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the pinkie

May 9th, 2025



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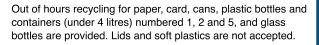


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Satellite phones are free to use for members of the public who need to dial 111 for medical, fire and emergencies involving Police.

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& Service Centre
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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.

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

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Hanmer Happenings

The 42nd Hanmer Springs Half Marathon was run last Saturday 3 May in magical autumn conditions. Like the rest of New Zealand, Hanmer Springs had had a super wet week leading up to race day, so it was a little wet underfoot, but Saturday was a blue bird day with a fresh dusting of snow on Dumblane and Mt Isobel.

The Four Square Hanmer Half is a Hanmer Springs Community Trust event that is run by Nduro Events. Race director, Tim Farmer, is still buzzing from the success of the event. "The whole thing was wicked", he said.

There were close to 600 finishers in the Hanmer Half and close to 700 finishers in the 10.5km Heritage Traverse and these numbers don't include those folk that didn't make it to Hanmer Springs due to weather, flooding or the cancelled flights from Queenstown and Wellington.

This year the Half Marathon started and finished in the village centre, outside the Four Square. This brought the pre- and post-race buzz into the heart of the village, encouraging everyone to walk to and from their accommodation or distant parked car.

The aim of the Hanmer Half marathon is to expose visitors to the goodness of Hanmer Springs! My guess is that box was well and truly ticked over the weekend with more than 80% of visitors staying on to make the most of their visit.

Thank you to everyone who visited Hanmer Springs and a big thank you to the Nduro team and all the volunteers that helped make the 42nd Hanmer Half the success it was.

Tim and his team found it so rewarding working with a community that was so engaged. Thank you everyone.

The Nduro team have already set their target high for next years event which will be held on Saturday 2 May 2026; they're aiming for 2000-2500 participants.

The Hanmer Half has the ingredients to be a truly unique, and premier, running event. Let's all work on that together!

Happy Mother's Day to all mothers on Sunday 11 May.



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

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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.

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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

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

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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

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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)

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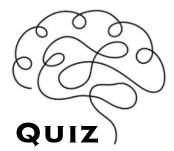
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TRIVIA



- 1. Sicily and Cyprus lie in which sea?
- 2. Which German city hosted the 1972 Olympics?
- 3. What is the line behind which dart players stand?
- 4. Where is the headquarters of London's Metropolitan Police?
- 5. What metal is an alloy of iron and carbon?
- 6. What term is given to the scientific study of birds?
- 7. What is the canine symbol of Great Britain?
- 8. Which bloodsucking worm once used in medicine?
- 9. What term is given to the highest part of a tropical rain forest?
- 10. Acorns are the fruit of which tree?
- 11. Which Californian tree has a seven-letter name that contains all five vowels?
- 12.CS Lewis penned stories set in which imaginary land behind the wardrobe?
- 13. In which US state is San Francisco?
- 14. What is the currency unit of Israel?
- 15. What was Thailand's name until 1939?



- 16. In the Bible, which city's walls fell with the blast of trumpets?
- 17. What is the term given to a speculative opening move in chess?
- 18. What is the science of moral principles?
- 19. Leghorn is a breed of what animal?
- 20. What is the capital city of Estonia?



Trivia for older Kids

A little space for doodling!

- 1. What is a potter's oven called?
- 2. The name of the body of water between the North Island and South Island of New Zealand?
- 3. What is the name of Postman Pat's black and white cat?
- 4. In the nursery rhyme, which stoat-like animal goes "pop"?
- 5. What type of boat has twin parallel hulls?



A subliminal message

I'm really awesome at the Trivia Quiz

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Sudoku for you!								
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This is an easy one so no answers are needed!

"Be the reason someone smiles. Be the reason someone feels loved and believes in the goodness in people."

Roy T. Bennett, The Light in the Heart

Trivia Answers

- 1. Mediterranean
- 2. Munich
- 3. Oche
- 4. New Scotland Yard
- 5. Steel
- 6. Ornithology
- 7. Bulldog
- 8. Leech
- 9. Canopy
- 10. Oak
- 11. Sequoia
- 12. Narnia
- 13. California
- 14. Shekel
- 15. Siam
- 16. Jericho
- 17. Gambit

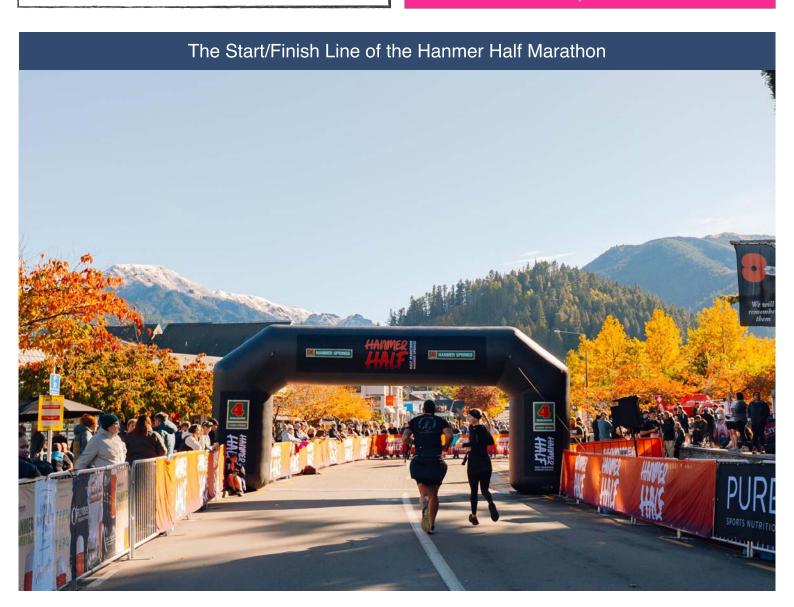
- 18. Ethics
- 19. Chicken
- 20. Tallinn

KIDS ANSWERS

- 1. Kiln
- 2. Cook Strait
- 3. Jess
- 4. Weasel
- 5. Catamaran



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Autumn Colours in Hanmer Springs



Hanmer Bakery News



Hanmer Bakery will be closed from Monday 12 May 2025 for exciting renovations.

We will provide an update in the next issue of The Pinkie with details of our re-opening date following the renovation.

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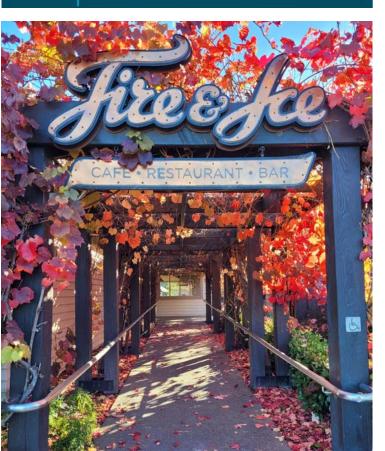
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A "Menu" for Teenagers by Pita Alexander

- 1. You are finding that some of your parents' rules, regulations, and approaches are frustrating and sometimes downright annoying. But if you can cope with this period, then it is worthwhile and it will save you from making a lot of mistakes and avoid a lot of pain, trust me.
- 2. Don't make promises you can't keep.
- 3. Don't learn to swear as it downgrades your character.
- 4. Don't follow the herd just because it feels right follow your own path.
- 5. Don't bother to take up smoking just because the herd does take up reading. The inside of your body does not like smoking.
- 6. Become a good listener people learn to respect good listeners.
- 7. Look after your body you will need it in good order for 100 years.
- 8. Don't argue with Mum and Dad a better approach is a well-researched discussion in a venue of your choosing.
- 9. Don't just talk about saving do it and by 15 years old you need to understand how inflation can work for you and can work against you (50% of the NZ population never understands this).
- 10. Upon leaving school, don't worry that you are not sure what you want to be and what you want to do. This will become clear with time.
- 11. If you need a car then borrow from Mum and Dad with an interest rate of say 3% and you make absolutely sure you have the loan 100% repaid within 5 years. This car must have power steering, ASB brakes and airbags. Your car will cost you around \$1.04 per km to own and operate.

- 12. Between 18 years of age and 24 years of age these are your skill building years. You won't save much over this period building and developing skills is much more important over this period than building net assets.
- 13. At around 24 years of age you must have built skills that NZ employers want skills that employers don't want and won't pay for are just hobbies. Your skills must be marketable.
- 14. With skills in today's environment, you may have the commencing annual salary (in today's dollars) of perhaps \$52,000. After tax, your disposable income may be \$44,300 (\$852/week).
- 15. Sound targets and goals are always good but make sure they are sensible, practical and possible expectations. Over optimistic expectations are one of the most frustrating things in life. Many people and businesses every year in NZ experience this problem and blow to bits.
- 16. The best Landlord in the world is your parents. If you can stay at home while you are building and developing skills. Just cope with the frustrations of this the end goal here is much the more important issue.

To be continued ... next issue ...

A little about Pita Alexander

Pita Alexander started the successful and widely known accounting practise, *Alexanders*, headquartered in Christchurch.

Pita has specialised in agribusiness accounting for more than 50 years. He's keen to share his knowledge on all matters from taxation to succession planning through to acquisitions, mergers and economic growth. Pita is a Hanmer resident. He writes regularly on relevant and interesting matters.

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Last Legs

Continued from previous issue ...

By Richard Tapper (reproduced with permission)

Ignacio directs us to a car hire place and I book a late model Japanese sedan, but she will have none of it and thrusts my Amex back. Get a grip. man. She points at an American Chev utility. It is a huge, faded-blue gas guzzler, as wide as three fat cows.. She wants that one. The guy protests; this is his private vehicle, but ten minutes later we drive it out of their yard. She has bought it, or I think she has, or her father has, so she takes the wheel and drives it with a degree of disdain for anything in her path as if in command of a tank. If you're going to drive on a mad adventure through the Andes, you have to do it properly, she shouts, as she crashes through the gears. You can't do that in a Nipponese tin box!

I have to agree, I just wish I thought of it.

We spend that day in the town buying food and water and looking at a map plotting the route up to Cachi via El Cuesto del Obispo (The Bishops Pass). El Cuesto is 3300 metres so I hope this might tell me how my lungs are going to behave at altitude. In the meantime I am sent to buy wine and glasses and Chiclet Boliviano (Bolivian chewing gum - coca leaves) and a portable stove from the markets, plus other things; she gives me a list. We decide to leave early the next morning. Meanwhile, Gabriella insists that the night cannot be wasted and says we must go to a pena, a club where they have local live gaucho-type folk music. We are far too early and I am reminded of Ibiza in the seventies as we sit in an empty bar on uncomfortable barrel stools and we are outnumbered ten to one by staff all of whom ignore us, probably because we are over nineteen and hours too early to be cool. Not wanting to wait until too late we find a corner bistro that is done out in distinctly Parisian style, with matching haughtiness, but we happily drink our chilled torrontes and talk about past lives. One thing I do note; she tends to contradict herself a lot, but men who want to get into women's good graces ignore these little anomalies.

When one is enamoured, such contrary little personality quirks seem absolutely adorable, grounds for falling in love, whereas after the event they can often be read as warning signs that should have been heeded at the time, the writing on the wall—but romantics are not made of this. I sometimes think I should dispense with a conscience, because of a heart which always conquers the head. No matter how much serious advice I offer myself, I steadfastly ignore it. Why bother running out the sensible side if it's only going to be spurned. I suspect this woman is going to be a situation where my heart will quash my best advice. Accept the peril with the pleasure. Be the master of the situation and not its servant. Anyway, most of the time, when something whacks you, you don't see it coming.

I wonder what will happen when it comes to the end of this evening. I decide not to push anything vaguely romantic; I have no idea what she has in mind for our trip to Cachi, in terms of our personal relationship that is. And I don't want to ruin it before we leave. I don't wish to advertise a presumption. Back at Las Rejas she says she will meet me at early breakfast and we can go after that. She gives me a sisterly peck on the cheek, pats my hand, squeezes my arse and disappears up the stairs. I am left breathless.

We leave after an early breakfast, packing things into the back of the truck, bidding Ignacio farewell, telling him to keep our room, we will be back in two or three days. After a quick study of the map, Gabriella takes the wheel and we head out of Salta and in the direction of Cachi. Salta is quite a large city in area; small farming villages on the outskirts have become amalgamated into the urban area without changing their rural nature. Her driving is every bit a worry and we haven't left the sealed road yet. There has been a noticeable scattering of cyclists, goats, old ladies and squawking chickens.

Not an hour out of town and we take a turning on to a rough and dusty gravel road and cross a rusted iron bridge. Mal Cante –(Sing Badly') it is called. The river is only a trickle because the winter is the dry season so not many of the rivers carry much water.

The road climbs continuously and Gabriella attacks it rather than negotiates its twists and turns. Normally, a fairly calm passenger, I fear her controlled slide into the corner might well turn into an anarchic skid over the precipice as we get further up toward the crest. After all, this road is famous for its twists, turns and yawning drops. The locals (and every travel guide) will tell you that mothers taking the public bus over the cuesta have no problems with their babies crying. The slightest whimper and mother holds them up to the window. Rather than the security of Mama's lap, they get a gander at the road well travelled and the drop below. The result is reputedly a small, sharp intake of infant breath followed by the stunned silence of obedience.

We stop at La Cafeteria Margarita for refreshment and over a coffee I confess that her driving is making me nervous and she looks at me sideways; a look that says how much my attitude sucks. I have demonstrated a distinct lack of mettle and a questionable loyalty. I can tell instantly she is wounded and I know I am now going to get one of two things, either an overly cautious driver, or the much more likely outcome – a maniac who is determined to scare the shit out of me to prove a point. (If we make it, that is.)



MAY 2025

Mother's Day Movie, 6:30pm108 Rippingale Road

11 Mother's Day

JUNE 2025

Hot Lava Big Band Concert, 1pmMemorial Hall

22 Hanmer Springs Forest Camp Trust AGM, 10am

28 Alpine Winter Festival (28 June - 12 July)

AUGUST 2025

09 Hanmer Springs Backyard Ultra https://hanmerbackyardultra.co.nz

SEPTEMBER 2025

07 Father's Day

NOVEMBER 2025

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

MAY 2026

02 Hanmer Springs Half Marathon



!! 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".

Winter Opening Hours

The Hanmer Springs Four Square and the Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools & Spa have moved to their winter opening hours.

Thought for the Week

Love keeps no record of wrongs!

Mother's Day Movie



Unsung Hero

When: Saturday 10 May 2025 @ 6:30pm

Where: Remnant House, 108 Rippingale Road

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For more information:

www.hurunui.govt.nz/council/elections/information-for-voters



parkrun

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/

New Ultra Running Event for Hanmer



A Backyard Ultra is a type of ultramarathon where participants run laps of a set course of 6.706 km (4.167 miles) and they must finish each loop in less than an hour. The race restarts each hour with all those that finished the previous lap on time. The race is over when only one runner remains to complete a lap. This runner is marked as the winner and only finisher, with all other runners receiving a DNF (Did Not Finish). The strange distance is because the distance for 24 laps is equal to 100 miles.

Hanmer Springs has its first Backyard Ultra event on 9 August 2025. Follow the Facebook page "Hanmer Springs Backyard Ultra" or visit

https://hanmerbackyardultra.co.nz

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 26th April

Stableford competition

1st Steve Gill 41 pts 2nd Paul Jones 38 3rd Les Mitchell 37 4th Richard Campbell 37 5th Gordon Simpson 36 6th Jo McNicholl 35 7th Alastair Dunbar 35 8th Tracey Campen 35 9th Wayne Love 35 10th Lynley Gainsford 35

Twos
Carolyn Williams
Kasey Cross
Jason Hill
Wayne Love
Adam Jacks
Steve Gill

Nearest the Pin

Jackpot Twos & Net Eagles Not Struck

Results kindly submitted by Mike Gainsford.

[Thanks Mike. Ed]

Saturday 3rd May

Net Medal Competition

Ladies

1st Gross Carolyn Williams 87 1st Net Nicky West 73

Men 0-9 Handicap 1st Gross Brent Berry 71 1st Net Adam Jacks 66 10- 12 Handicap 1st Gross Warwick Holmes 81 1st Net Richard Campbell 71 13-36 Handicap 1st Gross Ken Williams 87 1st Net Gordon Simpson 75

Twos Garry Ritsma Brent Berry

Nearest the Pin Garry Ritsma

Jackpot Twos & Net Eagles Not Struck



Hanmer Springs Bridge Club

Results 24/04/2025 North/South – D East/G Baldwin East / West – J Pillidge & R Ensor

Results 01/05/2025 1st – J Pillidge & W Stewart

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

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Funding to Enhance Reserves Increases

Hurunui Councillors have voted to change how Contestable Funding is divvied up between the district's three wards.

The proposal to change the fund's distribution to make the allocation more equitable for the district's South Ward was unanimously supported at last week's Council meeting.

Contestable funding is available to community groups or individuals for projects that enhance Council's reserves.

The result is an increase to the South Ward from the current \$10,000 to \$30,000 per year, to bring it in line with the West Ward, which will remain at its current allocation of \$30,000. The East Ward will remain at its current allocation of \$20,000. The new allocation to South Ward increases the fund to \$80,000.

Hurunui Council CEO Hamish Dobbie said the fund is derived from the surplus generated by the Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa.

"The fund was set up in 2007 when the district was made up of six wards. After the wards were consolidated into three wards, the fund continued to be distributed in line with the original ward boundaries." This resulted in South Ward's allocation over time falling behind its growth – and the growing number of its reserves.

The resolution included a determination that the Contestable Fund be reviewed every three years to ensure it continues to

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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.

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





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Forest Camp Trust AGM

HANMER SPRINGS FOREST CAMP TRUST INC

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Will be held at the camp site,
243 Jollies Pass Road
Hanmer Springs
On Sunday, June 22, 2025 at 10.00am

BUSINESS

Receive balance sheet and statement of accounts for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Elect honorary solicitor, auditor and trust board members.

New members must be proposed and seconded by financial members of the trust.

Robyn Ferguson Secretary

Hanmer Springs Mountain Bike Club AGM

Hanmer Springs Mountain Bike Club
Annual General Meeting
Sunday 18 May 2025
9am
RSA Room, Hanmer Springs Library
All Welcome

This notice was authorised by Graham (Grum) Frith

Happy Mother's Day



Have Your Say



CONSULTATION

Draft Annual Plan 2025/26 and Fees & Charges 2025/26

Council is seeking the community's views on its draft Annual Plan 2025/26, which outlines the activities, services and capital projects we expect to deliver and how we will fund them, including the required rates.

Council is also reviewing its Fees and Charges 2025/26, which represent either total or partial cost recoveries for services provided by Council.

HAVE YOUR SAY:

Online submissions: www.hurunui.govt.nz/have-your-say/consultations

Email: submissions@hurunui.govt.nz (Please put 'Draft Annual Plan' or 'Fees and Charges' in the subject line).

Paper submissions: Forms available from all Council libraries and service centres, or by phoning Council. Please include your name and contact details on your submission.

Post: 'Draft Annual Plan' or 'Fees and Charges', Hurunui District Council, PO Box 13, Amberley 7441.

More information: www.hurunui.govt.nz/have-your-say/consultations or ring Amberley 03 314 8816; Cheviot Freephone 03 319 8812; Amuri and Hanmer Springs Freephone 03 315 8400.

Natural Environment Fund



APPLICATIONS OPEN

MainPower Hurunui Natural Environment Fund and the Hurunui Heritage Fund

Hurunui District Council is once again inviting applications to the MainPower Hurunui Natural Environment Fund and the Hurunui Heritage Fund. A share of \$10,000 in the MainPower Hurunui Environment Fund is available to restore, reinstate or otherwise benefit the natural environment in the Hurunui District. There is \$5,000 available through the Heritage Fund for projects that preserve the district's heritage.

TO APPLY:

For more details and application forms go to Council's website at hwww.hurunui.govt.nz/community/awards-and-funding
Application forms are also available at all Council service centres or libraries.
Applications for both funds must be with the Administrator by 5pm Monday 12 May 2025.
For further enquiries please contact maree.hare@hurunui.govt.nz









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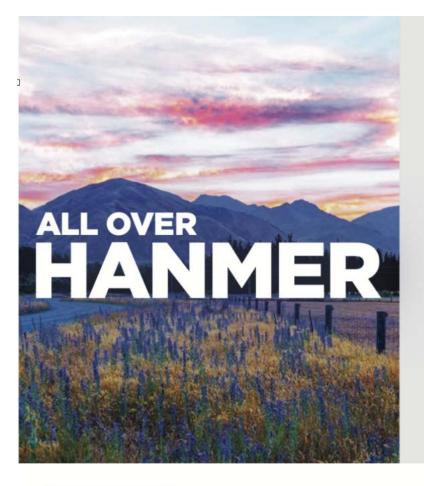
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