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Your Local News

## Community News for the Wakefield Area

### Local Swimmers Head to Timaru

by Tayla Olan and Holly Edwards

Wow what an adventure! Fundraising done, races picked, excitement levels high, soon enough we are on our way to the airport ready for a long weekend. We arrived in Timaru Thursday evening and swam Friday, Saturday and Sunday in Caroline Bay Pool Timaru, then went home Sunday evening exhausted. We nervously swam half day Friday, full day Saturday and a half day Sunday doing the thing we love.

To make this trip happen we both decided that we should fundraise to get us there. Both families put some ideas together to help us raise the money for the trip. Over the course of several months, we would sell scratchy boards at the Wakefield Hotel every Friday night and encouraged the locals to get behind us. We also did multiple Brightwater Spig & Fern quizzes, a sausage sizzle at Mitre 10 where the rest of Waimea Swim Club helped to contribute, a Firewood Raffle and last but not least a SWIMATHON!

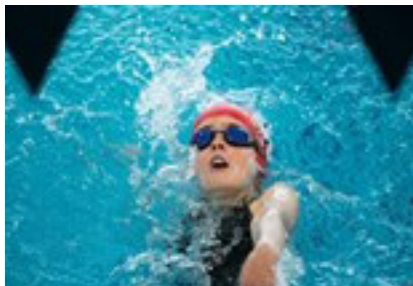
A swimathon is where you swim as many lengths as you can in the time period you choose. We chose one hour. The pool we picked to swim at was Richmond Aquatic Centre. People sponsored us a set amount for the hour or an amount for each length that we swam. Within that one hour we both managed to swim 134 lengths of the pool. The last two minutes of the swim the rest of our club, who were training, stopped and cheered us on. This was a surprise that our Mums and head coach organised, and it made us feel supported.

The final part of our fundraising was to apply to the Waimea South Community Facility Charitable Trust. We are very grateful for the money donated and would like to thank Sonia Emerson and Neil Kitchen for their suggestion on this application.

Fundraising done we make the trip to Timaru!! There was a final surprise following the Friday night session... our Mums presented us both with the Apollo Mako Junior Festival hoodie which was kindly donated and arranged by Ruth and Phil Bell from Wakefield 4 Square. Thank you so much. We both had an amazing trip gaining huge experience ready for our future in the swimming world. We have both summarised our trip below:

### Tayla

All in all I found the trip really fun, it was a great new opportunity for me to get a taste of what swim meets could hold in the future. I really enjoyed hanging out with Holly and swimming in a pool I have never swam in before. We did some new things I haven't done before like walk along the beach looking for penguins. We had lots of fun pool side laughing and giggling between races, we had a dress up day where we all dressed as a Disney character! Me and Holly dressed up as Dalmations from 101 Dalmations. We flew to Christchurch than drove from Christchurch to Timaru. All together I found this trip really fun, and I had such a great time.



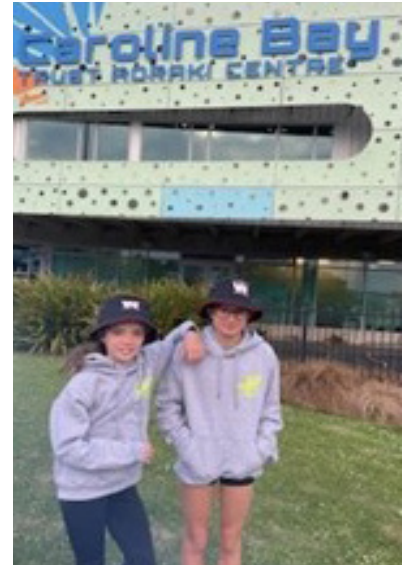
### Holly

I really enjoyed my time at Timaru. I think that it was a great meet for me to find out what other meets will be like in the future. It was really nice to meet new people from different clubs pool side but it was also really nice to see faces that I have seen before. I loved trading caps with other clubs. I traded with South Otago sharks and Timaru swim club. My favourite race was the 100 freestyle. I loved spending quality time with Tayla. I loved walking along the beach when the sun was setting. I loved flying on the plane as I have never flown on a plane before and the excitement of it all. I really loved going to Timaru.

After all of that Tayla did eight races and came out with eight Personal Bests and Holly did six races and came out with five Personal Bests.

We would like to specifically thank Coach Vicky Edwards (Hollys Mum), Lesley Olan (Taylas Mum) and also everyone who donated in some way shape or form.

We are really thankful to everyone who helped us get there.



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# The Big Bake Up

by Melissa Woodhouse

With two of our cook-ups already completed and one more for January we are well underway for the New Year.

This month is about restocking our freezer and refilling freezers that hold meals on our behalf.

We had a handful of requests over Christmas and were happy to be able to support those over the holiday period.

Our team is awesome and stocked up our freezer with some home baking which helped keep us going over this time and is something lovely to receive in your care parcel.

We've had a few recruits this month for our bake-up team. If you are looking to join in the fun our team communicates through a Facebook group 'The Big Bake Up Team'.

If this is something you think you may like to join, it doesn't require too much simply volunteering your time when you can. Many comment they are not great cooks, but you don't need to be. We have great fun together and you get the reward of knowing you are helping many others. We have a variety of jobs that need doing and some are simply labelling containers!

Next month we have a fundraising event coming up, which is important to keep our funds coming in. If you are keen to see if you can help in any way, join the group or make contact by email. Photo taken at our latest cook-up of devilled sausages.

From left to right: Emma May, Laura Ealam, Jane Clark, Lesley Olaman

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We're proud to be working with a wide range of providers such as other Presbyterian Support regions, local Alzheimer's Societies, Dementia Canterbury, and Allied Community Health, to implement 17 Dementia Mate Wareware HomeShare programmes each week across Te Waipounamu/South Island. Six of these new programmes will be hosted in the Presbyterian Support Upper South Island region, and we would now like to be able to offer the programme in the area of Wakefield.

Our HomeShare initiative has been active for several years throughout the rural regions of the upper South Island, providing vital support to elderly individuals experiencing isolation. This programme facilitates the coming together of individuals to partake in home-cooked meals, foster social connections, and exchange interests and personal stories.

Client participants in the programme are referred to us from the Needs Assessment Service at Te Whatu Ora, and the programme is free to our clients.

We are now excited at the possibility of being able to offer this service specifically for people living with dementia in the Bay area but to do so we are looking for hosts in the area.

We would love to hear from anyone who feels that they would like to be a part in this initiative, is able to offer our clients a social experience filled day, once per week. You will become a valuable member of our Homeshare Team and will receive ongoing paid training commensurate with the role which is delivered by Heather Lackner and her team at Alzheimer's Nelson Tasman.

Our current Homeshare Team come from a variety of backgrounds including ex-nurses, Homecare workers and /or people who have experienced dementia first hand with family members.

If you think that you like to know more, please contact either Maaike Faber-van Burik on 027 301 9814, or Chris Walsh on 027 244 8067.



Are you ready to open your heart and home to a wonderful opportunity?



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# Wakefield Fire Brigade

by Dot Ashton

2023 ended up being a steady year for callouts for the brigade. The previous year was 117 so an increase of 105 calls. A break down as follows:

- Structure Fires + 6
- Vegetation fires +2
- Car Fire + 3
- Motor vehicle accident +7
- Alarm Activations +6
- Smoke Investigations +1
- Rescue +8
- Weather events +3
- Medical +81

It makes for interesting reading, and some good learning for all in our town around fire safety and what you can do to prepare yourself, your family, and your house and property.

**Structure fires** included sheds, barns, garages as well as houses. These are not all in Wakefield we do get called to back up other brigades in our area with these types of calls. Sheds and garages are not always fitted with a working smoke alarm and should be as it is good to get an early warning if something is overheating such as batteries charging, or electrical malfunction of machinery also a common one is hot ashes from the fire being left in a plastic bucket and not filled with water.

Barns are problematic this time of year with hay overheating and self-combusting, ensure bales have been left for some time before stacking and where possible ensure good airflow for a few days before covering or closing doors.

**Vegetation fires** - These can be easily sorted by checking our website to see if you are indeed allowed to light a fire: [checkitsalright.co.nz](http://checkitsalright.co.nz), this also contains all the permit information.

**Car fires** – ensure all vehicles have a fire extinguisher and first aid kit. This way if you do notice smoke you can get onto it with an extinguisher straight away, we will still come and check it out however this action may save a lot of damage. Motor Vehicle accidents are tragic for all involved, including emergency services. Drive to the conditions and adjust your speed accordingly. If traveling a distance ensure you have breaks, get some fresh air, get out walk around, and ensure you hydrate and have something to eat. All of these will ensure you drive safely and reach your destination.

**Rescue** – This includes animal rescue. We have covered everything from cats in trees, pigs in ditches, and birds tangled in fishing lines. Also, people who have got themselves stuck or trapped at home.

**Weather events** - These continue to be challenging. In Wakefield one of our big risks is flooding. Do take the time to prepare accordingly ensuring gutters and drains are clear of debris that will stop them working effectively. More information is available on the Civil Defence website [getready.govt.nz](http://getready.govt.nz)

**Medicals** - This number also includes accidents not just medical events. We are a first response unit so we will get sent as well as an ambulance especially if they are delayed or the incident requires someone there promptly. Knowing basic first aid is always helpful, especially CPR. We have AEDs scattered around the town, where is the nearest one from where you live? Do you know how to use one? These can be located via the app: [AEDlocations.co.nz](http://AEDlocations.co.nz) and there is also a list in the back of this Window on Wakefield.

**January Calls:**  
Vegetation: 1  
Alarm Activation: 2  
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Stay safe, from the Wakefield Fire Brigade Team .

Picture below - Wildfire training with Brightwater. Making a Fireline.



# In the Bush

## IN THE BUSH – Reporting In

Firstly **A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL.**

Like me, you are probably wondering where January has gone? Also during this time we have certainly experienced ALL weather patterns. A huge THANK YOU to Eric Palmer for monitoring our Scenic Reserves, over this holiday period. Especially after the random but frequent downpours, by checking the drains, walkways and any water damage to tracks that the Society could remedy quickly. **Our Society volunteers will be progressing this year** with weeding/maintenance programmes for our three “central” Scenic Reserves i.e. The Faulkner Bush Scenic Reserve, The Edward Baigent Memorial Scenic Reserve and The Robson’s Scenic Reserve.

Also congratulations to the Executive Committee Members of The Wakefield Community Council, in conjunction with the Tasman District Council, Reserves Dept., who are progressing with plans to redevelop/enhance the children’s play area at Faulkner Bush. Our only reminder to them is to be very mindful of the flooding issues that frequent this area, so an all-important issue to factor in are “correct” drainage strategies.

### **OUR CHRISTMAS GET TOGETHER .....WITH MEMORIES TOO...**

A fantastic time was had at The Edward Baigent Memorial Scenic Reserve, just some quick weeding and then Parteeeeeeeeeeeeeeeeee time. **In 2018** we also celebrated our Christmas Party here, as much of the restoration work had been completed by Society & Community Members after the over camping scenario of 2017.

**SO here we were in 2023**, same spot, with MANY memoires remembered and shared.



Added in the mix was a “themed” hat competition, with exceptional prizes too, and loads of laughter, as all were incredibly creative. **Dorothy Hole** took out 1<sup>st</sup> Prize, followed by the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize winners, **Diana Gabric & Duncan Gordon.**



**LOVE FOR YOU TO JOIN US – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of EACH MONTH**

**We will be up and running again in February, Kind regards Evie-joy South,  
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# Town and Country Vet

by Brenda Halliwell, Vet

## Heatstroke in Dogs

The two common reasons we see heatstroke (overheating) in dogs are being left in a car and overexercising in warm or hot conditions.

Any dog can get exercise-induced heatstroke - from a fit hunting dog that's out for too long to an overweight pug that overdoes it after five minutes at the park. In cars, dogs can be in danger of overheating within a few minutes even in the shade.

Heatstroke is a life-threatening emergency. If not treated immediately and effectively, multiple organ failure occurs rapidly. Dogs that don't die at the time may die at a later stage due to complications or have permanent organ damage. They are also much more likely to have repeat heatstroke episodes.

Heatstroke is also 100% preventable. It's great taking your dog out in the car but only if you are in the car with them. Take them out of the car at your destination or leave them at home. Try to limit your dog's exercise on hot days to the amount they are used to and keep to shady places and cooler parts of the day. Pop them on the lead from time to time if necessary to limit running. Rivers and beaches are fun and a good place to cool off for most dogs even if they're not swimmers.



## Fly Strike in Rabbits

Unfortunately it's the time of year when we see fly strike in our pet rabbits. This is a serious often fatal problem that can occur within hours. Flies are attracted to rabbit's damp fur, urine, faeces and they lay their eggs on or around the rabbit's bottom. Maggots will hatch within hours and quickly eat into the rabbit's flesh as well as releasing dangerous toxins.

Prevent fly strike by checking your rabbit twice daily to ensure its bottom is clean and dry. Remove soiled bedding as soon as possible and keep the surrounding environment clean. Ensure your rabbit is not being overfed or fed incorrectly which can lead to diarrhoea and soiled fur. If you find maggots on or around your rabbit's bottom, phone us immediately. We urgently need to remove eggs and maggots and prevent pain, infection and shock.

## Kittens

Yes it's kitten season again! And here are some things to consider before bringing one home – the kitten may be free but the ongoing care is not. They also need your time and attention.

1. Nutrition – buy a good quality kitten food to ensure optimum growth and development
2. Worming – is every two weeks initially then eventually every three months for the rest of their life, especially if they are hunters.
3. Flea control – regular treatment (sometimes every 4-6 weeks) is needed to keep fleas away.
4. Vaccinations – kittens need to be vaccinated against cat flu twice usually at 9 and 12 weeks. Then again one year later then every two years for the rest of their life. Vaccination against FIV (cat AIDS) should also be considered.
5. Neutering – male and female kittens should be 'fixed' at 5-6 months old – for many reasons but especially population control.
6. Microchipping – the best way to identify a cat as yours. This is likely to become compulsory in future.
7. Time – get a kitten if you are prepared to spend time with them every day for the next 10-15 years

Other things to consider include grooming requirements especially if long-haired, and pet insurance or a savings account for unexpected veterinary bills.



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# Waimea South Historical Society

by Yo Tye

On Tuesday the 28th of November, the Society held its Christmas Function at Willow Bank. Christine Grieder had decorated the old Church in festive décor and after a short meeting everybody present sat down to a delicious 'pot luck' lunch followed by a quiz and a gift exchange.

Christine informed us that Willow Bank has added to its display with an old horse drawn buggy similar to that used by Wakefield's well known Doctor Walter Relf Pearless, the old original dairy storage room that stood adjacent to the Baigent Homestead at Ryversdale on Pigeon Valley, and an old printing press from the early 1900's. She is also planning on setting up a 'Dress up' area close to the entrance so that visitors can enjoy experiencing things from the past whilst wearing time appropriate clothing.

Christine was sincerely thanked by Wayne Price on behalf of all society members and the community at large, for the tremendous job she has done in preserving history in such a fun and interactive way.

## High Tides and Good Vibes

by Holly Sixtus and Amby Cowe

To celebrate the arrival of summer in December, Wakefield Homestead residents enjoyed a lovely sunny day at Rabbit Island.

We shared a BBQ lunch and had a great time fishing thanks to Logan from Sitewise Engineering who kindly took a day off work to bring his Kontiki. There was much excitement when Logan brought the Kontiki back in and we had caught a snapper, a shark and a stingray with awesome blue spots!



Holly had brought a selection of games; lawn bowls was the top pick for all. We listened to some music and went for a few strolls, soaking in the warmth of early summer.

This day couldn't have happened without a wonderful group of volunteers. Thank you so much Logan, Steve and Fiona for spending the day with us and making it so fun!

Wakefield Homestead is always ready to welcome new volunteers.

If you could offer some time to join us on trips or activities within the home please contact Holly on 541 8995 or email [wakefieldhomestead.10@gmail.com](mailto:wakefieldhomestead.10@gmail.com)



# Wakefield Craft Group

by Judy Hutchings

Wakefield Craft Group Xmas raffle drawn by Jamie White at Wakefield police station on Wednesday 6th December 2023.

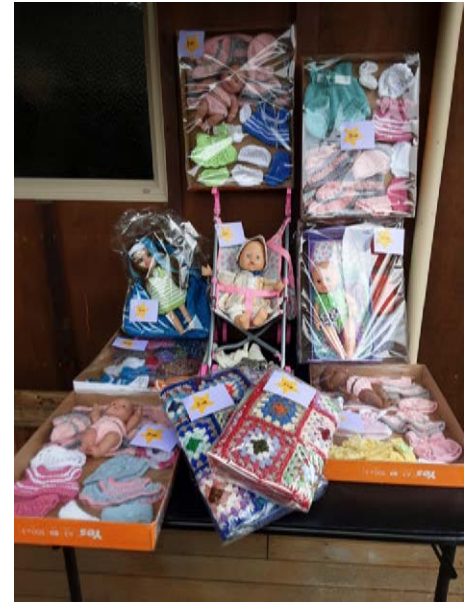
## Results

1st - Blue B 055 - Winner Jude  
2nd - Blue B 083 - Winner Sandy Warnes  
3rd - Blue B 047 - Winner Debbie Eden

All prizes have been claimed  
Thanks for everyone buying tickets.

Money raised will be spent on buying more wool to knit more garments for the community and Tasman District.  
Judy Hutchings phone 5418342

We meet at the Wakefield fire station supper room each Wednesday 9.00 till midday, come and join us for a chat and knit or crochet or craft. A small donation for coffee tea and biscuit is appreciated.



# Baigent Bush - Pigeon Valley

by Julian Eggers

## Community Opening and Acknowledgement

On Thursday 7th December 2023, the Baigent family of at least three generations were present at the official handover and acknowledgement ceremony, along with Matua Harvey Ruru, Tasman District Deputy Mayor Stuart Bryant, Moutere-Waimea Ward Councillors and Council staff. The opening was held at the Baigent Bush Pigeon Valley. Members of the Wakefield Community were also in attendance to acknowledge this gift from the Baigent Family and TDC.

Evan Baigent stated in his speech that Baigent's Bush has been home to a farm, tennis and croquet courts, a water race and a hop garden. The land also hosted numerous community events, from pony clubs to train journey picnics.

As well as new plantings thanks to the reserves team from TDC and contractors, the bush also contains many existing native trees such as tōtara, mānuka

and kahikatea, some of which are thought to be over 500 years old, making this a very precious area of Wakefield.

This gift to the Wakefield Community by the Baigent family is a great asset to a very rich, natural, historic atmosphere that Wakefield holds within.



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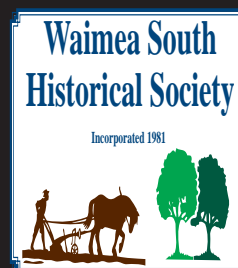
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by Gavin Drummond, Practice Manager

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I work Monday, Wednesday and Friday. No matter the challenge, big or small, come and have a chat to the HIP today!

## Menopause Clinics

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## Covid 19 Vaccinations

There is a lot of Covid in the community now and one of the best protections is to keep your vaccinations up to date. We can give covid vaccinations at the Health Centre. Our nurses will give the vaccine and of course it is FREE. Give us a call to see if you qualify and arrange an appointment with one of our nurses.



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## Wakefield Community Council

by Julian Eggers

As we enter into 2024, the Wakefield Community Council is ready to advocate the best for our community. We have some exciting projects and partnerships that we can not wait to be a part of. 2024 seems to be a great year ahead for Wakefield and we can't wait to have the community walk the journey with us. We are open and approachable to represent you as the Wakefield Community.

We meet monthly for our public community meetings which are held at the Wakefield Village Hall, 7pm, 3rd Monday of the month. Projects and partnerships we are looking forward to are; Faulkner Bush Play space, Water Tank project for fire fighting and civil defence, Community Awareness expo, Cycle Track working bee from Pigeon Valley to Hault Valley, Anzac Service and much, much more as we head into the year.

We want to thank the community for your ongoing support last year and want to continue serving you for this year. \$5 yearly membership keeps you in the loop with the Community Council with our agenda/ minutes/ event info, any correspondence from TDC, and reports presented at our community council meetings.

Our next Wakefield Community Council meeting, which we would love to warmly invite you to is Monday 19th February, 7pm at the Wakefield Village Hall. Thank you.

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# South Island Rocks!

by Jean Gorman

Flood-prone and 'overdue' for a big earthquake, so where are we on insurance?

After all the disasters, floods and weather bombs, the good news is that insurance companies are not withdrawing from New Zealand... yet. Well, they won't. However, your premiums will rise and your cover may fall. For instance, if you live in a place that may be flooded, you may not be offered flood insurance, though you may get fire insurance. If your house is invaded by the sea this year, the decision may be made as to whether to reinsure you next year.

Those in East Cape and Hawkes Bay have discovered that even if an engineer asserts that the house is unliveable and in harm's way the insurance company may not pay out the full figure expected. The argument being that it is a "Refix". If you do refix it, it is still in harm's way and the insurance company may well not insure it again. Insurance is a yearly contract. At their discretion companies can terminate it at the end of the year.

Selling the refixed house will also be a problem as prospective buyers can't get a mortgage on it. Banks won't lend you money if you do not have insurance. Whether your bank will terminate your mortgage if insurance is withdrawn is something you may like to ask them.

In the past, insurance risk was shared between all New Zealanders, a social model. In future it may be assessed more on the risk in regional or even individual cases. This is the model used in the USA. When Hurricane Ian hit Florida, 1.3 million out of 1.8 million people were under-insured or not insured. They were financially wiped out.

In New Zealand, after the Christchurch quakes, some were (eventually) bought out by the government if their house was "unliveable". This was at a low-ball figure, but at least people were able to recoup some money. This created a precedent, and there have been payouts in Hawkes Bay and in Nelson after floods. Will the government be able to continue doing this? What if there is a major South Island quake, or one affecting Wellington?

In October 2022, the government streamlined the claims process so that EQC pay the insurer and householders don't have to cope with two agencies. Your insurer will assess, manage and settle the entire claim. This has, however, removed transparency for the home owner. The government also doubled the EQC contribution to a more realistic figure of \$300,000 in the clear expectation that premiums would reduce. Auckland Anniversary flood, Hurricanes Hale and Gabrielle hit and insurance premiums have increased by 5 to 17%.

Is all this really 'Good news'?

For anyone who wants an overview of what happened after the Christchurch quake I recommend the following website <http://webcentre.co.nz/iw/index.htm>. EQC is at [eqc.govt.nz](http://eqc.govt.nz)



## Willow Bank

The latest building finished at Willow Bank Heritage Village is DR PEARLESS BUGGY SHED

Dr Walter Pearless is a well-known name in Wakefield, being a local Doctor over 100 years go.

He had his practice in the Fellbridge House, Pitfure Road, which he used his horse and buggy to visit his patients.



Scott, Willow Bank Builder, made a smaller replica of the Pearless Barn which is located next to Fellbridge House in Pitfure Road.

Come and have a look in the inside of our buggy shed. The roof looks fantastic as well as the set up inside. Well done Scott and the team at Willow Bank.

Come view this new addition and the incredible village at any of our Open Days.

More Information about us, Willow Bank Heritage Village, please check out our Facebook page or website.



# Wakefield Bowling Club

by Terry Ryan

The BIGGEST news to come out of the WAKEFIELD BOWLING CLUB over the holiday period was the news that Margaret Eames was announced as **Umpire of the Year**, at the recently completed New Zealand Bowls Championships.

Margaret, who is also a very competent bowler in her own right, has been officiating at National and International events for a while now, officiating both in New Zealand and in Australia. Margaret's award is an honour for her personally but it is also an honour for the Wakefield Bowling Club and Wakefield itself.

## Marsden House Triples Tournament Winners

Marsden House Funeral Services recently sponsored a Two Bowl Triples event at Wakefield Bowling Club. Bridget and Bevan Hault from Marsden House were on hand to present the winners, Dave and Rae Petersen and Mike Turner of Stoke Bowling Club, with their prizes.



## Christmas Raffle

The three winners of the Club's Christmas raffle were:

1. T Parkinson (Reefton),
2. Robyn Jenner (Wakefield),
3. Terry Ryan (Wakefield)

## Friday Night Community Bowls

Kicked off on Friday 19th January, with follow up nights on 26th January, 2nd February, 9th February and 16th February. We had a great turnout on the first night and we are hoping to see more Wakefield residents (and people from further afield) at our following events.

Bowls starts at 6pm and lasts until 7.30, followed by a Sausage Sizzle. There is no charge to play all you need is a BIG smile and flat soled shoes. Children accompanied by adults are welcome. No previous knowledge of bowls required. Make it a date and come and join us.



*(Margaret being presented with her award by the President of Bowls New Zealand this year)*

# Live Well Stay Well

by Sonja Lamers

Welcome to the New Year and a very warm welcome to anyone new to Wakefield from Christine, Sandra and Sonja. Our Live Well Stay Well group will be starting again in March 2024 and we hope you will be joining us at either our coffee morning and/or when we have speakers/outings. Christine, Sandra and Sonja are looking forward to an exciting year with speakers on a variety of topics.

## Upcoming Meetings:

**Tuesday 12 March 2024:** coffee meeting at the Villa in Wakefield, 9.45am onwards

**Tuesday 26 March 2024:** visit to Penny Lane Plants nursery, 273 Pigeon Valley Road South, Wakefield: [www.pennylanepplants.nz](http://www.pennylanepplants.nz)

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 11.00am. 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 or visit a business we do ask for a \$2 gold coin donation to help us cover costs.

We advertise our programme in Window on Wakefield, your local news magazine, plus on the Community noticeboard 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!

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# Higgins Heritage Park Happenings

by David Win

January has been a really busy month for the park with another successful Craft Fair which attracted a very large number of visitors out to Wakefield. The community involvement of our Wakefield and Brightwater Fire Brigades and Police was greatly appreciated by all. The rain cleared up for a really great family evening of twilight steam up, jigger and honey barrel rides followed by the Tasman District Council and Nelson City Summer Movies al fresco of The Railway Children.

## Our Firewood Processor Story

Pigeon Valley Steam Museum has been running a firewood operation, headed up by the very hard-working Rex Kelly, for the last five years, with all the funds raised staying in the park for projects and maintenance of steam related equipment. In this time the operation has expanded so much that it was suggested that we streamline the log to firewood process. About two years ago the opportunity came up to purchase the firewood processor, which was designed by the late Nookie Hannen and constructed by his company Knapp Engineering of Motueka. The club was given an attractive purchase price based on "scrap value" for this machine from Nookies estate. The deal was brokered by Nookie's Father, Ian Hannen, who was a very active member of PVSM.

The machine is based on an old 7-ton excavator which provides the hydraulic power for the machine and is mounted on a heavy trailer chassis. The logs are fed in via a chain conveyor to a hydraulic chainsaw, which automatically cuts the rings off to a predetermined length and they then fall onto a rotary splitting table, where a large radial head splits the ring into pizza shaped wedges which then fall onto a conveyor belt which drops them into the truck or wood bin. The machine had been used by Knapp Engineering for a number of years to produce firewood for sale. It now allows Rex to run it as a one-man operation, with no requirement to hand chainsaw any logs making it much quicker to produce saleable firewood. The machine, although worn, continues to produce quality firewood in a very economical way. Logs are procured throughout the year and the firewood split and stored to dry.

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## Sue Ketel - Nelson Travel Broker

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Upon returning from my overseas experience, I spent two years in the travel industry working with a well-established company in Nelson. However, I found that working in a retail environment didn't align with my values and my commitment to delivering exceptional service to my clients. Consequently, I embarked on an independent path, becoming one of New Zealand's pioneering Travel Brokers 25 years ago. At the time, my job title was unconventional and sparked intriguing conversations.

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My motivation for coming to work stems from a genuine passion for what I do, combined with a strong aptitude for it. Each day presents new challenges and opportunities for learning. Booking travel can be a time-consuming and occasionally intricate process, and I've learned from personal experience that a seamless experience enhances one's enjoyment. When you contemplate your next trip, please don't hesitate to reach out; I'm here to discuss options, and you might even be pleasantly surprised.

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In the second half of the show, titled Under An Old Hat, we meet the same character at a later time, as he updates his story through humour, anecdotes and popular songs from Gershwin to Lloyd Webber and Robbie Williams.

Country Players is delighted to continue our collaboration with Chris, and to offer high quality live theatre from one of New Zealand's top solo performers. Under has been applauded by theatre critics as 'sensitive, nuanced, delicate, often reaching to the poetic'.

We invite you and your friends to enjoy this latest offering presented by Wakefield's own theatre company, Country Players. Friday 22nd and Saturday 23rd March evening performances follow our popular picnic theatre format; enjoy an hour of social time with your friends over BYO food and drinks, then settle back for the show.

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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**.

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