



THE FAIRLIE ACCESSIBLE

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7 JULY 2021

As Mayor of Mackenzie, I'd like to take this opportunity to humbly recognize the significant contributions that volunteers make to our community.

Needless to say, volunteers are a huge part at the heart of this community and I would be writing for days if I were to try and speak to each individual or organisation that actively contributes to this region.

However all volunteers, no matter how large or small should know their contributions are appreciated. They selflessly give their time, commitment, and dedication to their particular causes, without any expectation of compensation. No voluntary work is insignificant. The passion, energy and tireless giving all accumulates into one outcome, which is the protection, support and strengthening of our communities.

We have seen a huge variety of contributions and acts of incredible kindness within the region, most recently and particularly through Covid, through fires, through drought and floods. The giving of generosity, of talent, skill, advice, experience, support, vision, labour, leadership, assistance, inspiration, and friendship are the true signs of human spirit and I'm deeply proud of the amazing amount of spirit being shown in our Mackenzie. Volunteers and the work they do really does make such a difference.

Please pat yourself on the back and be proud of what it is you do, and give to those around you. I wish to thank you all personally, and would like you to know you are all truly tremendous.

Oscar Wilde quoted, "The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest of intentions." I wish you all good health and happiness.



Mayor Graham Smith

Skipton Animal Park

Since purchasing the property on Fairlie-Geraldine Highway 9 years ago, there was always an idea to start an Animal Park, but for various reasons and a busy family life the plans really only got going 2 years ago. It was a way bigger project than we anticipated. There were a lot of hurdles and a lot of challenges to get to where we are today. Covid 19 arriving in the middle certainly hasn't helped and like all local small businesses, we will continue to feel the impact from this for some time yet.



For all the challenges though, since opening in Mid May, all the smiles and joy seen on visitors faces has made it all well worth it!

Animals have always been a big part of our lives, Our vision was to open an Animal Park/Petting Zoo where animal lovers of all ages could come along, handfeed and get up close to many breeds and species that they may not get the opportunity to in a normal setting, and showcase our region while keeping it as affordable as possible for everyone.

All animals are amazing creatures, they have so much to teach us. We've had heaps of fun collating information for the info boards with each animal, and hope visitors will enjoy learning some quirky wee facts.



Having little helpers that share a love for animals has been a huge blessing as life hasn't been the easiest with the commitment that comes with so many pets. We've always had a fur family, but it has certainly expanded! The welfare of our animals is of utmost importance to us, so very early on realized we would need more than one group of each species/breed. Just like humans, they have their feelings and moods, so if someone's not in the mood to socialise, they head back to the holiday paddocks! So far everyone has lapped up all the extra love and attention.

Amongst our collection, there is a selection of breeds of many farm animals, aviary birds, chickens, with many rare breeds, as well as some slightly more exotic animals like Wallaby and Chinchilla's Possum.

For more information head over to our Face Book Page : Skipton Animal Park



MID-WINTER MARKET

Brett
Walker
Music



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Check out the Fairlie NZ website for:

- Community Calendar and Events (new!)
- Fairlie Accessible (in colour!)



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Fairlie Heritage Museum

49 Mount Cook Rd, Fairlie | email: fairlie@extra.co.nz
www.fairlieheritagemuseum.co.nz

The Annual General Meeting of the Fairlie Mackenzie Heritage Society Inc. (The Museum) is to be held Tuesday **13th July 2021 at 7.00 pm** in the Archives Building. **NB** The July Monthly Meeting will follow the AGM. Apologies to Jenny Kerr 03 685 6006

Silverstream HOTEL

KIMBELL



WINTER GIG GUIDE JULY



Thur 8th 8pm - Monty Bevins
Fri 16th 8:30pm - Different Strokes
Sat 17th & Sun 18th 4pm - Ollie Crooks

NEXT TRIVIA NIGHT - Tue 27th

Our wee Winter Cafe is open!



The Caf' in Kim



Coffee - Breakfast - Lunch
Open 8am | Tues - Sun

MACKENZIE BASIN WILDING TREE TRUST

Notice of Annual Meeting of the Trust to be held
on Thursday 29 July 2021 at 11:00 am
in the Twizel Events Centre Theatre,
Market Place, Twizel

Business:

- Receive and consider the Annual Report and activities for the year ended 31 March 2021.
- Receive, consider and adopt the Financial Report for the year ended 31 March 2021.
- Report on the business plan for the current year.
- Consider any resolution which may properly be submitted to the Annual Meeting.
- Such notice of resolution must be given in writing to the Secretary of the Board no later than Wednesday 14 July 2021.

B R Cowan

Secretary, Twizel

Email: mackenziewildings@gmail.com

Mackenzie Shears Meeting

Tuesday 13 July 2021
Top Pub Fairlie at 7.00 pm

We are looking for new or past members to go on an organising committee, or people to help on Show Day and at working bees. If you are interested, please come to the meeting. No previous experience necessary.

Apologies to Bruce Dunbar 027 595 6473



RAM ROUND UP

SEMI FINAL FOOTBALL

Barwoods Mackenzie Rams vs. Old Boys @ 2.45pm @ Ram Park
 Mackenzie Supply Services Senior B vs. Geraldine @ 1 pm @ Ram Park

Hamersley Cup after Round 14

Senior Points;
 Harlequins & Temuka 54
 Waimate 45
 Celtic 41
 Pleasant Point 41
 Mackenzie 29
 Old Boys 9
 Geraldine 8

Glover Cup after Round 14

Points;
 Celtic 63
 Harlequins 59
 Temuka 57
 Pleasant Point 39
 Waimate 28
 Mackenzie 16
 Geraldine 12
 Old Boys 11

Mackenzie Rugby Football Club Bar Manager Position Available:

After years of service Claire Graham will be standing down as the clubs Bar Manager. If you are social and reliable and have a few hours free on a Saturday over winter then we would like to hear from you. Please email mackenzierfc@yahoo.co.nz or speak with Mitch Taylor to express your interest or to answer any questions.

Thank you to all our loyal supporters

Major sponsors of Mackenzie Rugby

All IAB and JAB games available to view on the Mackenzie RFC Facebook Page



Roncalli 1st XV (four Mackenzie girls representing our rugby club) plays @ Strathconan Park (Ram Park) on Wednesday August 11th @ 4.15 pm – come along and support girls rugby.



Hey, Hey, Whaddya Say ...

Team Tumble Cheer was invited to cheer on Club Day for the Senior Rams game. The girls enjoyed showing off their new uniforms and sideline cheers. It was an unusual site to see cheerleaders on the sidelines of a Rugby game, one we hope becomes a more regular occurrence for Senior home games in the future. Come check out the Team Tumble Cheer performance demonstration at the Mid Winter Market on 1st August at the Community Centre Theatre at 1 pm.

The Advocacy Group

Anglican Care South Canterbury



Bringing our workshops to Fairlie July-Oct 2021!

Friday afternoon sessions – 1.30–3.30pm

- . 16 July – Adapting to Change;
- . 20 August – Discovering your Life Purpose;
- . 17 September – Shame;
- . 15 October – Alone or Lonely

All created & presented by Alexia Bensemman
 Free of charge

For more info or to book, text/phone/email Ruth:
advocacy@anglicancare.org.nz 021 134 0307

Agri Connect Mackenzie

We are a group of concerned local farmers and farm service providers who want to be able to help friends, colleagues and clients who are suffering with mental health wellness issues.

After attending an Agri Connect mental health seminar held in Ashburton in May, a couple of us decided it would be a great thing to have in our Mackenzie area to raise awareness of mental health and give people some tools and avenues for help.

We have managed to secure Craig (Wiggy) Wiggins from 'Whatever with Wiggy' and Agri Connect to host the day (Ravensdown Communicator of the Year 2021).

We also have Jason and Sandy Herrick, dairy farmers from Southland coming to talk about their experience with depression, suicide attempt and recovery.

The afternoons' focus is to have a series of speakers with tangible answers of how to get help, including Suicide Prevention, Rural Support Trust, an Agribusiness Consultant and a Police Officer. There will also be health checks available on the day.

The day is to be pitched towards rural services providers and farming families, with the goal to raise awareness of the avenues of support for mental health locally.

As a valued member of our farming community we would like to warmly welcome you to this day. The seminar will be held at the Mackenzie Community Theatre on 27 July from 10 am-3 pm. Please register your attendance by email to heartlandsfrontline@gmail.com. We request that you please bring \$10 cash on the day to contribute towards lunch.

The Team from Agri Connect Mackenzie - Tina O'Sullivan, Hamish Zuppich, Victoria Simpson, Buster Hurst, Greg Anderson and Harry Railton

Dignity Bags

Trees and fresh air were what drew Nick and I to settle in Fairlie 32 years ago. What we have since found here is real gold - that is, a caring community. Thank you to all you wonderful supporting people who continue to give to the Dignity Bag project; you have contributed to a present total of 150 bags delivered to women's refuge Timaru. 150 women have felt cared about at a pretty awful time in their lives, being given that bag of personal feminine products helps restore dignity and



worth. There is research that shows folk get benefit from giving and I feel delighted filling bags and packing them off. Thank you Jenny Cleaver - loading up for the latest delivery.
Gillian Palmer

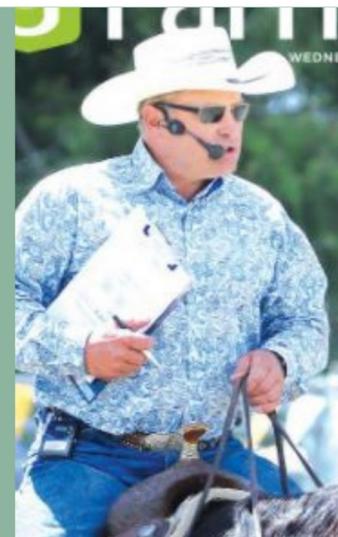


10AM - 3PM

27 JULY

FAIRLIE
COMMUNITY
THEATRE

As a rural representative or partner, you may be the first to recognise when a client, colleague or spouse needs support.



Turning connections Into Actions

Hosted by Craig (Wiggy) Wiggins
Ravensdown Agricultural Communicator of the Year 2021

Featuring Jason and Sandy Herrick
Dairy farmers from Southland, with their story of battling with depression to brink of suicide and recovery.

Come along and learn tools and strategies for dealing with mental health issues, and meet the people and agencies committed to improving mental wellness.

\$10 PER PERSON

TO COVER LUNCH

Register your interest via
heartlandsfrontline@gmail.com



Aoraki Wellbeing Education Day

A workshop focusing on
Recovery, Wellbeing and Addiction Education

Wednesday 28th July

Mackenzie Community Lounge
9.30 am – 3 pm Lunch included



0800 559 009
or Heartlands Fairlie
Resource Centre 685 8496.



SCHOOLS CALENDAR

9 July - Last Day of Term 2
26 July - First Day of Term 3

Fairlie Primary School

This term, Kereru class has taken part in the Wonder Projects Rocket Challenge. This has been a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) challenge that involved students designing, building, and launching their own water rockets. Each week students would test and make modifications to their rockets in order to make them launch higher and travel further.

On Monday, the whole school gathered to watch the final launch and were very excited to see the rockets in action. A massive thank you to Graham Roughton who had given up much of his time to help design the rockets. Here is what some of the students thought about the rockets.

"It was really fun designing and making changes to the rockets" Cooper

"It was a good challenge for our brains because it involved a lot of problem solving" Tom

We thank the Community Trust of Mid & South Canterbury for once again showing their support for Fairlie Primary School with the allocation of funding in the form of the Principal's Discretionary Fund payment. This very generous grant is supporting all our students in a variety of ways to enhance their learning, both inside and outside of the classroom. For example the Life Education Trust visit, sports uniform and the entry fees for events like EPRO8 and Chess.



Fairlie Area Kindergarten

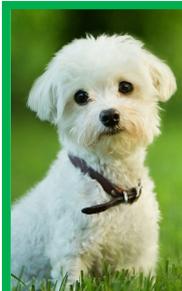
03 685 8505

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.

Making our manu count

We recently joined in with tamariki and adults all over Aotearoa in a bird survey in our environment. This citizen survey has been going for ten years and is very helpful for scientists to get some useful data to reflect where the birds are and in what sort of numbers. Mrs Anne Mitchell helped us with the investigation by coming along one afternoon to help count and record the information. This was a great way to draw tamariki's attention to birdlife and the environment around them and to support them on their journey to become thoughtful and responsible caretakers of our lovely whenua.



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Education

Albury School

During break times our Albury kids enjoy playing all sorts of activities. Creative enviro play (making huts), playground climbing and sliding, playing in the hut lodge, playing sports and using dress ups to create an imaginary world.



I'm sure these guys are our students and not imposters! Their play included stopping some extra-terrestrial invaders from taking over the school! Digby found some dress-up glasses and he was co-ordinating the defence tactics! They were successful and we continued with our afternoon learning -whew!

During a game of lunchtime rugby, a wayward kick unexpectedly collided with a **Piwakawaka** River (who is our local "bird whisperer") carefully nurtured the little fella while he recovered from his concussion. He was placed in a lovely safe place and successfully flew back to his family to tell of his tales at Albury School, and how well he was cared for.



We have two classes at Albury School. The junior class (Year NE-Y3) is named Piwakawaka, and the Senior Class is named Tui. Albury School kids care about our environment and our birds! Great rescue River!

Next term we will be welcoming the Albury Playgroup to our school. This new location will provide an environment where families can share time with each other and their little ones can enjoy developing their local friendships. We are delighted to be able to support our wonderful local playgroup.

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Snowsports

Term 3 is an exciting time for many students at Mackenzie College. Often students talk year-round about how much they are looking forward to going up Mt Dobson for their snowsports experience.



Beyond the excitement, there is a lot that goes on in the background for getting the learners up to the mountain. Subject teachers give students effort grades, which are then collated so that Mr Hignett can see which students have an average of 4 (out of five) or above to be able to go skiing/snowboarding. Often times Mr Hignett will work with students individually to help get their effort grades up.

So why do students need to have good effort grades to participate in this iconic event? By showing that they can go the extra mile we can be confident as a school that the learners going on snowsports can catch up on the work missed while up the mountain. Good effort grades are not determined by achievement or grades - they are a reflection of the amount of energy students are putting into their classes.

We owe a big thanks to Mr Hignett and Mr Ross for taking the time to organise and supervise this activity.



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

St Joseph's School Fairlie

Tena Koutou,

We would like to thank some people for their help over the past three weeks. Ngā mihi nui to Haley Shaw and Emma for their makeup talent! Our Jump Jam team looked and felt amazing. We loved seeing our senior class working together in this team event.



Ngā mihi nui to author Lulu Taylor who donated a copy of her book, "Etta Rose" to our school library. Our tamariki loved the theme of the story, where Etta Rose was proud of being her unique self. Some really powerful messages in this book!

We are truly blessed to have parents and friends of the school supporting our school in so many ways!

Ahakoā he iti he pounamu

Although it is small it is a treasure



Te Manahuna Kāhui Ako

The Mackenzie schools Kahui Āko - Te Manahuna o te Kahui Āko - have been busy over the last term. The two co lead principals have visited every kura and met with boards of trustees. The across school lead teachers have visited other kahui āko in the Canterbury area, as well as keeping in touch with different sites.

The kahui āko is focused around achievement challenges which cover student transitions, well being, and digital fluency. Our team has met a number of times this term to reflect on and look towards refreshing these challenges. As part of this we have also sought input from whanau and students about their experiences with transitions between schools.

We all attended the Grow Waitaha hui, where all Kahui Āko in the wider Canterbury area get together. In teams we quickly looked at the revised Ka Hikitia Ka Hapaitia (Maori Learning Strategy) as well as looked at the work of other kahui, and began our strategic planning. The next day was spent planning at the Ministry offices in Christchurch, as well as a visit to Core Education - PLD providers for schools.

Each term we run a social event for all staff, not just teaching staff. This term we had an indoor games evening in the Tekapo/Tākapo hall with a pot luck dinner. It was a fantastic evening of kai, laughter and kanohi ki te kanohi (face to face). This last phrase meaning a sense of physical presence and/or commitment to a place, a whanau, or a kaukapapa (a learning). We would like to thank the Fairlie Bowling Club for lending us their indoor bowls and mats for the evening.



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2021 Science Fair



The organising committee of the Mackenzie District Science Fair wishes to inform you that it has set the dates for the 2021 biennial fair. The schools invited are: Cannington School, Mackenzie College, Fairlie Primary School, St Joseph's School (Fairlie), Fairlie Area Kindergarten, Fairlie Early Learners, Albury School, Lake Tekapo School, Lake Tekapo Kinder-garten, Twizel Area School, and Aoraki School. Entries are also open to the homeschooling community.

The exhibits will be open for public viewing on Wednesday 18th August in the Mackenzie College Hall from 9 am-3 pm. Judging will take place all day Thursday 19th August. The fair is then open to the public all day Friday 20th August, with the award ceremony that afternoon from 2.00 pm.

This year the emphasis is on participation and promotion of science in our region. We are surrounded by scientific opportunities and we want to highlight this.

If you would like to provide sponsorship for the winners, or even an industry prize (a science investigation with a focus on your chosen industry) please email angela@stjofairlie.school.nz for more information or any other enquiries.

Committee members: Denise Arkless (Twizel Area School), Elsie Greenwood (Albury School), Michelle Fowler (Fairlie Primary School), Thomas Clitheroe (Mackenzie College) and Angela Marshall (St Joseph's Fairlie).

The Promises We Made

Before the cloud of lockdown came
We had no time for family games
Five days a week at boarding school
Two days at home felt so cruel.

Our usual routine soon had to conclude
Because a bat was mistaken for food
All sent home in such a fluster
We were no longer allowed to cluster.

But, every cloud has a silver lining
The sky is blue and the sun is shining
We dusted off our hidden talents
And took our time to find our balance.

Will we keep the promises we make
Or will they crumble and crack and flake
"I'll run, I'll bike, I'll bake too"
All the lies just grew and grew.

Until one day it all went SNAP!!
Lockdown ended and our habits went slack
We reminded ourselves to still be kind
And not get caught up in the daily grind.

Work life balance came to a stop
We all turned to our default
(for most that was shop)
Running, biking, baking too
It all disappeared as if on cue.

But as it all just fades away
And the new bright blue returns to grey
We need to stop and reflect,
Look back at the world we almost wrecked.

By Lulu O'Sullivan (aged 12yrs)



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- Setting up and using a Mobile Phone
- Learner Licence Theory
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Albury (Thursday) and
Fairlie (Thursday/Friday)
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or Heartlands 685 8496

CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

Monday 12 July – Crafts & Games at Community Centre with lunch provided 10 am to 2 pm (\$5 fee)

Tuesday 13 July – Mt Dobson Club
9-11 am

Wednesday 14 July – Mt Dobson Club
9-11 am

Thursday 15 July – Trip to Petting Zoo 1-4 pm
bring your own snacks and drink (\$5 fee)

Friday 16 July – Movies & Games at the Community Centre with lunch provided 10 am to 2 pm (\$5 fee)

Register for Monday, Thursday & Friday
at Heartlands 685 8496
Mt Dobson trips subject to availability
– nic@niczup.co.nz



Congratulations!

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

Birthdays:

30 Jun June Robertson
6 Jul Alma Wright - 80th
8 Jul Marie Robinson
9 Jul Rachael Handy
9 Jul Aylene Edmonston
10 Jul Courtney McKenzie
13 Jul Tabitha Newport
13 Jul Val Smith
16 Jul Lisa Holden
17 Jul Damon Smith
17 Jul Viv Blair
17 Jul Andrea O'Sullivan
18 Jul Gael Williams
... and Heartlands Staff!
10 Jul Janine Walker
17 Jul Anne Harrison
20 Jul Lisa North
26 Jul Kathy Pettengell

Meals on Wheels in Fairlie



As mentioned in the previous Accessible, Heartlands has taken on the co-ordination of Meals on Wheels on a trial basis until the end of September (or sooner if it folds). It isn't viable for a business to take these meals on, as they would have to charge considerably more, beyond what most of our old folk on fixed incomes can afford. As it is, if it doesn't work out being done in the town, then frozen meals will have to be bought in.

To keep this going in Fairlie they need both volunteer cooks and deliverers. In the past, all of the meals were done as part of the lunch each day at Moreh. You might choose to do it with a friend or by yourself. Heartlands has use of a kitchen should cooks want to use it and this has been working well over the last couple of weeks.

It isn't a big job – all ingredients are delivered the night before and the meals are then picked up to be delivered to the recipients. It is that delivery that is so important as some days the person on Meals on Wheels might be the only person to visit that day.

Call Anne Thomson at Heartlands and talk about it!
Tel: 685 8496

Changes to the Fairlie Accessible

You may have noticed that the Accessible, easily recognisable with the green cover since its inception by Olive Beban and Rosemary Moran during the Access Courses of the 90's – has had a change of cover colour and structure. Structure being that it is now an A3, halved and stapled. It is now printed in Ashburton. Previously it was printed by the Mackenzie District Council, but in an effort to reduce costs they have done away with the big printer necessitating a 'change' for the Accessible.

Remember now that it is the same colour as so many other items in your letterbox – don't throw it away just in case you want to read it!

So going forward, you can always access your Fairlie Accessible on the fairlienz.com website – top right hand corner – go to Fairlie Accessible! You may want to cancel delivery of it if you read it on the net - we have mailbox stickers to this effect - let Heartlands know!



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Allan Kerr (03) 685 8063
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Make These Simple Positive Changes in your Lifestyle and say Farewell to a Throw Away Culture

- * Take reusable bags with you.
- * Plastic bags are the bane of the ocean. Like other plastic products littering our waterways and filling our landfills, plastic bags are ingested by sea creatures and birds who mistake them as food. Considering 200,000 plastic bags are dumped into landfills each hour, using a reusable canvas bag is an easy way to avoid waste.
- * Getting take away? Say no to plastic straws, try and find places that avoid Styrofoam packaging, or better yet, BYO reusable containers! Styrofoam is notoriously problematic for the environment as it never fully breaks down in the environment and is derived from petroleum.
- * Remember to pack a keep cup. Keep cups are the simple solution for waste. Considering that single-use coffee cups are often made from Styrofoam or lined with polyethylene, which makes them unrecyclable. They not only last longer, but are made from recyclable material. Glass and ceramic options are also available.



Children's Christmas Store

The second annual Children's Christmas Store will be held on Sunday 19th December at St Pat's Hall on Gall Street from 11 am to 3 pm. Last year we had the pleasure of hosting almost 40 eager shoppers and raised \$400 for the Youth Recreational Fund.

The Youth Recreational Fund is a fund that is available to any student who may otherwise miss out on their recreational activity due to financial difficulties. This fund is not just for sports but for those in any recreational activity such as drama classes and music or instrument lessons. Our goal is to provide at least \$50 to those who need a little help with subs, lesson fees or instrument hire without turning anyone away.

The idea of the Children's Christmas Store is to allow children from the ages of 5-12 to independently shop for their family with the help of our shopping "elves". Their presents are wrapped on site so they are ready to go straight under the tree. All presents are priced \$.50-\$3.00 to ensure our shoppers can afford gifts for their family members. The response from parents was phenomenal! Such an experience in independence, budgeting and thoughtful gift considerations.

We need your gift donations! Gifts for mum, dad, siblings, and grandparents are needed which means there are no limits on the types of donations we need. Last year we collected fuzzy socks, BBQ supplies, jewellery, toys, perfume and cologne, board games, cook books, puzzles, sports equipment and so much more! We ran short of boy's items and items for teens last year so those items would be greatly appreciated.

Can you help us? If you see a good sale or have items at home that are "like new" or unused we will take them! Drop your donated items off to Heartlands Monday thru Friday between 10 am and 4 pm.

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The Mackenzie District has been hard hit by Covid-19 with the hospitality and tourism sectors being badly affected. Two groups are working hard to boost morale in this district. **Albury Ice Hockey Assn** received \$3,300 to subsidise ice rink time for those involved in ice sports. Due to the isolation and distances that need to be travelled to participate in sport, the ice rink in Tekapo is a draw card for all ages and acts as a community gathering point.

An exciting and innovative new event that will involve locals and visitors is **CREATE: Mackenzie Book & Art Festival**. This Festival is to be run over multiple towns in the Mackenzie District in Spring 2021- including Twizel, Tekapo, Fairlie, Albury and Kimball. It will run from 17 September to 3 October 2021 and have 40 events over the 15 days. There will be a sculpture walk on the Lake Tekapo foreshore for the entire period; a photo competition with photo display boards celebrating the Mackenzie landscape and people, and cultural presentations, workshops and visual art installations. One of the event committee, Wilma van den Bosch says "We are not just using traditional event theatres, but bars, galleries, tourist hubs and historic spaces will be used - showcasing not only the authors and artists, but our community and our landscape, from Cave to Aoraki / Mt Cook, from Albury to Ohau and everywhere in between." They have been granted \$10,000 towards running costs.

Stronger For Longer
Exercise Classes
 Wednesdays at 1 PM
 in the Tekapo School Library
Gold coin donation.
Ages 50+
Gentle aerobics - Band work - Fun circuits

TEKAPO FOOD BANK

The Lake Tekapo Community Food Bank is available to support individuals and families during times of hardship.

Confidential applications can be made in person, or by referral to Penny at mackenziecommunitytekapo@gmail.com or by phone/text 021 023 22741

Donations to this fund can be made through the Lake Tekapo Four Square Tekapo Services 1985 Ltd
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 Please use 560625 or foodbank in the reference

Lake Tekapo

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Facing Failure

A small group gathered on Sunday night at Tekapo school to watch the screening of the Biggest Little Farm. Apart from being an inspiring movie with amazing cinematography, what struck me most about the movie was the grit and courage that Molly and John faced through successive failures. At each turn of their permaculture journey, they faced a new challenge, and whilst at times overwhelmed (we don't know what was said off-camera!) - there was an underlying determination to learn from each failure and keep moving forward. This mindset of embracing failure is something we can all learn from. To steal a well touted verse, FAIL is simply a first attempt in learning. Whether it's planting a vegetable



garden, starting a new business, taking a driving test, or learning a new sport - welcome the opportunities to learn and grow with each step.

Launching the Good Shepherd Native Restoration Project

Work continues on The Church of the Good Shepherd Native Restoration Project during the chilly month of July. On Saturday July 10th, Dr Colin Meurk begins work with local volunteers to carry out a site survey and develop a native planting plan. That same evening at 6.30 pm, as part of the Saturday night Light Party, Colin will present a short talk about the ecology of the Mackenzie Basin and share the proposed planting plan with those attending.

The Native Restoration Project is an important next step for The Church of the Good Shepherd for cultural, spiritual and environmental reasons. Lake Takapō (Tekapo) is a place of cultural significance for Māori and Pakeha. Long before the arrival of Europeans the area was a food basket for local iwi who gathered food in the area and for whom the island of Motuariki in Lake Takapō continues to be of spiritual significance. The church was built as a memorial to the farming pioneers who were shaped by the wild and beautiful landscape of the Mackenzie. Today it is a place of rest and renewal for many who value the Church of the Good Shepherd as spiritual treasure in the Christian tradition.

The native revegetation project at one of New Zealand's most iconic landmarks will benefit the local community by raising local awareness of native species, both flora and fauna, endemic to the Mackenzie Basin. Through the reintroduction of native pioneer species we will reduce the impact of human activity in the area around Pioneer Drive and The Church of the Good Shepherd, making space for natural regeneration and habitat for native insects, lizards and bird life in the area. The restoration project will also provide areas for community gatherings and activities that foster a connection with the natural environment.

Through this native revegetation project we deepen our community and our church's connection with the natural heritage and the cultural heritage of this place.

The Church of the Good Shepherd Restoration Project will be formally launched during the winter Light Party hosted by The Church of the Good Shepherd on July 10th, 5-8pm. Colin Meurk will work with interested volunteers on site from 9am-4pm on Saturday and speak at The Church at 6.30pm in the evening. We acknowledge the generous support of Genesis Energy.

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Mackenzie Tourism launches winter campaigns

ChristchurchNZ, the contracted regional tourism organisation for the Mackenzie, has been working hard to entice visitors to the region. The team recently launched the 'Winter Mackenzie' and 'Do Winter Different' central South Island campaigns to target domestic and Australian winter holidaymakers to the region.

Last year saw a 3% YOY growth on total visitor spend for the winter months (July – September inclusive) for the Mackenzie, a contrast to the 45% YOY decline over the typically busy November – February inclusive period. Despite a 24% growth in domestic visitor spend for the year ending February 2021, the region saw a 34% YOY decline in total visitor spend for the year.

The 'Do Winter Different' campaign promotes the whole central South Island as a winter destination, recognising that visitors plan and book their holidays based on the wider regional offering rather than district boundaries.

The Winter Mackenzie campaign compliments the central South Island activity by unpacking what the Mackenzie region has to offer over winter. In addition to national traditional and digital media buy, there has been an upweighted focus on Queenstown to capitalise on the visitor numbers expected over winter. Campaign creative promotes the region's key winter selling points including uncrowded ski fields, 'bucket list' ski experiences such as skiing the glacier, family-friendly activities like ice skating, and reminds visitors that winter is the best time of the year to stargaze as well as jump in hot pools to recharge.

"We're certainly getting an indication from our trade partners that the Mackenzie is beginning to be seen as the emerging, more undiscovered winter destination" says Marketing Executive Jason Menard who visited industry partners as part of a regional update in early June. "They're getting lots of enquiries, however the key challenge is actually transport. SUV hire cars are in short supply and we've lost public transport providers to carry visitors. We raised this to Minister Nash on his recent visit and are continuing to champion this challenge for our region."

In addition to the two campaigns, the Mackenzie's year-long social campaign called '52 reasons' continues to serve up fresh and relevant content each week. To date, the 52 reasons videos have received over 1 million plays.

"52 reasons is all about giving people reasons to stay longer, do more and come back to visit the Mackenzie" says Stoddart. "We've been hearing great feedback it and look forward to working with the community in the second half of the year to come up with remaining reasons."

The ChristchurchNZ Mackenzie Team is led by Kath Low (Head of Tourism) and consists of Lydia Stoddart (Mackenzie Tourism Development Manager) and Jason Menard (Mackenzie Marketing Executive) who is based in Twizel. Anna Hiatt will join the team as Mackenzie Event Development Manager, a newly created role to drive out of region visitor value via events.

Fairlie



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Blue July, bright July,
Month of storms and gorgeous blue;
Violet lightnings o'er thy sky,
Heavy falls of drenching dew.

George Meredith 1828-1909

George wrote that for a different hemisphere's July, but this month is still worth writing poetry for! There is 'Dry July' and 'Plastic Free July', both great campaigns that can help your health and the health of the planet.



Albury Mid-Winter Afternoon Tea
Tuesday 27th July
1.30-3.30 pm
"Brownhill" , 774 Mt Nessing Rd

Calling all young people in our community!

Sarah Wylie is undertaking research in our community for Mackenzie District Council, looking at community and social wellbeing needs and how these can be addressed. The research involves analysis of demographic data, focus groups with a range of service providers and key community stakeholders, and a number of surveys. As part of this research, an online survey is currently running for young people to have their say about their community and what they would like to meet their wellbeing needs.

Go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Macyouth> to have your say, and parents, please encourage young people to complete the survey.

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Fairlie - Saturday 14th August
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- * Making your Garden Fertile – Composting, worm farming, Bokashi, liquid manures and green crops.
- * Beneficial Insects – Learn what plants attract insects and how to build an insect hotel. Great fun for the kids!
- * Establishing a Herb Garden – Learn which ones you can grow cheaply from seeds and how to grow others by dividing and growing cuttings.

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Friday, 13 August 2021
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Bountiful Backyard Workshop Series

Saturday, 14 August 2021	Sunday, 15 August 2021
Fairlie - \$30	Lake Tekapo - \$15
9 – 10:30am Beginners Gardening	9 – 10:30am Beneficial Insects
11 – 12:30pm Planning your Garden Lunch	11 – 12:30pm Establishing a Herb Garden
1:30 – 3:00pm Fruit Trees & Berries	
3:30 – 5:00pm Making your Garden Fertile	
	Full Course (both days) \$40

Register your interest at Heartlands Resource and Information Centre, Fairlie 03 6858 496

Third Generation

LUNAR CALENDARS AND VINTAGE TRUCKS

Last Thursday night The Kirke Street Community Garden hosted a workshop on Garden Planning with a Lunar Calendar. The ten participants were inspired by June Cooper whose experience as a vegetable gardener and diligence as a teacher contributed to a very informative and practical evening. We can now approach the spring with hopeful anticipation.

Our Retired Gentlemen's Trip this week journeyed to the South Canterbury Steam and Transport Museum at Levels. We were shown around for several nostalgia-filled hours by Bob Merhtons, who is one of the key enthusiasts at the club. The Old Barwoods Transport vehicle just inside the new shed was a sight to behold. Looking at trucks and tractors is not my usual hobby, but I'll admit there were a few times during our trip around the museum when forgotten childhood memories flooded to the surface. A 1970s Mercedes Truck painted in immaculate Shell colours from the late seventies and early eighties reminded me of sitting in the passenger seat alongside Murray, our local Shell Truck driver, as he backed his way to the farmyard fuel tank. There were no Health and Safety measures in those days, other than common sense! The old Austin truck with a hinged hand (literally a hand!) as a right turn indicator brought back memories of hay carting with farming neighbours. And the Seed Drills...it's hard to believe we didn't lose our fingers in those things, and they were so old I can't believe we were still using them in the 1980's. It was great to hear stories of the other men, whose starry eyes indicated they were also cherishing some memories of their own.

Contributed by Andrew McDonald



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My name is Louise Hooper - some of you may know me better as Louise Anderson! Up until it closed, Moreh rest home was where I have spent most of my working life. I would like to continue this work, out in the community where I have grown up in. If you feel that you would like some help in the home, or know of anyone who could do with this, I would be only to happy to work out a care plan and give assistance.

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ADAPTING TO CHANGE 16th July

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You may have seen the advert in this and the previous Accessible for the four workshops that Ruth Swale is bringing to Fairlie.

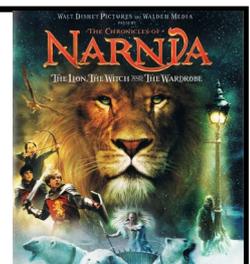
The first is on Friday 16th July ADAPTING TO CHANGE - and though those with school age kids will not be able to come along, it is an excellent opportunity for anyone who has been through, is going through or about to go through change in their lives. Change may have been brought on by a variety of events including turning 65, the loss of a loved one, moving house or from town to town, health issues in our lives or those we hold dear. Whatever the reason for change, coming along to this free informal workshop with Counsellor Alexia Benseman, will give you food for thought and a chance to look at a number of ideas around change.

Thursday 15th July

Movie - The Chronicles of Narnia (The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe)

\$4 + afternoon tea

St Pat's Hall



Thursday 29th July Movie - Under the Tuscan Sun

Police Notebook: Russell Halkett



We are getting through the winter quite nicely without too many issues on the roads so far, but we shouldn't be too complacent.

There was a vehicle roll over on Burkes Pass last Sunday which could have turned out a lot worse. The Twizel lady was lucky to walk away with some minor injuries. The icy road conditions played a big part in this crash as well as other crashes around the district over the last few weeks. Things are freezing quite hard now so stay alert on the roads and always drive to the conditions. Even in the middle of the day some of the shady spots are not seeing any sun and are staying frozen.

The occupants of a Fairlie address had a woman turn up out of the blue threatening the occupant and demanding she hand over her car. She left empty handed and inquiries are continuing. This is an isolated incident and both parties are known to each other.

A Flaxmere man was arrested for breaching his court bail conditions when he was found at an address in Fairlie where he shouldn't have been staying.

The Alpaca Shack road signs have been stolen again from the side of the main road at the end of Nixons Road. The previous signs were stolen in December. These signs are no use to anyone else and cause a big inconvenience in having to replace them. They have a picture of an Alpaca with an arrow pointing to the side. The offender should do the right thing and return them (in the middle of the night if they wish).

Continue to be vigilant and wary of computer or phone scammers. Never give out your personal details or credit card details over the phone to unsolicited calls. Check out this web site for some good advice, www.consumeraffairs.govt.nz/scams.

Winter has a long way to go yet, so be careful out on those roads and remember to drive to the conditions. Better to be a bit late than dead on time.

Bye for now, Russell Halkett Fairlie Police

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Government’s Three Waters plan short-sighted and far from convincing - Jacqui Dean MP

Amalgamating water services will side-line Mackenzie District ratepayers and see them lose control of local water services, Waitaki MP Jacqui Dean says.

“While there’s a clear case for change in our Three Waters sector, the model released by the Government is far from convincing. Without an implementation plan for us to look at it’s hard to see how the water assets in the Mackenzie District can be easily merged with those in Cromwell or Wanaka.

“The whole Three Waters process has been poorly handled. Councils have been asking fair questions of the Government which have gone unanswered – something I find totally unacceptable.

“Three Waters means local councils will lose control of a precious commodity – water. Entering into a shared services agreement won’t necessarily improve water quality or benefit Mackenzie District ratepayers.

“We all want to see improvements in the quality of water services but this should have been done properly with meaningful input from those it will ultimately affect.

“National supports a water regulator with greater power to set and enforce standards. We should be enhancing Three Waters capability and incentivising change where it is led locally and able to happen at a natural pace.”

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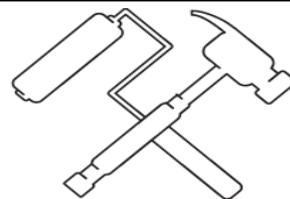
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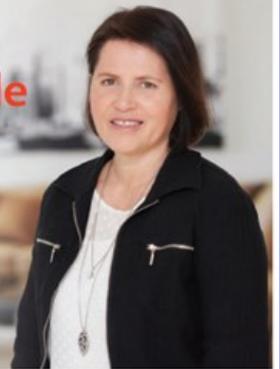
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- 12-16 Children's Holiday Programme Page 9
- 13 Mackenzie Shears Meeting Top Pub 7 pm
- 13 Heritage Museum AGM Archives Building 7 pm
- 15 Mackenzie RSA AGM Masonic Lodge Hall 6 pm
- 16 Adapting to Change Workshop 1.30-3.30 pm
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