# The Grapevine

# MOUTERE HILLS COMMUNITY NEWS

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# OFF TO MARKET

### LOCAL LIVES

Each weekend, locals make their way to Upper Moutere village to buy fresh produce at the new Saturday Market.

The first was held last November and it has since become a regular fixture between 10am and 1pm at the Old Post Office—attracting visitors from the Moutere and beyond.

"The rest of the building is open at the same time," says the store's owner Joanne Costar, who started the venture with her friend Monique. "Market goers can pick up a coffee and wander through the gallery spaces. There are already regulars who meet, pick up their goodies and head through the building to the garden to catch up with other locals."

The idea behind the market is to help local producers by giving them a chance to grow and sell in the Moutere. "Buying local, knowing where your food comes from, and spending money within the community is a large part of what it's all about," says Jo.

Of course, it's also great to see people bumping into friends and having a catch up. "There is a great community spirit around the farmers' market, which is incredibly enjoyable to be a part of each week."

Monique is one of the suppliers at the market, selling fresh veges and fruit from her local organic farm as well as from a couple of other large, organic vegetable gardens in the area. She has a seasonally changing array, which at the moment includes tomatoes, cucumbers, salad greens, chilies, herbs, beets, plums, apples and flowers.

"We also have a combined community table, manned by local students, which is for other local growers producing strawberries, blueberries, blackberries, apples and so on," says Jo.

Another key stallholder has been Miles and Steph from Miles of Food. "Miles makes all his own sausages, salamis, biersticks and pancetta, and has fantastic smoked salmon and a number of other delicious small goods. Plus on a good day he will



have fresh bread and tea cakes as well!"

Onsite food is also available. Newcomers Caroline and Lindsay make their Mademoiselle Crêpe authentic French crêpes with fillings like salted caramel sauce, strawberries and lemon, and Whittaker's chocolate.

Jo says she would love to see the farmers' market become part of life in the Moutere Valley just as markets are in many European villages.

"I now buy fresh sausages here each week, as well as a good portion of the week's fruit and veges. The Moutere Gold store brings fresh Rodrigo's Sourdough in for the market, so I also pick up my bread. I would prefer to do all my shopping locally and from people I know, so that is the goal to aim for "

The more there is on offer, the more locals will see it as a place to shop on a regular basis, she says. "We would love to have more local meats, seasonal produce, beverages, baking and pastries—as well as more delicious foods to eat on site while the market is on. We are keen to hear from anyone who grows or produces local product."

# PLACING AN ADVERTISEMENT

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### Sending us editorial items

We warmly welcome editorial contributions to the Grapevine from all residents in the Moutere and Tasman regions. You make the newsletter an interesting read!

There is no cost to having your articles published but if you are telling the community about a commercial or fundraising venture, we do appreciate a small donation to help us cover our costs—see above for bank details.

Archived coloured copies of the Grapevine are available at www.mouterehills.org.nz\community\the-grapevine courtesy of the Moutere Hills Community Centre Staff.

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### Upper Moutere Volunteer Fire Brigade

### **Call Outs**

13th Jan - Vegetation fire, Old Coach Road

16th Jan - Structure fire, Te Awhina Marae, Motueka

22nd Jan- Tree down, Redwood Valley

22nd Jan - Trees down, Neudorf Road, Old House Road

24th Jan - Permitted burn, rubbish fire, Ruby Bay

28th Jan - MVA Holdaway Road

1st Feb - Permitted burn, rubbish fire, Dawson's Road

7th Feb - MVA Coastal Highway

8th Feb - Permitted burn, Central Road

11th Feb - Man stuck down ditch, Blackbird Valley

## FIRE FIGHTERS WANTED

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 Moutere Fire Brigade, we would like to
 hear from you.



■ If you are interested, please call Fred Ewers on 021 0316615.

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### SARAU SCHOLARSHIP

If you are representing NZ in a sport or cultural event during 2017 and would like to apply for the Sarau Scholarship – please let us know about it by **16**<sup>th</sup> **March** – there is no application form – just send an email telling us about the activity you are involved in, and what you require the funding for. And do tell us something about yourself...

Jenny Leith for the Sarau Trust.

jenny@saraufestival.co.nz



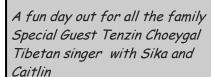
all families welcome!



What a glorious afternoon for the 10<sup>th</sup> Sarau Festival!

Whether you were there helping before and during the long weekend, one of our wonderful sponsors, or came along to enjoy the afternoon - I hope you had a great time and THANK YOU for your support. Once all the accounts have been paid the Sarau Trust will again be in the position to distribute funds to the local community - our first priority is the groups who have helped run the Sarau Festival, then the groups providing sport or activities within our community. If you think that your group would benefit from receiving a donation please let us know about it by 16th March there is no application form - just send an email indicating who you work with and what you require the funding for. Jenny Leith for the Sarau team. jenny@saraufestival.co.nz

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### Planning for the future...

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This is a useful tool for all of us as we plan for our future. Much like making a Will, completing the information on the form provides peace of mind to families when faced with bereavement.

Contact us for more information or to receive this free information pack.

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March 2017 Newsletter

### Pastel Artists of New Zealand, Nelson Region

By the time you read this we will have had our annual "Top of the South" art exhibition at the Mapua Community Hall. We hope you had an opportunity to attend and enjoyed viewing the artwork created by our members. Even better ... we hope you liked it so much you purchased a piece of art which you can enjoy for a lifetime!

We have now started back to our regular Tuesday morning painting sessions. We come together from 9:00am to 12:00pm for some creative time. We have mini workshops, we work on our own paintings, we go outside "plein air" painting, we socialise and most of all we enjoy each other's company for a few hours once a week. For those who are beginners or even those who are not, our members are more than willing to share their experience and knowledge of pastels.

In March of this year, the "Purely Pastel" National Art Awards and Convention will be held in the Waikato. Our regional group will be represented at the art awards as we have members who have entered their paintings and were accepted to display and sell their artwork in this national exhibition.

We encourage anyone who is looking for a new hobby or just wants to get back to creating art and would like to give pastels a go to join us on Tuesday mornings at the Mapua Community Hall on Aranui Road, Mapua.

For additional information please contact our Area Rep, Glenys Forbes at 03 540 3388 or by email gmforbes@ts.co.nz.

Gloria Anderson



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Interested in coaching? have questions? please see our website for info or please email us directly: info@rangersfc.nz



Did you know? After the player registration fee\* is divided up and paid to NZ Football organisations & the Moutere Hills Community Centre, Rangers FC only receives \$8 per player. All equipment is purchased through Rangers fundrasing.

\*See website for 2017 season fees. Average across grades 2016.

We run on donations from local business and the valuable time of volunteer parents. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Upper Moutere Tennis Club

**Mission**: To be a friendly community tennis club that promotes and encourages participation for fun, fitness and achievement for all ages and levels

A big thank you goes to all those who supported our Pimms stall at Sarau.

It was one of our most successful yet!

### What's happening at the Club in March:

- Individual & Family memberships at very affordable prices
- Coaching by Tennis NZ qualified coach for adults (Group & private lessons available)
   \*Children's coaching for ages 3 yrs+ (Group & private lessons available)
- Social Club tennis Wednesdays from 6pm and Sundays from 9.30am
- Social and competitive interclub
- Cardio Tennis burn calories & get fit while having a whole lot of fun! (no ability necessary)

Contact: Vanessa 027 511 8826 or email: umotennis@gmail.com

New club members (all levels) are always welcome.

To join Upper Moutere Tennis go to: http://www.mouterehills.org.nz/clubs/upper-moutere-tennis-club/ for our 2016/17 Membership Form or email umotennis@gmail.com

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### **Dear Community**

We are well into the term and the Centre is back in full swing. Our weekly classes and activities are underway and It's great to see so many community members participating. Whether you want to get fit, meet new people or simply have some time out, come along and get involved. Our new schedule is now up on our website, so check it out. Classes cater for adults and children alike and there's something for everyone!

The Fitness Centre continues to go from strength to strength and we welcome all our recent new members. If you've been thinking about joining, what better time than now! We have a great range of equipment from the US with very affordable membership rates plus FREE classes that will compliment your workout. Call Vanessa now to join 027 511 8826

We are very excited about our upcoming community events. These will be fun, and a great opportunity to socialize with neighbours and friends. See below for further info.

Katrina, Cindus and Vanessa

# Social Table Tennis Wednesday's 7:00 - 9:00pm

Come along and join this group of friendly, social players and enjoy mix of singles and doubles play. Bats can be provided.

Cost is just \$3 a session.





# Community Pizza and Pasta Evening

\$aturday 25th March
Open; at 5pm / Food served from 6pm
Cost \$20 per person



Come along and enjoy a lovely evening out with family and friends.

For just \$20 per person you can dine from a delicious Buffet servicing Pizza and Pasta.

Bar open, relaxing background music, traditional backyard games.

Bookings essential. Please phone 543 2516 or email functions@mouterehills.org.nz

# High Tea Luncheon

Friday 7th April From 11am—2pm Cost \$10 per person

Come along and enjoy a decadent high tea in our idyllic setting.

Participate in some traditional backyard games, read up on the history of the Moutere or just sit back and enjoy the beautiful rural views.

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A week of all things hoppy, Including Garage Project Venusian, Yellow Box Lazy Hazy, Heme Tane Manuka, Southpaw Red Riding Pine, Behemoth Sharp Black, Townshend trial Hop 2.

Fine Dining Evening 7pm Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>

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**Don't Forget** 

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# MOUTERE COMMUNITY YOUTH

We have just run an adventurous holiday program, seven days of activities spread over two weeks geocaching, beach day, pool day, some awesome rock climbing at Paynes Ford, Takaka (there are some keen and skilled young climbers out there). A highlight for me was tramping Mt Arthur and making it to the summit. Two of our group achieved this feat by tramping bare-foot! Crazy?! The weather was perfect, just a light breeze to cool my sweaty brow... We finished on Friday by stencilling designs on T-shirts, a very creative event. The activity that attracted the most kids was the fundraising day, we chopped, delivered and stacked pear wood and pine. Not sure why this was so popular but the kids worked HARD! We were impressed. We thank Jayne Stevenson for We're going to create the pump track. Dirt will be coming along and helping out with the rock climbing and tramping.

And we can't forget the Sarau Festival. Moutere Youth always helps out with the rubbish collection but this year, we had the inspiration and vision of John Valentine to implement ideas to reduce waste.

We collected and sorted 1,439,297 pieces of rubbish and sorted them into the correct category: compostables/plastics/cardboard/glass or landfill. At the end of the festival we had only FOUR wheelie bins of landfill rubbish (instead of the usual 20). And John had very happy chooks! thanks to John for helping to organise this and also for his energy and personality, keeping us entertained while sorting well into the evening, maybe we'll need head torches next year...

### March

Junior Youth

Fridays/3:30-5:30pm/Year 5 - Year 7/\$2/meet at UMO church hall

\*Come early after school for afternoon tea, gold coin donation

- 3 Geocaching
- 10 Nerfwars
- 11 \*NO YOUTH\*
- 24 **Dovedale Treasure Hunt**

### Intermediate Youth

2nd & 4th Fridays/6:30-8:30pm/Year 7 - Year 9/\$2/meet at UMO church hall

- 10 Challenge Event
- 24 Car Rally

### Senior Youth

1st & 3rd Fridays/6:30-8:30pm-ish/Year 9 - Year 13/\$2/ meet at UMO church hall

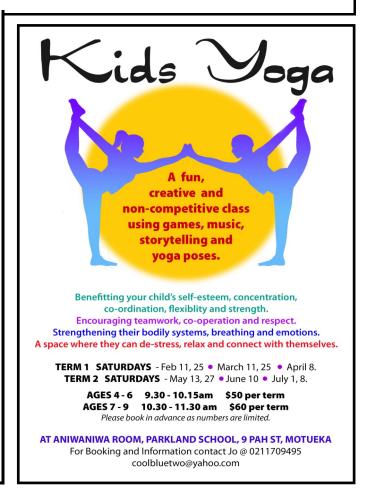
- Sports at Moutere Hills Community Centre, meet here
- Mountain Biking

# Pump Track/Jump track

Working BEE: Saturday 22nd April (middle

weekend of school holidays)

shifted and the track will be formed with the aid of a digger. Come along to help move and compact dirt. We hope to get the majority done on this day. Many hands (and shovels) make light work! If you are keen to be part of the design process contact Billy NOW! (Wet weather alternative date: 29th April)



Hello animal lovers

When I first met Sidi she belonged to some friends in Mt Lyford, Canterbury. A long haired domestic tabby somewhat aloof and not particularly friendly. I was asked to look after her for six months which lasted for 13 years. At first Sidi left my property and decided to walk to her old home in spite of the fact she had originally been transported in a car. After I got her back she started to really relate to me and would 'speak' and answer me if I called. After six months she disappeared and this time could not be found and after a month of searching I was convinced I had lost her but one night there was a scratch at the door and a very weak meow and a very thin Sidi walked in. I never did find out where she had gone or how she got back but after this incident it would be true to say we were as close as any person and their animal could be. Sidi always followed me and talked to me and would always come when I called her. Even a move to the North Island made no difference she just wanted to be with me. It was in the North Island that one day I was riding my horse, Holly when Sidi ran across the paddock and up the side of Holly to sit in front of me on the saddle. After that she often used to ride with me and did not get upset with the movement of my horse. A behaviour which attracted a lot of attention which nobody had seen before. She would even jump on the bonnet of my car and ride down the driveway to my cottage.

When I moved to Nelson five years ago all my animals came too and settled in well. Sidi loved everybody and had the most amazing affectionate personality. She corrected any dog who barked at her with a swift left hook but sadly she was eventually fatally attacked by a hunting dog last year.

Of all the animals I have had over the years, Sidi was the most special and the relationship we had can never be repeated. If an animal connects with its owner completely it is an unbreakable bond and the most wonderful experience for both. It all comes back to trust and love. Even though there will never be another Sidi, she taught me much about cats and their relationships.

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This seasonal condition is caused by lolitrem, a fungal toxin, produced by an endophyte fungus foun ryegrass pastures and is NOT the same as "staggers" in cows due to hypomagnesaemia. Clinical cases are commonly seen in horses, sheep and calves, but all animals can be affected.

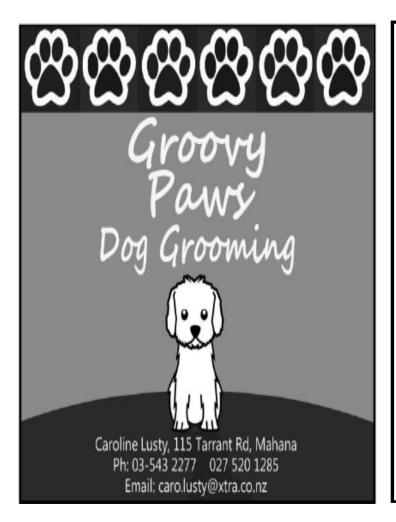
Endophyte fungi flourish in the summer and autumn when it is warm. The toxin concentrates in the lower leaf sheath, flower heads and seeds, but can be found in all parts of the plant. With shorter grass and hard grazing, larger amounts of the toxin are ingested.

Clinical signs can vary but generally develop seven to fourteen days after exposure and are the result of the toxins interfering with nerve transmission. Those mildly affected become more nervous and flighty to handle and/or ride, and are sensitive to sudden movement and noise. Severely affected animals show fine tremors, severe head nodding, splaying of legs and may stumble, stagger, fall or become recumbent. Signs are generally made worse by stimulation.

Recovery relies on removal of the animal(s) from the contaminated pasture to a 'safe' paddock or yard. The time for full recovery is variable depending upon level and duration of exposure. Misadventure is the greatest risk during this time, so it is important to keep animals quiet and in an area free of hazards such as dams or rough terrain.

'Safe' pasture could be one containing little or no ryegrass, or be endophyte safe ryegrass seed (contains a modified endophyte strain which does not produce ryegrass staggers). Alternately paddocks containing plenty of grass, so that the animals don't overgraze down into the leaf sheath, can also be satisfactory. Alternative feeds, such as hay and/or concentrates, should be fed, but note that hay made from affected pasture should be avoided because the toxin is still viable in the hay.

Lastly, there is a vast range of products that may help treat or prevent ryegrass staggers. They are fed to at-risk animals to minimise toxin absorption, but they do vary in their claims, cost and effectiveness. So for more advice don't hesitate to give us a call at the clinic (5441200)









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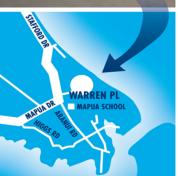












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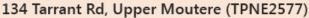




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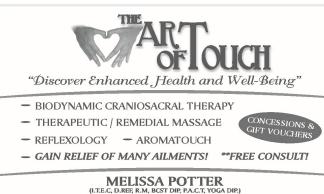
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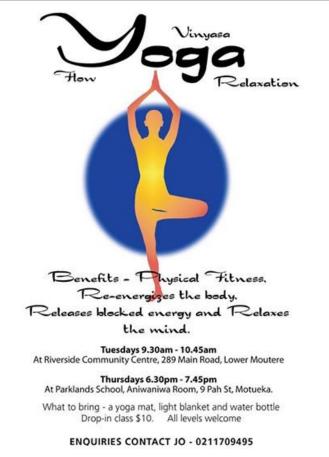
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