

COMMUNITY PLAN

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Pride In Our Town

By Janine Leeden, Tapawera Connect – October 2023

(For this new regular feature, we will be interviewing someone new each month, asking what it is they love about living in the Tapawera area; what makes them proud to live here).

Our inaugural interview was with Sonny & Sue Grant

Sonny grew up in Dovedale and attended Tapawera District School, later starting work in the forestry before moving away and living in Gisborne for about 20 years. While he and Sue moved back to the area in about 2006 they finally settled in Tapawera itself about 6 years ago. While the decision was more financial, with Sue coming reluctantly – digging her heels in all the way, Sonny has realised that he has connected back to his whakapapa, and they both realise how precious that is.

Spring is their favourite time for planting and nourishing the ground and seeing new growth all around and they put a lot of effort into their own garden as well as helping out around the Village. Asked if there is a particular smell that they associate with Tapawera, Sue reckons she can smell the hops, even as they sprout out of the ground and they both love the smell of the hops, new hay and even silage. Sonny reckons he also loves the summer for the fishing and eeling too! They love that living here gives them the opportunity to be self-sustaining, with plenty of fresh food readily available if you put in the effort.

When asked if there was someone who has made a positive impact on their time living here, Sonny was very quick to say that he has loved reconnecting with his old school and rugby mate, John Rogers. He loves that they are fishing mates and can still spend time together. For Sue, that special person has to be Roger Bint! She loves how knowledgeable he is and how calming he is to talk to at the same time. She always feels that he honours and is respectful of people and she always comes away richer for the time spent with him.

Activities they both enjoy doing to connect with others is helping local farmers, helping keep the Village looking tidy, and for Sue, helping with the organised Seniors events.

While they're not big on swimming, they admitted that they have swum at the whirl hole near McLean's Reserve (pretty risky really), and Sonny does often throw himself into the river during Summer when he takes his dogs for a swim.

As for a favourite view, like many others, they are entranced by the constantly changing, but ever beautiful view of the mountains and also the view from up on the terrace, approaching Tapawera from Kohatu, of the valley with the river snaking its way towards those mountains.

Asked what they'd miss most if they had to move away from Tapawera, Sonny said that he'd miss the farmers and the people.

(It was a delight to spend time with this couple and to be inspired by their passion for the people and the richness of where we live!)

None of this work would be possible without support from our funders:



Library News

Spring is here, with it comes the wind and if it blows you into the library that has to be good. Seriously though we do seem to

have a steady flow of new members joining up and discovering the joys of our library. If you are thinking of joining, the hours 10.30-1.30 might seem a bit limiting but they aren't really as you can still use the library during normal school hours by obtaining a key from the office and leaving your details at the desk.

Our new Richmond collection might have made its way onto the shelves by now, if not then it won't be far away, come in and check out the new thrillers, historical, non-fiction and light reading we get twice a year.

If you want to check out our catalogue just go to our website, nz.accessit.online/TPW00 (last two digits are zeros). You can also check out your own issues or your children's just by asking us for your membership numbers.

The library will be closed during the school holidays, 22nd September to 9th October but anyone wanting access is welcome to call me on 0272625289 and if I'm about, we can arrange a time.

Kelly has signed us up for an interesting pizza wheel reading challenge, the students have to read and review a number of books that then entitle them to a mini pizza. This will hopefully encourage plenty of reading during the holidays.

If you are new to the community, you will find us behind the tennis courts at the school. Our hours are 10.30-1.30 every week day. Membership is free. We would love to see you in here.

Happy Reading folks.

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Tapawera Combined

Tapawera Hotel, Most Improved: Madison Wagner
Foulsham Cup, Most Valuable: Cameron Hatton

Tapawera Hotel Hop Bar

Dempster Trophy, Most Improved: Jada Jelinek
Fenemor Trophy, Most Valuable: Shakaia Kennett-MacDonald

Tapawera Blue Rock Hop

Higgins Trophy, Most Improved: Roshana Ross
Alison Henry Trophy, Most Valuable: Renee MacDonald & Emma Bannister

Club Trophies

Tony Bange Tray-Committee (Treasurer to decide this Year): Rosa Cameron

Mytton Cup-Best Defence: Renee MacDonald

Bannister Trophy-Best Attack: Mckenzie Toko

Warnes Trophy-Most Committed Team: Tapawera White

Susan & Peter Fenemor Trophy-Most committed family: MacDonald Family

Umpire/Representative Pins-Students: Rosa Cameron

Round Table Overall-Contribution to the club:

Emma
Bannister &
Rosa Cameron



Thank you very much to our sponsors, Tania Higgins (Treasurer/Media guru) and Lisa McGaveston Secretary, plus our awesome coaches: Emma & Renee, Aleisha and Rosa

Susan Fenemor
TNC President/Life Member



Tapawera & Valleys Historical Society Inc.

Photos of the Korere bus with teacher driver and the Korere bridge in days gone by. These were only two of the things discussed by 30 or more people at the old Korere School on Sunday. Many topics of interest were covered as we moved down the valley from Atapo and Rainy River through Korere to Upper Motupiko. Many memories and historical information were shared.



Next month we have been invited to Dovedale to hear and share their history. We will meet at the **Dovedale Church at 1pm on Saturday 28 October**. Everyone is very welcome to join us. Enquiries to Barbara ph 5224317.

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Out and About Locally

Recently I had the pleasure of hanging out with the year 6-7 -8 students (and teachers) down at the river/recreation area by the Tapawera bridge. Part of the River Nesting Bird Project, which the Community Led Development Program is supporting.



The objective for the students was to do a site assessment, produce a report of their findings, and then do a presentation to TDC, the Motueka Catchment Collective and Tapawera Connect. The students also have been busy 'digging in' with trial plantings of trees for the TDC.

Combined with these students the year 9 Art class is researching, designing and painting signs to be placed at the river, to inform and educate the community on the presence of the Black Billed Gull and the Black Fronted Terns between Sept-March. Historically Taylors Contracting had such signage that they placed at the river, unfortunately over the years these have been damaged or taken. Isn't it wonderful that our students and school are keen to get involved in protecting these amazing birds special to Tapawera. Keep an eye out for these original pieces of artwork popping up down at the river soon!



Nicola Allan
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Stand by – no don't – for Climate Change

In September I was invited along to one of the workshops held by the Nelson & Tasman Councils' team who are working to assess regional climate change risks and so be better able to identify what should be done to mitigate or adapt to the changes. There were five workshops and I went to the one focused on the 'natural domain'. Others were held on the built environment, human, economic and governance 'domains'. They are using a 'dynamic adaptive pathways planning' process and following planning guidance recommendations from the Ministry for Environment. Given that our future is uncertain and some of it deeply uncertain, any regional planning tool needs to be adaptive and updated as new scientific data & other measures come to light. Otherwise it's just a snapshot document with recommendations tied to that moment.

There were about 70 of us at different tables and we had to consider the elements associated with different 'risk interests' identified in the environment / 'natural domain' – including risk interests associated with indigenous terrestrial, marine and freshwater ecosystems and organisms and risks to exotic ecosystems and species. For us in Tapawera, although embedded in the whole environment, most of us are probably more connected to the exotic ecosystems like farming and forestry and gardening and maybe we should count ourselves as an exotic species! Below is the sheet that our group came up with for the risk elements associated with exotic ecosystems and species. Because we are the ones with a high responsibility for influencing these ecosystems, we also have a much greater capacity to adapt and make changes to them that can benefit us and our wider community and environment. We can't as individuals do too much about ocean temperatures rising! One of the things that wasn't highlighted enough in the planning framework presented was the importance and inclusion of food production (and timber uses) so it was good to bring attention to it.

The Risk Assessment team picked three scenario timings to consider – representing the short, medium and long term view. They were years 2030, 2070 and 2130. We were given some indication of predictions at those dates of temperature, rainfall, storms, sea-level rise, heavy rain, drought, disease etc. for us here in Tasman. For instance, sea level rise in 2070 is projected to be between 0.5 and 0.7m and then in

2130, it is projected to be between 1.5 and 2m. Very significant for coastal inundation but will no doubt affect us all in some way. For snowfall, by 2130 many places that usually receive snowfall would experience greater rainfall instead etc. We then had to consider the scenarios and come up with 'climate impact consequence levels' ranging from insignificant to extreme and our confidence in picking the level. All got a bit depressing and extreme for 2130.

Once the contributions from this series of workshops have been analysed and incorporated, there will be another series of workshops in November that will be more area specific and one of the outputs of the whole process will be to have a 'Nelson Tasman Risk Explorer' that we as well as Council staff and others can access.

Hopefully, as individuals and as a broader community, we will choose to become more informed about climate change risks and make sensible choices, not necessarily easy ones, that spread the benefits rather than the costs, to our future generations. What we are starting to experience now is the consequence of previous scenarios and actions. Our generation and the previous generation will have significantly affected what we are about to experience in this next short term phase. What we do now is what will affect those in the medium term – our children and grandchildren. For quite a lot of us, our grandparents and relatives went to fight and die in wars to safeguard their community's freedom and ours. Maybe we should see the threat we face from climate change in a similar light and start to take stronger action and make sacrifices for the sake of lives and future life on this planet?

Jo Leyland



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Questions? Contact Cherie Tirikatene cherie.tirikatene@seedglobal.org
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SEED NZ

While SEED NZ has some great projects happening in the community we know and understand that it takes a whole village to achieve great things.

So of course we were super excited to play a small part in helping to get one of our Rangatahi to be able to participate in the Spirit of Adventure. While **Shakaia MacDonald** was a little (actually a lot) nervous at attending this amazing opportunity.

So many groups came together in our awesome community to ensure cost would not be a barrier. So Shakaia took that leap of faith and went on this amazing adventure. We can't wait to hear all about your learnings!!



Quick Profile - Trustee Cherie Tirikatene (Aunty)

Aunty moved here just over two years ago from Whaingaroa (Raglan) and people often wonder why this super busy wahine is so committed to our community, whanau and the many projects she works on. So we asked her and in her words she said that "she has found her Turangawaewae". Aunty has lived all over the country and her whakapapa is Kai Tahu and Ngaai Tuuaahuriri - Tuahiwi. She says she has never felt the sense of belonging and passion for community and lifestyle as she does for here. While Aunty has her paid mahi and own businesses, she is dedicated to our projects at Purpose HQ and the collaborative work that we do with SEED NZ. Aunty is totally outcomes focused and loves working with others and loves to "make good stuff happen". Aunty's favourite colour is purple, while a nice red vino, good kai and great company are high on her list of ways to relax. The thing she enjoys the most are her PT sessions @ Purpose HQ Gym most mornings with our Gym manager!!!

Purpose HQ Fitness Trust and Cafe

Purpose HQ Gym

We are excited to announce that the GYM HAS NEW EQUIPMENT!!!!

We have had some amazing members offer (actually Tauia was offered by his wife) their support to put our equipment together which means that we will need to close the gym for a day or so. We will have some signage up and post on our FB page to let you know when this will be.



Thanks again to our amazing Trustees who work above and beyond to get these things across the line. Now time to focus on getting our consulting/rehab room sorted and our dream of the gym extension underway.



Both Purpose HQ and SEED NZ are super proud to support and represent the Puurerehua Hauora Roopu for Tapawera. We are excited for our Community Hauora Day that is coming up next month and appreciate all the support from all our other local community groups to help towards the success of this upcoming event.

SAVE THE DATE WHĀNAU 26th of November.



Haere mai! **Safe Families Motueka** is hosting a series of presentations & workshops in October! Book in and come listen in...

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Journey Woman with **Tricia Walsh : 10.30-12.30**
And a discussion on **Being Raised by Mokopuna / Grandchildren @ 2pm**




Tues Oct 17th : **Scam Savvy Seniors**
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Welcoming Back Our River Nesting Birds!

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Interestingly, while gravel work is a complex topic, it can be good for both us and the birds, helping to mitigate flooding whilst providing some awesome spots for the birds to consider. Many of the weedy high areas have been removed, leaving the clear low islands that help to protect them when nesting from ground predators like stoats and rats.

As Nicky from Tapawera Connect has mentioned, it is great to have students from the school on board, doing some fantastic work to look at how we can enjoy both the river and the river nesting birds. With year 9 working on signs to remind us about nesting, it is worth noting that two of the best ways to support them is to keep an eye on your dogs when walking by the river and also to not drive on the riverbed, especially the islands. Simple actions like this can make a huge difference to the survival of these endangered taonga species during their nesting season.

Thank you so much to those who are supporting the project (Tapawera Area School, Tapawera Connect, Motueka Catchment Collective, Tapawera Awa Ora, Birds NZ (Nelson), TDC, TDCC, Higgins Sawmill, Falcon Brae Lodge, Guthrie Bowron plus others). If you would like to find out more, please get in touch with Kate (richkate73@gmail.com).



Taken by Paul Griffiths 16th January 2023



Newsletter 11

7 September 2023

From the Principal's Desk

Teñā koutou e te Whānau ki te Kura o Tapawera

Help shape the future of our school. With your voice and experience, you can help shape our school into a place where all children and young people can thrive. Tapawera Area School is in a time of change after Covid and changes in the kura. So it is now time to set our priorities.

Why is school planning and reporting important?

We need to work together with you, and the community, to plan for the future. This allows everyone, including children and young people, parents, whānau, and the wider community, to establish goals for the school that reflect the needs of all learners and support them to succeed. Your voice helps us to make improvements to provide all learners with the best school experience.

What do we need to do?

We need to create long-term and annual plans based on what we hear from you and what our data (such as achievement data) is telling us should be prioritised.

Through plans, we are working to ensure:

That every learner at the school can achieve their highest educational standards, the school is a physically and emotionally safe place, ensures students' human rights are upheld and takes steps to eliminate racism, stigma, bullying and other forms of discrimination.

We are inclusive of and cater for, learners with different needs.

How we give effect to the Treaty of Waitangi, by including tikanga, mātauranga, and Te Ao Māori in their plans, taking reasonable steps to teach about Tikanga Māori and te reo Māori and achieving equitable outcomes for Māori students.

What should you expect from our school?

We want to talk to you about what's working, what isn't, and what is important for your child. This will help us determine what our goals should be. We want to make sure all learners and parents have copies of our plans that are written in a way that is easy to understand. We will report to you each year on how they are going, including the difference they are making to learners' progress and well-being.

This is an exciting time for our kura and community as we work together to plan and set out priorities. We will be in touch with our next steps and how you can provide feedback to us.

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

Sarah Coard

principal@tapawera.school.nz



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Other School News

Keywords for 2023 **The FIRE Way** = Friendliness, Integrity, Respect, Effort

Bob Bickerton visited the Primary School and entertained the students with a selection of **musical instruments**.

Thanks for supporting **The Cancer Foundation**. We got some great footage of the gumbboot conga line, gumbboot throwing and 3-legged races as part of our mentor time. Very entertaining and had lots of happy faces.

There is a lot of **paperwork involved in taking tamariki on trips**. The process is very long and involves lots of people to check things to ensure safety:

1. We start with a proposal to the Senior Leadership Team, who then approves the trip.
2. Notices go home to whānau about the trip and request permission. Often this is also put on a school loop to make it easier for parents to sign
3. Next we seem to be chasing forms to be returned - for which we need your help - talk to us ASAP regarding changes to a trip as transport lists need to be created. Some children just don't turn up!
4. On the day we check attendance - then ensure the accurate transport lists go to the office (in the unlikely event of an emergency - Barbara needs this information at her fingertips). If this keeps changing it is hard to ensure it is correct.
5. Safety Action Plans are written (SAP) to ensure all bases are covered if something goes wrong
6. If it is overnight or high-risk activity etc. This paperwork goes to the BOT Board of Trustees.

We love going on trips and giving our tamariki wonderful experiences, but we need these to be actioned by whānau ASAP - we cannot continue to chase forms/skool loop permission - otherwise, some children will simply miss out.

Sarah Bouchut has joined our teaching team this term for two days a week. She is working with the year 7-8s learning about online apps and the Google Classroom, as well as some senior study classes.

Congratulations to **Lachlan Wills, Year 8** for earning the **Principal's Award**. Here are some of the reasons why:

House Leader, consistently showing the FIRE way, supports others with their learning, and is always keen to share ideas, he is awesome and inquisitive when he asks questions about learning.

What an amazing ski trip to **Rainbow Ski Field!!** A huge thanks to Tanya, Todd and Denise for organising the trip. Thanks to our whānau John, Jeannie, Tania, David, Simon, Renee, Tauia, Gary, Ander, Lisa, Emelie, Suzanne and Rewa. There were 61 of us who had a great day!!! Students were showing resilience, effort, and loads of enthusiasm! What a privilege to take them to Rainbow for the day!

Uniforms for Tapawera Area School are available online. **Search Schooltex** uniforms and type Tapawera Area School in the search tab.

Tapawera Area Skool Loop



Anyone from the Community can join up as the fortnightly newsletter can be found here.

Tapawera Area School Facebook



Tapawera Area School

Follow us to catch up with happenings that are posted usually 3-4 times a week.

As told by
Susan Fenemor

Tapawera Kindergarten

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Golden Bush Garden Club



On Thursday September 14th our monthly meeting was held at Phillipa Higg's Metal Art Garden in Brightwater. There was a good turnout and after the meeting and auction we had the opportunity to explore the gardens which contained a wide variety of metal and wooden garden art. The old fashioned metal bath with claw legs that had been turned into a garden seat really caught my eye, but there were many other items that stood out. They were very welcoming hosts and Phillipa and family are happy to give out their contact number – 0273431040 – if you wish to arrange a visit. Sorry no eftpos, only Cash or Bank Transfer. The raffles of gardening gloves and an owl pot with Polyanthus were won by Lorraine Signal and Janet Moffat.

Next meeting is Thursday October 12th, 11am at Jeff Lukey's, Sherry River Road, Tadmor. Turn down Tadmor Valley Road from Tapawera and continue to the old Tadmor Store. Turn right over bridge and continue up over Tadmor hill, then left at bottom of hill onto Sherry River Road. Jeff's is on the left before you get to bridge. It is a unique property and weather permitting those who want to can go on a bush walk. There will also be honey for sale, cash only. We will have an auction and raffle. Please bring your lunch, chair and thermos.

The Waimea Floral Art Group is holding a Floral Art Area Day Saturday October the 14th at 1.30pm at Headingly Centre off Lower Queen St, Richmond. There will be floral demonstrations by visiting artist, Jenny Harris plus floral designs to view, raffles and afternoon tea. The cost will be \$10.

The spring gardens are bursting into colour now, the Magnolias and Rhododendrons are putting on a magnificent show.

Happy Gardening
Shirley



SENIOR'S SNIPPETS with Janine Leeden

At this point I'm excited to be part of the negotiations with Nelson Tasman Community Transport Trust, coming from the older persons angle, trying to find solutions to the limited transport opportunities in Tapawera. This service will be limited to connecting people to the new eBus service in Wakefield, or to Richmond or Motueka for individuals to complete their chores, but I am hoping to also utilise this vehicle to help connect our Seniors with other groups and activities in the region as well. As a Community we have to show that this will be well utilised if we are to secure it, and even access to a larger capacity vehicle going forward. Our

response will determine whether TDC will even consider funding this vital service, now that they have invested heavily in the eBuses that service the other larger towns. Let's all 'get onboard' to support this service!

The first week in October will see me trialling the demand with this 6 seat capacity (with the driver included) to attend a couple of annual Senior's events. **It will come down to first in gets a seat!** There will be a minimal cost to cover mileage of the vehicle, to be confirmed.

On Sunday, 1st October I will be taking the vehicle to Motueka for the Positive Ageing Expo, 9.30am- 3.30pm, 10 Pah Street, Motueka. (This is just down the road from the Countdown supermarket if anyone wanted to wander down and grab a few groceries, though the vehicle doesn't have a huge area for a big shop).

The purpose of the Expo is to bring people together, find ways to engage and connect with community groups and discover new ways to help each other. The overall aim is for everyone to improve their personal well-being There will be 30+ stalls inside and 8 or so outside on the grass, a fun day overall. Food carts, coffee and cold drinks, Devonshire teas, raffles, spot prizes, so bring some cash. Throughout the day there will also be opportunities to try your hand at new activities and take part in demonstrations.

On Tuesday, 3rd October Age Concern is hosting their annual afternoon tea and entertainment to celebrate International Older Persons Day from 2-3.30pm at Annesbrook Community Church. The theme is to dress in red. We did take a good group in a van last year but at this point I'm just planning on the 6 seater vehicle again. If I get a larger number willing to commit to coming along, we will have to consider another option. Again there will be a minimal cost to cover the mileage of the vehicle, to be confirmed.

To coincide with when people are in the Village attending the **Wellby Talking Cafe on 10th October**, hopefully enjoying the sunshine outside the Purpose HQ Cafe, I have organised for **Helen McCubbin from Tasman District Library offering their Digi Drop-in session at the Community Centre 11am-1pm.**

Are you having a digital dilemma? Are your devices causing you a drama? Did you want to find out what your library has to offer? Then come along!

On October 31st we have our Tea and Talk session on Nutrition and Healthy Ageing with Kate Goodman – Primary Care Dietitian at Nelson Bays Primary Health. Have you been thinking about eating and drinking well to help you feel great, have more energy, and boost your mood?

Come along and learn about making dietary and behaviour changes to prevent and manage your long-term lifestyle related conditions.

New Route 6

Wakefield > Nelson

➔ Route 6

Departs Wakefield (Village Hall) > via Brightwater, Hope, Richmond and Hospital to Nelson City Interchange

Departs Nelson (Nelson City Interchange) > via Hospital, Richmond, Hope and Brightwater to Wakefield

Travels along Pitfure Rd, Brightwater (via Lorth Rutherford Rd North), Ellis St, Main Rd Hope, Bateup Rd, Wensley Rd, Richmond Interchange (Queen St)

Express service between Richmond Interchange and Nelson Hospital via Whakatu Dr

Indicative timetable

Departing Wakefield: 7.04 / 8.57 / 10.57 / 12.57 / 14.57 / 16.40

Departing Nelson: 7.58 / 9.57 / 11.57 / 13.37 / 15.57 / 17.25



Travelling Tapawerans



Janine Leeden & I

attended the Nelson Tasman Community Transport Trust AGM in August with the aim of Tapawera being included in their service coverage. The Trust started some years ago with the community bus from Wakefield and they then started a service from Mapua. There wasn't anyone championing it from Tapawera. Now they have a service from Motueka. The Trust relies on volunteer drivers. The Trust's efforts which were supported by TDC have helped to contribute to the establishment of the eBus network. Now the Trust needs to make changes to ensure their efforts complement these new public transport services.

The Trust's objectives include providing and operating a community transport service - in particular transport for those disadvantaged without car access; for health, recreation and education travel purposes (whilst working collaboratively alongside other groups and businesses that provide transport services to the Tasman community). The Trust also seeks to reduce our reliance on private car travel and on fossil fuels, and to encourage more sustainable travel options including using electric vehicles where possible.

The Trust have now proposed that their Wakefield community bus (its actually a comfortable 6-seater including driver that is a hybrid vehicle) be based here for the Tapawera community for now, for travel towards Nelson or Motueka, the former route would include picking existing Wakefield passengers.

A group of us in Tapawera have been taking forward the idea with Anita, the Trust's part-time transport and marketing coordinator and some of us are registering with the Trust to be volunteer drivers. There has been quite a bit of consultation in the past about transport service demand and reintroducing a bus service from Tapawera but it hasn't seemed viable. We want to pilot some trips and ways of sharing journeys that make necessary or special trips more fun, more possible and more affordable – and it's probably good to start with a small bus vehicle.

Also, given the price of fuel and that the eBus from Wakefield that goes to Richmond with an express connection to the hospital and Nelson only costs \$6 a trip with a Bee card, is cheaper for youth or can be free with a gold card, it makes sense to connect to and use it!

If you are willing and interested to be a volunteer driver and help make this community transport initiative a reality, and/or are keen to use this service, we will be having a get together at the Kohatu Flat Rock Café on Thursday 5th October at 3.15pm to check out the bus and brainstorm the details of how we are going to start using it for trips. If you can't come but are interested,

please get in touch with Anita Parkes at marketingntctt@gmail.com or on mobile 0226822373. Elsewhere in the Informer are more details on the eBus service from Wakefield and on the fares and details can be found at the links below. There are three trips in during the morning and another 3 in the afternoon starting from 7.04am from Wakefield and the last one back from Nelson leaves at 17.25 with journeys taking around 40 minutes. The electric buses also have two cycle carriers on the front as did the old ones.

<https://ebus.nz/routes-and-timetables/wakefield-nelson/>

<https://ebus.nz/using-ebus/fares-and-zones/>

Jo Leyland



WAKEFIELD & DISTRICTS
COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

The clocks will have gone forward by the time this article comes out and I am sure we are all looking forward to the warmer months coming. It has been a hard winter for many and we have seen quite a lot of sickness in our community.

There has been a greater need for urgent care and acute appointments, and we continue to be full up with patients and tightly manage who we can see.

We triage (manage) many of our appointments through our clinical team so we can best respond on a clinical need basis. This will involve getting a call from a doctor or a nurse and it is important that you have your **phone available and answer our call** which will show as “**Private Number**” on your phone.

We have also seen an increase in the number of patients who do not turn up for their booked appointments, which in view of our lack of appointments will certainly mean we could have seen someone else. If you are not going to be able to make it, please call us with as much notice as possible and we will be able to see another patient. Even if you can only give us short notice, an hour for example, please still call us.

Some clarification for **Repeat Prescriptions**. Once we have received your request it will take up to 48 working hours to issue the prescriptions. If you request an urgent prescription this will take up to 24 working hours. By far the best way with your medication is to put a request in a week in advance of when you will need it. This can be done by phone or through the portal or even come and speak to our receptionists at the Practice.

Stay safe and well.



eBus fare table

Routes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 – eBus and OnDemand

Bee Card Fares	1 Zone	2 Zones	3 Zones
Adult	\$2.00	\$4.00	\$6.00
Infant under 5	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Child 5 – 12	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Youth 13 – 18	\$0.50	\$1.00	\$1.50
Youth Plus 19 – 24	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$3.00
SuperGold Card**	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Community Connect Card	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$3.00
Other concession	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$3.00

Cash Fares	1 Zone	2 Zones	3 Zones
Adult	\$3.00	\$6.00	\$9.00
Infant under 5	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Child 5 – 18*	\$2.00	\$3.00	\$4.00
Cash concession	\$2.00	\$3.00	\$4.00



Volunteers still needed!!

Kia Ora Tapawera and our Tamariki, we are still on the lookout for more volunteers to help with the opening of our toy library, are you looking to help around our community and want to join our kind, creative and easy going team - now is the time to apply as we are really needing you!! So contact Jan or head to our Facebook page and message us for more information.

Since it is school holidays we still have a great variety of toys available for our children to build their creativity and to explore, such as board games for the family, outdoor activities, ride on cars, duplo lego, toys for infants and toddlers, heaps of toys for kids to build their imagination. So come down and see what we have available.

Hours are still the same, every Thursday morning 10:30-11:30am or contact Jan:0273915424 and we can open at any other time just for you :).

It's Competition Time Tapawera!

Are you artistic, harbouring secret desires to be famous (in Tapawera that is) Are you a natural born **winner**??

Then what I'm about to say may just interest you! With the interior of the Community Centre getting a spruce-up, we thought it was fitting to pimp our sign too! Sooo, if you are artistic? or quite simply want to give it a go, we are looking for a logo to match the present wording of "Tapawera Community Centre". Thinking about what makes Tapawera great, natural attractions/scenery, historic elements etc could be incorporated into the signs logo. Remember though, that old rule of KISS (keep it simple silly) has its merits too.

Hint: We would like to use vibrant colours like orange, yellow, sky blue and green to really make the sign **POP!** Not only will the winning logo

be displayed on our new Community Centre sign (bragging rights) but also it will appear on an outdoor flag and advertising. Oh and did I mention there was a **\$100 petrol voucher** to be given to the winning entry??? So start scribbling now Tapawera, you have till the middle of November to get your master pieces emailed/posted/dropped off to me!

(note: TDCC will be the judging panel for this competition)

Nicola Allan 434 Upper Stanley Brook Rd RD2 Wakefield

nicolaallan434@gmail.com



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**Regular Tapawera visits
discounted mileage
T&Cs apply**

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info@tcvet.co.nz * www.tcvet.co.nz

**25 Edward Street, Wakefield
35 McGlashen Avenue, Richmond**



24 hour emergency vet

Tapawera Rugby Club 2023 AGM

Monday 6th November

Tapawera Clubrooms, 7pm

New Committee members welcome





Breast Cancer
Foundation NZ



The **PINK** **CAMPERVAN** is coming!

Tapawera Memorial Hall
Main Road Tapawera, Tapawera 7096
Sunday, 15 October 2023
10am – 2pm



Pop in for free breast health advice



Tapawera
CONNECT



RURAL MUMS

STEP INTO SPRING FAMILY FUN DAY

JOIN US ON A WALK/RUN AROUND OUR
COMMUNITY WITH THE WHOLE FAMILY
BBQ AND ENTERTAINMENT AFTERWARDS

SPECIAL GUEST



Kath Bee



SUNDAY | 15/10/2023

RAFFLES • FREE EVENT FOR ALL • SPOT PRIZES

TAPAWERA MEMORIAL HALL

SIGN IN 10:15am - 10:45am

START WALK/RUN AT 11:00AM

To pre-register, please email:
tapaweramums@gmail.com

This event is run with the support from the Health Action Trust, Top of the South Neighbourhood Support, Te Whatu Ora Nelson Marlborough, and Nelson and Tasman Councils



Jujutsu Martial Arts Class

Tapawera

New beginners welcome to come and train with us in a friendly atmosphere.

In the school hall on Mondays

Youth (aged 12-16) 5.00pm to 6.30pm
Adults 6.30pm to 8.00pm

\$2 per student for each class

For further information please contact
Tony Hammersley
Tel: 5224609 or email:
tonyandgill112@gmail.com



Burglary and Theft Prevention Advice

Put yourself in a burglar's shoes. If you think like them then you can identify security risks around your home or your property.

The following tips can minimise opportunities:

- Lock and secure your doors and windows, including your sheds and garages.
- Photograph and record the make, model and serial numbers of valuables.
- Consider engraving your tools and bicycles with a unique identifier such as your driver's license number.
- Consider installing sensor lights.
- Keep hedges and plants well-trimmed - do not give burglars a place to hide.
- Check and maintain damaged fencing and locks.
- Note down car registrations and report descriptions of suspicious vehicles or persons - burglars often scope a place out in advance.

Why join Neighbourhood Support?

Top of the South Neighbourhood Support is all about making connections with your neighbourhood on a street or rural locality level, and with your community at large. We believe that connection builds resilience and helps neighbourhoods feel safe and supported.

We also work alongside the 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.

It's easy to join Neighbourhood Support! Just go to <https://topofthesouth.getsgready.net/>. If you're not on the internet, contact me and I'll send you a paper form to join.

When you join a Neighbourhood Support street or rural group you will:

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

Tapawera on Two Wheels

TTW is a group of locals who ride together monthly in the vicinity of Tapawera. Those who come regularly enjoy the chance to go for a ride with others and enjoy a chat as we get out into some of the picturesque spots around Tapawera. Come along and join us!

We offer a mix of rides to suit people right across the spectrum from beginners or those returning to cycling right through to experienced riders.

The rides are publicised in Local Happenings on the tapaweracommunity.nz website. The next ride is the Baton River cycle bridge loop on 29 October beginning at 9.30am outside the Community Centre.

If you would like to know more, please contact me: Gavin 027 757 6665 gavin@neighbourhoodsupport.nz

Wellby Talking Cafés in Tapawera

Wellby Talking Cafés are going really well in Tapawera and it's very encouraging to see a core group of people turning up every month as well as newcomers dropping in to check us out. If you want to meet some other locals and have a chat, then come along!

There is no programme and no guest speakers, but there is coffee and tea provided by Wellby. There is no need to register, just turn up on the day.

The next Tapawera Talking Cafés are 10-11.30am Tuesday, 10 October and 14 November outside at Purpose HQ Cafe.

Ngā mihi
Gavin Scoble
Area Connector| Tapawera & Districts
Top of the South Neighbourhood Support
027 757 6665, gavin@neighbourhoodsupport.nz



Are you having a digital dilemma?

Are your devices causing you a drama?

Did you want to find out what your library has to offer?

Come along to the Digi Drop-in session at the Community Centre

Tuesday, 10th October, 11am-1pm.

Tasman District Library staff will be there to offer support.

Book Discussion Group

Meet: 4th Thursday in month, 10am
 Contact: Paula Davis ph. 5224341

Federated Farmers

Contact: Harry Matthews - Field Rep -
 0275078901

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

Informer

PO Box 15 Tapawera
 Email tapawerainform@gmail.com

Justice of The Peace

Peter Phillips ph. 5224313
 John Ellis ph. 021 522429
 Brent Hodgkinson ph. 5224381
 Francine Currie ph. 5224245
 Susan Fenemor ph. 0275224009 (text
 during school hours)

MENZSHED

Contact: John Wilmshurst ph. 5224616

Neighbourhood Support

Contact: Gavin Scoble
 ph. 5224585 or 027 7576665
 Email gavin@neighbourhoodsupport.nz

Netball

Contact: Susan Fenemor ph.
 0275224009 (text during school hours)

Ramblers

Meet: each month
 Contact: Shirley Percy ph. 5224924

Shedwood Hall bookings

Contact: Tania Higgins ph. 5224587

St Andrews Church Stanley Brook

Services every Sunday. Cup of tea
 afterwards.
 Contact: Lee Winter ph. 5224160

St John – Tapawera

For emergencies Dial 111,
 Email info@stjohn.org.nz

Tapawera & Dist. Community Church

Service: St. Peter's Tapawera. 2nd
 Sunday of each month at 3pm
 Contact: Church Office 03 541 8883
 Vicar: Rev. Don Moses ph. 541 8883

Tapawera & Dist. Community Council

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of month,
 7:30pm Tapawera Community Centre

Tapawera Community Centre

Lisa Carleton ph.0274461017

Tapawera Connect

Contact: Phoebe Quinlivan ph. 021 211
 6730 or 522 4929, email:
tapaweraconnect@gmail.com

Tapawera Creative Fibre

Meet: every Wednesdays, Memorial Hall
 Contact: Dallas Robinson ph. 5224984

Tapawera Food Bank

Contact: Suzzi Lankshear ph.
 0277491063

Tapawera Jujutsu Club

Contact: Tony Hammersley ph. 5224609

Tapawera Music/Country Music Club

Meet: Alternate Sundays, Tapawera
 Hotel 7:30pm
 Contact: Elaine Douglas ph. 5418612

Tapawera Op Shop

Contact: Lisa Carleton ph.0274461017

Tapawera Playcentre

Meet: Mon & Thur, 10am -12:30pm
 Memorial Hall ph. 5224456

Tapawera Rugby Football Club

Bookings: ph. Judy Benjamin 5224445

Tapawera Sport & Recreation Society

Contact: Judy Benjamin ph. 5224445

Tapawera Volunteer Fire Brigade

Contact: Dean Millar Chief ph.
 0279651399; Ted Oakly Deputy Chief
 ph. 0210704033

TAS / Community Library

Mon-Fri 10:30am-1:30pm. Contact:
 Lareen Bonnington ph. 5224149
 Library ph. 5224337/ext. 213

TESSI

Contact: Bruce Whyte ph. 5224550

Toy Library

Open Thursday 10:30am-11:30am
 Contact: Jan ph. 5224102

Visual Arts Society Tapawera

Contact: Dallas Robinson ph. 5224984

Wakefield Police

Constable Jamie White –
jamie.white2@police.govt.nz
 Constable Matthew Berquist –
matthew.berquist@police.govt.nz
 Non Urgent (CRL) – Call 105
 Happening Now – Call 111

**What's on
October**

- 1 Positive Ageing Expo, Motueka,
9.30am-3.30pm
- 3 Age Concern afternoon tea, 2-
3:30pm, Annesbrook Church
- 4 Safe Families Motueka
- 5 Community transport get
together, Kohatu Flat Rock
Café, 3.15pm
- 10 Tapawera Talking Café, 10-
11:30am, Purpose HQ Cafe
(outside tables) or Community
Centre if inclement weather
- 10 Digi Drop-In, 11am-1pm,
Community Centre
- 12 Garden Club, 11am, Jeff
Lukey's, Sherry River Road,
Tadmor
- 13 Safe Families Motueka
- 15 Breast Cancer Foundation Pink
Campervan, Memorial hall,
10am-2pm
- 15 Rural Mums Step into spring
Family Fun Day, Memorial Hall,
sign in 10:15-10:45am
- 17 Safe Families Motueka
- 17 TDCC monthly meeting,
Community Centre, 7pm
- 19 Cancer Society Survivors and
Thrivers Support Group, 1-
2:30pm, Tapawera Fire Station
- 20 Articles for Informer close 5pm
- 24 Safe Families Motueka
- 28 Historical Society meeting,
meet at Dovedale Church, 1pm
- 28 Halloween Party, Shedwood
Hall, 7-11pm
- 29 Tapawera on Two Wheels,
9:30am, meet outside
Community Centre
- 31 Tea and Talk, Memorial Hall
10:00am - 11:30am



COMMUNITY VISION: Tapawera and Surrounding Valleys is a Caring and Resilient Community.
Caring for one another. Building a sustainable future. Guardians of our mountains and rivers.
Growing in a way that values our heritage.

Tapawera Draft Community Plan

Our community plan is important for the people of Tapawera as it will reflect our vision, priorities and values. It is the result of many conversations that have taken place over the past eight years, reflecting the community's voice. We now want to transform these ideas into successful projects that will bring about positive changes in our community, and we want you to have a say about which projects and ideas are the most important to you and to the Tapawera community.

Let's work together to achieve our goals and make Tapawera an even better place to live.



The Tapawera Connect team is facilitating the community planning process and will ensure that the community of Tapawera is involved at every step.

Have your say

We want to hear from you about which projects and ideas are the most important to you and for the Tapawera community. Many of the projects in the community plan will be locally decided and resourced. Other projects may involve funding and prioritising from the Tasman District Council and external agencies such as Waka Kotahi and the Department of Conservation.

For a more comprehensive look at ideas put forward over the years by the community, and to see what's already happening in Tapawera, please go to: www.tapaweracommunity.nz/communityplan

We are Caring & Connected



Ideas

- A community hub with multi-use spaces, a drop-in space, an information centre & a hub coordinator
- Housing for seniors
- Social & support groups for seniors, youth & families
- Better access to information including Tapawera community website, Facebook, & the Informer



Please tick the first box if you support a recommendation, and then indicate what priority it should have - High, Medium or Low.



Recommendations

1. A Community Hub for Tapawera (a feasibility study is currently underway)

2. Advocate for increased housing for seniors

High Medium Low

We are Building a Sustainable & Resilient Community



Ideas

- Strengthened emergency preparedness & response
- Encourage more locals to grow their own food
- Robust power & communication networks
- Increase our biodiversity with more planting
- Increased community connection

Recommendations

1. Support the growth of local food networks to increase food resilience in Tapawera, including the sharing and sale of local produce

2. Facilitate development of a Tapawera community preparedness plan

3. Advocate for a more robust power network & improved telecommunications

4. Support for community planting including fruit trees & a pollination pathway to the river

5. Support Māra Wera School & Community Garden

6. Support local businesses in exploring opportunities to develop economic stability & local employment

7. Investigate flexible, affordable & accessible community transport



High Medium Low

We are Active & Healthy



Ideas

- Increased health services with an holistic approach
- Increased sport & recreation activities
- Develop Tapawera as a cycling hub including more off-road trails
- Covering & heating the pool
- Promote Shedwood Bush



Recommendations

1. Advocate for increased health services including family & mental health

2. Investigate the cycling hub concept and the feasibility of more off-road trails

3. Investigate the covering and heating of the pool

4. Promote Shedwood Bush and other local recreational areas

High Medium Low

We are Proud of our Community



Ideas

- A village plan that enhances the village & environs to be more attractive & safe
- History of Tapawera walks & talks
- Keep historical character of village
- Landscaping the river route including a recreational area
- More artwork & signage
- More events & celebrations

Recommendations



1. Facilitate the development of a comprehensive village & environs plan

High Medium Low

2. Facilitate the development of an annual event/celebration for Tapawera

3. Support other smaller events throughout the year

4. Support the landscaping of the river route, including a recreational area

We are Guardians of our Mountains & Rivers



Ideas

- Improved & safe access local access to Kahurangi National Park
- Encourage people to become guardians of our environment
- Protect our local environment & wildlife

Recommendations



1. Support efforts to improve safe access to Kahurangi National Park over the Dart River

High Medium Low

2. Support for environmental programmes with our local school

3. Support a project to promote & safeguard the ecological significance of birdlife on the semi-braided section of the Motueka River

Any other Feedback?

Next Steps

Oct-Nov: Engage with community on draft community plan

15 Nov: Feedback closes

Dec: Completed community plan

Thank you