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Cover image: Hanmer Springs celebrates it's Golden Jubilee in 1933 with a grand procession (recoloured)

Take a moment to appreciate our Old Identities...

As the morning sun bathed the celebrations in a warm glow (ie before the rain set in – apparently it bucketed all afternoon), the first ceremony took place. Mr. G. O. Rutherford, Chairman of the Jubilee Celebrations Committee, placed a plain laurel wreath on the Hanmer Memorial. This simple ceremony offered remembrance to the fallen soldiers who had sacrificed their lives for the Empire during the Great War and offered a fitting start to the day's celebrations.

Central to the 1933 Golden Jubilee celebrations, the **Old Identities** of the village were accorded a heartfelt tribute. The festivities centred around them, starting with a motorcade through the lush plantations of the State Forest Service. The vehicles traveled 16km of forestry roads, where memories flooded back as the Old Identities gazed upon the now towering trees that once stood as mere scrubland and swamp. The tour offered insights into the meticulous tree-planting methods employed, along with the stringent fire prevention measures implemented. Following the forest tour, the Old Identities gathered for morning tea hosted by the State Forest Service. A magnificent three-tier birthday cake adorned with fifty candles took center stage. Mrs. E Lahmert, Mrs. G Argelin, and Mr. William Newcombe, among others, who had witnessed Hanmer's evolution in the 1850s and 60s, shared the honor of cutting the cake.

Addressing the gathering, Mr. Mockett welcomed the Old Identities, acknowledging that the morning's tour must have evoked vivid memories for them. The plantations, typically off-limits, had opened their gates to the community, a privilege extended by the State Forest Service. As the day progressed, the procession made its way to the Hanmer Domain. Mrs. G Argelin, a cherished member of the community and the town's longest-standing resident, having called Hanmer home for an impressive 63 years, was asked to take centre stage. With great pride, she planted a scarlet oak to immortalise the jubilee. The cheers that erupted at the conclusion of this ceremony served as a resounding testament to the appreciation and love the community held for her.



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trivia.

Quiz



1. The Model T was introduced by which car manufacturer in 1908?
2. What part of the proboscis monkey is its most prominent feature?
3. Arthur Dent was a protagonist in which book?
4. What is the capital of Norway?
5. Fashion models perform their stuff on which raised platform?
6. On which part of the body would a pacemaker be fitted?
7. The duck-billed platypus is native to which country?
8. Which feline did Alice encounter in Wonderland?
9. Who played Arnold Schwarzenegger's twin brother in the film Twins?
10. Which star sign comes between Capricorn and Pisces?
11. Which dance would you associate with Moulin Rouge?
12. Which organ of the body was once considered to be the source of melancholy?
13. Which Bond movie features the bowler-hatted Oddjob?
14. To what does the expression 'fourth estate' refer?
15. What dessert is made by mixing soft cooked fruit with whipped cream and/or custard?
16. Which plant has edible pink stems but poisonous leaves?
17. What is the translation of the name of the French dessert parfait?
18. What is the cube root of 1000?
19. Which military bugle call is the first played on Anzac Day?
20. What is the word for pruning and sculpting trees into artistic shapes?
21. Who wrote *How to Be a Domestic Goddess*?
22. An ibex is what type of animal ?
23. What is the name of the title character in *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*?
24. Whose novels were set in the fictional county of Wessex?
25. The fermentation of sugar produces which substance?
26. What is the only surviving one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World?
27. Who played the title character in *Captain Corelli's Mandolin*?
28. Which Latin words is used for an open-roofed entrance hall or central court?
29. Which theatrical verb means to force someone else out of the limelight?
30. What is the main alcoholic ingredient in a Margarita?



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TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. Ford
2. It's nose
3. Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy
4. Oslo
5. Catwalk
6. The heart
7. Australia
8. The Cheshire Cat
9. Danny de Vito
10. Aquarius
11. Can-Can
12. Spleen
13. Goldfinger
14. The Press
15. A fool
16. Rhubarb
17. Perfect
18. Ten
19. The Last Post
20. Topiary
21. Nigella Lawson
22. A goat
23. Quasimodo
24. Thomas Hardy
25. Alcohol
26. Great Pyramid of Giza
27. Nicolas Cage
28. Atrium
29. Upstage
30. Tequila.

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The road to that famous morning tea put on by the State Forestry Department...

In 19th Century NZ the widely held and entrenched view was that clearing bush and creating a grassed landscape was virtuous and proper and the forests' place in NZ was a matter of scant regard.

By 1870 the extent of forest destruction was a matter of concern to some. In 1871 legislation offering additional land grants were made to those planting trees in Canterbury, Nelson and Otago.

In 1874 Premier Julius Vogel supported the first Forests Act – repealed soon after.

In 1876 Captain Inches Campbell Walker was employed to assess the state of NZ's forests. . . however his sage advice received a luke-warm response.

In 1885 Vogel introduce a second Forests Act which was passed, giving approval for the appointment of staff and the setting aside of State Forests. Thomas Kirk was appointed Conservator of forests, only to be dismissed by a new Government after less than two years in the role.

In 1913 a Government convened Royal Commission reported upon the major forestry and timber supply issues of the day. The First World War stimulated extra demand for wood supplies and increased interest in forestry.

In October 1917 Prime Minister William Massey announced government's intention to form a forestry department. Secretary of Forests, E Phillips Turner advised that the Forestry Branch of the Lands and Survey Department had been established as a separate department, the State Forest Service, on September 1, 1919.

And for Hanmer Springs – well, in order to provide timber for the Christchurch market, reserve land was set aside between 1900 and 1901. The planting of exotic trees began in 1902. The rest, as they say, is history...



The 1933 Golden Jubilee was indeed a grand affair – and here's an insight into the planning. What we'd now call classified advertisements were placed in local newspapers far and wide as follows:

HANMER SPRINGS GOLDEN JUBILEE

Residents of Hanmer Springs District (Hanmer Plains Reserve), of 30 years or more ago are invited to send their names and addresses to OLD IDENTITIES COMMITTEE, Box 4, Hanmer Springs, in order that they may be communicated with.

The above photo (recoloured) shows Mrs Argelin centre stage, alongside fellow Old Identities Miss A Lahmer, Mrs E Lahmert and Mrs Patterson. The top tier of the large cake remains intact for now...

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On yer bike...

Nestled amidst the picturesque landscapes of New Zealand, Hanmer Springs has earned a well-deserved reputation as a mountain biking haven. The crown jewel of this cycling paradise is the St James Cycle Trail, an integral part of the renowned Nga Haerenga New Zealand Cycle Trail. Just 13 kilometers from Hanmer Springs, this trail spans a challenging 57 kilometers loop over Jacks Pass, offering an exhilarating experience for fit riders who can complete it in a day. For those seeking an extended adventure, the trail can be transformed into a two-day trip with the option of overnight stays in campsites or the area's three huts.

The network of mountain bike trails encompassing Hanmer Springs is truly a treasure trove for biking enthusiasts. From easy rides to expert runs, the forests surrounding the town offer an extensive variety of trails to suit all skill levels. Among the popular trails are the thrilling Alligator Alley, Upper Dog Stream, Detox, and the Tank Track. The biking community's excitement soared in 2020 with the addition of the Southern Cross and Tombstone trails, which expanded the existing network further. Notably, the Tombstone trail, spanning four kilometers, features a climb to a soaring 185 meters, followed by an adrenaline-pumping 240-meter descent – a true testament to its "world-class" status.

For adventurers seeking a slightly less technical challenge, the Jacks Pass – Clarence River – Jollies Pass Loop offers a 25-kilometer circuit that can be completed in two to four hours. While not overly demanding in terms of technicality, this ride demands caution due to its high elevation of 700 meters above sea level, making it susceptible to sudden and extreme weather changes that have caught unprepared riders off guard.

Beyond its local offerings, Hanmer Springs also serves as the starting or ending point for two more iconic cycle trails, namely the Molesworth Muster cycle trail and the Rainbow Trail, both being part of the wider Nga Haerenga New Zealand Cycle Trail.

New hydroslides are almost here...

Tracing their roots back to ancient civilizations, hydroslides have come a long way to become the thrilling water park features we know today. Ancient cultures like the Greeks and Romans paved the way for this aquatic amusement. Utilising ingenious aqueducts and water channels, these early thrill-seekers indulged in basic water slides that sparked the idea of recreational water play. Fast forward to the 18th and 19th centuries, and wooden water slides took center stage. Adventurous individuals experimented with lubricating these slides with various substances to increase speed, creating exciting experiences for their peers.

The 20th century marked a turning point for hydroslides, thanks to pioneering developments in amusement parks. The opening of Disneyland in 1955 and other amusement parks around the globe popularised water slides, catapulting them into the limelight of entertainment.

With the advent of fiberglass in the 1960s and 1970s, hydroslide designs took a quantum leap. This revolutionary material enabled creators to craft intricate and imaginative slide layouts. As a result, visitors were treated to an array of options, from enclosed tube slides with twists and turns to multi-lane slides for side-by-side racing fun.

Safety has always been a paramount concern, and modern advancements have addressed these worries head-on. Slide designs have evolved to ensure smoother and safer rides, while enhanced materials and water flow management offer a secure experience for all thrill-seekers.

Today, those fine folks at the pools have announced that their brand new hydroslides are getting very close. These new hydroslides will provide daredevils young and old with a refreshing escape from the summer heat and a guaranteed rush of adrenaline. What's more, they will be running a competition to name the hydroslide - so get your thinking caps on.

New member wanted for Hurunui's Creative Communities Funds Assessment Panel

We're looking for an enthusiastic person to join our panel as we assess funding applications for arts projects in our district through the Creative Communities NZ grant scheme.

This opportunity is open to anyone who is passionate about the arts and familiar with the range and diversity of arts within Hurunui District.

This is a voluntary position with no remuneration offered and involves attending a meeting in Amberley in March and September to assess the funding applications.

If you are interested in becoming a panel member, please send us a brief resume with your contact details and listing your interest and involvement in the arts, as well as the names of two referees who would support your application. Email applications to maree.hare@hurunui.govt.nz before 5pm Monday 21 August 2023.

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Ingredients

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160g tin sweetcorn, drained

1 tsp onion powder

1 tsp smoked paprika

1 tbsp lemon juice

2 tbsp gram flour

2 tbsp rapeseed oil

To serve

4 wholemeal buns

1 head little gem lettuce, leaves separated

2 large tomatoes, sliced

sea salt and freshly ground black pepper

Method

Heat a barbecue until the flames have died down and the coals are glowing. If you're not using a barbecue, heat a griddle pan until hot.

Tip the chickpeas into a bowl and crush to a thick paste with a potato masher. Stir in the sweetcorn, onion powder, smoked paprika, lemon juice and plenty of salt and black pepper.

Add the gram flour and mix well until everything starts to stick together. Divide the mixture into four, then form each quarter into a burger shape.

Brush the burgers with oil and place on the barbecue or griddle. Cook on each side for 2 minutes, until crisp and hot through.

Split the buns and heat on the barbecue or griddle. Serve the burgers in the buns, topped with lettuce leaves and tomato. Serve immediately.

WHIPPED AVOCADO WITH SILKEN TOFU, LIME AND JALAPEÑO

Silken tofu and ripe avocado give this dip a lusciously thick, creamy texture, with the jalapeños and lime adding a refreshing bite. Serve with crudités and small grissini bread sticks.

INGREDIENTS

300 grams silken tofu, drained

1 large ripe avocado

½ packed cup coriander, roughly chopped

3 tablespoons olive oil

¼ cup sliced jalapeños in brine, drained

1 tablespoon jalapeño brine

finely grated zest 2 limes

2 tablespoons lime juice

2 cloves garlic, crushed

1 teaspoon caster sugar

1½ teaspoons sea salt

TO SERVE

toasted sesame seeds and olive oil

METHOD

Place all the ingredients in a food processor and blend until silky-smooth or place in a deep bowl and use a stick blender.

TO SERVE

Transfer to a serving bowl and top with sesame seeds and a drizzle of olive oil.

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New hydro-slides getting closer...

In an exciting development, changes are coming for the beige and green hydrosides that have been an iconic part of the complex since 1998. One-of-a-kind in New Zealand, the brand new slides coming later this year will replace these two oldest hydro-slides. The first parts of the two new slides have just arrived on site! While Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools & Spa can't give away too much information yet, these slides are set to be the future of fun. As they get ready, can you guess what the stripes might be for?

Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools & Spa will be offering an experience you can't find inside any other slide in New Zealand. Just like their Conical Thrill ride, they'll be giving the public the opportunity to name the brand new slides too – but you'll need to wait to hear more on their social media channels more before letting your imagination run wild.



A shift in thinking for two coastal roads in Hurunui

How golfers get to Amberley Golf Course is being reviewed. Rapid erosion is winning the battle against time for the future of a section of Golf Links Road, which is experiencing significant erosion and inundation due to overtopping of the beach ridge.

At Hurunui District Council's July meeting on Tuesday, the decision to investigate a new road alignment for Golf Links Road was debated, which sits just north of Amberley Beach settlement. Future access to the golf course, Waimaiaia Reserve and the Waipara River boundary is being investigated via Webbs Road and Hursley Terrace, following the river boundary through private land and onto the golf course, to re-join the existing Golf Links Road, is one of the options.

The other option being considered proposes to extend the road from Grierson Avenue, through private land, across a wetland, to the southern boundary of the Golf Club. Since last November public meetings have provided opportunities for community input into road alignment options. Currently, the road is re-graded as soon as practicable after weather events, however this is not a sustainable long-term approach.

Council has agreed to investigate the estimated cost of both proposed road realignments, including consenting and construction, plus the cost to acquire land, and for Officers to report back to the August 29 Council meeting. Amberley Golf Course has been at Golf Links Road since 1954, founded in 1922 when it was opposite Amberley House on SH1, before it was moved to the Amberley Domain, then Lawcocks Road.

"The golf course is an important part of our community, we have got to do whatever we can to take them with us on this journey," said South Ward Councillor Garry Jackson.

Further north, Claverley Road has also been suffering the effect of coastal erosion. This road is the only public access to three farms, and KiwiRail's coastal line runs parallel to the road, right beside the coast. An approximate 50 metre section of the road was eroded by king tides in late June and early July 2023. Since 2018, sea erosion has been documented on several occasions, causing road damage, rock movement, and bank erosion.

Intervention steps have been taken in the past to protect the road, but it is now at a point where a long-term solution is needed. Meetings involving Council staff, a Contractor and KiwiRail Engineers, a local Councillor and affected landowners have taken place on site this year to discuss the situation and possible solutions. Chief Operations Officer Dan Harris says KiwiRail will now work out the design to protect the rail. From there, options for a new road can be looked at. "We are working with KiwiRail the best we can, we will have no clear direction before they have made their assessment."

Nearby archaeological sites will also be taken into consideration. Mayor Marie Black said collaboration is key. "I believe together we can work through this, that is how we will gain the best outcome."





Next Gen volunteers take training to the top level

A simulated emergency response saw multiple victims being rescued from Hanmer Springs Forest this month, with first responders from a range of agencies attending to the “injured”. On hand were 16 young people from around Hurunui District, who were getting an insight into being a volunteer with an emergency service through a Youth in Emergency Services (YES) Camp, held over the second week of the July holidays. Hurunui District Council Youth Development Officer Jo Sherwood said that over five days, youth were exposed to a range of emergency scenarios involving Police, St John, Red Cross, LandSAR, Fire and Emergency NZ (FENZ) and Civil Defence.

“At the end of the week, all the agencies came together to deliver an exercise that put everything our young people had learnt during the week to the test,” Sherwood said.

Participants ended the week’s training by choosing an emergency service to volunteer with for three months. Izzy Baille of Home Schools Hanmer said she had chosen to volunteer with FENZ, with a particular interest in fire safety in the built environment. “I found the week super interesting and really enjoyed being a part of it. It was really all good. The blindfolded playground obstacle course really showed how easy it was to get disoriented,” Izzy said.

Grace Leen of Rangiora High School agreed she would “definitely” do it again. “Overall, I learnt more about teamwork and the different roles needed within emergency services and how to get a big task done as quickly as possible to save lives.” Grace said she had chosen to volunteer with the Amberley Volunteer Fire Brigade. FENZ group manager for Hurunui and Kaikoura Colin Russell said it was heartwarming to see the next generation of volunteers coming through.

“We depend on our volunteers to support our local communities, so we’re very supportive of programmes that encourage volunteers, now and in future – it’s a bit of future proofing for volunteers. The young adults involved this week showed a great deal of enthusiasm, commitment, and keenness to support their communities. They gave up a week of their holidays to experience all sectors of volunteering.”



Hurunui District Council Emergency Management Officer Allan Grigg said it had been a “fantastic” week, with impressive leadership displayed by Hurunui’s young people. “It was rewarding to see such a great willingness to engage and assess situations, make decisions and lead teams,” Grigg said. Grigg said the youngsters had to respond to a multi-agency event at the end of the week’s training that included a simulated motor vehicle crash, with a van full of people needing assistance; a simulated search for a missing person; and a simulated fire rescue.

YES Camp was previously run as a national, funded programme but was paused when funding ended for Hurunui and the programme was impacted by events including the Hurunui Kaikoura earthquake, Port Hills Fire, staff secondment and Covid. “Hurunui Youth Council asked us to bring YES Camp back for 2023, with Youth Councillor Sam Bush strongly advocating for it, and it’s been a huge success,” Sherwood said.

“Youth Council Chair Millie-Jane McIlraith gave up her week to cook for her peers and Youth Councillor Will Munsey spent five hours in the bush one cold evening to be rescued in the LandSAR scenario.” YES Camp 2023 was made possible with funding from The Rātā Foundation and the Ministry of Social Development (MSD), the contribution of staff and volunteers from Police, FENZ, St John, Red Cross and LandSAR, Mayor Marie Black and Hurunui District Councillor Tom Davies, plus Hanmer Springs Forest Camp, Satisfy Food Rescue, Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools & Spa, Hanmer 4Square and Hanmer Fish and Chips.



Top Right: A Civil Defence rescue gets underway with injured victims needing to be stretchered to safety.

Top Left & Bottom Right: FENZ lead a response to a simulated rural fire event.

Left: Civil Defence Emergency Management training prepared young people ahead of a simulated Civil Defence Rescue.



Hanmer Springs School

Pinkie Report

Term 3 Week 2

Journalists - Amelia Saric, Sharnie Inglis, Amelia Nelson, Kiara Bratschi, Charlie Bryant

Canterbury Rugby.

Ben Funnell, Fergus Burke, Tom Christie, Mitch Drummond, Cullen Grace, Zach Gallagher, Fletcher Newell and Reed Prinsep are players in the Canterbury Rugby team who came to our school on Thursday. The kapa haka group welcomed them and we sang a waiata before they sat down for a question and answer session. We had lots of questions to ask. Afterwards they did some kicks with the kids who play in the Hurunui Hogs. I found it cool that you can make money from doing something you're passionate about and do what you love. On Friday afternoon the Y3-8 students went to watch the rugby game at the domain.



Piwakawaka writing.

Piwakawaka class have become penpals with author Clare Scott who wrote 'The midnight adventures of Ruru and Kiwi'. They have written some stories about Kiwi and Ruru which they will send to Clare for her to read. They listened carefully to the sounds they needed.

Kiwi and Ruru are going to see horses. They ride the horses and have fun. By Raukura.

Ruru and Kiwi went to Launch Pad. They bounced on the trampolines. By Iris.

Ruru lost her tooth. It was her bottom tooth. By Ruby.

Kiwi is biking in the forest. By Taylor.

Ruru and Kiwi went diving for crayfish. They got lots and lots and lots. Ruru did her homework.

By Will.

Kiwi and Ruru are going for a bike ride. By Harriet.

Ruru and Kiwi went to the hot pools. By Coby.

Ruru and Kiwi are going to the haunted castle. They see skeleton bones. By Caleb.

Ruru and Kiwi are going to the flower shop. They get the flowers and go home and go to their mum and dad. By Patrick.

Kiwi and Ruru go biking home. By Myra-Anne.

Kiwi and Ruru are going to the hydroslide. By Eliza.

Kiwi and Ruru go on the digger. By Jax.

Kiwi is biking in the forest. By Akshit.



Winning house reward.

On Wednesday the two winning houses Percival and Dumblane went to the hot pools. Percival were the winning house in Term 1 but last term the slides were closed. Percival won again in Term 2 but since they had already won, they donated their prize to the second place Dumblane. We all had lots of fun at the pools. The younger students played in the kids pool and had fun with their friends. The older students went on the hydrosides and in the hot pools, lap pool and lazy river. Thank you to the Thermal Pools for allowing us to have our free trips - we really appreciate your support. Thank you to the parents who came along with us.



Holiday writing by Aaliya.

Our family went on a 6-week holiday to India in May. We took off from Christchurch airport the day after we left school. It was a really long trip, we landed at Mumbai airport 2 days later, including the 1 hour stops at Auckland and Singapore. Rupa Maushi (my aunty) picked us up and took us to our apartment. It was sweating hot even at midnight so we turned on the air conditioner. My cousins Vedica and Vikrant and their mum Kranti Maushi came to stay with us.

One night we went to a carnival and we went on a Ferris wheel. Then we went to shoot balloons with a slug gun. There was horse riding and driving mini cars for kids on the road. Some people in India stay up late so we did too. We bought three R/C cars and set off home.

We visited the gateway of India that was built for the visit of King George the Fifth and Queen Mary on their first visit to India in 1911. There was an Indian dance concert so we watched that and went to see Asoba (grandad) in another part of Mumbai.



We visited Goa which is another state in India. The plane ride was only 1 hour. The waters were so warm and the sand burned my feet (almost). Back in Mumbai, we stayed a couple of days at my cousin's house for Vedica's birthday party. I learned how to play some games with her friends. Back at our house, we called a taxi for a 3-4 hour drive to Pune to see mum's other brother. We went to a mall and to the timezone. We drove back to Mumbai and had some dinner and went to bed.



A couple of days later we went to the science centre. There were lots of cool things and activities like putting your hands on a machine and it felt like being struck by lightning! Then we saw mum's other sister and had lunch. After that, we went to a planetarium and watched a show about space. After a couple of weeks and a couple of days, before we leave, me and my mum got mehndi, somebody makes patterns on your hand with mehndi corns, and waits for it to dry, then rub it off and the next day it will turn red because of your body heat. It lasts for a couple of weeks.

We flew to Singapore and in the airport there was a cactus garden, a water lily garden, a butterfly garden (it has lots of butterflies), and lots more. We were there for 12 hours so we had a sleep. Finally, we had the 10-hour flight to Christchurch and we drove straight back to Hanmer Springs. (Fact: The city of Mumbai has twice as many people than the whole of New Zealand). And that was my holiday.

In tour with Richard



A Tribute to the Followers of the Grand Game of AFL

One thing about the followers of AFL is they are travellers and will willingly visit any country which has AFL on television along with cheap beer.

Throughout my years of living in and visiting Asia I have never failed to miss a day of encounters with these avid supporters of a game I am yet to fathom.

They are loud, they tend to shout at the television and at Bazza or Wozza or Bunter or whoever it is that has either just dropped or caught the ball. Also, they abhor supporters of any other code of football as utterly worthless human beings.

They have a uniform in this country, shorts and thongs (jandals to you) and invariably a beer branded singlet which has enough open sides to adequately display their hairy armpits (sweatier the better) when they throw their arms in the air, which seems to be timed at about every 30 seconds. There must also be ample girth to support the belly.

I have no wish to appear sexist but the women also have a uniform (although they do shave their pits) which is a loose and garish summer frock (often in lime green) that has probably been run up by a local tailor, and they do have a predilection for colouring their hair blonde if it hasn't already been bleached that way by the Australian sun. Aussie accents also seem to intensify when they get away from home. Ash trays are overflowing.

I once went into a favourite bar in Hanoi only to find it was full of AFL supporters who were there on tour. I had the temerity to ask why, if they were Hawthorn supporters, a team based at the MCG, had they come all the way to Vietnam to watch the game when it was available just around the corner at home. 'Where are you from, you **** smartarse?' was the response. And when I said New Zealand that was the red rag to a bull.

'Got a retired front row forward from New Zulland here folks' he shouted out to the crowd. "Thick as a cheese sandwich. A Tasman Sea wetback. Here sweetheart, pour Nigel a pint, we'll show him some real football," he said to the barmaid.

I insisted I didn't want one but it was lined up in front of me anyway.

Just then someone scored a goal and my newfound friend smashed his fist down on the bar sending pints flying in all directions. This included mine, both of them, and I decided it would perhaps be a good time to

beat a hasty retreat to the hotel for a shower, despite the threat that I owed Bruce one.

I paid for my original pint and the barmaid asked me plaintively "How I get rid of these people? They come in and change the channel and they are so rude. I try turning off the television but they threaten to kill me.' Some Poms were covering in the corner.

Turn the power off at the mains, I told her. As I left, she took my advice and the place was plunged into darkness. There was an uproar of anguished cries and breaking glass and curses on the Vietnamese and their faulty power supply. Some of the comments were more than a little bit racist.

Another time I was in Vung Tau, a southern city where the Aussies were based during the Vietnam War and at this time home to hundreds of septuagenarian former soldiers whose first and second wives had kicked them out and they had returned looking for a camaraderie they had known as soldiers (there lies another story).

It was a tense rugby union test between the All Blacks and the Springboks and half way through the game the television was switched over to a replay of last week's match between Essendon and Collingwood. The Aussies by far outnumbered the Kiwis and had threatened a mass walkout and boycott so just as McCaw had made a break toward the line, it suddenly switched to aerial ping pong with Wozza taking a spectacular replayed mark. No, he dropped the ball, and they all cried out in anguish, even though they knew that from last week.

To put it in the words of one of the girls who works at my local sports bar "Why they so rude' .

And I was a little upset when a Crusaders jersey I had kindly donated was being pinned to the wall and got spat on and had beer and all manner of things thrown over it.





Netball Results

After 3 weeks off (2 for school holidays and 1 due to bad weather) we all played this week. Here are the results.

BIG SHOUT OUT TO PREETI WATSON FOR MAKING REPS. DO US PROUD PREETI

Gavins Logging Senior A – Hanmer A/Harwarden B – Score 47/18

The team had an outstanding game against Harwarden B on Saturday. We had 3 new players join the team and they slotted in perfectly, thanks to Jazmin Cuff, Phillipa Necklan and Preeti Watson! After having three weeks off we started the game off seamlessly with lots of movement, tough defence and stayed consistent throughout the game. In the 4th quarter we mixed things up a bit and Cassidy Gray did an amazing job in the GA bib. We finished the game with a 47-18 win. The **Monteith's Hanmer Brewery Bar** player of the day went to **Ashleigh Crean**. Only 3 weeks of netball left, we would love to see more supporters on the sidelines!

Alpine Electrical U14s – Hanmer Under 14's/ Cheviot A U14's team – Score 23/3 Cheviot A

After 3 weeks off for holidays and bad weather and not being able to train Thursday due to weather again the girls put in a very solid effort. Everyone of the team worked very hard. Cheviot was a tough team, but we certainly rattled them a lot. We will be working on converting ball at our end into goals. We were so close on several occasions. The score does not reflect the cohesive way the girls played or the great effort they put in. This week "The **Fire & Ice** most improved player" was so close I had to give two. **Anika Duncan** for working well around the defensive circle and playing on even with a sore foot and **Ella Paterson**, for great defence as GK and getting a lot of rebounds. Well done girls.



Future Ferns

The Future Ferns played amazing today against Cheviot. There were amazing shots put up and some awesome intercepts! The girls all put their best effort in and showed some really great teamwork on court. **The Toy Shop** player of the day went to **Bridie Roborgh** for finding space on the court and amazing shooting.

Only three weeks of games left.

If you would be keen to play next season, get in touch. We are hoping to have 5 team's next season. Senior A, Senior B, Under 14's, Future Ferns & Fun Ferns.

All contact info is on the Hanmer App or message through the Hanmer Springs Netball Facebook page.



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AUGUST

- 4-6 Winter Tango in Hanmer Weekend
- 18 Hanmer Springs Film Club – Golf Club 6.40pm
- 19 Movie Night @ Remnant House
- 26 Scotty Anderson Memorial Men's Golf
Jessie Sutherland Memorial Ladies Golf

SEPTEMBER

- 2 Five Stags Taste Temptations 4pm – with live music from award winning guitarist Susan Leigh Grant
- 3 Fathers Day @ Remnant House
- 15 Hanmer Springs Film Club – Golf Club 6.40pm
- 18 Movie Night @ Remnant House
- 30 Saxophone Weekend Workshop with Lana Law

OCTOBER

- 3 Christchurch Youth Jazz Orchestra @12 noon
Concert on the Green. Memorial Hall if wet.
- 6–8 Mens 54 Hole Golf Tournament
- 13 Hanmer Springs Film Club – Golf Club 6.40pm
- 26–29 Hurunui Garden Festival
- 27 Hanmer Springs Fete

NOVEMBER

- 5 Shootout Golf Final
- 18 Anglican Church Fair (if wet pp to Sunday 19th)

DECEMBER

- 2 Alpine Marathon
- 16 Christmas Hamper Golf Tournament

Please let us know if you have any events running between now and the end of the year as this calendar is frequently consulted hsvillagenews@xtra.co.nz

Winter Tango in Hanmer

In the picturesque alpine village of Hanmer Springs, New Zealand, tango enthusiasts are eagerly preparing for the 7th Winter Tango Festival. Organised by Anne-Maree Therkleson, the festival attracts tangueros from all over the country for three days of social dancing under the snow-clad Southern Alps. The event features four milongas, each with its own unique theme and music selection, held at the iconic Hanmer War Memorial Hall. Beyond dance, Anne-Maree fosters a sense of community through tango, connecting people from diverse backgrounds. To join this enchanting experience, reservations can be made on her website, tangolibre.com.



Fascinating fun facts

Golf – did you know...

Golf is the only sport to have been played on the moon. On February 6, 1971, astronaut Alan Shepard famously hit a golf ball during the Apollo 14 mission. In the moon's lower gravity, Shepard's drive traveled an estimated distance of over 200 yards, making it the longest golf shot in history, but with a lunar twist!

Bridge – did you know...

"Lightner Double": This term is used when a player makes an unusual double, asking their partner to make an unusual lead after the opponents have bid a slam contract. It's named after Theodore Lightner, who first used this tactic in a high-stakes tournament during the 1930s.

Bowls – did you know...

The game of bowls can be traced back to ancient civilizations. The Egyptians played a game similar to modern-day lawn bowls over 5,000 years ago. The game spread to Greece and Rome, and there are records of Roman soldiers playing a form of bowls during their leisure time.

The oldest surviving bowling green in the world today is located in Southampton, England. It dates back to 1299 and is still in use, making it over 700 years old.

Community Notices

Hurunui District Councillors

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Rod Ell 315 7222 or 027 437 2464

Jonathan Gardiner 315 7925 or 027 685 9276

Ann Toomey 03 384 2564 or 021 155 7622

Meals on Wheels AGM

Tuesday 1 August 2023 2pm
O'Flynn's Irish Pub

Light refreshments after the meeting RSVP 25 July
If you are interested in a position on the committee please let us know via email Kaylene.haines@gmail.com

All Welcome

HANMER SPRINGS BRIDGE CLUB

Results 27/07/2023

1st – J Pillidge & R Hothersall



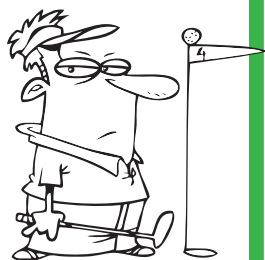
GOLF RESULTS

Saturday 29th July Combined Par

| | |
|--------------------|--------|
| 1st Dean Pollock | |
| Murray Pool | Square |
| 2nd Glenn Bateman | |
| Gray Prebble | -1 |
| 3rd Joe Gantley | |
| Owen Evans | -2 |
| 4th. Steve Pearson | |
| Mike Gibbon | -3 |

Twos

Mike Acton
Jeff Dalley



Nearest the pin
Dean Pollock

**Jackpot twos &
Net eagles**
not struck

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FILM CLUB

Venue: The Golf Club Rooms
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Friday 18 August @ 6.40pm \$18 – Cash only
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Contact: hanmermusicandarts@gmail.com

TUESDAY WALKERS

Tuesday morn walks in local forest area. Approx 1.5 – 2 hours. Meet 9.45am at Jollies Pass Rd Forest Entry Car Park (by old DoC house). More info Anne 021 277 7515 or Julian 021 148 2811

HANMER SPRINGS TENNIS CLUB

During season twilight tennis plus kid's coaching.
Contacts:
Olivia Reid 021 548 776 (adults)
Sarah Currie 021 082 64557 (kids)

PILATES

Pilates classes @ 12 Amuri Ave
Monday 5.30pm
Thursday 8.45am and 10am
Corrie 021 045 7666
Wendy 027 243 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

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Shane Adcock 021 921 109

LINE DANCING

Memorial Hall
Monday 1pm
Contact Penny 027 2408 321
Cost: Donation

HANMER SPRINGS BRIDGE CLUB

Thursdays at the Anglican Church Hall @ 7.15pm
Call Joy 027 220 2511

AQUACIZE

Thermal Pools Entrance
Monday Mornings 10am
Informal group. Will need aqua stick. For more information contact:
Linda 021 223 8188

HANMER SPRINGS BIG BAND

Monday 7pm @ the School (during Term)
New members always welcome. You will need to read music or have a good ear.
Contact Marguerite 021 125 4062
Cost: FREE

MORRIS DANCING

Lots of laughs with some added exertion. Dancers and musicians welcome.
Sundays 7pm onwards
Contact John 021 395 022

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Boio Sarahu–Hothersall at
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| 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, microwaveable 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. |



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- **Sunday: 10am to 2.00pm**

- ★ Out of hours recycling facilities for paper, card, cans, plastics (types 1, 2 & 5 only), and glass bottles
- ★ 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.
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- ★ Non-complying bags and recycling bags containing glass and/or soft plastics will not be collected.

BAGS Rubbish & recycling bags available from: Hanmer Springs Transfer Station, Hanmer Springs Service Station, The Library, The Log Cabin, Super Liquor

Why you **must** come to see *Dean Spanley*

Directed by the New Zealand film-maker Toa Fraser and sensitively lit by Leon Narbey, it's set in Edwardian England immediately after the Boer War. The elderly, self-centred widower Horatio Fisk (Peter O'Toole) cannot come to terms with his elder son's death in the war and the subsequent demise of his grieving wife. His other son, the dedicated Henslowe (Jeremy Northam), seeks to console him but can't win his love.

On an outing to pass an idle afternoon, they attend a lecture by an Indian swami on 'The Transmigration of Souls', where the question of dogs being reincarnated as humans arises. There they meet Dean Spanley (Sam Neill), a dignified Trollopian cleric, and a crafty Australian businessman, Wrather (Bryan Brown). The scene is packed with incidental detail, one train of which leads to Henslowe becoming fascinated with Spanley whom he lures with bottles of a rare imperial Tokay (obtained from Wrather) to a series of dinners culminating in the revelation that, when plied with Tokay, Spanley is the reincarnation of a Victorian spaniel called Wag. This ultimately leads the old man to re-examine his past, challenge his natural scepticism, and establish a new relationship with his son.

This is a delightful, oddly moving film, immaculately acted, carefully skirting whimsy, and nicely located in its period.

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