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Sunday	10am to 2pm



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Hanmer Springs Community Library
& Service Centre



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We all love Hanmer Springs ...

I love living in Hanmer Springs; and all my "Hanmer family" do too. You know who you are! My neighbours and friends, and their families too.

On Sunday 30 August the *Amuri Community Arts Council* hosted the prize giving for their annual art competition. This year the theme was *Unity - Kotahitanga* and the entries were spectacular. It never ceases to amaze me, the talent of our local artists; right from the youngest ones. Some 80 or more attendees gave the Hanmer Springs Library and gallery a festive feel as young and old admired the colourful art work that decorated the gallery walls. I have attended these prize givings many times over the years as my own children (and me too) have entered. In my eyes this art competition draws families, friends, and our community together; making Hanmer Springs the place I choose to call home.

I have always admired, and have been grateful for, the attendance of our Mayor to these events. Mayor Winton Dalley, and his wife Jean, were tireless supporters of anything that brought members of our community together; especially the arts and sport. I always enjoyed talking with Winton, and Jean, whether it was in the gallery, at a public meeting or on the sideline of a netball court, or rugby ground. They attended many of these events in their own time; helping build our community one event at a time.

Mayor Marie Black, and her husband David, maintain the same high standard. It was so lovely to see our Mayor, Marie, squat for a handshake of congratulations, and a photo, with the youngest artists. Marie and David are both so relatable and I am grateful for their dedication to our community, and our district.

I did suggest to Marie, and David, that they each enter a piece in next years competition, and while I sensed a weak push-back from Marie, I didn't hear a firm "No", and so I feel they will both "come around" with some encouragement from us all.

I was surprised to learn, while talking with Marie, that she learned to play the bagpipes for five years, when she was about my age, and I suggested that she start polishing her skills for a future civic event. Marie, of course, smiled from ear-to-ear, which made me smile from ear-to-ear too, and I took this happy moment to be a strong "Yes, I'd love to", from Marie!

In this year's competition local artist Lisa Dickson won the award for Peoples Choice. The full list of Awards are included in this edition of *The Pinkie*. Congratulations to everyone.

The Amuri Community Arts Council (ACAC) are very active in our community and I am grateful for all they do to promote the arts in our village and wider community. The Gallery Director, Marguerite Clubb, "led the charge" with this years completion and I know Marguerite will already be thinking about next years competition, and you should be too.

The *Drawing Room* at 500 Colombo Street, Christchurch, continue to be the main sponsor of the competition. Please support them.

Have a great weekend, and a fantastic week ahead, and remember ...

Keep being awesome out there!

Reece



Mayor Marie Black congratulates local artist Pax Kelly, with the support of ACAC member Charlotte Baldwin.

CLASSES, FITNESS, CLUBS & MUSIC

Monday

AQUACIZE

Monday 9am
Thermal Pools rear entrance. Informal group.
You will need an aqua stick.
Call Linda (021 223 8188) for more information.

HANMER SPRINGS STITCH GROUP

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

LINE DANCING

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

PILATES CLASS

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

HANMER SPRINGS BIG BAND

Monday 5:30pm (during school term).
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Call Marguerite (021 125 4062)
Cost: Free

Tuesday

TUESDAY WALKERS

Tuesday 9:45am
Meet at the Jollies Pass Road Forest Entry carpark (by the old DOC house).
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Julian (021 148 2811) 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
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Information

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Wednesday

TRAMPING GROUP

Day tramps in local mountains and surrounding areas. Every Wednesday.
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Mt Isobel Tramping Group

LOCAL LADIES CATCH-UP

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HANMER SPRINGS KNITTING GROUP

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

HANMER SINGS

Wednesday 5:00-6:15pm (school term only)
Hanmer Springs Primary School
Call Judy (021 0246 5633)
Cost: Donation

Thursday

PILATES CLASS

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

AQUACIZE

Thursday 10am
Thermal Pools entrance.
You will need an aqua stick.
Call Sue (027 346 3931) for more information.

E-BIKE TOURING GROUP

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

HANMER SPRINGS BRIDGE CLUB

Thursday 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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HANMER SPRINGS ART GROUP

Thursday 5:00-7:00pm
(every 2nd Thursday during school term)
Hanmer Springs Play Centre
Call Ilze (027 241 0832)

Saturday

HANMER FOREST PARKRUN

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

Sunday

MORRIS DANCING

Sunday 7pm
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Dancers and musicians welcome.
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Saturday Church Services

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Sunday Church Services

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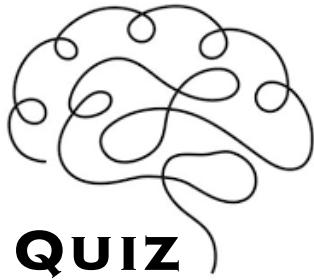
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TRIVIA



QUIZ

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 ...



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Trivia Answers

1. Mount Anglem/Hananui (980m)
2. Rogerson River
3. \$40 Trillion US dollars (\$117,000USD/person)
4. \$130 Billion US dollars (\$25,000USD/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

Sudoku for you!

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

"Your death will come on an ordinary day, in the middle of unfinished plans, and the world will continue without you. So begin to live now!"

The Stoics

"The most dangerous form of blindness is believing that your perspective is the only reality."

Friedrich Nietzsche

"The insult only works if you accept it."

Diogenes

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Step one

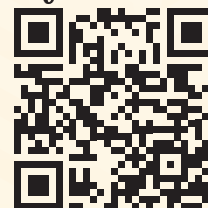


Starting CPR
Step two



Using an AED
Step three

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information**



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Mesh Maintenance

There are currently road works on the Hanmer Springs side of the Waiau Ferry Bridge. Work is being undertaken to maintain the mesh that lines the bluffs along the roadside. The following was received from the contractor.



Rock Control [Division] is looking to undertake Mesh clearance and light scaling works at the Waiau Bluffs SH7A.

The works is planned to start this Thursday 10 September and go for about a week. There will be no works on the weekend.

This will require a Temporary traffic lights setup.

We thought it will be useful information to include in the newsletter. We know its late notice and will provide the information earlier next time.



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Quote of the week

*If you are depressed you are
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*If you are anxious you are
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*If you are at peace you are
living in the present.*

Lao Tzu

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Last Saturday (5 September 2026) 48 people participated in the 94th Hanmer Forest parkrun, and of those folk more than one-third (18) were first timers.

The first Hanmer Forest parkrun was held on 7 September 2024 and on that day 211 people participated. Since that day the event has attracted thousands of participants.

The Hanmer Forest parkrun is a significant event for our village and our local businesses, and this should be acknowledged. Parkrun tourism is a real "thing".

Providing there are no cancellations in the coming weeks the 100th Hanmer Forest parkrun will be held on Saturday 3 October 2026 (four weeks away).

P.

Amuri Players Presents "Chicago"

I had the pleasure of being invited to a technical rehearsal of "Chicago - The Musical" on Monday 7 September and the production is going to be fantastic. Get along to support our local talent. There are shows 11-13 September and then again 16-19 September 2026. Tickets can be purchased online at: www.trybooking.com

Click on the link below, or type it into your browser:

<https://www.trybooking.com/nz/event/chicagoinhanmer-20755>

P.

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Margaret Helen Thompson



Our beautiful Margaret Thompson passed peacefully on 1 August 2026 at Waikari Hospital, in her 90th year.
With your help I would love to honour Margaret's life in the next issue of *The Pinkie* (25 September).

Please send any stories and any photos you may have to:

thepinkie@readme.co.nz

If you do not have access to a computer or email, you can write something by hand and get the librarian at the Hanmer Springs library to "scan it to email". The librarian will be able to scan your hand written note or letter, including any photos or images, to our email address:

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Thank you in anticipation.

*The photo above is a photo of Margaret and Carl on their wedding day.
How fast the days fly by.*

P.

Hanmer Springs Bridge Club

HANMER SPRINGS BRIDGE CLUB

Results 27/08/2026

North/South – R Ensor & J Pillidge

East / West – J Wilson & G Bateman

Results 03/ 09/2026

1st – J Pillidge & W Stewart

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



Hanmer Springs School Report.

KiwiSports

The Y0-6 travelled to Scargill for the annual KiwiSport day, along with students from other local small schools. Students were split into junior and senior groups. The groups rotated around a variety of different sports. The juniors did basketball, snag golf, ripper rugby, football, an obstacle course and tug of war. The senior groups did lacrosse, frisbee golf, hockey, netball and cricket and finished up with a tug of war to end the day. The juniors enjoyed the snag golf, as they had a mini golf course that they had to hit the ball around different obstacles. They also enjoyed the ripper rugby and loved getting lots of rips in the game! The seniors enjoyed learning some lacrosse skills as most had never played lacrosse before. Cricket was another popular sport.



See the following page for page 2 of the Hanmer Springs School report

Starting school.

For the last three Tuesdays TreeBears Preschool has brought the four-year-old children who are due to start school within the next two terms to visit the Y0/1 Piwakawaka Class. These transition visits are valuable, as they help the children to feel safe, confident and ready for school by becoming familiar with the school environment. We enjoyed showing them some different reading, writing, maths and play activities that we do at school.



Persuasive writing.

This term the Y3/4 in Tui Class have been learning about persuasive writing. They have written on a variety of topics and have been trying to persuade the reader to agree with their opinion.

Is a pet dragon or a pet unicorn a more practical pet?

In my opinion a dragon is a better pet than a dumb unicorn because a dragon is a nice pet that keeps you safe. It is fun to fly on a scary dragon. It breathes fire, and it is not a candy monster.

Firstly a dragon keeps you safe because no one will come near, and if you have a unicorn, people can come and rob the house with ease. Unicorns are lazy and fat and chunky, and dragons will not let anyone in the house.

Secondly dragons are healthy. Dragons do not eat candy. They are very healthy. If you have a unicorn, you will need to get candy every day, so some people might steal the candy. Dragons can eat your scraps, and you can feed them dead animals.

Thirdly it is good to have a big pet because you can fly around and you can see new things every day. If you are on a farm, you can find a huge stag or deer or a pig or something else.

In conclusion a dragon is a better pet because it is fun and deadly.

By Pax.



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/>

Hanmer Springs Menzshed



Hanmer Springs Menzshed
Tuesday/Thursdays, 1pm - 3:30pm
(Winter hours)
Queen Mary Hospital Grounds
Beside the old boiler house/large chimney

Thinking About Maths - By Tom

Q. How many 2 digit numbers (eg 19)
contain the number 2?

A. The answer is on the bottom of the back/last page.

If you are defeated by your own anger or
fragile pride, do not blame the person that
provoked you. You were already unstable.

Epictetus

"Mindset is everything"

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JPs in Hanmer Springs

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Ann Toomey	021 155 7622
Ken Williams	027 284 7241
Joy Wilson	027 220 2511



Hanmer Springs Golf

Saturday 5 September

Gross & Net Medal competition

Ladies

Gross winner Carolyn Williams 83

Best Net Nicky West 71

Men 20.6- 36

Gross winner Gordon Simpson 92

Best Net Daniel Conrad 70

Men 14.1-20.5

Gross winner Dean Pollock 80

Best Net Owen Evans 68

Men 0.0-14.0

Gross winner Jason Hill 75

Best Net Mike Gibbon 72

Twos

Adam Jacks

Nearest the Pin

Jason Hill

Net Eagles

Carolyn Williams

Jackpot Twos

Not struck

Club Competition

Saturday 12th September

Stableford

Results kindly submitted by:
Mike Gainsford.

Heat pump service providers in Hurunui



Hurunui District Council (HDC) wants to hear from all heat pump service providers who operate in the district.

HDC currently manages the servicing of 136 heat pumps throughout Hurunui each year, and is looking for expressions of interest from district-wide providers.

If this is of interest, please email property@hurunui.govt.nz to receive the documents.

Thank you.



Secondary School Achievers Fund



Now open

This fund supports current Year 11-13 students, who plan to continue studying next year.

Criteria

- Family home must be within the Hurunui District (attendance at a school outside the district is permitted).
- Demonstrate a positive attitude and high level of ability, achievement, or innovation.
- Show how financial assistance will help achieve their goals.

Conditions

- Funding is for formal academic study only.
- Funding can only be received once.
- Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

The application form is on the Council website:



Applications close

Monday 5 October 2026



Hanmer Springs Fire Brigade Fundraiser

Proceeds to the Hanmer Springs Volunteer Fire Brigade

40 YEARS BELOW

SCOTT BASE ANTARCTICA

a personal audio-visual journey by Roger Lusby



FRIDAY 11 SEPT 7PM

This is a fundraiser worthy of all our support. All proceeds go to our Volunteer Fire Brigade. Entry is \$20 (pay at the door) at "Martys", the new versatile venue opposite the Thermal Pools.

Event Calendar



SEPTEMBER 2026

10-13 Chicago (Amuri Players Production)
(see advertisement on right)

16-19 Chicago (Amuri Players Production)
(see advertisement on right)

25 School Term 3 ends

25-27 Spring Challenge, Hanmer Springs

OCTOBER 2026

12 School Term 4 starts

26 Labour Day

29 Hurunui Garden Festival (29 Oct to 1 Nov)

31 Hanmer Springs Fete (9:30am to 4pm)

NOVEMBER 2026

13 Canterbury Anniversary Day

14 Anglican Church Fete (15th if wet)

DECEMBER 2026

16 School Term 4 ends



An image from "Chicago - The Musical"

2026 School Dates

Term 3

Monday 20 July to
Friday 25 September

Term 4

Monday 12 October
to Wednesday 16
December



The Soldiers Block



The Soldiers Block is open every Sunday from 10am - 12 noon.

!! 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".

ACAC Art Competition Results

Peoples Choice:

Lisa Dickson

Preschoolers:

1st: Isabella Josland

2nd: Sephi Wildekat

3rd: Alina McBride

Highly Commended: Isabella Josland

5-7 years:

1st: Grace Chapman

2nd: Pax Kelly

3rd: Nabi Bae

Highly Commended: Stirling Pilbrow

Highly Commended: Oscar Tansey

Highly Commended: Harper Watene-Wilson

8-11 years

1st: Ilaria Flowers

2nd: Abigail McCort

3rd: Isabel Kenyon

Highly Commended: Laila Cannell

Highly Commended: Bridie Roborgh

Highly Commended: Myra-Anne Singh

12-14 years

1st: Jamilah Alrousan

2nd: Zeiev Habani

3rd: Archie Manion

20+ Adults

1st: Kristina Marotzke

2nd: Ilze Pretorius

3rd Lynda Saunders

"Realise deeply that the present moment is all you have. Make the NOW the primary focus of your life."

Eckhart Tolle



Brooke Dawson Park
Photo by Kristina Marotzke

Readers are invited to submit Hurunui images for this space. Email: thepinkie@readme.co.nz

Hanmer Waiata Group



WAIATA-ITI

HE RŌPŪ WAIATA O MĀNIA-RAUHEA

A casual group in Hanmer Springs to help you learn waiata in community and uplift te reo Māori in our village. Koha towards hall hire, tea and coffee, and biscuits is welcome.

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Church of the Epiphany Hall
33 Jollies Pass Rd, Hanmer Springs

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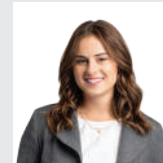
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