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Te Karere o Patea me Te Wairoaiti

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It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!



Driving into Waverley you'll be delighted at the sight greeting you on Weraroa Road.

Cara Millar has been decorating her home for more than five years, purchasing her first inflatable decorations three years ago.

She now proudly displays over 11 in all shapes and sizes. These, along with countless lights and other Christmas decorations, make up what must be described as an amazing Christmas experience for young and old.

These photos (more on page 3) are just a small example of the wonderful display - a must for everyone to visit in the daytime or night.

Christmas music is added in December and completes the magical experience.

A huge congratulations and thank you must go to Cara and her family for bringing some Christmas magic to Waverley every year.

Be sure to stop off on your way past, you won't be disappointed.

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Patea Lions Club
Annual
Christmas Parade

Get your floats ready!
Theme: Christmas Icons
Friday 6th December 2024 at 6pm
Spot prizes to be won
Market afterwards
Assemble at the corner of
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Enquiries: Sandra 022 161 4163





Family Friendly Event along with other guest performers and hosted by Frankie Stevens

Sunday 8th December 2024
Gates open 4–8pm
Dallison Park Waverley South Taranaki

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Sunday 8th Dec	Good Shepherd Waverley
10am	Rev. Russell Smith
Sunday 15th Dec	St Luke's Patea
10am	Rev. Tipene Anaru
Sunday 15th Dec	Good Shepherd Waverley
7pm	Christmas Carol Service
Sunday 22nd Dec	Good Shepherd Waverley
10am	Rev. Brendan Gibbs
Tuesday 24th Dec	**St Georges Patea**
7pm	**Christmas Eve Carol Service**
Wednesday 25th Dec	**Good Shepherd Waverley**
10am	**Christmas Day Service**

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December 2024 Mass Times

Sunday 8th December	11.00am
Mass, St Francis de Sales, Waverley	
Sunday 15th December	9.30am
Liturgy of the Word, St Francis de Sales, Waverley	
Sunday 22nd December	11.00am
Mass, St Patrick's, Patea	
Christmas Day Wednesday	25th December
9.30am Liturgy of the Word, St Patrick's, Patea	
Sunday 29th December	9.30am
Liturgy of the Word, St Patrick's, Patea	

Weekday Mass Times: St Patrick's, Patea

Thursday 5th December	9.30am
Liturgy of the Word	

Christmas at the



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Christmas Tree Festival

9 –15 December 2024

Viewing the Trees Daily - 10 am - 3 pm



For information on how your businessor Group can participate in this Community Christmas Event
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Christmas Dinner & Light up the Trees

Saturday 7 December 6.30 pm

$30 (Tickets from Godderidges Pharmacy)



Sunday 8 December 10.00 am

Church Service - Second Sunday in Advent

Sunday 15 December 7.00 pm

Christmas Carol Service

among the lighted up Christmas Trees



Sunday 22 December 10.00 am

Church Service - Fourth Sunday in Advent

Christmas Day Service

Wednesday 25 December 10.00 am



Everyone Welcome

A Christian Word

Today as I write this, is Armistice Day; on the 11 hour, the 11 day on the 11 month, 1918, man decided that they had had enough of killing each other & needed a break! All those very brave men who gave their lives for us today, believed they were fighting for our freedom! For a better world! I would like to believe that we are very grateful! Wars have been around since Adam was a boy, people ask, why does God allow them? I don't believe He does, what He does allow is for man to live/ behave according to His word, after all, God alone knows what is right. So herein lies the answer to that question, first: God has given all of us our sovereignty, that is, our choices, that God does not interfere with! Second: God has written His laws on our hearts & we do know right from wrong, if you get drunk & decide to drive & in that stupor you hit another vehicle & possibly cause a death, is God to blame for that? You know full well not to drive drunk, thieve, hate someone with the intention of getting revenge, why? Jealousy, anger, almost an endless excuse of blame shifting. Abortions is another, why does God allow it? God is not responsible for man's actions that stem from a warped heart! God desires for us all first, to come into a full living experience with Him, then there would be no killings, wars, abortions etc. sounds too good to be true, but it can be! There are two roads we choose (through our sovereignty) to walk upon, first, Gods highway or our by-way! Guess what, the choice is very obvious throughout the world today, consequences are shattered/ broken people who are confused by it all, so we blame God, after all, blaming someone else for our actions is not new, ask Adam! Not a lot will change until we repent & confess our sins to Jesus Christ, then we will have reconciliation with Father God, we will be able to live at peace with each other & desire good for all mankind! Tis easy as that. You choose, God's ways or your ways, the outcome is very obvious! Instead of blaming God or someone else for the mess the worlds in, ask yourself; what did I do to contribute to the mess? Because your actions do contribute, become a factor for your live & others as well, ripple effect! One more point: we will all stand before Almighty God & give an account for the life we have lived; nothing & nobody will be spared this appointed day! & the consequences. God will be exacting accountability for our choices/ actions!

Come Lord Jesus Edward Reeves Patea

Jesus Christ said, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life." There is Salvation in NO other name.

Waverley Baptist Church

63 Weraroa Road, Waverley. Service at 10am every Sunday.

Email: info@waverleybaptist.org.nz Phone (text or talk): 0273 870 670

Men's Home Group.
Every fortnight. Contact Colin Prentice
06 273 8358 for time & dates. Open to all men.



Community prayer meeting:
At church every Monday at 1.30pm
All very welcome.

Op Shop:
Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays,
10am – 1pm.
Come and take a look, or bring along any items you may have to donate. Contact Cindy Burgess (06) 346 6424.

Community Foodbank:
We are able to give up to 3 food parcels through the year to anyone in genuine need. Please call the church on 0273 870 670.

Christmas Market

Our December Market is 15 December, 9am to 1pm at the Waverley Community Centre
It is shaping up to be an awesome market with lots of Christmas things happening and lots for the kids too.
Santa will be arriving on a firetruck at 10.30am for a lolly scramble and we will have our photo booth setup for you to have your photos taken by one of our elves!!
Prizes for the best dressed stallholders and stalls.
Spot prizes for best dressed visitors.
If you would like to join us, please contact Fiona at waverleymarket@gmail.com or 0226768205 to book your space.
You can also contact us via our FB page

Waverley Craft & Farmers Market

Waverley Craft and Farmers Market will be having their Christmas market on **15 December** at the Waverley Community Centre on Chester Street, **9am to 1pm.**

This a fun event for the whole family so come along and enjoy. There will be lots of awesome food and coffee, and stalls for you to do your last minute Christmas shopping without having to stand in queues plus you will be supporting some amazing local stallholders.

- ✓ ***Santa will be arriving in a Fire truck!!!!*** Yes he'll be there at 10.30am to spoil everyone with a lolly scramble. You don't want to miss it.
- ✓ Our ***Photo Booth*** will be back – bigger and better - and we will have some wonderful elves taking photos for you, on your camera/phone, as well as handing out candy canes
- ✓ There will be prizes for the best dressed stallholders and best decorated stalls.
- ✓ ***AND!!!!!!*** Spot prizes for the best dressed visitors of ***Market Dollars*** from the Market Team to spend at the market on anything you like!! Get out your best Christmas costumes/ clothes/hats and get in on the action.
- ✓ Waverley's very own Food truck, ***Stumpy's Loaded Fries*** will be having their Grand opening at the market. We are so very excited for Jess so make sure to get along and support her.
- ✓ ***Jan*** will be there with more delicious food and awesome coffee
- ✓ The ***Croquet Club*** will be on the grass outside the hall so you can come along, have a go and have some fun.

Follow us on Facebook for more updates and previews of our awesome stalls.

If you would like a stall for this market please contact us at waverleymarket@gmail.com, through our Facebook page or Fiona on 022 676 8205

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Over 11 inflatables are included in the display. Many of the decorations are hand made by Cara. No surface or space is left empty - when you enter the front yard you can see first-hand the amount of work put in to get the details just right.

Be sure to check out the snow art on the front windows. The star on the roof, above the front door is an original creation.



Drop into the Waverley Four Square and you'll find Cara, the Bakery Manager, hard at work. An early start doesn't stop her lighting up her home every night in December.

Cara first fell in love with houses with christmas lights from when she was a teenager doing the local paper run for Owen Savage back in 1998.

Along with her partner, she normally starts putting lights up at the beginning of October and spends at least 80 or more hours building and rearranging the lights until she's happy with the display.

"When asked why I do this? It's easy... it's the pure joy I feel when I get to see the cars stopping to look and kids jumping out all excited. I even see the truckies sit outside the house and enjoy their dinner while watching my light display."

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It has been 106 years since World War I, "the war to end all wars" finished. Let us not forget the men from Waverley who never returned, or their families who celebrated that first Christmas without loved ones.

The Christmas Miracle

Cressy would never forget the day war was declared. She, her husband George and their son Jack gathered around the radio listening to the BBC broadcast in disbelief. To Cressy and George it did not seem that long ago that men from the district had volunteered for the Boer War. She remembered their homecoming and the prayers of gratitude the town had given that those who had left had returned.

To Jack the news was electrifying. Now 20, he had been a member of the Wairoa Light Horse Brigade for some time and he couldn't wait to race off to talk to friends about volunteering. Cressy wished he would not, but he was determined. "This is for England" he declared "and most of the Wairoa Light Horse are going. I have to go!" The only slight consolation for Cressy was that their neighbour's son David was also enlisting. The boys had been fast friends since childhood and being in the same regiment they would at least have reminders of home.

On the day the Waverley members of the first contingent left for Trentham, Cressy and George waited at the small railway station for the train to arrive. The station faced south and the wind was chill, Cressy wrapping her shawl around her tightly, leaning against her husband for warmth. The excitement of the young men surrounding her was palpable. They were hyped up from their march from the town hall to the railway station. As it was quite late in the morning the town had been full of people clapping and cheering them as they travelled up the main street behind the Waverley Brass Band.

The mayor and other dignitaries gave their speeches and then the whistle of the train arriving cut through the air as it crawled into the station. There were a few intense moments with hurried goodbyes and hugs before the men threw their kit bags in the guard's van and jumped onto the train racing for the window seats. The guard blew his whistle and Cressy, standing by Jack's window saw him instinctively place the palm of his hand against the window facing her. Just as instinctively, she reached up her own hand placing it against his on the cold glass. The train started to move and he mouthed "I love you" as it slowly gathered momentum. She could not help herself, walking beside it holding her hand on the window, her eyes locked with his until she could no longer, and George, catching up to her, held her tight. "Try not to worry" he said. "They say the war will be over by Christmas."

It wasn't. First they heard about the horrors of Gallipoli where Jack's unit had been deployed, and with the town mourned the loss of Waverley boys John Dalton, Jim Elmslie, John Johnson, Duncan McDonald, Alf Howie and Edwin Partridge who'd paid the ultimate sacrifice. As the war went on it seemed to Chrissy life consisted of rounds comforting the mothers of those who had lost sons or had heard they were injured. It was difficult for her as she fought with conflicting emotions - a sense of unreasonable guilt that Jack was still alive and unharmed, mixed with relief that it was so.

Like every other couple with sons abroad, Cressy and George lived in dread of hearing bad news, but when it came it was not as serious as they had feared. Yes, he had been shot in the leg, but he was on his way from Gallipoli to England for treatment and recuperation. Cressy was almost glad he had been shot – at least he was now out of the war zone and in safety. He wrote her amusing stories of his time at Gallipoli, finding the humour even in the horror, describing the hospital and how wonderful his nurses were. Of course he was fine. Couldn't wait to get back in the thick of it and show the enemy a thing or two!

The months, then years dragged on. His letters, which she treasured, came infrequently and in between them she, like the other ladies of the district, helped with fundraising for the war effort, knitted socks and baked cakes to send overseas, and wrote to him weekly with a determination to keep her letters light and entertaining, never sure if they would reach him.

It was in the spring of 1917 that she saw the telegram boy coming up the driveway one unseasonably frosty morning, his breath hanging like smoke on the chill morning air. He looked clearly uncomfortable as he wordlessly held out a black-edged telegram to her. She took it with trembling hands mechanically thanking him, and then sat down on the verandah steps in shock. It was there George found her when he came home for morning tea, the telegram still on her lap. They opened it together, and clung to each other, their world shattered by death. Their son, their only child, was gone. They were too old for there to be another.

Cressy did not know how she got through the following months. In public she was pleasant and appeared to be coping. Within the walls of her house she was depleted of all joy. Bitterly she blamed God for taking Jack in a foreign country leaving her without a grave to visit. Hadn't she always prayed for his safety? God more than anyone must know the hurt that had been inflicted – hadn't He had given His Son to save the world? She continued to go to church, but her faith, which she had carried like a flame all her life only flickered and she knew her faith had been found wanting. She stopped going to meet the incoming trains bringing home the injured and broken men. She too was broken.

There was nothing to look forward to this Christmas. For the last three years at least they'd had hope. Like all those who grieved, she knew with despair the 'firsts' would be the hardest. The first Christmas, Jack's birthday, summer camp at the beach.....Each would be an emotional obstacle to be endured.

It was mid-November when she saw a man in uniform walking arm-in-arm with a young woman up their driveway. She recognised him as he got closer – it was David who'd left with Jack. His arm was in a sling and when she ran to meet him threw his good arm around her. She called out in excitement to George, and the two men shook hands feelingly.

Curious, Cressy's eyes turned towards David's companion, a slight and pretty little thing, heavily pregnant. She looked pale and there were beads of perspiration on her brow although she was trying her best to smile. "Are you all right?" she asked, stepping towards her in concern. The girl crumpled, Cressy and David catching her awkwardly between them. "Quick George! Carry her inside and put her on the sofa" she said, running towards the kitchen to run cold water over a cloth. "For goodness sake David. How could you expect her to walk any distance in her condition?"

"Well it's not that far from the station" he said, "so I suggested that we leave our bags there to be picked up later and she agreed. I wanted to surprise my parents."

"Well that's no way to treat your wife" she said with some asperity, laying the cloth gently over the girl's forehead.

"Wife?" said David, his face flushing "No, no, no… she's not my wife! No, no.. not at all!"

"Then whose wife is she?" asked Cressy staring at him in confusion, "And what are you doing with her?"

"You never got Jack's letter then?" asked David. "About Emily?"

"No" answered Cressy "I didn't."

"Well, she's Jack's wife" said David awkwardly. He looked at her in concern - she looked as white as a ghost, frozen on the spot, and George standing beside her looked as stunned as she did.

"The letter must have got lost," continued David. "He met Emily when he was on leave in London and it went from there. He married her before his last deployment and made me promise to look after her and bring her home if he died. She has no-one. Her family were all killed during the air raids."

"How awful" thought Cressy, "to lose your family members and husband and be left alone and pregnant to travel to a foreign land. Her suffering must have been unbearable compared to ours." She believed that God had forsaken them, but in their deepest moments of despair she now knew that He had sent them this young woman with Jack's child to help heal and restore them all. How could she have doubted Him?

She looked down at the girl whose eyes had opened and were lifting anxiously to hers. "Emily" said Cressy, "Jack loved you and we will too. This is your home now."

For the first time in the months since Jack died, she and George smiled at each other. They understood that Christmas 1917 would not be like Christmases past, but it would be the beginning of Christmases to come with faith and hope restored through the arrival of this young woman whom Jack had loved. When this baby was born in December, they would all have their own little Christmas miracle.

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What a year it has been!

By Carl Bates, Member of Parliament for Whanganui

As I write this Christmas is fast approaching and 2025 will be with us before we know it. Reflecting on this year, I thought a good starting point would be to read my December 2023 column in the Pātea & Waverley Press.

It was titled Busy, busy, busy, and reflected on the period immediately after the 2023 General Election. In many ways 2024 continued this theme - and this column highlights a bit about what has been happening.

Our roads have for some time been in need of significant repair. There is significant reconstruction work underway at the moment between Whanganui and Hāwera, funded from Transport Minister Simeon Brown's Pothole Prevention Fund. When finished these improvements will make driving on State Highway Three a much better experience. Just two weeks ago I visited South Taranaki Quarries where the aggregate used in these repairs is extracted, which is a further boost for local business.

Throughout the campaign, and into 2024 I have been focused on addressing the lack of mobile coverage in Pātea. In April we held a public meeting in town with the then Minister of Communications. As 2024 draws to a close there is commitment from One.NZ that 2025 will bring some improvement with the building of a new tower.

Waverley residents were concerned about anti-social behaviour in the town and in August I joined Central Area Commander Inspector Neil Forlong and STDC Mayor Phil Nixon for a well-attended public meeting. Some suggestions from that meeting have already been adopted, and a summary of the discussion delivered to all residents.

Farmers are the mainstay of the Pātea-Waverley areas and the coalition Government has had plenty of good news for rural New Zealand. Just last week National delivered on its pre-election promises to remove agricultural emissions from the ETS.

80%-plus of our export returns come from the food and fibre sectors which comprise 70,000 businesses and employ 360,000 Kiwis. Our farmers are amongst the most carbon-efficient in the world. This Government is giving farmers certainty so they can continue to produce the proteins the world wants and will pay well for.

So as my first full year as the Member of Parliament for Whanganui, South Taranaki and Stratford draws to a close, may I wish all Pātea-Waverley Press readers and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Let us make 2025 a year to remember. Enjoy your summer.



Carl Bates at South Taranaki Quarries with Production Manager Tony Dowd.

Carlyle Women's Institute

Our October meeting, we discussed the upcoming fun and friendship day who would be attending etc. We had decided to help at the community dinner that the Patea Hangi Shop hold at the end of each month, for awareness week for WI unfortunately they were away because it was the long weekend so we could not do it. Oh well maybe some time next year.

Competition results for October:
Shrub – 1st R Cowley, 2nd M Meyer
Bloom – 1st M Meyer,
Cluster – 1st B Dwyer, 2nd M Meye, 3rd R Cowley
Handcraft – R Cowley (All in one toy-Knitted)
Cooking – (Fudge Cake) 1st M Meyer

Our November meeting, a small report on Fun & Friendship day was read to the members, we discussed International Day, this year the country is Mexico. We will be meeting at Tika Restaurant for lunch with other Institute ladies.

Competition results for November:
Bloom – 1st L Hill, 2nd B Dwyer, 3rd M Meyer
Cluster – 1st M Meyer, 2nd L Hill, 3rd K McColl
Shrub – 1st R Cowley, 2nd L Hill, 3rd K McColl
No Handcraft or cooking from anyone this month.

Watch this space
If you are interested in joining us come and see what we are all about, first Thursday of each month, 1.30pm at Patea Old Folks Hall







Waverley Agricultural Boys & Girls Lamb and Calf Club

Thank you to everyone who came from afar and the locals to participate in the Waverley Agricultural Boys & Girls Lamb and Calf Club with their calves and lambs on Friday 1st November. We had an amazing turn out!

We had 10 calves which were mostly local.

We also had 24 lambs which from Waverley, Patea, Kai Iwi & Westmere

A big Thank you to Linda Gurnick for being our Lamb Judge, Richard Gurnick for being our Calf Judge. As well as Amanda Gurnick, Peta Hamilton (from Seales Winslow), Michael & Lynda Neil for helping the day run smoothly.

Thank you to our sponsors ANZCO Foods, PGG Wrightson, Farm Source, Fonterra, LIC, Hair on Brassey, CRV, M R N Contracting, Seales Winslow, FMG, Kathy Milne, Barenbrug, and Hireways.

Congratulations to the following:

LAMBS

Junior Leading
1st Mackenzie Andrews
2nd Kacia Larsen
3rd Finn Pritchard

Senior Leading
1st Lucy Drake
2nd Darragh Neil
3rd Jade King

Junior Calling
1st Addison Belton
2nd Emily Luoni
3rd Finn Pritchard
Highly commended - Louis Luoni

Senior Calling
1st Quentin Smith
2nd Lucy Drake
3rd Jack Drake

Best Dressed
1st Arlo Neil
2nd Lucy Drake
3rd Mila Koubaridis

Champion Calling Cup
Quentin Smith

Champion Leading Cup
Lucy Drake

Junior Champion Cup
Finn Pritchard
Highly Commended - Mackenzie Andrews & Addison Belton

Senior Champion Cup
Lucy Drake

Overall Champion
Lucy Drake

Reserve Champion
Finn Pritchard

CALVES

Junior Leading
1st Evelyn Brewer
2nd Lilly-Marie Brewer
3rd Ellalaine Smith

Senior Leading
1st Wesley Smith
2nd Rory-James Brewer
3rd Nick Bridson

Junior Care & Attention
1st Ellalaine Smith
2nd Evelyn Brewer
3rd Darcy Keller

Senior Care & Attention
1st Wesley Smith
2nd Kalyn Brewer
3rd Rory-James Brewer

Beef Type
1st Lilly-Marie Brewer
2nd Rory-James Brewer
3rd Mila Koubaridis
4th Nick Bridson

Calf Breed - Dairy Type
1st & Shield Evelyn Brewer
2nd Wesley Smith
3rd Ellalaine Smith

Junior Champion
Evelyn Brewer

Senior Champion
Wesley Smith

Champion Leading Cup
Evelyn Brewer

Champion Care and Attention Cup
Wesley Smith

Overall Champion
Evelyn Brewer

Reserve Champion
Wesley Smith













Gallery Patea

Gallery Patea has had a good year with a number of exhibitions and some new artists, Leonie Kirwin, Stu McPherson and Marianne Coady.

Currently we have a range of beautiful items at different prices. Could be just what you are looking for for that special someone.

Below: PHOTO of wreaths by Leonie Kirwan

We are excited to have our first exhibition and workshops booked for 2025.

Marianne Coady's exhibition starts on the 8th January at 10am. The title of the exhibition will be: Rauemi Taiao / Natural Materials.

There are two Workshops scheduled for January, 2025 to be held by Marianne Coady. The workshops are to introduce the concept of eco dyeing as a means of developing various approaches to creativity. Theyvwill appeal to anyone interested in fashion or wearable arts, bookbinding.

Location and times to be confirmed, also equipment requirements for participants

The 11-12th January 2025

- Saturday: Eco Paper Paper dyeing
- Sunday: Book covers featuring paper from Day 1

Workshop one will introduce the concept of eco dyeing on paper, during which, each individual will produce papers dyed using various techniques. Day two will introduce basic skills in the process of art bookmaking. Three styles of books will be produced by each participant.

The second workshop is the 25-26th of January:

- Saturday: Cloth dyeing
- Sunday: Encaustic wax.(Hot wax painting)

Workshop two will cover eco dyeing and printing on fabric. Each participant will produce three or more finished lengths of printed/dyed fabric. Day two introduces encaustic art (Hot wax painting). Each participant will produce one finished encaustic piece based on their eco dyed fabric on a plywood introduce basic skills in the process of art bookmaking.

The Artist:

Marianne Coady is a life-long artist recently moved from Australia to Pātea who brings a great amount of passion and experience to her work as an artist and teacher. She has produced striking wearable art featuring natural dyes and leaf imprints, applique, and embroidery. She has also done collage works incorporating plant materials, and layering of patterns and moon shaped elements sealed with encaustic (beeswax & tree resin). Her work is refined, highly sought after, heavily biased with the use of natural materials, and thoughtfully inspired by her interaction with our natural world. We are very grateful she has moved to Pātea and is keen to become involved helping at the Gallery and the community.

We will be shut from 12 on the 24th Dec, and reopening on the 8th Dec, however we will open by appointment during that time.

Wishing you all a safe and Merry Christmas.





The Paepae committee is seeking your cherished memories from the past 20 years of Paepae in the Park events.

We are compiling a special segment for next year's celebration, featuring video clips and photos from previous events. This tribute will honor our valued contributors and remember those we have lost.

Please submit your materials to the Pātea library or email them to paepaechairman@gmail.com.

For assistance or inquiries, contact us or call 027 250 0547.

Thank you for your support and integral role in our community. Sincerely,

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Waverley Primary School

Pet Day

Our recent Pet Day was a huge success. We persevered even though the weather was against us and we were glad that we did! We had a record number of dogs and a wide variety of other animals including lambs, calves, horses, rabbits, birds and cats. Our indoor exhibit creations this year were extremely impressive too! A huge thanks to all our volunteer judges on the day who offer their own time to support our Pet Day.













Wearable Arts



Junior Farmer Competition

Some of our budding young farmers competed in the Junior Farmer competition at the Waverley A & P Show recently. They both did extremely well working together on a variety of different farming challenges. Special congratulations to our Year 5/6 team who took out the win for their age group! Thanks to Sarah, David and Hazel for helping out with the teams on the day.





Wearable Arts

We entered two school teams in the brand new Wearable Arts competition at the A & P show. Six girls from Rimu Hub did an amazing job with the independent design and construction of their impressive outfits! They both received certificates on the day in their intermediate age group. Ruby, Comien and Sofia also took out the overall winner on the day out of all age groups as well! Elie individually entered an outfit she had created with her Nana which was stunning. Matilda and Hannah also modelled designs that were created by local adults. We can't wait for next year! Well done to everyone involved.









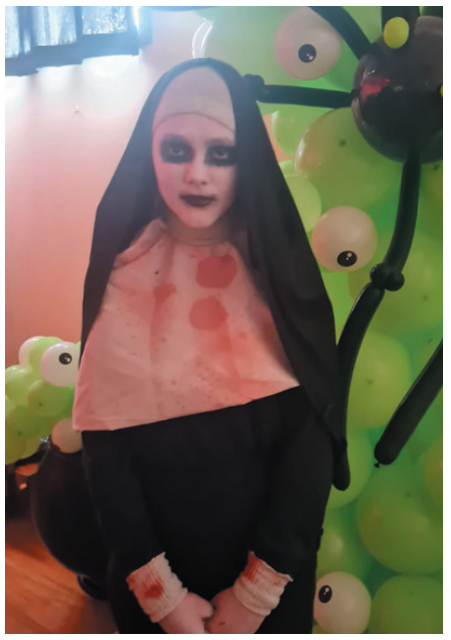
Disco

Our Halloween Disco was a wonderful opportunity for our tamariki to dress up and celebrate Halloween. So many AMAZING costumes, EPIC dance moves, SPOOKY decorations and YUMMY treats. Thanks again to our PFA for their organisation and support of our school.









Tough Kids 2024

We had three students attend the quiet hour on Thursday and close to 80 Year 3-8 students attend the annual Tough Kids event at Cooks Gardens in Whanganui. It is a highlight for many students and is always an action-packed day! Thank you to everyone who provided transport to and from this event.













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Exciting!!! So lucky to see our own work on display at the beautiful **Te Whare o Rehua Sarjeant Gallery.**



Kia Ora Koutou,

This year has certainly flown by. Last week we had a fantastic Firewise session with Chris and Julie from the Fire Brigade. It's important for you to reiterate your family's escape plan in case you have a fire at home.

Our Tough Kids blitzed the Tough Kids course with 2600 other children on Friday. I'm so proud of their determination and grit to cross the finish line. It was great to see whanau members in the whanau race too! Very, very brave!

elcome to Meadow in the Junior class and Ellie- Mai in the Senior Class. We hope you enjoy your time at Waitotara School.

The Waverley A & P show was another great day out. Well done to our children who entered in the Junior Farmer competition, we're really proud of your efforts- Noah, Tom, Regan, Lily, Hugh, Axel, Aeneas and Caine.

Have a great rest of the term.

Ngå Mihi
Polly Devane
Principal



Some of Our Tough kids!

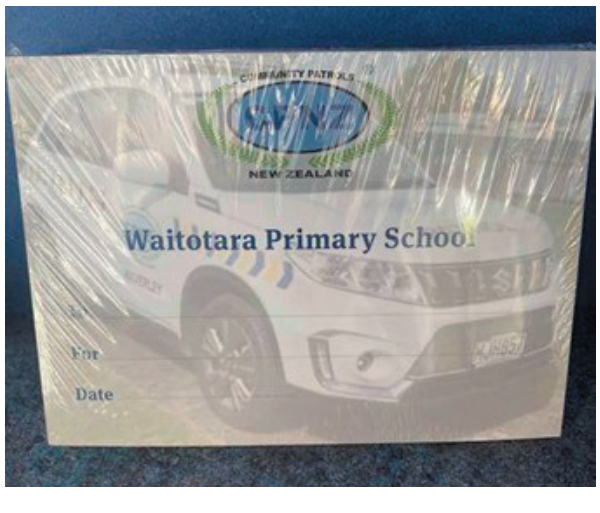






Thankyou Sue Rosewarne for your initiative with the Community Patrol New Zealand in creating some wonderful certificates for us to give out to students





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An awesome Pet Day again such a lot of wonderful work by our amazing Students and teachers. Thankyou Farm Source for helping us on pet day and your contributions













An Interview with….

Name: Carter Age: 7
Favourites:
Colours: Green
Book: The Little Yellow Digger
TV Show/Movie: Maverick

I like Waitotara School because we have a new playground.



An Interview with….

Name: Ellie Mai Age: 10
Favourites:
Colours: Rainbow
Book: Rings of Fire
TV Show/Movie: Avatar

I like Waitotara School because everyone treats me the same.



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Disruption to Council Services While Building Strengthened



Services at the South Taranaki District Council will be disrupted for approximately 4-6 months while the main Administration Building in Hāwera is earthquake strengthened, says Council chief executive Fiona Aitken.

Ms Aitken says from 3 December the Administration Building on Albion Street will be closed and the staff relocated to other facilities while the strengthening work is done.

Te Ramanui o Ruapūtahanga, the district's new Library, isite visitor information centre and gallery on the corner of High and Regent Streets will be the temporary location for all Council related enquiries.

"All the same services will be available as before; however, we will need to do some things just a little differently," says Aitken. "When customers need to see a staff member, we'll need to use video conferencing technology (Teams) or arrange for appointments to be made, because the staff will be in several different locations," she says.

While there will be a degree of disruption for the public and staff, Aitken says it's nothing they can't accommodate.

"Since COVID-19 we've learnt to be very flexible with how we do things and, while shifting out of the main building is not ideal, it means we can get the strengthening work done more quickly."

Ms Aitken says the strengthening work is needed because the Hāwera Administration building is the district's Civil Defence emergency operations centre and needs to meet higher structural requirements than other buildings.

"We need to make sure that in the event of a major disaster we are able to use this building as our base of operations as well as continue to deliver our business-as-usual activities to our communities."

Fare-free Fridays on Taranaki buses this December

With the holiday shopping season in full swing, Taranaki families can take advantage of free bus travel each Friday in December.

Building on the success of free buses for World Car-Free Day in September, Taranaki Regional Council is bringing back fare-free Fridays to spread some Christmas cheer and help families get around more affordably and sustainably.

Council Transport Engagement Manager Cheryl Gazley says that offering free bus rides on Fridays leading up to Christmas encourages new riders to try the bus for holiday shopping, rewards regular users and helps everyone save a little extra just in time for Christmas.

"We were thrilled by the 22% increase in passenger numbers from our last fare-free day and received great feedback from the community.

"We hope that by offering fare-free Fridays, people will again enjoy the convenience, cost savings and eco-friendly benefits of taking the bus. It's a stress-free way to get into town and back without worrying about parking or traffic during one of the busiest times of the year."

On Friday 6, 13 and 20 December all urban Citylink, school Citylink, Connector, Your Connector and Southlink bus services will be free for all passengers. Bee Cards, usually $5, will also be available free from local retailers (one card per person, while stocks last) on those days.

For more information on bus service timetables and a list of Bee Card retailers, visit trc.govt.nz/buses-transport

Bee Card retailers in Taranaki:

New Plymouth i-SITE (Puke Ariki, St Aubyn Street) 10am–5pm daily

Tranzit (15 Sunley Street, Westown) 8am–5pm, Monday–Friday

Bell Block Library (88 Parklands Avenue) 9am–5pm Monday, Wednesday, Friday; 9am–6pm Tuesday, Thursday; 9am–12pm Saturday

Waitara Library (15 Queen Street) 9am–5pm Monday, Wednesday, Friday; 9am–6pm Tuesday, Thursday; 9am–12pm Saturday

Stratford i-SITE (Stratford Library, Prospero Place) 8.30am–5pm Monday–Friday; 9am–1pm Saturday

South Taranaki i-SITE (55 High Street, Hāwera) 8.30am–5pm Monday–Friday; 10am–3pm weekends

Ōpunake LibraryPlus (43 Tasman Street, Ōpunake) 9am–5pm Monday–Friday; 9am–12.30pm Saturday



Te Ramanui o Ruapūtahanga Opened

Te Ramanui o Ruapūtahanga – the regions newest Library, isite visitor information centre and art gallery was officially opened today in Hāwera, 128 years after the original Hāwera Library was built in 1896.

South Taranaki Mayor Phil Nixon who opened the $15.5 million facility said the long-awaited opening realised the completion of a major milestone in the Council's Town Centre Strategy for Hāwera.

"This modern, multi-functional, facility which includes a library, art gallery, AA and isite visitor information centre, café, and public toilets will provide residents and visitors with a wide range of services and bring more foot traffic right into the heart of Hawera," says Nixon.

Nixon acknowledged it had been quite a journey which started back in December 2014 under the leadership of former mayor Ross Dunlop almost 10 years ago and reflected on the major successes that had taken place as a result.

"Back then the Council, in partnership with the Hawera Business association - Bizlink Hawera, developed and adopted the Hawera Town Centre Strategy - a suite of actions which would provide Hawera with a more vibrant and economically sustainable town centre," says Nixon.

"Since then, we've seen the completion of Campbell Lane, extension of carparks on Victoria Street, opening up of Nelson Street carpark with Korimako Lane, the massive Countdown (now Woolworths) development in the Nelson/Victoria/ Union St precinct, the Foundry- Te Wanake co-working space and enterprise hub on High Street and restoration work is currently being undertaken on the old heritage building directly opposite Te Ramanui," he says.

"One of the key goals underpinning Council's Town Centre strategy was that it would be a catalyst to drive change and to encourage private investment in the town centre – and that is what we have seen and are continuing to see happen today. So, thank you to all the officials, elected members, private investors, Bizlink and members of the community, past and present, who had the foresight to embark on this bold plan and see it through."

Mayor Nixon also thanked key funders who contributed about 35% of the total cost including major contributions from the Government's Regional Development Fund ($4 million) and Toi Foundation ($2.8 million).

"Thanks to substantial external fundraising and by using the council's long term investment fund and other reserves, there was no impact on rates to build the facility," he says.

The building itself, designed by Daniel Thompson (of Warren and Mahoney) who grew up in Hawera, takes environmental sustainability into account wherever possible. This has the added benefit of keeping ongoing operational costs to a minimum. Some of the key aspects are the use of solar energy with an array of panels on the roof which have made use of the north facing saw tooth roof design. A milk tank (donated by Fonterra) located at the far end of the building, is designed to collect the roof water from the east side of the building and is re-purposed for flushing toilets throughout the building.

The district's Lysaght Watt gallery is also located in the facility displaying its inaugural exhibition Tuata'i/First a showcase of contemporary artists from across South Taranaki.

Another feature of the building is a glass bust of Ruapātahanga, a famous Taranaki Maori ancestress whom the building is named after, which stands sentinel at the High Street entrance of the facility.

Te Ramanui o Ruapūtahanga means the beacon or signal fire of Ruapātahanga, who would light the beacon as a signal for Iwi to meet so they could talk, share ideas and knowledge – a name which perfectly symbolises the new centre's purpose as a place for the community to meet in order to share information and gain knowledge.

"Te Ramanui o Ruapūtahanga will not only be a community and visitor hub. It will be a catalyst for driving change, increasing investment - both social and economic and will completely transform the town centre," he says.

- The facility cost approx $15.5 million to build.
- The overall project cost approx. $20.1 million with additional costs such as the land acquisition, demolition of previous buildings, landscaping and professional fees for things such as architects, consents, engineers and the like.
- 35% of the funding came from external sources.



Mayor Phil Nixon cutting the ribbon



Standing in front of the entrance (left to right) former South Taranaki Mayor Ross Dunlop, current Mayor Phil Nixon, TOI Foundation CE Maria Ramsey and Carl Bates (Whanganui Electorate Member of Parliament.

Gallery moves to Hāwera's new Cultural Centre

Hāwera's Lysaght Watt Gallery is on the move this month, relocating to a new custom-built space within Te Ramanui o Ruapūtahanga. The new cultural centre, which also features the public library, isite and a new café, will open to the public on 25 November.

The gallery closed the doors on the Union Street premises next to the Hāwera Town Square, following the Taranaki Arts Trail exhibition on 10 November.

Gallery Secretary Jan Wairua says "The relocation of the Lysaght Watt art gallery to Te Ramanui o Te Ruapūtahanga marks the end of an era and the exciting dawn of a new chapter. After 17 years of enriching the local cultural landscape in its beloved, familiar space in Union Street, the gallery bids farewell to its historic location, where countless exhibitions and artistic milestones have unfolded. With change comes opportunity. The gallery's move to a fresh, dynamic site alongside the Library heralds a new beginning - one that promises to breathe new life into its mission of connecting art with diverse audiences. Volunteer gallery hosting has always been a mainstay of the Lysaght Watt Gallery and we look forward to this remaining so."

The inaugural exhibition at Lysaght Watt Gallery in Hāwera will showcase the diversity of artists in South Taranaki, featuring artworks that reflect the scope of contemporary art in the district.

Curated by South Taranaki District Council Arts Co-ordinator Michaela Stoneman, Tuata'i – First will feature works in a wide variety of mediums by 20 South Taranaki artists.

"We have a wealth of amazing artists in South Taranaki, each with a unique voice and approach, demonstrating remarkable skill and insight. This show will host a mix of established and emerging artists from our arts community and offers a platform for connection, future collaborations and celebration of our collective creativity' Stoneman says.

Submitted works include painting, whakairo, printmaking, sculpture, jewellery, textiles, photography and assemblage. The featured artists live throughout the South Taranaki district, including Ōeo, Pūniho, Ōhawē, Pātea, Ōpunakē, Waverley, Hāwera, Eltham, Pungarehu and Manaia.

Artists featured in the exhibition are:
Lisa Armett, Mark Bellringer, Gabrielle Belz, Steven Boothe, Dale Copeland,
James Davidson, Viv Davy, Kris Donaldson, Reeve Hokopaura, Maree Horner,
Paul Hutchinson, Claire Jensen,
Jennifer Laracy, Meka Mauriri,
Daniel McCrae, Remo Roger Morris, Marianne Muggeridge, Holly Smith, Charlotte Stark and Tim Wigmore.

Tuata'i - First
25 November 2024 - 25 January 2025
Lysaght Watt Gallery, Hāwera
Opening Event:
6pm, Wednesday 27 November 2024 –
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New Listing

Auction 2pm 9th December 2024 - 269 Broadway, Stratford

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185 Egmont Street, Patea

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Auction

This 1950s freehold home has become available and is now up for sale by auction. It is a 1950 to 1959 build of weatherboard cladding and has four bedrooms with a concrete tile roof. There is timber joinery and ample garage and shed space on a flat 751m² section and located close to the northern diary and five-minute walk into the township of Patea.

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FOR SALE



New Listing

LOVE IT, PARK IT, LEAVE IT!!

169 Egmont Street, Patea

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For Sale $175,000

Here we have the perfect 1012m2 which is flat and fenced with plantings already established it wont take long to reap the fruits of the various food plants as well as the sheltering plantings to add privacy to this off grid setting. With a very tidy single garage which is currently used as a living and cooking area by the vendor you can either use it for storage or open it back up.

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VIEW FROM THE TOP

32 Norfolk Street, Patea

2 1 3 2

For Sale $330,000

Set on an elevated 1012m2 site with fantastic views out over the countryside. The home is set behind a good fence with double plus garaging and a large, enclosed carport. Two double sized bedrooms both with wardrobes. A large open plan living room, dining room and kitchen. The garages are accessed internally from the back laundry storage room.

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OLD WORLD CHARM

14 Albany Street, Patea

4 1 1 2

For Sale $320,000

This large 4 bedroom villa set on a 1214m2 flat freehold section will capture your imagination. With 200m2 of floor space the home is large and stately. There are four double sized bedrooms for those looking for that extra room and a separate kitchen with back door access to the garage and sheds. Enjoy the sun from the wrap around verandah.

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LOTS OF POTENTIAL AND SPACE

30A Hussey Street, Waverley

3 1 2 1

Price by Negotiation

This 1950s home is solid and has so much to offer. It offers a large flat fully fenced section of 1016m2 with a double garage. Three double sized bedrooms with wardrobes, a large separate living room heated by a heat pump and through the set of internal doors it opens to a separate dining room. **Currently tenanted at $400p/w**

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FOR SALE



New Listing

NEAT AS A PIN

22 Elizabeth Street, Patea

3 1 1

For Sale 385,000

A sunny warm home at the end of a Cul de sac this home has little left to do - just move in. Currently rented by careful tenants at $450 per week this would make a great starter home or rental investment.

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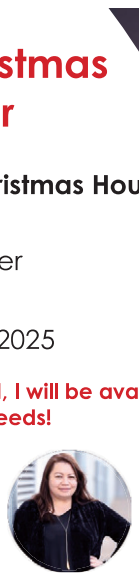





FOR SALE



New Listing

CALLING ALL DIYers

5 Grey Street, Patea

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For Sale $199,000

This 1970s home is ready for its new owners and situated near the end of a quiet Cul de sac on its 801m2 (approx) section its priced to move. Yes it needs an overhaul from the roof to decorating - but internally there are some large light filled spaces just aching for some new wall and floor coverings and the bones are good.

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Quick crossword

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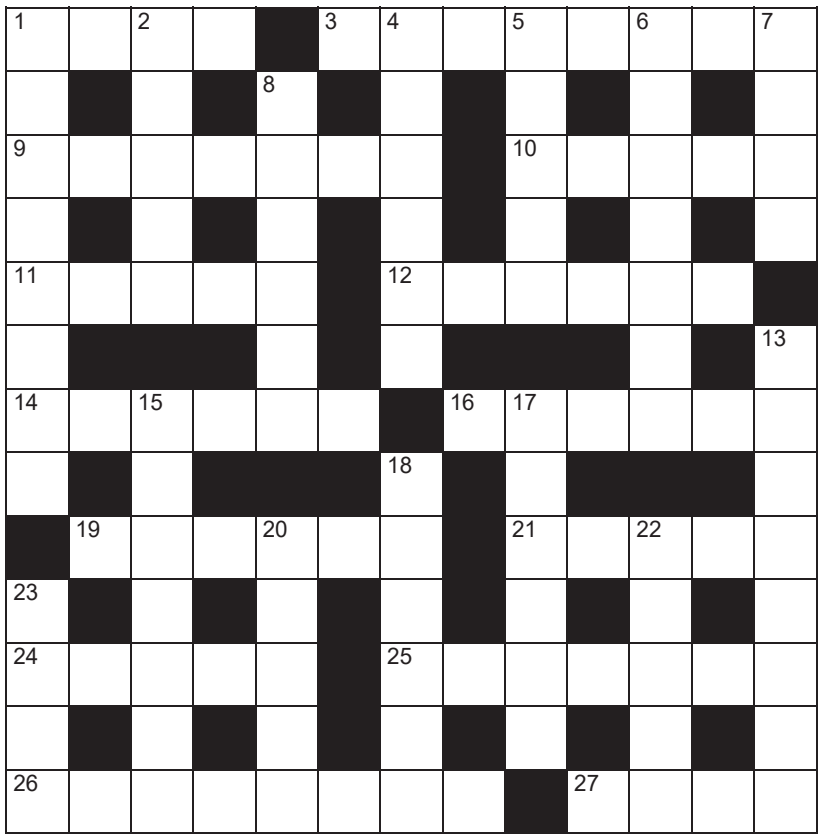


Across

1. Dirt (4)
3. Rebuke (8)
9. Exceed (7)
10. Edge (5)
11. Astound (5)
12. Pantry (6)
14. Repeat aloud (6)
16. Pure (6)
19. Bewilder (6)
21. Tranquillity (5)
24. Concur (5)
25. Voter (7)
26. Extend (8)
27. Accurate (4)

Down

1. Slaughter (8)
2. Approximately (5)
4. Simply (6)
5. Waterway (5)
6. Stuffy (7)
7. Listen to (4)
8. Most recent (6)
13. Practise (8)
15. Humiliation (7)
17. Occur (6)
18. Ebb (6)
20. Armada (5)
22. Change (5)
23. Tumble (4)

Crossword solution

Across: 1. Muck, 3. Reproach, 9. Surpass, 10. Verge, 11. Amaze, 12. Larder, 14. Recite, 16. Chaste, 19. Baffle, 21. Peace, 24. Agree, 25. Elector, 26. Lengthen, 27. True.
Down: 1. Massacre, 2. Circa, 4. Easily, 5. River, 6. Airless, 7. Heed, 8. Latest, 13. Rehearse, 15. Chagrin, 17. Happen, 18. Recede, 20. Fleet, 22. Alter, 23. Fall.

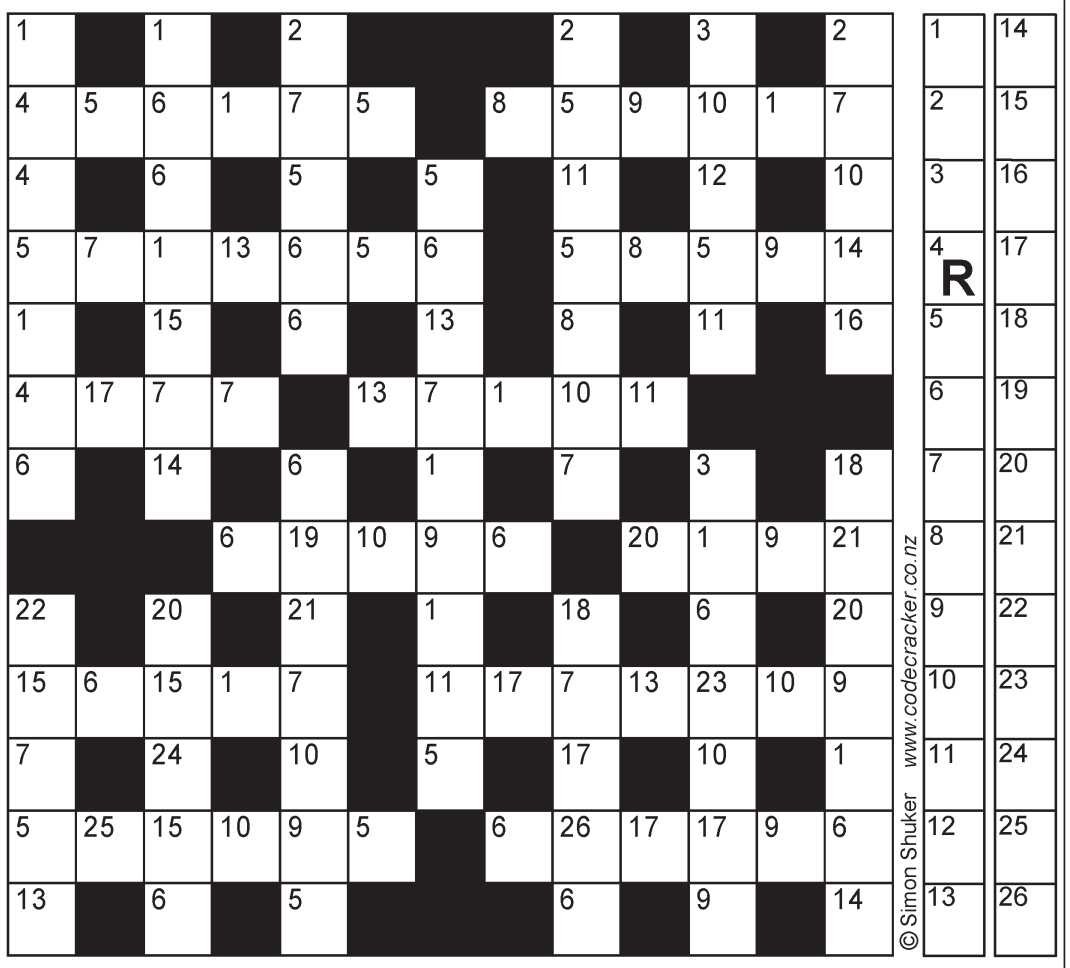
Code-Cracker

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
A	B	F	R	E	S	L	V	N	I	D	X	P

14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
T	U	Z	O	G	K	M	Y	J	H	C	Q	W

SIMON SHUKER'S CODE-CRACKER Extra

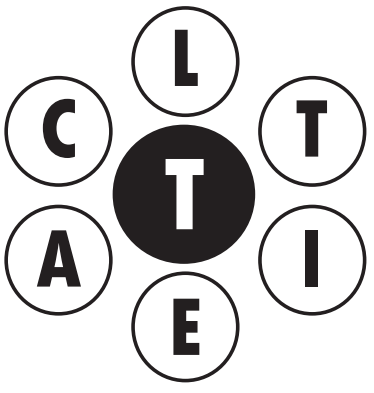
EACH number in our Code-Cracker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. For example, today 4 represents R, so fill in R every time the figure 4 appears. You have one letter in the control grid to start you off. Enter it in the appropriate squares in the main grid, then use your knowledge of words to work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you get the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and control grid. Check off the list of alphabetical letters as you identify them. *Visit www.codecracker.co.nz*



Circle of Words

How many words of four letters or more can you make? There is at least one seven-letter word. Each letter may be used only once and all words must contain the centre letter. No words starting with a capital, no plurals ending in s unless the word is also a verb.

Good 8 **Very Good** 13 **Excellent** 16+



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Shadow Downs Polled Hereford Stud –
Ian & Nancye, Daniel & Rae Smith
Mark Nicholas Rural and Livestock Sales

The Waverley A & P Show lambs were judged on the hoof and on the hook at Takapau by Silver Fern Farms which the Committee is very grateful for. The Committee thanks the generous farmers who gave gift lambs to the Show, Phil Evans from Silver Fern Farms, and Z Tags for their support.

The results were:
Gift Lambs:
Hoof: Longview 1, Parkfields 2, Ben Murphy 3, Angus Wilson 4;
Hook: Pete Richardson 1, Shadow Downs 2, Ian Symes 3,
Lanacree Farms 4.
MVP Myola Farm $202.
Waitotara Meat Company Cup: Longview
Youngs Tray: Pete Richardson
Export Lambs:
Hoof: Longview (BJ) 1, Aiken Farms 2, Longview (Jack) 3,
Willie Symes 4.
Hook: Aiken Farm 1, Ian Symes 2, Longview 3, Willie Symes 4.
Simpson Cup: Longview.

The following local farmers donated Gift Lambs to the Show with the proceeds going towards the overall costs for running the Show.
Many thanks to Lanacree Farms, John Aiken, Shadow Downs, AE & C Symes, Steve and Karen Rainey, Ian Symes, N & D Alexander, Longview, Tony Wilson, Duncan Wilson, Guy Lennox, Sam Lennox, Peter Richardson (2), Parkfields, David Steele, Angus Wilson, Myola Farms, Aiken Farms, Kevin Murphy, Ben Murphy, Sam Parsons, Ashmore Farm, Willie Symes, Amon Bros, Cathy Milne, Emma Koubaridis and Phillipa Symes.

Sheep Dog Trial Yarding Event Results
Run in conjunction with the Waverley-Waitotara Sheep Dog Trial Club

Open:
1st and Eric Weir Salver, Chris Pullen, Ike 99.7 (Pongaroa)
2nd Merv Williams, Flash 99.6 (Raetihi)
3rd Loyd Bishop, Tia 99.5 (Inglewood)
4th Bernie Gower, Jack 98.5 (New Plymouth)
5th L Bishop, Ridge 98 (Inglewood)
Intermediate:
1st Chris Pullen, Ike 99.7 (Pongaroa)
2nd L Bishop, Ridge 98 (Inglewood)
3rd Donna McLean, Flare 97.5 (Whanganui)
Maiden:
1st Chris Pullen, Ike 99.7 (Pongaroa)
2nd Donna McLean, Flare 97.5 (Whanganui)
3rd Howard Ingles, Wren 96.5 (Otane)
Local maiden man or maiden dog:
1st Brian Dickie, Lass 94.5 (Wanganui)
2nd Willie Symes, Floyd 91 (Waverley)
3rd Harry Symes, Bell 87 (Waverley)

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Murray Elliot, Kai Iwi for his sheep
Sandfords Livestock for transport of the sheep
Shadow Downs Polled Hereford Stud – Ian and Nancye, Daniel and Rae Smith
Geoff Redington for supplying raffle of a whiskey bottle.

Raffle winner: Loyd Bishop, Inglewood.

Go to Waverley A & P Association & Equestrian Section Waverley A&P Show Facebook pages for photos of the competitors in action

2024 KIDS' AG CLUB RESULTS - Sponsored by Open Country Dairy

LAMBS

Junior Leading

1. Ollie Belton Popcorn
2. Billie-Rose Myers Cutie-Pie
3. Maeve Neil
4. Finn Pritchard Nugget
5. Arizona Hill Sunny
6. Mackenzie Andrews Rosie

Senior Leading

1. Quylla McKay Snowdrop
2. Payton Koubaridis
3. Lucy Drake
4. Jade King Star
5. Darragh Neil
6. Max Stafford Muzz

Junior Calling

1. Beau Koubaridis
2. Mila Koubaridis
3. Ellah Robinson
4. Finn Pritchard Nugget
5. Emily Luoni Pearl
6. Billie-Rose Myers Cutie-Pie

Senior Calling

1. Max Stafford Muzz
2. Lucy Drake
3. Quylla McKay Snowdrop
4. Payton Koubaridis
5. Darragh Neil
6. Jack Drake

Most Obvious Pet

1. Darragh Neil
2. Beau Koubaridis
3. Arlo Neil Dave
4. Billie-Rose Myers Cutie-pie
5. Ellah Robinson
6. Arizona Hill Sunny

Junior Champion
Billie-Rose Myers Cutie-pie

Senior Champion
Quylla McKay Snowdrop

Supreme Lamb
Billie-Rose Myers Cutie-pie

CALVES

Junior Leading Heavy

1. Hunter Myers Dice
2. Eve Brewer
3. Billie-Rose Myers
4. George Oneill Berkley
5. Lilly Brewer

Junior Leading Light

1. Ellalaine Smith Sugar
2. Piper Marshall
3. Katie Starr

Senior Leading Heavy

1. Eva Dowdle Violet
2. Fergus Bourke
3. Sienna Bourke
4. Mila Dowdle Scout
5. Tom Jamieson Meg
6. Guy Perrett JJ

Senior Leading Light

1. Kayden Marshall
2. Kaylee Lepper
3. Wesley Smith Bailey
4. Nicholas Bridson Fred

Junior Care & Attention Heavy

1. Billie-Rose Myers
2. Hunter Myers
3. George Oneill Berkley
4. Eve Brewer
5. Lilly Brewer

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1. Piper Marshall
2. Ellalaine Smith Sugar
3. Katie Star

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2. Tom Jamieson Meg
3. Sienna Bourke
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Karen Morrison Model – Jackalyn Young
Recycled Treasures Waiinu Beach
Jenny Vick Model – Faith Botting
Mate Its Mineral Mix
Taranaki Vets Model – Hannah Johnston

Best Use of Recycled Products

1. 100% Recycled Dairy Maid
2. Queen Bee
3. Recycled Treasures Waiinu Beach

Best Use of Design

1. Queen Bee
2. Recycled Treasures Waiinu Beach
3. Mate Its Mineral Mix

Best Presented

1. Recycled Treasures Waiinu Beach
2. Queen Bee
3. Mate Its Mineral Mix

Overall Winner
Recycled Treasures Waiinu Beach

Intermediate

Entrants:

The Galaxy Garden
Adaina Young (11yrs) Model – Adaina Young
Daily News
Lilly- Anne, Kirsten (13yrs) Model – Kirsten
Glorious Trash
Comien, Sofia, Ruby (11/12yrs)
Model - Comien

Best Use of Recycled Products

1. The Galaxy Garden
2. Daily News
3. Glorious Trash

Best Use of Design

1. Glorious Trash
2. Daily News
3. Galaxy Garden

Best Presented

1. Glorious Trash
2. Galaxy Garden
3. Daily News

Overall Winner
Glorious Trash

Junior

Entrants:

The Beautiful Flower
Millie Bailey (8yrs) Model – Millie Bailey
Upcycled Princess
Elie Muggeridge (9yrs)
Model – Elie Muggeridge

Best Use of Recycled Products

1. Beautiful Flower
2. Upcycled Princess

Best Use of Design

1. Beautiful Flower
2. Upcycled Princess

Best Presented

1. Beautiful Flower
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Overall Winner
Beautiful Flower

Supreme Winner
Glorious Trash

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KANARA, Les.

Died peacefully on 21/11/2024 surrounded by his Family after a long battle with cancer.

Les moved to Patea in 1986 to be the Post Master.

He arrived here with his wife Connie and Son Michael and Daughter Laura arrived in 1988 .

Over the years Les had been a keen Rugby Player , Tennis Coach , Golfer, served on Many School Boards and cheekily tormented everyone's kids .

Les'greatest achievement was the birth of his Mokos Kauri and Stella , who he loved and adored very much .

The Kanara Whānau are so Thankful to Father Vince and the members of the Catholic Church for their Awhi and service for Les .

Also to Ngapari, Cass and Jimmy for their Karakia and Awhi to the Whānau .

The whanau would like to Thank everyone who paid their respects via Messages, calls, visits and Koha .

Nga Mihi
Laura and Whanau



NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF WAI-O-TURI MARAE

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Wai-o-Turi Marae has been **deferred** to
Saturday 18th January 2025
at Wai-o-Turi Marae, Kaharoa Rd, Patea,
commencing 10am.
Beneficial owners and descendants of Wai-o-Turi Marae are invited to attend.

AGENDA
1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting
4. Matters arising from previous minutes
5. Chairs Report
6. Financial Report
7. Election of Officers (replacing trustees who have resigned)
8. General Business
9. Close of Business

NOTE:
Resolution required for agenda items 2, 3, 5, 6 and 7

Trustee nomination forms:
Nominations are open from 22nd Oct 2024 - 11th January 2025.
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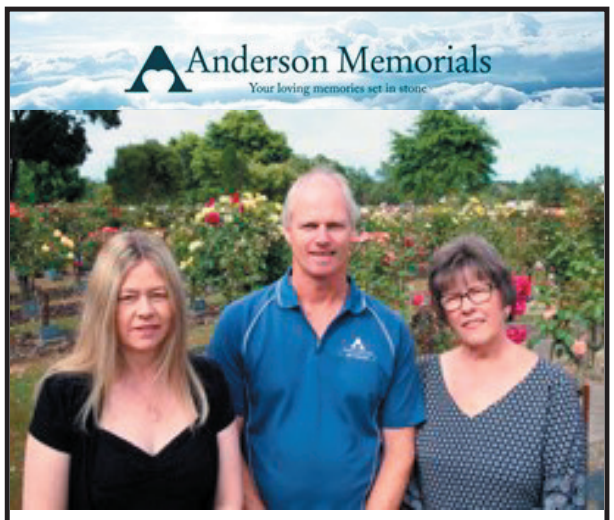

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Rainfall

KAKARAMEA
Rainfall recorded by Kevin Ford, Spence Rd.
Rainfall for October 2024 - 102ml in 10 days
Rainfall for October 2023 - 81ml
Average for October - 113ml over 54 years
TOTAL for 2024 - 876.0ml

WAITOTARA
Rainfall recorded by Marie Hawken, Waitotara
Rainfall October 2024 - 87.25ml in 13 days
Rainfall October 2023 - 87.75ml in 9 days
TOTAL for 2024 - 834.25ml

WAVERLEY
Rainfall recorded by Stu Buckman, Waverley
Rainfall October 2024 - 103.5ml in 14 days
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Rainfall October 2022 - 69.5ml in 10 days
TOTAL for 2024 - 875.5ml (End October)

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SUN	01 DEC	10:51	2.9m	23:03 2.8m
MON	02 DEC	11:26	2.9m	23:41 2.8m
TUE	03 DEC	12:03	2.9m	
WED	04 DEC	00:22	2.7m	12:42 2.9m
THU	05 DEC	01:04	2.7m	13:24 2.9m
FRI	06 DEC	01:51	2.6m	14:11 2.8m
SAT	07 DEC	02:42	2.6m	15:04 2.7m
SUN	08 DEC	03:38	2.5m	16:03 2.7m
MON	09 DEC	04:39	2.5m	17:07 2.7m
TUE	10 DEC	05:44	2.5m	18:10 2.7m
WED	11 DEC	06:50	2.6m	19:13 2.8m
THU	12 DEC	07:54	2.7m	20:12 2.8m
FRI	13 DEC	08:53	2.9m	21:09 2.9m
SAT	14 DEC	09:47	3.0m	22:03 3.0m
SUN	15 DEC	10:37	3.1m	22:55 3.0m
MON	16 DEC	11:25	3.1m	23:44 2.9m
TUE	17 DEC	12:10	3.1m	
WED	18 DEC	00:32	2.9m	12:54 3.0m
THU	19 DEC	01:17	2.8m	13:37 2.9m
FRI	20 DEC	02:01	2.7m	14:21 2.8m
SAT	21 DEC	02:45	2.5m	15:06 2.6m
SUN	22 DEC	03:31	2.4m	15:55 2.5m
MON	23 DEC	04:21	2.4m	16:48 2.4m
TUE	24 DEC	05:15	2.3m	17:44 2.4m
WED	25 DEC	06:16	2.3m	18:41 2.4m
THU	26 DEC	07:18	2.3m	19:37 2.4m
FRI	27 DEC	08:17	2.4m	20:31 2.4m
SAT	28 DEC	09:08	2.5m	21:20 2.5m
SUN	29 DEC	09:53	2.7m	22:06 2.6m
MON	30 DEC	10:34	2.8m	22:49 2.7m
TUE	31 DEC	11:13	2.9m	23:31 2.8m

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Pātea Community Board Meeting

Notes from the meeting on Mon 4 November 2024 at 4pm, provided by the Board Members.
The eighth and final meeting for 2024 was held at the at the Waitōtara Hall. Present were: Pātea Community Board members; Jacq Dwyer, Cheryl, Bronwyn, Phil Nixon (Mayor), Robert Northcott (Deputy Mayor), Sam Greenhill (PA), Rob Haveswood (Group Manager – Community Development), David Pentz (Community Development Manager), and several members of the public. Apology from Owen. The meeting opened with a karakia.

Open forum:

-Marina from the Taranaki Facilities Consortium spoke to us about what they do to help groups get facilities built for their communities. They help with planning, funding options and project guidance to get the desired outcome for the people involved.

-Ev Gibbs spoke to us about the new kitchen plans they have for the Patea Golf Club.

-Cheryl updated us on the Waitotara Hall and community in general. The paddock behind the Hall is no longer filled with noxious weeds and rubbish, it has all been cleared and the area is mowed. Leighton Blair is the volunteer who does the lawns and mows all the grass berms in the village, with the mower purchased by the Hall committee. This has made an amazing improvement to the area and was very appreciated by all in attendance at the meeting. New chairs and tables have been purchased for the Hall and it is being used more, well done to the hard-working Hall committee.

-Dot Bowlin asked why there was no longer a weight restriction on the bridge out to Silver Fern Farms. She asked if a height restriction bar could be put up to stop large trucks going over it, as if it is damaged or destroyed the Council will not be rebuilding it. There was a sign with a weight restriction on it several years ago, this has since gone. The Council are reluctant to put it back and are hoping large trucks will use the new road. Dot also asked who was leasing the Recreational Reserve behind the War Memorial Gates now, and if the field could be used again for sports? At this stage this wasn't possible while it was being leased out.

-Powerco are investigating locations for Civil Defence containers for weather disasters around NZ. Waitotara is on their list. It was also pointed out that the land by Kaipō Marae taken by Public Works act in the 1960's is still unresolved, the Marae would like it returned so it can be used as a parking area for the Pa, and give them the opportunity to have a larger entranceway that won't get blocked off with logging trucks parking up there.

-Robert attended the opening of the Waverley Town Belt Walkway last week and congratulated all involved in the project and the new roadside gardens in town.

Minutes from last meeting Monday 30 September, 4pm, Waverley Community Centre read and confirmed.

-There was a discussion on the previous minutes: the Council reports that a solution to prevent the erosion caused by motorbikes and quads on the Patea loop track is being looked into. The rules around marking at the new Patea crossing is being investigated, as is a solution for the lichen etc and overall maintenance of our streets. A bollard to stop motorbikes using the Patea River Walkway has been pulled out at York Street. Motorbikes (two wheelers in particular) are doing a lot of damage to the Walkway and sandhills.

Local Discretionary Funding Applications, $13,470.19 left in fund of $33,142.87

Patea Golf Club - Total project cost- $16,304, asking for $5000 – we granted $2500

Rotokare Scenic Reserve - Total project cost -$66,130, asking for $4,130, this was given by Hawera and Eltham Community Boards, so we cancelled this request.

Waitotara Hall roof - Total project cost – $52,622, asking for $4722 in case they go over the quote price –we agreed to tag $2500 for them

Items for action:

-Pump Track in Waverley - David said this would start in November with the aim of completion before Christmas.

-Civil Defence - I brought up that I was waiting to hear from Glenn and Cath re: the emergency shipping container. Rob H said that there were plans underway and that Power Co was looking at providing a similar initiative where they would provide and maintain the units.

Community Development Activity Report:
Waverley State Highway project signed off, and Town Belt Walkway blessed and opened on Tuesday 29 October, Pump track should be finished by 20 December.

- Pātea & Waverley Revitalisation projects are continuing – RoadMaps strategy put in place. Historical information signage have been installed along Patea Loop track.

Libraryplus Report:
-Lysaght Watt Ronald Hugh Morrison Awards ceremony on Wednesday 23 October.

-Māori Language week celebrated at Waverley Library with a talk by Rob Groat about the Waka found at Kuranui, up the Pātea River.

-Patea and Waverley Library staff visited Whenuakura School, combined with St Joseph's School to celebrate Puanga. Staff took out the Tukutuku panels to teach children weaving and they made lanterns. The children did a Kapa haka group performance. Hawera Library will be closed for 2 weeks while it moves into the new Te Ramanui centre, along with the Isite, Lysaght Watt Gallery and new Café, opening on Monday 25 November.

Environmental Services Report: -Five building consents lodged in Patea Ward. 18 roaming dogs and 4 dog attacks reported in Patea Ward in September. There is a dog attack on a domestic animal court case ongoing in Patea.

Facility Usage Report: One more Pool lifeguard is needed for Patea for the summer – hopefully this will happen, so the Pools can be open throughout the summer.

Full minutes of this and all Council meetings can be found on the South Taranaki District Council Website, under the heading 'Our Council' then go to 'Mayor & Elected members' then 'Community Board - Pātea'. Or view them at Pātea or Waverley Library Plus

Your Community Board Members are:
Jacq Dwyer (Chair) Cheryl Rook (Deputy Chair), Owen Savage, Bronwyn Wattrus, Robert Northcott (Pātea Councillor)







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NOVEMBER ROUND UP

GRANDPARENTS AND WHĀNAU DAY

Our tamariki had a great time showing their whānau what they've been up to at school and sharing some kai as a community. Ngā mihi nui to everyone who came out to spend the day with us and to those who contributed to our feast!





Left: Our ākonga performed some songs and a haka for our guests
Above: Frankie Werder shares some mahi with her whānau

TARANAKI PUANGA FESTIVAL

Our Kapa Haka Roopu headed to Waitara to participate in the Taranaki Puanga Festival. It was our first time at this festival and for some of our tamariki their first time performing. We are so proud of the bravery and mana they showed! Ngā mihi rawa atu ki a Mātua Lewis for getting us performance ready and for the mātauranga Māori you continue to share with us. Ngā mihi nui to those who came to support us and to Hāwera Primary for your awhi after our performance - that was such a special experience for our ākonga!

Below: Our amazing kapa haka kaiako Mātua Lewis with our leaders, Estelle Croot and Wilson Manson



Our Kapa Haka Roopu!



PĀTEA KINDERGARTEN VISIT

Pātea Kindergarten very kindly hosted a group of Room Koru students for a quick visit. Our tamariki had the chance to read to the kindy kids and show them what they've been learning at school, and Pātea Kindy shared some of their beautiful songs with us. Thanks for having us!

Right:
Koen Davis shows off his amazing reading skills



GOLF CROQUET

Rimu ākonga had the opportunity to learn a new sport thanks to the Park Croquet Club. A huge thank you to Nik Budd-Clement, Ricardo Pintor and Rusty Hockley for teaching us all about Golf Croquet!



Room Rimu are ready to give it a go!

GUMBOOT FRIDAY

Thank you so much to everyone who wore their gumboots and contributed to the 'I Am Hope' fundraiser! Gumboot Friday helps provide counselling to young kiwis in need. A special thank you to the student council for organising some special gumboot games for us. We had a blast!



Room Manuka show off their gumboots!



Wilson Manson looks on as Oscar Rutten winds up his gumboot for the throw!

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Mitre 10 Tough Kids

Our Year 3-6 students recently attended the Mitre 10 Tough Kids event, one of the coolest events on Whanganui's sporting calendar! They ran head first into an obstacle course packed with resilience, fun, a few nerves, heaps of grit, and had an amazing time.















Halloween disco

Our Halloween Disco was a great hit this year with any funds raised going towards our Junior Big Day which will be held later in the term. A big thanks to Waverley Primary who lent us some of their fantastic decorations to spruce up our school hall.



Gumboot Friday

Students and staff wore gumboots to school on Friday 1st November to show their support and help raise funds for Gumboot Friday (founded by mental health advocate Mike King). Gumboot Friday is a free counselling service for any young person in New Zealand aged 25 and under. The free counselling platform provides a bridge to rangatahi in need by breaking down the barriers of cost and wait times. Thank you to our students and families for their generous donations.





New Zealand ShakeOut

The whole school recently took part in the New Zealand ShakeOut - our national earthquake drill and tsunami hīkoi. Students discussed the importance of knowing what to do in an earthquake and how it can help keep our families, friends and community safe and prepared.



School Swimming Sessions

We've broken the ice and had our first swims of the season! Students are learning the importance of water safety as part of our Health and PE curriculum. Whilst the water is still cooler at the moment, we can already see their confidence and skills growing.







Waverley A & P Show 2024 - Junior Farmer Competition

We had two teams of students take part in the Junior Farmer Competition at the Waverley A&P Show earlier this month. They had a series of different activities to complete such as; putting up an electric fence, measuring paua, taste testing and naming different milks, and identifying farm machinery and cattle breeds. It's such a great experience for our senior students and we're excited for our younger students to have their turn in coming years.



















Loose Parts Play Trailer

Our junior students have loved having the Loose Parts Play Trailer back on site this month. This was funded by Tū Manawa Active Aotearoa (administered by Sport Taranaki) last year and has been a huge success to date, with the trailer being rotated every three weeks with Kakaramea School and St Joseph's Patea. The researched focus for this initiative is about supporting and fostering exploration, creativity and experimental play.

Cyanobacteria found in Taranaki rivers

Taranaki residents are being urged to be cautious around rivers, with potentially toxic cyanobacteria detected earlier in the season than usual.

Taranaki Regional Council has found exposed mats of cyanobacteria in four rivers—the Manganui, Waingongoro, Kaupokonui and Waiwhakaiho Rivers—raising health concerns for both swimmers and pets.

Cyanobacteria, also known as blue-green algae, is a naturally occurring algae that often grows in rivers on rocks as thick brown or black mats. It has the potential to release toxins that can pose significant health risks to both humans and animals. When these mats become exposed on the edges of rivers, they can have a distinctive, unpleasant smell, often described as musty or swampy.

Council Water Quality Scientist Angela Collins says if you see these mats, it's safest to stay out of the water and keep a close eye on children and pets.

"Children are at greater risk because their smaller body size means they need to ingest less toxin to become seriously ill, while dogs may be attracted to the musty smell.

"This is earlier than we typically expect to find cyanobacteria in our rivers and is likely due to the drier winter we had - heavy rainfall and high water flow help to flush cyanobacteria."

The Council is closely monitoring cyanobacteria levels at selected rivers and lakes (where it is called planktonic) as part of its Can I Swim Here? programme, which began this week and runs through until March.

"As we kick off the Can I Swim Here? programme, we want to remind the public of the risks posed by cyanobacteria and encourage everyone to be mindful when planning a swim—especially in the rivers where we've found the mats."

Alongside cyanobacteria, water is tested for E. coli at freshwater sites and enterococci at coastal sites, both of which are indicators of possible faecal contamination.

Ms Collins says any time water doesn't look or smell right, it's safest to stay out.

If you come into contact with water contaminated with cyanobacteria, wash it off with clean water as soon as possible. If ingested, contaminated water may cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, abdominal pain and, in more serious cases, liver or kidney damage. If you experience any of these symptoms, contact your doctor immediately.

For more information on the Can I Swim Here? monitoring programme, including long-term swimmability grades, weekly test results and current health warnings, go to www.lawa.org.nz/explore-data/swimming.

Notes to reporters:

· Taranaki Regional Council carries out weekly testing for E.coli at 23 river and lake sites and testing for enterococci at 18 coastal marine sites.

· Cyanobacteria monitoring is carried out in seven rivers and seven lakes on a fortnightly basis, but this is upgraded to weekly where guidelines are exceeded.

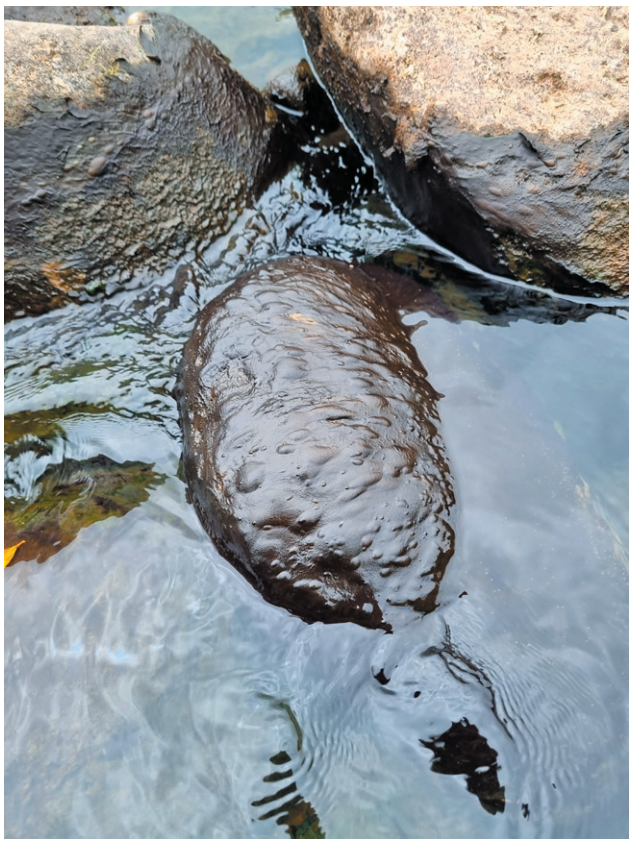
· District councils are responsible for signage at swim spots; please direct any questions around this process and notifying the public to them.

· Te Whatu Ora Health New Zealand is responsible for decisions on when to issue public health warnings. Any questions on health warnings and potential health impacts of contamination should be directed to them.

· Testing results will be uploaded on a Thursday evening (subject to receipt of results) to the Taranaki Regional Council website, as well as www.lawa.org.nz.

· Where a result indicates an unexplained level of contamination, a follow-up sample will be taken on a Friday, with results available on the Monday.

· Thresholds for exceedances, alerts and action levels are based on National Guidelines.



cyanobacteria on rock in river



Water Quality Scientist Angela Collins sampling for water quality.



Inspirational environmental work recognised by Taranaki Regional Council

A charity which prevents hundreds of thousands of CO2 emissions, vital mahi to improve fish passages, tireless voluntary work controlling pest animals and plants and long-term efforts by farmers to restore waterways have been recognised at this year's Taranaki Regional Council Environmental Awards.

In an awards ceremony held in New Plymouth on Wednesday night (20/11/24), the eight winners and five recipients of 'highly commended' awards were congratulated for their inspirational work safeguarding biodiversity, protecting the environment and promoting sustainability.

Council Chair Charlotte Littlewood says the awards are an excellent way of saying thanks to the unsung heroes who are leading by example and giving so much back to their communities and the region through their work.

"It's always one of the highlights of the year to see who has won an award and to find out about their mahi and how that is making a difference to Taranaki," says Mrs Littlewood.

"And this fantastic work is being done across the generations and by people from all walks of life. Their efforts to keep our place special are truly inspirational and we're delighted to be able to recognise what they've been doing with an environmental award.

"Our mission is to care for Taranaki and it's pleasing to see many others share our passion for preserving our environment and ensuring we're all working together to make the region a better place to live and work."

The awards have been running since 1993 and a total of 382 groups, individuals, charities, farmers, large, small and medium businesses, schools and kindergartens and iwi and hapū have now been recognised.

The winners in the seven categories are below and more details about the winners and highly commended awardees, including video profiles, can be found at www.trc.govt.nz/award-winners/

Environmental Action in Education

Uruti School – For empowering tamariki to take action to protect and restore the environment.

The school has been instrumental in providing environmental learning opportunities for its tamariki including predator trapping, planting trees, caring for the Uruti awa, investigating freshwater quality and implementing sustainable practices in the day to day operations of the school. The kura works alongside Ngāti Mutunga in a Curious Minds project looking at koura in the local river and is a Silver Enviroschool. The judges commended the school for its comprehensive approach to environmental education and empowering students through hands-on experiences. Teacher Diane Scott says: "Uruti is just a small rural school with eight students and the Enviroschool thing is just what we do, it's not an add-on, it's everyday practice."

Environmental Action in the Community

East Taranaki Environment Collective and Pukerangiora Hapū – For working collaboratively to protect and enhance the environment at Everett Park Scenic Reserve and increasing understanding of environmental issues.

The East Taranaki Environment Collective, in partnership with Pukerangiora Hapū, are working together to improve the biodiversity within the Everett Park Scenic Reserve near Inglewood. Collaborating with the Department of Conservation since 2022, a major pest eradication programme has included installing 300 traps with monitoring showing a dramatic reduction in possum and rat numbers. The judges commended the initiative for its impact on increasing native birdlife and creating a programme that benefits both the environment and the community. Jacqui Lichtwark, from Pukerangiora Hapū, says: "It's been really great working with East Taranaki Environment Collective on this project and definitely aligns with Pukerangiora values." ETEC general manager Kat Strang says: "We're really proud of what this community has achieved at Everett Park."

Environmental Leadership in Climate Action

On The House Charitable Trust – For taking climate change action by redistributing surplus food, preventing emissions and conserving water while taking a holistic approach to sustainability.

The Trust is a community food rescue organisation which redistributes surplus food to those who need it. In just one year, more than 200,000kg of surplus food was rescued from supermarkets, growers, cafes and caterers, preventing 630,000kg of CO2 emissions and saving 133.5 million litres of water. Food is redistributed through pop-up stores and community organisations including food banks, schools and kindergartens. On The House takes a holistic approach to sustainability and engages with more than 110 volunteers. The judges said the charity's alignment with Te Ao Māori principles and commitment to community engagement make it a true exemplar in the field of environmental stewardship. General manager Terry Hancock says: "We're looking forward to the future where we can divert more food from landfill and onto the groups and people who need it."

Environmental Action in Water Quality Improvement

Otaraua Hapū Taiao Team – For taking action to protect and enhance water quality and biodiversity values within Taranaki water bodies.

Otaraua Hapū Taiao Team's dedication and commitment to improving fish passages in Taranaki streams is helping to identify and address issues affecting these vital ecological corridors. The group's Mauri Wai team has been working with NIWA over the past two years to assess more than 2,000 fish passages along state highways and waterways in Waitara. The judges commended the combining of traditional Māori knowledge with modern techniques to lead a significant improvement in native ecosystems and biodiversity. Team leader Karlee Rice says: "We're really proud of the work we've been doing which is going to allow for our native species to get upstream and thrive. It's going to allow our rivers and streams to become healthier for future generations to come."

Youth Environmental Leader

Addison Moore – For leadership, support of others and willingness to share ideas in making a significant contribution to Taranaki's environment.

Addison is the driving force behind Stratford Primary School's Tuis environmental team, developing ways to promote environmental learning and sustainability for tamariki. She's working for the Green-Gold Enviroschool to go Zero Waste and every Friday delivers an environmental message to the school assembly. Addison raises funds by selling sustainable products made by herself and other students and she jointly won a Junction primary school upselling competition. The judges commend Addison's exceptional leadership and passion for environmental sustainability. Addison says: "My passion is the environment and looking after and caring for it. There's no 'Planet B' and I love to influence those around me."

Environmental Leadership in Farming

Malcolm and Lorraine Campbell – Araheke Farm – For leadership and excellence in environmental stewardship, sustainable farming and land use practices.

The Campbells have been at the forefront of stream restoration and creating habitat for biodiversity for the past 18 years. That work has achieved outstanding results and includes stock exclusion and planting of waterways and wetlands, fencing and restoring a remnant forest, pest control, the use of sustainable farm practices and taking a catchment approach to farming and biodiversity. The judges said the Campbells' efforts to protect native forest and continuously improve farming practices demonstrate a strong commitment to both environmental and economic sustainability. Malcolm says: "It's great to see how clean the streams are and we like to see nature out there doing its thing and just keeping the environment clean. We're very proud of that and we're hoping that the whole country will do the same thing."

Environmental Action in Biodiversity

Restore PG Nops Reserve Care Group – For commitment to supporting pest management and protecting biodiversity in Taranaki.

The PG Nops Reserve in Inglewood is being restored thanks to the mahi of the volunteers, who maintain the Key Native Ecosystem, control predators and are working to turn the tide of invasive pest plants. The Care Group collaborates with Taranaki Regional and New Plymouth District councils to preserve the remnant forest and its efforts are helping to protect copper skink, tūī, kererū, ruru, koura and tuna. They have spent thousands of hours at the reserve at working bees and organise educational visits to spread the word about its importance with community groups. The judges said the successful control of pest plants and animals has played a crucial role in safeguarding biodiversity. Volunteer Neil Chesterton says: "Now it's attractive at the entrance and people are attracted to come in. To have this native reserve, which is just native bush, in Inglewood is amazing."

Highly commended:

Environmental Action in Education

Stratford Primary School, with special mention to Marlene Lewis – For empowering tamariki to take action to protect and restore the environment.

Tree Machine – For empowering rangatahi to take action to protect and restore the environment.

Youth Environmental Leader

Scarlett Bines and Amélie Staunstrup Moore - The Aqua Quack – For leadership, support of others and willingness to share ideas in making a significant contribution to Taranaki's environment.

Environmental Leadership in Farming

Nigel and Raewyn Chapman – NRGE Farms Ltd – For excellence in environmental stewardship, sustainable farming and land use practices.

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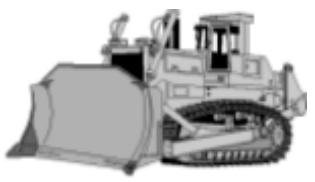

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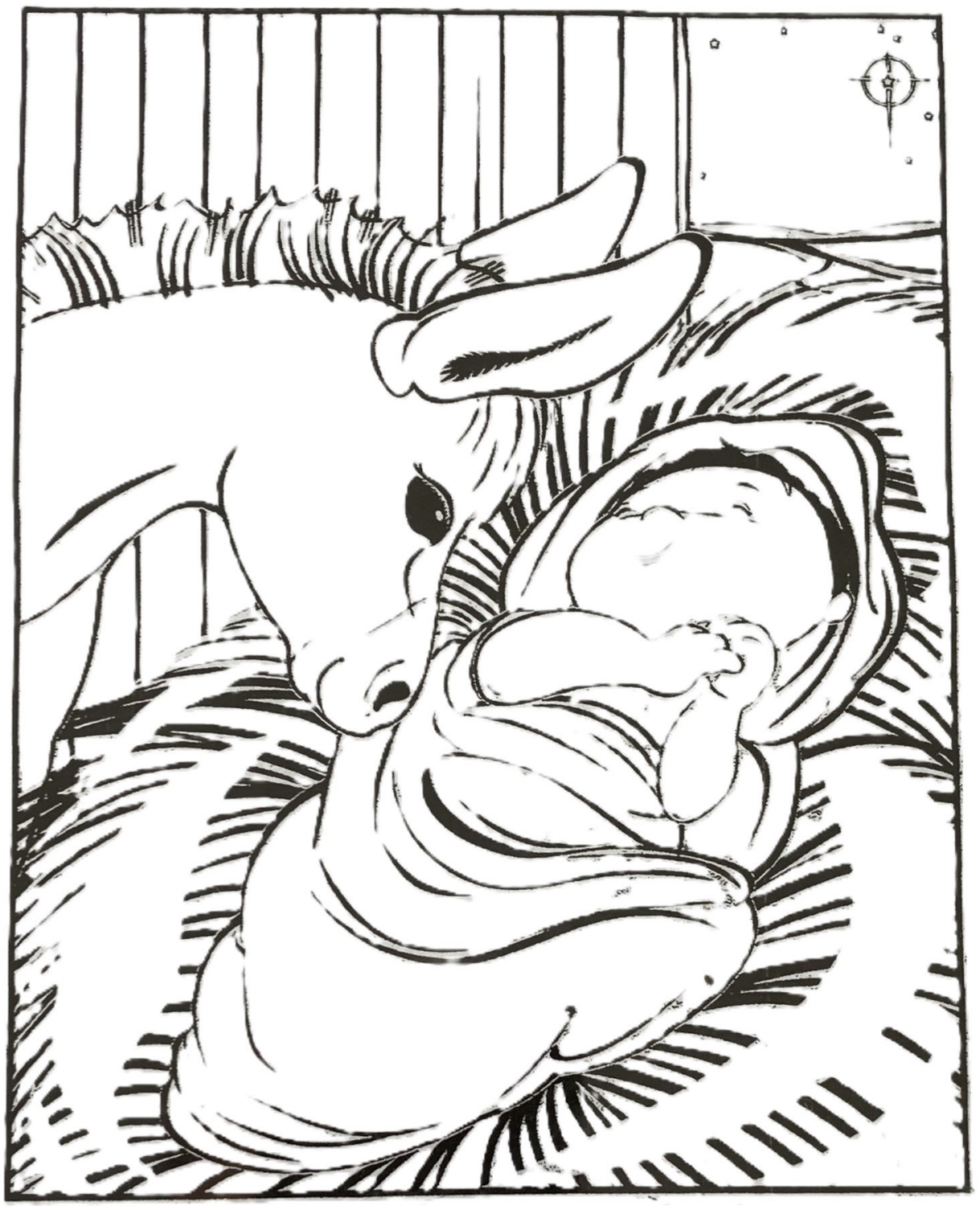

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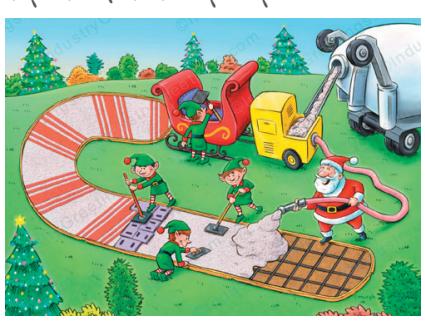

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Waverley Croquet Club

We have had a very eventful month leading up to Christmas. The Glenbrook Vintage Railway ran an excursion to New Plymouth and on it's return journey the Croquet Club was approached to provide 120 lunches for their passengers and crew. They were a very friendly bunch of people interested in the Railway Station but also voiced dismay at the detoraiting state of it. We were told it is an Historic Building and the only one of its kind left, so it will be a great loss to Waverley should it decline further.

They expressed their gratitude to the Croquet Club their lunch and we received great reviews on social media and on the day as well.

We would like to express our gratitude to the Waverley Bowling Club for allowing us to use their kitchen over two days for the preparation of the lunches thank you very much, also our sincere thanks goes to Lettuce Brothers for their kind donation to this event by the way of supply of lettuces. The Club appreciated the contributions made by both of them plus to our members who went the extra mile for the Club. The AMP show was held during the month also and the Club ran a raffle, it was well supported and our warm thanks go out to the community for their support. There were two draws, the first draw went to ticket number 53 won by Tracey Schrader and the second draw went to ticket no 159 won by Margaret Bektayev. Both were delighted with their win. Congratulations to both of them.

Within play during the month 5 Hole in Ones were achieved and 2 jumpshots were made. A week of wet weather with no play would have contributed to the low scores.







Up and coming events.

Tuesday 3rd December we visit Wanganui Club

Wednesday

11th December Tasman of New Plymouth are to visit us.

Saturday 25th January Club Doubles will be played

Saturday 1st February RSA Handicap Doubles are to be played.

The Croquet Club wish all a very merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year.

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Patea Golf Club October/November News

Challenge ladder

The second challenge ladder is full so players need some good scores to replace those already on the ladder and the playoff date is 15th December

Patea Cup

The play for the Patea Cup was played on Saturday 23rd November and good weather conditions prevailed. The playoff was on nett scores and Gerald Rutten was first with a net 69. Second was Nick Williams with a nett 72. Third was Mike Taikato with a net 77.5. Fourth was Trevor Simpson with a net 79.5 and 5th was Cyril Faiers with a net 80.

Interclub versus Tawhero

We will sort a date on next years programme to play this event

Daylight Saving

Now we have daylight saving flying nine will be played on Wednesday evenings teeing off at 4.30pm.

Visitors and non-golfers are all welcome. If you are a beginner this is a good competition to start playing your golf. Non-golfers' prizes will be drawn.

Business House golf

Business House golf will start later. We plan to start on Thursday 16th January 2025 and play for seven consecutive weeks. Start organising your teams. Hope fully we will have more settled weather then.

Patea Golf Club Open Xmas Hamper (see below)

Roger Rei Open golf tournament

The date for this tournament is Saturday 25th January 2025 and the sponsorship letters have been sent out seeking hole sponsors. Thank you to the sponsors who have replied and are keeping their sponsorships. Keep this day free and book early to get your preferred tee time

G Oakley trophy

This was a drawn partner's net competition played in windy conditions on the 26th of October. The competition was very close and Mike Taikato and partner Jeff Bright had a combined net score of 146 for a one shot victory over Nick Williams and Ev Gibbs who had a combined net score of 147. Third were Ray Finlay and Kathy Faiers on 151

Stableford Tournament

A stableford tournament was played on Sunday the 3rd November and a good field participated. First equal were Jeff Bright and Kalani Rudolph on 38 points, second equal were Casey Whanau and Cyril Faiers on 35 points and 5th was Phil Cassidy on 34 points

Closed Xmas hamper

A reminder to our members to enter your names for our Closed Xmas Hamper on Saturday 14th December. 10am assemble and a 10.30am shotgun start. Afternoon tea will follow the golf and there will be an evening barbeque.

Junior coaching

Junior coaching will start on the 16th January 2025. This will be a 10 week coaching programme for school children. Assemble at 3.30pm and coaching starts at 3.45pm for 1 hour.

Upcoming events

7th December Open Xmas Hamper at Hawera
8th December Open Xmas Hamper at Manaia
14th December Closed Hamper at Patea
15th December Shootout day two 10am
21st December Mini tournament Cash prizes



Patea Golf Club
Open Xmas Hamper 2024

Results

1st Nett Total field		M King	70
1st Gross Men total field		C Robins	79
1st Gross Ladies total field		K Honeyfield	93
1st Nett	Ladies	E Gibbs	73
	Men Div(1)	D Singh	73
	Men Div(2)	N McMillan	72
1st Stableford	Ladies	V Bourke	32
	Men Div(1)	D Ruparpera	35
	Men Div(2)	I Brown	37
2nd Nett	Men Div(1)	T Simpson	74
	Men Div(2)	C Williamson	74
2nd Stableford	Men Div(1)	S Edgecombe	35
	Men Div(2)	R Kahakaka	35
3rd Nett	Men Div(1)	M Kelbrick	75
	Men Div(2)	Wallace Sanson	74
3rd Stableford	Men Div(1)	C Whanau	34
	Men Div(2)	W Sharrock	34
4th Nett	Men Div(1)	A Nui	75
	Men Div(2)	R Finlay	75
4th Stableford	Men Div(1)	G Burgess	34
	Men Div(2)	K Groot	34
5th Nett	Men Div(1)	C Hori	76
	Men Div(2)	A Hawken	76

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Māori Rugby League

The annual Bennett Enterprises Taranaki Whānui Māori Rugby League Tournament was held for the ninth time over the weekend in Inglewood last month with big crowds turning out to celebrate the prestigious event.

Fourteen teams in total participated over the two-day tournament, eight in the men's grade, four in the women's grade while a new addition of two Masters teams from Aōtea region took part in the festivities also.

There was flair and excitement throughout the two days of football with players travelling near and far to represent their whānau and iwi.

In what was a beautifully fine day, day one saw some tight affairs in pool play which defined who would progress through to the various semi-finals. Day two was a different affair with heavy rains throughout the day making things difficult for the teams.

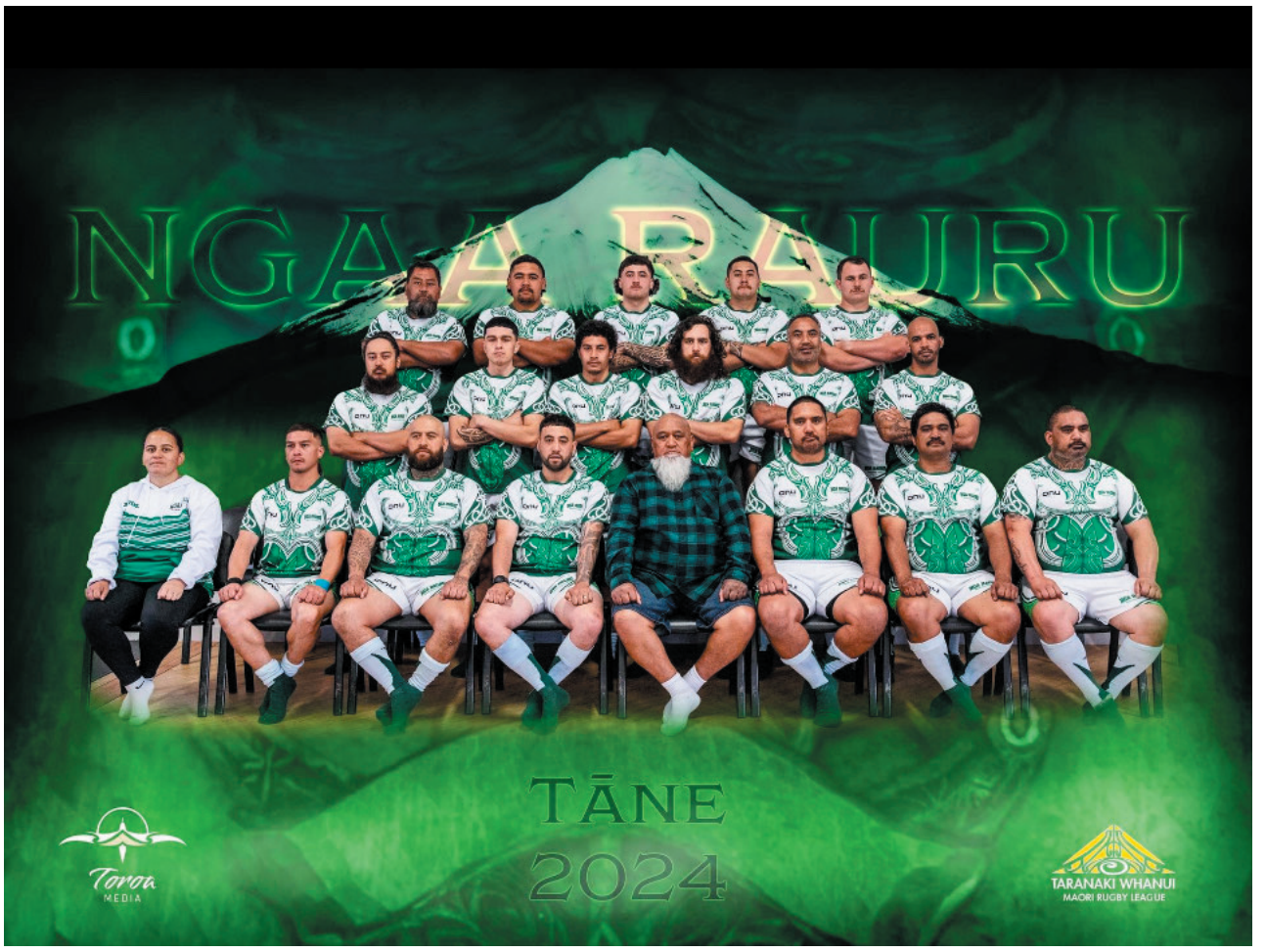
This did not hinder the spectacle however as Puke Ariki reigned supreme in the Championship Division (bottom four) defeating Ngā Ruahine 24-0 in a tough and uncompromising encounter.

In the Wāhine Division Te Atiawa won their first championship defeating reigning champions Ngā Rauru 16-4 in an entertaining match in the wet.

In the Premiership Division (top four) Te Atiawa held off a spirited Taranaki Tūturu winning 6-4 in their semi-final while Ngāti Ruanui just scraped home in a hotly contested encounter defeating Ngāti Mutunga 14-10 in the other semi-final which set up a repeat of last year's grand final showdown.

The final was no different as both forward packs tested each other out physically in the torrential rain however it was Te Atiawa that converted a penalty kick in extra time to beat Ngāti Ruanui 6-4 and win their third consecutive premiership at the tournament.

The tournament will now head into its 10th anniversary year next year with Taranaki Tūturu hosting the tournament at Rāhotu Domain on the 11th & 12th October 2025







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