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Cover and this page: Recoloured images of returned servicemen engaged in rehabilitation activities at Queen Mary Hospital.

A health resort at the natural hot springs in Hanmer, North Canterbury, was converted during the First World War into a hospital for war veterans suffering from mental and nervous disorders. Queen Mary Hospital for Sick and Wounded Soldiers had high-quality facilities and treated its patients with sympathy and respect. They often made remarkable recoveries, and eventually similar treatments were used with civilian mental patients.

In 1879 the government opened a sanatorium at Hanmer Springs. European settlers had been using the thermal pools since 1859 although Māori had long used them. In 1889 a reserve was created around the pools. The sanatorium building was destroyed by fire in 1914. Duncan Rutherford, a local sheep farmer, offered the use of The Lodge Hotel for convalescent soldiers while a new building was constructed. In 1915 plans were drawn up for a hospital to accommodate 200 servicemen returning from World War I who needed rehabilitation for mental and nervous conditions, particularly shell-shock. The first hospital building was the

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Soldiers' Block which was opened on 3 June 1916 by G.W. Russell, the Minister of Public Health and Hospitals. The full name of the hospital was Queen Mary Hospital for Sick and Wounded Soldiers.



Very innovative for the time, returned servicemen seen here engaged in craft activities to help them recuperate from the horrors of war. This treatment was particularly effective for cases of shell-shock.

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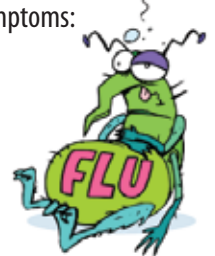
THE BUGS ARE CATCHING ON..... SO DON'T LET THEM CATCH YOU!!!

What's the difference between colds, flu & bacterial infections?

Most people refer to a cold as "the flu", but influenza or the real flu is a specific illness, different from a cold. Like colds, viruses cause the flu. It tends to occur in small outbreaks or epidemics.

The flu has the following symptoms, which distinguish it from a cold. These include the sudden or rapid onset of symptoms:

- High temperature
- Chills & fever
- Headache
- Weakness & aching muscles
- Loss of appetite



Most flu symptoms usually clear in 7 to 10 days. People with flu are likely to need to take several days off work or school.

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What are bacterial infections?

Bacterial infections may also cause cold or flu-like symptoms but more often they are responsible for infection in one particular site such as the ear, tonsils or sinuses.



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IN AN EMERGENCY DIAL 111

trivia.

Quiz



1. What is the chemical symbol for the element gold?
2. In which year did the Titanic sink on its maiden voyage?
3. What is the largest planet in our solar system?
4. Which famous playwright wrote "Romeo and Juliet"?
5. What is the capital city of Australia?
6. Who painted the Mona Lisa?
7. Which mammal is capable of flight?
8. In Greek mythology, who was the god of the sea?
9. What is the national flower of Japan?
10. Which gas do plants use for photosynthesis?
11. Who played the character of Harry Potter in the film series?
12. Which 1975 Steven Spielberg movie featured a giant white shark?
13. In "The Simpsons," what is the name of the bartender who owns Moe's Tavern?
14. Who starred as Tony Stark/Iron Man in the Marvel Cinematic Universe?
15. What is the name of the fictional continent in "Game of Thrones"?
16. Which actress played Elle Woods in the "Legally Blonde" movies?
17. What 1994 film famously features a dance scene with John Travolta and Uma Thurman?
18. Who created the TV series "The Office"?
19. In the show "Stranger Things," what is Eleven's favourite snack?
20. Which film won the Academy Award for Best Picture in 2020?
21. What is the chemical symbol for water?
22. What type of animal is the largest mammal on Earth?
23. Which planet is known as the "Red Planet"?
24. How many bones are there in the adult human body (approximately)?
25. What process converts sugar into energy in cells?
26. Which gas do humans breathe in and use for respiration?
27. What is the smallest unit of an element?
28. What is the name for the study of fossils?
29. How long does it take for the Earth to orbit the Sun once?
30. Which vitamin is also known as ascorbic acid?



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1. Au, 2. 1912, 3. Jupiter, 4. William Shakespeare, 5. Canberra, 6. Leonardo da Vinci, 7. Bat, 8. Poseidon, 9. Cherry Blossom, 10. Carbon dioxide (CO2), 11. Daniel Radcliffe, 12. Jaws, 13. Moe Szyslak, 14. Robert Downey Jr., 15. Westeros, 16. Reese Witherspoon, 17. Pulp Fiction, 18. Ricky Gervais (original UK version), 19. Eggo Waffles, 20. Parasite, 21. H2O, 22. Blue Whale, 23. Mars, 24. 206, 25. Cellular Respiration, 26. Oxygen (O2), 27. Atom, 28. Paleontology, 29. 365.25 days (1 year), 30. Vitamin C.



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Opening of the Soldier's Club – Hanmer Springs

The Soldiers' Club at Hanmer Springs was inaugurated with a generous gift by Mr. Duncan Rutherford. The opening ceremony was attended by a large and representative crowd, who praised the impeccable arrangements. The club featured various amenities, including two billiard tables, a set of table bowls, a ping-pong table, and scallywag (*which is likely the game in lower right of photo – though I can find no info on the history of this game – Ed*). An adjoining room was equipped with comfortable chairs, writing desks, and designated for card games, smoking, correspondence, and reading.

Captain Hendry, the medical officer in charge of the Queen Mary Hospital, spoke at the event. He acknowledged the hardships caused by the ongoing war but noted that it had brought out positive qualities in people. He highlighted the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Rutherford, who had provided and pledged to maintain the Soldiers' Club. Captain Hendry requested Mr. George Forbes, a Member of Parliament, to formally open the club.

Mr. Forbes expressed his pleasure at being asked to open the Soldiers' Club, emphasizing its importance not only for convalescing soldiers but as an essential facility. He praised Mr. Rutherford's contributions, including the furnished club room, while also mentioning the need for further improvements in the hospital grounds. He pledged to work with the Department to enhance the surroundings.

Mr. Forbes commended Mr. Rutherford's generosity and practicality, adding that the well-being of the returning soldiers was a priority.

After Mr. Forbes officially declared the hall open and thanked Mr. Rutherford, three cheers were given for Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford. Mr. Rutherford then addressed the audience, expressing his satisfaction with running The Lodge as a hospital. He revealed his additional plans for the soldiers' enjoyment, including a tennis court, croquet lawn, and revitalized golf links. He thanked the attendees for their support.

Captain Hardham, VC, the commandant of the Queen Mary Hospital, thanked Mr. Rutherford for his gift and kindness to the soldiers. He stressed the duty of able-bodied men to enlist and contribute to ending the war. He praised the dedication of New Zealand's men and women in supporting the soldiers, noting the government's efforts as well. He commended The Lodge's role as a hospital and sports ground and praised Hanmer Springs as an ideal location for the soldiers' rehabilitation.

Overall, the opening of the Soldiers' Club in Hanmer Springs was marked by gratitude for Mr. Rutherford's contributions and recognition of the significance of providing amenities and support to returning soldiers.



Recreation room prior to 1916

And a sad postscript on the man who was such a benefactor for Hanmer Springs – from the Christchurch Press, 10 July 1917

The death of Mr Duncan Rutherford, of Leslie Hills Waiau, which occurred somewhat suddenly yesterday afternoon, will come as a shock to his large circle of friends. Mr Rutherford's illness was of brief duration. Last Tuesday he complained of a sore throat, but by Thursday was feeling much better. On Friday he took part in a patriotic hare drive on Leslie Hills which he had organised. On his return home in the afternoon he rested, and on waking up felt the first symptoms of the illness that proved fatal. On Saturday he was very ill and medical aid was obtained. On Sunday morning it was thought advisable, and Mr Rutherford so desired, to bring him to town. Although he was only just fit to travel, Mr Rutherford was brought to town and taken to Nurse Turner's. In spite of all that medical skill could do, Mr Rutherford's condition grew worse, and yesterday afternoon he passed away, as he had often expressed the wish "in harness".

As a man Mr Rutherford was characterised by a thoroughgoing straightforwardness. His essentially practical nature always found the shortest way to deal with difficulties. He was broadminded and generous-hearted, but was one of those who never let his right hand know what his left hand did. He was ever ready to assist those who showed that they possessed self-reliance and would benefit by assistance.

Mr Rutherford found time, despite the demands made upon him in connection with the management of his pastoral properties in the Amuri district, to take an active part in public affairs. For many years, and up to the time of his death, he was chairman of the Amuri County Council, a position he filled with credit to himself and distinct advantage to the county. In the early days when the rabbit nuisance threatened to cause considerable havoc, Mr Rutherford was amongst the first to adopt effective methods to deal with the pest on his own holdings; and, in conjunction with the Stock Department and the Midland Railway Company, extended his efforts in this direction further afield. For many years he was chairman of the Hurunui Rabbit Board, a body that has done a large amount of valuable work in coping with the rabbit pest.

*Below: Mr Rutherford in his Alldays and Onion motor car about to undertake the first crossing of the original bridge into Hanmer Springs
Photo by Mabel Rutherford.*



Rutherford team of Grays at Opawa – retouched and recoloured



Photo: Jollies Pass Hotel in 1916 (recoloured)

Our rich history...

Hanmer Springs, has a rich history dating back to pre-European occupation but records really begin in the mid 1800s. In April 1859, William Jones was the first European to document the hot springs, describing "holes filled with water of varying temperatures from milk-warm to almost boiling." The Lyttelton Times reported this finding. The Hanmer hot springs were further attributed to Messrs Edward James Lee and Edward Jollie, acknowledged for their discovery according to the Cyclopaedia of New Zealand's South Canterbury entry in 1903.

The Nelson Provincial Government established a 1072-hectare reserve around the springs in 1860. Visitors from the 1870s would camp near the pool or utilise accommodation at the Jollies Pass Hotel, built in 1862 approximately 4km away.

John Fry, owner of the Jollies Pass Hotel, constructed a Changing Shed next to the main pool in 1878 to cater to the popularity of the hot springs. Improved transportation and the development of the motor car allowed more visitors, prompting the Lands Department to enhance the springs in 1883. The main pool was excavated and fenced, and in 1884, a bathhouse with four baths was constructed around the main pool. A second bathhouse with eight baths was added in 1888, along with further expansions in 1893, utilising gas collected from the springs for heating and lighting.

In 1894, the Marian Pool, an enclosed women's swimming bath, was introduced alongside the main pool and segregated from men (in those days everyone went naked to get the full benefit from the hot pools).

The development continued with the addition of a bowling green, tennis court, and local accommodations. The construction of a government-owned Sanatorium building and The Lodge hotel in 1897 provided better lodging options.

The Government Sanatorium, opened in 1897, included amenities like women's drawing rooms, a smoking area, and general sitting rooms. Initially intended as lodging for those using the baths, it evolved into a more comprehensive facility. Second-class accommodations were introduced due to demand, with architectural additions made by John Campbell.

Throughout the early 1900s, developments continued, including a gasometer in 1898, a fountain-house in 1899, and a third bathhouse in 1900. Hanmer Springs gained recognition as the third most important spa in New Zealand during this period. The complex's popularity declined during World War I due to its conversion into a convalescent home for soldiers. However, it regained prominence with renewed tourism efforts post-war.

Hanmer Springs' historical significance is evident through its role as a health resort, catering to visitors seeking relaxation and wellness.

Ranger cautions Hurunui communities to act while there's time

A Port Hills ranger has cautioned Hurunui to act against the ecological invader Spur Valerian while there is still time. At a recent meeting in the Hurunui District Library in Amberley, Christchurch City Council Port Hills Ranger Di Carter said there was an opportunity for Hurunui to contain the spread of Spur Valerian (*Centranthus ruber*). The ecological weed has already invaded Banks Peninsula.

Hurunui District Council's Water and Land Coordinator Rima Herber called the meeting to look at solutions for Hurunui, bringing together landowners living near two major Spur Valerian infestation areas up the Waipara River and in the Ram Paddock Road area of the Waipara Valley, and stakeholders including Waka Kotahi and QEII National Trust.

Carter said a 10-year spraying programme had been developed for Banks Peninsula in 2013 with funding from Christchurch City Council and Environment Canterbury at a cost of over \$60,000 a year after a coastal cliff survey in 2012 had highlighted pockets of Spur Valerian growing along the cliffs.

"At accessible sites it's been 10 years of two controls a season to get it down to a handful of seedlings per visit – that's where we are today with those early sites. We spray once a year, with the coastal cliff sites being done by helicopter. By doing this we're managing to hold it back to Pigeon Bay. I fly with the pilot to minimise non-target damage, and we do the Mount Evans area by foot. With some of the areas around Mount Evans being very vast, it's easy to miss seedlings, so we also do an hour or two by chopper each year."

Spur Valerian's wind-borne seeds are easily dispersed and the plant thrives in rock clefts, dry riverbeds and roadside cuttings, where it is quick to choke native species.

"Spur Valerian migrates from people's gardens. In a controlled environment, where seed heads are removed directly after flowering and regrowth, and seedlings are destroyed, the plant can be contained. When it escapes into our rural areas, it quickly takes over," Herber said.

Christchurch City Council Senior Ecologist Nicholas Head told the meeting that the limestone ecosystems throughout the Weka Pass area and the Waipara Gorge, which are under the threat of Spur Valerian infestation, have very high ecological values. "They support some of the rarest and most threatened plants in the country, including the Weka sun hebe (*Heliohebe maccaskillii*) and Waipara gentian (*Gentianella calcis*, subsp *waipara*) that only occur in the Hurunui District."

"Today, technology offers solutions that will help us as a community to protect our Hurunui environment," Herber said.

Carter said adapting drones to accommodate oblique angles on cliffs was something Port Hills park rangers were considering. "We're slowly progressing the technology to make it work."

"It was wonderful to get a commitment from Waka Kotahi at the meeting to meet me on-site with spraying contractors to work out a plan for the roadside at Weka Pass, where an infestation is threatening the limestone bluffs above the road," Herber said.

Hurunui stakeholders and landowners will be joining Herber over the next few weeks to go on-site to areas where Spur Valerian is gaining a foothold in the district.



Spur Valerian at Weka Pass



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MTFJ placement takes first step to home ownership

A Mayors Taskforce for Jobs (MTFJ) placement has taken his first step to home ownership. Just over one month into his placement, Ben Fowler (18) has joined KiwiSaver through his new employment as an insulated panel installer with Paneltech Contractors. "The company has helped me set up a bank account and I'm keen to start budgeting," Fowler says.

By joining KiwiSaver, Ben is looking forward to saving enough for his first home loan as part of the financial goals he has set himself. Hurunui District Council MTFJ Business Connector Chris King says secure employment provides important life skills that are over and above remuneration, as well as skills that are transferable to other positions and industries. Paneltech is helping Fowler get his Restricted Driver's Licence, building on Fowler's Learner Licence, which he obtained through the MTFJ programme. Over the past month, Fowler has done Site Safe training and has ticked off his height safety course. "I've already learnt a lot and I enjoy the work – I've even built a few walls!"

Paneltech Contractors directors Graham and Leonie Smith say Paneltech, which builds and maintains insulated panel buildings, including chillers, freezers, tiny homes and offices, had been glad to support a young person needing help onto the first rung of employment. "Like a lot of companies in the building industry, we were looking for staff, especially keen, reliable young people who were looking to grow a career in construction. This was with the intention of having them work beside our staff and develop into skilled trades people," Graham Smith says. "Chris and Prudence from the Council's MTFJ programme provided us with the opportunity to meet and trial young people who needed some extra support to get into the workforce. MTFJ has given us the opportunity to give back to the community. As the saying goes, 'it takes a community to grow a young person', and Leonie and I, along with the Paneltech team, are privileged to support these young people and the programme.

"Ben is a great success story. He came to us from the MTFJ programme on a trial and really impressed us with his focus on learning and working with the team. He is now a full-time team member and is making excellent progress in learning the trade of an insulated panel installer," Smith says.

Fowler's mum, Kristin, says the opportunities provided by MTFJ for Fowler have been "life changing."

"It's been a positive change right from the very start of joining the MTFJ programme — Ben getting his Learner Licence and seeing his wellbeing, confidence and self-esteem grow... MTFJ has delivered many things that I couldn't have as a parent."

Hurunui District Mayor Marie Black says Hurunui Council had been an early adopter of the MTFJ programme and stories like Fowler's demonstrate the programme's value. "Our young people in Hurunui can go far with the support of our local businesses through the great relationships that are built through MTFJ."

Fowler credits the MTFJ programme for getting him work ready. There's one challenge, however, that he still needs to knock off. With an average lunch consisting of muesli bars and crackers, with the odd pie thrown in when he and his supervisor are on the road, he is keen to try his hand at creating something more substantial.



Paneltech Contractors Ltd director Graham Smith shows Ben Fowler a door hinge fixing as part of his training.

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Every couple will come up with different figures to what we have arrived at, but the real point is the overall cost. Let's take a 38 year old couple, Henry and Mary, who have one child (son) – they both work and they face typical costs for 18 years and a few costs after the 18 years.

1. Mary takes off two years of which maternity leave covers 90% of six months leaving a shortfall in tax paid net income of	\$82,000
2. Food for 18 years at average of \$20/day (18 x 365 x \$20)	\$131,400
3. Clothing and footwear at average of \$800/year (excluding school uniform) (18 x \$800)	\$14,400
4. Health costs for 18 years at average of \$400/year (18 x \$400)	\$7,200
5. School expenses (camps, outings, etc – 12 years x \$300) (Public School)	\$3,600
6. Laptop for school (3 x \$1,500)	\$4,500
7. School uniforms (6 years at \$300)	\$1,800
8. Bicycle cost (second hand)	\$400
9. Social events – concerts/pictures etc (4 years at \$500/year)	\$2,000
10. Preschool costs (3 years at \$80/day) (not eligible for subsidy)	\$57,600
11. Haircuts (15 years at \$200/year)	\$3,000
12. Sporting costs (10 years at \$500/year)	\$5,000
13. Loan to purchase car (second hand)	\$4,000
14. University fees – four year degree, first year free (3 years at \$6,750)	\$20,250
15. Furniture loan to go flatting	\$1,000
16. Loan to assist while flatting and university (4 year at \$150/week - 40 weeks academic year) (4 x 40 x \$150)	\$24,000
17. Purchase of books and toys etc (18 years at \$50)	\$900
18. Loan to bring up house deposit to 20% of home purchase cost (at 34 years of age)	\$50,000
19. Incidental costs – holiday, travel, birthday (18 years at \$300/year)	\$5,400
20. Costs since 34 years of age	- nil to date -
21. Opportunity interest allowance that needs to be made re the average total cost of (say) \$400,000 at 3% x 18 years)	\$216,000
	\$634,450

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Comments:

- (a) Every child and every family would have a different set of costs here.
- (b) A total figure of \$634,450 from birth to 34 years of age represents an average of \$18,660/year or \$51/day.
- (c) It is no wonder that some countries like South Korea, Italy and Japan have much lower numbers of children than 40 – 50 years ago.
- (d) There will be a wide bracket here for different families.
- (e) In some family calculations there may be no allowance for university costs and there may be more eligibility re the preschool subsidy.
- (f) Involving more than one child would reduce several of the costs, but probably not greatly – four children would involve a total cost over the 34 years of perhaps \$2,250,000/year (subject to point (e)).
- (g) The opportunity cost issue is perhaps not something that you would at first think about, but it is real enough – in our example if there was no child then just on \$400,000 would not have been spent and could be invested at, at least 3%, and over 18 years would represent \$216,000.
- (h) In practical terms allowing for all sorts of variations, let's say a one child bracket of \$550,000 – \$650,000. Some of us will need to keep working.



Leslie Hills Garden Club

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Instant Beach Vibes: Let's be real – life is just a bit sunnier when you're plucking away or singing. Imagine you're sipping a piña colada by a palm tree on a tropical island. Now picture doing that in your living room while wearing your PJs. See? Ukulele lets you channel the laid-back energy of a vacation without the sunburn or sand in your shorts. And who doesn't love a musical instrument that practically demands you to wear a Hawaiian shirt?

Compact Companionship: The ukulele is your musical buddy that will fit snugly almost anywhere. Hang it on the wall as décor, prop it up on your desk as a conversation starter, or tuck it into your backpack for an impromptu jam session. It's like having a musical sidekick that's ready to charm at a moment's notice.

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The Hanmer Springs strum & sing group is starting back up for those who sing, strum or want to learn to do either – or both. To get yourself singing, strumming & spreading the laughter – bring your strummy thing and/or your voice down to the Five Stags on Wednesday at 6pm – drop a line to hanmermusicandarts@gmail.com if you need to know more.

North Canterbury **Big Brother Big Sister** youth mentoring program is currently looking for adult mentors in Hanmer Springs. We have a number of young people within our community that could greatly benefit from some additional positive adult role models in their life. Unfortunately, there are currently no registered mentors in Hanmer Springs. If you or someone you know may be interested, please reach out to northcanterbury@bbbs.nz or contact our school principal, John McBride, on principal@hanmersprings.school.nz



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Pinkie Report

Term 3 Week 4

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



Ski race training.

On Monday our 11 ski racers headed up to Mt Lyford again for another ski race training session. This week we had a training session in the morning. Our instructor reminded us that we need to have our poles out in front and lean forward. We went through the gates at our own pace three times. Lastly we did a timed lap. Everybody improved their times from last week and Rosie improved the most by 10 seconds.

Maths Week.

This week it is Maths Week. During the week we have been doing different maths activities and challenges. On Wednesday we had a Maths Amazing Challenge. Mr McBride created different challenges that we had to complete. We got into house teams of four or five people and had to complete the challenge to get the clue for the next challenge. We got extra points for working well as a team. The challenges were to count the number of lines on the basketball court; to make a mathematical creation out of some toys in Piwakawaka class; to make Maths symbols using our bodies; to make equations in the sandpit; to use Numicon to create equations; to find shapes in the playground and to show multiplication with leaves. Thank you to Mr McBride, the teachers, teacher aides and Kristina who ran the different Maths stations for us. We had lots of fun.



Amuri Maths Week Competition.

As part of Maths Week, Amuri Area School organises a competition for local schools where we enter our maths work. There are different categories to choose from. We entered in the Maths Posters, Edible Maths and Wearable Maths categories. We have worked hard to create our entries. We have taken them down to Amuri Area School where they have been judged and displayed to the public. We look forward to receiving the results soon.

Some students chose to make a cake using maths. It is surprising the amount of chemistry and maths that goes into making cakes successfully. Students also decorated their cake by making calculators and other maths symbols and shapes. They used maths to measure out the ingredients to bake the cake base.



Hanmer Springs School is lucky enough to have a 3D printer and some students were able to print off shapes and creatures for their Amuri Math entry. Ella P entered a piece with 3D shapes attached to mirrors. Marley, Theo and Daniel made a geometry man on a platform. They had to design it on a computer and make sure the measurements fitted their design. It took about 12 hours to fully print.



Kereru Science Forest Walk By Ella T-D.

We started with splitting up into two teams. My team had Mrs Hay, Anika, Aaliya, Grace, Ethan, Harrison and Jimmy. Anika, Aaliya and I were taking beautiful photos of plants together. My top three were:

1st - The plant mini waterfall, 2nd - The plant swamp, 3rd - The leaf vine trees.

My friends and I were at the back cruising behind. While the boys were up front. Mrs Hay was in the middle. We took a photo of hugging a tree and leaning on a tree. At the end everyone met up and walked back. Tori's group saw a kereru. When we got back to school we started classifying the plants in the Hanmer Springs Forest. You can classify plants by their leaves, if they are native or not, if they are evergreen, if they have wooden trunks or fruit and flowers.



Snow!

On Thursday morning Hanmer Springs awoke to a fresh layer of snow coating the ground. When the students arrived at school, we were surprised to see that the TV One news reporters were at school, and we even got a slot on the news! It was really fun at school with a snowball zone set up. It soon melted but we had another dust of snow after lunch.

Adult Art Competition

The theme this year, like the Children's competition was "Under the Water". The standard was very high and the judges had a fine old time trying to decide on a winner – but a decision was finally made and here are the results:

- First prize **Lenox Trembath** "Oliver"
 Second **Marguerite Clubb** "Shell Grove"
 Third **Trish Saunders** "West Coast - Seldom Not Under Water"
 Highly Commended:
Chris Jenkins "Impact"
Annabelle Harris unnamed knit item



First prize winner Lennox, who had driven all the way up from Waikari, said she was "totally blown away" by winning first prize as she has only been painting for four years. Judges commented that her whale picture drew them right into the image and the more they looked the more engulfed they were, seeing additional details that seemed to grow out of the deep. Well done Lennox!



Second prize winner Marguerite (our village big band leader) shows that she has more than just musical talents. She said she was delighted to win second place with her work which was inspired by attending a Hanmer Music & Arts workshop on Zentangle – the mindfulness drawing technique. She says the prize was totally unexpected, adding that she last won a prize for art when she was 11 years old.



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Third place winner Trish Saunders created this amazing painting inspired by watching the West Coast raindrops fall against her window. Judges commented that the painting evoked nostalgic memories of trips to the Coast and had them reaching for brollies and raincoats each time they looked at it.



Chris Jenkis was highly commended for her large abstract painting which highlighted the dangerous impact of pollution in our oceans. Awesome work Chris. Annabelle Harris was also commended for her quirky, colourful knitted creation – a lovely piece of yarny whimsy.



A huge thanks and massive shout out to The Drawing Room for sponsoring this event.



We were at a friend's wedding a while back and someone asked if I'd seen the macaroons as they were gluten free. I replied that I hadn't seen any macaroons – only those French macarons – which sparked a sugar-fuelled argument till Mr Google stepped in to pacify mounting tensions...

Macarons have a long and intricate history, with origins dating back centuries. The exact origin is still debated, but it is believed that macarons were introduced to France from Italy in the 16th century when Catherine de' Medici married King Henry II of France. However, the macaron as we know it today really gained prominence in the late 19th century, thanks to the creativity of French pastry chefs. The most famous early adopter was Pierre Desfontaines, who is often credited with the idea of sandwiching two macaron shells with a creamy filling. His shop, Ladurée, opened in Paris in the mid-20th century and played a significant role in popularising macarons as a fashionable treat.

Basic Macaron Recipe:

For the macaron shells:

- 1 cup powdered sugar
- 3/4 cup almond flour
- 2 large egg whites, at room temperature
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- Food coloring (optional)

For the filling:

Your choice of buttercream, ganache, jam, or another filling of your preference

Instructions:

Line baking sheets with parchment paper or silicone baking mats. In a bowl, sift together the powdered sugar and almond flour. Discard any larger almond pieces that don't pass through the sifter.

In a separate bowl, beat the egg whites until they become foamy. Gradually add granulated sugar while continuing to beat. Continue beating until stiff, glossy peaks form. You can add food coloring at this stage if desired. Gently fold the sifted dry ingredients into the meringue using a spatula. Be careful not to overmix; the batter should be smooth and flow like lava.

Transfer the batter to a piping bag fitted with a round tip. Pipe small rounds onto the prepared baking sheets. Leave some space between each macaron.

Let the piped macarons sit at room temperature for about 20-30 minutes. This allows them to develop a slight crust. Preheat your oven to 300°F (150°C) during this time.

Bake the macarons in the preheated oven for about 15-18 minutes, or until they are set and can be easily lifted off the parchment paper. Allow the baked macarons to cool on the baking sheets for a few minutes, then transfer them to a wire rack to cool completely.

Once the macarons are completely cool, match up pairs of similar-sized shells. Pipe or spoon your chosen filling onto one shell and gently sandwich it with another. Macarons actually improve in flavour and texture if left to mature in the refrigerator for 24-48 hours before enjoying. This allows the flavours to meld and the texture to soften.

Serve: Bring the macarons to room temperature before serving. They can be stored in an airtight container in the refrigerator for several days.

Note: making perfect macarons takes practice.

Scottish macarons are quite different from the delicate French macarons. These treats are essentially a combination of a sweet, crumbly centre made from sugar and mashed potatoes, coated in a layer of rich chocolate. The origin of Scottish macaroon bars can be traced back to the early 20th century.

During and after World War II, ingredients like sugar and chocolate were rationed, leading to creative ways of making sweets with the available resources. Mashed potatoes were often used as a filler in recipes to stretch ingredients further. This led to the development of the Scottish macaroon bar, where mashed potatoes provided the base for the sweet centre, which was then coated in chocolate.

Ingredients:

For the potato filling:

- 1 medium potato, peeled and chopped
- 2 cups powdered sugar (icing sugar)
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

For the chocolate coating:

- 8 ounces (about 225g) chocolate (milk or dark), chopped
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil

Instructions:

Prepare the Potato Filling:

Boil the chopped potato until soft. Drain well and mash the potato until smooth and lump-free. In a large mixing bowl, combine the mashed potato, powdered sugar, and vanilla extract. Mix well until you have a dough-like consistency.

Editor's Tip: add the potato to the sugar a little at a time till you form the dough – too much potato and you'll need a ton of extra sugar.

Shape the Bars:

Line a baking dish with parchment paper. Press the potato mixture into the dish to create an even layer, about 1 inch thick. You can shape it into a rectangle or any desired shape.

Chill and Cut:

Place the dish in the refrigerator for a few hours or until the potato filling is firm and chilled. Once set, remove from the refrigerator and cut the potato mixture into bars or squares.

Coat with Chocolate:

In a microwave-safe bowl or using a double boiler, melt the chocolate and vegetable oil together, stirring until smooth. Be careful not to overheat the chocolate. Dip each bar into the melted chocolate, ensuring it's completely coated. Allow any excess chocolate to drip off.

Editor's Tip: to make the real deal – roll in toasted coconut while the chocolate is still soft.

Set and Serve:

Place the chocolate-coated bars on a parchment-lined tray or wire rack. Allow them to cool and the chocolate to set at room temperature or in the refrigerator.

Enjoy:

Once the chocolate coating is firm, your Scottish macaroon bars are ready to be enjoyed! They have a crumbly and sweet potato centre with a rich chocolate coating.



Events Calendar

AUGUST

- 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

- 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
- 22 Family event Remnant House
- 26–29 Hurunui Garden Festival
- 27 Hanmer Springs Fete

NOVEMBER

- 5 Shootout Golf Final
- 18 Anglican Church Fair (if wet pp to Sunday 19th)
- 18 BBQ with Lucky Koha Remnant House
- 19 Service with Lucky @ Remnant House

DECEMBER

- 2 Alpine Marathon
- 9 Family Christmas party Remnant House
- 16 Christmas Hamper Golf Tournament
- 24 Special Christmas service Remnant House
- 31 New Year gathering Remnant House

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Contact: Roz rosalindwil@hotmail.com

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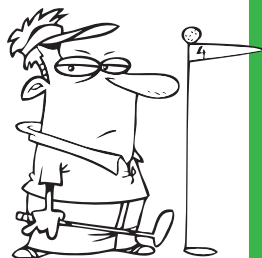
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Stableford

1st Gordon Thomas	42 pts
2nd Marty Bonnett	39
3rd Adam Jacks	37
4th Glenn Bateman	36
5th Greg Samson	35
6th Garry Ritsma	35
7th Brent Berry	35
8th Scott Callaway	35

Twos

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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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