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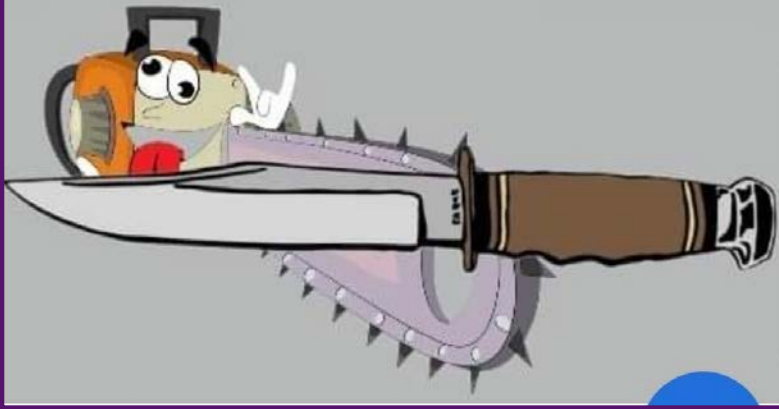
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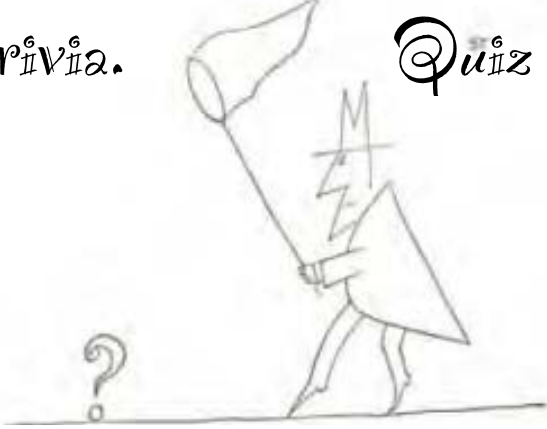
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1. Which Dutch painter painted the famous portrait of Girl with a Pearl Earring?
2. In July of 1984 Svetlana Savitskaya of the USSR became the first woman to do what?
3. What is the nearest planet to Earth?
4. Where would you find Downpatrick?
5. Who played the title role in the movie of *Evita*?
6. What is Stefani Germanotta famous for?
7. What do the initials GCSE stand for?
8. Which country was the first to allow votes for women?
9. Who had the first names Pelham Grenville?
10. What sport did Colin Cowdrey play?
11. What would you expect to see a funambulist doing?
12. He worked as a journalist, then an editor whose paper was suppressed by the German government, moved to Paris,, wrote a book called *Das Kapital* and is buried at Highgate, London. Who was he?
13. Who was born Annie Mae Bullock?
14. Where would you most likely find a mixture of gin, angostura bitters and lemon juice?
15. What is the capital of American Samoa?
16. In which ocean or sea would you find The Marquesas?
17. Which two countries does the Khyber Pass join?
18. In which country would you find the Po?
19. What year did Abel Tasman become the first European to visit Van Dieman's Land and New Zealand?
20. What does p.m. stand for when telling the time?
21. Which Asian country is guided by the measure of the Gross National Happiness index?
22. What word describes the legal rights of the owner of land adjoining a river?
23. The Nile city of Luxor had another name in history. What was it?
24. What is the chemical symbol for methane?
25. What is the main alcohol ingredient of a Planters' Punch?
26. A thalassophile is someone who loves what?
27. What is the official language of Cambodia?
28. Ikebana is the Japanese art of what?
29. Who played Carson in '*Downton Abbey*'?
30. From which instrument's A-note does every orchestra tune up?





Significant increase to value of roading assets, Annual Report adopted

Councillors have adopted the Annual Report for Hurunui District Council (HDC) for the 2021/22 year. Despite there being severe shortages of resources to undertake the auditing process for the Annual Report, the Council was fortunate to be able to retain its spot in the queue and be able to adopt the Report a full month ahead of the statutory deadline.

The report is dominated by the requirement for Council to undertake a full revaluation of its Roothing Network as of 30 June 2022.

Chief Financial Officer Jason Beck said there was the expectation that the network's values would increase, given the new roading contract resulted in a 30% increase which necessitated the 10.5% in rates when the Annual Plan was adopted in June.

"The increase to the value of the roading assets was 58%, pushing the value of the roading assets from \$267 million to \$421 million," Beck said.

From an operational point of view, in last year's Annual Report the Council was able to record an exceptional result for the balance books for the Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools & Spa (HSTP&S). Unfortunately, due to the period of lockdown in August 2021 and the extended period of restrictions, the HSTP&S recorded a surplus of only \$700,000. "Yet indications for the 2022/23 are promising with the results to the end of October exceeding budgets."

Overall, the operating surplus recorded for the year was \$5.5 million. Council's revenue for the year was \$61 million, some \$7.7 million above the budgeted level for the year, with Development Contributions and Vested Assets being ahead of level anticipated which reflected the increasing level of growth experienced in the Amberley area.

"The floods we experienced in the District meant Council was entitled to additional roading subsidies from Waka Kotahi/NZ Transport Agency, to help cover damages to our roading network."

Total expenditure for the year was \$56 million, some \$6.7 million ahead of the budget, with additional costs incurred in the roading area plus an additional level of depreciation for the year, a result of increased valuation of assets.

The overall surplus was enhanced by the increase in value of the roading network as outlined above, which equated to a Total Comprehensive Revenue and Expenditure of \$160 million.

The total expenditure on assets amounted to \$22.7 million, only \$700,000 short of the budget set for the 12-month period.

Beck said Council had significantly completed its capital programme it set out to achieve at the start of the year.

"As well as continuing work in the area of three waters, the Council also completed the construction of MainPower Amberley Pool in April of this year.

Despite achieving the significant capital programme, the Council's debt remained at \$38 million over the year, which was lower than the \$41.5 million that was anticipated in the budget.

Council plans to advance several projects relating to drinking water standard compliance in the 2022/2023 year, which Beck said will mean taking on more debt.

"As a Council we continually strive to deliver the highest quality of road network and water services, and unfortunately this all comes at a cost, which is not predicted to lower anytime soon."

PINKIE

Christmas and New Year Dates

The last Pinkie for 2022 will be published on

December 20th

The first Pinkie for 2023 will be on

January 10th.

As usual, due to closure of the printers over the Christmas/New Year period we will not be publishing a Pinkie on December 27th and January 3rd.



Horsing around on the tops.

Mary Holloway

I had always been a keen tramper, dabbled a bit in mountaineering, ice and rock climbing when I was younger and have had a lasting love of botanising amongst alpine plants. However, as age has crept up I have found a way to cheat a bit. I enjoy riding my horse up onto the tops...and he enjoys it too.

The last 10 years have found us exploring around St James Conservation Area and Molesworth Station and beyond, so now, with other local riders, we are filling the bits in between that are sometimes a bit more technical from a back-country riding perspective.

The new route over Mt Dumblane from the Clarence river near to St James Station via the summit ridge to the top of Jacks Pass is one of those 'bits'.

We climb up a steep rocky ridge, beyond the wilding conifers that have been sprayed, winding around clumps of matagouri, sidling around a

couple of steep rock buttresses and eventually clamber up onto the summit ridge. The 360 degree view takes in the Hanmer Springs ski area, west to the Waiau Pass, North over Molesworth to the Rachael Range, then back to a glimpse of the Hanmer Plains nestled under the Leslie Hills.

Here we stop for a bite to eat for morning tea- a breather for the horses (and a carrot and muesli bar for them) and to sit and take in the panorama. It has taken one hour since we left the homestead. This is the third foray on horseback over this route. Sean (a member of Hanmer Springs Horse Riders) recce'd the route on foot then a few of us rode over in early spring snow to try it out. Before that other club members marked a track from the Pass towards the summit.

Now the route is well marked. The hardest part is a steep clamber across the east face - part of which can be ridden (see photo) but the steepest part must be on foot. Horses must learn to stay behind and not to jump forward on top of the person leading. However the best horses learn to walk slowly in front so that the rider can hold onto the tail and be towed!

So this last ride was with two riders from up North who rode into Hanmer Springs and stayed. There just isn't access to riding like this up North they say. The route will be well used by visiting Canterbury and Nelson riders over the summer as a challenging way to get back to Hanmer Springs without going on the road.

Then I guess we will look to the next horizon!





HANMER SPRINGS CHRISTMAS PARADE

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Blah blah blah continued

It was **thirty years ago** that the world's "so-called leaders" gathered in Rio de Janeiro for the so-called Earth Summit. Everyone agreed that radical change was needed. To avert disaster, global CO₂ emissions, which were then running at around **twenty-two billion metric tons** a year, would have to be reduced, eventually almost to zero. How this would happen, no one really knew. Still, the goal of preventing "dangerous" warming was enshrined in the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, which President George H. W. Bush cheerfully signed.

"Some find the challenges ahead overwhelming," Bush said. "I believe that their pessimism is unfounded."

A follow-up conference of the parties, or cop, took place in Kyoto in **1997**. By then, annual global emissions had risen to **twenty-four billion tons**. After much back-and-forth, it was agreed that something had to be done. The Kyoto Protocol, an addendum to the Framework Convention, laid out specific emissions-reduction targets for countries to meet.

"I am both determined and optimistic that we can succeed," Vice- President Al Gore told the diplomats gathered in Japan.

After Kyoto, global emissions kept on rising, only faster. By **2009**, they'd climbed to **thirty-two billion** tons a year. That autumn, President Barack Obama flew to Copenhagen for yet another conference of the parties—cop15.

"I believe that we can act boldly, and decisively, in the face of this common threat," he declared.

By 2015, emissions had increased to **thirty-five billion** tons a year. At that year's cop—No. 21—held in Paris, it was decided that, at last, really and truly, it was time to get serious. "The decisions you make here will reverberate down through the ages," the United Nations Secretary-General, Ban Ki-moon, told the delegates. Nevertheless, emissions continued to rise. In the past thirty years, humans have added as much CO to the atmosphere as they did in the previous thirty thousand. At some point during all the "blah, blah, blah"-ing—it's hard to say when, exactly—climate change ceased to be a prospective problem and became a clear and present one. **Since Rio, the Arctic ice cap has shrunk by two-fifths. Greenland has shed some four trillion metric tons of ice, and mountain glaciers have lost six trillion tons.**

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Heat waves are now hotter, droughts deeper, and storms more intense. In some parts of the world, the wildfire season never ends. One conclusion to draw from this pattern is that the world isn't going to avoid "dangerous" warming. Global leaders will continue to gather at cops—this year's, in Sharm el-Sheikh, just concluded—and to speak loftily about "net zero" and "a low-carbon economy." But nothing will change, and, as a result,

everything will change. There will be large-scale crop failures. The Greenland ice sheet will start to collapse—it may already be collapsing—and, owing to sea-level rise in some places and desertification in others, large swathes of the globe will become uninhabitable.

This conclusion is not, however, the one that Thunberg chose to draw when she spoke at the Youth4Climate conference.

"Right now we are still very much speeding in the wrong direction," she told the crowd in Milan. "But, of course, we can still turn this around—it is entirely possible.

"The leaders like to say, 'We can do this,' " she went on. "They obviously don't mean it, but we do—we can do this. I'm absolutely convinced that we can."

Or, as Thunberg might put it, Blah, blah, blah.



Council accepts Better Off Fund

An injection of funds may soon be available to Council as a result of the government's proposed Three Waters Reform.

At yesterday's monthly Council meeting, it was unanimously agreed to apply to the Department of Internal Affairs (DIA) for Tranche 1 of Better Off Funding.

The application will be for \$2.67 million.

Despite this application, Council remains firmly opposed to the Reform as it currently stands.

Chief Executive Officer Hamish Dobbie will submit the application, at which time he will make it clear to the DIA that Hurunui District Council remains strongly opposed to the current Three Waters Reform proposal, yet acknowledges that accepting Tranche 1 funding will enable the betterment of the District with funds being made available for various projects.

The DIA has stated Tranche 2 funding of \$8.01m will be available to the District for further works, in July 2024.

Dobbie suggested given the General Election between now and then, accepting Tranche 1 immediately de-risks the potential loss of funding if a change of government occurs.

"We are better to take the money now, rather than roll the dice and see if it's still available in 2024," said Dobbie.

Around the table, Councillors raised the issue of the risk of public perception that accepting the Fund equates to accepting the Reform, thereby neglecting its own people.

Dobbie responded by assuring Councillors that within the application, it will be clearly stated Council will concurrently continue to undertake all acts and responsibilities under the Local Government Act, which is to serve the community as best it can.

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Activity Hanmer were there with activities for everyone and our Hanmer Springs Volunteer Fire Brigade for keeping the 'slip and slide' slippery 'n' wet, as well as letting the kids loose on the fire hose. They also took part in the 'pitch-a-tent' competition which gave us a few laughs. Thanks to Tim Hanmer Springs Police for bringing his police car.

Lions Hanmer Springs kept the sausage sizzle going while Hanmer Springs Playcentre looked after the face painting and Marguerite Glubb made lots of balloon craft for the kids.

Teddy bear face masks and binoculars were made in readiness for a bear hunt! There were lots of prizes for the best teddy, the best dressed and the colouring in competition including fairy door posters from Halo and pool passes from Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools. The kids. Our musician of the day Zayde from Zayde Blair Music set the scene for us. Thanks to everyone who came out with or without their teddy bear, it was great to see everyone enjoying themselves, we will do it again!



Mayor Marie Black - Christmas Greetings 2022

Christmas gives an opportunity to pause and reflect on the important things around us. I hope this Christmas season brings you reason to smile and share this wonderful time of the year with those near and dear to your heart.

Whatever is beautiful, whatever is meaningful, whatever brings you happiness, may it be yours these holidays and throughout the year of 2023.

Merry Christmas,
Marie and Dave Black.



Congratulations to New Kiwi Citizens from Hanmer Springs

At an investiture ceremony held in Amberley last week four people from Hanmer were made New Zealand citizens. From left above: Mayor Marie Black, Richard and Nichola Willerton, Councillor Tom Davies and the King's representative, Commander Clive Holmes - Centre Robert van Keulen and right Anne Frankland

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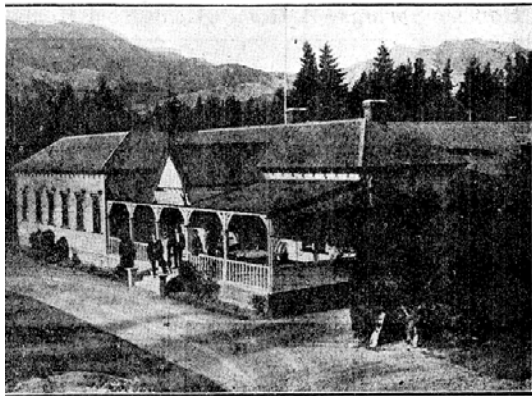
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HANMER RATEPAYER.

January 6, 1970.

[The Minister of Health (Mr McKay) replies: "At the present time, no decision has been made about the future of the hospital. When the time comes for a decision to be made as the result of investigations now going on, 'Hanmer Ratepayer' may be assured that the social and economic implications for the residents of Hanmer Springs will receive careful consideration."]

Sir,—For the last five years work has been in progress on the tar-sealing of the road from Culverden to Hanmer Springs. There are about 21 miles in all, and of this about 11 miles have been completed. It is probable that this work has been held up to allow for the bridges over water-courses to be repaired or altered. But surely five years is a long time for this job to be uncompleted, when it is considered that Hanmer Springs is recognised as one of Canterbury's tourist attractions. Could the highway authorities tell the travelling public first, when the road will be completed, and second, if it is intended to tar-seal right to the township of Hanmer. It will be appreciated that the early completion of this work is in the interests of Hanmer Springs, and in a wider sense, Canterbury.—Yours, etc.,

RIP VAN WINKLE.

September 1, 1952.

[“The road from the 21 miles to the Hanmer Springs junction is under reconstruction and will be sealed as soon as possible,” said Mr S. McGregor, Highways Engineer for the Ministry of Works, Christchurch, when this letter was referred to him. “The work has been going on for some time, and its progress is commensurate with the funds available. The road between Hanmer Springs Junction and Hanmer Springs is a matter for the Amuri County Council,” he added.]

From The Press & Christchurch Star

NOTICE OF WORK - FLOW AND PRESSURE TESTING, HANMER SPRINGS.

Hurunui District Council has a contractor doing some flow and pressure testing throughout Hanmer Springs on Thursday 8th and Friday 9th of December.

You may incur some low pressures on these days during the daytime.

This work is required to be carried out in order to calibrate our water model of Hanmer Springs to ensure the data is more accurate.

This will result in better water management and forward planning of renewals and upgrades required in the network.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Throughout Hanmer Springs, Thursday 8th and
Friday 9th December.



Rakahoui Bike Blast.

I woke up to my alarm clock blasting the hell out of my ears as I stumbled out of my room and into the hall I came across my sister trying to take the mickey out of me.

Breakfast was an array of blueberries Corn Flakes and strawberries.

Mum was nagging me to put my bike race clothing on so I once again stumbled down the hallway to my room. As I put on my somewhat uncomfortable bike shorts I was pushed into the bathroom to brush my teeth and nagged into the car.

We were on the road for a long time. That's why I was so excited when we finally arrived at the site. When I came to the Hanmer gazebo I was welcomed by my somewhat tired bike partner Amelia Saric and her dad Brian.

I was practically trembling when the race directors called up everyone for the brief.

When I got up to the starting line I had to push my way to the front. I was trembling and it didn't help that my mum and my sister were cheering me on so loudly.

Once the air horn had gone off everyone was moving it was like a wild animal rampage I was the first girl in the lead with four boys in front of me, the first obstacle wasn't nearly as hard as I had hoped it was just a puny little hill it was so easy for me once i got to the top i stated the descend I came across so many puddles I did not compare to the massive puddle that i had to go through it made my shoes and socks wet but even though it was so annoying and cold I persevered my way through. The second part of the track was so muddy I almost slipped and fell. Once I pulled into the end of my first lap I found out that I was the first girl to do a lap. I was ecstatic and so tired I grabbed my electrolytes expecting it to taste awful but it actually tastes good. I don't know if it was because I was deprived of energy or because my taste buds went working but I was so happy when I saw Amelia set off for her first lap.

Once I had done all my laps I was totally worn out. I just collapsed onto the chair and had my sister get me a hot dog.

I was anxious about the prize giving but it turned out me and Amelia got sixth overall so I guess that was good and I also won a first aid kit so I guess that was good.

Kiara Bratschi



Korimako Debate; School Was Better in the 1920's

Mrs Hay and Mr McBride organised a class debate on Friday 2nd December. The Debate was "School was better in the 1920's". The students researched all about schools in the 1920's. The major differences found were corporal punishment and the cane, classroom layouts, computers and how we get to school. Highlights included the lack of opportunities for girls, different subjects and students coming to school on horses and leaving them in nearby paddocks. It was surprising that literacy levels are now so much higher and girls taught how to do house work and ironing. Pupils often left school at 14 to go to work. It was a great way of learning real life history that our grandparents and relatives experienced.
Amelia Nelson



Year 8s Mount Isobel Walk

On Monday the 28th the year 8 set out to reach Hanmer's tallest peak, Mount Isobel. Mount Isobel is NZ's most popular and most visited small mountain. We started the walk at 9.30. We slowly progressed and I realized I forgot to bring water, oops. We climbed more of the hill and Mr McBride decided to start making up riddles on what you could take to the moon and had everyone stumped (turns out it was a word problem where you could only bring words with double letters). Once we reached half way we managed to see the entire Hanmer Springs village below, and we started to wave at the people below, sadly they couldn't see us. We had morning tea and progress up the mountain slowly after we reached the summit and took in the amazing views. Soon after we headed down, Avi thought it was a good idea to slide down the rock cliff to get to the bottom faster, but it wasn't and he ended up with a massive scratch on his leg.

Me and Alfie reached the bottom first and waited at the van for everyone else. Once everyone arrived Macey said "That wasn't a challenge at all." so McBride made her run back to school. The whole event was so exciting and everyone had a great time reaching the highest point in Hanmer.

Yours sincerely Issac Lamont.



Wheels on Friday

On Friday we all bring our wheels to school. We bring bikes, scooters, skateboards, skates and more to school. It is huge fun all riding around the playground and field. There is the odd bump but that's all part of the fun. Mrs Hay also brought her bike and joined in the fun.

Sharnie Inglis



FARMING IN THE NETHERLANDS - MAYBE A LESSON FOR NEW ZEALAND

By Pita Alexander

On 17 December, 2021 the Dutch Government introduced a plan to reduce the country's livestock number by about 33% by 2030. What's the background?

1. Netherlands land area - 41,543 km² (NZ: 268,021 km² - 6.45 times larger).
2. Netherlands population - 17,222,213 (NZ: 5,124,100).
3. Netherlands exports - approximately \$107 billion (NZ\$).
4. Netherlands livestock numbers:
 - 11.4 million pigs
 - 100 million poultry
 - 3.8 million cattle (1.65 million dairy cows)
 - 482,000 goat dairy herd.
5. Netherlands livestock intensity - Easily the highest in the EU - four times higher than UK or France.
6. Is Netherlands a member of the 27 EU countries - Yes.
7. Netherlands average farm size - 41.7 ha.
8. Number of farms:
 - Arable (approximately 11,000)
 - Pig farms (approximately 3,400)
 - Dairy farms (approximately 16,000).
9. How much is the special subsidy fund The Netherlands Government has created to help Dutch farmers exit their farms - \$36 billion (NZ\$) in terms of the 17 December 2021 announcement.
10. Netherlands Government debt to GDP ratio - Approximately 50% (NZ: 33%).
11. The real issue with the special subsidy scheme is pollution.
12. Netherlands currency is the Euro since 1 January 1999.
13. One Euro as at 5 November 2022 is worth - \$1.68 (NZ\$).
14. The Netherlands is second only to the USA as regards the overall value of agricultural exports to the world.
15. Government's real aim is to reduce nitrogen emissions by 50% by 2030.
16. The Netherlands Government estimates that 11,200 farmers will exit and 17,600 farmers will have to significantly reduce their livestock numbers.

What, perhaps, can NZ learn from all this:

- (a) NZ sheep numbers have come down from 70 million to 25 million over the last 40 years.
 - (b) NZ does not have the extent of livestock waste manure problem that The Netherlands has.
 - (c) Our NZ farm current size is a lot bigger at 240-250 ha - an advantage re spreading manure.
 - (d) The NZ Government is now talking about an on-farm cost for emissions with these early Government suggestions looking marginal, if not unworkable.
 - (e) Dutch farmers are protesting vigorously in all sorts of ways.
- (f) The whole question of asking passionate farmers to reduce their livestock numbers, reduce their net income, reduce their job satisfaction, reduce their farm scale change, scale down their careers and change their lifestyle, is messy to say the least. The financial implications will be enormous, not only for the farming couple but for local communities and local business. For many farming couples any financial compensation will only be half the answer or less.
- (g) Through all of this, the world experts are also saying that by 2050 the world will:
 1. Require a lot more food to be produced.
 2. Require top quality food and less waste.
 3. Less irrigation water is to be used.
 4. Less chemical is to be used.
 5. Less land will be available.
 6. Less synthetic fertiliser is to be applied.
18. The whole equation here is going to require enormous ability to put in place - urban voters who comprise probably 80% of total voters will probably push all this through.
 19. Any lessons for NZ here may be less severe but NZ agriculture as a whole is not profitable enough to withstand these never-ending restrictive type regulations - the operation may be successful but the patient may die.





Building the Lewis Pass Road ca 1930



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03 315 6583

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karen.armstrong@hurunui.govt.nz

03 314 4042 or 0274 383 464

Hanmer Springs Golf Results Saturday

No results supplied



HANMER SPRINGS BRIDGE CLUB

Results 01/12/2022

1st — D East & S Yuill Proctor

This was our last playing night for the year.

Restart play Thursday 19th January 2023

Seasons Greetings To All

Leslie Hills-Amuri Garden Club

will 'Celebrate Christmas' on Monday 12 December
at the home of Lynda Wright 'Marawera'

163 Mt Paul Road, Waiau -

11.30 am.

Please bring a plate of finger food for a shared lunch.

Contact Lynda Wright 315 6304. Visitors welcome

JPs in Hanmer Springs

Alice Stielow 021 317 001.

Joy Wilson 027 2202511

Rod Ell 315 7222 027 4372464

Jonathan Gardiner. 315 7925 0276859276

Ann Toomey - 03 384 2564 021 155 7622

Hanmer Springs Bowling Club

SUNDAY 11 DECEMBER 2022 - 2 pm

Members come along and have a roll up at 2 pm.
The Golf Clubhouse will be open until 6 pm for us to use.

Please come along, come and see and enjoy the new bowling green.

Footwear for bowling is flat soled shoes.

Also feel free to bring a friend, family member or someone who may be interested in joining the club.

Please RSVP by 5 December 2022 by email:

janet.messervy.hanmer@gmail.com

or 0272210653

TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. Jan Vermeer
2. Walk in space
3. Venus
4. Northern Ireland
5. Madonna
6. She is Lady Gaga
7. General Certificate of Secondary Education
8. New Zealand
9. P G Wodehouse
10. Cricket
11. Walking a tightrope
12. Karl Marx 1818-83
13. Tina Turner
14. In Singapore, its a Singapore Sling
15. Pago Pago
16. Pacific Ocean
17. Pakistan and Afghanistan
18. It is the longest river in Italy
19. 1642
20. Post Meridien
21. Bhutan
22. Riparian
23. Thebes
24. CH4
25. Rum
26. The sea and sea travel
27. Khmer
28. Flower arranging
29. Jim Carter
30. The oboe



DECEMBER

- 11th Bowling Club Roll Up 1
16th Christmas Parade

JANUARY '23

- 28th Biennial St James Horse Sale

FEBRUARY '23

- 18 & 19. Upholstery Workshop with Steve McDonald

Links

<http://musicandarts.co.nz/>

<http://musicandarts.co.nz/event/upholstery-workshop-with-steve-macdonald-3/>

MARATHON

Two weeks ago, at the behest of the Community Trust, The Pinkie held a meeting with their new event organisers in order to obtain their assistance in covering the Hanmer Holiday Homes Alpine Marathon. We also wanted to offer them any support we could provide.

Despite promises from the event company, Carter Consultants, subsequent emails went unanswered and The Pinkie was unable to obtain any information or assistance to cover the event, nor any of the promised photographs.

This is hardly hardly considerate on the sponsors investment in the event.

Hanmer Holiday Homes should naturally expect the organisers to strive to obtain maximum publicity and acknowledgement of their brand.

We apologise that there is no coverage of this event.

If you have events that are on this coming year please let us know

info@thepinkie.co.nz

www.thepinkie.co.nz

The events calendar is looking very bare so if you have any events on, please let us know.

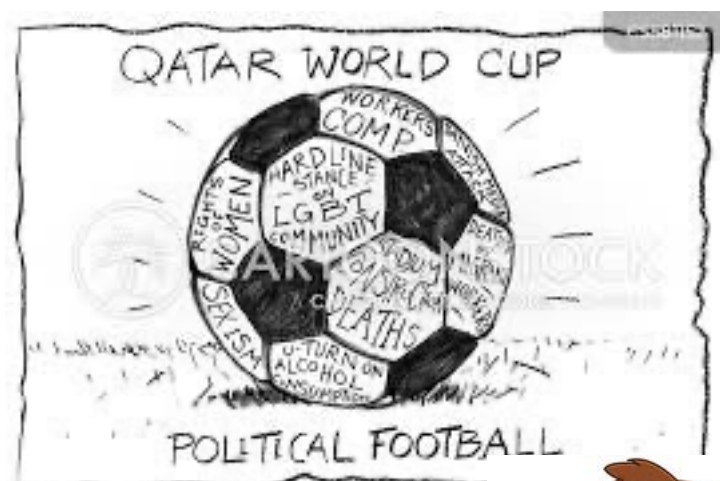
Research shows us this is a much used section of the Pinkie

The Amuri Community Arts Council are pleased to be displaying

Snapshot

a group exhibition featuring selected works by Sarah Anderson, Janneth Gil, Karen Greenslade, Viv Kepes, Stephanie McEwin. MiKyung (Amelia Jang and Mark Soltero

Exhibition runs until end of January
ACAC Gallery
Hanmer Springs Library



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HANMER SINGS Adults Choir

Come and raise the roof with us! We are a super friendly and welcoming bunch who simply love singing. We sing a wide variety of songs (always open to requests!) while learning harmonies and singing techniques. Hanmer Sings is FREE! The more the merrier! Donations are optional.
Tuesday nights 7pm-8.30pm

YOGA

weekly classes

Contact Olivia 021 548 77

TUESDAY WALKERS

Tuesday morn walks in local forest area. Approx 1½ - 2 hours. Meet 9.45 am at Jollies Pass Rd Forest Entry car park (by old DoC house) More info Anne 0212777515 or Julian 021 148 2811

Hanmer Springs Tennis Club

During season twilight tennis plus kid's coaching. Contacts:, Olivia Reid 021548776 (adults), Sarah Currie (Kids) 02108264557 Talia Shadbolt 021170 7114 (Senior Interclub)

PILATES

Pilates classes @ 12 Amuri Ave
Mon 5.30pm Thursday 8.45 am 10 am
Corrie 0210457666
Wendy 027243 2123

Tramping group

Day tramps in local mountains and surrounding areas. Every Wednesday. For more information contact Janet 021 103 4303. Mt Isobel Tramping Group

HANMER SPRINGS COMMUNITY GYM

For use by members. Located downstairs @ Sports Pavilion. Machines for cardio & weight exercise. Membership enquiries
Phone Shane Adcock 021 921 109

LINE DANCING

Memorial Hall Monday 1 pm
Contact Penny 0272 408 321
Cost:donation

HANMER SPRINGS BRIDGE CLUB

THURSDAYS AT THE ANGLICAN CHURCH HALL @ 7.15 pm
Call Joy 027 220 2511

AQUACIZE

Thermal Pools entrance,
Monday mornings 10 am.
Informal group. Will need aqua stick. For more information
Contact
Linda 021 223 8188

Hanmer Springs Community Band -

'The Notables' are seeking players. Particularly a drummer, keyboard and bass player. You will need to read sheet music or have a really good ear. Join Hanmer's 'little' Big Band. Monday nights 7 to 8.30pm (school terms). Instruments are also available to borrow. Contact Marguerite for details: 0211254062

MORRIS DANCING

lots of laughs with some added exertion.

Dancers and musicians welcome
Sundays 7 pm onwards
Contact John 021395022

Listings on these pages are free and are the responsibility of those listed to keep up-to-date

FACILITIES & VENUES

HANMER SPRINGS GOLF CLUB

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Hanmer Springs Lions Club

Dinner meetings every 2nd Thursday of the month at Five Stags at 6.30pm. All welcome. To join or for more information, contact Boio Sarahu-Hothersall, email hanmerspringslionsclub@gmail.com.

COMBINED PROBUS CLUB HANMER SPRINGS

Meetings first Tuesday each month
Fun and Fellowship ..
for the more mature
To join or for more information Contact:-
Rosemary Oram Ph 021 2556262
Dennis Hall 021 294 1541

SPORTS PAVILION

Available for sports groups, weddings, functions etc. Fully equipped kitchen. Large carpeted function room. Changing rooms, showers. Contact The Hurunui District Council Nicola on 03 314 8816.

ANGLICAN CHURCH HALL

Available for hire for community groups, Meetings, worship, retreats etc.
Contact Shirley Whitaker 0274 161415

CHURCHES

REMNANT CHURCH NZ

Sunday 10 am All welcome
108 Rippingale Rd
A Four Square Church
0210767236

Hanmer Church of the Epiphany

31 Jollies Pass Road - Sundays 10 am
1st & 3rd Sunday – Morning Worship
2nd & 4th Sunday – communion
Tea & Coffee after Sunday service.
Contact: Jonathan Gardiner
315 7925 / 0276 859 276 (warden)








Catholic Parish of the Good Shepherd, Hurunui

St Roch's Church 27 Amuri Ave. Mass 5 pm each Saturday
Culverden Church Mass 6.30 pm
first Sunday of each month &
2nd 3rd Saturday each month

USE 105 FOR POLICE NON-EMERGENCIES

Fire, Ambulance and Police Dial 111

Know your Plastic Codes as In Hurunui 1, 2 and 5 ONLY can be Recycled

Symbol	Acronym	Full name and uses
	PET	Polyethylene terephthalate - Fizzy drink bottles and frozen ready meal packages.
	HDPE	High-density polyethylene - Milk and washing-up liquid bottles
	PVC	Polyvinyl chloride - Food trays, cling film, bottles for squash, mineral water and shampoo.
	LDPE	Low density polyethylene - Carrier bags and bin liners.
	PP	Polypropylene - Margarine tubs, microwave-able meal trays.
	PS	Polystyrene - Yoghurt pots, foam meat or fish trays, hamburger boxes and egg cartons, vending cups, plastic cutlery, protective packaging for electronic goods and toys.
	Other	Any other plastics that do not fall into any of the above categories. For example melamine, often used in plastic plates and cups.

Please Note that HDC garbage & recycling bags are no longer available from the Four Square supermarket . Henceforth, bags will only be available from Hanmer Springs Service Station, the library , The Log Cabin and Super Liquor



HANMER SPRINGS TRANSFER STATION

SUMMER HOURS From September to 5 May

Tuesday - 1pm - 4pm
Wednesday - 1pm to 4pm
Friday - 10am to 1pm
Sunday - 10am to 2pm

Out of hours recycling facilities for paper, card, cans, plastics types 1, 2 & 5 only and glass bottles are provided; please ensure recycling is clean, loose and all lids are removed. Soft plastics (i.e. those you can scrunch in your hand) are not recyclable and must be placed in the refuse.

Kerbside refuse and recycling collection – Monday 8am

Only official refuse and recycling bags will be collected; these can be purchased from Hanmer Springs Service Station and the library.

Via the recycling bags clean paper, card, cans and plastics types 1, 2 & 5 only can be recycled.

If in doubt – place it in the refuse to save contaminating recycling.

Non complying bags and recycling bags containing

Hanmer Springs Lions Senior Citizens Lunch

Hanmer Springs Lions Club wish to invite all Hanmer Springs Residents 65 years and over to their annual Christmas Luncheon



Where:
Hanmer Springs Golf Club

When:
Wednesday 14th December

Time
12 pm (to be seated 12.15pm)

RSVP Vicky Phillips 3157270 or 0212239907



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