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Feedback

Selling Vapes

We have had a lot of feedback on last week's article on selling vapes in Hanmer Springs. All but one of them were very much in support of the fact that the last thing we want in Hanmer Springs is an outlet selling these little nicotine devices to anyone young or old and they too stipulated they were much against kids being supplied vapes by anyone.

*A couple of people put forward the idea that if liquor is regulated in the manner in which it is policed, with a pub getting closed down for a day or two if they are caught selling to under 18s, why should the same regulations not apply through the Vaping Authority. Alcohol can become addictive but vaping **is** addictive from the get-go.*

Then we come to the one communication that we received in which the writer suggested we were singling out one business when there were several businesses selling vapes in Hanmer Springs. It might have appeared that we were singling someone out and we were perhaps guilty of acting on one personal experience. As far as we are concerned anybody selling or supplying this addictive drug without the requisite checks is equally culpable

Disabled Parking Permits

*We have, over the past few months received complaints about people using Mobility Parking Permits which do not belong to them to park in Disabled Parking Spaces, specifically the parks near the Four Square and those outside the pools. We are not the ones to police this but here I quote from the permit itself. 'This permit is issued to **you** and cannot be used by anyone else'.*

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It is not to be used by spouses, friends or family to obtain a disabled parking space. 'If people are found breaching these conditions it may result in cancellation.'

The permits are not specific to a vehicle, but to the person to whom they are issued.

We have had instances reported to us of able-bodied people who have a disabled member of the family using their permit to park outside the pools or supermarket. Hardly the Kiwi way of doing things.



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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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and we will send you an application form. All applicants will be held in strict confidence. Or, perhaps you may like to make a donation to help those less fortunate. A suggestion could be that you round up your next Hanmer Springs Four Square shop by making a monetary donation to the Foodbank account? Please ask the friendly checkout operator next time you are shopping.



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Prostate cancer is the most common cancer in New Zealand men. Some prostate cancers are slow growing and will never cause problems. Others grow quickly & cause serious symptoms or death.

What is prostate cancer? It is cancer of the prostate gland.

How common is prostate cancer? In NZ about 3,000 new cases are found each year and more than 600 men die.

What are the symptoms of prostate cancer? Early prostate cancer causes no symptoms. As the cancer grows, it can cause symptoms such as peeing more often, trouble starting or stopping and often getting up at night to pee. *These symptoms may not be caused by prostate cancer – but it's important to get them checked by your doctor straight away.* If cancer has spread outside the prostate gland, it can cause pain in the lower back, hips or ribs.

What is my risk of prostate cancer? Your risk of prostate cancer increases as you get older and also, if your brother or father has had it.

Age Prostate cancer is more common as men get older. It is rare in men aged under 50.

The prostate cancer risk for a man

In his 40s 1 in 500
In his 50s 1 in 50
In his 60s 1 in 14
In his 70s 1 in 9

Talk to your doctor, nurse or health professional about prostate cancer. You should do this from the age of 50 or from 40 years if you have a brother or father with prostate cancer.

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IN AN EMERGENCY DIAL 111

trivia.

Quiz



1. Who was the world heavyweight boxing champion between 1937 and 1949?
2. Which athlete who won four gold medals at the Olympics but was forced to travel in the goods elevator in the White House because he was black?
3. What is the value of the outer central ring on a dart board?
4. What is the fifth letter of the Greek alphabet?
5. In baseball what is a switch hitter?
6. What does an electrocardiograph record?
7. Which ancient writer said "Don't count your chickens before they hatch"?
8. What was the name of Fred Flintstone's wife?
9. Which jazz musician has an airport named after him?
10. Which are generally hotter, red or green chillies?
11. Who or what is a natterjack?
12. The symbol Ag represents which element?
13. Roger Daltry was the lead singer of which group?
14. How many different colours are the squares on a Scrabble Board
15. What spirit is made from potatoes?
16. Traditionally, to whom is the first toast made at a wedding
17. In which film did Rhett Butler fall in love with Scarlett?
18. What sporting event takes place between Putney and Mortlake in London?

19. Who was the first person to successfully transmit a radio signal across the Atlantic?
20. Who invented the first electric telegraph and the code that bears his name?
21. What is the name of the Dallas American football team?
22. What was the name of the waitress in *Fawlty Towers*?
23. What alcoholic spirit is generally associated with the card game 'Rummy'?
24. Who or what is scrumpy?
25. Who won the first World Cup Soccer in 1930?



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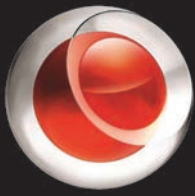
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Biodiversity Trust Invites New Trustees and Supporters

Hurunui Biodiversity Trust is a community organisation formed in 2019 to inspire and enable Hurunui locals to look after our region's precious native biodiversity. We encourage this through events, information resources, networking and collaboration.

As the Trust moves into the next phase of growth and activities, we are seeking people enthusiastic about conservation and biodiversity to join us in the role of trustee, adviser or other support capacity.

The Trust welcomes expressions of interest and is holding an information session at **7pm on Thursday 29 February at the Waipara Pavilion, Glenmark Domain**. All welcome. RSVP please to: hurunuibiodiversity@gmail.com or contact Belinda Mearns 022 1600383 or Jamie McFadden 027 3218747

For more information, go to www.hurunuibiodiversity.org or our Facebook page

Billions of spending at stake as local councils plan for next decade

Billions of dollars of spending will be outlined to communities throughout Canterbury in the coming weeks as councils release their proposed work plans and funding for the next 10 years.

Canterbury councils will be consulting with their communities about their Long-Term Plans. As part of this consultation, councils will be asking how much their communities are willing to pay in rates to fund planned work over the next decade.

Canterbury Mayoral Forum Chair Nigel Bowen says for most, this won't be a pretty number.

"We have all seen the early commentary up and down the country. Councils are struggling. We're all under immense pressure to deliver more but to spend less. Balancing affordability with the need to invest more will be key for the Forum's councils in the coming years. As a collective, what we do know is that we don't want to kick the can down the road for future generations to pick up the price tag."

As councils develop their Long-Term Plans, the community will have the opportunity to have their say about what they want to see over the next 10 years.

"As local councils in the Canterbury region, we spend billions of dollars in our communities each year. We invest in infrastructure and services such as roading, water, waste, water drainage, rubbish collections, monitoring, animal control and consenting. Social spaces are an important part of what we provide our communities. These can include playgrounds, reserves, sports grounds and libraries. We are also a key player in addressing climate change mitigation and adaptation."

There are many positives related to this investment, Mayor Bowen says.

"The work we do creates liveable, thriving and connected communities and the money you pay through rates directly benefits you and your community. However, with this investment come challenges. The number one being that there are limited funding sources – the main one being you as ratepayers."

"We get little support from other sectors, and this means you bear the brunt of what we do. We are all fully aware of that and this always plays into our decisions. We also continue to lobby Central Government for more support, especially around funding critical assets."

"Over the next few weeks, I encourage you to get involved in your council Long-Term Plan processes. Of course, remembering that you have your local council, and the regional council, to look at. Get involved and have a say," Mayor Bowen says.

As for the Hurunui and Hanmer Springs, a considerable amount of work has been going on deciding on the result of the inevitable rises in costs such as insurance, building and roading upgrades and maintenance. The Community Board and Council have held several talks on what is required in the village and what can and can't be done with the funds available. All plans and schedules will go before the community for consultation and past examples show that the Council is more than ready to look and consider individual submissions. The Community Board has stressed their desire to pay off existing debts on the Medical centre and doctor's residence as well as the village centre upgrade.

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12. Silver
13. The Who
14. Five
15. Vodka
16. The bride and groom
17. *Gone With The Wind*
18. The Oxford-Cambridge boat race
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Thank you.



AMURI AGRICULTURAL AND PASTORAL ASSOCIATION

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

2024 WORKING BEE DATES

Working Bees at the Showgrounds in Rotherham will be held on the following days:

- Friday 16th February
- Friday 23rd February
- Thursday 29th February
 - Friday 1st March
- Monday 4th March – after the show to take down marquees etc.

Please bring your gardening implements, shovels, brooms etc. and safety gear for any equipment that may need it.

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Amuri A&P Association Young Achievers Award – sponsored by Kaiwara Angus

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Contenders are to be under 30 years of age and residents of Amuri who are working in and contributing to our community.

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Frank – 027 420 3308

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Nominations close on Sunday 25th February 2024

Congratulations to the Golf Club on Brilliant Pro Am

The Hanmer Springs Golf Club has to be congratulated on the way in which they organised and implemented the recent Pools and Spa Pro Am where the New Zealand PGA Seniors Championship was making a much-anticipated return to the Australasian Legends Tour.

Peter Witton, PGA New Zealand Tournaments Coordinator, says the tournament was a welcome addition to the Australasian seniors' circuit.

"The Hanmer Springs tournament represented a pivotal moment for New Zealand PGA Members and our Australian counterparts. It's an exciting opportunity to compete in what promises to be a highlight of the 2024 expanded circuit," Witton said.

The tournament is supported by local businesses including main sponsor Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools & Spa.

The Australian members have always cherished their visits to New Zealand, with the Hanmer Springs event being a particular favourite. We're thrilled to reintegrate New Zealand's national title events into the Legends Tour," Rogers said.

The 2024 New Zealand PGA Seniors Championship showcased a lot of Australasian golfing legends at Hanmer Springs Golf Club. The Australian PGA Legends Tour, a professional golf tour for players over 50, features notable

golfers such as Peter Fowler and PGA Tour winner Andre Stolz.

There were huge ranks of volunteers from within the club's members but special mention must be made of club pro, Mike Gainsford and club manager, David O'Brien who were tireless in their efforts to make the tournament the great success it was.

As Shane Adcock, from the Pools and Spa said, the event was also great at putting Hanmer Springs on the map.

Below: Former All Blacks Forwards coach Mike Cron (left) admires his chip at the 18th hole. Cron and his wife have recently built in Hanmer and plan to spend plenty of time here.



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Believe It Or Not

We have long been accustomed to Australians claiming Kiwis of note as their own. Edmund Hillary, Pamela Stevenson, Split Enz and the Finn Brothers, Keith Urban, Sam Neill, Jane Campion and Harry M Miller (until he went to prison) and Russell Crowe (they can have him).

Just to name a few.

Having spent 16 years across the ditch I still subscribe to the Sydney Morning Herald. In last Wednesday's issue there is an article that starts out with the assertion that we are not just geographically close — we are far more culturally similar than most Kiwis or even Australians would care to admit — similar histories, similar values, similar beliefs. And then comes the surprising admission that they have been guilty of nicking plenty of people and ideas from us. (I checked the column heading to see if this story was listed under 'humour' but it was in earnest). They did say there were plenty of things that they would leave to us and then had the temerity to ask if they could beg a few more things from us. They were happy to let us keep Lemon and Paeroa, also 'the way we hounded out our last female Prime Minister' (they wanted her) and our insistence on owning the rights to pavlova. (They now claim it's French.) The main thing they wanted to take from us was our self-deprecating sense of humour. Like a seafood outlet in Hamilton called 'Fush and Chups'. With humour in mind perhaps could they perhaps have Flight of the Conchords (all

right by me) and Taika Waititi. New Zealanders are funny in a subtle and sarcastic way that flies over the heads of a lot of foreign visitors, they say, although Australians knew enough to be in on the jokes (or so they think).

Other things they expressed an interest in claiming were Cheese Rolls aka Southland Sushi. While they are on the subject of food they would like to take hokey-pokey ice cream too, but that was about it on the culinary front, except perhaps our farmers' markets, artisanal producers with admirable ideas, not to mention the 'lots of little' restaurants with big ideas. Then there was bungy jumping, sky-diving, white water rafting, Zorbing, mountaineering, snowboarding, mountain biking, jet boating, caving, heli-skiing and anything scary that you can charge money for.

And believe it or not they are envious of Waitangi Day being a celebration of an agreement between the British and Maori rangatira, even the adoption of Maori words into our language. (Tell that to Seymour and Winston.)

They felt it was much preferable to the whole continent still celebrating a national day that commemorates some bloke batting aside the blackfellas to sticking a flag in the ground at Botany Bay. So they are not asking for much.

Oh, I almost forgot - they would like to borrow a few All Blacks as they want a turn with Bledisloe Cup after 22 years drought.



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Tactix netball visit.

On Friday last week Tactix players Alyiah Dunn, Parris Petera and Jess visited Hanmer Springs School. We sat with them in a question and answer session. We found out lots about them, including about Parris's knee injuries and that to play high level sports you need to show resilience and have some grit; you don't always get it right and you have to be dedicated and practise a lot. The Tactix team practises 6 times a week and they also have to go to the gym where they have recently started some upper body strength training through boxing! They talked about how you have to play hard and try your best, but having good sportsmanship and playing fair is equally important.



The Hanmer School netball girls were then treated to a skills and drills session at the town hall. The girls learned how to pass a ball correctly and how to pivot. They also played some fun games together with the Tactix players supporting the children. This was a really enjoyable experience for the whole school and our future netball players came away feeling inspired for their winter season of netball ahead!

By Bridie

Mihi Whakatau.

On the first Friday we welcomed our new students with a mihi whakatau. The kapa haka group started the welcome. Mr McBride spoke on behalf of the tangata whenua to welcome our newest members and afterwards we sang a waiata. Nick Chapman spoke on behalf of the manuhiri. His speech was followed by a waiata. After this we shared some kai.



Waitangi Challenge.

On Monday afternoon, after our lunchtime sausage sizzle, we started our Waitangi challenge! Pippa and Sharnie helped plan out a Waitangi challenge including Rakau sticks, Poi, diving for Paua shells, making a human waka, 2 different kahoots with questions about Waitangi Day, educational videos, worksheets and carving letters in the sandpit. We all had 15 minutes at each station, and we worked as a team and had fun completing all of the activities.



We enjoyed working as a team in the pool to make a waka using noodles to take people across the pool. Diving for paua was fun as it was such a hot afternoon. We enjoyed the kahoot quizzes and tried hard to get the right answers. We learnt lots more about Waitangi Day and had a great time working together with other students of different ages. Thank you to Sharnie our manukura for organising this day and to Pippa for helping her. Thank you to the staff for running the different stations.

School picnic at Dog Stream.

On Friday afternoon the whole school walked down through the forest to Brooke Dawson Reserve to have a picnic. We had lunch, then we went down to the stream. We saw an eel and some big fish and some tiny fish. We did some building with the stones and sticks in the dry stream bed. We went upstream to find the fish in the water and some of us made fishing rods to try to catch the eels and fish, but we didn't catch anything. We tried to show our friends the eel but it was hiding under the sticks and leaves. Some of the children went swimming and had fun splashing and jumping into the pools. My friend had a toy jet boat which we floated down the stream. It floated really well.

Other children had fun playing rugby and cricket. We also had the parachute out and children were enjoying playing parachute games. Others liked playing frisbee golf.

It was a fun afternoon and we all enjoyed playing with our friends. Thank you to Mr McBride for organising our afternoon picnic and to all of the teachers, teacher aides and parents who came along to supervise and help.

By Harry



FINANCIAL EDUCATION FOR OUR NEW ZEALAND CHILDREN

By PitaAlexander

1. Why is this such an important issue - because they are the future of New Zealand:

- (a) The New Zealand Governments over the years have not been thinking through this issue nearly well enough.
- (b) The New Zealand education system does a good job in some areas but financial management is not one of those areas.
- (c) Our children leave school and many then hit a brick wall in financial terms.
- (d) Most New Zealand young adults are technically bankrupt between the ages of 17 years and 25 years and they feel this and it affects them.
- (e) New Zealand is heading for a big group of people who will be "forever renters" - we need to help this group as much as we can.
(f) What are the key issues for this young group to action:
 - (1) Keep breathing.
 - (2) Building their skills.
 - (3) Usually get married and have children.
 - (4) Develop a career.
 - (5) Buy a house.
 - (6) Repay their house mortgage.
 - (7) Help their children financially.
 - (8) Save enough to retire on.
 - (9) Live their last 25 years in financial security.
 - (10) Leave something to their children.

About 75% of these ten points involve financial management.

(g) Once you have learnt to ride a bike, you can within reason always ride a bike - developing financial skills over that 17 year to 25 years of age is the greatest investment for the next 75 years that our children will ever make - once they have this financial ability it will show up every day of their lives.

2. How can New Zealand people add real value to this young adult sector:

- (a) We must start this strong financial thinking and understanding in their last one to two years at high school - Government must lead on this issue - there would be many older New Zealand men and women very capable on financial issues who could really add value in this area - we are not talking about a big cost here - it does not require buildings, infrastructure, consultancy fees - it mainly involves organisation thinking and follow through.
- (b) Strong sound financial management around the world has come back into vogue - it should never have left.
- (c) The New Zealand Government has no money and no real strength in financial management but it should have organisation and leadership skills.
- (d) Hardly anything beats our children learning across the kitchen table on all sorts of financial issues.
- (e) Not all mums and dads have the necessary skills to teach their children well - this just makes Government involvement that much more important.

- (f) At present most New Zealand children are going to need a better education than their parents and their grandparents.

(g) We need, as a people, to think about working through to 70 years of age - if they have the necessary skills at 25 years of age then their work/life balance will be perhaps:

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25 year marginal/sufficient income (70 to 95)	26.31%

95 years **100.00**

In other words, for 52.62% of their total time they will have very little control over their financial life - this makes the other 47.38% absolutely crucial that they get it right.

- (h) Our children need to listen to grandad and grandma as well as their parents - grandparents have been right through life and have learnt the hard lessons - not enough people understand the advantages of listening hard to this older group - they can impart real value at no cost - there is not much in real life that is of real value at no cost.
- (i) Keep them away from motorbikes on the open road and hire purchase type loans on any road.
- (j) The skills that you develop must be skills that our New Zealand society is willing to pay for - this is a key issue and sometimes overlooked at 20 years of age.
- (k) You must aim for job satisfaction because if you enjoy your work you will tend to be good at it - on the other hand if you are not getting job satisfaction then whose fault is it - it is your fault.
- (l) Be nice to the Bank of Mum and Dad because you may well need some financial assistance with that first home deposit of around 20% - finding this deposit is a crucial issue and is much more important than your car, your boat, your overseas experience and your high personal drawings.
- (m) Stay living with mum and dad if you can while learning your trade or university - flatting is fun with good flatmates but building up your skills and holding your financial position together for that three, four, five years is much, much more important.
- (n) The figures are all over the place but in a sustainable New Zealand economy your home purchase could involve a 30 year mortgage, at perhaps an interest rate of 5%-6%, and needs to be completely repaid at 70 years of age.
- (o) Your first car must have ABS brakes and Airbags and so must your last car.
- (p) Never lose sight of the financial ability of your grandparents quite apart from their life experience and advice - you are their grandchildren - they very much want to see you do well and will generally move heaven and earth if they agree 100% with your plan.
- (q) You will need to get on the property ladder by the time you and your partner are around 35 years old - if you leave it any longer you will have quite a house mortgage debt at 65-70 years of age, which is unsatisfactory.

- (r) Understand how compound interest works - 95% of men and women who are wealthy in financial terms have achieved a large percentage of their wealth from compound interest - boys toys, cars, boats, overseas you are 40 years of age at least 50% of your assets owned need to be inflation proof - an inflation proof investment is either earning you income and/or increasing in value or both while you are asleep.
- (s) You also need to understand risk management re life assurance, car insurance, medical insurance and sometimes income protection insurance - these costs are annoying but essential - if the worst happens to you, your partner and your children could be in a major financial mess without covering these issues.
- (t) Sleep on it overnight before signing up for some major capital cost or key life change - sometimes a good night sleep makes for very good forward decisions.
- (u) Always get top advice on crucial issues - yes, it may be expensive but in 90% of the time it is cheap in the long run.
- (v) What do you need to have (in today's dollars) at 70 years of age - a debt free house and around \$800,000 of investments earning, say, 4%-5%. In today's dollars that is a total of around, say, \$1,600,000 - spread over 45 years (that is your saving years) this represents \$35,555 a year, which may seem out of sight, but two key issues can help - firstly, a possible inheritance from two sets of parents and, secondly, some inflation on your combined annual earnings over the 45 years.
- (w) Don't rely on any potential inheritance until you are 65-70 years of age - even then, don't put it in your capital budget until it is in your bank.
- (x) Will the two of you both need to be in the workplace for 40-45 years - yes - one income families today in New Zealand are almost unworkable in financial terms.
- (y) Other than breathing, you are not entitled to anything in this world - never forget this.
- (z) Learn to be a good listener - but pick who you listen too.
- (aa) Ignore nonsense - you will not have time for this.

(bb) In life you are often on the wrong side of inflation but with you and your partner's combined earnings the reverse will probably apply - that is if you and your partner at 25 years of age have a combined gross income of, say, \$80,000 (\$40,000 each) then in 45 years' time at annual wage increase of, say, 2.5% you will have a combined gross income of \$243,000 - at an inflation rate of 3% this figure would be \$302,000. Don't look sideways at this type of thinking - the writer's first job was as a farm appraiser for the Rural Bank in 1966 on £985/year (\$1,970/year) which equates to 84 cents an hour (I was working a 45 hour week) - inflation over time produces some very surprising data.

3. In summary:

- (a) Listen to mum and dad and grandma and granddad, they have a wealth of knowledge and can save you a lot of pain.
- (b) Accept that you will have little income and little cash while you are building up those key value employment skills.
- (c) One credit card is almost one too many.
- (d) You don't need to like your bank manager, but you do need to listen to them at key times.
- (e) After managing your breathing, the next key thing to manage is your money, your saving and your investing.
- (f) Aim for purchasing a house by 35 years of age.
- (g) Inflation must be working for you and behind you - not ahead of you.
- (h) One marriage is enough - take your time finding that right lifetime partner.
- (i) If you can't afford something - then you can't afford it.
- (j) There is no halfway house with top advice - people who have done well always admit to having received very good advice - often a number of times.
- (k) Make sure you always know your key numbers (that is: gross earnings, tax, key costs, bank balance, accounts to pay in the drawer and your allowance for unforeseen).
- (l) Don't back off key education issues for your children.
- (m) Don't rely on Government for anything - they have no money and will have less ability than you in financial terms - if you have both read right up to this last point and ticked most of it, then you will live and play well and laugh often.





Events Calendar

FEBRUARY '24

- 9/10. Moods & Emotions with David Riddell
- 9 Cacao Ceremony and Breathwork \$25pp at 7pm
- 10 Vibrant Yoga @Vibrant Living every Saturday morning @8 am \$20
- 11 David Riddell @ Remnant House
- 14 Valentine Day Cacao and Yoga \$25pp 5.30pm
- 18. Fresh Fire are back @ Remnant House
- 22-24 Amuri Players **Motherhood** @ HS Hotel Ballroom
- 24 Annual Motor Fest
- 24 Non-Stop Dance Party @ Five Stags
- 24 Women Circle 7pm \$25pp Vibrant Living
- 28 to 3 March Kjole Style Women's 9 & 18 Hole Annual Golf Tournament

MARCH '24

- 1 to 3 Kjole Women's Golf Tournament
- 3 North Canterbury Wine & Food Festival
- 9/10 Pastor Theo National Director 4 Square Churches @ Remnant House
- 11/12 Canterbury North vs Marlborough Golf
- 16 Simes and Bascand Cups Golf Tournament
- 24 Selwyn Stevens Reverse the Curse 1 pm Remnant House
- 27 7pm Jules Riding Concert Remnant House
- 29 10 am Easter Friday Service Remnant House
- 31 10 am Easter Sunday Service Remnant House

MAY ' 24

- 12 Mothers' Day
- 12 Cathy Irons String Quartet @ Hanmer Springs Hotel (Vivaldi Four Seasons, plus works by Borodin & Mozart) 2.30 pm

JULY '24

- 12th Canterbury Golf Junior Open Champs

SEPTEMBER '24

- 9 - 11 Kaikoura Women's Three Day Golf Tournament

OCTOBER '24

- 4-6 Men's 54 hole Golf Tournament
- 16 Mixed Midweek Golf. Tournament

NOVEMBER

- 3 Golf Shootout Final

* Vibrant Living Retreat @ 88 Rippingale Road
Is under new management (315 7429)

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Nett Medal

Sat. 10th February

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Women

Sam Gavin

Beverley Pool 67

Caleb Minson

Men

Steve Gill 62

NTP

Neil Duncan 63

Greg Samson

Richard Campbell 65

Dean Pollock 66

Leslie Hills- Amuri Garden will be held on Monday 19th February - 1.30 pm at the home of Donald and Annie McLean - 'Polo Hill' 1728 Leslie Hills Road, Waiau. The speaker is Annie McLean. New members and visitors welcome. Enquiries please phone Stella Davies 021 751 669.

Twilight Bowls (pics page 10)

Another successful event with 12 teams playing on Thursday, up from 10 previously.

And some players are starting to look like naturals - Neville Still, with what could only be described as a relaxed delivery, confounded many of his opponents.

However, the real surprise of the night was a new team to the competition - Up The Garden Path (known as UTGP) who came third on their first attempt with some excellent bowling.

Even better, everyone appeared to be enjoying themselves, as well as the Harris Meats Sausage Sizzle - over 70 sold to a crowd of only 50.

Winners of the night were Activity Hanmer One with Rustic Cafe coming in second. In a fortnight's time there will be 14 teams competing - just 2 short of the maximum we can have.

Hope to see you there...

Breaking news, Khrys Radcliffe is the Ladies Junior Champion and Steve Hutchby is the Men's Junior Champion - what a great game bowls is if you can be a Junior at that age!!!

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HANMER SPRINGS LIONS CLUB

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

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HANMER SPRINGS BRIDGE CLUB

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

AQUACIZE

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

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

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	LDPE 	Low density polyethylene - Carrier bags and bin liners.
	PP 	Polypropylene - Margarine tubs, microwaveable meal trays.
	PS 	Polystyrene - Yoghurt pots, foam meat or fish trays, hamburger boxes and egg cartons, vending cups, plastic cutlery, protective packaging for electronic goods and toys.
	Other 	Any other plastics that do not fall into any of the above categories. For example melamine, often used in plastic plates and cups.



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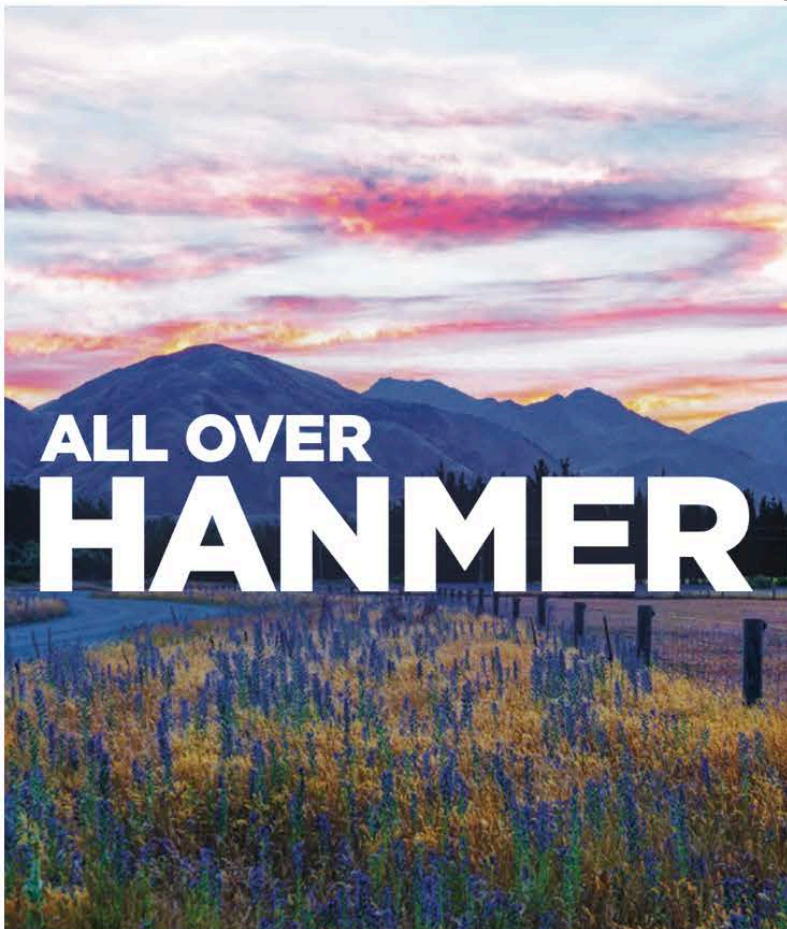
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