The Grapevine

MOUTERE HILLS COMMUNITY NEWS

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3 November—Upper Moutere School Vintage Fair

Every Friday—Sharing table MHCC



As a four-year-old living in Eastbourne, Michael Boyton would ride home from kindergarten each day on a 1954 Leyland Tiger Cub. He remembers being allowed to stand up the front of the bus beside the driver (Mr Snelgrove) and control the door to let passengers on and off. This early experience led to a lifelong interest in and love of 'old-school' buses.

After working in life insurance in Wellington and Auckland for almost 30 years, Michael eventually fulfilled his dream of becoming a bus driver, joining the Wellington-based Newlands Coach Services in 2001 and moving his way up the ranks to become lead driver and later driver/vehicle supervisor.

In 2007, Michael and wife Jacqui shifted to Motueka. He continued driving buses for local operators for a while before the couple decided it was time to go out on their own, setting up charter tour business On the Bus.

Now living on Neudorf Road, they have eight heritage buses in the collection, each with a name and distinct personality. There's 49-seater Sabrina, a 1974 AEC Reliance, who saw years of service in the historic coalmining town of Runanga on the West Coast. "Riding in Sabrina takes you back to New Zealand rural bus travel of 40-plus years ago and is perfect for recalling good memories and lots of fun," says Michael.

Alongside Sabrina is 1977 ex-Newmans Volvo coach Mary Ann—who is built for longer journeys, transporting groups as far as Christchurch, Oamaru and Dunedin—and Leonard, a 1983 Leyland Leopard urban bus with 47 seats for larger groups.

The name of the couple's business is a nod to the long-running British TV sitcom *On the Buses*, so it's fitting that three of the other buses—Olive, Jack and Stan—are named after characters from the programme.

Olive is a big 1981 Hino 45-seat coach, originally from the Railways Road Services and more recently from Wadsworth Motors of Tapawera; Jack a beautifully externally restored ex-Wellington City 'Big Red' 1967 Leyland bus; and Stan a useful 1997 Mitsubishi Rosa, the youngest and smallest in the pack, with 22 seats.

Jack is currently in Michael's workshop, getting his internal fittings restored and re-fitted. After he is finished and on the road for work, it will be Valerie's turn for restoration. Valerie is a rare 1965 twin-steer Bedford VAL, and the oldest of them all.

Olive was recently called into service for a 90th birthday family reunion, giving the group a chance to enjoy a nostalgic tour of the Motueka Valley, Ngatimoti and Dovedale.

It's usually Michael behind the wheel, but he has a couple of trusted colleagues to help out when things get really busy. "We do weddings, birthday parties, picnics, office do's and pre-Christmas events, mostly visiting local vineyards, cafés and breweries," he says. "We already have wedding bookings virtually every weekend from January through to March, so it's always worth giving us as much notice as possible!"

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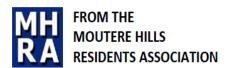












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This is <u>your chance to have your say</u> and to <u>influence</u> future transport priorities in the district.

Please take some time to complete the survey - and forward to anyone who you think might be interested as well:

Follow the link below go to the survey:

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Best regards, Matthes Bender

Secretary
Moutere Hills Residents Association
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My Journey Into The Now

I have always tried to keep myself in shape. Admittedly the shape I talk about has taken many forms. It starts off with the standard blob, to slightly blobby, to lean with a little bit of blob hanging on. The old 'love handles' clinging on around the waist line. The 'love handles' came in very useful when I was riding motor bikes. It meant my pillion passenger had something to hold onto. You could buy 'love handles' that are fixed to your motorbike jacket for the exact purpose of giving your passenger something to cling to. But why buy something, when you can just grow your own. Like vegetables really. The activities that determined the shape of my body were hockey, swimming, cycling, running and eating.

My friends, Johnnie and Sarah, were in the same running club as me. As avid runners they would train hard and look for any kind of training method that would make them faster or just give them an edge over their nearest rivals. For example, Sarah who was small, thin and agile (I called her the pocket rocket), turned up for a training run with weights strapped to her arms and legs. When I enquired what the weights were for, she replied, "I need them to make me heavier and add more resistance to my training run". My reply was "Why don't you just eat more?" This was the method I was employing. Running with weight that I had created myself. But I did genuinely want to improve my running. But I wanted to do this without actually having to run. So, I sought advice from Johnnie, who told me Ashtanga yoga was the way to go. He said that it had totally changed his fitness and breathing, and he was now achieving personal best times at any race distance he did. What he failed to tell me, was that he had given up boozing due to being barred from every pub in town for fighting and this might have been the real reason why his running had improved. However, I had no knowledge of this at the time, so I signed up for a six-week course of Ashtanga Yoga.

To prove to myself how keen I was, I purchased a yoga mat immediately and took it along to the first class. Jonathan was the yogi guru and the classes took place in the university hall, which was quite appropriate as I was about to learn a lot very quickly. I entered the hall full of enthusiasm and placed my mat at the back, away from anyone who looked bendy and supple. Scanning the room, I noticed that 80% of the class were women 75% of which looked like they had a difficult relationship with food. Either loving it too much (I fit nicely into this category) or viewing it as their

enemy. I'm sure many of them could survive on a few carrots and soy chai latte a day. Any more food than that, and they would surely ask for it to be taken away, whereas I lived on takeaways. Fish and chips, a good curry, or a fried rice. All of which I was certain did not contribute to my aim of being a better runner. But that didn't matter because yoga was the key. Jonathan introduced himself to the class with a soft, quiet voice. He was tall dark-haired man, in his midforties, without an inch of fat on him. Which made the fact that he wore very small shorts quite disturbing. What was holding them up? The answer to that was not a lot as we were about to witness when he would demonstrate certain postures. He practically floated around the room whilst extolling the benefits of yoga. "It's not just a once a week practice, it's a way of life. You have to be in the now". He would say.

I stood on the back of mat and practised my breathing as instructed. So far so good. I was breathing. Next it was onto the salutation sequence. A few of these and I was already beginning to sweat. I was getting into the 'now'. Then we were asked to stay in the pose and hold what is commonly known as downward dog. Your hands are a shoulder width apart in front of you and your back is straight leading to your bum, which is up in the air. Your feet are supposed to be flat on the ground to get the full stretch. As the weekly classes went by, it was these situations I was beginning to dread. Holding the pose was bad enough but then you would see Jonathan's feet slowly working their way around the class. "Keep breathing, remember your breathing. Remember to be in the now," he'd repeat as he would approach your mat. He would then place his hand on your back and push you further into the stretch. I was certainly in the 'now', because now it was hurting. Some of the postures he got us to hold were akin to torture. In fact, the postures were not too dissimilar to stress positions that the CIA, or any secret service would use to extract information from you. These had been ruled inhumane and outlawed by the Geneva Convention for the treatment of POWS. To be honest I was ready to confess to anything, just to get some relief from the pain that the posture was putting me through.

Now, I don't know if you know the meaning of the word yoga? But it means "to unite, to join or to attach". Well the opposite was happening to every muscle, ligament and sinew in my body. As Jonathan applied more pressure to my already shaking muscles I was sure something was going to snap. An Achilles, a hamstring, a quad or just a lower disc in my back. Take your pick, they were all on their limit. As the weeks went on I gained a limp which then became more exaggerated, but it was all for a good cause, I'd remind myself. Its going to make me a better runner. Once I'd got over the injuries.

By L.M.



What's been happening

Sprightly 7 year olds through to enthusiastic 18 year olds were to be found lapping up the outdoors at WIO in the October school holidays. It was inspiring to see such a wide range of people visiting so many different places and taking part in activities ranging from day walks to Tinline Bay to multi day expeditions in Kahurangi National Park. Go Wild, Junior Journey and Adventure Skills Development are part of our range of holiday programmes and enrolment is open to all. Thanks for supporting these programmes, we love having your kids along!

Focus on Scholarships

A core WIO belief is that cost should not be a barrier to participation and we work hard to make this a reality. We can't do this on our own, which is why are so grateful to Talley's and Bowater Motor Group who this month sponsored places on the Adventure Skills Development programme. We were super excited to have that opportunity! If you'd like to support a student to attend a WIO programme please get in touch – we'd love to work with you to make this happen.



What's coming up

Term 4 is booked up full of school camps and fun days out to end the school year. It's great to see our local schools getting out and about

Michaela from Motueka High School rock climbing as

and making the most of our beautiful region. Term 4 also sees the annual celebrations to acknowledge the hard work our rangatahi put into their NCEA studies of 2018 Trades Academy programmes – we'll let you know how our local students get on with the Top Student awards – there are certainly a few nominations out there.

Outdoor Wanderings

This month's wandering takes you to Moa Park, Canaan Downs ($1\frac{1}{2}$ - 2 hours one way).

Departing from the car park for Harwood's Hole, follow the main track that leads past the Rameka turn off and towards the Inland Track. The track is well signposted and alternates through wonderful, open tussockland and bush. Prepare yourself for a final steep push to the summit ridge (no oxygen needed J) where you will turn off the main track to the right. Following the ridge (signposted) will take you to Moa Park – a beautiful area of open tussock surrounded by bush with a small, basic DOC hut and the perfect spot to spend a night. If you want to extend your trip, a nice option is a return trip out to Porter's Rock with amazing views over Tasman bay towards D'Urville Island (approx 2 hours). Evening sun on golden tussock, morning birdsong and the odd Moa make this a trip for everyone's bucket list.

Need more information? www.wio.org.nz info@wio.org.nz



Thank you...

ike many young Kiwi cricketers, my journey began in the backyard. I was just 8 when I first gripped a cricket bat in my hands and loved smacking the ball as hard as I could, but never knew how to play properly. It's so amazing that now, aged 15, I have recently returned from representing New Zealand in the Indoor Cricket World Series 2018.

I have been playing regular cricket for over four years now. Quite simply, it's my passion. I progressed from the Upper Moutere School cricket club to the regional representative team and my College A team. I first joined an Indoor Cricket team as I simply didn't want the cricket season to end. With the support of our dedicated coach, our team played and trained three, sometimes four times a week and had full day training camps at weekends too. All passionate players, we wanted to show Indoor Cricket New Zealand what we could achieve as a team. And I'm proud to say that in July, we came away from the Junior Provincial tournament as national winners. That same day my proudest moment ever, when it was announced that I had been chosen in the final selection to represent New Zealand at the Indoor Cricket World Series 2018.

Indoor Cricket is a relatively new and rapidly growing sport. It's exciting, thrilling and is a boosted version of the classic game. It has recently been announced that the sport is now recognised as an official pathway to New Zealand Cricket. My ultimate goal is to continue with both Cricket and Indoor Cricket for years to come, playing and eventually coaching too. Since we are encouraged to "dream big", representing New Zealand as an adult cricket player would be my absolute success story.

The Junior World Series of Indoor Cricket took place in the October school holidays. 22 teams from five countries (New Zealand, South Africa, Australia, England and Singapore) competed at Action Indoor Sports Stadium, Hornby, Christchurch.

I proudly represented New Zealand in one of the 15 & Under teams and was honoured to be selected as Captain. It was an amazing opportunity and privilege to play for Team Black but also to meet young cricketers from all over the world. I made so many friends and connections, not only from Team Black but from other countries too. Getting to experience and be part of an international sports event was truly inspiring. Indoor Cricket New Zealand organised a world class event that we were all proud to be part of.



I think it's fair to say that the 11 days in Christchurch were some of the best days of my life so far! Taking on the captaincy made them even more incredible. This role came with real pressure, but the rewards when my team pulled off the unthinkable were amazing! Although New Zealand did not win the U15 grade, we were winners in many other ways. I am sure that everything my team learned from our coach, manager, each other and the whole experience will stay with us forever, and develop us not only into better players, but better people. I'm really hoping to play again in Team Black colours and will continue working hard to make that happen.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone that supported me and made this dream possible. First of all, to the Sarau Trust, a huge thank you for providing such a valuable scholarship. Secondly, so many friends from Upper Moutere, across New Zealand and the world who sponsored me through the iSport Foundation. I am so very grateful for your support. I would also like to sincerely thank the following funders:

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Jack MacNeil

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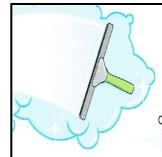
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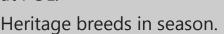
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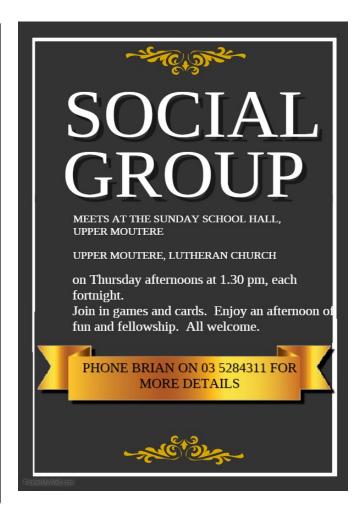
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Dear Community

Gosh it is hard to believe that summer sport has begun and Christmas is only just around the corner! Here at the Community Centre we have a wide variety of activities and events between now and Christmas but there is still some dates available if you are considering us as a venue for a special function. We now offer in-house catering for a wide variety of events to make your planning even easier. Give us a call if you would like to book or would like further details.

We are excited to be organising our inaugural Country Christmas Market. We have had a great response already with over 40 stalls booked. It is on Sunday 1st of December so make sure to put this date in your diary as it is going to be a fantastic day out right here in the Moutere!

Kind Regards Katrina, Adele, Cindy, Cindus and Joan.



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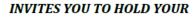
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I have set myself a challenge this week. It sounds a very easy one, but it will actually take a bit of conscious discipline to focus on my task and not let daily life get in the way. My challenge is to spend some quality time playing with my children each day.

Every day my 1 year old and my 4 year old play. I support their play, I give them toys to play with, I fill up a bucket of water for them to make mud puddles with, I get out the colouring books and the crayons and make them playdough to squash into shapes. What I have realised though is that while my children play I generally use it as a diversion so I can do the dishes, fold the washing, make the dinner or sweep the floor. If my children have friends over we get the toys out so the children can play while I can drink coffee and talk to their mums, (who luckily are awesome women and my friends too).

There is nothing wrong with our daily life and my children are happy and loved, but what I have come to realise recently is that I often do not feel I have time to join in my children's' play with them. My mind is full of adult thoughts and my hands are busy doing adult jobs. So for this week my focus will be to stop, drop the chores and the thoughts, and play, play, play. The house may not be the tidiest one of the street by the end of this week, but I'm pretty sure my children won't mind and will be smiling. When I really think about it, that is what they want most of all from me – just to play with them.

Mapua playcentre has been a major influence in triggering my reflection on play. At playcentre play is valued as meaningful learning. It is seen as much more than a distraction for children as we go about our business, but rather play is the main business on the agenda. Many of the parents at playcentre have accessed the free courses that have a main focus on play, and are amazing at facilitating areas of play as a result. Most of us realise that children learn through play, but I'm not sure it sunk in for me before just how important it is. At Mapua playcentre play is paramount and our whole aim is to provide

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9 November	Old Movies at UMO	Movie night	
16 November	Christmas Decourations	_	Junk Food Crawl
23 November	Water Wars	Christmas Cookies	
30 November	Christmas Cookie Making	Hydroslide combined event with	Senior youth
7 December	SamiClaus Tag	-	Sports night at MHCC
14 December	Family BBQ at Rabbit	Island starting at 4 pm	Everyone welcome!

21st December - NO YOUTH - the Clarence rafting will have begun!!! MERRY CHRISTMAS!

<u>JUNIOR YOUTH</u> is for kids in years 5-6-7, we meet at the **Upper Moutere Church hall** (Supplejack Valley) on **Fridays** during the school term, time - 3:30-5pm, but can come over earlier after school for afternoon tea snack (a gold coin donation). The **cost** is \$2 each week.

<u>INTERMEDIATE YOUTH</u> is for those in **years 7-8-9**, a **fortnightly** program meeting on the 2nd and 4th Fridays at the **UMO church hall**. **5:30-7pm** with some food to keep growly tummies at bay, cost is **\$5**.

<u>SENIOR YOUTH</u> is for years 9-13, also meeting fortnightly on the 1st and 3rd Fri/Sat, meeting at UMO church hall at 7pm. We can drop youth off to home after activities in the youth van if required.

Contact: Tessa 022 101 2276/Billy 021 027 28825/moutereyouth@gmail.com/Facebook - Moutere Community Youth

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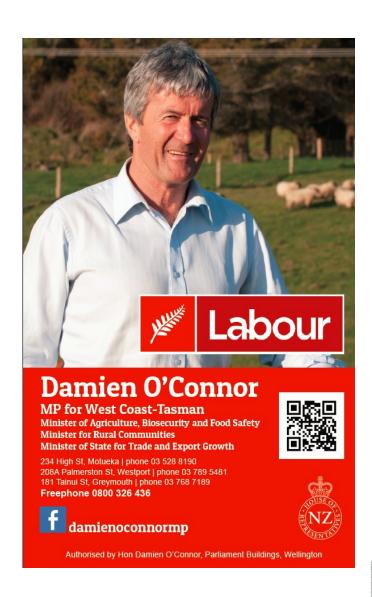
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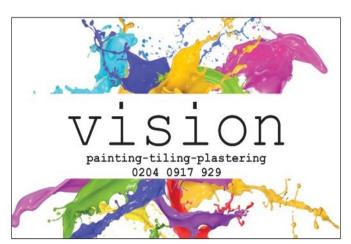
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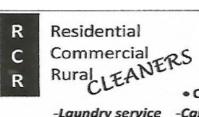
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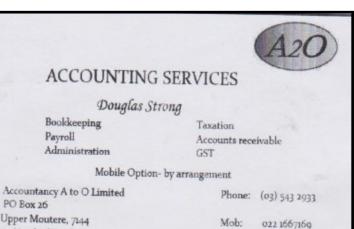
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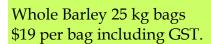
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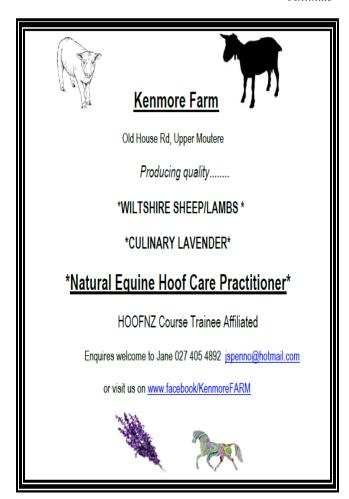
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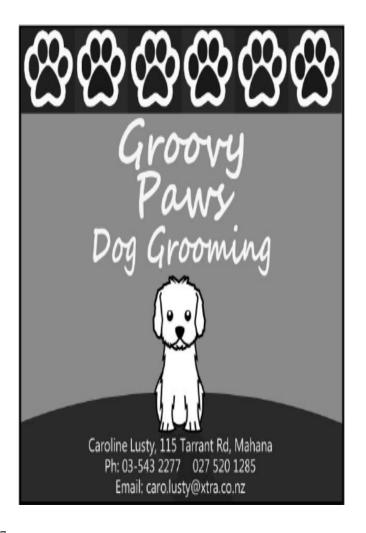
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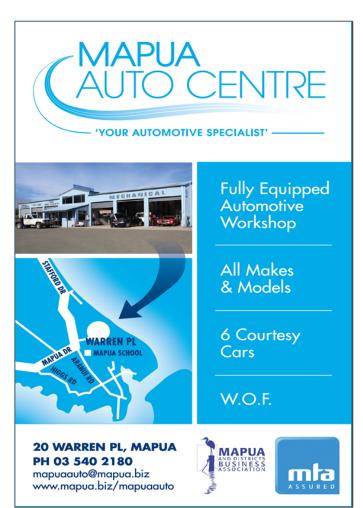
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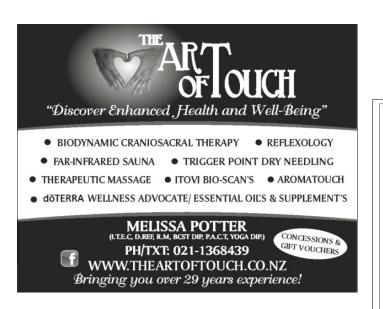
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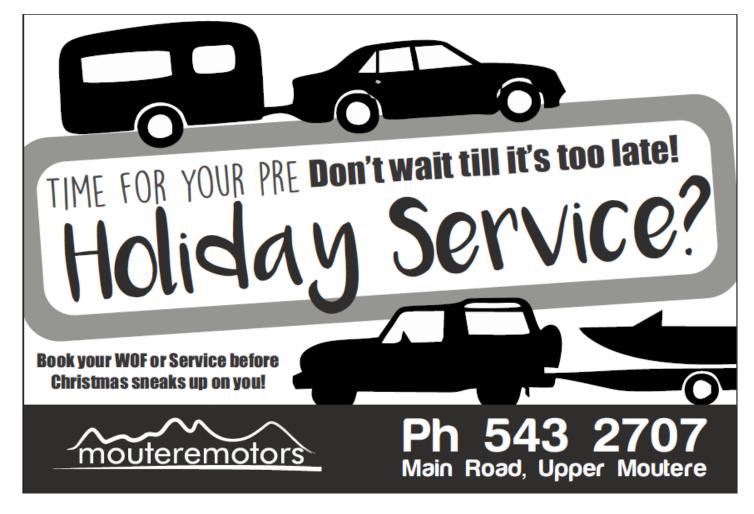
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New Animal Welfare Regulations



Did you know from October 1 there are some new

Animal Welfare Regulations in place? The Animal Welfare (Care and Procedures) Regulations 2018 allow for more enforcement of low to medium animal welfare offending. It will be easier for MPI and the SPCA to take action against animal mistreatment. New penalties such as instant fines can be issued. The fines can be anywhere from \$300 to \$25000. The Animal Welfare Act 1999 already covers more serious animal welfare offences and serious offenders will still be prosecuted under this Act.

You can check out the new rules here www.mpi.govt.nz/animalregs. There is some general information followed by specific information for different species and activities.

Whether you own a dog or run a huge farm, ride horses, transport livestock or trap possums, if you're responsible for an animal, these regulations could apply to you. Most of the regulations reflect existing standards but there are a few new rules and requirements so it's definitely worth a read. If you're already doing it right there won't be much, if anything, to change.

Some of the main changes:

- It's now illegal to dock dog's tails at any age unless amputated by a vet using anaesthetic to treat an injury.
- It's illegal to remove dew claws/first digits from dogs after four days of age unless amputated by a vet using anaesthetic to treat an injury. Until four days of age anyone can still remove nonarticulated (attached by skin only) hind dew claws. (Aside from the law, the NZ Vet Council and NZ Vet Association consider any dew claw removal at any age to be an unnecessary cosmetic procedure unless it's done to treat injury or disease.)
- You can be fined for leaving a dog in a hot car.
- Dogs being transported on backs of utes and trucks must be in a cage or crate or secured by a rope or lead so that they can stand and lie naturally but not be able to reach their legs over the side.
- Equipment used on animals such as collars, tethers, halters must fit well to allow normal movement and function and not cause harm e.g. rubbing, swelling, getting tangled up while unsupervised.
- You can be fined for allowing horns on cattle, sheep and goats to become ingrown.
- There are lots of new restrictions on stock transport.
- There are lots of regulations for pigs commercial and noncommercial.
- Disbudding and dehorning cattle these are painful procedures.
 From 1 October 2019, new rules will require local anaesthetic to be used when disbudding and dehorning.

These rules are not just rules for no reason – the aim is to improve animal welfare and make life better for animals. Are you doing it right?

If you have questions, you can email animalwelfare@mpi.govt.nz.

If you see any animal welfare issues you can phone MPI on $0800\ 00\ 83$ 33.



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November 2018 Newsletter

Pastel Artists of New Zealand, Nelson Region



Here we are close to the end of the year ... phew is it me or does time just seem to pass us by? We just finished a 2-day workshop with Liz Haywood-Sullivan from the United States. Very enlightening and who knew that clouds could be so difficult to paint. All the attendees were challenged with new skills to assist them with their creative artwork. Always make time to learn something new—it is good for the soul!

The Impressions National Art Awards 2018 have come and gone and our pastel art was well represented at the exhibition. There were three pastel paintings sold along with others at the show. Well done to our pastel artists and all the artists who exhibited their work. Hope you had a chance to view the artwork.

We will be finishing our year with a BBQ at the end of November after a year of workshops, learning, painting, and socialising on Tuesday mornings at the Mapua Community Hall. We will be back at the hall in February. Watch this space for the dates of our return.

For additional information please contact our Area Rep, Glenys Forbes at 03 540 3388 or by email gmforbes@ts.co.nz. You can visit our FACEBOOK page: PANZ Pastel Artists of New Zealand to see what our pastel artists from New Zealand and abroad are creating.

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