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OAKURA

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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

Body Transformer: 2 x ladies group sessions at 6pm every Tuesday & Thursday evening from my home studio in Koru Rd, Oakura. And 2 x 1 hour sessions at Oakura Hall 6am on Monday & Wednesday's starting July 2nd. Price: Casual \$15 per class or 10 x concession for \$100. phoneJ oe on 021 110 1215

Dancing in the Dark: Every second Tueday from 5th June, 7.15pm. A fitness, movement class open to all. Contact Glenys Farrant 027 753 0120.

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.

Kaitake Netball Club - Sundays 2pm at the Oakura School Tennis Courts. Contact Toni Peacock at thowison@hotmail.com or phone 021 661 912.

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.

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 6.30pm, everyone welcome. Contact okatosquash1@gmail.com for further information.

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

From the Editor



I've found it hard recently to contain my frustration at the insatiable appetite the media seems to have for Jacinda Ardern's baby. She's a woman, it's a baby - woman gives birth and a baby is born - move on. It's demeaning to women in general, the star status given to Jacinda. I don't think royal births are given as much scrutiny as this new mum and baby.

All women who have given birth will know that having a baby is hard work, emotional and one of the most deeply satisfying things you can do - Jacinda will be no different - move on! Leave her in peace to do her thing - she will be back being Prime Minister soon and will be judged harshly by all for her job juggling but countless women jog juggle everyday all over the world - no big deal surely - it's just her job is high profile and affects the lives of all New Zealanders.

If you didn't know, July is plastic free month, a month to reflect on your single use plastic bag usage, i.e. supermarket shopping primarily. Banning single use plastics has certainly gained traction in recent months and the message is clearly getting through to consumers. It is more common to see people with reusable bags at the supermarket than those using the plastic bag.

It all leaves me slightly miffed as we the consumer are always blamed for the single use plastic bag but I don't think that's fair - plastics haven't always been around and I can remember when groceries were packed in brown paper bags and I certainly didn't demand plastic bags. The big grocery chains drove this to gain and keep market share and it sticks in my craw that they now make customers pay for mutli use bags.

I wish too the message getting out about plastic wasn't limited to the damage done to sea life - other parts of our world are being damaged too. When I was in India, the blight of plastic on the landscape from plastic bags was confronting. Here in New Zealand we just hide this out of sight but it's there in landfills and roadsides all the same. Shipping it off to other countries is not acceptable either.

Good on all those actively involved in reducing this meance!



Val Deakin Dance Theatre Trust

"Rumours of my demise are greatly exaggerated". So said Mark Twain – and we felt the same when we were phoned to ask if we were demolishing the Dance Centre!!!! Fortunately there are no demolition plans, but we DO need to put a new roof on the building – so any donations or ideas for fund raising would be much appreciated. The Dance Centre is the venue for the Dance Theatre Trust's many activities – rehearsal space, workshops in dance and the allied arts, performance venue, storage for costumes and props, the Dance Theatre's archive and library.

Arty Jazz or Jazzy Art????

There will be a Concert/Art Auction Fundraiser at the Dance Centre on Saturday, July 14 at 7:30pm to help raise funds for the re-roofing project.

The terrific Mike Gordon Jazz Trio will be performing and there will be an auction of art works and various other items. Some of the art works to be auctioned are by Peter Lambert, Rei Hamon, Fiona Clark, Glenda Kirk, Heidi Griffin, Connor Smith, Rob Wright, Fern Petrie, Paul Hutchinson, Margaret Scott, Graham Kirk, Jenny Bielawski, Ché Rogers, Jan Huijbers, Frances Rookes, Barbara Clegg, Anne Holliday and Dale Copeland. There will also be light refreshments on offer. Tickets are only \$20. Please get your tickets now for this fabulous event, and tell all your friends too! (And remember, donations to the Dance Theatre Trust are tax deductible.)

We recently had a visit from Karen Manu, now resident in Christchurch, who was one of the early dancers with the Dance Theatre. She performed in a whole range of ballets and was in the Performers in Schools Unit that presented a dance/education programme in many many primary, intermediate and secondary schools throughout New Zealand – and every school in Taranaki! (Perhaps you saw it?) Karen is still dancing in Christchurch, performing with a contemporary dance group of mature performers. Coming back for class she was delighted to be able to still get the basic work needed for an expressive way to dance, and in a fashion designed to maximise the longevity of the performing artist.

You can get tickets by phoning (06)7527743 or writing to val@ valdeakindance.org.nz.

Val Deakin and Jane Roseman



Creative Connections

After completing their first successful workshop in New Pl After completing their first successful workshop in New Plymouth, facilitators Aileen Katanella (Theta Healing Practitioner and Numerologist) and Jessica Edelbaum (Life Coach) decided to bring it coastal. On the 6th of June 2018, the first Creative Connection Coastal Workshop was introduced to the Oakura community. This workshop was developed with the knowledge that intentional "me time" is a rare treasure in this day and age. With this in mind, we have deliberately based this class on five pillars that we believe inform our everyday lives. Our intention is to further support you in deepening your creative connection in all the areas of your life. When we do this, we experience more ease, fun and inspiration.

The five topics are: Gratitude, I AM, Trust, Intuition and Manifestation. During these five weeks, we create a safe space for you to take purposeful time to realign with your creative self through topic centred meditations, open discussion and visual journaling (journalization). This workshop is also an opportunity to expand you community.

We have been meditating and journalising for years, and are excited about the potential of co-creating with you. With this class, no previous meditation or journaling experience is required, only a sense of curiosity. This class is based on the idea that we all are born with imagination and are creative beings. By taking the time to strengthen our connection with our innovative selves, we restore something in ourselves that often gets set-aside, and even forgotten, in the fullness of today.

What past participants are saying about their experience with Creative Connection:

"Creative connection workshop is a fun packed 5 week course where you are encouraged to explore through meditation the creativity of letting go. To surrender to the process of nonjudgment, to create what sits in the body and mind though painting, colour and connection with the group. If you want to experience like-minded fun minds and have the coaching to help you let go then I highly recommend the partnership of Aileen and Jessica. Their joy is contagious and you never know what can develop from a blank canvas." –Lisa Lister

"You ladies provided a safe environment to practice beginners meditation and creative journaling with lovely people." -Jessica

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No.4 Butlers Lane Rooms Available By the Hour

Tracey Lusk has rooms available by the hour. Word spread around the village faster than an unsubstantiated rumour about Mr Jacinda Ardern. What goes on in those rooms?!

Well, I'm glad you asked. Everything from business strategy meetings to flax weaving, and Spanish lessons to market days.

Long-time local Tracey Lusk saw a need for smaller, affordable venue space in our community and realised she could help.

No.4 Butlers Lane is conveniently located in the heart of Oakura, right behind the Four Square, and offers three welcoming spaces. Two rooms are available long or short term, perfect for small businesses or practitioners needing a cosy private space. Like NP Physiotherapy, rehabilitating bodies out of No. 4 Butlers Lane five days a week. Like Nigel Cliffe, who uses the rooms by appointment, healing body and soul through acupuncture, Chinese Medicine, Tui Na (Chinese massage), Qi Gong and Tai Chi.





The third room is a larger, well-lit room that comfortably accommodates 15-20 people. Ideal for small workshops, business meetings, art classes, language or music tuition, mothers' groups, discussion groups, catered dinner parties...

With so many small businesses in our motivated and creative community, Tracey has big plans. "It's a great place for people working from home to bring clients for a meeting in a more professional space," she says, "or to work in a shared workspace, sharing facilities and getting the social interaction missing at the home office."

Tracey also envisages summer craft markets spilling out onto the peaceful lawn, with food caravans catering to happy families. The venue provides a great opportunity for home-based businesses to semi-regularly showcase their products, and Tracey anticipates regular pop-up shops and pop-in events.

Interested? Come on over to the Open Day on Saturday, 28 July from 10am-3pm, when No.4 Butlers Lane will be transformed into a Makers' Marketplace with local crafts, tasty food, and great coffee for sale. Catch up with your neighbours, grab a unique gift, or just take a look around and envisage how you could make use of the space.

No.4 Butlers Lane provides WiFi, kitchen facilities, a comfy waiting room, polished wood floors, and a convenient central location with plenty of parking.

Tracey doesn't come with the room. Contact Tracey Lusk on 06 752 7875 or 027 6368060

By Maryanne Rossiter-Bennett



LITTLE MARKET DAY

Saturday 28 July 10am - 3pm 4 Butlers Lane Oakura, behind the Four Square &

Open day for the business and workshop facilities and New Plymouth Physiotherapy

STALL HOLDERS

Food Coffee

Linda Barbour - Clay Artist Teresa Goodin- Flower Essence Therapist Becs Shearer - The Laundry Room Waxy Wraps by Lizaan

Climate change policy

Climate change policy based on sensible principles You'll have seen in the news recently National Party Leader Simon Bridges stepping up to the plate on Climate Change. Simon has offered to work with the Prime Minister and Minister for Climate Change to establish an independent, non-political Climate Change Commission.

National recognises the importance to New Zealanders – current and future – of addressing the issue and responsibly playing our part in a global response.

Climate Change spokesperson Todd Muller and Environment spokesperson Scott Simpson have both been in the region lately, as National fine-tunes policies to make sure they work as intended in the real world.

Those policies are being developed in line with a core set of principles that will guide the work we do on climate change: taking a pragmatic, science-based approach, utilising innovation and technology, getting the incentives right to drive long-term change rather than short-term shocks acting as part of a global response, and considering the wider impacts on the economy, jobs and incomes And yes, in my capacity as Energy and Resources spokesperson, those policies may include gas as a transition fuel as we work towards a low-emission economy. There are huge opportunities for Taranaki as we move forward, particularly around utilising the skills and knowledge of the energy sector. I firmly believe that hydrocarbons have a place in a low emissions future and that is a subject of significant research and development the world over.

You'll have a chance to hear from Simon in greater detail early next month. He's holding meetings in Hawera at 1pm and New Plymouth at 5.30 on July the 9th. Keep an eye out for details.

Jonathan Young
MP for New Plymouth



Kaitake Community Board

Back in June 2014 I wrote in the TOM's community board column that, "Discussions are being held with council staff to address the state of the skateboard park in Shearer Reserve. It is being undermined by erosion of the Wairau Stream and there is also some cracking of concrete sections that are causing a health and safety concern. We are hopeful that a successful solution can be found to ensure the ongoing viability of this structure that has been very heavily used by a succession of kids for the past twenty years or so."

Therefore four year's on it was a real pleasure to soak up the moment at the recent opening of the new skate bowl, to reflect on the commitment and energy of Oakura Boardriders Club members doing the necessary hard yards, and to remember those that had first developed the original skate park all those years ago.

I am absolutely sure that this new asset will provide many hours of enjoyment and social interaction for future generations of Oakura kids of all ages. In fact the beachfront with the little kids' playground, the skate park, the surf and sand, and two vibrant sports clubs make it truly a jewel in the Oakura community crown.

The next activity the KCB is involved with will be the Taranaki Regional Council's project to bring predator numbers below five per cent. The main target here will be rats, and there will be urban trapping workshops coming up shortly to encourage you all to play a part in the project. I want to emphasise that the programme to be rolled out here is all about traps, not poison. In our case will be all about getting more people and more resources to join the fight here in Oakura. We intend to help getting people to think about pest control as a normal activity in much the way recycling household rubbish has evolved. At the same time the Council will also attempt to completely eradicate possums from bush, rural and urban areas between the Kaitake Ranges, the Timaru Stream and Oakura River.

Over all it is a big project, but as the closest urban settlement to the National Park we definitely have a role to play. The KCB takes it stewardship role seriously. Our thirty-year community plan has strong environmental goals. They include working with landowners, other agencies, and iwi to incentivise biodiversity maintenance and enhancement, and to encourage ongoing

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community stewardship of the local environment through the restoration and maintenance of natural habitats, ecosystems, and viable populations of native species.

The Private Plan Change application for a large tract residential development off Wairau Road is being publicly notified for submissions. Submissions will open on the 29 June and will close on the 10 August. The submission period will be open for 30 workings days, as opposed to the standard 20 working days. This allows more time for people to make submissions. The Council intends holding a few walk-in sessions in our local library during the submission period. At these, a Council planner will be available to advise on the submission process; on how you might present your views in a submission and the steps following the lodgement of your submission and the hearing process. We understand dates for those sessions will be confirmed soon. We also understand that there are some meetings for residents being organised by the Oakura Community Action Group to provide further advice on the submission process.

Well, that's it for this TOM issue.

The next meeting of the Kaitake Community Board will be held at Hempton Hall, Okato at 7pm on Monday 30 July. Ka kite ano

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





Oakura School

Indoor Bowls

The last few weeks the year 7 and 8s have been going to Oakura Hall for indoor bowling sessions. Members of the Oakura Indoor Bowling Club have been teaching us

how to play the game, the techniques on curving bowls and the force to use. We have also learnt how to work in teams and how to score points. This was an awesome experience and everybody really enjoyed it. Twenty four year seven and eights have been chosen to participate in six teams of four at an Indoor Bowls Primary School tournament on Wednesday 4th July. Thank you to the bowling club members for their patience and direction, and for giving us this opportunity.

Puanga Kites

On the 11th of June the school got together with their buddy classes to make kites in celebration of Puanga and Matariki. The classes were given only certain materials to make their kites from, and their imagination.

Puanga is a celebration for the start of the Māori New Year and a sign to start gathering food for the winter. Matariki means "eyes of the gods" or "little eyes". The myth goes that when the earth mother (Papatūānuku), and the sky father (Ranginui), were separated by one of their children (Tāwhirimātea), Ranginui

became so angry he took out his eyes and threw them into the heavens.

We made kites to celebrate, because kites were used as the connector between heaven and earth. Here in Taranaki we celebrate Puanga, as we see the star first in the country and the rest of New Zealand celebrates Matariki.

"It was good that buddies helped us and it was fun," said Milly from the Penguin

"It was cool and fun and our buddies gave us advice," said Jesse from the Penguin

Rippa Rugby

The year five and six rippa rugby team have again put together a strong team to compete against other Taranaki teams and have won the Northern Taranaki championships. This means our team will go on to compete in the whole of the Taranaki region competitions. Year 5 and 6 won that competition last year and went on to compete nationally in Wellington. They have been training with Jack Kirifi, practising their skills and training for the Rippa Rugby tournament. Because of the wet weather this tournament will be held on July 30th.

Room. "Our kites tried to fly in the wind."

Emily Flower (13) Jesse Wickham (12)





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July

- 6 Music Assembly 9am Term two ends 3pm
- 23 Term three begins
- 27 R6 to Spotswood College for lessons -bus provided

August

- 3 Y7 to 'LEAD 2018' at City West Church
- 7 Y6 to 'Amazing Race' at Oakura
- 7 3D Conferences -12pm finish
- 8 3D Conferences -12pm finish

Visual Voices

We had a wonderful term 'Visual Voices' rich topic; with art gallery visits and a visit from our art specialist teacher, Rei Hendry, who inspired some wonderful painting. Hope you have been able to come into the classrooms to see the wonderful works of art and accompanying writings. We wove the arts with myths and legends, looking at how stories can be interpreted through visual arts representations and the messaging within the stories. While each class did activities and themes which were age appropriate, we also invoved students in whānau group learning with a weekly kapa haka session. For those new to New Zealand or to things Māori, kapa haka is the term for Māori performing arts and literally means to form a line (kapa) and dance (haka). It involves an emotional and powerful combination of song, dance and chanting. Kapa haka is performed by cultural groups on marae, at schools, and during special events and festivals.

Our students are really loving these sessions and taking great pride learning the waiata and haka. At the end of the term as part of our school music assembly, classes presented musical items and the whole school performed our Omata waiata for a large group of whānau.

Linking myths and legends to our end of year production will be our next thread from this learning going forward. We hope to highlight the many morals and whakataukī (proverbs) within our performance in December.

Orchard Update

Finally the black polythene suppressing the stubborn and invading kikuyu has been lifted and vegetable plots are being planted. The area is beginning to mature with shelter belts becoming more established and the fruit trees showing the growth of a good twelve months. Most plants survived the summer drought conditions and a few new ones have been planted. The children are enjoying utilising the space at break times, especially the speaking tubes and the seating areas. Each class has the responsibility for an area of work, so as they progress through the school they will learn about the orchard ecosystem and support our vision for the orchard of; 'Creating a sustainable, visually enticing, accessible space where children and community can connect with nature and nutrition'. These key goals of learning for children as they interact with the orchard, have been developed:

We enjoy growing and eating food; fruit, berries, vegetables,

We know how to garden in a way that nurtures us, regenerates the the land and may generate funds.

The orchard is a place for me to socialise, play and have fun. I am empowered; I know how to feed myself and contribute to my community.

I learn about soil science, maths, design, planning, ecosystems, micro-business, sustainable jobs and so much more!

I observe and interact with 'ecosystem services' and the 'workings of nature'.

I feel good and happy surrounded by trees, bugs and bees. I have a sense of wellbeing.

In our orchard, I connect with where my food comes from and when I garden with my friends I connect with them.

We are very thankful to our huge group of supporters, our families, local businesses and extremely generous community members who contributed time, skills, funds and resources to make this happen. We are hugely thankful to you all. It really will be an asset to the community and the school well into the future.

Come and see for yourself! Ngā mihi nui

Karen Brisco Principal

Pictured below: Bena Denton receiving three varieties of tamarillo from Mr George Mason to be used for seed harvesting to grow trees for the orchard; one of which is his patented variety, 'Goldmine' which has orangey red skin and a golden centre. Many thanks for this and also for the George Mason Trust's generous donation towards the setting up of the orchard.



SPOTSWOOD COLLEGE Greetings to the Oakura



and Omata community,

Learning is our focus Special thanks to parents, students and teachers for the learning conversations that have taken place through the IDP meetings and the Report Interviews over recent weeks. Our focus is learning that is co-constructed through the home, school, student partnership. Working

together in this way builds positive learning outcomes for our young people - thank you all for your diligent commitment to these meetings.

New Principal - Ms Nicola Ngarewa

As you are aware Whaea Nicola Ngarewa has been appointed as the new Principal for our school. Currently at Patea Area School Whaea Nicola will start at Spotswood College in Term 4. Whaea Nicola is excited to be returning to us, she was HOD Maori at Spotswood College from 1998 to 2005, Nicola has already begun working with staff in planning for 2019. We are very much looking forward to her arrival.

Social Responsibility

Spotswood College students have a history and a culture of recognizing need and responding to it by giving generously of their time, energy and money. Over recent weeks students have contributed to three significant appeals:

Mellow Puff Trust

The Mellow Puff Trust was established in May 2006 by Terry and Tanya Long following the passing of their daughter Melissa who was a student at our school. Two other Year 13 students also passed away in the same year. The Mellow Puff Trust supports young people who are facing adversity in their lives.

The Ball Committee run the Ball as a Charity Ball and give the proceeds to the Mellow Puff Trust. Mr Long was presented with a cheque by the Ball Committee at a recent Senior Assembly.

Our two Rugby Teams were part of the Spotswood United Rugby Club Mellow Puff Day, on Saturday June 16th. The First XV played in pink Mellow Puff socks in the curtain raiser to the main game.

Pink Shirt Day

Students led by Estella Durrant-Riddick raised over \$600 to support the annual Pink Shirt Appeal run by the Mental Health Foundation. Pink Shirt Day celebrates diversity and creates environments where all people can feel safe, valued and respected.

40 Hour Famine

Spotswood College has been recognized as one of the top 40 Hour Famine Fundraising Schools in the country, last year raising almost \$7,000. This year our 40 Hour Famine Group led by Year 12 students and supported by Mr Oldfield and Ms Debreceny have been on track to make another sizeable donation to support refugee children from South Sudan.

Thanks to all students, staff and parents who have given so generously to these three most worthy causes. As students are reminded in Assemblies we only receive to the extent that we

Contributing School Visits

Mr Scott and Mr Knapton have begun the process of liaising with Year 8 students from our contributing schools. Year 8 students visit our school to experience learning at Spotswood College. This is the first part of the Year 8 to Year 9 transition that is critical for young people and their parents as they decide their Secondary School for 2019.

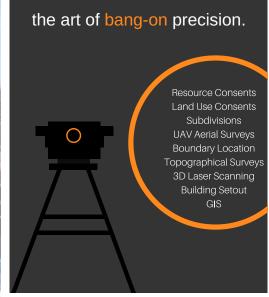
Our Open Night will be held in the School Hall on Wednesday 8th August at 7.00 pm.

Hapu Sport

Hapu sport competitions are currently taking place during lunchtime. Netball is our current competition. Thank you for your support.

Mark Bowden Principal







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Boomerang Bags prove popular

Jen Harries and a group of about 12 local women got together recently to sew boomerang shopping bags.

All materials and time were donated and 20 bags were sewn on the night.

The bags were dropped off at the Four Square for the community to use for their shopping, the idea being to discontinue the use of single use plastic bags. The idea is to return them to the Four Square once you have unpacked your shopping.

The bags have proved so popular that the 20 bags are not finding their way back to the Four Square for others to borrow!

Plans are underway to get some more boomerang bags sewn since they have proven so popular.

The Boomerang Bag concept is a world wide community movement with more than 745 communities involved who are seeking to reducing plastic waste.

By Kim Ferens







Mountain to Sea

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PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE NEW PLYMOUTH DISTRICT PLAN WAIRAU ROAD, OAKURA REZONING

Pursuant to Clause 26 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991, notice is hereby given of Proposed Plan Change PPC18/00048 (Wairau Road, Oakura Rezoning) to the New Plymouth District Plan, being a private plan change request.

Intent of Proposed Plan Change PPC18/00048

Proposed Private Plan Change PPC18/00048 has been initiated by Oakura Farm Park Limited. It seeks to rezone approximately 58 hectares of land on the southern side of Oakura from Rural Environment Area. A range of zonings are proposed, including residential, business, rural lifestyle and open space to facilitate residential and rural lifestyle development and use. Subdivision and development is proposed to be managed using a combination of a proposed Structure Plan and a specific suite of new rules and standards. The Structure Plan also details the proposed roading, servicing and walking/cycling/equestrian trails.

Copies of the proposed plan change, together with submission forms are available from:

- Civic Centre, Liardet St, New Plymouth;
- Library and service centres at Bell Block, Inglewood and Waitara;
- Puke Ariki and community libraries: or
- Online at newplymouthnz.com/planchanges

Any person may make a submission on the proposed plan change. Submissions must be in writing and be in the manner prescribed in Form 5 of the Resource Management (Forms, Fees and Procedure) Regulations 2003.

Please send submissions to New Plymouth District Council, Private Bag 2025, New Plymouth 4342, Attention: District Planning Team or email submissions@npdc.govt.nz.

The closing date for receiving submissions is 5pm on Friday 10 August 2018.

The submissions received will be summarised by the Council and publicly notified for further submissions in support or opposition. If requested by any submitter, the Council will hold a hearing on the submissions received. Anyone making a submission will have the right to be heard by the Council and will have the right to appeal any decision made by the Council, in respect of their submission, to the Environment Court.

Craig Stevenson Chief Executive

For more information contact New Plymouth District Council on Telephone: 06-759 6060 or Email: enquiries@npdc.govt.nz



The body transformer

Joe The Body Transformer, JBT is passionate about health and fitness and enjoys seeing clients improve performance and reach their fitness goals. Since moving from Auckland and establishing himself from his home based studio on Koru road in Oakura and being a familiar face in the local Newplymouth gyms taking clients though their workouts, Joe has already earned the reputation of a Personal Trainer who achieves results.

Joe has been involved both competitively and professionally in the fitness Industry since the early 1980s when he played for the New Zealand American Football team. Joe has also played both codes of rugby and rugby League. The past 15 years his sport of choice has been Bodybuilding, where he has consistently been placed in his category, competing in both the NZ and Australian circuits. From 2004 -2008 he represented Samoa in the South Pacific Games.

Coaching and Personal Training has now lead to the development

of his business, JBT Joe the Body Transformer. Joe has been working as a Personal Trainer both here in NZ and Australia since 2000. 2015 saw him under the lead of Tana Umaga as Strength and conditioning trainer for Counties Manukau Rugby Football Union. His expertise was required in 2017 when he was invited to Korea to assist training the Korean National Rugby Team which has further developed his understanding of performance based nutrition, body metabolism and individualized peak performance outcomes.

With Joe's varied experience he is able to provide functional resistance training, circuit training and sports specific training such as Bodybuilding, Body Sculpting, whilst coaching and motivating to help people reach their unique, individualized goals. If you want to Transform yourself then Contact JBT Joe The Body Transformer Now.!!!

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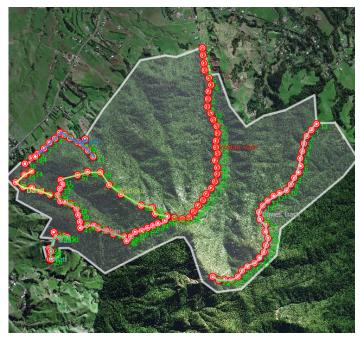
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Goodbye rats hello kiwi

During June many locals were up on the Kaitakes installing traps to catch vermin to further the crusade against predators killing off our native wild life. There are now dozens of traps along most of the walking tracks on the Kaitakes all successfully catching predators - 124 rats and 2 stoats a recent statistic. Those involved in clearing traps are using the latest technology and recording kill rates on a phone app

The Kaitake Ranges Conservation Trust is doing a great job coordinating locals, traps and bait to get as many predators wiped out on the Kaitakes as they can and the fact that locals are as keen as local authorities to see kiwi, kaka and other native species back in the Egmont National Park is a good sign and indicator of success.

If you want to be involved contact Peter Morgan by email at morgpt@xtra.co.nz











Club News:

Club Champions were played on Saturday 2nd June 2018 with beautiful weather - results as follows:

Mens Senior Winner – Geoff Andrews. Runnerup – S. Spurdle Mens Intermediate – Clay Jordan. Runnerup – G. Hildred Mens Junior - Frank Regan. Runnerup – Greg Jans Mens Limit - Gary James. Runnerup – Neil Farrant Well done to all who played great to see so many of our members turn up to support our finalists.

Kaitake Women's Golf Club

Well golfers, winter is here. On a good day the mountain shines in all its glory with a firm coating of snow. Then there are the wet, windy days that leave you in no doubt what time of the year it is.

On the good days there is lots of activity out on the golf course. In between golfing days a group of women members have been renovating their locker room. What a transformation It is pleasing to see the new members resulting from the Quick Six coming out regularly to play. Welcome to Kaitake.

18 Hole Division Results

Congratulations to the winners of the Club Championships and the recently played 27 hole strokeplay competition Club Champion for the Silver Division was Helen Beaurepaire with Jacqui Koch runner-up.

Kim Woodward won the Bronze 1 Division with Diane Jones runner-up.

Karen Wallace won the Bronze 2 Division with Andrea Jarrold runner-up.

The 27 hole Strokeplay winners were - Silver Division Helen Beaurepaire with Robyn Robins runner-up.

Kim Woodward won the Bronze Division with Janet Dingle runner-up.

Kaitake Women have challenged Westown for the Taplin Cup. The first attempt was cancelled because of the weather and another date has yet to be set.

9 Hole Update

What a better way to start winter golf than with "Winter 1" - competition winners Raewyn Bishop, Pat Wilcox and Shirley Aspinall all returning excellent net scores. Raewyn also picked up the LGU 5. Putting 3 top spot goes to Kay Stachurski with 14 putts followed by Heather O'Sullivan on 15 and Val Soffe 16. Globe 4'somes has almost reached the end with 1 round to go. Some good pairings have definitely put pressure on the field. Thursday haggles see Raewyn Bishop win the Medalford with 19 points on the back nine and Yvonne Hildred with 20 on the front. Medley stars see Christine Alexander with a score of 11 and again Yvonne Hildred with 13.

Pennant update - Round 7 of 9 and taking advantage of this

playing at home saw both Kaitake Blue and Kaitake White take the 2 points. This puts Blue team out in front by 1 with 2 rounds to go and White team are proudly on the board.

Kaitake Golf Club Chippers

Over the last few weeks several new players have joined Chippers to try their hand at golf. Dominic Barson, a professional from New Plymouth, periodically joins the group for an additional coaching session. His comments on how much promise these new players show.

The school holidays are coming up this month, and there is some organised golf for those interested. Taranaki Golf have an age group tournament at Fitzroy Golf Club and some of the Kaitake members will take the Chippers out for 9 holes of golf at Kaitake. For further information contact Denise in the office 7527665 or Andrea on 0273587001 or andrea.jarrold@xtra.co.nz

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.

New Members Welcome:

New golfers are encouraged to give "golf a go" there is still plenty more days of golf to go before end of year 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 19-35 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.

Retirement:

Are you one of those people that has now retired and don't know what to do with yourself throughout the day. Even though you don't play golf our greenkeeper is always looking for volunteers to help out on the course. Whether it be mowing fairways or helping repair fences/stiles, weed eating, cutting down fallen trees etc etc. There are many jobs that need doing around the club house and the course. As am sure many of you are aware the golf club runs 50% on volunteers so any help would be much appreciated.

If you would like to help please contact Denise in the office Mon/Weds/Fri 06 7527 665 for more info.



Oakura Tennis Club



We would like to welcome our new tennis coach Jaime Simpson. Jaime is a 'local' who has grown up in Taranaki and spent many summers at Oakura beach staying in a family

bach on Messenger Terrace. Jaime attended NPBHS, was a Taranaki junior rep player and has continued to play tennis in our Soffe cup team and for Taranaki when he has been home from university.

Jaime is a young, enthusiastic and energetic coach who is already 'upping the ante' for the cardio ladies and really getting them puffing! Jaime will be on board with sessions from 23rd July with Tuesday afternoon sessions, Wednesday before and after school and Thursday and Friday mornings. The cardio and adult improver coaching sessions will also continue and he is available for any private lessons.

For information or bookings contact Jaime at: blitztennis.co.nz

Enjoy the winter snow season and keep hitting when the sun shines!

Jackie Keenan Secretary phone 0276732900







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