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Hanmer Springs Community Library
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Sunday 27 April (end
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(Mon - Fri)

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(Saturday)

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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 Monday afternoon, 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 plan 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.

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Hanmer Happenings

The Hanmer Springs Bakery has just celebrated its 20th birthday with a fresh new makeover. Boulder Burgers was invited to the party and decided to stay! So Hanmer Springs Bakery and Boulder Burgers are now under the same roof. Drop in for a wee peek. You'll notice the new branding, and the opening hours will be extended to accommodate the burger action! Look out for the advert for Hanmer Springs Bakery & Burgers in the dining and takeaway guide in this issue of *The Pinkie*.

You won't want to miss the Hot Lava Big Band Concert in the Memorial Hall, Hanmer Springs, on Sunday 15 June. Admission is free and the concert will start at 1pm. This is an Amuri Community Arts Council event.

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Hanmer Springs Health Centre



59 Jacks Pass Road
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03 315 7503
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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
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Julian (021 148 2811) for more information.

COMBINED PROBUS CLUB HANMER SPRINGS

First Tuesday of each month
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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.
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Thursdays

PILATES CLASS

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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.
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Saturdays

HANMER FOREST PARKRUN

Saturdays 8am

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Sundays

MORRIS DANCING

Sundays 7pm
Lots of laughs and some added exertion.
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CHURCH NOTICES

Saturday Church Services

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27 Amuri Avenue

Sunday Church Services

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33 Jollies Pass Road
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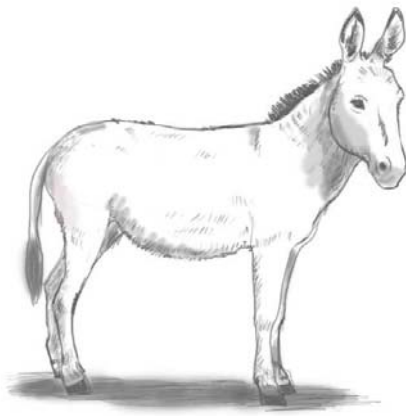
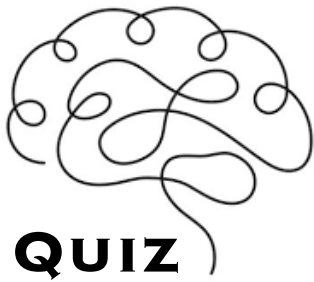
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TRIVIA



1. Who was the 39th President of the USA?
2. What name is given to a female donkey?
3. Which plant is known as "Adam's Needle"?
4. What type of drink is amontillado?
5. What is the currency unit of Nepal?
6. The mazurka is a dance from which country?
7. Port Said is in which country?
8. Which Italian dessert consists of egg yolks, Marsala and sugar?
9. The term "viva voce" would be applied to what type of exam?
10. Which river of Switzerland and France flows into the Mediterranean?
11. What is the French word for butterfly?
12. What term is given to a vein of metal ore found in rock?
13. What is the tenth letter of the Greek alphabet?
14. IVC is the code for what New Zealand airport?
15. What was Louis Armstrong's famous seven-letter nickname?
16. What word describes the legal rights of the owner of land adjoining a river?
17. What do the letters PP stand for when seen on a plastic item?
18. What is the chemical symbol for methane?
19. How many grams in a kilogram?
20. What is the official language of Cambodia?

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Trivia for older Kids

1. What is the rear of a ship called?
2. What type of food is focaccia?
3. What city is the capital of China?
4. Which chess piece can only move diagonally?
5. What is the name of Earth's galaxy?

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A little space for doodling!



A subliminal message

I'm really awesome at the Trivia Quiz

"The Pinkie" Dining & Takeaway Guide



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

Please update your records.

The Printed Pinkie

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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.

A "Menu" for Teenagers by Pita Alexander

Continued from previous issue

23. From 24 years of age to 65-70 years of age you will need to save 15% of your disposable income each year. Don't play ducks and drakes with this approach - nail it down and make sure your life partner is on the same page.
24. The figure of 65 is just a number. If you are getting job satisfaction, then be careful about retiring. Job satisfaction is like compound interest - the two are the 8th wonders of the world. Plan on living until say 95 years of age.
25. If you are not getting job satisfaction then pause and make a change. Whose fault is this - it is your fault? Change jobs even if it involves a drop in disposable income. Getting up every morning knowing there is no job satisfaction in front of you makes you a painful person to live with and work with.
26. You and your partner may need two cars to enable you both to work 40 hours a week each. This is understandable but don't lose sight of the cost of this. Quite apart from an interest cost if you both drive 8,000 km a year then the true saving costs including depreciation, will be around \$1.04 per km so 16,000km = \$16,640 a year.
27. There is nothing that wonderful about owning your own home, remembering that an \$800,000 house and section will cost around 1.1% of its current value each year with rates and insurance and when you allow for some R & M the annual cost is around 1.1% of its current value. That is around \$ 8,800 a year based on a \$800,000 house. The real issue here is that the alternative of not owning your own house by the time you are 70 years old is even more unappealing.
28. Working on purchasing your house by no later than 35 years old - any later will mean at 65 years old you will

still have some of your house debt in front of you which is unsound because your annual income following retirement will drop sharply.

29. If Mum and Dad and Granddad and Grandma all wanted to make a monthly contribution into your Kiwi Saver then encourage them by all means. A contribution from say four family members of \$50 per month each over that period from 24 years of age to 35 years of age would amount to \$36,909 over the eleven years.
30. If you said to me what else could assist in your long term financial life, it would be the possibility of an early inheritance from your parents. You can never really plan for this but the interest savings involved with a saving of say \$100,000 early on with your house mortgage can be enormous. If you ended up purchasing a \$800,000 house and a \$550,000 house debt for a 30 year term at say 5% then over the 30 years your costs would be:

Interest	\$512,907
<u>Loan Principal repayment</u>	<u>\$550,000</u>
	\$1,062,907

An early inheritance of say \$100,000 at the start of the loan would reduce the payments to Interest \$419,651. An overall interest saving of \$93,256.

To be continued ... next issue ...

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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.

**It's time,
Canterbury**
Our climate change
conversation

Let's take action for our climate.

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Sudoku for you!

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

This is an easy one so no answers are needed!

"Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless."

Mother Teresa

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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Trivia Answers

1. Jimmy Carter
2. Jenny
3. Yucca
4. Sherry
5. Rupee
6. Poland
7. Egypt
8. Zabaglione
9. An oral exam
10. The Rhône
11. Papillon
12. Lode
13. Kappa
14. Invercargill
15. Satchmo
16. Riparian
17. Polypropylene
18. CH₄
19. 1000 grams
20. Khmer

KIDS ANSWERS

1. Stern
2. Bread
3. Beijing
4. Bishop
5. Milky Way



Amuri Community Arts Council Event

COOKING



Alex Davies, chef and owner of Gatherings in Christchurch, is a leader in sustainable, plant-based cuisine in Aotearoa New Zealand. Known for his commitment to local, seasonal ingredients and zero-waste cooking, Alex brings a wealth of knowledge and passion to this masterclass. His engaging and inclusive teaching style makes culinary skills accessible to all, while his reputation for ethical food practices and community-focused values ensures a meaningful and inspiring experience for participants.

This workshop will equip you with practical, seasonal cooking skills that support healthier eating, greater confidence in the kitchen, and reduced reliance on processed foods. By using local ingredients, you will also develop a deeper connection to the region's food sources and traditions.

Where: Hanmer Springs Forest Camp Big Kitchen
When: 7th June 2025 at 10am

Cost: \$80 including tastings

Spaces limited – to register your interest email

amuricommunityarts@gmail.com

For more workshop details incl menu, check out our Facebook page:
www.facebook.com/p/Amuri-Community-Arts-Council

Amuri Community Arts Council

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Hanmer Springs

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(the falling of the embers of the fire of Tamatea)

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Hanmer Bakery & Boulder Burgers

Hanmer Bakery is 20 years old! Twenty years and still going strong.

As we all know most twenty year olds like a decent birthday present and the Hanmer Springs Bakery was no different. It got a refurbishment, a rebrand and a relaunch!

Boulder Burgers has joined the party, so the fresh new bakery is now called Hanmer Springs Bakery & Burgers.

Located on the main street at 6/24 Conical Hill Road, Pete and Cherie and the team will still be making the best value handmade pies, coffees (from \$4.50) and filled rolls, plus the old favourites with some exciting new additions. Besides all this they'll also be offering the delicious burger menu inspired by Boulder Burgers.

Drop-in and check out the fresh new fit-out. The atmosphere is new but the old fashioned, better tasting, handmade food is the same. Hanmer Springs Bakery & Burgers is Kiwi owned and operated.

The daily bread bake will be replaced with a comprehensive Burger, HotDog, Sundaes & Fries Menu. However, bread orders may still be available by arrangement.

Pete and Cherie would like to thank all their loyal supporters, for their patience during the refurbishment, and they look forward to seeing everyone back!

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Nominations for the 2025 Local Government Body Elections open on Friday 4 July 2025 and close on Friday 1 August 2025.

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Mon 23 June 4.30pm - 6pm
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Mon 7 July 1pm - 2.30pm
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Mon 7 July 6.30pm - 8pm
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Hanmer Springs School Term 2 Weeks 5 and 6.

Pink Shirt Day

Last week, Hanmer Springs School participated in Pink Shirt Day to raise money to help stop bullying; we raised \$84.00. On Monday, the head students put up bunting in all of the classrooms, and on Tuesday, some of the students did a colouring competition. On Wednesday, in every classroom, there were some 'give a free compliment' sheets hanging up, on Thursday we shared some information about Pink Shirt Day, and on Friday, the donations were collected. The Pink Shirt Day colouring competition was judged and there was a best dressed competition.



Hurunui Cross Country.

On Tuesday, 25 of our top runners went to the Hurunui Cross Country held on farmland near Scargill. Schools from around the district compete, with the top runners going on to the Canterbury regional competition. Sam, aged 10, came 3rd in his race and this is what he thought of the track: "There was a very big hill, which was tough. The track was 2 km long and quite muddy. There was someone behind me at the end and I had to sprint him off to get third." Jonty came 6th, "I hadn't done the new uphill before, it was really hard. There was a guy behind me catching me, but when I got to the downhill I blasted him off."

Our school competed really well in the cross country, with Archie, Sam, George, Aaliya, Eloise and Jonty qualifying for the Canterbury Cross Country.

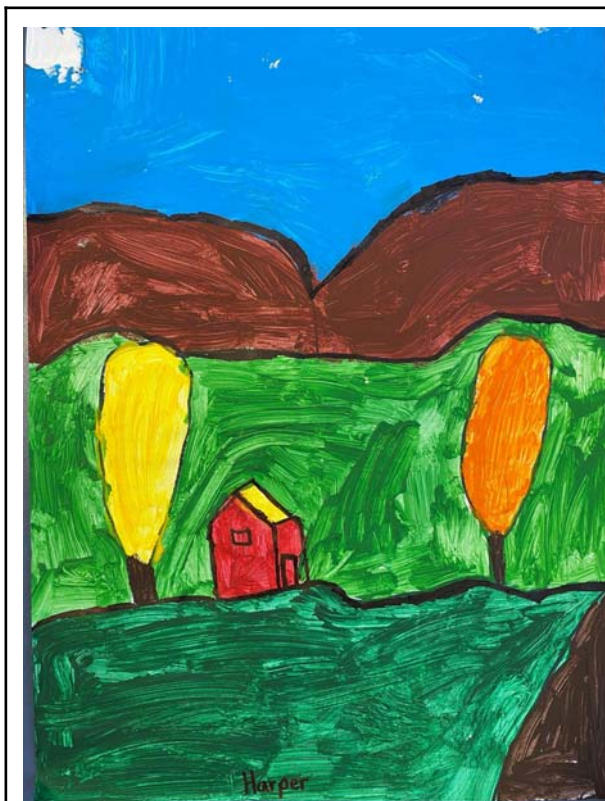
The results were as follows:

Archie - 2nd Y7 boy	George - 6th Y6 boy
Aaliya - 5th Y6 girl	Jonty - 6th Y5 boy
Eloise - 6th Y6 girl	Kahn - 1st Y4 boy
Sam - 3rd Y6 boy	Zandi - 2nd Y4 boy



Red Barn Artwork from Tui Class.

The Year Two and Three children in Tui Class created some artwork to enter into a Kāhui Ako art competition with other schools. The brief was to create a painting or drawing around the theme of nature, our local environment or moments of beauty and insight around our area. They used the red barn on the Crawford Walkway as an inspiration for their paintings.



Hanmer Springs Netball News

Hanmer Springs Netball weekly results brought to you with the generous support of NZ Sport.

On the 24th May Hanmer Springs netball club held their first club day. We would like to thank our sponsors and all of our helpers who made the day run smoothly.

Gavins Logging Limited Hanmer A vs Cheviot A

Score 45:23 win to Cheviot

Both teams started strong, going goal for goal in the first quarter, Cheviot just pulling ahead at the end of the first. Some tough defence from Cheviot saw the attack end struggle to connect at times, but still showing moments of great skill and play. Shooters Mikayla and Janet shot well under pressure. Cassidy did a power of work in the mid-court bringing the ball through court and always strong on defence. Defence had a tough job against Cheviot's accurate shooters, but Monteith's player of the day Rebecca did a great job interrupting their flow, and causing turnovers as well as being strong on the rebound and gaining some intercepts.

Hanmer Alpine Electrical and Air Conditioning Ltd U14 vs Culverden U14A - Loss

The team started strong with some good connections happening between our midcourt and shooters. Culverden were slick and quick through the court and pulled ahead building on their lead each quarter. Pippa did well in defence against their strong holding shooter. Anika had an outstanding game in defence, interfering and disrupting their shooting circle. Shooters Charlotte, Rylee and Sharnie worked tirelessly to convert goals. Fire & Ice Cafe Restaurant & Bar player of the day went to Rosie for her outstanding work load in centre, numerous intercepts on defence and speedy connections through the court on attack.

Hanmer Alpine Electrical and Air Conditioning Ltd U14 vs Waiatu U14 - Loss

What a battle!! Both teams were out to take the win and played hard. Hanmer had one of their strongest games this season battling fitness and fatigue after already playing a game (and with no subs).. the ball moved effortlessly at times through the court to our shooters, who were accurate and converted the goals. Anika again worked hard to turn over many balls in GK, Bella did well in both WD and WA, with some accurate feeding into her shooters. Rylee and Rosie were again all over the court picking up intercepts and working the ball down the court. Sharnie put on some great defensive pressure in WD as well as being accurate on her shot in GS. Fire and Ice Cafe player of the day went to Charlotte for being the steady calming player on the court when it was needed and stepping into new positions with ease.

Our Hanmer FF6 played a strong game this weekend in Hanmer against Cheviot, bringing out their skills we have been working hard on for the past few weeks. They worked together to keep Cheviot on their toes with quick plays and accurate shooting. Player of the day this week went to Katie for her movement around the court creating space for great passes through to the circle. Thank you to The Lolly Pot for sponsoring our FF6 team.

Our FF5 Blue team were first up on a frosty but sunny morning vs Hawarden FF5 Red.

With a home town crowd the girls played hard until the end with a positive result. The team continues to improve each week with great communication between the girls. Georgia did some amazing passing, Melia did some great intercepts, Aurora stuck to her partner and found space for teammates to pass to her, Tui did some long range shooting. Our superstar player of the day goes to Elisa for showing resilience, perseverance and teamwork Thank you to The Toy Shop for sponsoring this week's player of the day!

The FF5 Purple team played Hawarden FF5 Blue team. They had a good game and worked on their pivoting skills, which had been a focus in training. The girls have started to move well in to the space to receive their passes. Isla worked well in attack and scored several goals for the team. Iris worked well throughout the court and got lots of intercepts. Ruby moved around the court and received some great passes. Christie passed the ball well down the court and defended the goal well. Myra-Anne defended her player well and received some great passes. Fudgelato Player of the Day went to Harriet, for moving well around the court and for passing the ball well to her teammates.

Fun Ferns. Another great week and this week our little girls concentrated on dodging. The Lolly Pot Fun Fern of the day went to Esther!

A huge thank you to Neil Wilson and his team at the Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools & Spa for welding two of our netball posts which were recently broken and for straightening out some hoops. Thanks to the Thermal Pools and Spa maintenance team for making the courts look good for our club day by clearing the leaves.

We couldn't do it without our amazing sponsors, committee and volunteers! You are legends! Thank you.



Last Legs

Continued from previous issue ...

By Richard Tapper (reproduced with permission)

Everything around the cooking area is liberally coated with ash and dust and grease and there is a contingent of dogs waiting for bones and spillages and whilst the health inspector at home would have conniptions, it is easy to see this cook is dedicated to perfection. A bowl of crisp mixed salad is plonked between us and five minutes later some sautéed potatoes. As soon as I have gnawed the last of my bones and thrown them to the dogs, the cook presents me with another chunk of meat and offers me a wink and a pat on the back. The meat is delivered between his large carving knife and fat, grubby, greasy fingers. Some beans in chilli sauce also arrive. Dessert comes in the form of goat's cheese topped with a squash confiture and warm roasted walnuts. Ever since I lived on a farm with forty goats, I cannot stand goats' cheese. It is always redolent of the rancid Guillermo who was our billy goat. This cheese is an exception.

I tell Gabriella in Italian that they I enjoy eating cheese but know little about the Italian variety and she looks in my eyes and then bursts into laughter. Even sheep's cheese she says.

This is the best meal I have had in South America, washed down with a bottle of not very good Mendoza pinot noir, but who cares. It is a luxurious mid afternoon indulgence and I am happy not to have to catch the bus back.

I decide to go to Cafayate - and this time when I book a seat on a minibus tour there is no Gabriella to intervene. I will go and drink some *torrontes* and travel through the *quebrada* which is famous for its multi-coloured landscape. There appear to be a lot of famous *quebradas* (from the word 'broken' as in a ravine formed by a river) in the Andes. Gabriella was going to Quebrada de Humahuaca which was the scene of many of the battles in the War of Independence and has relics of a civilization over ten thousand years old and it was a part of a vital Inca trail and an important link with Argentina and the countries north and a conduit for silver to the Rio de la Plata. I chose a Quebrada with mad striped dry red landscape and the promise of excellent vino to savour at the other end. I tick for the mini bus which offers visits to several wineries.

At seven in the morning a bus arrives, driven by a wiry gentleman of a very self assured nature who shoves me in the door. I want the front seat but he pushes me in the back. I soon find out why, at the next hotel there are two young Spanish girls and he crams the both of them in the front with him. I get a large lady who is a maid to someone rich in Hollywood and is originally from Ecuador. She wins my admiration, it's something out of the ordinary for her to visit somewhere else this year; because she goes back to Ecuador and everyone has their hand out, she says and shoves her hand out in an exaggerated display. It is much better to enjoy life and give them a necessary lesson in looking after themselves, she says.

Juan Jose, the driver makes a last stop and comes back with his bag of chiclet Boliviano and for the rest of the

day every time he speaks, which is most of the time, he does so with one cheek packed with a wad of coca leaves. I ask him for some, but he says he never gives it to foreigners since a German girl threw up in the bus.

Juan Jose is a motor mouth and at first I dread the thought of having to listen to his yadder all day long, but he wins me over with his wit and his directness and he is willing to make lots of photo stops for me and he knows the landscape so well that he tells me not to photograph certain things now because the light will be better on the return and he has the habit of pointing everything in morphised form. Look at the frog, there's the elephant, *mira, mira*, there's the nun on her back with her legs in the air and a ship and castles and even Buddha. I fail to see most of them and I try to explain that it doesn't matter, the shapes are all wierdly wonderful enough without needing to look like Mickey Mouse. I don't think I got the depth of the meaning through, but one of the snooty Spanish girls sniffs at what she supposes is an insult. I see no future in attempting to explain to her the subtleties of Wordsworth's Pathetic Fallacy - the absurdity of the notion that nature and the landscape can be infused with human emotion and spiritual presence, with landscape as a cipher for the soul; it would probably be beyond my Spanish.

So much of the journey is painted red with varying degrees of the vermilion, scarlet, rouge-tinted view with a barren thorny succession and splashes of the blue green of copper and iron and mad bushes that are bright green all over.

First things first, when we get to Cafayate Juan Jose takes us straight to Domingo Hermanos a modern winery which nevertheless produces some excellent wines, but I have taken a liking to torrontes, a white wine that a similar balance of acidity and sweetness as a classic Riesling. It is fragrant, high in acidity and intriguingly aromatic; reminiscent of, but different from, Muscat. To me the balance was ideal.

Juan Jose cannot help himself, he takes us to a souvenir shop and then stands outside and smokes a cigarette while the man in the shop tries to sell me an Inca cure for asthma. At last, I find a black gaucho sombrero that actually fits me. That makes my day. I have spent hours and much shoe leather on this project.

It takes ages to get the Spanish girls away from the souvenirs and on to the bus, but the next place he takes us is a crowded and reasonably modern restaurant. It is packed with tourists, too many Americans who seem to be at their worst over food and in South America and they leave their hats on at the table, and so do the Germans. The only thing on offer is a chivito stew which is made to sound interesting on the menu. This goat was no baby and at one of those embarrassing lulls in the conversation when everyone is chewing on gristle, I am heard to exclaim that this goat has more years on it than me. I am suddenly embarrassed because everyone laughs and I become the unwitting centre of attention.

To be continued ... next issue ...

Event Calendar



JUNE 2025

- 07 Cooking Masterclass with Alex Davies
Hanmer Springs Forest Camp, 10am
- 15 Hot Lava Big Band Concert, 1pm
Memorial Hall (free concert)
- 20 Matariki (Friday)
- 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

OCTOBER 2025

- 27 Labour Day (Monday)

NOVEMBER 2025

- 14 Canterbury Anniversary Day (Friday, Show Day)
- 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

The measure you use will be measured to you.

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

Doggo Registration



Dog Registration Renewal Notices



DELAYED

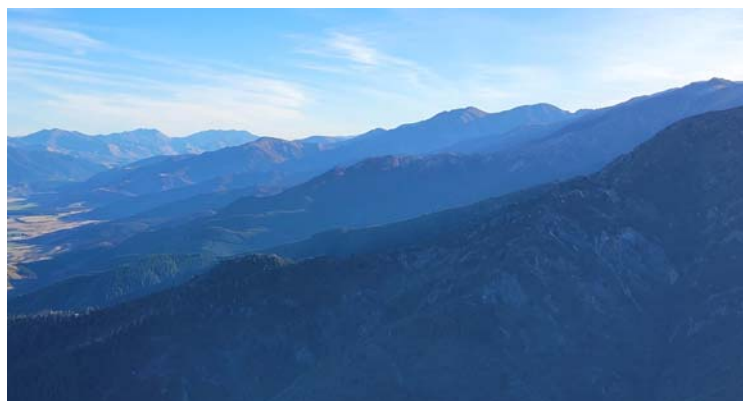


Due to a changeover in our computer systems, dog registration renewal notices will be arriving a little later than usual this year.

Renewal notices usually go out in June but the system change has slightly impacted our timeline.

We will let you know as soon as renewals are ready.

Thank you for your patience.



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cauli and halloumi korma curry

If you have the patience, this – like any decent curry – is even better after it has had a weekend away in the back of your fridge. Serve with rice and more naan than you think you need.

The spice is the hard worker here, so use the best blend you can get your hands on.

Ingredients

- 2 tbsp flavourless oil or ghee
- 1 large onion, diced
- 2 tbsp korma curry powder
- 140g tub tomato paste
- medium head of cauliflower, trimmed into florets
- 400g halloumi, cut into bite-sized pieces
- 400ml coconut milk

Method

• Step 1

Add the oil or ghee to a large frying pan and place over medium heat. Once hot, add the onion and cook until soft and translucent. Add the korma curry powder, stirring briefly to coat the onion, then add the tomato paste. Cook until the paste darkens slightly in colour and is coating the onion. Add the cauliflower and halloumi and cook for a few minutes before adding the coconut milk.

• Step 2

Stir gently to combine then simmer for 10 minutes or until the curry has reduced, and the sauce has thickened. If it reduces too quickly, add a splash of boiling water to loosen. Serve with rice and naan.

TO SERVE

- chopped coriander, to serve (optional)
- rice and/or naan, to serve

Community Notices



Hanmer Forest parkrun

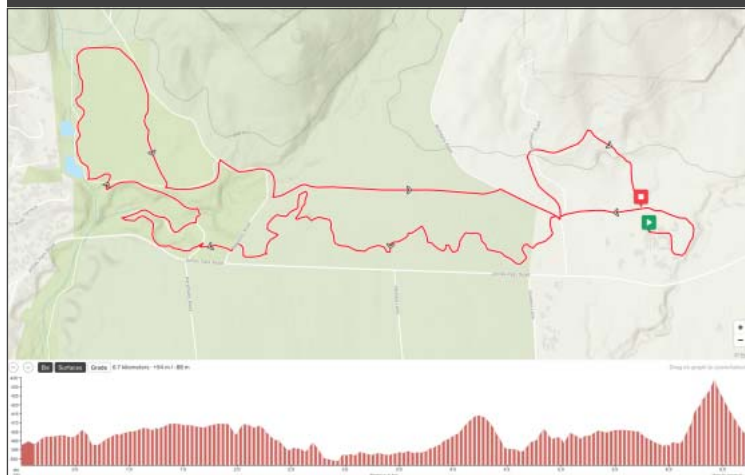
Hanmer Forest parkrun takes place every Saturday at 8:00am.

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/>

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 24 May

Stableford

1st Brett Chambers 37 pts
2nd Jason Hill 36
3rd Greg Samson 34
4th Barry Toomey 32
5th Ken Williams 31
6th Sandra Best 31
7th Gordon Simpson 31
8th Paul Jones 31

Twos

Jason Hill
Brent Berry
Greg Samson
Brett Chambers
Garry Ritsma

Nearest the Pin
Brent Berry

Jackpot Twos
Not Struck



Saturday 31 May

Net & Gross

Ladies
Gross Carolyn Williams 92
Net Fiona Beale 65

Men

Division 1
Gross Russell Chapman 77
Net Owen Evans 70
Division 2
Gross Tony Hawker 82
Net Mark Worner 70
Division 3
Gross Ben Williams 92
Net Gordon Simpson

Twos

Jason Hill
Adam Jacks
Richard Campbell

Nearest the Pin
Adam Jacks

Net Eagles & Jackpot Twos
Not Struck

Results kindly submitted by
Mike Gainsford.

[Thanks Mike. Ed]

Hanmer Springs Bridge Club

Results 22/05/2025

North / South – G Bateman & J Wilson
East / West – J Pillidge & G Scrivener

Results 29/05/2025

1st – G Baldwin & R Hothersall

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

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