

The Closure of St Paul - Albury Catholic Church

This marks the end of an era for the community, but it is not the end of our faith journey. As the final Mass was celebrated by Bishop Michael Gielen, on Sunday March 12, 2023, people from various parts of New Zealand came together to recall the many blessings they have received in the church building over the years.

Bishop Michael's Homily was a poignant reminder of the countless people who were baptized, received Holy Communion, Confirmed, and Married (and funerals) in the church.

Throughout the Mass, prayers were offered for the memories of liturgies, Sacraments, and special moments shared in the church to continue inspiring and guiding the faith community. The leaders of the faith community, particularly Bishop Michael Gielen and his brothers-priests, were also prayed for, that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit as they discern the future of the diocesan community and continue the work of God's kingdom.

The community also offered prayers for those who contributed to the maintenance and upkeep of the church building over the years. Their efforts and sacrifices were remembered and appreciated, especially Rita Gallen, Dermott O'Sullivan, their families, and the Parish Council Members.

As the community faces a time of transition, we are reminded that the church is not just a building, but it is the people who make up the Body of Christ.



The faith community also prayed for the dead that they may come to the fountain of God's glory in His kingdom.

After the ceremony at the church site, the participants were further invited to attend a light finger food luncheon and refreshments at the historic Albury Tavern nearby. Although it was a sad occasion, many people found that it was a good catch up with friends, neighbors, and families.

In conclusion, the faith community placed our trust in God as we closed this chapter in our faith journey. We thanked God for the blessings our ancestors and us received in the church building and the memories we will carry with us. The church may be closing, but our faith journey continues as we seek to grow in faith and love.

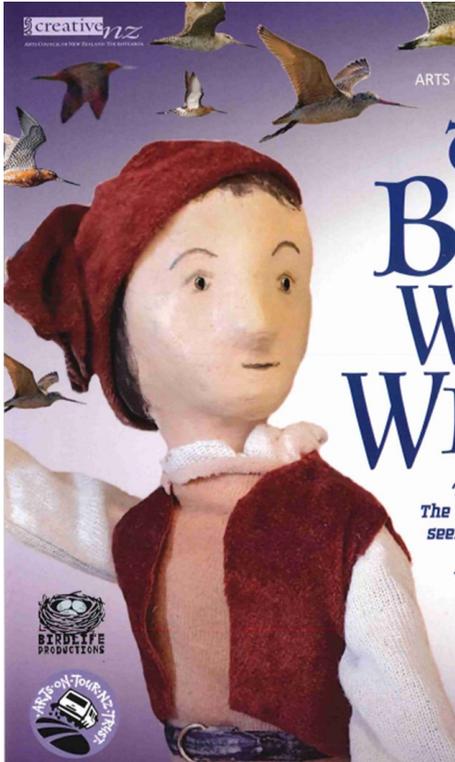


St Patrick's Day



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Fairlie Golf Club

Congratulations to the Fairlie Golf Club on holding a very successful men's 72 hole 2-day tournament last weekend. Both days dawned with a slightly chilly temperature but then turned into the most perfect blue sky days for golf. The field of 112 entrants played on a well-groomed course in excellent condition thanks to the work of new Green-keeper Chris O'Neill and his wonderful team of volunteers. Thanks to the sponsors, the entrants and the huge team effort by members. Great job! Pictured above is the overall winner - Michael Herlund.

Firth Industries Fairlie 500 Winners 2023

Overall Winner - Michael Herlund 275

	Senior		Intermediate		Junior	
Best Nett	Aaron Charteris 286		Wayne Lloyd 290		Michael Herlund 275	
Best Gross	Scott Manyweathers 297		Gary Brosnahan 347		Mike Herrick 365	
2nd Best Nett	Chris O'Neill 291		Ian Anderson 297		Alex Struthers 279	
3rd Best Nett	Damon Smith 293		Iain Findlater 298		Gerry O'Neill 283	
4th Best Nett	Michael Anderson Jnr 295		Richard Herlund 299		Steve Robertson 286	
5th Best Nett	Bradley Edmonston lot 297		David Moffat 302		Shaun Hutchings 288	
6th Best Nett	Paul Hubbard by lot 297		John Lindsay by lot 303		Grant Lloyd 297	
7th Best Nett	Ron MacPhail 299		Paul Blair by lot 303		Rob Glover 298	
8th Best Nett	Phil Cumming by lot 300		Richard Parish by lot 304		Graham Willetts lot 303	
9th Best Nett	Al Sime by lot 300		Noel Glass by lot 304		Darryl Taylor by lot 303	
10th Best Nett	Bruce Thomson 302		Colin Peake 306		Kevin O'Neill by lot 303	
Best Nett Sat	Blair Struthers 146		Brendan Castle 153		Gavin Grant 145	
Best Nett Sun	Karl Rattray 147		Martin Wills 148		Robert Trotter by lot 147	
Longest Drive Sat	Michael Anderson Jnr		Brendan Castle		Steve Robertson	
Longest Drive Sun	Paul Hubbard		Greg Jones		Richard Jell	
	Sat AM	Sat PM	Sun AM	Sun PM		
Closest 5	Bruce Martin	Richard Parish	Colin Peake	Shaun Heslop		
Closest 15	Brent Nahkies	Rob Glover	Graham Willetts	Shaun Hutchings		
2nd Shot Closest	Sam Watkinson	Damon Smith	Aaron Charteris	Dean Goodall		

Mackenzie Swim Club Results

Records Broken:

Kaleb O'Neill - 16&under 100free 1,05.28, 50fly 35.06
Jack Cassie - 16&under 100breast 1,26.89
Kaia McKenzie - Womens Open (17+) 100free 1,07.38
100back 1,17.43, 100breast 1,28.91, 50fly 34.56
Records that have been held by Tracey Allan since late 1990s

Champions:

8&under - Will Cormack and Ava Smith, Runner up Charlotte Ross
10&under - Will Cassie, Runner up Eligah Wilson
Katie Cormack, Runner up Molly Greenwood
12&under - Jack McCabe, Runner Up Munro Kerr
Emma Habraken, Runner Up Eden Hawkins
14&under - 1st equal Sam Cassie & Blake Jordan
Annabel Geary
16&under - Kaleb O'Neill, Runner Up Jack Cassie
Hope Herrick
Womens Open 17+ Kaia McKenzie, Runner up -
Molli O'Neill

Competitive:

Most Diligent Senior - Hope Herrick
Most Diligent Junior - Katie Cormack
Most Improved Boy - Munro Kerr
Most Improved Girl - Eden Hawkins
Overall Club Champion - Sam Cassie & Blake Jordan

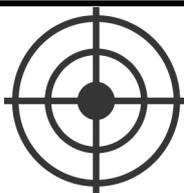
Non Competitive:

Most Diligent - Vince Westland
Most Improved Boy - Eligah Wilson & William Cassie
Most Improved Girl - Ava Smith



Fairlie Miniature Rifle Club

The 2023 season begins on Monday 3rd April in the Mackenzie Community Centre Fairlie at 8 pm. There are also clubs at Sherwood and Cave. New members are most welcome.



For further enquiries, please phone Jim Allan
03 685 8052 or 027 734 4986.

Central South Trail

As people have probably observed, the staged section of the 'Timaru To Tekapo' shared pathway from



Fairlie to Kimbell is underway. This pathway will be ideal and open to families for use on cycles, walking, mobility scooters, push chairs, wheel chairs and prams. The project is expected take 3 months from start to finish. For our hard-working team of volunteers this is a massive project which will eventually link Timaru through to Tekapo to link up with the Alps To Ocean (A2O) track from Tekapo to Oamaru. To make this a manageable project we are completing sections along the route as we can afford to, and the availability of construction teams to physically make this happen. We are endeavouring to construct the track from Fairlie to Stoneleigh Road to link up with the existing 'River Track' to complete a loop track for locals to enjoy for a nice bike out to Kimbell for refreshments and a bit to eat, before returning back to Fairlie, or visa versa.

The Central South Trails Committee is proposing to have a meeting in the Kimbell Pub on the 5th April 2023 at 7.00 pm to meet any interested parties, whether just wanting to find out what is happening now, tomorrow and the future, or able to help in any way. The driving force behind the project is to link community with community.



Helping out at Primary Mackenzie Combined Swim Sports





SCHOOLS CALENDAR

TERM 1

- 28 Mar SC Swimming
- 1–2 Apr Fairlie Trail Ride
- 6 Apr Assembly @ 2.30 Fairlie Primary
- 6 Apr END OF TERM 1**
- 24 Apr TEACHER ONLY DAY** Fairlie Primary
- 25 Apr ANZAC DAY**
- 26 Apr START OF TERM 2**

Cannington School

Hokey Pokey - by Jack and Kobi

On Tuesday 14th March, we made hokey pokey with Mr Power. There were three ingredients involving 5 T white sugar, 2 T golden syrup and 4 t baking soda. We made this hokey pokey in the school kitchen. When you make it you need a big pan. First you add white sugar then add the golden syrup. You put the pan on the stove and heat it until it bubbles, then you add the baking soda. The soda makes the mixture expand with little holes full of carbon dioxide gas. Then you tip the mixture onto a tray with some baking paper and wait for it to cool. It's sticky and delicious, I'm pretty sure it isn't supposed to be sticky and Mr P isn't admitting a mistake. But I think we all know he got it a bit wrong. Making hokey pokey is an example of a chemical change.

A chemical change is a chemical reaction that occurs where a new substance is formed and is not reversible – meaning it cannot be changed back to its original ingredients. When the bicarbonate of soda (baking soda) is added to the mixture in this experiment, it forms carbon dioxide bubbles, and this causes the mixture to foam up. The sugary syrup then sets around the bubbles creating a foam-like consistency.

Jakobe - On Sunday I had Covid, but I got bacon and egg's for breakfast so that's the only good thing about having Covid. In my seven days at home, Mum made me do a lot of maths.

Hadley - When Jakobe and I got Covid we had to stay away from school for 7 days. We don't know where it came from. We know when we get Covid because of a positive Covid test and vinegar smells strong. When you get Covid you need to stay in bed for the morning, but you can have bacon and eggs for breakfast or Nutra-grain.

The only good thing about Covid is that you can stay off school for a week. I watched TV all day. My cousins came over but I was locked in the lounge and couldn't go near them."

Trees at Cannington School are perfect for climbing. With their big branches and stumpy stumps. My favourite one to climb is the one next to the water tank. From there I can see my house, the mountains and some farms. I can see all the school and the pool. Climbing is a bit like parkour because if you make a mistake, you can get really hurt, so it makes you be careful.

Teachers Strike by Kyla & Annie

On Thursday 16th March, the teachers went on strike and the kids got a day off school. We have been reading about strikes and protests. In the past there have been lots of strikes and protest in New Zealand. In a strike or protest people stand up for things they think are right. Teachers are concerned about rising living expenses and getting enough teachers in schools is a major challenge. At Cannington School we have teachers for each class we have two teachers and one teacher aide. We do a lot of trips and interesting stuff. Our parents want teachers to say no to teacher strikes because kids need their education.

Fairlie Area Kindergarten

Celebrating St Patrick's Day



Recently we enjoyed acknowledging the Irish heritage we have in our kindergarten community. John Garvey joined us to share some Irish words, a familiar song using Gaelic words - to top it all off there was even some Irish dancing! We also enjoyed some cupcakes the tamariki had prepared, with green icing of course. We may be a small town in a small country but it's truly amazing how our diverse our roots are. Thank you, Garvey family, for contributing to our celebration.

Education

Fairlie Primary School

Fairlie Primary School held their annual Swimming Sports at the Strathconan Pool last week. School values were on display with great participation and some speedy results. Thanks to Jo O'Neill for starting the races and the parents who helped with timing.

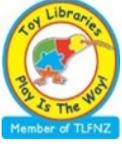


Police Station Visit

The Juniors at Fairlie Primary School have started learning about "People Who Help Us in the Community". This has been a continuation of our Rural Safety Day and Well-being learning this term. This week we visited Senior Constable Russell Halkett at the Fairlie Station. The students were excited to visit and learn about how the police help us. The siren was a definite hit! Here are some of the New Entrant's comments;

- "Mr Halkett helps children."
- "Russell tells us what to do to be safe."
- "Russell is nice and kind. He catches bandits for us."
- "Russell helps us if we are lost. He solves problems and helps people."
- "Russell catches fast cars and helps if we crash on the road."





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Albury School

The chilly mornings make it evident that the seasons are changing and autumn is here.



Our School pool will be closed now and the swimming season has come to an end.

At the start of Term 1 we made the most of those hot summer days and had swimming sessions twice a day in our amazing swimming pool at Albury School. In the last weeks there were a number of School and Interschool events for the students to showcase their improved skills. The Piwakawaka classroom hosted a Swimming Demonstration Afternoon where the students demonstrated their swimming skills to parents, caregivers and grandparents before the event was finished off with some afternoon tea prepared and served by the tamariki. The annual Interschool Swimming Sports event was held at the Strathconan Pool in Fairlie on 9th March 2023. Thank you to St Joseph's School Fairlie for organising this event and everyone who helped on the day! Our students showed great confidence competing against friends from the other small schools in the Mackenzie area. The postponement date for the Albury School Triathlon was Tuesday 14th March and we couldn't have chosen a better day. It was sunny and warm and the children had a great afternoon competing in front of their families. There was a great display of resilience, sportsmanship and friendly competition and everyone enjoyed the afternoon. It was fantastic to see our Albury Kids giving their best and making it over the finish line where they received a well deserved ice block. We are proud that some of our older students are representing Albury School at the South Canterbury Triathlon and the South Canterbury Primary Schools Swimming Competitions in Timaru. These events will conclude our swimming season.





Local primary and secondary teachers striking in Fairlie on Thursday 16 March to press the government to improve teaching and learning conditions.

St Joseph's School Fairlie

Visit to Mount Cook

Our Year 6 leaders had a wonderful trip to Aoraki Mt Cook School to celebrate the opening of their new school. We thoroughly enjoyed listening to their waiata and musical presentation with the students' stories being a highlight. We were invited to plant a Mt Cook Lily to represent our school. Thank you to Aoraki Mt Cook School for inviting us to share their special day.



Line Dancing

This term we have enjoyed having Beanie back for Line Dancing. This is a great way to start the morning and get ourselves moving. Line Dancing really makes our brains work, thinking about direction, movement and following instructions. We love boogying down to the music!



South Canterbury Triathlon Representatives

Recently Jed Anderson and Max Pridham represented St Joseph's Fairlie in the South Canterbury Triathlon in Timaru. This was their first time doing this event after it was cancelled last year. They showed focus and determination throughout the race, despite the pouring rain for the run and bike legs. We are very proud of their achievement.

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New Look Library

The library team has been working hard weeding out old non-fiction books that are no-longer required, and making more room on the shelves. Kathy has been re-arranging shelving to make the non-fiction area more spacious, more accessible, and provide more seating areas. It's looking lighter, brighter, and more inviting. Yes, you can find loads of stuff on the internet these days, but you can't beat a book for convenience and page-turning pleasure. Books don't need batteries and just try putting a bookmark in your phone to mark where you're up to!!! Come in and have a look at the new space – there's enough room to swing a herd of cats (this behaviour will be frowned on by library staff, however!!)

Menopause Matters

Did you see the fantastic UK Channel 4 documentary '*Davina McCall; Sex, Mind and the Menopause*'? that was aired on NZTV a few months ago? If you missed it, come along on **Thursday 23rd March at 7.30 pm** to our next meeting at the library, to watch the first documentary '*Sex, Myths and the Menopause*' on the big screen. If you are struggling with Menopause symptoms, want to know more about what happens during this important period of a woman's life (excuse the pun!), and receive/give support, then come along and meet some other wahine who may be feeling exactly the same as you, and may be able to offer advice, support and empathy. Ring Bron at the library if you would like to find out more.

Book Week at Mackenzie College

Last week was Book Week at the College. There were Form Time Quizzes, 'Design your own Bookmarks and Book Cover' competitions, and a Book Character Dress Up Day. In the library, we had a 'Guess the Number of Bookworms in the Jar' competition, Book Tasting sessions for the Junior classes, 'Guess the Teachers' Favourite Book Genre', and a 2-hour Read-a-thon for the Year 7&8's (which included book-themed snacks!). It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm of the students, as well as the demonstration of the school values: GRIT (perseverance), MANAAKITANGA (kindness & respect), CREATIVITY (participation) and ASPIRE (pushing your limits). What a great week!

The Library Crew



GO AS A RIVER, by Shelley Read Published by Doubleday, \$37



I loved the title of the novel I am reviewing this week. *Go As a River* is the story of Victoria (Torie) Nash, a motherless teenager in rural Colorado. The story starts in the late forties when Torie is seventeen. She takes care of a household of troubled men (her father, her brother and war veteran uncle) and helps on her father's peach farm. Torie's life changes completely after falling in love with Wilson (Wil) Moon, a young drifter who is displaced from his tribal land. Their love angers her racist brother, resulting in tragedy and Torie's departure from the life she knows.

The atmospheric description of the natural world combined with Torie's life story gives this book its depth. As her hometown is set to be flooded by the damming of the local river, Torie works tirelessly to save her family's legendary Nash Peach farm by transplanting the trees with the help of an agricultural scientist and his students.

'Go as a river' is Wil's motto in life. Only at the end of the book does Torie understand the full meaning of this advice: "Flowing forward against obstacles was not my whole story. For, like the river, I had also gathered along the way all the tiny pieces connecting me to everything else, and doing this had delivered me here, with [...] a heart still learning to be unafraid of itself. I had been shaped by my kindred – my lost family and lost love; my found friendships, though few; my trees that kept on living and every tree that gave me shelter."

The book finishes in 1972. It touches on the effects of the Vietnam War, Martin Luther King Jr, and women's rights. There are three mothers in this book, one who gives her baby away, one who adopts a baby and one who has miscarried six babies. The book is about every day, yet tragic life. It has been compared to *Where the Crawdads Sing* but it is a story like no other and it deserves its own success.

Wilma

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Federated Farmers Rural Round up for South Canterbury

The tragedy that has unfolded in the North Island last month reminds us how vulnerable we are to weather events, especially in rural areas. Our hearts go out to the families who have been affected by Cyclone Gabrielle.



One of the humbling things about my role is the generosity of people in South Canterbury. I have received many calls offering help whether it be feeds, materials or just help. This will be very important in helping our northern neighbours get back on their feet. It is important to realise that any assistance is well co-ordinated and directed to where it is needed. In this sense, I suggest that farmers who have feed they wish to make available log onto the MPI feed co-ordination service. You can type this into your search box or just go onto the Federated Farmers web page and the link will be there.

The other suggested way to help is cash donations. Federated Farmers has an Adverse Events Charitable Trust Give a Little page. Any donation through this site is tax deductible and will be directed to where it is needed. When things settle down and we know where help is needed, there will be chance to volunteer to help out with work that is needed on farm.

National office has an adverse events team who have activated and who are surveying where the help is needed, what affected farmers need now and going forward. Julie Geange, the team leader is doing an excellent job and is working with the provinces affected and keeping in touch with the provinces down here as to how we can help. The Farmy Army is up and running and anyone who wishes to volunteer can register by going on the Federated Farmers website or type into your search bar <https://arrg.15/1rveH00> and click on.

Greg Anderson



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- Keep your horse on the side of the road whenever you can, but don't ride on footpaths, lawns or gardens.
- Don't ride more than 2 abreast.
- Don't ride on the right of any moving vehicle.
- If you're leading another animal while riding, always keep it on your left, away from the traffic.
- If you're riding a horse or leading animals at night, wear reflective clothing and carry a torch.



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- Slow down and pass carefully, giving the horse and rider plenty of room.
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- If the horse appears frightened, stop.
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Be careful around horse traffic. If you're not, you could be charged with careless or dangerous driving.

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A Man with a Plan and a Caravan

Mental health is a critical issue that affects millions of people worldwide. The stigma surrounding mental health often prevents people from seeking help, leading to devastating consequences.

However, one man from Geraldine is taking a different approach to address the issue. One Man, One Plan, and One Caravan, Robbie, with his race tractor and Caravan is starting to tour the country to start conversations about mental health and well-being.

While Robbie Shefford may not be an immediately familiar name, his trademark ginger mutton chops and Gooserooter nickname are perhaps more likely to strike a chord of recognition. Towering in at six foot four, his personality is just as immense, Geraldine-born and bred, Robbie has amassed quite the social media following for his The Gooserooter at Truck This and Truck That page, where his down-to-earth personality and raucous sense of humour sees him connect with a diverse audience, from Truckies and Contractors to Farmers and Mechanics.

From a background including Farming, Engineering, Fire-fighter, Scout Leader, Truck Driver and Mechanic his distinctive NZ personality refuses to pander to popular opinion and his straightforward attitude to most problems in life have seen his appeal spread with tens of thousands of online followers and becoming an increasingly well-recognised face (and voice) at Truck & Machinery Shows, Tractor Pull, and many Rural events around the country as the MC and Guest Speaker. Robbie has also been on several Radio and Tv shows, and done many write ups in newspapers and magazines both here and Australia, Robbie is driven to connect with people around the importance of mental health especially in the trucking and rural sector.

Last year, Robbie acquired a caravan and used it as a mobile office. He filled it with tea and coffee and headed to the roadside to talk to the truckies about mental health. This was just the beginning of his "Man with a Plan and a Caravan" initiative. The response has been overwhelming, and people have been very open, Robbie's mission is simple to travel around New Zealand with his race tractor towing his mental health and well-being caravan and stop to talk to as many groups and people as he can about the importance of mental health and well-being.



He plans to stop and talk to different groups and people along the way, sharing his personal experiences and insights to encourage others to take care of their mental health.

After a successful weekend at the Mayfield A&P show, Robbie plans to travel the roads of Canterbury over the coming weeks, with stops at the Methven, Malvern and Oxford A&P Shows and the South Island Field Days.

His journey through Canterbury is just the beginning, he will be heading in a Southbound direction for Easter weekend to attend Wheels at Wanaka, then the **Mackenzie A&P Show** where he hopes to inspire others to say it's ok to not be ok, and promote mental health awareness throughout New Zealand. By sharing his story and experiences Robbie hopes to reduce the stigma around mental health and encourage more people to seek help when they need it. Mental health is not an easy topic to discuss, but Robbie's caravan offers a relaxed and friendly environment that encourages conversation.

Robbie's plan is a great example of how one person can make a significant difference in promoting mental health awareness. With his caravan as a symbol of his hope and commitment to mental health, Robbie is bringing his message to the people, making it accessible to anyone who wants to talk to him.

Robbie says he knew this Caravan would be to small, I just didn't realize it would be to small so soon, by the time every is packed in, there isn't much room left to sleep, so I'm on the hunt for sponsors to get a larger one while providing a few creature comforts of home but in the meantime I will play the hand I've been dealt, and make the most of what i have at the moment,

Everything Robbie does around mental health is self funded so he has printed hats, stickers, posters and coffee mugs to help promote mental health, by purchasing some merchandise you are helping Robbie covers costs to get to his next event.

Our Community

Happy Birthdays:

23 Mar Koa Day

23 Mar Isabelle Broadfoot - 1st

24 Mar Simon Cassie

25 Mar Fay Te Nahu

26 Mar Pauline Dann

26 Mar Peter Foote

27 Mar Betty Morgan

30 Mar Nic Guerin

30 Mar Anna Grant

31 Mar Bruce Andrews

1 Apr Warren Walker

2 Apr Pete Anderson

3 Apr Lucy Munro

3 Apr Marie Crampton

Celebration
of
Life

Birth:

17 Mar Jess, Tom, Neve and Maxwell
welcome Maggie Louise Whittaker

Bereavement:

10 Mar Pauline Gallagher

Chicken Stack

A tower of taste - and looks impressive to boot.

A great dish to add to your repertoire for a café style lunch at your place.



- 4 x 250g chicken breasts, cut lengthways through the breast
- 12 slices of streaky bacon lightly cooked
- 8 large cooked portobello mushrooms (field mushrooms)
- 4 slices camembert cheese
- 4 handfuls mixed salad leaves
- 2 tablespoon basil pesto
- lemon oil
- olive oil
- salt and pepper
- 4 x four to six inch skewers

1. Heat a skillet or hot plate. Oil well, place slices of chicken and season with salt and pepper. Cook for 3-4 minutes on each side, trying not to colour the meat too much. Remove from heat.
2. Compile four towers of chicken, mushroom and bacon in that order, with three slices of chicken in each tower. With the last piece of chicken at the top, push skewer through centre to hold.
3. Place in 180°C oven for another 7 or 8 minutes.
4. Remove from oven and push a cheese slice down each skewer. Place 1/2 a tablespoon of basil pesto on top of cheese and a small handful of mixed lettuce leaves on top of pesto.
5. Drizzle with lemon oil and carefully transfer to plates.



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Trade site applications and some entries still being accepted. Schedule of classes and trade forms available on www.mackenzieshow.co.nz or call Jodi 021-713-033.

If you have any free time and would like to help before, during or after the Show, please contact Jodi.



9.00 am-5.00 pm daily

A great way to start the day! - Smashed Avocado with portobello mushrooms, roasted tomatoes or you can choose poached eggs



Rents skyrocket across Mackenzie District

New data shows rents across the Mackenzie District have reached eye-watering heights, Waitaki MP Jacqui Dean says.

MBIE's Tenancy Services Rental Bond Data release for January 2023 shows median rents in the Mackenzie District have reached \$430 per week – up \$115 since Labour took office in October 2017.

'The cost-of-living crisis is stretching families' budgets, whether it's record high food prices, skyrocketing mortgage repayments or rent increases, it's becoming harder for people to cover the basics,' Ms Dean says.

'People in the likes of Twizel, Tekapo and Fairlie are paying the price for poorly thought-out housing policies. The Government was warned that removing interest deductibility on rental properties and extending the bright-line test would raise rents, and this data shows that's exactly what's happened.

'While median rents in smaller towns can fluctuate month-to-month due to the small number of rental properties being leased, the trend is clear across the region.

'National will reverse Labour's interest deductibility and bright-line changes, which have done nothing but pile costs onto renters.

'National will unlock more land for housing, drive infrastructure investment to create more housing, increase long-term rental options with Build-to-Rent housing, boost social and affordable housing by backing community housing providers and ensure everyday Kiwis can get mortgages by fixing the Consumer Credit Contracts and Consumer Finance Act which has cut access to bank lending.

'I want local people who work hard to be able to get ahead and see a path to home ownership. Rents rising by over a hundred dollars a week makes that incredibly difficult.'



Here to help 

Jacqui Dean MP for Waitaki

Contact me anytime

waitaki.mp@parliament.govt.nz
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Authorised by Jacqui Dean MP, Parliament Buildings, Wgtn.



Fairlie Emergency Response/ Neighbourhood Watch Team



Wanted: New Team Members

The Emergency Response/Neighbourhood Watch Team are looking for extra helpers. Each team member has a delegated area, within Fairlie and Kimbell to watch over, with a phone list of people living alone and the elderly in their area. In an emergency, a visit or just a phone call to the people on your list, to ensure they are coping, and their needs have been met (e.g. enough wood, working smoke alarms, groceries, etc) is all that is required.

Please consider coming on board. It's not a big job but it makes a huge difference to the people you support .

If interested, phone Mary Brosnahan
022 197 9497/685 8574

FENZ Fairlie Fire Brigade



The weather was excellent for the golfers last weekend. Congratulations to ex - Brigade member Michael Herlund on his win over the four rounds.

The Brigade has had two call outs - both were to scrub fires but no action was needed. Mike O'Brien is busy training for his recruit course at the end of next month. Mike has completed his book work and now training on breathing apparatus and water way, ladders and knots and line. Good work Mike.

PROFILE

Mick Donnelly joined the Fairlie Fire Brigade in 2012. Since joining Mick has taken part in all aspects of training. He has recently completed a ERD [emergency response driver] and pump operator course Mick is a self employed mechanic and runs MJ Donnelly Ltd Diesel Mechanic on Allandale Road. He enjoys his winter sports - ice hockey and skiing, but likes getting his boat on the water in the warmer weather. You may wonder why the Brigade gets called to medical events. FENZ has signed a memorandum of understanding with St John.



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What is happening locally?

- Weekly Thursday morning exercise sessions with Erin
- Weekly Friday Morning tea sessions 10.15 am at St Columba Hall

23rd Mar 1.30 pm Quiz in St Columba – teams of 3 – all welcome – afternoon tea to follow

30th Mar 1.30 pm Movie - title to be advised – in Aorangi Motel's house

7 pm Repeat screening of the first session of old photos of Fairlie at St Columba - open to entire community

5th Apr 9am Thru the Haka and via Waitaki Lakes to Omarama for lunch and home

19th Apr 9.15 am Operatunity in Timaru "The Ultimate 70's Show"

4th May POSITIVE AGING EXPO in Timaru – over 40 stalls of community groups and service providers and includes demonstrations and presentations - book a seat on the free van at Heartlands

19th May Safer Driving with Chris Thomas – if you are driving then you can't really afford to miss this

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'The Autumn of our Years'

Some compare this time of year with aging! I can see the similarities, trees changing colour as does our hair, leaves shrivelling up and dropping off – yes, there are numerous similarities! On the positive side it is, or can be, a beautiful time to take the time and appreciate all that is good about us.

Of course, in the midst of this seasonal change, we face changes in our day to day lives, changes we can equip ourselves for. Shorter days – longer nights. Hopefully you all have your winter heating sorted.

These 6 abbreviated tips come from the recent SCDHB Newsletter:

Boost your immunity – Vitamin C and zinc are the top two nutrients to boost immunity. To get Vitamin C, eat plenty of citrus fruit; oranges, orange juice, peppers, broccoli, blackcurrants, Brussel sprouts and potatoes. To get zinc go for red meat, chickpeas, lentils and beans, pumpkin, sesame seeds, cashew nuts, spinach, kale and my favourite – dark chocolate. Alternatively find a good multi-vitamin.

Change your fitness routine – as summer disappears so does out motivation to get outside. Try some indoor activity even if it is as much as dancing alone to your favourite music.

Get more sleep – aim to go to bed at the same time each night and get up at the same time. Keep your room dark, blue light decreases melatonin production and it's melatonin that helps us go to sleep and stay asleep. Keep it cool. The optimal bedroom temperature is around 18 to 18.5.

Get outside – this ensures your daily dose of Vitamin D which comes from sunshine. If you are up to it, walk around the block, park and little further away from the supermarket, take your tea or coffee out into the yard.

Eat in-season food – eat fruit and veges that are in season and most abundant, and hopefully cheaper. They of course contain the greatest number of nutrients when they are allowed to ripen naturally. Prepare soups etc for the freezer while they are abundant, and they sit there ready for you in the colder months.

Keep the cold and flu germs away – sounds great in theory but do what you can. Sterilise your phone, door handles, keyboards, remotes! Keep your hand sanitiser 'on hand' as we did when COVID was rife – and keep up the sanitising hands at the supermarket etc.

Fairlie



Lisa North - 685 8496
community.development@fairlienz.org

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If this time doesn't suit please contact me and we can arrange a time that does!

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the Garden Buzz

It's a great time of year to pop some coriander in your garden as it won't "bolt" like it tends to do in summer. Mint and lemon balm are also good to plant now, but be careful to contain it, otherwise it can take over! Mine has, so if anyone wants some lemon balm, please just yell out as it's taking over my vegie patch!

This April try planting some of the following: Chinese cabbage, most Asian Greens, spinach, rocket, broccoli, spring onions, asparagus, celery, endive, squash, onions, silver beet, leeks and lettuce.

Liquid Fertiliser Recipe

You can make straight-up, single ingredient seaweed tea, or combine it with other nutrient and mineral-packed plants, for an all-round liquid fertiliser. Either way, the process is basically the same. Here's a recipe for seaweed tea, with comfrey, nettle and borage.

You will need:

- * A bucket or barrel with lid
- * An old pillowcase
- * As much seaweed as will fit in your bucket
- * Comfrey, nettle + borage leaves
- * Non-chlorinated water (rainwater is great!)
- * A stick for stirring

Fill your pillowcase with lightly washed seaweed and add your herbs. Stuff it into the bucket and fill to top with water, and place somewhere out of the sun with the lid on lightly, but not tight.

Stir the brew with your stick each day for a week or so if you remember. Then wait, for about 3 months. Dilute your concentrated seaweed tea 1:10 with water and apply to plants and seedlings.

**ALBURY
 Afternoon Tea**

"The mere chink of cups and saucers tunes the mind to happy repose." - George Gissing.

**Wed 19th April
 1.30 - 3.30pm
 Albury Hall**

All Welcome!

Meeting people in our community ...

Meet Gavin Cox. He has lived in Lake Tekapo with his wife Andrea since 2013. They have 2 children. Their son, Carson and 2 grandchildren live in Christchurch and their daughter, Courtney is a School Teacher, living in Fairlie.

Where were you born?

I was born in Christchurch and spent the majority of my childhood at Waimairi Beach. My Dad built a house there in the sandhills. He was a fitter and turner for The Railways and was also a dab hand at making things and fixing things. Over the years he built and renovated many houses and restored several vehicles - he was a very clever man and I learnt a lot from him.

I remember as a teenager getting up at 5 am regularly and going for a surf before school. Surfing was my passion, so after a short stint working at The National Bank after I left school, I went to Australia with my mate and we travelled all over the country, surfing all the beaches and working briefly when we ran out of money. When I came back to NZ, I completed an apprenticeship in cabinet making - and I've never looked back. In 1983 I started my own business manufacturing quality solid rimu furniture - built to last. The tables and chairs I made for Reflections Restaurant in Lake Tekapo in the 1990's are still being used today, which is fantastic.

What made you choose to live in Lake Tekapo?

Andrea and I loved waterskiing and we used to holiday regularly in Lake Tekapo. I'm also a keen fisherman. About 29 years ago, we purchased our A frame house and enjoyed many holidays here before being offered the Camp Managers roles at Tekapo Holiday Park, and making the easy decision to move here permanently. We enjoyed our 8 years at the Holiday Park and are proud that we achieved our goals of modernisation and adding more accommodation.

I've heard that you are not ready to retire - what are you doing to keep busy?

I briefly thought about semi-retirement and set up a workshop under our house, with the plan to renovate our home. That was when Simon at Tekapo School approached me - and I thoroughly enjoyed managing the fit-out of the new school library - including making shelves, meeting tables and mobile units. When Andrea joined the Mackenzie Theatre Group, I happily helped the team out by designing and building sets and props for the two Caravan shows.

CONT ...



Lake Tekapo

Julie McDonald

mackenziecommunitytekapo@gmail.com



Would you like to grow your own vegetables and herbs in Lake Tekapo, but are not sure where to start? With the rising cost of buying vegetables - growing your own is looking like a great option.

Local resident, Michael Midgley has kindly offered to share his knowledge from years of experience growing plants in our unique environment. Michael is happy to visit you at home and advise aspiring gardeners on;

- Preparing the soil for a new vegetable garden this Spring or reinvigorating an existing garden patch
- The best location on your land for a new vegetable garden
- Growing herbs - either outdoors or indoors in containers
- The vegetables (and berries) that thrive in our climate - and when to plant them
- Growing delicious, nutritious salad greens in pots and containers
- Which vegetables are best grown from seedlings and which are best grown from seed sown directly into the soil

If you are keen to start your gardening journey, Please contact me and I will pass on your details to Michael.

Thanks Michael - you are a STAR!

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At the moment I have 2 big projects I'm working on - #1 fitting out the interior of a caravan and #2 restoring a 1966 VW Beetle.

For the past three summers, I have also been the Freedom Camping Ambassador for the Mackenzie District as well as being the on-call Noise and Dog Control Officer.

What do you love about living in Lake Tekapo?

I love the weather (Summer is amazing), the lake, the mountains - but especially the friendliness of the people and the different cultures. It's a great little community where anybody will help another person out.

The Evening Sky in April 2023

Venus is the brilliant 'evening star', setting in northwest 1½ hours after the Sun. The planet will be left of the Pleiades/Matariki star cluster around April 10th. The thin crescent Moon will be near Venus on the 23rd.

After Venus sets, **Sirius** is the brightest star in the sky. It is northwest of overhead at dusk and sets in the southwest after midnight. Sirius is the brightest true star. The second brightest is **Canopus**, southwest of the zenith at dusk. Below Sirius are bluish **Rigel** and orange **Betelgeuse**, the brightest stars in **Orion**. Between them is a line of three stars: Orion's belt. To southern hemisphere star watchers, the line of three makes the bottom of 'The Pot', now tipped on its side. In the Pot's handle, or Orion's Sword, is the Orion Nebula, a glowing cloud easily seen in binoculars.

Below and right of Sirius is **Procyon** marking the head of Canis Minor one of the two dogs following Orion the hunter across the sky. Sirius marks the head of Canis Major, the big dog. The big dog's hindquarters are made by the bright stars above Sirius.

Low in the northwest below Procyon are three stars of similar brightness. The vertical pair are **Pollux** and **Castor**, the heads of **Gemini** the Twins. Left of them is **Mars**, looking like an orange star. The Moon will be between Mars and the Twins on the 26th.

Above and right of the Twins is the **Praesepe** star cluster, looking like a hazy spot to the eye. It marks the shell of **Cancer** the Crab. Praesepe is also called the Beehive cluster, the reason obvious when it is viewed in binoculars.

Right of Praesepe, almost due north, is a medium-bright star **Regulus**. It is the brightest star in **Leo** the Lion. The curve of stars below Regulus outlines Leo's mane, upside down in our southern hemisphere view. A crooked vertical line of stars right of Regulus makes Leo's hindquarters with the brighter star further right being his tail. The Moon will be in the curve of the Lion's mane below Regulus on 29th.

The lone bright star due east is **Spica**, the brightest star in **Virgo**. Above Spica is the roughly kite-shaped con-stellation of **Corvus** the Crow. In the later evening the bright orange star **Arcturus** rises toward the northeast, often twinkling red and green.

The **Southern Cross** is high in the southeast. Below it, and brighter, are **Beta** and **Alpha Centauri**, often called 'The Pointers'. Alpha Centauri, the brighter Pointer, is the closest naked-eye star.

The **Milky Way** is brightest in the southeast above the Southern Cross. It can be traced to nearly overhead where it fades and becomes very faint in the northwest, right of Orion. The Milky Way is our edgewise view of the Galaxy, the pancake of billions of stars of which the sun is just one.

The Clouds of Magellan are midway down the southwest sky, easily seen by eye on a dark moonless night.



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Saturn is the only naked-eye planet in the dawn sky, rising due east after 2 a.m. It looks like a medium-bright star with a cream tint in an empty region of sky. By dawn it is well up the eastern sky. The Moon will be near Saturn on the mornings of the 16th and 17th.

For star charts visit <https://www.rasnz.org.nz/in-the-sky/the-evening-sky/the-evening-sky-charts>.

Notes by Alan Gilmore, University of Canterbury's Mt John Observatory and the Aoraki-Mackenzie International Dark Sky Reserve.

Mackenzie Catholic Parish

Twizel - Sunday Vigil Mass - 6 pm every Saturday

Fairlie - Sunday Mass - 9.30 am every Sunday
and Daily Mass 9.15 am Tuesday-Friday

Tekapo Church of the Good Shepherd -

Last Sunday of every month - Mass at the at 6 pm

The Mackenzie Catholic Parish's Easter Schedules

2023: These sacred liturgical events contain, commemorate, and communicate the divine mysteries of God's love, mercy and grace to all of us. Without them, our personal and communal faith can be malnourished. Therefore, the Lord invites everyone in the parish and beyond to wholeheartedly participate and celebrate them together.

Anointing of the Sick during Mass

Twizel - Saturday Vigil at 6.00 pm, 25th March

Fairlie - Sunday Mass at 9.30 am, 26th March

Tekapo - Sunday Mass at 6.00 pm 26th March

Reconciliation Rite 1 after Sunday Mass

Twizel - Saturday Vigil at 6.00 pm - 1st April

Fairlie - Palm Sunday Mass at 9.30 am - 2nd April

Holy Thursday (6th April) - Fairlie

7.00 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper

8.15 pm - Communal Night Prayer followed by adoration until midnight.

Good Friday (7th April)

10.00 am - Stations of the Cross - Fairlie

3:00 pm - Commemoration of the Lord's Passion - Twizel

Holy Saturday (8th April)

8:00 pm - Easter Vigil - Twizel

Easter Sunday (9th April)

9.30 am - Fairlie

St Patrick's Church, 7 Gall St, Fairlie
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MESSAGE OF HOPE

Everyone is welcome to come along and explore the message of Hope at one of the informal, mixed age discussion groups held at various homes in the area.

Tuesdays from 10:00ish am (Jodi Payne 027-220-2872)

Wednesdays at 7:30pm (Peter & Chrissie Bell 685-8415)

Sundays 5:00pm-7:00pm (Cameron & Lydia Garner 03-242-9020)

Occasionally, mainly due to travel or illness, the location changes so its always a good idea to phone first to confirm the address. We are living in interesting and often challenging times... if a group environment isn't your thing, but you would like to chat over a coffee/tea or over the phone, feel free to contact any of those listed above or Steve & Barb Adams (685-8056)

Hopeproject.co.nz - 10daychallenge.co.nz

Canterbury Police



Police in rural Canterbury are reminding people to secure their property, including vehicles.

A lot of reported thefts are committed by opportunistic criminals looking for an insecure shed, or a farm vehicle with keys left in the ignition.

It's important to ensure your property, including fuel tanks, are secure and locked to restrict theft and tampering.

Remove keys from vehicles and lock the doors. Keep smaller vehicles like quad bikes out of sight and ideally within a secured building.

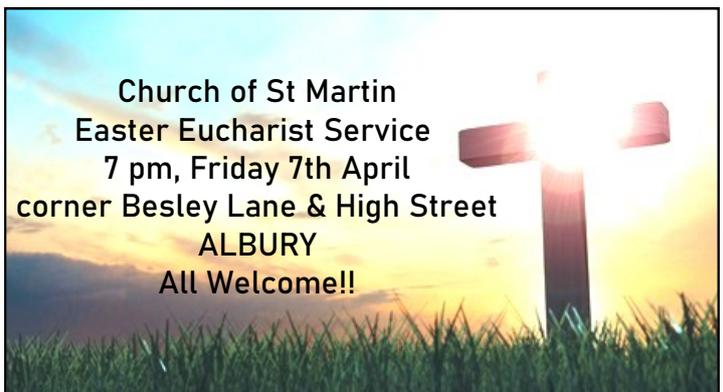
Secure your home, garage, farm buildings, fuel and vehicles at night and when unattended.

Record the serial numbers or engrave tools, electronic and valuable items with your licence number.

Install an alarm system and get sensor lights fitted as a deterrent.

Always lock your property and auxiliary buildings when you leave, even if its only for a short time.

We take burglary and theft incidents seriously - if you see anything suspicious contact Police immediately on 111, or you can make a report after the fact through 105.



MACKENZIE COMMUNITY CHURCH

SERVICES

St Columba 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month a service at 10 am and The Church of the Good Shepherd each Sunday at 4 pm

Contact Details

Stephen Adams - 03 685 8056

Sarah Wright - 027 271 3445

It's time, Canterbury
Our climate change conversation



Climate change will lead to longer periods of drought

As Waitaha/Canterbury's climate warms, the likelihood of drought is expected to increase, and areas that are already dry will get even drier.

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Drought

As Waitaha/Canterbury's climate warms, the likelihood of drought is expected to increase, and areas that are already dry (such as the Mackenzie Country) will get even drier. Historically, Waitaha/Canterbury has experienced about 200-250 dry days per year. We can see the effect of this in the golden hues of our landscape. The drying of our region over the next century is expected to be gradual, with some districts more affected than others.

Our rural areas that sit at the foot of the Southern Alps, including much of the Mackenzie District, are likely to become some of the country's drought hotspots. Impacts from droughts can ripple through districts affecting the environment, the health of a community and the economy. Areas that rely on rainwater for drinking and other uses like pasture growth can be especially hard-hit.

Drought can also significantly impact our native flora and fauna, causing native trees to die and be replaced by more drought-tolerant introduced species, increasing the risk of wildfires. This directly reduces the food resources of species that are reliant on our native ecosystems to survive, putting the richness of our biodiversity at risk. <https://environmentcanterbury.sharepoint.com/:i:/s/ITC2/EWo9In8a97ZLnmtFn91tN4BBBTxiYd24WYRkR5ThkeoxA?e=hgnDvH>



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at 7.30 pm

to form an Albury District Residents Association.

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LJ Hooker – Fairlie – Ph 03 685 8844
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Mackenzie District Plan Review

Stage Three underway



About the Review

Mackenzie District Council is updating the Mackenzie District Plan to ensure the district can grow in a sustainable way, while protecting the things that make the place so special.

The Mackenzie District Plan largely became operative in 2004, and many elements are well out of date and do not meet our statutory requirements under the Resource Management Act 1991. This means Council is required by law to meet certain obligations.

The Mackenzie District Plan Review is continuing to progress. Stage Three of the Review is just about to begin, which covers the rural parts of the district including the following topics:

- Eastern Mackenzie Rural and Natural Environment
- Western Mackenzie Rural and Natural Environment
- Sites and Areas of Significance to Māori
- Subdivision, Earthworks and Transport
- Rural Lifestyle Zone
- Hazards and Risks
- Energy and Infrastructure
- Potential New Industrial Area in Twizel

More information about each of these issues is available online at letstalk.mackenzie.govt.nz/dpr-stage-three

Stage Three

Community consultation on Stage Three has begun, with a survey available online. This survey seeks to understand what people think about the above topics. We'll be using the feedback we receive to help develop the preferred options before presenting them to Council. This survey will be live online and available in hard copy at council offices from 13 March – 14 April.

We are also holding community open days throughout March. These are an opportunity for you to meet with the project team to discuss the District Plan Review and the issues being covered in Stage Three. The dates and locations for these open days are below:

Wednesday 22 March	Tekapo Community Hall	6:30pm – 8:00pm	Tekapo
Thursday 23 March	Twizel Community Lounge	5:30pm – 7:00pm	Twizel
Saturday 25 March	Twizel Community Lounge	10:30am – 12:00pm	Twizel
Tuesday 28 March	Albury Community Hall	6:30pm – 8:00pm	Albury
Wednesday 29 March	Silverstream Hotel	6:30pm – 8:00pm	Kimbell

More information is available online at: letstalk.mackenzie.govt.nz/dpr-stage-three or by scanning the QR code.



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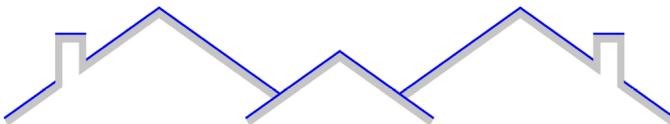
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- 26 Easter Egg Run leaving Timaru 10 am**
- 26 Closing Day Fairlie Bowling Club 1.30 pm**
- 28 Mackenzie District Plan Review mtg Albury Hall 6.30 pm
- 28 Trivia Night Silverstream Hotel 7 pm
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