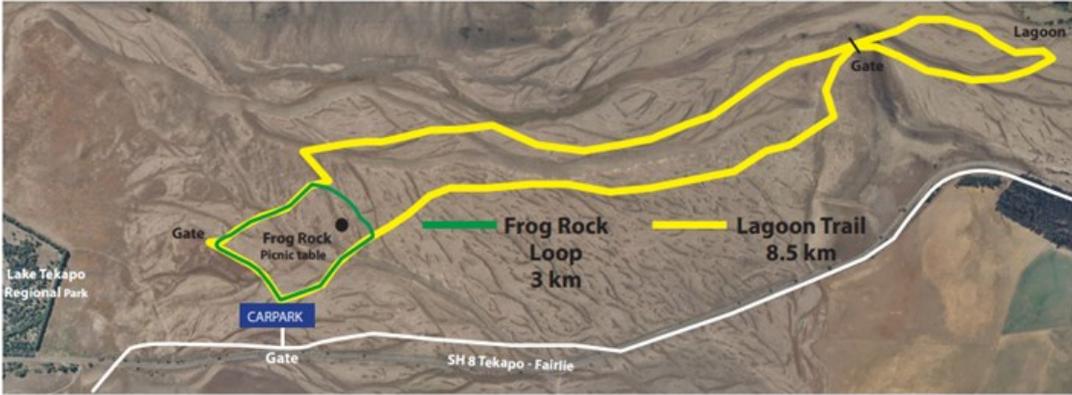


LAGOON TRAIL OPENING

EASTER SUNDAY, 4 APRIL - 11.30 AM at FROG ROCK



Schedule : Arrive at Carpark at 11.00am and walk or Mtbike to the Frog Rock following markers. Sausages available from 11.30 - 12.30pm, \$2 each. Short speeches, then walk or MTB the trail in any direction back to your car. E-bike friendly.

Bring: Water bottles, snacks, money for sausages, sunscreen, cellphone for safety. Sawdon Station is a working farm so sorry, NO DOGS, NO EXCEPTIONS

Weather Conditons: In case of extreme weather we will postpone to Easter Monday. Check the **Tekapo Community Facebook Page** for updates.

For further information, contact TJ 027 4862489 or Anne 021 1710201



www.tekapotrails.nz

Lagoon Trail Opening

It is not often that landowners offer their stations to a community to build a trail that is open to the public. This is what Snow Loxton and Sue Allan of Sawdon Station, Lake Tekapo had the courage and foresight to do, gaining consent from bureaucracy and creating the opportunity for the Tekapo Trails Society to create a trail through some of the most beautiful high country environs in the Mackenzie.

Two years ago, as we bumped and rattled our way across this land with the very enthusiastic Snow Loxton, we were thinking, "thanks so much but do you really think we can make a trail out of this?" How will it be possible? Well, nearly 500 hours of voluntary labour later, marking the route, removing rocks, widening sheep tracks, and spreading metal, Tekapo Trails Society is proud to officially open this trail, and is satisfied that it is 100% walkable and rideable for the average person. With two gates, it can also be enjoyed by e-bike riders.

The less experienced can ride to the lagoon along the easy terrace trail and return the same way. For the more confident, enjoy the single-track down the valley with just a few rocks to ride over and complete the loop along the top. Of course walkers are encouraged and there is plenty of vision ahead to see oncoming bikers from any direction.

Frog Rock Loop is ideal for families and is approximately 3.5 km.

The Trail is always open to the public, with access through the Lake Tekapo Regional Park which will add about 2 km to your trip. It is well signed at the top south east corner boundary. Occasionally, due to lambing the trail may be closed but this will be obvious at the sign. Sawdon Station is a working farm so please ensure all gates are closed behind you and sorry but no dogs, no exceptions.

Track improvements will continue to be made, but the best way to keep this track maintained is to use it. Come explore and enjoy.

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Mackenzie Highland Show Easter Monday

FEATURING:

Craig Smith—"Wonkey Donkey"
(sponsored in part by Fairlie Early Learners)
on the Barwoods Entertainment stage.

Also the Mackenzie Shears, Wood Chopping,
Highland Games demo, Pedalmania, Shepherd's
Hack Competition, Exhibition Dog Trial, Vintage
Machinery, Mackenzie Highland Pipe Band,
Archery, Josh Grimaldi the magician and
entertainer, Animal Tent, Fairlie Four Square lolly
scramble, Grand Parade, Carnival Rides, shopping,
food, animals and much, much more.....



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www.mackenzieshow.co.nz Jodi Payne, Secretary
685 8977 - mackenzieapsociety@gmail.com.

Museum Café

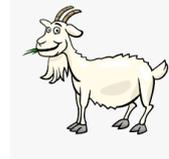
Hot Sandwich

"Parma Goat"

(Parma Ham & Goat Haloumi)

\$10

Sundays only



*P.S. Museum Café is listed
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NEXT TRIVIA NIGHT

Wed 31 March 7pm

LIVE MUSIC

"Sha-Low" feat Katie Aldridge (drums)
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Sat 3 April 7pm | FREE ENTRY!

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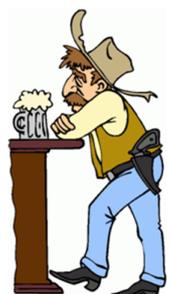


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STEVE GURNEY

Your next speaker

Proudly supported by



Lake Tekapo Community Hall
 Friday, March 26th 2021 - 7.30 pm (nibbles prior)
Adults (18yrs+) - \$15.00 Students - Free
 Tickets available from Heartlands

Steve Gurney is coming to Tekapo to share with us some of his hard-learned life lessons, his inspiring adventures and hilarious stories in an evening not to be missed. Steve is best known for winning the Coast to Coast nine times; he is also an inventor with a mechanical engineering degree, the author of two best-selling books, recipient of an NZSM Service award and a qualified NLP practitioner. We will also be hosting a Guest Panel with a range of experiences working in the field of Mental Health who will share some of their experiences, advice and strategies - staying well, asking for help, and supporting others.

Friday 26th March, 6:00 pm
Lake Tekapo Community Hall
Adults: \$15, Students: Free (Door Sales \$20/person)
Entry includes complimentary drink and light refreshments
TICKETS ON SALE NOW:
 Twizel Community Care, Twizel
 Petronella's Gallery & Bookstore, Lake Tekapo
 Heartlands Resource & Information Centre, Fairlie

creative nz
 ARTS COUNCIL OF NEW ZEALAND - TEI AHTIAROA
 ARTS ON TOUR NEW ZEALAND
 PRESENTS
CARNIVOROUS PLANT SOCIETY
 Led by musician and animator Finn Scholes, Carnivorous Plant Society coax life from an astounding array of instruments - trumpets, vibraphone, guitar, keyboards, bass, drums, the odd vocal and even some whistling...

WEDNESDAY 14 APRIL 7:30PM FAIRLIE
 EAT CAFÉ + BAR, FAIRLIE
 TICKETS: \$20 - Students Free
 BOOK: Heartlands Fairlie & Door Sales

creative nz, the Southern Trust, OTAGO Community Trust, Community Trust South, Rātā Foundation, Interislander, Central Lakes TRUST, WEST COAST Community Trust

Carnivorous Plant Society are coming! Allow New Zealand's favourite psychedelic jazz band to take you on a journey from the streets of Mexico City to the mountains of Asia then straight to the depths of hell!

The talented quartet of New Zealand's most accomplished musicians perform their original compositions that will ignite the imaginations of both children and adults alike.

The stories told in the music are echoed visually by hand-drawn animations drawn by band-leader Finn Scholes, who happens to be NZ's best trumpet player (and who also plays tuba, vibraphone, piano, and organ).

"Wonderful!" - John Campbell, Radio NZ
 "Some serious instrument playing going on!"
 - Kathryn Ryan, Radio NZ



RAM ROUND UP

Preseason training has begun every Tuesday and Thursday @ Ram Park, School Road, Fairlie at 7pm

Player registration is now open please visit [Mackenzie RFC - Home \(sporty.co.nz\)](http://sporty.co.nz) or email Mackenzierfc@yahoo.co.nz

GIRLS, GIRLS, GIRLS

Mackenzie would like to enter an U11 and U13 girls team in the South Canterbury Girls Competition kicking off next term, held on a Monday night.

For more information please contact Rebecca Biggs on 027 468 2335

YOUR 2021 RAMS – PLAYER PROFILES:

CLAYTON STATION RAMS

(Thank you to Hamish and Anna Orbell for your ongoing support)



Thank you Speights for your ongoing support and sponsorship of the Mackenzie Rugby Football Club

<p>Name: Jack Davies Nickname: Salmon Position: Hooker Fav Food: Steak Fav Rugby Player: Lewis Moody Junior Club: Shrewsbury (Midlands, England)</p>	<p>Name: Jake Lochore Nickname: Lahorse Position: Hooker Fav Food: Chops Fav Rugby Player: Jerome Kaino Junior Club: Porangahau (Central Hawkes Bay)</p>	<p>Name: Jonny Andrews Nickname: Position: Hooker Fav Food: Steak Fav Rugby Player: Anton Oliver Junior Club: Moutere (Marlborough)</p>
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Preseason Information:

Preseason game this Saturday - March 20th at Ram Park against Ashburton Celtic.

Senior Coaches Hamish Johnson and Hayden Dwyer are happy to answer any questions Hamish 021 617 750 or Hayden 027 424 4493.

CLUB FUNDRAISER: The club would like to thank Irishman Creek Station for the generous contribution they made for the Fundraiser on Saturday 20 February 2021. A huge thank you also to all who attended, the president is happy to announce, the money raised would enable the reroofing of the clubrooms.

GO THE RAMS – RAM IT HOME

Follow the Mackenzie Rugby Facebook page for updates....



2021 Senior/Senior B Draw

3 April vs Old Boys at Fairlie	1 May vs Geraldine at Fairlie	12 June vs Harlequins at Fairlie
10 April vs Pleasant Point at Fairlie	15 May vs Celtic at Fairlie	19 June vs Waimate at Fairlie



ARE YOU UP TO A CHALLENGE
18-80 YEARS OF AGE
BERWICK OUTDOOR EXPERIENCE 2021

Fairlie Lions are offering a sponsored place on this year's 8 day course 10th-18th May 2019.

The aim of this course is to overall broaden ones experiences in life by using team work to improve individual confidence and self esteem.

For further information and application form, please contact Norman 685 8864 email: adie.norm.b@xtra.co.nz




Applications Open:

Genesis Lake Tekapo Community Fund

Genesis has a funding pool available of \$50,000 to support the Tekapo Community. If you have a project or community initiative that could benefit, we would love to hear from you. The Genesis Lake Tekapo Community Fund supports initiatives that meet criteria within the three broad categories:

<p>Community Enrichment projects that build the capacity and enhance the long-term quality of life for the people that live and work in the Lake Tekapo region</p> <p>Education help the Lake Tekapo community build new skills and competencies</p>	<p>Environmental Enhancement – further enhance the health and sustainability of the Lake Tekapo environment, and ensure they are protected for future generations.</p>
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For more information, the terms and conditions, or to receive an application form, please contact Anna Jessup, Environmental Advisor, Genesis Energy at Anna.Jessup@genesiseenergy.co.nz.

Applications open: 1 February 2021 – 5 pm 22 March 2021. All applicants will be advised of the review panels decisions by 16 April 2021.



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44 Gall Street, Fairlie
 Allan Kerr (03) 685 8063
 Jeff Elston (03) 684 6704
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New team at the Community Trust of Mid and South Canterbury



The Community Trust of Mid & South Canterbury has appointed a new Community Relations Manager. Lorel Hallinan has been appointed to this role permanently following the resignation of Rosie Oliver. Lorel was in this role in 2020 while Rosie was on parental leave.

Lorel will be responsible for overseeing the grants application process and helping groups with the online application process. The role includes reviewing and monitoring grants recipients' projects. Lorel will also be involved in community liaison and community trust promotion.

Kathryn Barber joined the team in January 2021 in the new role of Operations Coordinator. Kathryn looks after Community Trust administration, marketing, general grant enquiries and support for Trust applicants. Kathryn coordinates the day to day operations of the Community Trust and Community House Timaru.

Closing dates for Community Trust grant rounds are:

Operational (programme or event) funding up to \$15,000: 16 April 2021 (Round 1) and 3 September 2021 (Round 3).

Capital project funding up to \$20,000: 16 July 2021 (Round 2) and 4 February 2022 (Round 4)

Capital project funding in excess of \$20,000: 21 May 2021 (Main Round 1) and 8 October 2021 (Main Round 2)



New Grant Rounds 2021/2022
Closing Dates

Operational (programme or event) costs
 Up to \$15,000 – 16th April & 3rd September 2021

Capital Projects
 Up to \$20,000 – 16th July 2021 & 4th February 2022
 Over \$20,000 – 21st May & 8th October 2021

See our website for further information and to make an online application ...

www.comtrust.org.nz

To discuss any applications
 Phone: 03 687 7360 or 0800 672 287
 Email: crm@comtrust.org.nz



Mackenzie Sheepdog Trials 2021

It was wild, wet, sunny, and windy weather for the 131st annual Mackenzie Collie Dog trials held at Balmoral Station, Lake Tekapo 5-6 March.

The Simpson Family of Balmoral Station presented a beautiful line of 2th merino ewes for the trials which proved to be challenging at times with the changeable weather. Entries were similar to last year with run numbers in the 90's for each course.

President Mr Roddy Brown was thrilled with the turnout and complemented the committee and locals for their support in making the trial a great success.

Winner of Class 1, Matt Simpson from Mt Nesson with heading dog Bill, was pleased to finally get his name on the prized brass plaques which are displayed at the Silverstream Hotel Kimbell.

Mike Brown from Hilton – Gapes Valley was happy with his win taking the Class 2 title with his heading dog Midge. Having grown up in the Albury district and then mustering on many Mackenzie country stations he also enjoyed the prestige of getting his name on the plaque.

In the huntaway events Ned George from North Canterbury continued his strong dog trial season winning both huntaway events, Class 3 and 4 with Base and Pitch respectively. Ned also gained three other open places.

Other locals that featured in the results included Geoff Allison, John Simpson, Greg Anderson, Andy McNab, Steve Blanchard, Steve Kerr, Tony Wall, Kane Murdoch, Bill Lott, Mark Baynes, Joe White, Cam Russell, Charlie Johns, Vanessa Bragan, Peter Aiken and Ben Millar.

Mr Greg Anderson, vice president wished to thank all sponsors of the dog trials for their support on behalf of the Mackenzie Collie Dog Club.

Sponsors:

Class 1 - Peter Walsh and Associates

Class 2 - Vet-Ent

Class 3 - PGG Wrightson

Class 4 - South Canterbury Toyota

Farmlands Fairlie, Ravensdown, Farm Fresh Meats, Drummond and Etheridge, Mackenzie Supply Services, Damon Smith Electrical, Prosser Contracting, Kevin Hessel Shearing, FMG Insurance, NZ Farm Management, South Canterbury Helicopters, Newhaven Perendales, Fossil Creek Angus Stud, Hazlett Rural Ltd, Barwoods Ltd, NZ Merino

Co, Silverstream Hotel, MJ Donnelly Ltd, Izuzu South Canterbury, PA & SJ Dobson Contracting, Bayleys Real Estate and Superior Minerals.

TRIAL: Mackenzie DATE: 5-6 March 2021							
EVENT ONE: Long Head (Judge Scott Hussey)				EVENT TWO: Short Head and Yard (Judge Ben Manson)			
	Competitor	Dog	Points		Competitor	Dog	Points
1 st Open	Matt Simpson	Bill	94	1 st Open	Mike Brown	Midge	91
2 nd	Steve Kerr	Floss	93.5	2 nd	Steve Blanchard	Spike	84
3 rd	Stuart Millar	Rain	93	3 rd	Des Lysaght	Bright	75
4 th	Steve Blanchard	Spike	92	4 th	Geoff Allison	Scamp	67
5 th	Wendy Dalziel	Fred	91	5 th	Hamish Brown	Isla	65.5
1 st Intermediate	Matt Simpson	Bill	94	1 st Intermediate	Mike Brown	Midge	91
1 st Maiden	Greg Anderson	Tip	86	1 st Maiden	Des Lysaght	Bright	75
EVENT THREE: Zig Zag Hunt (Judge John Kotlowski)				EVENT FOUR: Straight Hunt (Judge Henry Shield)			
	Competitor	Dog	Points		Competitor	Dog	Points
1 st Open	Ned George	Base	94.5	1 st Open	Ned George	Pitch	97
2 nd	Robin Quigley	Peg	94	2 nd	Ned George	Sprocket	96
3 rd	Ned George	Sprocket	93.5	3 rd	Isaac Milne	Chief	94
4 th	Cam Russell	Sam	93	4 th	Ned George	Base	93.5
5 th	Michael Benton	Maia	92	5 th	John Simpson	Slug	93.25
1 st Intermediate	Ned George	Sprocket	93.5	1 st Intermediate	Ned George	Sprocket	96
1 st Maiden	Cam Russell	Sam	93	1 st Maiden	John Simpson	Slug	93.25



Women Inspiring Women

Mark the calendar ladies - we have a date set for our Women's event, Thursday 27th May 2021.

Just a recap of our planned event ...

A few likeminded women were having a meeting one day and thought that it would be a great idea to have an event for women. Fairlie used to host the Rural Women's Seminar and there hasn't been one for a few years. I spoke with Rural Women and asked if they would be keen to come on board, to be a part of an event similar, they said that it's a wonderful idea that this has been picked up again.

South Canterbury Rural Women New Zealand is delighted to support the Fairlie women planning the women's event. RWNZ hosted the Mid-Winter Seminar for rural women in Fairlie for 20 years up until 2018 as they saw a real need for women to come together for a day of social connection and the opportunity to hear some challenging and thought provoking speakers. The event planned for the 27th May certainly promises to be good if not better.

RWNZ was founded in 1925 by a group of farming women who saw the need for an organisation to support rural women facing isolation and lack of services. Something just as relevant today. It aims to support and help build strong sustainable rural communities. It does this through social events, education opportunities, fostering and developing leadership skills and by encouraging and supporting the entrepreneurial skills of rural women. RWNZ is also seen as an authoritative voice on rural health services, education, rural environment, and social issues

Our vision for the day is that women will come away feeling inspired and good about themselves and can go away sharing what they have learnt from the day's speakers. It will also give women the opportunity to meet other women in our region from all walks of life and cultural backgrounds.

We think as women we need to look after our health and wellbeing for whatever individual challenges we may be facing at this time, even moreso post COVID.

This event is not just for rural women but all women.

We also thank Rural Support Trust for supporting our event. They are here for rural people and farming families in New Zealand and can provide support including farming or business advice, financial information, health, mental health, and counselling services.

We have an amazing group of Fairlie women to organise this event and it will be one not to be missed.

So please mark in your calendar/diary Thursday 27th May 2021. There will be more details to follow closer to the time.

TAKE CENTRE STAGE ...



In recognition of Neighbourhood Support Month, Fairlie's good sort recipient for the month of March is Graham 'Mickels' McDonald for his generous and unsolicited help to his neighbours and to the community at large. He breezes in without fanfare, mows lawns, trims plants, clears rubbish and is always

looking out to lend a hand as necessary. He is a great neighbour to have and his selfless efforts are very much appreciated. He is the true epitome of 'Neighbourhood Support'!

Send in your nominations via -
- email accessible@fairlienz.org
- call into Heartlands or phone 685 8496

Nominate someone special who has gone out of their way to be generous and kind to others. The deserving winner will receive a gift voucher from a local business.

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





SCHOOLS CALENDAR

Term 1

17 Mar	Aoraki Athletics	Mack Schools
19 Mar	Aoraki Swimming	Mack Schools
19 Mar	Assembly 2.15 pm	Fairlie Primary
31 Mar	SC Swimming	Mack Schools
1 Apr	Assembly 2.15 pm	Fairlie Primary
2 Apr	Good Friday	Easter
5 Apr	Mack A&P Show	Easter Monday
9 Apr	Official Opening/Blessing	St Joseph's
16 Apr	Last Day of Term	Mack Schools



Fairlie Area Kindergarten

03 685 8505

12 Sloane Street Fairlie
fairliearea.kindergarten@sck.nz

30 free hours for children over 3 years.
Spaces available for children 2 years and over.
Enquiries welcome now.

Fairlie Primary School

It has been a busy week at Fairlie Primary School with Swimming Sports and the Fun Run taking place. The Swimming Sports were up first on Wednesday afternoon and we were joined by swimmers from Albury School and St Joseph's.



Both the seniors and juniors took part this year. The Seniors had their events first and it was brilliant to see everyone displaying the school values throughout the afternoon. At the end of the day we were joined by our Juniors who took part in non competitive events which included a

running race across the pool, piggy-back race and a longest starfish competition.

On Friday we had our 5th annual Fun Run. This confidence course was set up by the Home and School committee with the emphasis on participation and having fun. The course included waterslides, tunnels and climbing over hay bales.



We would like to say a big thank you to the Home and School committee for creating such a fun afternoon for us.

Family, Feasting and Fun

We recently held our annual whanau evening where the families from kindergarten took time out to enjoy a pot luck tea and sausages from the bbq. Older siblings of current pupils seem to relish coming back to play and it is so affirming for the young ones to see two of their 'worlds' interacting.

Apart from excellent food, it was a lovely opportunity for new families to meet everyone in such a relaxed atmosphere. These occasions certainly create that sense of 'home away from home' for our young ones and maybe parents too!





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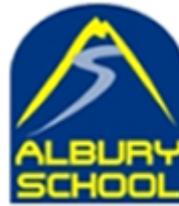
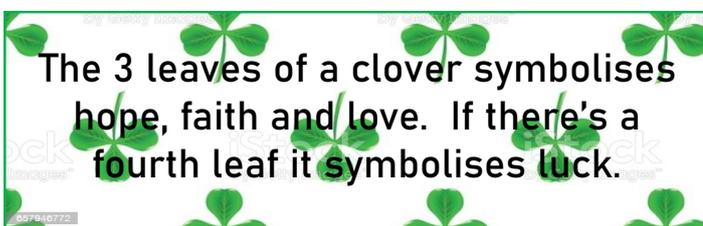
Year 11-13 Product Design students had a fantastic opportunity on an overnight trip to Dunedin to explore the industry. They went to Fisher & Pykel where they were able to see the entire process of creating a product from design, research, building, and testing. Students were interested to see how many tests a machine gets put through before going on the market.

Stopping in at Otago Poly-technic, a product design course tutor, Andrew inspired the students with his own business story of taking every chance and his benefits from working "smart not hard". The students also spoke to Aleks Dahlberg who left school to build his successful business and explained the business side of making and selling a product. Students also visited Trac map, Ocho Chocolate, and United Machinists. Maggie Holtham said "Going to these businesses was a great opportunity to see what the world has to offer and the possibilities that are out there for our future careers."

Swimming sports day was a day of weather contrasts with rain bucketing down in the morning changing to sunshine and north-westerlies in the afternoon. Some of our junior students commented that it was funny getting wet before they had even started swimming. The support that our students gave each other was inspiring - particularly towards those students for whom swimming is not their strongest sport, who were cheered on to reach the end.

Records broken were as follows:

Blake Jordan - Year 7/8 25m butterfly, 25 backstroke and 75m backstroke, Kaleb O'Neill - Year 9/10 25m butterfly, and Kaia McKenzie - Year 11-13 25m butterfly, 25m breaststroke, 75m breaststroke and 75m backstroke. House points from swimming sports were: 1st Godley, 2nd Macauley, 3rd Tasman, and 4th Dobson.



Albury School Transition to School Programme

Our **FLEDGLING FOURS** programme is a fantastic programme to support young students into the life at Albury School. Our Albury Kids are so welcoming and helpful as they understand the importance of "community" and the "sense of belonging" that is so important when you start school.



We have had recent visits from Fairlie Kindergarten and the Albury Playgroup. We are very fortunate that these ECE providers are as passionate as we are about students being happy, having friends and having adults around them to care for them and nurture their pathways.

Feel free to join us. If you have any queries please contact us. Our next Fledgling Fours afternoon is 7th April at 2.30 pm.



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

19 Hamilton Street, Fairlie
Phone: 03 685 6263
Email: admin@fairlieearlylearners.co.nz

Education

Mackenzie Community Library

Library News

Last year, Louise Wynn very generously gifted her 700th handmade bench to Mackenzie College. It is currently located at the end of the covered walkway leading to the library. It will be relocated into the library's garden area as soon as a cover is constructed. It's a great place to rest, read a book, or have a chat with a friend. Its current position is a little draughty in the winter, hence its imminent relocation. We thank Louise for her very kind donation.



Story Reading at EAT

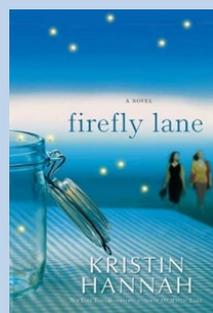
As part of EAT's NZ Children's Day celebrations last Sunday, the library staff were invited to read stories during the day. We had a great response, with Mary and Bron reading to about 20 tamariki in total. The free hot chocolates and muffins were enjoyed by the children also. We thought it was such a great idea, we have decided to do it every month! The next reading session will be on **Sunday 11th April from 2-3 pm**. Come along and support this great new initiative from the EAT Team



Highly Recommended

The Latest NZ Geographic is well-worth a read, if you have questions about vaccines (including the Covid-19 vaccine), their developments & testing, how safe they are, and their impact on past pandemics. Pop in or ring us if you'd like to be added to the reserve list. CONT ...

Book Review – 'Firefly Lane' by Kristin Hannah



As someone who spent way too many late nights binge watching the Netflix series, I was very hesitant to read this as I was afraid of any spoiler alerts with the high hopes of a Season 2.

It is fairly obvious that the TV show is based on the novel, as it follows the friendship of Kate and Tully through their teens and into their adult lives.

However, a lot of the events in the story are very different to those in the TV show and the spoiler alerts I was dreading did not present themselves.

In the novel Kate is a much stronger, independent character and Tully is still the narcissistic personality we all seem to forgive so easily. I don't want to give too much away about the book but I do want to assure you it is well worth the read and I think watching the Netflix series first actually helped create a vivid picture of the characters.

There is a sequel to this novel called "Fly Away" and I look forward to another weekend of solid reading and if it's anything like Firefly Lane I'll be sure of have the tissues near by!

Tabitha Newport

St Joseph's School Fairlie

Tena koutou,

Over the past two weeks we have managed to fit some events into the school calendar including;

- School Triathlon
- Our competitive swimmers competed at the Fairlie Primary Swimming Sports
- Hosted the Combined Schools Swimming Sports with Cannington, Albury, Lake Tekapo and Aoraki Mt Cook Schools
- Harold and Rudi from Life Education visited
- Four children competed in the South Canterbury Primary Schools Triathlon



As we near the completion of our massive building project we would like to thank High Country Carpentry for their hard work. Our school certainly needed an upgrade in our property work, and we couldn't be happier with the outcome.

We extend an open invitation to the community to our Official Opening and Blessing on Friday 9th April from 9.30 am. We hope to see many of you there.

Angela Marshall – Principal
principal@stjofairlie.school.nz

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL FAIRLIE

OFFICIAL OPENING AND BLESSING



YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED –
9 APRIL 2021 | 9:30 AM | 3 Gall Street, Fairlie

EMAIL – ANGELA@STJOFAIRLIE.SCHOOL.NZ

Monthly Story Time at the Library

We will be holding a half hour story time for pre-schoolers every Thursday from 11-11.30 AM, commencing 18th March. Get a group together and come along for some singing and stories. You can also get some picture books (and some adult reading!) while you're here! Spread the word – we look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

See you soon at your local.

The Library Crew

Mackenzie Football Club 1961 - Senior Team



Back Row: (L-R); J Corbett, N Davis, S Dobson, K Robertson, R Neill, D McMurtrie, D Casey (Coach)
Middle Row: C Dunn, W Williams, G Casey, I Calder, L Crampton, A Calder
Front Row: R Smith, L O'Sullivan, N Anderson, M Casey (Captain and Coach), R Adams, T Keenan
Sitting: M O'Neill, J Isaacs, R Gabites, E Anderson

The Fairlie Heritage Museum ...

Plans on having a **Secondhand Book Sale** later in the year. Donations can be marked accordingly and left at Heartlands for this sale.

Heartlands also collects books for sale there. The funds raised by Heartlands go to community projects. Clean used books other than Readers Digest will be gladly accepted. They do not want your rubbish but decent books.



MUSTERER'S
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Now offering - **Mountain Bikes for Hire**

Please contact your hosts
Murray and Jackie
Phone: 03 685 8284 or
Email: info@musterers.co.nz

The **Carnegie Library** building, home of the Old Library Café was built in 1914. In June 1995 the library moved from this building to combine with the Mackenzie College Library in Kirke Street. The building was reopened as a restaurant, the Old Library Café, by Chef Jon Hellmrich.



McLean's Park - 3 ¾ acres of land was donated to the town in 1917 for 'recreational purposes' by Mrs A H McLean, in memory of her late husband Allan McLean. Several of the trees are of interest and have plaques identifying them. Don't think you are losing your sight if you see a little fairy or two hanging from the trees! Some folk hope to introduce solar lighting this winter to create a little winter wonderland.

Jack Lovelock

Jack Lovelock led a remarkably full life before his death, a few days shy of his 40th birthday on 28 December 1949.

He is remembered in New Zealand and abroad largely for his athletic achievements, especially his dramatic finish in the 1500 metres at the 1936 Berlin Olympics, which won New Zealand its first athletics gold medal. But Lovelock also achieved academically, forged a successful medical career and was a husband and father of two.

The Lovelock Legend

Lovelock's achievements and untimely death at the age of 39 have captured the imagination of New Zealanders and others. Streets, playing fields and sports bars have been named after him. He has inspired books, stamps, a stage play and a film. In 2002 a statue was erected at Timaru Boys' High School, where much of the memorabilia related to him is stored.



From his early days at school Lovelock participated and excelled in fields beyond athletics. At Fairlie School (1919-23) he was dux of the primary school, represented the school in rugby, competed in swimming and athletics, and was a prefect. At Timaru Boys' High School, which he attended as a boarder from 1924, he set school athletics records but was also involved 'in nearly every area of school life'. In 1928, his final year, Lovelock was dux, head prefect, and won the school's boxing championship cup. The following year he went to the University of Otago to study medicine. He again impressed and, when he had been at university for less than two years was awarded a Rhodes Scholarship. He attended Exeter College, Oxford, from 1931 to 1934.

Lovelock would undoubtedly have performed better academically at Exeter had it not been for his busy athletics schedule. While a student he broke the British mile record (1932), competed in the 1932 Olympics, set a world mile record (1933) and won gold at the 1934 Empire Games. He was also involved in other boxing and debating. While the college recognised his all-round achievement with the Quarrel Read prize in 1933, Lovelock was disappointed with his academic performance.

He continued to balance competing demands when he began the clinical component of his medical training at St Mary's Hospital, Paddington, London, in October 1934. During this time he won the 'Mile of the Century' at Princeton and the 1500-m event at Berlin. But by 1936 the physical and financial strain of training and racing while completing his medical training was starting to tell. In a letter to Harry Amos, secretary of the NZ Olympic Association, Lovelock commented that 'big competitive sport has become such a specialised game that it is almost a full-time job and is certainly incompatible with medical work.'

Lovelock was also struggling with his own medical issues during this period, having suffered knee problems since 1933. Two months after his Olympic victory he competed in another 'Mile of the Century', finishing second to 19-year-old Archie San Romani in his last major race.

His medical problems continued after he retired. In 1940 and 1941 he suffered a series of head injuries. The best documented was caused by a fall from a horse in September 1940, which left him unconscious for at least two days. Dizziness and eyesight problems continued to affect his life and may ultimately have contributed to his death.

In 1945 Lovelock finally married Cynthia Wells James, an American whom he had met in England, probably in late 1937. Their long engagement was no doubt influenced by Lovelock's work schedule, financial position and the outbreak of war in 1939. In December 1947 they and their infant daughter, Mary, moved to the United States. Lovelock took up a position at the Hospital for Special Surgery in Manhattan, working in rehabilitative medicine. Their second daughter, Janet, was born in 1948.

Dedicated to the end, Lovelock went to work early on 28 December 1949 despite being unwell. At 9.30 a.m. the secretary of his department rang his wife to say he was returning home. While waiting at the Church Avenue subway station Lovelock fell beneath a train and was killed instantly.

Fairlie Remembers Jack Lovelock

Fairlie's Lovelock Track is a lasting reminder of this great athlete. The track connecting Nixon's Road with School Road is a favourite of many walkers, runners and bikers with a reoccurring call for some kind of walking track along the somewhat narrow Nixon's Road.

Fairlie has a statue remembering those who served NZ in WW1 in the form of Trooper Mackenzie on the Village Green. Another statue is planned, that of Bill Hamilton, the jet boat motor creator, for the area in front of the Fairlie Heritage Museum. So maybe not a statue of Lovelock! How about an information or interpretation panel on the Village Green just telling of Lovelock's association with Fairlie? Food for thought!

Six Irish men were playing poker when one of them played a bad hand and died...

The rest drew straws to see who would tell his wife. One man draws the shortest straw and goes to his friend's house to tell the wife.

The man says to her, "Your husband lost some money in the poker game and is afraid to come home."

The wife says, "Tell him to drop dead!"
The man responds,
"I'll go tell him."





Send all 'congratulations' notifications to accessible@fairlienz.org or call into Heartlands

Births:

24 Feb Ellie Morgan and Brad Travers welcome "Grace Rose"

4 Mar Alyx, Luke, Kace and Adaline Haugh welcome "Olive Koa"

Birthdays:

9 Mar Jo Ineson - 50th

11 Mar Kerry Bennett - 50th

18 Mar Bruce Keys - 72 years

17 Mar St Patrick

21 Mar Brigid Hooker



Doubtful Sound

My husband swore he'd never go on a cruise and this trip changed his opinion - the views, the food, the peace and calm. It was a game changer for him. Ashlynn was the only one on the boat under the age of 21 and she thoroughly enjoyed herself. We saw seals, dolphins and amazing waterfalls. It honestly was the best 24 hours we could have ever asked for.

Having Jo book the trip for us really made it stress free - we just had to show up and enjoy! Thanks Jo!

Girvan, Norm

Clarice, Wayne and Karen, Trevor and Felicity and Jerry wish to thank all those who attended Norm's funeral. To the many folks and organisations for the lovely flowers, cards, baking, food, phone calls, emails, visits and to Chris (Chook) for the 52 egg and bacon pie! Thank you to the Fairlie Golf Club, Golf Club ladies and Golf Club bar staff, St John, Fairlie Fire Brigade, Rev Michael Kerr and the Fairlie Angels.



Thank you all from Clarice Girvan - after 62 years of marriage he will be greatly missed.



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We thought when COVID hit that we would see change in our visitor numbers and a reliance on our New Zealand visitors, but it may not be until now that many of our businesses are feeling the hit! As we go into autumn, fewer will be travelling and the numbers could well decrease again.

Be aware that our local tourism businesses, both activities, eateries and accommodation providers need our support to get through this. Buy local – do you know what local businesses stock? Like knitting requirements from the Gem Alpaca Farm on Nixon's Road, like gift items from the various gift outlets including the Farm Barn, like bouquets of flowers from JR's, book national travel through Jo!

We may all be in this together but some need our help to survive - keep our locals here!



Our Community

Plant your natives now

If you want to add bold and attractive plants to your garden that are resilient and will last for years with little love, then look no further than native plants.



Right now - in autumn - it's the perfect time to plant natives in your garden. Planting your natives now lets them really get established before the cooler and wetter months arrive.

The great thing about natives is their ability to cope in areas of high rainfall, and their resilience to growing in a range of landscapes. Once planted, natives can easily flourish for years with very little extra care, making a very low maintenance, but striking kiwi garden feel. And, as an added bonus, natives are fantastic for attracting birds to your garden, as they love the flowers, nectar and berries.

Worried that natives are only for people with loads of space? Low-growing flaxes take up relatively little room, and can provide years of enjoyment. Cookianum mountain flax is a dwarf variety, with lush spiky green foliage. And Banks Peninsula blue (*Festuca actae*) is an ornamental perennial grass, which is grown for its soft blue foliage.

Many native trees and hedging plants are diverse in their use. They can be shaped into smaller shrubs or aligned into hedges. Trees such as *Pittosporum (tenuifolium)* look great as an individual planted tree, but when planted around 1m apart form a fast-growing hedge that can be moulded to your liking. Another example is Akeake (green or purple) - usually considered a fast-growing shrub, but if left alone will become a tree reaching 3-4m.

Once you've got your natives, select their new home in the garden. Natives can be planted in boggy areas too, so it could be a chance to revitalise a wet or less-attractive part of your garden.

Gardeners are encouraged to grow 'drifts' of native plants; which means planting an uneven number of plants, or un-balanced groupings, to create a casual and natural looking native garden - similar to the flowers in a cottage garden.

To plant, dig a hole for each plant and bury to the top of its root ball. They will need an initial watering every few days to ensure their best possible start. Natives enjoy rich soil, so mulch with a rich compost, and top this up six-monthly.

You can layer shells, pebbles and different sized rocks around your plants for a contemporary feel, and this will additionally help keep the weeds away. Natives can also be planted in larger pots, and can thrive for a few years with minimum work. Smaller flaxes naturally lend themselves here, but native shrubs can look really pretty too. The pots will restrict their roots and create a 'bonsai' effect, keeping them naturally smaller.

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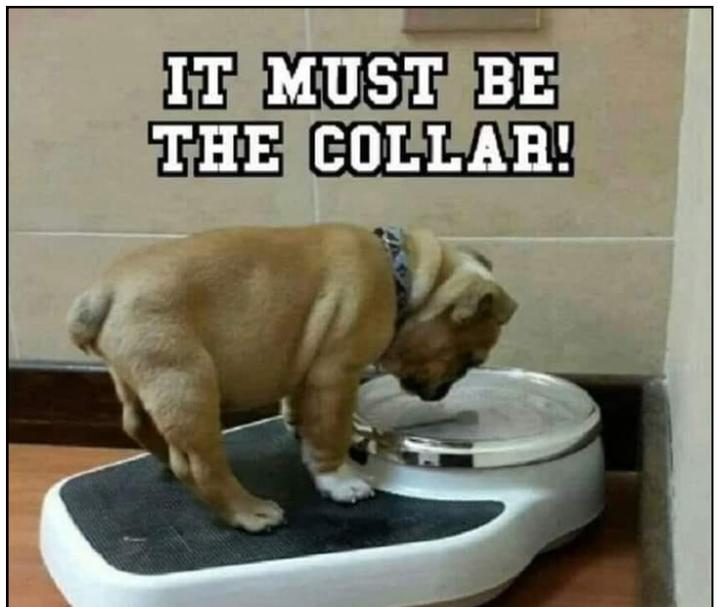
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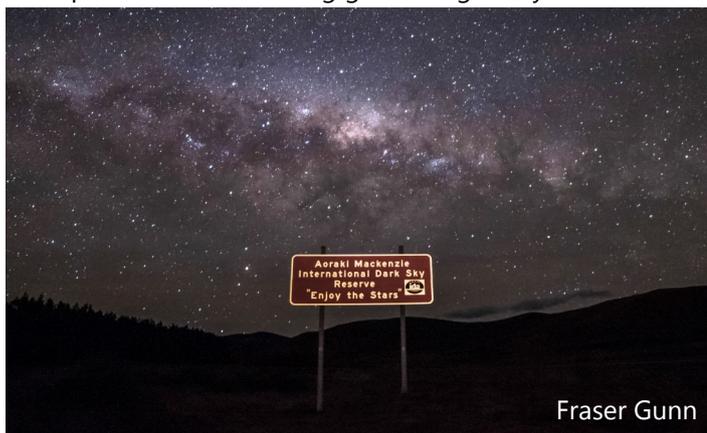
Our Community

Dark Sky Friendly Certification Scheme Launches

The Aoraki Mackenzie International Dark Sky Reserve (AMIDSR) board has launched a new certification scheme to certify dark sky friendly commercial enterprises inside the reserve, which covers almost all of the Mackenzie Basin as well as Aoraki/Mt Cook National Park. AMIDSR will also offer certification to dark sky friendly homes.

The scheme involves reviewing the exterior lighting installed at any establishment, and ensuring in particular that lights shine downwards, that they are mainly light types that emit warm yellow-white light, and that lights are off when they are not needed at night.

The scheme will help protect the dark skies of the Mackenzie from the harmful effects of light pollution. Not only does light pollution make the night sky brighter and mask the stars, but it has serious harmful effects for the environment and for human health. Dark skies are also essential for astro-tourism, on which the economy of the Mackenzie has been heavily reliant, with up to nine enterprises now conducting guided night-sky tours.



To be certified, enterprises and private homes will be asked to state how closely they comply with the seven clauses of the Dark Sky Friendly Charter, as well as list all exterior lights on their property. Compliance with most of the seven dark sky friendly clauses will be required, as well as a lighting plan to improve any deficiencies over time.

Certified enterprises will be issued with a prominent dark sky friendly sticker to display in their premises, and a dark sky friendly logo for their website. Certification will be an annual process, with incremental improvements required each year in the exterior lighting and its operation.

The certification scheme is recommended for motels, hotels, shops, restaurants, astro-tourism businesses, or any enterprise or private home that operates exterior lighting on its property, located within the Mackenzie District, including Fairlie, as it is anticipated that the reserve will expand to include Fairlie.

CONT ...

PETAL POWER

Julia Atkinson-Dunn

Koa Press, \$44.95

I am a traditional kind of person and this is reflected in the selection of books for my store and for my personal library. I read reviews, I listen to recommendations from customers and friends and I am not ashamed to say, I also judge books by their covers.

PETAL POWER came to me in a more contemporary fashion. Our local social media expert, Hollie Woodhouse, suggested I listen to a podcast featuring an interview with PETAL POWER's author, Julia Atkinson-Dunn. The interview about the author's career piqued my interest and I had a closer look at PETAL POWER. Atkinson-Dunn was the very first New Zealand design blogger in 2008 with her Studio Home Blog. She only accidentally came to gardening when she bought her first home with a garden in Christchurch in 2017. Used to the instant gratification of interior design, she had to learn patience as well as gardening as an absolute beginner.

In PETAL POWER she is sharing her own learnings with others who are in the same position. The subtitle of the book is: "12 plants with personality to grow for garden and vase." The plants she focuses on include sweet peas, nemesia, echinacea and dahlias. Because she is a talented writer, photographer and interior designer this book is a gardening guide for beginners as well as a visual feast for booklovers. The book is beautifully published (nice cover!) by first time publishers Koa Press.

(You can find the interview with Julia Atkinson-Dunn on the *Super Creative* podcast)

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For more information on the Dark Sky Friendly certification scheme, please email Amy Menard: office@darkskyreserve.org.nz.

The AMIDSR board proposes an inaugural annual charge of \$50 for certified dark sky friendly enterprises and \$20 for private residences. The AMIDSR board gratefully acknowledge the generous support of Genesis.

Lake Tekapo

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"Everybody needs Good Neighbours"

I remember the launch of the television show Neighbours in my childhood. The catchy theme song came to mind as I was thinking of Neighbours Day coming up during the week of 20-30 March. Barry Crocker's words are perhaps not noted as famed poetry, but it does remind us how a friendly wave can help to make a better day.

*Everybody needs good neighbours,
Just a friendly wave each morning,
Helps to make a better day.
Neighbours need to get to know each other.
Next door is only
A footstep away.
Everybody needs good neighbours.
With a little understanding,
You can find the perfect blend.
Neighbours should be there for one another
That's when good neighbours become
Good friends.*

If you'd like to find out more about Neighborhood Support in Lake Tekapo, please contact Penny mackenziecommunitytekapo@gmail.com

Pictures taken at the Tekapo Community Harvest and Pot Luck held on Sunday 14 March 2021



Stronger for Longer! Help prevent falls! Lake Tekapo and Albury!

Following on from the successful Stronger for Longer sessions with Erin Thomson in Fairlie, Heartlands is pleased to offer the same course in both Lake Tekapo and Albury!

The next issue of the Fairlie Accessible will bring details for both communities regarding times, dates and venues for locals to come and experience these non - threatening exercises. These exercises that you can do to your ability, are to increase our strength and balance as we age.

Falls are such a shocker at any age but far worse as we age! There is a good chance that many of us take a tumble and pride means we never let on! Until we injure ourselves and then it might be too late!

A fall might mean you lose your independence if you are injured to the extent that you can't take full care of yourself!

So if you are over 50 – consider coming along to the class after Easter.

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We have been hearing for years now about the amount of plastic we are finding along our coastlines as well as in the guts of fish caught for our consumption. The oesophagus clip that was found by a fisherman in a fish at the mouth of the Clutha a few days ago certainly turned my stomach.

Of course, there are no companies accepting responsibility, investigators are struggling to find the source. Is it human nature to want to blame somebody, anybody so then we can shrug and say "it's out of my hands".

But, it is in our control to veer away from single-use coffee cups, drink bottles and takeaway containers. We all need to look at our consumption habits and ways we can break free from unnecessary plastic.

Instead of blaming, we could encourage. We can think about taking an extra 10 minutes out of our routine and instead of buying a takeaway coffee, sit and enjoy it at the café.

Why not take the time out on Thursday 25th March at 10.30 am to join in a community morning tea at Eat Café, newcomers, locals and visitors welcome!



Community Morning Tea
@ Eat Café
Thursday 25th March
10.30 am
Newcomers, locals and
visitors welcome



Neighbours Day Aotearoa 2021
Growing stronger together
11:00am Sunday 28th March 2021
Get involved in 'The Great Plant Swap' for Neighbours Day 2021, share seeds, plants or produce you have grown with your neighbours at the Kirke Street Community Garden. It's all about growing connections, growing stronger, more resilient neighbourhoods.




Afternoon
Tea at
Albury Hall
Wednesday 24
March
1:30 - 3:30pm
Drop in for afternoon tea...
newcomers & locals, all
welcome!

Weekly Transport service Fairlie to Timaru – with pick up along the way!

Heartlands, the Fairlie Vehicle and Mackenzie College are combining their resources to provide a **free** Friday service to Timaru. This will operate on a trial basis and only during the school term as it takes a couple of students to ARA Polytechnic each week.

Initially it will be the Fairlie Community car departing Fairlie at 8 am and returning, leaving Timaru at 3 pm. This would be a big day for some folk but then it does allow for appointments and shopping with the driver willing to take you wherever you want to go.

Places to fill in time in Timaru - Moviemax, Timaru Library, Timaru Museum, Aigantigue Art Gallery and of course all the cafes where you can sit and watch the world go by!

So give this consideration, those of you who might appreciate this service, and enquire further by calling Anne at Heartlands.

ANZAC Celebrations in Fairlie Area

Last year we were in the depths of lockdown when we commemorated and celebrated all that our servicemen and women have given in serving our country. Many joined the Dawn Service on the net or on the radio and stood at the gate watching the light of a new day rise. So many hung flags and decorated for others to enjoy! We are encouraging you to do the same this year! Let's all be a part of remembering the ANZACs!

We invite the children to draw on the pavement outside your homes if suitable – as part of this awareness of ANZAC Day 2021.

The local Mackenzie RSA will be letting us know what gathering is planned for ANZAC Day here in Fairlie.

ANZAC Poetry Competition - for all ages! There will be another competition this year with the winners in each section published in the Fairlie Accessible and prizes awarded.



Monthly Tuesday Outings to Timaru – a mini van or community car service

This trip is not just for retirees but is for anyone wanting a day trip to Timaru for shopping, a movie, appointments etc all without the hassle of taking your own vehicle and finding parking.

Your driver will take you anywhere you want to go in Timaru. You can spend as long as you want at any place and arrange a time for pick up or phone the driver to be taken to your next destination. It would be handy to have a cell phone to keep in touch but not essential.

Often those that go along want to do grocery shopping as well and we will often do that at the end of the outing. There is usually a chilly bin taken along for any chilled/frozen items.

Last month we went to the Warehouse where everyone was happy to browse, had a bite to eat there then we went down to the Redruth area to the pet food shop. We then came back into the town centre and everyone went their separate ways to later meet at Ballantyne's for lunch and to regroup.

Everyone piled back into the car and we headed to the Northtown Mall. Most did some shopping, while others were happy to wait in the car or the café.

On the way home we stopped at Pleasant Point for an ice-cream and to go to the butcher. We then carried on to Cave where we were lucky to find Graeme Lane in residence at his new house. Graeme gave us a tour of his garden and told us of his great plans for improvement. We also got a sneak peek into the shop next door which was starting to look fantastic!

We carried on the last leg of our journey and everyone was delivered to their door, ready for a nice cup of tea (or glass of wine!) by 4.00 pm.

If you are interested in coming along on the next trip get in touch with Heartlands who can also give you a list of movies which will screening closer to the day.

We start pickups around 9.30 am and aim to leave Timaru no later than 4 pm. Come prepared for a full day's outing. There is no rushing.

The next outing is Tuesday 23rd March. Spaces are limited so make sure you book!

Kathy

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Fairlie Fire Brigade
- Wayne Dixon

The Fairlie Fire Brigade has had a quiet month with three calls so far:

- 2ND March Alarm Activation
- 3RD March Motor Vehicle Accident
- 13TH March Alarm Activation

This week the Fire Brigade and St John had a combined exercise at the Showgrounds. The simulation was an earthquake, with persons trapped under beams and vehicles, as well as collapsed ceilings. The purpose of the exercise was St John and FENZ working together and training newer members on each others procedures. Thanks to the Mackenzie A&P Society for the use of their building and the team that turned up to be patients.

Woman in FENZ - The Fairlie Brigade has three female members - Brigade Secretary/Treasurer Katherine Hill and pictured below Fire Fighter Erin McDiarmid (left) and Operational Support Julia Gibson.

Hope the run of warm weather continues for a while - have a great week - Good luck TEAM NZ!



New Zealand
POLICE
Nga Pirihimana O Aotearoa

Police Notebook
- Russell Halkett

Hello again MacKenzie District.

The roads and criminal offending have quietened off since the last Police Notebook, which we don't mind at all.

A Dunedin man was instantly suspended for 28 days and faces a charge of exceeding 100kmph after being clocked at 154 kmph on his motorbike at Burkes Pass.

A local man was stopped in Fairlie during the middle of the day and has been charged with driving with excess breath alcohol.

A sum of money was found on Alloway St. If this is yours then come in and tell me how much it is, and you can have it back.

There are still reports of poachers snooping around the area late at night, so get on the phone to us if you see any suspect vehicles hanging around and then we can catch them in the act.

I would just like to remind you all again to be extra careful if buying items online. There are a lot of dishonest people out there ready to take advantage of unsuspecting buyers. They will advertise things and take your money without having any intention of supplying the items. Don't be sucked in to paying money over until you are happy you have got what you paid for. If they try to say they have other people interested and that you should pay a deposit etc, it is probably a fraud.

Some of us are becoming complacent regarding some basic driver responsibilities. Seatbelts and stop signs are there for a reason, because compliance saves lives. Be extra vigilant at intersections, as that is where most crashes occur. Distractions and impairments from alcohol or drugs are other big risk factors causing harm on the roads and can be easily prevented with sensible choices.

Take care out there and I'll see you next time.

Earthquakes -



If you are outside, move no more than a few steps away from buildings, trees, streetlights and power lines, then Drop, Cover and Hold.

If you are in an elevator, Drop, Cover and Hold. When the shaking stops, try and get out at the nearest floor if you can safely do so.

Pull Over and Wait

If you are driving, PULL over to a clear location, stop and WAIT there with your seatbelt fastened until the shaking stops.

Once the shaking stops, proceed with caution and avoid bridges or ramps as they may have been damaged.

If you are in bed, stay in bed and pull the sheets and blankets over you and use your pillow to protect your head and neck. Be aware of broken glass on the floor.

If you use a cane or walker - keep them close., Drop, Cover and Hold or sit on a chair, bed, etc. and cover your head and neck with both hands. Lock your walker wheels.

This is what we, who are aged 70 or 80 years plus, can look forward to.

This is something that happened at an assisted living center. The people who lived there had small apartments but they all ate at a central cafeteria. One morning one of the residents didn't show up for breakfast so my wife went upstairs and knocked on his door to see if everything was OK. She could hear him through the door and he said that he was running late and would be down shortly, so she went back to the dining area.



An hour later he still hadn't arrived, so she went back up towards his room but found him on the stairs. He was coming down the stairs but was having a hard time. He had a death grip on the hand rail and seemed to have trouble getting his legs to work right. She told him she was going to call an ambulance but he told her no, he wasn't in any pain and just wanted to have his breakfast. So, she helped him the rest of the way down the stairs and he had his breakfast. When he tried to return to his room, he was completely unable to get up even the first stair step, so they called an ambulance for him.

A couple of hours later she called the hospital to see how he was doing. The receptionist there said he was fine, he just had both of his legs in one side of his boxer shorts.

I'm sending this to my children so that they don't sell the house before they know all the facts.

Farewell to the Fairlie Friendly Club

Our AGM and monthly get together were held at the St John Hall on Tuesday, 9th March.

As many of the present committee members wished to retire after numerous years of loyal service, and other nominations were not forthcoming, there was a unanimous decision for the Friendly Club to go into recess.

It is with regret that this decision has been made as this club has had monthly meeting for 52 years!

Many friendships have been made, interesting speakers heard and enjoyable outings to various places have taken place over the years. Many thanks to all those who have participated.

Birthday greetings, cards and shoulder sprays were given to Gwen Patton and Barbara Kehn for this month. Raffles were won by Sue Green and Jean Jones.

Margaret Condon Secretary

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We visited the Foundry in early March just as they were in the middle of casting a workshop full of rolling discs and grate covers. Upon our arrival at the Foundry Dick Guard introduced our group of Fairlie gentlemen to Bob Austin and his son Ken, who is the current owner of the business. We were given an overview of the operation and its history before being shown through an inside tour of the Foundry's operation.

Austin's Foundry has one of the last operational coke fired smelters in the Southern Hemisphere. For the environmentally minded - much of the carbon footprint is reduced by the water filters that absorb the smoke as it rises from the furnace and the materials are recycled from broken drum brakes and other discarded iron. No computers, robots, or other automated systems could be seen. The most high tech item I could see was the pneumatic pounder used to form the sand moulding for the castings to be made. Everything else was handled and poured by hand.

The world is changing fast, and who knows how long Austin's Foundry will be a feature of South Canterbury industry using this time honoured method of casting? But we were honoured to be shown around so generously. Thank you to Bob and Ken for their warmth and hospitality.

If you're a retired gentleman and would like to join one of our monthly (or so) outings, keep an eye out in The Fairlie Accessible for our next trip away.



Thank you

Waitaki

Jacqui Dean MP for Waitaki
0800 MP WAITAKI

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Authorised by Jacqui Dean, Parliament Buildings, Wgtn.

Waitaki MP Jacqui Dean wants an assurance that the South Canterbury District Health Board (SCDHB) will not be merged into a mega-DHB as part of a Government experiment to shake-up the health sector.

So far the Government has employed 25 people with a budget of \$5 million to reduce the number of DHBs across New Zealand.

“Health Minister Andrew Little has been reported as saying he wants to slash the number of DHBs and do so within two years, with an implementation plan to be signed off by Cabinet this month – something that causes me great concern,” Ms Dean says.

“I fear that due to its relatively small size, the SCDHB will be an easy target for amalgamation, which would be a travesty for this region.

“SCDHB is one of the best performing DHBs in the country – something South Cantabrians are rightly proud of. The Board understands the dynamics of the population and knows what’s required to make a difference for local people.

“The SCDHB also has a history of achieving breakeven or better on its financial plans and has managed to live with-in the funding available while maintaining good service delivery.

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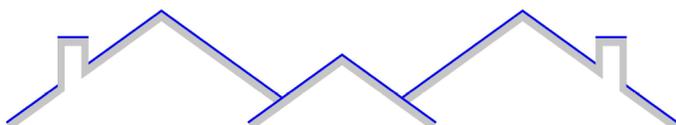
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The Season That Was ...

Monthly weather readings recorded in Kimbell for summer 2020/2021 (last summer in brackets)

December 2020

Highest Maximum Temp.	31.0°C	(27.8°C)
Lowest Maximum Temp.	12.0°C	(12.5°C)
Highest Minimum Temp.	14.5°C	(13.5°C)
Lowest Minimum Temp.	-0.5°C	(2.0°C)
Total Rainfall	69.8mm	(133.5mm)
No. days with Rain	8	(9)
No. days with max over 30°C	1	(0)
No. frosts	1	(0)

January 2021

Highest Maximum Temp.	36.5°C	(31.5°C)
Lowest Maximum Temp.	14.5°C	(17.0°C)
Highest Minimum Temp.	17.0°C	(20.0°C)
Lowest Minimum Temp.	4.5°C	(4.5°C)
Total Rainfall	91.7mm	(3.9mm)
No. days with Rain	10	(2)
No. days with max over 30°C	2	(2)
No. frosts	0	(0)

February 2021

Highest Maximum Temp.	30.0°C	(35.2°C)
Lowest Maximum Temp.	13.0°C	(14.0°C)
Highest Minimum Temp.	14.8°C	(16.8°C)
Lowest Minimum Temp.	0.8°C	(4.5°C)
Total rainfall	53.0mm	(95.5mm)
No. days with rain	5	(6)
No. days with max over 30°C	1	(2)
No. frosts	1	(0)

Overall, last summer was cooler than normal for our region. The only anomaly was in late January, when an airstream originating from The Northern Territory of Australia arrived, resulting in temperatures well into the 30's. There were lots of cloudy days throughout the season, mainly caused by light easterly airstreams which could have been influenced by a Pacific La Nina climatic event that developed in late 2020. Rainfall was well dispersed across the three months which would have pleased most of our local farmers.

Unlike recent years, it has been feeling quite autumnal since late February. Perhaps this is a sign of an oncoming winter resembling those of the 'good old days' in the Fairlie Basin.

Hopefully, unlike last year, we will be able to go out and enjoy our scenic region cloaked in it's autumn colours.

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- 23 Community Car - Trip to Timaru
- 24 Afternoon Tea at Albury Hall 1.30 pm
- 24 Alzheimer's visit to Fairlie Eat Café 1.30 pm
- 25 Community Morning Tea Eat Café 10.30 am
- 25 "Oliver" movie St Pat's Hall 1.30 pm
- 26 Steve Gurney speaks Lake Tekapo Comm Hall 7.30 pm
- 27 Fairlie Second hand Market outside Heartlands
- 28 Great Plant Seed Swap Community Gardens 10 am
- 28 Palm Sunday St Columba Church 10 am
- Church of the Good Shepherd Tekapo 4 pm
- 30 Mt Dobson Ski/Snowboard Club AGM Eat Café 6 pm
- 31 Trivia Night Silverstream Hotel 7 pm

April

- 2-5 Easter Weekend
- 2 Good Friday Good Shepherd Lake Tekapo 11 am
- 3 Easter Saturday St Stephen's Church 10 am
- Good Shepherd Lake Tekapo 4 pm
- 3 Fairlie Second Hand Market outside Heartlands
- 3 Rams v Old Boys at Fairlie
- 3 Live Music Silverstream Hotel 7 pm
- 4 Easter Sunday St Stephen's Church 10 am
- Good Shepherd Lake Tekapo 4 pm
- 4 Lagoon Trail Opening 11.30 am
- 5 Mackenzie A&P Show
- 5 Fairlie Second Hand Market outside Heartlands
- 9 St Joseph's Official Opening and Blessing 9.30 am
- 10-11 Fairlie Ladies Glencairn Golf Tournament
- 10 Rams v Pleasant Point at Fairlie
- 10 Paint & Dip Peppers Bluewaters lake Tekapo 3 pm
- 14 Carnivorous Plants Society Eat Café 7.30 pm
- 18 Mackenzie Cooperating Parish AGM 11 am
- 25 ANZAC Celebration and Remembrance Songs from the War Years - performance and afternoon tea

May

- 1 Rams v Geraldine at Fairlie
- 2 Pipe Band/Choir Concert St Columba Church 1.30 pm
- 9 Mother's Day
- 12 Brave Caitlin Smith's Imaginary Band at Eat
- 15 Rams v Celtic at Fairlie
- 27 Women's Event

Next Closing Date - Friday 26 March 2021

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