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Your Local News

Community News for the Wakefield Area

Artistic Skating Success

by Michelle Taylor

Congratulations to Wakefield local, Ali Taylor-Krabo, 11 years old, for her Artistic Skating success, achieving 4 gold medals and 1 silver medal in the recent South Island Championship competition, held in Christchurch.

This achievement has earned her a position representing Nelson in the New Zealand National Championships, held in Wellington in July.

If you would like to support Ali and her club on their journey and in their fundraising pursuits to get Nelson on the radar at NZ Nationals, please consider donating or purchasing a raffle ticket, currently giving you a chance to win a load of firewood, ready to burn!

This would also make an amazing gift if you yourself don't have a fireplace.

Please contact Ali's Mum directly on WellbeingWithMichelle@gmail.com for raffle tickets and information and follow the "Nelson Artistic Roller Skating Club" facebook page to keep an eye out on all sorts of fundraiser events, raffles and updates. Thank you!



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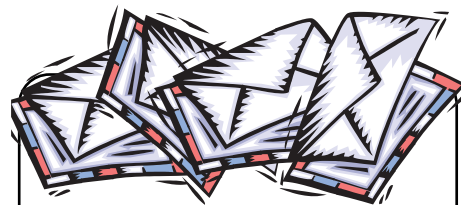
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The Big Bake Up

by Melissa Woodhouse

New aprons, new freezer, new packaging, new schools on board... the list goes on. We have many new things happening and it's easy at times to lose track of how far we have come already.

We are very excited to be sharing fresh produce with our community over the weekends, through our new weekend vege boxes. This has been a huge help to us with a cost saving on our cook-ups. A fresh supply of vegetables each week that we can utilise or freeze. Coming soon is a community pantry that will be located at the Wakefield Village Hall.

This month we have made roast vege meals topped with bacon and feta, along with a men's cook-up of sweet and sour pork.

We have new schools on board now holding stock of our family meals. Schools we are supporting are Wakefield, Brightwater, Hope, Appleby, Richmond and Nayland. Our single meals are also available in some schools as a lunch option if needed.

If you aren't following our Facebook, jump on and have a look. We have an engaging Facebook page that shares our journey with you.

Our team group is also on Facebook 'The Big Bake Up team'. This is where we share our cook-up dates, and discuss what we are making. What worked well, what didn't, and share any requests for things we may need.

Thank you for the nominations we receive. We love to hear that our vision for looking out for each is working and that we are creating a more resilient and kinder community. Those who attend the cook ups, gift of their time to share great food with others who may just need a little pick me up. We also have available meals for those with dietary requirements so please don't be afraid to ask.

Thanks to our community who continue to support the work we do, and a special mention to Wakefield Auto Services for their support this month.

Photo from left to right: Shaun Lines, Rita Bell, Liz Reid, Jo-Anne Lewis, Tiffany Marshall, Melissa Woodhouse and Jamie Taylor.

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Wakefield Kindy

by Maretta Burbidge

Another month has passed and here we are in the midst of winter. We enjoyed and welcomed the long-awaited rain and are now exploring the frost and cooler temperatures.

We have continued to enjoy a wonderful relationship with Wakefield School, with two visits each week. One visit to the library and the other to Discovery Time. As well as being fun, both visits help the children who transition to school to have a sense of belonging to the school and to be familiar with some of the teachers and children who will be there when their time comes to leave kindy.

We have restarted our visits to the Wakefield Homestead. It is beautiful to watch the children interact with people from a different generation and from the smiling faces we believe the residents get just as much enjoyment out of these visits as we do. We loved sharing our rakau (stick) songs with much enthusiasm and gusto.

We had a dress up day and plenty of pink resources available as we celebrated diversity and promoted kindness and inclusion on Pink Shirt Day. We shared plenty of stories and conversations about how we can be kind to other people and what 'kind' might look and feel like.

Wakefield Village Kindergarten caters for children from 2 years old in a play-based environment.

We are currently taking enrolments for 2025 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). You can find us at 20 Whitby Way, next to the Villa Café.



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Wakefield Fire Brigade

by Dot Ashton

Over the last couple of months, we have had some fantastic achievements from our team within the brigade. I acknowledge the time and effort our crew puts into upskilling, study, training and still balancing work and their home life as well.

Simon S & Renee R – Our newest qualified fire-fighters

Dan V & Craig P – Our first fully qualified Operational Support personnel

Rosie H – Fully qualified First Responder

Amy P, Karen T & Brad R – Fully qualified Senior Fire-fighters

Euan L – Clicking over 50 years of service, this has been done over three brigades; Rai Valley, Culverden and Wakefield. We are extremely grateful for Euan's continued support for the brigade and community.

Rob N – Receiving "The Patu Award" for making a stair climbing machine to assist brigades with training and fundraising for the "Sky tower Challenge", raising money for leukemia.

Blair H – Decided after 34 years of emergency service work with both Police and Fire it was time to do something else. We thank Blair for the Mahi he has put in with his time in Wakefield.



We also have other members currently working towards a higher rank and upskilling in driving and pump operation.

Over the next month you will also see a new truck in our station, this is a yellow rural appliance with Breathing Apparatus which we feel will better fit with the Rural /Urban interface of the Wakefield area. This appliance also has 4x4 capability which will make access to rural areas somewhat easier. Once we have had this for a little bit and the team is trained, we will look at having a station open day and you can come down and have a look around the trucks and station – watch this space.

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Thank you to everyone who joined us for the last Open Day for the season!! Join us at our next Open Day on the 1st September 2024. If you are interested in a private booking or want to know more, please contact me on medea@willowbankwakefield.co.nz.

We are preparing for our next new adventure of 'High teas' at Willow bank Heritage Village. High tea will be an experience for special one off bookings that cater for group bookings or destinated dates. The experience will include dressing up in our period clothing and touring around our Edwardian village.

Our latest building at Willow bank Heritage Village, which is getting built at this present time to be the next new addition. The Printing room called 'The Colonist' will show printing history of our region.

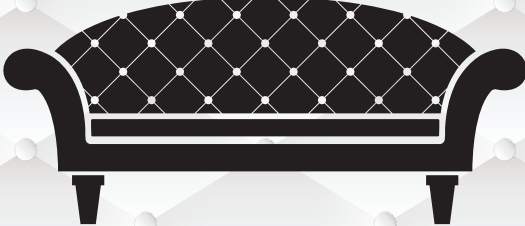
This building will house printing equipment and will be used for printing classes. The Colonist in Nelson started in 23 October 1857 to give a voice to the working class and oppose the dominant large landowners in Nelson.

We are open for school class bookings, Village tour bookings, and other functions to cater your needs.

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She Kills Monsters - Country Players

by Amby Cowe

It has been a busy few months for our Wakefield Country Players youth members. Our actors from teenage to early 20s have been putting their hearts and souls into She Kills Monsters. Many of our cast have also been rehearsing for other performances elsewhere such as Nayland College's The Addams Family and Waimea College's Mary Poppins with school rehearsals in the afternoons and Country Players in the evenings on the same days. These youngsters have an endless supply of energy and enthusiasm for theatre!

John Amosa, who you may remember as Gomez Addams in 2023, is directing She Kills Monsters and has a few words to share...

Directors Notes

When I first read "She Kills Monsters" I went "Wow" we have got to do this show. It not only looked like a fun show to perform, but it has strong kick ass women characters, fight scenes, dance, monsters, loud music, and humour. However, the play also discusses family loss and grief, it includes LGBTQ themes and what it is to be different or the "other".

The heart of the play deals with family loss and the process of working through it. Our protagonist Agnes has lost her family, including her younger sister Tilly, in a car crash. Agnes strives to connect with her deceased sister, in some way. D&D (Dungeons and Dragons) allows Agnes to peek into her sister's life. In one scene Agnes mentions that she didn't know her sister and now she never will. There were words left unsaid and now the moment is gone. I believe this will resonate with many people.

In taking on this project, I was, and I still am a newbie when it comes to D&D. The first and last time I played the game was in 1984 when I was at college. Up for the challenge, I gave myself an in-depth crash course in D&D with a lot of online research. It also helped to have cast members who play D&D.

The show is set in 1995. So, I had to cast my mind back to that time, about where I was, what music was around then and remembering popular TV shows like E.R, Twin Peaks and Quantum Leap, shows that are referenced in "She Kills Monsters". All of which I have watched and enjoyed.

The play alternates between two worlds; the "real world" of Athens, Ohio, and the D&D world, where many characters reflect their wishes of what they could be in the real world, free from insecurities or social pressures. In the show many characters have shifting personalities in each world, requiring a considerable acting range. One character depicts a closeted teenager in the real world, and a flesh-eating demon princess in the D&D world. Another character is an athletic Elf supermodel, but in the real world she is wheelchair bound.

And that brings me to the cast. We have an amazing cast, of enthusiastic and talented young people, who have taken to the show like a duck to water. They are always willing to explore the many facets of their characters and are unafraid to speak up, ask questions and express themselves. The D&D component of the show is not just about acting out in a fantasy adventure but for the actors to examine who they are in relation to the world at large.

Another aspect of 'She Kills Monsters' are the combat scenes. These scenes were done with safety and fun in mind. The combat scenes combine the comical with a raw intensity and lots of monsters being killed. The action appears chaotic but has been well rehearsed. There was some nervousness from the cast members at the beginning with the swinging around of large prop weapons. But confidence grew during the rehearsal process. Safety, fun and enjoyment should always be the primary focus and I believe this was the attitude we strove to maintain.

The set is generally made of cardboard boxes. As Agnes moves out of her family home and packs away household items, I wanted the boxes to represent the packing up of memories. But the boxes are ever present in the show, so the loss is never absent from her mind. I also wanted to express through the boxes the suppression of Agnes's feelings of loss, how she boxed her emotions up... No, that's giving too much away, you will need to see the show to find out what happens.

For me personally, I want the audience to laugh perchance to cry, perhaps to remember, but ultimately to feel. I want people to say, "What the hell was that?" or "I know what they mean". The play does contain contemporary course language and adult themes with sexual reference. It is not appropriate for kids under 14 years of age unless they are well prepared for the mature themes.

Apart from that, the show is for anyone who has ever lost a loved one, or for anyone who has never really belonged, or for anyone who always wanted to don the armour and fight monsters, this story is for you.

She Kills Monsters will be showing at 7:30pm on June 7th, 8th, 12th, 14th and 15th with a matinee at 1pm on Sunday 9th June. All evening shows are BYO food/drink.

Adult tickets \$25, under 19s \$15.
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Waimea South Historical Society

by Yo Tye, Secretary

A Field Trip to Baigents Bush Reserve, Pigeon Valley, Wakefield - 23 April 2024

A group of about 15-20 people sat on picnic chairs in a semi-circle at the new Baigent's Bush Reserve, opposite the old Baigent Flour Mill, to listen to Evan Baigent, a great great grandson of Edward and Mary Ann Baigent, talk about the history of the area and the early years of his family. Evan is the last of the Baigent descendants to farm the property named Ryversdale.

A report by renowned ecologist Michael North has noted that the Reserve is the largest lowland podocarp bush in the Motueka Ecological District and some of the totara trees are known to be over 300 years old.

Edward and Mary Ann arrived on the 'Clifford' on 13 May 1842. By 1843 they were living in a cob whare with a boarded timber roof, built near the site of the present house on the south side of the Tennis Courts, named Gleniti. Another home was soon built alongside and the old cob building served as Wakefield's first school.

Edward had brought equipment with him for the milling and processing of timber and some small mill stones for grinding flour. He set about digging a 40 metre mill lead from the 88 Valley Stream which drove a water wheel that powered the saw mill and a grist flour mill that processed 1 bushel per hour. Because there were no roads at the time, people would walk for many miles carrying bags of grain, mainly wheat and barley, to be ground.

In about 1845 Edward enlarged the mill at this site before building a three storied mill on Pigeon Valley in 1854-55, which became the main mill. This second mill was driven by a large undershot waterwheel powered by water from the Wai-iti River which was channelled through a 300 metre water race which Edward and his sons had dug by hand. The race exited back into the river, which was then much closer to the mill site, the course of the river having changed considerably over the years. A sluice gate was built at the intake end to control the water during floods. However the water levels were often too low to drive both mills so the saw mill would run by day and the flour mill by night.

Edward and Mary Ann's second son Alfred became the manager of this mill as well as farming the property. The homestead 'Ryversdale' was built on the site at the time of his marriage to Sarah Price in 1857. Alfred died in 1883 leaving his wife Sarah to run the farm and their son Percy left school this same year, aged just 16, to take over farm duties.

In 1906 Percy married Eva Evans and they raised a family of five in the Ryversdale Homestead. Percy died in 1951 leaving youngest son Noel to take up the farming operation. In 1955 the back part of the old Ryversdale homestead was demolished and the front section was dragged across the yard by Peter Eden and his bulldozer to be used as a farm storage shed, and it remains there to this day. A new house was built on the site of the old homestead.

The mill ceased its operation between 1865 -1870 after William Painton opened his flour mill in Wakefield village. In about 1898-99 Percy built a hop kiln on the southern end and used the original mill to dry and store the hops. The hops, which were grown on a quota system, were planted in hop gardens at Ryversdale farm. This quota was sold in 1920 and the hop kiln was pulled down in 1958.

Noel built an implement shed at one end and used the mill for storage and as a shearing shed. Noel would take regular tours of Wakefield school pupils through the old mill and welcomed photographers and artists who wished to photograph, draw and paint the old building. Some restoration was done on the foundations in the late 1990's and in 2005 the old mill was given a Class B classification by the then Historic Places Trust (now Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga) following an assessment by Ian Bowman. The original hand split totara shingles were replaced in 2006 but unfortunately these have deteriorated and need replacing again.

Percy was very community minded and opened up the Baigents Bush as a picnic area. He was known to stroll amongst the picnickers on a Sunday to greet and welcome them. Many had come on the 'Picnic Train' from Nelson which would carry up to 400 people to enjoy a day out. Sunday School picnics were a regular event and at one stage the Nelson Caravan Club would hold their Christmas function there. Later the Wakefield Pony Club held their rallies there before moving to Robson's Reserve.

In the reserve Percy also developed three grass tennis courts (which were used until the new courts were built in the Domain in the 1940's), as well as croquet grounds and a cricket pitch. However in the mid 1960's these open areas were fenced off and used to graze sheep and later, as part of the dairy platform.

Percy's son Noel was followed by his son Evan in the running of the dairy farm. A cowshed had been built on the northern end of the old mill and a raceway was created through the bush reserve so that the cows could cross over Pigeon Valley to be milked. Once Evan experienced a severe electrical storm whilst walking the cows through the reserve. A lightning strike hit one of the totara trees causing it to fall and for Evan to be catapulted from his motorbike. The cows stampeded in fright and no doubt provided limited milk that day!

At the end of his presentation Evan took us for a walk through the reserve and pointed out the course of the old water race, the location of the sluice gate, and the site of a storage unit that had contained old records, which were irreparably damaged in the all-to frequent floods. A particularly bad flood in 1983 took out the Pigeon Valley Bridge.

A family whare, called 'Dew Drop In', which was originally built near the hop fields at the entrance to the bush reserve, had been relocated pre 1919, into the bush and we were also shown this site. Sadly the whare was lost during a fire in recent years. Many Baigent descendants can remember staying in it over the summer holidays. It was not far to the cowshed for the menfolk to go to work and the children played in the bush and in the Wai-iti River under the watchful eyes of their mothers.

Following the walk we all retired to the Wakefield Fire Station where, over afternoon tea, Evan was happy to answer questions and share old stories and memories whilst we were browsing through a large display of paintings and old photographs sourced from Evan's private collection of photos which were taken by his grandfather Percy and his father Noel.

Town and Country Vet

by Brenda Halliwell, Vet

Over the last few years, the field of veterinary dentistry has expanded hugely in knowledge and also across species. There is so much more information about animals and their teeth that it is a specialist subject.

Nowadays horses have regular dentals to ensure they can chew properly which helps prevent colic and gut disease and improves performance. At home with our pets there is no need to put up with stinky breath, gum disease and broken teeth – there is so much more we can do!

Periodontal (or gum) disease is extremely common in cats and dogs – this is inflammation and infection of the gums around the teeth with build-up of plaque and tartar and eventually loose teeth – mainly because they don't brush their teeth twice a day every day. Some breeds are also more prone to disease than others eg Schnauzers and Poodles. Bacteria in the mouth easily get into the blood stream through these diseased gums and spread to other organs such as heart and kidneys. The same thing happens in humans but we brush our teeth twice a day every day to prevent it.

70% of cats and 85% of dogs over 3 years of age are affected by periodontal disease

The main symptom of periodontal disease is smelly breath. If you look at your pet's teeth and gums, you might see brown/yellow discolouration on the teeth and gum redness and swelling. Google some pictures of healthy dog or cat mouths and compare them with your pet's gums and teeth.

Sometimes pets might drool or have trouble eating but animals don't usually show signs of mouth pain and their drive to eat strongly outweighs everything else.

The other mouth issues we see include broken teeth, worn teeth, tooth decay, tumours, overbites, underbites, baby teeth that haven't fallen out, oronasal fistulas and fractures.

In the clinic we have to anaesthetise animals to do dentistry effectively. It's not possible to do a good job while a dog or cat is trying to get away! Or bite! As in humans dental xrays are essential to see below the gums and fully assess teeth health. Damaged teeth are treated as necessary which often means extraction. But specialist veterinary dentists can do root canals, fillings, crowns, enamel treatments and more. We always finish off with a thorough clean and polish to make those teeth sparkle!

Prevention is best. Dental diets, dental chews, chew toys, additives in water and oral gels all help to slow down dental disease but toothbrushing is the gold standard. Dogs can be taught to have their teeth brushed, cats not so much!

Ideally brush once a day or at least every second day and it only needs to take 10-20 seconds mainly focusing on the outside gums and teeth, don't worry about the inside. Make it a habit eg while you wait for the jug to boil for your morning cuppa, or after you've brushed your own teeth. Google videos to get tips on making it fun and easy.



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mine is blue.



Bob would learn the hard way that
dogs are color-blind.

In the Bush

IN THE BUSH – Reporting In

Our May Maintenance day saw us finishing off from last month with the areas around the Faulkner Bush entrance way to the board walk. A small team but we had lots of fun releasing some of the larger weed trapped trees. So fantastic to see them bounce back from ground level, to their true heights. Honey suckle and Ivy are beasts for trapping the branches and pulling them down. Carol gets the chocolate fish, her releasing techniques were supreme!, while Eric and Michael found a really large rogue and infested plum tree to cut down. All worth the effort, as our planting co-ordinator Dorothy Hole arrived with some delicious toasties for our lunch.

I am sorry that I do not have an update as to why the inner bush at The Edward Baigent Memorial Scenic Reserve has been closed off. Hazard tape and a sign have been put up. I did go down with one of our members to check and other than an old dying Kakikatea, which has been in the same spot at the entrance for well over 20 years +, I could not see any other issue. I did make an inquiry of the Councillors at the Wakefield Community Council Meeting and Councillor Dan Shallcrass said he would kindly follow it up, so hopefully too, the Reserves Department will let our Society know, as at this point in time no information has been “shared” with us.

Thank you also to the Board of the Pigeon Valley Steam Museum for their very generous and kind donation to our Society.

We had our Society’s AGM on the 21st May and I am most happy to report that many of our team are staying on board. Those elected, Evie South President, Gowan Simpson Vice President, Avis Blowers Secretary/Treasurer, **Executive Committee:** Dorothy Hole, Barbara Cameron, Eric Palmer, Sally Gordon, Duncan Gordon, Kerstin Beckmann & Ian Viapree.

Our previous President Doug South, had an amazing knowledge and appreciation for our New Zealand bird life, so we will be sharing some of the articles that he previously wrote for our Society.

Some of you may not know but Doug represented New Zealand in many International Stamp Exhibitions around the world, with his Exhibit entitled “Our Feathered Friends”, and in the prospectus always listed Wakefield as his home town.

Birds around our Bush – An Article by the Late Doug South



Yellowhammer or Yellow bunting (Emberiza citronella caliginosa)

It originally originated from Eurasia

(Eurasia is the combined landmass of Europe and Asia in the northern part of Earth. It has the Atlantic Ocean on its west, and the Pacific Ocean to the east).

They were first introduced to New Zealand by the Acclimatisation Society including the Nelson Society in 1862-71 period. They are now spread all around New Zealand plus a lot of the outer islands. This bird is found around the edges of the bush in the long grass and open country and are seed and insect eaters and in the early days they were considered a pest especially in the North Island where they consumed the newly planted pasture seeds. There was a price on their heads and County Councils purchased their eggs by the thousands. These days they are not such a problem.

They breed from late November to January normally producing two broods. The nest is normally built close to the ground in clumps of thick vegetation. Three to four eggs are laid and incubated mainly by the female and this takes about 13 days. Both parents share the feeding of the young and they leave the nest 12 to 13 days after hatching.

In the breeding season they are territorial but gregarious in the winter when flocks of to a hundred or more can be seen.

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Kind regards Evie-joy South, and the volunteer team.

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Wakefield Community Toy Library

by Anna Naygrow

The Wakefield Community Toy Library Grand Re-Opening

On Saturday 8th June 2024 at 10:00am the Wakefield Community Toy Library will be opening once more out of the Old Library building on Edward street opposite Wakefield School. Please come along to join us in celebrating, see poster below for details.

The Wakefield Community Toy Library would like to thank the Tasman District Council and everyone involved for the amazing work they have done renovating and thus saving, a historic building.

Thank you also to the Tasman District Council for their ongoing support of the Wakefield Community Toy Library, a volunteer based organisation that supports the most important work of children, to play and play and play!

Wakefield Playcentre

by Charlotte Thynne

Bee Week Celebrations!!

We have been celebrating bee week at Wakefield Playcentre!

We have spent the week learning about the importance of bees and working a bee theme into many aspects of our play. Adults and children alike have also had a huge amount of fun making bees wax wraps and our Centre has smelt delicious all week as a result.

We would love to thank Mountain Valley Honey and Blue Sky Bee keeping for donations of beeswax, and Amy and Rata for bringing in the bee box so our tamariki could see up close the structures that bees create and how they live in a hive.

The children's size bee suit was also a real hit, thank you Rata for sharing it with us. It is so lovely to see parents and caregivers learning and exploring alongside their tamariki, I think everyone learnt something new and fascinating this week about the incredible lives of bees.



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Do You Remember the PV Fire?

by Jean Gorman

Do you remember the Pigeon Valley Fire?

Few will forget the evacuation as glowing pine needles rained down on Wakefield, or the Wanderer's Brightwater playing field covered with huge tents and fire engines, the helicopters flying as thick as gnats with monsoon buckets dangling.

After Cyclone Gabrielle, a Civil Defence Independent Review, headed by Sir Jerry Mateparae, was set up and has recently concluded a summary of the emergency response. It found multiple problems with the 'Top down' model, and the government has announced it has scrapped a revamp that was in the works and will start on a new plan to be presented to parliament in the next two years. The message is that "People and communities will be at the heart of an integrated emergency management system."

The Ministry of Civil Defence has now changed its name to The National Emergency Management Agency - NEMA – which sits in Wellington and manages national emergencies. At a regional level it is the Nelson Tasman CDEM which sets up local Civil Defence Centres; and the way of the future looks like being community based. Rural communities especially will need a plan and knowledge of where local resources are, who has a digger, a generator, tractor, etc.

The relevance to Wakefield lies in planning our community response for disaster. People in Gisborne said after the floods, "we didn't realise that we would be responsible for ourselves. We imagined someone would come and help". Of course, in time, people did come to help, but for some that was weeks later. We must take from this that the Wakefield community needs to be prepared, each family needs a Family Plan and a few weeks supply of food. The best response is that of neighbours helping each other.

Surprisingly one of the many problems after the cyclone, was donations. A desperate Facebook post, "We don't need any more ballgowns" characterises the problem. Food offered at a CD post can be a problem too. How long has the donated fish pie or chicken been sitting around at room temperature? They cannot risk distributing such food, but neighbours can offer each other food, clothes and accommodation, fulfilling an immediate need.

Everyone has the best of intentions but from an official CD hub, people will be accommodated in a hall, church or motels, and all food distributed needs to be certified as cooked in a commercial kitchen. This sounds ridiculous, but if there was a contamination problem, we would be less than happy. After the official CD team took over in Wakefield during the Pigeon Valley emergency, a pile of donated food could not be distributed (though I am assured it was not wasted). The official CDEM response team is a government agency and must, of course, obey the law.



A civil defence hub must be set up so that people can go there to report missing people, fires, children stuck at school, etc. A hub has to match these needs to resources. They will communicate with the local CDEM in Richmond, so the fire brigade, helicopters, rescue personnel etc. can be despatched where needed. In a major disaster involving a wide area (like the AF8) the response will remain neighbours helping each other for quite a while. Basically, we need to organise as a small community to help each other. The arrival of external CDEM personnel in Wakefield depends on bridges and roads being accessible. It may be six hours, three days or longer, depending on the type, extent and severity of the emergency.



Meanwhile, the local fire brigade, police and others in the community will step up. CDEM will need local volunteers to undertake training to run the Civil Defence centre and efficiently match desperate people to one of the twenty or so agencies who can help. The Richmond base will be setting up a volunteer training course in the next few months.

In the Hawkes Bay, quite frequently it was the marae which had the facilities that were needed. One community had a shipping container, filled with useful resources, kept in a paddock on high ground, and unscathed in the disaster. For a local response such a container may be best for Wakefield or, meanwhile, designate a cafe as the place to bring and distribute food. People could also meet there, chat and make accommodation arrangements if needed. After each of the ChCh quakes, Kaikoura and Gabrielle, most people stayed with family, friends or neighbours.

Eventually, as supply chains are established perhaps over flooded roads, downed bridges or landslides then distribution of food and resources transfers from the community-initiated response, to become the government's responsibility (via MBIE). "Let's put it this way," says a researcher. "If all the roads to your town were cut tomorrow, where would you go for food?"



The question is an urgent one. When the alpine fault, along the spiny centre of the South Island, has an earthquake – and there is a 75% chance that will happen in the next 50 years.

"The whole South Island will be in a state of chaos," say experts. "You can't expect people to sweep in with food resources." Have a family plan and keep a quake cupboard of food.

Wakefield School

by Isobel Ford

Tui Team, Suter Art Gallery Trip

Here are some extracts from the Tui Team children's writing:

On Tuesday 21 May, the Tui Team had the opportunity to go to the Suter Art Gallery to learn about the wreck of the Delaware. We went in our parents' cars - *Ella*

It was finally time to go... I went with George's dad in the car. I laughed all the way there - *Elena*

First we had a road trip. I was happy watching the water, it was sparkling in the sunlight - *George*

Finally we got there. Next we waited, one car, two cars, three cars, four cars, five cars. Following that, the sixth car - *Marne*

We went inside the Suter Art Gallery. It looked amazing inside. They had pictures with big, golden fancy frames - *Leo Z*

We saw a hundred year old picture of Huria Matenga and pictures made out of driftwood. There was an amazing driftwood fish, it was detailed a lot. We also saw a detailed cross - *Dominic*

I am going to tell you the story of the Delaware. In the year of 1863 in the Port of Nelson, as a storm approached, the Delaware set off, then about 150 metres away from shore, the captain saw the storm and it was headed straight for them. 'Ahh!' cried the captain. His name was Captain Baldwin. Then their boat crashed on a rock underwater. CRACK went the boat - *Griffin*

Henry Squirrel said, "I will swim to shore," but he hit a rock. They pulled him back in and the captain thought he was dead. The people at the shore caught the rope and the people on the boat went along the rope. The captain was the last to get off the boat. He looked at Henry Squirrel and he decided that he was dead, and he went across the rope and it snapped. Luckily the captain got back safely. Later Henry Squirrel was seen yelling for help but he died by drowning because no one could save him - *Ashton*



I did a good picture. Alex thought he didn't do a good picture. I think he did. Well, his looked better than my one - *Luca G*

Then it was time to say goodbye. But now we were going to the Queen's Gardens and had our read and feed. Finally it was time to go back in our cars and head into school - *Bonnie*



Community Hub Youth Grant

Interviewer: Holly Edwards, 11 years, Year 6 at Wakefield School - Student/swimmer

Interviewee: Mya Ketel, 17 years, Year 13 at Garin College - Student/swimmer

Reason for interview: Mya Ketel - recipient of a Youth Grant from Community Hub

1. What do you want to achieve in your swimming? I have had a goal since I was 12, all the way until now to get a swimming scholarship to the USA, to study for a degree in Exercise Science and compete.

2. What is your favourite stroke and why? My favourite stroke is breaststroke because it's quite a technical stroke and it's taken me years to get good at it and I am still learning how to refine my technique every time I get in the water.

3. Who is your role model in swimming? My role model in swimming would have to be Hazel Ouwehand, or as I call her Amanzi girl, because I've watched her grow as an athlete and as an ambassador for both swimming and Amanzi Swimwear. She inspires me to be a better version of myself because she is genuine and truthful about who she is. She has also just made it on to the New Zealand Olympics team for Paris this year. I was also lucky enough to follow in her footsteps with an Amanzi ambassador role for this year.

4. How did you swim at NAGS?

I had a great NAGs (New Zealand Age Group Championships)! I qualified and entered four events, decided to only swim three events of which I swam heats and finals for and got six personal best times. I placed 5th in the 17-18 year old girls 200m breaststroke final, 4th in the 17-18 year old girls 100m breaststroke final and 6th in the 17-18 year old girls 50m breaststroke final.

5. What was your favourite part about NAGS? I think my favourite part about NAGS this year, and in all my past years is honestly just getting to stay with the team. It's such an awesome environment, with great laughs and cool memories made. And of course, getting to race with some of NZ's top swimmers.

6. What was your biggest accomplishment in swimming? I think swimming is an incredibly time consuming and challenging sport. It involves many hours, up to 15 hours a week. I feel like getting to 17 years old and still loving swimming is an accomplishment in itself. Being able to qualify and compete at the highest level for my age in New Zealand is also pretty amazing.

7. What is your next big event? My next big event is New Zealand Short Course Championships in August this year, 2024. But between now and then there are a few target meets that I'll be using to gauge where I am at before heading into the big event, these are: Swimming Nelson Marlborough Short Course Champs end of June, South Island Short Course Champs early July and New Zealand Secondary Schools Swimming Champs 25-28 July.

8. How many times a week do you train? Currently I am swim training 7 times a week, a couple of person training gym session a week and a yoga class once a week.

9. What is your favourite race and why? My favourite race would have to be the 100m breaststroke because I like how it's in between a sprint and the 200m distance.

10. Do you have any habits you have before a swim meet? I like to be well prepared! Before I leave for a swim meet whether it's in Nelson, Blenheim or further afield I go through a check list to make sure I have all my gear, that I have all the correct snacks and drinks. By doing this it makes me feel more relaxed. I get plenty of sleep and of course I must do my nails (this makes me feel good).

11. How old were you when you started swimming? I started swimming when I was born, I was born in the water. My dad used to take me to Ngawhatu for baby classes from the age of 1 month old. When I was two, I started swimming lessons and when I was 8 years old, I started taking swimming more seriously and was competing.

12. What do you like to eat in the break of a swim meet? I love a good poke bowl filled with raw tuna, rice, and lots of salad!

13. What is your favourite pool you have swam in? My favourite pool would have to have been the Sir Owen G. Glenn National Aquatic Centre at the AUT Millennium in Auckland. It's a super-fast pool (generally deeper water is faster for competitive swimming).

14. What club do you swim for? Nelson South Swimming Club.

15. What is the pool you currently train in? I train at two different pools, Riverside Pool in Nelson and the Richmond Aquatic Centre. In the summer I train at Hampden Street Swimming pool.

16. What do you do to motivate yourself to keep going to those hard training sessions? What motivates me to go to the pool is the fun environment, my friends, my coach, and I never lose sight of the goals I have set for myself. When I get up at 4:30 in the morning it's cold and it's dark and I often need to remind myself that there is an end goal in sight.

17. What is the best advice a coach has given you? The best advice a coach has given me would probably have been from Glen Findlay before my finals at NAGs, he said "Strike first, Strike hard, No mercy!"

18. What is the hardest part about swimming? Swimming is like no other sport. To do well in swimming at whatever level you choose involves hours in the pool and often people don't realise the amount of effort that is involved. Not only the work that you do in the pool but everything else that goes with it, the gym, the stretching, the attention to nutrition and ensuring that you manage your time to fit all this including school while also allowing you enough time for your body to rest and sleep.

19. Who is your biggest supporter in swimming? I would have to say my biggest supporter is split between four people, my grandmother, my mum, my dad, and my brother. They are always supporting me through my swimming journey.

20. What advice would you give to a young swimmer? My advice to younger swimmers is to never give up! Set yourself a goal for something you really want, it could be that you want to compete at a New Zealand level, it could be that you want to go to the Olympics, hold on to that dream and don't ever let anybody tell you that you can't do it. Nothing comes easy but if you really want something and work really hard it is possible. Believe in yourself and a piece of advice that I was given early on which I truly live by is, "always be a humble winner and a gracious loser."

Mya would like to thank the Wakefield community for it's support in helping her to get to the NZ Age Group Swimming Champs this year. It is very much appreciated. Thank you.



Wakefield Youth Hangout

by Julian Eggers

Join us for an electrifying kickoff to the Wakefield Youth Hangout night!

Get ready to dive into an evening packed with thrilling activities and boundless fun. As the clock strikes 6:30 pm, the doors swing open to a haven buzzing with excitement!

With an array of captivating games and activities awaiting, from board games to interactive challenges, there's something for everyone.

Whether you're in Year 9 or Year 13, this is your space to unwind, connect, and let the good times roll till 8:30 pm. Don't miss out on the adventure that awaits at the Wakefield Youth Hangout.

More info check out our Facebook page or Instagram.

Faulkner Bush Play Space

by Julian Eggers

Who is ready for a new play space in Faulkner's bush?

Definitely is worth the wait.

Exciting times ahead for stage 1 of the Faulkner Bush play space.

The renders for the stage 1 is out and we can't wait to start this new adventure with the community. Tasman District Council have estimated that we will get stage 1 started at the start of July to be completed in spring, ready for the summer period.

Keep watching this space!!

If you have any feedback, want to donate towards this project, want to help or keep up to date, please email our Faulkner Bush Play Space subcommittee who are a part of the Wakefield Community Council on; faulknerbushplayspace@gmail.com.

Thank you all for your patience and trusting the process in getting something great for Wakefield.



Wakefield Community Council

by Julian Eggers, Chairperson

Join us at the Wakefield Community Council's monthly public meeting on Monday, June 17th, at 7pm in the Wakefield Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

This is your opportunity to address concerns, raise issues, or discuss matters relevant to our community. Our ward councillors will be present to provide council perspective and address any concerns you may have.

We look forward to welcoming you to one of our meetings.

Great Taste Trail

by Julian Eggers

Working Bee - Cycle Trail

Saturday 18th May, marked our first working bee at the beginning of the Pigeon Valley section of the Great Taste Trail. With four individuals on weeders, one on a scythe, and two serving as spotters and sign movers.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Tony, Neil, Will, Richard, Belinda, and Mia – you are all truly legends. Together, we achieved a great deal and are eagerly looking forward to continuing our mission.

This collaboration between the Great Taste Trail Trust and the Wakefield Community Council shows our commitment to maintaining our portion of the Great Taste Trail.

Would you like to participate in our next working bee? Stay tuned as we aim to organize half-day sessions once a month.

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Nelson Tasman Community Transport

by Jo Leyland, Trustee (Tapawera), on behalf of the Nelson Tasman Community Transport Trust

Welcome to use our new Tapawera-based trial service. Enjoy it! We've started our trial of offering a weekly passenger service from Tapawera to Richmond on Tuesdays (and another from Tapawera to Motueka). See the advert in the Community Notices for details. We started it in April and have carried people who would otherwise find it difficult to come out to Tapawera or go into town with a vehicle of their own.

Tapawera doesn't have any public transport service. Wakefield now has one but it's been good that before the Council eBus service was established, the Nelson Tasman Community Transport Trust operated a service out of Wakefield to Richmond. We're now using the little bus that used to be based in Wakefield for that service.

We've a good, willing band of volunteer drivers from Tapawera who are on a roster. As a service that is being provided through the Nelson Tasman Community Transport Trust with funding from TDC, we use the same booking/payment system and people have to ring the Motueka I-site on 03 528 6543 to book and pay for their \$6 or \$12 return at least the day before.

We don't want to compete with the eBus schedule that weekdays runs six times a day, but complement it with a friendly service that picks up in Wakefield around 10am on Tuesdays and can take you directly to the main eBus stop by TDC, to the Mall and then to the Richmond Aquatic Centre. We've been offered discounted swims if you want to go in to town for a swim/sauna/gym and shop/social so we drop passengers there to the Aquatic Centre.

We depart the Mall at Sundial Square promptly at 2pm to return to Tapawera before school finishes. There are quite a few good offers in Richmond on a Tuesday – free lunch at the Richmond church, good value pensioner's lunch at the Armadillo etc. If you have a shopping trolley, welcome to bring that with you. It saves carrying purchases on your back or in bags if you're in town for several hours. Check out our website for further details: <https://www.ntctt.org.nz> or call our coordinator on 022 682 2373.

We want to encourage people or a group of you, who would like to make a winter trip together to town to treat yourselves and have a social trip. Also, it's a chance to connect more with those of us on the other side of Spooners in Tapawera! We hope the Wakefield community will also enjoy this initiative so that in the longer term, we can have affordable travel for our rural communities; helping those who can't afford running a car, are not in a position to drive to town nor use an existing public transport bus system. But it needs all of us to consider using this service and give it a go, if it's going to be viable for the ones who would really depend on it.

So welcome aboard and book a ride!



Our Place - Wakefield Community Hub

by Peter Verstappen, Trustee

New community hub concept plan: give us your feedback

The Waimea South Community Facility Charitable Trust Steering Group is pleased to share the first draft concept plans for the proposed Wakefield Hub "Our Place". After a successful consultation with members of our community in May we know these concept designs will get you thinking about what is good, what is missing and what can be done differently.

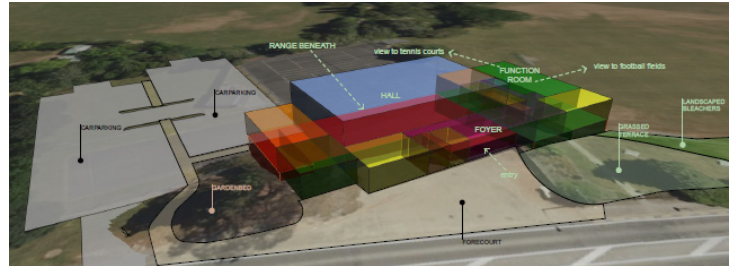
NOTHING is set in stone, timber, steel or concrete at this stage.

Our Steering Group is seeking your input, inspiration, and ingenuity to complete the picture, co-creating a new Hub for our Village that works now and in the future.

Be sure to keep an eye out for the next Community Consultation event by following us on Facebook: (<https://www.facebook.com/WakefieldCommunityHub>) or send us your thoughts now via our Contact Page on our website: <https://www.waimeasouth.org.nz/contact/>

We really do want to hear from you!

Right - an alternative version with rifle range below



Location mock-up

Our Place
Wakefield Community Hub
he whenua ātaakua

Here's an example layout including carpark:

WAKEFIELD PROPOSAL

This proposal keeps the existing tennis courts and fits the single building streetside, creating a forecourt area and retaining the existing terrace and landscaped bleachers.

Football club changing and other rooms are at field level (1.5-2m below street level) and the function/bar/kitchen sit above this giving expansive views across the fields towards the river. This is also a great location for a deck.

The hall is large enough for 3/4 basketball, volleyball, multiple badminton.

One end would require solid construction suitable for indoor firing range use. This can be accommodated as temporary use.

Storage for stage, green room etc are provided for functions/productions.

BUILDING AREA - 1192m²
CARPARKS - 51
CARPARKING RATIO - 23m² floor area to carpark (not including sports fields)



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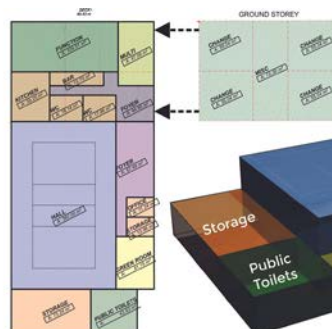
Spaces layout

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Here's the draft concept layout from the architect...

(split level at one end, with the changing rooms on the lower level)

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Live Well Stay Well

by Christine Godfrey

On 21st May Averil West from the Heart Foundation, and sister Cheryl, came to talk to the Live Well Stay Well group. Averil has been a heart health advocate for 28 years. The Heart Foundation was set up in 1968 by a group of cardiologists and has 19 offices nationally, with the National office in Auckland. There are 180,000 people in NZ living with heart disease and every 90 minutes, someone will die because of it. It used to be every 60 minutes. Over 90 million dollars has gone into research since 1968.

With being NZ's heart charity, they offer courses such as Pacific Heartbeat, which offers courses on nutrition, cooking, care and support and prevention. They also offer info sessions led by specialists, they visit GP practices and pharmacies, provide the Cardiac Care units with cardiac folders for patients, run health promotion events, support rehab programmes, talk to groups on heart health in workplaces, clubs and schools, so message gets taken home.

Ring 0800 863 375 for a chat with a cardiac nurse.

Less alcohol is better and zero alcohol is best said Averil, based on recent research commissioned by the Heart Foundation. She also pointed out that salt was gradually decreased commercially in bread over recent years without a fuss being made. Averil said the Heart Foundation is staunch that 'smoking is the worst thing for heart health'. They also teach people how and why to take their own pulse. 60-100 beats per minute is the average with a regular rhythm.

They also conduct 'My Heart Check' a free online tool. Type in myheartcheck.org.nz if you are aged between 30 - 75 years, to get an estimate of your heart age and offers tips to help you manage your heart health. Most people present tried it on their phones and were surprised with the results.

For more general info look up <http://www.heartfoundation.org.nz> > www.heartfoundation.org.nz

Deborah thanked Averil with a gift and commented that she was sure everyone learned something new today.

Upcoming Meetings:

Tuesday 11 June 2024: coffee meeting at The Villa in Wakefield, 9.45am onwards

Tuesday 25 June 2024 9.45am: Talk by Dr Anne Grassham, Memories of Antarctica.

Tuesday 9 July 2024: 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.

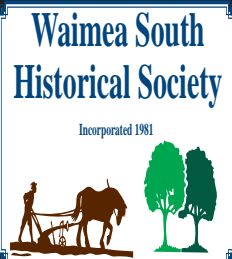
Our group meets twice a month in Wakefield, mostly on a Tuesday morning from 9.45am to 11am. One Tuesday we will meet in a local café for a coffee and chat, and the other Tuesday we have a guest speaker focussing on health knowledge or who can help us understand and learn more about our community. This 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 or go out for a visit we do ask for a \$2 gold coin donation to help us cover the hire of the hall facilities and tea and coffee and/or a small gift for our speaker.

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

Sandra 027 609 9202, Sonja 027 374 0500,
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Higgins Heritage Park Happenings

by David Win

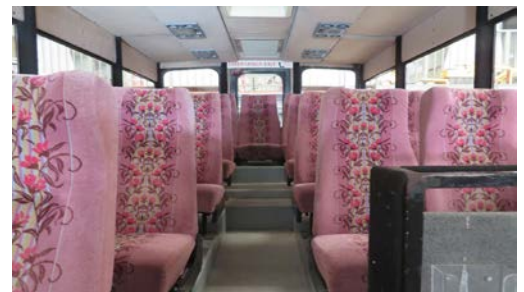
It is always great to host groups at the Park and recently the Nelson Rover Car Club were pleased to host the Austin Register Rally group with their immaculate Vintage Austin cars making a great display. The Historic Transport Museum and The Ray Win Collection also have representations of the Austin marque including a 1956 Austin Lodestar and 1963 Austin WEK trucks & a 1937 Austin 7.

Another vehicle on display at the Historic Transport Museum is the Farewell Spit Liner – “Morning Light”, proudly donated by Paddy Gillooly of Farewell Spit Tours. “Morning Light” is a most interesting vehicle and arguably “it contributed more than any other vehicle to putting Collingwood on the map”, giving thousands of people a magical trip along the beautiful but rugged, ever changing and harsh (especially for vehicles) NZ’s longest sand spit of Farewell Spit.

“Morning Light”, originally used by the NZ Army between 1958 & 1989, was a RL 4-wheel drive Bedford with a 299 cu in petrol motor. In 1990 it was used to carry scaffolding for the Farewell Spit Light House after which in 1992 a new bus body for the spit tour services was completed in Nelson.

After 10 years of work, in 2000, “Morning Light” was again given a rebuild and a 330 cu in diesel Bedford motor fitted which, with the gear ratios enabled it to cope best with the soft conditions of the spit. Later engine changes to a turbo charged Perkins were made along with seat upgrades to enhance passenger comfort. “Morning Light” was retired in 2017.

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Wakefield Health Centre

by Gavin Drummond

Sinusitis – a common problem with the flu and covid

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Acute sinusitis is a short-term inflammation of the sinuses, which are the hollow spaces inside your nose. It can cause symptoms like a stuffy or runny nose, facial pressure, and pain. Most cases of acute sinusitis improve within a week or two.

Common Symptoms:

- Pain and Tenderness: You may feel throbbing pain over the affected sinus, especially when bending your head forward.
- Blocked Ears: Eustachian tube dysfunction can lead to a feeling of blocked ears.
- Nasal Symptoms: These include a blocked or runny nose with yellow or green discharge.
- Other Signs: Headache, bad breath, toothache, cough, and tiredness.
- These symptoms usually resolve within 7-10 days

Self-Care:

- Get plenty of rest
- Drink fluids (water is best)
- Nasal Decongestants (for up to a week)
- Nasal Irrigation (most effective)
 - Talk to your local pharmacy about getting a 'nasal rinse kit'
 - Hot Tip: When rinsing out the sinuses, remember to block or 'close off' the back of your throat so that saline (salt-water mix) won't drip down as this can activate your gag reflex or feel uncomfortable.
 - Saline Mix: add 1 tsp of Salt, and ½ a tsp of baking soda to 500mls of warm distilled water.

When to Seek Help: See a doctor if your symptoms are severe or last more than 10 days. Seek urgent medical attention if you experience severe pain, swelling around the eyes, or bloodstained nasal discharge. Remember, most adults with normal immune systems can clear bacterial infections without antibiotics.

Contagious Symptoms

With winter upon us we are starting to see more of the various winter illnesses. To keep our staff and vulnerable patients safe we will be asking anyone with any potentially contagious symptoms to follow our entry policy, which may include being asked to come to the back door.

We may request that you do a covid rat test either at home or on site before your appointment, this is because Covid is more contagious than some other viruses. You will also be asked to wear a mask for your consult.

These measures are important for us to determine if we see you in the cabin or in the building, rest assured you will still be seen.

We appreciate your patience and understanding to assist us keeping our staff and other patients well.



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Community Notices



PASSENGER SERVICE

TAPAWERA TO MOTUEKA, WAKEFIELD, RICHMOND

Tapawera Transport Trial Routes - Winter Schedule

Weekly on Tuesdays - Tapawera -Richmond - Return route

- 9.30am Depart Tapawera Community Centre
- 9.40am Pick up from Kohatu Flat Rock Café (park your vehicle by War Memorial not Café)
- 10.00am Pick up Wakefield by Village Hall
- 10.30am Drop off by TDC for eBus connections and the Mall, Richmond
- 10.45am Drop off Richmond Aquatic Centre *
- 2.00pm Pick up Sundial Square, Richmond
- 3.00pm Return Tapawera (pickups/drop offs at Kohatu & Wakefield en route as booked)

* For passengers, Richmond Aquatic Centre is kindly offering discounted casual pool entry for \$4 or casual gym entry for \$10 which includes swim. Also discounted coffee prices!

Weekly on Wednesdays - Tapawera -Motueka - Return route

- 9.30am Depart Tapawera Community Centre
- 9.45am Pick up from Woodstock (by bridge)
- 10.30am Drop off by Motueka Library, Wallace Street
- 12.50pm Drop off at Rec Centre for Kickstart Programme** (1-2pm)
- 2.00pm Pick up Motueka Library
- 2.10pm Pick up Rec Centre (as necessary)
- 3.00pm Return Tapawera (pickups/drop offs at Woodstock en route as booked)

** Nelson Bays Primary Health is offering an 8 week course on wellbeing called 'Kickstart' from 1-2pm on Wednesdays at the Recreation Centre for \$3 a session. Call 0800 731 317 for details

Tickets - \$6 One-way - \$12 Return.

Volunteer Drivers do not handle cash

PAYMENT IN ADVANCE

You must call and pay for your seat

Motueka ISite 03 528 6543

We will be reviewing this trial at the beginning of June with the Trust, passengers, drivers and other stakeholders, to determine what we do after June

Tapawera Transport Trial - Courtesy of the Trust's small, hybrid, 6 seater, Wakefield Bus and Tapawera-based volunteers, offering a weekly transport service to both Motueka and Richmond for the winter months. We are grateful to Tasman District Council for financial support to the Trust and to Richmond Aquatic Centre for discounted prices and driver support.

Homes for Wakefield (H4W)

Tasman District Council is holding a hearing on Plan Change 76 regarding future development of the housing subdivision on Pittfure Road.

The hearing is on 12th June 2024 at Council Chambers.

The following issues were raised by H4W in our submission (October 2022):
roading infrastructure, emergency vehicle access, 'pepperpotting' smaller sections, minimum house size, smaller section sizes, stormwater runoff, water collection tanks and communication.

Homes for Wakefield (a subcommittee of Wakefield Community Council) members will speak at the hearing.

For further information regarding the Plan Change 76 and plans for the new Pittfure Road subdivision, see website below:

<https://www.tasman.govt.nz/my-council/key-documents/tasman-resource-management-plan/plan-changes/proposed-changes/change-76-growth-wakefield/>

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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
Sue James 541 8030 totaradalegc@gmail.com

Wakefield Anglican Church
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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
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Pam Dick 541 8392
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Wakefield Football Club (Seniors)
wakefieldfootballclub@gmail.com

Waimea Plains Football Club (Juniors)
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Wakefield Medical Centre
541 8911

Wakefield Pharmacy
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Wakefield Playcentre
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Willowbank Heritage Village
willowbank2002@gmail.com

Country Players (Drama)
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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
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Parish Priest Seth Pijfers 544 8987

Taoist Tai Chi
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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
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Wakefield School/ Community Swimming Pool
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Libby Thomson 027 541 8202

Target Shooting Wakefield
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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
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NZ Postcard Society Inc
Evie South 541 8980 or 027 907 2879

Richmond Lions - Wakefield Rep
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Spring Grove Church of Christ
Meet Sundays 10am
info.springgrovechurch@gmail.com

Waimea South Historical Society
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Wakefield Bowling Club
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www.wakefieldbowls.co.nz

Wakefield Brightwater Book Club
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Meets last Wed of every month

Wakefield Community Council
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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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