



Street Groups for Tapawera

Do you want to belong to a safer, more connected, more resilient neighbourhood? Great, because Neighbourhood Support is looking for local people to join street groups in the village.

A well-connected community helps to improve the safety, resilience, and well-being of all residents. By working together, we can support each other, solve local issues, and make our neighbourhoods safer and more welcoming.

It's easy to join! Go to <https://topofthesouth.getsgoing.net/> to join Neighbourhood Support. Or fill in the form in this edition of the Informer and drop it in to the Tapawera Community Op Shop.

Later we also aim to also contact members of the rural community about how we set up a network of community connectors. Watch this space.

Wellby Talking Cafés start in Tapawera

Wellby Talking Cafés run monthly on the second Tuesday from 10-11.30am. Currently we are meeting in the community centre.

Neighbourhood Support is pleased to be part of bringing these social events to Tapawera. Talking Cafés are a fantastic opportunity to meet people, make new connections and learn more about your community over a cup of coffee or tea provided by Wellby.

Wellby Talking Cafés welcome everyone and anyone. There is no need to register, just turn up on the day.

The next Tapawera Talking Café will be held 10-11.30am Tuesday, 11 April at the Community Centre.

Tapawera on Two Wheels

A small group of locals has been riding together monthly recently in the vicinity of Tapawera.

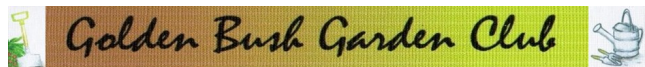
The focus of Tapawera on Two Wheels is on encouraging people, especially families, to get out on two wheels and have fun.

The rides are publicised in Local Happenings on the tapaweracommunity.nz website. They normally start at

9.30am from the open space beside the Four Square.

For any questions or more details please contact: Gavin
027 757 6665 Email gavin@neighbourhoodsupport.nz

Ngā mihi
Gavin Scoble
Area Connector| Tapawera & Districts
Top of the South Neighbourhood Support



Golden Bush Garden Club

The March meeting was held at Rachel and Phil's, Village Grove Olive Estate near Wakefield. After an introductory talk from Rachel on the property and their background in olive oil production we held our meeting and then had a chance to look around and also purchase olive oil. Once again, we were fortunate with the weather. The raffles – one of a garden ornament was won by Phil and the other of a cyclamen was one by yours truly, Shirley. Phil and Rachel kindly donated a bottle of olive oil to go towards our next raffle.

April 13th (Thursday) is our bus trip Motueka way, departing Tapawera village green 9am. There are still some seats on the bus, \$20 for members and \$45 for non-members – this includes your lunch at Jester House but buying your own drinks. As we will be visiting at least one plant nursery and a garden art studio with cash sales only (NO EFTPOS) please come prepared. We will be having raffles but no auction. Rain or shine we will carry on.

It's lovely to see there is still quite a lot of colour out in gardens – roses, salvias, dahlias, daisies of all descriptions etc, it has certainly been a very bountiful season in the vegetable and fruit gardens in this area – we are so fortunate. I even found a very late sweet pea flowering the other day. Some of the trees are beginning to turn and very soon the brilliant autumn colours will appear.

It is time to think of what type of spring flowering bulbs one wants to plant. Whether you look at a glossy catalogue or just browse in your favourite hardware store, half the fun is in the window shopping and planning.

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Learning about macroinvertebrates and healthy water life indicators

Freshwater Snorkelling event at McLeans Recreational Reserve, March 12th 2023

A chance to snorkel in the Motueka, discover more about water life, river safety, fish populations and riverbank issues like controlling Old Man's Beard



Wetsuited up but the river wasn't cold just swifter and deeper in places



Snorkelling in the Motueka to see trout & other fish and being safe in the river. Organised by Tasman Bay Guardians with Experience Marine Reserves, Whitebait connections & DOC.



Fish & Game, Weedbusters, NZ Landcare Trust and our Bio-diversity & Restoration group were on hand to share information on freshwater health and initiatives that Collective members are engaged in.



The Collective was delighted to meet and introduce Laura Catalan, our new Catchment Coordinator, a freshwater ecologist originally from Chile. With catchment support from NZLT, TDC, MPI, TBG & TET, we're excited for future action!

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Tapawera Netball Club

March News

Well, it's been an early start for some with netball, while it's still to happen for others. Before the hop harvest started, we called for a women's team to see if we could get a competitive team up and running. There was a good turnout for that, and since then, they have been training in preparation for the preseason practises commencing.

We also had a good turnout for the school students, but we have 1.5 teams in the secondary ages, so we are seeking more enrolments. So if any more players at secondary age are keen, please approach us asap, especially if any are home-schooled or belong to a college. We have approached Murchison and Rai to see if any are keen. Players don't have to be female.

We are still looking at how the primary students will gel as teams at this stage.



We are proud to announce that the senior women have secured a sponsor with Blue Rock Hops Ltd through the support of Glen & Sara, Brian & Sarah Clayton.



Tapawera Hotel is continuing its sponsorship with the top school girls' team. Thank you, Brendan Gleeson and Shara Khan.

We have a Tapawera Netball Club Facebook page, so "like" and "follow us." This social media platform will give up-to-date information on how the teams progress.

We hope to call a club meeting in early April so look forward to seeing all coaches, managers and parents interested in the 2023 season.

President/Life Member: Susan Fenemor
Vice President/Treasurer/Equipment/Social Media: Tania Higgins
Secretary: Lisa McGaveston
Committee: Laura Fry, Emma Bannister, Renee MacDonald, Coaches/Managers TBC

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Susan Fenemor
President/Life Member



Community Hub feasibility study update:

What Is a Feasibility Study?

A feasibility study is a detailed analysis that considers all of the critical aspects of a proposed project in order to determine the likelihood of it succeeding.

In our case, this involves gathering up all of the community input to date, and seeking out further input from our community members to find out what the needs and wants of our community are, then making a plan that will meet these needs and be easily managed.

We are working with the Tasman District Council, the school and the community to get this underway and are aiming to have this process wrapped up by around September (all going well!). We'll keep you posted!

Community Plan update:

We've engaged with an advisor who is helping us to make sure that all the information which has been gathered to date is a part of a cohesive and succinct community plan for Tapawera. We are currently working on identifying any gaps in terms of who has had a chance to input, and who we still need to hear from, and working proactively to fill these gaps by going out to the necessary groups and people.

This plan will help us to prioritise projects in our community that will be supported by the Community Led Development partnership and give us clear direction for where we put our energy.

Girls Friday

People ask "what is this Girls Friday", well it's a group of women that meet on the last Friday of the month at the Tapawera Hotel and enjoy 'time out'.

We have a lot of laughter and a chat about different things happening in the district (like the Coffee & Donut cart at Tapawera, they are yummy!).

If you are new to the area or would like to make new friends feel free to join us at 11am.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED TO COORDINATE THE ANZAC DAY SERVICE

(OTHERWISE WE WON'T HAVE ONE!)
LET'S DO THIS TAPAWERA!



Involves: Organising two local people to read the names, Someone to raise the flag, Promote the event on fb, in the Informer, book memorial hall, Arrange a speaker to speak about Anzac (or speak yourself about it), Organise tea and coffee (people bring a plate)

Julian McGaviston has done the speaker system and played the Last Post music.

CONTACT PHOEBE, TAPAWERACONNECT@GMAIL.COM



Neighbourhood Support Top of the South

WHAT IS NEIGHBOURHOOD SUPPORT?

We work alongside New Zealand Police and other partners to equip neighbourhoods to improve safety, be prepared for emergencies, and support one another so that our communities are great places to live.

Top of the South Neighbourhood Support has been working with the Tapawera community since June last year and we now want to set up and support street groups in Tapawera Village. We're starting by recruiting members in the village. Once we have enough members in different streets we will set up street groups and then look for village residents to be street contacts for neighbours nearby. (Later we'll look at our rural areas).

Why join?

A well-connected community helps to improve the safety, resilience, and well-being of all residents. When you join a Neighbourhood Support group you will:

- Have a great way to get to know the people that live around you.
- Receive emails and alerts that will keep you up-to-date with news from our community partners, including New Zealand Police.
- Gain tips and resources (such as street signs and letterbox / window stickers) to improve your household and neighbourhood safety and deter crime.
- Learn how you can be better prepared for emergencies.

By working together we can support each other, solve local issues, and make our neighbourhoods safer and more welcoming. **Best of all, it's FREE to join!**

How do I get involved?

It's easy! Go to <https://topofthesouth.getsready.net/> to join Neighbourhood Support. Or fill in the form on the reverse and drop it in to the Tapawera Community Op Shop.

Once a group is set up you get to decide what works best for you. You can share the information you want with who you want and your group can meet when and how it likes.

You could:

- Meet regularly or as needed.
- Stay connected online or by email.
- Get organised and undertake some neighbourhood projects.
- Host street barbecues or events.
- Volunteer to be a street contact.

It's up to you as a group.

If you have questions or want to know more contact Gavin Scoble - 027 7576665 or gavin@neighbourhoodsupport.nz.

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Neighbourhood Support Top of the South

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Tapawera

Contact Details

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Last Name: _____

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Town: _____

Postcode: _____ Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Household Information

Names of Other Household Occupants: _____

I am interested in becoming a street contact and would like more info: [Yes] [No]

Additional Information

Please provide important details you would like to include as part of your household / personal application such as medical or mobility needs, list of pets, any special skills, etc.

Privacy Disclosure: By completing this application you agree to have your information shared with your local Neighbourhood Support group / organisation including Coordinator(s) and Street Contacts who may contact you directly as needed through email and telephone communications. This information is collected and held in accordance with the Privacy Act 2020.



Tapawera Area School News

Newsletter 2

From the Principal's Desk..

Kia Ora e te Whānau

Time is flying! We are already halfway through the term at week 5. Summer is officially finished and we are making a steady slide to Easter.

I was lucky enough to attend some of the **House Leadership** days. It was great to get to know our leaders better. We are fortunate at Tapawera with the leaders we have and the up-and-coming leaders. A big thank you to Liesel de Kriek for her organisation of this day.

Our kura focuses on Pride- **Pride in self and our school**. We are working on small ways to encourage our students to have pride. Our first focus is removing hats when in assembly, kapa haka etc. We will continue to add to these small goals over the year but you can support us by ensuring students have the correct uniform at school. Thank you for your support with this.

Our roll is currently at a healthy 171 as of the 1st of March. If you have a child starting throughout this year, please pick up an enrolment form and hand it back as soon as possible to help us plan.

We also have the **Area Schools Tournament** coming up and the **Year 7-8 camp** so some good opportunities for our students.

As the weather gets cooler and life gets busier please remember to "Hā ki Roto. Hā ki Waho" Breathe in. Breathe out.

Thank you to those who attended this week's **hui with the Principal**. It was great to meet new people, connect with those I have already met, and chat well. The next hui will discuss Positive Behaviour for Learning (PB4L) **and I invite all community members to come** to hear what we are doing around PB4L and give any feedback. This will be Wednesday 5th April from 9 am to 10 pm. Coffee and biscuits are available.

Thank you for your ongoing support and aroha for our kura.

Sarah Coard
Principal

principal@tapawera.school.nz

Newsletter 3

Kia Ora e te Whānau

Great to see so many whānau engaging in **student/parent/teacher conferences**. Working together to support our tamariki is what makes them grow. This time we had a good number of families attend but there is always room to have

more. If you didn't get to meet with your child's teacher/s please make contact with them. The teachers can talk with you on the phone or meet with you. It is vital students see home and school working together.

We wish our amazing **tournament team** all the best for this coming week. I am looking forward to experiencing my first tournament. I am staying with them for some of the week. A **BIG** thank you to Steve and Renee for the huge amount of work that they have put into getting our students to the tournament.

Hui with Principal

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Sarah Coard
Principal

Whole School News

We are super lucky to have a team from **Haumanu** who will be working with our tamariki over the next year to strengthen our Kapa Haka knowledge and skills.

School Assemblies You are invited to join us. Monday 3rd April @2.30pm- Room 7 Tūi whitu will be running it.

Tabloids:

Motupiko overall=239	2nd
Fire=104	3rd

Tadmor overall=240	1st
Fire=108	1st

Baton=238	3rd
Fire=106	2nd

Wakefield Health Centre has funding to provide a nurse every Tuesday during term time to work at the school with staff and pupils. **Rebecca Whittaker** and **Katelyn Carmody** both cover this role between them. Our hours are 930am – 130pm Alternative Tuesday is 11.00-130pm.

We are able to provide:

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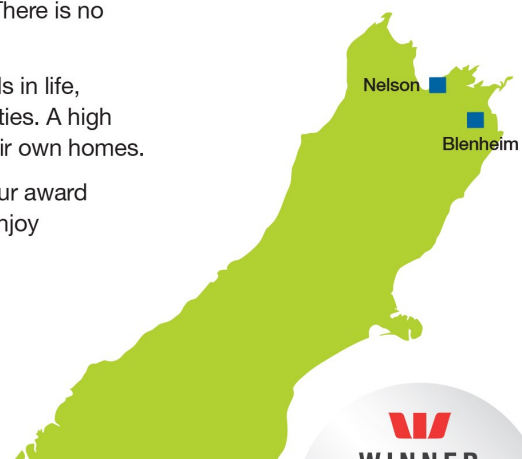
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TAS News Cont.

One of the standard tests that we provide to ALL students from year 9 upwards is a HEADSSS Assessment. A HEADSSS assessment is a confidential conversational framework used when caring for youth to identify areas of concern/health issues these may include trouble sleeping, dietary advice, and general health concerns. This then leads to appropriate support and referrals as needed.

We may be able to help with other health needs not listed if you have any questions, please feel free to call the Wakefield Health Centre to speak to a nurse. If you would like your child to see a nurse, Barbara from the school office is happy to let us know.

Wakefield Health Centre
Phone: 03 5418911
Email: pn@wakfldhc.co.nz

Primary School News by Tanya Snackers Primary Leader

What a treat taking our primary school children to the **Nayland pool**. Huge thanks to the staff and families who made this trip successful.

Good luck to the year 7-8s heading to **Marahau** and walking up to Anchorage next week.

Secondary School News by Stephen Haunch Secondary Leader

It is the final week before 20 of our own, head off for a week of competition and getting to know new faces and old across the other Area Schools in Rai Valley after the event was cancelled last year. For the tournament, we have practised hard and for many, it will be a whole new experience. Our team: Rosa Cameron (Captain), Sarah Jones, Jada Jelinek, Tanika Oakly, Kara Page, Holly Jones, Harmony Rolleston, Cheyenne Phyn, Cameron Hatton, Flynn Morgan (Captain), James Snackers, Taine Collins, Hayden Owen-Wright, Dom Quayle, Riley Hook, Bronco MacDonald, Tamati Bright, Asha Guyton and Joseph Butcher.

Senior students have made a successful start to their Vocational programme, the majority heading off into Nelson for **Trades and Gateway** courses on a Friday.

Other changes this year have included a Monday, **Kapa Haka** experience. Recently, students have been working on Cultural activities including Haka, waiata and Māori games. The Tournament has been working on its presentation for when they meet up with the other schools on Sunday.

There has also been a Friday PB4L session where students have considered positive values and ideas to help self-management and Leadership, allowing an opportunity for positive role modelling.

This year we have 20 senior students taking part in **Trades Academy** courses. Last week 14 of those students had their first day at NMIT. We have Trades Academy students studying Hospitality, Hair & Beauty, Mechanical Engineering and Art & Design. Students travel to NMIT for this, every Friday during term time. Later in the year, we have another 6 Trades students that will complete their courses with Whenua iti doing week-long block courses. Those students are studying Adventure Tourism, Civil Defence, Uniformed Services and Environment Science.

There has been an upgrade to our **secondary outdoor space area** these last few weeks.

Swimming:

Motupiko performance=	428	1st
Participation=	114	2nd
Principal's Award		2nd

Tadmor performance=	290	2nd
Participation=	90	3rd
Principal's Award		3rd

Baton=	228	3rd
Participation=	119	1st
Principal's Award		1st

Karla Te Tau will be the **new Youth Coordinator** for our rangatahi for Term 2. There will be planned fortnightly activities, making connections and being available to support them and their whānau. At present we will be involving Year 7 and up. Registrations and information will be sent out to whānau before the school holidays.

Student's Thoughts on Going to the Tournament

This year will be my last tournament and I am excited to be leading the team as co-captain with Flynn Morgan. I can already see how well we will work as a team as I have seen it during practice so far.

Rosa Cameron

Going to the tournament in 2021 was a great experience and encouraged me to do it this year as it is my last year of school. We have a really supportive team and we are working well together, I am excited to be going and spending a week with my mates and doing sports with them.

Tanika Oakly



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TAS News Cont.

I thought that I should give the tournament a go and I got selected to be a part of the team. I am in most of the teams but my favourite would be netball and volleyball and touch. I am so excited to go to Rai Valley and compete against the other schools and spend a week doing sports.

Holly Jones

For me, the whole concept of going to a tournament is for the art, as that's where my priorities lay, but I thoroughly enjoy getting pulled into other sports and participating in other events throughout the week. I'm greatly appreciative in regards to being selected for this tournament and looking forward to competing and working with such a diverse range of people considering this is only my second tournament.

Cheyenne Phyn

Over the past few years tournament is something I've put off as I have always doubted my capabilities. This year I have pushed myself outside of my comfort zone and am looking forward to this experience.

Kara Page

I am very excited about Tournament this year as it's my first time. I am most nervous about the Top Chef challenge however with the help of Ms Tovizi I feel more prepared. My favourite sport so far has been Basketball. It's a sport that I am not so familiar with so it's been challenging learning so many new skills.

Cameron Hatton

It's been a great experience going away for the tournament. It's my fourth time going away but my first time being a captain so I am really looking forward to it. I really enjoy playing sports for a week and meeting new people.

Flynn Morgan

This will be my second time going to a tournament and I'm really looking forward to it now as a Year 11 student. In the last tournament, I was one of the youngest in the team now 2 years older I am looking forward to another experience with new people.

James Snackers

I decided to do a tournament and try my best. I'm in the basketball, volleyball, and ultimate frisbee teams that I know of so far. I look forward to seeing lots of people there.

Asha Guyton

Please note school holidays start on Friday 7th April (Good Friday) and end on Tuesday 25th April (ANZAC). School starts back on Wednesday 26th April.

As told by
Susan Fenemor

Purpose HQ Fitness Trust – Gym & Café

Purpose HQ (PHQ) Fitness Trust has 4 Trustees whose vision is to enable the Community to have essential businesses and health services available locally to Tapawera and the surrounding districts.

PHQ has operated the community gym and grown the number of clients by supporting them with the opportunity to train whenever they choose to suit their lifestyles and needs, having a Qualified Personal Trainer on the team available to give advice, set out training plans and to encourage anyone that trains. All the funds that are received via subscriptions and grants have gone back into the gym and to the Community. We have been able to purchase a wider range of gym equipment and been able to support Community Members in need by way of grants, fuel vouchers, supporting the local Tamariki sports teams with uniforms, supporting and donating to the local food bank and aid relief as well as gifting people alternative treatments through a Healers Initiative.

As the number of our clients has increased so has the need for more specific equipment so that they can build on their training for sports, for health and for fun. This has also created the need for more space. We have been given the opportunity to extend the gym space into part of the café area next door with the previous tenant vacating the premises.

Along with the extension of the gym, we felt the need for a café to still remain available to our Community is also needed. The beginnings of new ideas for Purpose HQ Fitness Trust were discussed and we decided to set up Purpose HQ Café as a new business venture where we can create jobs for local people and put profits back into supporting our community.

A further initiative we are currently looking to support and build is to set up a private room at the back of the gym for health practitioners to hire and come out to Tapawera to treat clients. We would like to make it easier for our Community members that need services such as physios, chiropractors etc to get the help they need closer to home and to remove barriers like cost of travel, time for travel and/or making travel arrangements with whānau or friends.

We hope the Community continue to support our initiatives so we can help support our Community.

We look forward to seeing you!

Ngā mihi from your Purpose HQ Whānau:

Renee MacDonald
Cherie Tirikatene
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Senior's Snippets with Janine Leeden

Hi everyone. I'm always sad to see the hops harvested as the beautiful lush, green summer forest around us is gone. Bare poles and wires are not quite as visually pleasing. Plus we are left feeling exposed to the cold winds blowing up and down the valley.

In April we have a major event brought to us by Age Concern and AA, which is open to all over 65 years old, whether or not you usually participate in our Tea and Talk activities etc.

Please read the below information and register with me if you are wanting to participate. I definitely need numbers so that I can organise materials and to notify the organisers in Nelson, as well as to cater for food. (This is in place of our April Tea and Talk, as that would fall on ANZAC Day).

TAPAWERA SENIORS SAFE DRIVING COURSE
TUESDAY, 18TH APRIL, 2023
9.30AM – 12.00PM, RUGBY CLUB ROOMS -
Followed by Carfit

This is a classroom-based workshop that offers a road rule refresher. Led by a qualified driving instructor, it covers all the basic road rules as well as offering drivers the chance to ask questions. Reports from previous participants found it fun, interactive and informative.

So that pre-course surveys can be distributed before the day, please register with me on the number below. We will have a full, fun day, so better to have this done before you get there.

CarFit helps you be safe and comfortable in your own car. This will follow on after a light lunch, for those wanting to register to be included.

Trained volunteers and an Occupational Therapist can make adjustments to your car so that you are in the best position physically to drive safely, have the greatest range of vision and can access all the controls. They will also answer any questions you may have around mobility and driving. **Booking are essential. Ring me on 0277525975.**

We'll be providing **morning tea and a light lunch**, with a **cost of \$10 per participant**. This is great value to us to be able to host this in Tapawera and have the facilitators bring it to us: with thanks to Jackie MacIntyre | Community Support Coordinator | Age Concern Nelson Tasman.



Library News

Just a reminder that the library hours have changed, they are now 10.30-1.30pm. Library members can still come into the library during school hours by obtaining a key from the office and leaving their details at the desk.

Our new Richmond collection is hopefully on the shelves by now and will have plenty of variety in book genres.

We won't be holding a Book Fair this year but our Lucky Book Club has so many books at special prices that if you don't have a student bringing their catalogue home from school or Kindy then it's worth popping into the library to pick up one. It's easy enough to just pop your order into the office before the Due Back date or follow the catalogue instructions to order online.

We have had a few new members join the library lately which is fantastic. These are people who hadn't realised before now that we aren't only a school library. Great to know our campaign to make it known that we are a COMMUNITY library too is working. Come on in and see for yourself.

You can also see our catalogue at nz.accessit.online/TPW00 (last two digits are zeros) anyone can log in as a guest and if you wish to view your issued books or those of your children, just call or email us for your membership number.

Some of our newer books in the library come from some great authors such as Lisa Jackson, Chris Ryan, Ruth Rendall, Kathy Reichs in the Thriller department and Roisin Measey, Marion Keyes, Cathy Kelly who are just some of the marvellous Irish writers who tell the sort of stories that everyone can relate to.

The library will be closed during the Easter holidays, starting on Good Friday and reopening Wednesday 26th April.

You will find us behind the tennis courts at the school. Our hours are Monday to Friday 10.30-1.30pm

Phone 5224337ex213. Email library@tapawera.school.nz. Website as above.

Happy Reading folks

Laree for the library team.

COME TO A TALKING CAFÉ

Connect with your community



Talking Cafés are an opportunity to meet people, make new connections and learn more about your community.

Pop in for a quick cuppa, or stay for a longer conversation with friendly people. All welcome, no bookings required.

Join us at the Tapawera Community Centre:

Tuesday 11th April, 10-11.30am

Tuesday 9th May, 10-11.30am

Tuesday 13th June, 10-11.30am

For more details:
wellby.org.nz
or phone (03) 546 7681



Tapawera Food Security News

A beautiful movement around food security started in Tapawera on Thursday, 2nd March, a group of people gathered to talk about how we can work together to ensure sufficient and accessible food for all.

Putting energy into supporting the School Community Garden was identified as a good way to start acting on it. A working bee happened on the 18th and 19th of March led by Denise. An enthusiastic group of people went there during the weekend and amazing garden beds were made just with what was there and things are getting momentum.

During the meeting we identified what we already have in Tapawera to build resilience and many new ideas came up such as:

- Connect the Community Garden with workshops (seed propagation, pruning, preserving etc);
- Start a vege/food growing group; create communication channel about food security; Collaboration between community garden and private garden - seedling swap for example; learn from successful examples outside Tapawera;
- Map out different growing areas (what grows well where) and explore the possibility of having a centralised place to sell/trade excess produce;
- Develop a team of volunteers willing to pick/harvest excess produce that people feel comfortable inviting on to their land. Make excess produce available free/cheap (?) at a roadside stall - Phoebe is willing



to facilitate this idea: phoebe.quinlivan@gmail.com, or call or text 0212116730;

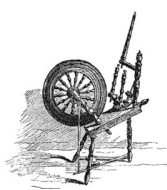
- Planting fruit trees around the school and village

Tapawera Food Security messenger group was created and everyone with interest is invited to participate. Message Gavin Scoble (gavinb2054@gmail.com) if you would like to be added to this group.

It is exciting to think about all that and the Thursday evening meeting was a good start. The group finished with the idea to create a celebration around food, tie it in with the Community Garden harvest and have a big community feast!

More information about these activities will be sent by email (please send a message to tapaweraconnect@gmail.com if you want to know about future activities), posted on the community website: www.tapaweracommunity.nz and on Facebook.

Stay connected, Connections are what makes communities strong!



Tapawera Creative Fibre

The nights are certainly starting to cool a little now, a good time to be getting out our knitting projects and taking up where we left off in the heat of summer evenings.

The members of our group are mostly doing their own projects, probably thinking about the Group Challenge, quite a curly one for yours truly.

We have started an evening group for those who cannot make the Wednesdays gathering. This is open to anyone who may be interested in Craft. At present we are meeting at 10 Totara Street at 7pm. A warm welcome to anyone who may come along.

Coming up on our programme we have a visit to Pics Peanut Butter Factory on April 12th. We may also do a roadie to Westport to visit the Creative Fibre Group down there and also to visit our favourite retailer, Raewyn at Buller Fabric and Fibre on 19th April.

We welcome new members to our Group, whether you knit, sew, spin, embroider or cross stitch, felt or crochet, you are welcome to come along, have a cuppa and some great conversation. We meet every Wednesday at 10am – around 3pm. Alternatively, we meet Tuesday evenings at 7pm at 10 Totara Street.

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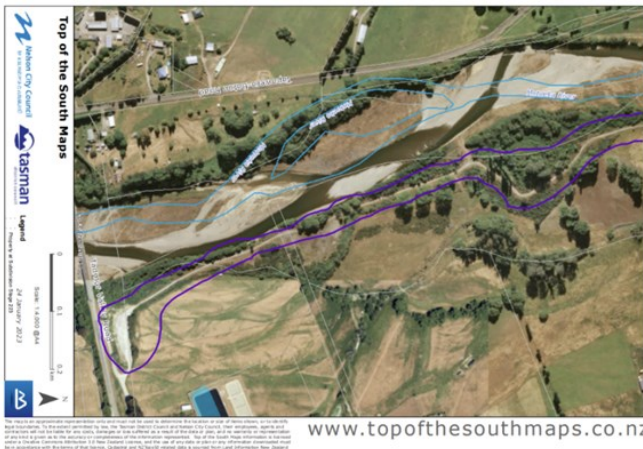
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Our Local Biodiversity

Proposed Community Project - Collaboration using recreation, education, and conservation to support our braided river birds.

Last month I wrote a piece about our local nesting river birds. This month I am sharing a project idea that could tick many boxes as it would provide opportunities for our community and school as well as supporting the nesting birds and other freshwater biodiversity.

It mainly involves the area/access road north-east of the Tapawera bridge (see map below) being used for educational purposes whilst also making it attractive for public recreation.



The existing access road already offers a relatively enjoyable walking track which is easily accessible and within walking distance from the village. However, it is not attractive or welcoming as it is overgrown and used as a gravel holding site. It is likely many people do not know about it or use it.

If some areas were cleared and planted, it is more likely to be used by both the community and visitors (including cyclists as the cycle track runs past it). As walking and cycling are important ways of increasing or maintaining physical and mental health, an engaging popular local track would be beneficial for everyone.

It could also provide an attractive and accessible spot with river access for activities like swimming, bird watching, fishing, and picnicking.

If local organisations, community groups and school were to get onboard, native planting, trapping, and weed control programmes could be created which would be beneficial for all, especially the tarapirohe (black-fronted terns) and tarāpuka (black-billed gulls) that are nationally endangered and declining respectively.



Proposed area by Tapawera bridge.

Entrance to access road and gravel piles.



The idea has the potential to be great for the area and it might be the perfect time to consider it. Both the Motueka Catchment Collective and Tapawera Connect have received funding that could possibly be linked in.

Whilst the Motueka river is already monitored regularly, there is potential for this area to provide a suitable site for community/school monitoring using an educational and collaborative approach.

TDC is prioritising freshwater in the region and (alongside Taylors Contracting) already plans their river work around nesting times. There have been studies around the country showing where gravel extraction/movement (when done in a considerate way) can have positive impacts for nesting bird populations, due to creation of islands and removal of introduced weeds which provide cover for predators.

Tapawera Area School became an enviroschool a few years ago, has been working on that and other local biodiversity projects and has connections already with many of the environmental educators in the region. David Melville has offered his valuable time to work with them if/when a field trip can be arranged.

I am aware this project is unlikely to be an easy one, will take time/energy, and getting the community on board is not guaranteed. But there have already been awesome responses from people and groups who can offer support and potential collaboration. If you would like to know more or think the project is doable, please get in touch at richkate73@gmail.com.

Kate Radloff

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What are these events about?

Sound management of land and water resources in New Zealand is a critical issue. Understanding the recent government regulations is important for rural communities and Council. We realise this keeps changing and there is more still coming, and that this is confusing, adding stress and pressure onto farmers.

Council now has a better understanding of what these changes mean. At these events we'll look at recent government changes, what's still to come and how this may impact you. You will meet the Council staff tasked with implementing these changes, have an opportunity to clarify any questions and find out what support may be available to you.

MPI On Farm Support will be joining us to introduce their staff and explain what their role is. Refreshments will be provided.

Our District is underpinned by primary production. These events are open to all local agribusiness, rural landowners, and those supporting our rural communities.

Topics include:

- Essential freshwater legislation
 - » Freshwater farm plans
 - » Intensification
 - » Wetlands
 - » Intensive winter grazing
 - » Nitrogen use and reporting
 - » Stock exclusion
 - » Fish passage
 - » Riparian and wetland enhancement and funding
- Significant Natural Areas (SNA) and biodiversity protection
- Plant and animal pest management
- Outstanding Natural Landscapes and Features
- Resource consenting
- Pricing agricultural emissions
- The Land and Freshwater Plan and having your say on the future rules

Dates and venues:

- **Murchison:** Thursday 27 April, 11.00 am – 2.00 pm, Murchison Sport Recreation and Cultural Centre
- **St Arnaud:** Thursday 27 April, 4.30 pm – 7.30 pm, Lake Rotoiti Community Hall
- **Upper Moutere:** Tuesday 2 May, 11.00 am – 2.00 pm, Moutere Hills Community Centre
- **Tapawera:** Tuesday 2 May, 6.30 pm – 9.30 pm, Tapawera Rugby Football Rooms
- **Collingwood:** Thursday 4 May, 11.30 am – 2.30 pm, Collingwood Memorial Hall

For more information:

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Autumn Workshops

Budgeting with Tamara Eggers - 18th
April, 7pm (venue to be confirmed)

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Cheese Making with Verena Gruner and
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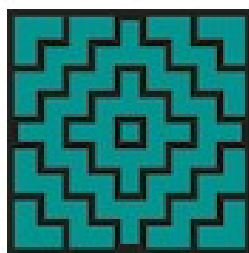
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Tēnā kōutou e te whānau o Tapawera

My name is Cherie Tirikatene most of you know me as "Aunty" and I am the CEO of Seed New Zealand

Just thought I would take the opportunity to introduce SEED NZ to you all.

SEED is a cooperative community development programme that helps communities create value from their land, culture and people to improve their own quality of life.

Seed NZ is the Charitable organisation behind the Community Garden, the Fire Woodbank and other kaupapa in our rōpu.

I thought it was time to start doing some updates along with Purpose HQ Fitness Trust of some of the things that we are up to.

I would like highlight the massive work that Whaea Denise and Nan (Lee Leary) have put into this kaupapa. Seed NZ is getting our hustle on to raise more funds to be able to get the rubbish taken and of course to build more planter boxes and get some kai growing for our whānau.

Also a big thank you to the whānau that came on Saturday and Sunday to help. Things are looking amazing and when we set the next date for us all to come together we will let you know.

Nau te rourou, naku te rourou, ka ora te manuhiri

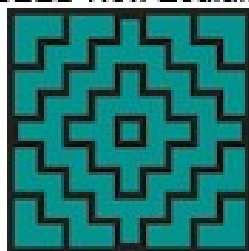
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Ngā mihi nui

Cherie Tirikatene

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Book Discussion Group

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 Contact: Paula Davis ph. 5224341

Federated Farmers

Contact: Brent Hodgkinson
 Ph. 5224381

Golden Bush Garden Club

Meet: 2nd Thursday of month
 Contact: President, Irene Griffith
 0212525098, or Shirley Percy 5224924

Golf

Meet: every Sunday, Ladies 9 hole
 every Tuesday
 Contact: Gary Oldham ph. 0278080578

Historical Society

Contact: Barbara Carleton ph. 5224317

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 Email tapawerainformergmail.com

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 Susan Fenemor ph. 0275224009 (text
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MENZSHED

Contact: John Wilmshurst ph. 5224616

Neighbourhood Support

Contact: Gavin Scoble
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 Email gavin@neighbourhoodsupport.nz

Netball

Contact: Susan Fenemor ph.
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Ramblers

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 Contact: Shirley Percy ph. 5224924

Shedwood Hall bookings

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Tapawera Community Centre

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Tapawera Creative Fibre

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Tapawera Jujutsu Club

Contact: Tony Hammersley ph. 5224609

Tapawera Food Bank

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Tapawera Op Shop

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Tapawera Connect

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Tapawera Sport & Recreation Society

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Visual Arts Society Tapawera

Contact: Dallas Robinson ph. 5224984

**What's on
April**

- 11 Tapawera Talking Café,
Community Centre, 10-
11:30am
- 13 Garden Club bus trip, departing
Village Green, 9am
- 14/21 Cheese making workshop,
Tapawera School kitchen, 1pm-
3pm
- 18 Tapawera Seniors Safe Driving
Course, Rugby Club rooms,
9.30am-12pm
- 18 TDCC monthly meeting,
Community Centre, 7pm
- 18 Budgeting workshop, 7pm,
venue TBC
- 20 Survivors and Thrivers Support
Group Tapawera, Tapawera
Fire Station
- 20 Articles for Informer close 5pm
- 22 Tapawera Haura Whānau Day,
Tapawera Area School, 10:30-
2pm
- 28 Girls Friday, Tapawera Hotel,
11am
- 29 Bingo night, Tapawera Hotel,
7pm
- 2 May Rural Conversations, Rugby
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