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Bates seeks better connectivity for Pātea

If you thought mobile and wifi connectivity in Pātea was bad, you wouldn't be wrong.

A New Zealand-wide survey conducted in 2021 brought bad news to those in the Whanganui Electorate who rely on digital connectivity. Based on 2018 Census data, the survey ranked Whanganui 65th out of 65 electorates for digital exclusion.

There's a clear disparity in connectivity between the large centres like Whanganui and the connectivity available in smaller towns and rurally.

In an age when we have become more and more dependent on digital devices in daily life, time stands still both along SH3 and when you get to Pātea.

Whanganui MP Carl Bates saw this for himself some weeks ago when he watched the owner of a new Pātea business struggle to get a signal in order to process a payment via the EFTPOS system.

So he has launched a petition calling on his government to get Pātea connected.

His petition states "It defies belief that you can't get a reliable cell phone signal on State Highway Three in the middle of Pātea. The state highway north of Whanganui is peppered with mobile black spots but Pātea stands out, for all the wrong reasons."

"Connectivity is crucial to our businesses' ability to get ahead, to our children's education, to our resilience as a region, and to our local economy. Pātea deserves better."

As the local MP he plans to be a staunch advocate for better mobile wireless connectivity for the South Taranaki town and the wider region.



"Pātea has long been promised better connectivity and I will do the best I can to see delivery on those promises."

Bates recently met with the Pātea-Waverley Community Board where his announcement on the petition was enthusiastically received.

He has already discussed his plans with Minister for Media and Communications Melissa Lee's office and will meet with Minister Lee to present the petition to her at a later date.

Hard copies of the petition will be delivered around the electorate in coming days, and it is live at **https://www.national.org.nz/getpateaconnected** – for those who can get an internet connection, that is.

Kakaramea Hall Celebrates 100 years

On Sunday 17 March we had a brilliant day celebrating Kakaramea Hall being 100 years old! So lovely to see old friends catching up on old and new stories. Marie Dwyer told us the history of the hall, of the many people who have looked after it over the years, and some of the fun and varied events it has held. Jacq Dwyer talked of the history of the Kakaramea settlement throughout the last 100 + years. A delicious lunch from Red Rock Catering was shared and some Guinness and whiskey to mark St Patrick's Day followed. Flower arrangements done by Clare Ford and Wendy Vanner decorated the Hall. A big nga mihi/ thankyou to everyone who helped make this day a real celebration and recognition of what it means to be a community. It doesn't happen by good luck, it happens by having good neighbours and friends.

To follow is the timeline of significant events for Kakaramea Hall since the first Hall was built 149 years ago:

1875
Settlers interested in the establishment of a Town Hall at Kakaramea met at Lloyds Hotel, Kakaramea on 5th April 1875. The First Hall committee were: Henry Williamson (Chair), Robert E McRae (Secretary/Treasurer), Samuel Dixon, Robert Petch, Andrew Hunter, George Marchant. Henry

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April 2024 Mass Times

Sunday 4th April	9.30am
Liturgy of the Word, St Patrick's, Patea	
Sunday 14th April	11.00am
Mass, St Francis de Sales, Waverley	
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Thursday 18th April	9.30am



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The Wairoa Rifles and The Wairoa Redoubt
December 2023
The Nukumaru Hotel (Handley's Hotel)
January 2024
Rewi Alley
February 2024
An Interesting Life - Ann Elmslie
March 2024
Our Boer War Soldiers

More articles coming soon!

A Christian Word

Having just celebrated all that Jesus has done for the whole world, that is being crucified for the sins of the world, just like they did in the temple when they sacrificed a lamb for their recent sins, but it was an ongoing ceremony, they continually sinned! Now Jesus has paid the ultimate price for us, all our sins have been paid for & this becomes so very obvious when Jesus becomes your Lord & Saviour. The truth is you will not carry on sinning. Jesus rose again from the dead, 3 days later, interesting is the fact that over 500 person's bear witness to seeing & hearing Him. All that we as believers acknowledge is this fact, Jesus is alive! He arose from the dead, there is no way we could live a deception, a lie, somewhere along in our lives we would all turn away, but we cannot!! The power of God's love keeps us safe in Jesus. That's the reason God allowed His only begotten Son to be a living sacrifice for all, His love, nothing else, just a powerful love to draw all men unto Him! To some, this may seem a wee bit out of reality, but God said He would confound the wise & frustrate the intelligent.

You alone need to "test" this out, if you're not certain then let me invite you along to the Waverley Baptist Church at 10am, Sundays, talk with us, come & see & get your doubts & uncertainties finally laid to rest. Jesus will never turn anyone away, it matters not what you have done or are, God is not going to separate you from Him, if you are sincere in your desire to know the truth, then you owe it to yourself to come & find out or you can ask Jesus right now to forgive you of all your sins & ask Him to take you from your past into His glorious way. Jesus stood up publicly & declared, "I am the way, the truth & the life" Believe, just believe, don't argue with yourself, put God to the test so to speak, like I say, if your sincere God will be too!! Today can be the beginning of a journey you could never dream or imagine with Jesus Christ who died for you & rose again so you can have life to the fullest!!

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.

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All very welcome.

Community Foodbank:
We are able to give up to 3 food parcels through the year to anyone in genuine need.
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Poppy Day
19 April 2024



This year, Poppy Day is Friday 19 April. RSA collectors will be out and about to collect donations from the public to show their support for our returned servicemen and women as a result of ANY conflict that our government chooses to be a part of. We also take time to remember those who paid the ultimate price for our freedom and choice of life style. Death came to thousands of young lives and for their sacrifice, we are eternally grateful.
There was not only a huge tragic lose of human lives but also a huge loss of lives of animals that were used in conflict to feed and transport our troops where ever they were.

When approached by our collectors, we ask that you donate generously, as ALL the money collected will go to the welfare of returned service men and women in our district.

We undeniably think of WW1 and WW2 in these times but we also support those who fought in Korea and Vietnam. At present there are no fewer that 70 conflicts around the world and some of these have been going on for years and years. Some are new conflicts and these and all conflicts that are brought about by common causes like Religion, Greed, Power and often a misguided sense of reality.

Who in the end pays the price of these beliefs, INNOCENT HUMAN BEINGS.
Men woman and children are KILLED as victims of war.

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM



2024 ANZAC Dawn Services

Thursday 25th April

Patea Dawn Service 6.30am
Starting at Turi's Canoe

Waverley 9.00am
Service at the Community Centre then to march to the Cenotaph for wreath laying

Waitotara 11.00am
Waitotara Memorial Gates followed by morning tea at the Waitotara Hall in Kaipo Street, Waitotara

ANZAC Day at Alton

Thursday 25th April 2024
At 11am



Please join us at the Alton War Memorial to commemorate ANZAC Day
There will be a time for laying of wreaths if you wish to bring one, or phone us if you want one made.
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and James Williamson granted ¼ acre of their land for the Kakaramea Town Hall. Timber for the Hall was on board the ketch -William & Mary, which was wreaked off Foxton in June 1875, this delayed the commencement of building. Mr North built the Hall.

1875

Grand opening of Kakaramea Town Hall on Friday 19 November 1875.

1877

Mr Henry Williamson lent £90 and the district was canvased for donations to complete the Hall interior.

1878

The district was canvased and £104 collected. The interior of the Hall was lined.

1880

Hall was enlarged, and the stage built.

1888

A new corrugated iron roof replaced the old shingle roof, which had lasted 13 years.

1914

Committee decided a new Hall needed to be built.

1914-1918

Commencement of World War I put the building of a new Kakaramea Hall on hold.

1923

Queen Carnival events were held in the first few months of 1923 to raise money for the new Hall. The final results announced at a function on Tuesday 1 May 1923. Miss Adelaide Bunbury won, followed closely by Miss Ona Adams, and £295,19s.6d handed over to the Hall Committee, as well as £60 from canvassing the district.

1924

The new Kakaramea Hall was opened on Friday 4 April 1924. Built by Mr Edward Storey and Herbert Boagy. Hall Committee: Davey Ward (Chairman), Percy Tong (Secretary) Joseph Smith,

1928

New piano purchased; Electricity connected.

1936

Tuesday 3 March opening ceremony of the New Supper Room held at the Hall, followed by a grand Ball with 400 in attendance. Kakaramea Sports & Agricultural Association donated £100 and loaned £60.

1948

Kakaramea Hall used as an overflow classroom for Kakaramea School during an Infantile Paralysis (Polio) outbreak for Standard 2 & 3. Roll at the school was around 120 at this time.

1950

Kakaramea Hall Society became an Incorporated Society on 29th August 1950. Committee Harry Hall, Archibald Tidswell, Norman Watt, Leo Dickinson, Ethel Steffert, Ian Edgecombe, John Steffert, Albert Hall, Herbert Watt, Dan Dwyer, Dick Dwyer, Alma Hobbs, Mary McDonald, May Dwyer, Susannah Edgecombe.

1953-55

Hall used as an overflow classroom for Kakaramea School children until the infant room was built at the school and opened in May 1955.

1962

Karnival Kolosus held to raise funds for re-roofing and repairs to the Hall. There was a bedstead race from Patea to Kakaramea. Brian Steffert was elected 'Mayor of Kakaramea'. Popular Baby Contest winner was Kevin Cameron. Over £500 was raised.

1967

Committee met with Patea County Council to discuss rating the district for the Hall upkeep.

1970

New timber windows installed to replace the original sash windows.

1975

Purchased adjoining section from Mr Anderson of Patea for $240.

1982

Committee: Danny Dwyer (Chair for 10 years), Marie Dwyer Sec/Tre, Helen How, Ian McCartney, John Goodman, Pat Dombroski, Molly Cole, Kevin Cameron, Harvey Watt, Kevin Lord, Colin Bond,

1984-85

Eric Werder made 7 new timber tables with metal legs and the committee made 14 more tables. A great asset to the Hall.

1985

Purchased new gold velour curtains for the stage.

1985

Committee Bernard McLuskie (Chair for 15 years), Marie Dwyer Secretary/Treasurer, Harvey Watt, Pat Dombroski, Colin Bond, Helen How, Molly Cole, Doug Hayward, David Werder, Dennis Lewis, Ian McCartney. Kevin Cameron.

1989

Committee members relocated the kitchen from the end of the supper room into the area behind the stage and lowered the floor. Cost $5,665.

1991

New Roof installed at a cost of $9,553. Successful 'Kakaramea Beer Festival' held in the Hall to fund the new roof.

1995

Kakaramea CWI donated 120 place setting of Arcoroc plates and mugs for the Hall.

1999

75th Celebration Dinner of the Hall.

2000

Committee: Sue England (Chair for 18 years), Marie Dwyer (Secretary/ Treasurer) Danny Dwyer, Harvey Watt, Rex & Molly Cole, Kevin Cameron, Pat Dombroski, David Werder, Leo Quintus, Sandra Richards, Bernie Mcluskie, Paul England, Margi Smith, Ross Lowry, Gavin & Wendy Vanner. Jocelyn Baldwin.

2001

125th Celebration of Kakaramea School held at the Hall and School.

2002

South Taranaki District Council no longer striking a separate Rate for rural Halls, all rural Halls to receive $1,500 from General Rates.

2003

New commercial fridge purchased.

2004

Started the very successful Christmas Pot Luck Dinners.

2006

Purchased 50 more chairs, plastic with pipe legs.

2008

Replaced all windows with new aluminium windows. Cost $5,937. Donation from Kakaramea Sports & Agricultural Ass. Registered the Hall with the Charities Commission.

2009

Committee painted exterior of Hall.

2010

Committee painted interior of Hall and Supper Room and replaced curtains with new burgundy-coloured curtains.

2012

Disastrous Storm on Saturday 3 March hits South Taranaki, winds of 130 – 200 kph cause havoc. Half of the south side of the Hall roof blown off with some of the rafters. Rain damages the floorboards. Floor sanded and revarnished, new roof and rafters installed on south side, all covered by insurance at a cost of over $50,000.

2014

New Men's toilets built on behind the Ladies Toilets. Cost of $62,947 we received a lottery grant of $24,000. NZCT $10,000. Transpower $10,000, KS&R $10,000.

2017

Rewired the Hall $2,335

2017

New Bar built by members of the committee, materials cost $3,690.

2017

Replaced side fire doors at a cost of $5,400

2019

Committee: Alister Cole (Chair), Marie Dwyer Sec/Tre. David Werder, David Cole, Molly Cole, Clair & Kevin Ford, Celeste & Mike Cole, Simon Dwyer, Michelle Dwyer, Johnny Mullins, Sandra Richards, Wendy & Gavin Vanner.

2020

Been receiving donations of 6 calves from Committee and district members each year. David Werder keeps a list of these. This helps with the Insurance.

2020

Seven new members: Shawn England, Chris Harvey, Cheree Hitchcock, Chris Rutten, Tessa Tate, Yoana Werder, Pete Manson

2021

Had some amazing shows over the last few years, Whiskey Tasting evenings Arts Festivals Show, Bands, Comedy nights all bring in good money so we can plan to up grade the Hall in preparation for the 150 Jubilee in 2026.

Taranaki Rural Support funded Nigel Latta to speak at our Hall, there was a waiting list to get in.

2022

We have had free Hamburger evenings at the Hall in the winter that the Committee and some sponsorships have funded, a great turnout and well received.

2023

We had a great Curry evening that was well received. Still continue our very popular Christmas potluck dinner and a visit from Father Christmas.

2024

The refurbishing of the Hall has started, the Back Wall has been replaced, and waiting on consent to add on a storeroom and replace the supper room roof and recladding the north wall.



Former Kakaramea School pupils Syd Kershaw and Dot Northcott cut the cake.

Following is a brief history of the settlement of Kakaramea from Jacq Dwyer:

I'm getting a book together for 2026 – which will mark 150 years since the school began, so I'm going to give you a brief history of our village, hoping some of you out there can help me with photos and more stories.

In the mid 1860's there were 2 licensed Hotels here, with General Stores attached: 'The Royal Tiger' was opened by William Sergeant and 'The Black Bull' by William Aikman, they only lasted a few years. A new two storey Kakaramea Hotel was built and began business in April 1875. Within days of this Hotel opening there was a meeting held there to organise the building of a Town Hall – and within 7 months it was opened – which was pretty amazing – no expensive and time-consuming consent

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processes to go through then!! - 49 years later this Hall we are in today was built.

Kakaramea School opened 19 June 1876 with Mr Robert Temple Brown as School Master with 15 students on the roll. Mr Temple Brown was Headmaster for 12 years, in which he taught the children in a small unlined timber building, situated just inside the present gateway to the school. The new school was built in 1928, well away from the main road and is still there today, an important part of our community. In the early 1950's the Hall was used as an overflow classroom for the school. The roll was around 130 by this time, with the post war baby boom years. The infant room was competed in May 1955 bringing the school up to 4 classrooms and the Hall was no longer needed. Keiran Dwyer remembers being allowed to play with wooden toys from a box in the Hall when it rained as the teacher couldn't be heard as it fell loudly on the unlined corrugated iron roof. The school roll got to its highest on 24 Oct 1961 with 152 children, the new Dental Clinic was also built that year and a prefab moved on to the area below the pool giving the school 5 classrooms.

The Kakaramea Flour Mill, built by Mr Donald Coutts, also started operating in 1876 on a dam on the Kaikura Stream, behind Hoopers Engineering. There was an impressive 2 storey timber building with a waterwheel to run the mill stones, it later became a flax mill.

In March 1877 a purpose built General Store was opened by Robert Glegg, this first Store burnt down in September 1922, a new Store was built which also included an butchery on one side, it lasted for 38 years and burnt down on 18 August 1960 when Ray and Alice Northcott owned it. The 3rd Store was built of concrete and is still there today – now an antique shop – check it out, its open today. There was also a bakery owned by Mr Honey, from what I can work out it was on the corner near Ravensdown, where a chopped down Pohutakawa still grows. A Black smith shed was in the paddock next to the Pub, this land was later where the Plunket rooms were built in 1954, relocated in 1993. There was also a shoemaker and a Boiling Down Works in the Village. And of course the Trucking business started by Henry H Gilshnan, then owned by Dick Hurley, then How & Walkington, now its Ravensdown Depot. There were Rodeos for a few years in the 1950's at the end of Spence Road. The Agricultural and Pastoral Show began in 1874, drawing crowds of 100s until the 1930's.

A Creamery was separating milk up near Spence Road, until the Dairy Factory opened in 1897, out opposite the Church farm – it burnt down on 11 Dec 1917 and was up and running by 23 January 1918 in a temporary building near the burnt out one. It was rebuilt and opened in October 1918 on the new site – where it still stands today, now known as Hoopers Engineering. It would have been a chaotic time with all our soldiers coming home from WWI and then the outbreak of the influenza epidemic soon after. And we think times are chaotic now!! I have a Book about the local WWI and WWII soldiers including Kakaramea, at the back for sale.

Pariroa Pa was established in 1894 by Tutange Waionui and his wife Ngati, when they decided to move the settlement from Hukatere Marae at Whenuakura to the other side of the Patea River. A bridge was built over the Patea river in 1903, joining the two Marae's, which were both occupied for a time. A school was opened at Pariroa Pa in 1900. The first, and I think the only, teacher there was George Phillips and his wife Jane Maria (nee Grey). They had 7 children. George and Jane Phillips are a fascinating couple, Jane was born in Kororareka in 1834, (now known as Russell), the daughter of Scotsman Alexander Grey and Hinerangi Kotiro of Ngaruahine and Ngati Ruanui descent. The famous Guide Sophia from Rotorua was a sister of Jane's, and Lucy Takiora is a half sister. Two very well known woman in early NZ history. Classes were held twice a day with morning classes being for children and afternoon classes for adults at the Pa. George and Jane lived at the Pa, and would have both been in the classroom. The school closed in 1906, but of course the Pa was still full of children for decades afterwards, and they would walk or bike down Wilson Road to school. When the school bus started in the 1950's it was 2/3s full after it left the Pa. Not as many live there at the moment, but there are often hundreds at the Pa for gatherings or tangi.

Tutange Waionui is one of our most famous people from Kakaramea, his image is immortalised on the NZ shilling coin, there is one to see in the frame at the back of the Hall here today – he was an amazing warrior and community leader, A few months before he died in 1915 he and his wife were given an honourable mention for the substantial donation they made to the Dominion Patriotic Fund for WWI.

I have almost finished typing up the Teachers Log books from 1876 until when tomorrows schools came in in 1987 – it's an amazing insight to what it was like to be the Head Teacher and live in a rural settlement over the years. I've become pretty good at deciphering the twirly old script that they used, and felt a bit sad when the Headmaster or Headmistress left, as I got to know them quite well through their entries, sometimes they were pretty blunt and unsentimental like Mr Jack Joll wrote on 16 Dec 1949- School closed for Xmas vacation.

Last official entry. Moving to Keith Street, Wanganui on 1st February 1950. Four and a half years hard labour and no miracles performed. Good luck to my successor.

Mr John Nelson, who taught here in the early 1970's was a bit more nostalgic when he moved on, as his final entry of 23 Aug 1974 states - Posted returns to Wanganui Education Board.

The end of a very happy stay at Kakaramea. Mr J S Nelson. John Nelson is writing a bit about his time here for the 150th School celebration – thanks to Helen Cameron for tracking him down.

There was a lot of caning done at the school, a mother bought her son in on 4 March 1885 for Mr Temple Brown to cane- 'Mrs Hansen brought Alfred Hansen to the school this day. She informed me that he had absented himself without her leave and desired me to punish him. Did so with the cane'. On 3 Dec 1885, another opportunity to cane – 'Willie Hawken today made some personal remarks about myself in the dinner hour. Told the boys that I drank beer and whiskey etc. Corrected him for impertinence with the cane (moderately)'.

So much amazing history connected to Kakaramea and the people that have lived here, and us that continue to live here today – so special to all get together and celebrate in this amazing old Hall with so many stories of its own. Here's to many more!!



Above: Over 100 people gathered to celebrate 100 years of the Kakaramea Hall

Below: Pat & Barbara Dombroski, Gavin & Wendy Vanner, Susan England, Susan Cole, Marie Dwyer, Bruce & Joy Fowlie, Geddy Nicholas



Outdoor updates at the Beach in Pātea

The summer has been a busy time for enhancing outdoor areas around Pātea, especially at the beach. Don Adams and Colin Schrader have installed a stunning little bench at the popular fishing spot at the end of York Street for people to gut and fillet their fish on. We have had problems with people gutting their freshly caught fish on the picnic table nearby, leaving behind a real mess. So, we decided to get a bench for the area there for people to use for that very purpose. We asked Mike Cole for a nice thick slab of macrocarpa for the top. Don then built a sturdy base and legs from 8x2s and old fence posts. Then one night after a busy day fencing, Colin drilled two holes in the ground for the legs and set the table in place. We have given the picnic table and seats a good scrub with janola and hot water, so it's clean as a whistle for people to sit at and enjoy the view over to the Cool Stores and down the River and have a picnic, We have had aluminium labels made in english and te reo for the side of the Bench and Picnic Table, a big nga mihi to Zodiac signs for these.



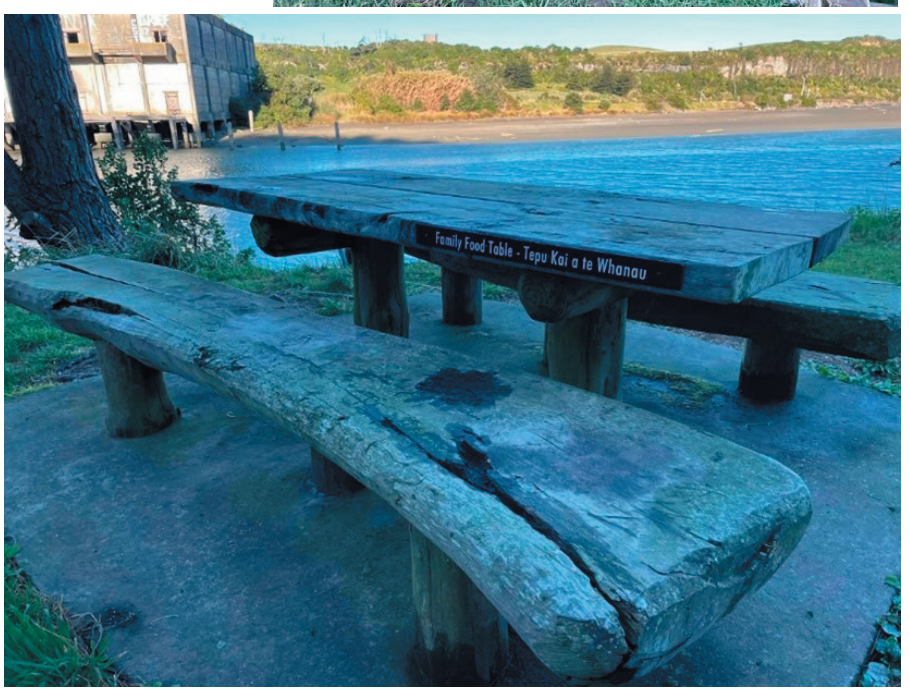


Right: Don Adams and Colin Schrader with the finished Fish Gutting Bench.

Below Right: The picnic table with new signage at York Street fishing spot by the river.



Don Adams sitting on the bench seat he restored and installed near the top of the steps at Bourkes Lookout. It looks out over the Pātea River and Sea Walls.



South Taranaki District Council have funded an extension to 1.5km Pātea River Walkway. The new Pātea Loop Walkway is 5km long and goes through some of the most interesting and scenic parts of the town. The best place to start it is at the Boat Ramp, then walk along the River coming out at York Street. Then head up Bedford Street, left into Kent Street, past Pātea Area School, then down Beach Road, cut up the new track near Bourkes Lookout, then down the new wooden steps to the beach carpark. It's been well used since it was completed a few weeks ago. People are using the steps for training, as there are a lot of steps!! There is a sturdy handrail all the way up which makes it a bit safer as you look at the beautiful view on the way down. Don Adams repurposed a macrocarpa seat made by Mike Cole about 12 years ago. It looks like new again with a few coats of linseed oil and new legs. Don installed it near the top of Bourkes Lookout, and it provides a welcome stopping point for those that need a break. ***Go check it out next time you are down that way.***



Wooden steps leading up to Bourke's Lookout at Pātea on the new 5km Loop Track

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Pātea Community Board Meeting

Notes from the meeting on Monday 4 March 2024 at 4pm, provided by the Board Members. The first meeting for 2024 was held at the Hunter Shaw Building, Pātea

Present were: Pātea Community Board members; Jacq, Cheryl, Bronwyn, Owen, Robert Northcott (Deputy Mayor), Phi Nixon (Mayor) Eileen Kolai-Tuala (Community Development Officer), Samantha Greenhill (PA), Herbert Denton (Group Manager – Infrastructure Services) Several members of the public. The meeting opened with a karakia.

Open forum:

Sophie Canute spoke to us about the upcoming Long-Term Plan 2023-24, consultation starts on 20 March and runs until 6 May. Meetings will be held to inform the public of what this contains and submissions are encouraged from the public so Council can gauge what is preferred.

Carl Bates, National MP, informed us he is taking the problem of lack of cellphone reception in Pātea to parliament and is instigating a petition which will be circulating in the district soon.

Trish Adams had several issues to raise with the Council:

1. I would like to know when the soil which has been dumped on the grounds between the Plunket rooms and Police Station is going to be removed? I would also like to know why it was dumped there as my husband and I have been working for a few months to get that area to a place where the lawns could actually be mowed. I have asked through council to get the soil and remaining rubbish we did from a previous clean up removed but as yet no reply. The soil came from around the stumps that were stump ground out so the contractor (on someone's advice) had to drive around the block to dump this soil. Defies logic!!

2. The pole which supports a light on the corner of Victoria and Egmont Street has completely blown out and needs to be replaced urgently before someone gets hurt by falling concrete. Again, council have been notified but the pole hasn't even been red stickered which leads me to believe it hasn't even been looked at

3. We have had a one-way diversion put in place between Kent and Egmont Streets. I have spoken to someone at council about this ridiculous change and they said they had made a big mistake and would be changing it to Give Way both ways soonish. Well, at least 2 weeks have gone by and still this has not been actioned. I wonder what the cost has been to rate payers to get this nonsense sign and road marking done and what it will cost to rectify. What a waste of money.

4. I understand there is a septic tank down at #2 Beach Road which is overflowing and has been for some time. While the area is cordoned off I would have thought this is a serious health hazard to those that live nearby and people who stay in the grass area in motor homes. I believe the pipe comes from the ablution block at Mana Bay so the problem is not going to go away with all the public use.

5. Again a request to have the storm water culverts on Beach Road cleaned out. We are now into autumn with winter not far behind. If they are not cleaned out there is potential for flooding further down the area

6. Mowing contractors. Its really disappointing that the council have allowed contractors to retract on their original contract and now no longer mow past the 100km sign at the north end of town. The grass has always been mowed by council from the Welcome to Patea sign back up to Livingston Lane on both sides of the road. I do know a resident is paying for the east side to be mowed out of their own pocket– this should not be the accepted norm. It's totally unacceptable that this is happening and council should be auditing what the contractors are doing instead of letting contractors' look for ways to cut back We are getting a substandard job around many areas of town.

Local Discretionary Funding Applications

Two for Pātea Comm Board this round, both Community Board Projects (currently $5842.32 left in the fund) - reupholstry of 8 heritage chairs for the Hunter Shaw building: $800. New sound system for the Waverley Community Centre: $500.

Items for Action: *Speed of Traffic going down to the beach, *Pump Track at Waverley – funding secured from OMV Group (oil & gas) work starting in July, *Civil Defence Community Response Plans, Bronwyn and Rob H working on this.

Community Development Activity Report,

-Roadsafe have organised 15 fatigue stops over the summer, 382 drivers taking a break.

-Patea Town revitalisation meeting held on Tuesday 27 Feb, List of Projects presented by group that went on a walk through the town a week earlier, this includes request for budgets to be done on all projects before any decisions are made, and ensuring work that should be done as general maintenance – i.e area behind Hunter Shaw, isn't included in our project. The $300,000 footpath upgrade rejected by committee due to it being a decision made in 5 min at the end of the meeting with little information given. Andrea from TGM presented us with some good ideas for signage, and Ellen Young from Whanganui was introduced, she will be our project manager, she has done good work at Castlecliff in the past 15 years, turning it into a destination.

-Waverley and Eltham State Highway designs, new Government Policy means there are now implications for when this will be done.

-Designs are underway for Ngā Pou to be installed at both entrances to Waverley.

-New 5km Pātea Loop track project, work completed, blessed and opened on Wed 28 Feb.

-Waverley Town Revialtision committee are holding a community meeting to gain a broader understanding of what is wanted, no date set for this yet

-Life Guards wanted for all community pools, not enough people applied for this.

-Patea Mural completed on the side of Hungers building. Patea Historical Society funding it, with help from some funding.

Libraryplus Report

-Crafting and book club groups going well in most for the older folk Libraries.

-District wide activity, The Book Games, was run at all seven Libraryplus by the Community Outreach Librarian. In Jan the entertainer was Whiz Bang Science, with the Unbelievable Bubble Science Show, the kids loved it.

-Self checkout and check in technology is now up and running at the Hawera Library.

Environmental Services Report

-This report is for 4 business units of the Council – Planning & Development, Quality Assurance, Regulatory Services, Environmental & Sustainability.

-There is 1. a downward trend in consenting activity for both building and resource consents. 2. A sharp increase in noise complaints across Dec and Jan, not uncommon in the summer months of festivities.

Facility Usage Reports,

Life Guards, there has been a shortage for many community pools.

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)

Meeting dates for 2024:

Monday 15 April 4pm
Kaipo Marae, Waitōtara Valley Road

Monday 27 May 4pm
Waverley Community Centre

Monday 8 July 4pm
Hunter Shaw Building, Pātea

Monday 19 August 4pm
Kakaramea Hall

Monday 30 September 4pm
Waverley Community Centre

Monday 4 November 4pm
Waitōtara Hall, 12 Kaipo Street, Waitōtara



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STDC Draft Plan Focusses on Looking After District's Infrastructure Amid Skyrocketing Costs

Increased spending on roads and wastewater infrastructure, and a commitment to getting on with town centre upgrades in the District's smaller communities were some of the big-ticket items in the South Taranaki District Council's draft 10-year plan, which was adopted for public consultation at today's (Monday 18 March) Council meeting.

South Taranaki Mayor Phil Nixon says the District is on an upward trajectory and the Council's draft Long Term Plan is about maintaining that momentum while also doing what's needed to look after the District's assets.

"In previous feedback, our residents have told us that they want to see better roads, our towns amenities and gardens looking good and an improved dog control service. In response, over the next three years, we're proposing to increase our roading expenditure, have committed to continuing town centre upgrades in Hāwera, Manaia, Eltham, Ōpunakē, Pātea and Waverley, and have budgeted to increase resources in the animal control team," he says.

"The big challenge for us is how we afford to do this at a time when local government is facing unprecedented cost increases.

Like households and businesses across the country, Council is facing increased costs for the things we buy. Local government inflation has risen by around 20% over the last two years and continues to rise. Fuel, bitumen, electricity, construction, and insurance costs have all increased considerably - in some cases contractors' costs have increased up to 60%. Higher interest rates have increased the cost of borrowing and paying back debt and compliance costs driven by government requirements have meant we need to spend a lot more on our infrastructure.

This means we need to pay more just to keep doing what we are already doing, without adding anything else," says Mayor Nixon.

Mayor Nixon says the Council worked tirelessly to find savings across all activities to keep the rates increase as low as possible in the proposed plan, including reducing budgets for things like the Hāwera Town revitalisation project, tourism, and events, delaying some non-urgent capital projects works, increasing borrowing and the amount Council's Long Term Investment Fund subsidises rates each year by an additional $350k.

Despite this, the average total rate increase for the 2024/25 Year is 11.29% with an average rate increase over the next ten years of 5.47%.

"We know the rate increase will be really hard for a lot of ratepayers. It's higher than what we want and higher than we've had over the previous ten years, but it reflects what it costs to simply maintain existing services while ensuring our critical infrastructure meets our community's needs and Government requirements," says Mayor Nixon.

"If we don't maintain our assets well, they will cost us more in the long term if we have to replace them sooner than expected or all at once. You don't have to look hard to see places around the country where years of underinvestment by Councils has led to unacceptable infrastructure failures and we don't want South Taranaki to be in that situation," he says.

The skyrocketing costs are affecting Councils right across the country.

According to Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) of 48 Councils surveyed almost 80% are proposing rate increases above 12%, with the average being a 15.3% increase.

"Councils are acutely aware they need to balance the need for investment with affordable increases, but the pressure has reached a tipping point and I think we need to have a national conversation about local government funding – including the value of the services councils provide to communities."

"Given the major cost increases we are facing, we believe our proposed Long-Term Plan will allow us



to do what we are required to do and provide the services and facilities our communities expect, but now we want to know what our residents think."

Mayor Nixon says public consultation on the draft Long-Term Plan opens on Thursday 21 March and runs until 6 May. A summary of the Council's proposal will be included in the 28 March issue of the Taranaki Star as well as available on the Council's website or LibraryPlus centres from that time.

New $12 million Road Opened in South Taranaki

An enthusiastic crowd of more than 50 people turned out today to watch South Taranaki Mayor, Phil Nixon, and Ngā Rauru Chairperson Mike Neho, officially open the district's newest road, Te Ranganuku.

Following the road's blessing led by Ngāti Ruaiti Hapū and Ngā Rauru, representatives from the South Taranaki District Council (STDC), Waka Kotahi NZTA, residents and the government were on hand to witness the much-anticipated opening of the new 8.3km road.

Mayor Nixon says the $12.1 million project, two thirds of which was paid for by the Government through its Shovel Ready Projects Fund and Waka Kotahi - NZ Transport Agency, represented a major investment in the southernmost part of the district which guarantees security of access for residents and business.

"The South Taranaki District Council made a commitment to provide a secure, safe and reliable access route to the Waiinu beach settlement, guaranteeing the security of access for residents in the event of future floods, as well as the ongoing financial viability of businesses operating in the area."

The project to build the new road was first mooted after the June 2015 floods closed the Limeworks Bridge, the only access road to the Waitotara meatworks and Waiinu Beach community. This was the fourth time in 26 years the bridge had to be closed for a significant period while repairs were made. The new road will eliminate the risk and cost of business interruption to the community and local industry, in the event of future flooding.

Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) representative Bridget Sullivan congratulated the Council for their diligence and care throughout the project, particularly in managing the funding aspects and keeping up communication with the government.

"This was critical for the economic safety and resilience of the area, and this is a great example of central and local government collaboration," she says.

This sentiment was echoed by Whanganui MP Carl Bates who also extended his thanks to all who were involved in the project.

"This project is a great demonstration of how local and central government can work together and provide our communities and businesses with the infrastructure so critical to their ongoing viability. Now, enjoy the new road."



Pictured above; Ngā Rauru Chair Mike Neho and South Taranaki District Mayor Phil Nixon cut the ribbon to officially declare Te Ranganuku, open.

Pictured right (left to right): Te Kāhui o Rauru CE Renee Bradley, Whanganui MP Carl Bates, Ngā Rauru Chair Mike Neho, South Taranaki District Mayor Phil Nixon, South Taranaki District Council CE Fiona Aitken, former South Taranaki Mayor Ross Dunlop and former South Taranaki District Council CE (now Palmerston North City Council CE) Waid Crockett.



STDC Draft Plan Focusses on Looking After District's Infrastructure Amid Skyrocketing Costs

Timeline
Public feedback - Consultation Opens Thursday 21 March and Closes Monday 6 May 2024
Hearing - Council Hears submissions 20 and 22 May
Adoption - Council adopts final plan by 30 June 2024

Quick Facts
LGNZ commissioned Infometrics to analyse increases in local government costs that are driving rates rises. They found costs for councils were up 20% across the board.
• Civil construction costs were up an average 27% over the last three years
• Bridges are 38% more expensive to build than 3 years ago
• Roads and water supply systems are 27% more expensive to build than 3 years ago
• Sewage systems are 30% more expensive to build than 3 years ago
• 65% of our (STDC) total operating expenditure and 91% of our capital expenditure is spent on our core infrastructure.
• The Council's largest annual operating expense is on roading. Over the next ten years Council has budgeted to spend $466 million (including both operational and capital spending) on this activity.
• Rates are projected to account for 58% of the Council's total revenue over the next ten years. Revenue coming from rates has declined by more than 4% since 2018/19 as the Council receives a larger proportion of grants and subsidies.
Key projects/initiatives over first 3 years of the Long-Term Plan

Economic
• Continue to develop the South Taranaki Business Park.
• Complete installation of water, wastewater, and stormwater infrastructure for residential growth in Hāwera.
• Provide assistance to owners of commercial earthquake prone buildings.
• Subsidise rates on average by $4.22 million per annum using earnings from the Long-Term Investment Fund
• Spend an average of $46.6 million per annum on the road network, including an average of $1.1 million on footpaths each year.
• Complete water treatment enhancement and water pressure improvements in Pātea.
• Build new reservoirs for Ōpunakē, Waverley and Eltham.
• Upgrade the Ōpunakē Water Treatment Plant.
• Replace the Waverley water bore.

Cultural Well-being
• Complete Te Ramanui o Ruapūtahanga, South Taranaki's new Library, Culture and Arts Centre.
• Complete Earthquake strengthening and upgrade of Eltham Town Hall
• Kaponga LibraryPlus Upgrade
• Replace or strengthen and refurbish the Manaia War Memorial Hall and Manaia Sports Complex (Project Tūkau).
• Implement the Iwi-Council Partnership Strategy - He Pou Tikanga Ngā iwi o te Tai Whakarunga.

Social Well-being
• Undertake town centre upgrades in Pātea, Waverley, Manaia, Ōpunakē and Eltham and complete the Hāwera Town centre upgrade.
• Upgrade Waverley Swimming Pool plant.
• Build new toilets in Ōhawe, Ōpunakē Lake, Pātea and Rāhotu.
• Implement digital transformation programme to replace Council's ageing digital infrastructure.
• Build a new pump track at Aotea Park in Waverley.
• Upgrade the Pātea Beach Camp amenities block.
• Upgrade the Waverley Grandstand.

Environmental Well-being
• Reforestation programme - replant 150 hectares by 2027.
• Protect the Pātea saltmarsh.
• Establish a regional organic materials processing facility (in partnership with all Taranaki district councils and private enterprise).
• Minimise waste including introducing weekly kerbside food scraps collection, change to fortnightly rubbish kerbside collection, improvements to transfer stations and establishment of a resource recovery centre in Hāwera.
• Develop a roadmap for future climate change emissions reduction and adaptation.
• Establish a $10 million emergency disaster recovery fund.
• Upgrade our wastewater network and build new tertiary wastewater treatment plants for Waverley, Hāwera, Pātea, Kaponga and Manaia wastewater treatment plants.
• Build a new anaerobic lagoon for the Hāwera wastewater treatment plant.

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WAITOTARA SCHOOL
'Achieving Together'



Kia Ora Koutou,

We have started this year on a high with many events that have not only provided valuable life experiences but also valuable learning experiences that we can take back to the classroom and elaborate on, across all areas of the curriculum.

The Life Education bus is always a highlight of the year, with Harold the giraffe teaching us about respectful relationships.

Our whole school trip to the Whanganui Museum taught us all about place names and the history of Whanganui. Our art has been on display down Drews Ave during Artists Open Studios weekends (16th - 24th March)

Beach day was fantastic. We are lucky to have a wonderful group of students and parents who made the day a success. My personal favourite was the tug of war! A special mention must go out to Graham and Glenys Ellett who organised the Big Dig and the hireage of the Patea Fishing lodge for our BBQ lunch.

A warm welcome to Shamarah who has joined the Junior Room. We all wish you happy school days!

Not long until Grandparents Day and a long Easter weekend.

Polly Devane
Principal





Friday Funday- started with Friday Feelgoods where we made boats & had a competition to see whose could float the furtherest across the "Waitotara River" using wind power.
Lachlan from Whanganui rugby taught us rippa skills & Kate from Enviroschools had us investigating bugs. We finished with an assembly. What a great day!













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Waitotara Stars Principals Awards

Archie Barnard - **F**or being a bucket filler

Amber Ede - For consistent effort in the Senior Class

Class Awards

Caine Newble- For consistently producing neat handwriting

Spencer Symes - For having a curious & inquisitive mind

Noklair Milton- For consistently producing neat handwriting

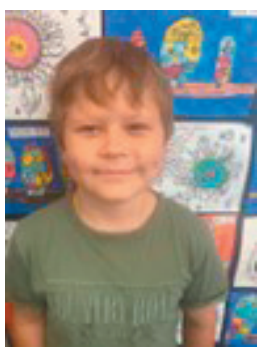




Thanks for having us Waipipi Windfarm.

We learnt a lot about wind energy and the turbines.

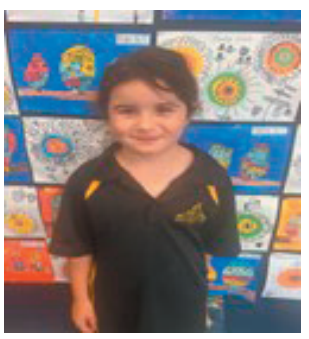
An Interview with...



Name: Noah
Age: 9

Favourites:
Colours: Red
Book: Where is The Green Sheep
TV Show/Movie: One Piece
Song/Artist: Monster Trio

I like Waitotara School because I like seeing my friends.

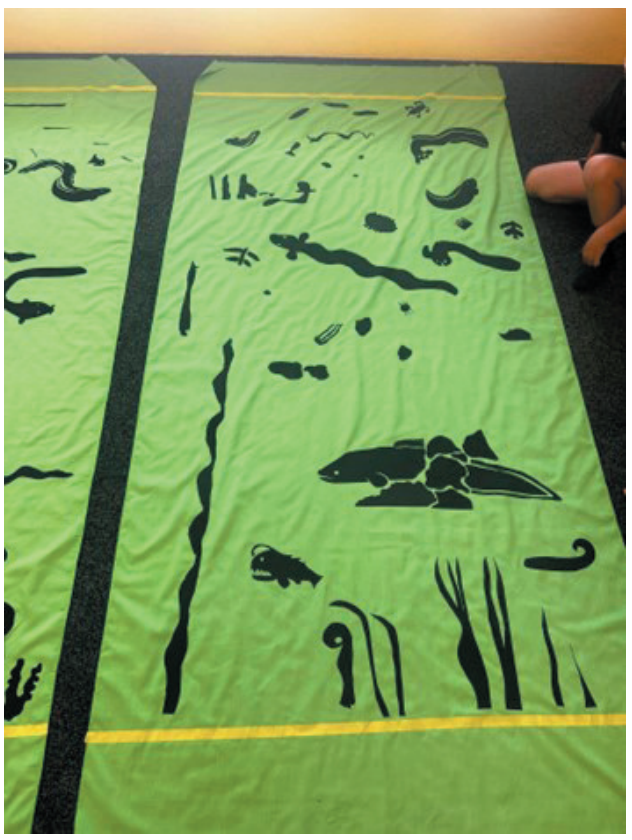


Name: Amelia
Age: 8

Favourites:
Colour: Green
Book: Wonky Donkey
TV Show/Movie: Bluey
Song/Artist: Thunder

I like Waitotara School because I can see all of my friends.

A wonderful day out at the Whanganui Regional Museum. We were lucky enough to have Lisa share her story telling knowledge on a bit of local history and Sietske to help us create Tuna murals using fabric. These were on display during the Artists Open Studios in Wanganui from March 15th - 24th.







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Waverley Primary School

Principal's Message:

This term has been an eventful one with so much going on. We have had many school events during the last 10 weeks. I would like to highlight a few special moments in this report. Firstly, our swimming achievements! We have had so much success at both the Cluster and school swimming events this term but I would like to highlight a particular individual, Comien Honeyfield. Comien is an amazing swimmer and has broken no less than three of our school swimming records this year. Congratulations Comien on your accomplishments. Comien was also a member of the Waverley Primary School Life Saving team that took out the competition in the Intermediate Mixed Competition and also won the country cup. Great work team!

I would also like to mention this month, we have had some visitors from ERO (Education Review Office) in the school. We have been working alongside ERO as one of the first schools to complete the new review process. I am very proud of how far our school has come in the time that I have been here in the school. We have an amazing team of teachers and support staff here at Waverley Primary School. It was great to receive such wonderful feedback from the ERO team who also recognise our efforts and achievements as a fine educational institute. The report will be published on our school website as soon as it has been finalised and permission to share has been approved. Thanks to the amazing staff, the amazing whanau and the amazing children that we have here in our Waverley kura.

I hope you all have a wonderful Easter break.

Nga mihi

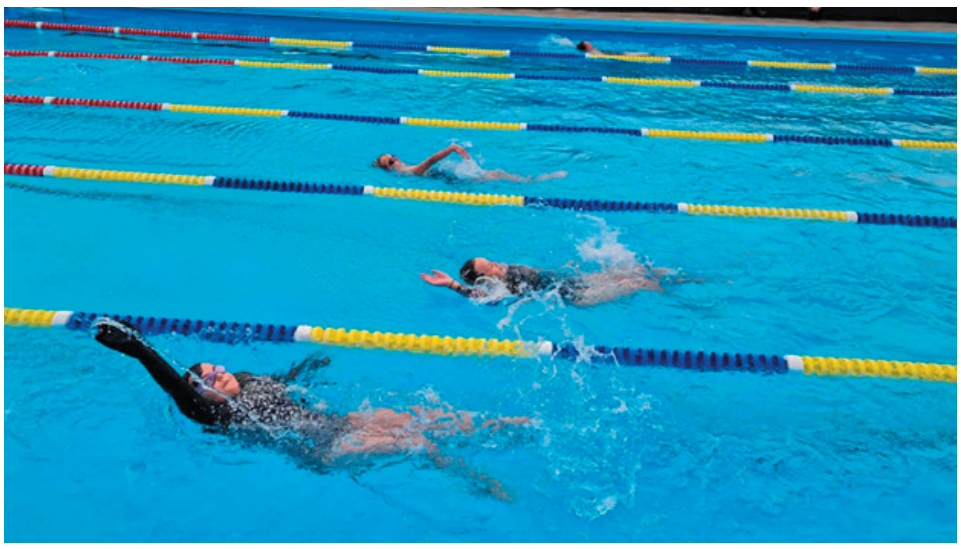
Tim Marriott

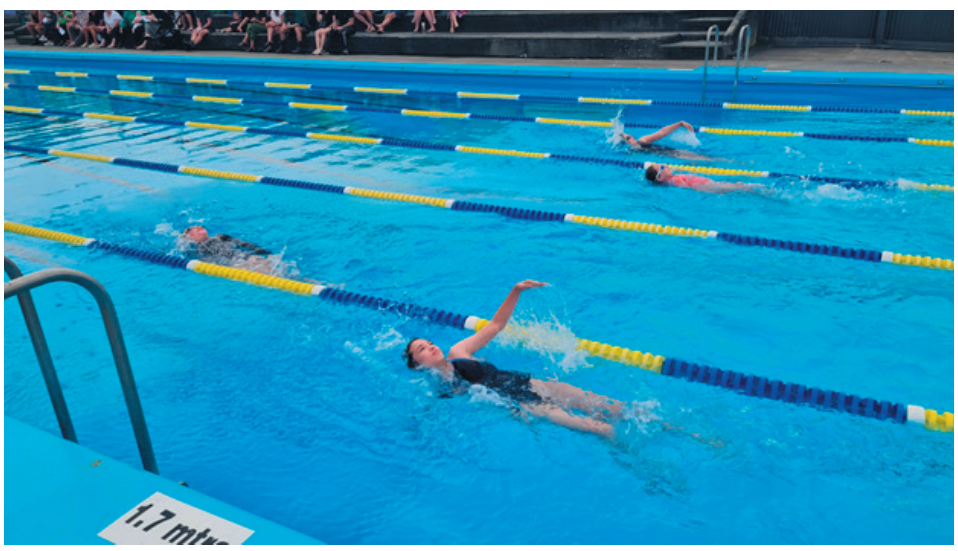
School Swimming

We have completed a successful swim season here at Waverley Primary School. Using both our school pool and the town pool for lessons, all classes participated in many sessions to help develop water confidence and safety, as well as learning the correct techniques for the different swimming strokes. Along with our junior and senior school swimming sports, many students also participated in the Cluster swimming sports at the town pool (seniors) and at Whenuakura School (juniors). We have been so impressed by the progress our tamariki have made!

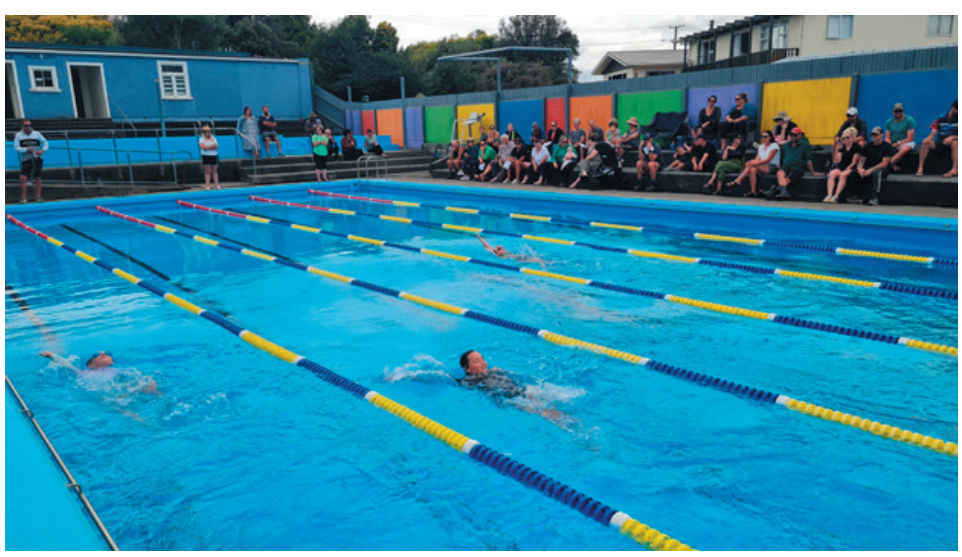






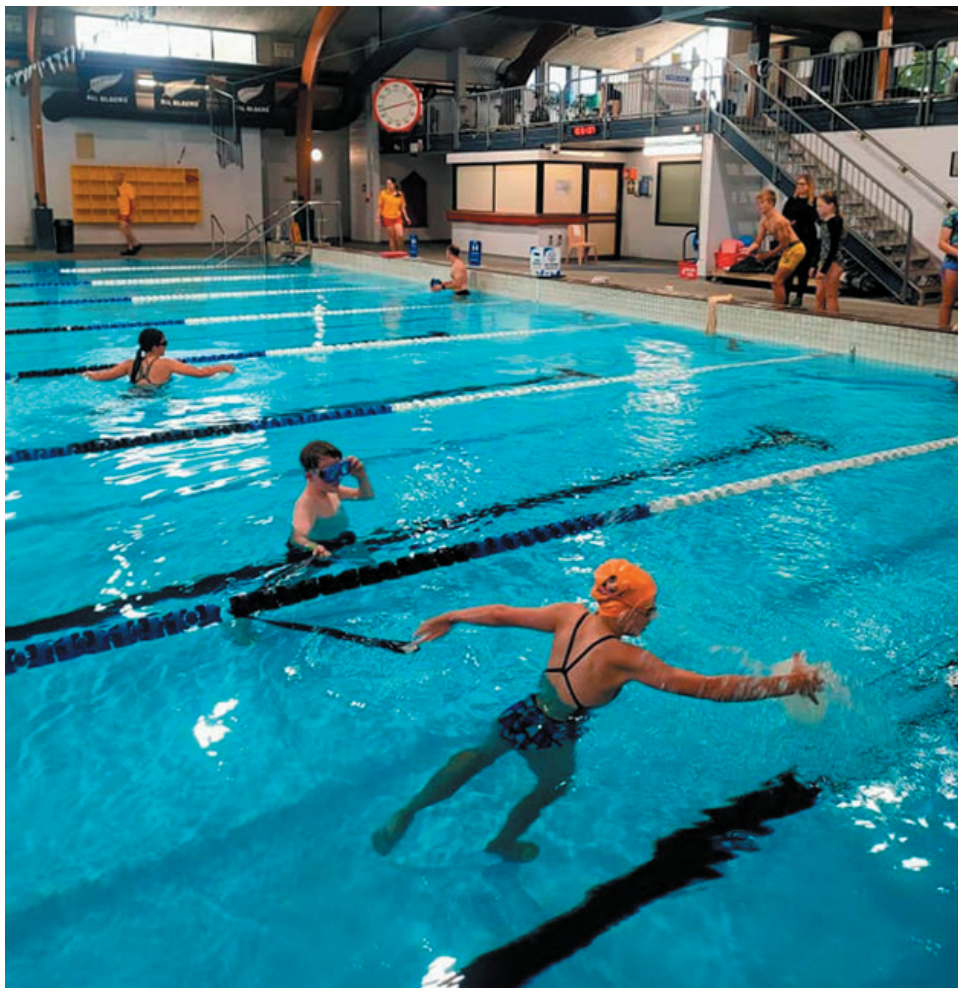






Lifesaving Competition

Congratulations to the Year 7 & 8 Lifesaving Team who competed in the Royal Lifesaving Competition in Whanganui. The team came 1st in the Intermediate mixed category and also took out the Country Schools Cup.

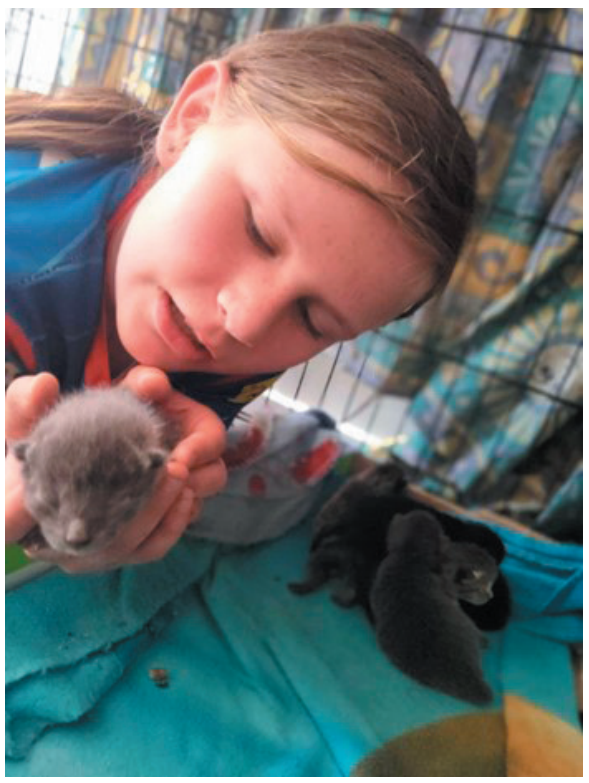






Supporting our Community

After being approached by a school whanau, we recently held a mufti day at school in exchange for donations of cat food, to support Waverley residents who are currently caring for a large number of cats and kittens that sadly do not have homes. They are being cared for and then found new forever homes.





Tuakana-Teina at WPS

Manuka students had a wonderful morning recently with the Year 8 students. They listened to them read, helped them practice their letters and did some puzzles with them as well.







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CUTE CORNER COTTAGE
12 Gloag Street, Waverley

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For Sale $295,000

Cute and compact this cottage is bigger than it looks. With three double sized bedrooms, open plan kitchen, dining and living room heated by a wood burner the home has been insulated and is currently tenanted with a rental income of $300 per week. Fully fenced and with good flow from the two front bedrooms to the wrap around veranda.

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A HOME WITH A VIEW
6 Devon Street, Patea

4 1 2 1

For Sale $369,000

This four-bedroom character home sits atop a rise and overlooks the Patea valley. This home's four bedrooms are all spacious. A large, combined kitchen and dining room, gas cooking and infinity water heating to cut down on your power bills. Plenty of parking with a double garage and two driveways to the home. Fully fenced 759m² section.

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SPACIOUS FAMILY HOME
6 Lincoln Street, Patea

4 1 1 1

For Sale $297,000

This home has so much to offer a growing family and has room to make your mark on it. Inside there are four double sized bedrooms with wardrobes, a large kitchen and dining room that has so much potential for more with indoor outdoor flow through the ranch slider to outside. A separate living room is off the kitchen. Call Today!

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DOWNSIZING? RENOVATED COTTAGE AVAILABLE NOW!
35 Victoria Street, Patea

2 1 1 1

For Sale $298,000

Set on a secure 463m2 section close to town this home has it all with an attached single garage with internal access to the sleek and modern kitchen. The new bathroom has been fitted out in the last year and has a large shower, vanity, and toilet. The dining room leads through to a central living room. The two bedrooms are double sized.

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SOLID AS A BRICK!!!
7 Essex Street, Patea

2 1 1

For Sale $325,000

Brick clad & tile roof, a perfect starter, downsize or investment property with fresh internal paint & more space than you think. 2 dble sized bdrms, master having a walk in robe & lazy onsuite to the upgraded bathroom. The separate living room has a cosy log burner while open plan kitchen, dining, sunroom has gas heating & new appliances.

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CORNER COTTAGE ON CORNWALL
18 Cornwall Street, Patea

2 1 1 1

For Sale OFFERS

This cute cottage has more space than you can poke a stick at with a large living space, undercover outdoor area for entertaining and an outdoor hobby room plus large single garage and workspace. The two bedrooms are double sized with wardrobes. Open plan kitchen and dining with a slider to the outdoor area. The section is large and well fenced.

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RENOVATORS DREAM
13 Suffolk Street, Patea

3 1 1 1

For Sale $229,000

This old 142m² homestead sits on a 1012m2 corner section facing north. A large living room, three generous sized bedrooms, a separate kitchen and the big wide hallway, high ceilings and a sun porch - the potential is all there if you have the vision. There are various out sheds and a single garage with storage. Set close to schools, shops and beach.

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OLD WORLD CHARM
14 Albany Street, Patea

4 1 1 2

For Sale $350,000

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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Quick crossword

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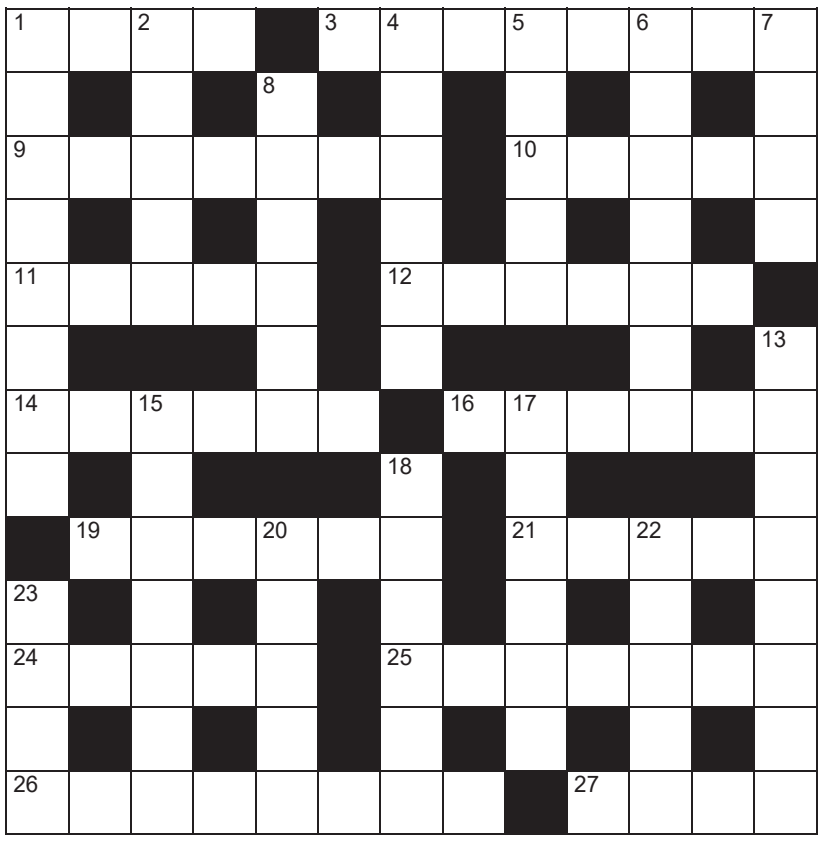

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9. Partially cover (7)
10. Picture (5)
11. Giant (5)
12. Yearly (6)
14. Collect (6)
16. Drunk (colloq) (6)
19. Box (6)
21. Gleam (5)
24. Strongly dislike (5)
25. Raise (7)
26. Computer safety barrier (8)
27. Warmth (4)

Down

1. Scarcity (8)
2. Proficient (5)
4. Come into sight (6)
5. Condescend (5)
6. Determined (7)
7. Enthusiastic (4)
8. Quick look (6)
13. Activity (8)
15. Instructor (7)
17. Smaller in size or value (6)
18. Reveal (6)
20. Hurled (5)
22. Angry (5)
23. 50% (4)

Crossword solution

Across: 1. Snap, 3. Laid-back, 9. Overlap, 10. Image, 11. Titan, 12. Annual, 14. Gather, 16. Blotto, 19. Carton, 21. Shine, 24. Abhor, 25. Elevate, 26. Firewall, 27. Heat.
Down: 1. Shortage, 2. Adept, 4. Appear, 5. Deign, 6. Adamant, 7. Keen, 8. Glance, 13. Movement, 15. Teacher, 17. Lesser, 18. Unveil, 20. Threw, 22. Irate, 23. Half.

Code-Cracker

1 S	2 H	3 R	4 U	5 B	6 E	7 F	8 A	9 C	10 D	11 Q	12 O	13 V
14 N	15 P	16 W	17 J	18 I	19 M	20 L	21 X	22 T	23 Y	24 Z	25 G	26 K

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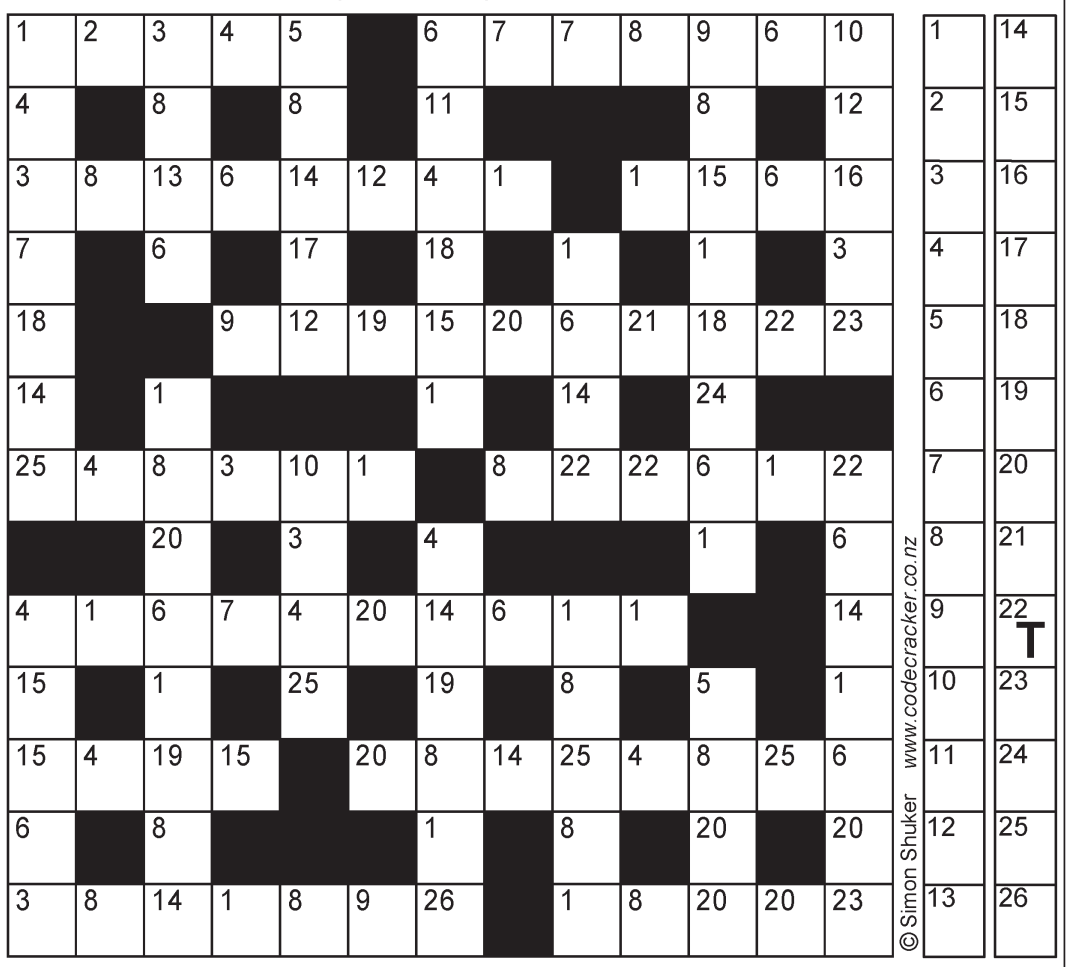
EACH number in our Code-Cracker grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. For example, today 22 represents T, so fill in T every time the figure 22 appears. You have one letter in the control grid to start you off. Enter it in the appropriate squares in the main grid, then use your knowledge 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 10 **Very Good** 14 **Excellent** 20+



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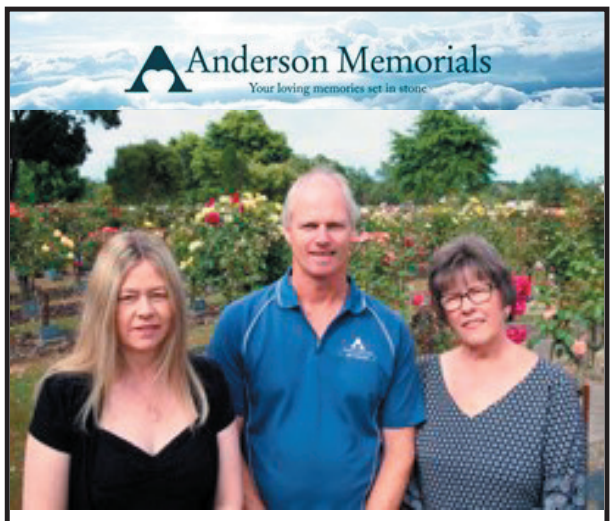

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TOTAL for 2024 - 159.0ml

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Rainfall Feb 2024 - 50ml in 5 days
Rainfall Feb 2023 - 111ml in 11 days
TOTAL for 2024 - 115ml

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MON	01 APR	03:14	2.0m	15:25	2.4m
TUE	02 APR	03:56	2.4m	16:36	2.3m
WED	03 APR	05:18	2.3m	17:57	2.3m
THU	04 APR	06:42	2.4m	19:17	2.4m
FRI	05 APR	07:53	2.7m	20:24	2.6m
SAT	06 APR	08:50	2.9m	21:20	2.9m
SUN	07 APR	08:40	3.1m	21:10	3.1m
MON	08 APR	09:27	3.3m	21:56	3.3m
TUE	09 APR	10:12	3.4m	22:40	3.3m
WED	10 APR	10:56	3.3m	23:23	3.3m
THU	11 APR	11:41	3.2m		
FRI	12 APR	00:06	3.2m	12:26	3.0m
SAT	13 APR	00:51	3.0m	13:13	2.7m
SUN	14 APR	01:38	2.7m	14:05	2.5m
MON	15 APR	02:33	2.5m	15:04	2.3m
TUE	16 APR	03:41	2.3m	16:14	2.2m
WED	17 APR	05:00	2.3m	17:29	2.2m
THU	18 APR	06:13	2.3m	18:38	2.3m
FRI	19 APR	07:09	2.5m	19:32	2.4m
SAT	20 APR	07:53	2.6m	20:15	2.6m
SUN	21 APR	08:30	2.7m	20:51	2.7m
MON	22 APR	09:04	2.8m	21:25	2.8m
TUE	23 APR	09:37	2.9m	21:57	2.9m
WED	24 APR	10:08	2.9m	22:28	2.9m
THU	25 APR	10:40	2.9m	23:00	2.9m
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SUN	28 APR	00:10	2.8m	12:32	2.6m
MON	29 APR	00:53	2.7m	13:21	2.5m
TUE	30 APR	01:44	2.6m	14:20	2.4m

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All cats are desexed when they are able to be, and kept up to date with worm and flea treatments. Lots of cats are currently available for adoption – at range of ages. An adoption fee of $80 gets you a beautiful cat who is desexed. We would love to find forever homes so we could take in more cats/kittens needing our help.

Recently a cat was found and brought to The Waverley Hilton and his owner was found through social media. They were reunited after he had been missing for 6 weeks.

Currently we have 2 Mumma cats with 9 kittens between them and 3 neo natal kittens who are being fostered by one of the mothers.

The Waverley craft and farmers market lets us take kittens there to show people who may want to adopt them.

Waverley Primary School also had a mufti day where the children brought some cat food to be donated to the Waverley Hilton. This was very successful.



The amount of work that goes into housing, trapping ,taming, feeding and travelling to vets is unbelievable. Donations are very welcome – food, litter, treatments, toys, money and any amount is greatly appreciated.

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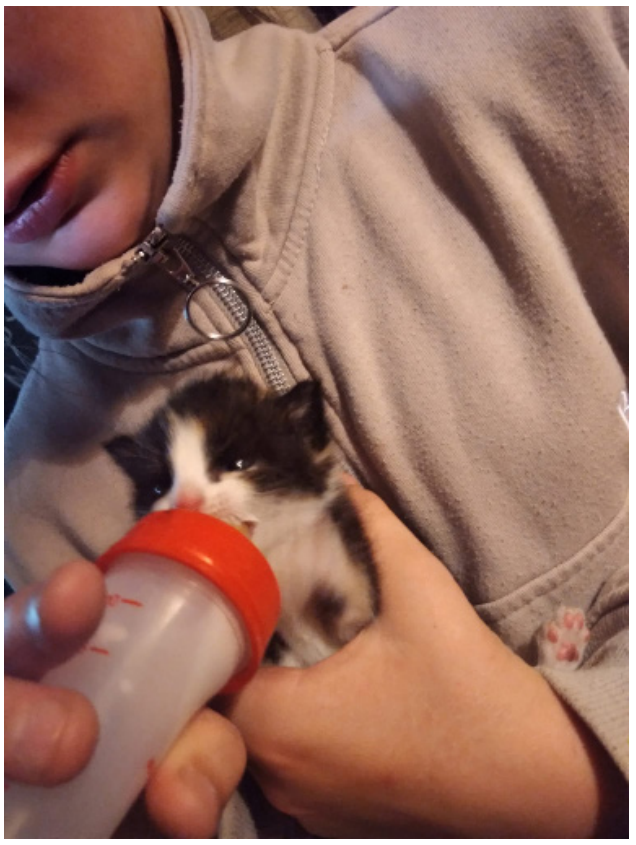

Council Completes New Loop Track for Pātea



Pātea's new Loop Track was officially blessed by Ngāti Ruanui kaumatua on Wednesday 28 February marking the culmination of an eight-month project, part of the Council's Pathways Programme.

The ceremony, attended by South Taranaki District Council Deputy Mayor Rob Northcott, Chief Executive Fiona Aitken and Pātea Community Board members, celebrated the successful completion of the 5km multi-use loop pathway.

A community-driven initiative, the pathway is designed to accommodate various activities such as walking, jogging, and cycling. A shorter 3.5km loop through Kent Street has also been added, which is accessible for all members of the community.

Locals had already been using a part of the loop pathway frequently prior to the upgrade project, prompting the Community Board and Council to see the potential and opportunity to turn an important part of the town into something vibrant for members of the community and visitors to enjoy, while adding some new elements along the way.

Deputy Mayor Rob Northcott says the 5km track offers lots of flexibility and can be started on either York Street or Bourke's Lookout.

"The Pātea Loop Track not only enhances the recreational opportunities for the community but also reflects a collaboration between Council, community leaders and residents towards supporting vibrant communities," he says.

"I expect the track will become a hub for community well-being, providing a scenic and accessible space for everyone to enjoy."

'Coming Together' Exhibition at Gallery Patea

Gallery Patea - A non-profit gallery, now in it's eigth year, run by a collective of artists and volunteers is holding an exhibition from 3rd April - 27th April.

Titled 'Coming Together' a refence to the process of making the artworks, and the number of artists involved from around Taranaki, and further.

The original concept has brought a rich layering of thoughts and commentaries on life in Aotearoa. Our island placement in the sea and its concerns with changes in government, health issues, social structures, cultural impact and more. All these topics, and the processes used in creating, have relevance in the collage and assemblage exhibition open to the public from Wednesday 3rd of April.- (we start our winter hours at Gallery Patea 10 am - 2pm. Wednesday - Sat)

Some of the artists involved include Dale Copeland, Carl Fairweather, John Brebner,, Graeme Thompson, Willow Noir, Ashlee Robinson, Liz Harrison, Nikki Watson and Stephanie Kara. Patea artists are Rosanne Oakes, Stacey Austen, Yasmine Allen, Jonny de Painter, Sam Stephens, Ruby Nekk and Cath Sheard who also has some collaborative work in the form of handmade books with Greymouth artist Pen Kirk documenting and sharing their struggles with aspects of health. Jonny de Painter also has a handmade book from a series that won him an award last year with 'Please Like Me' a reference to social media having a 'google' eyed portrait on the front cover. The current book with 'face book' on its spine in coloured plastic lettering, also has a 'google' face as cover. It explores aspects of labour, industry, and expectations within social structures made up of cutouts, and collage that fold out and close up in a seemingly never ending variety of compilation.

Dale's assemblage works record the situations she sees with the current government,while John Brebner uses typeset to produce poster like commentaries on changes by the same coalition. Reference to the sea and its reefs and fauna are very relevant for Taranaki coastal communities with talks of wind farms and deep sea mining..

The exhibition is worth a visit, and you are warmly invited to visit during our open hours, or while we're setting up on Tuesday between 11am - 4.00pm

Alternatively, come and share in some kai and korero at Gallery Patea meet some of the artists when we gather on Saturday 6th at 10.30am to celebrate the artists and their works in this exhibition.

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Pātea Area School

Principal's Panui

Kia ora koutou,

This months panui includes some important information on our new cell phone rules, key dates for this term, uniform examples and our bi-annual Health Education Survey.

As well as these key pieces of information, we celebrate our new 2024 Senior Leaders. They are an amazing bunch of young people and I look forward to working alongside them in 2024.

The school has also updated some of our school app features. So, be sure to download the app along with liking our school facebook page.

Ngā mihi

James Davidson
Principal, Pātea Area School



Our 2024 Senior Leaders: Madison Powell, Ruhansi Amarasinghe, Teiia Bryers, Tewaiarani Vaughan, Imani Dobson, Ezahryn August, Madison Thomas, Orlando Davidson, Whinchelle Labuguen, Raian Lal, Talitha Dixon,

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PHONES "AWAY FOR THE DAY"



This term Pātea Area School will be implementing our phones "away for the day" procedure. While we acknowledge that phones play an important part in peoples lives both professionally and socially, we can probably all agree that they can be a distraction. This is especially true for young people who's brains are still developing.

Included in this newsletter are our new cell phone procedures. These will take effect next week and for some students will be a big change. What was very clear from students in our recent survey is that they wanted to be able to keep hold of their devices. By implementing the Yondr pouches, students can minimise the distractions while maintaining possession of their devices.



The procedures outlined here have been successfully implemented at Waitara High School who have seen a dramatic shift in student engagement and learning. Here are a few of their findings:

- A 15% increase in NCEA achievement across the senior school.
- An increase in positive social interaction in the playground at break times. This includes increased physical activity.
- A decrease in bullying and social media conflicts.
- A decrease in students seeking help from the guidance councillors around anxiety.



The procedures will come in to effect on Monday the 25th of March, when the pouches are issued to students. Please take time to read through the procedures and discuss them with your child and don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.



Pātea Area School

Mobile phone procedures for all students

Purpose

Pātea Area School (PAS) acknowledges the educational value of digital devices and online services in supporting and enhancing educational outcomes and student wellbeing. We also recognize they may cause harm if used inappropriately and that we need to support our students to use them in safe, responsible and respectful ways.

Scope

PAS provides each student with a Chromebook, specifically designed for engaging with PAS online learning platforms. As such mobile phones are not a requirement for learning.

- Mobile phones are not to be used during school hours. This includes offsite EOTC events.
- Every year 9-13 student will be assigned a personal Yondr Pouch with an ID Number.
- Year 7-8 students who own a cell phone will also be assigned a Yondr Pouch with an ID Number.
- The expectations are that year 1-6 students will not bring cellphones to school. In the case that they do, the phone will be held in the school office, caregivers will be contacted and the phone is to be picked up by the caregivers.
- While the Yondr Pouch is considered school property, it is each student's responsibility to bring their pouch with them to school every day.
- Students will require a school bag to carry the Yondr Pouch.
- Students without a pouch or school bag are to surrender their mobile phone to the office to be returned to their parent/guardian.

Process

Entrance: As students enter the PAS buildings/campus, they will:

1) Turn their phone off.
2) Unlock their empty Yondr Pouch using an Unlocking Base located near an entrance.
3) Place their phone inside the pouch, securely close it and store it in their school bag.

Each student will maintain possession of their phone inside their Yondr Pouch (and inside their school bag) for the duration of the school day.

Exit: As students exit the buildings/campus at the end of the school day, they will:

1) Unlock their pouch using an Unlocking Base at an exit(s).
2) Remove their phone from their pouch.
3) Securely close their empty pouch and place it in their school bag for the next day.
4) Exception: excused absence (e.g. for a doctor's appointment) in which case the student will unlock their pouch at the Front Office.

Violations

Below is a list of potential student violations. Each of these violations will result in the student's device/phone and/or pouch being confiscated by school staff.

- Physical damage to the pouch in an attempt to circumvent its intended purpose. (Ex: Discoloration, pen marks, bent pin or stripped lock inside the pouch)
- Forgetting or losing the pouch – phone will be left at the front office.
- Using their phone during school hours.
- Other devices, such as laptops, tablets, headphones and smartwatches, pose similar challenges and opportunities. These devices can be linked to mobile phones and therefore, the same procedures that apply to cell phones will be applied to students accessing cell phone by way of headphones, smart watches and any other digital device during school hours.
- All digital devices, not just mobile phones, should be used in safe, responsible and respectful ways.

Disciplinary Action if a Yondr pouch is damaged

1) Phone + Pouch will be confiscated and parent/guardian will be notified.
2) Student's parent/guardian must come to the school to pick up their child's phone and a replacement pouch will be assigned.
3) The student will receive a **Stand Down** for damage to school property.
4) SLT will notify accounts who will invoice the parent/guardian via email for the replacement Yondr pouch.
5) The student will only be allowed to bring a phone back to school if they or their parent/guardian pay a $20 fee to replace the damaged school property.

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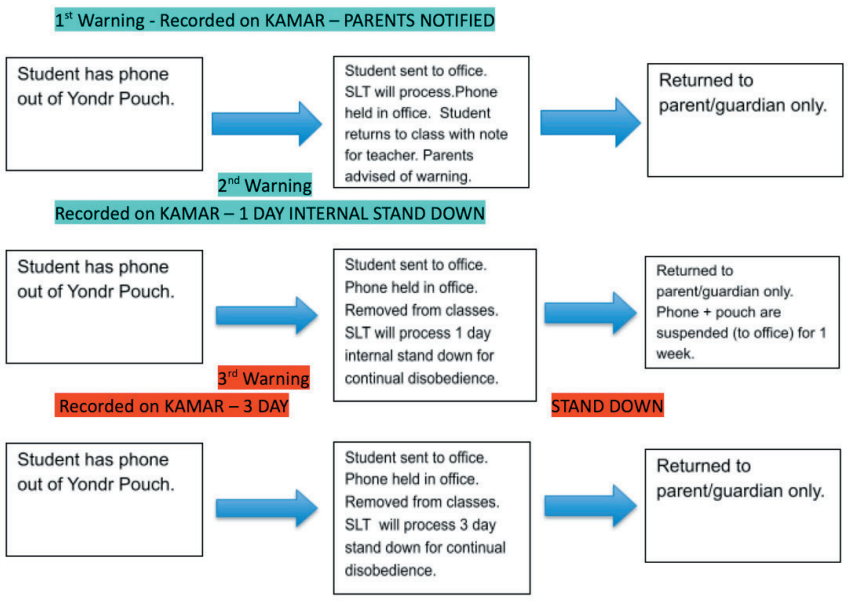

- A suspension can be issued for continued disobedience as a result of repeated infringements of the school discipline code.

Exemptions

- Use of mobile phones will be permitted at morning tea, lunch and during class-time **if** a student requires a digital device or online service for medical reasons or for reasonable adjustments made as part of their individual education plan.
- Exemptions can be considered in other circumstances such as to maintain family connection in difficult circumstances.

Exemptions to any part of this procedure may apply for some students in some circumstances. Parents can request an exemption and these will be considered on a case-by-case basis and granted when required by law or at the principal's discretion.

Students with exemptions will have the following:

- Phone Pouch Exemption Pass
- Flagged on KAMAR student profile

Students and parents understand that phones must remain 'Off and Away' unless required for reasons outlined as part of the exemption.

Contact between students and parents during the school day

Should a student need to make a call during the school day, they must:

- approach the Front Office and ask for permission to use the school's phone; or
- ask SLT staff for permission to unlock the phone, make a phone call and then lock Yondr Pouch again. Storing the mobile phone again must be supervised by SLT and office staff.

During school hours, parents are expected to only contact their children via the school office. A message will then be sent to the student.

Responsibilities and obligations

For students:

- Be safe, responsible and respectful users of mobile phones and online services, and support their peers to be the same.
- Respect and follow school rules and procedures and the decisions made by staff, knowing that other schools may have different arrangements.
- Communicate respectfully and collaboratively with peers, school staff and the school community.

For parents and guardians:

- Recognize the role they play in educating their children and modeling the behaviors that underpin the safe, responsible and respectful use of digital devices and online services.
- Support implementation of the school procedure, including its approach to resolving issues.
- Take responsibility for their child's use of digital devices and online services at home such as use of online services with age and content restrictions.
- Communicate with school staff and the school community respectfully and collaboratively.
- Switch off or put their digital devices on silent when at official school functions, during meetings and when assisting in the classroom.

For the Principal and teachers:

- Deliver learning experiences that encourage safe, responsible and respectful use of digital devices and online services. This includes:
    - Establishing agreed classroom expectations for using digital devices and online services, in line with this procedure.
    - Identifying strategies to ensure that all students are able to engage in classroom activities including strategies to accommodate students without a digital device.
    - Reading and abiding by the Terms of Service for any online services they use in teaching, including those limiting use by age.
    - Educating students about online privacy, intellectual property, copyright, digital literacy and other online safety related issues.
- Model appropriate use of digital devices and online services in line with school procedures and policies.
- Respond to and report any breaches and incidents of inappropriate use of digital devices and online services as required by school procedures and any statutory and regulatory requirements. This includes:
    - Reporting the creation, possession or distribution of indecent or offensive material to the Incident Support and Report hotline as required by the Incident Notification and Response Policy and Procedures and consider any mandatory reporting requirements.
    - Working with the department and the Office of the eSafety Commissioner (if necessary) to resolve cases of serious online bullying and image-based abuse.
    - Following the school's behaviour management plan when responding to any incident of inappropriate student behaviour relating to the use of digital devices or online services.
- If feasible and particularly as issues emerge, support parents and carers to understand strategies that promote their children's safe, responsible and respectful use of digital devices and online services.
- Participate in professional development related to appropriate use of digital devices and online services.

For non-teaching staff, volunteers and contractors:

- Be aware of the school's policy, this procedure and act in line with the conduct described.
- Report any inappropriate use of digital devices and online services to the principal, school executive or school staff they are working with.

Communicating this procedure to the school community

Recommended inclusions are listed below.

Students will be informed about this procedure through the School Website and School Facebook and Email.

Parents and carers will be advised via the school email. This procedure can be accessed electronically via the school website.

Complaints

If a student, parent or carer has a complaint under this procedure, they should first follow our school's complaint process.

Review

The Principal or delegated staff will review this procedure annually.







Cluster sports

Year 1-6 Cluster Athletics

- 9th April
- Pātea Area School



ATTENDANCE

To help support our 90% attendance goal, we are bringing back the “Wheel of Attendance” We will be spinning it during the last week of term and students who have achieved 90% or better attendance since March the 6th will go in to the draw to spin the wheel. There will be some awesome prizes, so we encourage

90%



Health Education Survey



EVERY TWO YEARS, SCHOOLS MUST CONSULT WITH THEIR COMMUNITY ON HEATLH EDUCATION IN THEIR SCHOOL. PLEASE USE THE QR CODE BELOW TO FILL OUT THE ONLINE SURVEY.

Pātea Area School

TERM 1 & 2 DATES

March 27	Non uniform day Gold coin, proceeds go to theSouth Taranaki Coast Guard
March 29-April 2	Easter Weekend
April 6	Senior School Ball
April 9	Cluster Athletics
April 10	School Photos
April 12	End of Term
April 25	ANZAC Day
April 29	Start of Term 2
May 7	Whole School Cross Country
May 27	NCEA Teacher Only Day No school for Year 9-13
June 3	King’s Birthday
June 10-11	Teacher Only Days All School
June 27	School Matariki Celebration
June 28	Matariki Holiday
July 5	Last Day of Term 2



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Wanganui Aeroclub News

March 9th Quiz Night.
Again there was a robust competition between the teams. Both members and guests enjoying a meal and the quiz.
March 24th competition was Spot Landing.
The day was a perfect flying day with members taking part in competition from 9am. Members and visitors enjoyed lunch in the club rooms. We were lucky enough to have some interesting aircraft stop in on their way to Wanaka. It's not often you see 4 YAKs at Whanganui Airport!

Jnr spot landing 1st Ryan Morrison,
2nd Rory Woodhouse 3rd Matt Leith

Snr spot landing 1st Darren Luff,
2nd Mike Punch,
3rd Craig Mitchell Annoyon

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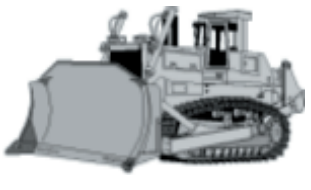

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KAKARAMEA SCHOOL MARCH ROUND UP
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Xavier England, Wilson Manson, Taine Murdoch, Richie Reid, Charlie Weder (co-chair), Zola Gibbs (co-chair), Charlotte Taite, Kobi Napflin, Elijah Lasike, William McColl, Louis McColl, Penelope Croot

STUDENT LEADERS 2024
A huge congratulations to our newly elected Student Council, eLearning Leaders and Librarians! We had a high calibre of candidates this year and we know you will make us Kakaramea proud!



Back: Cooper Knight, Kobi Napflin, Taine Murdoch, Mason Knight
Front: Azarlea Taogaga-Gubb, Ardie Reid, Henry Buhler, Elijah Lasike, Wilson Manson, Richie Reid, Harper Symes



ELEARNING LEADERS
Chevelle Cook, Matilda Skipper, Mason Knight (Head eLearning Leader), Cooper Knight (Head eLearning Leader), Julian Laracy-Talbot, Frankie Werder



RIPPA RUGBY 2024
We started the rippa season in style with our flash new threads! A huge thank you to the events committee and our fundraising community for making this possible.



JUNIOR CLUSTER SWIMMING SPORTS

The junior school had a fantastic day out at the cluster swimming sports. It was great to see our littlest learners having fun and giving it a go! Thanks to Whenuakura School for hosting and organising, and to Patea Area School for leading us all in some fun field games!

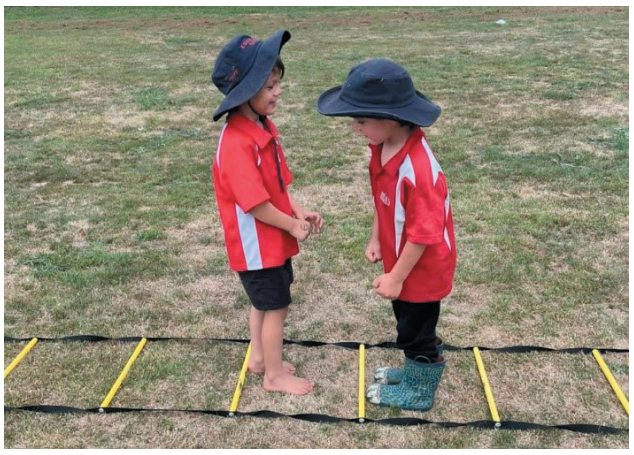


Holly Buhler and Lacey Dunlop dry off after the competitive year 1 girls' races



Non-competitive swimmers had the opportunity to participate in some "just for fun" races





Johnny Marshall and Corey White have a Paper, Scissors, Rock face-off on the field

SENIOR CLUSTER SWIMMING SPORTS

Well done to our seniors who competed in the cluster swimming sports this year. Thank you to Waverley Primary for hosting! A special congratulations to our relay team who took out first place! All of our swimmers are to be commended for their effort and excellent sportsmanship. You make us Kakaramea proud!



OUR WINNING RELAY TEAM!
Evonne Thompson, Cooper Knight, Mason Knight, Charlie Werder





KAKARAMEA SCHOOL TRYATHLON

It was so great to see the whole school having a blast at our 'try'athlon and giving it a go! A huge thank you to all of our school whānau who came out to support us. We couldn't have done it without you!



Left: Koen Davis, Oscar Rutten and Suede Taogaga-Gubb gear up for their race

Below Left: Frankie Werder, Matilda Skipper, Sophie Muller and Kyla Baggott are raring to go!







Richie Reid and Wilson Manson take some time to relax before their race

PĀTEA DAM CAMP

We headed out to Pātea Dam for our annual camp earlier in the month. We had so many whānau join us as well and it was great to see them get involved! During the days the whole school joined in for kayaking, boat rides, archery, a slippery slide, a low ropes course, water safety and some traditional Māori tuakana-teina games. The seniors stayed over for some eeling and a marshmallow roast. A huge thank you to everyone who provided their equipment, skills and expertise to make it all possible!

Swim NZ led each group through some water safety exercises

Continues over page....



Hazel Skipper and Taine Murdoch support their friends on the low ropes course



Ardie Reid, Matilda Skipper and Reagan Quarrie carry Frankie Werder to safety as part of a bush safety exercise



Louis McColl, Elijah Lasike, Wilson Manson and Wills McColl are all smiles after the mud run

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Growing Personal Excellence

E ngā mana tiaki, ngā kairaranga whānau, he mihi ki o tatou hāpori nui.
Warm greetings from the Whenuakura School families and community,

What a fantastic first term it has been! As our ākonga/students look forward to a well-deserved break, I would like to take this opportunity to celebrate the achievements, big and small, that have contributed to an amazing term.

Whenuakura School TRYathlon

The Whenuakura School TRYathlon was held on Friday 8th March. This participation event celebrates all of the TRYathletes and encourages student resilience.











IMPORTANT TERM 1 2024 DATES

Tuesday 9th April - Cluster Athletics Day Year 1-6
PP: Wednesday 10th April
Wednesday 10th April - Howie Tamati Rugby League Tournament (Year 5 & 6)
Thursday 11th April - School Assembly Rimu Room hosting 2pm
Friday 12th April - End of Term 1

Junior Cluster Swimming Sports

Whenuakura School was host for the Junior Cluster Swimming Sports this term. We would like to thank all of the visiting schools and special thanks to the Pātea Area School Senior students who co-ordinated the out of pool activities.





Empowered Learning

Engagement with parents/caregivers and students at our learning conversations provided a focus on individual learning goals that help to form our pathways for achievement. Below are images of our students learning and being celebrated for their achievements.









Wishing everyone a safe and restful holidays. We are looking forward to the adventures and discoveries that await us in the coming term.

Ngā manaakitanga
Raylene Harris
Tumuaki - Principal

Upcoming Events

9 April
Cluster Athletics, Pātea Area School

12 April
Last day of term 1

29 April
First day of term 2

30 April - 4 May
Y4-6 Camp



WASPY RACING
HOOPER MOTORSPORT

"It's in the blood"

John Hooper, a dairy farmer from Waverley, has been drag racing for many years but has really ramped up the power of his cars in the last 12 years.

It's in the blood, with his Dad competing in his Pontiac in the very first Wanganui Street drags that was held in 1985. Growing up with cars surrounding you, it's hard to not have a love for cars from a young age.

He started off his drag racing in his 1997 Holden HSV Club Sport at the Wanganui Street drags in 2006 at the age of 21, then moving to his Suzuki TLR1000 motorbike in 2010, but also racing his Dad's 1974 Formula 400 Pontiac for a special outing in the 25th Annual Wanganui Street Drags in 2011. 2012 saw him debuting the blue 1982 WB Holden Kingswood, racing in Wanganui and at Masterton for 7 seasons with different engines over that time. A 454 big block, and a 540 big block. Gaining a Personal Best (PB) of 10.3 seconds in the Super Street Class. He then acquired "Harry", a 1978 HZ Holden Kingswood previously owned and raced by good friend Dean Scott. This was raced in the Super Sedan Class at Masterton, with his first full pass at the drag strip on 8th December 2019 running an 8.6 second pass that weekend. He raced Harry for 3 seasons, running PB of 8.1 seconds at 168mph (270.37km) over that time with the same 540 big block out of the WB Kingy.

John bought the orange 1967 Chevy Nova in March 2022 as a chromoly chassis and shell, which had been parked up since its last race in 2012. The Nova was built in America, where it had previously raced running 6 second passes, which was also done in New Zealand prior to John owning it.

The Nova is currently running a 540 big block Chev, 14/71 hi helix little field blower running on methanol, t400 transmission, 9-inch diff, which good friend, Dean Scott of DSM has built and tuned.

First weekend racing in the Nova was 10th and 11th December 2022, straight into deep 7 second passes. But then the burst panel blew and took most of his bonnet with it. The burst panel will blow if something fails, preventing further damage to the engine. That glitch was quickly fixed along with the bonnet (now black) for the following meeting in January and running well for the rest of the season. Finishing off with a 7.54 second PB at 183mph (294.51km).

As John is a member of the Wanganui Road Rodders Club, he also plays a part in helping the annual Wanganui Street drags run smoothly. When he's not racing, you'll see him around the start line making sure the races are doing what they are meant to. You also won't see the Nova here as they only do 1/8 mile, which makes it too dangerous to race. However, the blue WB Kingswood comes out from time to time to race in Wanganui.



John, waiting on staging lanes

During the off season, we got onto well-known car and pin striping artist Stace the Ace, who also happens to be a member of the Wanganui Road Rodders Club. She did a fabulous job of drawing up the Nova and designing our Waspy Racing logo for all of our crew shirts and merchandise. It defiantly looks great out on the track with all of the crew in their shirts!

April 2023 saw the charity River City park up event, with all proceeds going to the Wanganui Hospice. The Nova was there on display and firing up throughout the day, with great interest from the public especially during the fire ups.

Out for the first time this season, the nationals in Masterton, December 2023. Saturday saw a pass of 7.41seconds @ 181.91mph (292.76km), a new PB for John in the Nova. Sunday he got to the semi-finals, with another new PB of 7.375 seconds at 188.2mph (302.88km), even after having to be pushed back after his skid, due to a loose wire which meant he could not reverse himself. Unfortunately, the rain came after that so racing was finished for the weekend.

January saw the Wild Bunch Wars meeting take place with the teams Racing on Saturday, Hoops Dreams captained by John, vs Great Scott captained by Dean, with John's team coming out for the win.

Sunday was Dial your Own (DYO) which found John in the finials. He got the nickname Johnny two pills after having two pills in most of the meeting. The pills control how much fuel goes to the engine, which they determine on how the weather conditions are to which pill they choose. Although no one knows who's fault it was having the two pills in, but still coming away with runner up. With a 7.508 second (7.35 dial in) pass at 185.20mph (298.05km).

February meeting was the Wild Bunch vs Outlaw 71 Meeting, a two-day event turned into a one-day event due to the rain on Sunday. We saw a slight steering issue where the Nova crossed the centre line, luckily not hitting the wall or taking out the other racer. After a quick fix with some 100mph tape to the damage in the front from the foam block he did hit, and the steering, he was back out racing on the next round. Like the Juniors, Wild Bunch won by 1 point over the Outlaw 71. Once home, the Nova required a bit of fibre glassing and spray-paint to replace the quick fix tape before the next meeting.

John has been stuck doing around the 188mph most runs this season but finally this last meeting the Grand Nationals at Masterton in March he got more power and broke away from that. Everything was running smoothly which resulted in John running two PB's on both his passes on Sunday. His first race was a 7.226 second pass at 193.27mph (311.04km). Followed by a 7.138 second pass at 194.99mph (313.81km), which he red lit, knocking him out of the competition, but a personal win for him.

A major part of racing is the crew that is needed.



Wheels up at take off - Sunday 17th March 2024



Burnout before setting his current PB - Sunday 17th March 2024

They work very hard behind the scenes and in the pits between races. Getting the engine sorted, checking spark plugs and changing if needed between every run. Packing the parachutes that help to slow the car at the end of the track. Emptying the “puke” tank, where the engine disposes of the excess oil and methanal that isn’t needed. Filling the fuel tank up with methanal, cleaning and polishing the car. Then towing him out to the start line and helping with belts and other safety gear where needed, it is very important for these not to be twisted. Keeping John cool with leaf blowers, umbrellas etc, as he has 3 layers of fireproof gear on so gets very hot. Once disconnected from the tow ute, then pushing him to the start line and lining him up with the lane he will be in, then starting him on the line, and directing him up, giving him the cue to skid, backing him up after the skid and getting him up to where he stages. Then towing back to the pits. As well as helping him with his Waspy Racing Facebook page, where updates, videos and photos are put up during the race weekends and between the meetings, and sale of merchandise. John is very lucky to have reliable crew members that are at every meeting with him.



Doug Hooper (left) vs Murray Palmer in very first street drags in Wanganui

Special thanks to our sponsors, because without them we wouldn’t have this opportunity to race.

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Bring on Meremere in mid April as our final race meeting for the year. Lets see what the Nova can do up there!



TLR1000 - Wanganui Drags



Drivers’ Briefing, showing off the Crew Shirts

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Waverley-Waitotara Sheep Dog Trial Club

The Waverley-Waitotara Sheep Dog Trial Club held its 108th annual trial at 270 Kohi Road, Waverley on Friday 23rd & Saturday 24th February 2024. There were 82 dog trialists with 161 dogs competing and 356 runs over the four classes.

Our Club gives many thanks to the property owners Danny McGee and Sutton Waugh, Leith and Margaret Harrop. Also, to Willie and Simone Symes who supplied the sheep for the three days, which were trucked in by Payne Transport.

A big thanks also goes to Can-Am Marine Services for providing the side-by-side for the weekend. It was invaluable for getting lunches and smokos out to liberators and judges.

We thank the ladies in the kitchen for their superb catering. Also, thanks to Silver Fern Farms and ANZCO for donating and supplying the meat. ANZCO supplied the yummiest meat patties.

Dog Trials are so dependent on the many volunteer workers, often not even competing trialists, who pitch in and give their time unstintingly to set up courses, work sheep, liberate sheep and organise sponsors. The land and sheep owners are at the top of the list allowing people, dogs, bikes, and all manner of things on their properties for three or four days a year. Our sport can

Class never even acknowledges them enough.

RESULTS
Class One Long Head (92 runs)
Judge: Matt Murphy (Martinborough)
Open:
1st Robyn Stephens (Te Kuiti) Rod 97 points,
2nd Brian Burke (Wanganui) Stone 95.5 points,
3rd Dan Murphy (Whangamomona) Nippy 94 points,
4th Robyn Stephens (Te Kuiti) Jake 93 points,
Wayne Falkner (Marton) Roz 92.5 points.
Intermediate:
1st Dan Murphy (Whangamomona) Nippy 94 points,
2nd Laurence Patterson (Wanganui) Chomp 92 points,
3rd Graeme Northcott (Urenui) Lace 91.5 points.
Maiden:
1st Laurence Patterson (Wanganui) Chomp 92,
2nd Stu Stalker (Taihape) Joy 85 points,
3rd Harry Symes (Waverley) Belle 84.75 points.

Class Two Shorthead and Yard (94 runs)
Judge: Brian Burke (Wanganui)
Open:
1st Robyn Stephens (Te Kuiti) Rod 91,
2nd Bernie Gower (New Plymouth) Phillip 87.5,
3rd Mark Duffy (Hawera) Tex 87,
4th Bruce Gilbert (Taihape) Joe 86.5,
5th Gavin Drake (Hunterville) Baldy 86.
Intermediate:
1st Mark Duffy (Hawera) Tex 87,
2nd B Gilbert (Taihape) Joe 86.5,
3rd Graeme Northcott (Urenui) Lace 79
Maiden:
1st Ben Aiken (Waverley) Kate 64,
2nd Ben Aiken (Waverley) Hank 61,
3rd Alex Fannin (Taihape) Chief 58.

Class Three Zig Zag Huntaway (88 runs)
Judge: Adam Roe (Dannevirke)
Open:
1st Hunter Davis (Taihape) Pound 98,
2nd Jack Blakeley (Taihape) May 97.5
3rd Sam Bishop (Stratford) Cody 97,
4th Hamish Thompson (Wanganui) Rain 96.5,
Mark Duffy (Hawera) Tomb 96.
Intermediate:
1st Hunter Davis (Taihape) Pound 98,
2nd Jack Blakeley (Taihape) May 97.5
3rd Hamish Thompson (Wanganui) Rain 96.5.
Maiden:
1st Hamish Thompson (Wanganui) Rain 96.5,
2nd Sam Bishop (Stratford) Witch 96,
3rd Stu Stalker (Taihape) Echo 95.5.

Class Four Straight Huntaway (82 runs)
Judge: Adam Coleman (Mangaweka)
Open:
1st Mark Duffy (Hawera) Tomb 97,
2nd Dermot Mullins (Taihape) Gus 95.5
3rd Rachel Law (Taumarunui) Miss 95,
4th Peter Crowley (Owhango) Rob 94.5
5th Bryce Jensen (Inglewood) Gunner 94.25.
Intermediate:
Mark Duffy (Hawera) Tomb 97,
2nd Dermot Mullins (Taihape) Gus 95.5,
3rd Peter Crowley (Owhango) Rob 94.5.
Maiden:
Peter Crowley (Owhango) Rob 94.5,
2nd Brad Bielski (Eltham) Squire 94,
3rd Ayden Thomson (Taihape) Block 93.

Waverley-Waitotara Sheep Dog Trial Club would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the significant and ongoing support of Pub Charity Limited
And all our very generous sponsors
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Raffle winners: $100 note Tracey Thornton, Whiskey bottle Tom Symes
Patron Terry Bourke's $100.00 prize lucky competitor entrant draw: Bruce Gilbert
Silent Auction heading pup donated by Eric Weir: Terry Bourke

More information and photos can be found in our Facebook page:
Waverley-Waitotara Sheep Dog Trial Club or New Zealand Sheep Dog Trial Association website.

Turi Indoor Bowls

Our bowling season has started, we have had 2 roll up nights and one small competition night with the 2 new members, The winning team on the night were Ella Smailes, Bridget Dwyer, Stephen, Runner ups, Ray Finlay, John Smailes, Apryl Cowley.

26th March was opening night, and we had a round robin competition, the winning team Ella & Stephen. Followed by a shared supper, tea and coffee.

We have a membership of 12 at present, we are always looking for new members so if you would like to learn a new sport or refresh some skills come and join us at Patea Area School,
Tuesday nights 7.30pm

Patea Golf Club News March 2024

Flying Nine

A nine-hole stableford competition is played on Wednesday nights from 4.30pm. Visitors non golfers and new junior golfers are welcome to play. Last night is 3rd April.

Summer Matchplay competition

The finalists in the main event were Cyril Faiers and Ev Gibbs and in a close match Ev had a 2/1 victory. The finalists in the consolation were Clayton Hori and Nick Williams. Nick played well under his handicap and was to good scoring a 5/4 victory.

Patea Cup

The first 3 rounds of the Patea Cup have been played and Cyril Faiers Nick Williams and Trevor Simpson are the leading scorers.

Williams Cup

This was an 18-hole nett competition and Kevin Cameron returned from holiday to score a nett 75 in the windy conditions for 1st place second was Nick Williams scoring a nett 77 and Trevor Simpson also scoring a nett 77.

Watt Cup

This was another 18-hole nett competition and the scoring was very close. Nick Williams was first scoring a nett 73 and a single shot behind were Keneti Jansen and Casey Whanau scoring nett 74s.

Eagles Day at Patea

The Taranaki Eagles had a competition on the Patea course on Sunday 17th March but a strong Westerly wind prevailed. Tony Gray topped the men's scoring with 40 points and Win Finlay topped the ladies scoring with 33 points.

SHE Cup

This was a mixed foursome's event played over 18 holes on stableford.

Trevor Simpson and Cheryl Simpson scored the only two of the day but the winners were Mike Taikato and Barbara Hill with 39 points and second were Cyril and Kathy Faiers with 37.5 points

Handicap Pennants

The Patea Ladies have made a good start to their handicap pennant competition losing only 1 game to date and are leading their division at the moment. Keep up the good work ladies. The Patea men's pennant failed to make the quarter final playoffs.

Clubhouse refurbishment

Clubhouse painting has started and the ladies room carpet replacement has been completed. The kitchen work will start shortly.

Subscriptions

Reminder subs are due on or before 31st March. Payments by instalments must be regular bank payments.

Upcoming Events

6th April	**Patea Cup Qualifier round**
13th April	**1st Round of Matchplay Championships**
20th April	**Patea Cup Qualifier round**
21st April	**Postponed Wayne Railton trophy**
27th April	**2nd Round of Matchplay Championships**
3rd May	**3rd Round of Matchplay Championships**

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Waverley Croquet Club News

We had a good month of play during March as it was not as hot as it has been and also, we had a bit of rain which was welcome as our greens really appreciated it and were nice to play on. The Clubs Singles are still being contested but most have completed their games. During the month there were 9 Hole in ones and 5 jumpshots achieved. Congratulations to those who got them. A group of us visited Tasman Club in New Plymouth and had a thoroughly great time. Their hospitality was amazing and we felt very welcome. The Clubs Easter raffle was drawn on Friday 22nd and the results were. First Prize went to ticket number 66 Laurie Harmer and Second Prize went to ticket 155 Bev Magee. Congratulations to you both. They will be eating chocolate for some time to come. We wish to thank the community for their support. The Club will be running a firewood raffle during April and as the nights are closing in and getting cooler, it would be a great raffle to win. Tickets will be $5.oo each Check the Croquet Clubs face book page for details or any member. Anyone new to the district who think they might like to come along and see what we do are more than welcome. We play Wednesday and Saturday afternoons and are not too serious.



Waverley Club visit to Tasman Club New Plymouth

We are a friendly Club and have lots of laughs. Contact numbers are below and any member would be happy to quide you. Come and have a go.

We wish you all a happy Easter.

Contact numbers
Chris How 06 3465420
Colleen Hayman 02041494288
Jacqui Davidson 021764373

Coastal Riding Club Fun Day



This event called the Grass Roots Fun Day, was held at Stratford by the Coastal Adult Riding Club on Saturday 2nd March and started off as a low key event, but numbers quickly grew in the morning and it took more than four and a half hours to get all the young riders and ponies through the jumping, with the hacks and adults starting their rounds about 2.00 p.m.

There were seven height levels for each group, starting from a low cross bar and then 50cm with 10cm increments, going up to 95cm.- 1.00m. and a lot of recycled ribbons were given out.

The obstacle course was set out as a practice only and not judged but many riders found it to be an enjoyable experience and came back for another go.

On Wednesday 6th March there will be a training afternoon for our Coastal members at the Stratford A&P Grounds, before the jumps are put away.

Maureen Drylie (Publicity Officer, Coastal Riding Club.)

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Border Premier and Senior Draw 2024

		HOME		AWAY	LOCATION	TIME
Saturday April 13th	Senior:	**KAIERAU B**	VS	**BORDER B**	**Kaierau RFC**	**1.00pm**
	Premier:	**KAIERAU A**	VS	**BORDER A**	**Kaierau RFC**	**2.35pm**
Saturday April 20th (Ladies Day)	Senior:	**BORDER B**	VS	**RATANA**	**Dallison Park**	**1.00pm**
	Premier:	**BORDER A**	VS	**RATANA**	**Dallison Park**	**2.35pm**
Saturday April 27th	Senior:	**MARIST KNIGHTS**	VS	**BORDER B**	**Spriggens Park**	**1.00pm**
	Premier:	**MARTON**	VS	**BORDER A**	**Marton RFC**	**2.35pm**
Friday May 3rd (Duckshooting)	Senior:	**BORDER B**	VS	**HUNTERVILLE**	**Dallison Park**	**6.00pm**
	Premier:	**BORDER A**	VS	**MARIST**	**Dallison Park**	**7.30pm**
Saturday May 11th	Senior:	**PIRATES**	VS	**BORDER B**	**Spriggens Park**	**1.00pm**
	Premier:	**TAIHAPE**	VS	**BORDER A**	**Memorial Park**	**2.35pm**
Saturday May 18th	Senior:	**COUNTIES**	VS	**BORDER B**	**MacNab Domain**	**1.00pm**
	Premier:	**BORDER A**	VS	**KAIERAU**	**Dallison Park**	**2.35pm**
Saturday May 25th	Senior:	**TAIHAPE**	VS	**BORDER B**	**Memorial Park**	**1.00pm**
	Premier:	**RATANA**	VS	**BORDER A**	**Ratana Pa**	**2.35pm**
Saturday June 1st (King's Birthday)	Senior:	**BORDER B**	VS	**UTIKU**	**Dallison Park**	**1.00pm**
	Premier:	**BORDER A**	VS	**BYE**	**-----**	**2.35pm**
Saturday June 8th (Sponsors & Graziers Day)	Senior:	**BORDER B**	VS	**MARIST CELTIC**	**Dallison Park**	**1.00pm**
	Premier:	**BORDER A**	VS	**MARTON**	**Dallison Park**	**2.35pm**
Saturday June 15th	Senior:	**RUAPEHU**	VS	**BORDER B**	**Rochfort Park**	**1.00pm**
	Premier:	**MARIST**	VS	**BORDER A**	**Spriggens Park**	**2.35pm**
Saturday June 22nd (Club Prizegiving)	Senior:	**MARTON**	VS	**BORDER B**	**Marton RFC**	**1.00pm**
	Premier:	**BORDER A**	VS	**TAIHAPE**	**Dallison Park**	**2.35pm**
Saturday June 29th	Senior:	**QTR FINALS**	VS	**TBC**	**TBC**	**TBC**
	Premier:	**BYE**		**-**	**-**	**-**
July 6th July 13th		**SEMI FINALS FINALS**		**TBC**	**TBC**	**TBC**



2024 Border Junior Rugby Muster
Saturday 6th April 11am-1pm

Free sausage sizzle and drink for all kids that attend.
Wanganui Rugby will be there from 11 - 12:30 to run through some drills and skills sessions.
There will be some fun games ahead.
We would love to see you all there!!!

Also, you can start doing your Junior Rugby registrations now. Simply hit the link below and complete the process for your child/children.

https://www.sporty.co.nz/viewform/173987

These registrations are going to close by the 7th of April so that teams can get sorted and coaches finalised.

Any coaches NEW, PAST or PRESENT that are willing to coach any age group this year please put your name forward to Rickie-lee ASAP

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Kia Ora, just wanted to express sincere gratitude for those that supported during the event that took place over the weekend of 23-24th March 2024 at Cooks Gardens. Overall as a collective, the groups that were involved managed to raise just over $6712.00 dollars which is invaluable during the 20 - hour event.

Kind Regards, Neville Hinga. *(Go to the Patea & Waverley Press FB for link to an online article)*




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