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We are delighted to share with our community that Nurse Jessica is now a registered Nurse Prescriber.

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#### **IN AN EMERGENCY DIAL 111**

## The First Four Ships

In an article in last week's Pinkie 'On Coming Home' I happened to mention that my great grandmother had been born aboard the '*Randolph*' one of the 'first four ships' to arrive in Lyttelton in 1850.

Randolph was one of the four sailing vessels chartered by the Canterbury Association which left Plymouth, England, in September 1850 to transport the first English settlers to new homes in Canterbury, New Zealand. The colonists or settlers who arrived on the first four ships are known as the Canterbury Pilgrims.

This brought a few other pilgrims out of the woodwork, who called me to share their pride in a similar descent. This included Laurie Bennet whose great grandmother had been born on the same ship and the same voyage. It makes you wonder about the courage of these women embarking on a three month voyage by sailing ship knowing that they would have to give birth during the passage.

As a child it was impressed upon on me that I should take pride that I was a descendant of these original Canterbury settlers on my mother's side of the family. As a young man I had to keep my girlfriends away from my mother as she wont to scare them off by taking them aside and

confiding with them that as a descendant of the Canterbury Pilgrims I was quite entitled to get married in the Cathedral.

The inaugural meeting of the Canterbury Association took place at 41 Charing Cross, London, on 27 March 1848. The meeting passed a resolution "that the name of the proposed settlement be "Canterbury" and the name of the chief town be "Christchurch.

Randolph was a 664-ton ship-rigged merchant vessel constructed in 1849 in Sunderland. (the other three ships were Cressy, Sir George Seymour and Charlotte Jane).

The Canterbury Association chartered *Randolph*, with Captain William Dale ( a name that has remained in my family to this day) serving as the ship's captain. *Randolph* left Gravesend on 4 September 1850, and Plymouth on the night of 7 September 1850. She arrived at Lyttelton 99 days later on 16 December 1850, with 34 cabin passengers, 15 intermediate and 161 steerage passengers.



She departed Port Victoria (Lyttelton) on 10 January 1851, bound for the Straights of Lombock. She was lost on 25 June 1851, on a reef off Amber Island, Mauritius. She had on board a cargo of sugar for London, a large amount of money, and 254 Indian emigrants for Port Louis. Nothing belonging to the vessel could be saved. Mr. Scott, an officer of the Madras Army, swam on shore, but died a moment after reaching it from exhaustion. Two European sailors, nine men (immigrants), ten women and three children were drowned.

*Randolph*'s entry in *Lloyd's Register* for 1851 carries the annotation "Wrecked".<sup>[1]</sup>

The ship is remembered in the name of a road, Randolph Terrace, in the port of Lyttelton.

A painting of the ship has been passed down through my family and todays hangs on the wall of my sister's house.

My antecedents were the Waghorn family with Arthur having been employed aboard as a lighterman. They settled in Little Akaloa on Banks Peninsula and family

> legend has it that my great-great grandmother, Louisa was a true pioneer. A small whare was built at Little Akaloa and Arthur's family were delivered there. Apparently Louisa stepped out to survey their surrounds and was greeted by a Maori gentleman sporting full moku. It is said that she retreated inside and announced she would not venture forth again until Arthur had built her a

safe and proper dwelling. Another story that my grandmother loved to relate was that after repeated requests to the menfolk to chop wood for the kitchen fires, Louisa would take no more and served up a dinner of raw mutton with uncooked vegetables. She never needed ask for the wood to be chopped after that.



The First Four Ships were depicted in the main aisle of the Canterbury Cathedral prior to the major earthquake. It is not known whether they will be a part of the restoration



### Hanmer Springs Lions Club

#### Camp Quality Mid-Winter Camp 2023 - Hanmer Springs

The camp has yet again been a huge success!

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Hanmer Lions would like to thank you all (sponsors and volunteers alike). Words just cannot express how grateful the Club is to all of you.

And a big thanks from the Camp Quality organisers and

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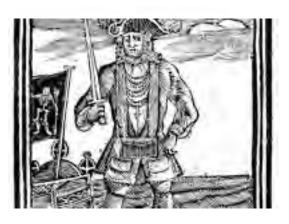








- 1. Which ocean surrounds the North Pole?
- 2. Which doll is Ken's girlfriend?
- 3. Who played Maximus in the film *Gladiator?*
- 4. The 'Sun King' was a king of France. Which one?
- 5. In which city is the headquarters of the Scottish Parliament?
- 6. A fritillary is a type of what?
- 7. Which politician became a legal guardian to Princes William and Harry after their mother's death?
- 8. From 1522 to 1978 all Popes were of the same nationality. Which one?
- 9. Of which country was Bertie Ahern the Prime Minister?
- 10. Who played Harrison Ford's father in *Indiana Jones and The Last Crusade*?
- 11. Christmas is in which month in the Northern Hemisphere?
- 12. Where was actress Ingrid Bergman born?
- 13. What was the score in the Women's World Cup Soccer final?
- 14. Which planet is closest to the sun?
- 15. What is the surname of actors and directors Anjelica, John and Walter?
- 16. Who was Rasta Far after whom the Rastafarians styled their religion?
- 17. Sir Denis Thatcher's parents were from where?



- 18. Who was the first Prime Minister of the new state of Israel?
- 19. In which country was pope Francis born?
- 20. The holiday island of ibiza belongs to which country?
- 21. What is another name for Whakaari?
- 22. What is the surname of advertising gurus Charles and Maurice?
- 23. What athletic feat did David Walliams perform to raise money for charity in 2006?
- 24. What is the four-week period before Christmas called?
- 25. How was Bartholomew Roberts better know?





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#### General Meeting of Hanmer Springs Men's Shed

Trustees

Time: 3 p.m Tuesday 5 September 2023 Location: Hanmer Springs Men's Shed, Queen Mary Hospital, Hanmer Springs Chairperson: Jason James

#### AGENDA

- 1. Present and apologies
- 2. Previous minutes
- 3. Matters arising

4.	Chairman's Report	Jason	
5.	Financial Report	Don	
6.	Dust project	Neil	
7.	Space	Mike	
8.	Equipment	Jim	
9.	First Aid	Neil	

- 10. General Business
- 11. Next meeting

### 4th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

Time: Approx 4 p.m Tuesday 5 September 2023

Location: Hanmer Springs Men's Shed, Queen Mary Hospital, Hanmer Springs

Chairperson: Jason James

#### AGENDA

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- 1. Present and apologies
- 2. Previous minutes
- 3. Matters arising
- 4. Chairman's Report Jason James
  - Financial Report Don Fletcher
- 6. Election of Trustees
- 7. Election of Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer
- 8. General Business
- 9. Next AGM meeting



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#### Ingredients

- 1 egg
- 1 sheet store-bought puff pastry (, vegan or gluten-free), about 28cm square, removed from the freezer and thawed in the fridge
- flaky salt and black pepper
- salad leaves dressed with lemon juice and olive oil, to serve

#### FOR THE PIE FILLING

- 400g mushrooms (you can use any type, including oyster, enoki, portobello, shiitake, swiss brown etc), cut into 1cm-thick slices
  - 1 large leek, split lengthways, washed and cut into 3cm lengths
  - 2 tbsp dark soy sauce (gluten-free if required) j cup extra virgin olive oil
  - j cup tomato passata
  - 2 tsp red miso
  - 2 tbsp maple syrup
  - j cup loosely packed sage leaves, roughly chopped 3 garlic cloves, peeled and grated on a microplane 1 bay leaf
  - 2 tbsp flour (plain or gluten-free)

#### Method

#### • Step 1

Preheat your oven to 200C fan-forced (220C conventional).

#### Step 2

In a bowl, toss together all the ingredients for the pie filling, except the bay leaf and flour, add a few cracks of black pepper and mix in two-thirds of a cup of water, then lay it all in the circular cast-iron pan or pie dish

you're going to bake the pie in (it can be any size between 21cm and 26cm in diameter). Bake in the oven, uncovered, for 15 minutes.

### Step 3

Remove the filling from the oven, sprinkle the flour over it and toss. Tuck in the bay leaf.

#### Step 4

For a pastry wash, crack the egg into a dish, add a teaspoon of water, mix and set aside.

#### Step 5

On a lightly floured bench, roll out your sheet of puff pastry so it's slightly larger than the baking dish you're using. Then lift it up and drape it over the dish, pressing it into the sides (I like to leave any excess just hanging over the edge). Cut a small "X" in the centre of the pie to allow steam to escape and brush the surface with your egg wash, sprinkling with flaky sea salt

and freshly cracked black pepper. (Vegans can use vegan milk for the wash.) Place the pie on a sheet tray lined with baking paper.

#### Step 6

Place in the oven and bake for 10 minutes, then reduce the heat to 180C fan-forced (200C conventional) and bake for a further 30-35 minutes until the top is a deep golden-brown. Allow to rest for 5 minutes, then serve with a fresh green salad.



## **Farewell Dr John**

After 10 years as Hanmer Springs community GP, Dr John will be taking life a little easier. He has been an amazing GP and a committed out of hours/on call person for our community. He leaves at the end of September.

John, you will be extremely missed by our team at the Health Centre. It has been a pleasure working with you, but we plan to get you back from time to time too. Now you will have even more time to organise and host the New Zealand Morris Dancing Tour in Hanmer Springs in January next year. We wish you, your wife Kirsty and mum Audrey well as you start the next chapter of your life.

## FAREWELL FOR DR JOHN DUMSDAY

The Hanmer Springs Community Trust will be holding a farewell for Dr John Dumsday at the Golf club on Wednesday 13th September 2023 between 4.30pm and 6.30pm. We welcome all members of our community to attend and join us in saying thank you to John for meeting our community's health needs over the past 10 years.

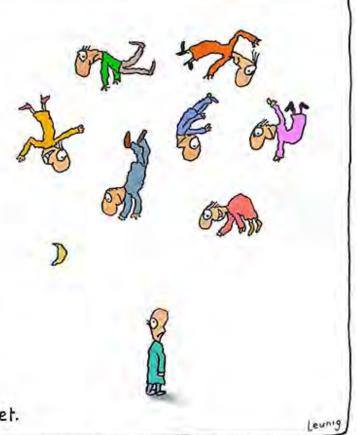


John Hewitt was Hanmer's popular 'computer man' and many of us who would have liked to attend his funeral were not able to do so. His nephew James has kindly sent this photo to the Pinkie. It is John's last resting place at Belfast Cemetery

## elections

It's raining politicians, be advised That all of life shall be politicised And every decency will be defiled As hopeful innocence becomes beguiled And smiling fraudulence shall rule the land Where wisdom is the darkest contraband And cunning frauds become celebrities Adored, triumphant, celebrated sleaze.

The party leader leads behind a wall Of fluffy puppy dogs and children small While party faithful have no faith, it's plain Their guiding light is victory and gain And those who tell the most attractive lie Will win the creepy power to get them by Until a strange thing comes along to spoil it And then the whole shebang goes down the toilet.



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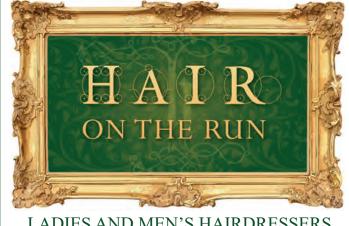
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## Pinkie Report Term 3 Week 6

Journalists - Amelia Saric, Charlie Bryant, Rosie Abbott

#### Daffodil Day.



On Friday Hanmer Springs School dressed up in yellow for Daffodil Day and bought in gold coin donations to raise money for the Cancer Society. We had a bake sale at morning tea which helped us to raise more money. Later in the day the Student Council judged a drawing competition based around daffodils. Each class had completed some beautiful daffodil artwork. Student council members judged the best artwork in each class. It was a tough decision!

We also had some of our Senior students who are completing the William Pike Challenge go into the village to collect donations from the community as part of the community service section of their William Pike Challenge. We raised nearly \$700 for the Cancer Society. Thank you to everyone who gave a donation.



#### Middle School Science trip to the Animal Park

On Wednesday the Year 3 to 6 students went on a science trip to the Animal Park. We have been studying animals at school and it was good to see some in real life. We got into pairs and got a sheet where we had to do two animal reports. When we finished we had some time to play and feed the animals. Kirsty fed the pigs with an ostrich egg and it splattered on us!! Archie interviewed Jacinda the ostrich and she tried to eat his drink bottle! We thanked Kirsty with a gift card and a big thank you! Our highlights were: the deer eating our clothes; the big goat jumping over the fence; guinea pigs eating carrots - they grabbed the carrots through

the cage with their paws and munched them happily; petting the bunny and looking at the characteristics of the goat. But the true true highlight was the ostrich egg being fed to the pigs (it went everywhere!)

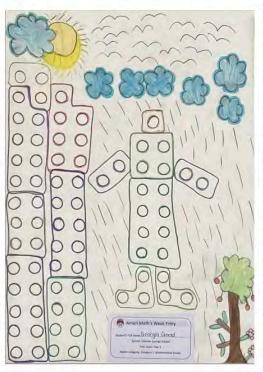




#### Amuri Maths competition results.

A few weeks ago we competed in the Amuri Maths Competition at Amuri Area School. We entered in the Mathematical Poster, Edible Maths, Mathematical Model and Wearable Maths categories. The results have come back. Well done to the following prize winners:





Year 7&8 Mathematical Poster - 1st - Levi, Cooper and Daniel

Year 7&8 Edible Maths - 1st Amelia S and Rosie Year 7&8 Edible Maths - 2nd - Waitapu and Sharnie Year 7&8 Mathematical Models - 2nd - Ella Year 7&8 Mathematical Models - 3rd - Theo and Marley Year 5&6 Mathematical Poster - 2nd - Archie, Jimmy and Ethan

Year 5&6 Mathematical Model - Commendation - Pippa Year 5&6 Edible Maths - 3rd - Anika and Lillie Year 3&4 Mathematical Poster - 1st - Bridie

Year 3&4 Edible Maths - 2nd - George, Timmy and Sammy

Year 3&4 Edible Maths - 3rd - Ella

Year 1&2 Mathematical Poster - 1st - Georgia

Year 1&2 Mathematical Poster - 2nd - Taylor

Year 1&2 Mathematical Poster - 3rd - Iris



#### THE WAY THE WORLD IS GOING, NEW ZEALAND NEEDS A RESET. NEW ZEALAND AS A WHOLE IS LIVING BEYOND ITS INCOME, AND THAT MEANS THE PEOPLE OF NEW ZEALAND AS A WHOLE ARE LIVING BEYOND THEIR INCOME Pita Alexander

- 1. The above suggestion is not all government's fault many countries are in this situation but probably 50% is poor New Zealand government over the last five years.
- The New Zealand national government debt in March 2023 was NZ\$143.65 billion - in September 2008 it was NZ\$31.72 billion - an increase of NZ\$111.93 billion over the 15 years.
- 3. The Treasury report to government of 18 May 2023 outlined some important fiscal data (that is overall income and overall expenses), which is a key statement because it tends to be true - that is what actually has happened, and what Treasury as an independent source thinks will happen looking forward. The report estimates that by 30 June 2027 (4 years away) the New Zealand national government debt will be NZ\$214.518 billion.
- 4. As always, it is the relativity of one's debt to one's gross income which is key in that, if both increase, the argument is that everything is still okay. The debt at 2027 to the GDP at 2027 is estimated to be 44.2% (it was 35.6% in 2013).
- 5. The problem is that the GDP (Gross Domestic Product effectively the gross overall New Zealand income) is currently decreasing, partly due to a significant hole in government tax income, partly due to some poor government spending, and partly due to worldwide 'black swan' events, that is worldwide unforeseen events that cause major financial problems.

What is the bottom line here:

- 1. A good government over time needs to at least balance its financial position.
- 2. If an allowance is made for 'black swan' events every 11.5 years (which is the history since 1900) then a surplus over time is essential.
- 3. Government never has enough overall income to do what it wants to do regional councils are the same neither of them really understand the concept of living within their income over time.
- 4. Very few politicians understand the concept of prioritising their cashflow, which is what every New Zealand household and every New Zealand business must do. Unrealistic expectations with insufficient cashflow is as dumb as dishwater.
- 5. Although there will be a few exceptions, the three-year cycle in New Zealand politics means that the key for politicians is to get re-elected in three years' time in the USA, this is four years, in the UK it is five years. This is a major restraint, but leaving a fiscal mess, which is what New Zealand is heading for at the moment, to the next government is a painful approach. In commercial business

terms, if a business is not in reasonable financial order, then it would be perhaps unsaleable - there would certainly be no goodwill involved in the sale.

6. Wellbeing has a sound positive ring to it, but it does not pay the grocer, the mortgage or the rent - both of these costs will come well ahead of wellbeing. Wellbeing has a feeling of us all being happy and equal - the world does not work like this and never will. New Zealand needs a hardworking, disciplined sector that makes good decisions, saves hard, pays their debts, educates their children well, pays their taxes but is prepared to help those who are less fortunate.

7. When you melt all of this down, the key issue often left is housing. At present, government is making approximately the following annual payments to assist housing:

\$1,291 million
\$2,024 million
\$ 415 million
\$ 316 million
\$ 26 million
4,072 million

The total number of people involved at present in this \$4,072 million is 432,876 - that is just on 14% of the adult population (excluding National Superannuitants).

8. There is a lot of media nonsense talked about helping New Zealand people own a house - this idea is certainly a sound one, but in economic terms it will be unworkable for some. For example, let's say the average rent paid by the present 630,000 New Zealand households who rent is \$625 per week (\$32,500 per year) and that the average first home mortgage is \$550,000 at 6% based on an overall purchase cost of \$750,000, then this suggests that the annual ownership running cost will be: Rates and insurance \$7,500 (say 1% of current

Rates and insurance	\$7,500 (say 1% of current		
	market value)		
Insurance chattels	\$ 2,000		
Repairs and maintenance	\$ 1,000		
Interest (\$550,000 at 6%)	\$33,000		
Loan principal repayment	\$11,000		
(2% of loan)			
Estimated annual cash cost	<u>\$54,500</u>		

Certainly, you could change the figures around a little, but the key issue is that the ownership running cost is a lot higher than the renting cost - at least 75% of the 630,000 renting households will not be able to cope with this, even if you soften the costs somewhat. With building costs rising at 8% - 9% annually, and immigration, it is not difficult to see house prices rising again and it looks as though rents will also rise.

9. Increasing Income Taxes for, say, everyone over an income of, say, \$120,000 is something government will look at, but these individuals are already paying \$30,520 of Income Tax and, if their personal drawings are, say, \$40,000, then they are paying GST of \$5,217 - that is a total tax payment of \$35,737, or 29.78% of their gross

income - this is any amount high enough.

- 10 Government's thinking of recent years, if they have a cash and/or income problem, is to borrow more - right now there looks to be a government shortfall of perhaps NZ\$6 billion to NZ\$8 billion. Does New Zealand have room to borrow more - the answer is yes, that is an option, but over time not necessarily the best management decision.
- Over recent years New Zealand governments have 11 increased their overall expenses steadily - from a total in 2013 of NZ\$90.3 billion to an estimated NZ\$190.265 billion in 2027. It is fair comment that government overall gross income has increased over the same 14 year period, from NZ\$85.678 billion in 2013 to an estimated NZ\$193.830 billion in 2027. This is the same approach as the USA - that is, an increase in overall debt is okay if the overall income also increases. This approach may well be a short-term remedy but it is not a solution for the medium to longer term, to run a country like New Zealand well. The USA has around 340 million people as compared with New Zealand at 5 million - they are 68 times over population. Consequently, this comparison is not an apples and apples one - the USA's much bigger scale always has more options and more room to move.
- 12 New Zealand needs immigrants mainly because they are now essential for several of our key industries. Don't forget though that for every, say, 20,000 per year permanent immigrants, that means another 7,500 houses and probably 5-6 schools, and maybe one more hospital.
- 13 Governments and regional councils are not good at reducing their costs - this simple business and common sense approach has never been demonstrated over recent years - it may take a brave government to do this, but this is the type of thing required in a reset.

What is the take-home message here:

- 1. The top 2/3 of New Zealand income earners are presently paying a lot more than 2/3 of the government's total tax take from individuals perhaps close to 90% they are flat out.
- 2. New Zealand has too many administrators in government and regional councils.
- 3. There will be no alternative to government borrowing in the short term, but this just makes the economic reset for the future that much more important.
- 4. New Zealand investors own around 20% of the total New Zealand houses government needs this group and should be treating them as housing partners which is exactly what it is not doing at the present time.
- 5. Quite a few New Zealand dairy farmers, and sheep and beef farmers, will be working for no or very low wages in the present year, and maybe the following year.
- 6. The New Zealand government needs to think much more deeply about prioritising their available cash this is just School Economics '101', but is fundamental when you are operating by far the biggest business in the country.
- If you exclude National Superannuitants, then in the 2023 year approximately 740,000 New Zealand people are receiving a welfare benefit of some kind - that is close to 24% of the New Zealand adult population of around 3,050,000 people - this ratio is too high.
- 8. Around (1/4) to (1/3) of New Zealand households are living quite a lot above their income and have been for some years.
- 9. With some 5,199,100 people (as at 31 March 2023) the New Zealand economy at the moment is similar to a business where the management may be working hard but there is simply not enough gross income - a significant lack of gross income in any business is hard to overcome - but that is what strong disciplined decision making is all about.

- 10. The USA economy seconds top people from the private sector to work for the government for around two years their salary reduces sharply but it gives them great experience and adds to their CV - Pita has met several of these people on his USA trips. New Zealand needs top people in key roles - this level of expertise is beyond most general Members of Parliament.
- 11. Government needs to rethink some of its big projects such as stadiums, Commonwealth games, etc these prospects involve enormous costs, those costs all run over, if not several times, and after funding the initial capital financing, the then ongoing annual interest costs are usually ridiculous and go on for years and years for our grandchildren to service.
- 12. Paying by credit card is too easy often one card is one card too many. Many New Zealand people over the next 18 months or so are going to get into financial problems via their credit card or cards. A lower limit on credit cards would be a plus, plus a maximum of one card would be a major plus.
- 13. It is hard to argue against teachers, nurses and police being better paid as they are key industries and deserve it. That is not the question though - the question is where is the money going to come from to pay for the increases and pay for them every year. At present it looks like we will borrow to cover it.
- 14. People talk about reducing their standard of living but really they are thinking of how much their neighbours could or should tighten up financially if they had to and how good it may be for their neighbours to face this. You may be comfortable with letting a few necessities go but not the larger more expensive items that you really enjoy because they are important to you.
- 15. New Zealand needs a strong determined government for, say, six years (two terms) that will get on top of its fiscal financial position, borrow a minimum, face its high welfare payments, and communicate the facts and the truth to its citizens it probably will be very unpopular for the first three years, but will be well respected in its second three-year term.
- 16 16. So what is our position and what is the plan.
  (a) The New Zealand government needs more overall income only tax increases would achieve this re the amount required but this is not foreseeable for the next year or so.

(b) A reduction in government expenses makes sense but the history suggests that government just cannot contemplate this approach.

(c) A reduction in our standard of living - again this makes sense but the people would struggle with it and government would not have the ability to cope with it. (d) A combination of (b) and (c) again makes sense but present Members of Parliament would need another line of work.

(e) A reduction in government and regional council administrators.

(f) Prioritisation of 'think big' projects (what really matters and is essential).

(g) A review of government paid salaries - much more focus on performance.

(h) Government to borrow significantly and feel good about it - this is a plan for our grandchildren really - this is the most likely outcome because it is a plan government understands how to implement.

**PS:** If the NZ government debt is, say, \$145 billion (\$NZ) at the present time, then this represents around \$37,179 per NZ adult at the present time - some of us will need to keep working.



#### AUGUST '23

26th Scotty Anderson Memorial Men's Golf Jessie Anderson Memorial Ladies' Golf

#### SEPTEMBER '23

- 2nd Taste Temptations @ Five Stags 4 pm
- 3rd Father'sDay @ Remnant House
- 11th Amuri Arts Council AGM
- 15 Hanmer Springs Film Club-Golf Club 6.40 pm
- 18 Movie Night @ remnant House
- 30 Saxaphone Weekly Workshop with Lana Law

#### OCTOBER '23

- 3 Christchurch Youth Jazz Orchestra @ 12 noon Concert on the Green. Memorial hall if wet
- 6-8. Men's 54 Hole Golf Tournament
- 13 Hanmer Springs Film Club. Golf Club @ 6.40 pm
- 22 Family Event Remnant House
- 26-29 Hurunui Garden Festival

27 Hanmer Springs Fete

#### NOVEMBER

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

#### DECEMBER '23

- 2 Alpine Marathon
- 9 Family Christmas Party Remnant House
- 16 Christmas Hamper Golf Tournament
- 24 Special Christmas Service @ remnant House

Please let us know if you have any future special events and we will list them here. Research has shown that this calendar is frequently consulted

## AMURI COMMUNITY ARTS COUNCIL

"Promoting, encouraging and enhancing artistic and cultural participation and awareness in the Amuri Area."

## The AGM

or the above council will be held on Monday 11 September at 7pm in the Art Gallery area of the Hanmer Springs Public Library.

The council over the past year has supported the NZSO Orchestra, flax weaving, soap making and zentangles classes. The Hanmer market is organised by the council and brings many interesting products to our doorstep.

We invite all persons interested in supporting the work of the above group to attend the meeting. New members welcome.

Enquiries to: Yvonne Cheney 315 8017

### Kaikoura Greens present two films:

'For the Blue' and 'Those Crazy Greens' at Amberley School, Douglas Road (in the Arahura Hall ) on Saturday Sept 9th, 7pm-9pm. Entrance by Koha. Refreshments in the interval. Enquiries to Richard McCubbin 0274-354-013 or <u>mccubbin@netspeed.net.nz</u> Authorised by Miriam Ross, Level 5, 108 The Terrace, Wellington.

## **David Salmon Pianos Limited**

We will be in Hanmer Springs on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September If your piano is in need of a tune, please get in touch <u>www.dspianos.nz</u> office@dspianos.nz 021 024 75358



# Community Notices

### Hurunui District Councillors

Please feel free to contact us, as your closest representatives

**Tom Davies**, Hanmer Springs 027 600 7779 tom.davies@hurunui.govt.nz

Dave Hislop 027 443 6909 dave.hislop@hurunui.govt.nz

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Karen Armstrong, Waikari 03 314 4042 or 0274 383 464 karen.armstrong@hurunui.govt.nz

### HANMER SPRINGS BRIDGE CLUB

Resu Results. 24/08/2023 1<sup>st</sup> - J Bell & J Wilson

## **GOLF RESULTS**

Saturday 26th August Golf Results Jessie Sutherland Memorial 1st Bev Pool 38 pts 2nd Nicky West 37





### JPs in Hanmer Springs

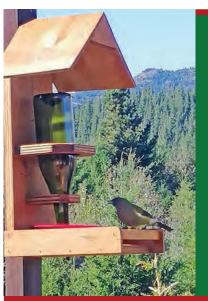
Alice Stielow 021 317 001 Joy Wilson 027 220 2511 Rod Ell 315 7222 or 027 437 2464 Jonathan Gardiner 315 7925 or 027 685 9276 Ann Toomey 03 384 2564 or 021 155 7622

HANMER SPRINGS BOWLING CLUB ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TO BE HELD AT 1 PM ON SUNDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2023 AT THE HANMER SPRINGS GOLF CLUBHOUSE

## **ALL WELCOME**

Contacts: Tina Steele email: kview88@gmail.com Randall Uitendaal email: randyuit@gmail.com



## **Bird Feeders**

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### CLASSES & FITNESS, CLUBS & MUSIC

**FILM CLUB** 

**PILATES** 

Monday 5.30pm

Corrie 021 045 7666

Wendy 027 243 2123

LINE DANCING Memorial Hall

Monday 1pm

Cost: Donation

BRIDGE CLUB

**SING & STRUM** 

AQUACIZE

**Thermal Pools Entrance** 

Monday Mornings 10am

Linda 021 223 8188

For more information contact:

Venue: The Golf Club Rooms

@ 6.40pm \$18 – Cash only

Next movies: 15th September, 13th October

Hot food, soft drinks & snacks available

Pilates classes @ 12 Amuri Ave

Thursday 8.45am and 10am

Contact Penny 027 2408 321

HANMER SPRINGS

Call Joy 027 220 2511

Thursdays at the Anglican Church Hall @ 7.15pm

Wednesdays during school terms

Informal group. Will need agua stick.

at The Five Stags 6.30 – 7.30pm

For more information contact: hanmermusicandarts@gmail.com

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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 @ the School

#### 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)

#### 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

#### 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 at hanmerspringslionsclub@gmail.com

#### LOCAL LADIES CATCHUP

Every first Wednesday of the month at **Fire and Ice** from 5.30pm

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#### HANMER SPRINGS SPORTS PAVILION

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HANMER CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY 31 Jollies Pass Road – Sundays 10am 1st and 3rd Sunday – Morning Worship 2nd and 4th Sunday – Communion Tea & coffee after Sunday Service Contact Jonathan Gardiner (Warden) 315 7925 or 0276 859 276

#### **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

#### 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 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

#### COMBINED PROBUS CLUB HANMER SPRINGS

Meetings first Tuesday each month. Fun and Fellowship for the more mature. To join or for more information contact: Carolyn Hall 027 360 9001 Dennis Hall 021 294 1541

#### **ANGLICAN CHURCH HALL**

Available for hire for Community Groups, Meetings, worship, retreats etc. Contact: Shirley Whitaker 0274 161 415

**CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, HURUNUI** St Roch's Church 27 Amuri Ave.

Mass 5pm each Saturday. Culverden Church Mass 6.30pm first Sunday of each month & 2nd and 3rd Saturday of each month.

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

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

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



**BAGS** Rubbish & recycling Hanmer Springs Transfer Station, Hanmer Springs Service Station, The Library, The Log Cabin, Super Liquor

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### Why you **must** come to see **What we did on our holiday**

Impossible not to enjoy this big-hearted and sweet-natured British family movie from Andy Hamilton and Guy Jenkin with incredibly funny semi-improvised dialogue from the children. It creates a terrifically ambitious (and unexpected) narrative with a tonne of sharp gags. David Tennant and Rosamund Pike are Doug and Abi, the troubled parents of three boisterous kids: they're heading up to Scotland for the 75th birthday of Doug's unwell dad, Gordy (Billy Connolly), which means staying with Doug's uptight brother, Gavin (Ben Miller), and his depressed wife, Margaret (an excellent Amelia Bullmore).

- Jess: Then the policemen comes.
- Abi: That was just a misunderstanding, sweetheart.
- **Doug**: Sometimes when grown-ups discuss things very loudly, people will get the wrong ideas.
- Mickey: He let me play with his taser.
- **Doug**: Well, he didn't let you.
- Mickey: He didn't say I couldn't.
- Jess: Does electricity feel nice, daddy?
- Doug: No, not nice...

Jenkin and Hamilton have created a very clever script, with laughs and subtleties: could there be a connection in Gordy's mind between the own goal in football and the wartime friendly fire that caused a family tragedy? Very impressive and likable stuff.

#### So what are you waiting for – get a bunch of friends together and support the Hanmer Springs Community Cinema non-profit initiative.

Hot snacks, popcorn, lollies, chocolate & soft drinks available for purchase – cash only, no eft pos available.

## FRIDAY 15 September Hanmer Springs Golf Club



boors Open: 6.10pm for 6.40 screening

Door Sales: Adults \$18, Under 18s \$15

Note: Cash only – No EFT POS availabl

Upcoming movie info and screening dates on the Hanmer Springs App

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