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Student wins top award

Alyssa McCarty (aged 17) of Opunake High School has recently won an important award. Alyssa received the South Taranaki Youth to Work Award (Learning to Employment Category) from the Mayor Ross Dunlop on Thursday August 29 at a special awards ceremony held at the Council chambers in Hawera. The award was to recognise: *excellence in engagement with learning and/or training for a South Taranaki youth between the ages of 16-19 where the student has overcome obstacles or adversity yet still maintains a good level of engagement.*

Alyssia earned her highly-deserved award by tutoring students in Room 8 at Opunake Primary School.

There was another special ceremony held at Opunake Primary School on Thursday September 5 where Alyssia's award was acknowledged by the Principal, staff and students of the school at a special assembly. Alyssia was accompanied by the Principal of her secondary school Peter O'Leary, who said, "It's awesome to see one of our students helping younger students from Opunake Primary School."

He said that Alyssia had won, not only an attractive triangular trophy (to be kept for a year) and an impressive certificate, but also an all expenses paid trip to Wellington, plus



From left, Lydia Harman, Essina Smith, Alyssa McCarty and Luke Embling. Lydia, Essina and Luke were just three of the Opunake Primary School students Alyssa helped.

accommodation in a "pretty flash" hotel, as well as a meal at Bellamy's, Parliament's iconic restaurant. In addition, she will visit the Carter Observatory and has been granted the honour of naming a star which has been

purchased for her. Principal of Opunake Primary School Lorraine Williamson said how grateful

she was to have had the valued input from Alyssia to help students in Room 8 in need of additional one-to-one

tuition in literacy skills and mathematics.

A new plan for freshwater

A public meeting held at Novotel in New Plymouth on September 9 about the Government's policy on water was attended by around 250 people.

The Government has released an Action Plan for Healthy Waterways which aims to restore rivers and lakes within a generation.

Released for public consultation, the plan includes new water plans for every farm which could cost in the region of \$3000-\$5000. Other proposals include having 5 metre riparian strips on every farm.

A new water authority is also being proposed which will have Government authority to set standards for councils and regional authorities and others. Other new requirements to improve freshwater include setting higher standards for swimmability in summer, interim controls on land intensification and a higher bar on ecosystem

health. "If we don't fix things now they only get worse and will be more expensive to fix," Environment Minister David Parker said at the announcement. Victoria University of Wellington lecturer Dr Julia Talbot-Jones said the plan held promise, but some red flags emerged. "First, freshwater quality is clearly the priority, while the can for freshwater allocation has been kicked down the road without a timeline. Second, the discussion document fails to outline how issues of capacity and enforcement at local government level are to be addressed." Proper analysis of data collected by local governments would be essential to track quality, quantity, and any

unlawful actions, she said. Niwa's chief freshwater scientist Dr Scott Larned also raised the issue of using data effectively, saying the proposed inclusion of multiple ecosystem indicators could improve how our waterways were protected, but would require "a substantial amount of work". Professor Troy Baisden of the University of Waikato said the perceived trade-off between the farming industry and the environment made little sense any more, and this seemed to be a key driver behind the plan. "That's progress, but the proposal is necessarily complex, reflecting that freshwater pollution has been allowed to get worse longer than it should."

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Renaming Chute Street

I feel I should reply to Mr Murray’s letter (August 29). Although my history information doesn’t approach that of Mr Murray as I only attained an educational level of Standard Six at the great hall of learning of Fraser Road Primary School Hawera, but was lucky enough to attain an exam mark of Excellent in History for which I had a great interest.

With respect I wish to inform Mr Murray that I am of Ngati Ruanui and Nga Ruahine descent, and Chute was the instigator of the murder of my Tupuna. Also, my English ancestry makes me a Man of Kent.

Even though I have a modest education I realise if by getting the name Chute taken from a street name does not expunge his murderous deeds, why honour him with a street name, as I’m inclined to think the Jewish nation would not feel inclined to name a street or road Adolf Hitler Freeway.

Also with respect, if

you have had 40 years of teaching history it should not be necessary to tell us the words of the philosopher Santayana. There are tyrants aplenty, and I’ve been made aware of many in my 85 years on Mother Earth.

To finish, Mr Murray, a book that you may find of interest if not already, is one written by Dick Scott, Ask that Mountain, published in 1975.

Mr Murray Tena Ra Koe e Te Rangatira.

Gordon (Mac) Sole,

Whole of district focus

The South Taranaki District Council has prioritised work to upgrade the CBD of Hawera from it’s very tired 1970’s but it can’t stop there, and it must include the satellite towns of the district.

In Hawera we are moving to a townscape more in keeping with a flourishing provincial town which punches well above its weight in terms of GDP and contribution to the wider economy of New Zealand.

ADELPHOS

Have you noticed how news reporting has changed in the last 35 years? Probably, if you’re a baby boomer, but obviously not if you’re a post millennial. Social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter and Google often bring real time news through the fingertips of our smartphones. We no longer rely on the 6 o’clock TV news with its 10 hour old information. But there’s one question: If our brains are saturated with a googled reality of viral postmodern internet stories, is it possible to believe something that isn’t true? So what “is” this

postmodernism? Postmodernism is a late 20th century philosophy defined by an attitude of fierce skepticism. It rejects traditionally held beliefs regarding objective truth, logic, language, authority, God, gender and morality. It believes each person can create and socially construct their own subjective version of reality and truth. One example is how the social media has persuaded many people that we can physically, mentally and socially construct and change our gender. There are currently over 60



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But this contribution comes from the hinterland with the focus on sustainable farming and energy spread across the who district and the sacrifice in terms of rates is evenly spread between households and businesses and we want the whole district to reflect that, not just Hawera.

Every community has a unique personality and contribution, Eltham with its powerhouse of production, manufacturing and employment through ANZCO, Fonterra and CARAC Couplings, etc; Patea makes a contribution through cultural promotions through the Patea Maori Club and excellent Area School; Opunake as a holiday and surfing destination; Manaia the Bread Capital, with Yarrows the Bakers, to name just a few.

I prioritise district wide initiatives, spending, and innovation. The district has a population of over 28,000 people and every one of them should be well and fairly represented, not just those who live within five minutes of Hawera.

The job I want is mayor of the whole of South Taranaki and my pledge is to represent them regardless of location

within our beautiful slice of paradise.

Phil Nixon,

Hawera Community Board Elections

This term I see there are seven candidates for four positions on the Coastal Taranaki Community Board. This is welcome news that so many have put their names forward to represent their communities. Also that the whole district is represented.

There is a great deal of truth in the saying that a new broom sweeps clean, so new candidates will bring fresh ideas and enthusiasm to the board. I also think that the meetings should be spread evenly over the Manaia, Opunake and Warea/Rahotu areas. This would give the residents of those areas more awareness of the financial help available for various projects.

Good luck to all the candidates

Ron Brewer
Opunake.

Postmodernism isn’t just a fancy word

different sexualised gender combinations to choose from (lgbtqi++++ and still growing and far too many to list here). It’s more confusing because these sexualized genders now have different language meanings to different people.

This seems at odds with the biological scientific evidence that tells us there are basically two chromosomal genders—XX female and XY male. Didn’t Jesus say in Mark 10:6, “At the beginning of creation God made them male and female”? Sure, it is a genuine concern that up to 1.7% of

the population have intersex genital variations and have faced discrimination. However, there are increasing examples of American, British and New Zealand school staff asking children, as young as 4 years old, to decide which gender or genders they are or would like to be in future. Here, postmodern relativism is leaving a new generation with confusion and anxiety not solutions. Can innocent 4 year olds form an adult view of the world and gender roles?

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Other postmodern thinking on social media, and too often within the church, seeks to debunk Jesus' biblical truth claims concerning human nature, sin, heaven, hell, love and morality. Jesus' unchangeable words

challenge postmodernism's deconstruction and reinvention of logic defying social constructs of reality. Jesus assures us when He says, "Heaven and earth will pass away but my words will [NEVER] pass away" (Matthew 24:35).

His reliability and authority is based on His eyewitness miracles, resurrection, and at least 289 fulfilled prophecies concerning Himself as the Messiah-God.

Postmodernism sincerely offers a secular form of self-salvation. However,

it tears down and socially constructs ever-changing slippery slope landscapes of reality. Jesus' words are unchangeable and clear, not fanciful intellectual mumbo jumbo. He loved each of us enough to die and offer us forgiveness for our very

real sins now and in eternity. I'd put my money on the promises of the guy who "... healed every kind of disease and sickness" (Matthew 4:23) and came back from the dead.

Adelphos

PS. Be sure to vote at all

local elections and the South Taranaki District mayoral candidates. Someone with a vision who can work with and unite people, and think outside the box for our environment and for both young and elderly alike. Manaakitanga.

Chute name continues to stir feelings

In 1875 Richard Blake who fought on the government side against Titokowaru was awarded 130 acres in the Ketemarae clearing. He laid it out into a township which he called Normanby after the then governor of New Zealand and named its streets after governors, premiers and "heroes of the war."

As reported in the Opunake and Coastal News (August 15) decisions made back then are being questioned. Speaking to the South Taranaki District Council in open forum Gordon (Mac) Sole called for at least one of these streets, Chute Street to be renamed. Mr Sole said General Trevor Chute, after who the street is named had committed atrocities including the destruction



A peaceful street name belies something else.

of peaceful villages on his march from Wanganui to New Plymouth in 1866. The names of streets commemorating Governor Sir George Grey and Premier and Taranaki farmer Harry Atkinson have also been

called into question. Since then a letter from Te Runanga o Ngati Ruanui Trust requesting the South Taranaki District Council review its street naming practice was presented to the August 28 meeting of

the Council's Iwi Liaison Committee.

The street naming debate has now entered the council race with mayoral candidate Craig Baylis saying he believes existing street names should not be changed.

"These street names are part of our combined history even if we disagree with our forebears politics given the luxury of hindsight," he says. "I personally believe that we should have a community inclusive policy in naming new street names but existing ones should be left as they are, as for good or bad they are part of the reality of what's gone before."

He asks why Harry Atkinson's contribution to New Zealand history should be overlooked.

"Sir Harry Atkinson was the 10th premier of N.Z and our treasurer for 10 years who in 1882 pushed for a national welfare scheme even though he was part of the formation of military units to fight in the N.Z wars," he says.

Deputy mayor Phil Nixon, who is also standing for the mayoralty says it's a discussion that's worth having.

"It's absolutely up for discussion and I think we need to talk and be very open minded about it," he says. "It's not about changing a name, it's about developing a policy. It's a discussion down the line. It's not a discussion to have in a hasty way before the election."

"On the one hand if we don't change some of these names we're going to offend

some people, because some people are aggrieved about what's happened in the past. On the other hand we could actually be hiding the history that's happened."

Cr Clem Coxhead who is also standing for the mayoralty says one option could be to have an alternative name chosen by iwi to run above that of Chute on the street sign.

"I operate on the theory that if people are offended by something, we should acknowledge it and do something to make up for the offence. I don't care what nationality people are, if they are offended we should listen to what they have to say," he says.

Climate Justice bid for oil and gas land

Climate Justice Taranaki has made a formal bid on the 2,188 km² of onshore Taranaki land made available for oil and gas drilling by the government through the block offer 2018.

"On behalf of our group, future generations and the

Thank you

Thank you to the woman who anonymously brought in some muffins (still warm) for us at the Opunake & Coastal News for our morning tea on our busy paste up day. They were lovely.

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Editor

2400 people who signed our petition, Climate Justice Taranaki is not bidding in the 2018 block offer to destroy the land. We are bidding in defence of the climate" says Urs Signer, a member of Climate Justice Taranaki.

"We all know, and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change is very clear, that we need radical change now to prevent climate chaos. This is an emergency and we have to act accordingly. The last thing we should be doing now is to look for more fossil fuels. We are calling on Jacinda Ardern and Megan Woods to do the right thing for future generations and rescind the 2018 Petroleum Block Offer in onshore Taranaki."

While the government has put an end to future offshore drilling, they have opened up 2,188 km² of Taranaki land to oil companies.

"Handing out permits for more fossil fuel exploration while the planet is melting can only be described as ecocide and crime against humanity. Fossil fuel companies have known of their impacts on climate and ocean chemistry for many decades, and have acted to increase their biosphere-destroying activities."

"We are reading reports about the collapse of the glaciers in Greenland and the collapse of the Ross Ice Shelf in Antarctica. The melting of the ice will lead to sea-level rise of several meters. Carbon dioxide

levels in the atmosphere keep rising due to increasing emissions despite politicians saying that climate change is a priority. If we are to take climate change seriously - and we owe it to our children - then we need to stop drilling for more oil and gas or digging up more coal now. Handing out permits to oil companies now is like handing out death certificates to our children" concludes Urs Signer.

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COUNCILLOR'S COMMENT

Health Board should be for whole province

South Taranaki District Council mayoral candidate and deputy mayor Phil Nixon says he would happily ditch to retain the district's health services.

are sick and tired of health always being on a change agenda. The Taranaki District Health Board is so named to take responsibility right across our province and not for just those who



Phil Nixon.

can drive themselves to a GP or Emergency Department in New Plymouth.

I will happily die in a ditch to retain the services we have

and will always advocate for an extension to those services as resources and technology changes make the cost of service cheaper and more interventions available locally."

"The spectrum of industry across our district means that between agriculture, energy and manufacturing means people will always be at risk from injury and we will always need to maintain a strong emergency presence here. Any suggestion that New Plymouth is close enough is intolerable.

We need to recognise the pressures on rural doctors and understand that we want to retain and replenish them for a sustainable health service delivery in South Taranaki into the future. We need to work together and be innovative enough in our thinking to keep ahead of those who would seek to close us down bit by bit and centralise health delivery on bigger centres."

"In the provincial areas we recognise that the whole of New Zealand is only as big as a large city overseas – and while it doesn't mean we can

have every modern health speciality in our town, we can have a modern service which meets the needs of our working population."

"That means a comprehensive general medical service including accident and emergency after hours doctors, and top class primary healthcare. When we do need to travel to New Plymouth for specialist treatment it is timely, convenient, cheap to use, with appropriate appointment times and transport arrangements.

A day to remember the forgotten service

For many years the contribution members of the Merchant Navy made to beating Hitler was forgotten. They did not wear uniforms or carry weapons, but they put their lives in danger every bit as much as anyone waving a gun. Not regarded as armed combatants, they lacked the



World War 2 Veteran Colin Kemp was presented with a certificate showing the SS Empire Bounty, the ship he served on in the North Atlantic.

protection of the Geneva Convention, and if taken prisoner, risked ending up in a concentration camp.

It was only in recent years that the Merchant Navy has been officially recognised as the fourth service alongside the army, navy and air force.

Merchant Navy Day which is held on September 3 is a

time to remember what that service did through two world wars.

This year there was a week of commemorations in Wellington with parades, church service and even a showing of the Jack Hawkins classic movie The Cruel Sea at Brooklyn's Penthouse Cinema.

Other commemorations were held around the

country, including one held on September 2 at the RSA in New Plymouth.

The date September 3 has additional significance because 80 years ago on that day, Britain and France declared war on Germany. It was also the day that a German U-Boat sunk the passenger liner Athenia, the first maritime casualty of the

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Second World War.

“Imagine the apprehension both sides of the conflict must have had about what was going to happen, about who was out there, whether they were friend or foe,” New Plymouth MP Jonathan Young told the New Plymouth gathering. On the declaration of war, the Athenia’s captain blacked out his vessel and took a zigzag course in the hope of avoiding German U-Boats. This strategy had the opposite effect to what was intended. A German U-Boat commander assumed the Athenia must be a military vessel and let fire a torpedo, sinking the ship and taking 117 passengers and crew down with her.

Mr Young read a report from the time about 23 year-old survivor Barbara Rodman, an American who was cutting short her trip of a lifetime to get away from the approaching threat of a European war.

Denise Wood QSM recounted a tragedy from another war whose effects were felt closer to home. Ten New Zealand nurses were among those killed when the troopship Marquette was torpedoed by a German U-Boat in the Aegean Sea on October 23 1915. The bodies of two New Zealand nurses were washed ashore. Those of the other eight were never found.

Among those who did survive was Nurse Jean Sinclair from Normanby who trained at Barrett Street Hospital in New Plymouth and was registered in 1912. After the Marquette was sunk she was picked up by a French destroyer. She died in New Plymouth in 1967 aged 87.

Denise who is herself a nurse and secretary of the New Zealand Merchant Navy Association Taranaki sub branch said the contribution made by the nurses should not be forgotten.



Denise Wood QSM speaking at the Merchant Navy commemoration service in New Plymouth.

“They endured many of the discomforts and the same dangers as the men,” she said.

Among those receiving certificates was New Plymouth man Colin Kemp who was presented with one bearing a photo of the SS Empire Bounty on which he served as a radar operator while escorting North Atlantic convoys during World War II. “On the tanker I was on there were four gunners, four anti-submarine detection operators, four radar operators and a crew of 70,” he recalls. “There were ships as far as you could see. At the centre were the troopships, at the outer edges were the tankers like the one I was on.”

He served in the North Atlantic for 11 months doing a return trip every month between New York and London.

Was his tanker ever attacked?

“Not that I know of,” he

said.

Originally from Dunedin, he worked for the post office after the war, ending up in Taranaki where he retired and settled.

With World War II having finished nearly three quarters of a century ago, there are not many merchant navy veterans from that time still alive. New Plymouth sub-branch chairman Hamu Kinera joined the Merchant Navy after the war had ended and worked alongside many who had been in the convoys.

“In a lot of cases a lot of them were fairly shattered,” he recalls.

It took years for the Russian government to recognise those who had served on the Arctic Convoys which supplied the Soviet Union during World War II, says Hamu, although he recalls Taranaki man Tony Crafar eventually receiving an award from the Russian ambassador

for his wartime service.

Others to receive certificates included Merv Martin who had long campaigned for official recognition being given to the Merchant Navy as the fourth service. Merv also presented a certificate to Jonathan Young, thanking him for the support he had given in achieving this end.

Lieutenant Commander Janet Wrightson-Lean of the Royal New Zealand Navy Reserve was named as the sub branch’s new patron.

Denise Wood produced a surprise of her own, a letter sent on behalf of the Queen to the New Plymouth sub-branch which she had received only a few days before the meeting.



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Two callouts for Opunake Brigade

There were only two callouts since our last report. First the Opunake Brigade responded to a motor vehicle crash on Eltham Road at 10:42pm on August 28. On arrival the male driver had self extracted himself but

was bleeding badly from a head wound. Fire Fighters assisted with first aid to help stop the bleeding. Soon after Ambulance staff arrived and loaded the patient ready for transportation to hospital. The Brigade carried on

with traffic control and then emergency taped the car off to let people know this car had been dealt with.

On August 29, the Opunake Brigade was called by Ambulance staff to a lifting assist and helped to

gain access to the patient. The female patient needed help to be removed from her home and taken to hospital by Ambulance staff.

Till next time
Stay safe

CFO Craig Dingle

Recently Stolen

The Opunake area has been subject to a number of rural burglaries in the past month. Two motor cross bikes (as pictured below) were taken from Kina Road addresses in separate incidents. Two quad bikes were also taken from a golf club earlier this month; one was a 300cc Honda Big Red and the other a 2015 Yamaha YFM350FAF.

If you have any information regarding these bikes please contact the non-emergency phone line 105 or go to your local station.

That's about it for now, but remember, all information will be treated as anonymous unless requested otherwise and alternatively you can call Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.



On August 27, this Suzuki Eiger, King Quad 400 CC, 2006 Model, Colour: Red and Black, Value: \$2000, was taken in a burglary in Rahotu. Any information would be appreciated. Please phone the Police on 105 or anonymously to Crimestoppers New Zealand on 0800 555 111.



We are car yard with heart - happy customers is our main objective

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Concerns about the car industry "I have concerns with government intervention in the industry," says Paul Butler, the owner of Merit Cars. He says it has created anomalies enabling people to upgrade their cars to safer vehicles, but has stopped the import of better vehicles.

He predicts "It will be a lot more expensive to move into better quality vehicles." By stopping the importing of vehicles, it has also meant everyone kept their old vehicles pumping out more pollution and that safety is being compromised. The government should leave the industry alone, says Paul. "Overseas vehicles are improving all the time."

He also has views about electric vehicles, which he says are "not practical and affordable" for the majority of people. He says that while

a brand new electric car will go 170km that "wouldn't get you to Te Kuiti." Then it takes two hours to charge.

Also, "The batteries need replacing every 8-10 years and the efficiency of the battery diminishes in proportion to its age." He cites as an example the Nissan Leaf which new retails at \$58,000. "In 10 years it'll devalue to \$8-10,000," he says.

He also adds that a straight battery car can't tow things.

He also makes the interesting point that electric

cars are not a new concept. Indeed they pre-date hydrocarbon fuelled cars.

The first electric car in the United States was developed in 1890-91 by William Morrison of Des Moines and could travel 100 miles per charge (160km).

"They haven't really improved," says Paul.

"The people who are honest are in the know. We know that they're not really practical. They're not really telling the public."

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Merit Cars, which formerly had three car yards in New Plymouth, have now centralised the business to Strandon.

“We’re consolidating to create a more efficient business model which will benefit the customer,” says owner Paul Butler.

As well as offering a huge range of used cars from their Strandon yard they’ll continue to sell high grade low kilometre quality cars and include all road costs with the purchase price. This includes registration, servicing, warrants of fitness, grooming and detailing.

“Many dealers charge extras for on-road costs,” comments Paul which can be misleading. At Merit Cars they are included in the cost of the price.

They also do four year warranties and offer easy finance.

Their slogan is ‘Merit cars with distinction’, says Paul.

“We aim to be a cut above the normal in quality and service of cars.”

Paul Butler started in business in 1990. Due to the support of the local



Paul Butler from Merit Cars,

community, business grew rapidly.

“They found they could trust us,” says Paul and estimates that over that time they’ve sold approximately 20,000 cars.

He further adds, “We give service with a smile and we try to cater for all customer requirements regardless of their prior history.” Paul

says customers often come back after 6-8 years and say, “that car was great, one out of the box.” Many of their customers are up to their 6th to 8th vehicle.

Paul originally had four car yards in New Plymouth. They included an auto budget range of cars in Molesworth Street, and another in Leach Street, which was the main site at one stage, and the one in Strandon. Another which specialises in Merit RV Motorhomes and caravans has been taken over by his son Nathan. Paul’s father, who used to own his own garage, also worked in the business for four years after he retired. At one time 32 people were employed. Now the business contracts out most of the work they used to do like servicing and warrants.

Prior to going into business in 1990 Paul spent 15 years as an OSH inspector so safety is paramount in the

cars he sells.

Paul whose long record of return customers speaks for itself sums up:

“We aim to please a hundred percent, but there’s one to two percent you can’t please,” concedes Paul “but we’re always open to talking to our clients and resolve any issues they may have.”

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Paul with his car yard’s friendly female salesperson Lily who greets customers and, says Paul, also likes to stay with the customer during a sale “all the way through!”

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Not a story David Parker wants to tell

Water is a both a critical strategic asset and a source of recreation in New Zealand, and we all know it must be abundant, healthy, clean and cost effective. While National encourages the constant improvement of our waterways, the Government's recent proposals on Freshwater are short-sighted, and will have unintended consequences for our primary sector and



JONATHAN YOUNG MP FOR NEW PLYMOUTH

wider economy. These wide-ranging proposals will limit the flexibility of New Zealand farmers to adjust to market conditions and change their land use. The effects of this would be far reaching and could restrict farmers from innovating, which is one of New Zealand's key advantages. This means that farmers looking to be on the cutting edge of the market and transition to new crops will be hamstrung and unable to make these transitions. Despite the mounting pressure in the rural world, the Government has failed to even analyse how much these regulations will cost farmers and the wider economy. Once again this Government appears content to treat our farmers like New Zealand's cash cows with little regard for their wellbeing. This document

adds more uncertainty onto the sector. National established a comprehensive National Policy Statement while in Government and worked alongside our primary sector to clean our waterways, which have been steadily improving, as shown by the Government's own data from Land, Air, Water Aotearoa (LAWA). This analysis of national river quality trends from 2008 to 2017 showed that for eight out of the nine water quality indicators reported on, more monitored sites were improving than degrading. A large part of this consistent increase in quality is the huge amount of work farmers have already done to improve water quality. Here in Taranaki, we have led the country with 30 years' riparian planting in conjunction with the Regional Council. More

broadly, National signed an accord with the dairy industry that has seen farmers fence off 98 per cent of their waterways, a distance of Auckland to Chicago and back, alongside spending over \$1 billion in environmental investment over the last five years. This is a major achievement from our farmers but not a story David Parker wants to tell. It's outrageous that the Government seems hell-bent on putting more and more shackles on a sector that produces 60 per cent of our exports and is the backbone of our economy. If we want first world healthcare, transport and education, we have to sell something to the world to afford to buy our first world affluence. This means we should be encouraging sustainable growth for our industry, not stifling it with regulations in the name of political

ideology. Again, National would value your input. Our Primary Sector discussion document is online at https://www.national.org.nz/primary_sector and your comments would be appreciated.

Next Friday, I'm very much looking forward to hosting National's Police Spokesperson Brett Hudson in Opunake for a lunchtime public meeting at Coastal Care. If you'd like to come along and raise issues of concern, please contact my office on 06 759 1363 or newplymouthmp@parliament.govt.nz

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Some great mahi across our rohe



ADRIAN RURAWHE MP

Ko Taranaki te Maunga, Ko Taranaki te tangata As you would be aware this government has announced funding through the Provincial Growth Fund (PGF), for the upgrade of facilities on Mt Taranaki to improve tourism opportunities in the Taranaki region. This investment for the Maunga is being welcomed by Taranaki Iwi, as well as our Conservation Department. The opportunities this project creates will put our local people into local jobs, especially for Māori, and the

numbers post construction are expected to increase in the long term. The business case presented to officials for this project, shows that the Taranaki Crossing is expected to increase in visitor numbers by 35,000-40,000 by 2025. With an employment and tourism focus it is likely to boost Taranaki's tourism economy, and wider regional economy by putting our people back into meaningful mahi, where stories can be told and kaitiakitanga can be practiced. New Plymouth Mayor Neil Holdom said "The announcement was significant because the national park had long needed investment, and the tourism implications were

huge." I also want to acknowledge our iwi and the benefits this initiative has, to provide support for our international and domestic visitors. This is an opportunity for partnerships to occur, and the iwi are looking to partner with the department to create a cultural narrative. This government is giving Māori an opportunity to regain their positions as kaitiaki, creating their narrative, and provide visitors with stories of the maunga and their Tipuna. The Minister for Regional Economic Development is doing some great mahi right across our rohe, and wider electorate to support the growth of our local economy.

So I congratulate all the experts of this project, its partners, iwi and all other parties for the hard mahi you have all done to get this initiative over the line and approved. Next week is Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori, 9-15 September 2019. I encourage everyone to get involved with initiatives around the community, to support Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori. There is also Mahuru Māori Month, which is a kaupapa that encourages people to try and speak Māori for one month. As I have mentioned previously, embrace our national language and get involved. Kia Kaha Te Reo Māori.

*Adrian Rurawhe
MP Te Tai Hauauru*

On this month in history George Grey Governor

On September 26, 1861 George Grey took over from Sir Thomas Gore Browne as Governor. This made him New Zealand's fifth Governor and this was his second stint in the position. This time he was

Governor until 1868. During this interval there was a resumption of British-Maori fighting, especially in the Waikato and Taranaki areas. His policies found favour with many settlers, but the British Government were

not pleased with the cost of troop deployments. After returning to England in 1868 he tried to win a parliamentary seat without success. In 1870 he returned to NZ to settle on Kawau Island which he owned.

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Strong interest shown in discussion document

New Zealanders have voiced strong support for National's recently released Economic Discussion Document. A strong economy matters and New Zealand should be booming, yet 63% of business leaders think the Government is managing the economy poorly. In fact, business confidence is the lowest it's been since the depths of the Global Financial Crisis.

In just one week, National received more than 400 online responses to the Document and all 50 policy proposals received majority support. The 50 policies include overhauling the Resource Management Act, increasing the superannuation age

gradually from 65 to 67 and reintroducing targets in health, education and law and order – particularly important for responsible governance and accountability. National recognises that Government isn't the sole driver of the economy, it is a team effort. It is driven by all the people who get up early, work hard, invest their time and their money to build opportunities for themselves and others.

National has already committed to indexing tax thresholds to the cost of living, a proposal that received well over 90% support in feedback to date. National will repeal the Regional Fuel Tax, and

won't increase petrol excise taxes in our first term. More importantly, National won't introduce any new taxes in our first term.

It's frustrating that this Government is slowing us down with their lack of infrastructure development. It's not just physically slowing us down, it's slowing down the entire economy. Our regional roads are missing out on vital funding and attention, while the Government prioritises billion dollar inner-city trams and projects still in the pipeline that very few want. National will always back the regions with proven economic policies supporting local communities, investing in

the right infrastructure and backing our productive sector.

New Zealanders are hardworking and innovative, and we know it is discouraging when red tape holds you back. A National Government will set a target to repeal 100 regulations in our first six months in Government. This will reduce unnecessary, restrictive and frustrating process oriented laws to enable you to get on with the job. We will reinstate the 90-day-trial because it's important that our small businesses have the confidence to take risks, hire new staff and lift wages.

National will also back innovation, research and

development. We propose a Biotechnology and Innovation Fund to assist in the development of biotechnology, precision agriculture and other innovations in the primary sector. We will reverse the ban on new offshore oil and gas exploration to allow us to be energy self-sufficient.

These are just some of the many areas covered in

the Economic Discussion Document. We want to hear your thoughts on how we can develop a thriving economy that delivers for you.

Have your say by going to national.org.nz/economy.

*Harete Hipango
MP Whanganui*

Fixing our health system

Our health sector is overly complicated and fragmented, according to a panel charged with reviewing the way healthcare works in New Zealand.

The Health and Disability System Review Panel has released its interim report, having delivered it to the Minister of Health.

The Panel's broad view is intended to encompass issues of culture, structure, strategy, procurement, governance, and Te Tiriti o Waitangi. Recommendations will be

made in the Panel's final report, due by 30 March 2020.

Panel chair Heather Simpson said the interim report was about working out the areas that needed reform the most, "but significantly more discussion and evaluation is needed before we will be in a position to bring our thinking to recommendation stage".

University of Auckland senior lecturer Dr Rhys Jones said the report "rightly notes that our public health system

has failed to deliver on the guarantee of equitable health and wellbeing inherent in Te Tiriti o Waitangi".

"The recommendations of the review also need to be much stronger in relation to addressing racism", he said. "It must be recognised that structural racism underpins the poorer health outcomes experienced by Māori, and also explains why the health system has failed to respond to this inequity."

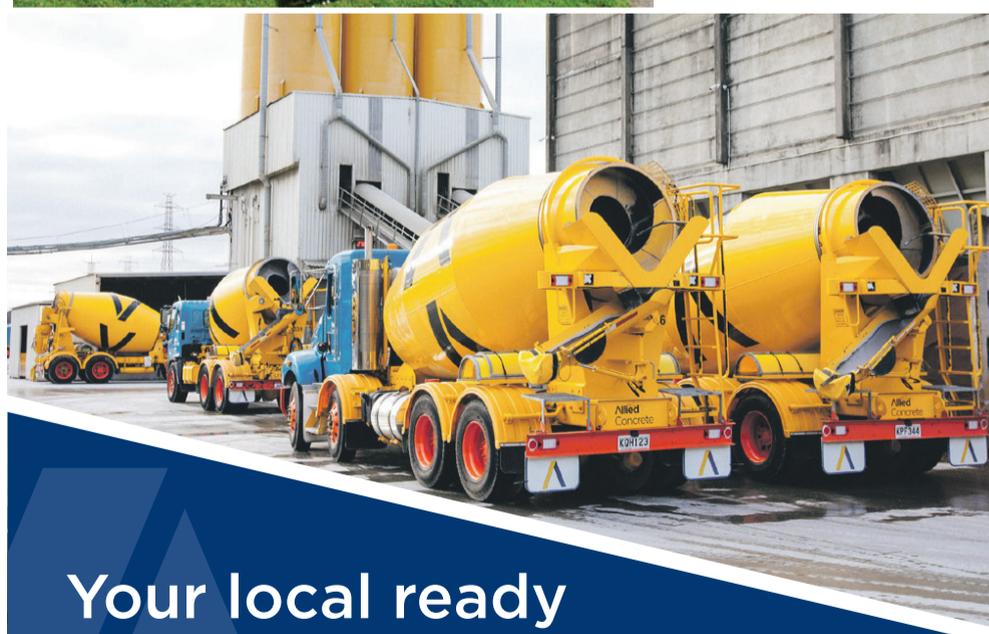
Victoria University of Wellington senior lecturer

in health policy Dr Anna Matheson said there were "no surprises in the interim review".

"The review shows we are still struggling with how to effectively deliver services, programmes and interventions locally, to diverse communities. We still struggle with institutional racism and we have not done well in tackling the social determinants of health, such as liveable incomes and healthy housing."



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Opunake Beach Campground New Holiday Units

Visitors to Opunake Beach may have noticed something new while driving along the popular beachfront.

Two units capable of housing up to six people each were installed last month and are already attracting a lot of comment around town, further afield and online.

The units can be easily hooked up with gas and electricity and were put together by HouseMe Transportable Homes in Auckland.

The people behind bringing the units to Opunake are the Beach Camp's current lessees Julian and Shelly



Opunake Beach Camp ground and Surf Club.

Harkness.

The Harknesses have been at the Opunake Beach Camp for the last three years, and been looking at putting the units in for the last two years.

"We're showing a lot of confidence in Opunake as a tourist destination," says Julian, "and believe that building high quality accommodation will attract a wider range of visitors."

The new units are able to house six people. This makes them more suitable for larger families, or for bigger groups wanting to have their own functions at the beach camp, whether it be church groups, the army wanting to have training programmes or anyone else."

As well as holiday park accommodation, HouseMe put together units for sleepouts, first homes, second dwellings, commercial office space, farm accommodation, cabins and Airbnb.

Their units arrived an hour ahead of schedule, trucked from Papakura. Within a short time they were hoisted

into place.

Opunake builder Dion Kerr had been setting up the site ready for the builders to arrive.

"This is a good sign for Opunake. It shows that we have got progress," he says.

"You talk about a housing crisis, but you wonder why they don't more of this sort of thing? It's such a simple thing, so why aren't they doing more? Being a complete unit you can put them anywhere around here."

In the weeks since the Harknesses have been hard at work doing up the units, adding queen and bunk beds. With kitchen, bathroom and TV thrown in, there's

everything needed for a home away from home.

It's something the Harknesses want others to come to Opunake and make use of.

"We are aiming for the next school holidays," says Shelly. "We already have bookings for summer. Holiday Parks are not just about camping. We have a range of accommodation for our guests. These are like a kind of motel unit."

The love the Harknesses have for the Beach Camp is obvious.

"This is a pretty unique camping ground," says Julian. "It's a lot like people remember camping being like in the 60s. It's not too

built up."

"In the summer you have hundreds here," he says pointing out to the sea, "and you have hundreds of people here in the camping ground," he adds pointing in the other direction.

He says they enjoy a good relationship with the Opunake Surf Life Saving Club, and the wider community and adds the South Taranaki District Council has done a lot to upgrade the playground, pool area and facilities.

People have been coming to Opunake Beach for a long time and it seems they look set to continue doing so for a lot longer.



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Opunake last resting place for young penguin



Emily Gardner (holding stoneware lid), Theresa Smith, Kate Gardner, James Smith.

Opunake last resting place for young penguin

A young penguin which ended its life washed up on Opunake Beach was discovered by four school students one Sunday afternoon.

Theresa and James Smith from Auroa School and Emily and Kate Gardner from St Patrick's School in Kaponga were at the beach shortly after 3pm, after having seen The Lion King at Everybodys in Opunake, when they came across the young penguin wedged between the rocks.

"It was as big as a ruler," said James.

Emily was the first to see it.

"I do stuff at Rotokare and identified it straightaway as a little Blue Penguin," she said. They wondered how the penguin had met its end. Perhaps it had swallowed some plastic. There were dog trails nearby but no signs of tooth marks or other evidence of canine involvement.

They placed a stick to mark the penguin's last resting place. Speaking the

following Monday, Theresa said the tide was coming up at the time so she wasn't sure whether the penguin would still be there.

Theresa and James' mother Catherine said they had contacted DOC and were told that in cases like this they would normally let the penguin go back out to sea and leave them alone. At the time the penguin was still wedged between the rocks where it had been found on Sunday.

Theresa, James, Emily and Kate had been friends since pre-school days and were looking for crabs among the rocks at the time

"We spotted a little dead crab, a little live one and a medium one," recalls James.

They also came across what Catherine says could be a stoneware lid for a paint bottle, possibly from the 1860s. The lid has the image of a bell engraved on it and the words David Storr & Sons Glasgow on it. Possibly it could have arrived there on one of several ships wrecked at Opunake in the 19th Century like the Lizzy, the Falcon or the Arthur



The penguin found wedged in the Opunake rocks.

Wakefield.

After a bit of research on the net Catherine came up with an image identical to what was found on the beach, except that it was painted in golden oil.

"We are wondering if it could have come off as it had been in the ocean for a long time," Catherine said.

Meanwhile the finding of the dead penguin comes almost a year after a young leopard seal was found on Opunake Beach. As reported in the Opunake and Coastal News, it appears the leopard seal made a brief visit to the beach before heading back to sea.

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Hardings Funeral Services



From left, Jordy Shaw, Kelly Judkins, and Brittany Corlett.

The highly respected firm of Hardings Funeral Services at 17 Regent Street, Hawera has a new owner in Kelly Judkins, who took over the reins in June of this year. She admits she has a hard act to follow from Malcolm Harding who retired from the firm, which has been in operation for 106 years.

Originally, the firm was founded by Phillip

Harding, Malcolm's grandfather.

Kelly herself has worked for the firm since 1994. She has two employees in Jordy Shaw and Brittany Corlett, who have been with Hardings for about two years. On a temporary basis Kelly's daughter Madi is working at the firm.

Kelly looks back with pleasure on how she joined the firm. However, at her initial approach she had to admit that she had no experience or qualifications in the funeral business. "I asked Malcolm if he would be prepared to train me and he said yes." She is pleased that Malcolm still calls by for a cup of tea. "I've been blessed to have been trained by him. He

is an exceptionally kind man and has always looked out for the very best in what he can do for people."

Malcolm has recently been made a Life Member of the New Zealand Embalmers Association

Kelly is highly skilled with such qualifications as a National Certificate in Embalming and a NZ Diploma in Funeral Directing (Level 5). She is obviously very experienced and optimally sensitive and kindly in her manner, as well as having an exemplary knowledge of end-of-life options. These days, the ratio is 70% cremations and 30% burials. "This ratio is driven largely by costs," Kelly explains.

There are other options, but Kelly has

not been in a position to deal with them. For example, burial at sea is only an option in the Auckland area with a facility at Devonport. In New Plymouth Eco-burials are an option.

Kelly admits to spending long hours at her job, but finds the profession highly rewarding. "I love being able to think creatively to help a family grieve the best they can in a healthy way."

There are challenges which need to be faced. Kelly says the office side of things is definitely "a learning curve and frustrating." However, she is aided by a well-organised office with Indesign, Canva, Microsoft, and Funeral specific computer systems.



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South Taranaki District Council

MAYOR 3 nominations



Craig Baylis

Having worked for large corporations and running teams in a seven day-a-week industry I know it's most important to have a can-do attitude and a culture that nurtures people to be the best they can. This means when opportunities come along our council will be ready to stimulate growth and make this a region families choose to live in.

We must encourage people and business to come here by marketing our own region and protecting our health and core services. We need the whole district to be attractive to the eye and have the retail and recreational facilities people look for in a place to live.



Clem Coxhead

The countdown has begun for us all to decide how we wish to be lead over the next period of time.

I want to lead because I believe I have a good understanding of how most people live and their expectations of life in South

Taranaki.

I have concerns about the mental health of our citizens as it is not cured by taking a pill. The whole of society is going through change not just in education but in how we approach work.

Our environment is something we need to take care of, especially the pollution that is coming out of our towns. The cost of water and the disposal of waste is going to cost us a lot of money and we need to look at new technology to sort this out.

Vote Clem Community Unity



Phil Nixon

With six years' experience on council, three of those as Deputy Mayor, I am ready to take on the challenge as your Mayor.

I have extensive governance and community experience having spent, amongst many other things, 16 years on School Boards of Trustees – 12 of those as chair.

Having lived and worked in South Taranaki all my life (with my wife Tanya and four boys), I have a good understanding of our community.

I am passionate about our district and will work positively with others to continue the sound and stable governance of previous administrations.

I wish to see our district grow and prosper with good, commonsense leadership. I stand for sustainable growth, urban revitalisation, youth voice and opportunity, streamlining council process, better promotion of our district – all balanced with affordability.

We have a diverse district which is a great place to live. Together we can make it even better.

COASTAL TARANAKI WARD 7



Bryan Roach

I have been a South Taranaki District councillor for the last six years, and am looking forward for another three

years. I'm the council appointed representative for the Taranaki Solid Waste Management Committee, the Waimate Plains Property Society, and sit on the Council Engineering Portfolio Group.

I am married to Kim Roach with three children. I have lived in Opunake all my life working as a dairy farmer, work for Livestock Improvement Corporation, a director for the Oaonui Water Supply Limited, involvement in

local sporting clubs, and current chairman for the Opunake Basketball Association.

I would like to see our Council be more user-friendly for the community, with more common sense approaches and more open communication. Perhaps a Council app for smartphones.

As a councillor you must be open minded, listen to your ratepayers, and read your agendas and reports before making any decision.



Aaron Langton

Tēnā koutou katoa. I am a dairy farmer living north of Opunake township, where

we milk 400 cows. My wife and I have raised our three children here, surrounded by the love of our whānau and wider community.

Sport has been a major part of our family's lifestyle; particularly golf and basketball. I have played, coached and am actively involved with committees both locally and provincially.

Education has always been a passion of mine. I held the Licence for our local Kin-

dergarten, during which time I initiated its relocation. I progressed onto involvement with school Boards at both primary and high school levels. As Chair, I focused on student achievement. One highlight was ensuring the establishment of Taranaki Diocesan gymnasium.

I am seeking my first term as a councillor, and if elected would use my experience to represent our coastal people to the best of my ability.

- Ambitious for South Taranaki
- Lifelong commitment to our district
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PHIL NIXON for MAYOR

Authorised by Phil Nixon, 136 Rainie Road, RD11, Hawera 4671



"Opunake and our west coast is a can-do community and as such is the gem of South Taranaki, in spite of the Council in Hawera."

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Authorised by Jo Baylis, 23 Grant VC St, Hawera, South Taranaki

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We meet the candidates

COASTAL TARANAKI WARD



Alan Moffitt

I Alan Robert James Moffitt am 65 years old, single with an 18 year old son living

with me
I am standing for one of three Councillor seats for the Taranaki Coastal Ward.
Why should you give me a tick?
As a resident candidate, I do not sit on any committees, boards or own properties. I should have no conflicts of interest as a councillor.
I have over 26 years in corporate management including been employed five years by a company owned

by 10 governments including NZ.
I have lived in South Taranaki for 20 years in three of the four STDC wards except Hawera.
Without other commitments I can devote my energy and time to the new look council and help STDC move forward to the future.
Voters a tick for a councillor is not only a tick for them to represent 6200 ward residents but the 28200 residents of the STDC area.



Scott Willson

Hi. I'm Scott Willson. I'm standing to bring energy, ideas and a fresh perspective to the Council table for the Taranaki Coastal Ward and

to make things happen that benefit our community.
South Taranaki is a great place to live, work and raise a family. I can see many opportunities right now to make our region an even better place to be. It's the perfect time for me to get involved and make a difference. I have significant professional experience in marketing, sports, business, tourism and events to offer.
Since moving to Opunake from Wellington two years ago for a better lifestyle for my young family, I have been immersed in the

local community. My wife Monica and I have opened Kete Aronui Art Gallery in Opunake, I've been an active member of the Lions Club, and was President on the committee that ran a hugely successful Opunake Beach Carnival in 2019.
Some of the things I stand for are safer roads, town centres that are inviting and a thriving business community. I'm also an advocate for improved recreation facilities for our children, a vibrant arts and events scene and protecting our environment.



Lee Hurley

My name is Lee Hurley, I live in Manaia and I am standing for Coastal Ward STDC councillor.
I am 69 and semi retired. I worked in the transport in-

dustry for most of my working life over 50 years as a driver, dispatcher, manager, and driver trainer. I still take training courses in Defensive Driving both public and in Taranaki high schools. I am a work place trainer for Mito. I enjoy training young people and helping them attain goals that they will take into their working careers.
I am in favour of the New Plymouth Stadium decision being reconsidered, The \$50 million is hurting families, farmers, landlords, and the average working family already, and will continue for

25 years.
Manaia has a closed War Memorial Hall and Sports complex while we are paying for someone else's.
I am current Chairman of Waimate Plains Property Society in Manaia and a current member of Hawera RSA. Manaia is the second biggest town on the coast and has its own unique issues. I believe Manaia needs a Manaia resident representative on the STDC, and our present councillor is standing down this year, so I am seeking your vote to fill her place.



Chris Young

My wife Mary and I have farmed near Auroa for 25 years. Our daughters went

to Auroa and Opunake High Schools.
I had nine years on the Board of Trustees including six years as Chair of the Property Committee. I now have the time to put into the district to help with the continual growth and development of the community and its residents. I'm local, have governance experience, time and support for the district.

Chris Young for Taranaki Coastal Ward

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Also standing for the Coastal Taranaki Ward is mayoral candidate Clem Coxhead.

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for Taranaki Regional Council

- Understands South Taranaki issues and represents the interests of ratepayers and residents
- Will continue to ensure balance between care of our environment and progress and growth for the region
- A common sense approach and experience in a wide range of disciplines.

Authorised by Michael Joyce, 354 Taikatu Rd, RD 28, Hawera 4678

Aarun Langton

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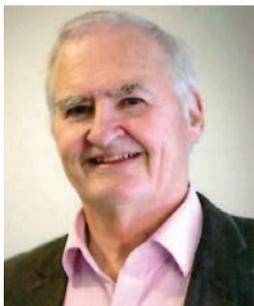
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Neil Walker

Neil Walker is Taranaki born and bred (Kaponga and Manutahi). He has a BSc in chemistry from Victoria and a BBS in financial management from Massey.

He is a Fellow of both the NZ Institute of Chemistry and the NZ Institute of Food Science and Technology. Neil worked for Kiwi and Fonterra in research and innovation and was manager for over 300 government funded projects. Currently he is chair of five companies (in dairy, honey, carbon and forestry). He is also a director for Trinity Hospital, 30 years of the South Taranaki Health Forum, 30 years CCS Disability Action, the Nowells Lake Trust, King Trust, Hawera Christian

Education Trust and six other trusts. He is chair of PGP Manuka Plantations and is developing Rewarewa honey under an MBIE grant. He was appointed by the government to the Canberra FSANZ from 2012-17.

Currently he is chair of Policy and Planning and of Waste Management at the TRC. Neil has developed five QE2 Trusts totalling 180ha and has 150ha of ETS permanent forest. He is a JP, search and surveillance officer and RMA hearings

commissioner. Neil says he has five aims for his continuing role with the TRC. To develop and protect Taranaki's environment without destroying its economy. To develop new industries as well as industries for the neglected back country Taranaki, such as carbon, honey, forestry and tourism. To control waste and encourage recycling. To manage climate change to reduce emissions and mitigate serious damage. To get a good fair freshwater plan for Taranaki.



VOTE Chris Young



as councillor for Opunake Coastal Ward

Authorised by Chris Young, 889 Oeo Rd, Hawera



Alan Murray

I am standing as a Regional Council Candidate because I'm passionate about the future of our province.

I have previous experience on the Hawera Community Board and as a Councillor in Northland.

My work experience includes water treatment, accountancy, 15 years agricultural/horticultural and 10 years as builder.

Presently the TRC have committed \$50 million to an underutilised rugby Stadium. I am not happy with this decision and will be attempting to limit expenditure to the repair option. The Council's core business is the environment and running the Port

Company, not providing an unnecessarily glorious facility with our rates and then looking for ideas how best to utilise it.

My passion is working alongside the environment. In this area there is room for improvement.

Our rivers are cleaner than they were and I'm committed to see progress continue. The riparian planting scheme has been a great success, but there

is still work to do to enable intelligent, well considered progress in the fields of soil compaction management and animal health, and hence a reduction in pollution causing activities. This progress must be made while not adversely affecting farming incomes.

I promise energetic, honest, transparent representation when elected.

"Time for some new blood on this Council".



Michael Joyce

In seeking re election to Council I pledge to continue to serve the ratepayers and residents of the South Taranaki District with passion and enthusiasm. I currently sit on the Consents

and Regulatory (Chair), the Policy and Planning and Executive Audit and Risk committees. I am Trustee of Wild for Taranaki and of Dairy Trust Taranaki.

I am dedicated to the work of the Regional Council that provides excellent outcomes for the environment and economy of the province and its people. Sound decision making and prudent financial management is required to ensure that we deal with the many challenges that confront the Taranaki region. It is imperative that we capture the future opportunities

for the people of Taranaki by ongoing improvement of our environment and infrastructure.

My contribution as a Councillor is always based on wanting the absolute best outcomes for our wonderful region.

My experience, professional skills along with community involvement enable me to make a valuable difference to your council.

"Vote Joyce the Wise Choice" for the councillor with a commonsense approach for the benefit of your district and province.

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Approved by Neil Walker
48A Rata Street, Hawera

We meet the candidates

SOUTH TARANAKI ELTHAM-KAPONGA WARD 4



Lindsay Maindonald

I'm Lindsay Maindonald, married to Anita with three daughters, 9 yr old Elizabeth being at home. As a newbie I'm asked my strat-

egies .My answer, I could make grand promises to you .Being true to myself ,my values ,ethics and beliefs, until I'm on council seeing how things work ,I'm averse to make such statements ,which I then find I may not be able to keep .In so saying I believe we have great potential around Kaponga /Eltham, with Kapon-ga being the gateway to the Mountain and National Park ,which would link into the newly released major government funding initiative for the new walking tracks, and Eltham a great central

town with a unique tourist potential with the upgrade initiative for the Heritage buildings put forward by council ,and The Rotokare Bird Sanctuary gaining NZ Tourist appeal for preservation of the Environment .I look forward to promoting the vision you people as voters have for your District and to represent townspeople and farmers alike ,and if you choose to elect me to council, I can then promise to do the best I can to see that your vision ,opinions / concerns are heard and acted upon.



Steffy McKay

I am seeking reelection for Eltham Kaponga Ward Council. I have been a resident of Eltham for 30 years. I have always been fully in-

involved within the community, serving on numerous boards/committees, which gives me the experience required in the governance role. If re-elected I will lobby to ensure funds are set aside in our next Long Term Plan to bring our Small Town Revitalisation Plans Alive. We need to ensure all of our towns within our District are invested in, so they can continue to thrive. I will continue with our Walkway programme, promoting the Kaponga to Holland

Gardens and Soldiers Park Walkways. I would like to see improvements within our roading and infrastructure services. Also ensuring our rate increases are kept to a minimum, balancing our funds so they are used in the most effective way for all our ratepayers. Vote Steffy Mackay to be your voice.

All candidates have been invited to put in profiles of themselves. These have been received thus far. More will be published next issue
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TARANAKI REGIONAL COUNCIL NORTHERN WARD 3



Mike Davey

Mike Davey has been an elected councillor for nine years and enjoys the debate. Mike understands farming as he manages Ravensdown Fertiliser Ltd in Taranaki and Manawatu. Farming is

our largest business in Taranaki ,and should be recognised for the number of people employed in this sector .
The Regional Council Riparian planting and fencing of our streams is internationally recognised , and winner of a national environmental award. Farmers have completed this task voluntarily , with over 72% of rivers planted , and 98% fenced , a fantastic effort .

Taranaki Predator free is another initiative by our Regional Council to eliminate rats, stoats and possums from our urban and rural

areas. The latest monitoring data showed a declining in numbers .

Port Taranaki, owned by the Regional Council, is an important asset, not only do their profits help reduce rates ,but it is important for our export industries, and is the only West Coast port in NZ .

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SPORTING SUCCESS

This past week (Sept 2-6) at Opunake High School has been pretty epic on the sporting front. We've had four teams head away to various tournaments across the central and lower North Island.

Our Junior Girls Basketball headed off to Napier, Senior A Netball to Wellington, Senior Boys A Basketball to Palmerston North, and a Junior Netball team to Palmerston North also. Read below to see how each team fared.

JUNIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL

The Junior Basketball Girls competed in the Junior Premierships Zone 3 Secondary Schools, held in Napier.

The tournament was a great experience because not many of the girls have been on a basketball trip before. Most of the girls were nervous heading into the first game but after a few minutes into the first quarter the nerves had settled and the girls got into it.

Finishing third in our pool, we had a quarter-final cross-over against a very good Sacred Heart (NP) team going down by 10. This result meant a cross-over with Newlands to qualify for the fifth play-off which we won earning a game vs Sacred Heart from Lower Heart. Unfortunately a loss there gave us a final result of sixth.

I am very proud of the performance of every girl throughout the tournament and the effort that they put into every game, they didn't give up even in the harder games.

I would like to thank Whaea Robyn for managing us girls, Simone for coaching and Pero for coming across and being our official. I would also like to thank the parents for their ongoing support during the year and at the tournament.

Bethany Cook

SENIOR NETBALL

On the 1st September, nine players and coaching staff travelled to Wellington to attend the week long Lower North Island Secondary Schools Netball Tournament. We played two games per day in the B Grade section indoors at the ASB Sports Centre in Kilbirnie.

We were all very nervous as we didn't know what to expect but were made to feel welcomed as soon as we walked in for our first game. This was the first time in a number of years that Opunake High School attended and the organisers were pleased to see us there.

The team went through pool play without a win but with good points differential played off for 23rd and 24th place. With a great finish on the last day of tournament, an exhausted team dug deep and came out on top against Samuel Marsden Whitby school winning 35 - 26.

Pool Results

- OHS 28 - 50 Porirua College
- OHS 19 - 37 Horowhenua College
- OHS 25 - 33 Nadene College
- OHS 18 - 30 Iona College
- OHS 24 - 31 Wellington High School
- OHS 11 - 49 Chilton St James
- OHS 23 - 30 Cornerstone School
- OHS 21 - 43 Onslow College

Nine games in five days was a huge ask for the players however they played with a lot of heart and kaha and represented our school and their whanau with pride.

It was a great send off for our Year 13's and our younger students gained valuable experience for the seasons to follow. Hayley Quinnell was aptly named OHS MVP displaying exceptional performance on and off the court. Congratulations Hayley you were a wonderful role-model.

Kerry Walsh

SENIOR BOYS BASKETBALL

The senior boys' basketball team have been training and working hard all season to prepare for the Schick Premiership A North Island tournament held in Palmerston North. Our aim was to qualify for the National Championships in October by finishing top 7

Going undefeated in eight games over four days, our team did more than just qualify, they won the tournament, beating Mana College in the final on Saturday evening, 72 - 64.

The boys had a quiet confidence with each game; showing respect to

each opposition. The team made a commitment to each other to leave everything out on the court, work hard, work smart and back each other - one game at a time. The whole team played a significant role off the bench in our progress to semi-finals.

Our other results are as follows:

- OHS 114 vs 43 Tararua
- OHS 87 vs 66 Melville
- OHS 103 vs 50 Reporoa
- OHS 87 vs 59 Te Wharekura o Mauao
- OHS 70 vs 49 Tai Wananga
- Cross over game:
OHS 105 vs 59 Stratford
- Semi Final
OHS 82 vs 64 Te Aroha

Bring on Nationals, our team are excited for the opportunity to compete with the best in New Zealand and will again, leave everything on court. I am so proud and feel privileged to coach these young men, such amazing individuals. I would like to thank everyone for your support, especially the family members and friends that travelled to support us or sent messages. We look forward to your support again at Nationals, held in Palmerston North from 30 September to 3 October.

Janine Luke-Taamaru, Coach

Y10 NETBALL

Our Y10 Netball team headed to a chilly Palmerston North on September 8th to compete in the Mike Pero Manawatu Junior Tournament.

Competing in the 10a section, the team won all four pool games and their subsequent play-off round to go through the tournament unbeaten and finish 10th overall (due to quirks of the overall draw) but as the top-placed mixed team.

Photos (from top L-R):

Girls Basketball.

Senior A Netball with Central Pulse player - Maddy Gordon.

Our Champion Senior Boys Basketball Team.

Opunake High School, Y10 Netball



from the Principals desk...



Nga mihi o te wa ki a koe me to whanau
Greetings to you and your family

We are fast coming towards the end of term 3 again as I write to you it's been an action-packed term with sporting success, student leadership opportunities and students preparing for their exams.

Currently our senior students are busy completing their internal assessments and sitting their benchmark exams for NCEA. These exams will provide important feedback and feed-forward for students as they prepare for their official external exams in November. Teachers are offering extra revision and study before school, during lunch times and after school, so we encourage all of our senior students to take up these opportunities to assist them and gaining their NCEA qualifications. Our junior students have just started their third trimester classes and are excited with their choices and the opportunities these courses offer.

On the sporting front there's been an action-packed tournament week for our students with junior boys basketball in Napier, netball in Wellington and Palmerston North and senior boys basketball in Palmerston North. Congratulations to the senior boys basketball team who won their tournament and have qualified for the National tournament in the first week of October. Also congratulations to Luke Whiston who came first in the Taranaki motocross winter series and to past Opunake High School student Mark Robinson who has been appointed CEO of New Zealand Rugby.



Luke Whiston - #1

We have listened to your feedback regarding the strategic plan and have sent out a short survey to understand that we have heard you correctly. This survey closes on Wednesday 25th September and we really value your feedback as we look to strengthen our educational leadership with our students and you our community.

Leadership opportunities for our students include the Board of Trustee elections, we currently have 5 students who have been nominated to represent the student body on the Board of Trustees and voting for this will occur in school on Friday 20th September. Perfect nominations have been sent to all Year 12 students to lead our school in 2019. We are hosting the Taranaki model United Nations event on Saturday the 21st of September that is another exciting opportunity for students to demonstrate and develop leadership. Our senior students are also starting to select their subjects for next year and we will be informing parents/whanau of this process soon.

Lastly good luck to our staff who are performing in Te Kahui Whetu in Hawera on Friday along with staff from secondary schools across the Taranaki region. This event is where schools perform against each other and this year Opunake High School staff will be performing Tukua ahau, He Pikinga Poupuu, Tutira mai, our school waiata and haka - Pakipakia.

If you have any questions, concerns or feedback do not hesitate to get in touch.

Noho ora mai ano
Peter O'Leary - Principal

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To the roofing team, many thanks for the wonderful work and for going the extra mile. The pressure was on to complete this task as the roofing iron on the church was in a sad state and desperately required attention. We so appreciate the effort you went to providing us with our new roof.

We also wish to acknowledge and thank the businesses that supplied us with the Colorsteel.

A service of thanksgiving and celebration was held

Daffodil Day comes to Opunake



Sharon Fisher hands a daffodil to Ingrid Rendle.

There was a steady stream of people as Daffodil Day got into gear along Opunake's main street.

Large daffodils lined Tasman Street on August 30 and local Lions Clubs were doing their bit to support the annual Cancer Society fundraiser.

At around 11.30am members of the Rahotu-Pungarehu Lions Club were selling daffodils and looking after the produce stall outside Everybodys Theatre, giving members of the Lakeside Lions a break. Meanwhile the Kaponga Lions had the sausage sizzle in hand.

The daffodils had been bundled up on Tuesday and the Lakeside Lions had set everything up at 8am that morning.

"We've had a steady flow coming through and there's some lovely cooking here," Rahotu-Pungarehu Lions Club member Sharon Fisher said. What had once been a bucketful of daffodils

Left. A steady stream of punters kept things busy on Daffodil Day.



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[ACP]. These steps could include, an up-to-date will, enduring power of attorney and an Advance Care Plan

A visit to your solicitor will get the ball rolling on the first two. While having a will is self-explanatory, knowledge of an EPOA [Enduring Power of Attorneys] is not so well understood. This is best explained by your solicitor but in simple terms there are two documents. One document deals with your care and wellbeing when you are no longer capable to do this and the other deals with your assets when you are no longer capable to manage them. It is possible to have different family members or representatives for each document depending on their skills and location.

To establish an Advance Care Plan [ACP], first

consult your GP. To do this, advise the medical practice of your intention as this will require an extended consultation. The ACP will include your wishes on a number of issues and will only apply if you are not capable of making your own decisions and speaking for yourself.

The great secret that all old people share is that you really haven't changed in 70 or 80 years. Your body changes, but you don't

change at all. — Doris Lessing

These plans and enduring powers of attorney allow an individual to retain a degree of autonomy in relation to their health care and treatment, minimise the potential for conflict or harm, and reduce stress on family members and others.

Advance care plans and the discussions around them create an opportunity for people to think and talk about their values, preferences and

beliefs. These conversations are easier when they begin well before the end of life. However, as people's preferences often change over time, it is also important that they be reviewed and updated at key points and when circumstances change.

The Will and Enduring Powers of Attorney are generally kept in a secure facility by your solicitor. A signed summary of your Advanced Care Plan is kept

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Life membership for Maureen



Mayor Ross Dunlop presents Maureen her award.

The Eltham & Districts Historical Society recently made Maureen Drylie of Eltham a Life Member of the Society.

A celebration afternoon tea was held and attended by Mayor Ross Dunlop and his Deputy Phil Nixon. Friends

and supporters also joined the celebration.

The Mayor read the following citation before presenting the award.

'Maureen joined the Eltham & Districts Historical Society in 1995 after seeing a display by the Society in an Eltham shop window. At the time she was still teaching so couldn't help out at the Centre as often as she would have liked.

In 2005 she retired from teaching and became a regular volunteer at the Centre. Because of her teaching background she took over all the district's school files.

The late Janet Old gave her the title of 'School Archivist.. She took over the secretary's job in 2006 when Roma Jenkins could no longer continue due to ill health.

Maureen has continued in this position since then.

Maureen has always been open to new ideas to help the Society move forward, thus ensuring the on-going preservation of Eltham & Districts Historical Society.

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Taranaki school students to be on Country Calendar

A national education programme inspiring students about opportunities in the food and fibre sector is set to feature on Country Calendar.

A crew from the high-rating television show has spent five days in Taranaki filming an episode on Sarah and Jarred Coogan and Bryan and Helen Hocken.

The award-winning team co-own a 465-hectare sheep and beef farm which is nestled in the rugged hills of Tarata, northeast of Stratford.

Sarah and Jarred are active ambassadors of the agri-food sector and host school visits as part of a project run by NZ Young Farmers.

Nineteen Year 7 science students from Sacred Heart Girls' College in New Plymouth visited the farm last month, during lambing.

"We are expecting 234 sets of triplets this spring," Sarah told students, who were leaning on a fence watching ewes feed newborn lambs.

A long pole with a fluffy microphone dangled above the group, and a camera was pointed at Sarah as a Country Calendar crew filmed the visit.

Excited students asked questions about breeds of sheep, stocking rate, animal husbandry, management practices and profitability. "A lot of these girls have



Students and teacher from Sacred Heart College learn about farm life.

never been to a farm before, which I found surprising for Taranaki," said the school's head of science Jeremy Taylor.

Jarred used two dogs to muster sheep and bulls before showing students a gully which has been replanted with native trees.

"Watching Jarred use George and Jake to muster the sheep was so interesting," said 11-year-old student Olivia Atherton.

"A well-trained working dog is extremely useful when

getting sheep off steep hills. We learned some working dogs can reach speeds of up to 50kms/hour when they run."

The farm runs 2,340 mainly Romney breeding ewes, 690 hoggets and is expecting 3,800 lambs to be born this year.

A highlight of the trip for all the girls was getting to bottle feed orphaned lambs inside the farm's unique woolshed.

"My dad Bryan checks the ewes we know are going to

be having triplets twice a day. Any orphaned lambs are brought back here," Sarah told the group.

"The lambs are given five small feeds of milk a day in their first four days."

Students tested the milk's temperature by squirting a drop on their wrist, before feeding the waiting lambs.

"Feeding the lambs was so much fun. I'm considering becoming a farmer or

training as a scientist so I can help farmers," said 11-year-old Izy Bromell.

The episode of Country Calendar featuring the

Coogan's and Hocken's is scheduled to be broadcast on TVNZ 1 in early November.

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August slightly wetter than average

Rainfall for August ended up being between 82 % and 139 % for the month with an average of 108 %, according to Taranaki Regional Council (TRC) figures.

Rainfall was recorded on between 15 and 25 days for the month, with the majority of the rainfall falling in the

first 15 days. Only six sites recorded below normal rainfall for August and these were: North Egmont (82 %), Kahui Hut (96 %), Hillsborough (89 %), Bell Block (85 %), Stratford (94 %), and Cape Egmont (92 %).

Year to date rainfall is

sitting between 78 % and 118 %, with an average of 96 %. Currently there are seven sites that have recorded above normal to date. These sites are: Dawson Falls (101 %), Motunui (107 %), Kotare (110 %), Taungatara (102 %), Manaia (103 %), Whareroa (118 %), and Patea (117 %).

Our needs change as we age

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These documents can be altered/updated to adapt to different circumstances.

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Dairy farmers doing their bit to improve water quality

The Sustainable Dairying Water Accord was signed in 2013 and represents a five-year voluntary commitment from New Zealand's dairy farmers, DairyNZ, dairy processors and supporting partners to take a range of actions to improve New Zealand's waterways.

Five years on farmers and partners announced what had been done in that time.

Dairy cattle have been fenced off from 24,249km (98.3%) of significant dairy accord waterways (waterways which are more than one metre wide and more than 30cm deep). That's the equivalent of nearly 12 road trips from Cape Reinga to Bluff.

Bridges and culverts have been installed on 100% of stock crossing points dairy cows use

The number of nutrient budgets which allow farmers to carefully plan nutrient applications and manage nutrient losses has increased to 10,396 – up from 6,400 in the first year of the Accord.

All Accord farms have been assessed for effluent management practices – this process checks that farms have appropriate infrastructure and systems in



place to manage effluent

Riparian management plans to protect water quality have been developed on 52% of Accord farms with waterways.

Alister Body, chair of the Dairy Environment Leaders Group, a multi-sector group formed to be guardians of the Accord, says that the Water Accord has seen dairy farmers across the country make a range of on-farm changes to improve their

environmental management.

“Over 11,000 dairy farmers are part of the Accord. They pulled on their gumboots and put in many thousands of hours of time and made significant investment to help improve water quality,” says Mr Body.

“The Water Accord is one of the factors contributing to the measurable improvements in many waterways we have seen occur recently. As

ecosystems take some time to respond to changes on the ground we can expect to see further improvements to water quality as a result of the changes made on farms over the past five years.

“While we have made improvements in a number of areas, we know that we still have more work to do – particularly in the area of effluent management. While the accord targets were met a minority of farmers

are letting everyone else down and need to improve their performance. Dairy companies will continue to work with these farmers to improve their effluent management practices.”

Land, Air, Water Aotearoa's (LAWA) most recent analysis of national river quality trends from 2008 to 2017 showed that for eight out of the nine water quality indicators reported on, more monitored sites were improving than degrading.[1]

Mr Body says that many types of activities affect urban and rural waterways in New Zealand, and that dairy farmers are committed to playing their part in improving our water quality.

“We all use our rivers, and we all want to protect them for our future. Although we can be proud of what has been achieved so far, we all acknowledge that there is more to be done to improve ecosystem health and water quality for all New Zealanders,” he adds.

Andy Palmer and Sharon Collett from Temuka have been progressively developing planting on their farm over the past twenty years. They are just two of the thousands of farmers

who have been taking action to improve water quality.

Today, flourishing riparian planting stretches along about three kilometres of the creek on their farm. Nearly 4,000 plants have been established, and the couple are continuing to add to this every year, with support from Environment Canterbury. The couple have also fenced off all the waterways on their property, and worked with their former sharemilkers who now own a neighbouring dairy farm to plant native species on a coastal wetland bordering their farms. The wetland is home to Canterbury's only known population of the native giant kōkopu fish.

Mr Palmer says that he is fully behind the Water Accord and that today the environmental management requirements in the Accord are very much ‘business as usual’ for farmers.

“We have a Farm Environment Plan now which covers planting, fencing, effluent and nutrient management. With the plan in place we will continue to take good care of the environment and waterways on our farm and we are audited on our progress,” Mr Palmer says.

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Laurence Corlett joins Taranaki Rugby as interim commercial manager



Laurence Corlett.

Taranaki Rugby has appointed current Yarrows Taranaki Bulls scrum coach and former Hurricanes and Taranaki hooker Laurence Corlett as interim

Commercial Manager. Corlett, who is taking leave from his current role as a BNZ Rural Partner, will be in the position until November 2. He replaces

Kris Robinson who left to pursue other opportunities.

After having a strong on-field playing career, where he played for Canterbury and the Hurricanes as well as notching up 64 matches for the Amber and Blacks, Corlett has developed a solid resume off the field.

He has been involved in sales for AB Products, an Account Manager for Ravensdown, before commencing his employment at BNZ in 2008.

Corlett will manage all commercial and sponsorship activities for the Union, while continuing his specific High-Performance involvement with the Bulls.

He said he was looking forward to the opportunity.

"I'm really proud, and excited about working for Taranaki Rugby and assisting in the operations of the business over the next three months. I am looking forward to collaborating with our commercial partners, stakeholders, supporters and the great TRFU team."

Interim Chief Executive Officer Paul Veric said he appreciated Corlett's ability

to join the staff at short notice.

"With the recent staff movements in a critical time of the year, Laurence's availability to assist us

at short notice is a coup. Those that know him will know his immense passion for Taranaki Rugby, his outstanding relationship building skills and

impressive commercial background. This will add considerable value to the operation of the Union."



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Mark Robinson appointed to top job in New Zealand rugby

This week former All Black Mark Robinson (45) was appointed as the CEO of New Zealand rugby. He will replace the incumbent Steve Tew, who continues in his role until the end of December. Mark takes up his position in January of next year. "I'm obviously delighted, it's a huge opportunity," he said. He won the position from a huge number of applicants – about 85, including a number of people from overseas. He paid tribute to the progress Steve Tew had achieved in his 12 years

in the role. "I have a clear vision to continue the great work already established under Steve's watch and I recognise the significant responsibility we have in ensuring our game continues to flourish at all levels." He admits that there are a few areas which will need his attention, "There is lots to do." One area which he will focus on is keeping rugby talent in New Zealand, so it is not lost so often to overseas clubs. Another area is in the realm of finance. "We need to raise revenue quite quickly."

Mark spent his formative years on the Coast and attended Opunake High School – becoming Head Boy in 1991.

He was an All Black from 2000 to 2002, playing mostly as a centre, although could also play fullback. In a stellar rugby career he played for Wellington (1995), Taranaki (1997-1998), Canterbury 1999-2003 and was a Crusader from 2000 until 2002. He spent time overseas and played in Bristol (1998-1999). The twilight of his rugby career was spent in Japan playing

for Kobelsteelers (2004-2006).

He studied for a postgraduate degree at Cambridge University, graduating with a Masters of Arts degree. Once back in New Zealand he served as Taranaki Rugby Union CEO from 2007 to 2012. Since then he has worked as a business consultant.

Mark will vacate top rugby positions as a member of the NZ Rugby Board and his elected position on the World Rugby Council so he can give his full attention to his new position.



All Black 996 Mark Robinson.

On this month in history Bledisloe Cup established

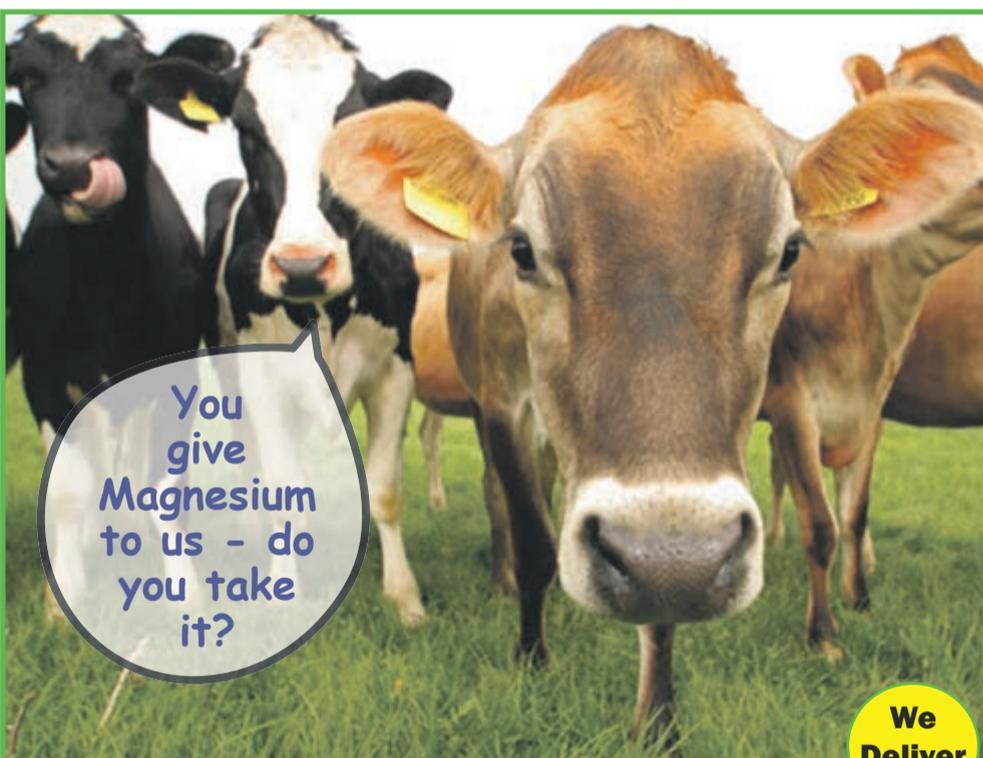
On September 23, 1931 the New Zealand Rugby Football Union (NZRFU) management committee meeting decided to accept an offer, from the Governor-General Lord Bledisloe, of a trophy carrying his name.

New Zealand and Australia national rugby union teams would henceforth compete fiercely for the trophy, with the first contest held in 1932 in Australia.

In recent times, New Zealand (The All Blacks)

have held the Bledisloe Cup for many years (17), but the honours were shared this year, with Australia winning the first test and New Zealand the second. Therefore, New Zealand still holds the Cup.

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John McGill lead the way

for the group card shooters with two 100 cards; David Sullivan 98, 100; Jack Sullivan 97, 96, 99. Tash Hiri-Peita 100 group, 93.2, 89.0; Alethea Rowlands 99 group, 81.0, 81.0; Crystal Gryschnuk 100 group, 87.0.

On Friday September 6, the Eltham range hosted the Taranaki Champion shoot where the winner of each grade, from each club in Taranaki came together to shoot shoulder-to-shoulder

against each other. There was some excellent shooting and several people shot 100s.

Master grade – Doug Gibson 396.24, Paul Tidswell 395.19. A-grade – Hayden Andreoli 392.21, Garry Rowlands 390.22, Trevor Jupp 390.14. B-grade – Bob Bramley 386.14, Frank Eustace 386.13, Martin Michel 383.20. C-grade – Lou Donnelly 184.2, Henry Armond 181.3. D-grade – Alex Sadovnikova 191.7, Luke Gibson 188.3, Dylan Robinson 179.3.

There were some very close competitions, coming down to a single inner or just a few points. Congratulations to all those who won their grades and especially those who shot above their grade averages.

Clare Bramley



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Oakura - St James - 10am, 2nd & 4th Sundays
Okato - St Pauls - 10am, 1st & 3rd Sundays

Opunake Catholic Church
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Men's Group 7pm Wednesday
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027 218 3377

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**He Pānui
2019 Trustee Election**

Te Kāhui o Taranaki Trust (the Trust) is the PSGE entity established to receive and manage the Treaty settlement assets of Taranaki Iwi. It replaces the former Taranaki Iwi Trust.



The trust is governed by seven trustees who are elected on a rotational basis. Daniel Harrison, Leanne Kuraroa Horo, Wayne Mulligan and Te Aroaro o Paritutu Tamati must retire by rotation later this year, and the Trust now invites nominations to fill the four vacancies. The retiring trustees can stand for re-election if they choose.

Nominations must be made on an official nomination form and close at 5pm on Friday, 4 October 2019. If more than four valid nominations are received, an election will be held by postal and internet voting with voting closing at 5pm on Wednesday, 4 December 2019.

Membership Registration

The Trust also takes this opportunity to invite all adults of Taranaki Iwi descent who have not already registered, to do so by completing a registration form. Registration forms and nomination papers can be sourced from the following:

The Kāhui o Taranaki Trust office
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Local body election candidates

In the next few editions of the Opunake & Coastal News we will be profiling candidates in the local body elections. We invite candidates to send in a profile of themselves in up to 200 words and also send a photo. Candidates are also invited to advertise in the paper to maximise their impact.

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Bill Craig of Stratford bought all of our 1000 bulls and we will be at his sale this year to answer any questions you may have.

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Bill has taken over our 0800BULLHIRE number (0800285544) to help any of our old clients find their bulls if they so wish.

Both Bryan Goodin and Simon Payne were present when the bulls were handed over and will be able to answer any questions you may have.

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We all decided to finish with the bull sales together and now Sean is managing a large Dairy Heifer grazing operation.

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We are not retiring and are still supporting the staff milking cows. We still have the Mount Messenger block which is our bull paddock for the bulls required for our dairies.

We still have a few sections available at Tapuae and The Lakes for anyone who wants to live by the sea.

Your patronage over the years has been greatly appreciated and we thank all those involved in the past years.

John and Mary Washer



Everybody's Theatre AGM

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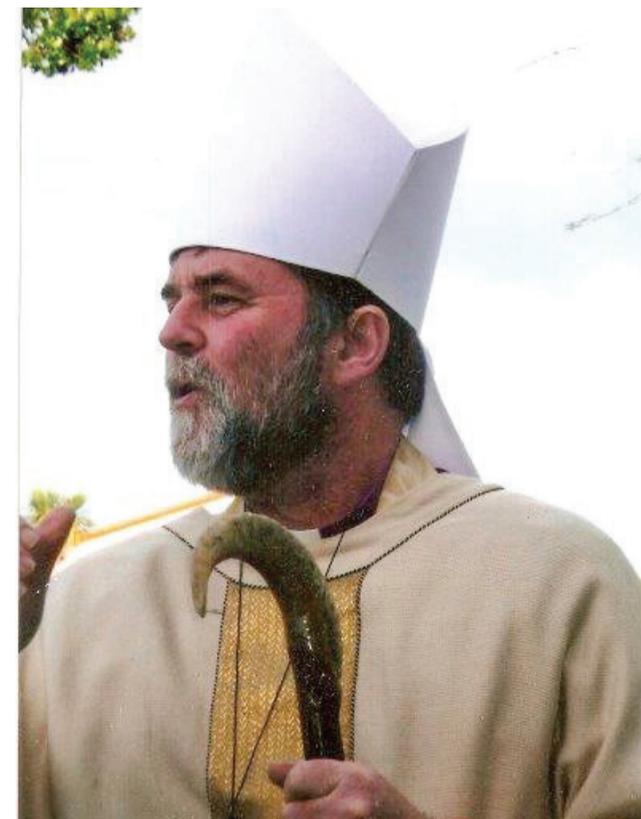
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News from St Barnabas Opunake

What's On Listings



On Sunday September 22 St Barnabas will be hosting a combined service for the Central Anglican Region of Taranaki to which all people of the district are most welcome. At this service our Bishop, Philip Richardson will be visiting. Philip is not only the Bishop of the Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki but also one of the three Archbishops of the Province of Aotearoa, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands. On July 10 this year he celebrated 20 years since his consecration as a Bishop. This year is another important milestone in his ministry.

The people of Opunake and the Central Region of Taranaki are invited to attend the service at St Barnabas on Sunday September 22.

Rev Ian C. Sargent, St Barnabas Anglican Church, 141 Tasman Street, Opunake.

Next issue

26th September

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ONGOING

Jonathan Young: Need to chat with your local MP Jonathan Young? Jonathan will now hold his meetings at Coastal Care. For more information phone: 06 7591363. Or email newplymouthmp@parliament.govt.nz

Movies at Everybodys Theatre in Opunake: Playing several days and nights each week. Refer timetable in newspaper.

SUNDAYS

Opunake Country Music Club: Second Sunday of each month at the Opunake Town Hall, 1-4pm. All welcome

Open Mic at the Rahotu Tavetrn: Every second Sunday from 1-5pm.

MONDAYS

Tainui Day Centre - St Barnabas Church Hall, 141 Tasman Street Opunake: Each Monday 10 am - 12:230 pm. Information call Jenny 7618080 or Glenys 6558025

Opunake Friendship Club: Meeting last Monday of each month in Opunake Town Hall at 1.30pm. All welcome.

Opunake Business Association: Usually meet on the 1st Monday of each month.

TUESDAYS

Club Hotel Pool: Tuesday nights. New players welcome.

WEDNESDAYS

Lisa Keen Audiology at Coastal Care, Opunake: Wednesdays 9am - 5pm, for an appointment call 027 591 4222 - 0800 555 676

Schnitzel Night: Every Wednesday at the Stony River Hotel, Okato

Club Hotel Texas Holdem Poker: Wednesday and Thursday Nights at the Club Hotel.

Opunake Embroiders Guild: Meet 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month, 10.30am-3pm at the Opunake Business Centre, Napier St, Opunake. Just come along or phone Sheryl 06 761 8769.

THURSDAYS

Club Hotel Texas Holdem Poker: Wednesday and Thursday Nights at the Club Hotel.

Coastal Young Farmers: Meet 2nd Thursday of every month at 7pm at the Okato Bowling Club.

Taranaki Country Music Hall of Fame, Manaia: Running every Thursday night from 7.30pm, 11 Surf Highway, South Road, Manaia.

Egmont Euchre Club: Meets every Thursday 1pm at the Opunake Bowling Club

FRIDAYS

Eltham Business Association Friday Markets: 9:30am to 1pm, Carpark of Touch Point, High Street, Eltham.

Singer Songwriters, New Plymouth: Last Friday of the month at Little Theatre, 29 Aubrey St, NP from 7-11pm. Next one August 30.

WEEKENDS

The Historic Cape Light & Museum: Open 11am - 3pm weekends, Bayly Road, Warea.

APRIL 6 TO OCTOBER 6

'Whare Kahurangi: 100 Years of Collecting' Exhibition: At Puke Ariki, New Plymouth. Refer advert and article in previous issue of OCN.

AUGUST 10 TO MID NOVEMBER

New exhibitions opening at the Govett Brewster Art Gallery/Len Lye Centre: Fiona Clark; Yuichiro Tamura; Waking Up Slowly; Open Window. At 42 Queen St, NP. Refer advert.

AUGUST 26 TO SEPTEMBER 20

"Papatuanuku - Treasures of the Earth" Exhibition: At the Village Gallery, Eltham. Refer advert.

SEPTEMBER 4 TO 28

"As We See It" Exhibition: At Lysaght Watt Gallery, 4-6 Union St, Hawera. Refer advert..

SEPTEMBER 13

Puketahi Farms 15th Annual Service Bull Sale: Wingrove Rd property, Stratford. 11am. Refer advert.

SEPTEMBER 14

Fabricana, a Taranaki Hospice fundraiser: Open to all crafters to sell surplus craft supplies. No finished items. Stall charges donated to Hospice. September 14th 2019. Highlands Intermediate Hall. Enquiries to M Richardson 06 758 5101 email lfr@xtra.co.nz

SEPTEMBER 15

Pihama Lavender Market Day: At Pihama Lavender, Pihama. 10am-2pm. Refer advert.

SEPTEMBER 16

Megaw Family Annual Service Bull Sale: 190 Foreman Rd, Tikorangi. 12 noon. Refer advert.

SEPTEMBER 17

Fowler Farms 9th Annual Service Bull Sale: 470 Wilford Rd, Hurleyville. 11am. Refer advert.

Cold Creek Community Water Supply Ltd AGM: 7.30pm at 90 Puketapu Rd, Pihama. Refer advert.

SEPTEMBER 19

Mangaotea Blackwell Family 23rd Annual Bull Sale: 183 Mangaotea Rd, Taranaki. 12 noon. Refer advert.

SEPTEMBER 20 TO NOVEMBER 9

Taranaki National Art Awards: Entries due 20th September. Awards Ceremony November 1 at 7pm. Exhibition runs from November 2 to 9. Sandfords Event Centre, Opunake. Refer advert.

SEPTEMBER 21

Comedians Keith Nelson and Kevin Tate: At Headlands Indian Restaurant, Opunake. 7pm. Refer advert.

ZZ Top Tribute Band: 8pm - 11pm (doors open 7pm) - Tickets: \$25 per person from Butlers or on door. Also online at <http://www.eventfinda.co.nz> \$26.80 plus Credit Card fees.

SEPTEMBER 22

At 10am, at St. Barnabas Church. Everyone is warmly invited to our morning service to share the visit of Bishop Philip Richardson. Please see editorial by Rev Ian Sargent.

SEPTEMBER 23

Pennylane 26th Annual Bull Sale: 1167 Croydon Rd, Midhurst. 11am. Refer advert.

SEPTEMBER 24

Kalamity Jerseys 1st Jersey Yearling Bull Sale: Kahui Rd, Rahotu. 12 noon. Refer advert.

SEPTEMBER 25

Coastal Pacific/Trans Alpine 5 Day Package with Travelsmart Stratford: Email or phone for more details. Refer advert from previous issue

SEPTEMBER 25 TO OCTOBER 6

Whanganui Literary Festival: EARLY BIRD SEASON TICKET TILL SEPTEMBER 6 \$70. Refer to advert in previous issue.

SEPTEMBER 25

NPGHS Scotlands Hostel Open Day: 10am-2pm. At NPGHS. Refer advert.

A night of laughs at Headlands



and shows such as BET's Comic View. Many people in Hollywood are stating that Tate is one of the hottest comics on the rise. Tate's charming yet in-your-face humour leaves audiences begging for more.

Kevin is also one of the new members of the Def Comedy Family.

Keith Nelson is a comedian who has been performing for over twenty years in the US and overseas in places such as South Korea, Saudi

Arabia, and Afghanistan to name a few. He has been seen on Entertainment Tonight and Evening at the Improv. He was also in the independent hit movie Mobsters and Mormons and The RM. He is also a former winner of the Portland Comedy Competition and he featured in The Best of the Best at the Burbank Comedy Festival in 2014 and named a finalist in the Ventura Comedy Festival Comedy Competition in 2014.



Kevin Tate.

Keith Nelson.

Two international comedians will be appearing at Headlands Restaurant on September 21.

This will be one of 10 North Island shows that Kevin Tate and Keith Nelson are performing at before heading off to Fiji to headline two nights at the Sofitel Resort & Spa in Denarau.

If you love comedy in the style of Chris Rock, Kevin Hart, Eddie Murphy, then get ready for Los Angeles-based Detroit comedian Kevin Tate. The comedian who has been doing stand up for a little over ten years has already been featured on many festivals such as the Bay Area Black Comedy Competition And Festival

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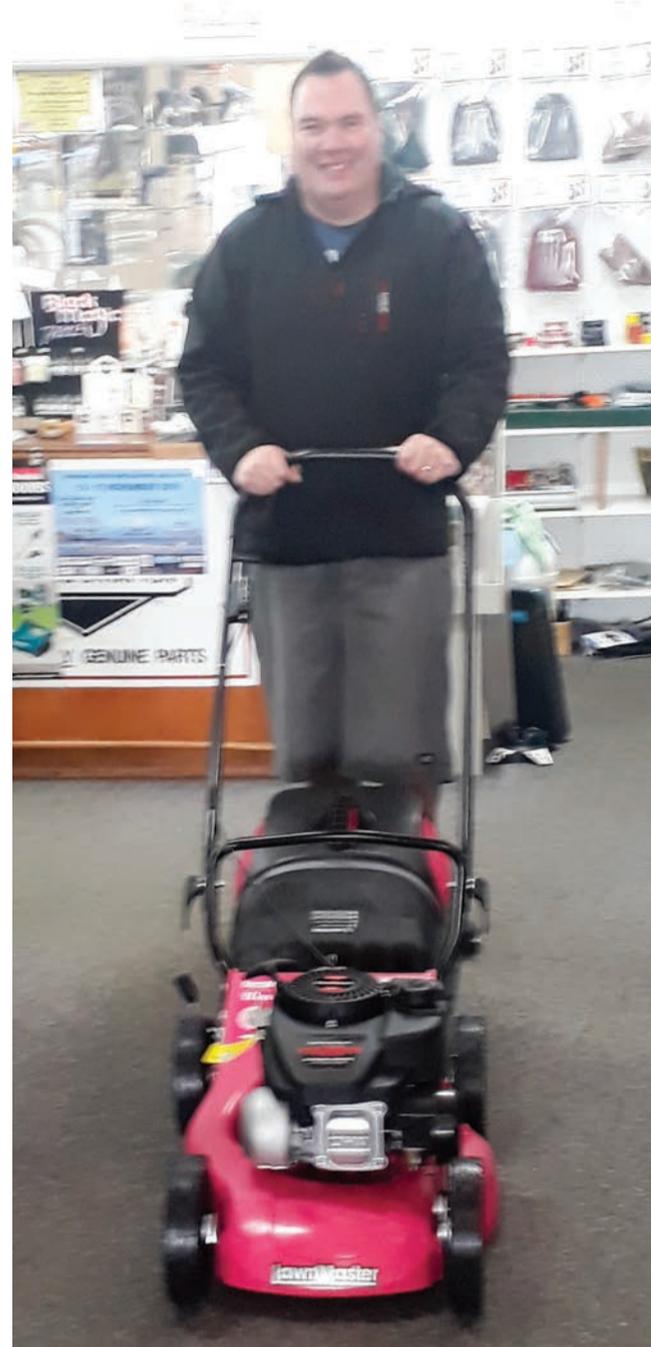
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Festival of Lights going global on December 14

NPDC's award-winning TSB Festival of Lights is getting an international makeover with 13 new light features promising the biggest and best edition of the iconic extravaganza yet.

Pukekura Park will light up from 14 December until 1 February 2020, including work from artists as far flung as Russia, Chile, and Canada, and Poet's Bridge is also undergoing a revamp with a new light installation by the original creators of the TSB Tunnel of Light.

NPDC has revealed the dates for the Festival early this year, to help locals and visitors to the region to plan their summer holidays and get the most out of the free community event.

Among the 13 new light features is Trumpet Flowers. Hot on the heels of its success at Australian light festival Vivid, Trumpet Flowers continues the festival's push to have more interactive displays. Visitors are able to light up flowers and play sounds by pressing a button, allowing audiences to create a technicolour soundtrack.

NPDC's Recreation and Culture Manager Teresa Turner says every year the team tries to top the previous season's event and always succeeds.

"I think we'll continue



About 125,000 people visit NPDC's TSB Festival of Lights each season.

that in 2019-2020 thanks to a record number of new light features which will delight and entertain all festival goers," Ms Turner says.

"We're Building a Lifestyle Capital and the TSB Festival of Lights plays a huge part in making our district the place to be each summer. We're looking forward to seeing thousands of visitors come to Pukekura Park to enjoy another fantastic season."

Last summer the festival attracted more than 125,000

visitors, and New Plymouth residents made the most of the lights and 82 free events with 80% attending the festival more than once. Survey results also showed around 50,000 visitors came from outside of the region to enjoy the lights, with over half of those visitors paying for their accommodation during the trip.

There was also a 50% rise in volunteers stepping up to lend a hand which Ms Turner says is a key part of the festi-

val's continued success.

Support from key partners is also vital, and Ms Turner thanked TSB for signing on as the event's sponsor for another three years.

"The long-term partnership we have with the TSB is a fantastic fit with our vision to provide free and engaging events for our community. Without this long-term commitment from TSB, we wouldn't have the freedom to try new things and continue to grow."

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CoastalCare – AGM and the last year in review

On Monday 15th July, Coastal Taranaki Health Trust held their AGM – Thank you to those who took the time to attend. The Trust now consists of, Steve Corkill (Chairperson) Adrienne Hickey (Secretary), Bob Clark (Treasurer), Lynda Corkill, Paul Bourke and Monica Willson, with Kylie Brophy interested in joining us and Jemma Stevenson providing professional support and guidance.

The Chairman noted the three main accomplishments of the Trust this year including;

1. Optometry service staffed and equipped – Thanks to Browning & Mathew and TSB Community Trust.
2. Adding to our specialist equipment we have managed to procure an Ultrasound thanks to Lottery Grants Board plus a Diathermy Machine care of Mavis Hepworth Trust to use for lumps and bumps removal procedures. Both these machines are unique to our Medical Centre and aid in making us one of the best equipped medical centres in Taranaki
3. Lastly and importantly was to fund raise for and install an emergency generator to power the facility during the frequent power cuts we experience. This has been slow but we have had a lot of help from our community organisations including both our Lions Clubs, Opunake Rahotu Veterinary Trust, the Pihama Women's Division, Everybody's Theatre, Egmont Community Board, Karams Clothes on the Coast, Vicky & Steven Muller and many individual donations. We also received assistance from OMV (formally Shell Todd Oil Services), Fonterra Grassroots, PowerCo and now we finally have the funds and the foundation is laid – just waiting for the weather to behave for the final installation. Thank you Opunake for stepping up and supporting us when needed.

As usual we have chosen to present publicly our financial situation – below we show the last two years Operating income and expenses, showing a net operating loss of \$22,575 this year. This shortfall is addressed via business sponsorship and successful grant applications as can also be seen below. We would like to thank Pacific International Hotel Management School (PIHMS) and Co, McDonald Real Estate, Hughson & Associates, Giggle TV and Thomson O'Neil for their continued sponsorship and TSB Trust, Community Organisation Grants (COGs) and Lottery Grant Boards for operational support.

You can contact Aretha Lemon our Facility Manager on 06 7618488 or info@coastalcare.co.nz

| Note | 2019 | 2018 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|
| Operating Revenue | | |
| Revenue from providing goods or services | 149,655 | 136,697 |
| Interest, dividends and other investment revenue | 749 | 288 |
| Total Operating Revenue | 150,404 | 136,985 |
| Operating Expenses | | |
| Costs related to providing goods or services | 172,979 | 155,101 |
| Total Operating Expenses | 172,979 | 155,101 |
| Net surplus/ (deficit) for the year | (22,575) | (18,116) |
| Plus Other Income | | |
| Donations, Grants and General Fundraising | 87,214 | 24,017 |
| Sponsorship and Other Revenue | 11,000 | 2,000 |
| Total Other Income | 98,214 | 26,017 |

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| 8yr and under must be supervised by 14 yr or older | ID required for all R movies | | |
| THE KEEPER Drama, Sport 1hr 58 mins M: Violence & offensive language. The true story of a young English woman and a soccer-playing German POW overcome prejudice, public hostility and personal tragedy near the end of World War II. Wed 11 th Sep 1pm | BLINDED BY THE LIGHT Comedy, Drama 1hr 57min M: Offensive Language In 1987 during the austere days of Thatcher's Britain, a teenager learns to live life, understand his family and finds his own voice through the music of Bruce Springsteen. Fri 20 th Sep 7pm Sun 29 th Sep 7pm | | |
| ONCE UPON A TIME IN HOLLYWOOD Comedy, Drama 2hr 41mins R16: Violence, language, drug use Set in Hollywood, 1969 Los Angeles, where everything is changing, as TV star Rick Dalton and his longtime stunt double Cliff Booth make their way around an industry they hardly recognize anymore. Wed 11 th Sep 7pm Sun 15 th Sep 7pm Sat 28 th Sep 7pm | HERBS Documentary 1hr 31min PG: Language, Violence Documentary on legendary New Zealand reggae group, Herbs. Celebrates the men from different islands in the South Pacific who gave voice to a generation and the issues of the time through their iconic music. Wed 18 th Sep 7pm Sat 21 st Sep 7pm Fri 27 th Sep 7pm | | |
| THE PUBLIC Drama 2hr 2min M: language An act of civil disobedience turns into a standoff with police when homeless people in Cincinnati take over the public library to seek shelter from the bitter cold. Fri 13 th Sep 7pm Wed 18 th Sep 1pm | DAN CARTER: A PERFECT 10 Documentary 30min Exempt Shot in Europe, Japan and New Zealand, the documentary reveals a side to global superstar Dan Carter that has never been seen before, opening the door to Carter's private life. Wed 25 th Sep 7pm | | |
| LION KING Animated, Kids & Family 1hr 58min PG Sat 14 th Sep 1pm Sat 28 th Sep 1pm | A DOGS JOURNEY Drama, Fantasy 1hr 48mins PG Sat 21 st Sep 1pm Mon 30 th Sep 1pm | | |
| Wednesday 11 The Keeper - 1pm Once Upon a time in Hollywood - 7pm 18 The Public - 1pm Herbs - 7pm 25!!ARTHOUSE!! Support the girls - 1pm Dan Carter - 7pm | Friday 13 The Public - 7pm 20 Blinded by the light - 7pm 27 Herbs - 7pm | Saturday 14 Lion King - 1pm Fast & Furious - 7pm 21 A Dogs Journey - 1pm Herbs - 7pm 28 Lion King - 1pm Once Upon a time in Hollywood - 7pm | Sunday 15 Once Upon a time in Hollywood - 7pm 22 Support the girls - 7pm 29 Blinded by the light - 7pm |

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