

hanmer springs village news

the pinkie

February 28th, 2025



www.thepinkie.co.nz

**COVERING
HANMER
SPRINGS &
ALL OF THE
HURUNUI**



Jackie FRAME
027 435 9810



Annie MCLEAN
027 315 6024



Sue MERCER
0274 368 548



Shelley McCULLY
027 275 1695



Michelle SINGH
021 163 2103



Billy SMITH
027 277 9127

Four Seasons Realty 2017 Ltd | Licensed Agent REAA 2008

Whether you're buying, selling, or simply seeking advice, let your local experts guide you on your real estate journey.

Harcourts Hanmer Springs

Important Information & Useful Opening Times

Satellite Phones for Hanmer

Should you require access to emergency services during a power outage, and your phones are not working, **Civil Defence Emergency Management has provided satellite phones at four locations in Hanmer Springs:**

Top10 Holiday Park
3 Bath Street

Pines Holiday Park
158 Argelins Road

Drifters Inn
2 Harrogate Street



Hanmer Springs Medical Centre
(opening hours only)
59 Jacks Pass Road

Satellite phones are free to use for members of the public who need to dial 111 for medical, fire and emergencies involving Police.

Hanmer Springs Transfer Station

Tuesday	10am to 2pm
Wednesday	10am to 2pm
Friday	10am to 2pm
Sunday	10am to 2pm



Out of hours recycling for paper, card, cans, plastic bottles and containers (under 4 litres) numbered 1, 2 and 5, and glass bottles are provided. Lids and soft plastics are not accepted.

637 Hanmer Springs Road



Hanmer Springs Community Library

Hanmer Springs Community Library
& Service Centre



Cnr Amuri Avenue
& Cheltenham Street

Monday - Friday
12pm - 4pm

03 315-7912

Saturday & Sunday
10am - 2pm

hanmer@hurunui.govt.nz

Useful Opening Times



Four Square
(Summer Hours)

8am - 8:00pm

Summer hours start, each year, with daylight savings.



The Toy Shop

(including postal services)

Mon - Thu 9am - 3pm

Friday 9am - 4pm

Saturday 10am - 4pm

Sunday 10am - 1pm

Our post code
7334



Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools & Spa

10am - 9pm

Hanmer Springs
Thermal Pools & Spa

Hanmer Springs Service Station



7:30am - 6:00pm

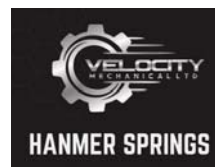
(seven days)

03 315-7107

CALTEX

154 Hanmer Springs Road

Velocity Mechanical



8:30am - 5:00pm

(Monday to Friday)

027 740 4142

Woodbank Road

Hammer Hardware



8am - 5pm

(Mon - Fri)

9am - 4pm

(Saturday)

Closed Sunday & Public Holidays

About "The Pinkie"

The Pinkie is published by

Hanmer Springs Village News (2024) Ltd



Reece Gardner
022 366 4477

Rach Barnes
022 366 4411

thepinkie@readme.co.nz

Pinkie News

The Pinkie is called "The Pinkie" because it was originally printed on pink paper.

The Pinkie is currently published fortnightly, on a Friday, while we establish new systems and build a more resilient and enduring newspaper that contains more news and local content.

Printed copies of *The Pinkie* will be available from the Hanmer Springs Four Square on a Monday morning, following the Friday publication date.

Contact us if you are a local resident and would like a guaranteed copy of the *The Pinkie*, by subscription, delivered to your letterbox, or door.

For the benefit of both our readers and advertisers, we aim to increase our print run in the near future.

We've got some work to do and we appreciate your patience while we make *The Pinkie* even better.

Photo Credits

Cover photo: Reece Gardner
"Wanaka Helicopters MD500E in Hanmer Springs"

Other photos: Reece Gardner, Rachael Barnes

All images are covered by copyright

Your name could be here! We would be very happy to publish readers photos, providing they are of a publishing standard and we have space available.

Email your images to:
thepinkie@readme.co.nz



e-Subscriptions

We can email you *The Pinkie*. Send us an email with "Subscription" in the subject line and we'll add you just like that! Thank you.

thepinkie@readme.co.nz

Hanmer Happenings

Tomorrow, Saturday 1 March 2025, the 109th Amuri A&P Show is being held at the Show Grounds in Rotherham. The A&P Show is always a great day out, and the weather is looking good too. A copy of the programme is included on our *Event Calendar* page.

Hanmer Springs has had a couple of busy weekends with lots of visitors in the village.

On the weekend of 15 & 16 February seventy (70) MD helicopters visited Hanmer Springs. This was the second *Great Kiwi 500 "Fly In"* that local pilot, Bill Hales, has organised. Helicopters arrived from every corner of New Zealand with some arriving in small convoys.

Last weekend Hanmer Springs hosted the 10th Hanmer Motorfest. Over 650 motor vehicles attended with entries coming from as far away as Rotorua; a 1964 Dodge Custom Wagon. Local man Jack Andrews won the award for Best Tractor with his 1957 Farmall SBM.

Congratulations Jack!

We've been having some great weather and both these events enjoyed stunning big blue sky days.

Our very own Ben Reid, artist, has just won "First Prize in Print" at the 2025 New Zealand Paint and Printmakers Awards in Hamilton. Congratulations Ben Reid. You're awesome!

Finally, if you're a runner remember the Hanmer Forest parkrun is on every Saturday morning at 8am. Look out for Ben too; he may be there! Also, the Hanmer Half Marathon will be held on Saturday 3 May. Visit the Hanmer Half website to register: <https://www.hanmerhalf.co.nz>

Keep being awesome out there!

Satellite Phones over Holidays

Over the holiday period there will only be **two** satellite phones in Hanmer, should we have an emergency situation.

One phone will be at the Medical Centre and the other one will be at the TOP10 Holiday Park. (See opposite/previous page for address details).



Hanmer Springs Health Centre



59 Jacks Pass Road
Hanmer Springs
03 315 7503
reception@hanmermc.co.nz

"The Pinkie" Dining & Takeaway Guide



Monday - Sunday
11am - late

A classic 'locals pub' the way they used to be! Great family dining for lunch and dinner.

10 Jacks Pass Road, Hanmer Springs

SOM TAM

COFFEE & THAI FOOD

Evening Takeaway (Thu - Mon)
4:30pm - 9pm

Coffee & Lunch (Fri - Mon)
8:30am - 1:30pm

03 315 7483

Closed Tuesday & Wednesday
4 Harrogate Street

Advertise Your Business



The best time to advertise your business may have been yesterday, but the second best time is today. Call 03 315 7711 now!



Open Thu, Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon
pizza, coffee, treats

027 4499 025

20 Conical Hill Road, Hanmer Springs

Hanmer Sushi & Bowl



Open seven days from 10am

Monday-Friday 10am - 8pm
Saturday 10am - 8pm
Sunday 10am - 8pm

5 Conical Hill Road, Hanmer Springs



Monday - Sunday
2pm - late

47 Amuri Avenue
Hanmer Springs
(Opposite Hot Pools)



Monday - Sunday
8am - 9pm

Hanmer's best outdoor dining.
Child friendly too, with an on-site playground!

37 Amuri Avenue
Hanmer Springs
(Opposite Hot Pools)



MON - FRI 2PM - LATE

SAT - SUN 9.30AM - LATE

FULL MENU SERVED DAILY TILL 9PM
RESERVATIONS & PHONE ORDERS WELCOMED

03 315 5262

6 JACKS PASS ROAD, HANMER SPRINGS



HANMER BREWERY BAR

Monday - Sunday
11am - 9:30pm

Everything a bar & restaurant destination should be.

47 Amuri Avenue
Hanmer Springs
(Opposite Hot Pools)

Views and Opinions

The views and opinions expressed herein are not necessarily those of the editor or publisher.

New Email Address

Our email address is: thepinkie@readme.co.nz

Please update your records.

The Printed Pinkie

Printed copies of The Pinkie will be available from the Hanmer Springs Four Square on the Monday, following the Friday publication date.

Deadline for Material

The deadline for material, including advertising, is Tuesday 5pm unless it is pre-booked in which case our deadline is Wednesday 5pm.

The Great Kiwi 500 Fly In



On Saturday and Sunday 15/16 February 2025, seventy (70) MD helicopters from all over New Zealand converged on Hanmer Springs.

Local pilot, Bill Hales, of Alpine Springs Helicopters, organised the event along with the help of a number of friends and colleagues.

The event was the second "Fly In" Bill has organised. The first was in February 2023 and at that event Ryan Weeks, from MD Helicopters in the USA, said he had never seen so many helicopters in one place let alone helicopters of the same brand.

At the 2023 event sixty-three (63) MD helicopters visited. More were expected, however, a number of helicopters didn't make it as they were helping with the Cyclone Gabrielle recovery.

On Saturday morning, at about 10:30am, New Zealand's only Black Hawk helicopter (a Sikorsky EH-60A, ZK-HKU) completed a couple of overhead circuits of the Hanmer Springs "Fly In" landing area. The Black Hawk, based in Whakatane, was on its way home from Wanaka where it was being used to assemble the new high-speed 6-seater chair lift that will serve Soho Basin at the Cardrona Ski Area. The Black Hawk is owned by Kahu New Zealand, a company that specialises in heavy lifting. The helicopter can lift 3.6 tons of cargo.

MD Helicopters were previously Hughes helicopters, then McDonnell Douglas helicopters before becoming MD Helicopters.

P.

MD500 Helicopters

The MD Helicopters MD500 series is an American family of light utility civilian and military helicopters. The Series includes the MD500C, MD500D, MD500E, MD 520N and the MD 530F.

A quick search of the NZ Aircraft register suggests that there are 103 x MD500 helicopters registered.

- 14 x MD500C
- 36 x MD500D
- 27 x MD500E
- 21 x MD 520N
- 5 x MD 530F



There are other variants too; the Hughes 300 (35 registered) and the MD600N (5 registered). Some of these helicopters also attended the Fly In.

P.



PLANNED POWER OUTAGE IN HANMER SPRINGS

MainPower will be completing scheduled electrical maintenance and upgrades to improve reliability and reduce future outages.

All connections in Hanmer Springs will be affected.

WHEN:

Tuesday 4th & Wednesday 5th March 2025

7:00am – 6:00pm on both days

- Generators will power some of the town, including most of the central business hub.
- Electricity connection will be restored to all connections overnight.

WHAT TO EXPECT:

During the outage you may see our team completing pole replacements, line upgrades, underground cabling and tree maintenance. There will be traffic management in place to support our work.

Your electricity retailer will send you a notification detailing how this planned outage will affect your connection/s.

Please note:

If a generator fails, there is no alternative generation available. Always be prepared for planned or unplanned outages.

Medically dependent customers should activate their 'no power plan'.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT:

mainpower.co.nz/news-and-updates/planned-power-outage-in-hanmer-springs/

OR, CONTACT 0800 30 90 80 FOR MORE INFORMATION.



Scan with your phone camera to find out more.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE AS WE WORK TO IMPROVE THE ELECTRICITY NETWORK.

HANMER SPRINGS PLANNED POWER OUTAGE

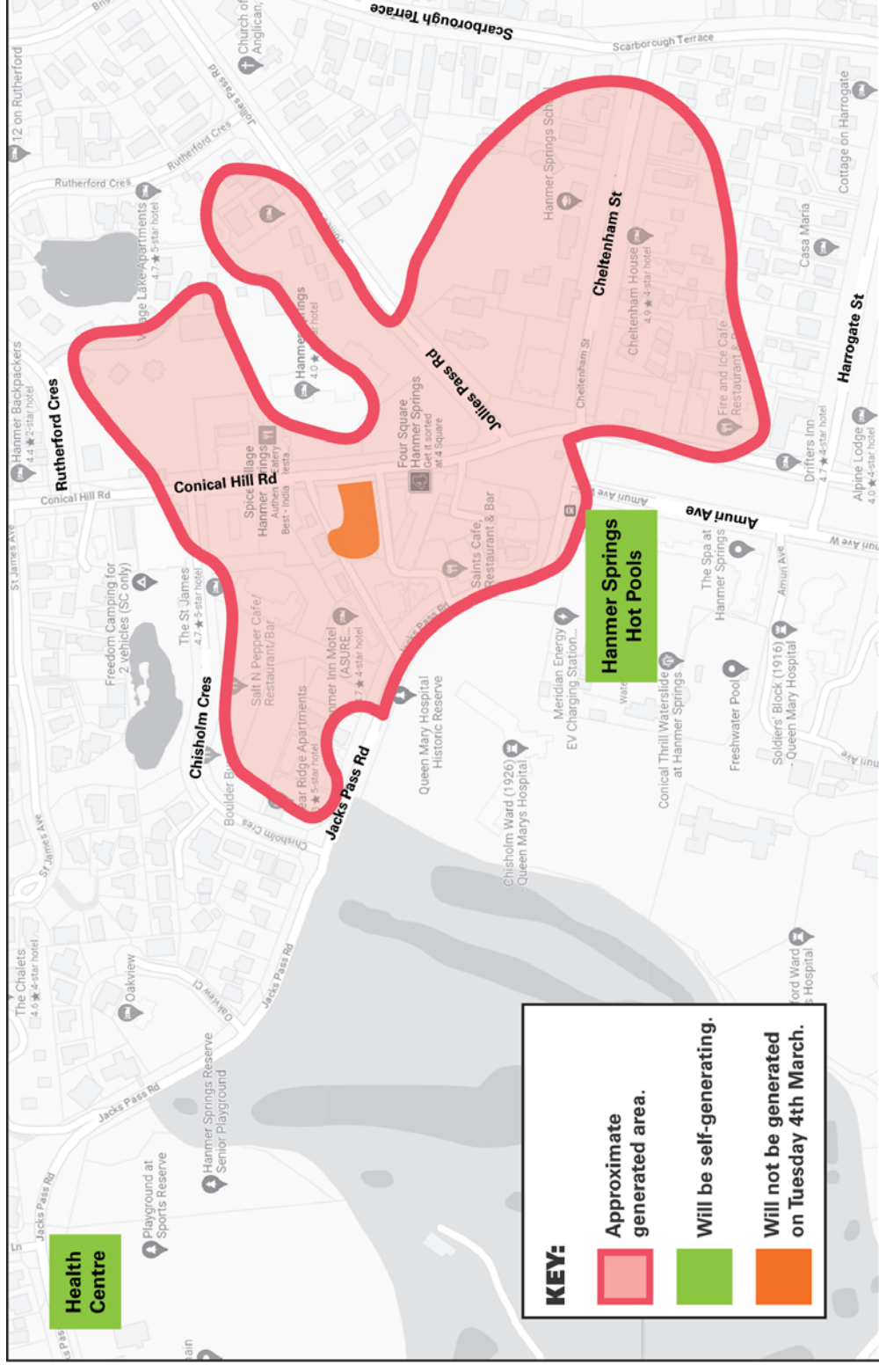


Tuesday 4th March – Wednesday 5th March 2025.

The highlighted area below shows the approximate generated area for the outage period. We'll keep this map updated on our website if anything changes.

Please note:

- This map shows the approximate location of electricity generation. To find out if a specific location will be affected, please refer your outage notification sent via your electricity retailer. Or call us on 0800 30 90 80.
- If a generator fails, there is no alternative generation available. All Hammer Springs connections are advised to be prepared for planned or unplanned outages at any time.
- Connections that will receive generation will still experience short power outages as we connect and disconnect generators safely. Please read your outage notifications carefully and plan accordingly.
- Some generators will be connected / disconnected on 3rd and 7th March. Impacted connections will receive a power outage notification of this from your electricity retailer.
- The location of generation assets has been planned to align with our network configurations and maintain supply to community services.
- Homes and businesses can organise their own generation privately through local service providers.



Congratulations Roxy & Garry



Congratulations to Roxy Forster and Garry Ritsma who are getting married today (Friday 28 February) at 4pm, at the Hanmer Springs Golf Club.

A very warm welcome to Roxy's parents, Karen & Leslie, who are visiting from the UK.



Great Kiwi 500 Fly In Photos



The Pinkie is available online at www.thepinkie.co.nz

The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart.

Helen Keller

Hurunui District Council



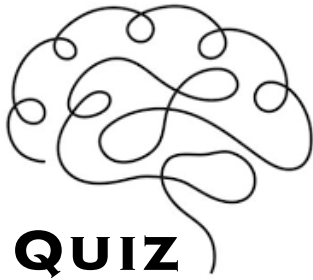
Expressions of Interest CONTRACTORS

We are seeking competent and passionate contractors to express their interest in roadside drainage works across the Hurunui District.

Email Charlie.Hutt@hurunui.govt.nz for an information pack and to register your interest.

Closes 11 March 2025 .

TRIVIA



1. What is the highest mountain on Stewart Island?
2. Hanmer Springs water supply is a surface water take from what river?
3. What is the United States federal debit?
4. What is New Zealand's government debit?
5. What planet is closet to the sun?
6. How many bones in the human ear?
7. What is a group of crows called?
8. What animal has the longest tongue?
9. How many sides does a snow flake have?
10. The first handheld cellular phone was made by what company?
11. What percentage of the earth's atmosphere is carbon dioxide?
12. What is the average altitude of the International Space Station?
13. What is the chemical element with the symbol Ag?
14. Born in Dunedin and living in Cambrian, Central Otago, what NZ artist focuses largely on empty Otago landscapes?
15. Who was born in Wellington in 1888 and is perhaps New Zealand's most famous author?
16. Based on the Union Jack and sky blue in colour, the flag of Tuvalu has how many yellow stars?
17. Roughly how long does it take for sound to travel 1,000m or 1km?
18. How many seconds in a day?
19. Glossophobia is a fear of what?
20. The level of which lake is higher? Wanaka or Hawea?

Read this subliminal message ...

I'm really awesome at the Trivia Quiz

QUIZ FOR THE KIDS

1. What colour is emerald?
2. Nemo was what type of fish?
3. How many pairs of wings do bees have?
4. On a farm, what is a kid?
5. Where do the Flintstones live?



Colour this ...



A little space for doodling or colouring!



Hanmer Motorfest 2025



BEST IN SHOW WINNERS

Australian – Wayne Golightly | 1970 Ford Falcon XY GT
American – Rick Nyeste | 1967 Ford Fairlane
European – Todd | 2015 Lamborghini Aventador
British – Darryl Alker | 1971 Ford Mk 1 Escort Mexico Replica
Japanese – Alan Paterson | 1983 Toyota Mk 2 Supra
Hot Rod – Kevin Jellyman | 1931 Ford AA Truck
Car & Caravan – Lynette Yeatman | 1962 Ford Zephyr Mark 2
Modern – Brett Sutherland | 2005 Holden HSV GTO
Motorbike – Barry Jones | 1934 Harley Davidson VL 10/12 Side Car Outfit
Tractor – Jack Andrews | 1957 Farmall S.B.M.

SPECIAL AWARDS

Judge's Choice – Glenn Martin | 1969 Ford Falcon GTHO
People's Choice – Thea Haggitt | 1971 Ford Falcon XY
Furthest Travelled – Pauline Harwood | Rotorua – 1964 Dodge Custom Wagon
Hard Luck – Gerard Anngow | 1962 Chevrolet Impala

JUDGES' PICKS FROM AUSTRALIA

Best Ford – Geoff Donald | 1982 Ford Fairmont XD ESP
Best Holden – Julian Scully | 1969 Holden GTS Monaro
Best Mopar – Hayden Harkerss | 1967 Chrysler Valiant VC



1956 Chevrolet Belair



1955 Ford Zodiac MK1



Best in Show Winner, European Car, 2015 Lamborghini Aventador



1957 Chevrolet Belair



1966 Chevrolet Impala



1956 Lincoln Capri

FLOORPRIDE RANGIORA SUPERSTORE

We Are In Hanmer Village

On March 7th

Phone 0800 FLOOR1

For a free
measure & quote.

We have AMAZING deals on
all your flooring needs.

Don't forget to ask Michelle
about our famous garage
carpet
special.

RESIDENTIAL FLOORING SOLUTIONS
CARPET • VINYL FLOORING & PLANKING • HYBRID
TIMBER FLOORING • LAMINATE WOOD FLOORING

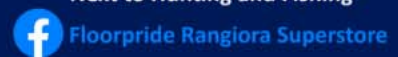


T&C's may apply

Phone 0800 FLOOR1 Or Email For A Free On Site Measure And Quote



Mon to Fri: 9am-5pm, Sat: 9am-2pm
343C Flaxton Road, Southbrook, Rangiora
0800 FLOOR1 sales@floorpriderangiora.co.nz
www.floorpriderangiora.co.nz
"Next to Hunting and Fishing"



Septic Tank Emptying



Call Murray and his sons,
Justin and Keiran

Free call **0800 372 003**

or email **office@robsons.nz**

We're a family owned and
operated business with over
35 years experience.

Liquid Waste Management

- Septic Tank emptying
- 6 wheel-drive trucks for wet or hilly terrain
- Grease trap emptying
- Water jetter to clear blocked drains
- Sewage pumps - supplied and fitted
- Port-a-loo emptying
- 30,000L tractor drawn tankers

We also service:

Ashburton

Rangitata

Sheffield

Rakaia

Darfield

Servicing North Canterbury

www.robsonenvironmental.co.nz

Free call 0800 372 003

Support our Community by Shopping Locally



Hanmer Rental Services

A division of Hanmer Holiday Homes

Hanmer Springs Property Managers
- Long Term Rentals -

 Healthy Homes Assessment  Find the right Tenants

 Tenancy Agreements & Bond Lodgement

 Regular Inspections, Maintain & take care of your home

www.hanmerholidayhomes.co.nz/longtermrentals-2

022 580 7963



HANMER SOLUTIONS

Your **North Canterbury** security,
TV & audio, test & tag and traffic
management **specialists!**

 Alarm Systems

 CCTV

 Locksmithing

 Fire Protection

 Security Patrols

 Test and Tag

 Television

 Traffic Management

 Audio

 Guards

www.hanmersolutions.co.nz

03-315 7262

Local Professionals



Manual Therapy, Sport Injuries,
Exercise Prescription, Acupuncture
For appointments ph Chris Dixon
027 420 9766

BUSCHL SMITH LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

MELISSA BUSCHL SMITH
Owner/Director
Landscape Architect

M: 027 345 9947
E: info@bsla.co.nz
W: www.bsla.co.nz



Qualified IT Professional

Levi Sadler

- Onsite IT Support
- Network setup / configuration
- Email configuration
- Television and home electronics



HANMER IT

Phone | **027 304 7071**

Email | Levi@hanmerit.co.nz

General Home Maintenance



- Window repairs and installation
- Decks and Fencing
- Painting and Staining

No job too small

Call Garry 027 480 9609

Christine Hall

CH Solutions - Hanmer Springs

Covering North Canterbury
No charge for first consultation
Your "Go to" person for:

RECRUITMENT
REDUNDANCIES
CONTRACTS
HUMAN RESOURCES ADVICE
TROUBLE SHOOTING, STAFF MATTERS
GENERAL BUSINESS ADVICE



chsolutions@xtra.co.nz
(64) 021 635 215

For your firewood needs ...

Call Daniel Bryant
021 929 927



hspringsfirewood@gmail.com



The new Hanmer Springs Pump Track

Support our Community by shopping locally



HANMER STORAGE

Call Rick 027 201 4536

- ▶ secure closed yard ▶ short or long term rentals
- ▶ secure, fireproof, dry & rodent free
- ▶ suitable for furniture, cars, tools etc
- ▶ containers for sale or hire

www.hanmerstorage.co.nz



Katie Hill

Alpine Massage

HANMER

INTUITIVE DEEP TISSUE & RELAXATION MASSAGE

🏠 12 Alpine Avenue, Hanmer Springs [alpinemassagehanmer](https://www.facebook.com/alpinemassagehanmer)

✉ alpinemassagehanmer@gmail.com



RL Built

Ryan Lake
Residential Builder

☎ 020 4174 0871

✉ rlbuilt@outlook.com



Waste Disposal Services

+0 22 100 5388

www.takeitaway.co.nz

Door to Door Service

*Window clean *Gutter clean *Height access
*Building washes and much more...



MR. SPOT

Professional Cleaning Services

Call Chen on 027 670 7768

That's 027 MROSPOT

SITEWISE
GREEN 2019/20

Scarlet Construction



For all your building needs, big or small ...

Call Chris now, 027 2155 577

office@scarletconstruction.co.nz

www.scarletconstruction.co.nz



La Mia Pizza

20 Conical Hill Road, Hanmer Springs

027 4499 025

pizza, coffee, treats

www.thepinkie.co.nz

Sudoku for you!

2	7				9		3	1
1	9	5		8			2	7
3		4	1	7	2			
						2		
	5			6		3	1	4
8	4		9		1			
4	8		6	9	3		7	
			8		7		4	3
		7			5	1		8

This is an easy one so no answers are needed!

Trivia Answers

1. Mount Anglem/Hananui (980m)
2. Rogerson River
3. \$36 Trillion US dollars (\$103,800USD/person)
4. \$111 Billion US dollars (\$21,350USD/person)
5. Mercury
6. 3
7. A murder of crows
8. Giraffe
9. 6
10. Motorola
11. 0.063% carbon dioxide
12. 400km
13. Silver
14. Grahame Sydney
15. Katherine Mansfield
16. 9
17. 3 seconds
18. 86,400
19. Public speaking
20. Hawea (348m), Wanaka (279m)



KIDS ANSWERS

1. Green
2. A clownfish
3. Two
4. A baby goat
5. Bedrock

Thank you! You!

Thanks to **Cam Bisset,**
of **Dirt Trailbuilding,**
for building our new pump track.



Amberley's Best Coffee

Little
Vintage
Espresso



If you need a cheeky coffee fix between Christchurch and Hanmer Springs our favourite wee place is the Little Vintage Espresso.

Monday - Fridays 7am to 3pm

20 Markham Street, Amberley

HANMER SPRINGS FOODBANK

Did you know there is a "Foodbank" in Hanmer Springs that has funds available to help those that are struggling.

The foodbank fund has resulted from many generous donations by individuals and businesses in the Hanmer Springs community.

If you, or anyone you know, are struggling please email:

hscommunitytrust@gmail.com

Applications for assistance will be treated in the strictest confidence. Eligible resident applicants will be given a Four Square grocery voucher.

Donations may be made at the Hanmer Springs Four Square or directly to BNZ 02 0876 0132702 004



Every
Donation
Makes A
Difference

Number of days since
1 January 2025

59

Number of days to
Christmas!

300

Number of days since our
last Power Outage

113 (19)

Support our Community by shopping locally

Hanmer Springs

Te Whakatakanga o te Ngārahu o te ahi a Tamatea
(the falling of the embers of the fire of Tamatea)

Population 1180

Annual visitors 500,000+

Elevation 388 metres 1,273 feet

Citizens Advice Bureau



Ngā Pou Whakawhirinaki o Aotearoa

We're here to help you with any issue. Please call in to talk to one of our trained volunteers or phone us on 03 313 8822 or 0800 367 222 or email northcanterbury@cab.org.nz

209 High Street, Rangiora

HANMER CHEVIOT
Couriers



Hanmer 0274 337 985

Christchurch, Hanmer Springs, Kaikoura,
Cheviot, Waiau, Rotherham, Waikari, Waipara
Amberley, Rangiora, Greta Valley, Culverden

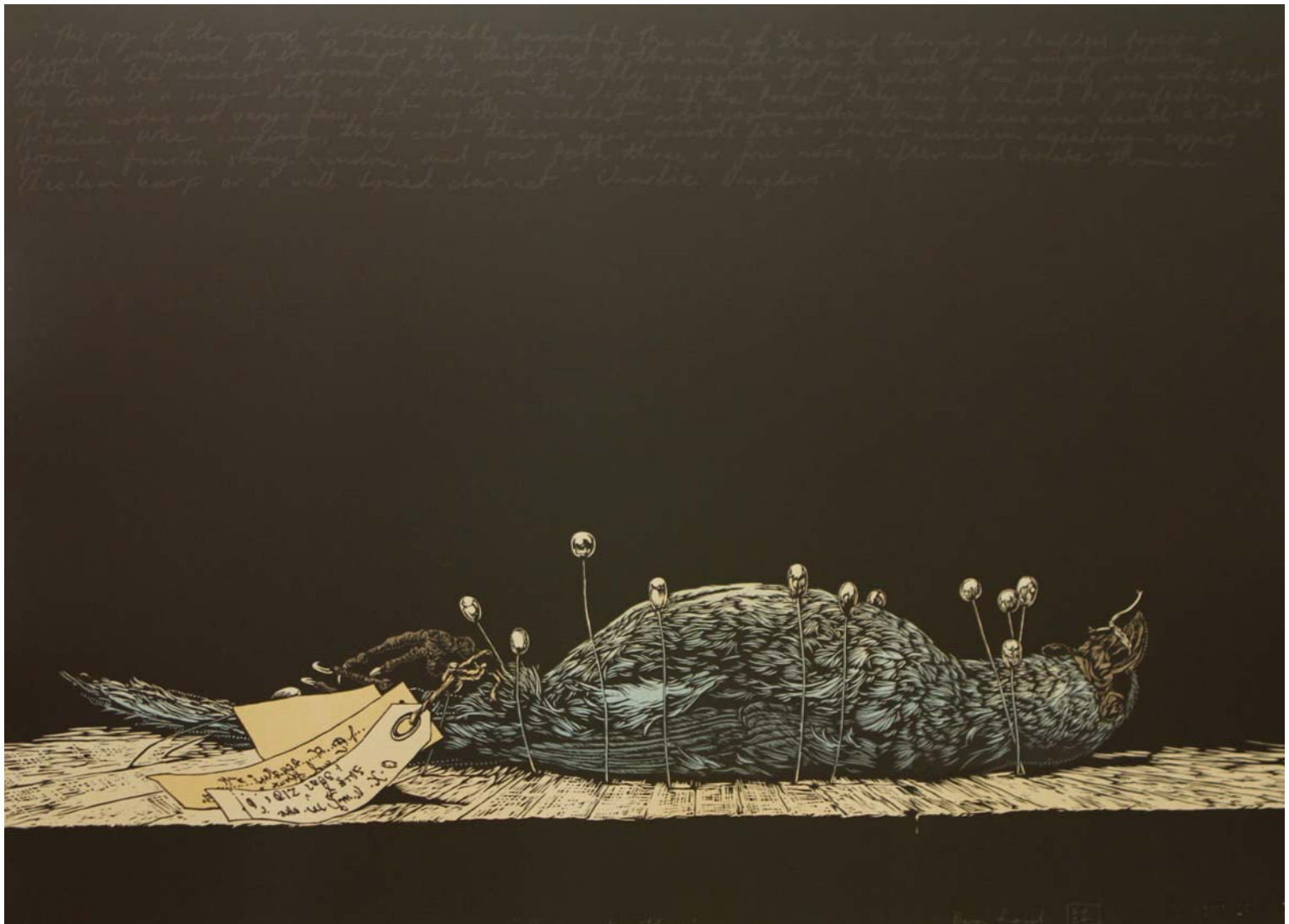
Chim Chim
Safety Keepers & Chimney Sweepers



0800 22 44 64

www.chimchim.nz | sales@chimchim.nz

Master chimney sweeps and logfire repairers



"Sing Together", 2024 by local artist, Ben Reid. First Prize in Print at the 2025 New Zealand Paint and Printmakers Awards in Hamilton

CLASSES, FITNESS, CLUBS & MUSIC

Mondays

AQUACIZE

Mondays 10am
Thermal Pools entrance. Informal group.
You will need an aqua stick.
Call Linda (021 223 8188) for more information.

HANMER SPRINGS STITCH GROUP

Mondays 10am
Hanmer Springs Library
Call Diane (021 315 779)

LINE DANCING

Mondays 1pm
Memorial Hall.
Call Penny (027 240 8321)
Cost: Donation.

PILATES CLASS

Mondays 5:30pm
12 Amuri Avenue
Call Wendy (027 243 2123)

HANMER SPRINGS BIG BAND

Mondays 7pm
At the school (during the school term).
New members always welcome.
You will need to read music or have a good ear.
Call Marguerite (021 125 4062)
Cost: Free

Tuesdays

TUESDAY WALKERS

Tuesdays 9:45am
Meet at the Jollies Pass Road Forest Entry carpark (by the old DOC house).
Approx. 1.5 - 2 hour walks in the forest.
Call Anne (021 277 7515) or
Julian (021 148 2811) for more information.

COMBINED PROBUS CLUB HANMER SPRINGS

First Tuesday of each month
Fun and fellowship for the more mature.
Call Corry Scrivener (021 045 7666) or
Dennis Hall (021 294 1541) to join, or for more information.

Mount Isobel Paragliding Club

Mount Isobel Paragliding Club

The Mount Isobel Paragliding Club is looking for members (flying or non-flying).
Call Reece (022 366 4477) or
Chris (021 038 2046) for more information

Wednesdays

TRAMPING GROUP

Day tramps in local mountains and surrounding areas. Every Wednesday.
Call Janet (021 103 4303) for information.
Mt Isobel Tramping Group

LOCAL LADIES CATCH-UP

First Wednesday of each month.
Fire and Ice, from 5:30pm.
We are a fun loving, vivacious group and can have from 5-20 meet each month.

HANMER SPRINGS KNITTING GROUP

Wednesday 10am
Hanmer Springs Library
Call Diane (021 315 779)

Thursdays

PILATES CLASS

Thursdays 8:45am and 10:00am
12 Amuri Avenue
Call Corry (021 045 7666)

E-BIKE TOURING GROUP

Thursdays 11:00am (winter hours)
Call June (021 823 824) or
Anne Inglis (021 277 7515) for information.

HANMER SPRINGS BRIDGE CLUB

Thursdays 7:15pm
Anglican Church Hall
Call Joy (027 220 2511) for information.

HANMER SPRINGS LIONS CLUB

Dinner meeting second Thursday of the month. Five Stags at 6:30pm. All welcome.
Email Boio Sarahu-Hothersall at
hanmerspringslionsclub@gmail.com

Saturdays

HANMER FOREST PARKRUN

Saturdays 8am
Brooke Dawson Reserve (off Bath Street)
See parkrun.co.nz for details

Sundays

MORRIS DANCING

Sundays 7pm
Lots of laughs and some added exertion.
Dancers and musicians welcome.
Call John (021 395 022)

CHURCH NOTICES

Saturday Church Services

CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, HURUNUI

Saturday Mass 5pm
St Roch's Church
27 Amuri Avenue

Sunday Church Services

ANGLICAN PARISH OF HANMER SPRINGS

CHURCH OF THE EPIPHANY
Sundays 10am
33 Jollies Pass Road
Tea & coffee after Sunday Service
Call Jonathan Gardiner (Warden)
(03 315-7925 or 027 685 9276)

REMNANT CHURCH NEW ZEALAND REMNANT HOUSE

Sundays 10am
Remnant House 108 Rippingale Road
Children's Church & He Brews
Monthly lunches & Evening Service
A Four Square International Church
Call 021 076 7236 for details

VENUES FOR HIRE

ANGLICAN CHURCH HALL

Available for hire for community groups, meetings, worship, retreats etc
Call Shirley Whitaker (027 416 1415)

HANMER SPRINGS SPORTS PAVILION

Available for sports groups, weddings, functions etc. Fully equipped kitchen.
Large carpeted function room, changing rooms and showers.
Call Nicola at the Hurunui District Council (03 314-8816)

HANMER SPRINGS GOLF CLUB

Available for hire for functions, weddings, funerals etc.
Fully equipped kitchen. Spacious and warm carpeted room. Bar facilities.
Call the Golf Club (03 315-7110)

HANMER SPRINGS TENNIS CLUB

Twilight Tennis & Kids Coaching
(During the season)
Call Sarah Currie (021 0826 4577) for more information

Last Legs

Continued from previous issue ...

By Richard Tapper (reproduced with permission)

Nightfall overtakes the city of San Miguel de Tucuman as we arrive. Outside the bus station the scene is lively and a circus big top overflows its clowns out in the street. There are trainers with mangy animals that strain against their chains, all trying to work the crowd and unabashedly herd them toward the next performance. Streets are so busy and noisy and choked with exhaust fumes that I am taken back to India. Dust plays in the headlights and there are the smells of street food and rancid cooking oil. This is a dirty city and surely saw better days, like a pair of scuffed shoes or last week's flowers, but I can't assume expert witness to the place, not having moved more than fifty yards from the bus station.

Although there is a two hour wait for the bus to Salta, I have to unload all my bags off the first bus which is looping south to Cordoba. This means I cannot go anywhere. The lockers are not big enough and the luggage check is closed. A young English couple off the same bus are also going to Salta and volunteer to look after my bags while they dine at a platform café, so I walk up the street, drawn toward where the circus tent is pitched.

I consider delaying my trip to Salta to stay in Tucuman for a couple of days. Firstly, I love seedy places, remember I lived in Calcutta and loved it. But most tempting was the idea of an incomparable experience; being part of the crowd at a circus here in the desperate wilds of the Andean foothills appeals to me. It offers the old exhilaration of being far removed from the comfort zone, the promise of something unlikely to be forgotten, like stepping through the scene and becoming a protagonist in the movie.

But it will seriously complicate life and despite the rushing about, I am inherently lazy and it means I will have to buy a new ticket and move my baggage and find a cab and a hotel. An opportunity gives way to feeling travel weary and the imminence of the destination. In the inevitable hindsight of the future I will castigate myself for failing in dedication to curiosity. Any seasoned traveller pays obeisance to spontaneity.

I feel uneasy that I have left all my worldly possessions, including my camera gear in the care of a couple I have known no more than three minutes. My sense of unease grows when two dwarves with bizarre face paint, dressed in torn and shabby clowns' clothes grab a hold of my arms and try to propel me toward the circus. After a long bus ride across the country, dwelling in the depths of

my already-bizarre imagination, I am a little spaced out; so this event is nothing less than disturbingly surreal, trapped in a Borges illusion, painted by Dali. I feel an urgent need to escape them. I forcibly detach myself from their tight grip, which is not easy, their words are tough and their hands rough and bony as though they have led a hard-working life. I get a sad sense of their exploitation but no time for sympathy. One of their fingernails cuts into my arm and makes it bleed.

Now, I wish I could paint so I could reproduce that scene.

I am in the school of fantastic realism, I am among the pages of the South American genre. The event lasts less than a minute but it unnerves me.

So pleased to see the English couple, wordless bovines munching on bread rolls, looking exhausted and thoroughly bored with each other, but utterly dependable, sitting placidly with my baggage piled next to theirs, his trusty foot implacably planted through the strap of my camera bag.

The trip to Salta is a few hours, spent in an identical leather armchair, passing meaningless lights, but all the time with the sensation of travelling uphill. I am afraid I am missing things unseen in the night, part of a whole life desperately afraid of missing something.

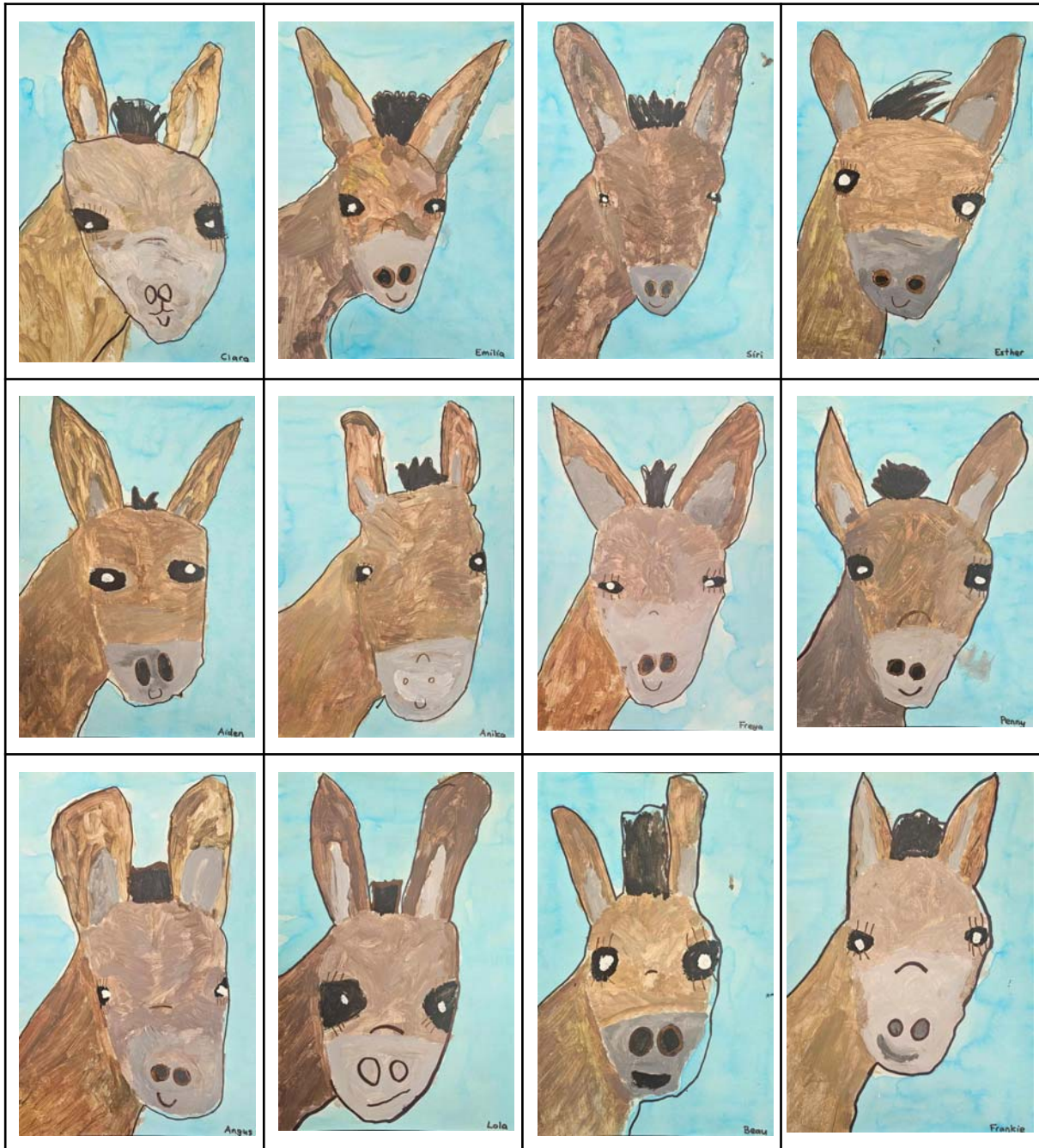
I heard about a hostel in Salta by recommendation and finally tracked it down on the Internet. It is not listed in the major travel guides and when the bus arrives in the small hours of the morning I get stranded because nobody has heard of 'Las Rejas'. Another passenger writes down the name of the place and disappears to make a telephone call. He will not be popular phoning people at two thirty in the morning but he comes back with the address which he gives to the only cab left and I get delivered about two blocks past the central plaza and into the care of Senor Ignacio and family. They give me a double room with en suite at the price of a single one and this for \$12 a night, with breakfast for another buck. When I tell them I am taking photos and doing some newspaper stories they give me a desk and chair and a table lamp. The house is an old one and some of its wooden walls are beautifully crafted in colonial style.



Hanmer Springs School Pinkie Report 2025

Amuri A&P Show artwork.

All classes have produced some artwork to display at the Amuri A&P Show in Rotherham on Saturday. The Y1 students in Piwakawaka class have painted donkeys.



School Swimming Sports.

On Tuesday the Y4-8 students went to the Thermal Pools for our school swimming sports. The events were freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly and a free choice race. We had 50 metre competitive events and 25 metre non-competitive events. It was a fun morning and everyone swam well. It was lovely seeing some of our less confident swimmers giving the 25

metre races a go and trying their best. They showed our school value of resilience. The junior school came down to watch and support the swimmers in their races.



Thank you to Mrs Hay for organising the swimming sports and to the teachers, teacher aides, support staff and parents for helping during the event. It was great seeing lots of parents supporting the event and cheering on our swimmers.

Thank you to Graeme and the Thermal Pools for hosting our event and to Chantelle, Bobby and the other lifeguards for helping us. Twenty-eight swimmers have qualified for the Hurunui Swimming Sports which are next Tuesday at the Thermal Pools.

Our overall place winners for each year group are as follows:

Year 4 girls - Georgia	Year 4 boys - Aaryan
Year 5 girls - Bridie	Year 5 boys - Jonty
Year 6 girls - Aaliya	Year 6 boys - Timmy
Year 7 girls - Bella	Year 7 boys -
Year 8 girls - Pippa and Anika	Year 8 boys - Harrison

Amuri A&P Show artwork.

The Y2/3 students from Tui class have created some sheep artwork to display at the Show.



Event Calendar



MARCH 2025

- 01 Hanmer Forest parkrun 8am
- 01 Amuri A&P Show, Rotherham
- 08 Hanmer Forest parkrun 8am
- 15 The Hanmer Hundy MTB Race
(25km/50km/100km races)
- 15 Hanmer Forest parkrun 8am
- 22 Hanmer Forest parkrun 8am
- 29 Hanmer Forest parkrun 8am

APRIL 2025

- 05 Dog Creek Timber Trail Ultra Run
(21km/50km/50mile/100km/100mile)
100mile race starts 4 April
- 05 Hanmer Forest parkrun 8am
- 06 Daylight Savings Ends
- 12 Hanmer Forest parkrun 8am
- 18 Easter Friday
- 19 Hanmer Forest parkrun 8am
- 21 Easter Monday
- 25 ANZAC Day
- 26 Hanmer Forest parkrun 8am

MAY 2025

- 03 Hanmer Half Marathon

JUNE 2025

- 28 Alpine Winter Festival (28 June - 12 July)

AUGUST 2025

- 09 Hanmer Springs Backyard Ultra

NOVEMBER 2025

- 30 Hanmer Howler MTB Race
(6hr/12hr/24hr format)

!! Attention Event Organisers !!

Please let us know if you have events coming up within the next few months. Please use this calendar to schedule new events to prevent "clashes".

Amuri A&P Show



Amuri A&P Show

Rotherham Show Grounds

Saturday 1 March 2025

Heaps of fun, Competition and Entertainment

Admission: 18yrs and over \$15, 5-17yrs \$5, Pre-schoolers Free

Programme of Events 2025

Approximate commencement times

- | <u>Time</u> | <u>Event</u> |
|-------------|--|
| 8.00am | Stock Horse |
| 8.00am | Horse & Pony- District Class |
| 8.30am | Dog Trials |
| 9.00am | Woodchopping |
| 9.00am | Pedalmania Novelty bikes (all day) |
| 9.30am | Produce Shed & Sheep Judging all entries to be in by 8.45am |
| 10.00am | Sheep shearing Competition (all day) |
| 10.00am | Classic trucks & Farm Machinery (all day) |
| 10.00am | Decorated Bike competition |
| 10.15am | Pet Lamb & Pet Dog Judging |
| 10.30am | Top Team Interschool Competition by Primary Sport Canterbury. |
| 11.00am | Novelty Shearing Competition Entertainment Tent |
| 11.30am | Line Dancing (beside entertainment tent) |
| 11.30am | Family look- a -like competition 0-2 yrs & 3-5 yrs. |
| 12.00pm | Aerial Dance Company demonstration (beside entertainment tent) |
| 12.00pm | Produce shed opens (flowers, baking, photographs, vegetables, art, school art...) |
| 12.30pm | Isolation Hill Wines with wine tasting & owners Andy & Gill Black (entertainment tent). |
| 1.30pm | Presidents Trade Exhibitor of the year Presentation of Amuri A&P Association Young Achievers Award (by Past President) President's Speech Terrier Race |
| 2.00pm | Grand Parade Led by the McAlpines North Canterbury Pipe Band Lolly Scramble |
| 2.45pm | Cavell Leitch Sheep Counting Competition (near steer Riding) |
| 3.00pm | Steer Riding |
| 4.00pm | Line Dancing |
| 4 -7pm | Community Free BBQ, entertainment, auction & refreshments |

Note also: Side shows, hot dogs, ice creams and a children's play area (with nappy change/baby feed area onsite) kindly organised by the Waiau Toy Library.

Community Notices



Hanmer Forest parkrun

Hanmer Forest parkrun takes place every Saturday at 8:00am.

Hanmer Forest parkrun is a fun, free event organised by volunteers for the benefit of everyone.

The route is a clockwise 5km lap around Hanmer Forest, starting from the Brooke Dawson Reserve (off Bath Street). The course is mostly flat, with a few small inclines and is a mixture of walking trails, all of which are solid underfoot, suitable for road shoes.

<https://www.parkrun.co.nz/hanmerforest/course/>

Creative Communities Fund



Creative Communities Fund

Applications open on 24 February 2025 and close on 24 March 2025.

Application forms are available on council's website at www.hurunui.govt.nz/community/awards-and-funding or by emailing the administrator – maree.hare@hurunui.govt.nz

All projects must have an arts focus, must begin after 16 April 2025 and be completed before 16 April 2026.

Types of costs that can be funded include: workshops/courses; performances; exhibitions; creation of artworks; materials for arts programmes or activities; venue or equipment hire for arts activities; personnel and administrative costs for short term art projects and promotion and publicity of arts activities.

FUNDING CRITERIA

Access & participation:

For example, performances by community choirs, hip-hop groups, theatre companies or poets; workshops on painting, sketching, printmaking, writing or dancing, etc; exhibitions by local craft groups, festivals featuring local artists; creation of a film or public artwork; development of new tukutuku whakairo or kowhaiwhai for a local marae; artist residencies involving local artists or communities; seminars for the development of local artists.

Diversity:

For example, workshops, rehearsals, performances, festivals or exhibitions in Māori or Pasifika heritage or contemporary artforms or by local migrant communities; arts projects that bring together groups from a range of different communities; workshops, rehearsals, performances, festivals or exhibitions by groups with experience of disability or mental illness.

Young people:

For example, young people to engage with and actively participate in working with an artist to create a mural or street art; creating a film about an issue that's important to them; publication of a collection of writings by young people; music workshops for young people; an exhibition of visual art by young people.

JPs in Hanmer Springs

Rod Ell	027 437 2464 (03 315 7222)
Jonathan Gardiner	027 685 9276
Alice Stielow	021 317 001
Ann Toomey	021 155 7622
Ken Williams	027 284 7241
Joy Wilson	027 220 2511



Hanmer Springs Golf

Saturday 15th February
Stableford

Ladies

1st Annie King 31pts
2nd Dawn Carter 26

Men

1st Barry Toomey 43 pts
2nd Sam Gavin 38
3rd Ross Campbell 38
4th Jeff Dalley 38
5th Adam Jacks 36
6th Steve Gill 36

Winner Tom Menzies Trophy
Barry Toomey



Twos

Mike Gibbon

Nearest the Pin

Mike Fisher

Jackpot Twos & Net Eagles

Not struck

Saturday 22nd February
Par competition

1st Garry Ritsma +4
2nd Adam Watts +3
3rd Steve Gill +2
4th Brent Berry +2
5th Gray Prebble +1
6th Sam Gavin 0
7th Carolyn Williams 0

Twos

Garry Ritsma

Nearest The Pin
Carolyn Williams

Jackpot twos & Net eagles
Not struck



Results kindly

submitted by

Mike Gainsford. [Thanks Mike. Ed]

Hanmer Springs Bridge Club

Results 13/02/2025

1st - W Stewart & J Pillidge

Results 20/02/2025

1st - J Wilson & T Davies

Results kindly submitted by Joy Wilson. [Thanks Joy. Ed]

The Pinkie is available online at
www.thepinkie.co.nz

getready.govt.nz



Emergencies can happen anytime, anywhere, even while you're on holiday. Are you ready?

1. Talk about the impacts
Stuck at home, can't get home,
how to evacuate, no power, no water,
no phone or internet.
2. Work out what supplies you need
3. Make a plan
4. Tailor your plan
5. Stay informed
6. Make your home safer


Charities Workshop



A FREE workshop with:
Community Law Canterbury

Charities review workshop
What does it mean?

This workshop will explain the new Charities obligations, how to do an annual review and help you work out whether you need to update your rules.

 **11am - 12:30pm**
Doors open at 10.30am for 11am start.

 **Thursday 13 March**

 Council Chambers
Hurunui District Council
Amberley

Note:
This workshop is not open to lawyers, accountants or paid advisors to the sector. The workshop is only relevant to groups registered with Charities Services .

RSVP by Monday 3 March
workshops@hurunui.govt.nz

www.hurunui.govt.nz



Hanmer Holiday Homes

www.hanmerholidayhomes.co.nz

Providing local and professional

HOLIDAY HOME MANAGEMENT

— IN HANMER SPRINGS SINCE 2004



63 Conical Hill Road, Hanmer Springs



03 315 7336



www.hanmerholidayhomes.co.nz

Support our Community by shopping locally



Village PLUMBING
LIMITED

- ▲ Burst pipes
- ▲ Tap repairs
- ▲ Design advice
- ▲ Renovations
- ▲ New homes

Mike Lawrence
Craftsman Plumber
021 546 477 (24hrs/7days)
PO Box 222, Hanmer Springs
email: info@villageplumbing.co.nz

ph 0800 529 736



Robin Cook

1 Tennyson Close
Hanmer Springs 7334
E: cookrobin@xtra.co.nz
Mob: 021 434 152

**R E Cook Painting
Contractor
Limited**

CHIMNEY CLEANING & REPAIRS
Abel Prestige offer a professional service including firebox repairs, replacement bricks, bird netting and more ...
Phone us to book in
0800 661 244
www.abelandprestige.co.nz



Abel & Prestige
CHIMNEY & FLUE SERVICES



Michelle Wotton
Phone 021 453 329
michelle@floorpriderangiora.co.nz
For all your flooring needs!



All the experts.
All the sectors.

Bayleys is the agency for your property needs all over the Hanmer Basin. From north to south. Whether it's **residential, commercial, rural or property services**, we have the knowledge and experience to ensure you get the best result.

**Experience altogether better,
contact Bayleys Hanmer Springs today.**

Bayleys Hanmer Springs
03 315 7717 | hanmer@bayleys.co.nz
10 Conical Hill Rd, Hanmer Springs 7334

WHALAN AND PARTNERS LTD, BAYLEYS, LICENSED UNDER THE REA ACT 2008

BAYLEYS

ALTOGETHER BETTER

Residential / Commercial / Rural / Property Services

HANMER SPRINGS ART GALLERY

EXHIBITION

Peregrination by Trish Saunders

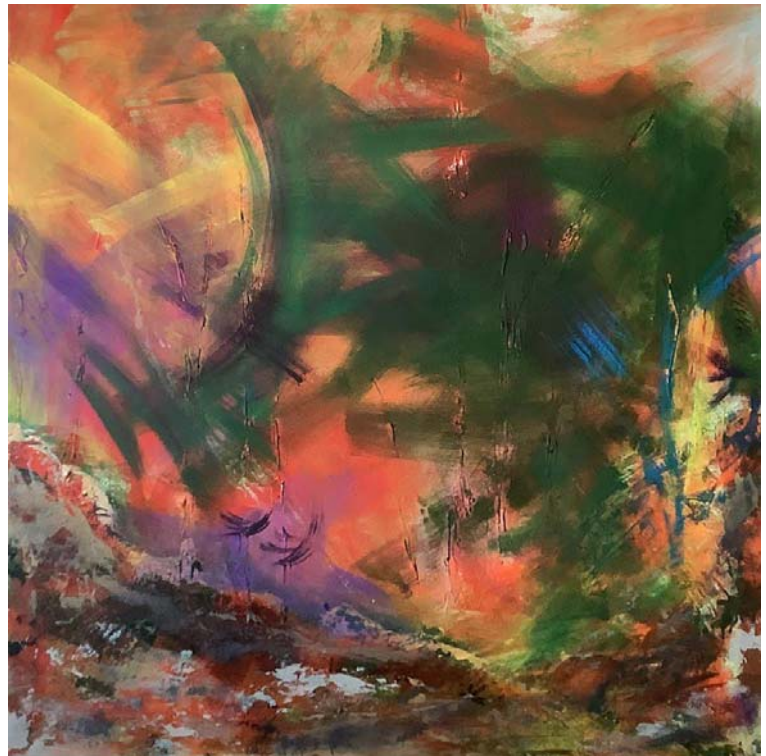
5 March to mid-April

If you have an exciting spark of an idea and give your exhibition a name before you begin, like for example, 'Peregrination', it might turn out to be exactly that, both on and off the canvas.

Definition of Peregrination:

'A journey, especially a long or meandering one'.

Indeed.



I am a Canadian born West Coast artist from Blacks Point, Reefton. Most of my art contains an element of abstraction. This time I've jumped all in.

I paint a bit, step back, reflect, paint some more, turn the work up this way and that, look at it reverse in a mirror, sometimes throw it, (just kidding) and in the end I respond to what is there. A conversation is taking place.

Balance, I find, is important as I meander on my peregrination.

My art is on display at Reefton Gallery, Reefton, Left Bank Art Gallery, Greymouth and at my home gallery in Blacks Point (by appointment). Please feel free to contact me via:

trishsaunders.com Ph: 021 111 0042

Reefton Gallery, 29 Broadway, Reefton 7830
Left Bank Art Gallery, 1 Tainui Street, Greymouth.

OFFICIAL OPENING 4 March @ 6.15pm

FREE nibbles, cuppa & live music by

Jane Edmed & Gary Elford

have been playing together for a few years now. Jane brings years of experience in the folk music scene, first in Wellington and latterly in Christchurch. She plays flute, tin whistle and trombone and enjoys and plays a wide range of musical genres, from Brass Band to traditional English folk songs.

Gary is a poet and entertainer. He is an experienced dance caller for country dances and sings and plays with a bluegrass group. He will accompany Jane on guitar, sing a song or two, and perhaps recite some poems.



Entertainment by Jane Edmed & Gary Elford

GALLERY ENTRY THROUGH LIBRARY

Mon to Fri: 12 – 4pm, Sat & Sun: 10am – 2pm

 **Amuri Community Arts Council**

Gallery info: mclubbnz@gmail.com



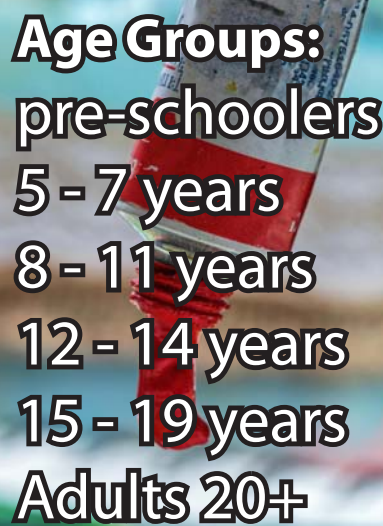
ART 2025

competition

digital or traditional 2D artwork

↓ CHOOSE YOUR TOPIC ↓ remember to sign your artwork and give it a title

MY HAPPY PLACE OR THROUGH A 'POSITIVE LENS'



Age Groups:
pre-schoolers
5 - 7 years
8 - 11 years
12 - 14 years
15 - 19 years
Adults 20+

The Rules

- 1 Competition is open to everyone living in the Amuri area.
- 2 Artwork must be supplied as flat works only. No sculptures or 3D works allowed. Express yourself via painting, photography, doodling with pens/pencils/felts or digital art.
- 3 Artworks do not need to be framed. However, unframed works must be mounted securely to a cardboard backing of A4 or A3. Maximum artwork size not to exceed 297x420mm.
- 4 Digital art to be sent via email in JPG/JPEG/PNG/PDF format to the gallery director – max size 5MB. Include the title of work, your name, email, & contact phone. Digital art will be printed in colour and displayed alongside the traditional art entries.
- 5 Entries must have a completed Amuri Community Arts Council entry label affixed to the back. Entry labels are available from Amuri Area local libraries or by requesting a digital copy from mclubbnz@gmail.com
- 6 Own your art – sign it and give it a title.
- 7 Your artwork must be original; must not contain any inappropriate content; must not violate any copyright laws and must be relevant to the competition theme.
- 8 Deliver your finished masterpiece to Amuri Library Staff by the 23rd June (Late entries accepted in Hanmer Springs Library until 30th June). Entries will be on display during July and August.
- 9 The Gallery reserves the right to reject any entry which does not conform to any of the conditions of this competition.
- 10 By submitting your entry, you accept and agree to be bound by these Rules.

Judging

Judging will be undertaken by a notable artist living outside the Amuri District. Judge's decision is final, and no questions or appeals will be considered.

People's Vote: Visit the exhibition in the gallery to vote for your favourite artwork.

Prize Giving

Prize Giving with nibbles and refreshments held in the Gallery on 24/8/25 at 2pm. Prizes sponsored by **Amuri Community Arts Council**. Bring your supporters to join in the celebration.

Removal of Artworks

Artworks can be removed after the prize giving. All works **must** be collected by **4pm on Friday 29th August**.

Enquiries to
Gallery Director:
Marguerite Clubb
PO Box 55,
Hanmer Springs 7360
mclubbnz@gmail.com
021 125 4062

Everyone is an artist and a winner by having work displayed in our gallery