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E D I T O R I A L


When I was writing the editorial for last month my mind was on the missing plane - the MH370. I thought it would be found by the time the TOM went to print so whatever I had to say would be out of date. I can hardly believe it still hasn't been found or any trace at all as to its whereabouts. The sceptics would have us believe big brother is watching our every move and we can't do a single thing without someone somewhere knowing. Well these sceptics may need to have a rethink but then again I have heard the theory that the Americans know where the plane is but won't share the information because it would show they have been illegally watching other nations without permission. Maybe it's time to design aircraft so that people can use their devices on board and transmit data - wouldn't that be convenient if you could do all your admin on a flight! Surely it's not too difficult to come up with an independent mobile band. Surely it's time too, to design planes so that flight paths cannot be altered or instrumentation fiddled with without an instant alert going to ground somewhere. I suppose what I am saying is I find it alarming that a plane can disappear so completely and the general public is at a loss to understand what is going on. There is an abyss out there and we don't want any more innocent people falling into it!



For local businesses the TOM has developed an app for offering competitions to potential clients. The app will help you build up a client base by capturing email addresses for future use. I suspect the TOM is one of very few businesses in the province offering this service. Give me a ring if you are interested in using this in your business.

Kim

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Mayor Andrew

Everyone who lives in New Plymouth District has a stake in our district's future.

I would like to get locals involved in helping to plan a big-picture

vision for the district and where we want to be in 10, 20 or 50 years' time.

To do this, we have started an initiative called 'New Plymouth District – Shaping our Future Together', and kicked it off with a Community Conversation in New Plymouth where the public could talk with me, Councillors, community board members and senior staff.

We're rolling these out around the district, and Oakura's Community Conversation will be held on 7 July.

Please mark this on your calendar now as I'd like to hear the thoughts of as many of you as possible.

Water conservation

We've had some challenging weeks recently with the very dry weather, but finally the rain has arrived!

Thank you to everyone who reduced their water use during that time. Even though Oakura's water source is an aquifer, we are limited in how much we can take for treatment each day and the high water use was affecting water pressure and firefighting reserves.

Also, the more water we use, the more we're spending in treatment costs.

Even though the dry spell is over, continuing the good habits of water conservation is a good idea just from a money-saving viewpoint.

It's great to know that when we're in an extreme situation such as the recent dry spell, the community will respond to help everyone get through it.

Changes to Citylink Route 40, Oakura

EFFECTIVE: MONDAY 12 MAY 2014

Following a review of Citylink bus services to and from Oakura late last year, the Council has decided to continue most Route 40 services which cater to commuters. However, two midday services will cease.

Due to the high numbers on school bus services, Route 40 will also double up as a school bus service for NP Boys' High students. This means a time change for the afternoon service, which will depart Arika St at 3.20pm instead of 3.08pm. We're pleased we can continue to provide a commuter service; the need for additional seating for students creates an opportunity to continue the service.

The two midday services ceasing are 12pm NP to Oakura and 12.20pm Oakura to NP.

Timetable details will be available on taranakibus.info closer to the changeover date (12 May).

New printed timetables will also be distributed and available at the Oakura Library and Puke Ariki i-SITE, and from the bus driver.



The list of finalists for the 2014 New Zealand Post Book Awards for Children and Young Adults has been released. We have all the books here at the library. Once again you are asked to vote for your favourite book on the list for the Children's Choice Award. Voting closes on Monday 26th May. We have voting cards here or you can vote online at www.nzpostbookawards.co.nz. Barbara Else, author and NZ Post Awards judge says, "The finalists' books have something for everyone in all four categories of the Awards. Tiny children and their parents will delight in the diverse and quirky range of picture books. Primary school readers will enjoy fantasy, realism and books based loosely on real life stories. The non-fiction finalists will appeal to children and adults alike with subjects ranging from honey bees and New Zealand's natural environment to hunting and fishing, ANZAC Day and wearable arts. High school students will find fantasy, science fiction and gritty fiction which will resonate strongly with the world they live in."

We have two new magazines coming soon: *Curl* and *NZ Life and Leisure*. We carry a good selection of DVDs for those rainy days.

Crackerjacks-pre-school story time session will be held on Thursday 15th May at 10am. All families welcome no booking.

Don't forget to check out What's On at www.pukeariki.com for all the events at Puke Ariki and district libraries or pick up your brochure here.

Charlie and Vincenza



We're on the Right Track

JONATHAN YOUNG MP

As an MP, I know one of the most important things I can do is work towards a stronger economy and more jobs to support our families and households.

The Government and New Zealanders have worked together to face the challenges of a country left in recession by Labour, a global financial crisis, and devastating earthquakes in Canterbury.

There is still more ahead of us, but our hard work is paying dividends. As the economy continues to grow, we are seeing new jobs being created and unemployment falling. New Zealand's annual economic growth of more than 3 per cent puts us among the top handful of countries in the developed world.

Exports are growing as are our construction and service industries as they catch up on house building in Auckland and Christchurch, and that's spreading around the country.

Our two-way trade with China is booming – up from around \$9 billion five years ago to more than \$18 billion today. Prime Minister John Key and Chinese President Xi Jinping have just set an ambitious new goal for two-way trade of \$30 billion by 2020.

Business confidence is approaching a 20-year high – with a strong showing for hiring intentions and investment for growth.

Manufacturing activity is now at its highest level since March 2006. Labour productivity increased 2.1 per cent in the year to March – well above the average annual rate of 1.6 per cent since 1996. Investment in plant, machinery and equipment is up 7.5 per cent, confirming businesses are investing for the long-term to support productivity and higher wages.

Consumer confidence is running at a nine-year high. People are not getting carried away but they are spending a bit more because they feel more secure about their jobs and incomes. Consumer prices rose just 1.6 per cent in 2013 and food prices were up just 0.2 per cent in the past year.

Interest rates, while increasing, remain near 50-year lows.

The Government is on track to surplus next year which we will build on in the coming years so we can repay debt and buffer New Zealand from any future shocks.

Providing we stick with the National-led Government's successful programme, New Zealanders can lock in the economic gains we're starting to see through more jobs and higher incomes.

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Kaitake Community Board

The gale force winds leading into Easter gave our area a real thumping but we were much luckier than the west coast of the South Island that bore the brunt of the remnants of Cyclone Ita. In fact, nearly a week on, there were still a large number of households without power. The weather didn't improve too much during the Easter period but in spite of that it was pleasing to see so many people out and about, determined to make the most of their holiday break. The rain was a welcome relief for many of us. All Taranaki farmers will be counting their blessings that the rain came early enough to ensure the grass will grow before winter sets in.

The Kaitake Community Board made only a single submission to the NPDC 2014/15 Draft Budget, taking a different approach than the usual. The rationale for this is attributable to Council's stated intention to contain the general rates increase at 2% and, therefore, the obvious outcome that there will be very little opportunity to address most, if not all of the requests for assistance in our community. KCB certainly supports Council's intentions to make savings 'across the board' as it sets out on its expenditure reductions programme. We understand the reasons for such an approach and agree that this is a valid course of action to address the efficiency with which all existing functions of NPDC deliver on levels of service. However KCB maintains this intention must be characterised by a circumspect, systematic planned approach. That can only be achieved with Councillors working as a cohesive unit, focusing on the wider role of the organisation and its needs in meeting ongoing community requirements. A piecemeal 'scattergun' perspective would achieve little of genuine substance. We made the following points in our submission: Cutting new capital works projects may have some merit, but over time will deplete the district's ongoing vibrancy and ability to attract settlers from elsewhere in the country and from overseas - something all stakeholders believe is essential. Also by minimising ongoing renewals and maintenance processes is bound to create an accumulation of requirements downstream. The future funding of these can only result in a rates increase spike in later annual plans. Any reductions in levels of service provision will be very difficult to restore at a later date. We asked if the community is prepared to accept such limitations across the board and whether all council

activities should be restricted at the same level, or should some receive less funding restrictions due to their fundamental importance to community well-being. We also want to know how Council will ensure that there is genuine equity across the district in any cuts in service provision and we asked for a guarantee that the agreed outcomes for the first three years of the 2012/22 Long Term Plan will be completed. After all this is the framework upon which each annual budget is based. We remain hopeful that Council, working in a close partnership with management, can achieve many of the Annual Plan aims it has signalled but any cuts must neither advantage nor disadvantage any of the district's geographical, age or special interest cohorts in relation to each other. We will be speaking further to our submission in early June. On a brighter note it is very satisfying to see how enthusiastically the young people of Okato have taken to their new playground and skateboard park. Okato parents tell us that the skate park and playground is amazing and local kids have been there swinging, climbing, skating and just hanging out nearly every day since it has been open. The skaters tell us the park is a great design and they are eagerly awaiting the completion of the skate park bowl, expected to be finished in June. The Oakura Hall will shortly be going through a sound proofing refit of the wall and door between the supper room and the main hall. Tenders have closed and the work will be carried out during the July school holiday break. There will be some obvious disruption for a week or so but the outcome will result in a far quieter atmosphere that will allow different activities to take place at the same time in the two spaces. This has been an ongoing problem for years and with the growth in different activities that the hall now caters for it was obvious something had to be done. Don't forget to regularly check the KCB Facebook page. Last month we had 343 Face Bookers who looked at the article about local jeweller Rob Wright. However Rob has lost his record this month to our own announcement that the extra \$75,000 funding required to finish the Okato skate park had been secured from the New Zealand Community Trust - it attracted a whopping 502 views! We that's it for this issue, we hope you all have your firewood in and your winter garden planted.

Ka kite ano,

Doug Hislop (752 7324) on behalf of Keith Plummer, Mike Pillette, Paul Coxhead and Councillor Richard Jordan who is the Council representative on the KCB.



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Zumba Instructor and Zumba Education Specialist Carolina Arias

Carolina is originally from Chile and became a qualified Personal Trainer and a certified Group Fitness Instructor in 2000 after she completed her Degree in Public Relations in Santiago, Chile. In 2006 Carolina packed her suitcase and with very little English boarded a flight to New Zealand for what was meant to be a year...

Based in Auckland, Carolina became a Zumba® Fitness Instructor in 2009 after her Gym Manager convinced her to do the course. After she taught her first class and saw the reaction from participants she fell in love with Zumba® Fitness and realised how many great things this program could do for people. So she decided to get her license in every Specialty Program that Zumba® Fitness offers.

One year later Carolina became a Zumba® Education Specialist (ZES™) in New Zealand and Australia and today she runs Instructors Training Courses in New Zealand, Australia, Asia and the Pacific.

New Plymouth is very fortunate to be hosting two Zumba Instructor trainings, the first time ever for the region. On May 24 and 25 Carolina will host Zumba Basic 1 and Basic 2 courses at Devon Intermediate School Hall. These are open to anyone who has a passion for fitness and Zumba.

As part of her visit to New Plymouth, Carolina is also hosting a Masterclass – a 90 minute Zumba ‘Party’ class that is not to be missed. You do not need to have done Zumba before, be a dancer or be superfit! This class is for everyone who enjoys music, fitness and a good time – the class will be on Saturday 25 May, 2014 at 7.00pm at Devon Intermediate School Hall. Tickets are available at the door for \$25 or can be pre-purchased for only \$20 from Ange Day – zumbawithangenp@gmail.com or phone (021) 222 9683.

About Ange Day

Originally from Christchurch, my family and I moved to Oakura in October 2012 – escaping the ‘shaky country’! We have three boys who all attend Oakura Primary. My husband grew up in New Plymouth.

I trained as a Zumba Instructor in 2011 and currently teach three classes in New Plymouth at Vogeltown Primary School Hall on Tues and Thurs at 6.30pm and Sundays at 5.00pm – everyone welcome.

I am hoping to start a class locally this year, venue permitting.



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For those in the know the Photos For You photographic studio in King Street (above Judds opticians) has been a work in progress but that's because we, Rosie and Bryan, had a vision and we wanted to get it just right! We think we have!

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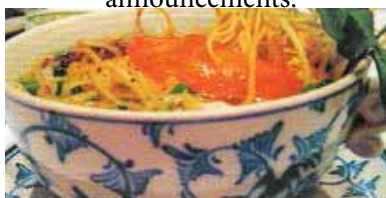
Okurukuru - Like No Other. May Update

Wow! What a great start to Autumn. We've had glorious balmy warm days along with much needed rain. Fantastic. Autumn is when Okurukuru is truly wonderful. Historically the time for harvest, the grapes have been picked, the evenings get cooler. Perfect eating weather! We invite you to have a meal with us and watch an early spectacular sunset from the deck. See the note from Danger about new menu items for the change of seasons. Give us a call and we'll book a table for you by the window with inspiring views of the Tasman Sea, 06 751 0787.

Free 3 course dinner for 2...

Have you submitted your questionnaire yet? Do so and you can be in the draw for a free three-course dinner for 2 at Okurukuru. It's our way of showing our appreciation for your patronage and honest feedback. Our winner for April is Joyleen C! Congratulations Joyleen and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Our French-inspired dinner was a success with a room full of happy diners enjoying the delicious French dishes paired with wonderful New Zealand Pinot Noirs. Hope you didn't miss out! We'll have more special wine nights here at Okurukuru, be sure to watch this newsletter for announcements.



Also, in partnership with the TOM, and The Travel Brokers promotion for their Vietnam Culinary Discovery Tour, enter the draw to win a degustation dinner for two at Okurukuru by visiting <https://www.facebook.com/TOMOAKURA> and clicking on WIN. Entries close 31 May.



Spaces going fast!

Okurukuru is the first stop of the Taranaki Weddings Mystery Bus Tour! Saturday, May 24 starting 9:30am, all around New Plymouth. For more information, go to the Taranaki Weddings Mystery Bus Tour Facebook page or call 022 077 2354.

Okurukuru Winery, 738 Surf Highway 45, New Plymouth, 067510787



As part of their New Zealand tour, the Germein Sisters with Bryce Wastney performs at Okurukuru 10 May 2014, 7.30pm

South Australian siblings the Germein Sisters are a refreshingly honest young female band, who's unique brand of pop/folk/rock has led them to a breadth of credits that defy their years. Following a 2013 World Tour, talented sisters Georgia, Ella and Clara Germein will perform hits from their debut album "Because You Breathe". \$15 pre-sales via eventfinder, \$20 at the door.



Help us welcome Dan to our staff here at Okurukuru. Dan brings a wealth of experience as he's worked at other top end restaurants here in Taranaki like Andre's, The Mayfair and Nice Hotel & Table Restaurant. Not only does he serve in the restaurant but he is also our events manager and will help you organise your special occasion here at Okurukuru, whether it be a function, private party or wedding. Come by and have a chat with Dan!



Greetings from Danger @ Okurukuru

Hello! I've been coming up with some new dishes and I'm excited to tell you about our latest menus here at Okurukuru. In addition to our signature duck, lamb and fresh fish meals, I've sourced some wonderful fresh clams from Cloudy Bay for a delicious white wine sauce paired with pasta. It's part of the new Bistro Menu, and I'm also introducing the Okurukuru Premiere Menu. Here are some samples:

Paua Ravioli w Sautéed King Prawns & Grated Parmesan

Spaghetti "Vongole" Tossed with Fresh Cloudy Bay Clams and White Wine, Parmesan

Rich Chocolate Tart, Vanilla Bean Ice Cream

Yellow Fin Tuna Ceviche with Coconut, Citrus, and Coriander Crispy Canter Valley Duck, Braised Red Cabbage, Anna Potatoes, Jus

Pear Tarte Tatin with Blue Cheese Ice Cream

Have you seen our children's menu and outdoor play area? Come check it out and for the school holidays from now until the 4th May, each child under 10 eats free with a paying adult. Need more family time? Bring everyone out to Okurukuru!

SPORTS

Oakura Pony Club

Whew, summer flew by!

Four of our riders entered Horse of the Year 2014. This competition is huge with over 74,000 people pouring through the gates over the six days and all the best riders from around New Zealand competing - plus four riders from Oakura Pony Club!

The riders were:

Pleasure Show hunter Pony: Isabella Hibble on Jiggysaw. Ring 1 entered 6 classes.

Weatherbeeta open level 3 pony and open level 3 pony musical freestyle: Jordan Giltrap on Celtic Limelight.

Level 3 musical freestyle and Savvy touch level 3 horse: Molly Lumb on Ferro.

Harrison Lane horses 1.10 TAM5 Art & NZ Natural clothing horse 1.10 TAMs Art. Final in main area 1.15: Maeghan King on Alexander Bay.

The Taranaki team got 7th overall in the New Zealand teams - awesome.

Pony Club events coming up include pony club camp to be held at Oakura Club grounds, and Cups day where north Taranaki pony club children compete.

It's been a fantastic summer, please phone for next rally dates and come and join in.

By Anthea Abnaki



Proudly displaying their ribbons from Horse of the Year are, above Isabella Hibble and below, Jordan Giltrap.



Pony Club members Summer, Riley and Georgia enjoying the Mufti Twilight Rally.





Kaitake Golf Club

Finally we have received that much wanted rain. This was very timely for Kaitake as the greens have recently been dethatched and re-seeded. The course won't take long to regain its healthy green appearance.

Twilight Golf has finished for this summer. While the 'weather gods' were against us on some Tuesday's earlier in the year, we have averaged good numbers attending. Twilight is a popular competition and will definitely be back on the programme in October.

COMPETITION RESULTS

Men

The Men's Shootout has started and the President's Trophy is still being played. The two Men's Pennant teams did not qualify for the finals.

The Harry Blyde Cup was played at Kaitake last Sunday. This was a good day and promises to be included in the programme next year.

Weekend Women

The Weekend Women have welcomed another two new members. We played our first LGU and Home Pennant Competition at the end of March. Winner of Silver Division was Julie Ockhuysen and Bronze Division was Janet Dingle.

The Nancy McCormack 36 hole 2 ball foursomes was won by June Neale and Kim Woodward

Our Weekend Pennants team have also done well with a win over Hawera at Westown last Sunday.

Midweek Women

The Nancy McCormack Midweek competition was won by Robyn Robins and Trudy McEldowney with Jill Gudopp and Lorraine Julian runners-up.

Cleaver Challenge winners were Kath Brown, Lorraine Julian and Pat Ellicock. Runners-up Marlene Scott, Helen Whyte and Marie Benton.

Winner of the Silver Division 27 hole Stroke Play was Robyn Robins with Jacqui Koch runner-up. The Bronze Division winner was Joan Gerrard with Sally Kwon runner-up.

Midweek 9 Hole Women

Our come and try ladies have passed the test - joined up as new members, got their handicaps under way and now they are ready to put the

accelerator on. Welcome to our ever popular 9 Hole group Jeanette Upson, Jill Flavell and Diane Fowler.

Results from the latest competition Cooper Challenge - Winner Christine Alexander and Runner Up Annette Cattle. Flights Angela Hitchman and Jean Keegan respectively. Christine is beginning to make her presence felt in the first section so we will be reading more of her success in the future.

Congratulations to Kay Stachurski who achieved the ultimate for golfers - a hole in one on the 4th whilst playing round 1 of the Josie Malcolm Canadian Foursomes so that alleviated her partner Margaret Briscoe from pulling a club from her bag.

Congratulations to Kay and all the winners and players representing Kaitake.



Kay Stachurski, a member of the Midweek 9 hole Division, brilliantly made a hole-in-one on the 4th hole during competition.

FIREWOOD

It is the time of the year when you need to start thinking about stocking up on firewood. Look no further. An average trailer load (6 x4) is \$80 and can be delivered for \$20 extra. Please phone the Office to order.

Golf Accessories

A limited range of golf accessories have been introduced for sale at the Club. Currently this includes balls, tees, gloves, socks, Kaitake shirts. Hopefully this range will be extended in the future. If you need anything see Jacqui during office hours.

MEMBERSHIP

Currently there have been a number of new members both men and women, 18 hole and 9 hole joining the Club. At a time when many clubs are facing declining membership numbers Kaitake is happy to see the membership grow. We welcome all new players. Coaching is available if required. Talk to Jacqui in the office for more information.

COMING UP

Taranaki 2 Ball Best Ball sponsored by The Golf Zone will be played on Sunday 11th May. This is always a popular day so phone the office for a tee time.

The Kaitake Midweek Women have an Open Day planned for Thursday 15th May. Ring Trudy McEldowney on 7572803 to register.

More information on Kaitake Golf Club or coming events can be found on the website www.kaitakegolf.co.nz. or by talking to Jacqui in the Office, phone 752 7665

Andrea Jarrold, Club President

CATERER REQUIRED



Kaitake Golf Club is looking for a fun, self motivated caterer to provide members with a good variety of food on club days, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Must be flexible to cater on extra days, including Sundays when required.

If you have a love of cooking and want to make people happy with your home baking this is for you.

While this is a self employed position the Club offers a wet-weather retainer.

**For more information phone
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Locals Win Bronze at International Ice Hockey Event

The Ice Blacks won the bronze medal at the 2014 IIHF Division IIB Championships in Jaca, Spain, 5-11 April 2014.

Game Results

New Zealand 6 - Turkey 3
 New Zealand 0 - Mexico 5
 New Zealand 4 - South Africa 2
 New Zealand 3* - China 2
 New Zealand 2 - Spain 6

Nick Henderson of Oakura tells us about his international ice hockey experience.

A little over three weeks ago, a contingent of 25 players and five team staff gathered in Beroun, Czech Republic for the New Zealand Ice Blacks final training camp. Part of the group enjoyed a 50 hour transit from Auckland, while the others joined us from Australia, Canada and Europe.

The 10 day camp was a great way to bring the team together and was the first time the squad as a whole had been on the ice together. We spent over 20 hours on the ice along with having four warm-up games against various Czech teams. We managed to get game-like competition that just isn't available in this part of the world and this was integral to our preparation. Being able to gather as a team and train so far away from home gives us the opportunity to focus our mindset solely on hockey for a short period of time before playing international teams that are coming fresh off their respective seasons.

Following the camp, it was a short flight from Prague to Barcelona and a five hour bus ride to Jaca, which was a great chance to see the Spanish countryside!

The accommodation and facilities offered by the Spanish Ice Hockey Federation were incredible, and once again, allowed us to focus on the job at hand.

The tournament side of things showed mixed results for us. We were able to come from behind in every game and beat Turkey, South Africa and China. Unfortunately we were beaten by a Mexican team that were a lot stronger than last year, and in the final game, we fell to eventual winners, Spain, in front of a local crowd of 3000.

On a local note, I was joined by Jaden Pine-Murphy and Nick Craig, who also played all their junior hockey in warmer conditions in Taranaki. After playing 10 years together it was the first time we had played on the ice and in the same jersey for seven years!

Moving forward, the majority of the New Zealand Ice Blacks are under the age of 25, and from what I can see there is a talented crop of players coming through in the age groups, so no doubt we will continue to improve our ranking every year!



Nick Craig, Nick Henderson and Jaden Murphy-Pine.



Nick in action.

Game on!



Local Children Enjoy Fun and Games

The X Race games were held in Hawera in April and many local families enjoyed participating. The games are about fun and family participation along with healthy competition.



Lewis Thompson,
Oscar Anderson,
Josh Browne &
Connor Clough
– all 9 year olds
(Year 5) from
Oakura School.



Oakura School
children who
participated in the
Weet-Bix triathlon.





KAYAK FISHING CLUB

This year's Kayak Classic was the best ever with 227 entries from as far away as Christchurch, the far north and three from different parts of Australia.

The fishing was amazing on both days especially considering the wind was very strong on the Saturday.

The auction was again a success with \$3000 being donated to Coastguard and Legasea. A big thanks to Peter McDonald and Egmont Seafoods for helping make the event a huge success, to the local Oakura businesses who supported us, and to the public for buying some of the freshest fish you could ever buy.

If you missed it this year mark it in your calendars for next year. Next year's dates will be announced soon.

Full results and pictures can be found on our website www.kayakfishingclassic.org.nz, also on our Facebook page and the TOM website www.thetom.co.nz.



Judging by the size of these whopping snapper, it's hard to believe the kayaks didn't sink under the extra weight.

Filleting guru, Peter Bennett from Egmont Seafoods making it look easy.



THE KAYAK FISHING CLASSIC



The major draw prize of a \$4000 kayak went to Deidre Krutz who also got second place in the ladies' class,

The winning snapper was 11.6kg and the angler was Keith Drummond. The top eight snapper were all over 10kg.

Thanks again to all those who supported the event which has grown to be by far the biggest and best kayak fishing competition in New Zealand.

With winter setting in it will soon be time for the AGM and prize giving.

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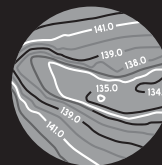
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Oakura Boardriders

The Micro Grom Series finished with the last contest being held at Waitara run by the Waitara Boardriders Club. A great sunny day of grom sized waves at Boilers surf break with our local young surfers coming to the fore: Tom Butland 1st in the U13 Boys and 1st in the U11 Boys, Ariana Shewry 2nd in the U13 Girls and 2nd in the U11 Girls, Koah Shewry 2nd in the U9 boys. For the overall Micro Grom Series champions are:

U13 Boys ; Tom Butland, Oakura

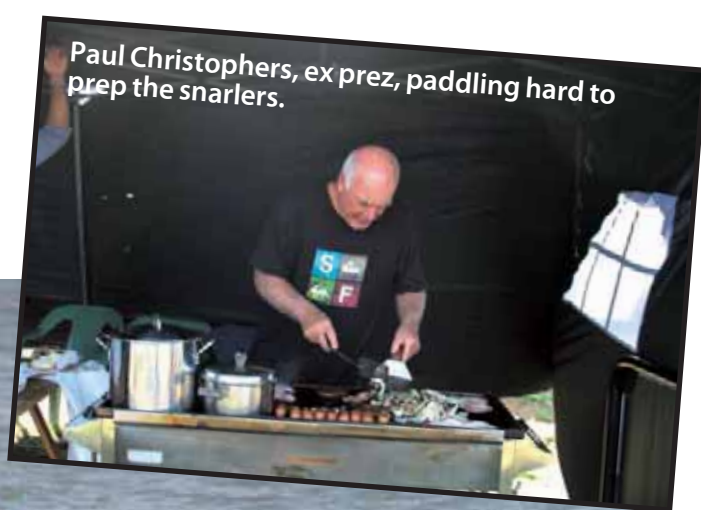
U13 Girls; Kahana Ngaia, Waitara & Ariana Shewry 1st=

U11 Boys; Tom Butland, Oakura

U11 Girls; Ariana Shewry, Oakura

U9 Boys; Ryder Pennington, Waitara

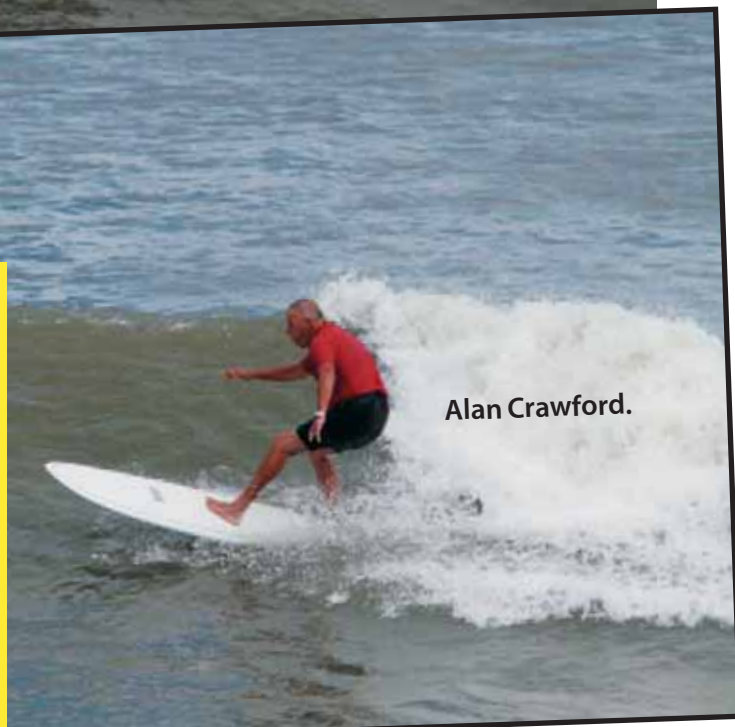
Paul Christophers, ex prez, paddling hard to prep the snarlers.



Chris Davies.



Alan Crawford.



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Mickey Hareb.

As the TOM goes to press the Easter Masters is underway with a lot of the clubs senior surfers competing. It always a good weekend and chance to catch up with friends from afar. The Masters is the first event of the Taranaki Surf Festival and leads into a huge couple of weeks of surfing. The Boardriders club is once again hosting the North Wai Club from Christchurch who will contest an inter-province contest - Taranaki clubs against them, followed by a big social evening at the clubrooms.

Paige Hareb is presently contesting the Rip Curl Pro at Bells Beach after two 9th place finishes on the Gold Coast and then Margaret River in West Australia. Paige will be hoping to better this before heading home to Taranaki to contest the WQS Women's contest here at Fitzroy as part of the Taranaki Surf Festival.

For all those members who have a passion for the club and its future we're hoping to secure some funding and do some major renovations in the near future. If you want some input, have some ideas, or are willing to lend a hand please talk to a committee member or feel free to come to a committee meeting, first Wednesday of the month.

Remember we have a Facebook page running so if you 'Like' it you can stay up to date with news and happenings!!

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The Debate Continues Over Fat or Sugar – Which One is Making Us Fat?

The Daily Mail UK has published an amazing article on an experiment carried out by the BBC on two male identical twin doctors. One went on a no carbohydrate diet and the other went on a very low fat diet. The experiment was designed to show if there was any advantage in adopting either regime. The results showed no advantage rather the twin's conclusions were that weight gain is due more to the combination of fat and sugar in a processed food diet.

The reason I call this article amazing is because the debate still rages on .

... one minute some 'professionial' says you must cut out sugar and the next minute the next professional says cut out fats. Both sides sound feasible and both sides sound like they have solid scientific evidence for their findings. I recently overheard some ladies talking about a book that they were reading and how it showed that you must cut out sugar, as it's a poison to the body.

A few weeks ago, front page news on The Taranaki Daily News, was the 19 year old girl who's lost so much weight on a diet promoting eating 'good' fats and proteins, with minimal carbohydrates.

So which science is correct, which diet works?

When you listen to the 'science/proof' behind each theory, both sides sound so logical, but when you read this article it puts both under the microscope, looking at each one on the same playing field, and the result is pretty much the same for both - once you come off the diet, you'll go back to former eating habits and have probably done some damage to your body in the meantime (or just lost some muscle you've worked so hard to gain).

Bottom line is, we eat too much, and then we tend to want to go back to dieting but it's these reminders that unless you've got a backup plan for when you come off this diet, whichever it may be, you will just put all the weight back on. Sometimes the information is not new, but just a timely reminder.

The article I referred to above is a good read, if you're looking for that answer, or perhaps just some food for thought. Any diet that eliminates fat or sugar will be unpalatable, hard to sustain and probably bad for your health too.

Read the full article at www.dailymail.co.uk/health/article-2546975

by Estelle Williams



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OAKURA SCHOOL THE LITERACY QUIZ 2014

On Friday the 11th of April two teams of year 7 and 8 students travelled to Devon Intermediate for the 2014 'Literacy Quiz'. Group one consisted of: Olivia Whitehead, George Clarke, Lachie White and Eli Goodkind. Group 2 consisted of: Melanie Bishop, Adam Bridges, Skyler Ellington and Michael Spurdle. Over the course of the day the two Oakura groups had to answer all sorts of questions about poems, folk tales, characters, mythology, food, body parts, animals and novels. There were about 20 teams from all over Taranaki competing in the event. Group one came 4th equal, an outstanding achievement, and group 2 came 17th, also a very good accomplishment. The two teams practiced almost every afternoon in the last two weeks before the quiz. They did amazingly as all the questions were really difficult. Thank you to Judy Hanline for doing a great job of tutoring the two teams.

By: Hamish (12 years) and Maya (11 years).

OAKURA SCHOOL CAMP WELLY

On the 17 of March the year 7 and 8's travelled via bus to the capital of New Zealand, the beautiful Wellington. Whilst we were down in Wellington we went to Parliament and saw how the buildings were earthquake proofed and some students saw the members of parliament in the debating chamber. We also went to Te Papa and saw a giant green stone and colossal squid. On the same day we went to H2O water Extreme Park and went down the hydro slides and the lazy river. The next day we went to the Capital E Studios and designed a movie about alien invaders. We got to operate cameras, choose our costumes and props and some of us got to practise our acting skills. We also created three applications for android phones. After a good night's sleep we had an amazing race with Mrs Jackson's old school, Thorndon. In the amazing race we had



Members of room 10 and 11 outside the Beehive.

to race around Central Wellington taking photos of Parliament, the Botanical Rose Gardens and the giant kina sculpture. It ran for about two hours and the winners got a juicy ice block and the runner-ups got a chocolate bar. The Year 7 and 8's overall had a fantastic week. Thank you to the parent helpers, Andrew the bus driver and Miss Todd and Mrs Jackson for organising such an amazing trip.

By Hamish Goodhue (age 12)

OAKURA SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOOL ATHLETICS

On Tuesday 5th of March, the senior students from Coastal, Oakura and Omata schools attended the senior school athletics interschool competition. It was held at Coastal Taranaki School on their playing field where equipment for the events was set out on different areas of the field. The year 7 girls were split into two groups as well as the year 7 boys, year 8 girls and year 8 boys. The 8 groups rotated around the seven activities spread out on the field. The activities consisted of; high jump, long jump, shot-put, javelin, discus and the 100m and 200m sprint. While one team had a bye to rest and get some energy the others had a great time competing. Unfortunately the sunny day



Jayden Lamb and Charlie Waite sprinting for the finishing line.

was cut short, due a sudden change in the weather. A special thanks to all the parents who volunteered to help out at the activities, as well as the teachers who kept everything under control throughout the day. Also thanks to Coastal Taranaki School for organising the event. It was very enjoyable and everyone is excited for next year's event.

By Hamish Goodhue (age 12)

FEIJOA'S FOR OAKURA SCHOOL

Oakura Farms presented Oakura School's FOOS team a fundraising opportunity to sell this year's crop of feijoa's. The feijoa orchard boasts an impressive line up of feijoa trees with exceptionally large and sweet fruit. The Oakura School FOOS team are very thankful to Oakura Farms for this opportunity and appreciate their ongoing support in this venture. Anne Clough said "it's a great to have an opportunity to both support the school and bring the Oakura community together. We sold over 100 buckets of feijoa's and raised over \$500 for the school".

COVER STORY

The weather threatened rain but it was very warm and many in the community got out and had fun picking up the delicious fruit from the ground. A huge thanks needs to go to Nienke Dashorst for the many hours she and her team spent organising this fundraiser. Locals who turned up were amazed at the size of the fruit and how sweet they were. Others couldn't believe the abundance of fruit and returned again and again to pick more buckets full.

It's probably fair to say there are many community members 'feijoa'ed' out now!

By Kim Ferens



Above: Isaac and Linda Barbour happy with their haul of feijoa's



Left: probably a two person lift!

Right, above and below: the overcast weather didn't dampen the spirits of these avid gatherers.



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COMING EVENTS

May

- 12 Mobile Library 1:30-2:30
- 14 Y1/2 Movement Madness
Y5/6 Sports exchange at St
Puis X
- 15 Y3/4 Movement Madness.
- 16 R6 to Secondary Schools Orchestra performance at
Spotswood College.
- 20 Show: Strike Percussion 2pm.
- 26-28 Book Fair in library.
- 26-29 AWE Swimming programme for Y6.
- 27 Yr 8 Young Leaders' Conference
Palmerston North.
- 28 Yr5/6 Sports Exchange vs Egmont Village at
Omata.

June

- 2 Queen's Birthday.
- 20 *Please Note* - Teacher Only Day.

BOT UPDATE

The year 5-8 overnight camp was a great success and is a great example of the outdoor classroom in action with life lessons and challenges that have to be overcome. The development of the children over these years is important and the 5-8 camp is only one example of the benefits of our school being a full primary. Many thanks to our team of volunteers who kept our pool running this year; all enjoyed it.

At long last we are starting to move forward with the development of 'A' block (main block). Working together with the MoE staff, we are finalising plans to repair water damage, which was highlighted by the moisture testing we had done last year. Running alongside this will be the cloak bay/learning spaces development of Block 'A'. A new exterior paint job will also be part of this building project. Our 2014 charter and strategic plan have been submitted to the MoE with new targets and goals to encourage students and staff to reach the highest level.

At the last board meeting Karen discussed and we reviewed our special needs policy which covers all students with needs. Highlighted was that the more we learn about children with special needs the more there is to learn and it is an ever-developing field. Also highlighted was the importance of good communication and professional development to ensure that all of our students needs are met. I thank all management and staff for the smooth start to the year.

WHAT'S ON TOP?

A stable roll is very important to maintain our current staffing levels. It is always a balancing act to have our classes



Intense setting up of tents at the Camp Out.

small enough to maximise learning, and yet not so small that we lose teachers. Being zoned means the onus is on the Board of Trustees to manage the roll and out of zone enrolment numbers carefully. It is somewhat unpredictable how many students turn up to enrol but you can help us with future predictions by letting Bronnie know when a family in your area moves in or has pre-school children. We have a pre-enrolment list that predicts the next five years, so it is never too soon to enrol!

Winter sports are just around the corner and we have many students joining teams for football, netball and basketball. We urge parents to pass on the mantra of 'fair play' to their children. We like to have competitive play within a supportive atmosphere; where players, spectators and coaches encourage each other to do their very best on the court or field. It is only through parents volunteering to coach and manage, that we can continue to offer school teams. So please give them your help and your thanks. Also a huge thanks to Stuart who organises the teams and supports everyone through the season so well. Not an easy job as you can imagine.

This year our year 5 and 6 students will also be participating in an inter-school sports competition, as finally we have enough rugby players to make up a team. It has been about 6 years since we competed. Alongside the main rugby competition schools are also able to play games of netball and football. Go Omata!

In my role on the executive of New Zealand Principals' Federation, I am party to discussions with the Minister of Education and Ministry about changes to the education landscape for schools. Sometimes we welcome, and sometimes we are challenged by changes; however it is imperative that educators have input into shaping education policy so that it can make a positive difference for children's achievement and well-being.

In term two we welcome assistance on Thursday mornings from volunteers with the Rotary Reading scheme. Also look out for Harold's truck in week one as we begin Life Education. Our rich topic, 'Guardians of the Bush', continues throughout next term. Please join us on our open day at the end of the term to celebrate and share the learning.

Karen Brisco, Principal



Camp Out: Joe Wagstaff enjoys a frankfurter cooked on an open fire.



New Plymouth Boys' High School

One of the things I really appreciate is feedback and constructive criticism concerning the quality of education offered by NPBHS. The ultimate feedback comes from the Education Review Office. We have just had our ERO review (the team come in and see how well the school is promoting student learning, engagement, progress and achievement) and their report will be available by June. In meeting with our Board of Trustees they commented on the following areas:

1. Learning – they congratulated us on the improved retention rates, the deliberate approach to ensure improved NCEA results, the fortnightly Engagement Report emailed to parents, the improved Maori achievement and the use of data, teacher enquiry, departmental reviews and professional development of teachers to ensure academic success.

Given the data what do I need to do for that group of boys that will enhance their chance of success? How did it go? How does my analysis inform planning for next year?

2. Curriculum – their view was that the curriculum is broad-based and offers a wide range of opportunities in sport, culture and leadership. They praised us for our learning environment and high levels of student engagement. They were impressed by the increased use of IT as a teaching tool.

How does the curriculum meet the needs of the boys?

3. Maori student success – ERO were pleased with the use of te reo and our culturally responsive practices. They commented on our close links with tangata whenua and strategies we have implemented to improve the academic success of our Maori boys.

How do we ensure there is no gap between Maori and non-Maori in our academic success?

4. Sustainability – Their view was that the school is well placed for the future and has a positive atmosphere. There is a strong link with the community through PTA, Old Boys and Whanau. The engagement report has kept parents knowledgeable about how their son is progressing and the use of a parent portal in the near future will add to our lines of communication with parents. The decision making is evidence-based and the structures are present in the school to ensure a quality education for every boy.

5. Hostel – the boys are well looked after by caring staff who are responsive to the boys' needs. The academic focus is excellent and study time ("prep") helps the boys do well (90% pass rate in Level 1 NCEA). They commented favourably on the family atmosphere.

Those of the readers who have boys at our school are welcome to contact the headmaster@npbhs.school.nz with your views on how we are going as a school.

M.J. McMenamin,
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From left, Jay Evans. Oscar Robertson. Max Shearer.



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Phew, what a busy term!

Term one is an extremely important term. We transition new students, parents and teachers into our learning community; we establish the routines and expectations of learning at new levels for students and we hold whole school sports events (Athletics, Swimming and Cross Country) which contribute much to the culture and unity of our School.

A significant focus of Term one has been the integration of our E TŪ programme into all lessons across all subjects and year levels. We have worked to explicitly link E TŪ (Stand tall for learning, participating and contributing) with the New Zealand Curriculum Key Competencies. E TŪ fits with the Key Competencies in the following way:-

- E** - Education - Thinking.
Using Language symbols and text.
- T** - Taking Part - Participating and Contributing.
Managing Self.
- Ū** - Unity - Relating to others.

RESULTS/ACHIEVEMENT

During the term we have celebrated our great NCEA results particularly at Levels 1 and 2. The number of our students gaining endorsements continues to rise and we were pleased with students gaining scholarships across the curriculum in Biology, Classics, Sculpture, Photography, Geography and Physical Education. A letter from the Minister of Education, Hekia Parata, congratulating us on our results was most encouraging.

48 HOUR FILM FESTIVAL

Four Spotswood College teams participated in the 48 Hour Film Festival during the weekend 4 – 6 April. About 30 students and eight staff were involved in planning, writing, filming, producing and acting these 1 – 7 minute short films all within the 48 hour timeframe.

All films were of a particularly high standard and reflects very positively on the learning our students gain through our Performing Arts Faculty.

We are waiting for the decisions from judges and again we will report to you in the next TOM Magazine.

What a wonderfully creative bunch of students and staff that we have at our School!

Giving Back – Contributions to our Community

KAUMATUA TRIATHLON

Hosting the Tui-Ora Kaumatua Triathlon was a wonderful opportunity for our school to 'give-back' to our community. About 35 Kaumatua participated in swimming, walking and mobility scooter racing on Friday April 4th at Spotswood College. It was great to have our students interacting with local Kaumatua during this fun event. Special

thanks to Mr Gayton and his student helpers for assisting Tui-Ora personnel to hold such an enjoyable day for our elderly community members.

WEETBIX 'TRYATHLON'

On Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd April over 30 Year 11 – 13 PE Students from school turned up to Ngamotu beach to be volunteers for the Weetbix 'TryAthlon'. This was a great activity for Spotswood College PE students to be involved in, running a major sporting event of over 1600 participants (a record for Taranaki) and taking part in giving back to the community.

The students were true ambassadors for the school and were involved in many roles throughout the day, from the food tent for breakfast and lunch, registrations and signing in, to finishing chute responsibilities and pack down. The students started from 6.45am in the morning and finished the day at 3p.m. The skills the students displayed on the day and the positive comments the event staff made were a great testament to the students. Their eagerness to learn new roles and put into practice the skills of event management, participation and involvement in a community project shows their potential as future Physical Educators.

CROSS COUNTRY

The annual Spotswood College Cross Country was held on April 10th with students challenging themselves in completing the testing 4km course. Mr Knapton and Miss Willy joined the students on the starting line.

Individual results were:

Junior Girls	1st Courtney Goble, 2nd Ayeisha Nowell, 3rd Elaine Ngarongo.
Junior boys	1st David Jeffery, 2nd Ronan Avery, 3rd David Robinson.
Intermediate Girls	1st Emma Den Hartag, 2nd Sophie Willis, 3rd Coralee Carter-Gates.
Intermediate Boys	1st Hayden Monaghan, 2nd Jesse Faulkener, 3rd Levi McIntyre.
Senior girls	1st Brooke Carter, 2nd Kelsey Lovegrove, 3rd Sinman Tekata.
Senior Boys	1st Luke Abbott, 2nd Nick Jones, 3rd Bryce Goble.

The race for the inter-Hapu Cup was hotly contested and this year was shared between defending champions Paritutu, who had great team involvement and Moturoa, who had 3 individual race winners.

The fun walk was completed by the remainder of the school and saw an increased number of participants. There were lots of colour, team work and Hapu spirit shown throughout the afternoon.

The best dressed competition was judged by Librarian Mrs Tracey Boschat and saw the following take home prizes:

- Best Dressed Motumahanga – Daniel Jury.
- Best Dressed Mikotahi – Anne Sophie.
- Best dressed Moturoa – Libby Needs.
- Best Dressed Paritutu – Thomas Jury.
- Best Dressed Staff Member – Mr Houghton
- Best Dressed Whanau Class – Moturoa 8 Mrs Nicholls.



Some of the fantastic fun walk outfits.



There were three different classes the riders could take part in. Each class consisted of two different dressage tests. While you could enter on up to two horses, you could only do one class on each horse.

The teams did very well bringing home a 2nd and 4th placing's as teams. Overall eight Secondary Schools competed at this event with up to five teams from some schools. Riders competing numbered around 70. This made for very strong competition.

All of the team members also did very well with individual placings as follows:

Milly Lumb – 1st test 2A and 3rd test N3;

Maegan King – 6th test Q;

Georgia Strachan – 1st test J and 1st test O;

Erin Barrett – 2nd test J and 4th test O;

Rebecca Spindler – 10th test J and 8th test O.

The event was lots of fun for all competitors and there were no casualties (horse or human) so it was overall a really great result.

Mark Bowden, Principal

Below: the dressage team.

TSSSA DRESSAGE 2014

TSSSA (Taranaki Secondary Schools Sports Association) Dressage was a horse riding event held this year on the 10th April at the Hawera A & P Showgrounds. It was thoroughly enjoyable and a very well organised horse show.

The two Spotswood College teams consisted of Molly Lumb, Maegan King (x2), Georgia Strachan, Erin Barrett and Rebecca Spindler (x2). Spotswood Team One consisted of Milly Lumb, Maegan King, Erin Barrett and Rebecca Spindler. Spotswood Team Two consisted of Georgia Strachan, Maegan King, Rebecca Spindler (and a draft rider from NPBHS).





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OAKURA COMMUNITY - WHAT'S ON

PHONE 0800 THE TOM FOR ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO YOUR LISTING

Dance Highway 45

Jazz, Hip Hop and Tap classes available for 4yrs and above. Boys' Street Dance with Shaquille: Mondays 5.00pm - 5.30pm 9yrs and under, 5.30pm - 6.00 10yrs and over.
 Contact: Raeleen Luckin 752 7761 d.luckin@xtra.co.nz

Fitness Training. Small Group classes held Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at Corbett Park - Interval Training & BoxFit. Contact Estelle Williams of Functional Fitness ph 7521001.

Hurford - Omata - Oakura Rural Women. Meet 2nd Wednesday each month at 1.00pm. New members welcome.
 Contact Jean Kurth 751 2274.

Indoor Bowls. Mondays 7.30pm at Oakura Hall. Ring Mike Vickers 752 7881.

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

Mini Groovers. Music and movement for preschoolers! Tuesdays 10am during school terms, Oakura Hall. Gold coin donation. Contact Maryanne on 06-2811197.

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

NP Toastmasters Club. Meets every 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursday of the month, 5.30pm at Bell-ringer Pavillion. Everyone welcome. Ph Faye 0274 250 354 or 751 0811.

Oakura Playcentre. 14 Donnelly St, Oakura. Sessions run Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 9am-noon during school terms. Visitors welcome. Ph Maryanne on 06-2811197.

Oakura Pony Club. Contact Robin King ph 751 0300.

Oakura Pool Club. Meets every Wednesday evening 7pm @ Butlers Reef over winter. Phone Chip 027 621 4999 or 752 1004.

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

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

Probus Club. Meets once month at Kaitake Golf Club rooms on the 3rd Friday of every month at 10am - 11.30am. Contact Barry Goble 752 7254, or Betty West 752 7816.

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

St John's, Omata. Morning worship 10.00am, 2nd Sunday of the month.

Val Deakin Dance School. Pre-school dance classes are from 9:30 to 10 am and the Beginners' ballet dance class from 10 am to 10:45 am.

Volkswagen Club. Regular events range from car rallies, the YMCA climbing wall, camping, BBQ get togethers and sharing good family times and knowledge. Contact President: kirk@taranakivw.co.nz and Secretary: bryan@taranakivw.co.nz

Yoga Classes. Oakura Church Hall Monday and Thursday 9.15am. Everyone welcome. Contact Kate Evans 027 203 7215.

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FIREWOOD FOR SALE

Dry gum or pine. Gum \$95 per cube and pine \$65 per cube. Free delivery in local area. Ph Roger Nightingale 021 136 0309.



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