



PechaKucha 2024 is coming... do you want to be part of it ?

Save the date!
Friday 20/9/24 for the next Māpua PechaKucha.

We have been inspired by the range of activities and interests that have been shared over the years we have been doing PECHAKUCHA. We would like to invite anyone who has a story they would like to share with our fabulous community to contact Grant Palliser by email at gandepalliser@gmail.com or phone **021 159 4310**.

Let him know what you are thinking about, and we can give you some more information.

We are looking for 15-20 presenters. The format is simply 20 pictures and 6-7 mins of narrative for each presenter. The pictures will automatically move to the next one every 20 secs. We will help you format and do the IT

stuff and support you in any way we can. You don't need any prior experience, and it's a great way to share - it can be humorous, serious, interesting, about your passion, history.....anything really.

Everyone has a 'story' - contact Grant now.

Grant Palliser and Paul Zealand

Distribution Box vandalised

We were sorry to see that the box on the Four Square wall was stolen last weekend, 26 May. Boxes can be found nearby at the Health Centre, the Library and Perry's Auto. We hope to get a stronger one up soon.

Great time to capture prize winning photos

Autumn and winter are wonderful times for taking photos, with clear or moody skies providing great light – so now is the time to capture prize winning maritime-themed images to enter in the 2024 Māpua Boat Club's Amateur Photographic Competition.

Entries close on July 22, which gives school students plenty of time to take photos during the holidays because there's a special section for children under 15 with the same categories as the open competition - Nature, Boats, and People.

As it is the Māpua Boat Club's contest – all entries in each category must have a maritime theme – photos taken on or near the ocean or relating to boating.

Entry is open to photographers from anywhere but the photos they enter must be taken in the Nelson Tasman Region.

There are generous prizes for each category, thanks to CopyArt Richmond, once again the competition's major sponsor, and other Māpua sponsors.

Photos will be displayed at the Māpua Maritime Museum from Thursday July 25 to Thursday

August 8. Prizegiving will be at 4pm, Sunday August 11 at the Māpua Boat Club on the Māpua Wharf.

A selection of the images will be used to produce a calendar sold as a fund raiser to support the Māpua Maritime Museum.

Judges for the 2023 competition, Jane and Neil Smith of

Chocolate Dog Studio said the standard of entries was impressive. "The children's section was particularly high quality, and we only wish there had been a few more entries to choose from in that section. Good to see some excellent black and white work in both the children's and adult categories," they said.

Entry forms containing full details of how to enter and where to have images printed will soon be available from Delicious Homewares at Māpua Wharf or email:

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Raewyn Wood of Māpua entered this stunning image of a kotuku in the Nature section of the 2023 Māpua Boat Club's Amateur Photographic Competition



Tasman 10 Year Plan: Loans for the Boys

I moved to the Tasman District seven years ago to escape urban sprawl, congestion, unmaintained and failing infrastructure and unrestrained tax increases on real estate. I thought I had fallen into a time warp and arrived at the sunny paradise as the Southern California in the 1960s of which the Beach Boys sang. Rapid development along Harley Road, Mahana Ridge, and Richmond West shattered my illusion.

Tasman District Council's 10 Year Plan expresses very different views of how our District should be in 10 years. That vision is closer to what exists today at the former Irvine Ranch; wide open spaces turned into expensive housing tracts, described as "planned" by the Irvine Corporation. For reference, owner and chairman Donald Bren is ranked 104 on the Forbes Billionaires List.

On March 27, the Central Government was roasted for a series of appointments seen as "Jobs for the Boys". Planners for the Service and Strategy department at Tasman District Council have taken this patronage to an industrial scale.

The next day, March 28, 2024, a draft 10 Year plan was released for consultation. This comprised 17 supporting documents, totalling 874 pages, provided for the man on the street to understand why rates should be increased an average of 4.6% over ten years. This next two years' increase in rates were proposed to be 9.6% and 7.2%, on

top of last year's 8.57%. The explanation provided for the increase is "uncontrollable cost pressures".

The alternatives to increase rates offered by planning staff were either reduced service levels or abandoned projects. Cost controls, such as increasing operational efficiencies, or negotiating better terms with contractors, were not mentioned.

In a rare moment of transparency, TDC planners disclosed where our money will go. In the supplementary Draft Tasman Growth Projections 2024-2025, they state:

'One of the Council's Strategic Priorities is "Enabling **positive** and **sustainable** development".'

This compelling statement is the caption for an aerial photograph facing north, apparently taken from the intersection of Hill Street and Hart Road. The shot is a sea of black roofs, emphasizing how little space in which we have to grow. The wide-open productive land of Waimea Plains, Hope and Brightwater is carefully hidden from view. This land is off limits to development, since it now benefits from irrigation from the Waimea Dam.

A closer look at the strategic priority makes its meaning clear. Developers need to sustain their positive cash flow. Developers get jobs, and a collateral free loan, at zero interest with no fixed repayment terms. This is called the "developer's contribution".

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Page 12 of the Plan explains how the contribution works:

"A proportion of this debt relates to infrastructure for housing and business growth and will be repaid by payments from developers. The remaining increase in debt however means that a larger share of the revenue collected from rates will be used to repay borrowing in the future".

Translating to English:

- Developers want to build but need new public infrastructure.
- TDC builds the infrastructure, which wasn't required before development.
- If the developer builds, they pay TDC back.
- Ratepayers pay for maintenance on the new infrastructure.
- TDC collects higher rates on more houses with higher quotable and land values.

TDC planners anticipate collection of \$146m in development contributions over 10 years.

The Draft Finance Strategy 2024-2034 states:

"At the end of the 10 years of the LTP, the Council will have growth related debt associated with these projects of \$115m".

Payment of the developers' contribution is not immediate or guaranteed.

A developer's contribution is not paid until the requested infrastructure has been built, and providing service (water, stormwater, or sewage).

As an Activity Planning Manager wrote on March 10, 2021, to a councillor: "It is not unusual for zoned land (including deferred zoned) to sit undeveloped for some time until the landowner sells or decides to develop it".

So, infrastructure the District built to accommodate the possibility of growth may sit idle. The owner of the now serviced land is free to move forward to develop, or sell the land, which is now more valuable as it is serviced.

Borrowing by the District to build infrastructure is from the Local Government Funding Agency, a consortium of Districts and the Central Government. In the Draft Forecasting Assumptions, the District acknowledges this funding source: "provides access to borrowing at a lower rate than the Council could obtain directly from banks".

That is, the same banks that developers would borrow from to build infrastructure themselves. So, savings from local government borrowing are passed on to the developers when the development contribution is paid.

The words "restraint", "efficiency" and "austerity" are missing from the 10 Year Plan and its supporting documents.

When householders are faced with "uncontrollable cost pressures", we cut our spending to the essentials. We consider if a coffee at a cafe is necessary, and the latest movie is worth seeing. Maybe we don't buy a replacement car this year. We also look for other sources of funds.

The title of the Draft 10 Year Plan is "Investing in Our Future". I have better things to do with my money than lend it to the boys. I don't need to invest in the congested future TDC is planning. I am positive I can't sustain a continuous flow of rate increases for 10 years.

Remember this when you vote in next year's local government elections.

King Tim and his court need to start planning their next jobs.

Bruce Struthers

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Thursday 20 June, 7pm
"THE MOON IS UPSIDE DOWN"
Fundraiser for Volunteer Service Abroad. New NZ movie starring Jermaine Clement, Robyn Malcolm and writer-director Loren Taylor. R16. \$35 (includes \$10 fish-and-chips)

Friday 21 June, 7pm
COMEDY SHOWCASE
All the usual suspects – funny that– and some new faces, \$25

Saturday 22 June, 7pm
LOOSE UNITS
Jazz and pop trio Joanna Millett, Nick van Dijk and Dan Callahan with their cool lounge bar vibe, \$25

Sunday 23 June, 7pm
"SMASH PALACE"
Classic NZ movie. 1981 cinema fave starring racecar-driving Bruno Lawrence, \$15/\$12 (book fish-and-chips for an extra \$10pp)

Saturday 29 June, 7pm
WARREN LOVE & BAND Love's songs with Patrick Bleakley (ex Blerta) on double bass and Louise Perzigian on banjo, \$25

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Māpua & Districts Community Association (MDCA)

Minutes from the General Meeting at Māpua Hall on 13th May 2024

A total of 25 attendees were at the meeting, starting at 7:05 pm.

Open Forum

During the open forum, Councillor Mike Kininmonth was presented with a miniature planter box by Bruce Struthers.

Councillors

Councillor Christeen MacKenzie summarised current events at the TDC: Long Term Plan hearings started this month, issues raised include landing charges at airports, much support to invest in community facilities, percentage increase in developer contributions, destination for contaminated soil – York Valley, very expensive, deliberations are open next week. Community Grant applications due at the end of July. Speed limit changes are still in discussion. Proposed 9.6% increase in rates may be increased again to cover additional costs that have come to light since the LTP was drafted.

Councillor Mike Kininmonth talked about community group interest in planter box relocations and other changes to Aranui Road, boat ramp updates and a possible rural resilience fair in the future for Māpua.

Roads and pathways

A robust discussion on Aranui Road's cycleway took place.

Matters arising from the correspondence

Robust discussion occurred on the possibilities for our community involvement in decision-making processes. It was suggested that international guidelines for public participation in town planning processes could be better followed. Should the MDCA facilitate such a community discussion? Consensus on such action could not be reached, including opposition to a vote on this based on a perceived need for MDCA to be neutral on such matters.

Treasurer's report

Reviewed and accepted

Constitution

A map defining the boundaries of MDCA coverage area is completed and will be included in correspondence for the next general meeting.

The draft constitution is now 14 pages with a 5-page plain-language summary of guidelines. These will be available as correspondence for the next general meeting.

Social media

Report received and accepted. Viewership continuing to increase.

AED training

This was held last month in Ruby Bay. If you wanted to attend the AED training but were unable to, please get in touch with Jim Vause, Chairperson@ourmapu.org

Environment

The Wildlife Corridors group is on hold until November this year.

A planting day for Higgs Reserve is planned for 16 June. More planting is happening at Dominion Flats once the rains return. Tuesday mornings are open to members of the public who want to come and help with weeding and planting, from 9am to noon.

Wastewater overflows in Māpua are still a problem for our waterways – Jan Heijs is working with TDC and the Ministry for the Environment on this.

Community interest groups

Transport and Wellbeing – Regular bus now running from Tapawera to Motueka and Wakefield. Hira is on the radar for a new bus route.

Transport to the bus stops can still be provided by Willing Wheels if volunteer drivers are available. Elena now looking into this.

District Health Nurses are available at the Hills Community Church on Aranui Road on Tuesdays and Fridays. Visits need to be pre-arranged with your GP.

Use of the old church on Aranui Road as a community hub is still a possibility if there is enough interest in shared use of the building.

General business

Māpua School's Matariki celebration with Hangi is happening in June – Hangi must be pre-ordered thru the FB page.

Meeting closed at 8:35 pm.

Our next general meeting will be held on 10th June 2024. There will be a presentation on home heating.

If you wish to have something included in the agenda, please email: chairperson@ourmapua.org





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On Friday 19th April I had a fall from my pushbike, along the Ruby Bay foreshore near McKee Domain.

I went over the handlebars and broke my arm below the shoulder, my rib, and ring finger.

I just want to say how utterly grateful I am to those bystanders who stopped to help me, organised traffic, rang ambulances, and rolled up jackets to put under my head or blankets for my body.

What an amazing outpouring of care. I'm really proud to live in such a community and society.

Dan and Luke, the paramedics who attended me were amazing also, the green whistle was a God send and their kindness very much appreciated.

If any of you who helped are passing the Java Hut, I have paid for six coffees/hot chocs as a thank you.

Kind regards, Lésa

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Book review

“Commune” - Chasing a utopian dream in Aotearoa by Olive Jones

If you are of a ‘certain age’, like me, and remember being young and idealistic in the 1970s, you may also remember what seemed to be a plethora of communes that happened during that time as part of the ‘hippy’ counterculture movement which involved a rejection of established social rules.

The Labour Government of the day led by Norman Kirk encouraged this return to the land by introducing an initiative called ‘The Ohu Scheme’ which was designed to enable young people who expressed an interest in rural communal living to lease tracts of Crown land. The scheme was fairly short lived, and many groups disbanded due to poor returns and the hard physical labour required on marginal lands.

However, some survived due to the passion of participants in living close to the land and more ancestral ways of growing food, and in feeling free to make their own rules of interaction and way of life.

Or having no rules at all like those in the group that Olive writes about; a philosophy of peaceful anarchy.

Olive Jones was a bright and impressionable 18-year-old when she came to Nelson to visit a friend who was living at ‘Tahuna Farm’ in Tahunanui.

In 1976, this was a 10-acre block of land set back from the road with an old wooden farmhouse, lots of trees, chook run, a house cow, two Clydesdale horses, large vegetable garden and other various huts and caravans.

The block was surrounded by tidy suburban houses at the front and an industrial zone at the back.

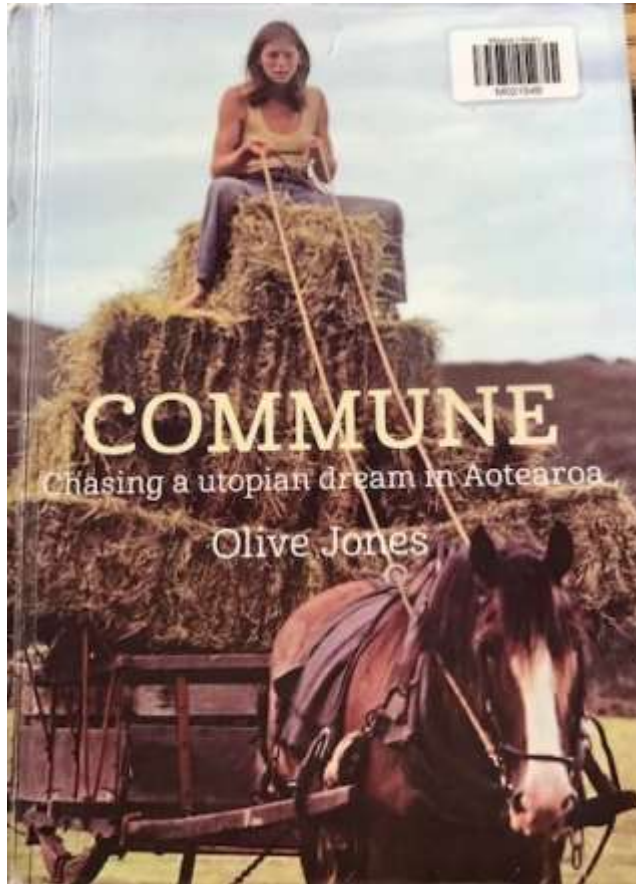
Rented from Dominion Breweries (the landowners of the time) for \$4 per week, people came and went without restriction.

But Olive stayed for two years during which time she learned to build herself a hut, milk the cow, process milk for cheese and butter, grow veges etc. She became part of a stable core of six or seven people who worked well together.

Then the Nelson City council began to get unsettled about the way they were living, and the landowners were planning to sell the land. The group looked at how they could get their own piece of land that nobody could move them off - hence the ‘Renaissance Community Trust’ was

born, and money raised by contract work for building demolitions, donations, pledges, selling vegetables etc.

A 60-acre farm was found at Graham Downs in the Motueka Valley and with a 10% deposit paid and lots of discussion with the banks for a loan, the sale went through after guarantors from outside the community were found.



The Renaissance Community began its life in Graham Downs following the group’s agreed philosophy of minimal structure and anyone could come and live there and be free as to how they conducted themselves.

It was about self-governance with the assumption that everyone was capable of dictating the terms of their own lives and that people will behave responsibly and contribute to the greater good. Considered to be a ‘pure’ definition of anarchy. Olive was there for nearly twenty years witnessing many changes until she and her daughter realised they needed to move on.

She did return later though, as part of her ongoing interest in intentional communities and studies for her PhD that documents long

-lived intentional communities in New Zealand.

Olive continues to be a Trustee of the Renaissance Community Trust and is helping to lead it into the future.

I personally found this a fascinating story thanks to Olive’s clear account of her life and experiences and bravery in opening herself to the reader. Along with memories prompted by her well-kept diaries, she was also able to use some of the other members stories. But essentially it is her story.

Because of her subsequent academic studies after leaving the commune, I feel she has been able to ground this story in the politics of the times as well as show a good understanding of the nature of different types of communes and why some might survive and others not.

But like she says in her book - ‘It’s my story. It shaped me and helped make me who I am.’

If you have an interest in people and how some might choose to live differently to yourself, you might enjoy this story. It is also a part of local Tasman history.

A copy of this book is held at the Māpua Community Library.

Rachel Boon, Library volunteer



MAPUA HALL NEWS

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9.30-11.15am DELIAS DANCE DIVAS	9-12.00pm PANZ PASTELS ARTISTS OF NZ	9-00 -10am AEROBICS with Lynda		9-00 -10am STRENGTH/CARDIO with Lynda
11.30-12.30PM Tai Chi with Tilly	9-12.00pm SIOUX LINE DANCING	9-15am LIFE YOGA with Nikki	9.30-12.30pm MAG MAPUA ART GROUP	9-15am YOGA with Martin
	10-1PM CREATIVE FIBRE 2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH	10AM PILATES with Lynda	M.D.C MAPUA DANCE with Miss Emily	10.00am PILATES with Lynda
		1.30-2.30 until 9th July Tai Chi Internal Arts	2-2.45 Preschool- 1-4yrs 3.15-4pm Junior Dance (Creative)-5-9yrs 5-5.45 pm Senior primary dance -9-12yrs	
5.30pm BROGA with Nikki	6pm STRENGTH/CARDIO with Lynda	1.30pm CHAIR YOGA	M.D.C MAPUA DRAMA 4.10-4.55 Primary Drama 5-12yrs	
7pm MAPUA HALL SOCIETY meetings 3rd Mondays	6pm YOGA with Martin			
7.15pm MDCA PUBLIC MEET meetings 2nd Mondays			7.30pm MAPUA COMMUNITY CHOIR	

Upcoming Events

- **Kings Birthday- 3rd June**
- **Matariki -28th June**
- **Mapua Hall AGM- 24th June**



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HALL SOCIETY NEWS JUNE 2024

We have lots of news from the hall this month!

The remedial work is taking place in our **Bill Marris room** and we look forward to having the space back open to our users.

Following this, keep an eye out for our regular

Movie nights!

We have a new **Musical theatre Dance class** with Delia on Monday mornings, followed by open dance.

We welcome back **Tai Chi** with Tilly Mondays at 11.30am.

Save the date:

Now's the time to consider joining our committee

AGM

Mapua Public Hall Society AGM

7pm Monday 24th June 24

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Our latest news & adventures



Te Hau Kōmaru - Tautoko at the Waka Festival

Manaaki Tāpoi Extension students recently had the opportunity of a lifetime, supporting the waka hourua (double-hulled waka) festival at Kaiteretera Beach; Te Hau Kōmaru. During the week-long event, rangatahi were able to tautoko (support) the festival proceedings, welcoming other school groups to the kaupapa through mihi whakatau (formal welcome ceremonies), leading groups around the various workshops, and learning from the variety of knowledgeable manuhiri (guests) that had travelled by waka hourua from across Aotearoa to attend.

Fostering Futures through instructor training

With support from Education Outdoors New Zealand, we were able to deliver the Fostering Futures Project, which supported six trainee instructors in their pathway between education and employment. The project sought to develop facilitation, planning and relevant 'hard' and 'soft' skills necessary to be an instructor at Whenua Iti Outdoors.



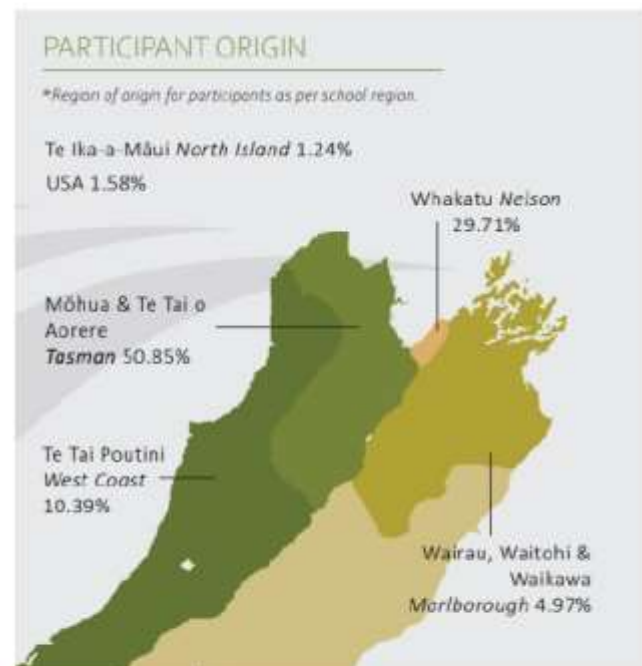
Manaaki Tāpoi at Te Hau Kōmaru in Kaiteretera

Holiday programmes

Now is a great time to make plans for the upcoming school holidays. The **Go Wild** programme for 7-10 yr olds is running in both weeks of the July school holidays - ideal for younger children to experience a safe yet fun series of adventures with fully qualified outdoor instructors. We are also running a **Kaitiaki Kids** programme for 10 - 12 yr olds in the second week of the July holidays, to build their confidence, love for the outdoors and nurture their sense of kaitiakitanga and care for the environment.

Participant Origin 2023

Nō hea koe? Where are you from? Last year, most of our participants came from across Te Taihū / the Top of the South Island. We also ran a number of programmes catering to West Coast families. The USA participants attended our ExpedNZ programmes, which helps to subsidise what we do locally. We're proud that our work has such a broad reach, extending our impact to international shores, while staying true to our roots!



Participant Origin 2023 **as per school region*

We'll see you out there!

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Māpua Village Bakery

Staff Update



This is Karen, who has been with the bakery for over a year. She was born and raised in Motueka, and has been in Māpua for 20 years now. She's as local as they get!

Karen enjoys working in the Māpua community, and prior to helping us out at the bakery she was at Tessa Mae's for 5 years.

She's good mates with a lot of the regular customers, and is happy to lend an ear to keep up with the latest local news. She believes she can make a positive difference in everyone's day and that's an important part of keeping a community together.

When she's not at the Bakery she can be found in her garden where she loves growing just about everything. When she needs a break you might find her sneaking a nibble of her favourite bakery treat, our famous custard slice.

Pet of the Month



This is Simtara Metallic Storm, or just Storm to her friends.

She is a Leonberger, a dog bred in Germany as a multi-purpose working dog and fluffy pillow.

Leonberger dogs are often mistaken for lions due to their large manes. Which also means lots and lots of brushing.

Storm could be a show dog but she is happy just chilling. Storm is 3 years old, 60kgs, and she comes to the cafe every week because she gets her biscuit and gets to sit in the sun.

She always sits at her favourite table out back. She loves other dogs and having a play, preferably at the beach where she can have a great swim.

New Products

New Pies!



The new owners didn't want to change anything right away because everything was working really well, but change is inevitable.

So we've been reviewing the pie selection and it's time for some changes. These are based on customer requests and some great pies we really just want to make.

New pies include classics like steak and cheese, as well as bringing back an old favourite, bacon and egg pie.

Some new ones we're working on are a new smoked fish pie and a bigger selection of mini savouries. Nothing's better on a cold June day than a delicious fresh hot pie.

Event Catering

We spend most of our time at the bakery baking stuff for our front cabinets and cafe, but that's not the only thing we do. In addition to special orders for speciality cakes and pies (usually birthdays or parties) we are happy to help cater your event.

We can put together a selection of mini-pies, small sausage rolls, and sweet pastries from our options. This includes little sandwiches made from our own fresh baked bread, which you can choose the type of.

So if you're having a local event and need some baking just give us a call.



**JUNE 1ST
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**JUNE 8TH
VINYL 80S NIGHT**

**JUNE 14TH
ANDREW LONDON**

**JUNE 15TH
PAUL MADSEN'S
QUEEN AND BEEGEES**

**JUNE 21ST
80S NIGHT**

**JUNE 22ND
CRAIG ALLOT'S
BILLY AND ELTON**

**JUNE 27TH
SALMONELLA DUB**

Māpua Health Centre news

We are delighted to have Tania joining us as our Health Care Assistant (HCA). This is a new role to Māpua Health, and she will be working primarily alongside our clinical team, assisting in both patient care and behind the scenes work. This can also help free up practice nurses for patient education and nurse-led clinics, and GPs to see more patients and pursue medical interests including minor surgery and speciality clinics.

We also welcome a new trainee intern (final year medical student), Holly Christison, who will be with us from the end of May for 3 weeks. This is a great opportunity for students to get a small taste of general practice and learn more about community health services.

Jessie, our Health Coach has started a Walk and Talk group on Mondays at 2pm. This is weather dependent and open to any of our registered patients. The group leaves from the front of the Health Centre and bookings for this free service are made through reception (03 540 2211). Jessie is also offering phone and offsite appointments on Mondays, and again, her services are free of charge, and you can book with her through reception.

Repeat prescriptions can be ordered online through the ManageMyHealth patient portal, and you can now pay at the same time. You can also use the portal to view your medical notes, lab results, X-rays and letters. If you haven't already signed up, please check with the receptionists for this free service.

This month, Men's Health Week aims to help you get right on top of your biggest and most important asset – your health. Why have Men's Health Week? Men are on the back foot from the start. A boy born today will live nearly four years less than a girl born in the room next door. He will be over 20% more likely to die of a heart attack than the girl and almost 30% more likely to get diabetes. Worse, he is three times more likely to die by suicide or in a motor car crash.

Eight Kiwi families every day lose a loved partner, father or tupuna to PREVENTABLE illness; one they didn't need to die from. Almost one Kiwi man in four will die before they reach retirement age. We can do something to change these numbers by making small changes to things we eat, drink, and do.

Also, it's "Move Your Butt month" which is all about supporting awareness and helping to prevent bowel cancer. Your diet is one way to lessen the likelihood by enjoying a wide variety of nutritious foods.

Eat plenty of vegetables, legumes (dried beans, peas or lentils), fruits and cereals (breads, rice, pasta and noodles), preferably wholegrain. Include lean meat, fish, and poultry.

Include milks, yoghurts, and cheeses. Reduced fat varieties should be chosen where possible.

Drink plenty of water.

Take care to:

- Limit saturated fat and moderate total fat intake.
- Limit your intake of red meat and processed meat.
- Choose foods low in salt.
- Limit your alcohol intake if you choose to drink.

Consume only moderate amounts of sugars and foods containing added sugars.

And:

Quit Smoking.

There are a number of important national and global health promotion events for the month, including:

- 1-30 Move Your Butt Month
<https://bowelcancernz.org.nz/move-your-butt>
- 5 World Environment Day
<http://worldenvironmentday.global>
- 12-18 Coeliac Awareness Week
<https://coeliac.org.nz/coeliac-awareness-week>
- 12-19 Men's Health Week
<https://www.menshealthweek.co.nz>
- 14 World Blood Donor Day www.nzblood.co.nz
- 15 Elder Abuse Awareness Day
www.ageconcern.org.nz
- 17-23 World Continence Week www.continence.org.nz
- 19-25 National Volunteer Week
<https://nationalvolunteerweek.nz>
- 20 World Refugee Day www.un.org/depts/dhl/refugee
- 26 International Day Against Drug Abuse
www.unodc.org
- 28 Matariki (Māori New Year)
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Autumn 2024 Classes restart after Easter,
Tuesday 2 April – a 14-week term, maybe longer.

Cardio/Weights Tuesday 6 pm,
Old-fashioned Aerobics Wednesday 9.05 am.
Cardio/Weights Friday 9.05 am.
Pilates Wednesday & Friday 10.05 am.

A few Friday mornings may switch to Thursdays, and there will be pop-up Advanced Pilates sessions on some Monday, Thursday or Saturday mornings.

These will be advertised at the start of the week.

5-trip ticket \$50; 10-trip ticket \$80; 20-trip ticket \$150;
30-trip ticket \$210. Casuals – yes, \$12 per session.
Top-ups for single sessions on your ticket \$10.

Please contact Lynda for details,
lyndamabin@gmail.com 027 222 1491.

Māpua Craft group

This month's photograph shows a beautifully embroidered pin cushion that came in kit form and was a special "Mother's Day" gift from our talented daughter. We are still trying to work out how it was created!



Elizabeth is in the midst of preparing blankets and knitwear for "Operation Coverup".

We shared many ideas during morning tea at our last meeting, giving us inspiration to try new experiences. This included the way to obtain a "BeeCard" for local buses and working out the routes and timetables. Having just used this service, I encourage you to investigate this service.

Between 9am and 3pm, Gold Card holders can travel free. The card can be obtained from Richmond library or Council offices for \$5. School children can purchase this card and non-card holders can pay cash to use the bus. See <beecard.co.nz> for more details.

Before the end of May, we plan to visit a long-time member who can no longer travel to our meetings in Māpua.

We continue to create Thank-You, birthday and sympathy cards which are sold to raise funds for the Māpua Library. They are available in the library.

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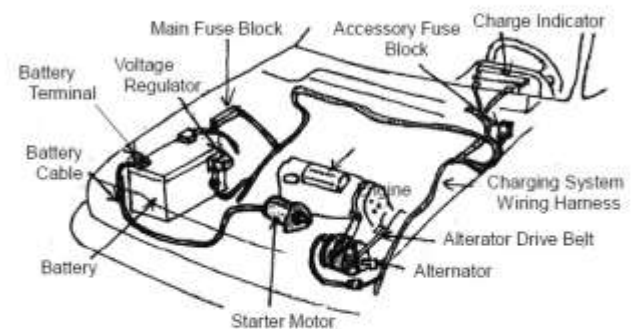
All components within the starting/charging system are connected. A problem with one component can sometimes seem like a problem with another. All components must be in good working order to start your vehicle and make it run properly.

The charging system consists of -

- The **battery**, via a combination of chemical reactions, provides the power to start your vehicle. The battery also accepts the excess power, which is generated when the engine is running by reversing the chemical reaction used in start up.
- The **starter motor** is responsible for cranking the engine into life and is activated when the ignition key is turned.
- The **alternator** has two important functions to perform. It recharges the battery while the engine is running keeping it at peak starting power, as well as working with the battery to operate all electrical components eg. headlights, radio, windows etc.

A fault with any one of these items can cause:

- electrical components to operate erratically
- the engine to stop suddenly
- not allow your vehicle to start.



Starting and charging system faults can occur for many reasons, with a repair varying from cleaning electrical connections to component replacement.

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News from Māpuā Bowling Club

This season has whizzed by and now the Club is officially closed for outdoor play until the end of September. It doesn't mean that nothing is happening. Members still meet on the first and third Fridays for evening socials. The Friendship Group continues to play indoor carpet bowls on the first and third Mondays in the afternoon and the Clubhouse is always available for private bookings.

Closing Day itself on Saturday 27th April was held as a Memorial Day to remember past friends. It was run as a drawn pairs event, teams vying for the Enstone Trophy. The winners were Bob Foster and Ian Sullivan who received the trophy proudly at the end of play. A donation of takings is made to Blind Low Vision NZ. After afternoon tea trophies were presented to this year's winners of the Club championships.

The winners were:

- Junior singles – (M) Dave Dillon; (W) Karen Clark
- Senior Singles – (M) Ian Benbow; (W) Jean Daubney
- Veteran Singles – (M) Warren Keith; (W) Di McBride
- Senior Pairs – (M) Warren Keith, Ian Benbow; (W) Sue England, Jean Daubney
- Veteran Pairs – (M) Warren Keith, Arthur Win; (W) Sue England, Jean Daubney
- Triples – (M) Errol Beattie, Glenn Saunderson, Bob Foster; (W) Sue England, Di McBride, Barbara Adcock
- Fours – (M) Warren Keith, Arthur Win, Sean McBride, Ian Benbow; (W) Di Blanchet, Sue England, Debbie Win, Di McBride

For any information about bowling, coaching, the Friendship Group or booking the Clubhouse and facilities, please contact the secretary, Di Blanchet on 03 540 2627 or check out our website, sporty.co.nz/māpuabowls

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Morning Service - followed by Morning Tea - 9:30am

First and Third Sunday – Family Praise and Worship

Second and Fourth Sunday – Family Communion

Youth Group – 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Food, fun, fellowship, friendship.

Wednesday

Senior Moments – second and last Wednesdays each month. 10:00am to 12:00pm

Friendship, food, events and information.

KidsnKoffee – Community Playgroup – 10am to noon.

A great space for all the whanau

Thursday

Prayer and coffee – 10:00am

An opportunity for prayer, discussion and a chat

Friday

Craft and Coffee – 1st & 3rd Fridays, 10am to noon.

If you love all things crafty then come along and join the group.

Throughout the week

Life Groups: Drop in for coffee, chat or just quiet space.

For more information contact: Hills Community Church

Phone: 03 540 3848, email: office.hcc@extra.co.nz

Check out our new website which will give you an up-to-date account of all our activities etc.

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1 May 16:45: Car crash SH60 and Aporo Rd Tasman Assist with traffic control.

3 May 12:58: Alarm activation at Māpua School. Nothing found. Māpua Fire had only one person responding so Richmond Fire was called out with Upper Moutere Fire.

14 May 12:23: House fire on Wildman Rd, Motueka. Assist with damping down, containing fire.

18 May 03:03: House fire Motueka valley highway. Only stayed at fire for a short while then went to Motueka Fire Station as a cover more for four hours.

Call outs for the year =26

Safety Tip – Be safe.


Did you know ashes can take up to five days to cool completely. Go to the Check it's Alright web site to see if you can light a fire, most fires in this area need a permit.

For fire safety info go to - <https://fireandemergency.nz>

For fire permits go to - <http://www.checkitsalright.nz>

We have had a few members who have left recently and are looking for some new members to join the brigade, who would be available during daytime.

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Desiree Henry - Acrylic Fluid Art

Come on down to the library and check out Desiree's exhibition.



Desiree says her love for art - and particularly blooms - comes from her heart and soul. She was born and bred in Marlborough, then moved to Christchurch to pursue her love of fashion design. She became a successful fashion designer for a number of years. After the Christchurch earthquake, she moved to the Tasman region to be near family.

Through the encouragement of a very close friend and artist, Desiree decided to use her creativity in the form of fluid art. Fluid art is mostly created with acrylic paint mixed with pouring medium and water. The result can be quite breathtaking. She interprets her art based on colour, movement, and vision of the design, and to the emotional aspect of how it makes her feel. Desiree says it has been an amazing journey. Two of her pieces were accepted for the Tasman National Art Awards 2022. Desiree is a member of Art Group Nelson, Nelson Suter Art Society and Māpua Art Group. She says she finds meeting other artists and viewing their styles and work very inspirational.

New Books

Do you know that the library purchases around 30 books each month to add to the library's collection?

Examples of the books purchased in April include **Fiction**; *Bird Child and Other Stories* by Patricia Grace, *My Favourite Mistake* by Marian Keyes, *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon, *Black Silk & Sympathy* by Deborah Challinor, *Amma* by Saraïd de Silva.

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Motueka Tennis Club welcomes new members, all ages & abilities. Social Tues & Thurs 9:30-11:30 am & Sunday 2pm. Junior & Private coaching. Info: Kath 0275800108 or motuekatennisclubinc@gmail.com

Craft Group: please check with Barbara or Val that meetings are going ahead.

Stamp & Coin collections in Māpua/Ruby Bay & the Moutere evaluated & purchased. Nick Ferrier 021 688243

Pastel Artists Nelson: meet Tuesdays 9am-noon, Bill Marris room, Hall. Visitors welcome. Marg: 027 257 1857

Coastal Stringers: Ukulele & guitar group meet Fridays 1-4pm at Bowling Club. All welcome, just arrive & enjoy the singing. Contacts: Colleen 5403010, Diane 5402627.

Māpua Women's Rec Group. Come and join our friendly social walking group. Meet outside Village Mall Thursdays 9.15am. Options for all fitness levels plus activities and social events. mapuarecgroup@gmail.com or just turn up.

Knit & Natter group now at Appleshed: 10am Tuesdays. Contact: Debbi 027 327 4055

Local Women's Walking Group - all welcome to our Tuesday morning walk of 5-7km leaving 9am - call Lynley 03 540 2292 for more information.

Motueka Toastmasters: Speak with more confidence? Meet 1st & 3rd Weds, 6.45-8.30pm, St Johns rooms, Jack Inglis hospital. Visitors welcome. Info Peter 027 7468311.

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Tasman Golf Club: Mixed Social 9 Holes of Golf. Tee off 9.30am Fridays. Friendly group, all levels very welcome. Cost: \$25 for non-members. Ph: Lyndal 03 5266819, teeup@tasmanclub.com or just turn up at Kina

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

Māpua Community Choir: 4 part harmony, no audition necessary, small koha, Māpua Hall 7.15pm Thursdays, enquiries Helen: n-h.bibby@actrix.co.nz

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Māpua Boat Club welcomes new members. No boat required. Social nights Thursdays 5.30 - 7pm at Club rooms on Māpua Wharf. Raffles, cash bar, snacks, regular guest speakers. To join, contact Secretary, Katrina 0211393945

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

Māpua Friendship Club indoor bowls, first & third Mondays, at Māpua Bowling Club rooms. Bowls at 2pm, followed by "bring a plate" afternoon tea. \$3 door fee. We are not a competitive bunch and have lots of laughs. For more information contact Val 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. mapuaartgroup@gmail.com

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

Kids 'n' Koffee Playgroup: Wednesdays 10-noon during term time, at the old church building. 0-6 year olds. Morning tea provided. Gold coin donation. Info: pippie.d@gmail.com

Playcentre: behind the tennis courts at 84 Aranui Rd. Come & play – Mondays & Thursdays 9.30-noon during term time. mapua@playcentre.org.nz

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

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

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

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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

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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