



THE FAIRLIE ACCESSIBLE

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21 OCTOBER 2020

Once again Fairlie comes to the fore! \$60,000 raised for the Westpac Helicopter Service

Delayed from March due to COVID, the Mackenzie Auction Evening, a fundraiser for the Westpac Helicopter, hit the town last Saturday evening in the Mackenzie Community Centre Stadium.

The idea for this event came from Andrew Hurst, a beneficiary of the Westpac Helicopter Service when he was seriously injured in a farm accident on 10th June 2019.

This evening was a truly 'community' event - so typical of the way we often all pitch in and work together for a very worthy cause.

MC for the evening Wendy Hurst, from the South Canterbury Rural Support Trust introduced speakers - Andrew Hurst, Christa Martin and Michelle Hjorring from ACC and the much respected inspirational speaker William Pike, who donated his professional fee. Christine Prince from the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Trust presented Andrew Hurst with a small gift and name badge as one of the newest Ambassadors of the Trust.

A huge thank you to:

PGG Wrightson Auctioneers – Bruce Dunbar and Bruce Thomson and to Marion Cartwright for taking registrations as well as the major sponsors – Farmlands, Ashley Biggs, Woodleys, Timaru Honda, Gibson Bros, Ryan O'Sullivan and David Irving. **Major cash donations** were received from SC Rural Support Trust \$2,400, Fairlie Lions \$2,000, Fairlie Golf Club \$1,200 and Mackenzie Young Farmers \$1,000.



Thank you also to those who -

- donated goods or cash.
- bought tickets to the event.
- who bid and bought items.
- assisted with the preparation for the evening.
- helped with the clean up.
- To Chris Clarke for providing visual/sound
- To the Fairlie Community Board for hall hire
- To the Fairlie Accessible team

Finally Buster would like to thank his 'Angels' for their dedication and commitment to the cause - Jo Hurst, Sarah O'Leary, Leaine Rush, Trish Cameron and Anne Thomson

What's Happening!



Wondering what to do on Labour Weekend? Why not come to Fairlie for some food, entertainment and shopping? Support New Zealand businesses at this NO ENTRY FEE event on Sunday, 25 October being held at the Showgrounds from 9.30-4.00 pm. Why are we organising the Mackenzie Highland Spring Fling? We were so disappointed that we had to cancel our annual Easter Monday Show. It was disappointing for many and a huge financial blow to those businesses which support us. To support them, we are offering FREE REGISTRATION to all businesses and food/coffee stands who want to attend. We want to give back to the businesses and to our wider community.

We are finalising entertainment- but here are some of the exciting things already planned... Pet Lamb Competition, Equestrian Obstacle Course, Live music all day with 8 acts, the Mackenzie Highland Pipe Band, Carnival Rides, Pony Rides, Driveworld Mini Jeeps, Face Painting, over 90 shopping and food sites and more being planned. We will update you on our website www.mackenzieshow.co.nz. Any help from you in spreading the word about this event would be much appreciated!

For more information, to register your business or entertainment or to enter the Pet Lamb or Equestrian Obstacle Course competition, please contact the Secretary mackenzieapsociety@gmail.com **#mackenziehighlandspringfling**



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Local Lad - Brett Walker now lives in Queenstown and regularly plays in its vibrant muso scene. He really enjoyed playing in the Kimbell Pub's beer garden during the Ockoberfest weekend and he's coming back for Labour Weekend. The Silverstream Hotel at Kimbell is a great venue and he hopes to see you there **Saturday 24th at 7.00 pm**, and **Sunday afternoon at 2.00 pm** - make it a work function, a family outing or a catch up with friends!

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TOUCH 2020

Mackenzie Rugby Football Club
Touch Competition 2020

First round Friday 30 October 2020

Please email or message Aaron McCall
dalzell@ezykonec.co.nz
to register your team.

*Follow the Mackenzie Rugby Facebook
page for updates*

The Tradition of Capping

The 'Capping' of a sportsman has its origins in the mid-19th Century English Public School system. At that time inter-housefootball' (a loose description) was the main event in schools like Rugby,



Eaton and Charter House, where caps were awarded to those who had played well, or for a number of games. As the Rugby Football game began to develop separately from association football from 1863 onward, rugby clubs began to be formed throughout Britain, and coupled with the spread of the railway system the schools began playing each other. Not only were caps then awarded by schools and clubs but inter county representative rugby followed suit. I saw a collection of rugby caps in Oxford 30 years ago, there must have been hundreds of them in the collection.

In Britain they are generally referred to as 'Honours Caps'. Naturally enough the tradition came to New Zealand and was evident by the early 1880s. Capping was commonplace until the Second World War, when the practice almost died out. It was kept going by both private and state boarding schools, and survives today. Around 2000 the NZRFU began capping past All Blacks at various test match venues around the country, an exercise that took some two seasons.

About 6 years ago the SCRFU capped its twelve Centurions, which included the late Mick Casey (accepted by his son Gary) and Noel Glass. Pleasant Point also revived the tradition, as did Waimate earlier this season. The MacKenzie RFC had a number of players that had reached the milestone of 100 games at senior level, and a few that were about to. It was decided that caps would be the best way of recognising those that had played 100 matches for the club. Since 1990 the late Len King began to compile team statistics so that such milestones could be recorded. It was also felt that those prior to 1990 should also be recognised. No easy task to find all of them.

Before the club's prize giving 35 names had been put forward for the capping ceremony, but with an open mind that there would probably be more to add. Currently we are investigating another 17, in a process which will involve a possible matches per year formula and the scrutiny of Len King's scrap books.

JEREMY SUTHERLAND

TWILIGHT GOLF
Get your social ambrose team of 4 together or ring Geoff if you're interested in playing in a team.

Fairlie Golf Club
Wednesday 28 October @ 6.00 pm
All enquiries phone
Geoff Horler 027 668 2002

Mackenzie Champs 2020

The Fairlie Golf Club hosted the Women's Mackenzie Champs at Fairlie on Thursday 15th October 2020. After being postponed from the previous month, the small field enjoyed the surprisingly good weather and the course was in terrific condition. Thanks to everyone involved.

Senior

- Best Gross - Patsy Milne
- Best Nett - Annie Westgarth
- Best Stableford - Pam Niles/Ali Barrett
- Nearest the Pin - Ali Barrett

Intermediate

- Best Gross - Jo Lane
- Best Nett - Denise Biggs
- Best Stableford - Helen May
- Nearest the Pin - Mary McIlraith

Junior

- Best Gross - Marg Glass
- Best Nett - Francie Edge
- Best Stableford - Jo O'Neill/Val Sisson
- Nearest the Pin - Marg Glass

Mackenzie Swimming Club
Registrations are open for our 2020/2021 season
Please register by Friday 30th October 2020
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Ice Hockey Hangs up its Skates for 2020

Mackenzie Ice Hockey Club had its break up on Tuesday night, where they celebrated the successes of many of their club members after, what could only be described as a busy, crazy season comes to an end.

Even though the 2020 season had a shaky start (due to coronavirus) and we were unsure if we would even get to play any games the committee was determined to give our club members a chance to at least get on the ice.

The Seniors set up an in-house competition where the Twizel Salmon, the Tekapo Tahrs and the Fairlie Falcons fiercely fought it out on the ice each week to see who would take home the top honours at the end of the season. Unfortunately, the finals night was unable to happen as we went back into Level 2, which meant (based on games won) Twizel Salmon took out the 2020 Mackenzie Cup.

As the season moved on, the Southern Ice Hockey League tournaments got under way and our U12s, U15s and U18s were all able to play in these tournaments. We also had a number of players that were selected to play in the National League Teams.

Flynn Linton, Oliver Linton, Alex Power, Hamish Ryall and Isaac Ryall were all selected to play in the Dunedin Thunder U18 team which won the Silver Medal in the National Competition. Oliver Linton was also named Most Valuable Player for the Thunder. Joel Leppard and Finn Leppard were selected to play for the Southern Stampede U18 and came fourth in the same competition.

We also had Camryn Linton, Sam Power, Jessica Ryall, Sam Wansbrough, Katsu Ikai and Marcus Wilson selected to play in the Dunedin Thunder U15 Team. This team also won silver at their Nationals.

2020 Mackenzie Ice Hockey Club Awards

Kiwis (Learn to Play)

Most Promising Kiwi: Meara Tayem and Oscar Murphy

Under 12

Goaltender: Diam Pasaol

Outstanding Defence: Elijah Wilson

Outstanding Girl: Eden Bell

Most Improved Player: Diam Pasaol and James Simmonds

MVP (Rockets) Xavier Story

MVP (Sprockets) Theo Robinson and Alexander Story

Coaches Award: Niamh Ryall

Junior Sportsmanship Award: Archie Drummond

Under 15

Goaltender: Sam Wansbrough

Most Assists: Camryn Linton

Most Goals: Sam Power

Outstanding Defence: Jessica Ryall

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Superchamps Nationals 2020 - Squash

Mackenzie E Grade Ladies attended Nationals in Oamaru this month where they finished 2nd. The girls want to thank their supporters at the event and everyone who followed their progress though the week long tournament. Our special thanks goes to Gibson Brothers for their sponsorship! These girls put Mackenzie on the map and did the club proud - congratulations!



Picture: (Back) Vicki Rae (Coach), Kathryn May, Pip Oliver, Natasha McDonald, Tina Rintoul (Oamaru), Nadine Shearer (Front) Mags Gibson, Megz Mclvor

Outstanding Girl: Camryn Linton

Moat Improved Player: Sam Wansbrough

MVP: Sam Power

Seniors

MVP: Riley Jennings

Best Goalie: James Gordon

Rookie of the Year: Jack Ward

Best Forward: Harriet Miller-Brown

Best Defence: Brian Blanchard

Most Improved Player: Alex Murray

Greta Thunberg Award: Leon Geddes

We would also like to take this opportunity to give a huge shoutout to our sponsors for 2020:

Albury Ice Sports Foundation, Community Trust of Mid & South Canterbury Inc, Discover Tekapo, Four Square Tekapo, High Country Carpentry, Linton Distributors, LJ Hooker Real Estate Lake Tekapo, Peppers Bluewater Resort, Tekapo Springs, The Chalet, Trust Aoraki

With the support of our sponsors we have been able to make ice hockey more accessible to players by doing such things as subsidising ice time and providing playing kits that can be hired.

We look forward to enjoying the warmer months and then welcoming everyone back for the 2021 season.

TAKE CENTRE STAGE



October's worthy recipient of our 'good sort' award is Sarah O'Leary. Congratulations Sarah, you were nominated by the Mackenzie Junior Netball Club.

"We would love to nominate Sarah O'Leary for the Fairlie Good Sorts award. For those that know Sarah you will know she is a busy lady – four children, farming and giving of her time to a lot of volunteer groups in the years she has been in Fairlie. The Mackenzie Junior Netball Club is especially appreciative of the time she puts into coaching, managing and mentoring the players and coaches of our club AND she is quite often the taxi driver, not just for her own children, but very often their whole team! This means she is at practises on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons as well as at games in Timaru on Friday nights and Saturday mornings. Sarah always makes time to spend with individual players and has a real passion for netball and wanting all players and teams to achieve and grow. She is certainly an asset to our club and the future of netball in the Mackenzie and we want her to know we appreciate her!

Sarah has also been nominated for her contribution to the recently held Mackenzie Auction Evening Fundraiser for Westpac Helicopters. Sarah was one of 'Buster's Angels' and as a committee member worked tirelessly helping to organise the event and with a very practical can-do attitude. Her great sense of humour was also much appreciated.

- ⇒ **CELEBRATING OUR LOCALS**
- ⇒ **SUPPORTING OUR LOCALS**

Fairlie Saturday Second Hand Market

You're welcome to drop off donations to Heartlands, however to avoid any double handling, if possible, please contact Maureen McColl directly on 027 711 8906 thanks. All proceeds go back into the community.

Mackenzie Junior Netball

Junior netball finished for the season at the end of Term 2. A very fun and successful season was had by all despite all the hiccups Covid brought.

I would like to make a special mention to our coaches who this year not only had coaching to deal with, but also the court restrictions of Covid, having to supervise more children without parents being able to be on court, and quite often also transporting extra children. We thank you all for the huge amount of time and effort you put into coaching and supporting the children.

Junior Netball is all about players developing the core skills of netball so our end of year break up was a get together with all teams Year 1-8 where the kids got to display their core skills including pivoting, stable body position, shooting and passing. Certificates were given out on the day to those who best displayed consistent and correct skills. Well done to those girls who were recognised!



We also had 3 cups to give out this year with a special mention to our Year 7 Mackenzie Mystics team who won a cup from Netball South Canterbury for winning the Year 7 Yellow Section – a great achievement! The cup for Most Improved Year 7&8 player was awarded to Ashlynn McOsker and the Most Valuable Player Year 7&8 was awarded to Renee Habracken.

It has been amazing once again to see the girls love of netball grow during another season of netball. They have been very supportive of each other and with a shortage of players we have had a lot of helping out other teams which has created great club spirit. The future of Mackenzie Netball is looking bright!



Help for Family Violence

- both sexes can be subject to domestic violence!

Family harm is a high priority for Police and reducing the number and impact of family harm episodes is a key Police strategy.

Police take every opportunity to prevent harm and reduce offending and victimisation. Police is committed to a prompt, effective and nationally consistent approach to family harm episodes in collaboration with other agencies/iwi and with community partners.

Family violence can be physical, sexual or psychological. It is not a private matter, it is a crime. Preventing and effectively responding to family violence is one of the greatest opportunities to improve the wellbeing and safety of our communities, and we all have a role to play.

***Remember, in an emergency call 111.
Your call could save a life.***

Signs that someone is being harmed by a member of their family include:

Controlling behaviour	Intimidation
Threats to kill	Strangulation and choking
Physical or sexual violence	Jealousy or possessiveness
Stalking	

Children living in homes where family violence is present may:

Be fearful	Be silent and withdrawn
Be aggressive	Be unusually well-behaved
Suddenly change behaviour	Often be absent from school
Show signs of violence or bruising	

People experiencing family violence may be:

Fearful or nervous	Isolated or reclusive
Sad or angry	Lacking in confidence
Keeping secrets	Worried about a love one's reaction

If you suspect someone close to you is a victim of family violence, it's okay to get involved – you could save a life. You could ask them: Are you OK? Is someone hurting you? Is there anything I can do? Other tips include:

- ⇒ **Always call Police if you think someone is in danger**
- ⇒ **Talk about having a safety plan**
- ⇒ **Listen and take what they are saying seriously**
- ⇒ **Don't tell them what to do – let them make their own decisions, however long it may take**
- ⇒ **Give support, not advice.**
- ⇒ **Other information and support**

If you are a victim of family violence or in a relationship that makes you fearful about your own or anyone else's safety, seek help as soon as possible. You have the right to be safe.

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Breast Cancer Awareness - 31 October 2020

October is **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**, and there's no better time to show your support to the 3,300 Kiwis diagnosed with breast cancer each year. Numerous activities are planned nationwide to raise funds for prevention programs, support services and vital cancer research. The Pink Ribbon Street Appeal is back Friday 30th & Saturday 31st October 2020! Though this appeal may not happen in our town, a suggestion made is to meet with friends and talk about looking after each other and taking responsibility for looking after ourselves. If we notice change, do something about it! If we can have a mammogram, do it! Our area has had a number of people lose their breasts to cancer. Surgery and treatment take their toll. Life is never quite the same again but with our love and support, it is hoped that their burden is a little lighter.

So wear pink on the 31st. Wear it for your Nana, your Mum, your wife, your husband (cause breast cancer can hit men too) your sister, your friend! Wear it in support of those who have it or have had it!



FAIRLIE COMMUNITY VEHICLE TRUST



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Family Violence Information Line | 0800 456 450 |
Shine National Helpline | 0508 744 633 - 9am to 11pm |
Shakti - for migrant and refugee women | 0800 742 584 - 24 hours |
National Network of Stopping Violence | 03 391 0048 |
Elder Abuse Helpline | 0800 32 668 65 - 24 hours |
Gandhi Nivas(link is external) - supporting men to be free from violence | 0800 426 344 |
Hey Bro Helpline - supporting men to be free from violence | 0800 HeyBro (439 276) |
Hohou te rongo kahukura - outing violence - building rainbow communities free from violence |
You, Me, Us - promoting healthy queer, trans and takatāpui relationships |
Sensitive | 0800 735 566 |



SCHOOLS CALENDAR

Term 4

23 Oct	National Young Leaders	Mack Schools
24-29	Spirit of Adventure	Mack College
26 Oct	Labour Day	
27 Oct	Yr 7&8 Dress up	Mack College
28 Oct	SCPS MTB	Mack College
30 Oct	Top Teams	Fairlie Primary
12 Nov	Teacher Only Day	St Joseph's
23-27 Nov	Wellington Camp	St Joseph's
14 Dec	Last Day of Term	St Joseph's
15 Dec	Last Day for Leavers	St Joseph's

Fairlie Primary School

Last term, the Junior Syndicate were very excited to move into their new block. The Junior block has been completely refurbished and includes a brand new art space. The block has received great feedback from those in the community who have been through the space. Fairlie Primary School would like to say a massive thank you to all of the local contractors who helped put this space together. Here is what some of the Juniors think of their new classrooms.



"I like the new cupboards and the glass sliding doors so we can see Tui"
Jack O, Takahe



Mackenzie College Lip Sync

"I like the blue fluffy walls"
Ben, Korimako



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"I really care about our new classroom and I like playing in Piwakawaka"
Payton, Korimako

"I love it so much and I really enjoyed helping sort where everything in our new classroom would go"
Charlotte B, Tui



Education

St Joseph's School Fairlie

The refurbishment work has begun! We are finding learning opportunities along the way with our term focus on Buildings and Structures. The demolition work has been completed, and now the High Country Carpentry team have begun the building work! This week we had the excitement of a crane arrive to put in a beam that is replacing a wall that was taken down.



Here are some of our "Moments in Time" writing pieces.

The Crane By Ben and Niamh

*I felt the vibrating of the crane.
I saw the crane.
I saw the hole in the roof.
I wonder what it is doing.
It was very noisy.
I wonder how it got in.
There was a tiny gate on the roof and a tiny little ladder.
I heard the crane going beep beep beep beep beep.*

The Crane! By Photina and Fiona

*We heard the wind rushing, people working, the crane moving, birds flying away, kids chatting!
We saw the crane move up and up to the roof.
We also saw workers using their tools, a man putting safety tape up, so be careful!
We felt the cold, windy breeze. We felt excited and happy. We felt a nerve go down from watching the crane!
We wonder what they put in the crane or who is controlling the crane or what will happen next for the workers. We hope they have fun!*

The Crane At Our School

*By Fletcher, Angus, Harry O
I heard the cranes engine roar and the hydraulic pumps screaming.
I saw the crane in front of us and all the scaffolding around it.
I felt the hot smoke blowing past my face.
I wondered if I could drive a crane one day.*



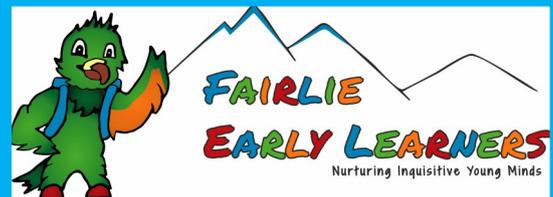
Fairlie Early Learners

Fairlie Early Learner's tamariki have just enjoyed 2 weeks of our school holiday programme and what a fun filled 2 weeks it was! We had visits from the fire engine and the ambulance, Pet's day, wheels days and enjoyed a feast of food which celebrated everyone's cultures.



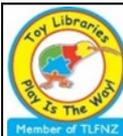
A highlight was also a community walk to the Fairlie Bakehouse where we all sat and had a hot chocolate before heading to the park for a play. It was a surprise to also bump into Constable Stu on the way home who showed us his police car and talked to us about his job.

This Month we are demonstrating great whanaungatanga by getting busy in the garden and designing a bean tipi where we will be shaded by beans in summer. Until then there is lots of watering and weeding to be done in the vege patch and we have lots of keen green fingers to get the jobs done!



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)
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Phone: 03 685 6263
Email: admin@fairlieearlylearners.co.nz



Mackenzie Toy Library

Open - Mon 9am-11am
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0276354413 or mackenzietoylibrary@gmail.com

(Castle - Kate Coochey 0279112542)



**Fairlie Area Kindergarten
Kaitiaki of the māra (garden).**

Our kindergarten gardens provide tamariki with many rich, meaningful learning opportunities. Through taking an active part in learning how to grow, harvest, prepare and share fresh seasonal food they develop an understanding of where food comes from and become increasingly knowledgeable and capable of keeping themselves healthy.



Tamariki make connecting links between home and kindergarten as they bring seeds and plants from home to pot and plant in their own gardens here.



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**Penny Wilson - 0210 232 2741
mackenziecommunitytekapo@gmail.com**

Finding Something New

Spring is often a time to change things up; whether it be a new health regime or hobby; we think of it as a season of light and growth. It has been great to see some new activities sprouting in the Tekapo community over the last weeks. Although we are a small town, there is a lot going on - so keep an eye on the Tekapo Community facebook page and in your postbox for updates! Perhaps this is a good chance to try something you've never done before;

- Join the local squash club - contact Hayden for more information 027 300 9364
- Try disc golf at the Regional Park - you can hire frisbees from the YHA
- Ladies line dancing on a Tuesday night, 7.00 pm at the Community Hall
- Attend a workshop, guest speaker or special event at a local business
- Try your hand at golf with twilight golf lessons - contact Kerryn for more information 027 471 0686
- Volunteer for a local working bee at the Tekapo Community Garden or the Regional Park
- Have an idea for something new? - then contact Penny and find out how we can start a new offering in Tekapo

Getting out and giving things a go is a great way to change things up; it is also a way to meet new people and connect with your community.

**SAVE THE DATE:
Arts and Heritage Festival
9-22nd November**

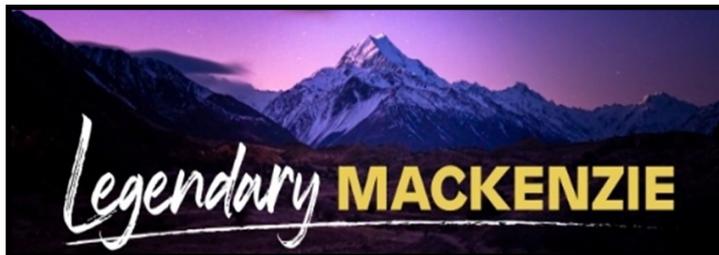
We look forward to celebrating the Arts with our local 20:20 competition and other activities throughout the week. Lake Tekapo will host the River City Jazz Band on Saturday 21st November from 4.30-6.00 pm at the Market Square. Bring a picnic and relax with family and friends for an evening of live music.



Tekapo Community Garden

Following our inaugural meeting on Sunday 18th November, we will keep the community posted on workshops and working

bees coming up. If you'd like to be involved, please contact Penny mackenziecommunitytekapo@gmail.com



Hello readers of the Fairlie Accessible,

Jason Menard from Twizel here, your local Mackenzie Tourism Marketing Executive. This year has certainly brought many difficult challenges for us all. At our recent Mackenzie Tourism update in Fairlie on the 8th I said that during times of crisis people often look to the past for comfort and a sense of belonging. They're keen to learn about their culture and history – to discover what has brought them to this point. They crave genuine connections, authentic hospitality, and stories that lend depth and context to places they visit.

The reason people come here is for our wide-open spaces, epic scenery and relaxed lifestyle. Too many visitors and we spoil the very reason they've come, so we need to be careful how we manage that going forward. I'm committed to being fair and equitable to all operators and ensuring that Mackenzie businesses thrive in accordance with the protected landscape.

During our recent Legendary Mackenzie campaign, I was diving deep into the history of our region. I now have 20 books about the Mackenzie in my personal collection. I've been learning more about our flora/fauna, Māori history, early settlers, Scottish shepherds, and so on. We have a unique Mackenzie perspective, please let me share this quote with you:

"The harsh climate and remoteness of the Mackenzie demanded strength of its men and woman, steel, a breadth of vision and self-sufficiency that would grow, in human terms, to match their grand environment. In later years it was said there was something special about the people who lived in the Mackenzie, an heroic proportion, and that when they spoke of 'going down' to the coast there was something more than physical about the descent."

Pattern of Water - The Great Southern Lakes of New Zealand by Philip Temple

A large part of my role is creating business listings on official regional website www.mackenzienz.com. Did you know every business in the Mackenzie is entitled to a free listing? Email me at jason.menard@mackenzienz.com and I'll get your listing sorted.

I look forward to working with you all as we collectively navigate an uncertain future from our base in paradise.

Cheers!

Jason Menard

Mackenzie Tourism Marketing Executive

OP SHOP-ERATION

Come to the Twizel Op Shop, Twizel Promotions or contact Lisa to purchase a numbered Op Shop-eration bag. Take this item and upcycle it into something new and fabulous. The two categories you can enter are - Clothing and Non Garment. Entries will be displayed at the Upcycle market on 28th November 2020.

Entries only open to Mackenzie District residents, Holiday home owners or Omarama and Otematata residents. For More information, contact Lisa on 0274353014 or Melissa on 0210454929.

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Arts and Heritage Festival 9-22 November 2020

9 November - AOTNZ "Say it with Flowers"

Mackenzie Community Centre, Fairlie 7.30 pm

A tour of top wordsmiths will come to Fairlie on 9th November. Poet Laureate of Aotearoa David Eggleton, the Kiwi Ranter, and the Welsh Kiwi storyteller, the former Bard of Christchurch on RNZ, Steve Thomas, are accompanied by master musician Richard Wallis.

Say It With Flowers is a title inspired by the English artist Banksy's famous wall image of a youthful masked flower thrower, flinging - not a Molotov cocktail, but a colourful bouquet of flowers, representing our common hopes for the peaceful resolution to the global issues of our time. "Say It with Flowers touches taboo subjects, such as politics, sport and religion with wit and topicality", says Steve Thomas. This is a free public performance bought to you by the Mackenzie Community Centre User Group. If it's a great night it will be on the outside steps, so bring your chair and vino, otherwise in the Theatre.

10 November - Mackenzie College Young Performer's Concert

- Mackenzie Community Centre, Fairlie

11 November - Armistice Day

10.50 am at the Albury Cenotaph

- Talking Heads

Mackenzie Community Library at 7.30 pm

- talking about the history of the town where four older locals share their memories

14 November - Saturday Second Hand Market

From 9 am outside Heartlands - live music at the market with Barry Adie

- **Celebrating Fairlie in Focus** - Wine and Cheese viewing of photos in the Mackenzie Community Centre Stadium at 5 pm

17 November - Anthonie Tonnan is 'Rail Land'

Mackenzie Community Centre \$20. Tickets from Heartlands (AOTNZ). 7.30 pm. A railway supper accompanies this evening!

A journey of the mind, through song and story about New Zealand's on and off again love affair with its passenger railway system. Equal parts tragedy, comedy, and personal memoir, Rail Land weaves the songs of Anthonie Tonnan with custom material written for the show, historical letters to the editor, and meticulous notes on the railway systems of New Zealand.

The show also travels with an exhibition of historic NZ Rail advertising department posters and schematic maps, blown up to large scale. Come enjoy the railway refreshments from the tearooms to conclude the evening!

19 November - Trains of New Zealand

Fairlie Heritage Museum or St Pat's Hall at 1.30 pm

20 November - Live Jazz on Main Street

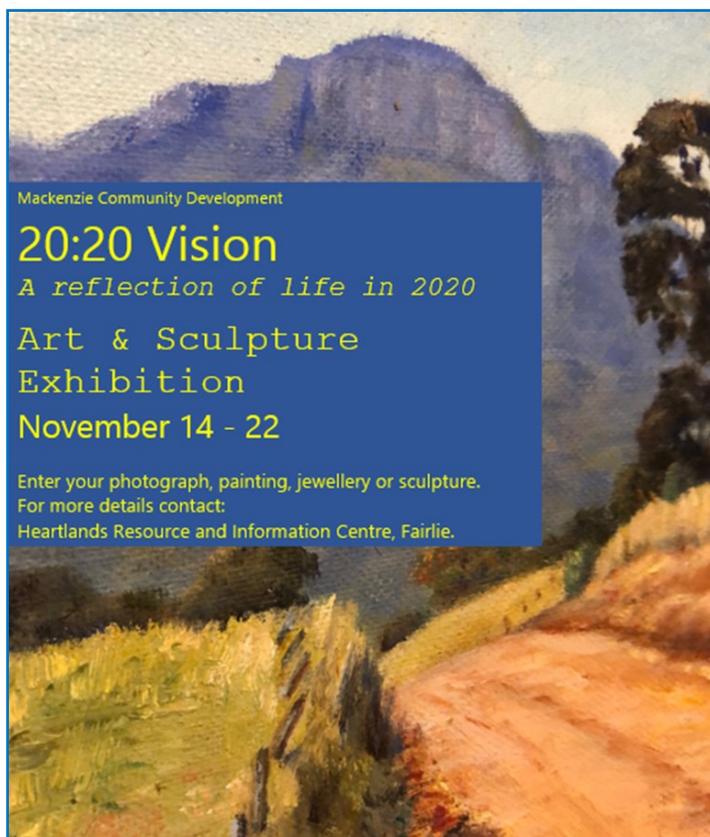
- in Bobby Square, Fairlie from 12 noon. Bring a chair!

21 November - Live Jazz in Lake Tekapo

River City Jazz Band from 4.30-6.00 pm at the Market Square, Lake Tekapo.

20/21 November - Mackenzie Theatre Group's 'The Greatest Show' - two nights only!

For bookings go online - www.mackenzietheatre.co.nz or contact Janine Walker 027 413 7504.



Get your entries in! 2D Art work (any medium), Photography, Sculpture & Jewellery. Entry forms available from Heartlands Resource & Information Centre, Art+Living or the Mackenzie Community Library.

Fairlie

Lisa North - 685 8496

mackenziecommunityfairlie@gmail.com



I wanted to share the following article I received from two Israelis who stayed in Fairlie during lockdown. Their story is a testament to the connectedness and giving nature of our community...

Never will we forget our trip to New Zealand. A collection of exciting and thrilling experiences that we have never imagined we would experience. We, an Israeli couple, started our journey when the Corona virus began to spread out of China to various countries around the world. We were sure isolated, as New Zealand would stay Covid19 free. We travelled in the Fiordland and the Catlin's area, encountered seals and penguins for the first time in our life.

After a month of travelling, Covid19 arrived in New Zealand and before we could decide whether to return home or stay - the government announced that NZ will move to alert level 4 in two days. We couldn't believe it. We only had two days to get organized and find a place to spend a four week lockdown; we couldn't find a way to fly home. We asked for help on websites that connect between tourists who look for hospitality and locals. Everyone preferred to avoid hosting tourists during this period, everyone except one person. One guy invited us to stay in his home, while he was away, during the lockdown. It is impossible to describe in words the feeling of relief and happiness we experienced in those moments. In seconds our situation changed, we weren't two stranded and scared tourists anymore, we had a home! Happy and excited, we drove 7 hours to a place that will forever remain in our hearts - Fairlie, a beautiful and quiet town, with smiling and pleasant people, surrounded by magical scenery of mountains.

As soon as we arrived, a warm welcome awaited us. Lisa who opened the door made sure to bring us eggs from her coop and Mary and Alistair left us with a basketful of garden vegetables. We felt we had reached the best place, surrounded by kind-hearted people; we would not be alone during this time. And so it was. During the whole lockdown we exchanged letters with our neighbours, who told us everything about Fairlie NZ, and life itself. Every morning when we woke up a surprise of delicious homemade NZ delicacies made by our lovely neighbours waited for us on the doorstep.

We spent our time exploring the nearby surroundings. We started to feel connected to Fairlie. We loved visiting the alpacas on the farm, see the cows and sheep, swimming in the creek and admiring the snow that was starting to cover the surrounding mountain edges. This was all due to Mary's great sites recommendations.

It's all so different from where we come from. The weather got cold and we did not have enough warm clothes because originally we did not plan to stay in New Zealand in winter, but luckily our good neighbours saved us again. Barbara and Mary provided us with a variety of warm clothes, they came to our aid countless times whenever we needed. When Lockdown ended, we continued our NZ journey.

A few months later our journey in New Zealand was nearing completion. We reached the far end of the North Island, and sadness filled our hearts. We looked at each other, exchanged a few glances and realized - we weren't going home until we say goodbye to Fairlie. We made it all the way back to the ferry, and then all the way to Fairlie. We were very excited to meet our neighbours again. Mary and Alistair hosted us at their home for a few days, enabling us to enjoy their company once more. Mary gave us a tour of the town, and told us countless stories about Fairlie's history.

It was so exciting to be in Fairlie again and to remember all the special experiences we had, thanks to the amazing people who surrounded us. We made one last trip to the alpacas, cows, sheep, lake, and finally felt we had a closure. We were ready to go home. We travelled for 7 months throughout NZ. From Slope point to Picton, Wellington to Cape Reinga, and we can say it in confidence, there isn't another place like Fairlie.

The generosity of a man who let 2 strangers stay in his house, the neighbours who made us feel at home from the first moment, the mountains, the river, the people, all of this and more is the reason why Fairlie will always be in our hearts.

*Thank you Fairlie, our second home!
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Our Community

Mackenzie Community Library *Hello from the library crew!*

We had a lovely visit from the Fairlie Play-group last month, with ngá tamariki enjoying choosing books with their whánau. They had some songs and a story with Bron before they went home. It was great to meet the younger brothers and sisters of some of the school pupils that visit with their classes, and meet some new faces too.



Our latest foyer display is all about gardening and plants. We have a range of books about making vegetable gardens, growing from seed, propagating, landscape gardening, shrubs and other plants, and

eating locally-produced and seasonal food. We also have lots of books about roses!!

By the time you are reading this, we will have held another 'Talking Heads' evening at the library on Tuesday night, hosted by Heartlands, talking all things gardening. If you haven't planted your vegetable seedlings yet, do not despair – come along to the Mackenzie College carpark, Kirke Street on Sunday 1st November for the Fairlie Seedling Swap from 10.00–11.00 am.

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And so the Fairlie Skate Park begins!

Today the first sod was turned on the build of the Fairlie Skatepark!

Like the wheels of a skateboard
Going round and round
So have been the years
To get the skate park in the ground!
To say they had some bumps
On the skate park track
Is an understatement
But now no turning back!
So to that little group who ran the raffles
Open days on Dobson, quizzes and more
The thanks of the youth of this community
Rests firmly at your door!

To you Jamie McMurtrie, Tim Hardy and the crew at the MDC - you worked to solve the problems. Thank you! Thank you again! We commend the project to Josh Horn and the crew from Civil Parks and thank them for bringing their skills to Fairlie and for their support!

Photo above: Surveying the land where the skate park will be! Kids of skate park group members - Courtney O'Neill, Will Cassie, Sam Cassie, Annabel Geary, original group leader Philippa Heslip, Josh Horn (builder) of Civil Parks and Project Manager Jamie McMurtrie!

HOPE FOR ALL

Anyone is welcome to come along and explore this message of **HOPE** at an informal, mixed age discussion group.

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Spring in Style - On Friday 9th October, Heartlands, in conjunction with Mint Boutique held a fundraiser at eat cafe. We had nine awesome models that showcased some of Mint Boutique's new spring and summer range of clothes. It was a fun night and we were blown away by the generosity of the Fairlie community and it was with great pleasure that we at Heartlands could hand over to Lesley O'Hara a cheque for \$1,000 that will go directly to the Aoraki Women's Fund.



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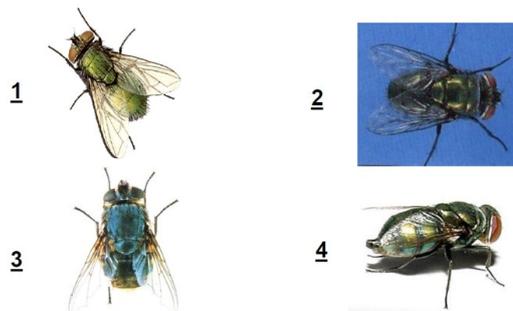
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Fly Strike in Sheep

As summer approaches it is the right time to think about protecting your sheep from fly strike – pet lambs and farmed flocks alike.

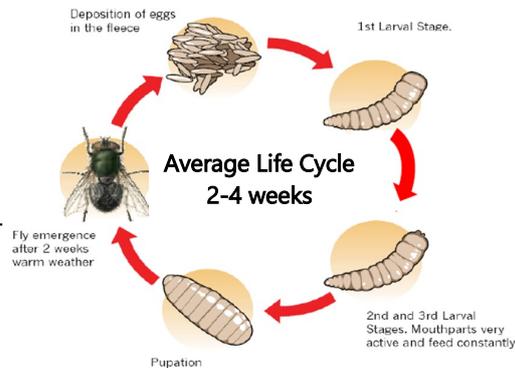
The flies that cause strike in New Zealand include these beasts (Photo courtesy of Elanco – looks best in colour with the online version of the Accessible).



1) Australian Green Blowfly 2) European Green Blowfly
3) Brown Blowfly 4) Hairy Maggot Blowfly

Flies are attracted to any warm, moist, smelly areas on a sheep or lamb which often means around the crutch/ backend. The flies lay eggs which hatch larvae. The first stage of larvae does little damage but the second and third stage larvae (which develop within a few days) have mouthparts that abrade the skin and they produce enzymes that liquefy the flesh – they do a lot of damage quickly. (See the Life Cycle diagram below, also courtesy of Elanco).

For those not sure what a sheep/lamb looks like with fly strike – they may twitch their backend, hang their head down in a distracted way and nibble at their backend. Looking closely at the wool around the backend but sometimes over the shoulder, you will see dark staining, smell a foul odour and see maggots wriggling. Death can occur within days and in the process the sheep can nourish half a million maggots.



Preventing fly strike requires good internal worm control to avoid dags (faecal material clinging to the wool), shearing or crutching to remove long, dirty wool and dags, and using fly strike prevention products.

Treatment of active strike will depend on how extensive the fly strike is. If you are unsure get advice from your vet.

Contributed by Aorangi Vets, Fairlie – Glenda, Brittany, Cate and Helen.

Our Community

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**- so you drive a vehicle?
- can you afford not to be here?**

If you are over 60 and driving a vehicle, then this little refresher time with Daniel Naude, South Canterbury Road Safety, is for you! Daniel delivers handy hints for driving and with so many older folk wanting to keep licences, it surely is of interest to many!

Daniel will be in Fairlie at the Mackenzie Community Lounge on Thursday 29th October from 10.00 am. Please enrol at Heartlands 685 8496 for catering purposes.



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CHRISTMAS COOKIES

Senior Gentlemen's Mackenzie Tour

During September our Senior Gentlemen headed off to the Mackenzie Basin on another monthly Mackenzie Tour. We met with George Empson, our celebrated local photographer and documenter of Tekapo history. We met on the southern shore of Lake Alexandrina for an afternoon tea while George shared the story of his Jomocraft Dinghy, including how his father bought the damaged Dinghy for 5 pounds from the Ministry of Works, sold it for 5 pounds to a butcher at Coutts' Butchery, and finally how George bought it again ... many years later for significantly more than 5 pounds.

George took us back to his place where we could admire his second, fully and lovingly restored Jomocraft. The craft was a pleasure to behold and it brought back memories, especially for Dick Guard and Colin



McKinnon who worked in Jomocraft Workshop.

Thanks to George and Judith for their hospitality in Lake Tekapo, to all our gentlemen for a fine afternoon of good company and to the Silverstream Hotel for hosting us all on the way back home.

This month's Mackenzie Tour for the senior gentlemen in our community will take place on the 29th October departing from the Resource Centre at 1 pm. This month's trip will include a visit and tour of Irishman's Creek Station and their museum. \$10 per person and bring spending money for a drink at the Silverstream Hotel on the way home. To book your seat contact Heartlands Fairlie Resource Centre phone 685 8496.



Christmas Cookies Fundraiser for St John

Please place your orders on the Christmas Cookie fundraising website above by 15 November.

St John Mackenzie would like to thank Franz and the team at Fairlie Bakehouse for their generosity in donating the spread for the AED training evening at the Bowling Club and also to the Operations Team Training Day. We, at St John Mackenzie, greatly appreciate your donation.

Our Community

Ohau Village Fire 2020 - Damon Smith, Station Officer

On the 4th of October shortly after 3.00am on Sunday morning we responded to the Fire Station after the fire siren alerted us to another call. We had just returned home from a previous call just 20 minutes earlier and with the wind blowing a gale I was not surprised that our service was needed once again. We were heading to Lake Ohau for a vegetation fire in pine trees behind Ohau Village and the call had just been upgraded to 3rd alarm.

As we headed up State Highway 8 towards Twizel the call details coming in over the truck radio was informing us that this particular call was going to be a rather large and significant event and our other appliance had also now been dispatched. Twizel and Omarama brigades were in attendance and along with Otematata, Tekapo and local rural fire parties we were making our way to Ohau Village. The first real sense of the scale of this fire was when we went over Burkes Pass and rounded Dog Kennel Corner.

The huge orange glow flooding the night sky over behind Twizel township was certainly impressive to see but also an indication that we were likely to be there for quite some time! Just after 4.30 am we arrived at the safe forward point which was approximately 5km away from Lake Middleton and Ohau Village. From here I radioed to the incident controller who gave me directions for both our appliances to head into Ohau Village to help with fire fighting to protect remaining structures.

So off we headed into the fire storm, when we got to the outer perimeter of the fire reality hit that we were going to experience something that none of us had before. The wind was howling, there was active fire burning on both sides of the road and hot embers and debris were flying everywhere through the air. The thick smoke made it difficult to even see the road at times.

As we drove towards the village it was apparent how fast and intense the fire was burning and the amount of destruction to trees it had caused. When we entered the Village we turned our attention to trying to save as many properties as possible. Upon exiting the truck for the first time the conditions we faced were almost unbearable.

The smoke and heat was very intense, the wind was gale force and loud along with sending various debris and building materials through the air. We were constantly being showered by hot embers from all the fire activity around us. For the next couple of hours we extinguished ground fires and parts of buildings that were just starting to burn or be threatened by advancing flames. There were many houses, boats, caravans and motor vehicles on fire.

The true scale of devastation was not apparent to us until daylight broke. As we progressed through the village moving from property to property we witnessed a scene that can only be described as nothing but a war zone.

To see so many buildings still burning and many totally obliterated was something I hope to never have to see again. The only things remaining in places were the concrete foundations, a pile of twisted iron and burnt out shells of which were once vehicles.

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Pictured above is Allan Gash, Damon Smith, Ben Harley, Leon Hunter and Marcus Dixon with Lucas Lanchester

Firewood Fundraiser

Last Monday, Lucas Lanchester arrived at the Fire Brigade with his parents, Aaron and Karen, and donated \$1,600 to the Fairlie Volunteer Fire Brigade. Lucas had raised this money by cutting kindling wood and selling it over the past year. Brigade members are very impressed with Lucas's selflessness. We all appreciate Lucas's kind gesture and will take time to think how to put this money to good use. Lucas was given a well-deserved ride home in the Fire Appliance.

We continued to carry out our fire fighting duties along side the other mentioned brigades thru until the middle of the afternoon when we were told that relief crews had arrived from Wanaka and Cromwell, and Queenstown and Alexandra were en-route. At the safe forward point the Command Unit from Timaru was now set-up and this became the incident control area and we completed our hand over to the other Brigades now in attendance.

We had done our part and it was time to head home, the drive back was full of discussion amongst the crew about what we had just experienced. There was a sense of achievement that the crews had saved a number of houses along with a couple of boats that otherwise would have succumbed to the fire.

As the Senior Attending Officer from the Fairlie Brigade and along with Station Officer Luke Haugh in charge of the other Fairlie appliance, I can't speak highly enough of our guys who were professional, highly effective and as usual totally committed to the task on hand. The other fire fighters in attendance no doubt also provided the same attributes as mentioned above, it certainly was one of the largest fire events this country has ever seen.

For everyone to have made it out of that village and surrounding properties that night in those conditions is, I think, a small miracle. To have no fire personnel suffer any injuries in this event shows that the skill level and training that fire fighters do is well worth the time and effort that so many people give to their Brigades.

Hopefully we do not have to attend another incident with this level of destruction and on this scale.



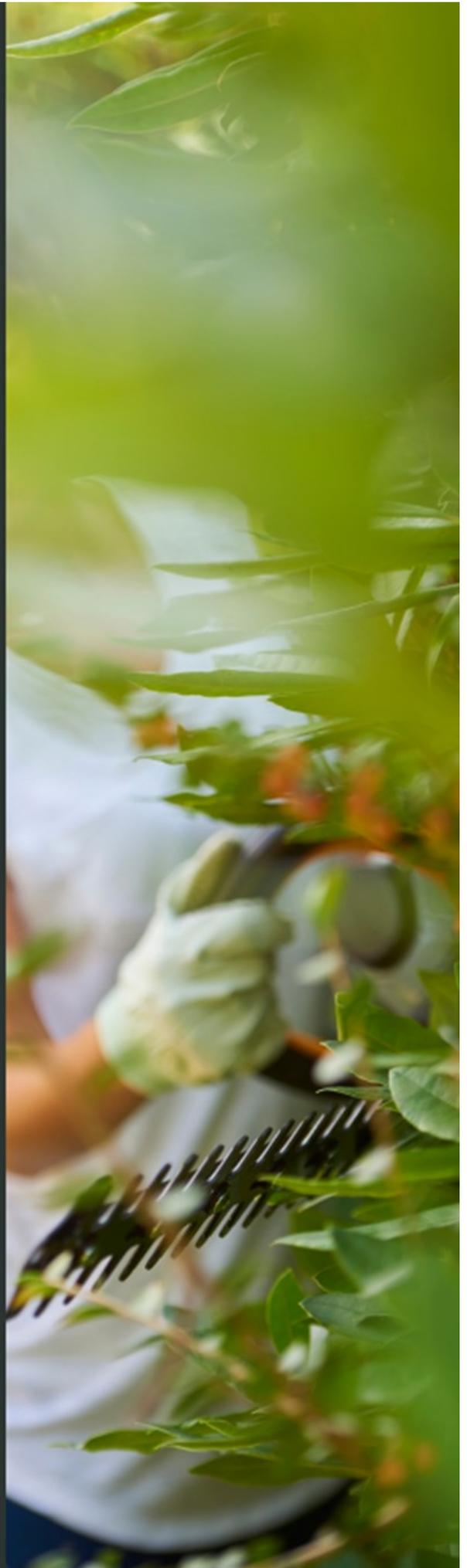
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Free Greenwaste Drop Off Day

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RESOURCE RECOVERY PARKS
FAIRLIE 12.30PM - 3.30PM
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This is for residential garden waste only e.g.
lawn clippings and tree trimmings. This is a
great opportunity to clear vegetation and
reduce fire risk before the summer.





Earlier this year, Council commissioned a risk assessment report into all our community assets and facilities. The purpose is to understand the current status of many of our community assets, identify risks and issues that needed addressing and start to inform an investment strategy for the future.

This report highlighted shortcomings from a health and safety perspective in many areas. Council has both a legal and a moral obligation to ensure that both members of our communities who use the facilities and employees who work in them are safe and that the risks associated are managed in accordance with appropriate industry standards.

One of the issues highlighted in the report was a lack of expertise regarding the management and operation of swimming pools. We are a small Council, and our pools only operate for a few months of the year and therefore heavily rely on seasonal employees. While recognising their commitment and the wonderful job they do, this poses several challenges:

- From a management perspective we don't have anyone qualified to oversee pool management on our staff. This is a specialist role, and it isn't feasible for someone to maintain the relevant skills and experience on a part time basis.
- We don't have the expertise to create and implement the procedures and processes to the standard required for the safe and lawful operation of our pools.
- We don't have the capability to provide initial and refresher training to pool staff.

Addressing these issues will take some time and would have led to a considerable delay in opening the pools for the 2020/2021 season.

Council recognises the amenity value of the pools to our communities, and rather than delay the opening of the pools, opted to outsource the management of the facilities for the forthcoming season. This is an operational matter and not a change to the level of service agreed with the community in the Long Term Plan (and therefore doesn't trigger the consultation process). The additional cost (which is a maximum and will be offset by user charges) will be funded from operational reserves and will not impact rates or user charges. This decision means that:

- The pools will provide the same level of service they have in previous years,
- No expected interruption in pool operation though the season,
- Pools will be operated by a Poolsafe accredited company,
- Council is fulfilling its legal and moral responsibility to minimise the risk of harm to users and employees,
- Council have time to consider (and consult with our communities) how pools in the District can be best managed and operated in the future.

Council is mindful that pools are a high-risk environment, and a high percentage of users are children – and therefore takes the view that their safe operation is paramount.

Council staff will now work with industry experts and our communities to plan how we can operate our pools in a safe and compliant manner, providing an agreed level of service in the most cost effective way. This planning will commence immediately with the intention of taking effect for the 2021/2022 pool season.

Your Choice

2022 Election Review

Every six years councils have to review how they are elected. We are keen to hear your views on the current arrangements in the Mackenzie District and whether you think these should change before the next local government election in 2022.

The goal of this review is to provide for 'effective representation of communities of interest' and 'fair representation of electors' (as required by the Local Government Act). In this process, the word "fair" means having equal representation for all voters across the district.

To start the process, we're keen to hear your view.

Have your say.

Please visit our engagement website to take a short survey and tell us your thoughts: <https://letstalk.mackenzie.govt.nz/representation-review>. If you need assistance call in to our offices in Fairlie or Twizel and our customer service team will help you register your feedback.



Let's talk
Kōrero mai



Mackenzie District Council is committed to providing opportunities for community input into decision making and believe that better outcomes are delivered as a result. Below is a list of current projects open for input - more will be added next week. Visit our engagement website - or call into one of our offices and one of our customer services team can help you to have your say.

Fairlie Community Board Projects

Following the enthusiastic discussions in the community regarding the Dog Park proposal, the Fairlie Community Board are keen to hear the communities thoughts on possible projects for 2020/2021. Projects can only take place within the Fairlie township and could include facilities (community centre & swimming pool), parks & reserves, town centre open spaces or walkways. Projects could involve improvements to existing facilities or the creation of new facilities. Closes 30 October 2020.

Spatial Plan Project

The Mackenzie Spatial Plans will create a 30-year vision of what the future could look like in Fairlie, Tekapo and Twizel. The project will ensure our main townships are maintained as places for people, ensuring growth can occur in a way that benefits the local community and improves where we live. Industry experts have worked with community focus groups to develop three options as a starting point for discussion, and want to hear your thoughts before we develop a draft. You don't need to agree with the options - but tell us why and what you think we should be doing instead. There will be another opportunity to comment on the draft once it's been produced. Closes 30 October 2020.

Your Choice: 2022 Representation Review

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YOUR TOWN, YOUR FUTURE
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MACKENZIE SPATIAL PLANS

Community Update and FAQ.

As many of you will be aware, Council is currently developing Spatial Plans for Fairlie, Tekapo/Takapō and Twizel as well as settlement plans for Albury, Kimbell and Burkes Pass (Te Kopi-O-Ōpihi).

We are currently gathering feedback from our communities on the Spatial Plan options, and this feedback will help our team identify what needs to be included in the final plans for each town. The survey and heaps of background information can be found on our Let's Talk website: <https://letstalk.mackenzie.govt.nz/mackenzie-spatial-plans>.

Community engagement is at the heart of this process, and we really want to make sure as many people as possible get the chance to have a say and help shape the next stages of this project. For this reason, we have extended the closing date of the survey for another two weeks. **The closing date is now Friday 30 October.**

We realise this is a complex project, particularly at this stage, as there are a range of options to consider for our larger towns. We've been having some great conversations across the district over the past few weeks and have received some really useful feedback so far.

There does, however, seem to be a bit of misinformation circulating, so it's important that we explain the process and clear up a couple of questions that we have been hearing.

What is the purpose of the Spatial Plans?

The Spatial Plans are being designed to help inform a range of future planning requirements, but the main thrust is to offer an evidence-based approach to the District Plan review, which will be kicking off in early 2021. The Spatial Plans will create a 30-year vision of what the future could look like in our main towns. They will inform how our towns grow and how we can improve them as places for people.

What do the options show?

The options show three different ways each town *could* grow. They are not meant to be detailed and are more designed to indicate the direction of travel that growth could take. There are a number of issues that will need to be worked out before these plans become part of Council Policy, but we need to start somewhere.

How have the plans been developed?

We've held a number of workshops with members of the community to help us select the types of growth outlined in the options. These workshops have been facilitated by leading experts in the fields of infrastructure and urban design, in line with industry best practice, with the resulting plans being informed by the information received at these workshops. More information is available at: <https://letstalk.mackenzie.govt.nz/mackenzie-spatial-plans>

What are the next steps in the process?

Once this initial stage of community engagement is over, the project team will take the results and use them to inform what the preferred plan looks like. It may be that the final plan is combination of options, or takes some good parts of all three and puts them together. Rest assured that the results of community engagement will directly inform this part of the process. We'll also be evaluating the options against a range of government measures and estimated feasibility and costs.

These options will then be presented to Council for approval and comment before going back out to the community for another chance to provide feedback. Following this, any changes required will be made and the final plans will be presented to council for adoption.

These will then be used to help inform the District Plan review, which will commence in early 2021.

When does the survey close?

We have extended the date as some people within the community were worried that one month wasn't long enough. We have listened to the community and extended it by two more weeks – the survey now closes on Friday 30 October.

Will there be more chances to have a say?

Yes, definitely. There will be another chance as part of this process to give feedback on the preferred option. Then, as part of the District Plan Review Process there will be several more opportunities for the community to have their say.

How have the growth projections been developed?

The growth projections have been developed by a specialist firm, who have a significant amount of experience putting together growth projections for local councils. They have considered a range of factors including economic drivers, the availability of jobs, employment trends, net migration and lifestyle factors such as education, retirement options and affordability.

It is important to note that these projections have factored the impact of COVID19 into the district's growth and we will likely revisit them in the next 12-24 months to see how we are tracking against them. Regardless, the levels of growth, particularly for Twizel and Tekapo, are high, and we need to plan for that.

Remember the District Plan is reviewed every 10 years, so any deviation from the predicted trend will be taken into account in the next iteration.

More questions?

We're here to help—it's important to us that you understand the process and the data so you can make an informed contribution to the project. If you have questions please email us (planning@mackenzie.govt.nz) or call us on 03 685 9010 to make an appointment to come in and see one of the planning team.





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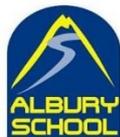
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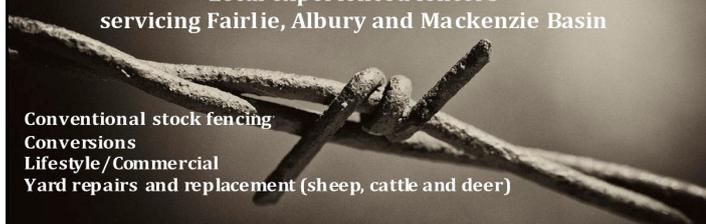
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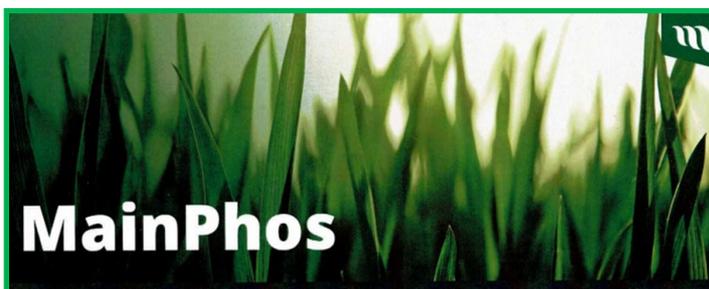
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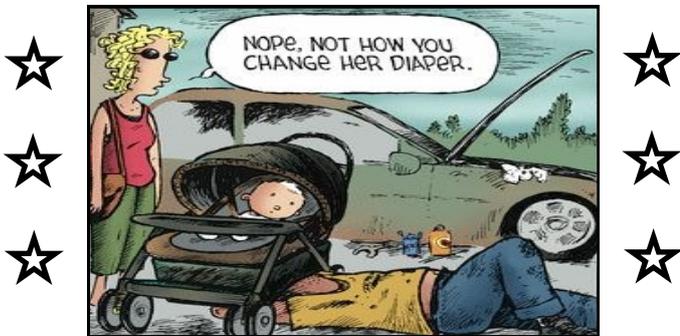
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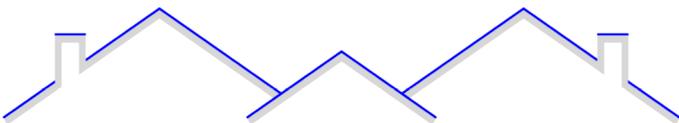
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KIRKE STREET, FAIRLIE
ALL SAINT'S SUNDAY GARDEN BLESSING
NOVEMBER 1ST 9.00AM

ST COLUMBA CHURCH

MAIN STREET, FAIRLIE
SUNDAY MORNING 10.00AM
NO SERVICE ON NOVEMBER 1ST

THE GOOD SHEPHERD

PIONEER DRIVE, LAKE TEKAPO
SUNDAY AFTERNOON 4.00PM

Mackenzie Community Church
www.churchofthegoodshepherd.org.nz
www.mackenziechurch.org.nz

Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Meets every Sunday

Community Centre Lounge 4.30pm

Everyone welcome

Phone Andrew Johnson 685 8222
(Grace Presbyterian Church of New Zealand)
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Mackenzie Catholic Parish

Sunday Vigil Mass - 6 pm every Saturday in Twizel

Sunday Mass - 9.30 am every Sunday in Fairlie

Last Sunday of every month

Mass at the Church of the Good Shepherd
in Tekapo at 6pm

St Patrick's Church, 7 Gall St, Fairlie Tel: 685 8148

*The Fairlie Accessible would love to hear from you!
Please share our community's success stories, let us
know of special events, special occasions and the
achievements of our amazing people!*

FAIRLIE - ALBURY - CAVE - LAKE TEKAPO

What's Happening

October

- 21 Babysitting Course
- 24/25 Brett Walker Music - Silverstream Hotel, Kimbell
- 25 Mackenzie Highland Spring Fling Showgrounds
- 25 **Free Greenwaste Drop Off Day at Resource Recovery Parks**
- 25 Meet author Owen Marshall at Blue Lake Eatery in Lake Tekapo 2 pm
- 26 Lion's Charity Golf Tournament
- 27 Packing Afternoon - Operation Christmas Child 103 School Road 2 pm
- 28 Twilight Golf begins
- 28 Fairlie Dinner Group Red Stag 6.30 pm
- 29 "Road Safety" Daniel Naude, Mack Comm Lounge 10 am
- 29 Fairlie Senior Gentlemen Tour - Irishman Creek
- 30 Touch Rugby begins
- 30/31 Pink Ribbon Street Appeal

November

- 1 All Saints Day Worship/Community Garden Morning Tea 9 am
- Seedling Swap College Carpark Kirke Street 10-11 am
- 3 Swimming Pool Opens
- 4 Conversational Spanish Lessons Heartlands 6-7 pm
- 7 Twizel House Tour 10 am - 3 pm
- 9/22 Art & Heritage Festival
- 9 "Say it with Flowers" Mack Community Centre 7.30 pm
- 10 Mackenzie College Young Performer's Concert
- 11 **Armistice Day Albury Cenotaph 10.50 am**
- 11 Talking Heads Storytelling Local History - Library

All Saints' Day Worship and Community Garden Morning Tea (1st November)

The Mackenzie Community Church will celebrate All Saints' Day on November 1st with a special worship service at St Stephen's, Kirke Street at 9.00 am. There won't be a worship service at St Columba that Sunday so please note that in your calendar. It would be wonderful if you could join us at St Stephen's. But if you are unable to arrive at 9 am please consider coming along at 10.00 am for morning tea and refreshments in the new Kirke Street Community Garden if the weather is fine. Bring a guitar and a song of praise. Children will love being outside in the sun!

You may also like to bring some vegetable seedlings and join the Seedling Swap at 10 am in the Mackenzie College carpark just a few metres up the street. All those involved in the Seedling Swap are welcome to join us for morning tea too.

Next Closing Date - Friday 30 October

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