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From the Editor



Life has a funny way of showing you something sometimes, something that has been right under your nose. I had been keeping in touch with Glenys Farrant and her fantastic "Dancing in the Dark" fundraiser to honour her friend Cathy's sudden death to suicide. The funds raised were going towards a care centre at the suicide prevention centre at Taranaki

Retreat on Hurford Rd. To be honest I didn't know much about the centre but the trauma of suicide has affects that spread out way beyond those closest. An opportunity to visit the centre presented itself so I went along to see what goes on in the centre.

So from a position of ignorance I learnt about the fantastic work the team at the Retreat are involved in - providing a sanctuary, counselling, financial, emotional and physical help - I was blown away by the service the team offer - and for free. No wonder Glenys and her team of fundraisers wanted to help out.

Then Rowan Oldfield happened along one day to my place with his Kātao water. Some of his sales revenue goes to help the centre too - what a great way to do business - with your community in mind.

Look up the Taranaki Retreat website www.taranakiretreat.org.nz for information on how you can help too - could be art supplies, plants, housework, money and numerous other things.

Thank you to all the community for the continued support for TOM - it never feels like a chore to put this magazine together each month so thank you and keep in touch. Together we all make the community strong.

Kim



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We are excited to announce that we will be opening on the 8th of December!

Due to having a large amount of stock on the way we are now going to be located on Surf Highway 45 in between Butlers Reef Hotel and the bottle store.

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Stay tuned, not long now!

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Coastal connections morning talk

Coffee and Chat Holiday Break dates

The weekly Thursday morning coffee and chat at the surf club has been going well. It is always interesting to meet new people and share stories.

We will break over the holiday season with the last get together on Thursday 13 December. We will be back in the New Year from Thursday 7 February. Please feel free to contact me for further details.



Tracey Lusk. p 752 7875 / 027 636 8060

Water On!

Local resident, family man, secondary school teacher, volunteer fire fighter and now entrepreneur Rowan Oldfield has taken up the challenge of running a business based on water.

Rowan recently purchased a local spring water business based at Tataraimaka and is hoping to inspire locals from Bell Block to Okato and beyond to embrace "locally sourced" bottled water.

Rowan has created his own branding with the help of another local Emilie Husillos. The spring water brand is called Kātao, the Maori noun for water (pronounced car and tow like you would say town without the n).

The water has a long history. It is sourced from a bore in the middle of the old Tataraimaka Dairy Factory and comes from the Kaitake aquifer. The bore can be reliably dated back to 1916 but is possibly older. Rowan has had the water tested and it can be aged at approximately 42 years old meaning it has taken on average 42 years to filter through the earth to the aquifer. No additives are needed to purify it unlike tap water. The water contains many beneficial minerals such as calcium, magnesium and potassium. The water is regularly tested to ensure there are no "baddies" in the water as per health and safety regulations. Many TOM readers will have already tried Kātao. It was provided to concert goers at WOMAD 2018.

The water is on sale all summer beside the Oakura Boardriders clubrooms as shaved iced slushies flavoured with natural fruit juices along with plastic and glass bottled water which can also be found at various other outlets around New Plymouth. Rowan will also deliver to all local addresses - either 20 litre reusable PBA free containers or in water coolers - a great option for the office, camping or for general drinking water.

Rowan freely admits running a bottled water business is a tough ask for a school teacher - taking on the big corporate boys of bottled water production is no mean feat but as he points out - the profits will all stay in New Zealand, some of which will even be donated to local charity Taranaki Retreat on Hurford Rd. Other local clubs have adopted Kātao as the preferred drink of choice - Okato Lions Club Christmas Parade. We all will benefit.

As to why Rowan would want to take on such an endeavour, maybe a mid life crisis? More likely the desire to provide employment for his growing family, put to use an Earth Science degree and sheer madness but what better idea would a fire fighter come up with than to source his own water supply and sell it!

By Kim Ferens



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We are a not for profit organisation, we are a caring group that support our members through trying times as we age. Our aim is to have fun and meet up with like minded members once a month. Members benefits include travel, and travel insurance, at a very reasonable cost, so if you are thinking of travelling overseas probus insurance is aimed at our age group.

We as a club have guest speakers each month and a morning tea. Twice a year we like to have an outing whether it be a luncheon

or a bus trip, and in June we have our mid-winter xmas lunch at local restaurants. November we usually do a bus trip, and this year it was to Pukeiti. What a great day had by all!! Lunch at the Founders cafe was well received thanks to Graham & Karen for the welcome and amazing food, then we were off down to the Lighthouse and boat club at Warea where we were given a very informative talk and tour of the rescue boat.

The December Christmas meeting is a special meeting with entertainment and a scrumptious morning tea. We hold our meetings on the 3rd Friday of the month at the Oakura Bowling Club pavilion.

If you are interested in joining our President is Brenda Ryan 7511633, and Secretary Gwen July 7527783.

Please just give them a call.

A massive Thank You to
our clients and the Oakura community
for the continued support throughout 2018.

We wish you all a

Happy Christmas!

and look forward to seeing you again in the New Year!



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& agave syrup baked till deliciously crunchy and served with Coconut
Yoghurt and Banana 13.9

BUCKWHEAT PIKELET STACK
Blueberry conserve and housemade Lime Curd GF 17.9

SPICY RAISIN BANANA BREAD
toasted with Macadamia Butter & Olivani. 13.9
Housemade Jam or banana + 3

LEMONWOOD BREKKY
2x Rosemary & Sage Sausages, hashcake, baked beans, spinach, tomato,
fakebacon crisps & toast & relish 24.9

LEMONWOOD PILEUP
grilled house bread slathered with garlic butter and fresh basil pesto then
piled with sliced tomatoes, avocado, spinach and sweet feijoa-lime chutney.
Served with almond feta 19.9 Add spicy seared tofu 22.9

MASALA SCRAMBLED TOFU
served on toasted Lemonwood bread with seared tomato 19.9
Add baked beans 22.9

LEMONWOOD BENNY
Seared Egg Tofu on Sunflower Toast, with spinach and Lemony
Hollandaise 19.9 Add tomato 22.9

LEMONWOOD BURGER
Tasty housemade broccoli & red bean patty, beets, pickles, greens, onions,
tomato, cheese with our sweet relish on a soft Lemonwood bun 19.9 Add
fries extra 22.9

SWEET WINE-SOAKED PEAR & ROASTED WALNUT SALAD
on mixed greens with Almond Feta and sweet agave/sesame dressing 19.9

NACHOS with Barb's famous tasty soy mince, and cashew sour cream and
avocado 18.9

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You can relax knowing that no animal products have been used in our cooking.

We love plants!



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Kaitake Community Board

As this is the last KCB column for the year I thought it would be a good opportunity to put down some reflective words, so here goes.

Oakura residents are lucky being so close to the outdoor adventures we love. That certainly sweetens the appeal of our village. Being super close to places to stroll, jog, surf, or pedal keeps our community vibe well and truly alive. Access to the tennis courts and golf course are also qualities that add value to the village. And the village lifestyle theme is never more evident than with the Oakura Boardriders and NPOB surf club - great value based clubs that through their volunteers constantly express who they are as a group, what they believe in and what they stand for. They add in no small way to a very family friendly beachfront. The social value of the new skatepark addition and the coming upgrade of the playground will provide even more opportunities for children to play, socialise, and make lifelong friends.

Besides the surf, our beachfront visitors are well catered for with the Oakura Beach Holiday Camp (clearly the best in the country), the Vertigo Surfshop and the Black Sand Pizzeria and Bistro. Their popularity has spread far and wide and clearly adds to the visitor experience at the beach.

We know community engagement is the glue that holds communities together. Therefore the KCB takes its community engagement role seriously and has supported a 'whole of community' approach in a wide range of contexts over many years. All these activities have needed volunteer input and many local folk have gladly provided a great deal of personal time and effort. These folk, far too many to name, have invested in our community in positive ways. They have a sense that we have some say in the community issues that affect us and that our perspectives are appreciated and respected. This shared emotional connection based on our shared experiences and the quality of interactions within the community helps make Oakura such a special place.

Of course, the KCB is not the only organisation that is out there working for the community. Take a moment to reflect on the excellent job others have done on our behalf this year. Our sporting organisations rely on many volunteers to keep things humming, fire service volunteers consistently practise to be ready for any eventuality, all the CBD businesses continue to provide a fine service for us and visitors alike, we have a great hall kept in tip-top condition, a first-rate library, and an exceptional school and early childhood centres. The list goes on and on and on! We acknowledge everyone's immeasurable input that adds value to the lives of all our residents and thank you sincerely for it.

So there you go - my homily for the year as the festive season looms ever closer. On behalf of Mike, Paul, Graham and our appointed councillor Roy I wish all TOM readers a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year and hope you can spend lots of quality family time enjoying our great local environment over the summer.

The next meeting of the Kaitake Community Board will be at the NPOB surf clubrooms on Monday, January 21 at 4.30pm.

Ka kite ano

Doug Hislop (752 7324)

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2018 in Retrospective

As 2018 draws to a close, it's a good chance to look back on an eventful year.

A very unexpected challenge was without doubt, the government's ban on offshore exploration permits. This has the potential to have a significant long term impact on Taranaki's economy, but fails to deliver on environmental goals. I'm excited about the wide range of potential solutions to our energy needs, but annoyed that instead of seriously focusing on those, the government pulled this stunt out of nowhere in an effort to look good on the world stage.

My parliamentary responsibilities have kept be extremely busy. I chair the Economic Development, Science and Innovation Select Committee, as well as being National's spokesperson on Energy and Resources, as well as Regional Economic Development (North Island). That takes me all over the country from Gore through to Northland. I've visited the West Coast of the south Island a number of times too, as they look at government bans on some of their mining operations. There seems to be a disconnect in many people's thinking between a renewable clean energy world, and how we get there. It's impossible to build an emission free wind turbine without steel and copper, and of course mining and steelmaking is essential for that. Let's not miss the link between the two.

My role as chair of the Economic Development, Science and Innovation committee is very interesting and busy too. We are about to have annual reviews of many of the government agencies, like the Commerce Commission, the Financial Markets Authority, and Callaghan Innovation to name just a few. This means copious reading and preparation with some good penetrating questions to the chairs and CE's of those organisations.

A big piece of work I've been involved in this year is the Waitara Lands Bill. We are getting close to this returning to Parliament after significant consultations. This is a momentous piece of legislation that focuses on Waitara in particular, regarding confiscated land known as the Pekepeka block; and aims to not only offer leaseholders opportunity to freehold but also for Waitara hapu to be granted the ability to acquire back their historical lands, as opportunity becomes available. None of this is easy and without controversy and the bill's progress through Parliament has taken over two years.

It has been a busy year in my New Plymouth office, with a number of National Party MPs visiting the electorate looking at a range of environmental, community and financial issues. They were all impressed with the energy and attitude of local people - Simon Bridges in particular had a huge turnout to his open meeting in July.

Public input is a vital part of the full review we've been running on all our policies, so it was great to get a positive response to these. If you want to participate, please go to www.national.org.nz/haveyoursay

We celebrated the Suffrage 125 anniversary with a popular Women of Influence series where locals were able to meet and find out more about some successful female leaders. Again the reaction was very positive and I'll be looking to build on that in 2019.

We've also had a number of complex constituent cases coming through, where people have encountered difficulties dealing with government departments and have needed assistance to negotiate their next steps. I'm pleased to say we have usually managed to help facilitate successful outcomes. This is one way an electorate MP can work with constituents, so if you need help, give my office a call, we may be able to assist.

I hope that over the festive season you will have a chance to relax with friends and family and enjoy the events and attractions of this special place.

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Puke Ariki Oakura Library

With the end of school term fast approaching, it's time to book your spaces in Puke Ariki's school holiday programmes.

We have a special event at Ōākura Library - 'Enchanting Storytelling' with author Tanya Batt on 14th January at 2.30-3.15pm but we have limited spaces so make sure you reserve a space.

The full school holiday programme can be found in the latest edition of our What's On booklet (available at the library or by visiting the Puke Ariki website).

We are also excited to introduce our very own summer reading programme 'Out Of The Book'. Registrations start 17th December, it is suitable for school age children and is full of fun challenges (reading and other activities) and for every five completed challenges you can be entered into a prize draw! Out Of The Book aims to help children discover, imagine, create and have fun with reading - as well as encouraging them to interact with supportive adults (the librarians) to share progress and help find that next exciting book.

Our Christmas school holiday programme will be Wednesday 19th December 10-11am.

Join us for a Christmas story and creating ornaments, again we have limited spaces so make sure you reserve a space.

In the New Year Crackerjacks will start at 10am on the first Thursday of every month, beginning 7th of February. Join us for a half hour of stories, songs and craft ideally suited for pre-school age children. No booking necessary.

Holiday closures:

Closed Sunday 23rd December-Wednesday 2nd January 2019. We will reopen on Thursday 3rd January 2019 at 9am.

Additionally we will extend our Thursday hours until 3pm for the 10th, 17th and 24th of January as we will have craft tables available for Out Of The Book participants.

We always love to hear from you, so if there are any programmes you would like us to introduce at Ōākura Library please do let us know.

Wishing you all a festive season full of love, joy and lots of time for reading!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Happy reading Charlie and Vincenza



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Oh What a Night! - Cathy's Dance had it all!



The Dancing in the Dark event on October the 18th at the TSB Stadium supporting suicide prevention in Taranaki, raised \$60,000 in funds and donations in kind towards building the much needed Cathy's Care Centre at Taranaki Retreat Hurford Road Omata.

In the words of Taranaki Retreat Coordinator Jamie Allen "You can't really describe atmosphere, or capture it in photos, but something beautiful and transformative somehow happened that evening, and Cathy was honoured by the community coming together again."



There was a real buzz in the room, as music started and everybody searched the room to find the next exciting act. There was laughter, fun, tears and most importantly – hope. After some time of coming together to thank all of those involved, and share the importance of the cause, the lights went out, the music started and boy was it fun!

The red, flushed sweaty faces plastered with smiles when the light came back on told their own story. Inhibitions were lost, and we danced the night away!

Before the lights went down, over 100 performers entertained the crowd and got them involved in the night Including zumba, dancers, singers, wearable arts models, acro clowns and surprise moment pieces - Flash Mob/Street Theatre style, with around 500 people attending on the night.

The diversity of our prelude performers was a fitting way to honour Cathy as she embraced diversity in life.

Retreat co-ordinator Jamie Allen says Cathy's Dance was filled with aroha. "I think for us all, the only thing that really mattered was that the loss of a beautiful person was honoured and commemorated with love.



Post event – we the organisers were buzzing. We felt on the night, that we had shared something very special and it was then wonderful to have this confirmed by the messages we received...

"We all loved this and admire you all for what you have done for the retreat in Cathy's memory."

"An amazing group of people organising a once-in-a-lifetime event. Inspiring stuff".

"Thank YOU so much! Beautiful energy from the crowd gathered with a shared kaupapa. Keep up the good work it is so appreciated by your community"



Previous page Salsa swept the crowd away. Pictured right Zumba Flash Mob bringing in the crowd to dance to Proud Mary – Below is the retreat lodge and the caravan moves way for the new Cathy's Care Centre.

"Thank you for this beautiful event... it was moving being there and dancing with you all. Such visible love and support all around."

"You have done so much more for these people and community than raise money tonight"

Thank you Thank you Thank you to all involved in any way, from Cathy's Dance Team and the Taranaki Retreat
YOU ALL made this happen!!

If you would like to donate to the building of Cathy's Care Centre, we are still accepting donations, go to www.hope.kiwi or get the link from Facebook Cathy's Dance for Hope – Not an internet person and want to donate/help we'd love to hear from you!

Call Glenys Farrant 027 7530120



Dance School Recital

The Val Deakin Dance School will be having its annual Dance School Recital on December 8 and 9.

The performance, approximately an hour long, contains dance in a great range of styles including classical ballet, character, jazz, contemporary and tap dance with a great range of music and colourful costumes. Professional lighting and scenery complete the picture for this exciting show.

Performers range in age from 5 years old to experienced adults. These performances are an ideal way to introduce children to dance as there are many and varied dances on the programme. The venue for the show is the historic Dance Centre, 306 St Aubyn Street, New Plymouth (opposite Mitre 10), where the tiered seating allows all a great view of the performers.

Performances will be on Saturday, December 8 at 1 & 3 pm and on Sunday, December 9 at 1 pm. Adults tickets are \$15 and children \$10 with Group and Family discounts available. There are door sales, but to avoid disappointment when the shows sell out, tickets can be ordered by phoning 06 7527743 or text 0276940933.



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PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE NEW PLYMOUTH DISTRICT PLAN: ADDENDUM TO PRIVATE PLAN CHANGE PPC18/00048 WAIRAU ROAD, OAKURA REZONING

New Plymouth District Council has prepared an addendum to the summary of decisions requested by persons making submissions on Private Plan Change PPC18/00048 (Wairau Road, Oakura Rezoning) to the New Plymouth District Plan in accordance with Clause 7 of Schedule 1, of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA).

The addendum to the summary of submissions is available from:

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

This addendum includes submissions and decisions requested from submitters who had previously submitted to the Private Plan Change who had not provided their contact details. These submissions were considered incomplete and were not originally accepted by the Council, and were not included in the original summary of decisions requested. The Council has subsequently obtained contact details for a number of the originally incomplete submissions and is notifying an addendum covering these submissions.

The following people may make a further submission on the private plan change:

- a) Any person representing a relevant aspect of the public interest; and
- b) Any person who has an interest in the plan change greater than the interest that the general public has; and
- c) The local authority itself.

Further submissions must be in writing and be in the manner prescribed in Form 6 of the Resource Management (Forms, Fees and Procedure) Regulations 2003 and must state whether you want to be heard on your further submission. This form is available at newplymouthnz.com/planchanges.

Please send further submissions to New Plymouth District Council, Private Bag 2025, New Plymouth 4310, Attention: District Planning Team; or email to submissions@npdc.govt.nz.

The closing date for receiving further submissions on the submissions included in this addendum is 5pm on Friday 14 December 2018. Within five working days of lodging it with the Council you must serve a copy of it on the person(s) who made the original submission(s).

If requested, the Council will hold a hearing on the further submissions received. Anyone making a further 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 to their further submission, to the Environment Court.

Craig Stevenson
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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Small Venue of the Year 2018 goes to Oakura Kelly Club Afterschool Programme!

Just how did a little venue in Oakura win such a prestigious award standing out from all the other 30 venues around the country?

What make us different – because we care! A vision to go that one step further and include a wide range of learning experiences inviting people from the community to share their passions and knowledge and share with the children makes this club extra special!

Our aim is to provide not just "a childcare facility", but to create a safe environment where children can have fun and benefit in a number of ways. Our goal is to give children opportunities to do the things they love and enjoy in a supportive and encouraging area. Children are encouraged, educated and engaged during their time on our programme. Afterschool programs can boost academic performance, reduce risky behaviours, promote physical health, and provide a safe and structured environment.

The Kelly Group CEO praises the venue of the year for their win due to the high quality of the programme and attention to detail that the team has had with their community, parents and children. Connecting with locals has led to Creative Connections nz running a workshop based on meditation and expressive art, Crochet lady Hollie Beierle sharing special crochet weaving projects, Hayley Foster-Ander for Art classes, Music jamming sessions, Soccer Skills workshops with Fernanda which are held every week through term 4 and Term 1. With themed based activities each week focusing on arts, crafts, science, discovery, cooking, sports and games and a trip out every term there is something for everyone. After a busy day at school some children want to chill out, cushions and blankets make for a nice quiet zone for reading, while others relax by drawing, making

crafts, playing games and using construction equipment.

Proud moment! A special project, a decorated blanket made by the children for the Children's ward at Base hospital during Red Nose Week, a Cure Kids Fundraiser teaching children to help others who need support for medical care.

Parent testimonial

One of the biggest issues for any working parent is after school care – where to find a safe, fun, social and affordable option..and above all, an option where your child will feel comfortable and be happy to go to. Thank goodness for Kelly Club! When your child tells you off for collecting him early, you know you're on to a winner.

Lindsay Stones runs an amazing program. Every week's theme is explored by tailored, organised activities – every day brings something new and exciting. Football, crafts, mindfulness, art, Pickle Ball – the children have been spoilt for choice! Although there are options for children who enjoy creative activities, cooking, sport, etc, there is always a quiet corner to relax in if the day has been too long or stressful. Lindsay has hand picked a group of trusty caregivers who do a phenomenal job and are adored by the children.

I am so grateful for Kelly Club and Lindsay. Whether your child needs community, or you are a working parent unable to make school pick up, Kelly Club is the answer.

Oakura Kelly Club based at Oakura School next to the library, follow the signs and big flag! www.kellyclub.co.nz





Greetings to Oakura and Omata Communities

Students At The Centre and the Community at our Heart

Congratulations to all recipients of awards at our senior prize giving night and especially our runner-up Dux Proxime Accessit Katie Pullen and Dux Adelaide Campbell. Also a very special acknowledgement to our student leader prefects 2019:

Keegan Joe (Head Boy)

Larissa Wilkinson (Head Girl)

Luke Cocker (Deputy Head)

Savanah Hislop (Deputy Head)

Tane Whitehead (Deputy Head)

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We would like to thank our learning community for all of their support and we look forward to working alongside you all in 2019 and beyond. We wish everyone a safe and happy festive season and wonderful new year.

Our job is not to prepare students for something
Our job is to help students prepare themselves for anything
A.J. Juliani

Global Citizenship

We are proud to be supporting and encouraging our young people to be leaders confident and well prepared to make a difference on a local, national and international platform. Congratulations to Ethan Griffiths, our Student Council Chairperson who will be heading to Parliament in 2019 as the Youth MP for Andrew Little.

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Our annual international student graduation dinner was yet again a wonderful opportunity to celebrate culture, diversity and friendship. The staffroom was packed to capacity as student's host families, friends and staff celebrated their time together and reaffirmed the bonds of lifelong friendships that student exchange enables.

Cultural And Sporting Success

Painting, sculpture, photography and design students held a pop up exhibition of their completed portfolios for 2018.

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The completed works were an exposé of talent and hard work combined.

With a well established reputation of producing some of the top results in the country, the exhibition showed all signs that once again the students and staff of the Spotswood College Art Department are set to achieve some outstanding national results.

Congratulations to our junior school students who participated in the week's long TSSSA Shell Taranaki Fast 5 competition events. An active body is a healthy one! With the movement towards being a BYOD digitally fluent school, active movement being built into the curriculum is very important to ensure we are equally prioritising off-line time and activities. We are especially excited to have a Wellness Centre in place for 2019. This Centre will offer a range of both wellbeing services and opportunities from mindfulness to yoga.

Nicola Ngarewa Principal

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Omata School Leavers

As the year 8 Omata School students head off to high school, TOM asked them three questions:

1. What secondary school are you going to?
2. What has been the highlight at Omata School.
3. What do you want to do when you leave school?



Olive Denton-Walmsley

I am going to Spotswood College
My highlight has been the camps - travelling to different places and hanging out with everyone.

I am not sure what I want to do yet.



Oliver McFarlane

I am going to Spotswood College.
My highlight has been the camps - Vertical Horizons and Wellington - we went to cool places.

I want to be a statistician or builder.



Elliot Alford

I am going to Spotswood College.
My highlight has been having lots of friends and really good teachers - lots of fun maths and activities.
I want to be a computer technician.

Regan Brown

I am going to Spotswood College.
My highlight since I arrived at Omata School this year is the friendly kids and there are lots of opportunities - ambassadors, marimba, production.

I want to be a palaeontologist.



Stan Crawshaw

I am going to Spotswood College.
My highlight has been going to the camps where we discovered new things, they were fun and great experiences.
I want to be a dairy farmer.



Jorja Eldershaw

I am going to NPGHS.
My highlight has been the opportunities - sports, helping the little kids and playing with them.
I want to be an accountant.



Mya Glennie

I am going to Spotswood College
My highlights were the Wellington camp - there were fun activities to do and being a lead ambassador.
I want to be a make up artist.



Connie Baylis

I am going to Spotswood College.
My highlight has been Omata School is such a fun school - lots of area to play and having lots of friends.
I want to be a farmer.



Ruby Glennie

I am going to Spotswood College.
My highlights have been the opportunities you get at a small school - do more things: plant an orchard, pump track and skate park.
I want to be a food nutritionist.



Seth Tate

I am going to Spotswood College.
My highlights have been good friends, the work isn't too hard and the teachers are nice too.
I want to be a pro moto x rider.



Madinia Nordin

I am going to NPGHS.
My highlight of Omata School is that everyone is so nice.
I want to work at NASA or be a magician, guitarist, secondary school teacher or college professor.



Jacinta Pattison

I am going to Spotswood College.
My highlights have been the camps - great bonding and a break from normal.
I want to be an author or journalist.

Oakura School Leavers



Jesse Wickham

School for 2019: NPBHS
Highlight of 2018: Production because I got to learn all of the basics of playing the keyboard
Future career: Engineer



Connor Andrews

School for 2019: NPBHS
My highlight of 2018 was sailing at Aims Games.
Future career: DJ.



Ella Bolger

School for 2019: NPGHS
Highlight of 2018: Going to the Aims Games in Tauranga to play netball.
Future career: Either a professional sports player or a teacher.



Finn Cameron

School for 2019: NPBHS
Highlight of 2018: School rugby because of the fun tournaments in ripper and tackle.
Future career: Mechanic.



Ellie Dinnis

School for 2019: Spotswood College
Highlight of 2018: I really enjoyed participating in the Aims Games and the school production.
Future career: Artist



Renee Donovan

School for 2019: NPGHS
Highlight of 2018: Sculpting a dolphin for the arts festival, making new friends and being part of OJSC sports teams.
Future career: Olympic runner or an architect.



Owen Ellington

School for 2019: NPBHS
Highlight of 2018: Being in the band for production and working with Sam Johnson on my music. I also enjoyed arranging school wide events during my time as head boy.
Future career: Musician.



Ashlee Ellis

School for 2019: NPGHS
Highlight of 2018: The school production because I got over my fear of performing in front of people and enjoyed every moment.
Future career: Either a lawyer or a judge.



Rowan Emans

School for 2019: NPGHS
Highlight of 2018: The Aims Games.
Future career: Engineer.



Emily Flower

School for 2019: Spotswood College
Highlight of 2018: Making new friends because I am more confident now.
Future career: Body artist.



Caja Hancock

School for 2019: NPGHS
Highlight of 2018: Going to Aims Games for netball.
Future career: Vet.



Sam Hemara

School for 2019: NPBHS
Highlight of 2018: Production because I was Te Wheke (the octopus) and it taught me to be confident and never give up. Overall I have really enjoyed this year and will really miss Oakura school.
Future career: Rugby player.



Ruby Henwood

School for 2019: NPGHS
Highlight of 2018: I have loved leading in my role as a sports leader. I also enjoyed going to Aims Games and representing our school at netball.
Future career: Fitness coach.



Kate Hilliam

School for 2019: NPGHS
Highlight of 2018: I really enjoyed competing at the Aims Games in netball.
Future career: Something to do with sport or the arts.



Denim Holmes
 School for 2019: NPBHS
 Highlight of 2018: watching
 Science in a Van.
 Future career: Graphic designer.



Violette Johnson
 School for 2019: NPGHS
 Highlight of 2018: Getting into
 Aims Games for netball.
 Future career: Chef or baker.



Alana Juffermans
 School for 2019: NPGHS
 Highlight of 2018: I really
 enjoyed the LEAD conference
 because of all the inspirational
 speakers.
 Future career: White fern.



Ruby Kennedy
 School for 2019: NPGHS
 Highlight of 2018: Participating
 in this years production, Te
 Wheke, What's In A Name.
 Future career: Scientist



Oskar Kleinsorge
 School for 2019: NPBHS
 Highlight of 2018: Joining
 Oakura School in term 4 and
 everyone being so nice and
 welcoming to me.
 Future career: A role in building
 or construction.



Timmy Law
 School for 2019: Spotswood
 college.
 Highlight of 2018: Choosing
 activities that I love during
 Passion Time.
 Future career: Video game
 developer.



Mack Looney
 School for 2019: NPBHS
 Highlight of 2018: Topec is a
 leadership I applied. I stayed at
 Burgess Park with eight other
 people. We learnt leadership
 skills and self responsibility and
 overall it was a great experience
 and I learnt a lot of new skills.
 Future: photographer/ artist



Skylar McFetridge
 School for 2019: NPGHS
 Highlight of 2018: Trying new
 opportunities in the year and
 making new friends.
 Future career: Sports coach or
 pro surfer



Jack McNeil
 School for 2019: NPBHS
 Highlight of 2018: I really
 enjoyed our maths topic,
 Shares this year because it
 challenged me and educated
 me about the share market.
 Future career: Dentist/
 Beekeeper



Alodie Pickering-Bruce
 School for 2019: NPGHS
 Highlight of 2018: Trying new
 stuff and finally understanding
 things, making new friends,
 Technology, Welcome
 Committee and production.
 Future career: Nurse or lawyer



James Rielly-Leadbetter
 School for 2019: NPBHS
 Highlight of 2018: National
 Young Leaders Day, as it was
 an inspiring day and I learnt
 a lot
 Future career:
 Telecommunications/ Engineer



Maya Shlosberg
 School for 2019: NPGHS
 Highlight of 2018: My
 leadership role and making
 new friends
 Future career: Vet/ Musician/
 Detective



Janaye Sullivan
 School for 2019: NPGHS
 Highlight of 2018: Getting so
 many opportunities that were
 all very enjoyable
 Future career: Interior designer



Freddie Weeks
 School for 2019: NPBHS
 Highlight of 2018: Having
 so many cool opportunities,
 from production to chess
 competitions and sailing.
 Future career: Architect or
 Airline Pilot



Oakura School

Science and Sport

Term 4, November has been a quieter month for Oakura School yet we have had some

highlights after our exciting production. Oakura School has had yet another successful annual O-Sports and a visit from 'Science In a Van'.

On Wednesday 7 November and Friday 16 November, Oakura School and Omata School took part in O-Sports with the help of Icon Sports. The yearly sports day brings our two schools together in a day of fun activities that the year 1-4 students participate in. The many activities that are available were a selection of obstacle courses as well as other fun activities that took place on Oakura School's back field, assisted by our keen and enthusiastic year 7&8 sports leaders and future sports leaders. Some of the things our Year 1s had to say were:

"I liked going around the corners because I had to beat a time." - Jesse Tscheuschler

"I liked the spinny wheel thing and the trampoline." - Milan Down

Science In A Van came to Oakura School on Thursday 15 November to talk to us about science. The kind pair that runs 'Science In A Van' were very interactive with the crowd and made learning about science fun, with a variety of people who got up to dance and to help test science experiments. The years 1-4 and 7&8s were able to attend this experience in two different shows. Years 1-4 show taught them about the discovery of identifying, classifying and investigating materials. They got an understanding of mixtures that made bubbles and how they can be separated and how they can come together to make a reaction. During this show, they learnt about the scientific process of predicting, testing and observing. The years 1-4 thought this about the amazing

show 'science in a van' presented:

"I learnt clapping makes a bubble happy" - Ruby Peacock

"I learnt bubbles don't like screaming." - Nate

Down

"My favourite thing about the show was the bubbles!" - Siena Bennett

"My favourite thing about the show was the hypnotising wheel that made everyone's head look big!" - Bodhi Danenhauer

In the year 7&8 show 'science in a van' taught us about what the properties of materials are and how many states of matter exist. We also learnt about solids, liquids and gases. They used the periodic table in a fun way that demonstrated how elements can mix to make different materials. We discussed how materials can change with mixing and temperature. Overall it was a great show!

This term Oakura School has also started fundraising for the 2019 Wellington year 7&8 camp with a successful bake sale and a Christmas raffle. Our future year 7&8s have a fun-filled 2019 planned for them next year

Rowan Emans (13yrs) and Owen Ellington (13yrs).



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Oakura Tennis

After the beautiful sunny days in October the tennis season was looking promising but the weather is causing some frustration! So far, there have been 3 Saturdays out of 5 rained off or shortened due to rain, so let's hope the weather improves for the remaining competition.



In the juniors the Oakura Hard Hitters and the Drop Shot Divas in the green grade are finding their feet, providing some entertainment for the side lines and getting some games on the board and a few wins. It's amazing how quickly they learn some rules and how to score as the season progresses. Hang in their parents you get to gradually retreat from close quarters. The orange grade Cool Cucumbers team have had a mixed bag with a win, a loss and a rain off. The Spinmasters in youth grade are top of the table so far with some convincing wins.

For the Saturday competition, B Grade have had a draw and a loss with 2 rounds to go.

Our Sumpter and Wilson Trophy teams are putting Oakura in the headlines! The A3 Sumpter Trophy team have had 2 convincing wins and a rain off so are top of the table so far 9 points ahead of second placed South Combined and 12 points clear of Waitara in third.

The A2 Wilson Trophy team has been hampered by rain but is just ahead of the pack with 46 points after a convincing win, a loss and couple of rain outs. Matapu is close behind on 43 points followed by Pukekura on 40 points with South Combined and Rotokare teams on 30 points. Wilson and Sumpter Trophy will play straight finals on the 15th December so good hitting to making the finals to these guys.

Soffe Cup are not looking so promising to make finals currently sitting in fourth place with a bye to come. Pukekura is looking strong this year but Rotokare and Okiawa are chasing hard so it will be tight battle to see who makes the finals. Pukekura have a small lead on 44 points closely followed by Okiawa/South Combined and Rotokare who are both on 41 points and we are on 36 points followed closely by Huatoki on 34, Pihama on 30 and Stratford on 26. There are 2 more weeks of play and then its straight finals for Soffe. Next year the Soffe Cup competition is changing to teams of 4 with singles and doubles only being played in an effort to keep players on the courts on Saturday, attract new players and make it easier to field a team of similar ability as 4 people are easier to find than 8.

Coaching is going well with a week of rain affected and a week with coach Jaime in Auckland working towards his advanced coaching qualification.

Cardio on Thursdays and Friday morning coaching sessions are still going strong.

Daniel Lewis had a tight first round loss and went on to come runner up in the consolation plate at the Primary and Intermediate Tennis Central Regional finals.

Taranaki Tennis have organised an exhibition match between

local hero Ajeet Rai and Rubin Statham so tennis fans will be excited to see the two top NZ players in action in our backyard. Good luck for the last few weeks of play and to those teams that make the finals – hoping for sunny Saturdays!

Roll on summer; enjoy the Christmas break and relaxing at the beach.

Jackie Keenan Secretary

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Club News

The competition year has almost finished for 2018 but this isn't the end. It is ideal to make the most of the summer months ahead. While members and visitors to Taranaki continue to come out and play it is a good time for new members to try their hand at golf.

Swinging Skirts

Ladies, want to have a go at social golf but haven't played before? Lock in Swinging Skirts at 9:30 on Fridays with some like-minded ladies from the village. It goes for a couple of hours, learn how to hit the ball with the focus on FUN!!! We ditch the normal rules, and give you a few tips to help you on your way. Cost in \$10, which is deducted from your membership should you decide to become a member. Don't worry if you haven't got clubs, we can rustle some up for you.

Twilight Golf Friday fun haggle has kicked off for Summer. Come and play 9 holes then enjoy some dinner from L'Epicure and refreshments. Tee off between 3:30 and 6pm, \$5 entry, plus \$10 reduced green fee if non-member.

Summer Membership

Kaitake Golf Club offers a special summer membership fee of \$200 that runs from 1 November – 28 February. Of this, \$100 will be deducted from a full time membership fee should you decide to play full time

Womens AGM and Prizegiving

A new Committee was elected at the AGM for the coming year. Among the prize list were three special prizes for National Home Links Competitions. Mary Pettigrew and Andrea Jarrold won the Nancy MacCormack Foursomes for Kaitake, 1st in Taranaki and 5th in New Zealand.

Jean Keegan a 9 hole member was 1st in the Sue Bunt Salver for Kaitake, 1st in Taranaki and 8th in New Zealand.

The winners of the Kaitake Club Championships went to Helen Beaurepaire (Silver Division), Kim Woodward (Bronze 1) and Karen Wallace (Bronze 2). These three women plus Dianne Jones went on to represent Kaitake at the Taranaki Champion of Champions at Stratford .

Congratulations to all the prize winners

Kaitake Chippers

This year has been a good one for Kaitake Chippers. About 20 joined as members ably coached by Domenico Squatriti, (Convenor) with additional coaching by Dominic Barsons. Chippers will continue again in the New Year.

Merry Christmas everyone and a safe and happy New Year



You will have noticed a lot of tidy up work going on around the skate park, boardriders and surf club. The Oakura Board Riders are honoured to be hosting the prestigious national surfing champs from January 6th to the 12th. This is the longest running surfing competition in New Zealand and heads back to Taranaki after an 11 year hiatus. Not only does this present an amazing opportunity for our members, and especially our youngsters, to showcase their talent in the conditions that they revel in every day, but also to catch up with friends, form new friendships and share what we have on offer just like others do when we travel to other regions. Naumaihaeremail!

We recently had our junior club champs. There were fun but challenging conditions on offer and the results are as follows:
 U10 Girls: Darcy, Solai, Evie. U12 Girls: Ariana S, Skyler, Kate, Chloe. U14 Girls: Skyler, Kate, Ariana S. U10 Boys: Kai, Drew, Kohen, Milo. U12 Boys: Kalani, Nate, kai, Drew. U14 Boys: Koah, kalani, Nate, Owen. Well done to all who participated! The later divisions were held however they are currently with the TMO and subsequently may never be published...

As we go to press we congratulate the most successful NZ surfer ever Paige Hareb for re-qualifying for the 2019 World Champion Tour (WCT). We are very proud of Paige and know it has not come without a lot of hard work and dedication. We will be cheering you on all the way, kiakaha!!!. Another honourable mention is Ariana Shewry who was selected to represent NZ at the world junior championships in Huntington Beach, California. Ariana surfed really well and her performance contributed to the NZ team securing a very respectful 12th place overall. We look forward to sharing a wave with both of our international representative's this summer.



We are always keen on new members to join the board riders so if you are then please get in contact with Anne. Just a reminder to all other members that subs are now due. Have a great Christmas and New Year's. Remember the board riders is open every Friday over summer so don't hesitate to come up and say hi!

Eli Smith and Brent Anderson

Luke Florence. President. Any questions. 0274930819

John Shewry. Fundraising. 0272529190

Colin Webber. Bookings. webzy70@yahoo.com

Anne Bridges. Membership. 0272431766.

anne.bridges@xtra.co.nz

Photos below left of Paige Hareb - qualifier for the World Tour and bottom right of Ariana Shewry - selected for the NZ team and top photo - groms from the junior competition.



Gerald Turner - farewell to a surfing legend

On another note entirely, Taranaki and Oakura in particular is home to many surfing families, in some cases three generations. It is a rich fabric and a great lifestyle that helps bond a big part of the community together so it was with great sadness Oakura farewelled another lifetime surfer and well regarded member of the community. Gerald Turner passed away early November after battling cancer for sometime. His funeral was held at Oakura hall with a big turnout followed later by a get together celebrating Gerald's life, a paddle out will be held in the near future as a final send off.

Gerald was one of the Taranaki originals, starting surfing in the 1950's and living it, right up to his passing. He was still at Vertigo surf shop holding court every morning for the last few years over coffee, discussing what new board he needed for his quiver or if he needed a new wetsuit.



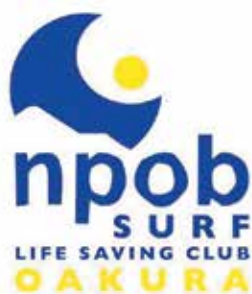
You could say Gerald epitomised a surfing life well lived.

He won contests in his youth and a finals placing in the NZ Surfing Nationals in 1965 was a highlight. A long career followed with Air NZ and raising his family at Oakura, he always had a camper van so he could disappear on surfing trips, it got bigger after retirement!

Later in life the Weld Road area became a favourite surf spot, the tight crew of surfers who frequent the beach always referred to Gerald as "The Mayor of Weld". His smiling face and genuine interest in what you had been up to and more importantly where you had surfed will be sorely missed by the surfers in the Village. RIP Gerald.....Our thoughts are with Gerald's family.

Gerald Turner 1947-2018. Both photo of Gerald surfing Houghton Bay, Wellington in the early days





With Christmas not too far away we are looking forward to the season ahead and hoping for another great summer. By the time the TOM has gone to print our lifeguards will be on the beach patrolling and we will have attended a few carnivals.

As always our Oceans and Senior members are well into their trainings building up to Nationals events in March. Both Oceans and Seniors will be at Mount Maunganui and the IRB's are toughing it out and heading South to Dunedin.

This season we are hosting the 2019 Central Region Championships on Saturday 12 January, followed by a local junior carnival the next day. A busy time in Oakura with Boardriders hosting the 2019 Surf Nationals the week prior. The following week we will be our annual Oceans camp, 17-20 January. If you need any motivation to get fit and healthy, now is the time to head to the beach to get inspiration from these young kids – they are impressive to say the least.

A big thanks to our volunteer lifeguards who started patrolling the weekend of 24 November, you will see the guards on the beach every Saturday and Sunday through to Taranaki Anniversary Weekend. If you are interested in becoming a lifeguard the next course is mid January. Please help our lifeguards by swimming between the flags – this is the safest place to swim.

As always the club can't operate without our volunteers who come in all shapes, sizes and with different skills. There is a job for everyone, please don't be shy to shout out if you can help in any way.

Enjoy the beach, stay safe and swim between the flags.
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photo below of Yannika Harrop

photo top of the bigger juniors heading into the ocean

photo above of the smallest juniors making good use of the river on our first junior surf Sunday for the season



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Interclub Tournaments

Oakura has won the Centre Interclub Div 2 competition by defeating Fitzroy 2 – 1 in an exciting and closely fought final. The Oakura team well deserved their victory losing only 2 matches throughout the entire tournament and for the first time in the Club's history will be promoted to the highly competitive Bill Smee Div 1 competition for 2019. Well done to the squad of Steve Muller, Jim Priest, Adam Collins, Bob Anderson, Bruce Jackson, Wayne Robinson, Kurt Smith, Andy Shearer, Kerry McGovern and Allan Bridgeman for some great bowling and contributing to this little piece of history for the club.

The Taranaki midweek tournaments have begun with the Oakura currently holding first place in the Gilmour Cup and running midfield in both the Avery and the Saturday Shield competitions. Well done to all players who keep turning up each week, the hard-working green keepers and also those who assist in smooth running of match days.

A solid start to the Saturday Div 1 Pennants has the Oakura Orcas placed midfield after 5 rounds. The Orcas face strong opposition each week from Taranaki's best bowlers and with more good results over the upcoming months should be able to consolidate their place in the Div 1 competition for next year.

The new and exciting Bowls3five tournament has started on Tuesday evenings at Stratford with the Oakura teams winning 2 from 6 games from their first outing. This concept is bowls' equivalent of crickets' 20/20 with two matches of 2 bowls triples being played each evening. Each match is of 1-hour duration consisting of 2 sets of 5 ends with the incentive of a power-play end where you can double your points scored. A special mention goes to our ladies' bowlers Sheree Jull, Margaret Green and Prue Wright in volunteering to play for Oakura. Ladies you sure add a little class and elegance to our teams.

Club Championships

The highly coveted Fours Championship has started with 4 teams reaching post-sectional play. The Club Pairs Championship will also start in December with the winners of both competitions to be decided by the end of January.

Club News

The Oakura Bowling and Social club raffle first prize of a \$1500 travel voucher was won by playing member Ray Haslip with the minor prizes of petrol vouchers going to N Murdoch and H Fitzsimons. A big thanks to Bob Anderson who managed all aspects of the raffle and our sponsors Stars Travel and Z Service Stations Taranaki.

The Underarm Bowler

PICKLEBALL Oakura



Pickleball will take a break from 21 December till 7 January 2019

Tues 4 December 7.15pm

Thurs 5 December 9.30am

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Thurs 12 December 9.30am

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Oakura Community What's On

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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 & Wednesdays. ph Joe on 021 110 1215

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.

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 Sunday School - St James church: Every 2nd and 4th Sunday 10am. Contact stjamesoakura@gmail.com

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.

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 Lions Club: continues to have activities in Oakura, as well as Okato. Meet on the first Wednesday each month, except January, at the Hempton Hall, Okato at 7.00pm, and we do appreciate enquiries from people seeking membership or assistance for funding, projects etc. Contact John Hislop Ph 06 7579696

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.

Pickleball Oakura: Come along and give Pickleball a go. Oakura Hall Thursday mornings 9.30am and Tuesday evenings 7.15pm. Contact Elayne Kessler at eckesslernz@hotmail.com or ph 0279377173

Probus Club: Meets once month at Oakura Bowling club rooms on the 3rd Friday of every month at 10am - 11.30am. Contact Brenda Ryan ph 7511633.

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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