



THE FAIRLIE ACCESSIBLE

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Delivered FREE to residents of Albury • Fairlie • Lake Tekapo and Districts

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Farewell 2020!

Each of us will remember 2020 in a different way. Some perhaps for the rest and time for reflection over the COVID lockdown, some perhaps for the renewal of appreciation for the environment and community we live in, some for the struggle faced and some for the utter sadness experienced losing a loved one!

The year we have had will flavour our celebration of Christmas! And though we know it is a time for celebration it will be a very difficult, sad and lonely time for many. The last thing you may feel like doing is reaching out to others! It isn't easy! You have to swallow, take a deep breath and let your strength of character take you through.

Like everyone else, I have I learnt many lessons this last year. I learnt just how resilient we can be, how many of us thrived and enjoyed the change of pace through lockdown. I learnt how generous people can be with their time when they feel appreciated. I learnt, as I have time and again that those who leave us leave heartache behind.

I've been made more aware this last year of how untruths can race through our community. It is easy to hear a story and spread it, without thought of consequence. Tales and untruths spread like wildfire, fuelled by those who haven't thought the situation through, or considered the other options which may in fact be the truth. Such viruses cut deep and people are hurt and left scared. Life can be tough enough without the added burden of gossip. Some tend to scoff at the Prime Minister's suggestion 'to be kind' but really it is a superb philosophy to live by!

Goodness and kindness abounds in the greater Fairlie, Lake Tekapo area and those little towns of Albury, Kimbell and Burkes Pass. There was no greater evidence of this than through and following lockdown. How wonderful it was to see the old ways return. Families out walking and biking together, talking over the fence to others as they passed. Food, flowers, vegetables, kiddies drawings and cards being delivered to others became the norm.

How quickly the months have passed and we see those little babies born back in lockdown, growing and bringing such joy with just a smile. It reminds us of just how quickly time passes, how life is so precious and how we all have to lift ourselves every day to live the best we can!

Fairlie Big Christmas Dinner
(with the support of Mackenzie Young Farmers)

EVERYONE WELCOME!
Whether you're alone or with family

Entry is \$15 pp with proceeds to the Fairlie Food Bank. BYO event.

Where: Mackenzie Rugby Clubrooms
When: Christmas Day!
Time: 12.30 pm

Please book in by 18th December email
theo.bennison@outlook.com
text 027 665 5670
phone Heartlands 685 8496

My heartfelt sympathy to those facing the first Christmas without someone you love. Hopefully the love and care of others is with you on your journey.

So as we leave this year behind, be reminded of what is of most value in our lives! For me it is those I love and continuing to make memories I can look back on as the years pass by! And being kind!

I believe myself fortunate to meet so many great folk who live in and add value to life in this community. I thank all those who have supported and assisted the Heartlands operation this year. I thank the members of the Mackenzie Community Enhancement Board, the staff and volunteers.

I wish us all well in 2021! But realistically we know there will be tough times. And if sickness, misfortune and sorrow befall us, let there be someone to take our hand and share the journey. Or let us be the one to do it for others. AT

Heartlands Fairlie Resource Centre and the Fairlie Accessible would like to wish our community a very Merry Christmas and thank you for your support and contributions during 2020.

Fairlie Mackenzie Heritage Museum

invites you to

FAIRLIE'S NEW YEAR'S DAY

1ST JANUARY 2021

at 2.00 pm



Vintage and Classic Vehicles

Mackenzie Highland Pipe Band

Decorate a Bike and come along

Perpetual Trophies awarded

Create a Float Horse Drawn, Oxen or People Powered



Lolly Scramble

Vintage and Classic vehicles

park up on the Village Green for public viewing

Stall holders welcome on the Village Green

To join the parade, gather at the Fairlie Motor Heritage Pavilion, Alloway Street at 1.00 pm. Then proceed to arrive at Main Street at 2.00 pm. Enquiries should be directed to Wayne Girvan 03 685 5898

KID'S CHRISTMAS ON THE FAIRLIE VILLAGE GREEN

From 5.30 pm Friday 18th December

Fun Games Races Santa arrives Decorated Christmas Bikes Singing Dancing Dress up in Christmas Theme Fairlie Fairies

Children bring along a homemade decoration to place on the tree! Bring a picnic tea! Or buy!



Kimbell Day - 2nd January 2021

2 pm behind the Silverstream Hotel



Live Music Bouncy Castle Horse Racing Pillow Fights BBQ
Clydesdales Sheaf Tossing Egg Throwing Tug of War

All children's entertainment FREE
Come and join us for an old-fashioned family fun day

"The Fairlie to Kimbell Walk"

The traditional walk is back again along the Fairlie Lions walkway by the Opihi River Park - meet in the paddock on the corner of Allandale Road/Clayton Road for a group start at 12.00 pm. Finishing behind the Silverstream Hotel via the Seddons Road river crossing.



What's Happening!

Just to be clear! The Fairlie Village Green – a community project! Update on Skate Park

A number of times of late, I have had to hold back on my reply to comments regarding the Fairlie Village Green, the playground and the much anticipated skatepark. These comments have implied that Fairlie has been the beneficiary of funding from the Mackenzie District Council, funds that weren't provided by them for development of playgrounds etc in other townships.

Not so! More than 20 years back a number of folk in the town talked of how we might develop the Green! Used only once a year for the New Year's Parade, this area seemed like such a waste of space. A local woman, Lyn Murray, drew us sketches of just what we might have. Riverstone seating, a raised amphi theatre, a lighted walkway through, a bus stop with covered seating, picnic tables and a playground.

It was at a meeting of the Mackenzie Community Enhancement Board that we discussed possibilities and it was decided to form a little working party to work towards development of the Green. Kevin O'Neill took up the reins and lead he did. Plans were drawn up and agreed upon by the Fairlie Community Board. Thanks to Claire and Pete Graham and Julie and Andy Brenner, and generous local firms, the work of creating the amphitheatre began. Once the amphitheatre was formed and planted out, the next move was towards a playground. More fundraising and with plans afoot the playground was purchased and erected. The Fairlie Lions built the wooden surround and helped with the seating. The carriage was bought to Fairlie to serve as the stage area. This was a joint project between the Fairlie Community Board with the Lions and Masonic Lodge helping enclosing the wagon and painting it.

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It was somewhat controversial building the playground where it is, with people commenting it was inappropriate to build a playground so near the public toilets. That may be, but the proximity to a toilet when playing at the playground or watching your kids play and a need to go to the loo – having it close was a bonus.

So now we await the completion of the skatepark and it being open for the young and not so young of the town! That too has been fundraised for with quiz nights, open days on Mt Dobson, a variety of activities and then applications for external funding began!



Community Trust of Mid and South Canterbury

The *Fox Peak Ski Club Inc* located inland in the *Mackenzie District* received \$11,740 towards the cost of re-roofing their lodge (which is nearly 90 years old and is one of the oldest ski clubs in New Zealand).

Blair Wilkinson – Vice President and Club Captain says *"This is a huge injection to an overdue project for the Club. After a low snow 2020 season this funding will be put to quick use to get us ready for a great season in 2021."*





Fairlie Swimming
fairlieswimming@xtra.co.nz
 027 541 8815



JANUARY LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAMME

Please get in touch if you want your little swimmer(s) booked in.
 11 – 16 January from 9 am @ \$8 per lesson/child.
 Email or text to confirm a spot by 4 January
 (payment to be made by the 8th of January)

Outward Bound offers Scholarships for people with a physical disability up challenge and outdoor adventure



The Outward Bound Activate course is an eight day course designed for individuals aged 18 years and over with a physical disability.

Places are still available on the February 2021 course that is taking place at the Anakiwa school from 3-10 February 2021.

With the support of the Ministry of Social Development, funded places are available.

For more information, please email Caroline Campbell, ccampbell@outwardbound.co.nz, or call 0800 688 927 or head to <https://www.outwardbound.co.nz/courses/activate/>.

Applications close Thursday, 31 December 2020.



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Looking forward to seeing everyone at Kimbell Day 2 Jan!

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FAIRLIE LIONS CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT



Mt Nessoning Golf Course

- Sunday 14th February 2021 - 1.00 pm tee off
- Ambrose Teams of Four
- Must include a golfer with official handicap
- Entry: \$100 includes twos
- Ladies, Men or Mixed
- Non Golfers Welcome
- Make up a team for a day of fun
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RAM ROUND UP



CONGRATULATIONS NEW LIFE MEMBER
PETER J DIVAN (LEFT)

Pete has been a hard working and committed member of our club starting as a player in 1986 playing 125+ games to our JAB delegate in 2020.

MRFC Committee 2021:

Aaron McCall (President) Matt Gibbs (Vice President) Keri-Ann Andrews (Secretary) Rachel Callaghan (Treasurer) Mitch Taylor (Club Captain) Kenny Everett (Assistant Club Captain) Claire Graham (Bar Manager) Dion Anderson (JAB Delegate) Kim Jordan (IAB Delegate) Hayden Dwyer, Lee Anderson and Jeremy Sutherland (Council of Clubs Representative) Paul Gallagher (Squash Club Representative)

Presidents Report:

Re-elect President Aaron McCall reported; while the season was somewhat disjointed with the first half of the year a right off due to covid 19 it is a credit to the coaches, managers and committee members that the teams performed so well. Both senior teams made the semi finals, the under 16.5 team made the final and the under 14.5 team got 7th. All the teams have exciting talent and carried themselves well throughout the year. We look forward to watching these teams push on further next year and watch with interest as these young players develop in to our senior leaders in the future.

As a committee we see the development of an U18 team as a key part in giving our younger players a pathway from IAB to seniors and helps to bridge the gap from U16.5 to Senior B, a gap we believe is too big both physically and socially.

A total of 75 players registered to play JAB for the club which again shows the club is in good heart.

While we were steering down the barrel of a loss on the spreadsheet this year we gave our sponsors a remission on their sponsorships, however a large amount of them chose to pay in full and we thank them for this. It is a credit to everyone involved that we managed to make a profit despite it being only half a season and some of our bigger games being taken away to Alpine Energy. While the bank balance is looking strong due to the hard work of this committee but also committees of years gone by, it is important to be calculated as to what we spend it on.

Reroofing of the clubrooms is an important one and will be completed this off season.

Lastly Aaron thanked the committee for their hard work throughout the year.

The Mackenzie Rugby Club would like to wish all supporters, players, management and sponsors a very merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year. We hope to see you on the side lines in 2021.
Follow the Mackenzie Rugby Facebook page for updates....

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The clinic will be closed for all stat holidays.

For emergency appointments contact Catherine Rose
catherine@macphys.co.nz



Thought of the week ...

Think of a tree. A big tree. It's probably more exposed than all the other trees. Now what has that tree been through in its life so far?

It started from a seed in a spot which it couldn't control. As it grew its roots into the ground to get hold of 'life fuel' it started to develop. Not enough water, nutrients or sun and its growth was slow, limited or non-existent.

Over the years the tree came across lots of challenges. When it was hot it had to seek deeper for water. When it was cold it had to drop its leaves and conserve its stores to get through the harsh times. When it was windy it had to grip on tighter to the ground to avoid being blown over.

Every adverse condition the tree went through increased its chances of survival. It made it stronger. It made it more drought resistant. It made it taller to get more sunlight. It thickened its bark and strengthened its fibres.

Let's say the tree has a choice. There's less and less water. I'll just dry up and die. The wind is so strong. I'll let it knock me over. The snow is cold and heavy. I'll let it weigh me down and break my branches. If this were the case, we would have very little or no trees at all. They all go through challenges every year to build on the year beforehand.

Let's say there are no challenging conditions. Unlimited water, no wind, no cold and no heat. No extremes, no challenges. How strong would you expect that tree to be? Would it grow too fast for its own good and fall over because the foundation was too weak? If an extreme event occurred, would it survive? Without the foundation and the skills to adapt, probably not.

Let's say you're the tree. You start going through your own life challenges. Learning to communicate, get mobile and other tasks which help with your survival.

You start to face challenges. Some you learn from and others you don't. As you progress through life each challenge you face and deal with sets you up for the next one. Because there will always be a next one. Life is a never-ending season of challenges.

When you look around the room or go to town and hear someone speak, they have all had their own challenges. Some challenges are by choice and some are forced upon them. Either way, they have a choice about how they are going to deal with it. Adapt to get stronger or give in and create weakness. Some of the strongest people you see out there have been through some of the toughest of challenges. Likewise, for the weakest.

You can't help what family you are born into or what challenges get thrown your way. What you can help however, is how you deal with them to make you stronger, tougher and more accepting than you've ever been before. Be the tree.



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Mackenzie Community Library

An Environmentally Sustainable Gift Idea from the Library:
Get someone the gift of a library membership to their local library. Give the gift of reading! Come in and order yours, for friends/family or even for yourself!

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the community for their continued support of our library and the services we offer. We are very fortunate to have such a well-resourced community library in our wee town.

The staff would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Safe Holidays.



The Library Crew

Library Christmas Hours

Fri 25th–Mon 28th Dec 2020 – CLOSED

Tues 29th–Thurs 31st Dec 2020 – 10.30 am–4 pm

Fri 1st–Mon 4th Jan 2021 – CLOSED

Tues 5th Jan 2021 – Normal Services Resume

Mackenzie Community Library

Summer Reading Programme

14 December 2020 to 22 January 2021

Exciting, free programme for ages 4 to Year 6 level.

Registrations open now - come & see your friendly librarians at Kirke Street, Fairlie or email libstaff@mackcollege.school.nz

**Maybe Christmas, he thought,
Doesn't come from a store.
Maybe Christmas, perhaps
means a little bit more.
The Grinch**

Albury School

It has been a wonderful first year as the Principal at Albury School. I am very proud that Albury School has a learning environment where the high expectations of our values are modelled through our ALBURY KID. Our ALBURY KID values are encouraged and enabled through the wide learning opportunities that we provide.

Albury School is a gem tucked away in our magnificent park like grounds. We have experienced staff who support students to be the best they can be in all areas of growth. Our students develop strong friendships not only within our school but with other students throughout the network of other rural schools in the area. We get our kids "out and about" – seeing, doing and living the dream of being Kiwi Kids.

Our school facilities include a magnificent indoor pool which has recently been reroofed and relined. This is be up and running in the new year. We have plans for a refurbishment of our traditional learning block in 2021, so this will provide a fresh new space for our students.

Next year Albury School starts on 1st February. If you would like your children to join us or if you would like any information about enrolling your children please email: office@albury.school.nz.

I wish our community an enjoyable summer holiday and look forward to seeing you all in 2021.

Christchurch Senior Camp. Students learning about robotics.



Grandparents Day at Albury School

Literacy Week Dress Up Day. Sophie shared her story "The Return of Thelma the Unicorn". We had a marvellous week celebrating literacy and bringing our favourite stories alive.



St Joseph's School - Fairlie

Thank you to the community for your wonderful support in 2020. Wishing you all a safe, happy and holy Christmas and New Year from all the children, parents and staff at St Joseph's School Fairlie.

Fairlie Primary School enjoyed their end of year fun day on Friday. This involved the children doing a range of activities such as swimming and playing on the bouncy castles. Our year 6 class showed their leadership skills by planning a disco and a scavenger hunt for the students. Each of these activities involved the students showing all of our school values, particularly confidence and resilience.

We would like to say a MASSIVE thank you to **High Country Hire** for the use of their bouncy castles. Here is what the students thought of their fun day.

"I enjoyed the bouncy castle because I like bouncing and going down the slides."
Ruby Horne

"I enjoyed going to the pool because we got to play on the boards."
George Hellier

"I loved the bouncy castle because I got to awesome jumps."
Poppy Tonkin



**** A BIG THANK YOU ****

Fairlie Plunket would like to thank all who supported our Christmas Truffles this year. To the mums who gave their time to help roll the thousands of little truffles, to Steph and Pete at Fairlie 4 Square and to all those locals who purchased a dozen or two. This is a big fundraiser for us to ensure we keep providing up-to-date toys and instruments in our Plunket rooms and Music & Movement sessions, and help those locally who need our support throughout the year.



To everyone in our Plunket community, we wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe and enjoyable holiday season. We look forward to seeing you all in 2021! Keep up to date with all Plunket activities for the little ones on our Facebook page: [Fairlie Plunket](#)

Bouncy Castle Hire



- Paw Patrol
- Frozen
- PJ Masks



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Education

Fairlie Early Learners

We are all really in the festive season now! Children's excitement levels have escalated since seeing Santa last week at our Christmas Party! What a great turn out- thank you to everyone who came. It is always a very relaxed atmosphere and a great opportunity to meet new whānau.



This Month we will be busy getting into the Christmas spirit by creating Christmas gifts and crafts. We will also be checking the mailbox each day to see if Santa has replied to all of our letters we sent a couple of weeks ago. We hope you all have a great Christmas break and that you get to spend well deserved, quality time with loved ones.

Stay safe and we look forward to seeing you all back in 2021. Meri Kirihimetei koutou!





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Mackenzie College Summer Uniform Time to start getting ready for 2021!!

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Please note that The Warehouse, Timaru **no longer** carry the green summer shorts so you must get them through us.

We are also now stocking the black CCC jackets.

Good quality, second-hand uniforms are available for purchase and we are happy to receive these. Please get in touch.

Heartlands Resource Centre is open

Monday - Friday 10 am-4 pm

Ph 685 8496

Email order to heartlandsfrontline@gmail.com

Fairlie Area Kindergarten

Meri Kirihimete / Merry Christmas

The finale of the kindergarten year is the annual Christmas celebration.

Father Christmas made his annual stopover at kindergarten and whānau and friends joined us as he presented tamariki with a small gift and the magic that is Christmas for them. Celebrations continued as magician Josh Grimaldi presented a wonderful show full of mystery and fun.

The teaching team, tamariki, and committee would like to wish our wonderful Fairlie community and surrounds, a very happy Christmas and holiday time with whānau.



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MOREH UPDATE

As a Board, we have recently engaged with a Health and Safety Auditor and have been made aware we need to get up to speed in our policy making and procedures. In an attempt to future proof a nursing home for Fairlie, we are engaging systems to update our knowledge (and put data online). We also want to honour Alison and ensure we have her knowledge in written form.

So over the next few months we are employing a Registered Nurse to begin the process of moving us onwards on our journey.

Barb Adams, Board Chairperson



ELDER MEN'S VAN TOUR

Aoraki or Mount Cook is always awe inspiring to behold and the view was stunning on Thursday when we took our senior gentlemen's monthly Van Tour on an outing to visit the mountain.

Equipped with a nourishing and abundant lunch we made our first stop at the Tasman Glacier carpark eating around the tables in the shelter before stretching our legs. The dramatic geological uplift of the Southern Alps and the mosaics of flora around the valley gives one a sense of tranquility and satisfaction.

We then travelled on to the Department of Conservation Visitor Centre where we spent a very pleasant hour viewing the displays. The original Visitor Centre was built by Dick Guard and three other builders back in 1972 - in the days before scaffolding and health and safety policies. Dick brought several photographs of the 1972 building project with him to the great interest of the Centre manager. The Visitor Centre has been added to in recent years and is architecturally impressive; like all good architecture (in my opinion) not drawing too much attention to itself integrating with the natural environment. In this case the Visitor Centre has a pleasing interior that telescopes out to Mt Cook/Aoraki framing the mountain as it towers up into the blue.



Fairlie Friendly Club

On Wednesday 9 December, 13 members enjoyed a lovely two course Christmas meal provided by The Silver Beats Marching Team.

This was followed by tea or coffee and a piece of Christmas cake made by Len Smith who has kindly donated beautiful Christmas cakes to our club for many years. This has been much appreciated by our members.

There were two members birthdays this month – Lois Campbell and Margaret Condon who were each presented with a shoulder spray and, a handmade birthday card kindly made by Bev Smith.

Raffle prizes were won by Doreen, Geri, Eunice, Leonie, Jenny, Margaret, Michael, Gwen, Roberta and Shona.

Wishing all members a happy and healthy Christmas and New Year.

Margaret Condon - Secretary

New Year's Day 2021 in Fairlie

This year the Parade leaves from behind the Fairlie Heritage Museum on Alloway Street at 2 pm, with assembly of all those taking part, from 1.00 pm. The Parade will follow the usual route of along Alloway, across Princes, left onto Regent and then down onto Main Street, turning left onto the green area opposite Moreh and heading for the Village Green.

The parade will once again finish on the Village Green with a grand display of all the entries and prizes awarded.

Come along and relax after the Parade and enjoy Denis Henderson, the Southern Man playing from 2.30 to 4.30 pm.

This year stalls are invited in the trees running parallel to Main Street. It is necessary to book a site at Heartlands and the fee for the site is \$15.

THE COUNTDOWN TO

2021

"The Southern Man"
@ 9.00 pm

On the Village Green

Followed by
a bonfire at
midnight



Mackenzie Toy Library

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Children's Christmas Store Sunday, 20th December

11:00 AM to 4:00 PM St. Patrick's Hall, Gall St.



Every child is invited. Gifts between \$.50 - \$3.00.
Proceeds to benefit the Fairlie Youth Recreational Fund for 2021.



Santa's Mailbox is in Fairlie's Bobby Square ... ready and waiting for your child's letter!

Treats for our older folk!

Monday, 21st, Santa's little helpers will be delivering Christmas Treats to the older folk! We welcome donations of truffles, shortbread, chocolates, fudge, slices etc.



We would like items to be ready for sorting by 11 am that morning. And we would love help from those who want to spread the spirit of the season by delivering these goodies. Little children especially welcome.

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Lake Tekapo

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In January 2020, the Mackenzie Community Development Project expanded its role in Lake Tekapo with a part time Community Development Worker. As a community we have faced lockdown, business restrictions, staffing challenges and visa delays amongst the many other curve balls the year has thrown at us. The community have supported one another, talked over fences, shared coffees, supported local businesses and hosted neighbourhood events; through it all I think you have all shown community development in action.

It has been a privilege to begin to build on this work with several key projects; securing a tenancy of the upstairs space at 8 Simpsons Lane, the Lake Tekapo Community Van, growing Neighbourhood Support networks and establishing the thriving Lake Tekapo Community Garden. We will continue to support local education, events, well-ness and cultural activities and connect, support and empower our awesome Lake Tekapo Community in 2021.

Be kind, stay safe, and look out for one another during this holiday season Xx

Meri Kirihimete - Merry Christmas!
Penny



For the past 11 years, Stu Watt, has worked tirelessly to keep the Tekapo village looking as tidy as possible. Emptying bins, mowing lawns, weedeating long grass and generally taking great pride in trying to keep Tekapo looking its best for visitors and residents alike.



Tekapo Community Board members Carol Simcox and Sharron Binns took great pleasure in presenting Stu with flowers as a thank you from the community for all his hard work. We all wish him the very best for a well deserved retirement!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!
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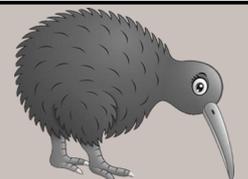
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Donations to this fund can be made through the Lake Tekapo Four Square Tekapo Services 1985 Ltd
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Kiwi Treasures

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Fairlie

Lisa North - 685 8496

mackenziecommunityfairlie@gmail.com



On Wednesday last week we had a fantastic turn out for Talking Heads @ the Library, our second "Night to Remember". Wandering down memory lane, or more appropriately, Fairlie Main Street from Moreh to the train station, with warm, fond and funny remembrances from our wiser folk.

We will begin Talking Heads @ the Library in February next year and would welcome any suggestions as to subject matter. So far we have, Brewing/Wine making, Beliefs, travel stories, Gloriavale and more history of the Mackenzie District. Looking forward to 2021!



I was thinking back to earlier in the year when we went into Level 4 lockdown and how we were bombarded with statistics regarding Covid-19. It became a habit to jump on the Worldmeter (sic) website to check out how various countries were scoring. How stoked were we with living in New Zealand and how proud were we of our nation-wide cooperative response?

I love statistics, but the following is rather sad and sobering...

The average annual road death toll in New Zealand is over 300, more than two-thirds are male. Perhaps we have become immune to these figures and fatalities, but why should we accept this?

Imagine if we had a response to the road toll as we did to Covid? We only lost 25 people to the pandemic. As a nation we pulled together and fought the 'whole of community' problem with a 'whole of community' solution.

We need a community focus on changing the culture of driving at excessive speeds, drink driving, text and driving, driving when we are fatigued and road frustration/rage.

We can't keep blaming our road accidents on our roads or our overseas drivers because that is obviously not the case according to the statistics. We can shift from the 'blame game' though and concentrate on saving Kiwi lives by fostering a culture of respect.

Respect for yourself, for your passengers, for other road users, for the road rules and laws.

We can practice social distancing in our cars! Try to keep 3 to 4 seconds (the required 2 seconds is way too close!) apart from the people in front.

We are all in this together!

Wishing you all a Merry Christmas, a Happy New Year and a very safe time on the roads!

Honorary Life Member - Liz Taylor

Mackenzie Highland Pipe Band appreciates the efforts of Liz Taylor Mackenzie Highland Pipe band's loyal and hard-working side drummer has earned the prestigious title of Honorary Life Member.

Liz has been coming to Fairlie for weekly band practices for 25 years. For most of that time it has meant a 120 km round trip from Timaru. Liz is always up for a parade and this includes the 2km hike in the Timaru Christmas Parade through Stafford Street, nursing various injuries.

The weight of her drum is not to be underestimated. In the last 2 years we have seen Liz with her arm in plaster, wearing a moon boot, and her leg in a brace and she still comes to band practice.

Liz has played competitively for the Mackenzie Highland Pipe Band, Waimate Pipe Band and the Timaru Ladies Pipe band, where she began her career at 13 years old.

Not happy to be just playing in a parade at a venue, Liz takes every opportunity to show her culinary skills. Mayfield and Mackenzie A & P Shows see Liz arriving early with a carload of preserves, baking, knitting and embroidery. Liz is very happy when she sweeps away the prizes!! A band's supper is not complete without considerable effort from Liz – meeting dietary needs so we can all sample her cooking. Her gluten free cream horns are just delectable.

Lately Liz has taken on the role of Drum Sergeant. She leads the drum corp. and is encouraging to all drummers and is passing on her skills in side drumming. Even though Liz has been playing side drums for over 47 years she still attends available training workshops and encourages other drummers to do the same.

Congratulations Liz, we are proud of you, and your Honorary Membership is a just reward for your contribution to our band.





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CHANGE OF FIRE SEASON STATUS FOR MID-SOUTH CANTERBURY



Notice is given under section 56(1)(b) of the Fire and Emergency New Zealand Act 2017 that a Change of Fire Season status has been declared from midnight WEDNESDAY 16 DECEMBER 2020 in the following area(s) until revoked or amended by Fire and Emergency New Zealand:

in the whole area of the Mid-South Canterbury district between the Rakaia River and the Waitaki River, sea to the Alps.

RESTRICTED FIRE SEASON (PERMIT REQUIRED) for:
High Country Zones
Ashburton Coastal, Timaru Coastal and Waimate Coastal Zones
Geraldine and Waimate Forest Zones

A permit is required to light a fire in open air in these areas. See www.checkitsalright.nz to apply for a permit online or call 0800 658 628. You can also check for types of fire which have been authorised as not being fires in open air and do not need a permit.

You commit an offence if you knowingly or recklessly light, or allow another person to light, a fire in open air in an area that is in a Restricted Fire Season unless under a permit. Any permits issued during a Restricted Fire Season are suspended if Fire and Emergency declares a Prohibited Fire Season, or prohibits fire in open air in the area.

R A Hands - Principal Rural Fire Officer
Mid-South Canterbury Rural Area 22
Fairlie Accessible Issue 20-25

Xmas Rocky Road

- 100g packet Pams Multi-coloured Baking Mallows
- 70g packet Pams Slivered Almonds, toasted
- ½ packet Pams Jelly Snakes, cut into pieces
- 375g Milk Chocolate buttons or melts
- 2 tbs vegetable shortening

1. Line an 18cm-square cake tin with non-stick baking paper.
2. Combine marshmallows, toasted almonds and jelly snakes in a bowl.
3. Heat chocolate and vegetable shortening in the microwave on a medium heat until just melted. Stir to combine. Cool for 5 minutes.
4. Pour cooled melted chocolate over remaining ingredients and stir to coat bits with chocolate. Spoon the mixture into the prepared tin. Leave to set for 2 hours, and then cut into squares.



It's good to have a day without the wind and it wasn't that long ago we had 30mm of rain. It is drying out quickly so take care with fireworks or starting any type of fire. Check for trees hanging over buildings and check your spoutings are free of dried out debris that could easily catch a light with windblown embers. We have mentioned before about checking the BBQ for gas leaks with soapy water.



Now that some of you have the boat out, check that all the fuel lines are tight and there is no weeping from the joints - 4 litres of fuel is equal to 14 sticks of dynamite!

The Brigade has had 9 calls since our last report - 4 scrub fires, 3 medical calls, 1 Motor Vehicle Accident and 1 power wires arching.

With the year coming to a close we would like to thank all those people that help or have supported the Brigade over the last year, it has been a trying year. If you need an update or advice go to "checkitsalright" online, call 0800 658 628 or ask a Brigade member. To apply for a permit log onto www.checkitsalright before you light and following the link to apply for a fire permit. As always, in an emergency call 111.

Ray Gardner has completed 50 years service with the Fairlie Brigade, the Brigade will celebrate this early in the new year.

The members of the Fairlie Fire Brigade wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas. Not sure of the song but "I meet a girl that sang the blues, I asked her for some happy news" - perhaps 2021 will be full of happy news!

Wayne Dixon



Wishing you all a very Merry Xmas and Happy New Year –

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Happy Birthdays - December

- 1st Maree Handy - 60th
- 6th Chris O'Neill - 45th
- 9th Trine Harris
- 9th Ken Robertson
- 10th Maureen McColl
- 10th Phyl Jones - Happy 81st from Maureen!
- 12th Lois Campbell - 80th
- 12th Robyn Coles
- 12th Arlene Waite - 80th
- 14th Garth Nixon - 55th
- 14th Kiri Bishop
- 19th Bridget Anderson
- 19th Susie Gallagher
- 19th Noeline Smith & Kathy Cassie - 65th
- 19th James Rennie
- 21st Manoj Vohra
- 23rd Ashleigh Humphrey
- 23rd Phil Braddick
- 24th Luke Haugh
- 27th Gerry O'Neill - 65th
- 31st Margaret Condon

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Tips & tricks for a Safe Summer



Mackenzie District Council wants everyone to have a great summer - please read these messages from our partner agencies to help you and your whanau stay safe.

Environment Canterbury - Water Safety Tips



Research shows there are a few things you can do to reduce the risk you or your family on the water this summer:

Swimming

- Keep young children within arm's reach
- Never swim alone
- Don't overestimate your ability
- If in doubt, stay out!
- Be sun smart - slip, slop, slap & wrap

Boating

- Always wear your lifejacket
- Check the forecast
- Take two waterproof ways to call for help that will work in the area you're boating in
- Avoid alcohol
- Be a good skipper

Find out more about what you can do to prepare for a safe summer on the water at ecan.govt.nz/gethomesafe

You can find the latest information about water quality and cyanobacteria risks for any monitored site in the country at the Land Air Water Aotearoa website: <https://www.lawa.org.nz/explore-data/swimming/>



Holiday Driving



More vehicles on the road means a higher risk of crashes. People are driving on unfamiliar roads, driving for long hours and under increased stress. Taking the following steps can reduce the risk of an accident:

- Plan ahead & drive to the conditions
- Slow down through road-works
- Be alert & watch out for fatigue
- Wear a seatbelt & don't use your phone while driving
- Never drink and drive

Find more information at www.nzta.govt.nz



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Civil Defence - Holiday Tips



- While on holiday, we need to be aware of the local hazards. The easiest way to do this is to visit the local council Civil Defence and Emergency Management website.
- When you book into your holiday spot ask for information on their emergency plans, including assembly points and how they will communicate with you during an emergency.
- Can you and your family survive on your own for the minimum of 3 days without any assistance? This includes food, water, medication, and ways of cooking your meals and don't forget about your pets.
- How can you communicate with your extended family, or if you are required to relocate what is your new meeting place if your family is separated. Texting is best so that the cell towers aren't overloaded.

Civil Defence Information for the Mackenzie District can be found at mackenzie.govt.nz/Site/A-Z/A-C/Civildefence.asp



Fire & Emergency NZ - Holiday Fire Safety



- Thinking of lighting a fire? Please check to see if its ok first. Visit checkitsalright.nz and ecan.govt.nz/outdoorburning and remember to ensure you follow all local rules.
- Don't leave fires unattended
- Using gas for camping? Regularly check connections (use a spray bottle with soapy water - if you see bubbles you have a leak. Please fix it!
- Having the good old campfire, Hāngī, umu or lavo? Learn how to do it safely <https://www.fireandemergency.nz/recreational-and-cultural/>



St John - Tips to help you stay safe



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Call 111 in an emergency.

- Be sun smart! Slip, slop, slap and wrap!
- A pre-existing medical condition can quickly become an emergency if medication isn't available, so remember to stock up on your routine medicines before going on holiday.
- Make sure no little ones are playing near the barbeque as contact with any source of heat can cause a burn or scald injury. If someone suffers a burn or scald, remove the patient from the heat source or vice versa (whichever is safest), immediately cool the injured area for a minimum of 20 minutes using cool running water from a tap or shower. In the absence of water use any cool clean fluid such as beer or soft drink. A first aid burn gel may be applied but this should only be done after cooling the injured area with water. If the patient is badly injured, or the burn is causing significant pain, or it involves the eyes or is larger than half of the patient's arm call 111 for an ambulance.
- Remember to keep batteries from Christmas gifts and small items away from children to avoid swallowing. The item can become lodged in the oesophagus with dangerous results.
- If away from home, know your exact address in case you need to call for help.
- Be prepared; travel with a St John first aid kit and download the free St John CPR app which teaches the life saving skills of cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR).
- Drink sensibly and make sure everyone gets home safely. Have a plan before heading out, don't drink and drive, drink plenty of water during the night, and please don't leave an intoxicated person on their own.



NZ Police - Burglary Prevention Tips



- Lock your car and your garage.
- Keep the doors locked, even when you are at home.
- Keep your spare key in a safe place. Burglars know all the usual places.
- Generally, the more expensive the lock, the more effective it will be.
- Consider installing burglar alarms.



In an emergency, call 111.

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas!

FROM THE TEAM AT
MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Our offices in Fairlie and Twizel will be closed from midday on 24 December 2020, reopening at 8.30am on Monday 11 January 2021. Provision has been made to ensure continuity of essential services over the holiday period. You can contact Council for urgent issues 24 hours a day on our customer services helpline on 0800 685 8514.

Please see our website for details of the cut off dates for LIM reports, building inspections and consent applications.

www.mackenzie.govt.nz

Christmas Services



Twizel Post Shop hours:

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| 24 December | Close at midday |
| 25 December - 4 January | Closed |
| 5 January - 8 January | Open 10am - midday |
| 11 January | Normal opening hours |

Kerbside Collections:

Bin collections will take place on the usual day. There will be additional red bin collections on:

Twizel: 28 & 29 December
Tekapo: 6 January



Recovery Parks:



Closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day and 2 January. On 4 & 5 January, Twizel will open early at 10am. On 4th January, Tekapo will open from 9 - 11.30am. Other opening hours can be found on our website.



Please recycle:

Plain wrapping paper
Cardboard boxes, clean bottles & jars. Remove glitter, bows etc from Christmas cards.

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Please don't recycle:

Shiny or glittered wrapping paper, batteries, soiled paper cups & plates, baubles, tinsel & artificial wreaths.

Plastics

Tel: 0800 685 8514 www.mackenzie.govt.nz

Public Notices

REOPENING THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Church of the Good Shepherd has just resumed opening over Summer 2020-2021 from 10 December and we have great hopes of opening beyond that time. It has been a complex year with Covid-19's lockdown and the closing of our borders to travellers. These changes meant we needed to close the church and stop our daily guiding.

Much of our conversation as a committee since Covid's disruption has focused on what approach we believe will be best for the church as a spiritual taonga, a "thin place" as the ancient Celtic Christians would have described it. We have been concerned for many years now that the commercialization of the church in the midst of a very busy tourism route has made it more difficult for visitors to experience God's love for the world as they sit in the church. Honking buses and constant throngs of photographers has been a challenge! Much of our efforts have sought to foster the special feel of the church by playing devotional, meditative music, developing the landscaping, maintaining a quiet interior and not allowing photographs to be taken inside. Our guides did very well under often testing conditions.

Our focus for the future is to ensure the church is used as a place of prayer and worship and that commercial concerns do not overtake this vision. We know that the busyness will return so now is the best time for us to adjust our approach to opening the church and guiding. With this in mind we have decided to open the church, at this stage, for limited hours in the late afternoon from 4 pm-7 pm from Wednesday to Sunday. This may not be the most commercially sensible approach, but it will allow those who are staying in the village over the evening to enjoy the church while they take a stroll. These times will be publicized on our website and shared with accommodation providers and businesses in Lake Takapō.

As we resume opening the church we have chosen to rely on volunteer guides rather than paid staff. We have made this decision due to a number of people who have volunteered to guide. We also believe that volunteering is a rewarding way to contribute to the life of both church and community and one way we can avoid over commercialisation. We would like to invite former guides, members of the church and the wider community, including individuals or groups who might come to Lake Takapō with a desire to serve in the church by temporarily joining our guiding team. Training will be provided for all the guiding team and fuel cost will be reimbursed to any volunteers who need to drive from further afield, such as Twizel or Fairlie.

Our new approach to guiding will include offering short guided tours between 4-6pm and also an hour of contemplative quiet with some guided prayer from 6-7pm.

If you are interested in volunteering as a guide, please contact the Rev Andrew McDonald to find out more: minister@mackenziechurch.org.nz



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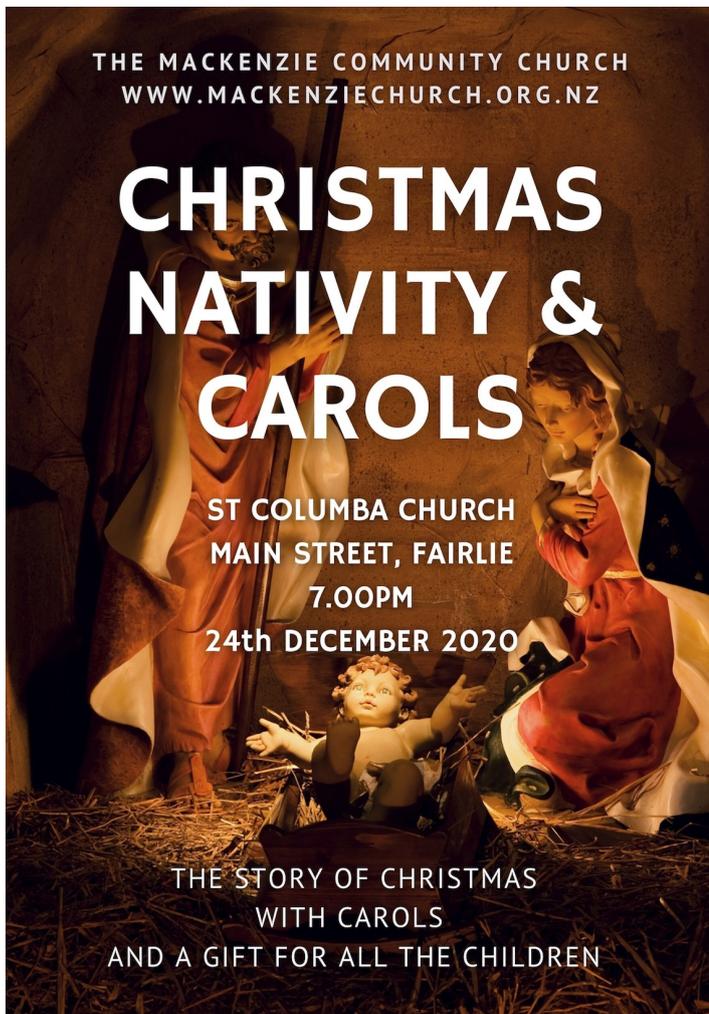
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7.00PM
24th DECEMBER 2020



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CHRISTMAS WORSHIP 2020



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DECEMBER 20, 2020
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THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD 4PM

CHRISTMAS EVE
NATIVITY AND CAROLS, ST COLUMBA, 7PM
EUCARIST, THE GOOD SHEPHERD, 10PM

CHRISTMAS DAY
EUCARIST, ST STEPHEN'S, FAIRLIE 9AM
CAROL SERVICE, THE GOOD SHEPHERD 10AM

Mackenzie Community Church
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www.mackenziechurch.org.nz
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Rockwood
Retreat

Tuesdays 7:00pm - 8:30pm

Dec 17 *Thursday* all welcome to join for
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Dec 22 Bible Study: Why was Jesus Born?

Dec 29 Bible Study: A New Start

Jan 12 *Topic to be confirmed...*

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MACKENZIE COMMUNITY CHURCH

NEW WORSHIP TIMES

ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH
KIRKE STREET, FAIRLIE
1ST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH
9.00AM (SUMMER), 10.00AM (WINTER)

ST COLUMBA CHURCH
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10.00AM (ALL YEAR)

THE GOOD SHEPHERD
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Mackenzie Catholic Parish

Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve:
Carol Service 9.30 pm
Mass 10.00 pm

Christmas Day: Mass 9.30 am



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Situations Vacant



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Mackenzie Basin Wilding Tree Trust

WILDING CONIFER / BIODIVERSITY COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FACILITATOR

The trustees of the Mackenzie Basin Wilding Tree Trust are seeking to contract a Community Engagement Facilitator, based in the Mackenzie, to be responsible for leading and delivering the Trust's community engagement over the next three years.

The Mackenzie Basin Wilding Tree Trust is an independent charitable Trust created in 2016 to promote knowledge about the impact of wilding trees in the Mackenzie Basin and to work with stakeholders and landowners to implement a strategic approach to deal with the challenges presented by wilding trees.

Working in close collaboration with the trustees and the other key partners the successful applicant will develop and disseminate education and awareness resources about the wilding tree risk and facilitate active engagement across the communities in the Mackenzie Basin. The outcomes of this project are a vital part of ensuring the success of the \$24M National Wilding Conifer Control Programme in the Mackenzie which is currently underway.

This project will focus on lifestyle and residential land owners, schools and a volunteer programme. It will involve both group and individual liaison with these communities.

The ideal applicant will possess a mix of experience, skills and attributes including:

- Ability to engage with communities and schools at a group and individual level
- Clear and concise oral and written communication skills including publication development, and ability to use social media and websites
- Leadership and motivational skills including public speaking and the ability to manage a volunteer programme
- Project and risk management skills
- Developing and reporting on the annual work programme
- A high standard of professional conduct and a self-motivated work ethic,
- Resilient and adaptable when faced with challenges
- Ability to work collaboratively with the trustees and other partner agencies
- A genuine commitment to the purpose of the Trust and conservation is required

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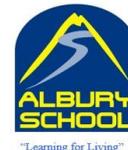
The role is a fixed term contract for services (independent contractor) for an initial 12-month term, commencing mid – February 2021. It is envisaged the contract role will require up to 20 hours per week.

A detailed contract role description is available from The Secretary at mackenziewildings@gmail.com

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Season's Greetings

Parliament is an interesting place – it's a bit chaotic, sometimes combative and it's a complete contrast to the more genial scenes that I see on Fairlie's Main Street!

So when a group from St Joseph's school came through the doors at Parliament recently, with their friendly faces, polite questions and general enthusiasm - it was a welcome sight.

The younger generation have a lovely way of keeping things real, they say what's on their mind, look for the positives and have an innocence that should be protected. They are a wonderful reminder of who we are in Parliament to represent.

And I've been in awe of the people I represent this year. The Mackenzie District has been through so much, first with COVID-19 and the lockdown and then with the two fires that caused so much damage at Pukaki and Ohau.

I know volunteer firefighters from around Fairlie played a key role in responding to those events. I take my hat off to them and all those who helped and supported those affected during what was an incredibly difficult time.

Being a good neighbour and a good citizen is something most of us strive to be, but taking the next step and volunteering to be an emergency responder, with all that it entails, shows a deep commitment to your community and those around you.

A strong community spirit has certainly helped this district to weather some tough storms in 2020, and is something that should be celebrated as we reflect on the year that's been.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all Fairlie Accessible readers a happy festive season – stay safe on the roads and enjoy the company of those around you.

Jacqui Dean MP



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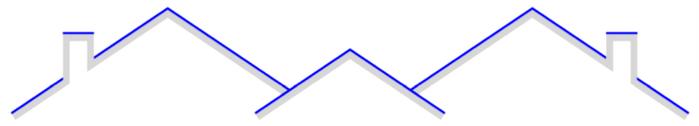
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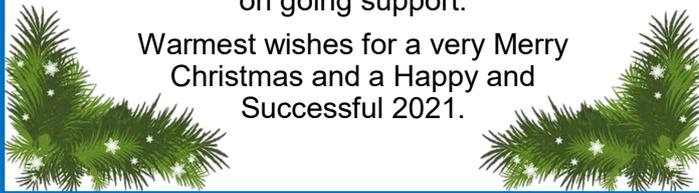
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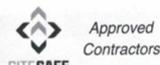
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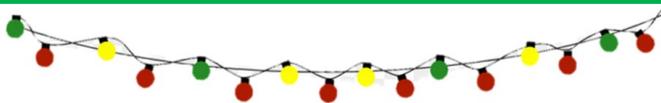
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The Season That Was ...

Monthly weather readings for the spring of 2020 recorded in Kimbell (2019 in brackets)

September 2020

| | | |
|-----------------------|--------|----------|
| Highest Maximum Temp. | 23.2°C | (22.2°C) |
| Lowest Maximum Temp. | 3.5°C | 4.2°C |
| Lowest Minimum Temp. | -4.5°C | (-3.2°C) |
| Highest Minimum Temp. | 9.5°C | (7.8°C) |
| Total Precipitation | 94.2mm | (44.8mm) |
| No. days with Rain | 8 | (9) |
| No. frosts | 12 | (15) |
| No. days with snow | 3 | (2) |

October 2020

| | | |
|-----------------------|--------|----------|
| Highest Maximum Temp. | 26.2°C | (28.2°C) |
| Lowest Maximum Temp. | 6.2°C | (8.0°C) |
| Lowest Minimum Temp. | -3.0°C | (-2.0°C) |
| Highest Minimum Temp. | 13.5°C | (8.5°C) |
| Total Precipitation | 59.7mm | (82.4mm) |
| No. days with Rain | 10 | (12) |
| No. frosts | 5 | (9) |
| No. days with snow | 1 | (1) |

November 2020

| | | |
|-----------------------|---------|----------|
| Highest Maximum Temp. | 27.8°C | (31.8°C) |
| Lowest Maximum Temp. | 10.2°C | (12.0°C) |
| Lowest Minimum Temp. | 0.0°C | (0.8°C) |
| Highest Minimum Temp. | 13.8°C | (12.0°C) |
| Total Rainfall | 100.9mm | (61.3mm) |
| No. days with Rain | 7 | (7) |
| No. Frosts | 1 | (4) |
| No. days with snow | 1 | (0) |
| No. days over 30°C | 0 | (4) |

The spring of 2020 was cooler and wetter than the same period last year. Snow settled in the village on three occasions during September with the first day of the season only reaching a maximum of 3.5°C.

Even though temperatures were lower than 'the norm', frosts were few and far between. High cloud has become a dominant feature of the weather across the entire country this year which has resulted in milder overnight conditions but cooler daytime temperatures. This is mainly due to the now common appearance of warm fronts in our part of the planet. A warm front is where cold air is replaced by warm air, creating a band of high cloud which has now become a more frequent occurrence within north westerly airstreams; yet another example of how the climate is changing.

Summer has arrived and Lake Opuha is looking ready for a great season of water activities. What a lovely place to reflect on how lucky we are to live where we do, in a Covid 19 world.

Geoff Hooker

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What's Happening

December

- 14-22 Jan Summer Reading Programme Mack Comm Library
- 16 Tiki Tours Operatunity 'Have yourself a Merry Christmas' Lake Tekapo School & Pool Opening 1.30 pm
- 17 Rockwood Retreat Christmas Concert/Carol Singing 7 pm
- 18 Kid's Christmas on the Fairlie Village Green from 5.30 pm
- 20 Children's Christmas Store St Pat's Hall 11 am – 4 pm
Kimbell Residents Xmas Party Stanton Woolshed 5 pm
Allandale Xmas Party Evan Williams's Woolshed 5.30 pm
Lessons & Carols St Columba Fairlie 10 am
Lessons & Carols Church of Good Shepherd Tekapo 4 pm
- 22 Rockwood Retreat Bible Study 7 pm – 8.30 pm
- 24 Christmas Nativity & Carols St Columba Church 7 pm
Eucharist Church of the Good Shepherd 10 pm
Carols 9.30 pm/Mass 10 pm at St Patrick's Catholic Church
- 25 Christmas Day**
Eucharist St Stephen's Fairlie 9 am
Mass at St Patrick's Church 9.30 am
Carol Service Church of the Good Shepherd Tekapo 10 am
- 26 Ollie Crooks (solo) at The Kimbell
- 29 Julian Temple Band at The Kimbell
Rockwood Retreat Bible Study 7 pm – 8.30 pm
- 31 New Year's Eve, Fairlie Village Green Music from 9 pm

January

- 1 New Year's Day Parade to Fairlie Village Green 2 pm
The Southern Man, Village Green 2.30 pm to 4.30 pm
- 2 Eddie Simon & Ollie and The Crooks at The Kimbell
- 6 Paul Ubana Jones at The Kimbell
- 12 Rockwood Retreat Bible Study 7 pm – 8.30 pm
- 16 Local Lad - Brett Walker at The Kimbell
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