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Editor's Note

According to the kōwhai in my backyard, spring has sprung! A great time to celebrate life and absorb some vitamin D to help boost our collective wellness. It is **Mental Health Awareness Week** this month (18—24 September) and the 'Five Days, Five Ways' campaign encourages us to keep active and engaged (see daily suggestions: <https://mhaw.nz>). The final day of the week's challenge is to "keep learning, me ako tou". You might like to take this opportunity to extend your knowledge of te reo from **Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori, National Māori Language Week** (11—17 September). Learning new skills can boost your sense of self and help you connect with others. Or "give, tukua" on Tuesday, by participating in coinciding **New Zealand Clean Up Week** (16—22 September). Two birds, one seed bomb. Whatever the week, share the love.

Also coming soon is the **Dunedin Writers and Readers Festival**. This year's theme builds "a bi-cultural platform to showcase ideas and work important across Aotearoa in 2023." One of the festival curators working to "amplify Māori voices in literature", is Pūrākaunui local, Professor Jacinta Ruru. This October festival is preceded by the **New Zealand Young Writers Festival** (21—24 September). I encourage our young readers to check out the free programme (see: <https://youngwritersfest.nz>).

Meg Brasell-Jones



Blueskin Bay Community Spaces

Warrington Hall

Available for birthdays, family gatherings, exercise classes, dances and dos etc, at reasonable rates. Hire includes a fully equipped kitchen and tables and chairs. **Contact Lyn 482 2896 or Rowena 482 2667**

Waitati Hall

Suitable for large meetings, weddings, parties, concerts, dances etc. (up to 120) features kitchen, toilets, stage, sound system and large projection screen. **Contact Blueskin Nurseries on 482 2828**

Waitati Hall Meeting Room

Suitable for committee meetings, small gatherings, demonstrations etc. (up to 20 people) features kitchen and toilets. **Contact Blueskin Nurseries on 482 2828**

Blueskin Bay Library Meeting Room

Suitable for committee meetings, presentations, training, interviews etc. (up to 12 people) features modular tables, large projection screen, kitchenette and toilets. **Contact Blueskin Bay Library 482 2444 blucirc1@dcc.govt.nz**

Waiputai Hub – Stephenson St, Warrington

Warm and cosy meeting space, community gatherings, classes, children's parties, and workshops for up to 20 people. Features include small kitchen, comfy couches, tables and chairs, fenced grounds including playground for under 5s and toilets. Available to hire for workshops, courses, children's parties or family events etc. at a reasonable hourly rate.

Booking enquiries to waiputai@gmail.com or Nancy 482 1198 or text 021 171 0226.

Hire charge is usually applicable, details can be obtained on request.



BLUESKIN BAY ONLINE is a FREE searchable Local Business Directory developed to support local businesses across Blueskin Bay.

We aim to list as many local businesses, and trades & services as we can find – to make it easier for you to find and support them too!

If you would like to advertise your business, email your details to: **blueskinbayonline@gmail.com**

or complete the contact form at **www.blueskinbayonline.co.nz**

It's as simple as that

Let's keep supporting our local businesses

Strength Club 24/7

Welcome to Strength Club 24/7, the Best & Biggest 24/7 fitness facility in East Otago.

Strength Club 24/7 is a Strength and Conditioning facility, now open 24/7, 365 days per year. We have everything you need to attain any and all fitness goals, as well as some friendly, encouraging and experienced trainers to help you out when ever required.

Located just within the Waikouaiti Race Course grounds, we offer a wide range of membership options to suit every members needs. From Student to Miners, we cater for everyone.

We also offer 16 group training sessions each and every week of the year, 3 available group sessions per day with one big session to finish off the week on Saturday mornings.

6 days of guided training + 24/7 gym access for only \$40.00 per week. Madness!

Your first session at The Club is ALWAYS FREE, so get in touch with us to start your journey at Strength Club.

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Waikouaiti Coast Heritage Centre

The past month has been a fairly quiet month at the Heritage Centre, but we expect increasing numbers of visitors once the weather warms up again. We have a busy month ahead with our new featured artist Sue Lean, who paints some amazing landscapes, well worth viewing. We have new stock arriving during the next few weeks including items for the fathers in your life. Father's Day is on Sunday 3 September (just in case you needed a reminder).



Artist: Sue Lean. Title: Hawksbury Lagoon

Our AGM was held at the Heritage Centre on Saturday 26 August at 2pm. Our guest speaker was Andrew Noone, who spoke about the past, present and future of Waikouaiti. Andrew is well known in the district and is an engaging speaker. On Monday 28 September we will be hosting members of the Waikouaiti Garden Club for their meeting starting at 7.30pm. We do enjoy having local groups to visit us to see what has been achieved here at the heritage centre. Just contact us to make a booking if interested.

Finally, potted plants are appearing in large numbers in the gardens of some of our volunteers. This is in preparation for our Labour Weekend sale, which is fast approaching.

We will have approximately 150 different varieties of plants, bulbs and shrubs for sale on the day. A sale not to be missed.

Shirley McKewen, Treasurer

Opening hours

Wednesday/Thursday 1pm – 4pm and

Friday/Saturday/Sunday 10am – 4pm

**Mental Health Awareness Week
18-24 September 2023**

The Halo Project Community Newsletter



The Halo Project has been busy. The Source to Sea team has been hosting volunteers to plant native seedlings at Potato Point, supplementing the planting completed in 2022. 8,400 seedlings have been planted here this year, which brings the total to 14,800. After monitoring we are stoked to see the 2022 seedlings are thriving with a survival rate of 99%.

Source to Sea staff hosted the Nature School children for a planting day, and helped with Te Ara o Te Whiri Kawe planting day at Apes Road in Karitāne where they achieved their goal of 3000 plants in the ground!

The team is also celebrating finishing the planting at the Gums in Osborne. 24,500 native seedlings have been planted over two years in partnership with mana whenua and Ngā Whenua Rāhui. These plantings connect the Pūrākaunui estuary habitat with the forest on the hills conjoining Orokonui Ecosanctuary.

The Predator Free team have been servicing the network of automatic self-resetting AT220 devices in Flagstaff. This is strenuous work, on rough terrain but worth it when you look at the data. These devices removed 258 possums in the six months since the previous service.

AT220 devices have been installed under cliffs in Heyward Point and in the sand dunes near Aramoana, these removed 11 possums in two weeks. Overall capture rates have dramatically dropped through this area and detection operations show very low possum numbers.

In July the total predators removed across the entire Halo network were:

Possum	Rodent	Stoat	Weasel	Ferret	Hedgehog
299	1435	2	8	0	26

2023 Spring Flower Show

**Blueskin Bay
Garden Club**

**Saturday 23th &
Sunday 24th
September, Waitati Hall**

- Entries to be accepted at the Hall – Saturday 10am to 1pm.
- No Charge.
- Own containers accepted. Some small bottles available.
- Entrant will be responsible for reclaiming their own containers.
- No arranging of exhibits in the Hall.
- Open to the public Sunday from 10.00am, entry free.
- Prize Giving at 3.00pm Sunday.
- Entries not to be removed until after the prize-giving.
- Plant Stall & Raffles.

TROPHIES FOR

Blueskin Garden Club trophy for Champion Bloom
Blueskin Women's Guild Trophy - Family with Most Points in the Show
Agnes Beatty Trophy - most Points in Floral Design
Phil Crossan Trophy - most Points in Junior Section
Blueskin Nurseries & Women's Guild Trophy - most Points in Flowering Shrub Section
Ruth Spears Memorial Trophy - most points in Cut Flower Section
Blueskin Garden Club Trophy - most Individual Points in Show
Blueskin Garden Club Trophy - Champion Exhibit - Children
Blueskin Garden Club Trophy - Champion Exhibit - Adult
David Sumpter Memorial Trophy for Champion Rhododendron



CHILDREN'S SECTION

Entries in the Children's section **MUST be the work of the child named.** While Children may enter Adult Sections, points gained there will not be included for the Junior Trophy. The trophy is for points gained in the Children's Section **ONLY.**

Preschool – under 5 years of age
Children aged 5 and 6 years
Children aged 7 and 8 years
Children aged 9 and 10 years
Children aged 11 to 14 years



1. Create a beach scene in a shoe box
2. Sand Saucer
3. Sculpture made from bottle tops, no larger than A4
4. Creature made from vegies & fruit, toothpicks or kebab sticks to be used to attach material

ADULT'S SECTION

CLASS A – Daffodils

Daffodil – Trumpet

1. One stem – petals white – trumpet any colour
2. One stem – petals white – trumpet white
3. One stem – petals yellow – trumpet yellow
4. One stem – petals yellow – trumpet any colour

Daffodil – Large Cup (cup more than one third length of petals)

5. One stem – petals & cup yellow
6. One stem – petals yellow – cup any colour
7. One stem – petals and cup white
8. One stem – petals white – cup any colour

Daffodil – Small Cup

9. One stem – petals yellow – cup any colour
10. One stem – petals white – cup any colour

Daffodil – Other Varieties

11. One double daffodil – one colour
12. One double daffodil – bicolour
13. One multi headed daffodil
14. One double headed daffodil
15. Miniature – any colour-one bloom
16. Miniature, multihead
17. One – any other variety
18. One split corona
19. Three stems of different daffodils

CLASS B – Bulbs

1. Hyacinth – 1
2. Muscari (match heads) – 6
3. Tulip – any variety – 1
4. Freesias – any colour – 1
5. Iris – Dutch – any colour – 1
6. Iris – Miniature Dwarf Bearded – any colour – 1
7. Iris – Tall Bearded – any colour – 1
8. Fritillaria – small variety – 1
9. Trillium
10. Any other Bulb/Corm flower – 1

CLASS C – Cut Flowers

1. Polyanthus – any colour – 1 truss
2. Polyanthus – 3 colours – 1 truss of each
3. Primroses – single one colour – 6 stems
4. Primroses – single mixed – 6 stems
5. Primroses – double one colour – 6 stems
6. Primroses – double mixed – 6 stems
7. Primula denticulata – 1 stem
8. Pansies/violas – 3 on a saucer – any colour
9. Violets – not more than 6 stems
10. Lavender – any variety – 3 heads
11. Hellebore – any colour – 1 stem
12. Hellebore Feotidus – 1 stem
13. Mixed varieties of any 6 flowers in one vase
14. Any cut flower not mentioned – 1

CLASS D – Flowering Shrubs and Tree

1. Rhododendron – 1 head – large flower
2. Rhododendron – 1 head – small flower
3. Rhododendron – 1 head – miniature flower
4. Camellia – Single 1 flower
5. Camellia – Double 1 flower
6. Camellia – Miniature 1 sprig
7. One Branch of any Shrub – small flower
8. One Branch of any Shrub – large flower
9. One Branch of any Proteacea – e.g. Banksia
10. Any Flowering Climber
11. One branch of any flowering tree

CLASS E – Floral Design

1. Framed
2. Adult Sand Saucer
3. Table Centrepiece using Foliage and Camellias only
4. Freedom
5. Miniature Arrangement – no larger than 10 cms square including container.

CLASS F – For Mainly Men

1. Carved by Nature

CLASS G: Handcraft Section

1. Baby Set, singlet, hat, socks or booties
2. Adult Shawl
3. Fingerless Gloves
4. Christmas Tree Decoration, any medium

Garden Club contacts:

Glenys - 0272738749
Janice - 021735213
Ruth - 0274822848



The Fire Brigade AGM and Awards Night

On Saturday's the 19th of August the Waitati fire brigade held their 58th Annual General meeting. I was invited to attend and had the pleasure of speaking. This was a great opportunity to acknowledge the mahi of our amazing volunteer team.

Lindsay Scott marked his retirement after 30 years of service. Thank you Lindsay for your dedication. 29 years of service for Dave Hardisty and 54 in total for Paul Clements.

Charles Abraham was bestowed with the regional and district 'Royal Honours'.

Voted on and recognised by his colleagues Jens Stedeler received the Fire fighter of the year award 2023.

Jodie Williams was this years recipient of the Piston broke award for his recent attempts tho really get stuck in with the response vehicle.

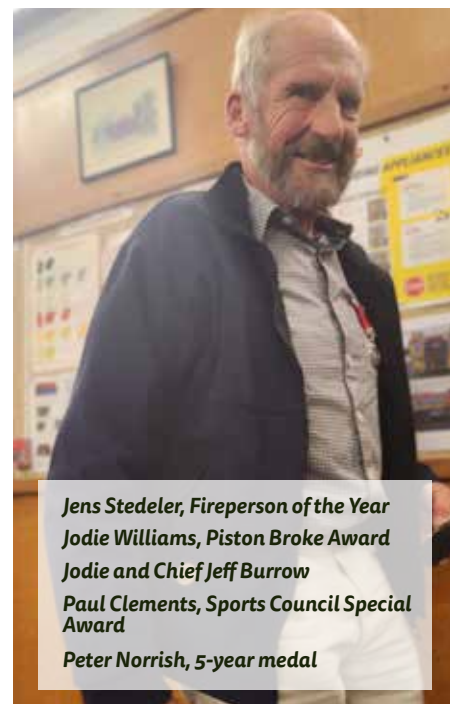
We welcomed new recruits, Damon Campbell and Jon and Jamie Visser. Plus the Awards acknowledged special activities with Paul receiving a sports council award for encouraging participation in sport ,recognising his contribution around the country as a 'southern influencer' particularly for organising Basketball tournaments.

This year already they have attended 38 Medical call outs and 16 vehicle accidents. This is compared to 2 vegetation fires, 2 structure fires and 5 other types of fire.

78 responses in total (there were a few other rescues , special services , false alarms and non recorded events) Medical calls increased by 24 from last year, indicating a change in our community needs.

That means more than once a week these amazing people are helping in our community. I am incredibly grateful we have a brigade here.

Mandy Mayhem-Bullock



*Jens Stedeler, Fireperson of the Year
Jodie Williams, Piston Broke Award
Jodie and Chief Jeff Burrow
Paul Clements, Sports Council Special Award
Peter Norrish, 5-year medal*

2022 and 2023 Honours Awards

<i>Callum Milburn</i>	<i>3 Year Certificate</i>	<i>2022 – 3 Years</i>
<i>Johnny Lisle</i>	<i>5 Year Medal</i>	<i>2023 – 5 Years</i>
<i>Andy Beecroft</i>	<i>5 Year Medal</i>	<i>2022 – 5 Years</i>
<i>Peter Norrish</i>	<i>5 Year Medal</i>	<i>2022 – 5 Years</i>
<i>Keppel Kooman</i>	<i>7 Year Service</i>	<i>2023 – 7 Years</i>
<i>Jens Stedeler</i>	<i>7 Year Service</i>	<i>2023 – 7 Years</i>
<i>Jody Williams</i>	<i>2 Year Silver Bar</i>	<i>2022 – 9 Years</i>
<i>Craig Meade</i>	<i>2 Year Silver Bar</i>	<i>2022 – 9 Years</i>
<i>Seraya Figgins</i>	<i>2 Year Silver Bar</i>	<i>2023 – 13 Years</i>
<i>Amanda Church</i>	<i>2 Year Silver Bar</i>	<i>2023 – 13 Years</i>
<i>Sharon Brogan</i>	<i>2 Year Silver Bar</i>	<i>2023 – 13 Years</i>
<i>Glenn Hayes</i>	<i>2 Year Silver Bar</i>	<i>2022 - 13 Years</i>
<i>Charles Abraham</i>	<i>2 Year Silver Bar</i>	<i>2023 – 15 Years</i>
<i>Richard Templeton</i>	<i>2 Year Silver Bar</i>	<i>2023 – 17 Years</i>
<i>Jeff Burrow</i>	<i>2 Year Silver Bar</i>	<i>2023 - 21 Years</i>
<i>Dave Hardisty</i>	<i>2 Year Gold Bar</i>	<i>2022 – 29 Years</i>
<i>Lindsay Scott</i>	<i>2 Year Gold Bar</i>	<i>2022 – 29 Years</i>
<i>Paul Clements</i>	<i>2 Year Gold Bar</i>	<i>2023 – 54 Years</i>
<i>Fire and Emergency Awards</i>		
<i>Charles Abraham</i>	<i>14 Year Medal – FENZ Long Service & Good Conduct</i>	<i>2022</i>
<i>Lindsay Scott</i>	<i>28 Year Clasp – FENZ Long Service & Good Conduct</i>	<i>2022</i>
<i>Dave Hardisty</i>	<i>28 Year Clasp – FENZ Long Service & Good Conduct</i>	<i>2021</i>
<i>Jeff Burrow</i>	<i>21 Year Clasp – FENZ Long Service & Good Conduct</i>	<i>2023</i>
<i>Paul Clements</i>	<i>FENZ Sport Council Outstanding Service Award</i>	<i>2023</i>
<i>Lindsay Scott</i>	<i>Retirement from the Fire Service. 29 years of Service.</i>	<i>2023</i>
<i>Waitati Brigade Awards</i>		
<i>Jens Stedeler</i>	<i>Brigade Fire Fighter of The Year Award</i>	<i>2023</i>
<i>Jody Williams</i>	<i>Brigade Award – Piston Broke Award</i>	<i>2023</i>

A Fence on Brown Street

Hello everyone in Waitati. A few months ago Valerie and I moved from our home up the hill to 22 Brown Street. It was hard to give up the beautiful home and seven acres of garden that we had created from scratch, but after forty-seven years it was time to move on. Our new neighbours are lovely and mostly young.

We are not over-keen on the long 1800mm high fence that cuts the house off from the world so to lighten it up we screwed a few decorations from Winterbourne (our old home) to it: a teapot and cup in celebration of "you know who" and some flowers ... there were a lot of flowers at Winterbourne.

A couple of days later, I had a wonderful surprise. In the night a Waitati fairy had left a lovely pale fungus by the letter box. Since then, the fairies (I think there are three groups of them) have left a whole lot of things to go on the fence. One group even left an anonymous message that we shouldn't get worried if there was a bit of noise



after dark ...in the morning Matariki had risen on the fence.

I am sure that there must be more groups of fairies out there (some of the fairies maybe quite young and some quite old) ... and there is a lot of fence waiting for folk art from them. Exterior ply (5mm) seems to be the favoured material and it doesn't have to be great works of art ... as long as it makes people smile. Just leave it by the letterbox.

Thank you, Michael Fay

BLUESKIN GARDEN CLUB

Despite the very cold weather, many of our intrepid garden club members attended a film night at the Blueskin library on 10 August. The film was titled 'Only fools and dreamers' and followed Hugh Wilson's creation of the 'Hinewai Nature Reserve and Wildlife Sanctuary' on Bank's Peninsula. The land was covered with gorse but after 10 years, native seedlings can be seen coming through the gorse cover, causing the gorse to die, and resulting in an increase in birds and insect biodiversity. What dedication! We also enjoyed finding out more about our fellow members garden interests over a cuppa.

Our next club meeting will be at the Warrington Hall on 14 September at 7.30pm. Members will be advised of the program. Please bring your best entries for our flower and vegetable competitions.

Our very popular 'Spring Flower Show' is to be held the weekend of the 23/24 September.

Please bring your entries to the Waitati hall on Saturday morning. The hall will be open for viewing the entries on Sunday. There will be a plant stall as well.

To enable smooth running of this event, please label your entry bottles with a small sticker on the back of the bottle with your initials written on it. Some stickers will be available at the hall. We suggest you use small green Steinlager or similar bottles. Please remove the labels. Please do not use your best vases or family heirlooms.

One of the competitions in the children section is 'A Creation made from bottle tops, no larger than A4'. You can assist the children by saving these.

Contact Lyn 022 048 7696 or Glenys 027 273 8749 for collection of the bottle tops. See you at the Show!

Bev Lyon (Publicity Officer)

Mural Contest for the Waiputai Hub

The Waiputai Trust Committee, with support from a DCC Community Arts Grant, would like to announce a Design Contest for a new Māori mural to frame the Waiputai Hub's entrance's glass doors. The original unfinished design was painted by a Playcentre's child's whanau member, who has been contacted and is happy for a completed mural to be installed.

So, we call on local Artists and Designers of all ages in our community to submit a new Māori design which will represent the Blueskin Bay community and environs. Please submit by email your design and description of what the design represents by October 15 to Waiputai@gmail.com, and be in to win a \$200 voucher for petrol,

groceries, books, or a gift from Koru NZ art. The winning design will be painted on three panels, which will be placed over the current mural in an appropriate community ceremony.

Please contact

Nancy Todd on 0275120599 for more info.

Announcing: Māori Mural Contest for the Waiputai Hub



To: Local Artists & Designers (all ages)

Submit your design for the Māori Mural around the door of the Waiputai Hub by Oct. 15, 2023

Prize: \$200 voucher of your choice

See article in the September Blueskin News for further details or email Waiputai@gmail.com

Drop in Internet Café & Printing at the Waiputai Hub



Every Wednesday from 2p.m.-5p.m.

The Waiputai Trust is happy to share its printer and 2 computers, which were formally located at the Waitati Library and which are now at the Hub

Every Wednesday in August, these computers with internet (non-gaming) and a printer will be available for community use. Suggested printing koha will be 20c per A4 black & white page, and \$1 a page for colour.

Drop in for a coffee or tea as well. All welcome.

Kia Ora Whānau, Waitati School has had a very successful Matariki Wearable Arts Performance. This was held at the Waitati Hall on the 27 July.

Ākonga created wearable costumes based on their Turangawaewae, their place of belonging. These ranged from Maunga, Awa, sea creatures, bridges, Takaroa, Manu and a Waka. As each child walked down the red runway, a self-written piece of descriptive writing was read out about their art. It was a stunning display of creativity in true Waitati style. This was followed up with a Matariki waiata sung by Alexia White. Then a delicious hangi was enjoyed by all. It felt so good to be together and focused on what is important, our children. A special thanks to the Dunedin City Council for the grant towards the Kai and to all our helpers.

This week a small group attended the Enviroschools Ecological Building workshop. This hands-on workshop taught the learners how to make Adobe Brick, Living Willow, Cob, Wattle and Daub style buildings. This year for our Creatives in Schools project we have developed an outdoor classroom in the swamp. The final activity was to create a model of the building concept that the ākonga would

like to make. One of the ideas was to add a door to the building using the Wattle and Daub method. Another idea was a living willow archway but using natives. Talking about the Swamp, you may have been privileged to read the first two editions of our very own Blueskin News called the 'Swamp Gazette'. This endeavour is led by a small group of students who have a passion for writing. Keep your eye out for the third edition.

The children have enjoyed the Three Peaks Cross country – in very cold conditions. It is always good to meet with local schools to see how fast we are. They are also enjoying swimming lessons each Friday afternoon at Moana Pool. Thank you to Oceana Gold for providing funding.

One of the positives about small rural schools is that we can quickly adapt to our learners' needs and passions. The opportunities we give them include learning which is authentic. We use projects and play to promote Deep Connected Learning which builds future focused skills. For example, ecological buildings, bee keeping, gardening, music, and art, all of which are available by choice to students. They can opt in, have a quick look, stay and do more, and if it turns out to be their thing, continue on to make it a life-long passion. We are so grateful that Waitati School has amazing grounds with resources in which children can have a go at learning a wide range of things. We also offer small learning ratios, and a range of inclusive learning styles.

If you have a child who would like opportunities to not only try different activities but to access them throughout the year, and you don't have a school yet, please check us out. We have an amazing Year 7-8 programme and have room for more of this age group in 2024.

Tara O'Neill, Principal





You may have noticed that the year 5-8's were missing last week, that's because they were away on CAMP! The thrilling camp started off with the drive on Tuesday when we were split into our cars and minivans. We drove to Duntroon where the archaeologists inside of us shone as we dug for fossils. We also learned about geology and about Gondwana, which is a big place that New Zealand was a part of until it split off and became its own country.
By Molly Gilbert (year 7)

It was a super busy week for the junior children at Warrington school while the older children were away. The juniors had an action packed week of activities based around keeping themselves safe through developing their skills and understanding around cycle safety and first aid. They also had fun learning about different star constellations in the Tūhura Star Lab and creating amazing crafts with a talented group of parents! Thank you to all who helped make this week a success.

Please note our next 4 Year old Explorers club is Friday 25th August 9.30-11.00 AM.





Pūrākaunui School

Our Teina class and some of our Little Papis have been working with Faye, Sophie and Marcus from the University of Otago Geology Department on the "Rocks for Tots" programme. So far they have visited us at school, where we looked at new maps of Te Riu-a-Maui Zealandia, tested rocks for magnetism, played with magnetic sand, simulated earthquakes and panned for gold! Next time we are going to visit them at the University, and then we will go on a field trip to Pūrākaunui Inlet.

Our Little Papis playgroup is on from 10.45am every Monday during term time. This is a chance for parents/ caregivers and their under 5 year olds to come along for an informal get together, have a tea or coffee and meet with others in the local community. The children can interact with the older children at school during morning tea and enjoy the facilities that the school has to offer. We welcome all Little Papis from our wider community - feel free to join us with your preschoolers on Monday mornings for a catch up and play.

In August we had a film screening at school of "Motoitoti," a documentary about the daughter of a prominent Kai Tahu chief who was said to have lived with Richard Driver, an English seaman, in a cave in our local area. This DVD is available from several Dunedin City Library branches including Blueskin Library, Waikouaiti Library, and Port Chalmers Library if you are interested in seeing it.

Sarah Williamson - Administrator



Spring Fling with Bling

Waitati Hall Committee invite you to join us for a knees up, let your hair down and have a ball with Soul Deep.

We are fundraising for the final little bit of money to get our long awaited Kitchen Renovation over the line. Please bring cash for raffle tickets on the night.

Dress up and win a prize- Best dancer, Best dressed table, Belle of the Ball.

BYO and a plate for supper. \$20 door sales only. Lock in the date Sept 30th!

Founded in 2004 by Russell Davidson, SOUL DEEP has been entertaining audiences in Dunedin (and occasionally elsewhere) for nearly 20 years.

SOUL DEEP is Otepoti / Dunedin's premiere Soul, Funk, R&B, Motown, Blues and Dance band, with a playlist of over 100 songs - from many of your favourite classics to your favourite recent releases, including songs from a variety of NZ artists.

They have an enormous lineup of 9 members, including three singers, a three-piece horn section and Otepoti's most impressive back-line, SOUL DEEP is one of the most impressive and lively dance bands around. Perfect to chase away the winter blues so get on your dancing shoes

Mandy Mayhem-Bullock



No Man Fan

I'm no fan of the human race. Our history is a litany of horrors. Wars, genocides, exploitations, slaveries, destructions of all manner. The latest, that of the life sustaining natural environment is writ large on the wall of evolution.

Since cave dwelling and expansion from Africa, humans have dominated all encounters. We've killed, eaten, chopped, burned and transformed everything to our will. And while the machinery and technology of modernity no doubt accelerated our destructive capabilities, it seems now post-modernity is to be the propitious saviour.

I'm not confident. To me, post-modernity seems frighteningly similar, only at an incoherent pace. Is it possible that AI can save us from climate-driven extinction? Would we let it? Would it want to? Surely AI's instantly immense data algorithms will tell it the human race is a lost cause, best leave it to its own demise. If not for the collateral damage (everything but cockroaches), I'd be rooting for another comet strike, a la dead dinosaurs.

A scientific report (probably fake news peddled by Satanist-Socialist-Greenie Governments), says extraction of ground water from Earth's crust has changed the planet's tilt by 20cm. Now, I'm no astrophysicist, but surely that doesn't end well. However, since the mind was first cognisant of the probability, humans have sermonised on various ends of things. After millennia, of disappointment, why should we (or more precisely those recently and now being born), be the ones to finally witness the prophecy.

So, no. Extinction's imminence may be over-stated. What isn't, is the social upheaval anything approaching scientists' worst predictions will unleash.

Doug Nuttall

Warrington Hall

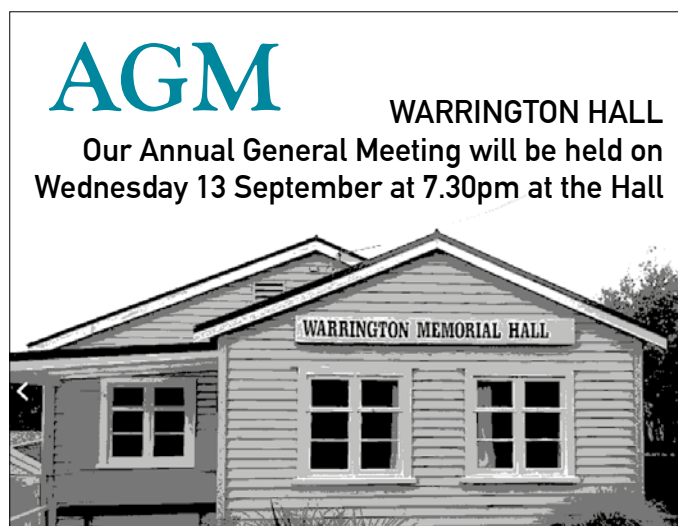
Warrington Hall is a great asset to our local community and we would love to have it used more often. Sadly our long term tenants Tae Kwon Do have packed up and moved out (after going into recess). We wish to thank them for their long-term patronage (30 years) or thereabouts. This leaves the hall available on 3 weeknights, Monday, Wednesday and Friday as well as weekends. If you would like to start a group up or just use for one-offs then please get in touch. Details for hall hire are in this issue. We have recently purchased a sound system which includes 2 speakers and 2 microphones. These can be tuned into Bluetooth and or Spotify, as well as smart phones and USB sticks. We hope that our new system will be well used by our community and others. Great for a movie night for young or old.

We are in the process of getting a number of historical photos of days gone by in the Warrington area. These will be mounted on the hall walls. We will have a community gathering with long term residents from the Bay to speak to the subjects of these photos. We hope you will enjoy the get together over a cuppa and get to know the neighbours.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 13 September at 7.30pm at the Hall. Please come along and join us. It's a great way of meeting local folk, we don't have many meetings during the year and there is no fundraising to be done. Just the wellbeing and upkeep of our lovely hall.

If you are planning a family gathering, birthday party for any age group, arts and crafts, fitness, movies it's all there and ready to go. The access is wheel chair friendly, the kitchen is well equipped with matching crockery, loads of cutlery, oven, fridge/freezer, microwave, pie warmer, Zip water heater - it's all there and at very reasonable rates to hire.

Lyn Hastie, Secretary



Healing Our Land with Trees

There's a lot of native tree planting going on in Waitati. It's tough work in the mud and cold, so a big thank you to all those hard working planters!

I've read two amazing articles about people completely changing their environments by planting trees. If you're not already out there planting they might inspire you to give it a go.

In Brazil a man named Antonio Vicente bought 31 hectares of land razed by grazing cattle. His land's water supplies had nearly dried up. Vicente planted 50,000 trees and now has 8 waterfalls on his land. Vicente says "Maintaining forests are essential for water supplies because trees absorb and retain water in their roots and help prevent erosion."

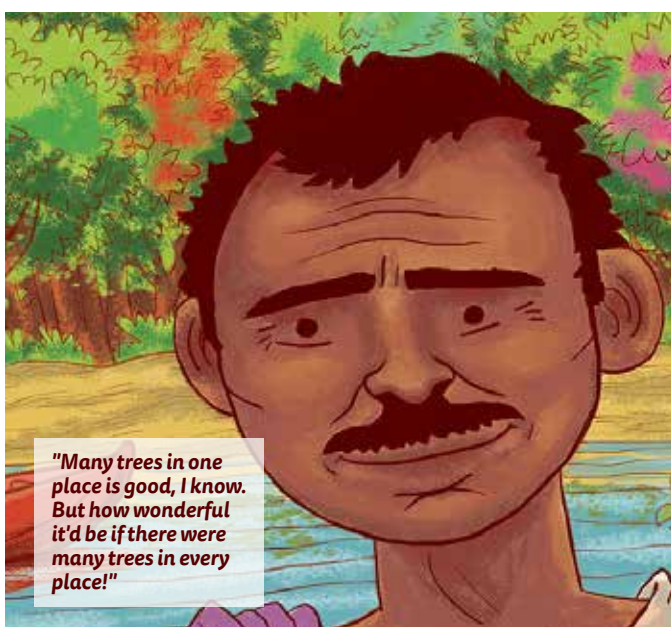
'India's Forest Man' Jadav Payeng has single-handedly reclaimed an island in Assam, India. He started planting after being stirred by a freakish sight on the island - dead snakes piled on sand in scorching temperatures, perished for lack of shade. He estimates he has planted hundreds of thousands of trees with the help of the wind, birds and other animals and the Brahmaputra River. Now under one of his oldest trees, a 30 year-old teak tree, there are fresh scratches on the bark where a tiger has scratched its claws. Deer, monkeys, elephants and many birds now live in the forest he has created from an island of sand.

Great articles showing the power people have to heal the world. You can check out these articles by using search words, 'India's Forest Man' and 'Antonio Vicente, Sao Paulo, Forest'

Let's get out and plant some native trees!

Signed Ms Informed

Illustration (from Wikicommons): 'Jadav and the Tree-Place', an open-source children's book about the Indian conservationist Jadav 'Molai' Payeng. <https://freekidsbooks.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/5052-jadav-and-the-tree-place.pdf>



WAIKOUAITI COAST COMMUNITY BOARD UPDATE

On Sunday 2nd July there was a snow event which resulted in the Northern Motorway, Mount Cargill Road and Blueskin Road all being closed to traffic overnight, effectively preventing drivers from the north getting through to Dunedin. A number of local folk did an outstanding job in making Waitati Hall, the Marae and some local residences available for stranded travellers to stay overnight, together with others who brought blankets and other supplies. To my mind, it was evident that the online notices from NZTA and DCC advising 'Road Closed' were inadequate. There were families from overseas stuck at the 'Road Closed' sign at the Waitati end of the motorway and not having a clue about what to do next. It was fortunate that some local folk attended to that and ushered them back to the hall. I have asked NZTA & DCC to look at the idea of notifying drivers at Palmerston and Waikouaiti that the road is closed south of Waitati and where they can go if they are stranded. I await the outcome of this.

For some time we have been keen to hear from Dunedin City Council about the current status of, and future prospects for, the Warrington wastewater treatment plant - first established in the late nineteen eighties. The DCC holds resource consents to discharge to air (expiring 1 November 2023) and to land (expiring 1 February 2024). Two pieces of work are happening in relation to the treatment plant. Construction has begun to install a Moving Bed Biofilm Reactor (MBBR) and this should be completed by the end of 2023. Once commissioned, the MBBR is expected to improve the discharge water quality. Work is also underway to assess long-term wastewater treatment and disposal options for the Warrington community. This project is outlined on the DCC website - 'Northern wastewater schemes discharge consent study'.

Our next formal meeting will be held on Wednesday 20th September at 5.30 pm in the Blueskin Bay Library Meeting Room. At such meetings we consider various grant applications that have been submitted. Details on how to apply for a grant can be found on the DCC website. If you would like more information about applying for a grant, feel free to contact any board member.

Alasdair Morrison, Chairman Waikouaiti Coast Community Board
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Parsnip story

It's a race against time at the moment to eat all the parsnips in the garden before they start getting woody and going to seed with the coming of spring. Carrots are the same.

My most hated vegetable combination ever is mashed carrots and parsnips- I think it is the colour more than anything.

When we were designing clothes, the fabric reps would come by with samples of fabric we could choose from. Every time a swatch turned up with a fabric, usually a wool mix, the colour of mashed parsnips and carrots, I'd be gagging and tossing that hideous swatch aside in horror.

All this was based on a childhood dinner memory. I suppose Mum was trying to get rid of the parsnips and carrots in the garden before they went to waste. I understand the reasoning, but I still can't stand the colour.

I've found a much, much, better thing to do with parsnips, even children love it.

Dig up some parsnips, wash them well, and then peel strips of them, as long as possible, using a potato peeler. Keep peeling until you can't get any more. I'll leave quantity decisions to you, but they are tasty, so do a few.

Toss the parsnip slivers in oil on a large roasting dish and sprinkle them with sesame seeds. Spread

them out fairly evenly and roast in the oven. You will need to toss them about a bit with some tongs so they cook reasonably evenly. You want the end result to be crispy and golden.

Serve in a pile with a sprinkle of salt and some aioli. Even fussy little buggers (and old buggers) will enjoy them. If only Mum had known about this, I might have been able to make jerseys from orange marle wool knit.

Oh, and once you have dug out all your parsnips, it is time to plant them again in another spot, as they have a very long growing season.

Parsnip seeds don't keep long, so buy fresh seeds every year. Plant the lot then thin out any excess. They are notoriously hard to germinate, but it's probably a result of trying to grow two year old seeds.

I suppose if you must, mash your parsnips and carrots together, you might find them beautiful and delicious, just don't bring them anywhere near me.

Hilary Rowley

WAITATI BOOK CLUB by Ian Melvin

Together in Scott's kitchen. Peter is under the influence of the dreaded lurgy so we are down to a core of four, gathered around the table enjoying the warmth emanating from the range, comparing beer's and catching up on our various goings on, including the activities of our European wanderers. Something about getting together on a winter's evening round a fire gives a very primal sense of comfort and reassurance even as the world seems to be turning to mush (polite term) around us!

THE BOOK

Woman Warrior
by Maxine Hong Kingston.

The author, based on stories from her mother, has crafted a novel beginning in China before the revolution and the onset of the communist state. Her family eventually escapes the new regime, moving to San Francisco, where they end up running a laundry. A story of a culture where girls are worthless and tradition is exalted. How does this fit into American culture etc? "The Woman Warrior is a seminal piece of writing about emigration and identity" - cover notes.

Marc – I struggled with the fragmented mix of fantasy, mythology, and historical narrative. My shortfall because that is a large part of the books uniqueness, or at least that is what the critics would have us believe. I enjoyed some passages, especially the vivid descriptions of an eastern world view rubbing up against a western outlook. Some of us had a similar outlook and others enjoyed it despite the challenges.

OTHER BOOKS

Ribbons Of Grace by Maxine Altero.

Also by a Maxine but this time a local writer on a not too dissimilar theme. A fictional account of a young Chinese woman seeking riches, disguising herself as a male miner comes to the Otago Goldfields. A simple but lovely book that describes life in the Goldfields



at the time and the difficulties faced, including the cruelty and discrimination faced by the Chinese miners and against woman both in China and here.

As someone who was the gardener at Lan Yuan, Dunedin's Chinese Gardens for 10 years, both these books resonate with me, as another opportunity to delve into the richness of Chinese culture and the ongoing process of how that transitions towards our western culture, a very relevant topic at the moment as we try to come to terms with exactly how our relationship with China should evolve!

FILM & OTHER STUFF



Winter and the film festival approaches with a wide variety on offer. At the moment totally immersed in the WFWC, or soccer as some still insist on calling it. Level of skill on display is dazzling, and the diversity of cultures and styles of play is highly entertaining and heart warmingly enjoyable.

Who will win? Who cares, go the underdogs we say!

Editor's note: Top Dog Film Festival 2023 Dunedin Wed 6 Sep 6.30pm Rialto Cinema.

BEER

Marc – from Germany **Husaren - Trunk Schlossbrauei Reder.**

An amber lager of 6.5% malty and breaded flavour, with caramel overtones and a slight bitterness.... good enough to go back and get



another bottle!

Martin – I can report now from



England. We have finished our biking but it was in heavy rain, muddy tracks, nettles and puddles, and our last night in the tent was a wild camp somewhere in the South Downs. I was introduced to a can of IPA called **Toast**, made from surplus bread as well as hops and barley. All profits go to mitigating food waste, as a third of all food production (a major climate change input) is

apparently wasted. Commendable cause and drink too, 5% zesty, a bit of citrus and not overly hoppy, felt good in a number of ways.

MUSIC

The Deep Woods: Winter Hours. From a Canadian folk group

from Saskatoon, Sugarhill Records. An album mostly acoustic, of raw emotive sadness, beautiful vocals and harmonies, in a country, slightly blue grassy folk style. Very easy on the ear as they say.

WORD OF THE MONTH

Listening – "He'd made time for everyone, including stray dogs and wayward souls. Always ready to listen. Wise too, once saying in my presence, 'a man canna learn much by hearin' himsel' talk.'"

THE MEANING OF LIFE

"A simple life is best. Wanting too much brings trouble..."

quotes from *Ribbons of Grace* by Maxine Altero.



Around the Bay – September Events

WASTE RECYCLING – WEEK TWO	
Monday 4	Paper and Plastic Recycling Yellow Bin at your gate early
Monday 11	Bottle Recycling Blue Bin at your gate early
Monday 18	Paper and Plastic Recycling Yellow Bin at your gate early
Monday 25	Bottle Recycling Blue Bin at your gate early

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SUNDAYS	Live Music: 2 – 5pm Contact 021 4108 1141

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BLUESKIN LIBRARY	
Thursday 21	Anita DeSoto – 6pm
Thursday 28	Bookshare – 3.30-4.40pm
EVERY DAY	Games Galore & Lego: Every weekday, 2 – 5pm & Saturdays 10am – 1pm
MONDAYS	Blueskin Bay Knitwits: 6.30 – 8.30pm Contact Christine 021 133 9340
TUESDAYS	Blueskin Bay Knitwits: 2.30 – 4.30pm Contact Christine 021 133 9340

WAITATI HALL	
MONDAYS	Steady As You Go: 1.30pm Age Concern Gentle Yoga: 6 – 7pm Bring your own mat \$10pp Contact: hagino.yoga@gmail.com Table Tennis: 7.30pm til late Contact: Nigel 021 236 2818
TUESDAYS	NIA Dance Class: 11.30am-12.30pm \$10 Contact: Clare Reilly 021 177 5350 Group Drum Workshops: 6.30am-7.30pm. All welcome.
WEDNESDAYS	Yoga Restore & Rejuvenate 7.15pm Bring your own mat \$10pp Contact: hagino.yoga@gmail.com
THURSDAYS	SHINE BRIGHT – Pilates for Back and Posture: 11am – 12 noon. Casual \$18, concession 10 sessions \$130 Contact: Sabine 021 207 0664
SATURDAYS	NIA Dance Class: 4 – 5pm \$10 Contact: Clare Reilly 021 177 5350
Sat/Sun 23-24	Blueskin Bay Garden Club Flower Show

WAIKOUAITI SCHOOL	
Saturday 16	Community Fair: 10.00am - 2.00pm

WAIPUTAI HUB	
Contact waiputai@gmail.com or text 021 171 0226 for more information and for all bookings	
TUESDAYS	Ping Pong: 7 – 8.30pm. All ages, levels and drop ins welcome. Contact: Helena 022 6474 738
WEDNESDAYS	Pilates Mat Class: 9:30-10:30 a.m. Pilates Beginners' Mat Class: 10:45-11:30 Pilates Open Class: 5:30pm-6:30 pm: Contact: Dell 0204333355 Internet Café: 2p.-5p.m Access to community internet computer (non-gaming), and printer (A4 black/white (20 cents per page) & A4 colour (\$1 per page). Contact: Nancy 0211710226 Youth Ping Pong: 3pm onwards. Contact: Helena 022 6474 738
THURSDAYS	Pilates: Casual session 6.30pm \$18 Contact: Sylvia 021 109 9302
FRIDAYS	Guitar/Ukelele lesson for children Every other week, Term 3 starting July 21 5.45 – 6.15pm. Tutor: Peter Gillan Contact: Nancy 021 171 0226 Guke Group: 6.30 – 8pm July 21. Community guitar and ukelele singalong. Performance free fun. Everyone, including new 'dropins', welcome. Contact: Jenny or Nancy 021 171 0226
SUNDAYS	Blueskin Bay Orchestra rehearsal 4pm – 6pm. Contact: Emily

WARRINGTON HALL	
TUESDAYS	Indoor Bowls: 7.30pm
THURSDAYS	Seasonal Hatha Yoga: 6.30 – 7.30pm Bring your own mat \$10pp Contact: hagino.yoga@gmail.com
SUNDAYS	Waitati Warblers: Singing for joy 6 – 6.30pm Nancy Contact: nancymiller140@gmail.com

GALLERY ON BLUESKIN	
Wednesday 6	Quiz: 7pm
Wednesday 20	National Wildlife Specialist, Gaeme Still: 7pm, 40 people max. text/call 021 1484435 to book a seat.
Saturday 23	Live Music: Reid & Wolken 7pm
Sunday 24	Thornicroft Road Art Exhibition: starts
Saturday 30	Live Music: Paul Allan & Friends

WAITATI VILLAGE	
Sunday 3	Village Market: 11.00am Contact: Mandy
Saturday 30	Spring Fling with Bling: 8pm Fundraiser. Contact: Mandy

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Meet the Neighbours



Anita DeSoto

Thursday 21 September, 6pm

From Golden Apples to Other Fruitiness: The Reinterpretation of Women's Stories in Baroque Art History and its relevance today.

This talk will focus on the process and painting practice that led to Anita's solo exhibition *I Don't Want Your Golden Apple* in 2022, and how it has progressed since then. She will address reinterpretation of art history with women's stories and re-appropriating the works of Old Masters, while also addressing the misogyny they often represent.

Bookshare

Thursday 28 September, 3.30-4.30pm

Join us for tea and a chat about what you're currently reading and get ideas for what to read next. All welcome.

Blueskin Bay Knitwits

Mondays, 6.30 - 8.30pm

(contact Christine 021 133 9340)

Tuesdays, 2.30 - 4.30pm

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*Suitable for ages 5+.

Holiday Programme

Week 1

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, 2.30pm

Smash Books – super simple and fun, we'll have the books and paper, ribbons and fabrics you just need to bring a few of your favourite things, perhaps a poem or a quote, a favourite recipe or postcard. There's no wrong way to make a smash book, it'll be messy, chaotic and fun. Come in and look at one we've started.



Week 2

Tuesday, 2.30pm – Learn to knit. Come along and get your first knitting project underway with expert guidance from the Blueskin Bay Knitwits.

Thursday, 2.30pm – It's movie day.

Board games, Lego and jigsaws are available all day everyday.

Change to eBook Platform

From 29 August 2023, BorrowBox will become our main provider of eBooks and eAudiobooks. Access to eBooks via Wheelers ePlatform ends on 29 August.

Seed Cabinet

The Seed Cabinet is fully stocked, come and grab a packet and get your spring garden underway or drop off your surplus from last year.

The winner from our Seed ID quiz is Pauline Beattie.

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Monday - Friday: 11am-1pm; 2-5.30pm
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Kā Kete Wānaka o Ōtepoti

THE RANT

By Ian Melvin



This is an opinion piece designed to promote feedback.

If you feel you'd like to respond – email blueskin.input@gmail.com

What makes me mad/sad? Well, befuddled, frustrated, irritated and disillusioned anyway...

The fact that so many folk cannot seem to grasp or determinedly ignore the realities of life around them...

That climate change is the most urgent and pressing problem of our times ... in fact ever ... what exactly is at stake and that we need to be making changes right NOW!

That Covid is not over ... it still goes on and pretending it is, won't make it go away...folk are still getting sick ... dying ... thousands ... probably tens of thousands are left with the after effects of long Covid, completely debilitating them and changing their lives, without being recognised ... or supported...

That all crime is predominantly committed by poor people who are disenfranchised, left behind by a society that doesn't seem to care, or reach out to help them ... locking them up for being poor has not and will not solve anything ...

That politicians are to a large extent fickle and more focused on getting voted into power, than solving the really pressing problems of our times ... busy point scoring off each other at our expense ...

That Māori are entitled to a say in how things are managed, it is a legal right enshrined in the treaty ... a legal agreement ... and actually only fair and right after generations of having their interests put aside and ignored ... etc etc...

What makes me glad?

That there are a growing number of people willing to speak up about all of the above and try and achieve change ... please keep it up!

Motorbike Use Reminder

The Department of Conservation would like to remind people that motorbikes can't be ridden in the Orokonui Scenic Reserve following a couple of recent incidents.

The Orokonui Scenic Reserve contains sensitive estuary ecosystems and is popular for walking and bird watching. Motorbikes damage the walking tracks and the delicate soils as well as frightening wildlife. They also pose a potential hazard to other users of the walking tracks.

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Bronwyn Jaynes, Department of Conservation - Te Papa Atawhai



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Get in touch

If you would like to discuss anything, or find out more information, **please contact me:**
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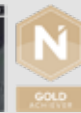
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