



## COME FLY WITH ME

LOCAL LIVES



**Mixing family life in the country with a busy job at Nelson Airport is all in a day's work for Mo Erni.**

**T**he day starts early for Mo Erni when she's working shifts as an Air New Zealand traffic clerk. By 5.30am she's checking the roster at Nelson Airport to see which of her three roles she'll be carrying out that day: check-in, boarding or gate duty. "It's a good thing I'm a morning person," says Mo. "We'll have dealt with three or four flights by the time we stop for breakfast at seven."

Breakfast is often eaten in the back office together with some of the other four or five airport staff. This is where the dispatcher works – a particularly busy job, says Mo. "The dispatcher is responsible for the loading of the aircraft and finalising load sheets. They deal with the check-in staff, loaders, refuellers and air crew to finalise everything before the aircraft takes off."

A natural people person, Mo loves every aspect of her job, but says working at the gate is her favourite. "It gives you a different interaction with people, and involves multi-tasking, which I like. You're there to help and make a difference for those with particular needs, such as unaccompanied minors, elderly passengers, nervous flyers or mums with babies."

Tact is required when dealing with passengers with seats by the emergency exit. "To sit there, you must be 15 or over and have the capacity to open the door in an emergency, so it's not suited for the elderly or those with heart conditions or disabilities," says Mo.

Nervous flyers can be hard to spot but, if they are open about their fears, Mo tries to ensure they sit up the front and gives them the choice of aisle or window seat. "If the plane is full, I'll have a quiet word with the flight attendant to see if their seat can be swapped, or ask the attendant to keep an eye out for them. I try to be as discreet as possible."

Mo's own journey to Nelson Airport has been full of twists

and turns, starting with a job in Wellington reservations. A three-year globetrotting OE followed, with Mo taking a job for Ansett NZ in Palmerston North on her return.

From there she transferred to the Auckland head office for a telemarketing job in commercial sales. "It was then I found out that I needed to be working with people face-to-face," she says with a laugh. A move to Christchurch Airport finally saw her doing what she does now on a full-time basis.

High grooming standards come with the job, says Mo, and Air NZ, for example, provided a professional fitting service for the new uniform. "Trousers and skirts mustn't be too loose or tight. Men must be well shaven or have neatly trimmed facial hair, and women with long hair must wear a bun or French roll. There's a suggested colour for lipstick, a particular denier for tights, and rules about how much jewellery can be worn."

It was in Christchurch that Mo met husband John, with the couple marrying in 2000. When Tasman Pacific Airways folded a year later, Mo joined Mt Cook Airlines as cabin crew. "I loved it, and it was a fun group of people to work with. When you're ground staff, flights can be delayed or cancelled and people can be unhappy. On board, you don't have to deal with any of that – though we did once have to cope with a bomb threat, which doesn't happen often in New Zealand!"

The move to Upper Moutere coincided with the birth of the couple's son Sam, now nearly nine, while daughter Phoebe arrived in 2009. With two children to look after, the early morning casual shift work has proved ideal for Mo, who can be home by midday in time for school and pre-school pick-ups – swapping her skirt and blue court shoes for jeans and a pair of runners.

*Article by Beverly Sellers, ph: 03 543 2008.*

## Editorial

We haven't seen much of the sun lately but whether there's rain or sunshine, the fair season is about to start. And what better time than now to start cleaning out the garage or spare room – or any room really. The schools and organisations that hold the fairs always need donated goods, and it's nice not to have to take it too far to drop it off and think of the feng shui aspect – it's an absolute win/win situation. If you are more of the gardening type than the house type, how about potting up some plants or seeds to help their cause along?

If none of the above applies to you, just be sure to head along to a fair or two and support your community – you'll no doubt catch up with someone you've not seen for awhile and you might even find something to put in that empty corner.....

Speaking of corners – lambs, daffodils and changeable weather means (as hard as it is to believe) spring is just around the corner!

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## National Road Relay

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2012

The 2012 national road relay will take place from the Moutere Hills Community Centre, on a circuit including Neudorf road, Rosedale Road, Rosedale Saddle, Thorpe-Orinoco road, Jacobs Ladder Saddle, Dovedale Road, Thorn Road, Neudorf Saddle, Blackbird Valley Road and Kelling Road.

It is expected that about 130 teams (800-900 competitors) from throughout New Zealand will be competing. Inevitably this will lead to some congestion on the roads between 9.00am and 3.00pm, particularly at lap change points.

The organisers (Athletics Nelson) are seeking the patience of local residents travelling on that day.

Full details of the course are available on the Athletics Nelson website [www.athletics.nelson.co.nz](http://www.athletics.nelson.co.nz) If you have any questions, please call Ian Morrison on 03 545 0687.



**The Sarau Community Trust is delighted to advise that they have made a donation to the Upper Moutere Tennis Club to assist with developing junior tennis.**



## 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.*

Welcome to the 2012/13 Season!

To join Upper Moutere Tennis Club or have regular access to the Tennis Courts, please complete a registration form. Registration forms available at our Open Day on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at 10am, on the Moutere Hills Community Centre website <http://www.mouterehills.org.nz/> or email [UMOTennis@gmail.com](mailto:UMOTennis@gmail.com).

Upper Moutere Tennis Club offers:

- Club Social Tennis
- Senior Coaching – Individual & Group
- Social Inter-Club – Wednesday Evening Summer Business House Competition
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- A comprehensive Junior Coaching Programme for Term IV, 2012 & Term I, 2013. Starts 18<sup>th</sup> October
- Junior Inter-Club opportunities

**We welcome new club members.**

Please get in touch or join us on our Open Day!

Club Contacts:	Jeannette Bent (President)	5432324	Nick Dicks	5432139
	Tricia Moore (Secretary)	5432628	Nick Ward	5432550
	Joan Panzer (Treasurer)	5433825	Susan Pine	5432434
	Martin Trickett	5432797	Vanessa Malins (Club Coach)	5432332

If you want a say in the way the club is run, contact any committee member, we are a very social bunch and are always looking for new ideas and energy!

Have a great season!

## Community Association for the Moutere Hills mooted

A recent meeting of residents living in the inner Moutere Hills area voted unanimously to form a local Community Association, to address community issues.

Support for this move came from attending Moutere Ward councillors Trevor Norriss and Brian Ensor. They told the meeting the Council preferred to work with representative community groups to discuss local issues and get feedback. Councillor Ensor noted that a community association could bring together the views of local organisations such as schools, churches and businesses, along with those of general residents.

"This avoids council being "bombarded from all sides" on a number of issues – or getting no feedback at all. "

Local resident Tim Finn, said the area was vibrant, growing and many residents wanted a say in future development.

In order to receive TDC funding for secretarial work etc, groups must be incorporated so as to be accountable legal entities. Incorporation is also required in order to receive regional or national grants for local projects.

There are twelve Community Associations listed in the Tasman region and the more effective ones help plan and organise community projects, and act as a focal point where people can put forward ideas seen to be of value or locally significant. "They enable residents to have a voice in matters affecting their communities," said Councillor Norris.

Hamish Rush, Chair of the effective Tasman Community Association, reported the group has held a number of well attended public meetings and have a strong team, active in co-ordinating and communicating projects. These include "...the design and construction of walkways, building of pump tracks, old mill site renewal and revegetation, safety pathways alongside roads, the storm water project, seeding funds for Taste Tasman, support of school projects and communication of issues such as subdivision of the Baigent Domain, etc. Membership is spread widely; they a cohesive, supportive team and they get a lot done."

Ron Oliver, chair of the Ruby Coast Initiative Group explained its role as an umbrella group for local businesses and other groups, ranging throughout the Moutere Hills. "The first focus was the Ruby Bay by-pass, and current projects include interpretive signs with information on ecology, geography, and history, and community gate ways - seven metres high!"

Councillor Ensor said he was impressed by the way the MHCC board was running with input from the community. Board member Tim Finn noted that the existing Moutere Hills Community Centre board was unable to deal with the issues covered by the Community Associations, and that the inner Moutere Hills community could benefit strongly from forming such a pro-active representational group.

The public meeting voted unanimously to proceed with the formation of a local Community Association. This inaugural meeting of the Moutere Hills Community Association has been scheduled for Monday September 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Moutere Hills Community Centre, starting 7pm.

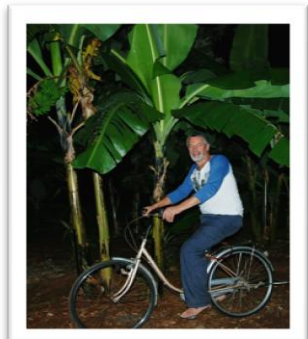
The meeting will put together some agreed aims for the Association, and move towards forming an incorporated society with constitution, members and office bearers. A start will be made on listing possible projects for the new committee to consider, and input from residents and community organisations is solicited.

All residents of the Moutere Hills are invited to attend and consider taking an active role in the new initiative.

For further information, residents can contact the acting coordinator Tim Finn on 5432643.



***Simon Thomas is in Uganda, for three months, doing volunteer work for a small NGO. Clearly loving the challenge, here's a story he sent us recently.***



1st August

Of course we didn't leave on time but we did at least leave. In the false security of brilliant sunshine the two small motorbikes set off from our home town of Iganga into the sub-county of Matuuku to visit 9 farmers' group leaders, representing some 150 farming families. Four of us from MTCEA (Multi purpose Training and Community Empowerment Association) are evaluating the progress or otherwise, of the animal traction project that had been initiated by MTCEA, over the last few years. An hour later, covered in dust from the dirt tracks, we are greeted by the first group of representatives.

They're growing mainly maize, ground nuts (like the shelled peanuts we have in NZ), and rice. The project has provided a pair of young oxen and a plough to each group, under a loan scheme.

They love it. It's heart-warming to hear the genuine progress this initiative has brought to so many. They can now rely on a regular food supply for themselves, can sell the surplus and send their children to school, buy clothes AND repay their loan. Many have sold their by now ageing oxen at a profit from their initial investment, and have replaced those with TWO pairs of animals. They rent them out and make extra cash...

From the feedback it's also clear that the next phase must be to provide a better source of quality seed, a bigger storage facility, de-hulling machinery for rice and maize, and better access to commercial markets. We could so use Ken Read out here! The project is also looking for funding for a micro-credit scheme to enable it to expand. 1500 families have benefitted from this fantastic scheme so far.

I love hearing the co-ordinator, local Peter Owor, pointing at ploughed paddocks or healthy oxen, as we speed past on our way to the next group, proudly shouting back to me, "another one of our families". So special. And then it rained. Heavily. And we got very wet.... And that wonderful combination of treadless motorbike tyres on mud raised the adrenalin just enough to feel the warm glow of happiness surge back through the veins. Being part of a developing culture is exciting. Everywhere there are opportunities for progress and, of course, for exploitation. However, the work these people are doing is creating a self-sustainability that will be hard to infiltrate without genuine intentions. Uganda is still Churchill's "Pearl of Africa" and it's rewarding to know it's in some safe hands, at least for now.



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Many of you will know Don and Vickie as the faces of Monday evening League Bowls. There is no reason why League bowling cannot continue but it would be helpful to discover the level of enthusiasm and commitment amongst the regular Monday bowlers before the season starts. A quick response to Dave England to register your interest would be much appreciated.

But as we say goodbye to four members, we are also delighted to extend a warm welcome to several new members who have been smitten with the bowling bug. The new season starts with an informal and relaxed Opening Day on Saturday 22 September from 1.15 p.m. and if anyone else out there would like to come along to discover what it is all about, we would be delighted to see you. It will cost you nothing to try a few sessions and all equipment and sets of bowls are available; you just need some flat-soled shoes and a sense of fun. We are a very friendly bunch and stand by our aims of: - SPORT FOR ALL and above all else, ENJOYMENT.

See you on the green!

For information about bowling please call Secretary Jean Daubney (543 2765) or President Dave England (540 2934) or email [s1ad2as3@xtra.co.nz](mailto:s1ad2as3@xtra.co.nz)

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**Kia ora everyone.**

The third term of our school year continues to race by. Students are beginning to get more and more involved in the beginning stages of preparing for the mask parade. Prototypes of masks, creative writing and even maths have begun to evolve around the central theme (which is, of course, a secret!)

Senior students cope amazingly well with their busy and varied daily programmes. Their days include the curriculum basics of reading, writing and mathematics and somewhere along the way they fit in Motec, band practice (for some), Rock da House, an ongoing environmental research on our estuary, e-learning, leadership activities, and a whole range of physical challenges and sporting events. Some of our students are even finalists for the NZ Post National Book Awards coming up soon. Good training for high school!

The Olympic Games have inspired some of our young people to include more sporting activities at lunchtime. We have had some great successes at recent cross country events. Volleyball has been popular, and the long jump pit has been used to show students what amazing jumps the Olympic champions are capable of performing. Who knows? Some of our children may be performing at an Olympic venue some time in the future – they certainly have the potential.

Those of you who are regular visitors to our school will have noticed the amazing amount of landscaping work that has been completed this year by a dedicated and hardworking team of parents. We have a new entrance way now beautifully enhanced with a rock and native plant garden; a new lawn (almost ready to mow) under one of our old trees; graceful ferns and other natives in a garden created in the area that was once the entrance; a new sandpit cover and sandpit toy box; and, most recently, newly planted garden boxes under the shade trees directly in front of room 3 and 4. When a community supports its school in this way, it is wonderful what can be achieved. A huge thank you to all involved. Come and see what we have on offer if you are passing.

*Annabelle Armstrong*

Kia ora koutou, hello to you all,

Well, is the rain ever going to stop?

I guess that can only be an adult complaining because our Harakeke children certainly don't mind... puddle jumping is so much fun and the soggy ground invites to make mud pools galore.



Wetland ideal for this kind of activity is miraculously appearing and readily available, just outside the Harakeke play garden, in and around the bush patch every time after heavy and prolonged rain.

You know – Harakeke, the New Zealand lily and Kahikatea all share the children's love for this kind of terrain and are well established on the property. The children just love the 'magic' ponds in the bush and call them fairy ponds. They explore quietly and in awe in and around them in search for the gnomes and 'little people'. The first settlers on the other hand didn't like it very much and were forced to give up their first settlement St. Pauli Dorf, located 'just next door' to our preschool and instead establish Upper Moutere / Sarau on higher ground.

Indoors, we also have an exciting addition to our programme to share...Kindermusik, the world's leading music and movement programme for children has arrived at Harakeke! Every Tuesday morning Kath Munn is teaching the Kindermusik programme 'Laugh and Learn' to our children and they are just loving it!

Each class combines children's natural love of music, storytelling and imaginative play with age appropriate activities that introduce early music concepts and foster independence, social and emotional skills, language growth and self control. The supporting online material enables us teachers and enrolled families to repeat the activities and therefore the children to revisit their learning.

We all know that learning, the understanding of new concepts and acquisition of new knowledge never ends – so we are delighted that we can host a presentation on early brain development offered by the Brainwave Trust. The Brainwave Trust is a not-for-profit organisation that delivers easy to understand presentations to parents, professionals and the wider community using the latest scientific research on brain development.

The evening presentation on Tuesday, the 18<sup>th</sup> of September will be approximately 2 hours (7-9 pm) with the opportunity to mingle, meet and discuss over nibbles & wine afterwards.

For more details please refer to advertisement or call Gundula @ Harakeke ph.5432119

Places are limited, so please contact us as soon as possible to reserve your space.

Ka kite ano

Your Harakeke team

Q. What did the student say after the teacher said, "Order students, order?"

A. "Can I have fries and a burger?"

Q. Why is  $2+2=5$  like your left foot?

A. It's not right.

Q. What do get when you cross one principal with another principal?

A. I wouldn't do it; principals don't like to be crossed!

Q. Why was the music teacher not able to open his class room?





## Mahana School

We've all been inspired by the Olympics. It has been the main topic of interest at school, with the kids learning about the history of the Olympics as well as what Olympism is. If you are not sure, here is a summary... Olympism is...

- The balanced development of the body, will and mind
- The joy found in effort
- The value of being a good role model
- Respect for universal ethics including tolerance, generosity, unity, friendship, non-discrimination and respect for others.

Obviously these are really important things. While it is fun to learn the facts and figures about countries at the Olympics such as the colours of their flags and the amount of medals they win, at Mahana we believe that there is more value in encouraging the students to understand Olympism as an important value *in their own lives*. We want the kids to see that there are opportunities to be Olympian in almost all aspects of their lives, at home and at school.

We have also encouraged the kids to see the value of Olympism in others, and not to just focus on the superstars and the gold medallists. Luke in Year 5 has chosen Lauren Boyle as his athlete because of the way she kept improving *her own* performance even though she didn't win a medal, and Jade in Year 6 highlighted the way Valerie Adams never looked for excuses even though she was initially disappointed in not winning the gold. We have many students who are finding out about some of the athletes who do not have a high profile in New Zealand, but who show Olympism in their efforts.

We need to continue to hold on to these values and keep encouraging the kids to reflect on them, even after the Olympics are long over. Growing great people is what it's all about.

In other news...

- Our Year 5 and under cross-country girls placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at the recent Motueka Schools event at Rabbit Island. Well done Pip, Lucy, and Amelia
- Our combined Mahana / Upper Moutere NelsonMathix teams performed with distinction. The Year 7 team of Hunter Chung, Hannah Gale, Logan Faulkner, and Benji Grant were a very creditable 13<sup>th</sup> from 22 teams from schools across the wider Nelson / Tasman region, while the Year 8 team of Tom Taikato, Saffron Coppell-Lenfert, Nicole Mairs, and Shaun Pomeroy were 5<sup>th</sup>. Well done teams.
- KinderMusik for pre-schoolers happens each Thursday at Mahana from 9.30am. If you would like to learn more or are interested in taking part, contact Kath Munn, 03 5289685 or ring Justin at Mahana School, 03 5432 887.

Please remember that families are welcome to visit us anytime, or check out our new website at [www.mahana.school.nz](http://www.mahana.school.nz), check out our class blogs, or follow us on Facebook and Twitter. We have an excellent school that is not far away. We have a student – teacher ratio that allows us to put kids learning first. We have a special place and we are proud of it. Come and take a look!



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- ❖ **FRIDAY 21<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER 7pm – THE MURPHYS**  
The Murphys are a three piece band from Nelson with a wide repertoire ranging from rock/pop, to blues, reggae, and even some Irish folk. The band are aiming for a semi-acoustic unplugged feel for the night so come along for some early evening entertainment.

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1<sup>st</sup> Thurs Folk Night. This month 6th

2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs Quiz Night. This month 13th

3<sup>rd</sup> Thurs Moutere's Got Jam. This month 20th

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## Rangers U7 Whitwells 7's Champions 2012

Rangers Hosted the U7 7's tournament on 11th August we had 8 local teams playing on 3 fields with a lovely family atmosphere. Rangers U7 won their 4 pool games and went to the final against defending Champions Mot United. The 10 strong squad pulled together a resounding win.

Well done U7 - you all played as a team, smiled as a team and won as a team!

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Hi readers,

Communicating with people has perhaps never been as easy as it is now. This is particularly great if you have contacts at a distance (for example, I have friends all over NZ and family in the UK). Phoning can still be expensive but there are lots of inexpensive, sometimes free, ways to keep in touch. Some ideas are below:

### Skype

**Perhaps the most popular application for free calls is Skype. It gives you free calls when using the internet.** Free video calling makes it easy to be together, even when you're not. Now with group video. The latest version of Skype offers the clearest, sharpest quality video calling, and High Definition capability. If everyone on the call has an HD quality webcam, you can see the video in High Definition.

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### Google+

Whether you want to email a few close friends, share a photo with your circles, video chat with the whole family, or reply to Google+ posts, it's all possible right from Gmail.

Start a Google+ Hangout from Gmail to video chat with up to nine people at once, watch YouTube videos with friends, and more. To get started, you just click on the hangout button at the top of your chat list. The site has a video on how to set this up.

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### Facebook

If you have a Facebook page, in addition to being able to keep in touch with your friends via wall posts and chat, Facebook now allows you to video call your friends.

Video calling allows you to talk to your friends face to face. All you need to do is complete a quick, one-time setup and you're ready to call any friend on Facebook. If your friend isn't available, you can always leave a video message.

**How it works:** If you and your friend both have webcams and microphones set up, you will be able to see and hear each other in real time. If you call friends who don't have webcams, they'll be able to see and hear you but you'll only be able to hear them.

<http://www.facebook.com/>

continued ...

### Viber (mobile)

If you have a smart phone, Viber is a great application for free calls and text messages

Make free calls and send free messages to any device that has Viber, on any network! All you need is a 3G or WiFi connection and you can connect with other Viber users anywhere!

Viber integrates with the OS to give you the best experience and performance. Viber syncs with your contacts, and detects who already has Viber. Simply select a contact - no invitations, adding or approving- and just talk for free.

- Best-quality VoIP calls using 3G or Wi-Fi
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- No registration, passwords or invitations required

**Viber works on Android, iOS, Windows Phone, and BlackBerry and is available to download directly from your device.**

That's all for this month! Remember, for anyone out there needing help with computers and other technology etc. my phone number is 03 544 0737. Average job price \$30.

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## Animal behaviour

London has concluded an event packed Olympic Games. Athletes have won or lost after giving their all to compete. However, thought should be given to the equestrians where horses have also given their all to do their best. Very few people or media report on the effort of the horses. Many of them have travelled long distances to get to London and then be subjected to huge crowds and the most testing of competition at the highest level.

One would think given these circumstances that the host nation should win every time and yet that doesn't always happen. The kiwi three day event team got a magnificent bronze medal against the best in the world. Admittedly most of the team are based in the UK but it was a fantastic result considering Caroline Powel's horse Lenamore was 19 which is equivalent of a nearly 80 year old human competing at Olympic level.

Mark Todd once again proved what an amazing rider he is by riding a young and inexperienced horse that had never competed at Olympic level and getting the best performance out of him. He did a wonderful dressage test and was in third place after this phase, had a clear cross country with only 0.04 of a time fault then one rail down in the show jumping. What trust his horse must have had in him to achieve this. Quite rightly Mark was thrilled as he realised how hard his horse had tried.

Equestrian is the only sport at the Olympics where men and women compete on an equal basis. The horses too, compete equally whatever their breed, age or country of origin. The horses must adapt to being flown, trucked and stabled in strange environments. They must adapt to different time zones and climate, and then compete at the highest level. It is a huge ask. However their success shows that they are amazingly adaptable and if treated well and kept relaxed they can become wonderful partners with their riders in such a special way.

So when we celebrate the success of the three day event team in London we should spare a thought for those wonderful horses who did their best.

As always I am happy to answer any questions regarding animal behaviour.

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## Food

SooGee brings us a easy bread receipe to accompany a light spring soup.

Soughdough Bread (using a breadmaker).

1 teaspoon yeast (I use dry breadmaker), 3 1/2 cups flour, 2 teaspoon sugar, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1 tablespoon margarine, 1/3 cup plain yoghurt, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, 1 cup water.

Put all in bread maker bucket, turn on and make soup.

Watercress or Spinach Soup

One large pot

Dice and saute one large onion, 1 sliced leek (not too much green) with some salt until transparent. Add 2 large peeled and diced potatoes. Sautee, stirin often to stop this from catching as you need to cook long enough for them to be white-ish.

Add 2-3 cups of chicken stock plus a large bunch of water cress or spinach – well washed!!

Cook for 20 minutes then wizz to your desired consistancy, add seasonings to taste and bring back to a simmer. Add one cup white wine (I use sauvignon blanc) and serve.

\*Tip from chef – Heat butter or oil you are using to satue with. Now add salt before adding veg etc.



The garden is still very wet but daffoldils cheering up the day.

No show on the sweet peas I planted earlier so I'm putting in plants instead. Keep looking to the horizon – the days are getting longer.



# Country Kids under 2's library trip...

How exciting, today we were going on a adventure to the Motueka public library. First we had to get into our car seats which were in Kelly, Tess and Kylie's cars-this seemed strange!

When we arrived Mary the Librarian was waiting for us and had some books and songs for us to share. We sang some songs that we knew and got to use some special shakers, then we sat down and read stories. We read two of our favourite stories 'the wheels on the bus' and 'old McDonald'. Through our visit to the library we were exposed to and participated within a literacy enriched environment that supports and reflects that of our Piko Piko programme. Singing songs and listening to stories help us to learn and develop our language skills both verbal and non-verbal, being part of a group, hand-eye co-ordination, repetition and most of all, enjoyment! We look forward to visiting the library again.

*Kyle, Alex, Macy, Lyla, Patrick and Finn.*

July 2012





# MOUTERE HILLS COMMUNITY CENTRE



It is great to see so many members of our community utilising the centre. Why not check out our calendar of events on our website—[www.mouterehills.org.nz](http://www.mouterehills.org.nz) We have a fantastic timetable of activities on offer but if you wish to see something else happening then please let us know.

Thanks to all who attended the recent Community Social Evening, what a fantastic turn out! Look out for the next Social Evening which will take place during Term Four.

With the end of the winter sports season we need to acknowledge the valuable contribution that all the Rangers Rugby and Football Club coaches, managers, and committee members have made to ensure our children have access to these sports in a fun and supportive environment. So thank you all for your time, energy and commitment to sport.

As many of you are hopefully aware, Motuere Hills Community Centre has recently renovated the old rugby Changing Rooms to create internal access and greater storage capacity. This will benefit many clubs and the centre in general. Acknowledgement must be made of John Erni for managing this project and thanks to Rangers Rugby Club, Rangers Football Club and Upper Motuere Toy Library for their financial contribution. Next month we will be releasing a development plan for Motuere Hills Community Centre for further discussion which will incorporate a summary of ideas raised at the community consultation. We will include this information in our article in the next issue of the Grapevine.

## Motuere Hills Community Centre AGM

Tuesday 25th September at 7pm at Motuere Hills Community Centre. All welcome!

Nominations will be sort for new board members. If you would like to be part our the Community Centre and help lead this organisation into the future then please feel free to contact Phillip Leith on 9700715.

## Motuere Hills October School Holiday Programme

We will be running a school holiday programme from Monday 1st October until Friday 12th October. This programme caters for children aged between 5—13 years and runs from 8:30am—3:30pm. The cost is \$25 per day , and parents can access the Work and Income Subsidy. We offer a variety programme of activities in a fun and supportive environment. Which not check out the schedule of activities on our website now!

## Up-coming Events

Saturday 1st September	Nelson Bays Junior Rep Rugby Fixtures
Sunday 2nd	Just Gymnastics Competition
	Upper Motuere Tennis Club Open Day
Friday 21st September	Youth "Drop-In" 7:30pm—10:00pm
Saturday 6th October	National Road Relay
Saturday 13th October	Rangers Rugby Club Quiz Night 7:30pm \$10 per person

If you have any queries, would like to book in for an activity taking place at the centre or would like to be added to our database just pop in or give us a call, we would love to hear from you.

*Katrina McLean, Facility Manager*

*Vanessa Mairs, Recreation Co-ordinator*



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## Friday Night Youth



### Community Youth Update

Yay, it's spring time... yipppeeeeeee... That means that to be starting next month. Let us know if you're interested in playing in the Riwaka Competition. Remember you can touch up on your skills at the Moutere Centre Tuesday's 6pm (gold coin donation).

Also, it's nearly time for the next **Bubbles & Cupcakes** (starting term 4). We will be handing out notices soon!

### Friday Night Youth

Saturday 8 September	Rainbow Snow Day (snow permitting) *
Friday 14 September	Spotlight
Friday 21 September	Night with the Stars
Observatory Trip	
Saturday 29 September	Andy's Birthday (not youth group, just for your information☺)

\* If no snow forecast for Rainbow Snow Day, Games Night will be held at Moutere Community Centre Friday 7 September, 7pm.

7pm, Sunday School hall, \$2. Phone Andy 021 2245178 or Abbey 0272434364, or 543 2949.

**Y**  
Bible based study group, and dinner, for High School age. Runs fortnightly.

Tuesday 4 September  
Tuesday 18 September

Meet at Sunday School Hall, 6pm, for transport. \$2.

## Coming Soon – High School Age ONLY

**Girls Night Out** (High School Age only)  
Head into town, go to a café and catch a movie.

**Sports Night** (High School Age only)  
Once a month, at the Community Centre. We will text to let you know when it's happening.

For any information on these programmes or if you just want to find out what we're about, contact Andy 021 2245178 or Abbey 0272434364, or either of us 543 2949.



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10.00am

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Any Questions? Phone: Nick Dicks 5432139 or Vanessa Mairs 5432332  
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See you there!

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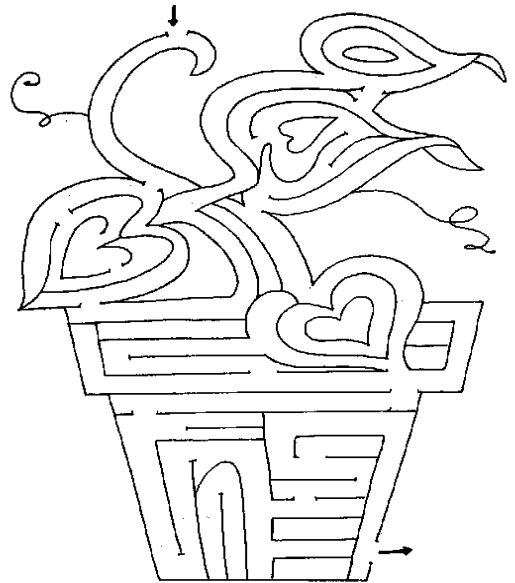
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