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OPUNAKE & COASTAL NEWS

Pastimes closes after many years of dedicated service to Opunake

Rosie Corkill, owner of Pastimes at 87 Tasman Street in Opunake, recently announced that her much-loved books and stationery shop is closing. Rosie opened her shop in November 2001 and her loss to the Coast will be considerable. Pastime's final day will be Monday 31 of July.

Rosie says she will miss the shop and that her staff over the years has been a real asset. "I've had the best staff. I would like to acknowledge all the fantastic staff I have worked with for all their hard work." In particular she mentions Sheryl Roach, a staff member "for any years." Her final dedicated and friendly staff included Karen Dey, Beryl McEwan and Kim Gatenby.

As well as books and stationery, also on display were toys, and wide range of quality gifts, jewellery, postal services, car registration and so much more.

Rosie hopes many people will call by for celebratory barbecue and catchup, to be held outside Pastimes, which will start at 10am and continue until 1pm on Saturday July 29.

While her time as owner of Pastimes has been overwhelmingly positive, there are some aspects which can be challenging, such as: "The hardest thing is finding new stuff to sell," she



Rosie Corkill the owner of Pastimes, Opunake.

explains. There have also been occasional times when breaks in have occurred. She recalls once instance then the thieves broke in by removing part of the building at the back. The criminals were

never located. The final word must go to Rosie: "While I will miss all my regular customers and seeing all the new faces, I've decided to retire and spend my time in our town. I'm sure I will see you around our

wonderful Opunake. After 22 years of Pastimes I have made the tough decision to close our doors. It has been an absolute pleasure to serve the Opunake community - I cannot express enough

how grateful I am for all the ongoing support." She concludes, "We opened Pastimes all those years ago, so please join us on Saturday July 29 for our closing barbecue."

Community Initiative looks to future

The next meeting for the Opunake Community Initiative will be on Thursday, 27 July at 7.00pm at the Opunake Bowling Club

We would very much like to ask for your support at our next community hui. A lot of work has gone on behind the scenes since we last met. We generated considerable

discussion both at the meeting and afterwards and we would really like to step up the momentum and develop some concrete direction from this next meeting.

As a result of all of the feedback that we received, as well as working with agencies and community members including students and youth, we have developed a draft vision to guide the next stage of the initiative.

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Replying to DOC

I just read the response to my letter from DOC in the paper.

We do understand that huts have a limited lifespan. Pouakai Hut was built on the site in 1981, 42 years ago. Mmm, this would mean Holly Hut is the next hut to be placed as it was built in 1974, 49 years ago.

As it seems the Department of Conservation is not interested in recycling, buildings or otherwise. They seem to be very selective in the buildings they choose to pull down or replace as there are many Department of Conservation buildings abandoned in the Egmont

National Park, e.g. the former Search and Rescue building at Dawson Falls, the old Stratford office centre and the staff house there. There are abandoned toilet blocks in several places, e.g. Lucy Gulley, and North Egmont. There are several hunting huts which were used by goat hunters, which as there are no goats left up there now, so DoC say. There is even an old hunter’s hut in the Kaitake Ranges. The question still remains regarding the replacing of the toilet facilities block at Dawson Falls which is way overdue as these are very old and unattractive for so many park-overs, and the ones heading there with the Taranaki Crossing Trip

starting or finishing there.

We will all wait and see with the Department of Conservation new management plan being in the future and is long overdue.

*Ian McAlpine
New Plymouth.*

Ray Cleaver article

I enjoyed the article re Ray Cleaver and his memories (June 29). Ray is such a lovely kind man and it took me back to when I worked for him at The Stratford Press for two years many moons ago as a photographer and reporter for Inglewood’s news. In those days Stratford and Inglewood shared one

community paper. Great memories

*Gail Simons
Inglewood*

To camp or not to camp

There seems to be two differences as to who and where people can or cannot stay or camp in New Plymouth now. I am very sure if me and my mates decided to camp and set up ourselves and vehicles in New Plymouth’s coastal reserves or parks managed by New Plymouth District Council or the Department of Conservation, we would be asked very quickly to move on, especially if we had no environmental toilet.

ADELPHOS

We’ve had ways of authenticating ourselves since the Roman army days. Back in the day they were called “watchwords” and were used as an early means of verification. They were a fast way to identify if someone was friend or foe. I remember using watchwords as a kid playing spy games: mimicking good old James Bond.

The U.S.A. prohibition days of the 1920’s and 30’s saw a further development in authentication. The old watchword system, that had hung around for so long, must have been found inadequate. “Speakeasy” bars, where alcohol was sold illegally, saw the development of a more complex system. In order to

Passwords

get inside the establishment a presented card, code phrase or password had to be given.

Moving forward to 1961, Fernando Corbato created the first digital password. While he was a computer science professor at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, he built a time-sharing computer of giant proportions. Having several users meant they each needed their own private access. What was Fernando’s solution to the problem? Provide individual users with their own password. So, I guess we can blame Fernando when we have computer password woes.

Technology was a particular frustration in our household when our sons

were teenagers back in the mid-2000s. We weren’t tech savvy parents. But we did try. In their twenties they informed us they had downloaded a keylogger. That meant when we changed the password weekly, they had instant access to it. We were not amused, but did laugh, all those years later.

When was the last time you had to change a password because you forgot it? Mine was yesterday. In fact, these days they’ve coined the phrase “password fatigue” to describe how it affects people when they have to change their passwords frequently. More than frustrating, eh? Exasperating! Digital passwords should not be shared but they are. And these days there is such

a thing as “password hygiene.” Apparently New Zealand scores for security and strength are pretty poor, lagging far behind Germany who has the best in both areas.

While “Jesus” is the most common Bible word used in passwords, it is not advisable to use it, as it is easily hacked. However, Jesus gave us a password to the kingdom of God: “I am the way, the truth and the life (and the password is). No one comes to the Father except through me” (John 14:6 NIV). Jesus may not be an advisable password for the digital world, but, He is the password to God the Father and His kingdom.

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Letters to the Editor

It wasn't long ago there was a fuss by the council staff chasing campervans and campers from places where they decided they didn't want them there. It has come to the attention of people passing past the Paritutu Centennial Park that there is person(s) camping there for the past week, including having a fire burning there, while the council staff turn a blind eye to the free camping there.

Why has no-one removed them or is this now part of the New Plymouth District Council management plan to allow camping there now? The question remains at present whether a person(s) are allowed to stop dog-owners running their dogs there now? Question: who manages this land needs to catch it in the bud?

*Ian McAlpine
New Plymouth*



Opunake growth doomed through lack of parking

The effort being put into the town's growth by retailers and customers will come to nothing if we don't sort out our parking problems in Opunake's business area.

There are three points I'd like to make.

Firstly, when the new Four Square development is completed it will restore 6 car parks. This project is very exciting and will be a great asset to the town when completed over the next 6 months or so.

The second point relates to the placing of disability car parks in the business area the suitability of which has changed over the years. We currently have one disability park outside the Four Square that was put there during the time that the building was a doctor's surgery which has been closed for many years. The other is outside the Coastal Greengrocers put there many years ago when

the building was a disability drop in centre. Neither of these sites are appropriate now and need to be changed to better reflect the disability parking needs. I suggest that the disability park on Napier Street by the library remain and another be put outside Farm Source in Tasman Street. The latter would be a great spot for people with disabilities wanting to go to the movies. It is flat and only needs a grate to cover the small drain.

The third point and probably the one that is the biggest problem throughout the world is

shop owners and employees parking outside their own or other retailers premises for long periods of time. There is a very simple rule that if a retailer or staff member parks outside your shop the customers will go somewhere else thus no park, no customer, no job, no business. We should maybe think of putting these four cautions on every parking spot in town as a gentle reminder to think about where you park.

What is the solution? In summary:

- 1 Sort out the disability parking
- 2 Encourage staff to park in the grassed parking area beside the fire station even though a large part of the area is currently being used for storing construction material

for the new supermarket.

3 Arrange for the owners of land behind the old pharmacy to make an area available for staff and retailers to use.

4 Maybe we could set up a rental parking agreement of say \$100 per week with those who are unwilling to comply with 3.

Mostly I would like to see some thought being given by locals when parking as to what effect they will have on efforts to bring in outsiders to town so we can grow.

The town survives during the week on local support but relies on out-of-town people coming to shop and enjoy the town and surrounds such as the beaches, Opunake Lake and Walkway which gives the whole community added revenue.

We are seeing increasing numbers of visitors from out of town coming to enjoy the movies and have something to eat. It is not however a great incentive to come and spend if staff or volunteers park outside the building.

Retailers when parking need to consider where your guest or source of income will park and how far they may have to walk in sometimes very we conditions.

We live in a very exciting time and in a town that people are really enjoying so let's take a positive stance and keep the momentum up to ensure a better place to live and work.

*Clem Coxhead
Opunake*

Community Initiative looks to future

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that their voices are heard and their ideas are given the platform they deserve.

Ultimately, our vision is to provide our young population with not just something to do, but a multitude of meaningful opportunities that enrich their lives, instill a sense of belonging, and contribute to the collective betterment of our vibrant local community.

In a nutshell. Cultivating a thriving and safe, local community in collaboration with our children and youth."

Agenda items. Presentation of student and youth feedback (Andrea, Lorraine, Bianca). Key themes from last meeting (Stephanie McKellar).

Youth Counsellor introduction. Feedback from Natasha Sefton on availability of the

Event Centre for youth and young people.

Ideas for progressing our projects. "Where to next" This will need to be an open floor discussion. We have a lot of goodwill and we need to harness it. Just a reminder that youth need to be part of this, so I will be asking the youth council to attend. It would be great to circulate this invitation to our School Youth Leaders. What worked 10 years ago or even five years ago for youth has changed dramatically. We need some good critical thinking about what these young people want. It may be physical sport but it could just as likely be E Sports. So let's get it right!

Things to consider

We do need this progressed by the community not the schools. We need a group who are passionate enough

to make things happen and lead some meaningful change.

We need to work out how we own this. There is a redevelopment fund for Opunake. How do we as a community get involved and make this work for our community?

We need an action plan. We need leaders. We need fundraisers. We need advocates.

Please do not be put off by this. This can all be broken down into manageable components, if everyone is prepared to do a little. I think our community and young people are worth it.

We will also be looking forward not backwards, so this meeting is about progressing some solid

*Lorraine Williamson
Principal
Opunake Primary School*



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Next Community Meeting

Opunake Bowling Club, Thursday, 27 July 2023, 7.00pm

Cultivating a thriving and safe, local community in collaboration with our children and youth.

We look forward to your continued participation and support at our next hui, and thank you for all the discussion and ideas that have been generated. We want to step up the momentum to guide the next stage of the draft vision that has been developed.

Agenda items include:

- Student and youth feedback
- Key themes from last meeting
- Youth Counsellor introduction
- Event Centre availability
- Ideas for progressing our projects

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Community Board at Te Kiri

At its latest meeting the Taranaki Coastal Community Board voted to defer one funding application while

accepting another.

When the board met at the Te Kiri Hall on July 12 the board considered two appli-

cations for funding from their discretionary fund.

St Pauls Co-Operating Parish in Opunake was applying for \$10,000 to replace and paint rotten boards in the Egmont Youth Camp Hall.

It was noted that the hall is in a central position in Rahoitu and has been used by a number of groups.

Liz Sinclair said the \$10,000 being asked for would be a large part of the money available for funding so suggested the board give a lesser amount to reflect the value of the hall to the community.

Monica Willson said that the Youth Hall was treated

as a separate entity, but came under the ambit of the Co-Operating Church. She said while the hall is something worth supporting more information was needed on how far the other entities of the Co-Operating Church would be prepared to pay for the hall repairs.

The board voted to defer the matter to the next funding round.

The board voted to grant the \$920 asked for from Taranaki Indoor Bowls for hall hire. Cr Aaron Langton said while it was good to set things up for groups like this there needed to be an expectation that in future these groups

would have to find the funds themselves.

South Taranaki District Council group manager community services Rob Haveswood spoke about progress on the Manaia Community Facility. A business case is being put together bringing together the South Taranaki District Council, Te Korowai o Ngaruahine and the Manaia community. He said the business case is going to consultants to look at, and Te Korowai has a roadshow coming up to communicate with the hapu and the wider community.

“A lot is happening behind the scenes but it’s not in the

public domain yet,” he said.

South Taranaki District mayor Phil Nixon said while there was less money made available for the Mayors Taskforce for Jobs he thought they could operate a good operation with the smaller amount of funding.

“There are 70 young people in sustainable employment now that may not have been,” he said.

Liz Sinclair said the council might look at holding a workshop for those less technically minded in how to use the antenna app, a Council app which enables people to report matters of concern to the Council.

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EU-backed delegation heads to Lithuania

A Taranaki delegation is heading to Europe to continue its two-year work programme to create a low emissions project with a region in the northern hemisphere as the province transitions to a low emissions future.

Hiringa Energy, Ara Ake, Venture Taranaki, and the New Plymouth District Council all have representatives on the work programme, which started in September 2021.

It is largely funded by the European Union (EU) and pairs regions with similar economic profiles to work together on low carbon solutions.

To date the programme has included more than 20 education sessions facilitated by an independent academic where the two partners considered potential opportunities including the 2050 Taranaki roadmap, hydrogen future, wastewater (thermal dryer), partnerships and local participation.

Opportunities around transport, emissions reductions, waste to energy, infrastructure decarbonisation, renewable energy, greener neighbourhoods, and our central city strategy were also looked at.

In July last year the EU



In 2022 delegates from the Vilnius region of Lithuania were part of a EU-funded delegation to Taranaki, which included a visit to Hiringa Energy.

ambassador to New Zealand visited the province and the team from the Vilnius region in Lithuania took part in a Taranaki education session.

Executive Director of Hiringa Energy Catherine Clennett says the project is a timely opportunity for both Taranaki and Aotearoa New Zealand to demonstrate their emerging leadership in green hydrogen technology deployment.

“This year’s devastating climatic events have highlighted the urgent need to create resilient communities powered by sustainable and clean energy sources.

“Safe and clean hydrogen-fuelled vehicles are just starting to travel our roads, but it will take the will of our whole community – both private and public organisations and people to accelerate this transition to a low carbon future.”

“Hiringa is building the renewable generation and infrastructure to supply the green hydrogen required, and we are fortunate that we have the right skills and experience, and the pragmatic “can do” attitude required here in Taranaki,” Catherine Clennett says.

“We have much to both learn from and offer our European partners and we look forward to implementing real and meaningful projects as a

result.”

Venture Taranaki Chief Executive Kelvin Wright said this unique opportunity has the potential for significant benefits for both Taranaki and Vilnius in Lithuania.

“The delegation’s journey showcases that we can tackle global issues and establish a mutually beneficial partnership through international collaboration. By joining forces with Lithuania, a leader in renewable energy innovation, we have the opportunity to share knowledge, leverage our joint expertise, and accelerate the implementation of innovative solutions in both countries.

“Lithuania has expressed an interest in understanding our pioneering Taranaki 2050 Roadmap and how this is driving our decarbonisation and regional development, whereas we’re interested in forming a relationship with a country that has extensive experience in renewable energy systems such as bioenergy and how that can be deployed in Taranaki.”

Ara Ake Head of Policy, Research and Insights Jonathan Young says following the EU Ambassador Nina Obermaier’s visit to New Plymouth last year, Ara Ake has been active in building

connections with European innovators in the energy sector.

“Currently we have three collaborative projects with European innovators to accelerate decarbonisation in New Zealand and Europe. This visit to Lithuania will further strengthen our relationship with Europe and explore opportunities for collaboration, improving the transfer of innovative technologies to and from New Zealand. Ara Ake now leads the Enterprise Europe Network for New Zealand, which enables business to business relationship building between New Zealand and the EU.”

New Plymouth District Deputy Mayor David Bublitz says the EU are leading the way in sustainable living and have cutting edge research and technical experts at their fingertips while Vilnius is a major player in the Baltic region in transitioning its economy and has been heavily backed by the extensive EU funding.

“As Taranaki looks for alternatives and improvements to our traditional energy and agriculture sectors, the European-funded programme has seen us paired with the Lithuanian region of Vilnius, which has lofty goals to be a climate-neutral city by 2030.

“We have a short-term goal to agree a joint pilot project and a long-term goal of potentially unlocking some funds to help our region transition. Pilot opportunities with Vilnius include options around rubbish recycling, greener neighbourhoods, hydrogen energy and collaborative engagement through online platforms,” David Bublitz said.

Citizen Leather has reached Opunake

Feilding's loss is Opunake's gain as skilled leather crafter Layla Cann is now plying her trade on the Coast. For the past 18 months or so she has been

Fox Street. However, soon Layla will be taking her leatherworking enterprise to the premises where Pastimes is now, at 87 Tasman Street. Initially, the doors

cycling her leather items, but later on she'll likely opt for longer hours. Explaining the shortened hours she comments, "You don't get anything done if the doors

years. "I sort of fell into it when my third child came along." She adds, "I love leather work, hugely." She appreciates everything about leather – the aroma, feel of it and often the sentimental aspects, such as the restored Hepworth leather coat her father once owned.

Much of her work is on commission. For example, someone will bring in an item of sentimental value – maybe once belonging to a loved one who has passed away – and Layla will weave her magic. A leather jacket may be recycled (for example) into a bag, which will act as a constant reminder of happy memories.

Layla doesn't just work with leather, as such materials as tweed jackets, swanndris, wools, textiles and even old curtains can be recycled. An old curtain has been fashioned into an excellent inside lining for one of her bags.

Although bags maybe predominate numerically, Layla works with a wide variety of things including leather couches and even shoes, although she is quick to point out that she is not a cobbler. She has found the purchase of an industrial sewing machine very useful. "I had to teach myself," she comments.

Layla prides herself on virtually always being able to recycle an item, of sentimental value, into something worthwhile, no matter how worn and damaged. "Only about 3% of items I am unable to

do something with," she explains.

Layla will be stocking leather care items for shoes, furniture and leather jackets. Layla, who is keenly aware of environmental issues and the impact of climate change, is keen to delve even deeper into the recycling aspect, with a message for everyone

and especially children that we can minimise waste and recycle just about anything.

Maybe her Tasman Street premises could be used for workshops to underline this theme with tuition in the ways of optimizing recycling and minimising waste.



Layla Cann with the leather Hepworth coat belonging to her father that she lovingly restored. In the picture to the right he is wearing the same coat while holding Layla as a baby. Also in the picture is one of her leather bags.

working from her workshop at her home. She and her partner Phil, along with their two children, live in

will be open just two days a week, likely Fridays and Saturdays, to allow Layla to work at repurposing or up-

are open all the time." Layla is self-taught and work with leather has been her passion for about 15

PKE supplier linked to dairy industry

Greenpeace Aotearoa is calling on the dairy industry to end its use of palm kernel expeller (PKE), after the Indonesian Medan City offices of New Zealand's primary supplier Wilmar International were raided with cash and assets seized as part of a corruption case connected to palm oil exports.

PKE is a product of the palm oil industry. Christine Rose, lead agriculture campaigner at Greenpeace Aotearoa, says "New Zealand is the world's largest user of PKE, at around two million tonnes a year worth over \$800 million, where it is fed to dairy cows. It is used to drive the NZ dairy industry's intensive stocking rates beyond the natural limits of the land. And the industry's main supplier, Wilmar International, is now implicated in corruption. The company already has

established links to illegal palm oil production, driving rainforest destruction, biodiversity loss and wildfires."

"The intensive dairy industry is our biggest climate polluter, with dairy cattle alone producing a quarter of our country's emissions. The industry relies on imported palm kernel expeller to achieve these high stocking rates.

"This summer, we saw the impacts of climate change firsthand. Farmers in the South Island were on the frontlines of intense drought, while in the North Island, flooding as a result of Cyclone Gabrielle devastated entire communities," says Rose.

"Ultimately, we need to phase out imported feeds like PKE. They're enabling industrial dairy at a level that is not only superheating the climate but also polluting rivers and contaminating

rural communities' drinking water. All political parties should recognise that the dairy industry's primary PKE supplier being implicated in corruption is yet another canary in the coal mine - it's time to support New Zealand farmers to transition to ecological farming methods that don't rely on harmful inputs like PKE."

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When the temperatures drop, the risk of house fires goes up

With winter well underway, most New Zealanders have already dug out the woollen blankets, dusted off the heaters or stocked up on firewood to keep warm over the winter months, however, according to State, the drop in temperatures also sees an increase in house fires.

The last three years has seen a 16% increase in the number of fire claims between the summer and winter months with a nearly 20% increase in the cost of those claims.

The leading cause of fires in the home starts in the kitchen. These fires are being caused by kitchen appliances or unattended stovetops and ovens, however, the number of fireplace related fire claims in winter increased by 80% along with a 70% increase in fire claims resulting from heating sources, such as heaters and electric blankets.

State's Executive General Manager Claims, Wayne Tippet says it's important to keep fire safety in mind when heating your home. "As the temperatures drop, and New Zealanders start using their heating appliances and open fires more frequently, we see a concerning increase in house fires. Winter brings a



A recent house fire in Opunake,

unique set of fire dangers, and we want New Zealanders to be aware of some of the potential risks and the safety precautions you can take to avoid them."

A fireplace is probably the only place in your home where you'd want to have a fire, but it's important to dispose of the ashes safely, have your fireplace cleaned regularly, and ensure a fireguard is always used when the fire is lit.

Your heaters should also be in good condition with no faults or safety issues, have at least a metre of clear space around them while in use, and clothing should not be

placed on top of them to dry.

According to claims made by State customers, the top five fire claims in winter are:

1. Kitchen fires (eg unattended cooking and kitchen appliances)
2. Fireplace fires (eg chimney/roof fire or embers re-igniting)
3. Carpet fires (eg embers and sparks from the fireplace)
4. Garage fires (eg charging and electric faults)
5. Heating fires (eg heaters and electric blankets)

Interestingly, only 3% of the house fire claims State received involved the use of

a fire extinguisher, however, on average the cost of these claims was nearly \$50,000 less.

So, in addition to having appropriate smoke alarms and testing them regularly, having an appropriate type of fire extinguisher and knowing how to use it can make a big difference to the damage caused.

"While insurance is there to cover you for the loss or damage of your home or possessions in the event of a fire, we can't replace customer's sentimental items that can often mean the most.

"The first priority is always

making sure to keep you and everyone in your home safe. In the case of a fire, you should get out of the house and call 111. It's also important to look at how you can reduce the fire risk in your home to help keep everyone safe," says Wayne.

Follow these 10 simple fire safety tips to help keep you, your whanau or flatmates safe.

1. Heaters – ensure at least a metre of clear space surrounding heaters while in use, and never dry clothing and other items on top of heaters.

2. Clothes dryers – clean the lint filter before every use to avoid lint build-up and risk of fire.

3. Indoor fires - have your fireplace cleaned before you light the first fire of the season, always use a fireguard or spark guard when the fire is lit, and keep matches and lighters out of reach of children.

4. Hot ashes – these can take up to five days to cool completely so make sure they are left to cool before disposing of them in a metal bin, away from anything flammable, and use a lid or pour water over them to keep them contained.

5. Electric blankets - check

for hotspots in your blanket before you use it and always turn it off before going to sleep.

6. Multi-plugs – take care not to overload a multi plug and check that electrical cords aren't frayed or damaged.

7. Cooking - don't leave the room while cooking - if you need to, remember to switch off before you walk off.

8. Candles – these can add a lovely ambience to a home in winter but you should never leave candles unattended or near anything flammable.

9. Smoke Alarms - keep your smoke alarms in good working order and test them regularly to ensure they're working - it's the first thing that's going to let you know that there's a fire.

10. Fire extinguishers and fire blankets – keep a fire extinguisher and fire blanket handy and make sure you know how to use them. There are different types of extinguishers for different fires, ensure you have the most appropriate type for the area its kept. Fire blankets are useful for covering cooking related fires so are best kept close to your kitchen.

Early Christmas in Kaponga

In July the Kaponga WI met for a mid-winter Christmas celebration with the hall looking spectacular with a Christmas theme. Dorothy Hughes did a wonderful job leading the day standing in for Jo Ellis to begin with. A beautiful Christmas lunch was enjoyed after the meeting.

The thought for the month

was "Practice random acts of kindness."

Members were reminded about the Mid-winter catch up hosted by Federation on July 18 in Kapuni and several are attending. A good collection of cooking and food donations were collected to go to the Hawkes Bay relief cause as many of their residents are

still struggling to manage after the devastation.

The Jubilee Dish was given to Margaret Arbuckle after her shoe shopping story. We have to wonder why anyone needs two pairs of shoes the same.

The raffle was won by Fiona Collins.

Competition results. Coin or note from another country. 1. Julie Gillanders. 2

Nancy Stokes and Carolyn Nicholas. 3. Joy Eliason. Three Pikelets. 1. Fiona Collins. 2. Diane West. Keyring.

1. Gillian Frandsen. 2. Diane West. 3. Margaret Arbuckle. After lunch we had some Christmas themed activities including a quiz which really stretched our brain power. We did some portrait drawings of each other and



Table of hand-made Christmas treasures.

there is a very good reason why none of Kaponga WI members became artists as a career. A Christmas gift exchange was loads of fun and yummy chocolates were shared before we all set off home after a great early Christmas celebration.

Thanks must go to our two lovely hostesses Dot Hughes and Joy Eliason for all the work they put in.

Carolyn Nicholas

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Opunake Loop Trail

On June 20 the Opunake Loop Trail Committee held their AGM. Chair. To be announced.– TBA
 Secretary – Esther Ward-Campbell. Treasurer – Aretha McAdam
 Congratulations to those who have been elected. Thank you also to those departing who have generously volunteered their time whilst in office.
 After the AGM we held the committee meeting to discuss what is happening so far within each sub-committee.

.Planting. Plants have been delivered for this season. Opunake High School have kindly donated 250 plants and Trees that Count 1,000.
 Maintenance. New signs for certain areas will be placed. replacement signs for damaged ones will be put up and the old Opunake



The Opunake High School working bee at the Waiaua River.

Walkway signs removed. Repair work will be undertaken in certain areas

as well. Publicity. Social media posts have been put up due

to plants being taken from areas. A social media post will be put up asking the

community for ideas on what they would like to see around the trail.

Hurst Park. Ask the community for feedback as to what they would like to see in this area.
 Development. Jobs to do include the slip by the tail race, the drain down from Farmlands and concrete under the Otahi Road Bridge
 The committee would like to thank the Toi Foundation and Lions Clubs Lloyd Morgan Foundation for their very generous donations that have helped immensely with projects around the trail.
 As a committee we love to hear all the positive comments from users of this wonderful asset and look forward to hearing even more great feedback for years to come.

Opunake Loop Trail Committee

Better self-care better healthcare better welfare globally

International Self-Care month 2023 opened with an ambitious joint statement of intent from the United for Self-Care Coalition: “It’s time to put self-care at the front of the healthcare debate”. The Global Self-Care Federation (GSCF) is calling for all stakeholders to back the urgent adoption of a WHO resolution on self-care. A rise in chronic conditions, an aging population, and the COVID-19 pandemic have all impacted already-overstretched resources

over the past few years and proven how crucial it is to codify self-care at international level. It is imperative to preserve the momentum and empower individuals to manage their own health while lessening burdens on health systems globally.
 The resolution would drive a significant increase in the expansion of self-care both within the WHO and at the national level and accelerate the achievement of universal health coverage (UHC).

There is no time to waste. International Self-Care month is recognised annually between June 24 - July 24, is part of the WHO’s global health calendar. It symbolically culminates on July 24, as a demonstration that individuals can practice self-care 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Self-care is any action an individual takes to look after their own health either alone or in collaboration with healthcare professionals. At the end of 2021, GSCF

and 17 like-minded organizations formed the United for Self-Care Coalition. This global coalition includes NGOs, academic institutions and health workers’ associations, and is united by the shared desire to advance progress towards UHC. This goal that can only be achieved by working at a global level in order to formally recognise the value that self-care can bring in terms of access to care, quality of treatment and resilience of health systems.

Judy Stenmark, Director General of GSCF said, “With the growing cost of living crisis and increasing pressures on global supply chains, health systems are continually under-resourced as health workers become overworked. Evidence-based research has already clearly showed that self-care is often the only option for vulnerable people to engage with health services. Our own reports have further confirmed that current self-care practices contribute to

a gain of 22 million quality-adjusted life years, and health system annual savings of \$120 billion.”
 Universal health care cannot be achieved without high quality and wide-spread self-care. Self-care puts individuals at the centre of health policy. The United for Self-Care Coalition is calling for all supporters to take up the call for a WHO resolution on self-care:

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Taxing the givers

Kiwis are a big-hearted bunch. As National's Spokesperson for Conservation, I have had first-hand opportunity during the past six months to see how generous individuals, families and businesses across the country are looking after our unique biodiversity. Historically, the Department of Conservation has always



BARBARA KURIGER MP
TARANAKI-KING COUNTRY

taken care of these needs, but the increased scale of expectations makes it impossible for DOC to fund these alone. For months now there has been a lot of talk about wealth and capital gains taxes in the political arena. And while the Prime Minister quashed the idea last month if they are still in government after the

election, I question the merit of either tax. Surely those who generate such hard-earned wealth are best placed to decide how that wealth is used. Because I can already see the drop in funding for many causes — conservation, environment or otherwise — if this wealth was forced through bureaucracy. A large proportion of it going on administration costs and little ending up, where those who earned it, wanted it to go. In my electorate there are many notable examples of very benevolent families and individuals enabling their communities to build and acquire assets they would otherwise struggle to achieve. In one of these communities, locals have donated substantially to build a medical centre, dementia unit and buy a new ambulance for their town. In another, a family has set up a foundation to give grants which will forever

benefit the health, wellbeing, and education of the people in their region. Then there is the great national example of the New Zealand Nature Fund. This initiative raises significant funds from private investors and donors for the effective protection and restoration of our biodiversity at scale, in the wild, for the generations to come. Established in 2020, the New Zealand Nature Fund is the registered brand name for NZ National Parks & Conservation Foundation and a registered charity. You can't convince me the endeavours for these communities and the betterment of our nation's biodiversity would have been achieved by filtering their money through government departments. Meanwhile the Greens continue to propose wealth taxes on one hand and biodiversity credits based on philanthropy on the other. You will see the

contradiction as the two proposals are totally at odds with each other — another perfect example of them trying to have their cake and eat it too. Don't get me wrong, I'm a strong believer in biodiversity credits, but these can be set up, so they are paid for by offsets. There are examples of this in Australia — a country that uses so many more of its natural resources than we do. In areas like New South Wales biodiversity credits are purchased to offset infrastructure and industry. Wouldn't it be great to have the same credits for the vast amount of work already done here by our food producers and farmers.

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Fixing potholes



Carl Bates, National Party Candidate for the Whanganui Electorate, was the guest auctioneer for the Te Kiri Hall fundraising quiz. A few quick jibes and some great skills on Carl's part meant an entertaining time and a good result for some critical hall maintenance.

Since I was selected as National Party candidate for the Whanganui in February,

I've spent a lot of time driving around the electorate. From State Highway Three to the many roads that make up South Taranaki and Stratford's roading network, it's fair to say the roads are in a pretty sorry state.

I'm yet to blow a tyre or bend a rim from hitting a pothole unexpectedly, but I've had a close shave or two, especially at night. If I am elected to Parliament in October, I will be doing a whole lot more driving, so you can imagine my delight when Simeon Brown and Christopher Luxon released National's "Pothole Policy" on Sunday.

If National becomes the government in October, we will establish a Pothole Repair Fund to urgently address the shocking state of our local roads and state highways. We will put aside \$500 million over three years to repair potholes, and the target time for repairs to be effected

will drop from 48 hours to 24 hours.

Potholes are a safety hazard and have, in recent times, been causing significant damage and disruption both for the movement of freight, and for motorists all around New Zealand. In an electorate like Whanganui where significant volumes of primary produce are being moved, this is an important consideration.

Rather than wasting money on slowing people down, giant red zeros, or expensive transport projects nobody wants, like the \$30 billion Auckland light rail project, National will focus on fixing and enhancing our roading network to ensure people and freight can move around the country safely and efficiently. It's an important part of National's commitment to get New Zealand back on track.

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Stop cuddling the criminals says ACT

A meeting of three ACT politicians was held on Monday July 17 (midday) at Hawera's Hub. The well-attended meeting, numbering about 65 people, heard from Mark Cameron MP, ACT's Primary Industries Spokesperson, Nicole McKee MP, Spokesperson for Justice, Conservation and Firearms and Andrew Hoggard, ACT candidate. All three politicians spoke very well and forcefully on a very wide range of issues. There was ample time for questions at the end of the speeches.

Mark opened with a question: Who understands what co-governance means? He made it clear it was not something that he or his party supports, pointing out that New Zealand is a multi-cultural society. "It is a nonsense; co-governance is against what everyone stands for."

He also asked the audience: how many of you have been affected by crime? Looking at the number of raised arms he commented, "Wow that's a substantial number for a small town."

He commented "Labour said we have to cuddle up to the criminals." He quoted various statistics showing that crime is getting worse in the nation, such as a 130% increase in the number of gang members legally obliged to wear ankle bracelets and a 700% increase in youth gang membership.

He admitted that crime is linked to such things as unhealthy housing and education deficits for young people. "If we don't give kids something to aspire to" there is trouble, He concluded, "We want to give the message that crime does not pay. Cuddling the criminals does not work."

Nicole McKee made it clear she is not impressed with so-called cultural discounts for convicted criminals – sometimes as much as a 70% reduction in sentence is granted. She pointed out that everyone should receive equal treatment regardless of their race.

She said that the age for prosecution as an adult should be lowered to 17, especially for offenders who commit serious crimes.

She mentioned her



The recent ACT Party meeting at Hawera's Hub.

parliamentary bill which would allow the seizure of assets gained through illegal activity, including not just cash, but also drugs and firearms.



Mark Cameron MP, Primary Industries Spokesperson.

She expressed her dislike of the current firearms legislation. "We've been blamed (licensed firearms owners) for gangs getting guns. I find that insulting, as a firearm owner myself."

She was shocked at the cost of the recently announced relicensing requirements, which will cost taxpayers \$208 million, "which will not keep New Zealanders safe."

She concluded, "It is the person using the gun which is the issue, not the firearm itself."

Andrew Hoggard, who is well-known as a leader in the farming sector, bemoaned the current 12% interest rates and the harm it is doing to farmers, as well as the inflationary cost of living. He was also opposed to the raft of extra regulations which farmers and small businesses have to comply with.

He is shocked at the increased indebtedness that the nation is in. "We are 97

billion dollars more in debt over the last five years – that is huge." Part of the solution, he considers, is "stopping the waste." He mentioned the extra money voted for health, "Has anyone seen this money?" he queried.

He was also critical of the money paid to expert advisors, a total of \$106 million, with another \$176 million set aside in the immediate future.

He was also concerned about the increase in bureaucrats in the public sector from 47,000 a while ago to 60,000 now – more waste. "And most of them are on a six-figure salary."

He concluded, "There's all this extra spending and it's just being wasted."

As regards the farming sector he saw three major areas of concern: Firstly, there was the Resource Management Act (RMA), which has required expensive and lengthy consulting demands – with an even worse replacement, in the legislative wings, the Natural and Built Environment Bill whereby rules will be set in Wellington and co-governed Regional Planning Committees carrying out the implementation.

Secondly, there were the issues affecting farmers, such as water reform, nitrates emission, winter grazing and stock numbers; all were problematic as regards the current Government's legislative handling of them. Thirdly was the need to keep things local - not to move everything to central control. "You have people elsewhere, who are

learning more appealing to students. Also bringing back Charter Schools would also be beneficial.

One person was not keen on the Te Reo Maori input



Andrew Hoggard, ACT candidate.

of crime. "The whole emphasis has gone on criminals and the victims are left behind."

Someone suggested that our police should carry firearms and there should be more police numbers. Nicole was concerned that police numbers had increased, but they were not on the beat. "We have too many police sitting at desks, rather than on the street solving crime. They should get out from behind desks and out on the streets."

Mark's final message



Nicole McKee MP Justice, Conservation and Firearms Spokesperson.

was about the importance of voting. "Apathy is our biggest enemy. About half of New Zealanders do not vote. If we want change we have to be part of the process."



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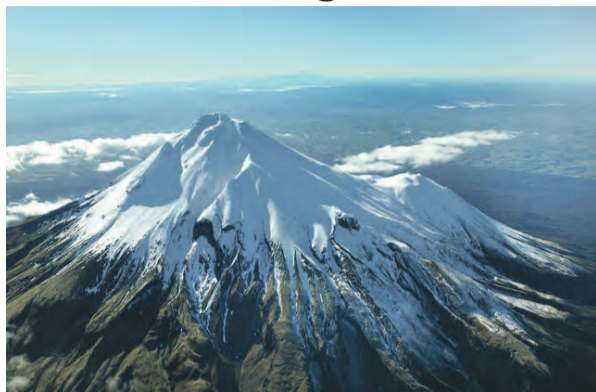
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Call to end corporate boxing matches for charity

A retired doctor is calling for an end to corporate boxing matches, following the death of a family member due to a severe head injury obtained in a charity boxing bout. Novice fights are significantly more dangerous than fights between trained graded amateur or professional boxers, and head trauma has a proven association with severe long term neurological disease. While it's not possible to ban corporate/ charity boxing without a law change, the author believes that a clear position statement from local medical authorities would be a good place to start. Ultimately, the ethics of raising funds by deliberately attempting to induce concussion in an opponent needs to be reassessed.

Journal/conference: New Zealand Medical Journal

Corporate boxing matches are promoted as a good method to raise money for charity. Because the fighters are novices of unknown potential, these fights are significantly more dangerous than fights between trained graded amateur or professional boxers. In contact sports, head trauma and concussion have a proven association with severe long term neurological disease. To try and raise funding for charity by promotion of deliberate attempts to induce concussion in an opponent is unethical and nonsensical.

Pasifika Medical Association Group

Mangatoki WI

The May meeting of the Mangatoki WI was attended by 10 members and was held over lunch at Indian Zaika Restaurant in Hawera and afterwards six members went to see a love story movie "80 for Brady" at the Cinema 2 Complex, Hawera. Later in May, a group of members and husbands had an evening dinner at Shads Restaurant in Hawera.

On June 7 members carpoled for a trip to New Plymouth. Eleven of us met up at Hospice Taranaki and there was a talk about the Hospice by Rose. After coffee and slices, we were given a guided tour of the place inside and out. At the end of the tour, our stand-in president, Olywn Duthie, presented \$1,000, a donation able to be made from money raised from members' handiworks sales and made up to \$1,000 from our funds. Lunch was then had at Bach on Breakwater Café & Restaurant by the waterfront. After our lovely lunch, we headed to Bowlrama and had a game between the two teams that were formed. Four members put together 45 bagged lunches for the Vintage Machinery Day. The Eltham Vets kindly donated the bags needed. Two members attended Volunteers Day morning tea at Lake Rotokare.

Eleven members and two grandchildren attended the July meeting at Hawera's Tairoa Lodge. We had a very tasty finger food lunch, after which, three of us went to see the movie Indiana Jones. The others were busy around town that afternoon. Our competition was favourite earrings.

Denise Carter
Secretary
Mangatoki WI --

Top tips for growing strawberries



Top tips for growing strawberries

There is not a fruit that captures the essence of summer better than strawberries. Planting in winter means they have plenty of time to get established to ensure a bumper harvest come summer.

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strawberries?

Plant in a sunny area. You will get the best flavour from strawberries that are planted in a sunny spot.

Give them some space. Strawberries like to have at least 30cm of depth in the soil and at least 40cm between each row.

Don't drown the strawberries. Strawberries

don't like to be waterlogged. Planting strawberries in small mounds will help prevent the soil from becoming too damp.

You can create the perfect growing conditions by minimising weeds, using Tui strawberry mix and fertiliser, and then adding a layer of barley straw to protect from the elements.

Pick the first flowers that come up on your strawberry plants as this will promote better growth.

When flowers appear, this is the crucial stage where the plant will require the energy to focus on producing healthy fruit. A complete fertiliser high in potash will be the most effective.

Remove the runners (offshoots) of the strawberry plant. A young strawberry plant will not fruit as well if the runners aren't removed as they use up too much energy.

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Arthur J. Gilmour of Manaia. PAColl-9454-01, Alexander Turnbull Library, Wellington, N.Z. glasses we could see trees growing away up on its slopes. On the beach was a light house and nearby a large farm house with huge outhouses close by. We did not see any other sign of life on this large island.

We expect to sight land again to-night and in a day or two will make a call at the usual stopping place for our troopships.

We had a great parade through the streets in Wellington before leaving and a great send-off at the wharfs. There were thousands of people there and it was a great sight to see the flutter of handkerchiefs as we left.

I had quite a number to see me off. A friend of Sylvia's handed me a nice box of home made sweets which we found very nice indeed. Mabel gave me some nice oranges and sweets and I think a small cake. Sylvia gave me some handkerchiefs which she had made and a cake which dropped into the sea when I was saying goodbye to them all. However she was good enough to find another cake and had it sent out by a small mail boat to our troopship and I got the cake on Sunday morning.

The men have all fallen in for church parade to-day but I am boat-deck sergeant to-day and have to stay on this deck and see that the fatigue men sweep it thoroughly so I miss the parade to-day. We have our Chaplain on board, an Anglican chaplain. They

are holding three services to-day, the chaplain takes one, Captain Neville takes another and two Roman Catholic lieutenants are taking another.

Our companion ship keeps close at hand, but not close enough to distinguish faces. I may see Boyd at our first port of call if we happen to get leave. I think we will at least go on shore for a route march.

One day on board is the same as another. We are not allowed much time in our cabins other than at meal times and during sleeping hours. We got up at 6 a.m. and have a gargle parade every morning at 6.30. We have a good deal of physical drill, and are learning signalling and sometimes do rifle exercises. They are showing us how to tie knots, but why I don't know. Yesterday we had life-boat drill, but there are boats for only about a quarter of the men. They have drawn for these men and if anything does happen to the boat, which isn't likely, the rest will have to do the "Burkenhead Act". Anyway one boat is always handy to the other. I was down in the engine room the other night and it is huge; we go only about three quarters speed in order to economise with the coal and also to allow the other boat to keep up with us. The other boat is smaller than ours and tosses a lot more in the sea so I am luckier than Boyd. I think they will have more sea-sickness than we are having.

There is plenty of good-natured fun on board and some very amusing incidents. They give out thousands of oranges to us and at first there was a general scramble for them and boxes, oranges and men were mixed up in all directions; but lately they have given them out separately to each man and consequently each one gets his fair share and there is less of a jumble. The other day the waves were coming right over the top of the forward deck of the ship

and once there was a very amusing incident. Men were rushing in all directions to dodge one wave and "Kitchener" – a pet bulldog – got tangled up around one man's legs with the result that man and bull-dog tumbled over and did some rather neat somersaults along the deck. The food on board is excellent and there is plenty of it. There are two big mess rooms and two companies share each of these mess rooms. Each company goes down in turn and this week we go down for the first relay, B Coy going down first.

There are no show rooms on board for concerts and all the amusements are on deck. They have one piano for the men and in the

evenings there is usually a good crowd round it. Everyone here is everyone else's friend and there is very good feeling right throughout the ship. There was great excitement when we sighted land the other day; I had an excellent view and was fortunate enough to have a companion with a good pair of field glasses. To-day is beautiful, there is nothing much to see except our companion boat, the birds which always follow the boat and an occasional shoal of porpoises.

I had a great budget of letters and telegrams before leaving and father gave me your letter to read after getting on board. Of course they would tell you all about our departure so I

needn't say anything about that. We were inspected by the Governor on the Friday before leaving Trentham and I think he was pleased with us.

Well I think I had better close just now, please give my best regards to Grandma and aunts and to the Meulis and Bridges and other friends.

I will write again from our next port of call. Hoping that you are all well and that I will soon get news from you all.

I remain Your affectionate son, Arthur.

P.S. Of course Father & Mabel will be back long before you receive [this], they will give you the Wellington news.

In this undated letter to his mother, Arthur has finally, after months of preparation, departed for war. He was part of the Sixth Reinforcements, which left New Zealand on 14th August 1915 on the ships Willochra and Tofua, headed for Suez, Egypt.

Having visited home before departure, Arthur is seen off from Wellington by his father, sister and friends, including his young friend Sylvia Cederholm, who gifted him handsewn handkerchiefs and a cake which dropped into the sea. In a remarkable feat, Sylvia found another cake to have sent out to the troopship by mail boat, and the cake reached Arthur in the morning.

Arthur paints a jovial picture of camaraderie on the ship, peppered with amusing incidents which contrast with the dark revelation that there are not enough lifeboats for all of the soldiers on board.

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My dear Mother,
Our mail closes at noon to-morrow so I have quite a lot of letters to write between now and then. We have been at sea just over a week now and have been very fortunate as regards weather, the sea has been a bit choppy occasionally but never anything serious. I haven't been at all sea-sick and have kept very well since coming on board. Last Tuesday was just a trifle rough and a good number of the men were sick. My cabin is right over the stern of the vessel and gets a good deal of shaking but I have got quite used to the motion of the boat and don't notice the shaking now. I know lots on board, which is a very great help, the time passes quickly if one has plenty of friends.

Early on Thursday we sighted land and shortly after passed through some 'straights' [sic]. To our right were some hilly islands and to the left was a larger land (Mr Wheeldon's favourite land). The land on the left was undulating, with a gentle slope towards a sandy beach and away in the background were mountains, among them being one particularly well formed and looking through

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He has been building up his supply of stock for the last four months.

“We’re finding out what the town needs for their building supplies so we can provide them with whatever they need,” says Shaun.

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A building supplies store for Opunake.

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a 42km drive to Hawera.

“It’s a long way to get product so we’re providing a convenience for the community,” says Shaun. He says he caters for any type of building job whether it’s commercial, rural, residential, a new home, extensions, driveways, concreting or anything else. “Basically all aspects,” says Shaun.

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someone is looking for they will get it.

Shaun began his building career with a two-year apprenticeship with Mark Tatham, followed by three and a half years with Cleland Construction. He qualified in January 2011 and eight months later went into business on his own when he started Taranaki Building Ltd. He started off working out of a van and renting, all the while building up the business “at a gradual pace.”

He now has three apprentices working for him, one in his third year and two in their second, as well as two qualified builders in addition to himself. Looking after the shop at the building supplies store is his wife Mel.

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Inside the store.

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Emily's secret to a thriving dairy farm

Meet Emily Steiner, a dairy farmer from Edgecumbe in the Bay of Plenty. Emily operates a high-input farm that requires year-round milk production, resulting in a lot of slurry. However, managing the farm's effluent was a constant challenge for Emily and her team.

Years ago, they used traditional irrigation methods, but these had issues. They required constant monitoring, had uneven application, could only be used in one part of the farm, and posed a risk of



MICHAEL PRESTIDGE contaminating waterways. Faced with these challenges, Emily decided to invest in a Nevada slurry tanker.

'We've got a lot of canals and drains to watch out for. The tanker lets us spread when and where we want without risking getting into waterways.'

The slurry tanker has proven to be a game-changer for Emily's farm. It allows her and her staff to spread the slurry all over the farm with ease and control the application, avoiding contamination of waterways. The tanker quickly became an essential tool for the farm,



A Slurry tanker has proved a game changer for Bay of Plenty farmer Emily Steiner.

and over the years, it has been used more and more.

'It gets used so much we just decided it was time to upgrade to a new one. The

farm has grown a lot over the past 10 years, so the tanker is getting used more and more. We've saved a lot on fertilisers.'

So much so that after 10 years of use, Emily decided to upgrade to a brand new 14,700L Nevada slurry tanker.

Not only has the slurry tanker made managing the effluent easier, but it has also saved Emily a lot of money on fertilisers over the years. Furthermore, as Emily has acquired neighbouring farms, the tanker has allowed her to expand without having to invest in additional infrastructure.

'The slurry tanker just makes it so easy. All the staff can use it, and we just take it wherever it needs to go. Simple'

Emily's investment in the slurry tanker has been a resounding success, transforming the way she manages her farm's effluent and allowing her to grow her operation with ease. With her innovative approach and determination, Emily is a true inspiration for other farmers looking to improve their operations.

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Bad season for maize disastrous for some

For many North Island maize growers the 2022-23 season has been one to forget, and for some it has been a financial disaster.

The latest AIMI (Arable Industry Marketing Initiative) report estimates a 2023 maize grain harvest of 164,400 tonnes, which is

13% down on 2022, despite a 4% increase in harvest hectares. Yield was down 16%.

Federated Farmers Arable Vice-President Maize Jamie Blennerhassett says, because as at the June 1 survey date some 37% of the crop was still unharvested. The 10-year average for completed crop harvest by the start of June is 79%.

'The very wet growing season means across the wider country it has been a bad season. Maize grain crops in Northland, Bay of Plenty, the East Coast and right down to the Wairarapa are only at about 50% of long-term averages.

'The persistent rainfall and then the February cyclone meant for some, particularly in the eastern region between Napier and Gisborne, crops have been wiped out. Despite replanting two or three times, at the end some had nothing - and much higher costs than usual as well,' Blennerhassett said.

'It's pretty devastating financially for those people.'

Maize silage crops fared better. The harvest, at an estimated 1,051,600 tonnes, was down 7% compared to 2022, with a lower yield (down 9%) from an increased harvest area (up 3%). Almost all the harvest was in by June 1.

Most maize grain is sold for poultry and pig feed, with some going to dairy. Blennerhassett said prices here are strongly linked to the cost of imported grain, and with the recent spike in world grain prices sparked by Russia's attacks on shipments from the Ukraine, 'if we get dragged into those impacts the poultry guys' costs could rise'.

It's unknown how much of the 37% of unharvested maize grain at the time of the June 1 AIMI survey has since been successfully brought in. The crop needs to be dried down for use and to keep the costs down of gas-fired drying plant.

Blennerhassett said he was talking to one Gisborne grower at the Primary Industries NZ Summit in

early July and he still hadn't been able to get any of his crop in because of wet conditions.

A very poor season like this dents confidence. The AIMI report said maize grain spring sowing intentions (hectares) were 12% down on 2022 and for maize silage 3% down.

'The seed reps are saying there appears to be lower intentions to plant. A lot of the hectares in maize is land leased on year to year rollover and in some cases the banks will draw a line on finance given the disastrous season some have suffered,' Blennerhassett said.

'We traditionally have a south-westerly wind flow in New Zealand but with the La Niña phase we've been under it's been the exact opposite, hence the heavy rainfall.

'We're due to go back to an El Niño pattern but weather patterns have been so skew-whiff. It makes it so difficult for growers to plan.'

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Latest investment in methane measurement

The Centre for Climate Action Joint Venture announced at Fieldays its new trading name of AgriZeroNZ. It also announced its latest investment in a methane measurement facility, taking its confirmed investments to over \$8 million since launching in February this year.

The announcements were made alongside Prime Minister Chris Hipkins, Agriculture Minister Damien O'Connor and Miles Hurrell, the Chief Executive of Fonterra, one of AgriZeroNZ's agribusiness shareholders.

The newly named AgriZeroNZ is a world-first investment fund established between Government and major agribusiness companies to help pasture-based farmers in Aotearoa New Zealand reduce their agricultural emissions.

Executive Director Wayne McNeen says the new name reflects the company's bold ambition to ensure all farmers in Aotearoa have equitable access to affordable, effective tools to reduce biogenic methane and nitrous oxide emissions, supporting a 30% reduction of emissions by 2030 and enabling development and adoption of solutions to drive towards 'near zero' by 2040.

"AgriZeroNZ is a name that embodies our role which is to take the pressure off Kiwi farmers by making sure that they have equitable access



From left. Minister of Agriculture Damien O'Connor, AgriZeroNZ Executive Director Wayne McNeen, MPI Director General Ray Smith, Massey University Professor Ray Geor, Prime Minister Chris Hipkins, AgResearch CEO Dr Sue Bidrose.

to affordable and effective tools and technology cut their methane and nitrous oxide emissions, while maintaining efficiency, production and profitability.

"We are doing this by bringing together many of the largest players in industry and government in New Zealand, and positioning AgriZeroNZ as a partner of choice. Our success will drive the continued success of New Zealand agriculture, while contributing to New Zealand's broader efforts to reduce greenhouse-gas emissions."

AgriZeroNZ's third investment includes a \$4 million investment towards

a methane measurement facility to be constructed at the Massey University dairy research farm in Palmerston North that will house twelve new cattle respiration chambers and associated infrastructure. AgriZeroNZ's investment is in addition to \$11.7 million from Government, \$2 million from AgResearch, and support from Massey University who will supply the land. The facility will scale up the research capacity in New Zealand for detailed measurement of biological agricultural emissions from cattle.

McNeen says "one of the primary functions of AgriZeroNZ is unblocking constraints to the development of emissions reduction tools and technology in New Zealand and providing system-wide funding to deliver facilities and infrastructure to support the industry in its drive to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This investment in the methane measurement facility will provide a huge boost to research capacity for New Zealand agri-researchers.

"Our small team has hit the ground running since we were established just four months ago, reflecting the ambition of our shareholders and the need to drive solutions that will get emissions reducing tools and technologies into the hands of farmers as soon as possible.

"That includes working closely with the New

Zealand Agricultural Greenhouse Gas Research Centre as our partner in the Centre for Climate Action on Agricultural Emissions.

"New Zealand's global customers are setting ambitious greenhouse gas reduction targets, and if we can't meet these targets, export revenue that has underpinned our living standards will be under

threat. We must confront this reality, and I believe we can meet the challenge.

"We continue to welcome interest from potential new shareholders, technology companies and strategic partners. We expect to make further announcements on new investments in the coming months."

This year marks AgriZeroNZ's first Fieldays following the announcement at Fieldays in November last year by then Prime Minister Ardern and industry leaders that the government and industry would invest around \$170 million over the next four years through this world-first joint venture.

In April, AgriZeroNZ announced its investment of \$1.8 million for a stake in Ruminant Biotech, a New Zealand-based start-up that is developing a slow-release, biodegradable methane-inhibiting bolus for livestock.

In May, AgriZeroNZ committed \$2.5 million to ensure the continuation of research underway in New Zealand toward developing a methane vaccine and methane inhibitor for use in livestock.



Wayne McNeen, AgriZeroNZ Executive Director at 2023 Fieldays.



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Langford new Feds president

Federated Farmers have elected Wayne Langford, a 40-year-old dairy farmer from Golden Bay, as the organisation's new national President.

"It's a huge honour to be elected to lead Federated Farmers, but I'm certainly feeling the weight of responsibility that comes with it," Langford says.

"Federated Farmers are the largest rural advocacy organisation in the country and farmers are looking to us for strong leadership as they try to navigate their way through an increasingly complex world.

"Farmers can expect to see me bring my own style and approach to the role while also honouring the long and proud 124-year history of an organisation that's served our sector so well.

"We've got some big

challenges ahead of us with changing regulations, rising on farm costs, high interest rates, and profit squeeze putting pressure on farming families.

"There's no denying that times are tough, but we can't let fear, negativity or frustration divide us at the very moment we should be coming together to find pragmatic solutions that will work for farmers and rural communities."

Federated Farmers have an important role to play in finding a pathway forward through strong and trusting relationships, and credible farmer representation that is well connected at the grassroots level, Langford says.

Langford is joined by South-Canterbury mixed arable farmer Colin Hurst, a former director for the

Foundation for Arable Research, as Vice-President.

"Our organisation is in great health with a huge turnout to our AGM this week, certainly the largest I've seen in all my years with Feds, and the day was full of really positive discussion," Hurst says.

"I'm really excited about the direction our organisation is heading under Wayne's leadership, and I think we've got the right mix of people sitting around the table to set the organisation up for success.

"Although it can feel tough at times, farmers need to stay positive and keep working toward practical solutions to the challenges we're facing.

"New Zealand farming has a really bright future ahead of us, and we have some amazing young leaders coming up through our ranks at Federated Farmers. We



Newly elected Federated Farmers Vice-President Colin Hurst, left, and President, Wayne Langford.

just need to stick together and keep talking through the tough stuff."

Sandra Faulkner, Mark

Hooper, Toby Williams, and Richard McIntyre were all re-elected to the Board.

North Canterbury Arable

Farmers David Birkett joins the board as Arable Chair.

New chief executive for WPMA

Mark Ross has started a new position as Chief Executive of the Wood Processors and Manufacturers Association of NZ.

WPMA represents over 65 companies involved in the wider wood products industry.

Mark says he has a strong passion for our primary industries and natural environment, having worked within the wider agricultural, horticultural,



Mark Ross.

and forestry industries throughout his career..

"With my experience working across the primary industries I am well

versed in the forestry and wood processing sectors. Specifically, in my earlier career at the Ministry of Forestry (prior to becoming MPI), where I worked in forestry import and export quarantine, forest health and biosecurity incursions, such as the aerial operation to successfully eradicate the white-spotted tussock moth from Auckland" said Ross "the recent announcement by the government of the \$57 million wood processing

growth fund and the launch of the Forestry and Wood Processing Transformation Plan makes it an exciting time for me to join the WPMA'.

He says the WPMA has a leading role to play in a number of areas, including: improving government and the WPMA industry collaboration and policy alignment, encouraging investment to increase manufacturing and research into advanced wood-based

products for building, biotech and fuels, advocating for the 'delayed emissions' benefit of long-lived harvested wood products through development of a scheme to bring Harvested Wood Products into the ETS to the benefit of wood processors; and providing leadership and support to its members through fronting industry advocacy and issues.

Ross says 'It is essential that as a country we hasten the development of our

domestic wood processing and manufacturing sector. This will be progressed through creating and selling our wood product story, plus working closely with government and the wider industry to encourage greater support, innovation, and investment.'

Mark was previously the Chief Executive of Animal and Plant Health NZ (formerly Agcarm), a position he held for eight years.

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Coastal celebrate another season of rugby



Celebrating 20 years playing for the Coastal Rugby Club Ben Burmeister with Ray Barron.

After 28 years the Coastal Rugby Club is still going strong. On Friday night (July 22) the club which was formed from a merger of rugby clubs along the Taranaki coast held their annual prizegiving at Te Maru Farm, Tataraimaka to celebrate another year of Coastal rugby and hand out the prizes for the season. Over 200 people attended.

In honouring Ben Burmeister's 20 year commitment to Coastal Rugby, club stalwart Ray Barron recalled the first prizegiving back in 1995 when those attending included then prime minister Jim Bolger.

"Chris Hipkins is on his way" yelled out somebody from the audience.

Club president Janet Fleming noted the large number of Coastal players who had been selected for representative honours.

"What other club or region in New Zealand has that many representative players? What other club has four players in the All Blacks? That's us," she said, referring to All Blacks Josh Lord and the three Barrett brothers, Beauden, Jordy and Scott.

"There's something special about Coastal Rugby and that's our culture."

She was also looking forward to the Club's 2025 trip to the United States and hoping lots of supporters would come on board.

"We're going as a club trip not a team trip," she said.

There were also tributes to longstanding supporters of the club, particularly Deb Davies as well as individual players.

Premiers coach Trent Olliver noted they had 17 players aged under 22.

"We have amazing talent in the club this year. You guys are what the club is going to be built on in the next four, five and six years."

He paid tribute to his players, including those leaving, and Luka Cassidy.

"Probably the best import Coastal has brought in for all time."

The Div 1 team who made it as far as the semi-finals received the Cup for Most Outstanding Team.

"We had the goal to make it to the finals but we couldn't make it past the semis," said co-coach Thys Van der Poel.

He said they went from having only one reserve for their first match at Hawera to

having 50 players at the end of the season and finishing third in the competition.

"It was a massive improvement from last year," he said.

Colts co-coach Matt Lawn said it had not been an easy year for the team.

"It was a pretty tough season for us. We didn't get the results we wanted, but we gave it our all. We had players playing out of position. We had three captains for the season, and it was tough some weeks to get players to play in the positions they wanted. We know the boys just gave it their all and it would be great if these guys stayed together."

The Women's team picked up the award for Outstanding Team off the Field. Coach Toka Walden said it was appropriate that the prizegiving took place so soon after Matariki as it was an opportunity to reflect on those who paved the way for the club to be formed.

"We are coming together as a whanau today reflecting and moving forward on where is this club moving into the future."

He said that in the first year Coastal had fielded a

Women's team they had only one win, and they had left it to the final game of the season to achieve that.

"This year we had four wins so we are definitely improving, but there are challenges ahead of us."

He paid tribute to the commitment of the players who had travelled from as far afield as Eltham, Kaponga and Bell Block for training.

Guests enjoyed dinner between the presentation of the team prizes, with the formal part of the evening concluding with the presentation of the club trophies. These included the presentation of the Jordy Adams Memorial Club named in honour of Jordy Adams, a Coastal Rugby player who died in November 2021 after jumping into the Waiwhakaiho River. This year it was awarded to Jacob Whittle for being a Good Coastal Lad.

The last word goes to former club president Brent Davies.

"I love this club and I've met some awesome people. In games, as in life, you get into some dark situations and there's a lot of guys backing you up."

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Top Club Points Scorer Jackson Sinclair with Coastal Life Member Ray Barron.

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Huge crowds at Opunake Cup races



Sinclair Electrical and Refrigeration staff enjoying the Corporate Hospitality at The Opunake Cup Day.

There were beaming smiles all round when Justaskme won the Sinclair Electrical and Refrigeration Opunake Cup last Saturday at New Plymouth Raceway. Photographed from left, Emma Davies, Bruce Sharrock, one of the owners. Next is the jockey, Johnathan Parkes, Brian Sinclair, Allan Sharrock co-owner, trainer and in the background is Monique Sinclair.

Justaskme was the popular winner of this year's Opunake Cup races in New Plymouth.

There was a tremendous crowd of horse racing fans for this annual event which

was sponsored by Sinclair Electrical and Refrigeration in Opunake. Brian Sinclair said it was one of the best race meetings he had attended.

Noel Stanley, Coastal

member of the race organisers, was really pleased with the numbers in the Punters' Club contest. "We were thrilled with the enthusiasm of all our visitors - it was a friendly and well behaved lot of

folk." Kathy Stanley

Opunake Cup Racing Results

Race 1. Place First. 2 Who's Complainin. Place Second. 6 The Dutch Dame. Place Third. 5 Tsunami.
Race 2. Place First. 2 Spencer. Place Second. 1 Momosa. Place Third. 5 Tiger Lily.
Race 3. 1. Rocket Science. Place Second. 4. Caitlyns Wish. Place Third.

Catsacharmer.
Race 4. Place First. 8 The Witch.. Place Second. 6 Lady Performer. Place Third. 10 Opal Spirit.
Race 5. Place First. 1 Justaskme. Place Second. 7 Chajaba. Place Third. 4. Helena Baby.
Race 6. Place First. 2. Mr Didgeridoo. Place Second. 4

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Race 7. Place First. 14 Sidebar. Place Second. 10 Zeefa Zed. Place Third. 11 Regal Rock.
Race 8. Place First. 1 Duke of Plumpton. Place Second. 2. Flower of Wanaka. Place Third 7 Shez Super.



Justaskme won the 2023 Sinclair Electrical and Refrigeration Opunake Cup last Saturday at New Plymouth Raceway.

Bruce Sharrock, left, and co-owner and trainer, Allan Sharrock, gave the horse friendly pats.

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On the move with Manor Build



Spotted a few Manor Build homes being transported around the Taranaki region recently?

Check out this one travelling through Opunake on the way to its new site. Want to know more about Manor Build and the benefits of transportable homes?

Read on below.

For more than 20 years the Uniplan Group specialised in creating transportable buildings for the holiday park industry. As the New Zealand housing market became increasingly steeper, more and more people enquired about residential pre-fabricated building options, seeing a gap in the market Manor Build was born.

Having many years of combined experience amongst our qualified staff and management team, we create affordable yet luxurious prefabricated homes at our factory in New Plymouth, then transport them over much of the North Island to their new home. We offer a great deal of choice on the design of your prefabricated home, you can choose a design to meet your needs with our contemporary designs ranging from two to four bedrooms.

Our factory is based at 40 Ocean View Parade, New Plymouth. Come on down, we would love to show you around!

Manor Build Transportable homes, offer several benefits compared to traditional site-built homes.

1. Cost-effective: Transportable homes are often more affordable

than traditional homes. The construction process is streamlined and takes place in a factory setting, which can lead to cost savings in terms of labour, materials, and reduced construction time.

2. Speed of construction: Prefab homes are built in a controlled environment, which means there are no weather-related delays. As a result, the construction process is typically faster compared to on-site building, allowing homeowners to move in sooner.

3. Flexibility and customization: Despite being prefabricated, transportable homes offer a wide range of design options and customization. Buyers can choose from various floor plans, sizes, finishes, and features to suit their preferences and needs.

4. Lower site preparation costs: Transportable homes often require less site preparation compared to traditional homes. Since they are built off-site, there is less disruption to the building site, resulting in reduced landscaping and foundation costs.

5. Consistent quality: Due to the controlled construction environment and standardized building processes, the quality of transportable homes tends to be more consistent compared to on-site construction, where variations can occur due to weather conditions and individual builder techniques.

6. Energy efficiency/ Thermal Performance: Many transportable home manufacturers incorporate energy-efficient features such as better insulation, double-glazed windows, and efficient HVAC systems, leading to potential energy savings over time.



Sandfords Manaia Golf results

Junior Golf. July 16. The Trophy. 1. Ruby Edwards. Lennox Finnigan. The Winner. 2. Tyler Parata. Micah Gut.

July 23. Seniors Putting. 1. Archie Schumacher. 2. Ruby Edwards.

Stroke Play. 1. Archie Schumacher. 2. Ruby Edwards.

Pee Wees. Putting. 1. Lennox Finnigan. 2. Marlin Severn. 3. Dixie Jenkins.

Stroke. 1. Marlin Severn. 2. Lennox Finnigan. 3. Dixie Jenkins.

AGB Stone to ban high-silica stone in fight against silicosis

New Zealand's largest and only national stone benchtop fabricator has announced that it is banning engineered stone that contains more than 40 percent silica – part of its ongoing efforts in the fight against silicosis.

AGB Stone, which has six factories across the country and employs more than 130 people, will phase out high-silica slabs and cease

working with suppliers who cannot meet the company's standards.

Long-time advocates for safe work practices, AGB owners Cam and Christine Paranthoiene have for many years led the way stone fabricators should operate – including creating proprietary processes, investing millions of dollars in state-of-the-art machinery and being early adopters of wet-cutting and air monitoring as a safeguard

against the potentially-fatal lung disease silicosis.

“We want to protect our staff, our customers and our industry. It's the right thing to do,” Cam says.

The scale of the danger of silicosis from dust emitted when stone is dry cut or polished was not fully known in the industry until 2019.

Weighty high-rises contribute to New York's sinking feeling

New York faces an accelerating flooding risk from sea level rise, increasing storm intensity, and even the city's buildings themselves. Researchers have estimated the weight of New York City's built environment to be 1.68 trillion pounds, and the cumulative mass and downward pressure from this could contribute to subsidence – the sinking of the Earth's surface. As coastal cities are growing around the world, the authors want to raise awareness that every high-rise building could contribute to future flood risk, so mitigation strategies need to be included.





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Much to feast on with Feastival

Winter Feastival Taranaki August 2 – 6, combines local Taranaki food collaborations and the seasonal and rich bounty of the region and our people.

With close to 20 events around the region guests can indulge in unique food experiences in Hawera, Urenui, Opunake, Stratford, Oakura, Kaitaki and New Plymouth. Feastival is sponsored by the New Plymouth District Council, Venture Taranaki, South Taranaki District Council, Favour the Brave, Cheers Digital, TSH and Mad Media.

Founder Rachel Church says “The Winter Feastival event line up is amazing – so many creative, collaborative and fun events all around the region. Events feature our amazing local producers, and are a fabulous way to celebrate Taranaki on a plate.”

Events include:
 • “The Fantastic World of Fungi” Food writer, and creator of “Tasty in Taranaki”, Amber Mathew in conversation with author Liv Sisson about her book “Fungi of Aotearoa.” Explore Puke Ariki’s “State of Nature - Picturing the Silent Forest” and enjoy fungi- focused canapes by chef Dylan Wilson from Frederic’s and a mushroom dessert by Abbey Macfie, all matched with cocktails from Juno Gin.



Stuart Greenhill from Fenton Street Distillery at Ohangai, in Hawera.
 Photography by Thomas Busby, MAD Media at Ohangai, Hawera.

- long lunches: ‘Blanc de Blanc de Blanc’ at the Nice Hotel, and a six hour ‘Long Italian lunch’ at Toret
 - ‘Growers and Producers Winter Feast’ in Urenui, ‘Fork and Fire at Ohangai’ and ‘Death by Chocolate’ with Malva Chocolate, Fenton St Gin, Abbey Macfie and Garden Cake Kitchen
 - ‘Taste the Movie’ with Soul Food Kitchen at Everybody’s Theatre and an Ocean and Earth dinner at the Vault in Opunake
 - a butchery demonstration and two course dinner with Meat at Yours at Trencherman Chophouse
 - Taste of Taranaki -Trust the Chef at Haukai Novotel New Plymouth, degustation at Arborio and fine dinner at Bella Vita
 - Plate Based Wellness Bowls with Wild Pear Kitchen and Quirky Quail’s Nest Eatery with Zoe Liqueur
 - Classes including a private dinner and sourdough making with Chef Jeff Poole and spiced rum with LWF Distilling
- Run by the Taranaki Culinary Action Group, a group of local Taranaki food and beverage producers, restaurateurs, and event professionals passionate about this region, the food that we produce and the people that bring it to our table. They are working hard to ensure that Taranaki is known as a food and beverage destination and around the mountain experience with limited food miles, including producers, restaurants, cafes and bars, venues, and accommodation providers.
- Tickets available www.feastival.co.nz
 Contact: Rachel Church, 021 307 603, rachel@feastival.co.nz

Melanie Fleet at The Village Gallery

Having stepped away from the 9-5, Melanie Fleet has embarked on her dream of being a fulltime artist. In this exhibition Melanie presents four different collections all created during her first year, which has just come to an end. As you will see, Melanie is not content with just using one medium and loves to push her skills to the limits. There is a certain level of self awareness unfolding within her work and you can see at times some very raw emotion - which in contrast is then met head on with moments of quirky playfulness. Melanie’s mediums include

photography, assemblage art, painting, pop-art and collage.
 The Opening Event will be held on Monday July 31 at 6.00 pm at The Village Gallery. There will be a supper, and live music by Vivienne Genet, for your pleasure. Please make sure to save the date. Recently becoming a full-time artist, Mel Fleet presents four different collections of work, including photography assemblage art, painting pop-art and collage.
 Self-awareness, raw emotion and quirky playfulness are explored. (pictured)

What we eat and excess weight now most important preventable cause of disease

: What we eat, and the excess body weight we carry, has now overtaken smoking as the most important preventable cause of disease. Newly updated dietary advice from the World Health Organization on fat and carbohydrate intake is welcomed by New Zealand researchers, as uncertainty remains regarding the ideal

composition of healthy diets. Scientists from the Healthier Lives – He Oranga Hauora National Science Challenge, Professor Sir Jim Mann and Dr Andrew Reynolds, have contributed to research informing the new WHO dietary guidelines, which incorporate the most up-to-date international evidence.



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\$95 Ticket includes: Ocean and Earth platter for 2 includes Garlic fry bread, 500g Scotch fillet steak strips, whole king prawns, steamed mussels, salt n pepper calamari.

Come and join the team at The Vault in Opunake for a unique feast from the ocean and earth. Wine specials available on the night, including Paloma Tempranillo and mulled wine by the glass.

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Sunday 6th August

Taste the Movie

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A collaboration between Everybody’s Theatre and Soul Kitchen Opunake. Come and enjoy a welcome glass of sparkling, and the movie “Chevalier” in the amazing setting that is Everybody’s Theatre (think cosy comfy couches and blankets in a stylish cinema).

Your movie experience will be paired with four French-themed canapes from Soul Kitchen:

- Smoked Salmon Canape on Baked by Blanche Rye
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One of the country's longest running garden festivals



The Taranaki Garden Festival is on from October 27 to November 5.

Taranaki is fast becoming known as the garden capital of New Zealand. Nestled between the majestic mountain and the wild west coast are some of New Zealand's most spectacular

private and public gardens. The Centuria Taranaki Garden Festival, formerly the Rhododendron Festival was established in 1987. Now, in its 36th year, the annual ten-day festival is

one of the longest-running in the country offering visitors an exclusive opportunity to discover and explore Taranaki- like no other, our unique environment, scenery, and glorious award-

winning gardens. Our festival has countless opportunities to offer, soak up the region's wealth of gardening knowledge, immerse in the thriving creative community, and enjoy the world-class regional hospitality and attractions. The festival entices the culturally driven,

socially aware, and active participants, who are seeking memorable and inspirational experiences. The garden festival features over 42 gardens, from the established park-like country gardens, sustainable urban food forests, inner-city sub-tropical rainforests, and native sanctuaries. Close to

half of our festival gardens are recognised by the New Zealand Gardens Trust as International, National and Regional gardens of significance. Taranaki is the destination this spring, and we are looking forward to seeing you in the gardens.

Energy security in peril

MBIE's latest petroleum data shows the shocking effect of damaged investment signals, with gas reserves dropping below ten years of remaining use for the first time say Energy Resources Aotearoa.

Energy Resources Aotearoa Chief Executive John Carnegie says: "Almost ten percent of the electricity we use to heat our homes and keep businesses' lights on comes from New Zealand's domestically produced natural gas. It is a vital component in our energy mix and picks up the slack when weather-dependent renewables cannot get there on their own."

"Natural gas is not just used to generate electricity. New Zealand's industry is powered by affordable natural gas, including industries such as dairy, methanol and steel." Carnegie says that greater investment confidence is needed immediately, as New Zealand now faces an energy shortfall. "What affordable alternative renewable energy source at scale can possibly fill the gap now forecast to emerge in less than 8 years' time? Alarm bells should be ringing. "Without enough domestic supply of energy there will be no further electrification of transport. Large manufacturers will close,

and there will be no energy source capable of firming up renewables in the depths of winter other than high-emissions coal. That will be our reality if we continue down this track. "New Zealand needs to restore investment confidence in the production of natural gas. Statements like those of the Australian Labour Prime Minister that gas has a key role to play in guaranteeing the country's energy security would be a good start."

Tui Ora Let Unity Prevail **Heartland Services** Ngā ratonga ki te manawa o te whenua

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Book sale has thousands of great books on offer




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The main event will be at the East End Skate Rink, Nobs Line, East End Beach, New Plymouth. On display will be more than 25 different categories, including collectables, a NZ section, children's books and novels, sorted alphabetically.

The other venue will be the East End Surf Lifesaving Club, Nobs Line, East End Beach, New Plymouth. Here will be displayed the \$2 books which are of a good quality, but not up to the calibre of those displayed in the main event.

All the money raised will stay in the community to help in many good causes which include the foodbank, addiction services, recovery programmes, prison reintegration, social housing, life skill programmes and much more.

Come along and meet our team while browsing for books. See how you can connect with the Salvation Army in some way going forward. We love to engage further with people we serve.



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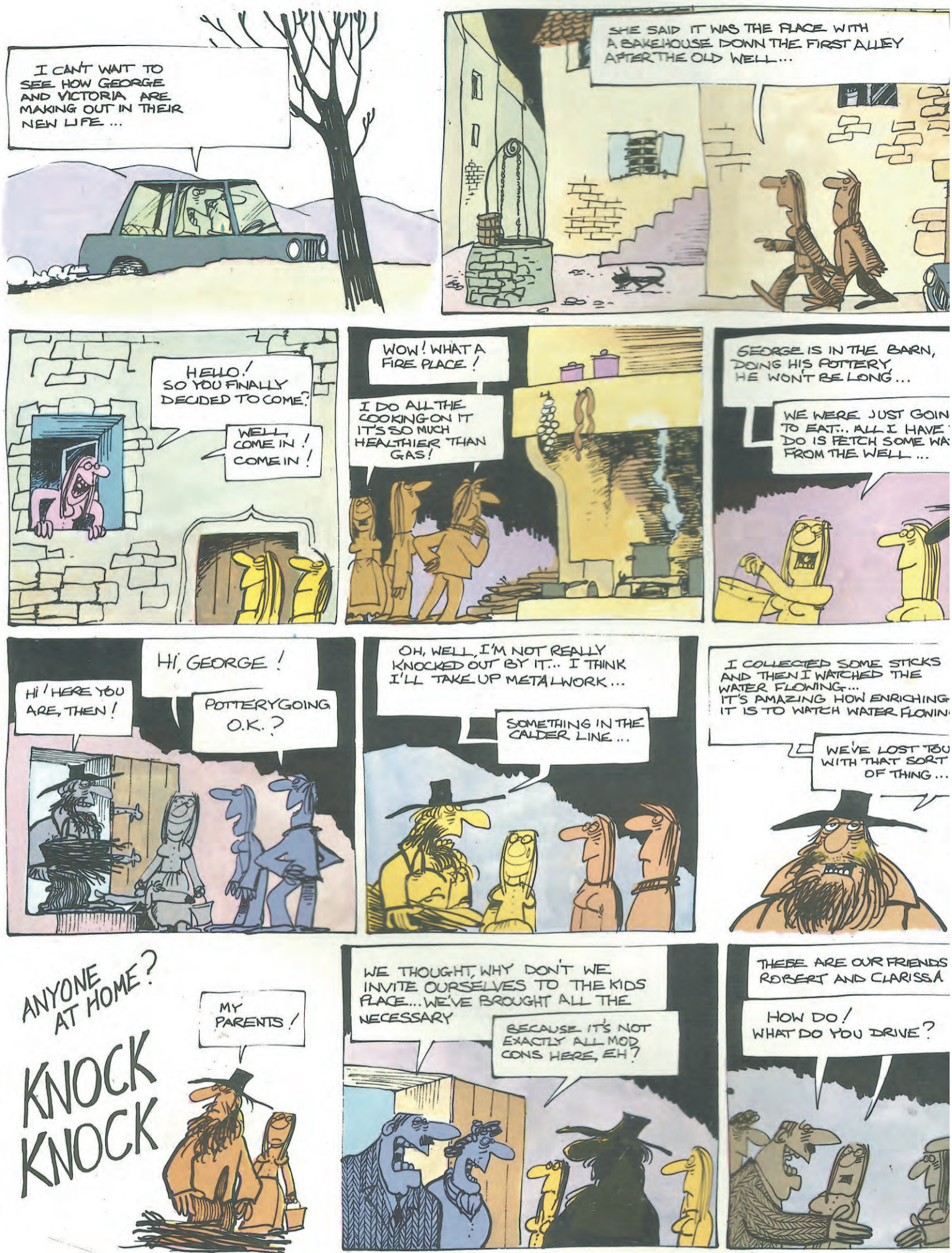
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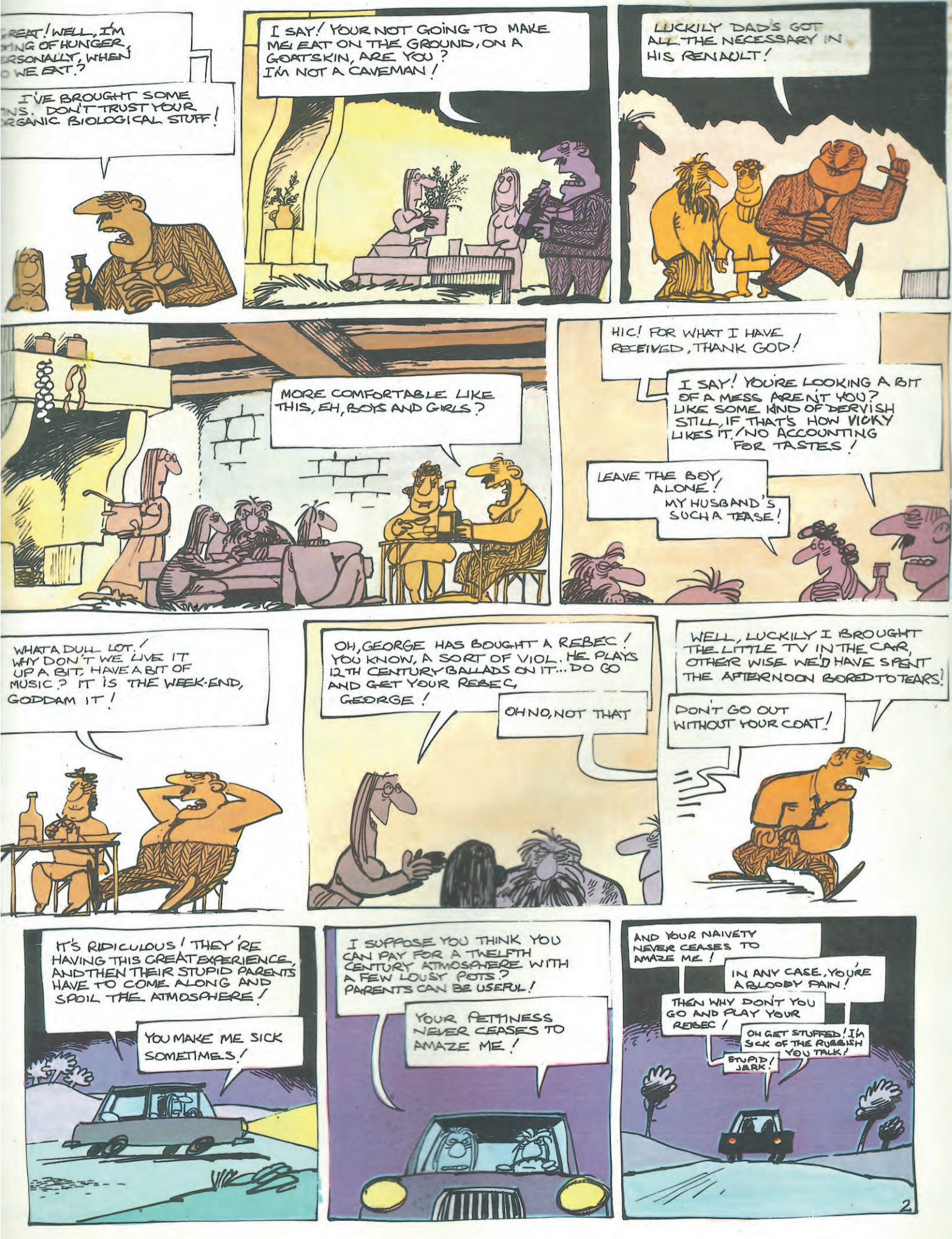
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Movies at Everybodys Theatre in Opunake: Playing several days and nights each week. Refer timetable in newspaper.
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WEDNESDAYS
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Okato & District Historical Society open every Wednesday: At the Okato Community Trust Hall, 47 Cumming St, Okato. phone Meg on 06 752 4566.
Opunake Embroiders Guild: Meet 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, 10.30am-3pm at the Opunake Business Centre, Napier St, Opunake. Just come along or phone Sheryl 06 761 8769.
Okato Market: In Hempton Hall, Okato 4pm to 5.30pm.
Free singing experience with Taranaki Harmony Chorus: Meet every Wednesday at Inglewood Mamaku Centre, 7-9.30 pm Phone Helen 021 296 0700.
THURSDAYS
Coastal Young Farmers: Meet 2nd Thursday of every month at 7pm at Butlers Reef Bar & Cafe, Oakura.
Egmont Euchre Club: Every Thursday 1pm at the Opunake Bowling Club. Inquiries, 06 761 8277 or 06 761 8337
Taranaki Country Music Hall of Fame, Manaia: Running every Thursday night from 7.30pm, 11 Surf Highway, South Road, Manaia.
FRIDAYS
Eltham Business Association Friday Markets: 9:30am to 1pm, Carpark of Touch Point, High Street, Eltham.
Singer Songwriters, New Plymouth: Last Friday of the month at Little Theatre, 29 Aubrey St, NP from 7-11pm.
APRIL 7 TO NOVEMBER 6
State of Nature exhibition: PukeAriki Museum, New Plymouth.
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JULY 31
 Opunake Boardriders Club AGM: At the Pavilion, Opunake Main Beach, 7pm.
AUGUST 1 TO 25
 NOW! Melanie Fleet exhibition: At the Village Gallery, Eltham.
AUGUST 2 TO 6
 Winter Feastval Taranaki: See ad and editorial in the July 27 issue of OCN for details
AUGUST 6
 Opunake Players Auditions for their production of *Try this for size*: 1.30pm and 7pm at the Lakeside Playhouse.
 Opunake Surf Livesaving AGM: 6.45pm at the Clubrooms, Beach Rd, Opunake.
AUGUST 10, 11, 12
 Salvation Army Book Fair: At East End Skate Rink and East End Surf Club, New Plymouth.
AUGUST 15
 Opunake Cottage Rest Home AGM: Coastal Care Health and Community Centre, Opunake.
AUGUST 26
 Te Korowai o Ngaruahine Trust Group AGM: At Aotearoa Pa, Okaiawa, 9.15am.
OCTOBER 5 TO 15
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OCTOBER 27 TO NOVEMBER 5
 Taranaki Garden Festival

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Opunake Catholic Church

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Our Lady Star of the Sea, Opunake: 10am every Sunday
Other areas
Manaia - Sacred Heart - 1st, 3rd Sat at 5pm (2nd, 4th & 5th Sat at Hawera's St Josephs)

St Patricks Catholic Church, Kaponga

2nd, 4th and 5th Saturdays of the month Mass at 6pm. However during winter the time will be 5pm i.e. Saturday 10th June, 24th June and 8th July. After this date the time will revert back to 6pm.
1st and 3rd Sundays of the month Liturgy of the Word with Communion at 8.45am.

Thursday Mass 9.30am (subject to change).

St Patricks Catholic Church, Okato

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm - 1st, 3rd & 5th Saturdays

The Wave

Pentecostal Church 64 Domett St, Opunake
Sunday Services 10.30am
Women's Group 10am Tuesday
Men's Group 7pm Wednesday
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141 Tasman St, Opunake
Sunday Services 10am
Communion 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sunday
Prayer & Praise 1st Sunday
Every 5th Sunday all 4 churches gather for a Combined Service

Okato Community Church

Meets 10.30am Sunday at Hempton Hall.
Everyone welcome

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He Korowai Mahana - To Be Cloaked In The Comfort Of Whakapapa - Donna Dinsdale

He Korowai Mahana - To Be Cloaked In The Comfort Of Whakapapa.

The exhibition by Donna Dinsdale is on now at from out of the blue studio gallery. 18 Halse Place, Opunake. 4616. Thursdays to Mondays 1-5 pm or by appointment, phone 021 407 424.

Stepping into the gallery the visitor is immediately 'wrapped' in a sense of warmth, comfort and beauty, as the eye dances across the colourful mannequins and stunning photo drops that fill the space. At first glance this exhibition appears to be an acknowledgement of a very skilful seamstress who has chosen to use our NZ Heritage Woollen Blankets as her preferred material. And while this first impression is totally true it is just a taster of the delights Donna has crafted into each of the complex conceptual works. This exhibition spans a five year period of Donna's art and design practice.

The main view window holds all the magic and delight of Wāhine Toa, a 2022 finalist at The World of Wearable Art Awards, Wellington. Wāhine Toa, in the shape of the Matariki Star, celebrates the spirit of hope, reflection and unity arising from the Covid pandemic period and particularly poignant at this time of our year. There are parts of 55 different blankets in the gown while the head piece is crafted from more than 100 handmade plaits referencing the Māori Poi.

New work made for this exhibition acknowledges Donna's ancestral roots in Taranaki, telling the story of Dudley Lewis Stagpoole - a Lance Corporal in the 27 (Machine Gun) Battalion in World War II. One of three children to Martin Dudley Stagpoole and Edith Blanche (nee Luxton) of New Plymouth Dudley signed up for the army and proudly went off by sea to the war. He wrote home daily to his mother until being killed in action aged 32 years on 14 July 1942. The family holds this treasured archive and it is from here that Donna has drawn her inspiration and her content to create a two piece work that truly celebrates the deep bond between mother



One of the works in the exhibition.

and son. Military issue vintage woollen blankets are overlaid with images of the people and the correspondence, embellished with family taonga, creating vessels of honour and reverence that all peoples can relate to and connect with.

The significance of Matariki and the rising of hope, dream for better things to come, recognition of sacrifices and mahi undertaken that we pause to consider at this time is running as a deep current through all the subtle and complex statements Donna has crafted into her works. Each one speaks of a dream for a better, richer, stronger world going forward while drawing deeply into our cultural roots to create the best of foundations to build on.



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1hr 54mins | PG= Sat 29 Jul 1PM

My Sailor, My Love

1hr 42mins | PG= Sun 30 Jul 7PM

Corners of the Earth: Kamchatka

1hr 34mins | TBC= Fri 04 Aug 7PM

Gran Turismo

30mins | TBC= Sat 05 Aug 3PM

Chevalier

1hr 48mins | M= Sun 06 Aug 2PM

Mission: Impossible - Dead Reckoning Part One

2hr 43mins | M= Fri 28 Jul 7PM

Oppenheimer

3hr | M= Sat 29 Jul 7PM

Meg 2: The Trench

1hr 56mins | M= Thu 03 Aug 7PM

Elemental

1hr 49mins | PG= Sat 05 Aug 1PM

John Farnham: Finding the Voice

1hr 36mins | M= Sat 05 Aug 7PM



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PUBLIC NOTICES



2023 Hui-a-tau Annual General Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Annual General Meeting of the Te Korowai o Ngāruahine Trust Group will be held at **Aotearoa Pā**, 63 Hastings Road, Okaiawa on Saturday 26 August 2023. All Ngāruahine uri are invited to attend.

9.15 am Whakatau
9.30 am Morning tea
10.00am AGM commences

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Apologies (*by resolution*)
3. Pouwhakarae Message
4. Confirmation of Minutes of the 2022 AGM (*by resolution*)
5. Chair's Reports
 - a. Te Korowai o Ngāruahine Trust
 - b. Te Kīwai Mauī o Ngāruahine Limited
6. Annual Audited Financial Statements (*by resolution*)
7. Appointment of the Auditor 2023/24 (*by resolution*)
9. Presentation of Trustees' remuneration 2023/24 (*by resolution*)
10. General Business

Hākari will follow.

We encourage all uri to register in advance for this event. You can register your attendance for the AGM or notify your apology by online survey at <https://www.research.net/r/TKoNTAGM23>. A digital copy of the 2023 Annual Report will be available to download from our website www.ngaruahine.iwi.nz from 31 July 2023.

The AGM is being live streamed for uri who cannot attend in person. Information regarding the AGM live streaming will be shared on our Facebook page and our website.

A representative for the Independent Returning Officer and a wāhi pōti (ballot box) will be at the hui for adult registered members in the Kānihi-Umutahi and Ngāti Tū hapū electorates to cast their vote for Trustee Elections 2023.

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