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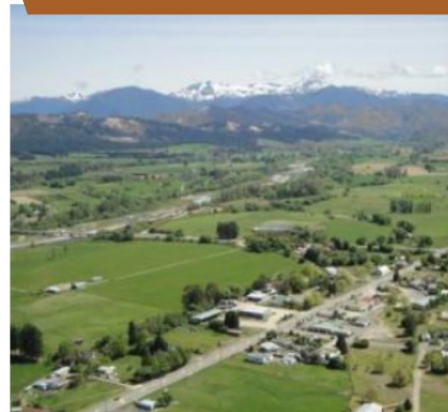
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## On the Beat – August 2022

Kia ora Tapawera,

Trust you are all keeping well and managing to stay warm and dry. I have recently had a couple of weeks away in Queenstown, Wellington and Hanmer. Some of this time was spent with family and friends and it was fantastic to be able to get away and recharge the batteries. Spending quality time with family is vitally important, especially with the busy lives we all lead.

Part of that break involved representing Tasman at the Rural Policing hui in Queenstown (it was a tough job, but someone had to do it). Staff from one, two and three-person stations gathered from all corners of the country to discuss, share and examine the unique experiences and challenges of rural policing. New Zealand's rural Police staff have just 165 staff but cover more than half of the country's geographical area. I have only worked in the Tasman and West Coast areas, so it was great to hear from colleagues from other parts of the country, and the challenges they face. It's good to bounce different views, and different ways of dealing with things.

The hui was also open to partners and children of rural staff, an open invitation in acknowledgement of the huge part families play in rural policing. It was the one of the first Policing conferences that have included partners and whanau. Our families often make sacrifices and are a huge source of support to us as Police officers. My wife Leah certainly knows what it is like to not know if I will be returning home on time or if I have been tied up at a critical event. Without the support that they give us, we simply couldn't fulfil our roles on a long-term basis, and it was great to have them acknowledged by senior Police staff.

Some of you may have noticed a new Police patrol vehicle driving around the area. In mid-July, I drove the Holden Commodore for the last time in my career. I have been driving the Holden Commodore and Colorado for the last 11 years. The Commodore has now been replaced with a Skoda Kodiaq SUV. The Kodiaq has been deployed in Wakefield as the Skoda Superb was not fit for purpose in a rural environment. It is looking far too shiny for a rural patrol vehicle, so I better get out and patrol some gravel roads.

Finally, I will close with a couple of driving tips. The first one I have noticed recently is the improper use of median strip turning lanes. Particularly noticeable, is the turning lane at the SH6/Ellis Street intersection and the SH6 intersection with Motueka Valley Highway at Kohatu. If you are turning, activate your indicator for 3 seconds, and pull into the turning bay as soon as possible to allow the traffic to flow. I have often noticed turning vehicles continue on the through

lane and only turn at the last second. Turn on to the merging lane at the earliest opportunity to allow the traffic to flow and avoid the risk of an accident.

The second one is knowing when to use your headlights. Remember, 30 minutes after sunset until 30 minutes before sunrise is when you need to use your headlights. They also need to be used anytime you are unable to see 100 metres in front of your vehicle. In times of rain, fog or snow visibility can be seriously reduced. When visibility is reduced, switch your headlights on manually. A lot of drivers rely on the vehicle's headlamp auto settings. Unfortunately, the headlamps can switch off in foggy conditions due to there being sufficient light around the vehicle. Whilst there may be enough light around the vehicle there can still be poor visibility further ahead on the road. Do not rely on the auto setting of your vehicle's headlights. This simple tip can help keep you and others safe on the road.

That's all for me this month. Stay safe and look after each other.

Constable Jamie White  
Wakefield Police

### Public meeting with Jamie White about security cameras in Tapawera - 7.00 pm Tuesday 20 September in the Shedwood Hall

TDCC will host a public meeting for Jamie White to address the Tapawera community about security cameras in the village.

Jamie will present an overview of security cameras used in the Tasman district and the reasoning for installing them in Tapawera village.

There will then be an opportunity for questions from the audience.

We have allowed one hour for the meeting.

Steve Udy, TDCC Chair



### Visual Arts Society Tapawera

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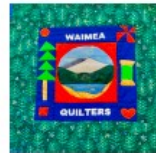


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## Cleaning Up the Camp!

Since taking a 15 year lease on the camp in 2021, the new owners have been busy, installing solar panels, new HW plumbing, electrics, renovating showers, upgrading kitchen and addressing storm water drainage issues - but that's only half the 'Clean up' story.

Julie Jacobson & Aaron Ray and manager, long-time local Kama Gilbanks-Heterata, want the town to know they are getting ready for summer and fearlessly determined to clean up the camp in every way!

In the past the camp has been known to attract Police attention. Working closely with Police to evict trouble makers, the owners have drawn a line in the sand and recently introduced a No alcohol policy.

*"Alcohol is always the common factor in any trouble onsite – so for everyone's safety and comfort, we've simply got rid of it! We're not killjoys, there's a great pub up the road for anyone wanting to enjoy a cold beer. The point is to set the tone and expectation of social behaviour on-site - attracting visitors who do not engage in the binge drinking culture."*

Julie Jacobson

Offering an old style 'Kiwiana' camping experience, with cyclists and campers visiting in the warmer months. The camp also provides overnight and extended stay accommodation - week to week - for contract workers, people waiting on permanent housing in town, or anyone needing a pleasant place to pause, while planning their next move.

There are plans in the works to expand the camp adding 10 x new powered sites to accommodate larger campers and RVs and a ring road to improve onsite traffic flow safety.

Concerned by the local housing shortage, the long term view for the south side of the expanded camp, is to allocate a small number of powered 'home sites', for future long term lease to owners of Tiny Homes.

Plans will be made available for view and comment shortly.

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Tapawera Tiny Campground

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## Tapawera Youth Group

Kia Ora

I'm Renee MacDonald and I am the new Tapawera Youth Coordinator, We have Youth group every second Friday during the school term where we meet at Tapawera Area School and do some awesome activities.

Term 3 has been a lot of fun so far and we have taken two large groups tenpin Bowling and to the Xscape Room In Richmond, We have a great multi sport evening planned with kai and DIY sundaes next Friday, and in the next few weeks we also have trips to Jumpin (flip out) and the Aquatic Centre.

We welcome all Rangitahi in our community from year 7-13 and only ask for a koha, we don't want money being the reason for our youth missing out on great activities and meeting new friends.

A sign up sheet is put up on Monday mornings at school for the week that is scheduled for our youth group, if you are unable to sign up at school please send us a message on Facebook (Tapawera Connect Youth) or email [rmacdonald@tapawera.school.nz](mailto:rmacdonald@tapawera.school.nz) as some activities depend on volunteers/drivers this means some activities will have a limit on how many youth can go.

Ngā Mihi,

Renee

Renee MacDonald  
Sports coordinator  
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## TAS News for July/August

Newsletter 11, 7 July 2022

### Principal's Comment: Angela Sloane

Kia Ora

*It is hard to believe that this is the end of Term 2 and that we will be halfway through the year. This term has been a roller coaster regarding staff and students' sickness. I would like to thank all of our relief staff who come in at a moment's notice to cover regular staff who are sick. Thank you also to parents / whānau who have kept their sick children at home, which has helped stop the spread of germs. We have had some moments this term, and I will highlight a few.*

- **Matariki Celebrations** – a whole school and community event
- **Outdoor Education**, e.g. tramping, tree planting, museum trips, fishing, etc
- **Live Theatre** and groups in the school
- **Yr 10 Pilot Careers Programme**
- **John Parsons Cyber safety**
- **Mates and Dates Health Programme**

*And for parents - John Parsons Cyber Safety and NCEA evening, Māori and Health consultation.*

*Mid-year reports will be sent home on Friday – please check school bags! This report will inform you about your son/daughter's achievement at school. If you would like further clarification, please email or phone the office so your child's teacher can get back to you early next term.*

*This **September will be the Board of Trustees Elections.** Please consider taking on this role for the good of our school*

*The Ministry of Health is offering **Free Flu Vaccines for Tamariki aged 3 – 12 years** from your GP, Health care provider or pharmacies. Please talk with your health provider about this.*

*All the best to Rosa, Flynn, Ryan and Sarah (and families) for their trip to Whangārei for the **National Area Schools Sports Tournament** next week. You've done a fantastic job with fundraising, and we all look forward to hearing about this when you get back.*

*We held a very successful **Māori Consultation** last night. Thank you all for your attendance—more information to come.*

***Tomorrow will be my last day.** I would like to thank you all for making me feel welcome, and it has been a privilege to lead the school. I have enjoyed meeting up with ex-pupils and pupils taught in the 1980s and seeing their children and grandchildren also attending the school at present This is a great school and one you should be proud of. Special mention must go to Carolyn Ellis (BOT presiding member) for the considerable amount of voluntary work she has done over the last two terms to ensure the school operates well while I have been here.*

*Thank you also to Mrs Snackers, Mr Rowland, Mrs Ellis and*

*Mrs Carleton for helping me settle in so quickly and thank you to all of the staff.*

*To all the students, I wish you well in your studies and wherever your career takes you. All the best, and thank you.*

Ngā Mihi

Angela Sloane

### Other School News

- **Relief Teacher Aides**, contact Tanya at [tsnackers@tapawera.school.nz](mailto:tsnackers@tapawera.school.nz). Apply in writing will need a police check.
- After all the bad weather lately, we were able to head to Motueka for the **Rippa Rugby Tournament**.
- **Nelson Moto X Club** has asked if the school would be interested in helping them find some land to run events. A date directed by when the land would be available, bearing in mind farming schedules. Contact Tanya.
- **Chess Club** invites chess players to help coach or just play. Monday's 11 am to 12.30 Library.
- Yr 11 Outdoor Ed class completed a set **orienteeing course** on Rabbit Island.
- Thank you, Vanessa Hatton, who drove students to participate in the **Thorps Bush Clean Up** with the Motueka Youth Council. Sam Hatton, Year 12
- Year 7-8 students went to **Bonny's farm** to plant seedlings as part of the Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations.
- **Winners of the Year 11 \$2 Raffle:** Doreen Collins, Cousin Deb
- school Board Parent Election 2022, our school will be undertaking a parent election for **3 School Board vacancies**.
- Dental Bus will be open for appointments in mid-August.

Newsletter 12, 4 August 2022

### Principal's Comment: Don McLean

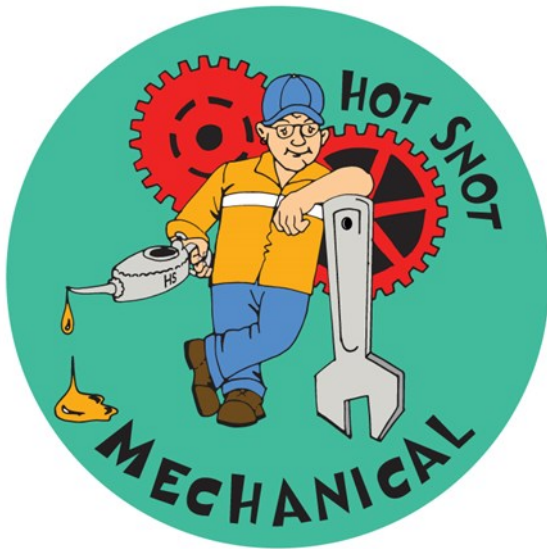
Tena Koutou

Parents and Caregivers,

*It has been a busy and enjoyable first two weeks in the position of acting **Principal of Tapawera Area School**. The staff and students have made me very welcome, and a huge thank you to the community members who have called in to say hi over the past week.*



Principal  
Don  
McLean



**We're now also operating out of the workshop attached to the Tapawera NPD garage.**

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It has been great to talk to our students and hear about the fantastic things they are doing in and out of school. At Monday morning assembly, I spoke of the Commonwealth Games and that I hoped they had a chance to catch some of the action. I discussed the sacrifices and dedication our New Zealand Athletes have had to put in to get to the games, and that sport is a good metaphor for life. The key message **was talent without hard work will be trumped by hard work every time.** Speaking of hard work and talent, a special shout out to **Flynn, Ryan, Rosa and Sarah, who all attended the Area School National Tournament** and had been chosen for South Island National representative teams. These students show our FIRE values.



Nationals Team  
L to R Flynn Sara, Rosa, Ryan

Term three means we are starting to get to the business end of NCEA Levels 1-3. You must talk to your children about how they are going. We have provided information about the parent portal in this newsletter to support this. This Portal will provide date information on your child's achievement and the credits they have achieved this year. It is a great place to share and open up discussions with your child.

Next week we have parent conferences and details about how to make a booking have been sent out to you. A school child's school journey is a partnership between the school, the student and whānau.

**Parent conferences** are an important time to share information between home and school. Teachers are interested to hear your thoughts, ideas, aspirations and concerns.

Earlier in the week, I joined the hard-working **Friends of the School** for their meeting. The group has been planning several events and fundraising opportunities for the school. Something to pop into your diary is our proposed working bee. We have several areas of the school that need a good tidy-up, and it would be great to get a big team of whānau

and broader community members together for a day to get this vital mahi done. We are planning it for early term 4. If you have any ideas or resources, please don't hesitate to contact me

Our school has extensive gardens, but unfortunately, they have been a little neglected and need a bit of a TLC injection. Denise Shellock is keen to champion this from the school side, but we would like to make these gardens a Tapawera community project. That way, we can support our local people by sharing what we grow. We are looking for some **local people keen to be part of our community garden project.** If this sounds like you or you know someone who would be willing, please contact Denise or me or drop a message at the school office.

Finally, with **Kelvin Woodley resigning**, we are organising a farewell assembly to celebrate his 11-year contribution to the school and community. More details will follow soon. Have a great weekend Ngā mihi

### Other School News

- **Mr Science** visited the Year 0- 8 classrooms where they learnt about viruses.
- **Mr Baird** has had a fall and broken his collarbone. Sharon Rogers is teaching his classes.
- **Mikayla Eyles** has joined our team this term while Marion Townsend is on leave.
- Year 0-8 **Tennis coaching** has been happening at school.
- **Library hours** It is also a Community Library  
9.30 – 3.15 Monday and Thursday  
10.00 – 2.30 Tuesday and Friday  
9.00 – 3.00 Wednesday
- Middle syndicate have been making **fish hooks**.
- Room 7 has the first **WORM WEE for sale.**  
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- A Friends of the School Fundraiser **PLANT AUCTION**  
TAS Hall Saturday 10 September 7 pm Supper
- Rooms 6 &7 went to **Judith and Kim Rowe's** farm and Stanley Brook to plant trees as part of Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

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### **Principal's Comment: Don McLean**

Tena Koutou

Parents and Caregivers,

A few years ago, I heard professor Carol Dwek speak. She is known as the Growth Mindset lady. Her research around growth mindsets is world renown. After two years of pandemics, lockdowns, cancellations and restrictions, it is not surprising that for many students and whānau, trying to maintain a positive growth mindset is near impossible. You only have to look at the mysterious school attendance figures across the country to see that many students are over the stop-start nature of schooling in the past two years, the home learning, and the cancellation of fun things like sports events, and concerts and balls. The result is disengagement in school. Turning this around will be a mission, and **it will require work from the central government and schools but most importantly from parents and wider whānau.**

*Like our children, the past two years have been incredibly hard on parents, and increased living costs have stressed many households. However, through all this, we must not forget our role as parents and the critical part we play in the home/ school partnership. We are responsible for finding our growth mindset and encouraging our children to find theirs when it comes to engaging in school.*

*A growth mindset is about looking forward, not looking back. It is celebrating what you can do rather than focusing on what you can't. For students, it is about approaching learning with optimism, facing challenges with resilience and seeking that kiwi "can do" attitude. With the pandemic, we have focused on getting through daily. I feel now is the time to raise our heads and start playing what's in front of us, as we say in rugby.*

*In the 80s, there was a TV show called the Greatest American Hero. It was about a guy who finds a suit that gives him superpowers. The only issue was it did not have any instructions, so he had to learn as he went. I think parenting is a bit like the Great American Hero. There is no single definitive manual, we know a lot through our experiences and mistakes, and at the end of the day, we are trying to be the best parent we can be. Indeed, as a parent and an educator, what I have learnt about the Growth Mindset has provided a helpful page in this missing manual.*

**Property Update:** Some good news, we have a few property projects set to get underway very soon. We will be **re-roofing** some of our secondary classrooms as the first part of an overall classroom upgrade programme. This work will start in October. We are also part of the Ministry of

Education's Small Schools upgrade programme. This programme focuses on **upgrading acoustics, lighting and insulation**. This work will start next week and will require us to provide the contractors with a classroom a day for the next 20 days.

Playgrounds and lunch areas have also been on our plan, and we have received funding from the Ministry's School Investment programme to **upgrade our senior lunch area**. We hope to finalise plans very soon. Sadly, the board has had to make the tough decision that the **old Adventure Playground has had its day**. Recently, we have had several nasty accidents on this playground; maintaining it is very difficult. However, the plan is that we hope to replace it with something special so watch this space.

Ngā mihi

### **Other School News**

- Thirteen students travelled to Nelson to compete in the Regional Jump Jam Competition. They won a **Merit certificate** for Technical Execution.
- Last year, Rooms 6 and 7 began establishing a Weta Garden by planting native trees and mulching. Next, we collected native seeds from Rowe's Farm. After germination, we planted them into recycled milk containers to continue growing as seedlings. Recently we began re-potting the seedlings. We will fertilise them with the worm tea we produce from our worm farm. Thanks for your help, Sharon Rogers and Kate Radloff.
- National Area Schools Tournament in the July Holidays

### **Sarah Jones - Football and Kī o rahi**

Yet again, Nationals was a great experience, and we were good meeting some new people and catching up with others from last year! I was thrilled to be selected for the South Island team in both sports. Then getting selected for both New Zealand Area School (NZAS) teams was a massive achievement, and I was super happy. We couldn't have done it without our fabulous parents for taking us up and all the hard work behind the scenes to get us there.

### **Rosa Cameron - Volleyball**

I enjoyed attending Nationals and playing volleyball with the other girls from the Top of the South Team. We won and lost the games we thought we would, but I didn't mind as we all played our best. I have played with the same group for a few years now, so it is effortless for us to become a close team.

### **Ryan Jones - Volleyball and Rugby**

This was my final year at Nationals, and I had a lot of fun. I got selected for the South Island for rugby and volleyball. Rugby was my favourite sport of the two. It was a shame not to come away with a win.

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### Flynn Morgan - Volleyball, Rugby and Kī o Rahi

This year was my last year at the National Area School Tournament in Whangarei. It was a great week up north, playing three of my favourite sports. On the Saturday before going up to Nationals, I had damaged my AC Joint in my shoulder, so I had to play the sports with the injury, but we were lucky to find a soft toy at the place we were staying to strap to my shoulder to help in rugby with contact. I got picked for The South Team for all the three sports I selected but only for the New Zealand Area School Rugby team. So now I'm in training to go down to Christchurch for a week of training and two games. This will be my second year getting picked for this team, and I was grateful for the opportunity. Thank you to the parents who put a lot of time into helping with the fundraising and for everything they did up North. I'd like to thank everyone, like Friends of the School, Tapawera Sport & Recreation, and Tapawera Op Shop, who helped get us there. None of this would have happened if we didn't have the support behind us.

- A group of Year 9-13 students travelled to **Motueka High School** to play Ki-o-Rahi against the Year 12 PE

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### That's interesting, I wonder, is it true?

Zafir Ivanov 2022

It's likely you have heard of internet memes, videos and marketing campaigns going viral. I wasn't sure if I should write about how this applies to ideas and beliefs as I suspect that you, the reader, is pretty fed up with hearing and reading about viruses. This article is not about actual viruses, it's meant as another way to think about how ideas and beliefs spread.

When Richard Dawkins coined the term 'meme', in his 1976 book *The Selfish Gene*, he was looking for something analogous to a gene, referring to cultural rather than biological information. Genes are replicated with occasional mutations and combined to make the instructions for all of life; a meme is a metaphor for units of information that can replicate, combine, and mutate to form ideas, beliefs, and cultural practices. Although internet memes are a similar concept, they are not quite the same. Internet memes requires someone to deliberately create and spread them, whereas Dawkins's

meme is a broader concept that allows for ideas to change and spread without deliberate intervention.

In the 1991 essay, *Viruses of the Mind*, Dawkins developed the idea to include systems of belief acting as mental infections. Catching a cold results in behavioural changes such as coughing, blowing your nose and inadvertently becoming a vector (spreader) of the illness. Accepting a belief can also affect behaviour e.g., for the person who has joined a cult, their thinking, communication, and actions are altered by the new set of beliefs. The true believer tries to convert other people to their worldview and thereby becomes a vector. Ironically, to an extent, I'm doing this right now. In Dawkins's model, such a person is infected by a mind virus.

In Andy Norman's book *Mental Immunity* (2021), he puts forward the case that as the body has an immune system that recognises and fights back against pathogens to prevent ill health, the mind has an immune system which, when functioning well, protects against bad ideas. One of the key components of our immune system are antibodies, which are proteins that bind to viruses, bacteria, and parasites. In this analogy the antibodies of the mind are doubts.

When we encounter a new idea, a well-functioning mental immune system does not immediately accept and incorporate it. The new idea, particularly if it's important, needs to be scrutinized before being accepted into the collection of things that we think are probably true. Again, like an immune system our mental antibodies can be overactive and become detrimental. A mind that doubts everything and never accepts new information is one that quickly becomes dysfunctional and unable to learn. I'm not advocating rejecting every new idea, news, or piece of information that we encounter. I am advocating pausing and asking ourselves; "that's interesting, I wonder if it's true?"

I think if we all paused and questioned new ideas rather than just believing what fits with our current views, we might get a little closer to what is actually true. We might also boost our own mental immune system in the process. Whether or not you choose to incorporate these ideas may only be partially due to how well I have explained them, and it may also be partially due to how your mental immune system functions.

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### Tapawera Hop Bar Hotel Team

In the first game of Round 2, we moved up to Collegiate Five and played Nayland College. It was a cold, wet day, but the girls managed to pull it together and played awesome as a team winning 35 - 4. POD was Rosa Cameron.

We then played Garin Kakariki. The team played well, with some great connections throughout. We got many intercepts in mid-court and defence, and our shooting was terrific. Winning the game 42-13. POD was Sarah Jones. Thank you to Shanina for filling in for us.

Garin Black was next for us and again saw great defence and excellent shooting, winning 27-14. POD Jada Jelinek for her defence.

Nayland Black was a very wet and challenging game, with the girls needing to push themselves to rise above the conditions. With a close first half, they worked together to secure a 26 15 win. This meant we finished the round top of the table and will enter the third round in Collegiate 4. POD went to Rosa Cameron and Shakaia Kennett-MacDonald for their continued work in defence.

Our first game in Collegiate 4 was against Garin Tui. The teamwork was outstanding and an absolute pleasure to watch. So hard to pick POD as all players pushed themselves to the next level, but Kara Page and Sarah Jones walked away with these honours. Incredible game-winning 30-17. The best game they have played so far.

Well done, girls.

Thank you to our sponsors and supporters. It's a pleasure having you all on the sidelines with positive encouragement.

Thank you, Karen Jones, for keeping our score on our new app.

Emma Bannister Coach

### Tapawera Blue Team

After the First Round of cleaning up, we moved up a grade and then struggled to find an entire team most weekends due to illness, injury and other commitments. We haven't had the same winning streak in this round. Despite our struggles, I'm still seeing great work from our team. We

finished Round 2 4th on the table out of six sections, and in Round Three, we are currently sitting at second.

The work in centre court has been fantastic with those players covering the missing position of wing defence, so the player of the day this round has gone to those: Kate Mytton GD, Skyla Reeve WA and Jackson Bennett C. It was impossible to pick a single player in one game as they all tried so hard. I would also like to thank my hard-working manager Ali McKee who stepped up when I broke my ankle.

Yours in Netball  
Susan Fenemor  
President/Life Member



### Catchment Facilitator role

We submitted an application for three years funding from MPI for the Motueka Catchment Collective in early August and await the outcome as to whether it is successful. If it is, then the Collective is looking to recruit a Catchment Facilitator in the Spring. The job would be along the lines of a catchment coordinator role and could be done by one person or by two as part-time. The first year is a preparatory phase for the Collective with the second & third years being more of establishment & consolidation of initial actions, so will be dependant on the outcome of the first year.

The role/s would be to support sub-catchment groups & activities, facilitate thematic groups based on community priorities already identified, work with key Collective partners, establish a strong monitoring framework and meet planning & reporting requirements.

If you might be interested in this role with the Collective, please email [motcatchment@gmail.com](mailto:motcatchment@gmail.com) and also indicate whether part-time or fulltime and we will make sure that you receive further details when available. We will wait to hear if our application is successful before moving to advertise this opportunity more widely. If there are people in the local community with strong interests and the skill set to match, it is good to build on the resources that we have in the catchment!

Jo Leyland

Co-Convenor, Motueka Catchment Collective

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## Library News

And still it rains.... Not getting much gardening done or exercise, but I am getting through my stockpile of books ☺

We have recently been donated a good amount of Adult and Young Adult novels and there are some really good reads amongst them. Note the review below.

Our community library is unfortunately seriously underused and it would be nice to get more community members through the door using this amazing resource. If anyone has any ideas on how to make this happen, please get in touch and have a chat or just leave a suggestion. You can call anytime during school hours and we are always reachable via email.

Shortly we will be changing over the Richmond collection, so if there is anything you would like us to look for let us know.

Our school chess club is going very well on Mondays and we always have a large group wanting to play. The kids are learning very quickly and we have some quite good players. If there is anyone out there that loves chess and would like to come along to help or just give the kids someone different to play against let us know. We would be very grateful. Just call or email for details.

### Book Review

#### **Wicked Appetite – Janet Evanovich**

I really liked this book. Janet Evanovich books are fast paced and funny and this was no different. This is the first book in the Lizzy and Diesel Series.

Lizzy is a baker with powers that she didn't know about until Diesel showed up. Chaos ensues with a hunt for the 7 stones of power.

If you like magic, a little bit of the supernatural, lots of laughs and chaotic characters you will love this book.

#### **The Nowhere Man – Gregg Hurwitz**

Evan Smoak is Orphan X, the product of an off-the-books government program that developed young abandoned children into highly-trained assassins.

After making an uncharacteristic mistake, Evan finds himself the prisoner of a powerful and dangerous criminal. But this crazy man doesn't know who his prisoner

Thoroughly enjoyed this action packed easy read. Second in the Orphan X series. It has all the technical detail you could want without overwhelming you. Fast paced with likeable characters, and enough suspense and plot twists to keep you interested.

Highly recommend reading this along with the first in the series Orphan X

As usual we are behind the school tennis courts.

You are welcome to just pop in when we are open during the day.

Our hours are:

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## Golden Bush Garden Club September 2022 Update

Hello everyone. It's wonderful to see the signs of Spring starting to appear around the valley. I think I can say that most of us are looking forward to the end of the icy, wet weather and the feeling of warmth with longer, sunny days. Daffodils bursting from the frozen earth, even magnolias starting to flower, and baby lambs making their presence felt, gambolling about the fields.....whenever it isn't pouring with rain.

We had our July meeting at The Villa Cafe in Wakefield. It turned out to be a beautiful sunny day so we were able to utilise the front courtyard for our meeting.

Our August meeting and AGM was held at the Wakefield Hotel, followed by a subsidised lunch that went down very well. Again it was a rare nice day in the month and we all enjoyed the chance to get together, participate in our monthly auction – which remarkably, for winter, offers many offerings of the floral kind, as well as some socialising over good food.

Our office bearers for the year ahead are:

President:	Irene Griffith
Vice President:	Kathy Whyte
Secretary:	Janine Leeden
Treasurer:	Linda O'Leary
Committee:	Francine Currie, Ann Steele and Janet Moffat join existing committee members Marg Anderson, Shirley Percy, Paula Rogers and Lorraine Signal.

Thank you to outgoing long-standing Committee Members: Geraldine Carleton, Janene Chamberlain, Julie Sowman and Marg Hunter. We appreciate all your efforts and support over many years on the Committee.

Our September meeting will be held on Thursday, 8th at Ian and Charlene Storrar's home, Motueka Valley Highway, Stanley Brook.

**PLEASE NOTE OUR STARTING TIME IS NOW 11am** for all meetings.

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Authorised by Sharon Rogers, 4557 Motueka Valley Highway.  
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## Senior's Snippets

**Tea and Talk continues on the last Tuesday of every month, starting at 10am – 11.30am at the Memorial Hall. \$3 koha appreciated.**

Following our June meeting with Sharon Webber, a Hearing Therapist with Life Unlimited Charitable Trust, we are setting up regular **free** clinics here in Tapawera where Sharon will come out and see interested people every other month (or more regularly if we get enough interest) to save on trips into Nelson City, where her main office is. She is independent of any audiology business so gives unbiased help and advice and can help anyone over the age of 16 who has concerns about their hearing. She can also provide support for anyone living with someone who is hearing impaired (that might include stubborn husbands ....just as one example, or even parents of teens maybe)?! Sharon is very easy to talk to and is familiar with all the audiologists in the region and is willing to be an advocate if needed. If you even just want some extra help with some hearing aids that you feel you've been pressured to purchase but have thrown in a drawer out of frustration and given up on ever hearing normally again, get in touch with me and I can pass your details onto her to set up an appointment.

For our July meeting we welcomed Mal Drummond and Kate Miller from Age Concern.

They gave us a brief overview of Age Concern but concentrated their talk on the subject of Elder Abuse in all its forms. It was really informative and eye-opening to learn of the prevalence of this in our communities and how under-reported it is out of fear or just not understanding what behaviours rate as 'abuse'. It gave us an idea of what to look for with our friends or even in our own whanau and just what we can do about it. We all deserve to live with love, security and respect, especially in our senior years when we've given so much and are more vulnerable. Thankfully this problem is only affecting about 10% of the older population, but that is still too much really.

It is great to see such a good number in attendance at each of our meetings, even when the weather would easily put many off. Mal felt like it was at 'old home week' coming to our meeting, having served as a Police Officer based in Wakefield for some years. I'd like to think he was familiar with the faces JUST from his community involvement in Tapawera and not from apprehending them as miscreants!!

For our August meeting we are looking forward to hearing from Jennie Verstappen from NMPublic Health Office. She

is a dietitian and Community Education Co-Ordinator, who will be speaking to us about Diabetes and Heart Disease.

Our September speaker is Mr Chris Allison from Health Action Trust who will be speaking to us on Mental Health and Sleep – something affecting most of us these days, even just with the ramifications of COVID in our homes and communities as well as the ongoing need for a better night's sleep! Please feel free to come along and not only learn but to contribute as part of our community. Together we are better and stronger.

Age Concern is going to be hosting a large sit-down, catered afternoon Tea on **Thursday 06 October 2 pm - 3.30 pm for International Older Persons Day** at the Annesbrook Church in Stoke. Bookings are necessary and I have asked for 12 places at this point. I will need to get firmer numbers by our next Tea & Talk to be able to RSVP, as well as possible drivers as we'll need several cars (we can help with fuel costs for that).

I am also hoping to start a Strength and Balance class in the coming weeks, after securing funding through NMPHO. This is a programme encouraged by ACC and one that is proving popular and worthwhile in other centres in our region. More information will follow.

Please feel free to contact me, Janine Leeden, with further queries or suggestions for our Seniors on either 0277525975 or [j9seniortapconnect@gmail.com](mailto:j9seniortapconnect@gmail.com)

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Rock Café, 2pm
- 8 Garden Club, Ian and Charlene  
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Highway, Stanley Brook, 11am
- 9 Tūrangawaewae Workshop,  
Memorial Hall, 10am-2pm
- 12 VAST AGM, Memorial Hall,  
7pm
- 17 Solitude, Shedwood Hall, 3pm
- 20 Articles for Informer close 5pm
- 20 Public meeting with Jamie  
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