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Your Local News

Community News for the Wakefield Area

And That's a Wrap!

by Amby Cowe

Country Players had an amazing time performing our latest musical *The Addams Family*.

A massive thank you to everyone who helped us and supported us by coming along to one (or two or three) of our seven performances. It's big shows like *The Addams Family* that really bring the community together, a most enjoyable experience for all.

Here is a wonderful review from opening night:

The Addams Family Musical - "Kooky" and not even slightly "Ookey"

Reviewed by Alli Campbell

Wakefield Country Players most recent production - The Addams Family Musical opened on Friday 8th September at the Wakefield Village Hall. It was a joy and a hilarious treat for all who attended. The characterisation was cleverly observed by the entire cast.

Most of us know these characters already, having seen them portrayed in various genre: cartoons, TV series and movies, but when you are face to face, in the same room, then you experience the macabre delight in their eyes. Shaun Lines as Lurch may haunt your dreams from now on!

The entire cast gave a wholehearted performance. John Amosa as Gomez Addams delighted the audience with his masterful performance and strong singing voice; his comedy timing was superb and had me snort giggling throughout. I particularly enjoyed the acting, singing and screaming, from Sofia Ching as Pugsley. The younger actors playing Wednesday (Loren Martin) and Lucas (Shenae Speedy) did an excellent job with a fairly tricky musical score.

Well-rehearsed and artfully directed, this company knows how to stage an excellent production. The stunning stage set and the quality of the lighting and sound was as good as any you would see in professional theatre. The antics of the chorus, as the ancestors, are well worth watching closely – not least for their imaginative and well-made costumes; they absolutely enhance every scene they are in. Watch out for the cleverly designed torture props and you will love the table decorations – such attention to detail.

*The Wakefield Country Players have an excellent reputation for quality theatre, if you don't live nearby, it is well worth the journey into the countryside for any of their productions. I'm told the next show on the horizon is another cracker, *Our Man in Havana*, a comedy directed by Hugh Neill. It's bound to be worth booking early.*



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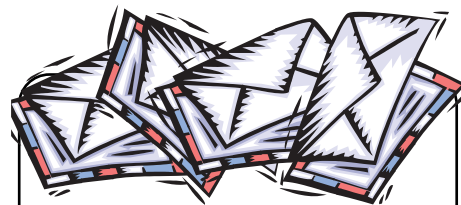
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Waimea South Historical Society

by Yo Tye

Rediscovering the Reay's A presentation by Warwick Johnston

Reverend Charles Lucas Reay was born 25 March 1811 in Liverpool, England, the son of Surgeon William Lucas Reay and Charlotte (nee Robinson). He had gained an MA from Queen's College, Cambridge University in 1834 and had been the Vicar at Swanburne, Buckinghamshire, before travelling to Auckland in 1842 and then continuing on to Nelson with Bishop Selwyn.

Charles' wife Marianne Draper (nee Cook) arrived the following year with her daughter Jane Essex (from a previous marriage to James Henderson Essex) and their adopted son Robert Charles Lucas Reay (son of a friend), and a piano. Their journey out was thwarted by problems with ships which caused a delay in their arrival to Nelson.

Charles travelled to Auckland to investigate but unknowingly Marianne and the children had boarded another boat and were on their way to Wellington. They eventually reunited in Wellington and by the time they reached Nelson Marianne, the children, and her piano had experienced five ship transfers. Marianne was known to have given performances on this piano. Jane Essex was married in Nelson, by her father, to Dr Daniel Pollen and Robert, who returned to England with his mother after the death of Charles, later returned to New Zealand and became a well-known Surveyor.

In Nelson, Charles' mediating skills were put to immediate use and by October 1842 he had been the mediator in four different disputes in Golden Bay. Another dispute involved Maori Chief Paremata Te Wahapiro from Wakapuaka. Paremata disputed the legality of the New Zealand Company land purchase in the Wakapuaka area, known as Happy Valley, and took Marianne Reay, wife of Charles, as a hostage until the dispute was sorted out.

Charles Elliot, a Nelson newspaper editor and local politician, who, as part of the New Zealand Company Settlement Scheme in Nelson, was anti-missionary, incited anger amongst the settlers and organised a large group of armed men to march onto the disputed ground. Meantime Charles Reay had arrived on site by boat and was eventually able to placate both sides which led to the release of his wife.

Bishop Selwyn appointed Charles as the Resident Minister and Anglican Clergyman for the Nelson Province. He travelled extensively throughout the region by foot, whaleboat, clipper, canoe and horseback visiting such places as D'Urville Island, Golden Bay and Marlborough. In Wakefield, Charles approved the payment of twelve pounds ten shillings from Church funds to support the running of Wakefield School, which had earlier been established by Marianne Baigent.

Marianne Reay became known as New Zealand's first female Architect when she supplied a suitable design for the building of St John's Church in Wakefield. Marianne was not popular with many of the women in Nelson, or the wives of other missionaries, because she was strong-minded and had her own servants.

Before a large congregation on 11 Oct 1846, Rev Charles Reay read the opening sermon at the new St John's Church in Wakefield.

Charles had also been involved, along with Bishop Selwyn, with the establishment and later administration of the Bishop's School in Nelson, though this is rarely acknowledged.

Charles took an unauthorised trip to Sydney to help out a troubled nephew and upon his return received a six month docking of his pay. During this down-time the locals provided the family with food. However this act had enraged many of the Nelson dignitaries and Bishop Selwyn re-located Charles to Rangitukia, East Cape.

He succumbed to an infection and died there on 31 March 1848. His body was buried in secret, close to the mouth of the Waiapu River because the local Maori population did not want his body removed.

Marianne returned to England and had a headstone made and shipped to New Zealand for his gravesite. However it went missing and was located in 1914, in a damaged state in an Auckland garden. It was eventually sent to Rangitukia and it remains beside the Church to this day.

Unfortunately errors have occurred in the recording of Charles' death. Firstly, he was a few days short of his 37th birthday, not 67 as the records show and secondly his place of burial is at Rangitukia not in the Hollowell Cemetery in Nelson. Work is currently underway to rectify this error.

Although he does not receive the accolades he deserves, his place in the history of the Tasman District can be remembered by Reay House in Nelson and in the story of our own Wakefield School and St John's Church.



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Live Well Stay Well

by Christine Godfrey

Megan Riddell - Project Lead for Home Share for Her

The Live Well Stay Well group welcomed, social worker Megan Riddell, who is the Project Lead for Home Share for Her, to our meeting on 26th September. This is a not-for-profit organisation, started by women from Nelson Tasman, in response to the increasing needs of women in our region. Housing in Nelson Tasman is unaffordable for many single women. Home Share for Her aims to connect women with homes, to women who are looking for housing and to support them to establish an affordable, safe, secure, medium to long term tenancy.

Megan said women living alone often experience loneliness, financial insecurity and struggle with the practicalities of managing a large property. Many women like the idea of sharing their house with another compatible woman, but find the process of advertising and interviewing for potential housemates daunting.

Home Share for Her is a safe and secure website about to be launched very soon, for women to connect with each other. Owners and seekers will be able to put their profiles up. They also provide useful advice, resources, and templates you can use to help with reference checking, interviews, and setting up your home sharing agreement.

For further info, email hello@homeshareforher.nz or phone 022 438 9072. Megan was thanked by the group for coming to talk to us about a very interesting and thought provoking subject.

by Sonja Lamers

Upcoming meetings:

Tues 10 October: coffee meeting at the Villa in Wakefield, 9.45am onwards

Tuesday 24 October: 9.45am - Speaker Rob McConnachie of Driving Miss Daisy. Venue: Wakefield Fire Brigade, Pigeon Valley Road

Tuesday 14 November: 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 in Wakefield. 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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Totaradale Golf Club

by Gordy Thomas

Daylight saving is underway, the days will lengthen out to provide plenty of opportunity to get out onto the Totaradale golf course and fit in a round of golf. The spring grass is growing, the course is green and playing great.

The club champion competition dominating the past month's calendar played the final matches at the end of September and the 2023 champions will be announced in next month's edition. Well done to all the competitors who took part and congratulations to all the winners.

The Wednesday evening 9 hole Twilight competition kicks off from the start of October and will see a full field of 19 teams signed up to take part in a social fun individual and team stableford competition that runs through the summer months until daylight evenings diminish around mid-March.

Each team consisting of four or five members plays 9 holes of golf then converge on the clubhouse for social drinks, a delicious meal prepared by our capable cook Sue and conversations over the shots that were nearly good! What better way to spend hump day evening socializing with mates and enjoying an evening where dinner is prepared and dishes done for you!

The club enjoys hosting this popular summer competition and meeting both new & regular players who come along.

It's fantastic to see so many young people being active and choosing to play golf casually. Summer memberships are available for all age groups which are really cost effective. Membership means you can rock up to play any time or every day that suits. Now that's a great Christmas gift idea if golf is something you or your family member may be interested in. Call into the clubhouse or phone Sue for details.

Futures Golf for kids and She Loves Golf sessions for ladies who are new to the game are running through the fourth term. All the clubs around the region are taking a turn hosting these sessions. The locations will be posted at the clubhouse once they have been confirmed. Call Eve the development officer to find out more ph 027 269 1669 about term four sessions.

Contact details for the club are;
Phone: 03 541 8030
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Happy golfing.



Waimea Sheep Dog Trial Club

by Sally Powell

On Tuesday 10th Oct, the Waimea Sheep Dog Trial Club is having a fundraising quiz at the Sprig and Fern in The Meadows.

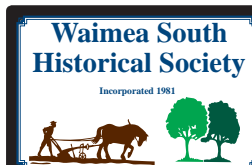
No registration required, just turn up well in advance to secure a table. Get some friends together and join us for a fun night. Lots of raffle prizes including a \$100 meat voucher, club clothing, garden art, baking and preserves. 7pm start.

The following week, on Tuesday 17th Oct, the club is hosting a training day with renowned dog triallist Bernard Arrends. This is a joint event with the Tapawera Dog Trial club and will include a barbeque lunch.

Anyone with a heading dog who would like to know how to get the very best from their dog, or to iron out any particular problems, is most welcome to join us.

Registration is essential and costs \$10. Please email sally@tcvet.co.nz for all the details and to register your interest.

Finally, congratulations to Waimea member Ali Eggers and his dog Bill who recently placed third in the maiden section of the Tux Yarding event at Richmond Brook. It was not an easy event as the sheep were lively to say the least.



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In the Bush

REPORTING IN...

Evie South - President

I can only say that 23 years ago when our Society was the new kid on the block, we had, and still have, an incredibly amazing team of volunteers. Sadly, many of the "old" team have passed away.

We Will Remember Them All !!!

Looking back, Doug South, our President, set goals for short and long term plans in 2018:

Doug's vision, for achievable working project plans, to hopefully, future proof our three Scenic Reserves, for many generations to come. Today you can but marvel at these visual supreme efforts.

Chris Tonkin - Consultant - Where to from here? (ie semi retiring gracefully)

Two major factors have prompted a review of the voluntary work typically undertaken by the Society over the past 23 years. First is the fact that volunteer numbers have both declined and, on average, aged. The reality is that while Wakefield Scenic reserves are highly valued and receive huge public use, nowadays, for a variety of reasons, fewer younger community members are willing to volunteer their time on a regular basis.

Secondly, with planting at the three local reserves now largely completed, the establishment phase has switched to maintenance in the form of weed control, track maintenance and associated minor works. Tasman District Council administers the reserves, and with future proofing in mind the Committee sought a Memorandum of Understanding to clarify 'who does what' going forward.

The council declined the MOU approach but did provide a written commitment to the management and maintenance requirements that will be necessary to conserve these valuable community assets.

As to the Bush Society's future. Members will be free to volunteer their time on minor maintenance without the unrelenting pressure to keep up with seasonal tasks. At the same time the regular social contact that is an important consideration for long-term participants will be preserved, leaving the Society's main priority to be keeping the Council up to its word.

Gowan Simpson - Vice President - 23 Years On – An Overview

23 years on from the inception of the Wakefield Restoration Bush society, it is timely that we step back and look at what has been achieved over those years. Under the inspired guidance of Doug and Evie-Joy South and many other long-standing members [some of whom are unknown to me as I've only been involved with the group for six years], the three scenic reserves have flourished.

This year saw the final planting over the winter months of Robsons Scenic Reserve and Faulkner's Bush Scenic Reserve. Robsons in particular has been most satisfying for me personally as I recall the barren state of the reserve when we first began. The understorey had been grazed by stock over the years and left in a sorry state.

There have been many obstacles over the past two decades, the most contentious being the successful closing of Edward Baigent Memorial Scenic Reserve to campers.

That aside, it's been a very enjoyable group to be involved with, with monthly working bees amongst the great giants of the forest. Yesterday's working bee was a fine example of that – listening to bird song as I pulled out yet more old man's beard!! Followed by lunch and catch up with the other volunteers. Where do we go from here you may ask – we carry on looking after all we have planted and hope the Wakefield community and others enjoy and treasure the three wonderful reserves we have.

Sally & Duncan Gordon - Trapping Team

Sally and Duncan will now also take over from Brian Pearson and do the trapping for The Edward Baigent Memorial Scenic Reserve. The Society wishes to express gratitude to Brian for his long-term commitment of pest control within this Scenic Reserve.

Trapping Counts for Faulkner's and Robson's Reserves

April 2022 to March 2023 inclusive	Mice	Rats	Hedgehogs	Weasel
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Robson	8	9	8	1
Totals	15	21	15	1

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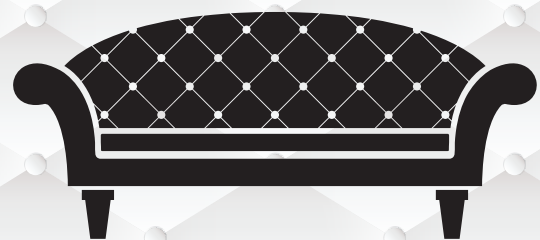


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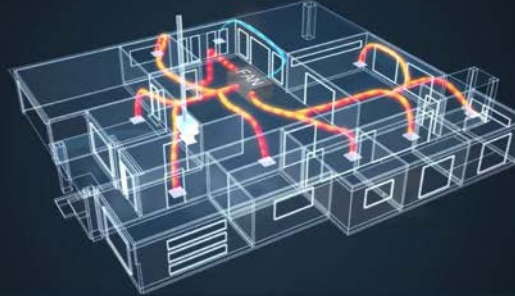
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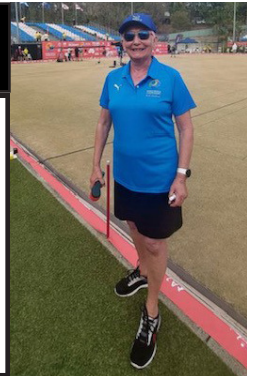
Margaret Eames, a long time member of the Wakefield Bowling Club has achieved International Umpire status which means officiating on the world stage.

Just recently Margaret umpired at the World Championships held in Queensland, Australia.

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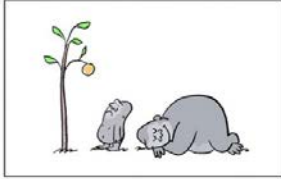
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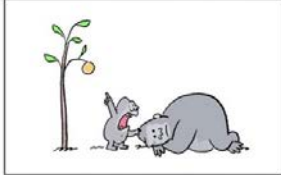
Town and Country Vet

by Brenda Halliwell, Vet



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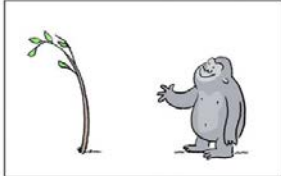
Spring has arrived! Unfortunately spring also brings those nasty little pests we know as fleas.



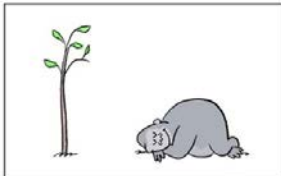
Though fleas can survive the winter under the right conditions, there is no doubt that the increased temperature in spring causes an increase in the numbers of these pesky insects.



Prevention is better than cure when it comes to fleas. If you wait to see fleas on your pet then there is already an established population of fleas (and eggs and larvae) in your house and garden.



Remember when you treat a pet for fleas, the product is not only killing any fleas on them but prevents more fleas jumping on board. We now have flea products for cats and dogs that last for three months and even longer, so it's easy to keep pets protected and your house flea-free throughout the year with very little effort.



Getting the right treatment for your pet is best sorted at your vet clinic. We can help you understand the flea life cycle and give you the best advice and products to stop it. Over time some older products have become less effective but there are many alternatives available including topical drops, oral tablets, sprays and collars. So we can provide the best option for you and your pet, whatever your lifestyle.

There are lots of different reasons why pets itch and scratch. If your pet is still scratching despite flea treatment, make your pet an appointment for a checkup – there's a lot we can do to make them more comfy.

Fireworks

Some animals are not bothered by fireworks but others can be extremely stressed. If you have a pet that's freaked out by fireworks, it is more effective to prevent (or at least reduce) their exposure to noise and lights than trying to calm them when they are panicking.

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If you plan ahead, Adaptil and Feliway are very helpful for reducing stress but have to be started at least a week or two before they're needed.

Rescue Remedy, Calmex and similar remedies may also help when started ahead of time. Thundershirts are effective for many pets. Sometimes we prescribe medication to help calm pets – this requires a checkup in the clinic and should also be done ahead of time.

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The Wakefield School PTA would love to hear from any individuals or businesses who are able to help the school through the donation of prizes for the silent auction, products for the food stalls, resources for the activities or sponsorship of advertising.

We would also be grateful for plants and produce, and good, clean items for the Book, Toy, White elephant or Clothing stalls.

If you are able to support the school in any of these ways then please leave your name and number at the school office for a member of the PTA to be in touch. Thank you!

Or Email: wakefieldgala@gmail.com
Phone: 021 221 1009  @twilightgala



Wakefield Fire Brigade

by Dot Ashton

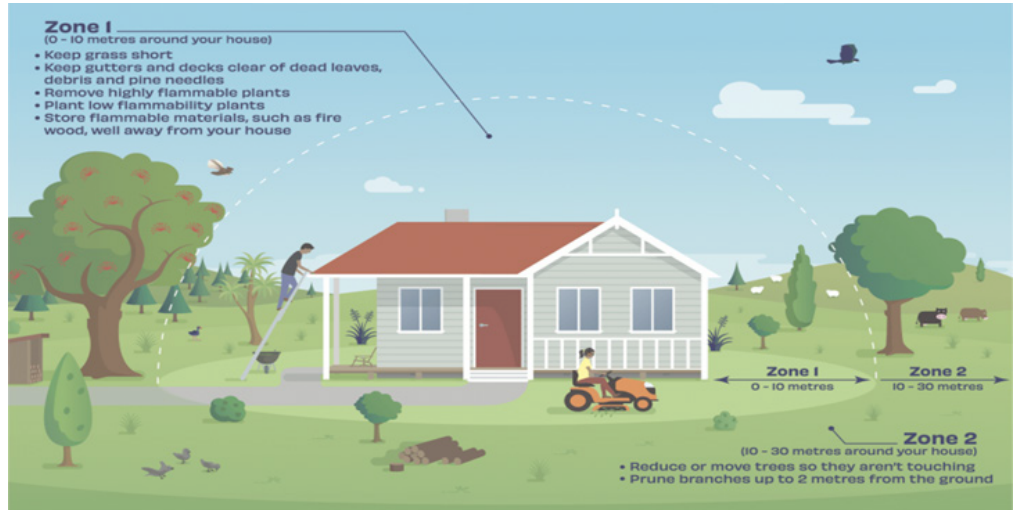
The risk and impact of wildfire is increasing in New Zealand due to climate change, but also how and where we are living. We are seeing an increase in the frequency of significant wildfires in New Zealand over the last 3-4 years.

Large wildfires like the 2017 Port Hills, 2019 Tasman, 2020 Lake Ohau, 2021/2022 Waiharara fires occur every 1-2 years, resulting in significant impact and losses. In addition, many of these significant wildfires are happening in the shoulder months rather than the typical summer period.

We have seen plenty of evidence of the devastation in 2023 overseas with fires in Canada, Spain, Maui, Greece, and Algeria. Now is the time to start looking at your own property and seeing how you can be safe before the oncoming summer season. Over the next few months, we will give you some tips and information to help you out.

Fire Safety Tips

- Create safety zones around your house to act as a barrier against fire.
- Plant low flammability plant species around buildings.
- Keep your lawn mown and well irrigated, your gutters and roof clear of debris, and choose low flammability plants.
- Make sure your driveway clearance is at least 4 meters wide and 4 meters high to allow access for emergency vehicles.
- Ensure there is easy access to water for firefighting.



- Check the wildfire risk regularly, and think about when you do particular activities to reduce the risk of an accidental fire. Ensure you have working smoke alarms in the house and garage. If you need some help with installation or advice on where to place them, we can help. Call 0800 693 473 and one of our local team will call back and arrange a time to visit.

Landscaping for Wildfire Safety

- Landscaping with low flammability plants can reduce the impact of wildfire around your home and other buildings.
- Choosing less flammable plants can starve a wildfire of fuel, reducing the fire intensity and helping protect your home and buildings from intense heat.
- Avoid using pea straw and bark mulch in gardens especially around the home and other buildings as these mulches are easily ignited and can help a wildfire to spread.
- What is a low flammability plant? Low flammability plants aren't fireproof but are less likely to catch fire. They generally have moist, supple leaves, low levels of sap or resin, and watery sap without much smell. They also have little dead wood or dead material inside the plant. A number of New Zealand's native tree and shrub species have low or low-moderate flammability, and are therefore ideal for planting around your property.

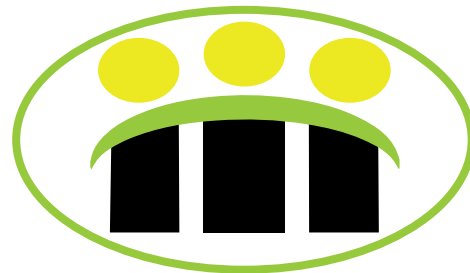
For a list of suitable plants.
<https://www.checkitsalright.nz/reduce-your-risk/low-flammability-plants>

Calls for September

Motor Vehicle Crash - 3
Medicals - 13
Car Fires - 1
Structure Fires - 4

Total Calls for the year = 170

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Wakefield Playcentre

by Charlotte Thynne



Baby Lambs! Two of our Wakefield Playcentre whanau have been bringing their pet lambs with them to Playcentre over the last couple of weeks.

The Tamariki have adored playing with them and feeding them with bottles.

What joy to see lambs and preschoolers skipping together in the spring sunshine!

Thank you Michelle and Ella, and Marianna and Lousa for undertaking the not insignificant feat of transporting lambs to an ECE!

Wakefield Playcentre is open
9:30-12:00, Monday - Friday during term time, at 16 Treeton Place.



If you're interested in joining pop in and say hello :-)

Wakefield Toy Library

by Charlotte Thynne

With the arrival of spring the Toy Library is the place to hang out on a Saturday morning between 10:00 - 11:00.

The sun streams in, the toys are varied and wonderful and the people are fabulous!

With the arrival of the warmer weather our outside play and water toys are popular as well as our ride on's. Luckily we have lots of all of these categories of toys.

Our bikes are also popular with Whanau who have children visiting from out of town. It really is a world of joyous opportunity and play at the Toy Library.

We are located on Edward Street opposite the school. Open Saturdays 10:00-11:00 and Mondays 3:15 - 4:15.



Wakefield Health Centre

The clocks will have gone forward by the time this article comes out and I am sure we are all looking forward to the warmer months coming. It has been a hard winter for many and we have seen quite a lot of sickness in our community.

There has been a greater need for urgent care and acute appointments, and we continue to be full up with patients and tightly manage who we can see.

We triage (manage) many of our appointments through our clinical team so we can best respond on a clinical need basis. This will involve getting a call from a doctor or a nurse and it is important that you have your phone available and answer our call which will show as "Private Number" on your phone.

We have also seen an increase in the number of patients who do not turn up for their booked appointments, which in view of our lack of appointments will certainly mean we could have seen someone else. If you are not going to be able to make it, please call us with as much notice as possible and we will be able to see another patient. Even if you can only give us short notice, an hour for example, please still call us.

Some clarification for Repeat Prescriptions. Once we have received your request it will take up to 48 working hours to issue the prescriptions. If you request an urgent prescription this will take up to 24 working hours. By far the best way with your medication is to put a request in a week in advance of when you will need it. This can be done by phone or through the portal or even come and speak to our receptionists at the Practice.

Stay safe and well.
Gavin Drummond

Free Menopause Information Evening
Thursday 19 October
6.30-pm- 7.15pm
Wakefield Health Centre
Open to anyone

Menopause marks the end of a women's periods.

Four of out five women will suffer from menopausal symptoms including issues with sleep, mood, brain fog, relationships, and work.

Come and learn what menopause is, how it affects women, tips to get through menopause, treatment options, and how to support others going through menopause.

Dr Eloise Fry

Wakefield Village Kindergarten

by Maretta Burbidge

We have had another fantastic month at Wakefield Village Kindergarten. With our new licence we have been able to welcome some new families into our kindy whānau. We are excited to get to know you all and feel sure you will have wonderful learning experiences as you develop your sense of belonging and as you connect with our existing whānau.

With the increase in child spaces we also welcome Hannah to our teaching team. Hannah comes with many years of personal and practical experience and a real passion about children's learning and development.

We had a pet lamb come and spend a week at kindy, which provided opportunities for the tamariki to feed and learn about being kind to animals.

The tamariki have been enjoying the new resources, especially the slide, where we have seen many tamariki setting themselves challenges and persevering until they achieve their desired outcome.

Over the past few weeks, our intentional teaching has had a fine motor skill focus with many opportunities to practice these skills in interesting and creative ways.

We are currently taking enrolments for 2024 so pop in for a visit if you are looking for a space for your special little person – we offer 18 hours free* for 2 year olds and 30 hours free* for 3-5 year olds (T&C apply).

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Wakefield Bowling Club

by Terry Ryan

On Saturday 23rd September bowlers gathered at Wakefield Bowling Club to celebrate the end of the winter season AND the commencement of summer bowls. Wakefield is fortunate in that bowling is a year round sport thanks to the club having an artificial green as well as a summer green.

It is traditional in bowls, that season openings are celebrated by the delivery of the first jack and bowl.

The honour of delivering the jack this year fell to our Patron, Rona Vessey.

If you're interested in obtaining more information, check out our Facebook page or phone the Club 03 541 8556 or email wakefieldbowlssecretary@gmail.com



Halloween at Willow Bank

Are you ready to walk the talk? Do you want to experience the most scary, exciting, wacky, horror filled, event of the year. Do you like horror movies and want to experience what being scared truly feels like. Well, your wait is over...

For our 6th year, Halloween at Willow Bank is BACK on Friday 20th and Saturday 21st of October 2023.

Friday 20th is our spooktacular Haunted Village, for those aged 13 and over who can handle the more frightening scenes. 12yrs + supported by a parent or guardian. This will go from 8pm to 10pm with a \$10 entry fee.

Saturday 21st includes the crowd pleasing 'Trick or Treat' for the children and families. This goes from 5pm to 7pm and has a \$5 per child & \$2 per adult entry fee.

Everyone is encouraged to dress up – what will you be dressed up as this year? There will be food, drink to cater for the hungry tummies as well as entertainment.

With Julian Eggers the driving force behind this, supported by a dedicated acting crew and great team of people, it is going to be the biggest year yet.

We're pulling out all the stops to make it as family friendly but also terrifying as possible.

Halloween at Willow Bank 2023
Friday 20th and Saturday 21st October



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Higgins Heritage Park Happenings

by David Win

Our first activities of the 23 / 24 season started on Father's Day with the Rover Car Club Classic Car Day event along with the very popular traction engine steam up, Nelson Honey barrel rides, bush rail jigger rides, old school bus and Farewell Spit Bus rides.

Our next open days are: 1 Oct, 15 Oct, 5 Nov, 19 Nov, 3 Dec with Steam-Up each first Sunday of the month and also our 2nd January Community Craft Fair.

Our heritage machinery story this month is from the Nelson Vintage Engine & Machinery Club, and features Barry's immaculately restored Lister CS3/1, 3.5 hp @650 rpm diesel engine.

The CS engine is a water-cooled single cylinder indirect injection diesel with a 3.75" bore, 5.5" stroke with a 1000cc rating. It was manufactured in 1949 and it is believed that it had originally been operating a water pump in the Christchurch area.

Lister stationery engines were built by RA Lister & Company of Dursley Gloucestershire, UK between 1926 – 1965 and are well known as slow running, reliable and durable engines.



The Lister engines are very suitable for driving electric generators / lighting plants and irrigation pumps and are traditionally painted in a mid-range of Brunswick Green.

Barry's restoration included a complete strip, clean and overhaul with new rings, valves, bearings etc along with a new trolley, this restoration earning him a first place at the recent Vintage Engine & Machinery Club show.

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Wakefield School Seeks Teacher Aides

by Freya Hogarth, Principal

At Wakefield School we have an amazing team of very talented people who work as teacher aides supporting learning, alongside our qualified teachers. Teacher Aides work in many ways, with many children, supporting their learning and development. They are an integral part of our team at Wakefield School. We currently are looking for people who are interested in teacher aide work, to join our team. This work would suit someone who enjoys working with children, who is flexible and willing to learn, and is looking for part time or casual work.

Our Teacher Aides often work with small groups or one-to-one with our learners. New teacher aides would be supported to develop a wide range of skills to assist with supporting learning in the classroom, meeting student health needs and coaching students in the development of academic learning, social skills and self management skills. Our teacher aides often work across the school in many different ways and with many different children.

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We could also do with some relief drivers to fill in on a casual basis.
If you would like to help, please phone Heather on 5418151.

Can you help us?

At Wakefield School the Year 5 and 6 students in the Kārearea team are underway with the development and construction of a bird cafe. We have designated an area in our school grounds where we will plant native trees that will encourage the native birds to our school space. In addition to the cafe we are also going to create a lizard lounge in the hope to attract some lizards and build some wētā hotels to provide a comfy place for them to sleep. We are also building a propagation shed to grow our plant seedlings.

We are looking for **donations of native plants, trees or seedlings** that would be appealing to the birds and insects we are trying to attract. If you have some that you think would be suitable could you please drop these to the Wakefield School office.

Another job is building up a good supply of rat trap boxes to target predators. In order to do this, we need some help. We are wondering if there **is anyone in the community who would have some time to work with small groups of our children to build wooden rat trap boxes.** We have already made a start and have a simple design and materials that we are using to construct them but because we are aiming to make a large quantity we need some extra hands to help out.

If you are able to spare us some time and enjoy using power tools please get in touch with the office at Wakefield School. We are flexible and can work around times/days that suit you.

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.

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Sue James 541 8030 totaradalegc@gmail.com

Wakefield Anglican Church
St Johns on the hill
Traditional Service: 9.00am
1st & 3rd Sunday of each month
The Worship Centre
Informal Service: 10.30am every Sunday
Ph 541 8883 wakefieldanglican@xtra.co.nz

St Johns Worship Centre
Bookings Nigel Massey 027 243 1207

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
Kay Norgate 021 0811 4860
Marilyn Gibbs 03 541 8435
marilyn.gibbs72@gmail.com

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
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
info.springgrovechurch@gmail.com

Waimea South Historical Society
Yvonne Tye 021 542 338

Wakefield Bowling Club
Phone club rooms on 541 8556
(Please leave message if
answerphone comes on).
www.wakefieldbowls.co.nz

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 Preschool
Contact: 541 8086

Wakefield School PTA
ptawakefield@gmail.com

Wakefield Tennis Club
Ngairie 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 Ave and Lord Auckland 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**.

In the event of an emergency, for urgent public messages, tune in to:
More FM 94.1, Classic Hits 89.8, Fresh FM 95.4



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Thanks so much
Wakefield
for embracing
my new real
estate brand, I am
humbled and grateful,
as I work to continue to
give back to the village.

As real estate can go a bit quiet over
the election time, I am taking some leave in the middle of
October – please contact Sarah for anything real estate.



Wendy Pearson
Owner and
Sales Consultant
021 567 722



Sarah Robb
Sales Consultant
0278821994