head board also  
available.

Pair single bedspreads in good condition.

Please phone: 0274 433 291

## FREE

Clean glass jars with lids suitable for jam etc.  
Please phone: 0274 433 291

## FOR SALE

Quiet, English Leicester Ram  
Solid animal with good conformation and  
lovely grey fleece for spinning. Very fertile!  
Lovely animal, but I need to move him on  
to vary the gene pool. \$200  
Phone: 03 541 8161

## FOR SALE

Firewood old mans pine 120 a cubic meter  
Wakefield area

Phone Karen 541 8979 or 022 065 6075

## FOR SALE

2 Welsh Harlequin Ducks, 12 weeks old.  
\$20 each  
Please phone 541 8228

April

## FOR SALE

Merits Indigo mobility scooter.  
Only had 6 months use and in very good  
condition - Black with silver trim.  
Elegant and stylish. Has had very little use.  
Has had a recent service.  
Service sheet available

Includes a front basket, lockable compart-  
ment under the seat and a large satchel on  
the back.

LCD dashboard screen displaying battery  
gauge, speed, temperature, clock . Plenty  
of legroom

Purchased from dealer in November 2022 -  
shop price was \$5,500.00.

Barely 6 months use  
Item can be checked out at Brightwater,  
Nelson

Only used on Brightwater streets to access  
local shop

Small scratch on front guard visible in  
photo.

Scoter can be seen in Brightwater on  
request.

Phone Diane 0277 383 458



## Spring Grove Church of Christ

Main Road, Spring Grove  
Worship and Communion Sundays 10am  
You are welcome to attend

## "Christ is Risen"

"But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead"

1 Corinthians Ch 15 v 20 (NIV)



## Wakefield Craft Group

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

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

For more information phone Judy on 5418342



# Community Directory

**Rutherford Memorial Hall**  
658 Wakefield-Kohatu Highway, Foxhill  
Sue White 027 474 6324  
www.lordrutherfordhall.org.nz

**Higgins Heritage Park**  
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  
(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: 027 880 2800

**Wakefield Volunteer Fire Brigade**  
CFO Blair Hall 027 405 4280  
DCFO Dot Ashton 027 543 0529

**Willowbank Heritage Village**  
willowbank2002@gmail.com

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

**Nelson Vintage Engine &  
Machinery Club**  
Allan 027 319 7427

**Pinegrove Kindergarten**  
03 542 3447

**Rural Women**  
Diane Higgins 03 542 4388

**St Joseph's Catholic Church**  
Mass - 2nd Saturday each month  
Parish Priest 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 Soc Inc**  
Evie South 541 8980 or 027 907 2879

**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**  
027 714 6160  
jimmy@wandererssports.co.nz

**Wakefield Toy Library**  
Saturday 9.30-11.30am  
wakefieldtoylibrary@gmail.com

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

**Marlborough Nelson Marine  
Radio Assn**  
Adrian Mullan 021 118 4832  
www.mmr.org.nz

**NZ Postcard Society Inc**  
Evie South 541 8980 or 027 907 2879

**Richmond Lions - Wakefield Rep**  
Sue Burrowes 541 9689 or 027 364 0773

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

**Waimea South Historical Society**  
Yvonne Tye 021 542 338

**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  
eggers213@gmail.com

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

**Wakefield Preschool**  
Contact: 541 8086

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

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

**Wakefield Village Hall**  
Amby Cowe  
ambynz@hotmail.com  
541 8869

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

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

**Wakefield School**  
Edward Street 541 8332

**Justice of the Peace**  
Katie Greer  
Ph 021 547 756

## AED DEFIBRILLATOR LOCATIONS - AVAILABLE 24/7

Wakefield Four Square, Wakefield Bowling Club, Wakefield Football Club, Highfield Farm, Kohatu Flat Rock Cafe, Old Tadmor Store, Dovedale Hall, 29 Moonlight Road Glenhope, Corner of Totara View Road and Kilkenny Place, Corner of Martin Road and Lord Rutherford Road, Southfuels Spring Grove, Belgrove Cafe and Bar [what was], Lake Rotoiti Fire Station, Golden Downs Golf Club, Totaradale Golf Club.

## 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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