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MOUTERE HILLS COMMUNITY NEWS

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A NEW LEAF

LOCAL LIVES



John and Pippa Tristram know from experience that work on a farm never stops, and they say they're here to help.

John and Pippa Tristram thought life would be a breeze when they downscaled from an Ashburton dairy farm to their 12 hectare lifestyle block in Upper Moutere.

However, with both John and Pippa working full-time, they were somewhat surprised at how much work even a small lifestyle block takes. "The property had been vacant for 18 months and gorse and other weeds were taking over," recalls Pippa. "We have enjoyed transforming the place to a workable and comfortable home and small farm. We like to look back at the 'before' photos to remind ourselves what we have achieved."

Before their move to the Moutere, John had spent his entire working life on full-scale farms – dairy, crop, sheep and cattle – dealing with all aspects of operations, including management, maintenance, spraying, fencing projects and animal care. Pippa, meanwhile, has a completely different background in banking and office managerial roles, both in New Zealand and overseas. Though she may be an office girl at heart, she loves to get the gumboots and overalls out and muck in on the land.

As John and Pippa know only too well, life on a farm never stands still and there is always something else to be done. It was this that gave them the idea of helping others in similar situations. Using the many skills they have attained from a lifetime on farms, they started up The Leaf Company part time to offer a full range of services for households with gardens and lifestyle blocks in the Nelson, Tasman and Motueka regions.

The Leaf Company provides flexible garden maintenance services to urban sections; expert help and hands-on assistance

with all lifestyle block animals (cattle, sheep, pigs and goats); and help with the upkeep of larger blocks or small farms. This includes everything from paddock mowing, weed spraying and stock fencing to general repairs and maintenance.

Their company philosophy is to do what they do best, leaving homeowners with more time to enjoy their home and do the jobs they want to do, rather than the jobs they have to do.

In March last year, John and Pippa invested in Tasman Mowing, making their business a full-time venture and giving them further mowing equipment to meet customer demands, while complementing their existing services. They now have everything from weed eaters and push mowers, to ride-on mowers and a tractor with finishing mower for large lawns and sports fields, as well as a slasher mower for long overgrown areas, such as empty sections, paddocks and light scrub.

"The Leaf Company aims to be a trusted owner-operated brand, and can now offer a broader range of services to complement John's farming experience and skills," says Pippa. "For me it is really exciting and seems like all the pieces of the jigsaw fitting together. There is always room for improvement, though, so there are still a few more jigsaw pieces to fit in!"

Contact John and Pippa to discuss your garden projects or lifestyle block development, and learn how The Leaf Company can help give you more time to enjoy life. www.theleafcompany.co.nz.

Daylight saving and labour weekend combined brings plenty of opportunities to get out and enjoy our district.

Riverside Cafe is celebrating spring with all sorts of fun on Sunday 6th October. The Moutere Hills Community Centre Auction looks like the place to be on Saturday 19th, with something for everyone by the sounds of it.

In our food section there's an invitation to attend a picnic and more information on experiencing the best the Moutere has to offer. If you haven't experienced what the Moutere Artisans have to offer then Labour weekend is the time to do it. At the same time you can immerse yourself in the arts by visiting the Icon gallery where the local Relay for Life Wiggle and Jiggle Team have organised the Relay for Life Expo. A chance to purchase works by local artists with 25% of proceeds going to the Cancer Society.

The RubyCoast Arts festival 2013 kicks off from the 19th October and if anytime you're feeling the need to find something a bit more relaxing, another asset on offer in the district is the Mapua Library—free to all read all about it on page 5. Of course you'll also want to fit in some gardening and probably bake a cake or two... read on, you'll find it all here.



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SITUATION VACANT - VOLUNTEER POSITION

We would be keen to hear from anyone in the community who has an interest in the health and well-being of our young people and would be prepared to help us achieve and oversee the funding needed to support our local youth workers, Andy and Abbey Bensemann.

Heather Eggers, after 15 years as a Trustee, is retiring and we need to find one or more trustees to fill her role as treasurer. We welcome representation from all the community.

You can reach the Chairman, Leigh Briars, on 543 2667 or email him at briars@ts.co.nz - he would love to hear from you.

Artists at work

Meet the local artists whose work will be for sale at the Relay for Life Art Expo at the Icon Gallery on Labour Weekend, with 25% of all proceeds going to the Cancer Society.



From left: Four of the five! Chris McGuigan, Helena Morris, Marian Painter & Anny de Groot.

Chris McGuigan - "I have a fascination with textiles, paper and paint. I tell stories through a combination of embroidery and felted textiles and paint."

John Currin - "I describe my work as an intuitive process, by which the subject and medium of each piece slowly morph and accumulate into the surreal. By their very nature my works are sullied by the elements, their subjects emerging through the textures of time."

Helena Morris - "I paint mainly in acrylics. However, recently I have been exploring the medium of beeswax and resin, known as 'encaustic'. I am in my first year of an Advanced Diploma of Art and Creativity."

Marian Painter - "My experience has been concentrated on watercolours and sometimes oils but since living in New Zealand I have worked also in pastels. Mixed media is a challenge I am experimenting with and I am always on the lookout for new techniques and methods of expressing my ideas."

Annie de Groot - "Born in the Netherlands, I was influenced by the European realistic painters. After coming to New Zealand in 1983, I tried pastels and fell in love with this medium. I love to portray people from different ethnic backgrounds. Lately, I've been using acrylic paint and mixing mediums, which I find very rewarding."



ART EXPO

Labour Weekend - Sat 26 & Sun 27 Oct 2013

At the Icon Centre for Contemporary Art, 1270 Moutere Highway, Upper Moutere (opposite Kahurangi Vineyard)

Five local Moutere artists will be showcasing their work, with 25% of proceeds from all sales going to the Cancer Society.

Come along for: Art Sales, Live Music, Cake Stall, Children's Art Tent, Raffles.

FREE ENTRY: OPEN 10.30AM TO 5PM BOTH DAYS





MOUTERE HILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE



It is with great excitement that we see the start of the rebuild of the Community Centre. All going well the facility should be operational again at the beginning of 2014. There are several improvements we are going to make to the facility including sound insulation, community room upgrade, office and bar extension, and entry system up-grade. We are also looking into the possibility at developing and establishing a Community Gym and creating more family friendly outdoor spaces. We will keep you all informed as we move ahead with the rebuild. Please keep checking our website for the latest photos and information on the rebuild. Thank you all for your continued patience and support.

Katrina, Vanessa and Scott

General Auction

Moutere Hills Community Centre Building Fund Auction Sale

**At Moutere Hills Community Centre
Saturday 19th October starting at 1 pm**



Household and farm goods : We will accept all manner of donated goods for sale , with all the proceeds going to the Centre building fund. Household goods, furniture, building materials, toys, good clothes, appliances, tools, plants etc also farm goods: machinery, fencing and building materials, tractors, cars, boats

Larger items above \$500 reserve value we will sell on behalf, at 20% commission.

Starting time for auction 1pm with viewing from 11am. All goods to be delivered to Moutere Hills Community Centre on the morning of the sale and unsold goods to be removed after.

Lunch food and drinks will be available for sale.

For further details contact Philip Leith 021 372 282 or 03 970 0715, Adrian Reid 03 543 2760 or email katrina@mouterehills.org.nz

SCHEDULE FOR TERM FOUR 2013

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Club Tennis 9:00 – 10:30am Intermediate+ Upper Moutere Tennis Club	Group Fitness 6:00 – 7:00am Moutere Hills CC	Club Tennis 9:00 – 10:30am Intermediate+	Cardio Tennis 9:00 – 10:00am No ability necessary Upper Moutere Tennis Club	Group Fitness 6:00 – 7:00am Moutere Hills CC
Music & Movement Under 5's 9:30am \$2 per session Lutheran Church	MHCC Walking Group 9:15am Depart MHCC	Dance with Jane Pascoe 2:00 – 2:30pm Preschool 3:30 – 6:30pm (5 – 10yrs) Lutheran Church	Dru Yoga 9:30 – 11:00am Lutheran Church	Junior Tennis Coaching 4:15pm onwards Upper Moutere Tennis Club
Gymnastics 1:45 – 2:30pm (2 - 4yrs) 3:15 – 7:30pm (5-14yrs) Dovedale – Mondays Motueka – Wednesdays	Social Touch 6:00 – 7:00pm Moutere Hills CC	Mahana Guitar School 2:45 – 7:45pm Moutere Hills CC	Junior Tennis Coaching 3:30pm onwards Upper Moutere Tennis Club	
Creative Art for Adults 7:00 – 9:00pm Art for all abilities Bookings essential Moutere Hills CC			Mahana Guitar School 2:45 – 7:45pm Moutere Hills CC	
Mahana Guitar School 6:30 – 8:00pm Upper Moutere School			Social Table Tennis 7:30 – 9:00pm Upper Moutere School Hall	
			Social Mixed Volleyball 7:30 – 9:30pm Motueka Recreation Centre	



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THE WRITE BIAS

Winter is behind us, spring in the air and all the hibernating bowlers are coming out to play in what we hope will be a successful season ahead. With lots of new members joining us last year and two coaches keen and eager to assist, we are hoping to keep the good name of Mapua Bowling Club on the map.

The season is starting with a slight change of image. A new design of club shirt is in the pipeline made of modern, breathable and much more comfortable fabric but still sporting our traditional "apple" logo. With a new funky look how can we fail to dazzle any opposition?

League bowling will start again on Monday 21 October at 6 p.m. These sessions are open to new and existing bowlers and are very much played for fun. Having said that there will be a competitive pair's tournament running throughout the season for players that want an extra challenge. There is no need to pre-book; just turn up on a Monday evening and give it a go. Flat-soled shoes are essential but there are plenty of sets of bowls to borrow and the bar is always open.

For information about bowling, coaching or booking the clubhouse and facilities please call Secretary Jean Daubney (543 2765) or President Dave England (540 2934) or email s1ad2as3@xtra.co.nz



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Greetings from Mapua Library or more precisely, from the fifty volunteers that regularly open the doors of this beautiful facility to provide the community with an exemplary service that goes way beyond the provision of books. But it would not exist at all without an original and bold vision way back in 1942.

An idea conceived by Mary Robb gave birth to Mapua Library in the porch of a private house thanks to a regular loan of books from the mobile library service. Now at the grand old age of 70 we are going from strength to strength with a stock of over 10,000 books and more than 1,300 families registered as patrons. And the good news is we continue to grow serving the changing face of our dynamic community.

Mapua Community Library is unique. It retains its chartered status and is the only such facility in New Zealand to be run totally by volunteers with no paid personnel whatsoever. There are no joining fees, no charges, temporary memberships are eagerly applied for by local visitors and 90% of all income is spent on books. Income is generated by donations, grants and fundraising that has included two three-day Literary Festivals in 2010 and 2012.

Whilst fundraising remains important for the provision of books, the volunteers and patrons are indebted to the major sponsors, Canterbury Community Trust, the Lion Foundation and Tasman District Council.

In August 2010 we installed the Open Source Software 'Koha' enabling the Library to become computerised. This was the result of many people giving their expertise and time on a voluntary basis and has really enhanced the services the Library can provide. We can now operate on an international basis and look forward to providing not only literary nourishment to the community but also the opportunity to provide information services.

The 'Be Excited About Reading Scheme' (BEARS) was introduced to us from Canada and is a regular feature on the Library calendar. It encourages children who are shy or having difficulties with reading to read to a non-related adult. It is fun for adults and children alike and fills the Library with happiness.

Mapua Library is a welcoming and pleasant building. The rule of absolute silence synonymous with libraries does not apply. The volunteers enjoy talking about books, they like to hear the children laughing in the book corner and they like to make it a vibrant and interesting experience. It is a very special place in the heart of the community and we look forward to seeing you there very soon.



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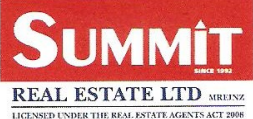


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Y FRONT UP to Prostate Cancer?

Rural Women New Zealand have introduced a campaign to raise awareness of the disease and funds for the Prostate Cancer Foundation.

Each year in New Zealand around 3000 men are diagnosed with prostate cancer, that's 8 every day. It is the most common cancer diagnosed in men and the third leading cause of cancer deaths in this country. It is said "A nagging wife is the best prevention!" So ladies, get your men to be checked for this problem and if you have the opportunity, please donate to this campaign.

REMEMBER EITHER WAY IT IS 20K.

Another campaign we are involved in at the moment is to promote school bus safety, in reminding motorists of the 20km/h limit when passing a stationary school bus.

Since 1987 23 children have been killed in New Zealand when crossing the road to or from school buses. In addition 47 have been seriously injured and 92 received minor injuries.

We are also working on getting flashing 20km/h signs into school buses to make them more visible.

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As the weather warms up the rugby season slowly cools down. All our junior teams finished their season at the beginning of September, the u7 and u8 played in the Mikes Sevens Tournament at Stoke for their last fixture.

Both teams had a fantastic day and played with great Rangers spirit. Thanks to the parents and supporters for taking the day to be there to cheer these determined kids on.

Our U6 team is where it all starts, these kids are the future of rugby and I think, the most important team in our club. It's where the love of the game stems from. They worked hard on team work and supporting one another this season. We only had 7 players so they all gave 100% every game. We only lost one game all season - I know it's not about the winning, but everyone likes to win! We had lots of fun and were lucky enough to finish the season rewarded with 3 of the Tasman Mako's joining us for training. Great work all!

The Annual Rugby Club Quiz in August held at Upper Moutere School Hall was a great success. Thanks to all our sponsors for donations of prizes and most of all thanks to Chris the Quiz master for his time and of course the contestants for being there to test their quiz skills.

Sadly the first Club Day was cancelled due to the bad weather. But, the second was a great day out for the Moutere families with the sheep on a spit being a popular addition to the day. Thank you very much from all the families at Rangers rugby to Cindus and Dean for your kind donation and use of the spit. Thanks also to the volunteers who helped with the cooking, carving and serving!

The Intermediate 2 team comprising our 12 and 13 year old players have had an excellent season. A very strong forward pack played courageously all season and set a solid foundation for our exciting three quarters to run in some brilliant tries. After a difficult start where we drew the top teams in the competition we eventually settled into winning ways and deservedly got the reputation as being tough, uncompromising opposition to all teams we met on the paddock. The boys and Leah can be proud of their achievements and would have been placed within the top three teams in the competition.

The quality of players is evident in the eight boys selected for representative teams. Luke Born, Jake Willis, Eric McBride and Reece Breen Rickerby were selected for Golden Bay Motueka U52 kg teams, and Benji Grant for Buller U52 kg team. Jacob Bryan and Luke Born were selected for Nelson Bays U48 kg team and Harrison Buckland for Nelson Bays U65 kg team. Benji Grant, Eric McBride and Bryden Cook were selected for Country U12 side. Congratulations go to all those selected. A special thanks to all the parents and caregivers who supported us throughout the season; Sue Toepfer our manager, our first aid team, and to Glenn Grant and Shayne Kemp who co-coached.

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To all our intermediate players you can be truly proud of yourselves, you trained hard, you played with passion, you were courageous, you were honourable in victory and defeat, but most importantly you played as a team and the results speak for themselves. We have thoroughly enjoyed coaching you - you are a credit to yourselves and your families.... bravehearts all of you. Good luck for the future, and remember to dream big, and work hard and those dreams could one day become reality.
Hector.

Seniors

Our Rangers Senior Rugby team have had a Fantastic season in the 3rd division making it to the finals against Tapawera played at Trafalgar Park which they sadly lost but what an achievement for a very enthusiastic side!

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Cats are the easiest. Provided they have a designated tray where they can scratch and dig they are inherently clean and like to cover their droppings. They are driven by smell so once an area is established they will toilet there. This can be a problem if a mistake is made somewhere inappropriate as cats can smell very well and liable to re-offend and even if it is washed they can smell the area. The only thing to do is get an appropriate produce from pet suppliers to mask the smell. Tom cats will spray their territory and this can include inside the house, so it is best to have cats neutered before they are sexually mature.

Dogs are also driven by smell but less fussy where they toilet. Dogs will mark their territory to declare ownership. An unfortunate example is where a dog will urinate on owners clothes, bed etc if left alone or distressed. Most owners want their dogs to toilet outside, so it is important to take a puppy outside after food and after sleep to establish toileting. Similarly an older dog will need to toilet more often.

If an accident happens inside the home or somewhere inappropriate it is not a good idea to punish a dog or cat or "rub their noses in it". Simply take them outside to where you require them to go and remember to praise when successful. Dogs are associative and will only get confused and fearful if toileting is linked to punishment.

I mentioned horses can be trained to associate a command with toileting which can be very handy if stabled. Rabbits can also be taught to use a litter tray as some owners keep them in the house. Like cats they associate smell with toileting.

I have even heard of people training dogs and cats to use a human toilet but I think that is unreasonable and undesirable expectation. Patience, persistence and praise are the key.

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might still be a bit cool, but if you have a green house you will be fine. The Slugs and Snails are on the lookout for those juicy seedlings so action will need to be taken to keep your plants safe, either go outside at night just before rain and get squashing or use a slug poison just choose wisely to get one that is safe for pets and children!

In your garden don't cut the foliage off your spring bulbs that have finished flowering, just leave them or tie them in a knot because the leaves need to feed the bulbs for next season. It is a good idea to think ahead to summer coming and if you are concerned about a hot dry summer having a disastrous effect on your garden? Plenty of Mulch on your soil will help retain water as well as improving the structure of your soil and suppressing weed growth. It's excellent for breaking down clay or poor draining soil.

Watch your fruit trees, Roses and Grapes for fungal diseases which may need spraying with a fungicide. Aphids may also start to become a problem so keep an eye out for any infestation and if necessary spray.

With all this growth happening plants need extra food and water so keep up with a good fertilise and watering programme then sit back and watch the growing!

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The September meeting of the Coastal Garden Group was held in the Tasman Bible Church on Sept. 5th, commencing at 1pm.

After the usual formal business plenty of time was given to discussing our up-coming "Festival of Flowers and Market Day: on 21st Sept at the Mapua Hall, 9am -2pm, wet or fine. Members were all asked to help, providing masses of plants for sale and plenty of yummy food for morning teas and lunch. There will be 25 stalls selling a variety of goods and of course a wonderful display of flowers.

Mapua School will be there barbequing up a treat with bangers and bacon and more.

Members then watched an excellent video explaining the intricacies of grafting fruit trees. Anyone who is interested can go along to The Mapua Country Trading to watch and learn about grafting on Sun 22nd Sept.

Time was then given for members Handy Garden Hints. For example, put on a pair of surgical plastic gloves before putting on your garden gloves. No dirty finger nails! good for the lady gardeners. Karin Lummis of Foot Care Plus Motueka kindly donated a \$40 for foot care. A lucky member bought this in a mini auction.

Some discussion time was given to the reciprocal visit of the Tapawera Garden Group. We will need lots of lovely gardens and amazing morning and afternoon teas to keep up to their standards! Our club is invited to visit the Hunters Daffodil Nursery in Richmond on Sep12th. Talking of daffodils we hope you saw the wonderful display in Aranui Park.

After our usual social break with afternoon tea we discussed the table of bright and cheery spring flowers that had been brought by members. Next, our plant auction was held, Gino makes this great fun! This was followed by our raffle results. A very good meeting finished at 3:30pm.



Our next meeting will be in the new Mapua Hall, Oct 3rd commencing at 1pm. All welcome, do come along. Phone Adrian on 540 3193 for more info.



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Food

This month Soo Gee gives us two options for afternoon tea—one healthy, the other a bit decadent.

* Spicy Meringue Cake

Cream 125g butter and 1 1/2 cups soft brown sugar until fluffy. Add 1 egg and 2 egg yolks beating well. Gradually beat in 1 3/4 cups flour, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 1 teaspoon baking soda, 3 teaspoons cinnamon, 2 teaspoons nutmeg, 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla, 1 teaspoon salt and 2/3 cup sour milk (add 1 teaspoon vinegar to milk). Finally stir in 1 cup prune puree (about 200g stoned prunes cooked in water to cover). Bake in loose base tin at 160C for about 45 minutes. After about 30 minutes beat 2 egg whites until stiff, gradually add 1 cup brown sugar and beat until stiff. When the cake is just cooked swirl the meringue on top and sprinkle with chopped nuts. Return to oven for a further 15 minutes until meringue is lightly browned. Cool for 30 minutes then carefully remove from tin.

* Apricot Bars

Oven at 160C
Ingredients: 2/3 cup honey, 1/3 cup oil, 1 cup sultanas, 175g dried apricots chopped, 1 cup wholemeal self raising flour, 1/2 cup wheat germ, 3/4 cup rolled oats, 1/2 cup sunflower seeds, 1/4 cup orange juice (and zest if you like). Combine honey, oil, chopped apricots, sultanas, sunflower seeds and orange juice. Then add wheat germ, rolled oats and whole meal flour. Mix well and spread into a greased medium sized tin. Bake 25—30 minutes.

Cut into bars while still warm, and allow to cool in tin. I just mix and match the dried fruit and nuts for variety.

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Upper Moutere is a small village outside Nelson. It's home to a bunch of very creative and productive people. We make glorious wine and traditional cider. We grow gourmet mushrooms and strawberries. We make preserves from local fruit and berries. We are talented ceramic artists, multimedia sculptors and wood workers and our local, the Moutere Inn pours artisan beers.

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Moutere Artisans

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Labour weekend – head to Upper Moutere, an idyllic, productive village, just out of Nelson.

It is home to a collective called Moutere Artisans. These 20 artisans produce some of New Zealand's finest wines, cheeses, ciders, olive oils and art works.

And on Labour Weekend Sunday they invite you to see what happens behind closed doors. Maps of the artisan tour will be available at each stop. The open days runs from 10 until 5.00.

Each of the artisans will be on hand to show you and your family around their place. Watch sheep being milked and taste the stunning Neudorf Cheeses. Tour Neudorf Olives olive grove then tramp and taste at Neudorf Gourmet Mushrooms. Pop into Peckhams Cidery to learn about traditional cider while sipping a glass.

Home to New Zealand oldest pub, the Moutere Inn is a destination for lovers of artisan beers and down the road Neudorf Vineyards will match their new wines with the finest artisan cheeses. Woollaston Estates have organised an art tour of their splendid collection and you can take a glass with you. At Kahurangi you can enjoy a wood fired pizza alongside their wines. More delicious wines will be available at Sunset Valley, Himmelsfeld, Harakeke and Moutere Hills.

The Old Post Office in Upper Moutere is home to Moutere Gold preserves and Joanne will be providing a memorable cream tea, across the road find Katie Gold's working in her studio set in one of the most charming galleries in a garden setting.

Art lovers will be thrilled at the wide collection at Icon and you wander the picturesque property. Sculptor Michael McMillan in the process of finishing his new gallery. He will have sculpture and French oak products for sale, you might like to offer a hand in the building project. Close by Pegleg's tables crafted from New Zealand timbers are perfect for kiwi outdoor eating.

Moutere Artisan chairman Andrew Sutherland says the group shares common goals. "We all appreciate living in one of the prettiest parts of New Zealand. The village is the centre of our lives and everyone here is a producer. We are all small, dedicated creators of wine, food and art and

we know the value of hard work and the pursuit of excellence. Being able to share our resources under the Moutere Artisans banner is proving to be a huge success. We can offer bespoke tours and one stop organising for overseas tourists. And we all enjoy each other's company, over a quiet beer (or cider or wine)"

"Come and soak up some inspiration. Let us nourish your soul. It will do you the world of good."

Visit moutereartisans.co.nz

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Moutere Community Youth

We LOVE the Upper Moutere Fish'n'Chip Shop! Big, massive, awesome THANKS to you for providing us (not once, but...) TWICE with a gorgeous deal on a supreme and delicious feed for our Friday Night Youth group. Everyone had VERY happy tummies. THANKS!!!!

Code Cracker Camp

Don't forget the Friday Night Youth Camp coming up 7-9 October, 2nd week of the school holidays. It's going to be awesome.... remember: toothbrush, sleeping bag, pillow, clothes, togs..... lollies to share J. By the way, if anyone would like to make a lasagne for us to take along for dinner on the first night, we'll come by and collect it at your convenience. And we'd really appreciate it too J.

Friday Night Youth (year 7 up) 6:30pm – 8:30pm \$2

Friday 18 October	BBQ & Kick The Bucket
Friday 25 October	Return of FLOUR GAMES
Friday 1 November	Marshmallow Games
Friday 8 November	Slippery Slope

We would also like to invite this year's Year 8's along to the last term of Senior Youth for the year. Since you're able to come along next year, we thought you might like a little 'taster' to find out what it's like....

Senior Youth (Year 9+) 7:00-8:30 \$2

Saturday 14 October (Y)	BBQ Kick The Bucket/Last Man Standing
Monday 21 October	Crazy Golf in Hope
Monday 28 October	Labour Day – No Senior Youth
Monday 4 November	(Y) X-box, Pool, Table Tennis, & Soccer

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Time to explore those big and little questions about God, life, and everything else. (Year 9+)

Now every second Monday 6:30-7pm before Senior Youth. Have dinner before you turn up

Bubbles & Cupcakes

Fourth Term sees Bubbles & Cupcakes "Going on Tour." We'll be heading to Mapua for an icecream, going to Motueka for a hot chocolate, and meeting some very special animals. If it's warm enough we might go to the Motueka Salt Baths..... are YOU going to be there. We'll be having bubbles and eating cupcakes too, OF COURSE!!!!

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Back from Thailand and Laos



Upper Mouere boys Hal Sellers and Matt Dicks have just returned from their month-long World Challenge trip. Hal talks about their community project for a school in a remote Laos village.

After a three-hour bus ride from the town of Luang Prabang, we took a boat to a village about 40 minutes up river from the nearest small town. The village was right on the riverfront and there were about 30 houses, some lifted off the ground on wooden stilts, and each with one big room for the family to share.

We arrived in the late afternoon and were welcomed by the village children, who gave us newspaper bouquets filled with leaves and flowers. The village chief, accompanied by the village elders, gave a speech, which was translated by Home, our interpreter.

We were all assigned a guesthouse with various families, where we set up our inflatable beds on the floor.

While the boys tried to teach our host father a card game, some of the girls in the group made dinner with the village cooks. We took it in turns to make breakfast, dinner and lunch. There was rice with every meal and bowls were put on the table with whatever had been cooked – buffalo with potatoes in coconut milk, for example.

We would do the chopping and the villagers would show us how to make the dishes. One day, Matt and I were cooking and they showed us how to crack raw eggs using a spoon. We couldn't do it, so we showed them how we cracked eggs on the edge of the saucepan, which really confused them!



On the first day in the village, we were woken at 3am by the roosters, the smell of our host's strong cigarettes and the sound of locals getting up to start the day. This was their time to prepare food and cook and relax before working for the whole day.

The girls in our group played games with the village kids, while Matt and I cooked breakfast, which was a rice dish with noodle soup. We also had pineapple, which they grew in the village. We were told it was more important to mix with the locals than get the project finished. So, we gave lessons to the 45 kids in the village, teaching them how to count from 0- 20 in English and how to say 'hello', 'my name is'

and so on. The school children ranged in age from three to 12. Their school was built of concrete and had two rooms, with a blackboard at the front. They sat at benches around low tables, set out in rows.

We played games like seaweed, and introduced them to playdough, which they loved, making snails and animals with it. In Luang Prabang we had bought US\$ 100 of stationery and craft supplies, footballs, volleyballs and nets. For two days, we had taken it in turns to carry the heavy bag filled with stuff. The bag also contained gifts for the village and a toothbrush and toothpaste for each child.



The project was to build a fence around the school to keep out buffalo, chickens and dogs. Our task was to dig the foundations for the fence and to carry sand and stones from sacks outside each house for making concrete. We would work for two hours in the morning, and two hours in the evening, as it was too hot during the day. When we were finished, we enjoyed a cold shower at one of the three taps in the village. The villagers gave us shovels made from a stick with a shovelhead. The head would often fall off while we were digging! The kids wanted to join in, too, so they would run with boxes and sacks of rocks, doing everything 10 times faster than us. A girl of two or three even joined in, carrying stuff in a bucket.

By the time we left, we had got the foundations ready for them to start laying the bricks, which had been brought up by boat by the previous group. The next group to arrive would build the wall. On the final evening, the village elders held a ceremony for us in the chief's house. The chief gave a speech and we sat around a table and were given food – sticky rice with coconut, bananas and muffins. They blessed us by tying string bands around our wrists for a safe journey back to our country, and the hope that we would share our experiences with our families.



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