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2026 Crossfit Games

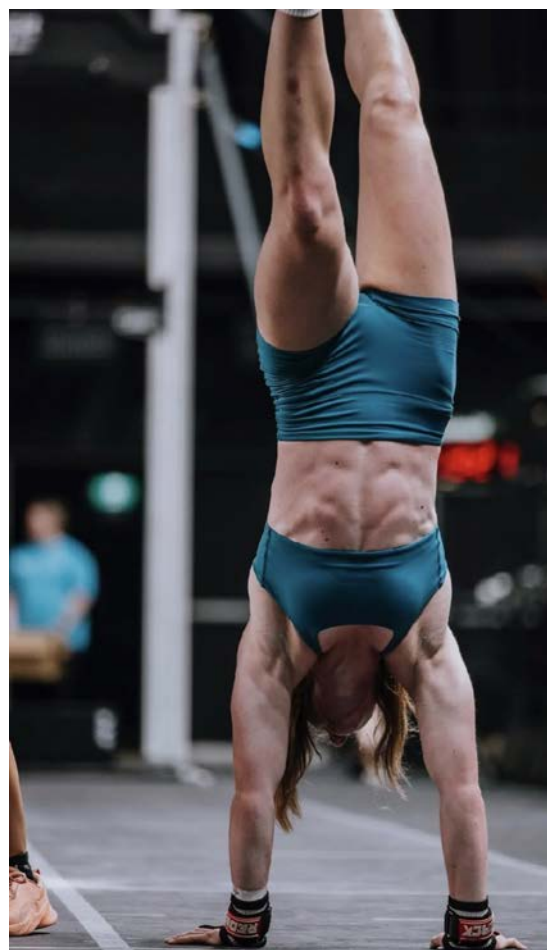
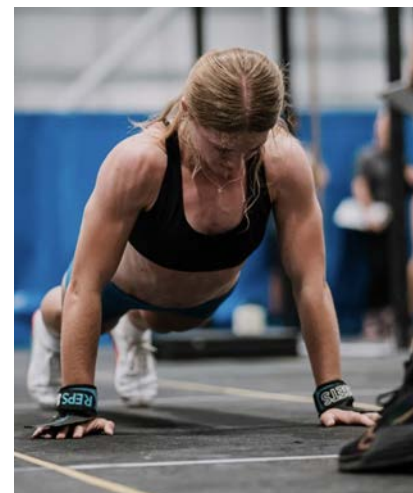
by Hannah Granger

My name is Hannah Granger, an ex-Wakefield School student and resident whose passion for sport led me to CrossFit at the age of 14. I found CrossFit after watching a friend at a competition and thought it looked like fun! I joined Tasman Bay CrossFit in Richmond and started doing classes 2 – 3 times a week to supplement my strength and fitness for my other competitive sports of netball and volleyball.

After doing CrossFit socially for about a year, I did my first competition and fell in love with it! Now, CrossFit is my only sport, and I still train at Tasman Bay for 2 – 3 hours a day, six days a week. I now compete at the highest level of age group CrossFit as a Teen CrossFit Games Athlete!

The CrossFit Games season starts with the Worldwide Open where thousands of people from around the world complete one workout each week for three weeks. From the Open, I qualified for Quarterfinals where I completed four workouts over five days. I then qualified for Semifinals as one of the top 200 girls in my age group where I completed another five workouts over five days in an online qualifier style. After video reviews, I finished Semifinals in 8th place to qualify for the CrossFit Games as one of 20 girls in my age group.

Last month I headed to California to compete at the CrossFit Games in the 16 – 17-year-old girls division. I competed in a field of 20 girls from all around the world in seven scored workouts across three days designed to test all areas of fitness such as strength, cardio, gymnastics, and high intensity endurance. My best finish was 5th place in a Ski, Burpee workout and I finished the competition 15th overall. Competing at the Games was an incredible experience and I'm excited to get back to training and one day qualify for the Games as an Elite Individual!



A massive thank you to the Wakefield community along with all the other local businesses, community groups, and individuals who supported or donated to my fundraising efforts and helped me get to California!



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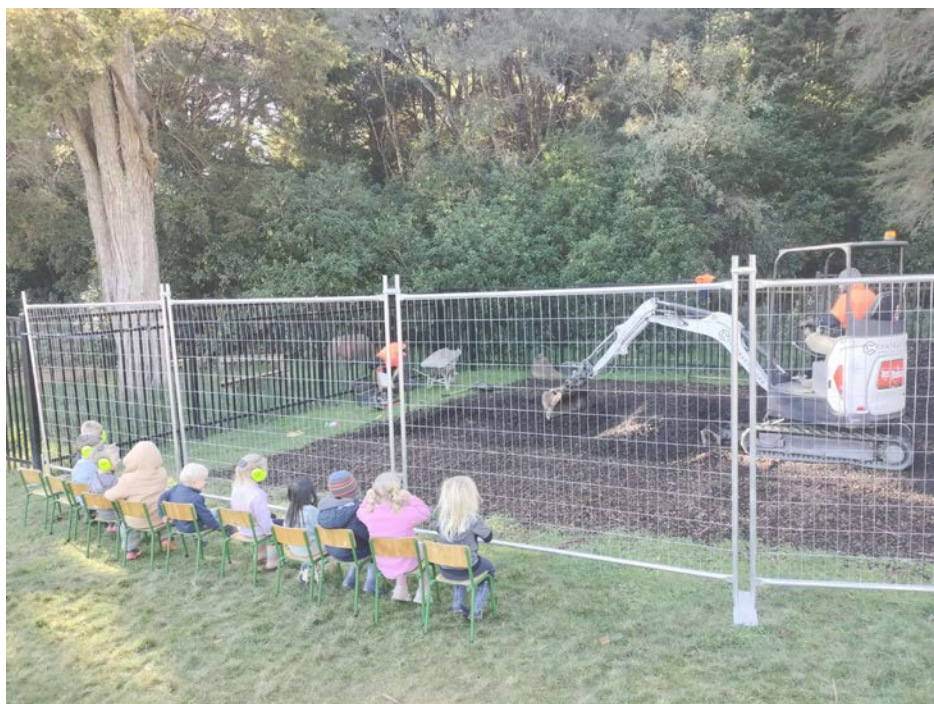
Swinging into Action

by Jenny Gray

Our new swings have been installed, and it was well worth the wait with the installation providing great entertainment for all. We set up a viewing area so Tamariki could watch the holes being dug and the frame being assembled.

We took the opportunity to bury a time capsule that contained, amongst other things, photos of the building when it was the scout den and its transformation into how it looks now. I wonder how many generations of our current families will have stepped through our door by the time the capsule is uncovered?

Inside we have been busy making soup, hot drinks and marmalade on the fire to keep our bellies full and warm during these cold winter days. Tamariki enjoyed learning how to chop the fruit and vegetables and then getting to enjoy the kai afterwards.





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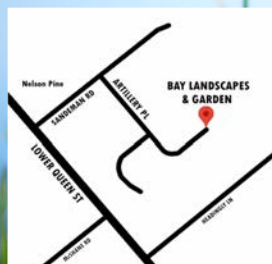
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Town and Country Vet

by Brenda Halliwell, Vet

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) or H5 Bird Flu

It's common knowledge that Bird Flu has arrived in NZ with two confirmed cases so far (as of early August). Overseas this virus has caused large numbers of deaths in wild birds and poultry. The following is information from MPI to help inform and be prepared. We don't need to panic!

HPAI and birds

HPAI can infect any type of bird but is very contagious for chickens, turkeys and ducks:

- the virus can survive several weeks to months on the ground, in water, in bird poo and on feathers. It takes a few days for a bird to become sick after being exposed to the virus.
- symptoms are not specific – there can be breathing problems, digestion issues, neurological signs, behavioural changes, drop in egg production – basically any sick bird!
- survival rates vary between bird species but can be as low as 0-10% in a poultry flock
- there is no specific treatment but the virus is killed by disinfectants used in vet clinics and farms
- there is a vaccination against HPAI but this is only being given to high risk native species so far including kakapo, takahe, kakariki, karaka, tuturuatu (shore plover), kaki (black stilt), kiwi

What to do if you see a sick or dead bird

Wild bird

- leave it in place to prevent spread. Handling a live wild bird is extremely stressful for it and if it's sick, it is very unlikely to survive the stress of handling or treatment.
- keep pets away
- if you have touched a sick or dead wild bird, make sure you wash hands, disinfect shoes etc
- if there are three or more dead or sick wild birds report to 0800809966

Fledgling/baby bird – are often seen on the ground and this is normal. Leave them where they are as the parents are often around and feeding them. If they are actually sick, they are very unlikely to survive the stress of handling or treatment.

Sick pet chicken – at the moment we will see owned chickens but we are not allowing them into our clinics. We will see them outside or in our isolation facility with PPE if necessary. We also recommend our local lifestyle block vet Sarah Clews who will do house calls to see sick chickens. This is preferable as it also limits bird movement and potential spread of disease.



What about other animals?

Humans have been infected through close unprotected contact with infected animals. So far there is no evidence of human to human spread. It's safe to eat cooked commercially produced chicken and eggs.



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HPAI infection is rare in cats and dogs even in countries where the virus is present. Dogs rarely become seriously unwell.

Some cats overseas have been infected after eating infected birds or raw poultry or drinking raw cow's milk. Symptoms are varied eg being off food, lethargic, vomiting, breathing changes, wobbliness, difficulty jumping.

To reduce the risk of a cat being exposed to HPAI:

- prevent hunting and contact with wild birds by using brightly coloured collars, bells, removing bird feeders, baths and nest boxes and keeping cats inside for longer periods if possible. Feed regular high protein meals.
- avoid feeding raw chicken. Cooked chicken and commercially-produced cat foods are ok.
- avoid feeding raw milk.

In NZ the risk of spread from birds to cattle is low but in other countries it has been shown that cats have been infected through drinking unpasteurised milk. Cats don't need milk for nutrition and lactose-free milk should be used if it's a must-have for your cat.



A Busy Winter of Community Fun at Wakefield Village Kindergarten

It has been a busy and exciting time at Wakefield Village Kindergarten, with our tamariki making the most of opportunities to get out, explore and be part of our wonderful local community.

Another highlight was joining the children at Wakefield School for their dress-up Book Parade. Our tamariki loved seeing the school children dressed as their favourite book characters, and it was lovely to be included in such a special community event. Books, imagination and dressing up made for a fantastic afternoon!

We would also like to extend a very special thank you to our wonderful community for the generous donation of LEGO for our four-year-olds. Construction has become a real interest for many of our tamariki, and the additional LEGO will provide them with even more opportunities to design, build, create and extend their ideas. We are so grateful for your generosity and for helping us support the children's interests and learning.



Higgins Heritage Park Happenings

by David Win

Like others in the Tasman district, the vagaries of the seasons have remained a challenge, especially predicting and monitoring the rivers. We were most fortunate to have a grant from Network Tasman for part costs of river protection work on the park boundary. This and river adjustments have ensured to date that we haven't had more serious "wet feet". The Network Tasman contributions to us and many other Tasman community organisations are very much appreciated.

Almost a 'barn find' are two wooden forward-facing push buck rakes hanging on a park shed back wall. Horse drawn wooden buck rakes (forward sweep "push" rakes) imported from North America and Britain appeared in NZ farm records from the late 19th century, 1880's through the 1930s, with scattered use into the 1940s–1950s on small farms and in hill country haymaking where mechanisation didn't arrive until later.

They were used mainly on mixed farms and sheep stations where loose hay was stacked rather than baled. The peak use period 1900–1930 was the main era of horse drawn haymaking in NZ where buck rakes were used alongside dump rakes, side delivery rakes, and sweep rakes. True buck rakes are rare, reflecting their limited adoption compared with dump rakes.

The use of these rakes declined during 1930s–1940s as tractors, motorised sweepers, and mechanical loaders rapidly replaced horse teams. By the late 1930s, horse drawn buck rakes were uncommon except on remote or low capital farms with only residual use in the 1940s–1950s. Some hill country and smallholdings continued using horse drawn hay gear into the 1940s–1950s but mostly with dump rakes and sledges as buck rakes were considered obsolete by the 1950s.

NZ haymaking tended toward dump rakes and side delivery rakes, which suited local pasture types with buck rakes being more typical of North American ranch hay making, where large loose haystacks were common. NZ's smaller paddocks and earlier adoption of tractors meant the buck rake never became widespread.

Dump rakes were far more common in New Zealand than buck rakes. They were used for gathering loose hay into rows or piles, light pasture maintenance and small farm haymaking before mechanised sweepers and balers arrived or could be afforded.

The image above [top right] of an authentic forward-facing "push" rake shows the configuration design that distinguishes a true buck rake from dump rakes or side delivery rakes.

- The tines point forward, not downward.
- The frame is ahead of the horses, so the team pushes the rake.
- The operator rides behind the rake on a small platform or seat.
- The rake is used to sweep loose hay into windrows or piles before stacking.

The dump rakes are specialized hay rakes designed to gather and form large windrows efficiently, while preserving hay quality and speeding up the baling or stacking process. These were widely used up till 1960's after which evolving machinery technology provided increased efficiencies.

Upcoming Park activities include:

- **6 September** (Fathers Day) STEAM-UP and CLASSIC CARS hosted by the Rover Car Club
- **20 September Open Day** 10am – 3pm jigger & honey train rides and model trains operating
- **4 October – Steam Up**, Classic Trucks, rides & model trains operating.

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Waimea South Historical Society

by Yo Tye

On 23rd July our society met at the Holy Trinity Anglican Church supper room in Dorset St, Richmond. Our guest speaker was Louise Gribbon, the Research and Collections Librarian from the Richmond Public Library with her presentation titled 'Behind Closed Doors'.

Louise has had 21 years of experience and 21 interested listeners heard about the various research collections, including the Waimea South collection, which are held in the library. Of special interest was to hear how the Waimea South Historical Society collection came to be in the library.

A summary is as follows: Betty Bint had been a foundation member of the society in 1981 and before she died in 1991, she donated her historical and genealogical collection to the Richmond library. This led to an agreement in 1995 with the Tasman District Council whereby the Waimea South Collection was transferred to their custodianship as there had been concerns about the ownership of the original donated collection.

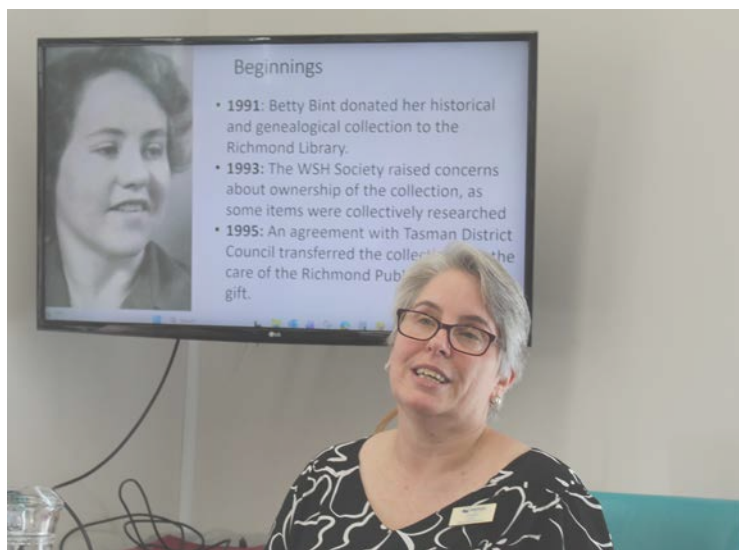
In the research room at the library you are able to access reference cabinets, filing cabinets, library archives and the Tasman Heritage website. The reference collections in the research room have the following:

1. Waimea South Historical Collection (WSH) which includes the Wakefield Village News 1983-2003, the Golden Downs Forest, Anna Hills Photograph Album, and a photographic collection of families, buildings, schools Churches etc.
2. The local history collection has published books and pamphlets and Roll of Honour ring binders, all of which are catalogued and searchable through the library catalogue.
3. The Filing cabinets have people and family history files, historic buildings, cemeteries and Churches, schools and organisations and subject folders.

You will find hand written research and newspaper articles, although these are not yet catalogued. However they are indexed on Tasman Heritage and are listed in a printed folder in the Research Room. This room is available during normal library operating hours. Some items are able to be emailed, photocopied or photographed (depending on copy right).

Other archives are in the Staff Only area and include Brightwater Farm Diaries, Wakefield Library Registers, Richmond School Registers, Ann Hill's photographs of the Hill and Silcock families in the late 1800's, Wakefield Plunket committee meeting minutes, Musicale programs and meetings, and Ann Hodgson's Wakefield Store ledger from 1885-1890.

There are also other collections and the library staff recommend that you contact them in advance. They will bring the requested information to you in the Research Room. The library staff are more than happy to assist and welcome all enquiries.



Louise was applauded for her interesting and informative presentation and received a gift as a token of our appreciation

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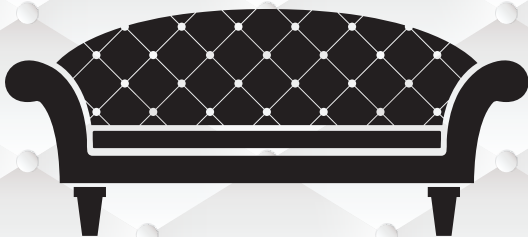


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Live Well Stay Well

For our Live Well Stay Well meeting on 25 August, unfortunately our planned speaker was unwell and unable to come. However, our members are always resourceful and adaptable! We spent an enjoyable hour with a number of members sharing stories and anecdotes from their lives. Very entertaining and amazing what some of them got up to in their younger days. And also some colourful characters in their past. We look forward to our planned speaker presenting to us next year.

Upcoming meetings:

Tuesday 8 September 2026: coffee meeting at The Villa in Wakefield, 9.45am onwards

Tuesday 22 September 2026: speakers Sandra, Sjeff and Sonja about Stewart Island/Rakiura: Holiday highlights, 9.45am at the Fire Brigade Supper Room, Pigeon Valley Road, Wakefield

Tuesday 6 October 2026: 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:

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Wakefield School

Kōtare Commonwealth Games Celebration

Recently, our Kōtare students took on the exciting challenge of planning, designing, and leading a range of adapted tabloid sports activities to celebrate the Commonwealth Games. Students worked thoughtfully to create games that were fun, inclusive, and suitable for a wide range of ages and abilities.

Over two sessions, every class in the school took part in a rotation of activities organised by the Kōtare students. Before the event, each group reflected on important questions such as: How can we encourage everyone to participate? How can we help all students experience success in sport? How can activities be adapted to suit different abilities and ages?

The result was teamwork, laughter, and active participation. Activities included moonhoppers, mini soccer, leapfrog, obstacle courses, snake and ladders challenges, ball games, egg and spoon races, and racing activities.

We received positive feedback from the younger students. Paula's class especially enjoyed the moonhoppers, describing them as "fun because we like to bounce and race." Mini soccer was popular because it was "a little bit like soccer, but easier and softer," while leapfrog was enjoyed because students liked "chasing the big kids." The obstacle course was another favourite, with students enjoying the throwing and jumping challenges.



Students from Mary's class shared many positive comments:

"Thank you for sorting out all of the activities this morning." – Blake

"The egg and spoon race was a lot of fun." – Jordie

"The snake and ladders game was fun because it was like a snake made out of obstacles." – Isla

"I liked the racing and dance moves game." – Richie

"Paige was really good at showing us how to do it." – Matilda

"Amity was very good at explaining the game." – Tyler

Many students commented on how helpful and encouraging the Kōtare leaders were, and several thanked them for organising such enjoyable activities. We are incredibly proud of our Kōtare students for their creativity, planning, leadership, and commitment to ensuring everyone could take part and experience success.



Wakefield Health Centre

by Wakefield Health Centre team

Appointments

"I've just got three or four (or more) quick things on my list today".

Our appointments are made for fifteen minutes. For most problems, it is simply not possible to give a quick spot diagnosis and treatment. The most we can deal with effectively and safely is one or two things in the appointment.

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- Keep to 1 or 2 problems per appointment.
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- Book a double appointment if you have a bigger list – it's cheaper than 2 single appointments.
- Book well ahead to get an appointment with your own GP so that you see the doctor who knows you the best.

Enrolling

We have recently changed our enrolment criteria. New patients will still have to meet our geographical criteria ie living south of the Brightwater bridge (full criteria available) however we will now take a patient who is enrolled at another GP Practice in our region. We are able to accept new patients as our latest doctor, Dr Asanga Nanayakkara has capacity for new patients.

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This month we farewell our head kaiako at Wakefield Playcentre. Liz Chandler is moving on to her next adventure. Liz has been our full time teacher at Playcentre since 2020, but was doing one day a week for a long time before that. Never one to say no, Liz has had large lines of children queuing for their face painted by the master artist.

An amazing teacher, Liz makes learning creative, fun and inclusive for all. Liz has not only been there to support our children but also the parents as well. She has supported so many parents in their learning journeys with Playcentre study.

Liz, we will miss your smiling face and calm persona as we arrive at Playcentre next week. You have been an inspiring captain of our ship. You have played a key part in so many of our children's learning and Playcentre experience with many of those children now at School.

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Wakefield Bowls

The George Line Mixed Triples made for another super days play at Wakefield Bowling Club and as always, it was so good to have teams from around the district playing in our tournament.

Di Potts, Barbara McGregor & Neville Scott took the honours.



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The Wakefield School and Community Pool will be holding it's AGM on

Wednesday 30th of September 2026 at 5.30pm in the School Staffroom

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IN THE BUSH

Reporting In From Evie South – President

Greetings to you all, and I bet many of you, like me, are trying to catch up with our own gardens!



**** PICTURE THIS ****

An amazing maintenance day at Faulkner Bush Hillside last month, with a wonderful turnout. As they say, “Many hands make light work”, which was indeed the case as we released our September 2020 plantings from their protectors. It could be compared (maybe?) to “releasing” our very nurtured prodigies into the outside world. As you can imagine, it was quite an emotional time, not only in the work we did but also in remembering our volunteers who were pivotal to this project and have since sadly passed away. Many in our team tell me that the true effect of seeing these trees in their splendour is to view them looking down from the lookout site on the hill.

So, sharing with you some of the photographs taken in 2000 at the start of this project.

If we look a tad weary, that hillside was very steep, and planting was backbreaking, to say the least!!! Not to mention the team (Eric, Chris & Evie) who “transported” the trees, canes and protectors up the hill in readiness for the big push. And Eric, who hand-dug 700 holes for the initial planting.

OUR NEXT

MAINTENANCE DAY

Will be held on Saturday 12th Sept at The Edward Baigent Memorial Scenic Reserve, from 10 am until Noon. We will be removing silt damage caused by flooding along the Wai-iti River and rescuing many of the native trees trapped beneath it.

JOIN OUR TEAM. Have spare time? Join our telephone tree to get updates on our Scenic Reserves maintenance. Regards, Evie. Phone or Txt 027 907 2879. Landline 03 541 8980. No message minder.

Or **Email** tuiville@xtra.co.nz



Willow Bank Heritage Village

by Medea Grieder-George

What a wonderful month it has been at Willow Bank! August got off to a fantastic start with our Swiss Heritage Day, which welcomed just over 400 visitors to the village. The day was filled with Swiss flags, traditional food, mini Fasnacht fun, St Bernard dogs and many displays. It was wonderful to see so many people enjoying the village and celebrating our Swiss connections.

We've also been busy behind the scenes getting ready for our Print Your Own experience using our beautiful 1875 Albion Printing Press. You can come along and have a go at printing your own tea towel, apron, or even bring along your own item to print. It doesn't have to be a tea towel! If you'd like to come and print, get in touch with us to find out more and book your time. It's a fun, hands-on experience and a great way to create something unique. www.willowbankwakefield.co.nz/print/

A big thank you to all our wonderful volunteers, supporters and visitors who help keep Willow Bank buzzing. There's always something happening at the village, and we look forward to welcoming you again soon!

Our Next Open Days

Friday 4 September | 5pm–8pm – Evening Open Day

Sunday 4 October | 10am–3pm

Got a group that needs an outing? Or a special event that needs a little extra magic?

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Wakefield School Gala

The Wakefield School Gala – such a fabulous event in our community!

To clear the way for election weekend, we've decided to bring the magic of the Wakefield School Twilight Gala to you a week early. We would love for you to join us on Saturday, October 31st, from 3:00 pm to 6:30 pm for our annual fundraising gala.

The Wakefield school Gala is always a fabulous time for the community to come together to support our local school. Funds raised are often put towards property projects and extra support in class rooms; schools are increasingly underfunded and fundraising like our gala is crucial to fill the gap.

So please get the 31st October into your diaries! There will be the usual, delicious local food, live entertainment, second-hand stalls, famous silent auction, kids activities and lots more, there really is something for everyone.

Lend a Hand: We'd Love Your Help!

The Gala existing is thanks to our incredible volunteers and we are always looking for more help. Shifts on the day can be short and easy but everything makes a difference. Whether you're keen to serve up treats at a food stall, cheer on the kids at an activity station, or join the friendly cleanup crew, please get in touch by scanning the QR code below.

*This year, we are keen to make our gala more sustainable and are looking to use reusable cutlery and crockery. We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help manage the wash station and help us reduce our environmental footprint.

Support the Silent Auction

Our Silent Auction crew will soon be contacting local businesses. If you would like to personally donate an item, offer a sponsorship, or if you have a lead on a business that would love to be involved, please reach out. Your contributions make a huge difference!

Ways to Get Involved

- Chat with any of our friendly PTC members around the school grounds.
- Send us an email at PTCWakefield@gmail.com
- Scan the QR code below to quickly fill out our volunteer form - we will be in touch to work out the details.



Voting in the General Election

ENROL TO VOTE

Scan QR code
below or visit
vote.nz



There have been some major reforms to the Electoral Act, which have passed unnoticed by many of us. Voters must be registered to vote in their electorate by October 25. You cannot enrol or update your enrolment during the voting period or on election day.

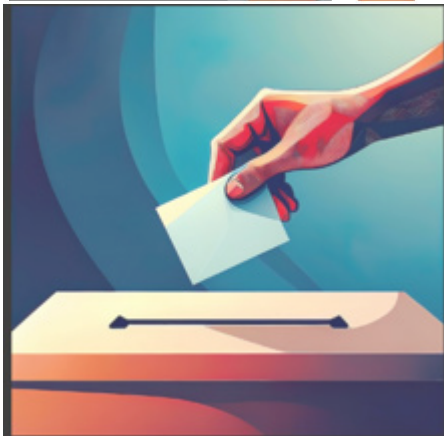
If someone is enrolled in the wrong electorate, their electorate vote will be disallowed. If anyone is not enrolled, they won't be able to vote at all – if they cast a special vote, it will be disallowed.

The Electoral Commission estimates 72,000 voters could end up in the first category and another 55,000 could see their entire ballot disallowed.

If you have shifted from another address in the last few years, check that your address is correctly entered.

You can check online if you are correctly enrolled at vote.nz or you can scan the QR code here to be taken directly to the website.

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Join our eBus Outing

Nelson Model Railway Exhibit

Saturday 5th September

Two departure points; Join us anywhere along route from Nelson or Richmond

R2

11:10 am Depart Nelson Halifax St
11:23 am Via Rocks Rd near Bisley Ave
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R1

11:00 am Departs Richmond Interchange
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021 195 8108

jackie@acnt.org.nz





Wildfires

With Summer on the way and the predicted El Niño, the best time to Prepare is now.

How to Prepare

The below will help you prepare and keep your Family safe, if a Wildfire starts in your Region.

Things to think about

- Keep your Fuel Tank Above Half full, in case of Evacuation.
- Keep your important Documents somewhere easy to Grab in case of Evacuation.
- Have a Grab-n-Go Bag with all your essentials for you and your pets.
- Plan with Friends or Family, Who can you stay with if you get Evacuated?
- Do you have insurance that includes Fire?

Preparedness

- Keep a Clear buffer zone between 10-30M around your house
- Plant Non-Flammable Plants near your house
- Keep Wood Stacked away from the house
- Have a Water tank with approved Firefighting fittings

Finding Info

Finding info is the easy part, but finding the right info can be Tricky.

At Adaptive we would like to make it easy for you to find real information by approved providers:

FENZ has some great information though there "checkitsalright" site, Key this into your web browser for more info:

www.checkitsalright.nz/prepare-for-wildfire

Facebook can have some good info and good community outreach, make sure to follow:

- Nelson Marlborough – Fire and Emergency
- Nelson Tasman Civil Defense



Antenno App

The Antenno App lets you know about what's happening in your area from water and power shut downs to road closures, extreme weather, and your local recycling and rubbish schedule. It also allows you to log complaints with council in just a few clicks.



WAKEFIELD COMMUNITY EVENT

ART EXPO

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SAT. 7TH NOV

10 AM – 3 PM

Wakefield Hall

10 Whitby Way



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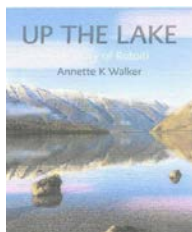


- Knowing the past
- Understanding the present

September gets us thinking about warmer days ahead.

What about a good read with local authors, on a local scenic wonder with its history revealed?

This story is about Lake Rotoiti by Annette Walker with Paul Benseman assisting, and tells of the lake's natural and social history combined with personal accounts of life at the lake.



Annette Walker introduces "Up The Lake" to you.

On September 24th 2026, at 2pm

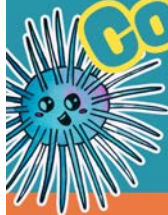
at the Holy Trinity Church Hall, 27 Dorset St, Richmond

Anyone is welcome to attend. Gold coin entry for expenses appreciated. (book sales will also be available @ \$ 60)

Any enquiries 021 542 338



Loopy Tunes concert for Kids



Get ready for Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori and join us for a live, interactive and fun show! It's perfect for tamariki up to 7 years, but everyone is welcome to join the fun.

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Lamentations Ch 3 vs 22b - 23 NKJV



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WAKEFIELD ANGLICAN PARISH COMMUNITY LUNCHES

These are held at the Anglican Worship Centre
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welcome to attend.

A donation to assist with purchasing the food would be
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If attending, and it's possible, please call Liz Massey
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August 20th, September 17th,
October 15th, November 19th

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Wakefield Community Toy Library

WAKEFIELD TOY LIBRARY

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You can share your ideas by emailing us on
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info@higginsheritagepark.co.nz

Post Memory NZ
Sarah Arnold 072 341 7820
postmemorynz@gmail.com

Spring Grove Drill Hall
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Totaradale Golf Club
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1st Sunday of each month

The Worship Centre
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St Johns Worship Centre
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Wai Iti Workshop:
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@ Toy Library, 61 Edward St
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Willowbank Heritage Village
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www.countryplayers.wordpress.com

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Waimea Area Quilters
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Wakefield Bush Restoration Soc Inc
Evie South 541 8980 or 027 907 2879

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Alison 541 8822

Wakefield Website
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Wakefield School PTC
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wcc.chairperson@gmail.com

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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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