

TINY FINGERPRINTS

Tiny fingerprints on windows and doors Messy toys all over the floor You Windex and polish but we just mess some more

Constant messes and sleepless nights Running water and left-on lights It all seem tedious when we are small While crayons and fingerprints cover your walls

But soon those tiny fingerprints will be gone We will grow up and life will go on And then those messy, busy days Will be only memories that seem like a haze

So here is a keepsake that you can treasure Our tiny fingerprints you can keep forever A set of handprints that won't wipe away As a way to help you remember these days When we are small and just can't wait to say We love you! Happy Mother's Day!



The Fairlie Community Op Shop

Formally known as the Saturday Second Hand Market, the Fairlie Community Op Shop has been open now for 12 months, in one of the Gladstone Hotels shops. The shop is tricking along nicely with many customers (some pretty regular) coming in to see what we have on offer.

We have such a lot of different items big and small, from women's clothing and shoes to bed linen, toys, books, games, pictures, jewellery, pots and pans, glassware and some beautifully knitted children's jerseys and vests, etc. Please come and have a look for yourself, you never know what you might find!

We wish to thank all those people who have kindly donated their unwanted items to us to sell, it is much appreciated. All funds raised are given back to the community. In the past year we have given a total of \$14,572.40 to the following:

- Menz Shed
- Fairlie Cemetery Wall
- Spirit of Adventure
- Mother's Gifts
- Mackenzie College Tennis Courts
- Jack Griggs

We would also like to sincerely thank the owners of the Gladstone Hotel, and Rodney and Karen for their ongoing support.

With winter coming, there might be the odd Saturday that we won't open due to the weather conditions (only

5 were missed last year). We always advertise on the Fairlie Community page whether we are open or closed for the day! So please continue to donate your unwanted items to us. Drop them into the Fairlie Resource Centre or give Maureen a call and they can be put straight into our shed.

> Thanks, Maureen and Anne



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Mother's Day is Sunday 12th May 🤎



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FRESH USBEST

CANTERBURY

Hi Upper Mackenzie District! We will be selling our seafood at the usual Mobile Traders sites on Thursday 23 May.

Tekapo 11.30 am-1.00 pm, Fairlie - 3.00 pm till dark

We hope to have what you are looking for and look forward to seeing you all then!

Ken

Fresh-is-Best Canterbury 027 439 9253



Spur Road Challenge & morning tea for breast cancer awareness FB event **Saturday 25 May** 8.45 am - spot prizes!

\$10 minimum donation

FAIRLIE COMMUNITY VEHICLE TRUST

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Bookings - Monday-Friday 9.30 am-4.00 pm Fairlie Resource Centre 685 8496



Sport

Fairlie Golf Club

Congratulations to the winners of our ANZAC tournament with an American Foursome score of 60. Pictured holding the Freda Goulding Tray - Damon Smith and Lisa Forrester. Runners-up were Paul and Diane Hubbard 62, and the Mens Pair winners were Mike and Thomas Herrick 60.5.



Mt Nessing Golf Club

Our Champion golfers from the Men's Mackenzie Champs held 27 April. 1st Senior - Shaun Tarrant

1st Intermediate- Aaron Dawkins 1st Junior - Eric Laurenson 1st Junior B - George Willson

The Gillingham Cup for the seniors was presented to the Club in 1939 by the Gillingham family in honour of their son John, who was the senior champion in 1937. He joined the RAF and was killed overseas in an accident in 1939.



Mackenzie v Geraldine 34-12 Thursday 2 May



Health and Wellbeing

Welcome back, last time we talked about the 'why' and 'how to' of consistency. This week we're talking about water. It's something we take for granted and with it easy to do, it's easy not to do, especially with all the colourful marketing out there promoting sugary or energy products.

'Why' and 'How to' Water

Why: Drink Only Water

Choosing water over other beverages can have numerous health benefits. Here are five reasons why it's often advisable to primarily drink water:

- Promotes Kidney Health: Water helps the kidneys to function properly by aiding in the excretion of waste products through urine. This can help prevent kidney stones and other kidney-related issues, which beverages high in sugar or caffeine could exacerbate.
- Reduces Calorie Intake: Many beverages, like soft drinks, juices, and alcoholic drinks, are high in calories, which can contribute to weight gain. Water has no calories, making it a healthier choice for managing calorie intake and supporting weight loss efforts.
- Avoids Added Sugars and Artificial Sweeteners: Sugary drinks are linked to a variety of health issues, including type 2 diabetes, obesity, and tooth decay. Even beverages with artificial sweeteners can negatively impact gut health and may lead to sugar cravings and weight gain. Water is a safe choice that avoids these risks.
- Prevents Caffeine Overconsumption: Beverages like coffee, tea, and energy drinks contain caffeine, which in excess can lead to side effects such as insomnia, jitteriness, anxiety, and heart palpitations. Water hydrates without the risk of caffeine overconsumption.
- Maintains Dental Health: Unlike many sugary or acidic drinks, water is neutral and does not erode tooth enamel or promote tooth decay. It can also help wash away food particles and bacteria, reducing the risk of cavities.

Opting for water most of the time is a straightforward way to support overall health, avoid unnecessary additives, and maintain hydration effectively.

How to: Better Hydration

Building the habit of effective hydration and avoiding dehydration can be streamlined into daily routines by addressing the common reasons people fail to drink enough water. Here are five practical ways to enhance hydration habits:

• Set Daily Water Intake Goals and Track Consumption: Using a water-tracking app or a simple journal can help individuals become more aware of their daily water intake. Setting specific, measurable goals—like drinking a certain number of glasses or litres per day—can motivate people to reach their hydration targets.

- Use Reminders and Alarms: For those with busy lifestyles, setting reminders on a phone or computer can prompt regular water intake. This can be particularly helpful during work hours or long periods of activity where they might forget to drink water.
- Always Carry a Water Bottle: Keeping a water bottle handy, whether in the car, or in a bag, makes it easier to sip throughout the day. Choosing a reusable water bottle that is visually appealing or has motivational markers can also encourage more frequent drinking.
- Enhance Water Appeal: For those who prefer flavoured beverages, adding natural flavours to water—such as slices of fruits, cucumber, or herbs like mint—can make water more appealing and encourage consumption. This can be a healthier alternative to sugary drinks and help address the preference for flavoured beverages.
- Match Water Intake with Climate and Activity: Adjusting water intake based on the environment and physical activity levels can help maintain hydration. For instance, increasing intake during hot weather or in dry, heated indoor environments, and ensuring adequate hydration before, during, and after exercise.

By integrating these strategies into daily routines, Individ-uals can significantly improve their hydration habits and ensure they consume adequate amounts of water, addressing both physiological needs and lifestyle factors. Next week will be about something we benefit from - eating. Peter Wardle - The Local Project



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Education



TERM 2

14 May	Aoraki Cross Country	Mack College
15 May	Rippa Rugby Timaru	Fairlie Primary
17 May	Pink Shirt Day	Mack College
24 May	School Disco 5 pm	Fairlie Primary
24 May	Aoraki Swimming	Mack College
25-30 M	Spirit of Adventure	Mack College
26 May	Aoraki Chess	Mack College
31 May	School Prom	Mack College
5 Jun	Aoraki Squash	Mack College
8 Jun	Aoraki Road Cycling	Mack College
11 Jun	SCPS Cross Country	Mack Schools

St Joseph's School Fairlie Vears 0-8

Come & explore our school!

Term 2 Open Mornings

Mon 6th May | 9:30am-12pm Thur 23rd May | 11:30am-1:30pm Thur 13th June | 9:30am-12pm Tue 2nd July | 11:30am-1:30pm

We believe in creating confident, self-assured learners for life-long success.

Other dates & times available by appointment <u>Contact</u>: Kelly 027 4774 702 or Bridget 021 955 533 <u>Email: office@stjofairlie.school.nz</u>

Lake Tekapo Kindergarten

We would love to give a massive shout out to the BrightStars committee. We are so pleased that we have been able to offer spaces to all the new tamariki arriving in town as well as those who are turning two. Our roll has increased so much that we now have a waiting list. This extra growth has also meant that we have had to make changes to the building to accommodate the extra children. Initially it was simply asking a couple of fathers to build some extra shelving so that all 20 lunchboxes and bags could actually fit in the building. Thank you to Hayden and Sam for your work.

After the growing numbers last winter, the Kaiako at Lake Tekapo Kindergarten approached BrightStars about the idea of installing some PVC screens around the verandah. This is obviously an expensive project but the entire community came alongside them with their fundraising ideas, most recently the Four Wheel Drive Guided Tour of some of the Mackenzie farms. On the very last day of Term 2 the children were excited to see the PVC covers going up. We are very excited to now have a space more protected from the weather as the winds and rain approach over the coming months.

Thank you so much to everyone on the BrightStar committee. Thank you to the community who supported BrightStars with their fundraising. Lake Tekapo Kindergarten tamariki will enjoy this extra outdoor protected space. This is a fabulous addition to the BrightStars building.



We are a purpose built preschool offering the highest standard of early childhood education for children aged 0-6 years. Open 8 am—5 pm Monday—Friday (including school holidays) We offer 20 hours ECE and WINZ subsidies are available. 19 Hamilton Street, Fairlie Phone: 03 685 6263



Education

St Joseph's School Fairlie

St Joseph's School Library Visit

Our tāmariki visited the Mackenzie Community Library last week. They listened to stories and chose some books to take back to School to have in the classrooms. Our tāmariki enjoy making connections with our local resources. We can't wait to visit again in a few weeks!



Anzac

As part of integrated studies incorporating reading and writing, our students have spent the last couple of weeks learning about ANZAC. Our senior students have been able to relate to this due to their visit to the Te Papa Gallipoli Exhibition on their school camp to Wellington last year. They also enjoyed creating silhouettes for Art.

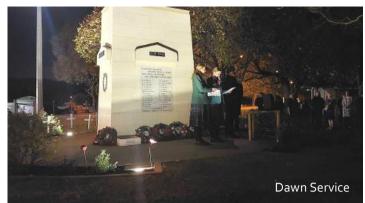


We joined Mackenzie College and Fairlie Primary School for our School ANZAC service during the first week of the term. Our senior

student, Niamh read the Declaration and all students placed poppies at the memorial.

We stood for a moment's silence during the lowering of the National Flag.





The Fairlie Schools Anzac Service was held at the Fairlie Primary School last week. School wreaths were laid, students placed poppies at the memorial, and all stood for a moment's silence. Mackenzie College organised and lead the service. Lest we forget.



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Cannington School

Our end of Term 1 assembly all went according to plan and most parents turned up. Maybe it was the 1960's meal we had for lunch. The starter was prawn cocktail – in kids eyes they looked a bit like Huhu grubs and mealworms, but the adults loved them. The main course was a good old-fashioned roast and the dessert was Tapioca. It was almost like custard with soft, translucent fish-egg type things in it! Mostly only the older people had tried it before, but it was a great hit! Everyone loved it! Next time we'll have rainbow tapioca.

In the assembly we shared some of our writing and art. We also showed our parents the maypole dance we learnt. They were amazed how the ribbons started to plait around the pole. The music chosen was not ideal, but we won't talk about that! Next time we will stick to medieval music not full evil!

This term we have started hockey. We have been practicing flicking and passing. Soon we are going to St Jo's, Fairlie to challenge them in a game. To flick the ball, you have to have your hockey stick right behind the ball and drag the stick, moving the ball along the ground. Then you stop and let the ball keep going, when it flicks out in front. When you pass the ball you have to make sure it's going to someone in your own team who is closer to the goal. Hopefully they are able to get it into the goal.

Yesterday we made model planes out of balsa wood. The planes came in a kit. It was a bi-plane meaning it has two wings, positioned one above the other. We put a small motor and batteries into our plane to make it move along. The propellor turned really fast and the plane moved forward on it's four wheels.

We have also been planning how we can transform our gliding planes into motorized ones. We have all drawn plans to show where we think we should put the motor on the glider. We are going to try different strategies to see which one flies best. Hopefully they will be better than the balsa wood glider one group made this week. This glider flies but upside down! We now have to figure out why!

Some of the activities for this term are going to be our rural support dinner, which is on Friday 10th June from 5 pm. The Year 6's are having a Noho marae and pink shirt day is coming up. We have ice skating, cross country and a trip to Geraldine to look forward to as well.

We are excited about ice skating because we don't get to do this often, but not so much cross country because you get hot, the stitch, it's tiring and involves dodging mud and sheep poo! Kylah, Annie, and Ayla.

Fairlie Primary School



Book Week

Fairlie Primary School kicked off Term 2 with Book Week. Throughout the week visitors and parents came into the school to read a variety of books to the children including Mr Smith from Mackenzie College, Courtney, Melissa and Tracey from St John Ambulance, firefighters Heidi and Marcus, Bron from the Community Library and the Mackenzie District Mayor Anne Munro.

The students took part in a range of literature activities including a Book Quiz, designing book covers, book reviews, buddy reading and finished the week with a book character dress up day and parade.



The Book Worm

FORAGING NEW ZEALAND Over 250 plants and fungi to forage in Aotearoa By Peter Langlands Penguin, \$50

Earlier this year I wrote about *Fungi of Aotearoa* by Liv Sisson and mentioned the imminent publication of a 'companion' book: *Foraging New Zealand* by



Peter Langlands. Peter has long been a leading expert in foraging. He has created a large, personal database of 7500 edible flora and fauna species in New Zealand. For this book he limited himself to plant-based foraging and to only 250 of our tastiest wild plants.

The book starts with chapters on edible plant families listed in alphabetical order from Amaranthaceae to Violaceae. This is followed by chapters on edibles such as Conifers, Ferns, Grasses, Succulents, Seaweeds and Fungi. It finishes with recipe basics and has a comprehensive index and additional resources. The book is a great reference book with tools to accurately identify plants and foraging tips, all accompanied with full-colour photographs. Each plant is identified by its scientific name and one or more common names, and Māori name where appropriate. Many cautionary notes are included about toxicity and the importance of proper identification.

Personally, I am not adventurous with greens, even in the produce aisle of our local supermarket. But this book is not just a guidebook. Langlands is keen to inspire people to get out into the outdoors and enjoy the environment around them. I was curious about what I could find around Lake Tekapo. Did you know that the tender new growth at the tips of the Douglas fir has a "distinct citrusy and resinous flavour and is high in vitamin C and electrolytes"? The tips can infuse flavour in syrups or tea, or finely chopped is a seasoning for fish or poultry.

Many of you will already know Peter Langlands and his partner Jackie Philips who was the librarian at the Fairlie library. Together they will run two workshops at the Breathe Tekapo Wellness Festival on 25th and 26th May. And they will also be at Petronella's Bookstore from 1–3 pm on Sunday 26th for a book signing and to give you an opportunity to sample some foraged food snacks. *Wilma*





HELL Pizza Reading Challenge is back for

2024!!!!

Bron visited Fairlie Primary School last Friday, to read stories to the tamariki as part of their Book Week celebrations. It was great to



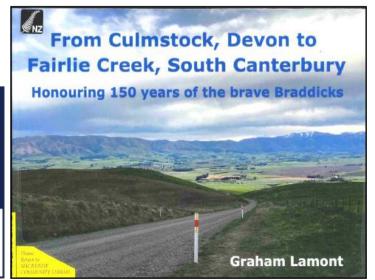
see all the kids dressed as their favourite book characters. The students were all told about the HELL Pizza Reading Challenge, which rewards students (Yr 1 – 8) who have read seven books and have verbally told a librarian about the book (book review), with a FREE kids-size pizza!!!!. If you would like to learn more, or if your child wants to sign up, just pop into the library, get your first card and start reading!! The HELL Pizza Reading Challenge is all about getting tamariki excited about reading, no matter what their reading level. Who doesn't like pizza???? We will also be displaying the winners from the New Zealand Book Awards for Children and Young Adults, who organise and run the HELL Pizza Reading Challenge. Look out for some exciting new titles and New Zealand authors making their publishing debut.

Talking Heads - Pot Luck Dinner

The Talking Heads will be meeting at the library at 6 pm on Tuesday 21st May for a Pot Luck Dinner. Come along and meet some cool people, talk about your garden (successes and failures), and share some kai. All welcome.

New Book

This book has been self-published by Graham Lamont and it is a tribute to pioneers James and Rebecca Braddick, who arrived in New Zealand 150 years ago and settled in Fairlie. The book contains photos and descriptions of some well-known Fairlie buildings and landmarks, and is a great historical read.



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The Book Worm

Foraging New Zealand by Peter Langlands

Aotearoa is full of incredible, edible wild foods: fruits, berries, fungi, seaweeds, herbs, wild greens, grains, seeds and nuts — you only need to know where to look and how to forage them safely. *Foraging New Zealand* is the ultimate guide to unearthing more than 250 of Aotearoa's tastiest wild foods. Packed with stunning



photography (much from the Mackenzie country), up-todate information and helpful tips, this book will have you venturing into the countryside, viewing 'weeds' with fresh eyes, and returning to the pantry with zest.

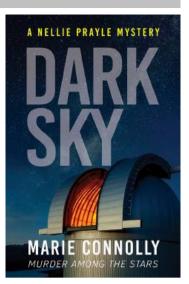
After a lifetime of being immersed in the outdoors as an ornothologist, fisheries' observer, fly fishing guide and forager, Peter continually adds to an extensive database he has compiled on Aotearoa's foraged wild foods' species. Peter's BSc in Zoology and Ecology from Canterbury University and his professional expertise credit him with being one of Aotearoa's founding foragers. Peter is also one of Aotearoa's only fully licensed professional foragers, and he sources wild produce for chefs from many award-winning restaurants. He and his partner Jackie Phillips run foraging workshops around the country. Jackie's social media pages @wildcuisinenz show people how to utilised foraged wild foods in everyday cooking, including free recipes. If you would like to attend upcoming workshops, you can register your interest at https://foragingnz.com.

Foraging has become a popular past-time, helping people to become more food resilient as increasing prices and shortages occur world-wide. Foraging helps to promote mindfulness and time in the outdoors to maintain good physical and mental health. Adding small amounts of wild foods into your diet can also boost immunity. Ideal for trampers, chefs/cooks, families, and anyone who enjoys time in nature, Foraging New Zealand is a comprehensive field guide to take into the outdoors. Published by Penguin, it is available from all book distributors and retailers (including Petronella's in Takapō) at a recommended retail price of \$50.

Peter and Jackie are looking forward to hosting two foraging workshops at the Breathe Tekapō wellness festival on Saturday 25th and Sunday 26th May 2024. After the festival on Sunday 26th May, we welcome anyone to come to Petronella's Bookstore, 1.00-3.00pm, to have an informal chat with us, along with some foraged drinks, nibbles & bubbles to celebrate the part Te Manahuna (the Mackenzie Basin) had in the Foraging New Zealand book. Wilma has also very kindly offered a 10% discount on book sales and Peter would be happy to sign books.

Dark Sky - Murder Among the Stars by Marie Connolly Published by Quentin Wilson Publishers

I've been stargazing at the Mt John Observatory near Lake Tekapo a number of times. Dark, isolated and slightly edgy, I often thought it would be a perfect place to set a murder mystery. So in 2019, when I retired from my



academic position at the University of Melbourne and returned home to Akaroa, I started to write my first crime novel, Dark Sky, which was published on 3 April this year.

Dark Sky is a story about a young criminal psychologist, Nellie Prayle who likes nothing more than to solve crimes. Born and raised in Fairlie, and the daughter of the local policeman, Nellie has an affinity with crime fighters. When a professor of astronomy is found dead at the Mt John Observatory near Tekapo, and Detective Jack Simmons from the Christchurch police calls on her to help with the police investigation, she is thrilled to join the team. It's May 2015 and astronomers are gathering from across the world to celebrate the observatory's 50th anniversary. But when Nellie returns to her old stomping ground in the beautiful Mackenzie Country she soon appreciates that nothing in the world of academia is straightforward.

It has often been said that writers should write about what they know - and that makes a lot of sense. My professional and academic background gave me a good understanding of the criminal mind and what motivates people to behave in the way they do. I also had good feel for academic life. So far so good. But to write Dark Sky, there was a lot I needed to find out about Mt John, its history, its environment, and the people who are associated with New Zealand's premier research observatory. I also wanted Nellie, who lives in the North Island, to feel the pull of the South and also of her connection with her only living relative Uncle Bill, who still lives near Fairlie.

After many research trips to Tekapo, Fairlie and Geraldine, where much of the action in Dark Sky takes place, the intriguing nature of the spectacular Mackenzie Country became central to the story and to the lives of the characters involved.

Dark Sky is available for sale at the Fairlie Resource Centre which hopes to organise an author's talk soon in Fairlie.

Marie Connolly

Our Community

Fairlie Garden Group

A good sized group of members headed out to Geraldine to visit Anne McSweeney's garden on Waituhi Drive. Anne and her husband have been on the property for one year but had already made a good mark by taking out trees and scrubby shrubs and replanted with rhododendrons brought from their previous farm. The border gardens were planted colourfully and the vegetable garden area built and boxed and flourishing with many vegetables. It was a testament to a hard working team.

Albert Peattie welcomed us to his garden in Temuka and his collection of Chrysanthemum. Albert grows, shows and sells the flowers he has expertly grown. Albert explained his method of propagation and naming of new varieties.

Travelling South of Temuka over the last bridge no one could imagine a large native tree nursery was established on an area parallel to the main highway. It was an eye opener to us all to see so many young native trees and plants flourishing just after a few years of the seeds being planted. The objective of the operation was to be able to provide native trees and plants for the regeneration of native areas and walkways.

A quick call into the Cloverlea Orchard resulted in the purchase of shrubs and seedlings for individual's gardens. A busy but interesting trip finished with a well earned stop for afternoon tea.





Happy Birthday:

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11 May	Keri-Ann Andrews
13 May	Garry Kerr
14 May	Anna Wallace
14 May	Olivia O'Sullivan
15 May	Ian Chamberlain
16 May	Rachel Callaghan
18 May	Mike Hubbard
19 May	Craig Divers
21 May	Margaret Thomas

Engagement:

20 Apr Rachael Handy and Justin Geary

Bereavement:

- 22 Apr Frank Ledingham
- 26 Apr Noreen Gallagher aged 100 years



Tievoli Too Easter Bunny Competition Winners

During March, Tievoli Too ran an Easter Bunny Competition. Our lucky winner was Payton Leech who received a \$100 Gift Basket. Payton also got to choose a local charity to which Tievoli donated a \$100 cash. We were delighted that Payton chose the Fairlie Fire Brigade and she recently called into Tievoli to collect her prize, and hand over the cash to Wayne from the local Brigade.

Daisy Fields Boarding Cattery 774 Mt Nessing Road, Albury 03 685 5789

Small boarding cattery just off SH8. Spacious, heated, individual rooms each with enclosed outside courtyard. Inspection welcomed.

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Fairlie Mackenzie Heritage Museum Update

USED BATTERY DRIVE

On behalf ot the Fairlie Mackenzie Heritage Museum I would like to thank all those who donated to our battery drive, raising funds for the rebuild of the Museum frontage, the original Binney building, the Smithy. We collected 10.0 tons for which we gained over \$7,500 upon sale. The purchaser said this was the largest single amount of batteries he had collected. We appreciate the the unbelievable support we received.

Garry Kerr, Convenor of Project



KEEP THIS DATE FREE!

One of the most memorable fundraisers for the Fairlie Skate Park was the most entertaining and successful 'It's in the Bag'. Yes, the event returns on August 31st, promising the fun and humour of last time, and raising funds this time for the Museum rebuild. Make a note of the date! Details to follow.

FIREWOOD RAFFLES

The Museum has three loads of firewood donated – at least 3 cube per load - and over the next six weeks we will be running a raffle each fortnight with a draw on the Friday night. Tickets for this are only \$2 and will be on sale at local retailers and from Ngaire Gallagher and Cindy Sheehan. We look forward to your support.

COMING SOON

Details including dates and participating local retailers in the -

2024 Spring Fashion Parade – 28th September

CALLING ALL RETIRED PERSONS

You have grown up and lived in a world of volunteering – no need to stop now you are at this stage in your life! We need people to unlock a door and lock it again, when asked to by phone call from Mandy and Dave at the Fairlie Museum Café! Just one day per month or when it suits. Please call Anne Thomson for more information. 027 285 8824

> Paul Gallagher - Chairperson Fairlie Mackenzie Heritage Museum

The Fairlie Museum Café

After 10 years operating the Kimbell/Silverstream Hotel and a stint at retirement, Dave and Mandy Clark have taken on the running of the Fairlie Museum Café!

They took over the reopened café on December 1st, in time for the summer season traffic along Mt Cook Road. Since taking over they have not looked back, working together to offer a breakfast/lunch menu as well as cabinet food. All food is prepared on the premises, and Dave known for his hospitality and Mandy, for her fabulous meals at the hotel, enjoy this new, what Mandy calls 'quirky venture'. And quirky it is, with those visiting the museum entering through the café and staying to enjoy the fare on offer! Mandy is well experienced in the food industry having worked in it since she was 13 years old, training under chefs, and building up her career to managing a 300 seat restaurant. It was at the George and Dragon in Westerham, Kent, England – Winston Churchill's home town, where she was managing, that she met Dave, working there as barman, back in 1977.

Bright and cheerful, warm and welcoming, and in such a great position for trucks and campervans to park, the Café is open Tuesday to Sunday and has catered for a number of private functions.

Open 6 days from 8.30 am-3.00 pm, closed Mondays. The Fairlie Museum Café - 021 0816 8272





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Our Golden Years

If you didn't come along –

you missed something special!

There have been nothing but positive comments from the morning we had with Robyn Willis, Driving Instructor, South Canterbury Driving School. She was so interesting and well researched when she led discussion about driving and parking in Fairlie and particularly the area we know as Riddle Street – the Fairlie Four Square – Fairlie Bakehouse areas.

So what came out of this? A list of recommendations to be made to the 'powers that be' who might address the problem:

- * Speed decreases for the Fairlie Main St CBD
- * One way option in the Fairlie Four Square area
- Entrance into Riddle Street from SH8 turning left
 exit onto SH79 turning right exit onto Talbot St
- Parking of large vehicles (campervans, towing vehicles and large vehicles) on SH79 or Talbot Street with much improved 'PARKING' signage
- * Painted zebra pedestrian crossing with safety area in current location on SH8, and SH79
- * Signage for safe parking of motorcycles on the sidewalk located with the bicycle parking

All those present agreed with the identified safety issues of using Riddle Street and ask that this be given priority to enable much better use of the area. Just out of interest, can you identify all the STOP signs in the Fairlie township?

A big thank you to Age Concern South Canterbury for yet another excellent EXPO FOR OLDER FOLK in the Bay Hall last Thursday!

I find it most heartening that people come together to help one another and am sorry that more folk from our community didn't come along and enjoy the morning! Till next year then!

Take a trip with us – fabulous visit to the Aigantighe Art Gallery viewing the Box City created by children over the holidays and the fabulous watercolours by Peter Winnington!

Movie: **Warhorse** – great movie – sad but with a great ending – thank you Yvonne and John for the warm lounge at Moreh!



Coming to Fairlie the next few weeks!

- **10 May** Morning Tea at Moreh 10.15 am
- **15 May** 'Operatunity' in Timaru lunch at the Old Bank Book at Fairlie Resource Centre
- **17 May** Morning Tea at Moreh
- **21 May** Visit to St John Timaru's Activity Morning in Timaru 3 seats available
- 22 May Short Stories at Moreh all welcome!
- 24 May 10.15 Morning Tea at Moreh
- 28 May 12.30 Pizza and Pasta lunch at Moreh \$5
 must let me know that you intend to come!
 1.30 pm Come play BINGO, venue to be advised!

Join our text messaging group to keep up to date with activities. I know you find it hard to ask but if you are ill, drop me a message and I will drop you a meal or two! 027 285 8824 - Anne Thomson





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Our Community

South Canterbury Federated Farmers President's Report 2024

It seems to me that farming seems to revolve around never-ending cycles that we have very little control over. It is

frustrating to be writing my report into the last 12 months on what has happened in South Canterbury when so many of the farming fraternity are hurting. Once again, we are in a dry period over most of the province, which we haven't experienced for the last few years. Some of our product prices have fallen dramatically, especially red meat and the third whammy - our costs have risen dramatically mainly interest rates, which has put a lot of pressure on farming families.

When I sit down to write these reports I like to try and take a positive spin, so my opening paragraph doesn't go a long way towards that goal - what are the positives we can take when a lot of this is out of our control?

Firstly, it will rain, and we will get through this dry spell. Remember what we have learned from the past, concentrate on protecting next years income, do feed budgets early so as to prioritise which stock classes provide the bulk of your income and feed accordingly. Quit stock which can't be justified with supplementary feeding and talk to your banks, we are getting assurances that they will support farmers through this difficult time, but they don't like surprises.

Product prices are a continual thorn in farmers sides which we have very little control over even when we tick all the boxes and jump through hundreds of hoops. Unfortunately, supply and demand is what drives the capitalist system. So what can be done from our end when we are doing our best to produce top quality products for the market. One area we as an industry need to improve on is our engagement with the companies, we supply some of them we even own, we need to spend more time scrutinising their balance sheets. Something we are all capable of doing. We need to be more involved in director elections and get the right people on these companies and we need to hold them to account. We need to have better turn outs at supplier meetings so that we are all on the same page.

Also, our engagement in holding our Levy bodies to account for the money which they spend on our behalf, a lot of it on marketing our products is honestly pathetic, 30% turn outs for Levy body meetings and elections is not good enough. We need to do better.

Finally, our costs, remember scrutinising what you are spending your money on, are you spending it where the best return is?



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Class G: 2 Hectares Fodder Beet



Take some time to look at the gross margins of each of your income streams and see which ones are consuming the most money. Also talk to your bank about how they come to your credit risk so you understand how to reduce your interest rate margin. Feds is putting a lot of effort into this on our behalf to try and improve how banks treat the rural sector and remember don't be afraid to change banks', they haven't got a monopoly on your business.

I hope this report hasn't sounded like me telling you how to suck eggs. It is important in tough times when you are head down bum up to listen to outside advice, and please take time to look after yourself and family, and keep an eye on your neighbours and friends.

We've listened and made improvements

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At a debrief meeting with Mackenzie District Council (MDC), we heard your feedback and have taken proactive action for the future. We will:

- Work with Transpower to explore shorter, more frequent maintenance on their assets, leading to shorter and more frequent outages rather than multiple extended outages over one period.
- Partner with MDC to coordinate maintenance projects and share our 5-year major works plan so we can reduce the impact (costs and disruption) of these network projects on the community.
- Improve our communication about planned outages by using additional local media channels and increasing the notice period given so that the community can better prepare.
- Develop a guide to assist customers who would like to invest in backup generation, helping to explain the options available and related suppliers.

Be prepared

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- Assess your essential electricity needs and your backup plan should you lose electricity supply for any reason.
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- Pre-arrange an alternative supply or backup system for your essentials.

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Community Development - Fairlie



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Meeting People in our Community ...

This week I got to meet with Mick Glover to find out about his life before moving to New Zealand

Where were you born and what was life like growing up?

I was born in Felixstowe, Kent, England in 1935 just before the war. I was one of six kids. My dad was in the British Airforce as a mechanic. He was transferred from Felixstowe to Cosford and then the war started. I remember them bombing us a few times. Mum decided it wasn't safe so we left Dad at Cosford and moved to Plymouth where my mum's Dad



lived. When they started running out of Spitfires Dad got transferred to Scotland to fix the planes, so we only saw Dad when he was on leave.

When did you join the Navy?

I joined in 1951 when I was 15 years old. I always liked the sea, I joined to see the world. I signed up for the Navy for 12 years but there was an AFO (Admiralty Fill Orders) so I was allowed to shorten my service to 11 years. I did my training at St Vincents, Portsmouth for about six months as a gunner on the ship, the aft gun (Y gun). The first ship I ever sailed on was HMS Barossa which left Rothsite Dockyard for operation Mainbrace to the Arctic Circle. When we were in the Arctic Circle, the guard rails were that big we had to go out in the freezing conditions for hours to break the ice off the rails as the ship was wallowing and getting top heavy, the ship would turn over if we didn't constantly take the ice off it.

What was your recent medal awarded for?

I received the Nuclear Test Medal which was announced by the Prime Minister in November 2022 to recognize the significant contribution of those who participated in Britian's Nuclear Testing Programme in the 1950's and 1960's. I was on HMS Cossack D57 when we headed from Hong Kong to Christmas Island for Operation Grapple (Atomic testing). We were the weather ship alongside two New Zealand frigates. We would go out all over the area in the mornings to test the weather prior to the bomb getting dropped. On 8th November the weather was looking dodgy but it cleared up and so the bomb was dropped. We all sat around the other side of the ship with anti-flash gear on. You would hear announcements on the loud speaker, "the plane was flying into position", "the bomb has now left the aircraft", and then a 40 second countdown while the bomb is falling, "the bomb has now exploded", 20 second count up while the flash dissipated otherwise it would blind you, and then you were free to move around the ship again. My memory of the event was a very hot wind and I saw it rising up. We went through ground zero to take the scientist to Fanning Island which was 105 miles away from where we were at Christmas Island. *Talking to Mick, there is no doubt sailors like rum and that there is definitely a girl at every port!!!*

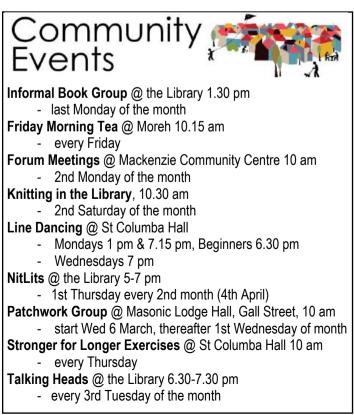


Upcoming Events:

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7/14 May	Water Colour Class
	St Columba Hall 6.30–8.30 pm

- 14 May Men's Trip Timaru 9.30 am South Canterbury Museum, Old Bank Café and Aigantighe Art Gallery
- 15 May Menopause Seminar Mackenzie Community Centre 7–9 pm FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

If you would like to book into any of these please contact the Fairlie Resource Centre on 685-8496



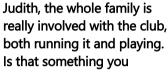
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Community Development - Tekapo

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Ice Hockey season is upon us so who better to chat with this week than Judith Speck, registrar of the Mackenzie Ice Hockey Club, aka the Bull Tahrs.



expected when you came to live here?

Not really, though I knew ice hockey and had enjoyed watching it back in Germany and Sweden. I actually only came to NZ to visit my sister in Christchurch, but then I met my future husband Michi: he was her flatmate. He was really into ice hockey, and when I saw him playing I thought "Oh man, he looks good!"

Ah, so he wooed you with his hockey skills! Fantastic! But then you moved to Switzerland together, right?

Yes, for almost 6 years but it wasn't until we came back to live here in Tekapo 4 years ago that we really got involved. His whole family is into it too, so we wanted our 5 year old daughter Heleen to try it. Michi was keen to take up playing again, became Club Captain and asked me to do the registrations. Now he is President of the Club, but you know as they say, "behind every great man there is a strong woman".

Indeed! I know you are just as passionate about it now.

Yes, Michi's heart is really into it, always trying to do the best for the club, and we end up talking about it together a lot. Ice Hockey is usually a really expensive sport, but with generous sponsorship and community support, we are able to make it reasonably affordable for everyone.

I see there are several free 'learn to play' sessions coming up. You really want people to try it out.

We want people to see it's not hard to give it a go. We provide all necessary gear. It's actually easier to learn to ice skate with the stick and the gear: the stick gives you stability and the gear takes the sting out of the fall. And if you concentrate on playing the puck, the skating almost happens by itself.

When do you start to play tournaments?

Those who feel confident and have understood the basics of ice hockey have the opportunity to take part. Our youngsters (U12), for example, play once a month against different Clubs like Alexandra, Queenstown and Dunedin. As the kick-off is currently taking place in Lake Tekapo, it gives some "new" children the perfect chance to see if they are ready for it.

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And there's plenty for the spectators too?

Watching is always free! And the Tekapo Springs café is usually open so you can get food or a mulled wine to warm you up while you enjoy the games. The seniors play regularly too, and there are the tournaments of course: the big ones on King's Birthday and Matariki weekends and the U12 coming up soon on the 19th May.

You develop some great talent here: I know you had a few players in the very successful NZ U18 female team. Yes! They won their division in the world championship and four of the players are from our club!

So apart from the Hockey, you're enjoying Tekapo?

Tekapo is magic. It's such a good balance of community and being able to get away from it all. For the kids everything is a playground: skiing, biking, hockey, or just a picnic on the shore. There's the hustle and bustle of the market and town centre for example, but you can just as easily always find a quiet spot. I hope it stays as it is and doesn't get bigger. But we need to do something about the housing problem. If you work in Tekapo, you should be able to live here. It is disheartening to see people and families forced to move away because they cannot find or afford accommodation.

I couldn't agree more. So much good energy in our community, I hope we can find a way to tackle that challenge too. So what does Heleen think of hockey 4 years on? Still keen?

Heleer. "Sometimes you want to quit, like when it's really cold and your feet get cold, so I just think about the piece of chocolate at the end".

Keen to join or watch?

Check out www.mackenzieicehockey.nz for all the details.



Tekapo Weekly meetups:

Football – Mondays 6 pm behind the Community Hall English Practice Classes - Tuesdays 6.30 pm School Library Tekapo Food Market – on hold, awaiting Resource Consent Yoga – Thursdays 7pm at Tekapo School (term time only) Squash – Wednesday 6pm at the Tekapo Squash Club Church of the Good Shepherd Fellowship – Wednesdays 7.30 pm, Sundays 5.30 pm in the Community Meeting Rooms Disc Golf League - Fri-Sat-Sun at the Regional Park Ice Hockey - games on Wednesdays and Saturdays, practice Mondays

And...

Thu 16th May: GP and Nurse pop up clinic at Tekapo Fire Station 9:30-12 (call Twizel Medical Centre for an appointment) Sun 12th May: Learn to play Ice Hockey 9am FREE Thu 30th May: Book Club at Petronella's (last Thursday of month) Thu 6th June: Ear Clinic, Tekapo Community Rooms

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 - Monday 13 May
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Occasionally, mainly due to travel or illness, the location changes so it's always a good idea to phone first to confirm the address. If a group environment isn't your thing, but you would like to chat over a coffee/ tea or over the phone, feel free to contact any of those listed above, or Steve & Barb Adams (685 8056)

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Fairlie - Sunday Mass - 9.30 am every Sunday and Daily Mass 9.15 am Tuesday-Friday Tekapo Church of the Good Shepherd -Last Sunday of every month - Mass at 6 pm

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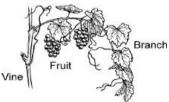
In today's era, many people advocate for spirituality without religion. Some are not interested in any specific form of institutional religion but pay attention to their inner life, maintaining necessary purity in the hope of freeing themselves from what causes unhappiness, insecurity, and concerns.

They believe that purely human, secular, experiential practices accumulated over time can liberate them from negative thoughts, words, and deeds by accumulating positive energy. Such practices may bring about certain psychological and physical results, but they can hardly fill the constant void in the human soul.

Why does it not work?

Being made in the image of God, our heart is only fully satisfied when centered on the Creator. As St Augustine prayed, "You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it rests in you." Or another quote from St Catherine of Siena that echoes the longing for divine union: "My deepest me is God. My deepest me is He who is. My deepest me is what God is. He is, I am. He is, you are. He is, we are." As social beings, humans always need to connect, to relate, to have 'Someone' to accompany and guide them, and to give them the necessary light to nurture true hope in radical liberation, the sense of divine peace of the Holy Spirit that the world cannot provide. From a Christian perspective, we can only experience heaven when we know how to connect with God through a life of prayer and carry out God's will in the most faithful way.

In the Gospel passage of John 15:1-8, Jesus presents himself as the true vine that has a relationship with God the Father as the vinedresser, and



we, his disciples, as the branches. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit unless it remains connected to the vine, we cannot bear the desired spiritual fruits of the Holy Spirit unless we abide in Christ. Thus, remaining in Christ means making our home in him, allowing his words to dwell richly within us. It means surrendering ourselves to him, aligning our will with his, seeking to abide in his love and truth. When we do so, we bear fruit in abundance, reflecting the glory of the Father. *Fr. Tien Cao*

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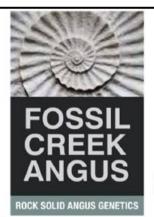
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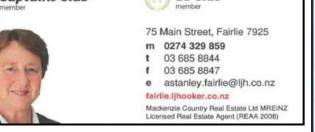
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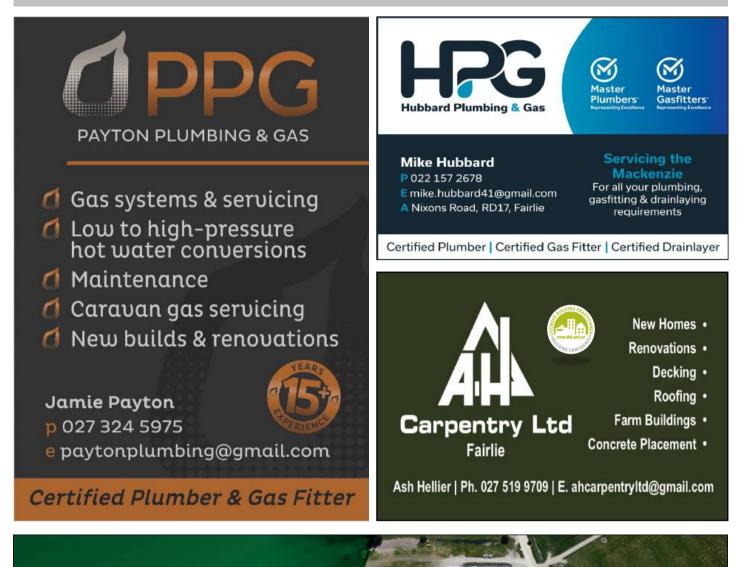
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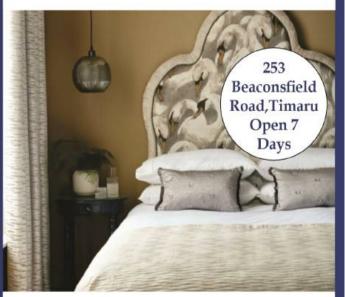
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This service has been made available to our remote community, please utilise it so we don't lose it.

Come and talk to someone from Inland Revenue about ... Working for Families Tax Credits Income Tax Student Loans

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ALL appointments booked through the Fairlie Resource Centre are private & confidential



Open Monday to Friday 9.30 am-4.00 pm 67 Main Street, Fairlie Phone 685 8496 Email: rc@fairlienz.org

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> Community Events and Support Tourism Welcome to Fairlie Packs

Fairlie Food Bank

Donations of non-perishable food welcome Contact Gina @ Fairlie Resource Centre for private and confidential support

IT Support

Laptop iPad skills Updating CV Setting up and using a mobile phone Assistance filling in forms

Community Development

Email:Kaz - cdfairlie@fairlienz.orgFacebook:Fairlie Community DevelopmentEmail:Barbara - cdtekapo@fairlienz.orgFacebook:Tekapo Community Development

The Fairlie Accessible

Community newspaper published fortnightly Editor: Janine Walker Email: accessible@fairlienz.org Facebook: Fairlie Accessible

Fairlie Community Vehicle Trust

Three 12-seater vans (trailer) and community car hire

Seniors Support Organised trips - Morning teas - Home visits - Welfare

Heartland Services

Email and phone facilities Access to government and non-government forms Access to print, photocopy and scan Access to government and non-government websites Access to face-to-face or virtual appointments Assistance to make appointments or direct you to services you need

Heartland Services



Last week we had another westerly which dumped light powder snow on the tops more to the west - pictured is Godley Peaks under a westerly blow lifting the fresh powder rather high into the air! Thanks George Empson



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