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**Brass bands** march to the beat of their own drums

Feilding Brass Band drum major Stephen Lawton leads the way during the Combined Central Districts and Wellington Band Contest at the weekend.

People gathered in Feilding's town centre to see a dozen bands from throughout the lower North Island competing in the event on Saturday and Sunday.

Pictures, page 16. Results, page 21.

# Two multi-sport facilities proposed

#### **PAUL MITCHELL**

Two schools are campaigning for the Rangitikei District Council to fund a pair of multi-sport facilities in the Marton area.

Nga Tawa Diocesan School and Rangitikei College are collaborating with Sport Whanganui on plans to build facilities to replace the artificial turf field in Marton that was destroyed in last year's June floods.

Rangitikei Mayor Andy Watson said the council had received \$100,000 in insurance for the Centennial Park turf's replacement.

"All the groups [involved] are saying rebuilding in Centennial Park doesn't achieve anything for hockey and the insurance payout should go towards the proposal"

The council was looking for community feedback, as part of the Annual Plan consultations, to determine whether the payout, or anv further council funds, should go towards the facilities.

Rangitikei College plans to build the park on their Bredins Line street frontage. It would provide the wider Marton community with a safe, free-to-access,

open 24/7, multisport facility. The estimated cost of the college's proposal was \$450,000.

Rangitikei College principal Tony Booker said most of the funding could come from the school board's reserve fund, pending a final decision by them.

With the council's support the facility could be complete by spring, he said.

"The council's decision is criti-

cal. Plans are set. Once a final decision is made it can all go ahead."

Rangitikei College board chairman Greg Carlyon called on the community to support the schools through the Annual Plan consul-

"We've had support in principle from the council to direct funds towards it and we now need our community to put their hands up as part of the submission process and say we really want this."

Nga Tawa was looking for help

with a proposed \$1.6 million professional grade turf field facility, to be built within the next two

Diocesan Trust Board chairman Roger Dalrymple said it would be free for Rangitikei

Having the community behind them would help get Lottery and other funding for the facility, he

The council's consultation document for the 2016/17 Annual Plan lays out several options.

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### FROM **EDITOR**

Thanks for all the feedback we've received on the first edition of the Feilding-Rangitikei Herald.

The reaction has been positive from readers in both Feilding and the Rangitikei district.

We're always keen to improve, so please keep sending us your thoughts and suggestions - our contact details are on this page.

In another first, those who prefer to consume their news in a digital form, can now access the Feilding-Rangitikei Herald through the Neighbourly website.

Members can access the digital version of the paper by clicking on the 'E-Edition' tab on the Feilding-Rangitikei Mail Neighbourly page.

We appreciate readers want to know when our Feilding office will be re-opened.

We are still awaiting a detailed report on the building's structural safety and risks, following an assessment that found it to be earthquake prone.

We remain committed to having a presence in Feilding, and hope to have more information at hand soon.

**Matthew Dallas** 



#### 1. SLICE OF HEAVEN

Dave Dobbyn is playing at the Feilding Civic Centre on Friday night. Tickets from Feilding Information

#### 2. HUMAN VS **HORSE**

A gruelling 42km marathon with a catch - it's a race between two legs and four. Entries now open for The Great Pukeokahu Human v Horse Race: humanvhorse.com.

#### 3. CLEAN-UP

Marton youth are helping to spruceup Centennial Park over the next week and welcome helpers. Phone Toni 022 095 0745.

#### 4. FEEL THE BLUES

Rehab Allstars play the Taihape Workingmen's Club on April 23, 8pm start, Feilding Civic Centre.

#### 5. FUNDRAISER

An Anzac variety concert is on Saturday, April 23, to support the Coach House Museum. From 6.30pm, tickets \$22.

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# Building sale to secret buyer saves club

#### **PAUL MITCHELL**

The Rangitikei Club's building in Feilding has finally been sold but the club is keeping tightlipped about the identity of the new owner.

The Bowen St building was sold for \$520,000 following a number of failed attempts to sell the

Rangitikei Club president Rose Shearer would not reveal the name of the buyer, saying the person wanted to remain anonymous. Club members have reported seeing Woodlands Resort co-owner Wayne Christensen viewing the site recently. But when the *Herald* contacted him to see if he was involved in the purchase, he refused to comment.

Shearer said the club needed to sell its clubrooms after falling into debt

Prospective buyers pulled out in the final stages of deals on two previous occasions.

The club premises and land were first put on the market at the end of 2012 and an offer was received in December 2014.

An agreed price of \$565,000 was settled on in February 2015 but Shearer said that deal fell over.

In January this year, with a second buyer lined up for Febru-

ary, an emergency meeting was called to ask members for a loan of \$50,000 to pay the bill until the deal went through.

The second deal also fell apart, and only half that sum was raised.

But it was enough to keep the doors open long enough for a third deal to be completed. Shearer said the sale had been enough to settle the club's debts and leave a healthy reserve.

"We've just got to plan for the future now, hopefully we won't end up back in the same situation."

The new owner officially took over the building on April 1.

Shearer said the new owner had agreed to lease the club the building's ground floor for the next three years.

"At the moment, we have full use of the building until they know what they are going to do with the building."

The sale had put the club back on track, and Shearer expected to repay members who had loaned the club money.

"It was sell or close, those were the only options we had. For me, the club's too important to just close the doors."

The Feilding RSA would also be able to continue using the

Riding club gets cash for school

PAUL MITCHELL

A Rangitikei horse riding club's competition day in Bulls has raised more than \$2000 for Marton School.

More than 100 riders came from throughout the Lower North Island to take part in the Rangitikei Area Distance Riders' competitive trail ride on Sunday, April 10.

Club president Aimee Merrick said the event had raised \$2439 for the school's junior swimming programme.

Marton School principal Brya Dixon said the school aimed to get students confident and safe in the water from an early age.

Parents pay a small fee to help the school cover the costs of swimming lessons at the Marton Pool.

"It's wonderful. This fundraising will allow us to double the number of lessons."

The day included raffles, sausage sizzles and a riding demonstration for supporters and spectators at the trail ride.

The competing riders followed a set course through the forest and paddocks, aiming to finish in the optimum time.

Riders received penalties for every minute they were off that time, and a large part of the score was also made up of the horses' heart rates, as measured by vets.

Pam Ilston, right, from Marton, and Manawatu woman Caroline

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Rangitikei Area

**Distance Riders** 

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club event in

**Bulls**, raising

money for Marton School's

swimming

weekend.

part in the

"It's a test of skill, horsemanship and at higher levels, endurance for both horse and rider," Merrick said.

Palmerston North rider Adam Cornelius, 12, won the event with the best score of the riding season.

"Adam only started distance riding this season, so his achievement is significant and it is great to see a young rider starting out in the sport."

It was the second year Merrick had organised a fundraising ride for the school.

Last year's ride raised nearly \$2000 towards updating Marton School's reading materials.

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# Rangitikei sewerage plants non-compliant

Three of Rangitikei's seven sewerage plants are not meeting compliance, but environmental impacts are not deemed to be high.

The district council previously had four plants that were not compliant.

Horizons Regional Council consents monitoring officer Robert Rose said the Mangaweka plant's noncompliance had been a one-off and the plant was now complying.

At the Koitiata plant, the noncompliances related to the disposal method for the treated effluent.

"The environmental effects associated with the non-compliance are considered minimal," Rose said.

The district council was in consultation with the community to establish a long-term solution. Currently, a small proportion of the town was connected to the network and the goal was to get the entire community connected.

A new consent would be required when that happens.

Rose said the district council was in regular contact with Horizons Regional Council in relation to the Taihape and Hunterville plants.

"While RDC have struggled to comply with the volume restrictions associated with these two consents, the environmental impacts are minor.

"RDC are looking at options to rectify these issues, including improvements to their reticulation network or further consent applications."

Both the plants' consents were issued in mid-2014. Bulls' consent had expired but a new application seeking renewal had been lodged by the district council.

Rose said the discharge had existing use rights under the Resource Management Act. The quality of the discharge also currently met consent quality requirements.

Rangitikei District mayor Andy Watson said some of the non-compliance was linked to the flooding in June 2015.

"We are putting a significant amount of resources into a number of our towns on surveying stormwater networks and replacing sewerage lines."

Watson said they had a very good relationship with the regional council

"We have been very open with what our issues are and we work with them to establish the priority areas."

He said non-compliance could be from just one aspect. The Marton plant had previously had issues with the leachate it received from the Bonny Glen landfill. The council had since informed Bonny Glen that the plant would not accept non-treated leachate after June.

"That will certainly help that plant."

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# WE CAN HELP YOU ACHIEVE THE LOOK YOU DESIRE

The opening of Halcombe's community walkway. Children, from left, Jorja and Maia Henderson, Jade and Nate Gilmour, Hunter and Taylor Lane. Rachel Lane and mayor Margaret Kouvelis cut the ribbon, with Richard Bain, background right.

### From waste to walkway

#### **VICTORIA CRAFAR**

The Halcombe community walkway was officially opened by way of a ceremony and fun day event – three years on from its inception.

Driven by the Halcombe Community Development Group, the area enhanced had been disused railway land near the community's centre.

It used to boast weeds about "human height", group chairwoman Rachel Lane said.

"It was just a shambles."

The dedicated group got stuck in after mooting the idea in 2013 through Manawatu District Council's community planning process.

Through this, the group formed a vision stating Halcombe would be a safe, supportive and progressive community, attractive and valued by all, Lane said.

"The opening of this walkway is not the completion of a project, it's the beginning of a transformation... it's going to be just awesome watching it grow." It was not all plain sailing for the group, which faced several challenges in the beautification task.

"The biggest challenge was the ground," Lane said.

Rocky, hard and difficult to alter, digging plots to create plant beds was more intense than first thought.

A donated digger, tractor and post-hole borer were employed to help, and were the only things that would do the trick.

Funds for the project were raised through organised barn dances as well as a plaque scheme where people could either purchase a tree or a metre of the walkway, their names displayed along with their donations.

"We have had numerous people ask if they can still donate so we will do another run of these two campaigns," Lane said.

Passionate Halcombe stalwartresident and walkway volunteer Richard Bain blessed the walkway at the opening.

"The whole project has been an amazing journey," Lane said.

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# Teen taking fight to tumour strife

#### **VICTORIA CRAFAR**

Back pain blamed on bad posture turned out to be a tumour the size of a mandarin for a Manawatu

Sanson teenager Hannah Devlin, 13, has faced a hard-fought recovery after being crippled by a tumour in her spine.

She had been experiencing back pain for six months prior to its diagnosis, her mother Michele Devlin thinking it was due to poor posture or growing pains.

Michele Devlin said at the start of February Hannah attended her first day at Feilding High School and was then rushed to surgery the next.

"The tumour was the size of a mandarin and was pressing on the spinal cord, damaging nerves and restricting messages from the brain to the legs."

The back pain Hannah had been experiencing was agitated further over summer when she tore a muscle while putting on a wetsuit. Devlin took her to a doctor who recommended physio.

"Weeks of physio passed with no improvement, in fact it got

In January, Hannah began

feeling numbness and "vibrations shooting down" her legs.

"The following week Hannah gradually lost the use of her legs and was fast-tracked and admitted to hospital on February 3," Devlin

An MRI scan at Palmerston

#### "You never think it will happen to you until it happens to

**Hannah Devlin** 

North Hospital revealed the tumour's presence.

"When we were told the results I had no emotion, I was in shock," Hannah said. "You never think it will happen to you until it happens to you."

The family were airlifted to Starship Childrens' Hospital.

Hannah endured a seven-hour operation to remove the tumour.

'Most of three vertebra were removed, two ribs were cut to enable access to the tumour safely, and her thoracic nerve system, which is one of the most complex, was cut," Devlin said.

It was three weeks before the

mass was confirmed noncancerous. It was diagnosed as a benign bone tumour.

Commonly referred to as an ABC tumour, blood-filled and fibrous, it grows and expands in bone and appears most commonly in vertebrae or knee joints

Hannah was transferred after three weeks at Starship to the Wilson Centre, a children's rehabilitation clinic in Auckland, where she and her mum have been for the past six weeks.

"Hannah has almost lost all of the numb sensation in her legs and is regaining her balance, although she is still unsteady and requires assistance with her mobility," Devlin said. "The nerve pain is very severe, but Hannah still give 150 per cent at every physio session.3

Hannah's recovery has included nine hours of physio a week.

Due home on April 15, Hannah has been both excited and nervous about returning to school for term two.

Hannah faces further hospital visits to check that the tumour has been defeated.

Once recovered, she has her heart set on learning to surf.

Hannah Devlin, 13, is looking forward to a more normal second term of school, having spent the past 3 months in hospital and rehabilitation.

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# eputy PM talks to farmers

#### KIRSTY LAWRENCE

The average New Zealand solo parent receiving a benefit is staying on the subsidy for 21 years, finance minister Bill English says.

The Minister of Finance and Deputy Prime Minister addressed farmers before the Manawatu Rangitikei Federated Farmers AGM in Feilding last Friday.

He talked about what their taxpayer money was being spent on and said people in the welfare system cost New Zealand twice as much as ACC.

"If we can get that cost down that would be a good thing.'

The number of young women on the benefit had dropped over the past five

years, and the number of solo parents was also the lowest it had been since 1986.

However, the average stay for a solo parent on the benefit was 21 years, which was something English said they were working to reduce.

Growing up with 11 siblings in Southland on a farm, English said he understood some of the farmers' struggles.

'Sometimes when I'm with the farming community there's a [feeling] it's not understood by urban people.'

English said in terms of how farming affected the economy times were

'In the last two to three years there would not be a discussion you would

have about the economy where farming doesn't come up.

"[However], in the 15 years before that it never used to come up."

He said he believed this was due to the good work organisations, like Federated Farmers, were doing and said it helped the broader community pull in behind

"They want them to get through and be successful again.'

Federated Farmers president James Stewart echoed this statement and said support had been provided to farmers in many ways.

'I got a call from a local Lions club saying how can we help... which shows a little bit of respect," he said.

The Mataki siblings with their new bikes and scooters, from left, Lathaniel, Dayjahnn, Michael, Tailah, Leighton and Elijah. The bikes were provided by the Feilding Attendance Service.

### Mataki family left speechless

A Feilding family has been humbled by the generosity that has come their way following their

The Mataki family van was written-off last month when a motorist being pursued by police crashed into it when it was parked at Victoria

The uninsured vehicle was heavily relied upon by the family of eight, for school, sport and work

But they have now been gifted new wheels of both the four-wheeled and two-wheeled varieties.

A donor, who wished to stay anonymous, has bought the family a van from Courtesy Ford in Feilding, while the children were also gifted bicycles and scooters to help get to school.

These were donated by Feilding Attendance Service's Delaney Hallett after being contacted by North St School.

The service has a bikes and scooters scheme that aims to make getting to class easy.

"I'm speechless really, what else is there to say?" mother Fontayne Mataki said.

She could not praise North St School enough. "It really is a good school, they treat everyone like one big family, there's been so much love and support from them.'

The children welcomed their new wheels,

"They said to me they were going straight to the skate park, after school, to test them out."

Fontayne plans to "give back" what she can when the family gets in a better financial position. "To show gratitude for what we've received.

That's all I can do." A Give a Little page set up to help the Mataki family had raised close to \$800.

Its organiser said the family was looking at how to return the money to those who made donations

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carried away in November and December 2015, with increases over RV of 21% and 13%. The January and February 2016 results were 5% and 8.5%, which bring our feet back down to earth.

From 1 August 2013 (the date of the RV) until May 2015 there was no evidence of any increase over RV for Feilding, with some months below and others above, but averaging about 0 (no change).

I consider that there is sufficient positive evidence over the last 9 months to say that the average Sale Price for Feilding is now about 8% above the 2013 RV.

We are a long way behind Auckland, and some way behind Waikato and Bay of Plenty, but we are ahead of most other towns and cities in our region.

Kind regards Michael Ford

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# Teenager's fast hands

#### **VICTORIA CRAFAR**

Turakina teenager Caleb Arthur has been ranked 17th overall in the world for sport stacking, returning home with five medals for his efforts.

Captain of the ten-member Black Stacks team, which brought home 23 medals in total, Arthur said he spent up to 30 minutes a day practising in the lead up to the tournament.

The representative group joined 267 other competitors from 21 countries at Speichersdorf, Germany, for the Easter weekend challenge.

The 17-year-old homeschooled student was clearly proud of his achievements.

"I didn't get too nervous."

Team manager Deidre Ah

Wong reported on the first day
of competition, and commended

of competition, and commended Arthur's efforts.

"All were steady and very consistent but the stacker of the day was probably Caleb Arthur who has had an absolutely amazing day."

Arthur said he competed in several individual events as well as team relays, finishing between second and eighth placings in all.

It was the third world championships Arthur had competed in, previously attending Florida in 2013 and Germany in 2012.

The latest trip cost \$5000,

Turakina teenager Caleb Arthur with his medals and certificates from the World Sport Stacking Championships in Germany.

money Arthur raised mostly through rearing and selling chickens, with help from his mother Maria

Besides enjoying being at the

championships and making potentially life-long friends, Arthur said another highlight was visiting a 16th century German castle.

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# Vet's team 'knocked the bugger off'

#### **EMILY BEAUMONT**

After 3 days, 14 hours and 43 minutes racing of through 400km of New Zealand's most epic wilderness, one of the first things Anthony Oswald did was crack a

"It tasted bloody good too," he

The Taihape vet, together with two other vets and a dairy farmer, was part of the nEVEREST team that won the pursuit section of the GODZone adventure race in the Tasman region, which finished on Saturday.

The team blitzed the field, steaming home and even overtaking teams in the 'pure' section, which had set off 24 hours earlier, to claim first place.

"It was absolutely amazing. We hadn't discussed winning or where we were going to come, we were just out there to race our own race.''

One member of the team had previously completed GODZone races and Oswald said his experience was invaluable.

"One of the keys to our win was the fact we had Graeme [Ewenson] in the team. He's done three GODZones before and is an absolute legend on the navigation.

"When it got dark we were able

to keep moving because Graeme could get us to the next point on the journey. Other teams weren't able to make as much progress because their navigators weren't as good."

With rest hard to come by, the quartet survived on just six hours sleep spread across the few days.

"It was amazing how you can trick your body into thinking you've had a good sleep, and you're away again."

Although fortunate with the weather conditions, Oswald said they were "bloody cold, going all

The 10 race stages had the team coasteering, sea-kayaking, trekking, mountain biking and

"There were some real highlights. We saw some amazing places, got some great views and did some stuff I wouldn't normally do.

The stage six paddle on the Matakitaki River provided Oswald's most nerve-wracking moments of the race. "There were massive rapids in there. Graeme and I tipped out right at the top of quite a big rapid, it was bloody scary. I was sucked under for what felt like an eternity but managed to pop up again."

Although it was "a hell of an

Taihape vet Anthony Oswald (#74), in an early stage of the three-day GODZone Pursuit race that his team decisively won.

experience", Oswald said it's unlikely he would be signing up for another adventure race any

time soon. "Part of me is thinking quit while you're ahead. We've knocked the bugger off and

managed to come first and got the trophy, so why not go out on a

### School's double act unique

#### **EMILY BEAUMONT**

For the first time at St Joseph's School in Taihape, the roles of head boy and head girl has been filled by twins.

Sophie and Luca Luoni were appointed to the positions earlier this term by principal Ann-Maree Manson-Petherick.

"I think because they're twins they're obviously very united. They're very supportive of each other and push each other well," said Manson-Petherick.

The twins have attended St Joseph's for all their primary

schooling, and say their time there has been excellent.

"My favourite thing about school is learning new things every day and sometimes about things you never knew existed," Sophie said.

Luca has appreciated learning how to be a "good role model" and said the school's attitude of being kind and caring to everyone has set him up for the future.

Sports feature prominently in the pair's lives, with both running in the half marathon at the school's recent fundraiser.

Sophie has scooped numerous

awards for dance, a passion she would like to make a career of.

Juggling seven genres of dance, Sophie also manages to make time for netball, gymnastics and athletics. Running out on the rugby field always excites Luca, and together with piano lessons, gymnastics and running, it takes up his time outside of school.

Celebrating the school's centennial in February this year had made their time at the helm "more special".

"I like how we learn all the fruits of the holy spirit and follow in Jesus' footsteps," Sophie said.

Twins Sophie and Luca Luoni are this year's head girl and head boy at St

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# EMT officer is face of St John appeal

#### **EMILY BEAUMONT**

With nine years of ambulance work behind her, there's no doubt Taihape's emergency medical technician would have some interesting stories.

Recounting one of them to St John resulted in Emma Benefield becoming the national poster girl for its annual appeal week.

"I do quite a lot of fundraising for the organisation so to do this extra bit is rewarding. I just thought it was great to really put myself out there to try and drum up some more funding. There's only so many cake sales and sausage sizzles you can do," she said. During the appeal week that

finished on Sunday, Benefield appeared on television, posters and the internet sharing her tale of comforting a cyclist who had collided with a van.

"I love helping people and I'm passionate about people to no end. This isn't a job it's more of a lifestyle so I love being able to have the tools to help people more.

Benefield was inspired to become an ambulance officer after spending hours as a child attending accidents with her towtruck driving father in Te Kuiti.

Volunteering Ohakune ambulance service in 2008, Benefield embarked on fulltime employment in Taihape as an EMT, in November 2014.

Taihape emergency medical technician (EMT) Emma Benefield became the face of St John's national appeal week with her story of aiding an injured cyclist.

'I absolutely love it here, it's got great community support and everyone knows everyone."

Benefield said the Taihape community was once again generous during the all-important appeal week.

"The appeal week is what puts our officers on the road and ambulances at stations."

# Solider likely fell at Cape Helles

#### **RAY SEYMOUR**

Victor Norman Levien was born in the Marlborough Sounds on February 9, 1892, to Joseph Thomas Levien and his wife Elizabeth Jane Okey.

Victor and Elizabeth had six children, but only Victor served during the First World War.

Victor was last employed as a millhand at Taumaranui before volunteering to enlist into the New Zealand Expeditionary Force on August 17, 1914.

He was attested at Whanganui on the same date and was allocated to the Wellington West Coast Company of the Wellington Infantry Battalion.

At the completion of his training, conducted at Trentham, Victor embarked on the Troopship "Maunganui" on October 16, and he disembarked, at Alexandria, Egypt, on December 4.

On April 12, 1915, Victor embarked on the captured German ship, the "Achaia" and next landed at Mudros, on the Island of Lemnos.

On April 25, the "Achaia" arrived opposite Anzac Cove at 1300 hours.

But Victor and his fellow soldiers had to wait until 0330 hours the next morning, before they were called forward.

They were all ashore by 0500

At 1800 hours that night, the Wellington West Coast Company were ordered to move to "Plugge's Plateau", but no sooner had they

arrived, when they were ordered to return to the beach from where they had previously been.

Victor participated in all the raids and attacks put in by the Wellington Infantry Battalion, including the poorly planned and ultimately disastrous attacks that the incompetent senior officers had them engage in at Cape Helles.

But during the Battle for Chunuk Bair, mounted over a number of days in August 1915, Victor was reported to be missing in action on August 8.

This was the day the Wellington Infantry Battalion attacked "Chunuk Bair", captured it without taking any casualties, and then had to endure wave-afterwave of counter-attacks by the Turks.

A Court of Inquiry, conducted at Moascar, Egypt, on January 24, 1916, concluded that Victor Norman Levien had been killed in action on that fateful day.

His body was never located and, as a consequence, his name appears, along with hundreds of others, on the Chunuk Bair (New Zealand) Memorial. He is also remembered on the Ohingaiti Memorial.

His next of kin would have received his 1914/15 Star, the British War Medal and the Victory Medal.

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#### Features to enjoy 1 Achilles Drive

This split level 3 bedroom home has features that will appeal to a number of buyers. It is close to the town centre and is in a quiet culde-sac with decking views across to the tree filled reserve. There is internal access to the basement/double garage area. The sloping section area behind could be grazed or could be nicely planted out, etc.

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# Rising above the mauls

#### **EMILY BEAUMONT**

Suffering a dislocated kneecap under a collapsed rugby maul when he was a kid didn't keep a determined Aaron Conlon from the field for long.

Conlon suffered the injury when he was 11 and sustained several further dislocations, prompting him to hang up his boots. But he was resolute he'd remain involved in the game he loved by becoming a referree.

It was while tagging along as a waterboy for a team at his secondary school, St Patrick's College, Silverstream, Conlon first considered getting a whistle in his hand.

He attended his first rugby referee course when he was 16.

"I loved it and started refereeing junior rugby around Upper Hutt."

He worked his way into registering with the Wellington Rugby Referees Association at 17 and hasn't looked back.

"Every year you get to meet new challenges and experience bigger games. I've had some awesome opportunities."

Opportunities that have taken the 21-year-old around the country, to Australia and last year he travelled to Dubai to referee at an invitational sevens event.

"It was awesome, the place is incredible and so is the way they run tournaments," Conlon said.

"For any ref who wants to develop their skills that tournament is the place to do it.

"You're among referees that want to make the game the best they possibly can and you also get to mingle with international sevens refs and learn from them"

A premier debut in 2015 for the local derby in Taihape has been a highlight for Conlon and he's aiming higher.

"To referee an international game and perhaps a world cup game would be awe-

When an injury forced Aaron Conlon from playing rugby he threw himself into refereeing and is now moving up the ranks.

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# Booth strong in defeat to Manawatu

The Pennant Team suffered a  $9\frac{1}{2} - 2\frac{1}{2}$  loss to top team Manawatu in trying windy conditions

Matt Booth had a solid day with 2 huge wins. With Matt Thomas they won 6/5 in the foursomes and then Booth followed it up with a 6/4 win in the singles. The other point came from Denny Thompson who won 2 of the last 3 holes to halve his match.

Other close games were Matt Thomas, who lost 1 down, after looking good to win or halve at the worst until his opponent sunk a 50 footer on the last following a miraculous chip from behind a

tree. Duane Dick also lost on the last. Richie Nimmo and Koke Cashell both lost on the 17th.

In the foursomes Duane Dick and Alan Thomas went down 2/1 with the other 2 foursomes going down 3/2.

The team meets Whanganui at Foxton this week in round 5.

Back home John Booth, not to be over shadowed by his son, showed a clean

pair of heels to score 44 points in his best round in over a year.

Kevin O'Brien continued his excellent recent form with another 76 for 41 points.

Denis Robertson and Ngaire Bond both came in with 40.

On 39 Dave Pollard and Gary Thomas, 38 Ross Martin, James Fannin, Johnson Hiroa, Briany Bristol and Karen Clark, 37 Jim Mickleson & Paul Renwicks, 36 Richard and Denise Millner, 35 Danny Mickleson, Chris Clark and Peter Valentine

Twos: Richard Millner, Gary Thomas and Denis Robertson.

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# Out & About

**Budding artist** Max Chambers in deep concentration.

Max Chambers sits at the head of the table with, from top left, Blake Chambers, Kaleb Chambers, Kenzie Pilato and Kalana Wipaki-Munro. Front, from left, Evan Illston, Josiah Bennett and Onray Bourke.

# Taihape tots tuck in

Taihape Playcentre children were treated to warm pikelets on Friday's rainy morning. After morning tea, the youngsters were soon back playing. Emily **Beaumont** was there.

Eating happily is Evan Illston.

The double act at the dinner table are twins Blake and Kaleb Chambers

At just eight weeks old, Joseph Bennett is the youngest at

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# Taihape keep Ohakune scoreless

#### **BRIDGE RESULTS**

Clark Cup April 4 1st Lynette Collier/Ross Gordon 61.36 per cent, 2nd= Catherine Anderson/ Jan Rogers 58.18, Marian Cleaver/Allison Thomas

Services

Taihape travelled north to the Ohakune fortress to take on a rebuilding Ruapehu team on Saturday.

The premier team always look forward to this clash and after a good first up win versus Kaierau last week the boys were up for it against a rebuilding Ruapehu team.

Some high tempo attacking rugby was played, resulting in eight tries

being scored that were spread across the team with Dane Whale adding four conversion.

More importantly solid defence and pride in their line was shown keeping Ruapehu scoreless for a 48-0

scoreline.

James Barrett and Hamish Bennett were standouts along with skipper Tremaine Gilbert and centre Sefo Bourke.

The Taihape senior team had a strong line-up and they played great rugby too, scoring a converted try on full-time to take a one point win over Ruapehu.

Special thanks to our travelling

supporters who have been cheering the boys on the last two weeks.

This weekend Ballance/PGG Wrightson Taihape has its first home game against Marist and would love to see the sidelines packed with supporters for which will be two great games of footy.

Seniors kick off at 1pm at Memorial Park with the premier team to follow at 2.30pm.

# Utiku Old Boys finish south of Border

competition took on heavyweights Border at home on Saturday.

It was always going to be a tough mountain to climb. The game was played in good weather conditions and Utiku made a slow start letting Border in for two early tries.

When Utiku managed to gain pos-

session Number 8 Jamie Brett scored a well-worked try. Also scoring for Utiku was winger Rewi Hudson.

Trailing by 31-14 at the half time

break, Border piled on the points to run out eventual winners 52-14.

Utiku were able to keen Border tryless in the last 20 minutes and were unlucky to not have their own third try awarded.

Players to impress were number 8 Jamie Brett, tighthead prop Josh Hirini and hardworking second five Brett Illston. Assistant coach Geoff Transom said, "Border were deserved winners but to Utiku's credit we didn't give up and showed some good skills and promise going forward."

This weekend Utiku travel to Ohakune to take on Ruapehu at Roachford Park at 2.30pm.

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# Conversations

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Mia Kalila Lennox. Facebook

# Farmers, firearms and fond recognition

Last week was a particularly busy one in Parliament.

There was plenty of work for the Primary Production Select Committee with three bills to consider, including the ACVM Bill (the Agricultural Chemicals and Veterinary Medicines Bill), the Geographical Indicators (Wines and Spirits) Bill and the New Zealand Horticulture Export Authority Amendment Bill 2015.

On Thursday we met with representatives from the Deer Farmers Association in Parliament who briefed us on their Industry.

Chairman Andy McFarlane and chief executive Dan Coup were able to share the industry's encouraging success story. Both velvet and Cervena (their meat brand) are performing very well. I have no doubt that much of this success can be attributed to the association which provides effective leadership and representation while inspiring

growth and supporting sustainability.

The Law and Order Select Committee is doing some work around the use of firearms in crime in New Zealand. This will be very interesting. It is not about revisiting the ownership of firearms by law abiding New Zealand citizens.

I represented Minister Guy at the inaugural Auckland Environmental Awards. This was a very well attended event and was won by the Kidd family who are sheep and beef farmers from Helensville. They will go on to the national showcase event in Waitangi where of course they will come up against our own regional winners – the Hopkins and Price families.

On Friday Sue and I attended

World War II veteran Brian de Lautour turned 100 years-old at Easter.

the 100th birthday celebrations of Brian de Lautour. It was a great occasion to honour a remarkable man who was a fit as can be and who with his two brothers served the country in World War II. Only two years ago he travelled to Casino to recognise the anniversary of that battle.

Later we attended the launch function for the Manawatu Racing Club's Sires Produce Stakes at sponsors Courtesy Ford premises in JFK drive. This is New Zealand's Premier 2 year-old race and is the big event in horse racing in our region. Rain dampened the racing somewhat on Saturday, nevertheless it was a successful day for racing in our region.

The final event for the weekend was the opening of the National Secondary Schools' Volleyball Competition in Palmerston North.

It was a great sight to see all the competitors seated for the opening ceremony.

■ Ian McKelvie is the MP for Rangitikei.

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In 1928 Tom's son James (Jim) joined the business at the age of 17.

The onset of the 1930s depression had McIlwaines diversifying into commercial work, such as building agricultural silos.

As the economy recovered in the mid 1930s McIlwaines was awarded contracts by the government to build state houses. It was an important time for the company and the building industry.

During the war years, Ministry of Works directed McIlwaines staff to assist with buildings at Waiouru Military Training Camp and Linton Military Base, including building dummy hangars at Ohakea when New Zealand faced the challenge of an advance from Japan into the Pacific.

In 1946 T & J McIwaine became a private limited company.

As the decades followed, the business continued to diversify including the purchase of a sawmill. Jim's son Brian joined the business in 1966. Having studied at Canterbury University for a civil engineering degree, he gained practical experience and registration working for a number of engineering firms prior to his return to Marton.

Under Brian's leadership McIlwaine Readymix Ltd was established, supplying concrete throughout the region.

Sadly, Brian was involved in a tragic car accident in 1984 along with his younger son Mark. Randall was still only at high school.

Later Jim McIlwaine approached his grandson Randall to join the company. Randall made the decision to join and the journey continues.

"I enjoy coming to work every day, we have a good team and a range of personalities that add diversity along with their commitment to ensure that customers are satisfied.

"Rebranding to orange with our Mitre 10 store was a positive move for our store. We are able to offer a wide range of products. Being Mitre 10 means a great range of products and competitive pricing. A big advantage with the franchise is that if we don't have it, we can get it in for you," says Randall.

"We are fortunate and sincerely appreciate the 38 full and part-time staff that represent our business with enthusiasm and good product knowledge. We have staff that have been with us for more than 30

### Chartered accountant Rebecca Gray has returned to the family business to work with her brother managing director Randall McIlwaine.

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products throughout the North Island as we have the equipment and skill to make your timber trim requirements."

The last decade has brought new challenges such as the continual updating of technology. But Randall has a "can do" attitude, rising to keep abreast of the ups and downs of a business environment.

Chartered accountant Rebecca Gray, is Randall's sister, and returned to the business some years ago with her husband Nick.

Randall and Rebecca are happy

to be living in Marton along with their families and being part of a great local community, while representing a family name that is well remembered not only for the business but generations of maintaining quality values and a culture that assisted Marton township in hard times and good times.

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# Out & About

# Marching to a brass beat

Twelve teams from the lower North Island gathered in Feilding, showing off their brass and a bit of class over the weekend for a regional band contest. Photographer **David Unwin** was there. Results: Page 21

The Palmerston North City Brass Band marches down the street.

Freddie Child, 6, Toby Child, 3, Davis Capper, 9 and Lydia Capper, 6, watch the bands perform.

Brass band members reflect on the competition.

Stephen Lawton, drum major for the Feilding Brass Band.

A member of the Wanganui Brass Band plays the trombone.

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# Dardenia dedicated to making a difference

Local woman Tina Fraser has followed her instinct to serve, in two very different ways, on two very different continents.

She is a fashionista, lover of people and community, and owner of Dardenia woman's fashion boutique in Feilding's CBD. Tina is on a mission.

A trip to Africa inspired her to open her own fashion house in Palmerston North almost eight years ago. Dardenia was a teenage orphan girl in Africa who touched Tina's heart when she and husband Peter were working as missionaries there within a dentistry team.

They lived at Zimpeto orphanage, just out of Maputo, the capital of Mozambique. Nearly half of Mozambicans are under 14 years of age. Half of the 10 million children are living in extreme poverty. It is estimated that more than 2 million orphans live in Mozambique, and up to a quarter of the total is due to HIV/AIDS.

Dardenia helped Tina with the vounger children who were afraid of their much needed dental work.

Although it was often heart breaking, Tina was committed to her charity work, her need to serve and help others prevailed.

"It's a very raw place, children

living on top of dumps. It was difficult to transition back into life here. You learnt to live with very little in Africa. Coming back here, I found the opulence that we all live with challenging, while they live with nothing."

Tina's next mission was to put her 30 years' experience in the fashion industry to good use. She established Dardenia to help raise financial support to continue to serve the children of Mozambique. It was something she just had to do.

"I love people, everybody has a story, and everyone is interesting. Everybody is beautiful, but we're different too."

Finding the things that help people feel good about themselves is important to her.

We've had three generations here in the fitting room getting dressed for their weddings," she smiles. "I'm here to serve and help, it's such a pleasure."

Dardenia's point of difference is important.

'We don't do fad fashion at Dardenia, we do classic, timeless pieces, garments that you'll still be pulling out of your wardrobe for years to come.'

"Our labels are exclusive to us in this region. We have international

label Frank Lyman, which is absolutely magnificent for feminine styling and really fits well into our wedding market. We hold that label exclusively right down to Wellington."

Her customers come from near and far with regulars from Palmerston North, Wairarapa and Wellington. "They love coming to Feilding. Often on a Friday they enjoy the farmers market too."

Tina is looking forward to sharing her winter collection at Dardenia with "gorgeous camels, tans and neutrals as well as stunning electric blue which is big again this season.'

The standout accessory this winter is the hat. "We have beautiful wool felt hats in a multitude of colours and styles, and there's no better way to help keep warm.'

Tina and Peter have always lived locally. They owned a paint and panel business in Feilding for 20 years. Moving Dardenia to Feilding 18 months ago "was like coming

"Feilding is in good heart, and that heart is its people, it's a fantastic community. There's a strong sense of history and loyalty in this town. I love it here, and my customers do too '

Tina Fraser, a woman on a mission at Dardenia.

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## Call for harsher treatment of thefts

#### **JILL GALLOWAY**

Federated Farmers Manawatu/ Rangitikei is concerned stock thefts are not being taken seriously enough.

Vice-chairman Fraser Gordon, from Taihape, said cows and weaner calves were taken by a neighbouring farmer and were

"And a whole lot of other issues come in, such as TB testing, animal identification (NAIT) tags, whether the the animal status declaration form (ASD) has been filled out correctly. They're all warning a stock agent that the stock might not belong to the person selling.

He said it was annoying that it seemed to be farmers taking stock from other farmers.

"I don't think it has got anything to do with farmers being under pressure. People are just taking stock."

Gordon said some had to do with slackness when it came to knowing numbers and where stock were.

"But actually that's what the NAIT tags are all about. And the number of stock tested for TB should correlate to how many stock you have."

He doesn't think there has been a rise in stock thefts.

"No it's not an increase. But there is a difficulty in solving

There has been one case in the Taihape region and several in other areas.

Taihape farmer and Manawatu/Rangitikei Federated Farmers vice-president Fraser Gordon talks to a Federated Farmers meeting.

Meanwhile Manawatu/ Rangitikei Federated Farmers had its AGM and kept in place its elected management:

President: James Stewart; Vice-President: Fraser Gordon; Dairy chairman: Matt Hocken; Meat and Fibre chairman; Rich-Morrison; Sharemilker spokesman: Richard McIntyre; Grains chairman: David Lee Jones; Treasurer: Mike Hoggard.

There are 32 fewer Federated Farmers members as hard times bite, said territory manager John Stroud. The drop in numbers experienced by Manawatu/ Rangitikei, was similar to most provinces across New Zealand.

"The reason people are resigning is they can't financially afford [it] due to the dairy prices.'

Stroud said membership was about \$637 a year, and less for lifestyle properties.

He was leaving the federation to go to the IT industry.

'Thank you the members for your engagement and positivity even in bad times. The forward thinking by your executive is second to none and needs to be celebrated."

### Best plough contestants in Manawatu

#### **JILL GALLOWAY**

The best ploughmen and women will be lining up the straightest furrows in Manawatu for the national ploughing championships. Competitors have begun preparing for the contest on April 16 and 17 near Rongotea.

Manawatu ploughing association president, and competitor, Paul Henson said people would battle it out in four main classes.

He said a field of six competitors would challenge each other in the horse ploughing championship with two additional teams carrying out displays.

"There are seven in the vintage, 10 in conventional ploughing and five in the reversible contest."

Henson said the draught horse ploughing was a big drawcard.

All competitors would plough on stubble and grass.

"Over the course of the weekend, there will be 33 plough people attending. The winners of both the conventional and reversible classes will represent New Zealand in the World Final in Kenya in 2017."

He said it was a privilege and large undertaking for the Manawatu club to hold such a prestigious event only held in the North Island every four years.

Most people were staying in Feilding with their families and supporters.

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# Rural

# Stock sale activity across the district

#### Feilding Prime Stock Sale Monday April 11

The sale was fairly routine for both prime sheep and boner cows after no great alterations in the position of the meat companies to push the market in any direction. Lamb numbers doubled after last week's firm sale but ewe numbers dropped back and the boner cow yarding continued to reduce in numbers.

The main difference in the lamb sale was the noticeable easing in the sale price for the heaviest lambs. The cow numbers only just beat 100 this week.

Sheep (3,903): lambs (2,584); prime (2,026), 43-60 kg, \$92-\$123, \$1.90-\$2.15, slight ease; store (558), 33-40 kg, \$73-\$91.50, \$2.10-\$2.30, slight ease; ewes (1,223); good, heavy, 26-30 kg, \$74-\$79.50, \$2.60-\$2.80, firm; medium, 21-25 kg, \$54-\$73, \$2.50-\$2.90, firm; lighter, 17-20 kg, \$41-\$53, \$2.40-\$2.65, firm; 2ths (24), \$42-\$63; male sheep (72), \$28-\$38.

Cattle (128): steer (1), 640 kg, \$1760, \$2.75; heifers (23), 367-540 kg, \$700-\$1458, \$2.06-\$2.70, steady; cows (101); good, heavy, 550-620 kg, \$968-\$1105, \$1.76-\$1.90, steady; boners, 360-582 kg, \$576-\$1018, \$1.51-\$1.95, firm; lesser sorts, 375-410 kg, \$510-\$574, \$1.36-\$1.40; bulls (4), 340-700 kg, \$727-\$1876, \$2.14-\$2.68.

#### Feilding Calf Sale Monday April 11

Calf numbers remained constant at around that 100 head

level with indications that numbers are being held back for rearing by the breeders themselves. The market remained solid, also, with beef cross calves holding or improving on last week's price levels and whiteface heifers again in demand.

Bulls: Friesian; good, \$250-\$335; medium, \$165-\$240; W/F; good, \$300-\$370; medium, \$250; Angus cross; good, \$285.

Heifers: W/F; good, \$280-\$310.

#### Feilding Store Stock Sale Friday April 8

A large yarding of store lambs was expected after the improvement in sale prices last week and that lift encouraged the hill country lamb breeders to open the gates and consign more lambs. The yarding was less than advertised at nearly 19,000 lambs and caused selling agents no concern to the extent that store lamb sale prices lifted above last week's by up to \$5/head.

The lamb yarding did not break any weight records after such a tough season with plenty of plain lambs but generally offered a good frame to work with and lambs that would respond after another shearing in due course.

Two pens of prime lambs; 50 cryptorchids from J Burr, Masterton, and 58 cryptorchids from WJ Wakeling, Wanganui, sold for \$98.50 and \$102 respectively and a line of 438 well bred Romney ewe lambs from Pukekaka Station, Taihape, sold for \$97 as the sale highlights.

Without being too excessive, better cattle, especially steers, sold to slightly easier levels with the lesser and younger types selling to firmer demand. The top cut of 20 Angus rising three year steers from Paul and Parkinson, Bulls, sold for \$1695 (\$2.89) and a pen of 22 forward Angus rising two year steers from "Waimanawa Ltd", Newbury, sold for \$1485 (\$3.03).

Once again the market could have handled more bulls. Kerry Satherley, Linton, sold 4 Friesian rising two year old bulls for \$1435 (\$2.83) but there were not many straight Friesians for the buyers this week.

The older heifer entry climbed over 400 this week but did not offer the star lines of last

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week and sale prices did ease a little with no heifers selling for over \$3/kg this week. Top money was \$1230 (\$2.82) for half a dozen Angus heifers from the Iwikau Trust, Taihape.

Sheep (19,603): ewes; 2th-5yo (651), \$68-\$97; lambs (18,952); 44-46 kg, \$98.50-\$102, \$2.21-\$2.23; 36-38 kg, \$87.50-\$97, \$2.43-\$2.58, lift; 31-35 kg, \$79.50-\$92.50, \$2.41-\$2.69, lift; 27-30 kg, \$71.50-882, \$2.51-\$2.81, lift.

Cattle (1,810): steers: R3 yr (368), 384-585 kg, \$1105-\$1695, \$2.61-\$2.92, slight ease; R2 yr (481), 260-528 kg, \$690-\$1485, \$2.65-\$3.28, steady; weaners (50), 136-249 kg, \$490-\$880, \$2.78-\$3.53; bulls; R2 yr (127), 277-507 kg, \$790-\$1435, \$2.55-\$3.09, lift; weaners (71), 121-288 kg, \$485-\$950, \$3.20-\$4.00; heifers; R3 yr (30), 345-388 kg, \$930-\$1085, \$2.69-\$2.79; R2 yr (374), 209-461 kg, \$550-\$1230, \$2.63-\$2.99, ease; weaners (82), 115-208 kg, \$440-\$630, \$3.02-\$3.82; cows, RWB and VIC (125), 338-617 kg, \$600-\$1520, \$1.74-\$2.46.

#### Rongotea Sale Wednesday April 6

The first chill of autumn greeted buyers at Rongotea today with clear skies and sunshine soon increasing the temperature to a balmy Manawatu day.

2 year white face steers 425 kg - 432 kg made up to \$1070 (\$2.42 - \$2.47) and 340 kg made \$910 (\$2.68). Charolais steers 400 kg made \$1085 (\$2.71) and Angus cross steers 535 kg - 357 kg made up to \$840 (2.26 - \$2.35). Friesian steers 350 kg - 410 kg made up to \$880 (\$2.09 - \$2.20).

2 year cross breed bulls 380 kg made \$1000 (\$2.63) and white face bulls 345 kg made \$965 (\$2.80).

2 year white face heifers 502 kg - 543 kg made up to \$1390 (\$2.56 – \$2.62) and 375 kg - 380 kg made up to \$1025 (\$2.48 – \$2.69). Cross breed heifers 340 kg made \$840 (\$2.47).

Yearling Galloway steers 325 kg made \$762 (\$2.34) and cross breed steers 290 kg - 305 kg made up to \$630 (\$1.97 - \$2.17).

Yearling white face bulls 315 kg - 365 kg

made up to \$905 (\$2.48 – \$2.81) and Friesian bulls 250 kg – 300 kg made up to \$700 (\$2.33 – \$2.67). Yearling white face heifers 293 kg – 362

Yearling white face helters 293 kg – 362 kg made up to \$950 (\$2.47 – \$2.62), Murray Grey heifers 320 kg made \$700 (\$2.19) and Friesian heifers 390 kg made \$850 (\$2.18).

Weaner white face steers 150 kg - 185 kg made up to \$655 (\$3.57 - \$4.27).

Weaner Friesian bulls 157 kg - 192 kg made up to \$560 (\$2.91 - \$3.39) and white face bulls 247 kg - 305 kg made up to \$855 (\$2.80). Angus cross bulls 230 kg made \$720 (\$3.13), Charolais cross bulls 142 kg made \$500 (\$3.51) and cross breed bulls 160 kg - 165 kg made up to \$480 (\$2.15 - \$3.00)..

Weaner white face heifers 280 kg made \$760 (\$2.71), 154 kg - 193 kg made up to \$590 (\$3.10 - \$3.71) and 127 kg made \$460 (\$3.62). Angus cross heifers 136 kg - 145 kg made up to \$495 (\$3.00 - \$3.27).

Friesian boner cows 495 kg made \$720 (\$1.45) and cross breed cows 422 kg -524 kg made up to \$840 (\$1.60 - \$1.78). Jersey boners 415 kg made \$570 (\$1.37).

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# Arts & Entertainment

# Student shining with Shakespeare

#### **CARLY THOMAS**

It's surprising to hear Rebecca Harpur wants to be an accountant when she leaves school, she is musical, theatrical and creative. But she is also someone who clearly knows who she is and where she is going.

It was that confidence that saw the 17-year-old Feilding High School pupil shine at the recent Regional Festival of Shakespeare for secondary schools. Rebecca performed in three scenes of which she composed the music for and directed one as well.

It was for directing that she won the NSSP Direct Entry Best Actor Award, an honour which will see her travelling to Dunedin at the end of the year to take part in a workshop and production.

Rebecca picked Shakespeare's lesser known play Coriolanus to direct after she saw the movie adaption.

"There's only been about three productions of it televised, so not many people know about it unless you really research it. I really fell in love with it when I saw it.'

Rebecca has been into Shakespeare for "a long, long time" and enjoyed the thought process behind directing.

"When you are acting you don't really think so much about the thought behind it all, but from a directing point of view you think about all the different aspects of what they should be doing and feeling. You think

about everyone and not just yourself, and it all just builds from that, creating the atmosphere."

Music is also a way that Rebecca adds to the atmosphere and it is another of her passions. Rebecca says she could sing

before she could talk and she plays the guitar and taught herself to play the mandolin after she heard one being played in Rome.

"I really like the sound and when I hear one being played I think of Rome, so I thought that recently for her directing skills.

Rebecca Harpur

won an award

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went well with Coriolanus. because it is about Rome."

Rebecca says while she loves the arts she wants to get a solid base by studying accounting while continuing with her music, acting and directing.



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> Thur 1pm Fri 10.30am Sat 10.30am Sun 1pm Mon 1pm Tues 10.30am Wed 1pm

### Francisco drama delves into life before the Vatican

#### Review

Francisco, The Man Behind the Pope PG, 1hr 44min

Reviewed by Peter Lampp

By all accounts, Jorge Bergoglio, the current and 266th Pope, exudes much warmth, wisdom and compassion in his job in the Vatican.

He does so as a slimmer version of the real thing in this sub-titled Argentinian film, portrayed by Argentine actor Dario Grandinetti as a man sympathetic to the ordinary people of the slum villas.

The senior Bergoglio is not afraid to defy the country's big shots when threatened with dire consequences.

Rather than a documentary, this is a dramatised version of Bergoglio's life from his boyhood, most of it before he swapped the red cardinal's robes for the white vestments of the Pontiff as Pope Francis.

The film is based on a biography written by Argentine journalist Elisabetta Pique, presumably represented on screen by a fictionalised journalist, Ana (Spanish actress Silvia Abascal).

Celibacy rules throughout, but

Bergoglio's affinity with women is undenied, as is his willingness to forgive sins for things which should no longer be sinful.

The continual relationship between the priest, as the Archbishop of Buenos Aires, and Ana might well have had tongues wagging. Maybe priestly celibacy in the church of Rome has done its dash

The film need not be restricted to Catholics. It is a portrayal of a man who apparently did not seek high office nor the trappings of the Vatican bureaucracy and indeed his mother cried when he told her of his vocation.

Jorge was more focused on helping the poor, rooting out corruption and defying the the military rulers of Argentina. With the film at times disjointed, an early example is the young Bergoglio's budding romance with a beautiful woman. But the last we see of her is waving to him from a bus after leaving him with her phone number.

The scene in Rome when Jorge is elected Pope is somehow very emotional. Then we are shown real footage of his visits to foreign countries, notably to his home country, to maintain the emotion

### Feilding earns top placing at regional brass contest

Feilding residents were treated to a musical spectacle over the weekend as brass band competition played its way into town.

The Combined Central Districts and Wellington Band Contest 2016 took centre stage in Feilding and 12 teams from the lower North Island went head to head.

The teams showcased their brass and class and marched through the town centre on Saturday and Sunday, playing their best tunes.

On Saturday, the bands played a reflective and major item. Wellington Brass took out section one, Deco Bay Brass came second and The Devon Hotel New Plymouth Brass came third.

Levin and Districts Brass placed first in section two and Brass Whanganui Concert Brass placed first in section three.

On Sunday, the bands took part in

a marching competition and walked through the township, where the public got a glimpse of the competition.

The bands walked 1.5 kilometres, from Manchester St.

Wellington Brass came first in section one and Feilding Brass came second in section two. Wellington Brass also took out first place in section one of the half-hour concert programme.

Feilding Brass and Levin and District Brass came first equal in section two and Brass Whanganui Concert Brass took out section three.

Feilding Brass musical director and event organiser Murray Coffey said the bands provided some quality competition.

He said the bands came from as far as Napier, New Plymouth and Wellington, and were divided into three sections.

### **HUNT FOR THE WILDERPEOPLE**

#### (PG) 101 mins NZ Comedy (Contains violence, coarse language and some scenes may disturb children)

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#### **KUNGFU PANDA 3**

#### (PG) 95 mins Animation/Action/Adventure (Contains low level violence)

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#### FRANCISCO: THE MAN BEHIND THE POPE

#### (PG) 105 mins Biography/Drama/History (Contains adult themes)

A look at the life of Jorge Mario Bergoglio, form his early childhood days in Argentina to his becoming Pope Francis. Final Week

Thurs 1.10pm 5.50pm, Fri 5.50pm, Sat 5.50pm, Sun 5.50pm Mon 5.50pm, Tues 5.50pm, Wed 5.50pm

#### BROOKLYN

#### (M) 112 mins Drama/Romance

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**FEILDING SPIRITUAL &** 

Awareness Centre: 10.30am, Feilding & District Caledonian Society Hall, 55 Weld St, Feilding. All welcome.

**MANAWATU MICROLIGHT Club:** 

Flying lessons, Taonui Airfield, Feilding. Enquiries 323 9861 (Sundays).

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS:** 

Foxton Beach Community Centre. 7.30pm. Enquiries 363 6126 or 0800 AAWorks.

#### **MONDAY 18**

**JETS BASKETBALL Holiday** 

Camp: Three-day skills development camp for children aged 7 - 16 with community coach Miles Pearce, 9am - 3pm, April 18 - 20, Arena Manawatu. Enquiries: info@thejets.co.nz and Palmerston North Basketball Association 354 5458

**ALLIANCE FRANÇAISE: School** Holiday Programme 9am - 3pm, and French NCEA course 1 - 3pm, Monday 18 - Friday 22, Tuesday 26 -Friday 29. Enquiries @french.org.nz, info@french.org.nz and 560 0749.

**PUSH PLAY AEROBICS**: Mondays and Wednesdays, 9 - 10am, Barber Hall, Arena 5, Waldegrave St. \$3. Enquiries Sport Manawatu 357 5349, katrina.gemmell@sportmanawatu.org.nz

**THE KIWIBOP SHOW: With Gltzy** and Bossy Bop, Globe Theatre, April 18 - 22, 11am. Enquiries globetheatre.co.nz.

**ORGAN & KEYBOARD Club:** All levels and styles of players and listeners welcome, Manchester Unity Hall, 26 Walding St, 1pm. Small door charge includes afternoon tea. Enquiries Bev 358 5769 or Tricia 357 5518 evenings.

**NEWBURY INDOOR BOWLING:** 

Together Amy Hunt (aka Ditzy Bop) and Annie Dalzell (aka Bossy Bop) are children's entertainment duo, KiwiBop. Their show plays all next week at The Globe.

### A holiday haven for kids and carers

School holidays can be cracker, or they can be a curse. Fortunately there are a number of entertainment opportunities to keep youngsters and their carers, occupied.

Top kids performers, Amy Hunt and Annie Dalzell, have created their own holiday show for children aged between 0 and 10. Amy as Glitzy Bop and Annie as Bossy Bop are presenting The KiwiBop Show next week at The Globe from April 18 - 22.

Opening April 4, 7.30pm Newbury Hall, Rangitikei Line. Enquiries Jeanette 354 9357

**WOMEN'S SINGING GROUP:** 

Mainly Celtic tunes, Mondays 7.30 -8.30pm. Friendly, relaxed atmosphere. Enquiries Jeanne 353 0399

ESTRELLITA LATIN DANCE: Salsa, merengue, bachata, cha-cha-cha, Argentine tango and kizomba. All abilities and ages, 7.30 - 9pm, Square Edge Dance Studio, Jersey Lane, \$5. Enquiries Linda 323 0408

A well-known and established duo, Amy and Annie's madcap musical escapades have been enjoyed live by hundreds of children, showcased on two CDs, and on DVD with Jim Henderson's Flossie and Cracker Jim.

More than simply a series of songs, dances and drama, this KiwiBop show comes with a storvline.

Glitzy and Bossy are arranging a dance party and the first half of the production shows their crazy

or estrellita.latindance@yahoo.co.nz

#### **TUESDAY 19**

**NATIONAL ADVANCED Drivers** School: 8am - 5pm, Manfeild -South Street.

**NZ ADVANCED Driver Training** Course: 9am - 4.30pm, Manfeild -South Street. Tickets Phone (0800) DRIVE1 - (374831). Standard course fee - \$460, Corporate discounted rate - \$400

**400KW HOLDEN V8 Hot Laps:** 

preparations for the event. As always Glitzy is ditsy and gets the preparations wrong so Bossy has to take over and make sure

everything's ready for the party in the second half. When it all comes together, the first half audience get to be second half party participants.

The storyline introduces Dino Boy, a funky hip hop dinosaur, and the Mini Bops - six children who will demonstrate the moves and encourage members of the audience to take part.

The KiwiBop Show is at The Globe next week from April 18 - 22 at 11am. Visit The Globe box-office or website for tickets.

9am - 4.30pm, Manfeild - South Street. 2 flying laps - \$249, 3 flying laps - \$299, 5 flying laps - \$399

**400KW NZV8 Race Drive** 

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# What's On

### Prime picking from real guitar legend

A musician regarded by many to be New Zealand's finest finger-style guitarist, is coming to the city. Christchurch based quitarist Graham Wardrop has worked extensively in Australia, Asia, Canada, the UK, Fiji, Papua New Guinea and occasionally Europe.

A member of pioneering early 70s Dunedin band Lutha, over the years Graham has played alongside and opened for the likes of Tommy Emmanuel, Martin Taylor, Leo Kottke, Manhattan Transfer, Michael Crawford, Jerry and the Pacemakers, and Vanessa May.

In 2013 on his seventh Canadian tour taking in British Columbia and Alberta, he joined JUNO Award winner and recipient of the Order of Canada, Valdy, playing in front of sold out houses, to standing ovations and tumultuous encores.

Last year he was invited by the

Mayor of Ingersoll, Ontario, to perform at the Canterbury Folk Festival which features some of Canada's finest musicians and songwriters.

When not playing concerts, Graham builds guitars, and is at present working on a new CD, his sixth. He has also played several times at Tokomaru's Bent Horseshoe Cafe to great acclaim. This Saturday night, the caff's Steve Tolley is bringing Graham to the Hokowhitu Bowling Club.

"His guitar playing is something to behold, just incredible," Steve

Bookings for Saturday's 7.30pm gig at the Hokowhitu Bowling Club, Albert St can be made by email or by phoning 06 329 8808. Tickets are \$20. Go to grahamwardrop.com for links to YouTube clips and other

Virtuosos guitarist, singer/songwriter and luthier, Graham Wardrop.

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**COMMUNITY RIDE for Senior** Cyclists: 9am - 10am, Johnston Park

- Nelson St. **THURSDAY 21** 

**AFTER SCHOOL Cycle Fun for** Kids: 4pm - 5pm, Johnston Park -

**ROTARY CLUBS of Feilding and Makino**: An evening with television journalist and former Feilding resident Alastair Carthew at Rangitikei Club. \$25 dinner buffet from 6pm. Bookings essential, for more phone Ray 323 5357.

ONGOING EVENTS

**FEILDING ART Centre**: 104 Manchester St. Tuesdays Have-a-Go groups - beginners and advanced

welcome from 10am to 12pm. BYO art materials. Coffee and tea supplied. Enquires 06 3232323

**MANAWATU POTTERY Society:** Feilding Railway Station, Aorangi St, Feilding. Come along to create your own ceramic works of art. Wednesdays 5.30pm to 8.30pm, and the first and third Saturdays of each month 10am-4pm. All welcome. Contact: Shalome O21 157 3135, John 323 6828, Lucia 021 065 3667.

FEILDING SPINNERS: Tuesdays 10.30am to 2.30pm at Life Point Church, 116 Derby Street. Contact Melissa 328 8707.

**FEILDING BADMINTON Club:** 

Open every Tuesday evening from 7:30pm, through to September 20. Contact Marion 323 5806

**SENIOR GAMES:** Including Rummikub, Crib and Scrabble, cup of tea provided, Feilding Library, Thursdays 1pm - 3pm, Fridays 10am-

PIZZA WHEEL: In conjunction with LIANZA Book Awards and Hell's Pizza, read seven books and earn a free '333' pizza. Pick up your Pizza Wheel from Feilding Library.

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY programmes:** 

From April 18th for two weeks. Crafts and activity tables on alternate days. Feilding Library.

FEILDING CROQUET CLUB

Mondays at 1pm, Wednesdays at 9am, Saturdays at 9am, Johnston Park - Drake Street.

KOROWAI LESSONS: Maori Feather Cloak lessons, Thursdays

**COACHHOUSE MUSEUM:** Open 7 days, 10 am - 4 pm. 'Smoko session' every Thursday 10am, 121 South St, Feilding.

THE ATC COMMUNITY MARKET:

Runs the first Saturday of each month in the town square in Feilding, 9am-1pm. Anyone wanting a stall needs to contact Lynne on O21 606 423 or 06 323 0604.

**FAMILY FRIENDLY dancing** lessons: available for children aged 3-13 years at Taonui School Hall in Feilding. Tap, ballet, jazz and musical theatre, For more info contact: Miss Dale, 0274 786 087 or email; thegapco@vodafone.co.nz

**FEILDING TAEKWON-DO** Academy: Tuesday and

Thursday, Manchester Street School Hall, 6pm till 7:30pm. Ages 10 and

**BRENDA WALLIS exhibition:** Nov Dec, 2pm - 4pm, Country Fayre, 976 Finnis Rd. Pohangina.

**BOWLS, JOHNSTON Park**: 1pm Wednesdays and Saturday. Phone 323 5259. Need flat sole footwear.

**FEILDING TOY Library**: Open 10.30am - 11.30am Wednesday and Saturday, 65 Stafford St.

**FEILDING UKULELE Groups:** 

Monday 5.30pm beginners, Tuesday 5.30pm advanced, Phone Trish 323 8575

**ZUMBA CLASSES**: Every Tuesday and Thursday 6 - 7pm. Civic Centre. Ph 0275230556.

**FEILDING PLAYCENTRE: 254a** Kimbolton Rd, open Monday -Friday. Phone 323 6100 for times.

**HALCOMBE PLAYCENTRE**: 0 - 6 years, 77 Willoughby St. Mon and Wed 9am-12

**FEILDING CROQUET: Johnston** Park, Monday 1pm, Wednesdays and Saturdays 9am.

JIU JITSU LIFE SKILLS: Classes Monday Night, 6.30pm Manchester St School Hal, Contact Shihan DWMillar 7th Dan Black Belt 323-8974, Wednesday Night, 6.30pm Daniell St Hall, Bulls Contact Mark 027-765 5273

**NEWBIES**: New People to Feilding, second Wednesday every month 10:30am @ KRs Cafe Feilding.. More info contact Jill 3233901.

**MAINLY MUSIC:** For Preschoolers at Feilding Baptist Church 9.30am to 10.30am (in school terms). Every Monday starting 15th Feb. Contact Sandy Ph 3288558.

**COUNTRY MUSIC GROUP: Every** 2nd Friday of the month, next 12 Feb at St Johns Ambulance Hall Bowen Street Feilding. Contact John DeBugh 0272 903103.

**UKULADIES**: Ukulele playing Group 4.30pm Tuesdays Phone Trish 3238575

YOGA CLASS: Tuesday 5.30pm. All welcome, Knox Church Hall North Street. Enquiries Jill 06 323 6094.

MONDAY CARDS: Euchre 1pm -3pm Community Trust conference room, contact Coral 323 1955

**ST BRIGID'S Indoor Bowling** Club: St Johns Hall, Camden St, each Tuesday, 7.15pm. Enquiries to Jeanette 3237062.

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## Flawed laws turn NZ into tax haven

#### **GORDON CAMPBELL**

Talking Politics

e tend to assume that other countries take notice of New Zealand whenever we perform well – or badly – on the world stage.

In fact, other countries usually have other things on their minds.

During the past week, New Zealand has fretted about our role in the Panama Papers tax scandal, and has agonised about the "reputational risk" to this country of being seen as a tax haven.

In the circumstances, it seems legitimate to query whether anyone offshore – apart from the *Australian Financial Review* – has noticed that New Zealand is involved.

We do not feature, for instance, in the published lists of the 10 major tax havens used by the clients of the law firm at the centre of the scandal.

That doesn't mean we're not a tax haven.

Clearly, some firms have been exploiting our image as a First World country to tout for dodgy, Clearly, some firms have been exploiting our image as a First **World country to** tout for dodgy, taxsheltering business.

tax-sheltering business.

Yet the imagined risk to our national reputation seems beside the point.

It doesn't help to identify how New Zealand got into this line of work - and nor does it define the regulations required to meet our international obligations to prevent money laundering and terrorist financing.

Many of these problems have been self-inflicted.

In 2005, Treasury secretary John Whitehead praised the reduction time for company registration – "from two weeks to just 30 minutes". Whoopee.

As a result, "New Zealand has been identified as one of the easiest countries in the world to start up a new business, from a compliance point of view."

The same year, National Party MP John Key echoed those sentiments by asking: "Why not have an offshore banking industry based here?"

According to Key: "You could attract 200 banks to register here each with a CEO and staff. You could attract insurance companies. Bring back lots of Kiwi accountants and lawyers. Single out clusters, such as high-class yachts, or other special sectors...'

Within the space of four years, New Zealand became a magnet for dubious traffic.

As Commerce Minister Simon Power conceded in 2012, New Zealand's reputation as a good place

to do business was being harmed by foreigners using New Zealandregistered companies "to commit or facilitate crime such as money laundering, tax evasion and fraud, in overseas jurisdictions".

Currently, steps are being taken to stem this traffic. The Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment recently concluded a consultation process on six suggested remedies for the problems at hand.

Realistically, what can be

Arguably, any firm registered

in this country as a financial services provider could be required to comply in future with our money-laundering and terrorism financing laws, even if all its clients live overseas.

Additionally, all such New Zealand-registered companies could be required to operate via a New Zealand bank - which would at least enable the Reserve Bank to monitor their activities.

When it comes to aiding and abetting international tax avoidance, New Zealand lost its virginity quite some time ago.



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Litter picker Vern Johnson augments his daily Himatangi Beach walks with impromptu rubbish collection, a pastime he finds surprisingly therapeutic and rewarding.

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# Litter picking has unlikely benefits

#### **HEATHER KNOX, PALMY DIRTY 30**

Have you ever been to your favourite local spot and noticed piles of rubbish and bottles?

Maybe an old shoe or two?

The only thing worse than finding rubbish in scenic spots is the environmental damage that it causes.

Even if we are tidy Kiwis ourselves, it can feel like there isn't much that we as individuals can do about the litter problem.

However, there are some local unsung heroes that are challenging this assumption.

Tom Carr moved to Palmerston North in January 2015 and reckons he picked up over 500kg of rubbish by his first Christmas here. Equipped with a \$9 grabber and a bag, he picks up litter every day on his 2.5km walk home from work up Summerhill Dr.

"I started doing this during a step challenge at work," says Tom.

"The rubbish that I saw when I was out walking really annoyed me, so I decided to start picking it up."

Tom's best find to date has been a \$20 note, but mostly he collects food wrappers, bits of plastic and paper.

"A lot of people pull over to thank me or ask if I work for the council," Tom says. "I actually find it really rewarding and relaxing." Another anti-littering hero, Vern Johnson, can be found picking up rubbish most days on Himatangi Beach.

Like Tom, he was inspired to do something to clean up his local area.

"I must pick up about a millionth of what I see," Vern says.

More recently he has become concerned about the amount of waste plastic that he finds on the beach.

"This just can't be good for the ocean," says Vern.

"I'd like to stop at least some of it getting in there."

Tom and Vern would really appreciate their fellow Kiwis thinking hard before they dispose of their

If we all did so, they'd soon be out of a hobby.

In the meantime, if you are finding litter an annoyance in your local area, Tom suggests getting a grabber and giving litter picking a try. You might like it

try. You might like it.
"It's surprisingly addictive and quite therapeutic," says Tom.

"Plus it makes your local area a nicer place for everyone to enjoy."



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### Public Consultations update

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#### District Plan Changes 52, 55 & 60

Thank you to those who took the time to provide feedback on these proposed changes. Following this feedback, we have been able to finalise the Draft Plan Changes for public notification on 2 May. Formal submissions can be made following this Public Notice which will be widely advertised and all information will be available on our www.haveyoursay.kiwi.nz website from 2 May.

#### District Plan Change 53 - Rural Environment

There has been a good number of responses to the call for feedback. The Planning team is now reviewing the feedback and will continue to work towards finalising the Plan Change. It is planned to take this to Council in August and out for Public Notification in the last quarter of the year.

**Annual Plan -** The final Information Sharing Evening is being held on Wednesday 20 April 7 – 8pm in our main office on Manchester Street. The consultation period ends 4pm Friday 29 April.

# Feilding's Field of Remembrance will be installed tomorrow morning for Poppy Day (Friday 15 April). The white crosses

Feilding's Field of Remembrance will be installed tomorrow morning for Poppy Day (Friday 15 April). The white crosses which individually name local soldiers who have lost their lives in battle were created by the community. They made their first appearance last year. They will remain in place in Manchester Square until two days after ANZAC Day.

Mayor Margaret Kouvelis will join with other community representatives for a short ceremony on Poppy Day at 11am. This will include the release of doves. The much admired red metal poppies will also be on display around the cenotaph for the day and will reappear for ANZAC Day.

As it is Poppy Day, collectors will be out around the town centre and the Farmers' Market

Next week, a special edition of this page will confirm details of Anzac Day activities and ceremonies. This information will also feature on our website.

### **Halcombe Walkway Opening**

Another great example of the value of Community Committees and their Community Development Plans was the opening of the Halcombe Walkway last Saturday. Mayor Margaret Kouvelis was delighted to officially open the walkway, with the ceremony also attended by some Councillors, their families and a great number of locals and supporters of the project.

"The Halcombe community has done an amazing job with creating the walkway," said Mayor Margaret. "It really is the outcome of their initiative, collaborative planning and hard work. The energy, passion and dedication evidenced is quite outstanding. It goes to show what can be achieved when communities are empowered to have ownership of their plans. I believe they may have completed an award-winning project."

While Council assisted the project with funding for the plants, signage and landscaping materials, great support was also received by local businesses and business people.

Halcombe Community Committee chairperson Rachel Lane said, "We are all

busy people, but people made time for this and this project is a great example of how working together can bring value in other ways. There has been a large amount of hours of work but a fairly small but enthusiastic group of people who have all got a lot out of this project."

The walkway was identified in Halcombe's Community Development plan as the project is deemed 'phase one' in the group's vision of making the public areas of Halcombe more attractive and something to be proud of.

Their next project is to tackle Halcombe Domain's fence and they have been granted some funds through the Long Term Plan to make the area around the cenotaph more attractive.

#### Feilding Library School Holiday Programme

Fun and creative activities are on offer at the Feilding Library during both weeks of the April School holidays (except Anzac Day). The activities include 'Making a Minion' or 'Decorating your sneakers'. On a couple of the days there is an Imagination Creation Station - where you can use supplied resources to be creative.

The only day that requires registration is the Hip Hop class on Thursday 21 April. This class is for 8 – 12 year-olds and runs from 10.30am – 12pm. Please ring the Library to register.

#### APRIL SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

MON 18, 10am - 3pm Make a Minion

TUE 19, 10am - 5pm Imagination Creation Station

WED 20, 10.30 - 11.30am Make photo frames

THU 21, 10.30 to 12pm Hip Hop class (8-12years: register at library)

FRI 22, 10am - 5pm Make an ANZAC post card

MONDAY 25 ANZAC DAY - CLOSED

TUE 26, 10am - 5pm Imagination Creation Station
WED 27, 10.30 - 11.30am Decorating Sneakers
THU 28, 10am - 5pm Imagination Creation Station
FRI 29, 10.30- 11.30am Paper plate bugs

All activities are FREE

### Mangaweka Bridge

Following a recent bridge assessment, a new weight restriction has been put in place for Mangaweka Bridge. This restriction will be in place until further notice

We have endeavoured to contact regular users, and signage is being installed

The new weight restriction is: 6 Tonne.

### Coming up...

Council meeting 8.30am

21 Strategic Planning and Policy Committee – 9am
Apr

Hall and Community Committees meeting – 4pm

29 Apr

Mayor in the Chair – Feilding Library 11.30 – 1pm

NB: All agendas and minutes from Council meetings are available from our website: www.mdc.govt.nz 28 APRIL 14, 2016 NEWS stuff.co.nz

## Students shave for a cure

#### **GEORGIA FORRESTER**

Clapping, cheering and the buzz of an electric razor filled the Feilding High School assembly hall as students lost their locks for cancer.

Eleven students, two teachers and the majority of the school's first 15 rugby team are rocking shorter hair-dos after shaving for a cure on Monday.

More than 200 students and staff packed the hall to support their classmates and teachers for the annual charity fundraiser to raised awareness and money for blood cancer.

For 17-year-old Katie Henderson, the day was about supporting a close family friend and school teacher Heidi Groube. Groube has gone through chemotherapy and radiation after being diagnosed with breast cancer in September 2015.

She knows all to well the feeling of losing her hair and felt humbled by the support shown by the 35 people who shaved their heads for charity.

While watching 74cm of thick brown hair fall to the ground around her was a big deal for Katie, she said it was "totally worth it" to raise money and show support for people battling cancer.

Katie said it was really hard to watch someone you loved go through cancer and treatment.

"My family friend has cancer and my nana passed away from lung cancer when I was young, so I felt compelled to do something."

She said Groube was a "big

Katie Henderson has her head shaved as part of Leukemia & Blood Cancer New Zealand Shave for a Cure campaign. PHOTO: WARWICK SMITH/FAIRFAX NZ

"My family friend has cancer and my nana passed away from lung cancer when I was young, so I felt compelled to do something."

- Katie Henderson

inspiration" in her life and shaving her head was a way to support her, and also educate her peers about a range of different cancers and the need for donations towards cancer esearch.

"I think the more people know about cancer, the closer we are to helping find a cure. Every little bit counts. Some students donated 50c, and that's great because it's 50c closer to helping people with their treatments.

"I want people to know about cancer and show their support. Every little bit of effort helps."

Groube said the school had been doing shave for a cure days for years, but it was a different experience having a personal connection to the day.

She said it was great to see so much support from young people.

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### Weighty issue needs discussion

#### **THOMAS HEATON**

A Feilding man who has lost more than half his body weight would like to see more access to weight-loss surgery.

Weight Loss Surgery New chairman Zealand

Goddard weighed more than 160 kilograms, suffered from diabetes and was taking a 26-medicine cocktail every day. After successfully losing 87kg

and keeping it off for almost eight years after his surgery in 2009, he would like to see more weight-loss surgeries publicly funded.

With diabetes and a BMI of over 40, Goddard might have qualified for a surgery, but did not push his doctor, he said.

"My only regret is that I wasn't strong enough when I first approached my GP... he just said 'no, eat less'," Goddard said.

He had already reduced intake, but he wasn't losing the weight. However, when seeing his diabetic specialist, he was told he had five years to live. He paid for his \$26,000 surgery.

Goddard believed that he saved MidCentral District Health Board tens of thousands of dollars by opting for the sur-

There are 11 people from the MidCentral District currently going through the bariatric surgery process and there is one on the waiting list at Capital and Coast District Health Board.

CCDHB provides weight-loss surgeries for Hutt, MidCentral, Whanganui and Wairarapa DHBs.

Feilding man Alan Goddard, who has lost 87kg since his surgery, believes the Government should invest more.

Ministry of Health figures released under the Official Information Act show 13 people from the district have undergone surgeries between 2012 and 2015.

Current Ministry initiatives for the fight against obesity in youth were good but the Government also needed to look into funding more surgeries, Goddard said.

If a cost benefit analysis was done the surgery would save taxpayers in the long run, Goddard said.

There have been a total of 1591 bariatric surgeries publicly funded over the past four years. Currently the average cost of one of those surgeries is \$19,200.

Ministry of Health service commissioning acting director Cathy O'Malley said there had been increased investment in the surgeries since 2010.

"It's important to note that the programme has also been about lifting the capacity of DHBs across New Zealand to do more... in future as part of their normal range of elective surgery," she said.

The Government announced a further \$10 million allocated to bariatric surgery, funding at least 480 surgeries over the following four years. DHBs also support an extra 120 surgeries each year.

Goddard said the numbers did not show much more investment, because there were just 21 surgeries more in 2015 than

He said that publicly funded surgeries lacked post-operative support, which was crucial for their efficacy.

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Built in the 1903s this property features large open plan living heated by a freestanding wood-burner. The section is fully fenced and features a double lock-up garage. This

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# Waiouru army camp downgrade

#### **KIRSTY LAWRENCE AND MYLES HUME**

The New Zealand Army is set to shift basic training for new recruits from Waiouru to the South Island, downgrading the central North Island military camp.

The shift, planned for after 2018, will see all new recruits undergo basic training at new facilities built in Burnham, Christchurch.

The headquarters training, doctrine command, the army command school and the army depot would also be shifting to Burnham.

The move was driven by families wanting more say over posting locations and more choice with housing and jobs, Chief of Army Major General Peter Kelly said in the Army News newsletter.

"Unfortunately, as great as Waiouru is, it cannot and will never be able to provide this level of choice," Kelly said.

Waiouru was 63,000 hectares and Kelly said it was the largest and most important training area, and the only area in New Zealand where they could conduct combined arms live field firing training.

This training would continue in Waiouru, but he said it was time to utilise other training areas in Christchurch, Tekapo, and the wider South Island.

Ruapehu District mayor Don Cameron said they had been aware changes were coming for some time.

'We have been in contact with the army for the last five years [so they could] start giving us an idea of what was happening.

"It will look like a bloody ghost town. They've buggered it now and there's nothing we can do about it."

Jim Tweeddale Waiouru resident

"There [may be] a small drop in population but there is still going to be permanent people there."

Cameron said the upshot for the town was tourism was on the increase in the region.

"There has been an effect on the local economy, but at the same time we have had a huge upsurge of tourism and that has helped balance the number leaving Waiouru."

Rangitikei MP Ian McKelvie said the move meant more families leaving Waiouru.

"Waiouru has been dramatically downsized over the past few years, so the significant impact has already happened," he said.
"We'll just have to find other

ways of sustaining the town and the broader community around it.'

Long-time Waiouru resident Jim Tweeddale said there was already not a lot left in the town as it was. "It will look like a bloody ghost town."

Tweeddale said he had lived most of his life in the township and experienced the boom the army had initially brought to the town.

'It's buggered. They've buggered it now and there's nothing we can do

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April he will complete the Nitro Circus tour in Australia and at the start of June his focus will be on winning that elusive gold at X-Games in Aus-

tin, Texas.

"It's good to have a break but I'm ready to go and ride overseas again,' he said. "I missed the last two rounds of X-Fighters in 2015 because I aggravated an old ankle injury I suffered in South Africa in 2014.

Manawatu's Levi Sherwood performs a move at the Farm Jam event, at the Frew

Sherwood ready

to wow again

Manawatu's Levi Sherwood will be

again riding with the world's

greatest freestyle motocross riders

in Madrid for the only round of the

X-Fighters series will be at Plaza de Toros de Las Ventas on June 24,

which will mark the 15th anniver-

The only round of the Red Bull

X-Fighters world tour this year.

"I broke my ankle and got a screw in there but it never quite came right. I had an operation to take the screw out last year and while it's still not 100 per cent, it's much better than it was."

The X-Fighters stop in Madrid has long been celebrated as the world's premier FMX event, as enthusiastic crowds cheering the riders on to even greater new tricks each year.

Travis Pastrana (United States) has won Madrid three times, but not consecutively like Pages, while Spaniard Dany Torres has won the most important stop of the year twice.

The competition kicks off with a qualifying session, which will define three groups of four riders who will compete in a jam session.

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This family sized home, on a popular westside street, offers generous proportions, wide open views and plenty of parking. A sparkling new kitchen extends through large living spaces to a generous deck that enjoys a northward panorama. Additional space provides a fourth bedroom or office/work from home option, while an ensuite and two bathrooms ensure there will be no queues here. A unique spa room/studio set in the garden offers potential to develop into further accommodation or a quiet studio. Covered parking is plentiful with an internal access double garage and a two car carport. RV\$460,000.

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Perfect setup for the future. Improvements include a centrally located 3 room cottage sized building, double glazed, insulated with bathroom facilities, an implement/woolshed, cattle yards, all-weather arena, good subdivision and extensive drainage.

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# Backyard banter

# Positivity, optimism and a coat of paint

he bloke at the paint shop is retiring and it is with heavy heart that I bid him

arewell.

It's been a good 12 years since he first sold me a tub of of his finest and there have been many litres of it since. Paint for the roof, house and fence – acrylic, enamel . . . you name it, I've bought it.

Not to mention the turps, pigmented sealers, brushes, rollers, sand paper and masking tape – miles and miles of it.

He's been there throughout – unbelievably enthusiastic and allknowing; on hand to advise, guide and encourage on the sometimes painful road to home renovation.

I can't believe he's going. "You were born for this role," I

say. "What will you do next?"

He smiles and hits me with a carefully constructed plan that is indeed inspiring.

Tom, unlike many older codgers I've met on the cusp of retirement, has no desire to put his feet up

He's made a bit of cash over the last 40 years and wants to put some of it to good use helping Ever thought about what you might do after you retire? Not everyone is interested in a quiet life.

others less fortunate than himself. The 65-year-old reckons he's got plenty of time to do his bit for humanity and plans to be around for at least another 20 years. "We live in age of modern, medicine," he says.

"All the statistics tell me I'll live longer than my father and his dad before him."

His optimism is infectious and I can't help but feel equally enthused as he outlines his humanitarian hopes and aspirations.

It's a far cry from another guy I know.

He ran out of things to do after his first six months off the payroll and quickly turned into a surly and cantankerous version of his former self – scowling at the world as soon as he opened his eyes in the morning and filling his days finding fault in others.

How I hope I don't fall into that trap when my time comes.

And it will.

Nobody has an infinite career path ahead of them and all of us will have a big adjustment to make once we reach the final stage of it – unless fate, and a premature exit from life, comes first.

The big question will be "what next?"

And procrastination will be the undoing of anyone who fails to seek an answer.

Which bring me back to my old mate the paint merchant and our

conversation one humid Saturday afternoon.

He's got me thinking and I wish him well as I exit his shop for what could be the last time under his watch.

"Good luck," I say. "Have fun." He will, I'm sure, though he's first to admit there's one little thing to get out of the way first.

Yes, he's got to paint his house. He's spent the last 40 years telling people how to get their own homes into top shape while neglecting his own.

But, not surprisingly, he's looking forward to ripping into that task too.

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# Your health

#### WITH AUTHOR AND NUTRITIONAL BIOCHEMIST DR LIBBY

# How much water should I drink?

#### How much water should I be drinking every day, I'm worried l'm not getting enough. Thanks, Susan.

Hi Susan. Without water, a human will usually only live for a mere three days. So essential is this liquid to our survival that we need it more than food.

Science currently tells us we need 33 millilitres of water for each kilogram of our body weight. A 70kg person, therefore, requires 2310ml (2.31 litres) a day. We do, however, tend to forget that many plant foods have a high water content and this contributes to our overall water consumption over the day. Herbal teas and soups also add up. Foods and drinks containing caffeine and alcohol, however, draw water out of our body and the more of these we consume, the greater our fluid requirements.

People with low blood pressure often feel better with a little less than the required amount of

water as too much water may dilute their blood levels of minerals, potentially disrupting blood pressure further. Another option is for these people to add a tiny pinch of good quality salt to two of their six to eight glasses of water each day.

It is also possible to drink too much water and one of the first symptoms that typically presents in this situation is dizziness (note: dizziness is a symptom of many conditions and not always related to consuming too much fluid). Again, this will occur when the concentration of minerals in your blood becomes too diluted. So it seems, as with most things, moderation is the key.

Your body uses minerals to (among other things) create electrolytes. Often described as the sparks of life, electrolytes carry electrical currents through the body, sending instructions to cells in all body systems.

Electrolytes are also necessary

A 70kg person requires about 2.3 litres of water every day.

for enzyme production, which are responsible for digesting food, absorbing nutrients, muscle function and hormone production. Dehydration, therefore, affects all body systems

I'm concerned about how much

food our family wastes. I constantly find myself throwing out vegetables that we've forgotten about, or leftovers. Any tips for reducing this? Thanks, Tom.

PHOTO: 123RF

Hi Tom. That's a great question and one I hope more

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people are considering, as food waste is major problem.

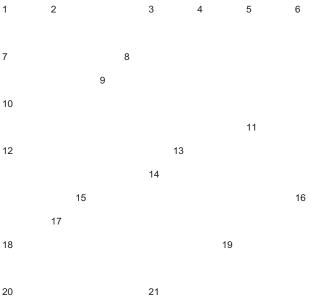
There are a number of ways you can reduce your food waste but one of the better strategies is planning your weekly meals. If you shop to your plan then everything in the fridge has a purpose, meaning heads of broccoli and bunches of spinach won't be forgotten and left to rot in the back of the fridge.

Often we buy more than we need because we're not quite sure what we're going to cook. By planning your meals you will also reduce some of the perceived stress that can be involved in deciding what to have for dinner. It's also a great idea to use up any leftover vegetables in a stew, soup or casserole. Anything can go into dishes like this and be flavoured up with fresh or dried herbs.

■ Dr Libby's new seminar "What Am I Supposed To Eat?" is coming to Auckland, Hamilton, Wellington, and Christchurch during April. Visit drlibby.com for more information.

#### ANSWERS ARE INCLUDED ON THIS PAGE

## NEW ZEALAND CROSSWORD



#### Across

- **1.** Forward (7) **4.** Sceptic (5)
- 7. Large stringed instrument
- 8. Ngapuhi chief best known for cutting down a flagpole at what is now Russell (4.4)
- 10. All Whites' captain at the 2010 World Cup (4,6)
- **12.** Township known as Port Louis-Philippe from 1830-1848 (6)
- 13. Fuss (6)
- 15. Recover (10)
- **18.** Trustworthy (8)
- **19.** Conceal (4)
- **20.** Precise (5) **21.** Approximately (7)

## Down

- 1. Historic central Otago town where a temperature of -21.6C was recorded in 1995 (5)
- 2. Eroded (4.4)
- 3. Ruins (6)
- 4. Pondered (colloq) (6,4)
- 5. Requirement (4)
- 6. Maker (7) 9. Bigoted (10)
- 11. Inexpensive, sort of (8)
- **12.** Unfavourable (7)
- 14. Name of South Island gorge, river and district (6)
- 16. All (5)
- 17. Request for help (4)

#### THE TOP 10

- 1. Who were banned from New Zealand racecourses in January 1911 by an Act of Parliament? 2. What do the letters VCR
- stand for?
- 3. What is the world's most southerly capital city? 4. New Zealand's oldest
- pipe band was formed in 1896: was it in Southland or Northland?
- 5. In which century was the jigsaw puzzle invented? 6. Stalactites and
- stalagmites are formed from which type of rock?
- 7. Who won the 1936 Miss Hungary title but had to give it up because she was not
- 8. In darts, what is the value
- 9. How many New Zealanders have won a Nobel Prize? 10. Which cartoon character lives in a pineapple under the sea?

#### NZ CROSSWORD

17. Plea. 12. Adverse, 14. Buller, 16. Every, Creator, 9. Intolerant, 11. Cheapish, Spoils, 4. Chewed over, 5. Need, 6. Down: 1. Ophir, 2. Wore away, 3. 20. Exact, 21. Roughly. Recuperate, 18. Reliable, 19. Hide, Nelsen, 12. Akaroa, 13. Bother, 15. 7. Harp, 8. Hone Heke, 10. Ryan Across: 1. Onwards, 4. Cynic,

#### TOP 10

10. SpongeBob SquarePants. 7. Zsa Zsa Gabor, 8. 50, 9. Three, Southland, 5. 18th, 6. Limestone, Recorder, 3. New Zealand, 4. 1. Bookmakers, 2. Video Cassette

**SUDOKU** Fill the grid so every row, column and every 3x3 box contains 1-9

# JUNIOR CROSSWORD

- 1. Moved forward (8) 6. A noise made by a pig (4)
- **7.** Lifted up (6)
- 9. A green place in a desert (5)
- 11. Flying creatures **12.** A list of contents
- at the back of a book **13.** A house made of
- snow (5) 16. Glowing coals left after a fire (6)
- 18. A woodwind
- instrument (4) **19.** Large apes (8)

- 1. Say you are sorry
  - 2. A planet (5)
  - 3. A bottle stopper (4)
- 4. Operating a car (7)
- **5.** A honey maker (3) 8. Finds (9)
- 10. A large cold lump floating in the sea (7)
- **14.** Name tag (5)
- **15.** Consumer (4) 17. A diagram of city streets (3)
  - SUDOKU

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#### SOLUTION

ing, 5. Bee, 8. Discovers, 10. Iceberg, 14. Label, 15. Gorillas. Down: 1. Apologise, 2. Venus, 3. Cork, 4. Driv-Birds, 12. Index, 13. Igloo, 16. Embers, 18. Oboe, 19. Across: 1. Advanced, 6. Oink, 7. Raised, 9. Oasis, 11.

User, 17. Map.

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# Uninsured drivers face costly new risk

#### **ROB STOCK**

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News flash! My insurer, State, has just tweaked my policy as a result of the new Sentencing

Amendment Act.

It told me that now, if I caused injury by driving carelessly, I could be ordered to pay reparation of costs to my victim not covered by ACC.

I wouldn't normally get excited about such a move, but it really is a game-changer.

You see the costs could be large, very large indeed.

Imagine I ran down a heartsurgeon and left him with a career-ending brain injury as a result of driving carelessly?

ACC would pay 80 per cent of his lost income up to a maximum of just under \$100,000 a year.

Heart surgeons get paid a little more than that.

It's a good reason for being insured, and it is a potential game changer on the debate about making car insurance compulsory.

You see the arguments against making car insurance

#### **GOLDEN RULES**

- Insure your car
- Drive carefully
- Keep your car roadworthy.

compulsory included that a person here couldn't be sued for causing personal injury.

The possibility of finding yourself facing an enormous personal injury liability is the reason places like the United Kingdom have compulsory car insurance.

Well, that's one argument that can't be used next time the topic gets a political airing here.

Without compulsory car insurance, this new law fails the fairness test.

Take the example of two people driving along when a careless driver crashes into them.

Both are left paralysed. Their work lives are over.

Both offending drivers are prosecuted.

One has car insurance and reparation is ordered. The paralysed person has their lost income compensation topped up to 100 per cent by the insurer by means of a lump sum reparation payment.

The other driver is poor. They have no assets, and no insurance. No reparation is therefore paid, or only a token amount.

Two grotesquely different

Hurt someone badly while driving carelessly, and there is now a chance you will get hit by a big personal injury reparation bill. PHOTO: JAN KRANENDONK/123RF

outcomes in the same situation. Surely MPs couldn't have intended that.

Compulsory insurance wouldn't entirely close the reparation gap.

Insurance companies decline claims in some circumstances, such as if the driver was over the legal limit for alcohol, was driving dangerously as opposed to just carelessly, or was impaired by

Uninsured drivers could now face huge personal injury bills.

drugs, drives off from the accident, or hasn't kept their car roadworthy.

Though the threat of reparation payments may add pressure to the argument for compulsory insurance, the powerful insurance lobby remains quietly against it.

Among the arguments that will come up against it include the scariest, which is that by forcing insurers to accept everyone for insurance, including the dishonest and the reckless, the costs for everyone's car insurance may go up.

I don't know about that. After all, currently part of my premium goes to insure me against the risk of being hit by an uninsured driver.

But I do know that on a natural fairness argument, most people are for it.

We asked readers about their thoughts on making car insurance compulsory. Nearly 870 of you responded. More than 90 per cent were for it.

# LOCATION LOCATION

Here is a once in a lifetime opportunity to purchase one of New Zealand's premium properties, indulge in the perfect lifestyle, and earn a healthy income as owner of Highden Manor Estate.

Steeped in history it was built by the Hon. Walter Johnston in 1896 and became well known for 70 years as a Marist novitiate. Highden currently operates as a Category 1 Historic Places Trust luxury hotel, with restaurant, bar, and conference facilities as well as being a leading Manawatu wedding and function venue. The Estate consists of formal rose gardens, fine old trees, and a stand of native forest, a natural pond, swimming pool, the Manor house, Chapel, Pacific Rim Hostel and a separate 3-bedroom owner's house.

In a secluded and tranquil setting on 36 acres this exceptional country estate boasts NZ's third largest home. Its grandiose architecture and opulent period furnishings provide an extra-ordinary ambiance that impresses its guests. If you're a "people person", you'll be in your element at Highden. Its owners have made lasting friendships and have been invited to guests' homes all over the world.

With a steady and increasing income stream through the recent addition of automated bookings through Expedia and Booking.com, its new owner-operator will walk into a "turnkey" business that requires little effort and no prior experience in hospitality. A full-time groundskeeper takes care of the property and casual part-time staff are drawn upon as required.

The owners live in the three bedroom home separate from the grand Manor. They wake up every morning and look out on the estate gardens through its 9-foot high glass doors, starting every day with a feeling of tranquillity and peacefulness.

Spend your time enjoying the Estate and the bounty from its extensive organic gardens and paddocks. Fill the freezer with organic beef and lamb; and harvest an abundance of free-range eggs.

Highden offers diversity for guests with its 11 luxury rooms in the Manor house, and 13 rooms in the Pacific Rim Hostel. Competitive pricing between \$55 and \$276 per night affirms the market share for the hotel. The listing includes the entire furnishings, sale of the business and all forward bookings including the 17 weddings already booked for 2017.

Live the lifestyle dream and have it pay for itself at Highden Manor Estate!

Highden Manor Estate, 220 Green Road, Awahuri is being marketed by Harcourts. Contact Jacqui Campion 0275 939 764 or 0800 289 778 and Brian Kendrick 021 533 863 or 06 353 2548. International Tender closes 25 May 2016.

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# Community cookbook

#### NADIA LIM IN ASSOCIATION WITH MY FOOD BAG

# Nadia's quick and easy vegetarian spaghetti

This recipe is super simple and packed full of flavour and goodness. If you want to spice things up a little, add a pinch of chilli flakes to the pasta for a bit of a kick!

PESTO SPAGHETTI WITH MAPLED PUMPKIN, ROCKET, OLIVES AND BLISTERED CHERRY TOMATOES

#### Mapled pumpkin

200g peeled pumpkin (or butternut), diced 1cm 1 teaspoon olive oil

. 1 teaspoon maple syrup

Pesto spaghetti

1 shallot 1 clove garlic 1 punnet cherry tomatoes 250g fresh or dried spaghetti 50g basil pesto (store bought) ¼ cup finely grated parmesan 2 handfuls rocket leaves 30g Kalamata olives, sliced 3 tablespoons basil leaves, roughly torn (reserve a few for garnish)

To serve

2-3 tablespoons finely grated or shaved parmesan cheese 20g chopped walnuts

Preheat oven to 200 degrees Celsius. Line an oven tray with baking paper. Bring a large pot of salted water to the boil. Toss all mapled pumpkin ingredients together on prepared tray. Season well with salt and pepper and roast for about 15 minutes, until the pumpkin is soft.

Baking pumpkin with maple syrup is so delicious; you probably won't go back to having it plain again.

While the pumpkin is cooking, prepare the rest of the meal. Finely dice shallot and garlic. Heat a drizzle of olive oil in a medium fry-pan on low heat. Cook shallot and garlic for 1-2 minutes until just soft. Increase heat to medium, add cherry tomatoes and cook for 2-3 minutes, or until starting to blister and soften. When pumpkin has 5 minutes cook time remaining, cook pasta in pot of boiling water according to packet instructions, until al dente (just tender). Reserve 2 tablespoons pasta cooking water then drain pasta well. Return pasta to pot and add roasted pumpkin, pesto, first measure of parmesan, tomato onion mixture, rocket and olives. Gently toss to combine. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

To serve, divide spaghetti between bowls and serve with reserved basil, parmesan, walnuts and plenty of freshly ground black pepper.

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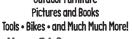












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2016 surrounded by family Treasured wife of the late Keith. Loved mother and mother-in-law of Tim and Tracey, Nigel, Katy and Chris, Daniel and Rebecca, and Daniel and Rebecca, and Eve. Loved Nana of Tanu, Tessa and Tanika; Taylor and Olivia, Jack and Amy; Georgia. Dearly loved sister and sister-in-law of Jan and Jock Sibbal (Chch), and Aunt of Johanna and Richard. Great friend of Doug. Much loved Mum of Cloe the devoted dog. Messages to the family may be sent to 1091 State Highway 1, Marton 4787. Friends are

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#### Wednesday, 27 April 2016

An extraordinary Council meeting wil be held on Wednesday 27 April 2016, at 9.30am. The purpose of the meeting is to initiate Plan Change 55 - Rural Zone for public consultation.

#### Thursday, 28 April 2016

The Creative Communities Assessment § Committee meeting previously scheduled for 13 April 2016 will now be held 28 April 2016 at 9.00am.

Shayne Harris **Acting Chief Executive** 

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#### **JOSEPH ROMANOS**

Sports Talk

Bob Hewitt's removal from the International Tennis Hall of Fame is questionable.

Hewitt, an international player from 1958 till 1983, won nine Grand Slam doubles titles and six Grand Slam mixed doubles titles.

He was also a good enough singles player to reach the Australian Open semifinals three times, and the Wimbledon quarterfinals three times, and to help South Africa win the Davis Cup in 1974.

The temperamental Hewitt was Australian, but moved to South Africa after marrying a South African in 1967.

Hewitt was deservedly voted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame in 1992, but his membership was suspended in 2012 after he was charged with sexually molesting students he was coaching.

He has now been expelled, having been found guilty of raping under-age girls, and is serving a six-year jail term in South Africa.

Yet the Tennis Hall of Fame allows the membership of Bill

Where should halls of fame draw the line? My feeling is they should be about sport.

Should halls of fame

be moral watchdogs?

Tilden to stand.

Tilden was a great player, some say the greatest. However, he was jailed in 1946 for having sex with a 14-year-old boy, and again in 1949 after a similar incident. Regardless, he went into the hall of fame in 1959.

Should halls of fame be moral watchdogs?

The International Baseball Hall of Fame will not admit Cincinnati Reds legend Pete Rose because it transpired Rose bet on games he was involved

Rose holds many major league records, including for most hits and games played, and won three World Series titles. There is still heated debate in the United States about his hall of fame exclusion.

Farcically, the World Wrestling Entertainment Hall of Fame, which includes all the big pro wrestling names, has expelled Hulk Hogan (Terry Bollea).

Hogan, inducted in 2005, was ejected after he said "nigger" in a broadcast, even though he was actually quoting what someone had said to him.

The International Boxing Hall of Fame has never bothered about moral niceties.

Therefore several murderers, including middleweight champ Carlos Monzon, are in there, as is convicted rapist Mike Tyson. Notorious promoter Don King, who has killed two people, is also in.

We've wrestled with this issue in New Zealand.

The New Zealand Sports Hall of Fame expelled Cook Strait swimmer Keith Hancox after he was jailed for stealing massive amounts from the Sports Foundation, which he was running.

Hancox, an original inductee in 1989, was chosen for his swimming feats according to his citation, but his non-swimming crime got him expelled.

Later another inaugural inductee, softballer Kevin Herlihy, was jailed for fraud totalling \$145,000. The hall of fame management debated the Herlihy issue and this time voted, almost unanimously, he should retain his membership.

Where should halls of fame draw the line? My feeling is they should be about sport. Factors unrelated to sport should be irrelevant. However, clearly they aren't.

Kairanga's Brooke Fitch will soon head over to the United States to compete in the World Barefoot Water-Skiing

# Brooke bound for USA

#### **VICTORIA CRAFAR**

Kairanga's Brooke Fitch has let her bare feet take her all the way to America.

To compete in the World Barefoot Water-Skiing Championships in Wisconsin, that is.

The 18-year-old current New Zealand, Asia Oceania and world junior champion, ranked fifth in open women's world standings, said she aims to finish top three at the fast approaching biannual international meet.

"I realise that this will include a lot of hard work and commitment from myself." Fitch said.

No stranger to top class

events, Fitch will travel to Florida in June to spend 10 weeks training with the world's best fund the journey. skiers and coaches at a purposebuilt facility before joining the New Zealand team in Wisconsin in August.

There, she will compete in three sections; slalom, tricks and jump.

"In February 2011, I entered my first competition as a rookie to see what it was all about. It was [there] that I decided to train hard and work towards achieving the goals which I set for myself."

It will be the second world championship event Fitch has attended.

The most recent was a little

closer to home in Australia in 2014, and sponsorship helped

This time around, Fitch's trip will cost the apprentice signwriter upwards of \$20,000.

Besides training, fundraising has become a top priority to

"I'm working hard, saving and living at home with mum and dad."

A true family sporting-affair, Fitch will meet up with her older cousin, Ben Groen, in Florida who has been training at the purpose-built centre for some time.

Fitch's uncle, Rob Groen, has been her long-time coach and "second dad".

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