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HANMER SPRINGS FOODBANK



Did you know there is a "Foodbank" in Hanmer Springs that has funds available to help those that are struggling at the moment. This Foodbank money has been made available from generous donations by the Hanmer Springs community. A Four Square grocery voucher will be given to those eligible. If you, or you know someone that lives in the Hanmer Springs community that may be eligible please email:

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There are a lot of bad flu bugs around the Village at the moment, but we have plenty of flu vaccines at the Health Centre to help boost your immune system. Please give us a ring 03 315 7503

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We are still holding the Covid clinic each Thursday until further notice. Call 020 409 1074 for an appointment.





Mandate for 7 days of isolation has ceased along with mask wearing. If you do get Covid or have respiratory symptoms and/or a cough, cold or runny nose we recommend you stay

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IN AN EMERGENCY DIAL 111



Shepherds' Pie masterclass

Shepherd's pie was one of my favourite childhood dishes. With a couple of easy but clever tricks, you can turn a good dish into a great one.

Ingredients

- 2 tbsp vegetable oil
- 1kg lamb mince
- 1 large onion, finely diced
- 2 carrots, finely diced
- 1 celery stalk, finely diced
- 2 garlic cloves, roughly chopped
- 1 tsp salt
- 2 tbsp tomato paste
- 1 stalk rosemary, leaves stripped and finely chopped
- 3 sprigs thyme, leaves stripped
- 5 cup plain flour
- 5 cup red wine
- 1 litre beef stock
- 1 tbsp worcestershire sauce
- 1 tbsp dark soy sauce
- 2 cups frozen peas

MASHED POTATOES

- 1.5kg potatoes
- 150ml milk
- 100g butter
- salt to taste

Method

Step 1

Heat a large casserole dish over medium heat and add the vegetable oil. Roughly form the mince into a large patty and fry it as you would a giant hamburger (see tips). When the "hamburger" is well browned on one side, flip it over and add the onion, carrot, celery, garlic and salt to the pan and fry for about 10 minutes, until fragrant and softened. Use a wooden spoon to break up the browned mince patty into the vegetable mixture.

Step 2

Add the tomato paste and chopped herbs, stir well, then add the flour and stir for about 3 minutes to combine with the mince and vegetables. Add the wine and bring to a simmer. Simmer for 2 minutes, then add the stock, worcestershire sauce and dark soy and simmer, covered for 1 hour.

Step 3

Uncover and continue to simmer for about 30 minutes, until the mixture is thick. Remove from the heat and stir the peas into the warm mixture. Transfer the mixture to a large baking dish, allow to stand and cool while you make the mash.

Step 4

Heat the oven to 200C fan-forced (220C conventional).

Step 5

To make the mashed potatoes, peel the potatoes and cut them into large chunks. Place in a large saucepan and cover with cold water. Bring to a simmer and simmer for 15-20 minutes until the potatoes are very tender. Test them by inserting a sharp knife into a piece of potato. It should enter and exit easily. Drain the potatoes well and return them to the warm pot over very low heat for about 3 minutes to steam off some of the residual moisture.

Step 6

Mash well, then add the milk and butter and mix vigorously with a wooden spoon to produce a smooth mash. Season well with salt and spread the mash over the filling in the baking dish. Rake a fork across the top to create texture. Bake for 25 minutes until the mash is golden brown.



Waltham School, Christchurch.

Waltham School in Christchurch mentioned in The Press, just over a year ago, that they felt they didn't get the opportunities that some schools got. Hanmer Springs Forest Camp (Accommodation) and Christchurch South Rotary(Transport) leapt into action to provide two classes with a free trip to our wonderful village. Rusty Carrot/PJ Pies provided their food. The Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa provided two visits to the pools and Activity Hanmer provided heaps of fun activities. Principal Tim Evers and the students were incredibly thankful to everyone concerned. Tim said "the students had such an amazing time" it was a "truly excellent" trip. "The looks on the children's faces were a sight to be seen as they got off the buses. Pure happiness and enjoyment" Rosemary Ensor, Chair of the HS Forest Camp.



Daffodils are Springing.

What an exciting place Hanmer has been over the last few weeks. Here are a few of my personal observations of our beautiful village.

With daffodils blooming everywhere it was awesome to see Diane Smith and many of our shops and businesses leap into action and display daffodils and raise money for Cancer. I know this is a charity that reaches and touches most of us. With O'Flynn's entering the spirit, our Primary School, and Busy Bees too all getting stuck in and spreading the word. I was delighted to be a judge with Dr Judith in the Paint the Town Yellow campaign and great to see so many of our businesses, shops, hotels, and medical centre, putting up displays and bringing sparkle and yellow to the village. Approaching \$3000 raised a great effort by all, well done.

What about our Red Shed. On the apparent brink of collapse, it has been carefully and lovingly restored by Amuri Builders. Nearing completion it will surely last a many more decades. I hope that we put up a plaque of its history on the new fence going up. A job for Rosemary Ensor methinks.

And the introduction of two magnificent new slides at The Hot Pools and Thermal Spa will surely keep the "jewel in our crown" at the forefront of NZ's tourist attractions. I can't wait to try them out.

Last but no means least a big shout out to Ecan. Not something you hear every day I know. But if you take a stroll along the Chatterton River, you will see three large areas of out of control weeds, brambles and willows have been cleared to make way for native planting and regeneration. It looks fantastic, I look forward to the long-term results. I can think of many more riverbanks that would benefit from similar works and I will be advocating for that.

As the snows melt, the temperatures rise, the flowers burst forth and the cherries blossom I think we live in one of the best places in the world. Thank you all for making this such a wonderful place and community.



Tom Davies
HDC Councillor
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trivia.

Quiz



1. Who is Julian Lennon's stepmother?
2. Bernie Taupin collaborated with which music artist for over 20 years?
3. What is a nun's head dress called?
4. How is sound produced from a euphonium?
5. Marmalade, Manx and Sphynx are all types of what?
6. What was the number of the first Apollo mission to land on the Moon?
7. Cassata is which type of food?
8. *The Deer Hunter* movie was about which conflict?
9. The movie *Happy Feet* is about which type of creature?
10. If a person was practising semaphore what would they have in their hands?
11. Which sport is covered by Wisden's?
12. How many degrees are there in a right-angled triangle?
13. Which fruit goes into the dessert made by Escoffier for Dame Nellie Melba?
14. Who or what was Marie Celeste?
15. Is Cromwell north or south of Dunedin?
16. The football team Boca Juniors plays its home games in which city?
17. What instrument did Galileo invent?
18. In which decade did the Mini motor vehicle first appear on the roads?
19. Which famous actor won an Oscar for the movie *True Grit*?
20. Who was history's most famous sufferer from the disease porphyria?
21. What type of movies was Boris Karloff famous for?
22. What is the name of the special mark on precious metals that denotes their purity and origin?
23. In which country did Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid meet their end?
24. The collapse of a star leads to the creation of what?
25. What is a mandrill?
26. The British returned Hong Kong to China. Which other country returned a nearby territory to China?
27. How many of Henry VIII's wives were beheaded?
28. Who was the voice of Gru in *Despicable Me*?
29. Who or what is the Great Bustard?
30. If a number is squared what is it multiplied by?



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NEW ZEALAND AGRICULTURE - YES, WE ARE ALREADY IN A ROUGH FINANCIAL PATCH AND IT IS NOT CLEAR HOW LONG IT WILL LAST - A FEW THOUGHTS AND COMMENTS FROM SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN THROUGH SEVEN OF THESE PATCHES SINCE 1972

1. What are the New Zealand agriculture bank debts as at 30 June 2023:

Term Debt: Interest Only	\$32.088 billion	(51.50%)
Term Debt: Revolving Credit	\$18.902 billion	(30.34%)
Term Debt: Interest & Principal	\$10.950 billion	(17.58%)
Term Debt: Other	\$0.361 billion	(0.58%)
	<u>\$62.301 billion</u>	<u>(100.00%)</u>

2. The increase in the New Zealand Reserve Bank (OCR) official cash rate is now 5.5% - after 12 consecutive hikes since October 2021 (22 months) - a net increase of 5.25%.

3. Split of New Zealand bank loans as at 30 June 2023:

Dairy	\$37.235 billion	(59.77%)
Sheep and Beef	\$15.318 billion	(24.59%)
Horticulture	\$7.535 billion	(12.09%)
Other Agriculture	\$2.213 billion	(3.55%)
	<u>\$62.301 billion</u>	<u>(100.00%)</u>

4. New Zealand agriculture exports (food and fibre) for the year ended 30 June 2023: \$56.2 billion.

5. How many New Zealand financial down-cycles in New Zealand since 1948: 11 - about one on average every 6.8 years.

6. Historically the world's financial up-cycle periods have lasted longer than the down-cycle periods.

7. Without tourism and agriculture, New Zealand would slip into a third world group fairly quickly.

8. The New Zealand banking scene as at 30 June 2023 has lent \$344.508 billion to New Zealand house owners - just on 5.5 times the total loans to New Zealand agriculture.

9. What are the issues when New Zealand agriculture is looking down the barrel of a very difficult financial year:

(a) Don't blame the banks - they have shareholders, and the New Zealand Reserve Bank is, to some degree, forcing them to increase their interest rates - we need our banks to be strong, profitable, well financed and competitive - if they cover these key issues and are still soundly profitable then that is what we need - weak banks with insufficient funding is the last thing we want in a down-cycle.

(b) Don't blame our capitalistic system - capitalism is always disruptive and in many instances this disruption leads to innovation and growth. At present the world has not developed anything better to replace what we have.

(c) Don't blame China - they have enormous internal problems at the moment and over the last 15 years or so the sales/purchases relationship has worked well for us both, and with a little luck this relationship may resume. Admittedly, the 32% portion of our exports going to China makes us a little too dependent on them but at the time this is where the best market was and maybe in time still is.

(d) New Zealand farming couples are amazingly resilient in coping with down-cycles and move heaven and earth to balance their cash flow - many have had some practice in these down-cycles.

(e) It is the second year of a downturn that causes the problem - that is when real support from banks, suppliers, family, locals, government is required.

(f) A down-cycle is no time to be making bank loan principal repayments.

(g) The Farm Income Equalisation Scheme was designed in part for downturns. Every New Zealand farming couple, particularly on the east side of both islands, should always have 50% of one years' profits sitting in the scheme.

(h) This is not a time to be helping family financially - let them take up student loans if they see fit - defer house deposit loans - concentrate on your own revenue and expenses - push capital issues forward.

(i) There is no substitute for access to a top class farm advisor in a down-cycle - there is no halfway house though.

(j) A couple must stay on the same page in a down period - save the differences for the up-cycles.

(k) Communication with key people is not desirable, it is essential - men naturally become cave-like in a major downturn - family and friends and advisors need to get into the cave and communicate regularly.

(l) After breathing comes cash flow - don't turn the light out just because the cash flow does not balance - limiting the loss is an absolutely key issue for a second down-cycle year.

(m) Sell anything that is surplus - plant, boats, trucks, cars, stock.

(n) Yes, some farming situations will not survive - the key in those situations is to then control the sale process over time.

(o) Government will talk comforting words but they will be little or no use to you - they don't have the ability or the money or the understanding about farming and money management - at present they are running the biggest business in the country, but they are not running it very well.

(p) Look very, very carefully at development that involves capital cash - you need to preserve what you have at the moment - think and work week to week and month to month - defer the five year plan for the moment.

(q) Will things turn - yes, they always do - but you won't know when - the good patches in New Zealand farming always last longer than the bad patches - if you are only going to learn one thing out of all this, it is to plan much better for the next downturn.

(r) Don't back off stock management, crop management, seed, fertiliser, groceries and the children's Saturday sport games - pay yourself and family first.

(s) Keep things in perspective - a \$50,000-\$100,000 cash deficit is something you will overcome when things improve - don't lose that fire in your belly though while you are waiting.

(t) Never forget that while you are making cash losses, your balance sheet may still be sound and solid - it is your balance sheet that will help you drive out of working capital problems in time and will determine your future.

(u) Your bank manager will not be enjoying all this either - communicate with them early on - they hate surprises later - if they need more security you may have to run with it in some way - the key is to stay with it.



- (v) You may be surprised just how financially strong some parents are - talk to them, borrow from them - you can make all this up to them later.
- (w) Is there a life after farming - yes, there definitely is - if that is what it comes to then grasp the nettle - you must lead from the front for your partner and your family - your bank will do their own leading.
- (x) Sometimes a sale of a block of farmland can be justified if it works for the remainder of the property - sometimes you have to forego your ideals for what is commonsense for yourself, spouse and family.
- (y) A downturn is a very good antidote for iron disease, which around 20% of New Zealand farm men have.
- (z) Lastly, never forget that New Zealand produces high quality milk, meat, horticulture, fish and wool products that many countries around the world want - our trade arrangements will reset in time - but over that time many New Zealand farming couples will need to dig in hard - but they will resurface and when they do they will reset themselves for the next downturn, just that much better and on top of that will pay little or no Income Tax for perhaps two years and the farming losses will carry forward - there could be a three-four year period of very low Income Tax payments in many cases.

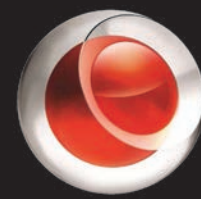
PITA ALEXANDER

The writer spent three years intensive farm trouble shooting many years ago and if some of this pain shows up on these (a) to (aa) points, I am sorry.

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 **HURUNUI**
District Council

Hanmer Springs Netball Club Prize giving.



On Thursday night the **Hanmer Springs Netball Club** celebrated the end to a very successful season as well as some special people and players. This year we had 4 teams, Fun Ferns, Future Ferns, Under 14's Primary and Senior A.

All teams did really well and a huge thank you goes out to all the players, coaches, managers, supporters, committee members, parents and anyone else who contributed. Thanks to **Five Stags Restaurant - Hanmer Springs** for hosting us and for the delicious food.

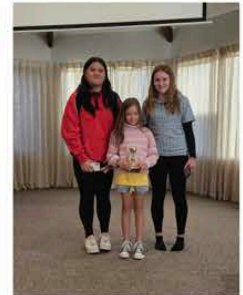
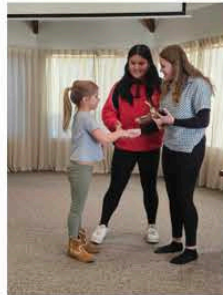
Congratulations to our players who were presented with the following awards:

● Future Ferns

Most Improved Player – Bridie Roborgh

Role Model of the Year – Ada Necklan

Player of the Year – Lillie Wilson



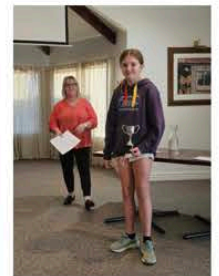
● Hanmer Alpine Electrical and Air Conditioning Ltd Under 14s

Most Improved Player – Charlie Bryant

Role Model of the Year – Amelia Saric

Best Overall Sports Person of the Year – Preeti Watson

Primary Player of the Year – Amelia Nelson



● Gavins Logging Limited Senior A

Most Improved Player – Cassidy Gray

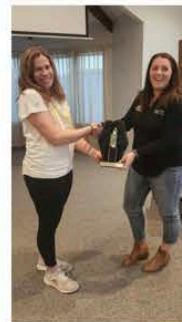
Most Outstanding Player of the Year – Ashleigh Crean

Player's Player of the Year – Talia Shadbolt

● Club Awards

Most Supportive Person – Michelle Saric

Most Dedicated Person – Sophie Nelson



We would like to give a MASSIVE thanks to all of our sponsors, of which there is a long list. We appreciate all the support that you have given our club throughout the season.

Thanks to our awesome committee, Michelle, Talia, Carol, Toni, Melissa & Liza for all the behind the scenes work that goes on to make sure our season can happen.

Thank you to all our wonderful coaches, Amelia Saric, Amelia Nelson, Preeti Watson, Sophie Nelson, Hayley Brien-Nepia, Toni McLean, Ella Cole and Melissa Smith.

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11. Cricket
12. 180.
13. Peach
14. A ship
15. North
16. Buenos Aires
17. The telescope
18. The fifties
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20. King George III.
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Hanmer Springs School

Pinkie Report

Term 3 Week 7

Journalists - Amelia Saric, Rosie Abbott, Amelia Nelson

Ski race team.

On Sunday our ski race team headed to Mt Cheeseman for the Canterbury Primary and Intermediate Schools ski race. It was a cloudy start to the day but it cleared for the race. The course was fairly steep and there were some icy corners which we had to be careful of. Everyone skied really fast down the blue course and then down the red course. Afterwards we had lots of free skiing before the prize giving. Harry was so excited when his name was announced as being third and he went to receive his medal. Harry came 3rd in the Year 1&2 Boys; Eloise came 4th in the Year 3&4 Girls; Amelia S came 4th in the Year 7&8 Girls and Levi came 5th in the Year 7&8 Boys. Unfortunately Nico missed the last game so was disqualified but his time would have placed him well. Well done everyone for some great skiing results.



Tui writing.

The Year 2 students in Tui class have been having fun with their writing. They were given two things like a duck or a spider and had to write about which one they would prefer to be, giving reasons and saying one bad thing about being that thing. They enjoyed sharing their writing in assembly on Friday.

I want to be a spider because they can sleep in the sun. The bad thing is you can get eaten by the cat's mouth in the house. By Izzy.



I wish I was a spider because you can not worry about catching food because there will be food in the web. By Jack.

I am a spider because I can have 30 legs and scare you. I like it because you can make spider webs. I like it. By Arlo.

I want to be a spider because they make spider webs. But the worst thing is you get eaten by cats. By Isaac

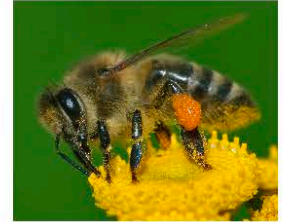


I want to be a tree because you get to feel the wind on your branches. You can watch nature and see the kids play nicely in their school and look at them kicking the soccer ball. The worst thing that could happen is you get chopped down if you are in the way. By Archer.

I want to be a tree because I have fruit growing on me. The bad thing about being a tree is someone cuts you down. By Tui.

I want to be a tree because you can give apples to people. The worst thing is you can fall over in a storm. By Isabelle.

I want to be a buzzy bee because I can make honey and if a person is trying to get me I can sting them. By Aurora.



I want to be a bee because I like flying and the worst thing that can happen is you can get stuck in branches and then you can die. By Aaryan.

I want to be a bee because they can fly and sting people. The worst thing is getting stepped on alive. By Kahn.

This is a bee. This is a nice bee. This is a good bee. By Vihan.

I want to be a bee because they can collect pollen from flowers. The best thing is that you can fly. By Isla.



I want to be a frog because it is fun being a frog because I like swimming in the river. By Christie.

I want to be a frog because you can hop super high and swim under water. The worst thing that can happen is to be eaten in a restaurant. By Teddy.

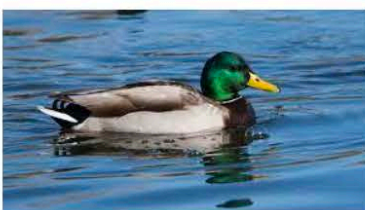
I want to be a frog because you can eat grubs but the worst thing is a car could hit you when you hop across the road. By Zandi.

Would you be a frog? The best thing is you can jump into a pond. But you can get eaten by an eel. By Harry.

I want to be an ice cream because I get to live in a fish and chip shop and the worst thing is I can get eaten alive. By Karanvir.



I want to be an ice cream because I can live in a freezer and the worst thing is melting. By Georgia.



I want to be a duck because you can fly and swim whenever you want. It is so much fun to be a duck. The bad thing about being a duck is... they get shot! By Elisa.

I want to be a duck because I can fly in the air. By Lochie.

I am a marshmallow because I am tasty and I am soft. I can be eaten. By Reyansh.

I am a marshmallow because they are delicious. The worst thing that could happen is you could be cooked. By Peter.





Ready, set, slide! The future of fun is coming to Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools & Spa

Out with the old and in with the new, Hanmer Springs Thermal Pool & Spa is gearing up for the launch of its two brand new hydro-slides, with construction ramping up on-site. The new hydrosides will open on 11 October 2023, replacing the beloved green and beige slides that first put Hanmer Springs on the map for family fun in 1998.

Just-released renders give a sneak-peak into what the slides will look like, featuring more twists and more turns, and technology never-before-seen in Aotearoa New Zealand. With programmable state-of-the-art LED lighting inside, the slides will be able to feature unique and changeable lighting experiences.

General Manager Graeme Abbot says it will be “an amazing start” to the summer season.

“We’re the first place in Aotearoa to use this technology and we can’t wait to invite everyone to this adventure.

“We plan on creating themed slide rides that change with the seasons, so depending on when you come, you might see scenes from the mountains or an underwater experience.”

“Whether our visitors are first-timers or regular spa-lovers, it’s so exciting to know we’ll be offering such a unique ride. It’ll be the summer of slides, that’s for sure.”

On Monday 4 September, 2023 a crane is being used to lift slide pieces into place, alongside the newly built hydroslide tower that measures over eight metres high.

Just like their Conical Thrill ride, Hanmer Springs Thermal Pool & Spa needs the public’s help to name the slides too.

Submissions opened this week through their website. The winner will receive an exclusive future of fun experience on opening weekend, which includes having the slides to themselves for a whole hour.

Schools are getting involved too, with all Christchurch, Hurunui and North Canterbury school pupils invited to get together with their classmates to build the ultimate ball run. The winning class will be the first members of the public to ride the slides and attend the official opening ceremony on 11 October, 2023.

Opening weekend will be on 14 and 15 October, 2023, adding to the celebrations. The future of fun is coming, and Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools & Spa is proving to be pioneers in the next era of exhilarating water rides



FOR SALE

Due to circumstances beyond his control Richard is offering all his camera gear for sale

2 full frame Nikon D750 DSLR cameras
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1 top line ball head tripod, never used

1 x Nikon D900 flash, hardly used

1 new camera gear back pack

1 x V90 Epson photo scanner (capable of scanning slides etc)

1 on-camera Nikon battery pack

Plus batteries and other peripherals such as chargers, extra batteries etc.

Replacement cost more than \$18,000.00

For sale for \$6,000 cash

Call Richard 0274 337 420



Above - a photographic memory of the good old days when the avenue was completely awash with daffodils at this time of the year

Thanks Barrie

In a display of bad manners we have to date neglected to officially thank Barrie Clubb for the great job he did in producing The Pinkie in Richard's absence. He did a top job researching and producing stories, not to mention his hand colouring of all those old photographs. Thanks also his wife Marguerite who provided an excellent input.

Apologies

Sorry, last week we had major hassles emailing out links to the current Pinkie and of those that did go out, a lot had the link garbled. Without bothering to tell us Spark had put an outgoing limit of 50 emails which got us nowhere near our 600+ emails. They then suspended all our emails for 36 hours for being naughty. Hopefully we have now surmounted the problem by subscribing to the Xtra Business email service which of course costs extra but we do wish they had told us about it several years ago. It would have saved a lot of angst

Pinkie Is On The Market

Reluctantly, Richard is placing the Pinkie on the market for sale.

Due to financial circumstances beyond his control The Pinkie will be available for purchase. If you are interested you can call Richard on 0274 337 420 to discuss terms with him. There is the possibility of Richard leaving some money in the business or having the sale amount paid off in two or three hits. Richard has spent about 16 years of building the publication up from a cyclostyled sheet to a 20 page colour magazine with its own website and its electronic edition and a circulation list in excess of 800 per week., all of which are included in this forced sale.

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Mind Your Own Business

We logged in to MYOB this week to do the usual monthly mail out of accounts and lo and behold the MYOB Essentials for small business has been scrapped seemingly disappeared overnight and we were told we had to move to MYOB Business, a more comprehensive and more expensive programme. We attempted to send some invoices out but a plethora of reasons why we could not do this popped up like Brussel sprouts. "What is your client's NZBN number? Etc etc etc. I tried tackling them one by one and managed to conquer a few of them but we could not get over the hurdle that every time I put a client's name in that field the programme deleted it. To the Chat Box, and hours of trying to get the programme to work without success with the replies from the other end growing more sarcastic than a session with Mike Hoskings. Finally after four hours they asked, what system are you running and when I said Mac they said 'Oh we are not compatible with Mac.

But surely," I said as one of the biggest accounting software companies you can't just be incompatible with a major operating system?" They were compatible the week before. We are working on it, I was told. But I want to send my invoices out. *We'll let you know next month.*

Ok the, I said, can I please export all my data from your programme. I would like to move my list of invoices and my contacts list back to my computer. *No, we don't allow people to export their contact list - it is forbidden. Forbidden by whom. Company policy. But you can't deny me access to my own data. I apologise but it is company policy. But that is my data you are withholding from me, not yours. It is company policy. Fine then, I would like to go back to Essentials. You can't we've scrapped it.*

So let me get this straight, you have scrapped the programme I use and its replacement is not compatible with Mac systems and you refuse to allow me to export my data. *Yes that's correct, but we will let you know when we have sorted out the compatibility issue. You cannot withhold my data from me. It's company policy. I believe that under law you cannot refuse me the right to access my data from a programme I have paid for for about 10 years. I am sure its illegal. It is company policy.*

I have found that it seems to be increasingly impossible to deal with, yet alone even contact some of these companies that grow so large that they think they are a law unto themselves. Their systems get harder and harder to use, they isolate themselves and the only thing they want from you is your money. How many times have you undergone the frustration of trying to contact a company by telephone or email, because they fail to provide the service they advertise and you pay for. It is a breach of faith

I asked twice for a transcript of our Chat Session (because I believe their actions to be illegal) to be sent but despite the fact it tells you that it is your right, they agreed but failed to do it. I asked a third time and again today. Yes, yes, but it never came.

Then the message (after four hours) *"I have so much much enjoyed chatting with you today. It has been a great pleasure for me. Is there anything else I can help you with today."*

I couldn't resist a comment on the sarcastic ending.

So to all Pinkie customers, sincerest apologies that your invoice is a little late this month as we have had to call in Accounting expert Debbie Williamson to set us up with a whole new accounting system through Xero.





Events Calendar

SEPTEMBER '23

- 15 Hanmer Springs Film Club-Golf Club 6.40 pm
- 18 Movie Night @ remnant House
- 30 Saxophone 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 mccubbin@netspeed.net.nz Authorised by Miriam Ross, Level 5, 108 The Terrace, Wellington.

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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

AGM

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

Results 31/08/2023

North / South – R Hothersall & G Baldwin

East / West – P Munnerley & G McCullum
(visitors)



= R Ensor & J Pillidge

GOLF RESULTS

Saturday 2nd September

Ladies Net Medal

1st Jade Sadler 63 Net

2nd Louise Pearce 65

3rd Boio Sarahu Hothersall

70

Men Net Medal

1st Wayne Love 65

2nd Daniel Conrad 67

3rd Joe Gantley 68

4th Murray Pool 68

5th Greg Samson 70

6th Garry Ritsma 71

7th Jeff Dalley 71



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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

We are a fun loving, vivacious group and can have from 5 to over 20 of us attend each month

FILM CLUB

Venue: The Golf Club Rooms

Next movies: **15th September, 13th October**

@ **6.40pm** \$18 – Cash only

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Contact: hanmermusicandarts@gmail.com

PILATES

Pilates classes @ 12 Amuri Ave

Monday 5.30pm

Thursday 8.45am and 10am

Corrie 021 045 7666

Wendy 027 243 2123

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

SING & STRUM

Wednesdays during school terms

at The Five Stags 6.30 – 7.30pm

For more information contact:

hanmermusicandarts@gmail.com

AQUACIZE

Thermal Pools Entrance

Monday Mornings 10am

Informal group. Will need aqua stick.

For more information contact:

Linda 021 223 8188

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

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Nicola on 03 314 8816

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Contact:

Shirley Whitaker 0274 161 415

REMNANT CHURCH NZ

Sunday 10am. All welcome.

Remnant House 108 Rippingale Rd

Children's Church & He Brews

Monthly lunches & Evening service

A Four Square International Church

Phone 021 076 7236 for details

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

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.

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

Symbol	Acronym	Full name and uses
	PET 	Polyethylene terephthalate - Fizzy drink bottles and frozen ready meal packages.
	HDPE 	High-density polyethylene - Milk and washing-up liquid bottles
	PVC 	Polyvinyl chloride - Food trays, cling film, bottles for squash, mineral water and shampoo.
	LDPE 	Low density polyethylene - Carrier bags and bin liners.
	PP 	Polypropylene - Margarine tubs, 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.



HANMER SPRINGS TRANSFER STATION
637 Hanmer Springs Road

- **Tuesday: 10am to 2.00pm**
- **Wednesday: 10am to 2.00pm**
- **Friday: 10am to 2.00pm**
- **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.
- ★ Clean paper, card, cans and plastics types (1, 2 & 5 only) can be recycled in official recycling bags. If in doubt – place it in the refuse to save contaminating recycling.
- ★ 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 *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



ROSAMUND PIKE DAVID TENNANT AND BILLY CONNOLLY

WHAT WE DID ON OUR HOLIDAY



HANMER SPRINGS COMMUNITY MOVIES
EVERYONE WELCOME

Doors Open: 6.10pm for 6.40 screening
 Door Sales: Adults \$18, Under 18s \$15
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Upcoming movie info and screening dates on the Hanmer Springs App

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