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# Returning to Kurdistan for the children

BY DOUG DAVIDSON

Back in 2012 Lauren and John Newton went to Kurdistan, the autonomous region within Iraq. Lauren worked as a volunteer social work consultant for STEP UK, (Seeking to Equip People) a British NGO. Her initial focus was to help develop a manual for the Department of Foster Care, but the outbreak of the war in Syria in 2013, changed everything.

Kurdistan was flooded with refugees, initially Syrian Kurds and then with the rise of ISIS, displaced Iraqis from the south of the country. Lauren's focus switched to provide training for local staff working with the refugees.

She says, "We set up child friendly spaces in the camps where children could play and do activities. Qualified social workers were identified

from among the refugees. They were trained and supported as care and protection social workers. There were also unaccompanied children and children who had witnessed terrible atrocities committed by ISIS."

Lauren explains that, "STEP was set up in 2001 when a British woman, Rachel, and two Kurdish men set up a Drop-in Centre in a Bazaar to provide activities, social work

support to get the kids into school, uniforms, tutoring and a doctor."

Since that time the work has grown significantly to include Foster Care and a Mobile Care and protection team, who go into where refugee families are living but further progress has been halted while waiting for a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) detailing the responsibilities of each party to be signed by the Kurdish government.

Early this year, Lauren was contacted and asked if she would return in the hope that the MoU would be completed and the work with Foster Care would begin to move forward again. She agreed to return for two months.

She says, "It was like coming home as I returned to the house where we had lived previously. STEP took it over as a guest house for STEP workers when we left. Currently, there is an English woman, a specialist in play therapy living there. A Special Needs specialist came across from Dubai for a week, and hopes to

do so every month. When I arrived at the office I was received very warmly by the Kurdish staff who had been there previously."

"Getting the required funding for Foster Care which is an ongoing challenge, was not going to happen within the time I was there. The government, while wanting STEP to continue, had not completed their part of the MoU."

Instead, Lauren did training for the Care and Protection workers, including some she had trained previously. The Social Worker from the camp was carrying over 150 cases. Some of these were girls, 14 or 15, being forced into early marriage.

It was the height of summer when Lauren was there with temperatures averaging 44 to 47 degrees. Unfortunately mains electricity was variable. She says, "We were normally switched to the neighbourhood generator within a few minutes of mains going off, but one night it broke down and we had no power for several hours. I tried to



Lauren Newton

have a cold shower but as the water comes from a tank on the roof, which is heated from the sun, it wasn't much help." She adds, "I do not understand why this should happen, as Kurdistan has plenty of

oil and gas."

There had been some positive changes including more shops, cafes and restaurants but there were still the potholes in the back roads, bunched power lines and crazy drivers.

But she says, "I felt safe there – more so than here. I was on my own for three weeks before John (her husband) came over, but I didn't have any concerns."

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Congratulations to Lauren Newton for using her experience and skills gained in New Zealand to help train social workers in Kurdistan. (See our front page article). She would love to see someone else with similar skills take up the role in the future.

Most primary schools had some form of celebration for the Rugby World Cup but probably not as big as St Anne's. Their silver fern certainly made a statement (page 3).

There are a lot of very different activities coming up in Whanganui. They include: The launch of the book 'Scented,' (page 2), Film Society film open to the public (page 7), a Futsal Tournament (page 13), Whanganui's 'Whangavegas Extravaganza' (page 14), the Rising Stars Brass Band show (page 21),



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a lunch time organ concert (page 26), a high tea with a difference for the Literacy Festival (page 7) and the children's programme in the festival (page 17).

Congratulations to the 'old dude' Doug Smith for motorcycling the Alaskan Highway in very cold conditions (page 4).  
- Doug Davidson  
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## Laurence Fearnley to launch 11th novel in Whanganui this Thursday

Laurence Fearnley has written 11 novels as well as an anthology of mountain writing. Her work has led her to being awarded the 2019 Arts Foundation Laureate for Literature, an award worth \$25,000. She says as a full time writer, "This is the equivalent of 15 years of income from book writing." It has also allowed her to do the research needed to write her novels.

She has a background of an MZ/A and a Ph.D. but says, "Since the 1990s I've never had a proper job." Her books have won numerous awards with her 'The Hut Builder' winning the fiction category of the 2011 Montana New Zealand Book Awards. She has also won a number of fellowships including the Robert Burns Fellowship and the NZSA Janet Frame Memorial Award.

She is good friends with local artist, Lauren Lysaght, and this led to her being given the writer in residence at the Glasgow Street Art Centre recently, allowing her to



**Laurence Fearnley**

write "15,000 words in just over two weeks. It was an incredible opportunity."

It was particularly appropriate to have been in Whanganui as Laurence has researched Whanganui missionary, Richard Taylor's diaries for references to different scents. There were references to 'grand Maori perfume, to the scent of Manuka, ferns,

the mission gardens and to plants specific to this area and not to Laurence's Dunedin.

This has led to her latest novel 'Scented.' She asked herself the question of how we respond to landscapes by smell. We respond visually to our landscapes such as mountains and glaciers. She has always loved the smell

of roses but wonders whether that was because of being brought up in England. What about the more local scents of grass paddocks, bush, bracken and gorse.

She kept a scent diary and noted down the changes during the day,

over the year, everything from the nearby Gregg's coffee roastery to the smell of lemonwood during daily dog walks. She believes that our identity is a mixture of culture and ancestry.

The novel has been described as "a compelling and poignant search for identity through perfume."

At the launch of 'Scented' on Thursday, September 26 at 7pm, Laurence will read from her book and there will be an open discussion of its themes and an opportunity to buy a copy and have it signed by the author. Food and drinks will be supplied.

The venue is the Sarjeant on the Quay, 38 Taupo Quay. The cost is \$15 or \$12 for Friends of the Sarjeant and Thousand Stars members. You can book at the Sarjeant or call 349 0506.

'Scented' is the first of a series of novels, Laurence plans to write on the five senses. The next will be on touch.

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Lauren loves the Kurds and Kurdistan. She says, "Everyone is so kind and welcoming. I have great respect for the Syrian Kurdish refugees; they have turned their camp into a village with their own houses, shops and schools."

She believes passionately in the work STEP is doing. As for the future, Lauren says, "the task needs someone who is current in social work practice, can stay for a few years, someone who can work culturally and is able to adapt to the Kurdish way." STEP is actively seeking donations to help continue the work.

To find out more about STEP Iraq go to <http://www.step-uk.com>. With the ongoing crisis situation in Syria and the continuing presence of ISIS in the Middle East, the needs in Iraqi Kurdistan are as great as ever.

## Blind Spot

with Marion Hainsworth

October seems to be a busy month for the Blind Community. The Association of Blind Citizens (ABC) holds its annual conference - in Auckland, from 4 - 6 October. Our delegate again this year is Kerry Gorman. And the National Blind Foundation is holding its annual collection on Friday, 18 and Saturday, 19 October. Then over Labour weekend, the National Blind Indoor Bowls Tournament is to be held, also in Auckland. Wanganui has 13 bowlers and their coaches travelling to Auckland to participate.

On Thursday afternoon, 3 October, the usual social will be at 2.00pm, at the Blind Centre in Peat Street. That afternoon, there will be a speaker from the Whanganui Museum and then on 17 October, instead of the usual social, there will be a 'hands-on' exhibit programme for members at the Museum classroom, in Watt Street. Please note: This outing at the Museum will commence at 1.00pm, concluding by 3.00pm. The bus transport will operate to/from the Museum that day.

Contacts: Dave, on 343-3117, Ken on 021-0245-2355 - indoor bowls. Bev, on 348-4407 - for craft activities.

Monthly Blindspot articles can also be accessed on the Telephone Information Service (TIS), operated by the Blind Foundation - phone 348 4403, extension 4541.

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# St Anne's sporting huge Silver Fern for the Rugby World Cup

St Anne's School went all black on Friday, September for the beginning of the Rugby World Cup. Staff and students wore black with many proud to wear the official AIG All Black shirts, in return for a gold coin donation, which will go towards installing some decent rugby goal posts.

The idea started with a generous offer by parent, John Carr owner of 'Fleet Australasia Ltd, the Castlecliff company which described itself as "The World's Leading manufacturer and distributor of line marking paint and equipment," to paint a silver fern on a black background on the school's grounds.

It certainly makes a statement - it is bigger than the nearby church. The school says, "It is the biggest silver fern in New Zealand." It took two days for John and his team to paint and it

involved the latest in GPS spray equipment. It will last another 8 to 9 days - so if you want to have a look, don't delay. Perhaps, to state the obvious, John has a great love of rugby.

On Friday each classroom was given the name of an All Black. (There are 12 classrooms so I wonder which All Blacks didn't make the cut). Then each class stood out on the field in the shape of one of the letters in All Blacks. This side of the exercise was organised by Erin McCullum, Sports co-ordinator and, yes, a relative of the cricketering McCullum brothers.

In the afternoon she organised a game of Rippa rugby (perhaps there should be a World Cup for Rippa) with parents versus the students followed by a sausage sizzle. It could have been a sushi sizzle to honour Japan but that might not have appealed as much.



Erin accompanied by her mate, Matilda Curtis, aged 5

## Public talk this Friday - The work of Architects



As part of the Festival of Architecture around New Zealand, there is a

public talk in Whanganui hosted by the NZIA Western branch this Friday, September 27. The talk titled 'Practice, Practice, Practice,' is designed to offer insight into the practices of three architects from across New Zealand, to understand a little more how they do, what they do.

The architects are Malcolm Walker - Auckland, Geoff Fletcher - Wellington and Felicity Wallace from Marton. It will be held in the Davis Theatre (Whanganui Regional Museum) and hosted by Frank Stark, the Museum's Director. There will be drinks from 4:30pm with the talk from 5:30pm to 6:30pm.

Although the outcome for architects is often a building, there are about as many ways to practice as there are buildings themselves. There is no set script on the process of design, and each practice weaves together the complexities of a build in a different way. Managing client relationships and expectations alongside the practicalities and ambitions of a design is no small task.

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# "Old Dudes on Bikes" ride the Alaskan Highway

## Green light for Manawatu Gorge replacement highway

Riding the Alaskan Highway was on Doug Smith's bucket list – and this year in May he achieved it, travelling from Portland, Oregon to Anchorage in Alaska, along with two American motorcycling friends in their 70s. They were soon nicknamed – 'Old Dudes on Bikes.'

He spoke to a Whanganui Rotary meeting telling them, "it was 27,000 miles long complete with side trips." They were travelling on hired BMWs. "Easy to ride and quite forgiving." The other two had an intercom system, so he rode in the middle.

They were able to hire the bikes at very low rates as it was the beginning of spring and

the company wanted to reposition the bikes up in Alaska. It did mean some cold, wet conditions getting close to zero at times – "But on the bright side there were no bugs."

He took no chances with the weather, buying an electrically heated vest – but more as a back-up. Normal riding meant a jacket with four different layers, trousers and three to four layers of normal clothing. They also had chemically heated pads and heated handgrips.

He loved it. "Around the corner was something amazing – until you saw something equally amazing around the next corner." There was no ice or snow on the roads and very little traffic.

Doug explained that "The

Highway was constructed by the Americans, with Canada's permission in WW2, as they felt Alaska was vulnerable to a possible Japanese invasion."

The further north they got, the longer the daylight with darkness reaching them only after 11pm through to about 3am. The weather had cleared up by then giving them a chance to see the magnificent views.

They found the people very laid back and welcoming with a big emphasis on eating food.

There was one dramatic episode. They were passing a ute and caravan when the caravan erupted and fire took over. Doug stopped and was able to disconnect the caravan before it exploded. The



Doug Smith

owners were an elderly couple shifting from Southern California to Alaska. Their guns and ammunition were stored in it!

The Government has earmarked funding of up to \$620 million for construction of the Manawatu Gorge replacement highway, Transport Minister, Phil Twyford today announced.

The initial funding of up to \$100 million has been made available from a reallocation of funding by the NZ Transport Agency. The funding will enable construction to start quickly once the consent process is complete.

Phil Twyford says the Government is getting on with investing in vital transport infrastructure after nine years of neglect.

"The last government didn't commit funding – we have to make sure that this important highway can be built as soon as possible.

"It will restore a crucial transport link that supports the needs of locals and travellers through the region and boosts the economy across the lower North Island through to the East Coast.

"We're spending more than ever before in transport and there's more than 100 projects completed or underway under this Government, with many more to come."

"I welcome the NZTA Board's decision to reallocate funding while the Ministry of Transport evaluates options for Auckland light rail. It means we can crack on with other projects while we take the time to get a multi-billion dollar game-changing infrastructure for Auckland right," Phil Twyford said.

The NZ Transport Agency has completed the preliminary concept design for the new road and is currently working through the consent process. Subject to resource consents, enabling works are expected to begin this year and full construction is expected to get underway next year, with completion of the project expected in 2024.

As with other projects, the rest of the funding will be spread out in the next three year National Land Transport Programme 2021-24 as the Te Ahu a Turanga: Manawatu Tararua Highway project reaches key milestones.



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The Whanganui Rotary Club and the Rotary Club of Whanganui Daybreak, made a joint donation of \$6,000 to Riding for the Disabled to assist them to buy a horse float.

A spokesperson for Rotary told the RCP that Wendy Sellars, RDA Manag-

er, had spoken at Rotary about 18 months ago and that they were able to put RDA in touch with a Trust which gave them a significant grant.

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# Performers set to dazzle at Lights on Bikes parade

This Friday evening



Dancer and Choreographer, Chloe Loftus, performing as 'The Arboreal Aerialist'

Performers around Whanganui and beyond are preparing to entertain the community with illuminated performances during the upcoming Lights On Bikes parade.

Lights On Bikes Event Organiser, Shanti Sibbing, says six great local performance groups will light up the night and renowned dancer and choreographer, Chloe Loftus, will bring two performances – 'Out of the Blue' and 'The Arboreal Aerialist' – to Whanganui for the event.

Chloe Loftus will visit Whanganui before the parade to train five Whanganui Girls' College dancers to perform

her 'Out of the Blue' show, which features illuminated headpieces.

The dancers will resemble fish that 'flock, dart and float through the crowd' around Moutoa Quay and then move with the parade to Cornmarket Reserve.

Meanwhile Chloe Loftus will perform as 'The Arboreal Aerialist' in a tree in the James McGregor Arboretum, next to Kowhai Park.

Chloe Loftus says this show "is a captivating piece designed to slow people down and make them look up and appreciate the trees."

Shanti Sibbing says the Lights On Bikes parade is a wonderful way to

celebrate the end of the school term and the start of warmer weather.

"Dust off those fairy lights and get your wheels and yourselves lit up for Friday evening's Lights On Bikes parade," Shanti Sibbing says.

Everyone is welcome to join in with the parade – gather at the Whanganui River Markets area on Taupō Quay this Friday, 27 September from 5pm, where there will be large floats and food trucks.

The parade will roll out at 6.30pm, travelling along the riverside to Cornmarket Reserve near the Dublin Street roundabout. Families

will have the option of stopping there and/or turning around or continuing over the bridge towards the James McGregor Arboretum.

For more information, including a map of the parade route, visit: <https://www.facebook.com/LightsOnBikes/>

## Golf results

### Golf - Castlecliff Nine Hole Club

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## Whanganui district focusing on safety



Supervisor Senior Recreation and Historic Ranger Jim Campbell and Recreational Ranger Jack (Haki) Falwasser

Whanganui Department of Conservation wants those who love and enjoy the outdoors to embrace the essence of the Whanganui Journey this year but will be maintaining a key focus on making sure manuhiri and whanau using the tracks and awa are safe.

Senior Ranger, Jim Campbell says, due to the heavy rain over the winter months and as recently as

last week the Mangapurua Track has taken a beating this year. The track was closed during the off-season with independent Geotech surveys being carried out on Battleship Bluff.

"At this point in time we await the full independent safety review for the Mangapurua track and reports from Geotech for other bluff systems are for consideration as we head into the new season," Jim

Campbell says.

In the meantime, the Mangapurua track remains closed. The track from the river landing section to the Bridge to Nowhere is open.

Whanganui staff have worked hard during the off season on all the tracks and hut sites in preparation for the opening season.

The Mangapurua Track goals include erecting safety barriers at selected

sites.

"We stress walkers, cyclists and paddlers need to adhere to signs and to keep an eye out for machinery and staff," says Jim Campbell.

"Whanganui Journey Great Walk will be open from 1 October and we hope our visitors will travel safely through this beautiful part of the world," Jim Campbell says.

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## Wild Delicious - high tea with a difference



Amber Rose with a copy of the Wild Delicious book

The ever-popular high tea event at the Whanganui Literary Festival promises to be just as delicious as ever, but with a difference this year. Amber Rose who has just published a cookbook, 'Wild Delicious', will talk about her approach to tasty, nutritious food and what it was like cooking for stars such as Gwyneth Paltrow and Jude Law, while people enjoy a scrumptious variety of sweet and savoury food.

Whanganui caterer, Judy Young, will make around five recipes from Amber Rose's three cookbooks with the addition of some of her own little savoury tarts and sandwiches.

"People will get a taste

of lots of lovely things," Judy says. "I thought her smoked fish pate from 'Wild Delicious' sounded lovely and a roasted beetroot and chocolate cake with chocolate icing made with avocados will make a lovely combination."

Judy has been trying out Amber's recipes and making them in miniature for the occasion. The strawberry and pistachio cake baked with spelt flour and garnished with a honey rose cream is delectable and not too sweet.

"Amber has added some extra nutrition to sweet treats. The book has some excellent recipes and the ingredients are accessible. Some are more unusual. There are recipes I am really keen to try such as the Persian salad and the celeriac and beetroot remoulade. Celeriac is neat but you don't see it a great deal. That is her twist on a classic French dish. She has travelled a lot and put her twist on dishes she has come across."

Judy said she loved catering for the Jo Seagar high tea and talking with Jo at the Whanganui Literary Festival 2017.

"This one for Amber Rose is encouraging me to try different approaches too. Amber talks a lot about growing your own food and foraging and that is how she was brought up by her mother, Kay Miller of Koanga Gardens - so she uses fresh ingredients, perhaps with a modern twist, such as using raw cacao, raw cocoa nibs, raw honey and using vegetables in cakes."

The high tea food will be free from refined sugar. Gluten free and vegetarian needs have been considered.

**Numbers are limited. Wildly Delicious with Amber Rose - Sunday, 6 October, 3pm to 4pm at the Memorial Centre. Bookings at the Royal Wanganui Opera House.**

## Film Society night open to public for screening of deeply moving NZ film



A scene from 'One Thousand Ropes'

'One Thousand Ropes' is a 2017 film directed by Tusi Tamasese and is in English and Samoan with English subtitles. It is showing at the Whanganui Film Society in the Davis Theatre, Whanganui Regional Museum on Monday, September 30 at 7pm. Entry is free to members and non-members are welcome by donation (suggested \$10 per adult).

Maea, once lived by his fists but now old, has turned his powerful hands

to healing and bread making. He strives to live a simple and peaceful life, remaining in the same housing estate he came to when he emigrated from Samoa many years ago, but his family have gone.

His youngest daughter arrives vulnerable: badly beaten and heavily pregnant. He struggles with the inner temptation and the encouragement from the men in his life, to take revenge in the way he knows best on one hand and on

the other, to build the new family and companionship so desperately missing from his life.

If he can return to his daughter what he had taken from her mother, all their destinies will be reshaped.

One Thousand Ropes is a deeply moving film about connections, redemption and new beginnings. It is set in Wellington.

It is 98 minutes long and rated M with some violence which may offend.

### Re-elect Philippa Baker-Hogan for Council & Health Board



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**Ross Fallen for Council 2019**

Authorised by Steve Selfe, 9 Tauapata Street, Whanganui

### Let's talk Council issues... with Cr Rob Vinsen

#### The Ratepayer Can't Be Expected to Save the World

Two key issues that candidates are talking this election are ... housing and climate change. For me, these two important issues cannot be addressed without balancing them with ...rates affordability. My view is that it is not the RATEPAYERS responsibility to solve these serious issues - it is the TAXPAYERS. It's a government responsibility, not a local council's.

That does not mean that Council should do nothing of course.

Climate is changing - it is a scientific fact, but we must be realistic about this and adopt commonsense solutions. Some suggest that Council should changeover its vehicle fleet to Electric - but this, to me, is not a commonsense solution. Council has 53 vehicles in total - but only 18 are small sedans with EV equivalents. Replacing \$30,000 vehicles with \$60,000 EV vehicles fails the ratepayer affordability test for me. Maybe in 5 years time that won't be the case. I believe our actions should start with measuring the WDC's own carbon footprint and focusing on where the most beneficial gains can be made. Council already considers climate change in planning and infrastructure matters, but other sustainability initiatives will need new resourcing. My suggestion is that we sell the Emission Trading Scheme Units retained from the Council's forestry sale and dedicate this \$1M to a Climate Change Mitigation Fund. That will help the ratepayer.

How could we address the housing issues of increasing rents, a shortage of rental properties, and an increasing need for Government housing assistance? Nelson City Council have done it by divesting their community housing portfolio of 175 units to a partnership of Housing NZ and a local non profit housing trust. The NCC intend to reinvest the \$8M proceeds in new community housing. The 275 unit WDC portfolio is worth more than \$10M and Nelson's example is the innovative thinking required if the community need for more rental housing locally is to be addressed without burdening the ratepayer.

**Re-Elect**

**Rob Vinsen**

**for COUNCIL**

**Community, Financial, Council ...EXPERIENCE that really MATTERS!**



**robvinsenforcouncil**

Authorised by R. Vinsen, 31 Oakland Avenue, Whanganui



# A week of activities to celebrate 125 years of Whanganui Camera Club

Whanganui Camera Club has been 'capturing the light' for 125 years and a brief photo history has been put together in this 60 pages photo book as part of the celebrations. The Club, one of the oldest in NZ, is celebrating with a week of activities, October 5-13, to which the public is invited.

The Annual WCC

Print Exhibition will be at the Community Arts Centre 10am - 4pm each day. Images from the National Projected Image Salon, Humanity and Earth, organised by Club President, John Smart, will also be exhibited on screen during the week.

Daily activities at the Community Arts Centre include:

• Friday, October 4,

5.30pm 'Print Exhibition Opening';

• Saturday 5 and 12, 9am-2pm and Sunday 13, 10am-4pm, 'PopUp Portraits', a chance to get a free portrait of your family/friends and be in to win an 8x12 print;  
• Sunday 6, 2-4pm, 'Talking Photography', four members talk about their inspiration and work;

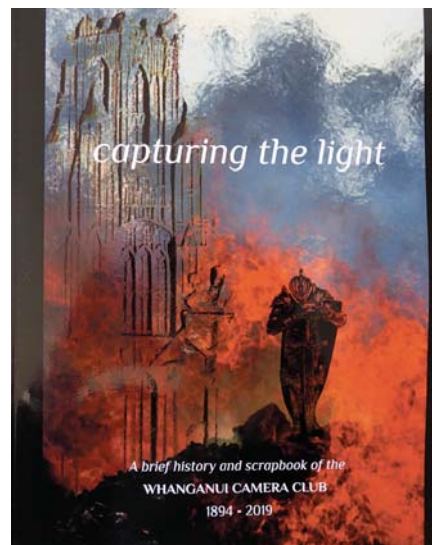
• Monday 7, 1- 3pm and Friday 10-12am, 'Images with Impact', a workshop for secondary school age students to learn and share ideas for making images with impact;  
• Tuesday 8, 10am and 2.30pm, 'Tour and Tea' a guided tour of the Print Exhibition followed by a cuppa;  
• Wednesday 9, 7.30pm 'WCC Clubnight' at the Exhibition venue includes the results of the month's Triptych Projected Image competition;  
• Thursday 10, 'Moving Pictures' a repeating showing of a collection of CC members' audio-visual presentations and the top images of the 'Humanity and Earth' Salon.

The final weekend has the highlights of a Saturday afternoon presentation and workshop, 'Leary and Woolf', by two of the Humanity and earth judges, Petra Leary, award winning NZ photographer known especially for her aerial photography and Simon Woolf Wellington, professional photographer. Fee \$20. There are limited numbers and booking is essential.

On Saturday evening is the Anniversary Dinner at the Golden Oaks Restaurant where the winner of the Humanity and Earth Top Award of \$1000 will be announced and all Awards presented. Booking is essential. A relaxing Sunday morning visiting WCC Patron Vonnie Cave's spring garden concludes the week of celebrations.

For general enquiries contact [info@whanganuicameraclub.org.nz](mailto:info@whanganuicameraclub.org.nz) or Beverley Sinclair 345 1774. Information and bookings for the final weekend events can be made at [www.whanganuicameraclub.org.nz/Events](http://www.whanganuicameraclub.org.nz/Events).

Camera Club  
125th book



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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Water bottling resource consents

Dear editor

Sustainable Whanganui Trust would like to offer support to local Iwi as they try to work out how to stop water bottling applications affecting their tupuna awa.

Particularly those involving the Kai Iwi and Awhakaueroa Kai Iwi.

We also understand there are also other applications for bottling resource consent being proposed or lodged or notified affecting other Iwi.

We are concerned as nga Iwi about environmental issues this causes. And can appreciate that there is also the culture issues of whanuatanga.

We also don't want capitalism to ride roughshod over such important issues and consideration.

We believe stopping, or at least pausing such considerations, should be part of the Government's protection of our waterways.

Yours sincerely,  
- Lyn Pearson, Trustee of Sustainable Whanganui Trust

## A world of Experience

Understanding management and change with the last 30 of my 52 years corporate business experience consulting and delivering real IT change to enterprise, local and central government I understand management & change. Through recent success with Castlecliff's rejuvenation I've built a deep appreciation and affection for our Whanganui communities. I'll work to see Council developing agile, smart change and engagement with residents, Iwi, businesses, artists and all calling Whanganui home.

## Proven Locally

Every candidate makes promises & sounds good – instead I ask you to look at my experience with smart, community driven improvement that is summed up in the two photographs below of Castlecliff's rejuvenation

Barely four years ago this was the Rangiora St centre of Castlecliff with shuttered graffitied shops, bare uncared for sections that served as a dumping ground and a broken sign pointing to a long closed motel.

Visit the same view today.

- ✓ Succulent gardens and a rejuvenated streetscape
- ✓ The Citadel Café
- ✓ Rangiora St Library – a self service initiative of Whanganui Libraries
- ✓ Soul, Body, Beauty hairdresser
- ✓ Driftwood & Corten Steel sculpture park
- ✓ One of three new lifesaving AED Heart Defibrillators
- ✓ Community market space available
- ✓ Co-work space coming



**James Barron**

for Whanganui District Council & DHB

To take rejuvenation from suburb to city I ask for your vote

[www.facebook.com/James4Whanganui](https://www.facebook.com/James4Whanganui)

Authorised by James Barron, 10 Karaka St, Castlecliff, Whanganui





A portrait of Graeme Young, an older man with white hair, smiling, wearing a blue and white checkered shirt under a grey blazer.

# EXPERIENCE COUNTS

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## RE-ELECT GRAEME YOUNG TO WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL

### ABOUT GRAEME:

Civil Engineer with over 40 years work experience in Whanganui and district

**“** We need this guy back on District Council to monitor infrastructure proposals and expenditure at Governance level”

Authorized by [David Bennett](#)  
21 Sandcroft Drive, Whanganui







# Love Whanganui?

## Vote!



**Hey Whanganui – it's election time!**  
**Your voting pack should land in your letterbox any day now.**

Voting packs include the voting papers for Whanganui District Council and the Whanganui District Health Board, a booklet containing supplementary information and a post-paid envelope for returning your votes.

If your papers haven't arrived by Wednesday, 25 September, give us a call on 349 0001 or come down to Council Customer Services at 101 Guyton Street and we'll help you out.

**Voting closes at 12 noon on Saturday, 12 October 2019.**

You can post your voting papers or deliver them to Whanganui District Council Customer Services on Guyton Street before 12 noon on Saturday, 12 October 2019.

If you haven't posted your voting papers by Tuesday, 8 October, you will need to bring your papers into Council Customer Services at 101 Guyton Street to make sure your vote is received.

Council Customer Services will be open from 9.00am until 12 noon on Saturday, 12 October 2019.

## Who you will vote for in this election

### Whanganui District Council

This election, you will be asked to choose the councillors you want around the table making decisions on behalf of Whanganui District. This vote uses the First Past the Post (FPP) electoral system.

**Candidates' names will be listed in random order for the voting document.**

This means Whanganui District Council candidate names will NOT be listed in alphabetical order. Every Whanganui District Council voting paper will be different, so no two voting papers in the same household will look the same. This is NOT an error.

### Whanganui District Health Board

Everyone gets to vote for the District Health Board as well. This group makes decisions about health and disability services in our area.

The voting system for this body is called Single Transferable Vote (STV). With STV you rank the candidates with numbers. Put a 1 next to the candidate you most want to win, a 2 next to your next favourite, then a 3 for the next person and so on. You don't have to rank every candidate – your vote is still valid even if you only rank some candidates.

Whanganui District Health Board candidate names WILL be listed in alphabetical order.

#### Whanganui District Council Election of Three (3) Councillors

WATSON, Alice

SMITH, Marama

BROWN, Sandy

JONES, Sam

OWENS, Harry



#### Whanganui District Health Board Election of Three (3) Members

BROWN, Sandy

JONES, Sam

OWENS, Harry

SMITH, Marama

WATSON, Alice



## Polls

As well as voting to elect the Whanganui District Council and the Whanganui District Health Board, voters will be asked three questions on future voting systems for Whanganui and the number of councillors.



### The electoral system to be used

Do you want to elect candidates using the First Past the Post electoral system, or the Single Transferable Vote system? This vote is binding.



### The basis of election

Do you want to elect candidates based on a ward system, or do you want them to stand 'at large' (across the whole district)? This vote is non-binding.



### The number of councillors

Do you want to keep the number of Whanganui District councillors at 12, or do you want to reduce the number to 10? This vote is non-binding.

## Enrolment and Special Voting Arrangements

Whanganui District residents who are not listed on the final electoral roll for these elections and polls can enrol by calling 0800 ENROL NOW (0800 36 76 56), visiting the Elections website ([www.elections.org.nz](http://www.elections.org.nz)) or obtaining enrolment forms at Post Shops or from Whanganui District Council Customer Services, 101 Guyton Street, Whanganui up to 4:00pm on Friday, 11 October 2019.

Whanganui District Council ratepayer electors who are not listed on the final electoral roll for these elections and polls can obtain enrolment forms from Whanganui District Council Customer Services up to 4:00pm on Friday, 11 October 2019.

Special voting facilities for the above elections and polls will be available during normal office hours at Whanganui District Council Customer Services until Friday, 11 October 2019 and from 9:00am to 12 noon on Saturday, 12 October 2019.

Noeline Moosman  
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# Vote Day!

## Saturday 5 October 2019



Local elections are by postal vote but if you don't know where to find your nearest post box, don't worry – the ballot box is coming to you on Saturday, 5 October!

Have your voting papers and look for the blue flags and the orange box at the following locations:

Rangiora Street Library, Castlecliff	10:00am – 12 noon
Gonville Library, Gonville	10:00am – 12 noon
River Markets, Taupō Quay	10:00am – 12 noon
Aramoho Shopping Centre, Aramoho	10:00am – 12 noon
Whanganui East Shopping Centre, Whanganui East	10:00am – 12 noon
Springvale Garden Centre, Springvale	10:00am – 12 noon
Trafalgar Square Shopping Centre, Taupō Quay	1:00pm – 3:00pm

**Voting closes at 12 noon on Saturday, 12 October 2019.**

**Visit [www.whanganui.govt.nz/election2019](http://www.whanganui.govt.nz/election2019) for more information**





# WHANGANUI HIGH SCHOOL

www.whanganuihigh.school.nz

## Tēnā koutou katoa,

Future Focus Week was a great success for our students and whānau combined informed decisions were made between students, parents and teachers regarding individual subject choice selections for 2020.

Course selections were then followed promptly by our Senior School Examinations and supervised study classes from 12 September to 20 September. This is great preparation for the national external NCEA examinations beginning on Friday, 8 November.

As you can see on this page, our students competed well at all Tournament Week sporting events. Team members represented our school with pride and consistently exhibited our LIFE values both in competition and when socialising. Thanks again to the many parents and staff members who enable our students to maximise their sporting potential at regional and national levels.

Please remember that I am always happy to meet with parents to discuss any aspect of education at Whanganui High School.

Ngā mihi nui

**Martin McAllen - Principal**

MEd Leadership with First Class Honours,  
PGDipEd Leadership, BA, Dip Tchg

PRINCIPAL'S  
NEWSLETTER  
FOR  
SEPTEMBER  
2019

## ENROLMENTS

2020

For further information and  
enrolment packs please phone  
the School on 06 349 0178

ENROLMENTS FOR 2020  
ARE STILL BEING  
RECEIVED BY  
THE SCHOOL.



**SENIOR A1 NETBALL** - Our Phillips Electrical A1 Netball Team this year finished 3rd at the Lower North Island Netball Tournament and qualified for NZSS Nationals in Nelson from 8-11 October. Thank you to Lisa Murphy (Coach) and Kim Flower (Manager) for your work over the season.



**BOYS HOCKEY** - Our 1st XI Hockey Boys have secured their spot in the Rankin Cup for 2020 playing against some talented schools in Christchurch. They finished up 3rd in the India Shield. Thank you to Andrew Spence (Coach) and Darrell Hoskin (Manager) for your work over the season.

**1ST XV RUGBY** - Our team hosted the Central 6 tournament in Whanganui finishing 2nd. Thank you to Mike Lama and Bryn Parry for your hard work over the season

**MOTOCROSS** - Five boys entered the School Sport NZ Cross Country Champs this year. There were 120 competitors from 33 North Island schools and WHS finished 2nd. Thank you to Shayne Wainhouse and parents for supporting the boys.

Thank you to the parents and staff members who gave up their own work and family time to coach or manage our teams during tournament week. Your commitment and dedication to the success of Sport at our School is appreciated



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### REBECCA BAKER

Our Head Girl, Rebecca Baker, has recently returned from Sydney where she was part of the NZSS Cross Country team at the Australian States Team Competition. In the U18 Girls 4km section of the competition Rebecca was the second New Zealand runner home. She came first in the relay section.

### WHS HOSPITALITY STUDENTS

Our hospitality students have been cooking up a storm at the annual UCOL NZ Chefs Cooking Competitions. Our teams took Gold and Silver medals in the Omelette section and won the class. There were also top placings in the cupcake section. Well done, to the students involved.



### WHS SENIOR A1 NETBALL

Our Senior A1 Netball girls have been on a winning streak recently, winning the Manawatu Open Secondary School Grade competition, and receiving the Secondary School Award for the Highest Goal Average at the Netball Whanganui Prizegiving.

### TIMARA WALLACE

Timara Wallace is a finalist in the 2019 Wallace Secondary School Art Awards with her photograph "Blind with Greed". The photograph comes from her photography folio exploring the Seven Deadly Sins.



## VOCATIONAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT NEWS

### EXTERNAL COURSES

This year 138 Senior students have been enrolled in Tertiary Education. 106 students have participated in various U-Skills courses and 32 have been involved with either AG Challenge, Training For You or Achievement NZ. Students attend either a one or two day placement and are gaining qualifications towards their NCEA Certificate in their chosen career, for example, Hairdressing, Vet Nursing, Paint and Panel, Mechatronics, Farming, Makeup and Skincare. Applications are now open for UCOL's U-Skills courses for 2020. These courses are either at Level 2 or 3 and there are approximately 22 different courses available to any student in Years 11-13. Applications close at the end of the school year.

### WORK EXPERIENCE

From dog grooming to electrical work, welding to waitressing, childcare centre to automotive workshop, veterinarian surgery to Bushy Park Reserve ... and many other activities and work places - our students are out there, representing Whanganui High School and gaining valuable skills in the work place. This year we have over ninety students out gaining work place skills at least one day a week, working in a wide variety of industries. About two thirds of these students belong to our Gateway programme, but many do not. If you are interested in knowing more about work placements and/or the Gateway programme please contact Mrs Diane Howard (howard.d@whs.ac.nz).

## IMPORTANT DATES

**Mon 14 Oct**

•Term 4 Begins

**Thurs 17 Oct**

•Sports Awards

**Fri 18 Oct**

•Pasifika Awards

**Thu 24 Oct**

•Cultural Awards

**Thu 31 Oct**

•Māori Awards

**Tue 5 Nov**

•Y11 finish & reports issued  
•Y11 Prizegiving at 1.30pm in the Hall  
•Juniors, Y12 & Y13 released at 12.50pm

**Wed 6 Nov**

•Y12 finish & reports issued  
•Y12 Prizegiving at 1.30pm in the Hall  
•Juniors and Y13 released at 12.50pm

**Wed 6 Nov**

•Y13 finish & reports issued  
•Y13 Prizegiving at 7.00pm in the Hall  
Followed by supper in the Library

**Fri 8 Nov**

•NCEA External Examinations Begin

**Fri 6 Dec**

•Y9 & Y10 finish & reports issued  
•Y9 & Y10 Prizegiving at 11.00am in the Hall





# Whanganui Futsal Tournament a chance for newcomers to meet new people



Futsal - no experience needed and spot prizes up for grabs

Whanganui District Council's Welcoming Communities programme is teaming up with Football Whanganui, Central Football and Sport Whanganui to host the Whanganui Futsal Tournament on the weekend of October 5-6 as part of the Whanganui Festival of Cultures.

Why a futsal tournament? Futsal is a fast-paced, five-a-side indoor variation of football that's currently gaining huge popularity around the world. Because of its smaller teams and playing area, futsal players are compelled to constantly search for space, improve their passing accuracy and concentrate on staying in possession of the ball. This adds up to a high level of excitement and entertainment for participants and spectators alike.

The Council's Welcoming Communities Co-ordinator, Katy Newton says, "Sport provides a positive environment to foster connections between newcomers and locals.

"This tournament offers an opportunity for people of all ages and ethnicities to come together and work towards a common goal. I urge anyone with an interest in football to have a go. Futsal is a keeper!"

All members of the Whanganui community are invited to take part, either as players or supporters – the focus of the tournament is on fun and meeting new people. No previous football experience is needed and there will be New Zealand-level

football and futsal stars visiting throughout the weekend to inspire. There's even going to be a celebrity match!

Whanganui Mayor, Hamish McDouall, is also on-site with the tournament. "The Council is keen to support initiative's that enhance our community's health and wellbeing – I'll be visiting throughout the weekend and showing my football skills in the celebrity match."

"This is a family-friendly and free event" says Central Football Operations Manager, Kylie Campbell. "Registrations are now open and no experience is required. There will be junior, youth and senior mixed gender grades.

"And for spectators we encourage you to dress up and support a country or international club of your choice. We'll also have loads of spot prizes to give out over the weekend."

For more information about the tournament and to register, please email

Kylie Campbell at: [kylie@centralfootball.co.nz](mailto:kylie@centralfootball.co.nz) or call her on 021 518 633.

The Whanganui Futsal Tournament will be held during the Whanganui Festival of Cultures, which runs from Saturday, 28 September to Saturday, 19 October 2019.

## ~ Remembering our History ~ Gorse became a problem on district farms

Proliferation of noxious weeds, particularly thistles and gorse, was a problem facing early farmers in Wanganui County. Californian thistles were established by 1890 and gorse, brought from England with the intention of growing hedges, posed an even more serious threat.

Initially county council-

lors appeared reluctant to use their powers against offenders who allowed gorse to spread. But during the 1890s when the county foreman was finally instructed to enforce the law with vigour, it was too late to arrest its spread.

Judgment was passed on a tenant farmer in 1893 who allowed gorse fences to spread over several acres of land and a heavy fine was imposed. Following World War One, gorse became a major problem, spreading rapidly through the Okeia district and penetrating into the hill country around Aberfeldy. However, technological advances from World War Two turned the tide.

This article is based on From Sand to Papa: A History of the Wanganui County by Rex H Voelkerling and Kevin L Stewart.

## Vote 1 JUDITH (JUDE) MACDONALD

FOR WHANGANUI  
DISTRICT HEALTH BOARD

- Rural and Urban Local Identity
- Clinical and Management Leader in this district
- Director Ruapehu, Taihape and Gonville Health Clinics
- Passionate advocate for Rural Health in partnership with Iwi
- Primary care voice for Regional and Local Cancer Services
- Championing connected health care
- Active leader in health, social and family harm sectors



Authorised by  
J. Macdonald  
85 Wikitoria Road  
Pahia,  
Whanganui

## Vote Jo Meiklejohn for Council



### Affordability

Rates affect everyone in the community, and must be sustainable by our current community and future communities.



### Common sense

Able to cut through the issues to reach the core to make reasoned and reasonable decisions for the common majority.



### Experience

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Authorised by Jo Meiklejohn, 10 Plunket St, Whanganui



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# Gun buy-back event this weekend at Racecourse

Police encourage firearm owners in the Whanganui area to attend firearms amnesty and buy-back collection events this weekend, at the Whanganui Racecourse. Access is off Ingestre Street.

The event will run Friday, 27 and Saturday, 28 October from 10:30am to 3:30pm.

Police want to thank the firearms community for their positive response to

the collection events so far. As at Saturday, September 21, Central District Police have received 2530 firearms from 1551 firearms owners at collection events in Palmerston North, Levin, Dannevirke, Whanganui, Hawera, Stratford, New Plymouth, Taihape, and Taumarunui.

To speed up the process, owners should complete an online form at [www.police.govt.nz](http://www.police.govt.nz) before go-

ing.

If firearm holders prefer to hand in their firearms and parts at a dealer, 37 police-approved licensed dealers can accept them. A list of participating dealers and their contact details is on the website.

Peter Thurston, Inspector, Central District Operations Manager says, "We encourage those people with weapons which are now newly prohibited fol-

lowing the law change to avoid the last minute rush and queues and come into one of the Local Collection Points now and not leave it until the 20 December deadline which is the end to the amnesty."

For more information on collection events please go to: <https://www.police.govt.nz/advice/firearms-and-safety/changes-firearms-1> or call 0800 311 311.



## Whanganui's first 'Whangavegas Extravaganza' - this Sunday

Whanganui's first 'Whangavegas Extravaganza' Ethnic Fashion Parade & Wearable Arts Competition will be this Saturday, September 28 starting at 6pm. It is part of The Whanganui Festival of Cultures being held between September 28 to October 19.

The Ethnic Fashion Parade will showcase Ethnic Cultural Costumes from 11 countries celebrating our diverse cultures of Whanganui. They are: Aotearoa/New Zealand, China, Columbia, Cook Islands, Fiji, India, Japan, Kiribati, Samoa, the United Arab Emirates and Rotuma. (Strictly speaking it is part of Fiji).

Then there is the Wearable Arts Competition which has three age categories - children under

13, Youth up to 18 and adults. Organiser, Helen Puhipuhi from Born and Raised Pasifika, says they have six entries in the children's section, two in the youth and 12 in the adult section.

The judges are: Lee Williams, Neil Jones and Danielle Sasvari. Danielle is a previous winner in the Wellington Wearable Arts Awards. She is returning to Whanganui from the Hutt Valley for the event.

Helen says, "The extravaganza will be two hours of fabulous entertainment."

The event is at the Race course and tickets cost only \$11. They can be purchased at: [https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2019/whangave-](https://www.eventfinda.co.nz/2019/whangavegas-extravaganza/manawatu-whanganui)

gas-extravaganza/manawatu-whanganui

The evening includes refreshments & entertainment.



## WHANGAVEGAS EXTRAVAGANZA

*Ethnic Fashion Parade  
Wearable Arts Competition*

**Saturday 28th September**

**6pm**

**Whanganui Race Course**

**\$11 entry fee**

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# Tragic end for designer of Sarjeant Art Gallery building

This article is based on the article 'The Apprentice and the Master' in issue 13, August 2019 of 'The Great War Times' written by Ann McNamara.

When Henry Sarjeant left a bequest in 1912 for an art gallery in Queens Park, it was agreed to hold a national competition for a gallery design. Thirty-three designs were submitted with four shortlisted.

Plan Number 16 from the office of Edmund Anscombe and Associates was chosen as the winner of the competition. There was some confusion about who was the designer. Donald Hosie, a young architect was a trainee of Edmund Anscombe, an established Dunedin architect and it

was rumoured that he was the designer and not Edmund Anscombe.

The Council sought legal opinion from two firms but they gave contradictory advice. The Council, however, declared Anscombe the winner on the grounds that Hosie was a trainee. Anscombe as the principal, owned the copyright on the design.

Hosie did not object as he felt he was bound by the terms of his apprenticeship and said he was a young man and would have his chance again.

Before the official announcement of the competition results, the Mayor of Wanganui, Charles Mackay, contacted Hosie on November 28, 1916 to ask

him to apply for leave from the military Camp at Featherston where he was training, to complete the drawings for the gallery. The request was refused by the Camp Commandant.

Mayor Mackay then approached Major General Sir Alfred Robbins, the Brigadier General of the NZ Expeditionary Forces and on February 23, Hosie was granted the requested leave.

After completing the drawings, Hosie embarked for Europe in March 1917 and was tragically killed at the battle of Passchendaele on October 12, 1917 aged only 22. He died only three weeks after the Sarjeant Gallery foundation stone was laid. It was his only building.



Donald Hosie pictured third from the right.

## Bridge Club Tuesday Championship teams

- George MacLachlan

There is an old saying that the cream always floats to the top. After six nights of serious competition involving 12 teams of four players, it was fitting that the two best teams from earlier rounds played against each other on the final night to decide the champion senior team for 2019.

The Wanganui Bridge Club had all 6 Grand Masters in action during this competition. Going into the final session only 2 points separated the two leading teams. Husband



The winning team Steve Baron, Les Gould, Anita Thirtle and George Handley

and wife combinations of Robyn and Don Nightingale and Sharon and John Mosley played against Anita Thirtle, George Handley, Les Gould and Steve Baron. Half way through

the round the Nightingale team was still in front but in the end the Thirtle team drew away and won the Tuesday Championship Teams honours for the third consecutive year.



## Whanganui DHB

# Vote #1 Tanya Brown

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## VOTE Mary Bennett

for Whanganui District Council and DHB

Whanganui is at a critical time in its growth and development. Building partnerships and collaborating on projects and activities are key to creating a more vibrant and sustainable future.

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## VOTE TO RE-ELECT JENNY DUNCAN

FOR WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL

### Some of My Community Focused Priorities

#### Housing Crisis.

Rising rents with fewer houses available, we're at crisis point. Council must continue to take leadership, facilitating and enabling the build of many more homes. We must move faster. Homes are needed now.

#### Climate Change

Councils build and look after infrastructure and plan development for future needs, so changing weather patterns cannot be ignored. Storm size and frequency, drought and warming - affects us all. Council must prepare and adapt to minimise impacts; leading by example, reducing our contribution locally to this global issue.

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## VOTE TO RE-ELECT KATE JOBLIN

FOR COUNCIL

Pretty much we all want the same thing, we want to be well and live in a safe community. We want suitable housing, fit for purpose city infrastructure, stable and full employment and to be part of a community that is connected - a community that values everyone. Council must be a strong partner in building and improving these aspects of our community.

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# Promoting Whanganui as a destination



Kaipara College students Rachael Gibbins and Aria Perris with UCOL External Relations Business Lead Katarina Hina at UCOL Whanganui Open Day

UCOL and Whanganui & Partners teamed up to bring two Auckland secondary school students to Whanganui to experience UCOL Open Day and what the region has to offer.

Kaipara College student, Aria Perris, won a trip for two to Whanganui as part of a competition run by UCOL and Whanganui & Partners at the Auckland Careers Expo earlier this year.

The competition was organised to promote Whanganui as a destination for young Aucklanders looking to pursue tertiary education.

Perris and her friend, Rachael Gibbins, were flown to Whanganui,

shown around UCOL during its Open Day, and given a tour of the city. They visited art galleries, heritage buildings, the New Zealand International Commercial Pilot Academy, accommodation options, Durie Hill, beaches and other key sites.

It was fitting for Perris to win the competition as she has always wanted to explore Whanganui's heritage buildings.

"I had always heard that [Whanganui] had the old heritage buildings and is quite arty and pretty, so I thought it would be a cool place because I love photography."

Perris didn't know anything about UCOL

until visiting the stall at the careers expo and was glad to see UCOL offered the kind of subjects she is interested in.

"I was looking at either early childhood or an arty thing and it had both of them. I wanted to go away from home to study but not too far."

While visiting UCOL, Perris enjoyed the relaxed environment and the campus' heritage buildings.

UCOL External Relations Business Lead, Katarina Hina, approached Whanganui & Partners to team up and promote the region as a whole at the Auckland Careers Expo and offer young Aucklanders the chance to experience Whanganui for themselves.

"UCOL going into the expo with Whanganui & Partners, with a backdrop of the Whanganui River and Jason Shailer from 100% SWEET selling a region was powerful," says Hina.

"We were on point and the expo organisers were surprised with our forward thinking to sell the region. Any opportunity to collaborate to sell the full package is worth doing and we are in discussions for future projects."

Jonathan Sykes, Whanganui & Partners Strategic Lead – Brand and Events, says Whanganui has plenty to offer young

people looking to move away from a main centre to pursue education.

"Whanganui is a fantastic destination for students looking to start their journey into the creative sector. Our entrepreneurial city is renowned for the arts and is home to hundreds of creative professionals. Its affordability married with unique features like our awa, provide an inspiring environment for those studying."

## Pigeon racing results

The St Johns Club Wanganui Pigeon Racing Adjunct held its second race in the 2019 Old Bird Season with a race from Waitara. The race attracted 89 pigeons from 6 flyers. The winner from the loft of Shane Gudopp covered the 152km in 2hr 31min 43sec, with an average speed of 1004.05 meters per minute or 60kph. The pigeons experienced fine weather conditions on their flights to Whanganui.

Results were: Shane Gudopp, 2hr 31min 43sec; Dave Lacy, 2hr 37min 9sec; Klem Ryder, 2hr 42min 0sec; Robert Barnes, 3hr 28min 8sec; Geoff Underwood, 3hr 33min 7sec.

## Election candidate profile

*Last week we inadvertently printed someone else's Council Candidate profile under Kate Joblin's name. We apologise for the error. Here is Kate's correct profile.*

**Kate Joblin  
- WDC Candidate**



ority. Coherent strategies are needed that will provide the important linkage between the shared vision and aspirations of our community with Council decisions.

Council's new Housing Strategy is a good example of working with others to develop solutions. Next step is that Council must "stay the course" so that the strategy delivers on its promises.

"Pretty much we all want the same things. We want to live in a vibrant, safe community with good employment, great facilities, fit for purpose city infrastructure and schools – somewhere we belong."

I am a chartered accountant and have served on Whanganui District Council for the last three years and prior to that on the DHB for eleven years, seven as Chair. I understand how to develop and drive strategy. I grew up in Whanganui and, with my husband, have raised six children and have ageing parents and young grandchildren here. I am passionate about the importance of a thriving, safe community and have the skills to be part of a council that takes Whanganui forward.

- Kate Joblin



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# Old-time poetry features in Literary Festival children's programme

Some poems are written for the printed page; others beg to be told out loud. These poems have a conversational rhythm to them – they flow easily off the tongue. They can be told around a campfire, or the family hearth, or they can keep you company during long journeys on foot.

That's how Abner Serd began building his repertoire. Abner, who hails from the United States but who has family in the Manawatu, is an itinerant storyteller and old-time poetry enthusiast. Back in the not-so-long-ago, when Abner walked as many as six thousand miles per year, he found memorizing and reciting long narrative poems to be a great way to pass the time. He has since learned dozens of poems, from Shakespeare to Dr. Seuss. He recently spent a year as an historic interpreter, portraying the American poet, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. However, his favorite forms of poetry are light verse and nonsense rhymes.

On October 3, Abner will perform a selection of humorous, whimsical poems by a dozen different poets, including Lewis Carroll, Edward



Abner

Lear, Hillaire Belloc and Banjo Paterson. This is an all-ages program – children, parents and grandparents will all find something to smile at. Abner's Old-Time Poetry program is part of the Whanganui Literary Festival. It will be held at the Whanganui Regional Museum Classroom from 2 to 3pm.

Other events in the children's programme include making recycled books

from matchboxes with local artist and environmentalist, Cat Atkinson, the Sarjeant Gallery's ever-popular pop-up books and 'Screen Print a Tote Bag' sessions and storytelling sessions with educator, Lisa Reweti. For more information contact Airini on 0276363290, visit our website: [www.writersfest.co.nz](http://www.writersfest.co.nz) or find Whanganui Literary Festival on Facebook and Twitter.

## DoC leads beach community clean ups last Sunday



Some of the volunteers who helped with the beach clean up last Sunday

As part of Conservation Week, the Department of Conservation organised two clean-ups last Sunday. In the morning 20 people supported by staff from Downers cleaned up a large area of South Beach. Peter Lock from DoC said, "We covered the beach from the mole right down to Kaitoke Stream, a distance of 5km." It took them from 9am to 11.30am.

They collected two large fages (wool bags) with some of the items able to be recycled but most of the rubbish was plastic in a variety of forms especially

drink bottles. They also picked up a number of tyres which had been dumped.

A group of parents and young kids from the Whanganui Kiwi Conservation Club also helped out.

In the afternoon they went to Castlecliff Beach and Peter was able to report that thanks to a school visit to help clean up the beach that week and because of the involvement of Castlecliff residents in keeping their beach clean, there wasn't much rubbish to collect.



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# Breast Cancer Awareness

## Around 40 women a year diagnosed with breast cancer in Whanganui DHB area

Breast cancer is the most common cancer type for Kiwi women, with 3,300 women a year – or nine a day – diagnosed. Around 40 women a year are diagnosed in the Whanganui DHB area. Breast Cancer Foundation NZ (BCFNZ) is asking Whanganui locals to take a stand against breast cancer

on Friday, October 11 and Saturday, October 12 for Pink Ribbon Street Appeal. Collectors will be shaking their pink buckets at six sites across Whanganui, aiming to raise funds for ground-breaking research into new targeted treatments, medical equipment for hospitals, innovative education programmes and vital

support for Kiwis going through breast cancer. Whanganui volunteer collectors will be at two sites at Trafalgar Square Shopping Centre as well as at Mitre 10, New World and Pak n Save from around 9 through to late afternoon and on Saturday, at the Riverside Market. Local coordinator, Shirley Ford, told the RCP that it has been hard to get volunteers this year. She would love to hear from anyone who might be able to help for a couple of hours. Her contact numbers are 06 3444356 or 027 3386337. Last year, Whanganui people donated more than \$3,300 to the Pink Ribbon Street Appeal for Breast Cancer Foundation NZ's vital work. You can also text PINK to 4499 to make a \$3 donation.

## Breast cancer is the most common cancer for Kiwi women

Breast cancer affects one in eight New Zealand women over their lifetime. It is the most common cancer for Kiwi women and the third most common overall.

About 70% of women who are diagnosed with breast cancer and about 80% of women who die from it are aged 50 years or older. Young women can get breast cancer too. 6% of breast cancer in NZ occurs under the age of 30 years. Although it is uncommon, men also get breast cancer. About 25 men are diagnosed in New Zealand each year. The good news is while the number of people (female and male) diagnosed with breast cancer in NZ is increasing (18% over the last decade), the death rate from breast cancer in NZ decreased by 24% from 1995 to 2005. 80%



of people with breast cancer survive 10 years or more

Some possible explanations for the increasing incidence are:

- An increase in the number of women attending breast screening
- An aging population – simply getting older increases the risk for most cancers
- Lifestyle factors, such as increased alcohol consumption and the rise of obesity rates
- Having children at an older age, and having fewer children, along with a reduction in breastfeeding rate

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## Breast Cancer Foundation outlines priorities in Breast Awareness

The New Zealand Breast Cancer Foundation recommends that the priorities for breast awareness are:

1. Mammogram
  2. Be Breast Aware
  3. Your Family Doctor Mammograms - A screening mammogram is the best method for the early detection of breast cancer in women with no symptoms. The Foundation recommends the following:
    - 40-49 years every year
    - 50 years onwards every two years until 74 years of age
- BreastScreen Aotearoa, provides free screening mammograms to women aged 45-69 every two years. To enrol on this programme phone: 0800 270 2004.
- Be Breast Aware -

From 20 years of age, the Foundation recommends women become aware of how their breasts look and feel:

- Know what is normal for you
  - Know what changes to look and feel for
  - Your family doctor - Breast changes to see your family doctor about:
    - A new lump or thickening, especially if it is only in one breast
    - A change in breast shape or size
    - A pain in the breast that is unusual
    - A change in the skin of the breast such as: Puckering or dimpling
    - Reddening or a rash
    - Any change in a nipple, such as: A turned-in nipple
    - A discharge that occurs without squeezing
- Remember you are looking and feeling



Check for lumps and any changes to your breasts regularly

for any new or unusual changes.

**The Foundation points out that nine out of 10 breast lumps are not cancerous.**

For more information go to The New Zealand Breast Cancer Foundation's website - [www.nzbcf.org.nz](http://www.nzbcf.org.nz), phone toll free 0800 902 732 or email [breasthealth@nzbcf.org.nz](mailto:breasthealth@nzbcf.org.nz)



## The facts of breast cancer in NZ

### Diagnosis and deaths

- 3000 are diagnosed with breast cancer each year
- Over 600 deaths annually
- 70% of these deaths are in women aged 50 and over (90 to 95% had no breast cancer in their family)
- Of the 8 diagnosed each day, one will be Maori. (Maori and Pacific women have a greater risk of dying from breast cancer)

### For a 10 year survival rate:

- 92% if the cancer was detected by a regular mammogram
- 75% if a lump is the first sign

### Free screening - BreastScreen Aotearoa 0800 270 200

- 27% fewer deaths since free screening started
- 30% of eligible women are not in the free screening programme

### Importance of having a Mammogram

- 2mm - the smallest cancer able to be found by regular mammograms
- 14.5mm - the average cancer able to be found by regular mammograms
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# 'Rising Stars' - National Secondary Schools' School Holiday Programme at the Museum

## Brass Band in Whanganui October 4



Students of the National Secondary Schools' Brass Band

The National Secondary Schools' Brass Band will be playing a public concert in Whanganui at 3pm on Friday, October 4 at Christ Church, 243 Wicksteed Street. The concert will feature a range of popular pieces plus one "more demanding test piece" says Musical Director, Leigh Martin. It will also have guest soloist, Mike Ford play his horn. Leigh describes

Mike as "world class, a winner of the New Zealand Masters and Open competition for his tenor horn. Plus he is an all-round nice guy."

Each year applications for the Secondary Schools Brass Band are invited. After listening to about 70 recorded auditions, Leigh, who has been the director for two years, selected 43. In the first week of the October school holidays,

those selected will meet in New Plymouth for individual and group tuition. Leigh says, "We have some top brass musicians coming in including four from the NZ Army Band."

It is important to give all the students an opportunity to perform especially 'on tour.' So they will be travelling to Whanganui on the Friday to perform at 3pm. It should be a great concert given the good

acoustics in the church - a wonderful setting for any concert. The group will then return to New Plymouth to give a public concert there on the Saturday before the prize giving in an evening ceremony.

Entry to the concert is only \$10 for adults and \$5 for students, seniors and the unwaged. There is no charge for children under 12. The concert will last about two hours.

**Monday, 30 September - Story-telling, 10 - 11am.** Join Lisa Reweti for an hour of story time. (A different story each time).

• How Kupe discovered Aotearoa  
**Wednesday, 2 October - 10 - 11am**

• The Battle of the Mountains

**Friday, 4 October - 10 - 11am**

• The Story of Tutaeporoporo

**Monday, 7 October - 1:30pm - 2:30pm**

• How Māui Found his Parents and the Magic Jawbone

**Tuesday, 8 October - 1:30pm - 2:30pm**

• The Fish of Māui

**Wednesday, 9 October - 1:30pm - 2:30pm**

• How Māui Slowed the Sun

**Thursday, 10 October - 1:30pm - 2:30pm**

• How Māui Found the Secret of Fire

**Friday, 11 October - 1:30pm - 2:30pm**

• How Māui Created the First Dog  
Venue: Whanganui Regional Museum, Watt Street.

Bookings: Whanganui Regional Museum ph 06 349 1110.

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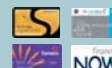
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# HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY AWARENESS WEEK

## Chaplaincy at Whanganui Hospital

As part of ICHC (Inter-Church Council of Hospital Chaplaincy)

Time really flies and I just cannot believe that it is my fifth year working at Whanganui hospital as Coordinating Chaplain. I came to Whanganui in March 2015. I look back and recount my time in Whanganui, and feel blessed that God sent me here to serve HIM in this role where I spend most of my time serving people who are suffering. There is hardly a day when I do not hear some sad news. Most stories that I hear are full of pain. It is highly rewarding to see that patients and their families share their very personal feelings with the Chaplain. Some of the stories are so depressing that after hearing them, I need to go back to my office and pray for more strength from God to cope with the next story. I continue to pray for complete well-being of patients which includes emotional and Spiritual uplifting. \*\*\*

I can quote a number of incidents where patients/families talk to me non-stop for up to an hour or more. I sometimes utter only a couple of sentences during the whole time and the patient/families tell me that they have felt a lot better after talking to me. It is truer with older people who experience loneliness at a larger scale. Their families are scattered around the globe and mum/dad live at a rest home. Their families are unable to come and see mum/dad during their sickness in the hospital because mum/dad get sick frequently in

their old age and it is not possible for the children to come every time.

Sometimes it is too late for the families to come and see their loved ones during their last days. I have had the honour of spending time at the bedside to a few people who had shared their precious moments of life with me during their last days. Most stories are extremely inspiring and touching which have taught me tremendous lessons of life. Such experiences make me humbler on a daily basis.

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I am grateful to God that HE has given this unique opportunity to be HIS humble servant. I also have a role to support the hospital staff and their families during crisis time. There are a number of staff members who have shared their personal issues with me. I usually do not offer a solution for their problems but provide a keen listening ear and a shoulder to cry. Most of them do feel relieved after offloading their heartaches. A number of staff members regularly come and spend time in the chapel where there is peace and tranquillity. \*\*\*

The hospital chapel is open 24/7 and people with all faiths or no faith are welcome to spend time in the presence of the Lord. The Chaplaincy work is based on Christian faith and the Chaplains serve everybody without any religious bias. Chaplaincy service is available 24/7 and I am grateful to the locum chaplains who relieve me for two days a week so that I can have a break from 'on call' duty and relax. \*\*\*

I am always surprised by

the requests made by patients and staff. I have been asked to baptise new born babies, do funeral services and also marry people. I felt blessed when a dying patient's family asked me to marry him to his girlfriend. The wedding vows were exchanged in one of the hospital rooms in Critical Unit in the late hours of night as the individual was not expected to live beyond the night. It was the shortest wedding ceremony ever conducted by me. The ceremony was attended by about thirty family members and some staff members of the hospital.

I am ably supported by my colleague, Norma O'Connors who is part-time Roman Catholic chaplain. We work together for the overall wellbeing of patients and staff. \*\*\*

I am highly grateful to local churches and local community who have made it possible for me to carry on God's work in the hospital. I have a number of teams of volunteers who help me run the Chaplaincy work. They include Parish visitors, Locum Chaplains, Sunday Service hostesses, Church teams, organists, Sunday Service leaders and Voluntary Chaplaincy assistants.

There is a new addition to these teams based at Whanganui Collegiate. A few students come from the school on Sundays and help with a number of jobs at Sunday Services. They help with setting up the chapel for service and also assist with the morning tea. They also offer to do a scripture reading and bring patients from the wards to the Chapel. It is a blessing to have young people involved with Chaplaincy work. \*\*\*

The support from local community is tremendous. I would like to place on record that recently our electric organ started malfunctioning and I made an appeal for an organ donation through Church



Chaplain Amail Habib with a patient in hospital

newsletters. One of the local parishioners who also attends Chapel Service on Sundays donated his family organ through one of the appeals. This is an example of spontaneous support for the Chaplaincy work. It has helped us to run regular Sunday Services without any problems. May God bless all the teams and individuals who continue to be extremely helpful on a regular basis. \*\*\*

Last year I advertised for Volunteer Chaplaincy Assistants (VCAs) and I am pleased to record that there were a number of applicants. Finally, eight VCAs have been trained over a period of four months during this year. It is a blessing that four of them have started visiting the patients at the hospital. Three more VCAs will start work as soon as their paperwork and other

formalities/issues are resolved. I take this opportunity to thank Archdeacon Stuart Goodin, Louise Robertson, Dr Jonathan Hart and Father Marcus Francis who provided invaluable support during the training programme of VCAs over a period of four months. I am also grateful to Whanganui hospital for providing logistic support to carry out the training programme at the hospital premises. I also wish to acknowledge VCAs for taking out time on Monday evenings to attend a three hour training programme.

I am grateful to the hospital management for their support. Hospital management is extremely supportive of the Chaplaincy work and I appreciate the support offered to patients, staff and their families. \*\*\*

I need to acknowledge

the tremendous support of the Chaplaincy Committee over the last few years. I do not have sufficient words to express my gratitude to each member of the committee. I would specially like to acknowledge Ailsa Stewart – Chair of Whanganui Chaplaincy committee. I have yet to see a person who is so dedicated to the cause and has provided on-going relentless support all the time and especially during my low times. She has played a major role in the life of Chaplaincy at the hospital. Thank you Ailsa.

The Ministry of Health provides funding to employ chaplains in all DHBs and the funding is sufficient to employ only 25 full time chaplains. It is incredible that ICHC manages to employ 88 chaplains across the country in 47 hospitals. There is a large number of Volunteer Chaplaincy Assistants (354) who help in Chaplaincy work around the country. It is possible because the local churches and a large number of Christian community members donate money to expand Chaplaincy service. I am grateful to the churches and community members for their financial support. I would like to place on record that



Chaplain Amail Habib

Anglican Diocese is the second largest financial supporter of Chaplaincy work in the country. May I appeal to all those who read this article to provide financial support for further Chaplaincy work in New Zealand and also encourage their families and friends to also provide financial support to keep Chaplaincy afloat.

If you decide to support the Chaplaincy work financially, you may like to contact me through the hospital for further information.

May God bless the people of Whanganui who have been supporting the Chaplaincy work for a long period of time.

- Rev Amail Habib, Coordinating – Lead Chaplain, Whanganui Hospital, 06 348 1234.



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just love it here."

It also works so well with being a Real Estate Agent. He was soon offered a job with Ray White Real Estate and says, "I can manage

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enjoy their family time together.

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tising and is prepared to do letterbox drops by himself. He says, "I meet some interesting people in the process who ask me questions about selling and buying property. I enjoy the job as it is a people business and am always aware that for most people, buying a house will be

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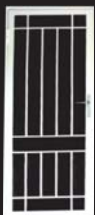
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With his background as an upholsterer for the airforce at Ohakea, Shaun can work with a variety of materials for a wide range of needs. These include furniture recovery, shade sails, pool tables and carpet-laying in covered trailers but most of his

work is with automotive repairs, including motor bike seats.

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lining in the ceiling has dropped. He is currently working on all the interior fittings of a beautiful Alfa Romeo.

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## Lunchtime organ concert next Wednesday

Stephen Rowley was born and raised in Whanganui and while at school, he began organ lessons with Janet Gibbs passing Trinity College diplomas.

Having won the Belinda Godfrey Organ scholarship, he moved to Auckland and while studying organ and harpsichord at Auckland University, he was also organ scholar at Holy Trinity cathedral.

After graduating, Stephen taught music in schools and regularly performed concerts as soloist, organist, singer and conductor. The majority of my organ playing has been through church positions at cathedrals and churches in Auckland, Hastings and Wellington.

Stephen says, "I shifted back to Wanganui late last year after a break from teaching and performing for a couple of years and this year have been re-establishing myself back in Wanganui musical circles. It is such a thrill to be playing a recital at Christ Church and I will be playing a varied programme including Bach, Mendelssohn's Wedding March and Elgar Salut d'Armour."



Stephen Rowley

The concert is at Christ Church Anglican Church in Wicksteed Street on Wednesday, October 2 at 12.15pm to 12.45pm. Admission is free with a koha at the door.

## Become a 'Dementia Friend' and give joy to people living in the moment with Dementia

People still think of dementia as a simple memory issue. Can they remember you? Can they remember your name? But it's far more complex and goes deeper than that.

Our memory affects everything we do in life. How we eat, how we speak, how we walk. Dementia changes every aspect of a person's life.

I was first confronted with dementia in 2004, when my father was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, the most common form of dementia. Now, 14 years later, I also care for my mum who has vascular dementia.

I look at her, and even though she's in care, she's exceptionally lonely, confused and lost. But on the other hand, it doesn't take much to make her smile. She just needs someone to sit with her and read a book, or something else that's simple like a leaf to look at or a flower to smell, then she's quite happy.

I visit her each day but, understandably, such a commitment isn't as simple for fellow family and friends.

From my experience, dementia is a disease most people can't get their head around. It's not something you can physically see and people just can't relate to that. I firmly believe there is still stigma, fear, discrimination and misunderstanding associated with dementia.

The mum I knew and loved has all but disappeared; her personality traits and characteristics that made her who she was.

She still looks the same, but there's nothing else that resembles her. Although dementia has robbed her of so much, one thing that never goes away are emotions. People still need to be loved, they can and do still feel sad, lonely and confused – however they can also feel happy, content and a valued person in our community.

I visit mum in the morning and then often later in the day, she won't remember I was there earlier. I know that in that moment, she will be happier than if I hadn't have gone.

When I chat with other residents, their eyes light up and they smile and in that moment, they feel good. People with dementia live in the moment. They often can't look forward or back, but they can still enjoy the present moment.

That's why the connections and friendships are so important and why people should keep visiting.



It doesn't have to be complicated; it can be something as simple as bringing in some flowers, a newspaper, or even a collection of leaves.

I know that coming to terms with dementia, visiting a dementia unit, or learning about the condition and its impacts on loved ones, friends and family can be a daunting experience. That's why I believe Alzheimers NZ's Dementia Friends programme is hugely beneficial.

Being able to link up with somebody, like a Dementia Friend, can help people realise that those living with dementia are just normal people who can't express themselves and communicate in the way they used to.

Being a Dementia Friend doesn't mean giving up your life.

It can be as easy as sitting with someone, whether it be in their own home or a care facility and just chatting to them, or going for a drive or a walk outside.

Even the smallest of actions can make a big difference.

Best of all, the programme is helping others get their head around the



condition, whether they have a personal connection with dementia or not.

Dementia Friends is designed to engage Kiwis from all walks of life, right across the country to help raise awareness, increase understanding and acceptance of people with dementia and to reduce stigma and discrimination. To date, over 3,000 people have signed up.

By joining us and becoming a Dementia Friend, you will be helping to make New Zealand a kinder place for people living with dementia.

- Bronwyn Donald  
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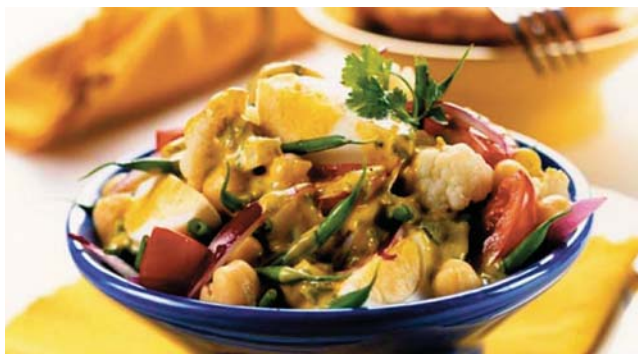
Ingredients  
• 450g new potatoes, halved  
• 225g cauliflower  
• 100g whole green beans

• 4 eggs – Size 7  
• 1 red onion, sliced  
• 4 fresh tomatoes, quartered

• 1 (420g) can chick peas, drained  
**Dressing**  
• 20ml/1tbsp reduced calorie mayonnaise

• Rind and juice of 1 lime  
• 3tbsp chopped fresh coriander  
• 1tbsp mango chutney  
• 1tbsp medium curry paste  
• Naan bread to serve (optional)

**Instructions**  
1. Place the potatoes in a large pan of water, cover and bring to the boil, simmer for 5 mins. Meanwhile, place the eggs in a medium



pan, cover with cold water and bring to the boil. Simmer for 6 mins, then drain. Crack and peel away the shells and quarter the eggs.

2. Add cauliflower and beans to the potato pan and cook for 5 mins or until tender. Drain and rinse in cold water until cold. Place in a large salad bowl; add the eggs, onion, tomatoes and chick peas.

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# INTERNATIONAL DAY of OLDER PERSONS

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## The Journey of age equality

- Age Concern Whanganui  
International Day of Older Persons is a day to celebrate all older people – to highlight the value of all older people and to promote dignity and respect.

The 2019 international theme is "The Journey to Age Equality".

On 14 December 1990, the UN General Assembly made the 1 October International Day of Older Persons. This day was set aside to celebrate older people around the world and focus attention on the particular needs and challenges faced by many of them. It also celebrates the essential contribution the



majority of older men and women contribute to the function of society.

Unfortunately ageism is one of the most tolerated forms of social prejudice. Ageism can be experienced by people at any age and in any setting including workplaces, communities and in our own homes.

It's time to change our attitudes about people of different ages and our attitude to ageing.

Some of the best ways to combat ageism is to share our stories, share experi-

ences and connect with people of different ages. So please come along to our Movie Afternoon for Age Concern Whanganui's International Day of Older Persons celebrations.

The International Day of the Older Person is a time to celebrate the value of older people and a chance to acknowledge their contributions to our community; in the workplace, as volunteers, as caregivers and as people, with dreams, aspirations, wisdom and experience.

## Kowhainui Home wins for health and safety initiative



Kowhainui Home staff celebrate their award win

Whanganui District Health Board has recognised Enliven's Kowhainui Home for its commitment to health, safety and well-being.

Earlier this month Kowhainui Home took out the Health, Safety and Well-being category at Te Tohu

Rangitira – the Whanganui District Health Quality Awards.

Kowhainui Home Manager, Trish Boswell, explains the project that gained recognition was Kowhainui Home's new after-hours security tag entry system.

The new system replaced

a method that took much more time – gaining access via call bell notification.

"Due to the size of the home and staff being focused on resident care, answering the doorbell could take 10 minutes or more, which is a long time when you're standing outside in the dark," says Trish.

The awards, organised by the Whanganui District Health Board, were previously restricted to DHB staff. This year entries were opened up to the wider health community to celebrate success, excellence and innovation across the health and disability sector in Whanganui.

Kowhainui Home also entered into different categories for: The development of its Māori Health Plan; its work to improve meal times and dining experiences for residents; and its partnership with dementia care programme Walking in Another's Shoes.

Enliven's Kowhainui Home and Villages in Otamatea offers independent retirement living, rest home and hospital level care, as well as short-term respite, health recovery care and an engaging day programme. For more information call the friendly team on 06 349 1400 or visit [www.enlivencentral.org.nz](http://www.enlivencentral.org.nz).

## QUOTES:

"Youth is wasted on the young and money is wasted on the old" - Source: Senior Moments Wit & Wisdom

"Age and experience will always surpass youth & talent" - Source: Lindsay Gedye, tutor, MYOB course, YMCA 1995, Wanganui

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# INTERNATIONAL DAY of OLDER PERSONS

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## Services offered at Age Concern

## Courses available to extend your skills with your digital device

We are a not for profit organisation, which provides services that enable older people to lead healthier, socially connected, safe and respected lives. These services include:

**Support & Advocacy**  
Our community social workers provide support / assistance, advice on available services, liaise with other community agencies

### Total Mobility Scheme

Horizons Regional Council Assessments undertaken for people to access subsidised taxi fares. Assessment fee applies.

### Elder Abuse Response Service

Our social worker is available to confidentially discuss problems of suspected abuse, maltreatment or neglect and can assist in obtaining help.

### Accredited Visiting Service

Our co-ordinator trains and supports volunteers who visit those living alone in the community.

### Supermarket Shopping (Whanganui Only)

Volunteers take those who have no transport to the supermarket, assist with shopping and return them home. The service is subject to criteria and an assessment fee applies. A donation to the driver for petrol is required.

### Transport (Whanganui Only)

Volunteer drivers help those who have no transport by taking them to medical and other essential appointments. The service is subject to criteria and an assessment fee applies. A donation to the driver for petrol is required.

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So, are you wanting to learn how to get the most out of your device and extend your skills? Or maybe, you are interested in Internet Banking, streaming on your television, creating a photo-book or searching online sites.

Block 7, which commences on Monday, 7 October, includes three 4-week courses: Intro to smartphones, Intro to



River Room Learning Centre, 19 Taupo Quay (behind the Community Arts Centre).

iPad/iPhone and Intro to Windows 10.

One-day workshops include: Reading on Your Device, Trade Me, Internet Banking, Google Maps/Google Earth, Social Media, Chromecast & Streaming, and Utilising Photos/Gallery on your Tablet.

Enrolments for Block 7 close on Friday, 27 September and can be made at the River Room Learning Centre, 19

Taupo Quay (behind the Community Arts Centre). Our office is open each Friday morning between 10.00 am and midday.

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At 2am on this Sunday  
we will be skipping an  
hour. It would pay to put  
your clocks and watches  
forward on Saturday be-  
fore you go to bed. Day-  
light savings goes through  
to April 5.

#### 2. Repair Cafés are all go.

Following the RCP arti-  
cle last week, eight volun-  
teers have signed up to as-  
sist Nelson and Dani Lebo  
from the Eco School, in  
running Repair cafés on  
Sunday, October 6 and  
Saturday, October 12. On  
October 6 it will be at the  
church on Maxwell Ave,  
Durie Hill from 12 noon  
to 3pm and will cover  
bikes, pots and pans with  
wonky handles and small  
tools. On October 12 it is  
from 2 to 4pm and is at the  
Whanganui Learning Cen-  
tre, 232 Wicksteed Street.  
Items covered include  
bikes, sewing repairs  
and lucky dip – so take a  
chance and bring along a  
random broken item.

#### 3. Small Talks

is at Bayleys, 158 Wick-  
steed Street on Wednes-  
day, October 2. Last week  
we used Bayleys' old ad-  
dress. Our apologies.

#### 4. Please return CCTV cameras, stolen from the Castlecliff Library site.

The team at the site in-  
cluding local children are  
very unhappy. It would  
be lovely if they were re-  
turned quickly and every-  
one will be happy again.

### OBITUARY

**MAY, Irene Ethna.** On July 22,  
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pean acoustic, folk and  
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recount tales of cel-  
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the human condition,

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a powerful combination  
of intelligently worked  
lyrics and engaging  
melodies. He will be ac-  
companied by NZ-based  
double-bassist extraor-  
dinaire \*Lott\*, who veers  
wildly from folk to jazz,  
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between – as well as do-  
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many years. He is joined  
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player, Peina 'Phunky-  
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Tauri. Tama K, now  
living in Hamilton, was  
based in Whanganui 15  
years ago. His playing  
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Tama



James Bar Bowen

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**Eleanor HICKEY,**  
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**Craig Lawrence MERRICK,**  
aged 52 years, died 20 September 2019.

**Michael John MOUGHAN,**  
aged 75 years, died 19 September 2019.

**Mary Neehi PIRIKAHU,**  
aged 80 years, died 24 September 2019.

**Jessie Petrova SEAMAN,**  
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The general nature of the business to be conducted under the licence is as a **Restaurant**.

The days on which and the hours during which alcohol is intended to be sold under the licence are **Monday to Sunday, 8.00am to 12 midnight**.

The application may be inspected during ordinary office hours at the office of the Whanganui District Licensing Committee at 101 Guyton Street, Whanganui.

Any person who is entitled to object and who wishes to object to the issue of the licence may, not later than 15 working days after the date of the publication of this notice, file a notice in writing of the objection with the Secretary of the District Licensing Committee at PO Box 637, Whanganui 4540.

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#### High tea with Amber Rose

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### Schola Sacra Choir - John Rutter Requiem

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### The Dignity of Risk

Thursday 3, Friday 4 and Saturday 5 October, 7.30pm

Sunday 6 October, 2.00pm

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### Wanganui Competitions Society

### October Dance Festival

Monday 7 to Friday 11 October

Festival Pass - Adult \$14.50/Child \$8.50 or per day - Adult \$8.50/Child \$4.50.

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Belmont Golf Club

### After 5 with Marilyn Waring

Friday 11 October, 5pm. Ticket \$40

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### Laser Light Extravaganza

Monday 14 October, 6.30pm

Adult \$10, Child 5-12 years, \$5. Family 2A + 3C \$30

### Chamber Music Wanganui Subscription Series

#### Jacquie Trio

Prince Edward Auditorium, Thursday 17 October, 7.30pm

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Sunday 20 October, 7.30pm

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### The Boss - Bruce Springsteen Tribute Show

Saturday 16 November, 7.30pm. Tickets \$66

### The Bee Gees - Night Fever

Tuesday 19 November, 8.00pm

Adults \$76.50, Group 6+ \$71.50, Child to 12 years \$35.50

### Imperial Russian Ballet - Swan Lake

Thursday 28 November, 7.30pm

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## Showing of historic film to mark China's birthday next week

### Age Concern Film Afternoon - Butch Cassidy & The Sundance Kid

Tuesday, 1 October 1:30pm. Bayleys Hall, Corner Wicksteed & Guyton Streets. \$15 p.p. Tickets available at Age Concern, 164 St Hill Street.

### Alcoholics Anonymous

Phone 0800 229 6757. If you have a drinking problem maybe we can help. AA Wanganui area meeting list: Sunday, St Johns Lutheran Church Hall, 51 Liverpool Street, Wanganui, 9am; Monday, Friendship Hall, Morris Street, Marton, 7:30pm; Tuesday, 12:30pm, St Johns Lutheran Church Hall, 51 Liverpool Street, Wanganui; Wednesday, St Luke's Church Hall, 34 Manuka Street, Castlecliff, 7:30pm; Thursday, St Johns Lutheran Church Hall, 51 Liverpool Street, Wanganui, 7:30pm; Al Anon, Tuesday, Quakers, 256 Wicksteed Street. 7:30pm, Friday, Gonville Library meeting room, 12:30pm. Ph 0508 425 266.

### AphasiaNZ Whanganui Aphasia Day

Tuesday, October 22, 9am - 12:30pm. Quality Inn Collegiate. Free event for people with aphasia, carers, whanau or health professionals. Guest speakers, resources, networking opportunities and information about aphasia. To register your interest please email: info@aphasia.org.nz or free phone 0508 274 274.

### At Wisdom Is Yours - Wellbeing Centre

Guided Meditation Saturdays, 10:30am. Open to all, cost is a donation. For more information contact (06) 3455002 or 0272531858, or pop into 200b Victoria Ave. We are open Monday to Saturday.

### Clairvoyance Demonstration

Clairvoyance, philosophy and healing at the Wanganui Spiritual and Awareness Centre. Our medium this week is Lisa Ross from Palmerston North. 25 Tawa Street, Wanganui. Sunday's 7pm. All welcome. Cost by donation. Like our Facebook page or contact Robert on 345 6308.

### DVD Evening - Victoria and Abdul

The extraordinary true story of an unexpected friendship in the later years of Queen Victoria's remarkable rule. When Abdul Karim, a young clerk, travels from India to participate in the Queen's Jubilee, he is surprised to find favour with the Queen herself. The two form a friendship and the Queen begins to see a changing world through new eyes and joyfully reclaims her humanity. Wednesday, 9 October, 6:30pm. Koha. Supper provided. To Register please call Pam on 345 5047 ext 3, or email pam.hopper@sosj.org.au.

### Hidden Sugar, the Sweet Addiction & Do Cosmetics Harm our Bodies & Environment?

Why do we need sugar? What is the right sugar? Discover how to be healthy and restore our planet through Natural Health. This lecture by the World Foundation for Natural Science will be on Saturday, 28 September at 2pm at the Community Arts Centre back Lecture Room, 19 Taupo Quay, Wanganui. Enquiries phone 344 2702 or 0273388606.

### Hillcrest Connections' Dance & Dine - 1 October

Present day dance team host friends of the former Hillcrest Charity at the Barracks, 170 St Hill Street. 11:15am - Meet, greet; 11:30-ish - Activities including dance; 1pm - Dine. Intending diners contact Mary, 344 8444 by noon tomorrow. Name tag prize. I.D.O.T.O.P. informal event.

### Liturgy - Green Women

Sunday, 20 October, 4 - 5pm. To Register please call Pam on 345 5047 ext 3, or email pam.hopper@sosj.org.au.

### Living and Dying Well Workshop

Advanced care planning (ACP) to meet individual wishes at end of life. Discussion with new ideas for you and your family to consider. Multiple resources and videos available during the day. All welcome. Saturday, 12 October, 10am - 3:30pm. BYO Lunch, \$20 with Ann Jennison. To Register please call Pam on 345 5047 ext 3, or email pam.hopper@sosj.org.au.

### Mandala Workshop

In this workshop we will make individual mandalas. This can be a meditative time using pattern, colour and texture. Also, it can be used to record what is happening in one's emotional life path as influenced by Jung. Input both ways will be offered. Saturday, 19 October, 10am - 3pm, \$20 with Trish Daws & Marie Skidmore rsj. To Register please call Pam on 345 5047 ext 3, or email pam.hopper@sosj.org.au.

### People's Republic of China 70th Birthday Event

"NZ and China - Look How Far We've Come". Historic Film by Rudall and Ramai Hayward 1957, "Inside Red China". Trinity Methodist Hall, Wicksteed St. Wednesday, 2 October, 6pm - 8pm. \$5 per person includes Chinese meal.

### Petre 60s Up

Tuesday 1 October is World Coffee Day. We are marking the occasion with a posh afternoon tea. Come along and enjoy fine dining and a friendly bunch. Optional raffles - 2pm. St Andrews Church Hall, Glasgow St.

### Schola Sacra Choir Concert

Including John Rutter Requiem with instrumental ensemble featuring local musicians. Conducted by Iain Tetley, soprano soloist, Shayna Tweed. Sunday, 6 October 2:30pm in Jane Winstone Chapel, Oakland Ave. Cushions provided! \$25 adults, \$20 seniors, U-18 free.

### School Holiday Workshop

"Making Things out of Stuff" for all at Harekeke Room, Resource Recovery Centre, 83 Marie Place. Tuesday, 1 October, 11am - 3pm. Bring your creativity to "make things" from resources and food to share. Run by Lyn, Peter & Lynette for Sustainable Whanganui Trust. Free, but donations appreciated.

### Seminar: Getting to Know the Bible Better

7:30pm, Tuesdays, in the Christadelphian Hall, 138 Great North Road. Topic this Tuesday, 1 October: "Jesus' Later Perean Ministry (Part 4; Return to Jerusalem)". All welcome. Supper and opportunity to chat. Sponsored by Wanganui Christadelphians. For more about us: www.thisisyourbible.com, or phone 342 7726.

### Senior Citizen's Next Outing

Is on Sunday, 6 October, 2pm. \$7. Collect from your home approx. 1:30pm. Entertainment is Sylvia's Tappers. For catering purposes please advise if you are coming independently. Venue is Saint Peters Church Hall, Koromiko Road. To book please phone Patricia Baudet on 3455282.

### St John Booksale

25 Tawa St. 3 October, 10am - 7pm; 4 October, 10am - 6pm; 5 October, 10am - 4pm. A huge selection of books, magazines and paperbacks. All cooking books half price. Featuring railway books and jigsaw puzzles.

### Theosophy Whanganui

Exploring spiritual development, philosophy, religion, science and the arts. We have a small library, study groups and regular public discussions. Second Sunday monthly, 2pm. Back river entrance Community Arts Centre, 19 Taupo Quay. Contact Kirsty 021 2123819. TheosophyWhanganui@gmail.com.

### Tui Motu Group

Tui Motu, an Independent Catholic Magazine, will challenge us to look with fresh eyes, with gospel eyes, at current social, ecological and spiritual values. Come along and contribute to the discussion-inter-church and inter-faith dialogue is welcomed. Wednesday, 16 October 4:30 - 6pm with Sr Rita Cahill rsj. To Register please call Pam on 345 5047 ext 3, or email pam.hopper@sosj.org.au.

### Wanganui Amateur Radio Society Inc (Branch 48)

Wanganui Amateur Radio Society Inc (Branch 48) has its monthly meeting on 7 October, 7:30pm at Deer Stalkers and Hunters Hall, 100 Peat Street, St Johns, Wanganui.

### Whanganui Literary Festival

Book now! 25 September - 6 October. Literary quiz. Literary walk. Literary lunch book launches. Children's programme. High Tea with Amber Rose, Joanne Drayton, Albert Belz, Corey Mosen and Ajax, Leah McFall, Paul Cleave, Tina Makereti, Ron Palenski, Fiona Kidman. Entertaining Informative Book, Royal Wanganui Opera House. All welcome.

### Words in Art at Sarjeant on the Quay

Sunday, 29 September 4:30pm - 5:30pm. Jennifer Taylor-Moore talks about what happens when the literary word meets fine art based on the Sarjeant's permanent collection of paintings, sculptures, photographs and document archives. Free.

### What's On in the Community Notices

What's On in the Community notices are \$10 for up to 50 words with the option of a colour heading for an extra \$2 and/or a border for an extra \$10. RCP, 52 Ingestre St, Wanganui by Tuesday 1pm to place your advertisement.

The local branch of the NZ-China Friendship Society will mark the 70th anniversary of the People's Republic of China with "a very Kiwi tribute" to the achievements of the Chinese people over the past 70 years since 1949.

In 1957 the Society commissioned pioneering NZ film maker, Rudall Hayward, to make a documentary film for the New Zealand audience. Through the good offices of Rewi Alley in Beijing, the NZ crew was given carte blanche to travel anywhere and film whatever they wished - the first time any foreign film crew had received such permission from the PRC government under Mao Zedong.

Rudall Hayward's glamorous wife, Ramai [Ngati Kahungunu & Ngaitahu] had starred in his famous Land Wars work "Rewi's Last Stand". She and the distinguished Professor of English R.A.K. "Ron" Mason, who was the first National President of China Friendship, represented the "human face" of NZ, interacting with the Chinese people they met en route.

The Maori King of the time, King Koroki, entrusted Ramai Hayward with a feather Korowai cloak for Chairman Mao and the film has unique historical footage of its presentation on the Tian An Men Gate. The film has been recently remastered with additional material on this and other aspects of NZ-China



Ramai Hayward

relations over the years by our Ambassador to Beijing, John McKinnon and other contemporary observers.

Te Papa Museum sent its Maori Curators to China to borrow the cloak with due protocol and it was on show in Wellington for 6 months in 2013 before being returned to the National Museum of China.

China Friendship's local Convenor, Jan McLeod, who recalls her father Hugh, liaising between Rewi Alley and the film crew told the RCP, "NZCFS branches around NZ traditionally hold a Chinese banquet for National Day, but we decided instead to share this film with Whanganui because it was our "local hero" Rewi Alley who

made it happen. To the Chinese, 70 years is a very important birthday in a lifetime. So we're calling this event "New Zealand and China - Look How Far We've Come".

Jan says the film has value for anyone interested in Social & Political History, Geography & Travel, NZ Film History & Visual Media, or International Relations.

The event will be at Trinity Methodist Church Hall on Wicksteed St next Wednesday, 2 October from 6-8pm.

Cost \$5 per person includes a feast of Chinese dishes contributed by Whanganui's Chinese community, who will also share favourite songs about their "Motherland".

## Sports Talk

with Mark Dawson



Mark Dawson

visitors should be polite. Tips on manners for rugby fans: Don't point at people - very rude in Japan; give and receive things with two hands; don't eat or drink on the go; don't blow your nose in public; the Japanese love nice, orderly queues; avoid yacking on your phone on public transport.

Oh, and enjoy the rugby. Sayonara.

Any correspondence to this column can be directed to email: rivercitypress@xtra.co.nz which will be passed on to Mark.

Konnichiwa.

All eyes are on Japan as the Rugby World Cup unfolds.

The Land of the Rising Sun is handling a rising tide of rugby fans from all parts of the globe - yes, even from Namibia and Uruguay.

The island nation's population of around 127 million is getting the small boost of an estimated 600,000 plus visitors - and I am one of those travellers keen to soak myself in the atmosphere of a huge sporting event.

And not just the sporting event, but the place itself. Japan - exotic, seductive, very ... Japanese.

My first experience of Japan was flying home with Japan Airlines to NZ from a visit to Britain some years ago.

There was a night-time stopover at Osaka airport and it was there that I was called to the front

of check-in, told I couldn't board the plane and had to watch my luggage being unloaded from the plane's hold.

The two-year New Zealand resident's visa in my British passport had run out. It was suggested I return "home" to the UK.

Stuck in a foreign city with no money, nowhere to stay, no way of getting home and where very few speak English ...

My one desperate throw was to speak to one of the Japan Airlines staff and, sort of, plead for help.

She promptly booked me on the Auckland flight the next day; got me a room at the airport hotel and gave me directions to the New Zealand consulate in Osaka to sort out my visa next morning. It all cost me not a single yen - and she then gave me some cash for food.

Yep, the Japanese are among the nicest of people and, of course, also among the most polite. And so we

### National Secondary Schools' Brass Band - Rising Stars

Musical Director: Leigh Martin. Guest Soloist: Mike Ford - 3pm, Friday 4 October 2019. Christ Church, 243 Wicksteed Street, Wanganui. 3pm, Saturday 5 October 2019, New Plymouth Methodist Church, 58 Liardet Street, New Plymouth. Prices: \$10 Adults, \$5 Students/Seniors/Unwaged. Children under 12 free.

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### "Charmed, I'm sure"



NEW LISTING

**BUYERS \$319,000+**

**WEB ID WGU70430**

#### WHANGANUI CENTRAL 8 Plymouth Street

Calling all offers to be in by 4 pm, Friday 11th October 2019 and won't be sold prior. What a charming property this is! The historical three bedroom home has had some renovations done but it still oozes character showcasing the lovely polished wooden floors and feature ceilings. A wood burner in the lounge creates a warm and cosy ambience and in the summer, alfresco dining is a must on the deck, where you can enjoy the surrounds of the lovely brick paths, ponds and the gorgeous private garden.

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### Lifestyle



**\$779,000**

**WEB ID WGU70266**

#### ARAMOHO 131E Roberts Avenue

In the true meaning of lifestyle, this property enjoys country living while still being within the city limits. Situated on an elevated 7,168 sq m (more or less) block with unobstructed views across Whanganui, you will struggle to tear yourself away. The four bedroom home offers fabulous open plan living that opens out to a covered patio and the entertaining deck beyond - summers will be your favourite season when you call this property home!

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### Brick and tile



**\$479,000**

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#### TAWHERO 16 Kelsi Street

Wonderfully presented and ideally suited for those looking for a low maintenance and an easy care property, this lovely three bedroom home offers all that and more. Open plan kitchen and dining room are set to capture the sun. The spacious lounge has access out to a private sheltered patio, creating the perfect summer barbecue spot. The master bedroom also opens out to its own patio, allowing full view of the garden. Located in a well established cul-de-sac and surrounded by similar properties.

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### Opportunity is knocking



**BUYERS \$399,000+**

**WEB ID WGU70512**

#### TAWHERO 3 Karamu Street

Wow, what a great opportunity for someone with vision and a knack for decorating. This three bedroom 1970s brick home is spacious and very original. There is a large kitchen, a separate dining room and the lounge opens to a conservatory that takes in the garden view. Two good sized bathrooms, (one is a semi en suite) offer two toilets, a shower and a bath. The house is fitted with a woodburner, electric radiators and an HRV system, and gets great sun. Outside there is a single garage.

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### Step inside ...



**\$359,000**

**WEB ID WGU69958**

#### WHANGANUI EAST 9 Kepa Street

This lovely wee villa has awesome street appeal and has been the subject of a great renovation. Keeping the character of this 1910s villa with the classic hallway arch and the feature front door, the rest of the home has been given a top to toe make over. The corner kitchen and adjoining dining area are swamped in morning sunshine and that lovely clawfoot bath will be the ultimate way to relax at the end of the day. The formal lounge is a great space for some down time.

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### Family focused



**\$295,000**

**WEB ID WGU70495**

#### CASTLECLIFF 6 Titoki Street

Get ready for summer and move your family to this great three bedroom home in Whanganui's favourite seaside suburb. The kitchen and dining area open straight out to the patio which is set up for barbecues and the garden beyond is a fabulously safe place for children to play. The separate lounge also opens to the outdoors - to a private deck just perfect for afternoon relaxing. In the cooler months the wood burner and the HRV keep everything cosy. The master bedroom has an extra area.

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### Attention savvy buyers!



**\$219,000**

**WEB ID WGU70240**

#### WHANGANUI CENTRAL 126 Campbell Street

Looking for a do-up? Wanting to add value and flip? Renovate and rent out?

- 1910s cottage on 511 sq m section (more or less)
- Four bedrooms
- Fully fenced
- Single garage
- Central location
- Current rates \$2,704.98pa

Lots of potential here to turn this property into a money spinner. Don't think about it too long - call us now!

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### Make your move ... now!



**BUYERS \$189,000+**

**WEB ID WGU70390**

#### GONVILLE 35B Gonville Avenue

Situated in a popular street in Gonville is this two bedroom townhouse with carport. The second in a group of four, this property is close to the Gonville shopping centre, with library, doctors, chemist, and Gonville primary school is a short walk away. The small easy care garden is roomy enough to grow your own vegetables or showcase a lovely flower garden. This is an ideal spot for those with a busy lifestyle, retirees or as a rental investment. Currently rented to a tenant that wants to stay.

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