



## MDCA: Future of Māpua and Districts

Information, consultations and submissions; being informed and having our say!

**M**āpua & Districts Community Association's February 2021 meeting focused on:

**Being informed:** about progress on water issues, playground developments, what the various categories of "Land Use" relate to.

**Having input:** into current issues and potential future developments, with an emphasis on intensification of housing and future transport options; and becoming involved early on in planning processes.

Current state of upgrade of water distribution and storage facilities.

**Rob O'Grady** (TDC) MDCA Updated on the various aspects of this process. This was done on a ZOOM platform and the set of slides he spoke to plus his notes as text, are available on MDCA Facebook page. The main aspects he commented on centred around the Māpua Water Treatment Plant upgrade by Oct 21 to meet higher drinking water standards and seismic requirements.

Rob noted the following:

Pomona Road Reservoir: temporary tank to be demolished and replaced by concrete tank

Stormwater discharge from Broadsea Ave: two flood gates are to be bigger; land at Chaytor Reserve to be regraded to allow water to flow out

Resurfacing Aranui Road "next summer"

Channel from Apple Shed to Rabbit Island - 2037!

**Vaughan Cerfontaine** (Project Manager Luke Donaldson's) reported on progress on pipe and pump upgrades:

Mains: live from wharf to tennis courts

Wastewater: live from Higgs Rd to Wharf

Warren Place to Pinehill Road: live on LH side; RH side, putting in pipelines

Wastewater: Ruby Bay Tait St to Pomona Road

Now working on Aranui Road back to the school (new lines by April 21)

Pipe to Pump Station not yet replaced; main problems with Reservoir are capacity and leakage.

### ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS

Intensification in Māpua. A new working group set up by MDCA to address these issues and chaired by Bruce Gilkison met near the end of February. Noted that MDCA had "been a bit late" in relation to input on developments

of local subdivisions and that we want good connections so that we can be involved and engaged earlier ["ahead of the ball"] in the decisions and processes rather than "always playing catch-up" behind the developers.

### Issues relating to approval for new subdivisions:

Problems were identified relating to lack of response to requests made to TDC for earlier notification before new subdivisions are approved as well as community consultation being sought in December/January.

Members identified "a hole in the system" in terms of "how this is being managed" with not enough time allowed for residents to gain understanding of the issues (including **why the changes are being made** before engaging in the process of making a submission see Aranui as Case Study) and asked for Ward Councillors' assistance. Cr Christeen Mackenzie suggested a meeting with TDC's CEO and described this as "another example in different communities of how current regulations are being interpreted by planners and others."

Cr Anne Turley suggested asking the CEO to halt the process until the contradictions in classifications/re-zoning are clarified, noting their impact on future processes in terms of zoning and land-usage.

### Access to Cycleways

Issues/problems related to cyclists accessing the cycleway from the roundabout at Higgs Road were raised; Wayne Chisnall will follow this up with the Project Manager, checking if the project is actually completed.

### COMMUNITY WELLBEING

Māpua Willing Wheels (MWW) noted that we are still waiting for confirmation of ongoing funding for this project for the rest of 2021. Many of the team of volunteer drivers indicated their ongoing availability as "Willing Wheels" for the coming year. Local businesses /organizations encouraged to offer sponsorship to support the scheme's administrative costs; any amount will be appreciated.

Motueka Coastal Corridor Community Bus Route (Motueka through Tasman/Māpua to Richmond). Rachel Mason has been contracted to set up a 6-month trial of this new extended service. This service will pass through Tasman and Māpua and is seen as complementary to MWW (which Rachel also co-ordinates).

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MDCA continued.....

**Community Hub.** See the separate newsletter article elsewhere in this issue with details of projects and progress. The data collection project came to a close at the end of February with interest shown by many organizations, groups and businesses in accessing the future resource. A fruitful meeting was held with the Māpua Community Hall Committee Members to discuss how the two facilities can complement each other's service and work in co-operation/not competition.

#### FUTURE HOT TOPICS

March: Presentations by TDC staff with chance for questions:

Nelson/Tasman Environmental Plan

Nelson –Tasman Public Transport Plan (Draft) 2021-2031

2021 months: a list of possible Hot topics for the rest of 2021 was presented to the meeting and is posted on MDCA's Facebook page. If you have any other suggestions of topics that you believe will be of particular interest to the community, please send them to [info@ourmapua.org](mailto:info@ourmapua.org) as soon as possible so they can be considered for the calendar.

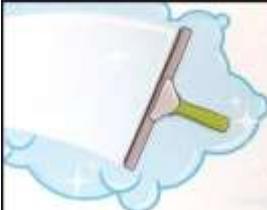
*Elena Meredith*

Be sure to attend/join in our next monthly meeting:  
**Monday, 8 March 2021 at 7.15pm - note later time -**  
(content and format to be confirmed on MDCA Facebook and Mailchimp mailout).

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# Reserves Status

## Special Notice to Residents: Aranui Park and Dominion Flats status with regard to Waimea/Moutere Parks & Reserves Review

Tasman District Council are in the second community consultation phase of the above review and there are two items that MDCA are requesting amendments to, that so far, have not been taken on board. MDCA Exec. are now seeking further support from the wider community to ensure TDC take notice of the communities wishes.

MDCA are requesting to have both Dominions Flats and Aranui Park current classification of 'Recreational Reserve' changed to 'Scenic Reserve (B)'

Both these areas have undergone intensive planting and regeneration over many years that has been organised and undertaken by members of our community, including Mapua School and its pupils, DOC, TDC Staff and MDCA.

A change in classification to Scenic Reserve (B) will give greater protection not only for the trees that have been planted over many years but also ensure their survival. It is MDCA wish that these areas remain peaceful remnants of our native bush and places where one can go to seek

solace, while ensuring they can never be built on or become sports a field etc.

To view historical documents & TDC's proposed classifications visit MDCA's website ourmapua.org then select 'Our Mapua' then 'Our Environment' and choose all three options to learn about what TDC is proposing and the history of both Dominion Flats and Aranui Park

### Submissions Close: 15<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Send your submission to Anna Gerraty, TDC, Richmond or email Anna at [anna.gerraty@tasman.govt.nz](mailto:anna.gerraty@tasman.govt.nz).

Please title your submission 'Waimea/Moutere Parks & Reserves Submission'

Along with your classification wishes for both reserves please include your name, address and why you would like the classification changed.

Please remember: 'Collectively, we the people of our community, have the power to help make these important changes a reality' Let's do this together for future generations.

*Marion Satherley, MDCA Chair*



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# Māpua Community Hub

The first meeting of the Māpua Community Working Group (MCHWG) for 2021 was held 2 Feb at the Old Church. We welcome Gill Bartlett to the team. Gill has had a long association with the Tahunanui Community Hub. Gill's wisdom and experience will be invaluable as the Māpua Community Hub project moves forward.

### Progress from the last update:

Thank you to the Māpua Community Wellbeing Trust for generously funding the building inspection of the Old Church.

A written report has been received from Paul Fox of PRF House and Building Inspections on the present condition of the building and includes recommendations for essential works needed.

Discussions and planning are in progress on the next steps to be undertaken here.

A draft Memorandum of Understanding between the Hills Community Church Trust and Māpua Community Wellness Trust has been drawn up and still to be distributed for discussion.

The Data Collection Contract to research and collate current information on all available health/social/legal services as potential users of a Community Hub is nearing completion. This report will be used to determine the potential users of a Community Hub, support documentation needed for funding applications, and a feasibility study on the viability of the Community Hub initiative.

Two working group members attended a meeting of the Māpua Hall committee to discuss the Community Hub initiative and the future relationship between the Māpua Community Hall and Community Hub. "Co-operation NOT competition was the key message".

The MCHWG working group has received documentation for discussion from the MCWT Trustees defining the working relationship between the two parties.

A fundraising team is in the early stages of being built to plan, research, build networks and explore funding options for the various stages of the Community Hub's development.

The lack of project and financial management skills and experience has been identified in the working group.

Can you help? Email: Elena at [info@mapuahub.nz](mailto:info@mapuahub.nz)

The next meeting of the working group and supporters is to be held on: Tuesday 2nd March 10 am

Venue: Old Church building on Aranui Road.

**All members of the community are welcome to attend.**



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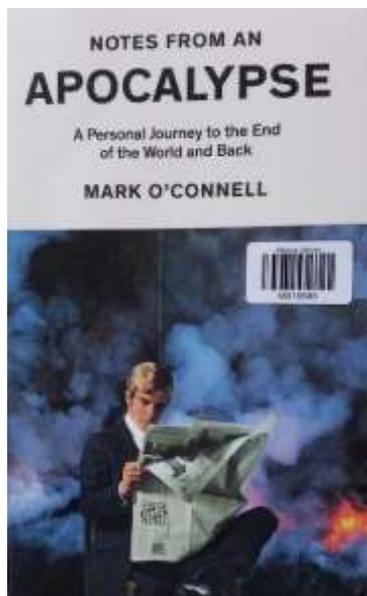




# Book reviews

## Notes from an Apocalypse – A Personal Journey to the End of the World and Back — By Mark O’Connell 2020

If like me, you are someone who has at any time prepared an emergency list for the fridge or a “go-bag” after an earthquake, or who has been especially thankful to be living in New Zealand which seems like a refuge from many situations which are ravishing other countries (and not just COVID), or who has thought that if worst came to worst, we here in NZ will be able to collect clean rain water, grow our own food, and shelter in a relatively mild climate -- then this book will give you much to ponder about these attitudes. Especially, if you are also sad about the state of the world that we are leaving for our descendants.



Irish journalist Mark O’Connell has taken to heart Greta Thunberg’s words “I don’t want you to be hopeful. I want you to panic.... Then I want you to act.”

He had *already* been “panicked”, and his “act” had taken the form of research: into the worlds of people selling up-market survival gear and bunkers in South Dakota, those wealthy ones from overseas buying great tracts of New Zealand as a bolt hole at the edge of the world, those trying to figure out how to live in a decimated Mother Nature in Maine, and those planning to colonize Mars. He had also looked at the end of the world that has *already* come - to Chernobyl.

What O’Connell learns about these people, and about himself, as he navigates their philosophies and worldviews, and what he thinks about the futures of his two small children, will give *you* room to ponder too, *and* much to discuss with your friends. Especially with New Zealand being mentioned as a bolt hole...

His self-analysis and wit make this book very readable. Not like some future books which make me despair and rush to return my head into the sand after chapter two. So, I highly recommend it. It is available at the Māpua Community Library, but if this review is effective at all, you may have to put a “Hold” on it there. Easily done, though.

## Three books new to the library - "Scrublands", "Silver," and "Trust" (by Chris Hammer)

Are you looking for a new crime series by a new author - not gory - with twists and turns as the characters, and you, try to figure out what has happened to bring about the crimes?

The Māpua Library has all three of this new series, written by Australian author Chris Hammer. He was a

journalist for 30 years, covering Australian federal politics, and international affairs. He spent time as a foreign correspondent on six continents.

So, it's no wonder that his main character Martin Scarsden is a journalist with traumatic memories of warzone escape, and a depth of personality which Hammer explores very well over the course of the three mysteries involving Scarsden and a beautiful woman, Mandalay, whom he meets in the first novel.

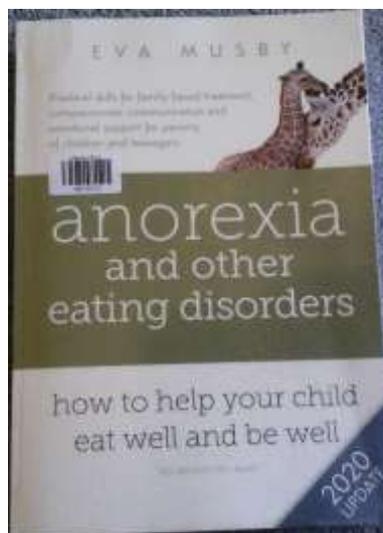
Both characters are well-drawn, complicated, and introspective. They move through a recognizably real world of media and politics, which often brings them to moral decisions as well. And all this taking place in the landscape and atmosphere of outback and urban Australia.

I recommend that you read these books in order to get the most out of the development of the characters. (Having said that, I read them in reverse order, and that was OK too.)

## Anorexia and other eating disorders (by Eva Musby) 2014, updated 2020

We have another book new to the library, that I want to get onto the shelves quickly so people can start benefitting from it. So, I'm reviewing it this month rather than next.

You might have heard Kim Hill's 5 Sep 2020 interview on "Saturday Morning" with Caitlin Moran, about Moran's book "More Than a Woman". (*Incidentally, this interview is still available on the RNZ website.*)



In this interview, Moran speaks candidly about one of her two daughters' struggle with an eating disorder, and how they came through it. Now that she is healed, the daughter wanted her mother to write about their ordeal in order to help others. In the interview with Kim Hill, Moran speaks of a book by Eva Musby, and how she sure wished she'd had this book when she was agonising through her

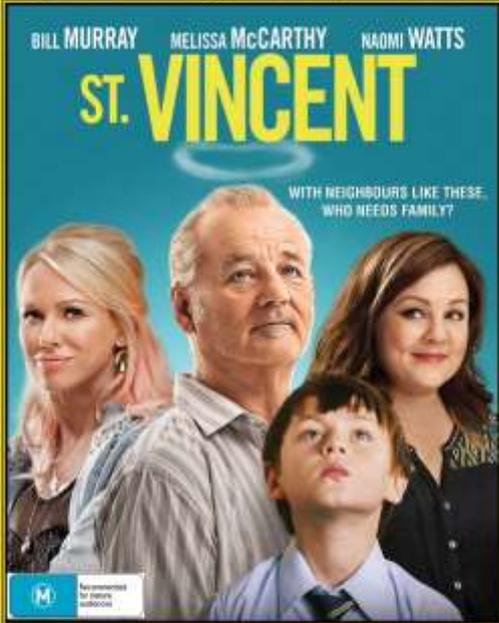
daughter's illness. Musby says that "the most effective treatment for eating disorders is family-based, and parents play an essential role. Yet most struggle to know what to do and how to do it."

So, this book uses Musby's lived experience, published research, and real-life examples to give these parents, and also therapists, compassionate and practical help.

If your child/teenager or the child of someone you know is struggling with disordered eating, this very readable book could be a big help. Come have a look at it.

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Chemistry can make all the difference in a film, St. Vincent wasn't a great film because the story was out of this world. In fact, it wasn't even all that original, but the fantastic chemistry between veteran Bill Murray, and newcomer Jaeden Lieberher makes all the difference.

After a bitter divorce, Maggie and Oliver have been forced to move to a new neighbourhood, where they find their new neighbour is a bitter old drunk named Vincent (Murray).

Vincent wants nothing to do with anyone, until chance throws him together with Oliver, who he reluctantly agrees to watch in exchange for money.

But what does he know about taking care of a kid? Vincent splits his time between the bars, the horse track and the strip club, running up long tabs at each of those splendid establishments.

When his harried new neighbour begs him to watch her son after school, he sees no reason why he shouldn't drag Oliver along on his normal daily routine, serving as sort of a shitfaced Mr. Miyagi to the kid, who's getting picked on by the little hellions at his new Catholic school.

Instead of showing Oliver "The crane," Vincent teaches him how to break a bully's nose, and the next day in dodgeball, the lad puts his lesson to use.

I always enjoy seeing how young actors and actresses got their start, and this film stars Bill freaking Murray, need I say more?

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# Māpua School

We warmly welcome all new and returning students to the Māpua School community for the 2021 school year. Despite a return to COVID 19 Alert Level 2 occurring this week, our students have quickly settled into the new academic year and there is an air of purpose across the school.



The Motueka Community of Learning, otherwise known as the Motueka Kahui Ako, comprising of 15 schools across this region of which Māpua School is one, has a focus on Relationship-Based Learning, and we are keen to promote such positive relationships within our school. It is a well-known fact that students and learning flourish in such a setting.

We also welcome new staff members to our school community. Angelika Baprawska (part-time) has joined our administrative team working in the field of accounts and employment, Zac Deacon (full-time) is teaching one of our Year 7&8 classes (Manuka), Fi Walker is working part-time in Rimu releasing Jess Anderson to carry out her new Deputy Principal role, and likewise, Lara Gerrard is working part-time in Mahoe to release Philippa Jackson to carry out her new Deputy Principal role. Connie Sherlock is working part-time as our Reading Recovery teacher, and we are very pleased to have her, and the other above-mentioned people as a part of the Māpua School staff team.

We are currently a school of 277 great students, and we look forward to a fantastic year of growth and development. Our Board and Management Team made a significant staffing decision late last year, which has allowed us to employ a fourth Year 7&8 teacher (Zac Deacon, as mentioned above). This decision has provided us with four Year, 7&8 classes, with a teacher to student ratio of 1 to 25 students instead of three such classes with a 1 to 33 ratio.

We firmly believe that class size matters and have taken steps to reduce ratios across the school. Resolving the three classes of 1:33 in the only other possible way would have had a trickle-down impact on numbers across the remainder of the school. Our team structure would have been broken up and we'd have had a mix of levels across many classrooms within the school. The way we have chosen to go therefore benefits all students. Our budget will be very tight this year, but it's worth it ... **fingers crossed for a successful Easter Fair!**

Building healthy and strong relationships is a theme that will sit behind much of what we do this year. It was a focus around our Teacher Only Days before students returned to school last week, and it will pop up as a background theme to other aspects of our programme this year.

Alongside our programmes focusing on the NZ Curriculum, the following events are planned for the coming weeks:

- Health Education based around the Life Education Bus from March 1 to March 9
- The Whole School Tryathlon on March 10.
- School Assembly 2:00 pm on **Thursday**, March 11 – **all welcome**
- Year 7 Camp, March 15 to 18
- Year 8 Leadership Week, March 15 to 19

**We wish everyone well, and that 2021 is a positive one for this community.**

*Neil Chalmers - Principal*



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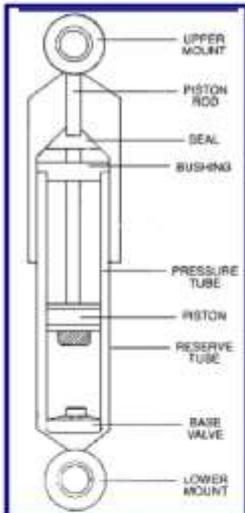
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<b>9.30 am</b> <b>Superb Dance</b> <small>with Hilary</small>	<b>9 am</b> <b>Sioux Line Dance</b>	<b>9.15 am</b> <b>Yoga for Healthy Aging</b> with Nikki		<b>9.30 am</b> <b>Superb Dance</b> <small>with Hilary</small>
<b>3.30 pm</b> <b>Ballet 3-4yrs</b> <small>with Kerry</small>	<b>10 am</b> <b>Mapua Creative Fibre</b> <small>2nd Tue of Month</small>	<b>10.05 am</b> <b>Pilates</b> with Lynda		<b>10.05 am</b> <b>Pilates</b> with Lynda
<b>4 pm</b> <b>Ballet 5-7yrs</b> <small>with Kerry</small>	<b>2:00 pm</b> <b>Chair Flair</b> with Hilary	<b>1:30 pm</b> <b>Tai Chi</b>		<b>10.45 am</b> <b>Yoga</b> with Martin
<b>5.30 pm</b> <b>Broga Men's Yoga</b> <small>with Nikki</small>	<b>6 pm</b> <b>Aerobics</b> with Lynda		<b>7.00 pm</b> <b>Mapua Community Choir</b>	<b>2 pm</b> <b>Friendship Group</b> <small>3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; last Friday of the month</small>
<b>6:30 pm</b> <b>Mapua Hall Society Committee meeting</b> <small>Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of month</small>	<b>6 pm</b> <b>Yoga</b> with Martin			<b>6.30 pm</b> <b>YOUTH GROUP</b> <small>Most Fridays</small>
<b>7 pm</b> <b>Mapua &amp; District Community Assoc.</b> <small>Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of month</small>	<b>7 pm</b> <b>Pilates</b> with Lynda			

### This month

For current timetable and updates please check the live calendar on the Hall website.

### Packhouse Cinema

- **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

Come along on the second Sunday of every month: Tickets \$12 at the door. BYO chair and snacks: Doors open at 6.15pm.

### Coming Soon

- **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April**  
Māpuā Easter Fair
- **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April**  
Sprig & Fern Māpuā Quiz

## Hall Society News March

**Packhouse Cinema returns for 2021!** Pete & Di O'Halloran present a wonderful range of handpicked films on the big screen at the Hall. Come along as they transform the Bill Marris room into a cozy cinema experience with the luxury of your own favourite camping chair and BYO nibbles and drinks. No booking required tickets at the door, movie starts at 6.30pm sharp.

The finishing touches have now been added to the acoustics upgrade of the main Hall with new panels installed on the ceiling. These have significantly improved the sound quality in the Hall, and we look forward to your feedback. This completes the AV and acoustics project and we must thank Pub Charity and Lotteries Community funding for this extensive project as well as the countless volunteer hours that contributed to research, installation, grants and technical guidance.

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# Māpua Boat Club

## All girls team wins Māpua regatta cup.

The Māpua Cup at the Māpua Boat Club regatta on Sunday 21 Feb, comprising a rowing race between the Tamaha Sea Scouts vs "Oldies" from the Boat Club, was closely won by an oldies all-girls team.

The rowing team was put together at the last minute and was victorious in the race from Māpua Wharf across to Rabbit Island and return – winning by just one boat length.

Club spokesperson, Helen Jeffery says the regatta day was near perfect; “slightly overcast to start with but then sunshine and light breezes, just enough to push sailing yachts around the course.

“Lots of spectators came to the wharf creating a good vibe with the BBQ provided by Motueka Mitre 10 proving very popular. A Māpua ukulele group singing sea shanties entertained the crowd and added to the festive atmosphere,” Helen said.

### Results of the Māpua Boat Club’s regatta on Sunday:

- Under 5hp: 1st Steve & Sam Thomas, 2nd Bolderson Family.
- Paddleboarders Recreational: 1st Michelle Anderson, 2nd Nik Moody, 3rd David Scott.
- Paddleboarders Competitive: 1st Rod King, 2nd Hamish Ballantyne.
- Kayakers Recreational: 1st Margaret Pidgeon, 2nd Judith Holmes, 3rd Bridget Castle.
- Open Sailing Recreational: 1st Pamir Sea Scouts, 2nd Tamaha Sea Scouts 2nd.
- Open Sailing Competitive: 1st Lloyd Knowles, 2nd Tony Jemmett, 3rd Brett Glass.



The victorious Oldies all-girl team, winners of the Māpua Cup: From the left, standing: Bridget Castle, Lynn Smith, Margaret Pidgeon & Jenn Bolderson; Front row: Judith Holmes, Helen Jeffery, Katrina Ballantyne.



Steve and Sam Thomas cross the line to win the under 5hp racing event closely followed by the 2nd placed Bolderson Family.

# Hills Community Church

As we come to the beginning of March, it is hard to believe that we are coming to a second year of living with the reality of COVID 19.

In all the uncertainty, change, loss and grief that is affecting our world, there are two things that we need always to remember to hold on to.

The first is thankfulness; each day is a blessing, a gift from God. It’s easy to forget this! As a way to remember, try spending a moment each day to write down five things to be thankful for. This small act of thought, reflection and thankfulness, can help lift our eyes above our anxieties and worry.

The second thing is hope, I love this message from the prophet Jeremiah: “For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope” *Jeremiah 29:11*

It is so easy to forget that our creator is a loving, gentle, caring, God, who has our future in his hands – and it is a good future. This really is the key to hope; that despite the present circumstances, despite sometimes all evidence to the contrary, God’s love is always with us, and drawing us closer to him, this is our true and living hope.

### Easter services in Māpua

Lenten Tearfund contemplation space

Wednesdays 7 pm at HCC

3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> March

### Maundy Thursday (April 1<sup>st</sup>)

7 pm Tenebrae; service of shadows.

### Good Friday 9:30 am

Procession of the Cross: meeting at Māpua Wharf and finishing at Hills Community Church for a brief service at 10:15, with morning tea.

### Easter Sunday

7:00 am at Māpua wharf amphitheatre,

(if wet at Hills Community Church) followed by breakfast at Hills Community Church from 7:45 am

9:00 am Communion service at church

**Loyal Grossi Point Yacht Club**  
**SAILING REGATTA - MARCH 28TH**

The LGPYC’s Annual regatta will be held from  
**Grossi Point on Sunday March 28th,**  
 briefing at 10 am and first start at 10.15 am.

**Classes** will include a **Racing** division for Lasers, Phase 2s, Sunbursts with spinnakers, and any other fast boats. **Catamarans** will have their own start, and the less experienced sailors can sail in the **Cruiser** division which usually has a number of traditional style boats as well.

There have been a few new boats sailing this season and these include a Topaz, a Phase 2, a Walker Dinghy, several Lasers and two Sunbursts.

*Hope to see you new sailors enjoying the event.*

Rigging advice available before the sailing so get your boat out of the shed and we will see you on the 28th!

# Terry Smith

A memorial and celebration service was held on 19 February for Terry Smith at Tasman Church.

Terry had been a loyal and strong supporter of the Christian fellowship in the village and it was with somewhat mixed emotions we farewelled the man. There was sadness at his passing, and the loss of a unique and gifted man, and yet at the same time we all understood his rock-solid Christian beliefs and the full assurance and hope that faith brings.

Terry had chosen the particular musical items he wanted sung at his memorial service and when someone does this there is obviously something significant in the lyrics that Terry wanted people to appreciate. These words below can speak then on behalf of Terry - in memoriam.

*Greig Caigou - Tasman Bible Church*

## Because He Lives

God sent His son, they called Him Jesus  
He came to love, heal and forgive  
He lived and died to buy my pardon  
An empty grave is there to prove my saviour lives

Chorus: Because He lives, I can face tomorrow  
Because He lives, all fear is gone  
Because I know He holds the future  
And life is worth the living, just because He lives

How sweet to hold a newborn baby  
And feel the pride and joy he gives  
But greater still the calm assurance  
This child can face uncertain day because he lives

And then one day we'll all cross that river  
And fight life's final war with pain  
And then, as death gives way to victory  
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know he reigns

Because he lives I can face tomorrow  
Because he lives all fear is gone  
Because I know, I know he holds the future  
And life is worth the living just because he lives

## Coastal News laments loss

We here at Coastal News are also sad to note the passing of Terry last month. He had been an important member in the revival of the Coastal News in the early noughties, and a stalwart in its production until a couple of years ago.

Having worked for The Press for many years as sub-editor, he brought a level of professionalism to our endeavours. He is still looking over my shoulder when I am struggling with grammar and apostrophes.

Thank you Terry.

It's an old people's game this Coastal News lark. Bill Williams, John Sharman, Peter Hancock and now Terry have all crossed the Styx. Better watch my step!

*Andrew Earlam*



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WIO are thrilled to be hosting the first Te Kupenga Rangatahi wānanga in April to reconnect Manaaki Tāpoi Graduates for 3 days of Manaaki style fun and learning. This event has been organised by a team of Manaaki rangatahi who were keen to support one another in their Te Ao Māori journey. They have organised fun activities, inspiring workshops & guest bi-cultural choreographer Tānemahuta Gray. Visit our website to get your application in by 1st March for an early bird price! [www.wio.org.nz](http://www.wio.org.nz)

## Getting geared up for 2021

Thanks to New Zealand Community Trust for providing a new Sea Bear kayak for use on our programmes. Kayaking is a fantastic adventure activity that we use for connecting our students with nature while providing a fun learning challenge, new set of outdoor skills and good awareness of water safety. With the Abel Tasman on our doorstep it will be put to good use.

## Great fun at the Sarau Festival

The Sarau Festival was an amazing success and WIO were delighted to be invited to support it by organising an orienteering activity for the KidZone. Two WIO staff, Andrew and Nettie, hid clues and teddy bears around the festival site and kids followed a map to find the teddy bear treasure. We were super impressed by the determination of the intrepid explorers brave enough to set off to find the clues and complete a word puzzle. A WIO Macpac backpack was presented to the lucky winner to help them complete many more adventures in our wonderful region.

## Adventure Skills contribute to Duke of Edinburgh's Award

At the end of January WIO ran a 9 day Adventure Skills Development Holiday Programme for 16-18yr olds that build skills through a series of sea kayaking, tramping & rock climbing expeditions based in stunning national park locations. It was fantastic to see Award participants use the experience towards their Adventurous Journey. A huge thank you to Duke of Edinburgh's Award Aotearoa and the Rātā Foundation for their support in making these programmes happen.

## Outdoor Wanderings: Toka Ngāwha / Split Apple Rock

This has to be one of the best beaches to access in our region that doesn't require a boat! Access is by foot only down a beautiful 10min walking track through native bush to the golden sand beach below. Pack a picnic and snorkelling gear, explore caves at low tide and see what you can find in the rock pools! (note: best visited outside of the high tide time).



Johnny's stoked with our new kayak - thanks New Zealand Community Trust!



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# Māpua Health Centre

**W**e are 31 years old! And it's our birthday this month. That is the Māpua and Districts Health Centre came into being in the middle of March 1990 after an amazing effort by the local community in collaboration with the Nelson Area Health Board, who had just bought the site of the old post office.

It has gone through various metamorphoses and changes over the intervening years, with the latest being the addition of admin rooms and a staff room added to the back of the building. Many thanks to all the volunteer help that we have had over recent years and to the health committee who generously give their time and energy to looking after the building and equipment.

The committee that oversees the building is actively looking at how we can plan for the future and cope with the increasing population and changes in health provision (with some services likely to be devolved from the hospital to primary care).

Ideally, we would like to build a new purpose-designed centre that also incorporated other services such as physiotherapy, pharmacy, dentist and other health professionals. If you have any ideas for achieving this or wish to help the committee please contact the chairperson, Derek Craze (info@Mapuahealth.com).

Last month was a timely reminder of how easily COVID-19 can reappear in the community. If you have any cough, cold or flu like symptoms please **do not** come directly to the health centre and **phone first** to be triaged by one of our clinical team.

Level 1 and 2 means we continue to have strict protocols in place. Patients attending their appointments will continue to be assessed for any "flu like" symptoms and anybody presenting with these symptoms will be asked to wait in their cars. Please do not be offended by this as we are trying to keep our patients and staff safe.

Below are some links that may be useful:

World Health Organisation information-  
[https://www.who.int/health-topics/coronavirus#tab=tab\\_1](https://www.who.int/health-topics/coronavirus#tab=tab_1)  
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This year's flu vaccines will hopefully be available early March and we will be contacting those who are on our computer recall system when they arrive. However, if you would like to receive a vaccination against the flu and have not had one previously please call our receptionists at the end of March to arrange an appointment.

Emma Halsey, a final year medical student, will be with us for 3 weeks during March. This is a great opportunity for Emma to get some insight into general practice and health care in the community setting.

We now have nurses trained to offer advice about advance care planning. This gives everyone a chance to say what's important to them. It helps people understand what the future might hold and to say what treatment they

would and would not want. It helps people, their families and their healthcare teams plan for future and end of life care. This makes it much easier for families and healthcare providers to know what the person would want - particularly if they can no longer speak for themselves. If this is something you are interested in exploring please contact Māpua Health Centre to make an appointment with one of our nurses.

Terry Smith had been a long-standing member of our health centre trust and supporter of various community projects, including this newsletter. We offer our deepest condolences to his family following his peaceful death at Woodlands rest home in February.

Shave for a cure week is a fundraising initiative that hits close to home for many Kiwis – a chance to shave, spread the word, and stand in solidarity with leukemia and blood cancer survivors. It's an inspiring way to help fund vital care and resources for the 2,500 people affected.

## Some of the events for the month:

- 1-31 Stay SunSmart in March <http://wellplace.nz>
- 1-31 Hearing Awareness Month [www.deafness.org.au](http://www.deafness.org.au)
- 1 Zero Discrimination Day  
[www.unaids.org/en/resources](http://www.unaids.org/en/resources)
- 3 World Wildlife Day [www.wildlifeday](http://www.wildlifeday)
- 4 World Book Day [www.worldbookday.com](http://www.worldbookday.com)
- 6-14 Sea Week – Kaupapa Moana [www.seaweek.org.nz/](http://www.seaweek.org.nz/)
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- 18-24 Shave For A Cure Week <https://shaveforacure.co.nz/>
- 19 World Sleep Day [www.sleephealth.org.nz](http://www.sleephealth.org.nz)
- 20 World Oral Health Day  
[www.worldoralhealthday.com](http://www.worldoralhealthday.com)
- 21 International Day for Elimination of Racial Discrimination  
[www.un.org/en/events/racialdiscriminationday](http://www.un.org/en/events/racialdiscriminationday)
- 22 World Water Day [www.un.org/en/events/waterday](http://www.un.org/en/events/waterday)
- 24 World Tuberculosis Day [www.stoptb.org](http://www.stoptb.org)
- 20-30 Neighbours Day Aotearoa  
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# Māpua Fire Brigade



## Dec call outs

19 Dec 04:30 Car vs Power pole, Moutere Highway near Redwood Rd. Turned back before arrival.

Last year we had 73 call outs. 45 calls were in the Māpua area; the rest were to back up other Brigades.

Of those 45 we had 1 structure, 1 vegetation, 18 other fires (beach, permitted), 4 medical, 14 false alarms, 1 assist public, 5 vehicle accidents and 1 rescue.

## 2021 call outs

3 Jan 00:05 Alarm activation at Upper Moutere school. Turned back.

9 Jan 10:41 Good intent call to a permitted rubbish fire on Dominion Rd. No action taken.

9 Jan 20:33 House fire in Seaton Valley Rd, fire in ceiling space. Possible cause: bird nest on faulty power unit supplying outside LED light.

10 Jan 06:46 Back to house fire in Seaton Valley Rd. Removed roofing iron to get to some burning framing underneath.

12 Jan 22:48 Beach fire at end farm Kina Beach Rd. Brigade put fire out. Police had persons moved on.

13 Jan 12:00 Tanker to grass fire Wills Rd. Started by hay making mower. Supply water to firefighting crew.

13 Jan 15:31 Fire in dryer at Gravity Cellar Door. Front of dryer destroyed by fire, no other damage to building. Possible cause: lint filter in door not cleaned out.

15 Jan 19:21 Toetoe and bushes on fire at the end of Bronte Rd East. Appleby and Upper Moutere put fire out.

17 Jan 15:25 Grass fire on Williams Rd cause by an unpermitted rubbish fire, put out by owner and brigade.

25 Jan 10:31 permitted burn on Bronte Rd, left with owner.

28 Jan 08:14 car v barrier SH60 near Mapua Drive. Assist other agents.

29 Jan 04:21 alarm activation at Upper Moutere School, turn back. False alarm.

17 Feb 21:37 called to a fire at Kina beach, nothing found.

Calls this year = 11

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**Audio books trial** TDC library has kindly lent us audio books to on-lend to our members (on the same basis as the TDC large print books we have) We have only a limited number, so we are restricting borrowing to one audio book per member at a time, for up to three weeks.

**Book Appreciation Group** Meets at the library at 10am on the second Wednesday of the month. See the other advert below for more information.

**Patron** Joe Bennett has been our patron for many years and has excelled as our Lit Fest quiz master. Thanks to Joe for his commitment to our library and fundraising. He is now 'retiring' and we will shortly announce who our new patron is to be. Watch this space!

**Art exhibition** We are enjoying displaying Helen Bibby's beautiful work for the whole of March.

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If you are interested, please contact Judy Vaughan  
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## Heat! *A short story.*

**S**trewth mate, you've leaved in South Australia for over 12 months and you've never been to the Fleeenders Ranges? Sheeet!

Because of Australia day we'll be having a four-day weekend. "Look, you should try camping in 'Wilpena Pound.' Oh, mate eet's huge; twice the size of Seedney Harbour! And the views of the stars at night from there are just incredible! Far better than anything you ever will have seen in little Kiwi Land!" So said the HR Manager.

We'd been driving for four long, hot, boring hours from Adelaide when I saw a sign: *Ancient Aboriginal Rock Paintings and Devils Marbles - Rest area and parking bay - 1 km on left.*

I manoeuvre the car into the parking bay, unfold my self from my hot leather seat and climb out to read the interpretive panels, which tell a story of the ancient history of the area with a map showing a marked 2-kilometre-long track leading to the site of the rock paintings. A warning says *Walkers should stick to the marked track as it is steep and recommended only for fit, healthy walkers.*

I'm currently a competitive Masters Athlete therefore feel well qualified on both counts, so as they say in "*Or -Bloody -Strayia*", "No worries mate!"

My wife said "Please park the car in the shade Peter and I'll just wait here for you, but don't be too long; this place feels really spooky."

I change into my new Bush Walking shoes, pack a choco-bar and a small can of O.J. into my little day pack - after all it's only two Kms from here - and set off on the Zig Zag track up the hill, which actually turns out to be a lot steeper than I had expected.

Around 45 minutes later I had consumed both the choco-bar and the can of O.J. and finally arrive at a huge rock overhang, displaying a number of rock paintings depicting snakes, kangaroos, turtles, human hands, and tall, skinny men with long penises. In the valley below are a cluster of huge round boulders which I presume are The Devils Marbles.

I sit and rest in the shade of the overhang for around five minutes, then try calling "cooee, cooee" to my wife but get no response. However I can hear the traffic on the highway OK.

I'm a just little worried now about how long I've been away so I take a few photos then decide to head directly down the hill back to the car rather than taking the long, Zig Zag track I'd just climbed up. That should be much quicker.

One hour later I find myself trapped at the bottom of a steep gully with no obvious way out and each step that I take seems to cause loud, scary, hissing sounds to emanate from under the huge boulders. I can still hear traffic noise in the distance, but it's become fainter.

Now I realise probably for the first time in my life I'm actually *LOST*, and I'm in the Freaking Aussie Outback.

I just wish I'd had the foresight to take a water bottle with me. I know that's the basic number one Australian

outback survival skill, so why have I not bloody well done it?

I look at my watch; it's already after 5 o'clock. My wife will be out of her mind with worry by now. "Cooee, cooee!" Again, there's no response.

Shit I 'd better try finding my way back to that overhang where I saw the rock paintings; the way out from there is clearly marked.

I look at my watch once again because I still haven't found that bloody overhang and now it's after 6 o'clock. I'm feeling damned hot and thirsty. I just hope my wife is ok.

Shit the sun's setting, it's 7 o'clock and already it's becoming dark. I realise I need to find somewhere I can lie down for the night as I'll never find my way out to the road in the dark. Shit I'm thirsty and now I'm feeling really funny in my head, so I lie down to have a short rest.

Next, I see fuzzy, white lights and I can hear faint echoing, singing voices. But I can't make out what they're saying. It sounds like "yeah, yeah shit himself, yeah that's what they do -do - do, yeah, that's what they do -do - do".

Maybe, I'm hallucinating?

Then I drift off again to that white, warm, soft place. Later I hear similar singing, echoing voices.

This time it sounds like they are singing "Yucky, Yucky, Yucky? Yucky, Yucky, Yucky".

Then for some reason I'm suddenly able to see and hear better. My wife is sitting next to me and holding my hand, the walls and ceiling are all white so I realise I must be in a hospital bed.

"Oh, thank God Peter, at last you're awake. You've been in a coma for over a week now, for a while I thought we were going to lose you. The black tracker who discovered you within just two kilometres of the highway told me he'd only found you because he heard all the flies! You'd apparently vomited and filled your pants, which attracted the flies. The Ambo guy said that's what usually happens to people who get lost in the outback.

"The doctors and nurses have been saying you were Lucky, Lucky, Lucky to be found alive after over three extremely hot days, with no drinking water!

"So, Peter do you think you can speak yet? If not just nod your head for yes or no. Your doctor has told me being out in the hot sun for so long is likely to have caused some temporary damage to the left side of your brain, which may affect your speech for a time; like someone suffering from a Stroke.

"He said that's why they call it Heat Stroke".

*Peter Francis*



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## Ruby Coast Running Club

Another month ticked over. Hope everyone is hale and hearty. It is definitely the summer season and there are so many events that our members have been running.

Since the last newsletter we have had a few at the Wakefield Roaster 10k, the Port Hills Ultra in Christchurch, the Tarawera Ultra, the Buller marathon and half marathon, and a run over the Paparoa Track.

Whether you are training for an event or just want to get out and have a go on our local runs we would love to have you join us. We are just runners and walkers getting together so there are no membership fees, just fun! We still meet every Thursday night at the Mapua Domain to run a 5k course each week. The walkers start at 5:15 and the Runners at 5:30.

We also have a social run on the weekends. Information about these can be found on our Facebook page.



our Buller runners

## Craft Group

At our meeting on 19th February, it was decided that we will meet on March 5th, 19th, and April 16th at 10am-noon.

You are welcome to drop in for a coffee/tea and biscuits or cake. We have a cupboard full of materials and craft items. This term we will be making cards. The cost is \$3 to cover the hire of the hall.

We are a friendly group and understand if you are unable to attend at any time.

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## The Write Bias

### News from Māpua Bowling Club

Despite intermittent rain throughout the day, spirits were high at the tournament held at Māpua Bowling Club on Thursday 21st January. It was a very popular event with the green playing fast and true.

All eight rinks saw some excellent bowling action with visiting teams from around the Nelson area accompanied by some of the Māpua members.

Morning and afternoon tea inside the clubhouse was very welcome after the unseasonal chill out on the green.

The tournament, highly successful for Māpua, was supported by the generous sponsorship of Martin Wilkie of Ray White Real Estate. The winning teams were all visitors who deserved their prizes and congratulation.

Memorial Day and the Elston Blain Tournament took place on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February. It was a lovely afternoon where fellow bowlers, no longer with us, were remembered, and pairs, drawn on the day, contested the annual trophy. Three teams won both their games but when points were counted, the winners were Di Blanchet and Liam Bancroft. Their names will join all previous winners on the trophy.

Club championships are nearly complete and some of the winners will go forward to represent Māpua in Nelson Centre Champion of Champions events.

Another successful tournament took place on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February, generously sponsored by the Car Company, and completely sold out. The bowling was popular but a big inducement for attendance was the spit roast served at lunch time. This time the weather was kind, the rain holding off until the evening.

Bowls 3/5 happens at the Club every Friday from 5.45 p.m. This format has been seen televised and is a lot of fun. Please come and join us if you would like to have a go.

For any information about bowling, coaching, or booking the clubhouse and facilities, please contact the secretary, Di Blanchet on 03 540 2627 or check out our website, [sporty.co.nz/Mapuabowls](http://sporty.co.nz/Mapuabowls)

*Sue England*



**Spit Roast Tournament**



**Jamie, Stoke Bowling Club who had just shaved off his notable beard and hair in support of a cancer charity**

# Big Tiny House EXPO and HUI



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Just a handful of Tiny Homes were on-site at the opening of the BIG Tiny EXPO. "Thanks to support from our Tiny Community, new homes are coming to EXPO each week".

A shortage of specialty bolts, plumbing accessories, aluminium windows, and composting toilets - almost derailed this unique event.

COVID has magnified a supply chain vulnerability for a housing industry reliant on imported goods. Two or three weeks before opening day, being unable to complete homes and struggling to meet customer demand and growing backlogs of orders, builders across the country began to withdraw or warn of delays, the beautiful 12m x 9m marquee, intended for the Hui Centre fell victim to shipping delay and cancelation.

"This event for me is about the HUI. Including Tiny Homes in the housing crisis solution!" said Julie Jacobson - organizer.

Bringing Industry, Community and Council together to look, learn, listen and discuss how Tiny homes can help build a new first step on the housing ladder.

Tiny Home ownership, separate to Land ownership, presents a land use consent and building compliance quandary for landowners wanting to rent or share their land with Tiny Homes.

The EXPO HUI is aimed at concentrating the Public consultation process required to free TDC to act with urgency to end the uncertainty for anyone wanting to live in a Tiny Home on affordable home-sites to rent.

"There is obvious need for temporary land use consent for temporary dwellings and there is real willingness within TDC to find a solution. All it needs is for people to speak up." JJ

## **Tiny House - Temporary Land Use Consent - Urgent Action Initiative**

Available on-site or online from March 5 - April 5 2021. Affordable Home-sites to rent, providing Legal security for landowners and housing security for Tiny Home owners. Submitted to TDC October 2020. Following previous submissions to Central government and TDC in March and June respectively. View submissions at <https://bigtinyexpo.nz/about/>

Public consultation - record your submission statement by video or by completing a questionnaire.

## \*\*\*\*\* Māpua Village Bakery \*\*\*\*\*

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We are into the third month already for 2021, and what a start it has been. There has been lots happening in our wonderful region over the summer months and lots of visitors still coming to stay and visit our patch of paradise, which is always great to see.

We are excited to see the arrival and distribution happening of our new Business Directories. A big thank you to Debbie Lavery, Mark Stuart and all the other local contributors for all the hard work in putting together the new look directory. They spent many hours visiting and phoning local businesses, then designing the new layout. It is super smart - we think you will love it!



Enquiries about advertising in this directory or membership with the MDBA please email [mdba@māpua.co.nz](mailto:mdba@māpua.co.nz). If you wish to purchase extra copies of the new directory for just \$9, then email us to place your order.

## EVENT—NEW DIRECTORY LAUNCH & THANK YOU

The end of 2020 slipped away from us so we need to have a gathering to say thank you to all the members of the Mapua District Business Association and to answer any questions about the new directory. So what better way to do this than with a glass of wine in hand at Gravity Winery. Book the date and don't forget to RSVP...

**What:** MDBA Thank you  
**Time:** 5.30pm till 7.30pm  
**Where:** Gravity Cellar Door

**When:** Thursday 11th March 2021  
**RSVP:** Monday 8th March via email  
**Address:** 243 Old Coach Road, Mahana

If you are thinking of becoming a member of the MDBA then we would love to see you there. RSVP before Monday 8th of March as it is always a great way to meet and make new business contacts within our local community. Supporting local is key to growing great prosperous small business regions like ours.

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# Noticeboard

**Wanted:** one of those easy-to-use old-fashioned rare-as-hen's-teeth-these-days baby/child backpacks consisting simply of an aluminium frame and a canvas bag seat; and / or a similarly old fashioned simple aluminium striped push chair that just folds shut. Judy 5402 873 or 027 5402 873

**LOST:** tortoise shell dark glasses with gold-coloured arms at Grossi Point 10 Feb. Alice 027 31 51 381.

**MATHS TUTOR** - Experienced High School maths teacher available for individual tuition. \$30 for 45 minutes. First lesson free. Jane 021 02972934

**Stamp Collectors** - anyone interested in forming a group or having their collections evaluated – contact Nick Ferrier 021 688243

**Quakers** meet at Family Service Centre, Motueka 10am 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays. All welcome. Enquiries: Linda 027 447 6435.

**Māpua Friendship Club:** a young-at-heart group meet 3<sup>rd</sup> and last Fridays, Māpua Hall for indoor bowls & bring-a-plate tea, + occasional outings. \$3 door fee, 20¢ raffle. Contact Valeri 540-3685

**Māpua Art Group** meets Bill Marris Room Māpua Hall Thursdays, 9-noon. Paint, draw, help each other in a social environment. All levels & media. \$5 incl morning tea. Tables, chairs, easels provided. Cushla Moorhead 03 528 6548.

**Java Hut Knit Group:** 10am Tuesdays at Java Hut. Bring your knitting or crochet. Debbi 027 327 4055

**MDCA:** Māpua & Districts Community Association meets Feb-Dec, 2nd Mondays, 7pm Māpua Hall; info@ourmapua.org

**Kidz 'n' Koffee playgroup:** Wednesdays 10-noon, Hills Community Church (during term time). All parents & carers welcome, we cater for 0-6 yrs. \$2 don/family. Make new friends. Info: Verena 027 435 1932.

**Taoist Tai Chi:** gentle meditative-style movements improve flexibility, balance and relax the mind. Wednesdays 1.30-3.00 pm, Māpua Hall. All welcome. Enquiries 027 443 1121

**Women's Recreation Group** - meets outside Māpua Mall Thursdays. Leaves 9.15am for 1½hr walk. Route varies. Join us whenever you can. Some members cycle. Lynley 540-2292.

**Re-cycle Printer Cartridges** at the Library. Printer & Photocopying cartridges accepted. Reduce waste, raise funds for the Library. Two good reasons!

**Fibre Craft Sunday.** Birch Hall, Richmond A&P Showgrounds. Last Sundays 1.30-3.30pm. Learn to spin, knit, felt or weave. \$5 includes tea or coffee. All ages welcome. Richmond Creative Fibre Group: Diane 547-6517 or Karyn 544-9709

**Toy Library:** extensive selection of toys, puzzles & videos for children 0-5yrs. Māpua Hall every 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 10-11am & 6.30-7.30pm, 1st & 3rd Friday 3-4pm. mapuatoylibrary@gmail.com

**Ruby Coast Newcomers Social Group:** meet new people, make new friends. Coffee 10am last Fridays at Tasman Store and occasional social events. Just turn up. Vivien/Richard 526-6707

**Spinners, Knitters, Weavers:** Creative Fibre Group, Māpua Hall, second Tuesdays 10am. All welcome.

**Ruby Coast Walking Group** meets 9.30am Wednesdays by Tasman Store. Walk 1½ hrs then coffee & muffins back at the Store. All welcome. Fiona: 021 232 6089 for more info.

**Ruby Coast Running Club:** 5k run Thursday nights 5:30pm. Also runs most mornings. Find us on Facebook or contact Debbi 027 327 4055.

**RSA:** Anyone interested in joining Moutere Hills RSA is welcome. No former service history required. Great platform to catch up & meet new members. Nic Poultney 021 220 3920 or 548-4420

**Daytime Book Group:** Meets first Tuesdays 9.45am. New members welcome. Gaye 03 526 6827

**Toastmasters:** Like to speak with more confidence? Motueka Toastmaster Club meets every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Weds, 6.45–8.30pm, 15 Courtney St, Motueka. Please come along to a meeting, no obligations. Info: Dave 027 538 0059.

**Community Youth club.** Year 9 -13 youth. 6.30-8.30 most Fridays at Māpua Hall. Contact: Mark Waweru 020 410 48 799. Funded & co-ordinated by HCC.

**Motueka Senior Net.** Tech for mature adults. Monthly meetings. Help sessions 2x/month. De-mystify technology in a fun & friendly forum. Clubrooms 42 Pah St, Motueka. Seniornetmotueka.org.nz

**Tasman Golf Club** welcome new golfers to Kina Cliffs for local golf experience at realistic cost, the best in Nelson. Coaching available. Info: Jim 022 096 6067 & Lyndal 03 526 6819, teeup@tasmangolfclub.com

**Coastal Stringers** Ukulele group: beginners welcome. Fridays, 1.30~4pm Boat Club rooms on the wharf. Just turn up & join us for some fun! Info: Colleen 540-3010, Diane 540-2627.

**Coastal Garden Group** meets 1pm first Thursdays, Tasman Bible Hall (opp. Jesters). Men and women most welcome to share their love of gardening. Guest Speakers, Workshops, Garden Visits. Ph 03 970 0565

**Sing Your Lungs Out!** Free community singing group for anyone with respiratory issues, morning tea. Singing improves your lung health! 10am Mondays, Te Awhina Marae, Pah St, Motueka. Pip 0274 282 693

**Māpua Craft Group:** Fridays 10-noon, supper room, HCC. Simple craft work, occasional guest speakers, demos & outings. A social, a cuppa, some easy craft. \$2 + koha for materials. Julie Cox 0277418575, Barbara Halse 5403901

**Tasman Area Community Association (TACA)** 7.30pm last Thursdays (x Dec) Tasman Bible Church. Residents of Ruby Bluffs to Tasman & Kina welcome. Info: Facebook or www.tasmancommunity.org.nz

**Nelson Trout Fishing Club:** 7pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays, Fish & Game Rooms, 66/74 Champion Rd, Stoke. Beginner or expert. Courses, field trips, speakers. Open to all ages. Info: 03 5476432, secretary@nelsontroutfishingclub.com

**Friends & Neighbours:** Varied programs of interest, friendship & good morning tea. Third Fridays 10:30 - 12:30pm at Tasman Bible Church. Info: Jane 526-6709.

**Māpua Boat Club:** Social evenings Thursdays 5.30-7pm at club rooms, Māpua Wharf. No boat required. Monthly guest speakers, raffles, free snacks, open bar. Info: Clare 0227117786

**Motueka Scottish Country Dance Club:** Weds 7.30pm Lower Moutere Hall Scout den. No partner needed, dress casual, wear soft flat shoes, beginners welcome. Good exercise, lively music. Contact Fay 021 039 3559 or Alison 0220 363 891.

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