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## Oakura Community What's On

**5 Elements Fitness:** 5 Elements Fitness: Bootcamps and Kickboxing fitness classes: Weekdays 5-6 pm, Tataraimaka Hall. For more details contact Barney 027 7527 076, barney@5efitness.com or visit www.5efitness.com

**Fitness Training/Touch:** Thursday nights on back field at Oakura School 5.30 pm to 6.45ish. For all age groups - gold coin donation. Contact Lara Churchill - 0275922320

**Functional Crosstraining by Nakifit:** Saturdays 7.40am. Ph 021 297 5465 or nakifit@gmail.com

**Indoor Bowls:** Mondays 7.30pm at Oakura Hall. Contact Marvin Clough ph 7527531.

**JKA Karate:** Tuesdays at Oakura Hall 5.30-6.30pm. Thursdays at Oakura Hall 6.00-7.00pm. Contact Jim Hoskin 752 7337.

**Kaitake Athletics club:** Meets at Corbett park at 5pm on a Tuesday evenings during term time To register - athletics nz website and search for Kaitake. Contact -Tash 0277755440.

**Move It or Lose It - fitness classes:** Oakura Hall, Wednesdays & Fridays, 9.30am, Contact Gloria 752 7442.

**Oakura Bowling and Social Club:** Bowling tournaments begin September through to April with both mid-week and weekend games. For information contact Steve Muller on 06 757 4399.

**Oakura Meditation Group:** - Mondays 8.10pm 37a Donnelly St, ph 0272037215, email kate@shineyoga.co.nz

**Oakura Playcentre:** 14 Donnelly St, Oakura. Sessions run Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 9am-noon during school terms. Visitors welcome. Ph Kate Garner on 021-254 4769.

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**Oakura Pony Club:** Contact Marlies Butland Delfos ph 0274595962.

**Oakura Pool Club:** Meets every Wednesday evening 7pm at Butlers Reef over winter. Phone Sheree 027 3444 723.

**Oakura Yoga:** - Shine Yoga Studio, 37a Donnelly St, www.shineyoga.co.nz for days and times, ph 0272037215.

**Okato and District Historical Society:** Houses a large collection of local family histories and photos in the Okato Community Trust Hall, Cumming Street, Okato. Open to public every Wednesday 10 am to mid day or by appointment. Phone Anne Bolton 7524499 or Meg Cardiff 7524566.

**Okato Squash:** Club nights on Mondays from 7pm, everyone welcome, phone Darryl Gibson, Ph 06 752 4804.

**Omata Playgroup:** Meets every Thursday, 9.00am at the Omata Community Hall. Ring 751 2308 for next session date. All parents and pre-schoolers welcome.

**Omata Yoga:** Wednesday evenings 5.15 - 6.45pm and 6.45 - 8.15pm. Omata Community Hall \$15 per class casual rate, \$80 for 6 class sessions. Contact Annalisa Facer 027 444 8345

**Oakura Tennis Club:** Thursday 9.15-10.15am Cardio Tennis with Blitz Tennis at Linda Street courts, members and non-members welcome. Contact Club Secretary Jackie Mitchell 027 673 2900.

**Probus Club:** Meets once month at Kaitake Golf Club rooms on the 3rd Friday of every month at 10am - 11.30am. Contact Mike Vickers ph 7527881 or Gwen Jury ph 7527783.

**St James Church, Oakura:** Morning worship 10.00am, 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

**Val Deakin Dance School:** Oakura Hall. and the Dance Centre in New Plymouth Phone 7527743 or email val@valdeakindance.org.nz



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## From the Editor

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This editorial sits above a piece from Johnathan Young about the end to oil and gas exploration in Taranaki - the single biggest change to our local environment since Think Big in the 80's. Many are viewing this change with alarm and I wonder if the price of oil was at an all time high, would this be happening?

We as a province face the challenge of re-inventing how we make our wealth and contribute to the wealth of the nation - I have no inspired answers to this but I have faith in the human spirit to find a way.

Change is afoot in Oakura too with Mike McKie's urban development on the south side of the village - how will an extra 10-15 houses a year for the foreseeable future change our present lifestyles? Many are questioning this proposal and want to retain Oakura in its present state - right or wrong? All I know is we as humans can and do adapt to change. If our founding forefathers hadn't set off from their homelands in the north to find a better life for themselves and their families - adopting change as their road forward, then we wouldn't be here today.

It always amazes me how adaptive villagers are in Oakura - today many are arriving from other lands with their families, they love the lifestyle on offer, they set up innovative businesses and they infuse the local scene (schools, sports clubs, clubs and businesses) with vibrancy. These immigrants have embraced change no doubt with large doses of apprehension but we have all benefited.

So I tell myself not to fear change, not to fight change - humans have always found a way of adapting to new and challenging situations so we can too here in Taranaki - we need to face these challenges to determine what our best way forward is.... and hopefully most of the time we get it right.

*Kim*

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## The end to oil and gas exploration

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There's been considerable discussion about the ramifications of the government's new offshore oil and gas exploration ban. As National's Energy and Resources spokesperson I've said, and continue to say, I support a transfer of knowledge, skills and investment into the greening of the petroleum industry. However, before announcing their decision, I would've suggested the Government engage in some meaningful dialogue with Oil and Gas leaders. Then they might have discovered the industry is developing ultra-low and zero emission fuels from natural gas feedstock, like methanol and hydrogen - something we can't do if we can't extract natural gas.

If Ms Ardern had waited for an independent sector-neutral review from the soon-to-be-appointed Climate Commission, a more joined up plan between all energy sectors could be put in place. We could have ensured that energy security was never compromised. We could've empowered the Emissions Trading Scheme to be the true agnostic mechanism of change. Energy dependent industries across the country could maintain their business confidence and devise investment strategies around transition that are measured and affordable.

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## Pre school Art

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Sofia Preschool has been learning about the environment, in particular plastic in the ocean and how this is harming sea creatures. It's been incredible to see the interest and genuine concern which my 4 year old has shown as a result. He now searches the streets and beaches looking for rubbish to pick up (along with his class mates).

They have made a beautiful piece of artwork with the rubbish, which is displayed in the preschool. The instigator was the surfboard fin that one child thought would make a good shark!

We ran out of pieces to make the rest of the shark out of, so if you do happen to go to the beach over the weekend and find rubbish, please bring it in to Sophia Preschool.

*Rebecca Maxim*

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Unfortunately the decision to end exploration will not reduce emissions at all, because production will simply move elsewhere in the world. Many overseas countries depend on coal for energy production. Their CO2 emissions would halve if they could switch to natural gas while they transition to renewable energy, so we should be looking for more gas and exporting it. According to the International Energy Agency, one of the key reasons that emission increases stalled in 2014, 2015 and 2016 was because of gas replacing coal. The country that had the greatest reduction in greenhouse gas emissions was the USA - and a significant reason was that they replaced coal with gas for electricity generation.

By stopping New Zealand's new offshore gas exploration we are turning our backs on an opportunity that would help reduce global emissions and provide a major economic return to improve both our standard of living and the environment.

*Jonathan Young*  
MP for New Plymouth

## Basement is home to boutique brewery

In the heart of Oakura, below the cozy home life of a family of five, a basement brewery has sprung to life. The brewery is called Three Sisters Brewery and began with a small home brew kit put together by Joe and a couple of friends, Charlie and Ben.

The group enjoyed hanging out together with their families and partaking of the latest batch of freshly brewed beer.

The hobby brewery soon blossomed from a "grainfather" 30 litre operation to a 300 litre "bigger than Ben Hur" operation and has taken on a life of its own these days. Joe is always working some sort of wizardry on his ingredients and coming up with new and interesting beers. The small batch production means the beer is always fresh and Joe says "fresh is best" with the flavour profile the sharpest when it is first brewed.

Joe is the master brewer and has meticulously put the new brewing equipment together and his eye for and attention to detail has ensured a spectacular product which is now being sold at Butlers Bottle Store, the 4 Square, Peeking Panda, Black Sands and other outlets in New Plymouth (Liquorland Fitzroy and Motorua Four Square).

The couple have developed an eye-catching set of labels for the five beers they brew and each label reflects the iconic nature of Taranaki/New Plymouth/Oakura. The name Three Sisters Brewery pays homage to the couples three daughters and to the three sisters landmark at Tongaporoutu.

The beers are:

**Oakura Blonde:** Life should be easy, and so should drinking beer. It doesn't come much easier than this Blonde Ale. Pilsner, Wheat and Toffee Malts; Pacific Jade Hops and California Ale Yeast with water drawn from Oakura's aquifer. Kick back and enjoy!

**Medusa, APA:** Medusa Hops are a new species of hops, native to Colorado and New Mexico, which produce unique new hop aromas. There are plenty in this APA, along with other rare American varieties El-Dorado and Azacca. Golden Hops and Vienna Malts finish off the flavour profile.

**Hot Rod:** When Doug Bell from the Hot Rod Show asked to feature the beer on the show, Joe and Sarah had to brew something special. He said his viewers would like something that tasted of burnt rubber, but this Manuka-smoked Lager was the best they could do. Also includes Munich and Vienna Hops and Weihenstephan Lager Yeast, smokin'...

**Taranaki Gold,** Pilsner: El Dorado Hops are the main feature of this Pilsner. El Dorado means country of treasure and that is certainly how Joe and Sarah feel about Taranaki. They have also

added Simcoe, Mosaic, Chinook, and Eureka Hops to give a uniquely fruity flavour to this golden brew.

**Rain in the Face:** This was only the second recipe ever brewed. Picking random hops over a few beers one evening...they seem to work well together, especially against the background of Marris Otter Malt.

Joe is adamant having top quality ingredients in his beer and the unique profile of Oakura's water has helped make the beer the award winning brew it is. Rain in the Face - an American Pale Ale has twice won awards - first at the Homebrew awards then at the Brewers Guild Awards last year. In July Three Sisters Brewery will be representing Taranaki with Venture Taranaki at the Auckland Food Show.

Joe and Sarah's passion and hard work has meant something that started as a hobby has grown into a profitable business with potential to put Taranaki on the craft beer map. Currently Three Sisters Brewery is one of very few breweries in Taranaki and locals and tourists alike are enjoying partaking of a truly homegrown product.

Look out for the distinctively Taranaki labels in the beer fridge and try the range - there's sure to be one that fits the palate of all keen beer drinkers and occasional quaffers alike.

*By Kim Ferens*



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# Kaitake Community Board

The last Kaitake Community Board meeting was well attended by many anxious locals. Their concerns centre on the Private Plan Change application to Council by Wairau Estate to remove the covenant on its 58ha site and change the current zoning from rural to residential. This is to allow for around 400 lots to be developed. The majority of the application is for residential lots, with some lifestyle lots on the western edge. Local residents Wayne Looker and Richie Shearer made strong deputations that left no doubt whatsoever about the level of apprehension in the community for such a development.

The agenda item being considered by the KCB was to accept or deny the request to publicly notify the application so submissions could be made. There was a deal of information provided on what that process entailed, including information about Council's statutory obligations under the Resource Management Act. These obligations make it clear that Council has no tangible opportunity to refuse to publicly notify the application. The provided information also clearly indicated that by doing so would in no way indicate Council support or opposition to the proposal. Under those circumstances the KCB voted to accept the plan change application to proceed to public notification.

The application met all the statutory requirements in terms of information provided. Our decision does not predetermine an end-result, as the Resource Management Act processes must be followed. What it recommends is that the process should continue. That was the only decision KCB made at the meeting. Essentially we are being asked to have faith in a process, a process that has to be followed to the letter of the law. The problem for us, the community, is we don't have the necessary expertise or the money to buy that expertise to fully understand all the ramifications of the proposed development. We have to rely on our Council to provide that support for us so we - the community - can make coherent submissions of substance. Submissions that will be considered closely by the decision-makers.

At the moment I'm re-reading 'The Hitch Hikers Guide to the Galaxy' by Douglas Adams. It is a 50,000 word novel and has a certain similarity to the Wairau Estate application. That too is around 50,000 words long and includes a great deal of technical data. In both instances I have found myself going back and reading over certain sections again until I get the gist of what the words actually mean. I'm a speed reader but it still takes a lot of time to understand the latent nuances in the words, sentences and paragraphs! That is why, at the meeting, the KCB set out to seek clarification from Council on matters of detail about the process. We wanted to know what part the Council is prepared to play in ensuring the community fully understand the application and can submit in a rational way. In fact, getting the full gist of its intentions.

The timeframe leading up to any public notification of a request for submissions and the submission period itself is short. This comes at a time when both Council management and governance teams are fully occupied with the 2018/28 Long Term Plan process. The KCB did ask Council for the agenda item to be withdrawn to a later meeting round. That didn't happen, so we asked for the public notification to be held over until after the Council has concluded its deliberations on the Long Term Plan

(May 28, 29, and 30). The councillors will ultimately be the decision-makers on what happens here, and they need to turn their full attention to all aspects of this issue. I believe that would be very difficult for them to do while the intense detail of the 2018/2028 Long Term Plan is being read, digested, debated and decided upon.

The KCB fully realises that at some stage the hoary old 'nimby' assertion will be levelled at the community. The age-old argument that opposition to the development is just by a bunch of not-in-my-backyard locals trying to use political pressure against the council and councillors to protect their backyards and lifestyles. Often that is spread into the public conscience through social media by those who view large tract developments as temporary job sources and money grabs. However it is palpably untrue and particularly unfair. There is plenty of documented instances where local councils face a real struggle to make their district more efficient and smarter. The KCB has been committed for many years to smart community development. We believe we have contributed a great deal to support the NPDC morph into a more forward-thinking organisation in that regard.

The community needs a Council that can institute policies and procedures that enable it to make data-driven decisions, maintain constant awareness of community activities, and stay connected with all of its constituents. That's why we support the New Plymouth District Blueprint, the high level spatial plan for the district that substantiates and implements the 'Shaping our Future Together' vision. Its outcomes will help guide Council decision-making to deliver more integrated social, economic and environmental outcomes for the community. That's what our community we represent is asking for.

The next meeting of the Kaitake Community Board will be held at the Omata School Hall at 7pm on Monday 21 May.

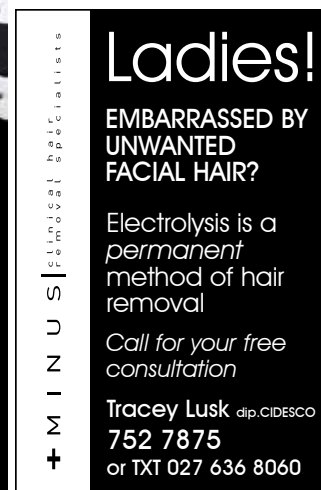
Kaitano Doug Hislop (752 7324) on behalf of Mike Pillette, Paul Coxhead, Graham Chard and Roy Weaver who is the Councillor representative on the KCB.



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## Greetings to the Oakura and Omata community,

Term 2 is a really important term for students to track their academic progress and to be looking towards the future.

## Reports and Reporting

Term 2 is when the first written report will be published for both Juniors and Seniors. This report focusses on feedback and feed forward, we get straight

to the point. The feedback focusses students to consider what is working well and what could be working better in relation to their learning. The feedforward will give the students some next steps to work on and some ideas about what those next steps could look like.

## Individual Development Plans + Career Planning using Careers Central

Individual Development Plans (IDP's), are an important opportunity for the students, their parents and the school Whanau teacher to press pause and consider the bigger picture of student achievement. Using the Term 2 report the IDP looks at what is working across subjects and in the student's life to set meaningful goals that form the focus for the next 6 months. At the IDP Meeting Whanau Teachers, Students and Whanau will discuss the reports and set goals using Careers Central. Parents will get logons to Career Central also.

## NCEA information evening (Thursday 10 May 7.00 pm in the Staffroom)

This evening is aimed to assist Year 10 and 11 students and their families to fully understand NCEA. The evening will present how the qualification works and how parents and students can be information rich by using the Spotswood College App or Kamar Portal webpage. Students and parents will get logons for these sites.

Merit and Excellence Information Evening (Thursday 17 May 7.00 pm in the Staffroom).

This evening is targeting students who are aspiring to gain Merit or Excellence Endorsement. It will highlight what the qualification is and why it is important. Heads of Faculty will be available to discuss what is required to reach that level of achievement and what resources and learning will be expected.

## NCEA and JCEA POUTAMAS

Throughout term 2 students will receive regular printouts from their Whanau teacher about their JCEA and NCEA qualification. This will tell you and your child how many credits they have achieved and how many credits they need to complete their qualification.

## Future School Design Competition

The "Spotswood Future School Design Competition" was run in December 2017. A number of very good entries in the specific categories were received making it hard for the judges to decide the winners. Congratulations to the following students who have all been awarded a winner's certificate and a \$50 cash prize. We appreciate your support and your feedback.

*Mark Bowden  
Principal*

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## May

- 9 Y1/2 Movement Madness with Oakura at Omata 1pm
- 10 Y3/4 Movement Madness with Oakura at Omata 1pm
- 14 Puke Ariki Mobile Library at Omata 9:15-10:15am
- 21 Year 8 to Palmerston Nth for Young Leaders' Conference
- 23-24 Book Fair
- 23 Dress up as a book character - donations to Ronald McDonald House
- 28 Puke Ariki Mobile Library at Omata 9:15-10:15am

## June

- 4 Queen's Birthday holiday
- 11 Puke Ariki Mobile Library at Omata 9:15-10:15am
- 21 Y6 Amazing Race at Oakura School

## Term One Reflections

H2O was not always our friend last term. Water is the most common substance on Earth and our body's major component: 60% in adults and 75% in children. That's great when clean water is readily available, but not so, when our water supply is compromised. Dealing with unpredictable, unforeseen events can be trying, however they can also present opportunities. How we handle these uncontrollable surprises tells us a lot about our ability to manage ourselves and to care about others. The way our community managed after the cyclone, was akin to the way we coped after the thefts from the orchard; we fixed what we could fix, made changes where we could, stayed positive and moved forward, taking learnings with us. Text and facebook alerts were put to the test. Keeping our community as up to date as possible, meant everyone could make the plans they needed to. Information coming to us was at times contradictory, adding to the uncertainty, as those dealing with the Civil Defence emergency tried to make sense of what impact the broken water pipe would have.

What we tried to do was use some common sense; putting things into place as quickly as possible to allow school to open and the camp and triathlon to take place, so the children would not be disappointed and parents could get back to normal. All the while we needed to ensure that the health of children was not compromised. No pressure!

The positivity of the children, staff and parents were highlights of this time; we all pitched in with support, and the practical comments were really helpful. Well done everyone, you modelled resilience yet again, and your children will take constructive life lessons from the way you coped under stress and showed patience and resilience.

Last term was a little disjointed to say the least, yet we have still managed to pack in a very busy programme, making use of the warm weather. Swimming and the camp out for the seniors were highlights.

A stable roll is very important to maintain current levels and allow for growth. It is always a balancing act to have our classes small enough to maximise learning, while making the best use of

property. (The development of Room 7 as a classroom is a good illustration of this). Being zoned means the onus is on the Board to know as accurately as possible how many students we have joining us in the years to come. It is somewhat unpredictable how many students turn up to enrol, but you can help us with future predictions by letting us know when a family in your area moves in or has pre-school children. We have a pre-enrolment list that predicts the next five years, so it is never too soon to enrol!

**Karen Brisco**  
**Principal**

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### Club Championships

The last Club Championship, the President's Trophy, is down to the final four players. Jim Priest will play Tony McAlevey, in a replay of the club senior singles final, while Alan Bridgeman will battle it out with Wayne Robinson for a spot in the final.

### Champion of Champion Results

The Oakura Championship fours combination of Jim Priest, Wayne Robinson, Andy Shearer and Kevin Gray were defeated in their first game by a talented Inglewood team 20 – 6. In the pairs competition, Steve Muller and Kurt Smith convincingly beat Lepperton 27 – 8 in the first round and just fell agonising short losing 20 -19 to Inglewood in the quarterfinals. With scores locked at 19 - 19, Muller had an opportunity on the last shot of the game to dislodge the Inglewood shot bowl for victory, but unfortunately for the Oakura team the drive skimmed passed the target bowl providing Inglewood with the narrowest of victories in a high-quality game.

### Interclub Tournaments

With 1 round remaining, Oakura sits on top of the table in the Thursday Wanderers competition. Oakura holds a slender lead over Waitara and mid-week selectors, Brian Wickham and Roy Phillips, are gunning for 3 from 3 wins on the final day to secure the club a well-deserved victory.

The duo of Bruce Jackson and Steve Muller won their section in the Farm Source/Corlett Trucking sponsored Inglewood 2-4-2 under 10-year competition. The pair picked up 4 wins from 4 games and just missed out (via differential) on winning the overall title won by Manaia.

The Paul Spiers sponsored Fitzroy 3-day Invitation Men's Fours \$10 000 was played in March with the quartet of Jim Priest, Steve Muller, Andy Shearer and Wayne Robinson finishing in a very credible 3rd position. The tournament is one of Taranaki's premier bowling events and the Oakura boys doing so well was an excellent result for both the team and the club.

### Club News

The Oakura Farm and Rural Services sponsored 3 bowls triples tournament held on Sunday 15th April was a tremendous success. It was great for all levels of bowlers to enjoy this great game. The winning trio was Brian Wickham, Jeremy Hutchins and Jim Wilson. Thanks to all club members who assisted in organising the day's events.

The Professional Bowling Association will again have a chapter in New Plymouth with all bowling to be played at the Paritutu Bowling Club indoor stadium. The qualifiers for the various competitions will be played over 2nd, 3rd & 4th of June, 28th & 29th of July and the 11th & 12th of August. It is a great opportunity to see some of New Plymouth's best bowlers in action playing a format that is entertaining and full of action.

### The Underarm Bowler

## taranaki KAYAK FISHING CLUB

This year we had 180 entries for the Kayak Classic from all parts of NZ and as far away as Aussie.

Saturdays weather was a shocker with heavy rain and wind the organisers delayed the start time to 12 pm as the forecast was for improving weather. Unfortunately the conditions did not improve until very late in the day and unfortunately a couple of people pushed the limits a bit too far and had to be rescued - at least they had followed the rules and had others with them and had radios and cell phones to call for help. The Opunake Surf Life Saving Club then came to help out with the rescue and retrieved one kayak which had blown out to sea.

Sunday was a great day with the storm now passed, anglers enjoyed a great day on the water, a huge amount of fish was weighed in including several large snapper, kingfish and tuna - the biggest snapper weighing in at 10.4kg.

It was great to see some new faces collecting the big prizes this year and local anglers did very well. Roger Zeltjes took out biggest kingfish and 2nd gurnard, Nik Edge 3rd Gurnard, and myself biggest trevally.

All in all another great Kayak Classic - a big thanks to Barney for his M/C duties and Egmont Seafoods for the great job filleting the catch which raised \$500 for Coastguard Taranaki.

**Garry Harrison**

*Bottom photo is best dressed team winners Burt and Ernie with top lady angler Toni Byrant and the top photo is biggest snapper winner Mat Williams.*







### Club News

Club Champions are well under way and now the Men are looking forward to the next round of Matchplay which will be starting this weekend. Good luck to all who play.

Kaitake Club Rooms have been busy in the

last few weeks with Corporate Days and we had a most successful Wedding just last week. If anyone is thinking in holding any event doesn't need to be golf related please contact Denise to discuss.

Ph: 06 7527 665.

We now have L'Epicure Caterers on board at Kaitake and they are gaining an awesome reputation with the spectacular food they produce for our members and also for outside catering. [info@lepique-catering.co.nz](mailto:info@lepique-catering.co.nz)

### Kaitake Golf Club Chippers

The enthusiasm amongst the Chippers coming to golf at Kaitake is infectious. Not only are they competitive with themselves they are ready to 'take on' the parents who bring them along. The Player of the Day Award sponsored by McDonalds adds a popular end to a busy morning.

New players are always very welcome. Chippers run from 9.00am – 11.00am every second Sunday. Chippers ages range from 5 – 12 years. Just bring them along with flat soled footwear, a hat and perhaps a drink. Clubs, balls and coaching are provided. It costs \$40 to join as a member for the year allowing the children access to the course at any time as long as they are under supervision.

For further information contact Denise in the office 7527665 or Andrea on 0273587001 or [andrea.jarrold@xtra.co.nz](mailto:andrea.jarrold@xtra.co.nz)

### Kaitake Women's Golf Club News

The year has started well with the lovely summer and extended autumn weather providing superb conditions to play golf in. However, we have been reminded recently that winter isn't far away. The first coating of snow on the mountain and surrounding ranges gave testament to that. Women golfers are not fazed and continue to participate in the regular programme

The weekday and weekend pennant teams do not feature well on the Taranaki pennant scoreboard but can hold their heads high with the pride they play for when they play to represent Kaitake. We are happy to say six participants from the Quick Six initiative have joined the club as Developmental Members. We welcome these new members to the club and hope they will become permanent members in the future. Will we run Quick Six again? In a heartbeat! Watch this paper and the Kaitake Golf Club Facebook page for further information.

### Womens Results

#### 18 Hole Results

The Kaitake winners of the Nancy McCormack Trophy, a national competition, was Andrea Jarrold and Mary Pettigrew on a countback from Shona Burgess and Noreen Potts.

#### 36 hole Strokeplay

Silver Division Gross winner Jacqui Koch with runner-up Denise Howe. Silver Nett winner Robin Robins Bronze 1 Gross winner Diane Jones with Shona Burgess Runner-up

Bronze 1 Nett winner Joan Gerrard and Janice Farrant runner-up Bronze 2 Gross winner Jo Morris-George, runner-up Marlene Scott. Bronze 2 Nett winner was Jill Guddop with Barbara Crombie runner-up

Club Championships are well underway now aiming for the Club Finals day on Saturday 26th May.

### 9 Hole Update:

Once again Jean Keegan is making her presence known on the scoreboard with a win of 24 in Stableford 2, and a great differential of -2.9 in round 3 of LGU. Coraleen followed with 19 stableford and a 2 on the 16th. Round 2 of medalford extends to Raewyn Bishop with a score of 18. Round 1 of the O'Sullivan Plate is up with Jo W-West taking the win over Coraleen in Pool A whilst Christine Alexander and Angela Hitchman halving their match in Pool B. Angela also wins the putting comp with 15. Fun Day Hidden Hole Winner Yvonne Hildred with a nett of 29 Pennant Update - no change of scores since last write up as round 4 cancelled, however everyone gets another rain-off point.

### New Members Welcome:

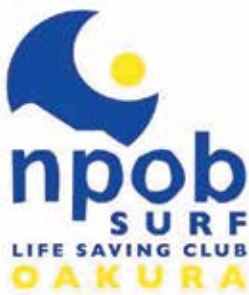
New golfers are encouraged to give "golf a go" there is still plenty more days of golf to go before winter sets in so come take advantage of this weather and get out into the fresh air and enjoy a leisurely walk and great exercise round the golf course. Age between 19-25 years of year. This is a good opportunity to join at a very special rate. Already many have taken advantage of the new \$10 rate per years of age membership fee to become a full playing member. For example if you are 22 the membership fee will be \$220 per year.



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Our IRB team had another successful Nationals trip to Waihi Beach at the beginning of April with Mikey Watts and Lachie Stevens sharing top spot with East End taking out Top u22 Team. The boys came 1st in the Tube Rescue and 3rd in the Assembly Rescue. They are now heading down to Wellington to

trial to represent NZ at the World Life Saving Championships in November 2018 being held in Adelaide. Well done and good luck guys!

### Race Results

Assembly Rescue - Mikey/Lachie/George - 2nd in heat  
Zoe/ Tessa/Louie - 2nd in heat  
Final: NPOB Black Sands - Mikey/Lachie/George - Bronze

Unfortunately the girls struck a really big set in the final and had to turn around which cost them any chance of a podium finish.

### Tube Rescue Heats

Mikey/Lachie/Casey - 1st in heat  
Zoe/Tessa/Mikey - motor issue never got off the beach  
Final: NPOB Black Sands - Mikey/Lachie/Casey - Gold

### Single Rescue Heats

Mikey/Lachie/George - 5th  
After this heat there was only one more race, because of dangerous conditions all racing was called off.

Opunake Cup - Top U22 Crew – Mikey Watts, Lachie Stevens,

Casey Stevens and George Newton jointly with Jerome McSweeney Novak, Liam Cole and Claudia Harrop from East End. Managers: Ross Lilley & Casey Stevens  
Competitors: Mikey Watts, Lachie Stevens, George Newton, Casey Stevens, Zoe Honeyfield, Tessa Lilley and Louie Newton

Our Junior Surf wound up in March. Congratulations to all our Junior Surf members this year for a great season, it is fantastic to have so many happy and keen kids at the club. At our Junior Surf prize giving the following members were awarded prizes for the 2017/18 season.

### 2017/18 Junior Surf Awards

Overall Club Person - Tiani Kensington  
Most Promising Club Person - Holly Horo  
Cadet of the Year - Fenton MacArthur  
Rookie of the Year - Hayley Tewhata  
Nipper of the Year - Ethan Peacock  
Nip Nip of the Year - Rafferty O'Sullivan  
Runner Up Cadet of the Year - Jack Feaver  
Runner Up Rookie of the Year - Eva Martin  
Runner Up Nipper of the Year - Darcy O'Sullivan  
Cadet Coaches Award - Riley Grylls, Isla Robinson, Jack Feaver  
Rookie Coaches Award - Kate Sousa, Eva Martin, Sam Corlett  
Nipper Coaches Award - Adam Sousa, Campbell Donovan, Ben Helms, Ollie Tito  
Nip Nip Coaches Award - Israel Fakavamoeanga, McKenna Bray, Aidan Peacock, Connie Matheson

Parent of the Year - Lisa Feaver  
A date to mark in diary is Naki Run Amuck, held again in Urenui, Sunday 13 May, always a good laugh with all proceeds going to Taranaki Surf Lifesaving, enter as a individual or as a team  
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## Oakura Tennis Club

### Oakura Tennis Club 2018 Junior Club Champs

A large crowd gathered at the Oakura Tennis Club to watch Jack Mitchell and Sammy Lewis return for a repeat

of last year – battling it out in the Junior Open Final.

Jack made few errors in the first set, taking it out 6-3, however Sammy found his rhythm in the second set (6-3 again), forcing the match to a 3rd set decider which was eventually won by Jack. Both played with skill, determination and total sportsmanship as they hit through long rallies, picking up amazing shots and returning them with blistering speed and accuracy.

It was great tennis to watch and a fitting way to end the season.

We also had great tennis played in the Green and Orange Grade sections – these are the guys and girls that will be playing in our Soffe Cup team in years to come so it is really encouraging to see the strength coming through in these grades.

Over 30 players participated in the Club Champs this year – the largest number of players we have had for a long time.

Full results for the Junior Club Champs were:

Oakura Open Grade Junior Club Champ 2018: Jack Mitchell

Runner Up Club Champ: Sammy Lewis

Open Plate: Fletcher Ferguson (runner up: Taylor Mitchell)

Open Special Plate: TBA

Open B Div Winner: Brodie Ferguson (runner up: Noah Lash)

Open B Div Plate: Otis Dixon (runner up: Ryan Waite)

Open B Div Special Plate: Charlie Bridges (runner up: Miller Ferguson)

Oakura Green Grade 2018 Champion: Kai Shearer

Runner Up Green Grade Champion: Luke Barrett

Green Grade Plate: TBA (Brody Matheson vs Duncan Poole)

Green Grade B Div Plate: Calum Lewis (runner up: Aliya Shlosberg)

Oakura Orange Grade 2018 Champion: Corey Barrett

Orange Grade Runner up: Eric Spencer

Blitz Tennis Most Improved Player: Bastian Rung-Hansen

Blitz Tennis Player of the Season: Taylor Mitchell

Thank you to Naki Racquets and Blitz Tennis for supporting our Club Champs with prizes.

Remember Blitz Tennis are offering coaching during Term 2 and if you can keep the odd game happening over winter then that will help for next season.

I hope you are all keen to play again and we look forward to seeing you next year on the courts.



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