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Time is the new currency



Mohua Timebank founders, from left, Adha Dod and Dmitriy Ageyev. Photo: Rosa Volz

ROSA VOLZ

A new community initiative, Mohua Timebank (MT), is gaining momentum with a powerful mission: to strengthen social connection and resilience through mutual support and the sharing of time.

Timebanking is a simple but transformative idea: participants trade time instead of money. One hour of service – whether it's dog walking, tutoring, or gardening – earns a one-hour time voucher, which can be used to receive help in return. As the founding members of the project describes; it's a system where "every hour is equal, and everyone has something valuable to give".

MT was born from a conversation between Abha Dod and another local resident about invigorating timebanking in Golden Bay. Abha, who had encountered the concept years earlier, was drawn to its potential to improve community wellbeing. "It touches on something very real," she said. "In the modern

age, we experience isolation and loneliness – and rising mental health issues. A strong antidote to that is connection and positive experiences in a positive context."

Partnering with Dmitriy Ageyev, who had explored alternative economies during the pandemic, the pair began building MT from the ground up. "Covid revealed just how fragile our current systems are – food supply, labour, everything," Dmitriy explains. "Timebanking is a form of mutual credit, a kind of alternative currency that's about resilience and reciprocity."

MT differs from other timebanks in its voucher system, which rewards participation in community projects like planting days or working bees. "People come together, contribute time, and are given paper-based vouchers in return," said Abha. "It's about shared value, not profit."

The MT team has been working behind the scenes to develop policies, procedures, and a culture of collective responsibility. "It's largely

self-managing," Abha noted, "but supported by guidelines, best practices, and a shared culture that acts as a container for reciprocity."

The group has already held a small workshop to gather community feedback, with more bi-weekly workshops planned across the Bay ahead of a formal launch in November. Key questions – like whether an hour is always equal across different skillsets – are being worked through via consultation and community input. All community members are welcome to join in.

Their vision? "A community where everyone feels they belong," said Dmitriy. "Where we ask not 'what can I get?' but 'what do I have to offer?'"

Timebank members will be able to use the MT website <https://reconomy.nz/> to explore services and submit requests. Anyone can currently express interest and stay up to date on progress by subscribing to the newsletter through the website.

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Daffodil Day is here

JO RICHARDS

Today is Daffodil Day – the Cancer Society's annual fundraiser.

Throughout the day, pop-up stalls at locations around Golden Bay will offer items for sale, the chance to enter prize raffles, plus, of course, the opportunity to pick up a bunch of fresh daffodils. All proceeds from the fundraiser go towards supporting those with cancer and their whānau.

In Tākaka, the stall at FreshChoice is open 9am-6pm while, on Commercial street at Paper Plus, the hours are, weather permitting, 9am-3pm. In Collingwood the stall outside the Memorial Hall will be open from 10am until early afternoon.

For those who simply want to give cash to the cause, donations can be made either at the stall or directly via the Cancer Society's website using the QR code below.

Co-ordinator for Golden Bay's Daffodil Day fundraising efforts Sharon McConnon says goodies for sale include items crafted by Golden Bay Quilt and Stitch Guild plus there will be a wide range of raffle prizes – one very much reflecting the floral theme of the day. "Teresa Brough has donated us a beautiful floral arrangement."

The society's symbolic spring flowers will feature strongly throughout the day and Sharon says donations will be gratefully received. "If anyone has any daffodils to drop off, FreshChoice is a good place to bring them any time on the day."



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Trees that are too close to the powerlines cause power cuts during storms.



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Desex your cat to reduce litters

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Golden Bay Animal Welfare Society (GBAWS) is handed unwanted kittens every year because people haven't desexed their cats in time. Unfortunately, domesticated female cats can go on heat as early as five months of age. Carol Wells from GBAWS states that they have experienced the phenomenon of feral kittens becoming pregnant as young as four months old. Perhaps an adaptation to their shorter life spans.

Why are all these kittens every season a big deal?

A female cat (queen) can potentially have 100-120 kittens in her lifetime, though this is under ideal breeding conditions. A single cat and her offspring can potentially produce 400 or more in a few years. This rapid population growth highlights the importance of spaying and neutering to control the cat population.

This is partly the reason Tasman District Council have brought in the new cat bylaw which requires all cats to be desexed as well as microchipped.

It's a common myth that female cats should have a litter before being desexed, but the truth is, there's no medical or behavioural benefit to this. Allowing a cat to have a litter doesn't improve her health or make her a better pet – in fact, it can lead to more challenges, like finding homes for the kittens.

Desexing your cat before puberty is considered best practice by the New Zealand Veterinary Association as it reduces the risk of reproductive health issues and prevents the addition of unwanted cats to the population.

GBAWS regularly welcome stray and abandoned cats and it's enormously helpful if the cat has a microchip and can



Cats can become pregnant as young as four months old. File photo.

quickly be united with its owner. "We won't forget in a hurry the couple from Westport who were reunited with 'Harry' after he somehow hitched a ride all the way to Tākaka," says Carol.

In the unlikely event that everyone complies with TDC's new cat bylaw, there will still be plenty of kittens awaiting new homes because of the strays and ferals in Golden Bay which do not have caring owners to stop them from being endlessly pregnant.

If you need assistance with desexing and microchipping your cat, contact Lis Pedersen (027 686 3362). GBAWS has funding from the NZ Companion Animal Trust for this purpose.

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Tributes paid to departing GBCH general manager



GBCH general manager Ruth Robson (centre) with staff members at her retirement celebration last Wednesday. Photo: Jo Richards.

JO RICHARDS

Last Wednesday afternoon Golden Bay Community Health (GBCH) unveiled a new name, said goodbye to its general manager and hosted an afternoon tea.

Among those gathered at the hospital, were numerous GBCH staff, members of Nelson Bays Primary Health (NBPH) board, representatives of Manawhenua ki Mohua (MKM) and other community organisations, along with volunteers, family and friends.

The afternoon began with MKM representatives unveiling the new name for the aged residential care wing: Te Whare Rangimarie o Rameka (The Peaceful House of Rameka) or simply, Rameka House.

Chair of MKM Margie Little explained the local significance of the name which the iwi had gifted the GBCH, summing up: "We thought it was fitting and it's an easy word to say."

The wording on the wall at the entrance to the wing was

unveiled by Cherie Byrne and Lenaire Crockford in front of around 30 onlookers including general manager Ruth Robson who expressed her gratitude: "Thank you for this beautiful gift".

The party then moved outside to the GBCH terrace where numbers swelled to around 80. As the audience took their seats, NBPH chief executive Sara Shaughnessy welcomed everyone to "an acknowledgement and celebration". Sara paid a fulsome tribute, highlighting Ruth's many attributes. "I admire your strength, your honesty and your absolute unwavering commitment. I've enjoyed your critical thinking," said Sara before recalling some particularly challenging times.

Sara was followed by several speakers including NBPH independent chairperson Sarah-Jane Weir, Nelson Hospital group director of operations Lexie O'Shea, Property Trust trustees James Mackay and Linda Sanders, Ruth's PA Julie Shadbolt, GBCH nurse manager Rosie Whittaker, GP Neil Whittaker, and representatives from MKM. While each speaker

paid their own individual tribute, the underlying sentiment was the same – one of deep respect and admiration for the departing general manager.

When she rose to speak, Ruth acknowledged her professional colleagues and community partners before introducing her husband Gaike and sisters Anne and Cathy.

After explaining that she never aspired to be general manager but, in fact, came to Golden Bay to semi-retire, Ruth talked about the highs, lows and challenges she had experienced during her three-year tenure. "One of the biggest is to gain and maintain the respect of the staff and the community. That doesn't come easy and can never be taken for granted."

The highs, she said, included a nursing leadership restructure, the establishment of the Pae Ora Alliance Partnership group and community advisory group, the midwifery service, enhancement of the X-ray service and the preparation for future development in response to Golden Bay's ageing demographic.

The lowest of the lows was the sudden passing of kaumātua Eric Lander. "That event shook us to the core," said Ruth. "A tragic loss of a beautiful man."

Given the number of people across the many organisations who work together as a team to make GBCH work, it was no surprise that Ruth's list of personal thank-yous was extensive. At the end of that list she addressed the audience as one. "All that remains is to say it has been a sincere privilege to serve you. This is not a one-person job and I have so relied on the leaders around me to enable me to do it. Thank you to the people in this community who had the vision for what we have here today. Thank you to all the GBCH staff, who come to work each day to care for our residents and patients and to deliver our integrated services to our community."

She turned to her successor Sarah Hoyle: "You too will be gifted the privilege of wearing this beautiful korowai. Let it cloak you and surround you with wise decision making, strength and resilience, and above all continued success, utilising the strengths and knowledge of the team around you."

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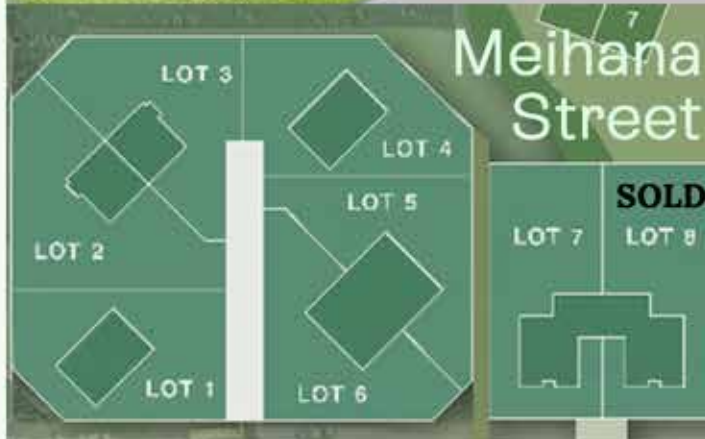
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All information stays with us. Bainham Rural Women wants to increase the resilience of our community to the impacts of hazards by empowering, enabling, and supporting individuals to take ownership of our own emergency preparedness. We are promoting problem solving and encourage all to be self-sufficient through strong local social networks and a culture of mutual help. Please return the completed page one only to your letterbox by Friday 5 September to be collected by one of our members. Thank you. My contact number is 027 232 2213.

Fiona Newey, project manager

Where's the Covid cash?

Mike Rimu's letter last week (GBW, 22/8) is timely. I would like to know where the sixty-six thousand million dollars went that was spent fighting Covid. NZ has a small economy of five million people and to inject such an enormous sum of borrowed money would show all sorts of economic distortions, so where did Grant Robertson send it to...Ukraine...Pfizer...WEF...?

Peter Coughlan

Huge Dam at Sams Creek

Ivor Evans' letter (GBW, 22/8) was very apt. What he describes is indeed a plausible scenario under the plans outlined by Siren Gold in their application to NZ Petroleum & Minerals for a permit to mine at Sams Creek. And who will pay for such a disaster and for its clean-up is a very good question.

This is just one of the concerning aspects of Siren Gold's intentions at Sams Creek.

Sams Creek Collective has obtained a copy of the Mining Permit Application and has called a public meeting to share with the community what we've learned. Come along to the Golden Bay High School hall on Sunday 31 August 2025 at 3.30pm to hear about what is planned, what the risks are, and what we can do to prevent it.

Julie Downard

Stand with Palestine

The situation in Palestine is dire.

Netanyahu is demanding a ceasefire based on his terms only: Palestine to be completely under Israel's control.

Meanwhile the Israeli army is attacking the parts of Gaza City that haven't already been annexed. Starving Palestinians are forced to evacuate (again) with what they can carry. Their homes are crushed in readiness for further Israeli real estate.

I have written to Prime Minister Luxon (and other government ministers) asking that they weigh the information from doctors, journalists, aid workers, etc against the Netanyahu denials and accusations of anti-semitism. I suggest they not only rise to the challenge for "spine" but to also use eyes, ears and logical brains to recognise the genocide, the disproportionate response to Hamas and the blatant annexation of an entire country.

The Israeli government is creating the most terror in the Middle East.

Asking nicely has not worked.

Immediate, concrete, action, eg, harsh sanctions, need to be imposed on Israel, by all governments who recognise human rights, the rule of law and the rules of war.

Palestine doesn't have leeway to wait for New Zealand's response in October.

Beth McCarthy

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Big Brothers and Sisters meet up

JO RICHARDS

A group of Big Brothers and Big Sisters met up recently.

While none were, strictly speaking, siblings, they were all related through a shared commitment to young people – their “little brothers and sisters”.

Gathered around a table at the Mussel Inn, seven of Golden Bay’s 13 mentors in the Big Brothers Big Sisters (BBBS) scheme shared food and experiences. The evening was organised by Golden Bay mentoring co-ordinator for BBBS Rochelle Nicholls and also attended by BBBS Nelson Tasman programme director Tracee Neilson.

BBBS matches an adult mentor with a young person and the pair subsequently meet every week for an hour or two of one-on-one time and to enjoy a wide range of activities. The mentor’s focus is very much on building a trusting relationship, being a good role model, and empowering mentees to realise their potential.

Listening to the mentors talk about their roles, it was clear that every one of them – whether a relative newbie



Big Brothers Big Sisters: from left, Wendy Brooks, Rochelle Nicholls, Tracee Neilson, Megan Forsyth, Andy Gray, Caroline Jones, CJ Webster, Avril Stephens, Colin Crampton. Photo: Jo Richards.

with four months’ experience, or a veteran of several years – found their involvement highly rewarding for both parties.

“What I love most is watching my little sister grow,” said Caroline Jones, who has mentored for four and a half years. “She wants to keep hanging out with me, and that awesome. She’s now 14 years-old.”

Another long-serving mentor Andy Gray has been paired with four young people over the past six years. He’s been meeting with his current mentee for just over a year now. “We do a lot of building and craft stuff,” said Andy.

Avril Stephens has been a mentor for six months and is enjoying every minute. “What a buzz,” said Avril. “We’re learning so much

about each other. It’s great to be a kid again – and be able to offer some stability.”

After outlining her responsibilities within BBBS, Tracee paid tribute to Golden Bay’s Big Brothers and Sisters. “Our organisation is only as good as people like you.”

Whether the shared activities involved cooking, board games, art, walking or running, the consensus around the table was that being a mentor was fun, worthwhile and mutually beneficial. “It works both ways,” said mentor Colin Crampton. “You pass on stuff and you get stuff back.”

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We have the date pencilled in for next year’s Cocksy Classic already and look forward to raising more money for the local, Nelson, Tasman and Marlborough Community. A massive effort.



CEO AWARD

Woolfy - Philip Woolf - took out the CEO Award this year for his constant and passionate commitment to the ITM Brand.

His dedication and ongoing contribution to the Cooperative’s health, sustainability and success. His support and leadership to peers and suppliers across the industry and a role model to all those in the group.

A well-deserved recognition for Philip, our team are very proud to have him as the leader and mentor for our BCL Group.



OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE AWARD TOP 5

Last but certainly not least our store made the Top 5 out of all the 96 ITM Stores in the country for Operational Excellence.

This shows how committed our team are and true value of having the right people leading the team, and the right people in the Team. This is a huge testament to Luke’s management, the support from BCL Group and our staff in what can only be called a very trying year. All of this achieved in the last 12 months with no store and working in a temporary work environment.

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Spring preparations

SOL MORGAN

September is such an exciting month, with spring upon us and the opportunity to put fresh ideas into action in the garden.

What I start working on in the garden is defined by the crops I plan to sow or plant. Having a garden plan/map is so useful, (and removes stress) so this is where I go to decide what to do next. Each crop gets different treatments depending on its needs so they will grow well. Join my "Planning Your Summer Garden" workshop on 21 September to learn more!

First up is early potatoes, which for some, are already planted. Potatoes need friable soil, so if the ground is covered in weeds, then a good forking is required. Weeds can be put in a pile to be incorporated into the next hot compost. Dig shallow holes 40-50 centimetres apart and place tubers with the sprout up, covering them with some soil and a good shovel full of compost. The rest of the soil gets mounded over as the shoots grow up.

Root crops like carrots, beetroot, radish and turnip benefit from having the soil given a light surface hoeing to remove weeds and help germinate any weed seeds, that will be further removed when hoeing is repeated in a week or two. In this way the seed bed is relatively free of them and the root crops get a better start on their road to maturity. Beetroot and turnip will perform better with an extra dose of compost. While carrots and radish (and later, parsnip) can follow a heavy cropper like broccoli and cabbage, as their demand for fertile soil is less.

Other upcoming crops to be planted, like onions and brassicas later this month will like a generous addition of compost or rotted manure several weeks before planting. At Fertile Ground we add mulch of old hay and cover these beds with a sheet of black plastic to speed up decomposition in preparation for planting.

Keep an eye on the soil thermometer to see when it gets to 16 degrees, which is when beans can be sown. I have found



Root bed on left lightly tilled to flush weeds. Photo: Sol Morgan.

better results by sowing beans (and peas) in punnets to allow more time for the soil to heat up before planting.

Finally, once seedlings are planted, or sprouting after sowing, having the beds cloched with either netting or microklima protects from hungry birds and aids warming respectively.

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GARDEN JOBS FOR SEPTEMBER



- Sow lots of seeds into punnets or trays (see below) in the hothouse or on the window sill. Heat-loving crops like eggplants and melons will prefer bottom heat to germinate and grow well.
- Plant early tomatoes and greens in the hothouse for early production. Make sure plastic or glass is clean. Building a compost inside aids warming and deals with any weedy growth.
- Apply general mineral mix to beds as they are prepared, unless you have already done so.
- Keep weeds to a minimum with regular weeding.
- Liquid fertilise the whole garden with worm juice, compost tea, seaweed, fish or manure brews to stimulate microbial activity.
- Stake broad beans when they reach a metre high.
- Chop down green manure beds in preparation for planting next month.
- Plant lots of flowers to increase biodiversity and beauty throughout the garden.
- Take soft tip cuttings from herbaceous perennials like

dahlias.

- Plant asparagus into a rich weed free bed for harvest spring 2028.
- Divide and replant perennial crops like rhubarb, Jerusalem artichoke and yakon.
- Established perennial herbs benefit from being divided. Replant excess around vegetable garden or orchard for more diversity.
- Foliar feed fruits, (their leaves) with seaweed as a health tonic.
- Spray fruits with copper oxychloride spray after flowering prior to leaf bud burst to prevent fungal diseases. Citrus will also benefit from an oil spray against sucking insects which cause black sooty mould.
- Subtropical fruits like citrus and avocado can be pruned now that it is warmer.
- Set out irrigation in preparation of warmer, drier weather in late spring.
- Apply lime/dolomite to lawns for more healthy grass. Prep and sow new lawn too.

PLANTING CALENDAR



Sow for transplanting: All seeds 6 and 20 September. Spring onions and leafy greens, (silver beet, summer spinach, lettuce, endive, cabbages, broccoli and cauliflower) (also 1, 17-18, and 27-28 September). Tomatoes, eggplants and peppers, melons and early zucchini, cucumber and pumpkins, (also 19-21 and 29-30 September). Flowers, eg: delphinium (also 15-16 and 25-26 September).

Sow direct: All seeds 6 and 20 September. Mesclun salad and spring onions (also 1, 17-18, and 27-28 September). Peas and French beans, (cloche) also 19-21 and 29-30 September. Carrots, beetroot, kohlrabi, turnip, swede and onions (also 23-25 September). Flowers, eg: coreopsis (also 15-16 and 25-26 September).

Plant: Best 2-14 September. Onions, salad greens, silver beet, spinach, brassicas and early potatoes. Flowers, eg: gladioli.

Avoid gardening: Full moon, 8 September and new moon, 22 September.

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Movie review

Mr Burton



ALISTAIR HUGHES

Biographical films about famous people usually begin with a progression in their early life, often from humble beginnings to a point at which they become the celebrity we know them as.

As *Mr Burton*, (starring Harry Lawtey), shows – the actor Richard Burton emerges as soon as he has developed one of the most recognisable voices in cinema. But with this also comes the manifestation of his life-long personal demons, including alcoholism likely inherited from his coal miner father.

Those expecting recreations of Burton's Hollywood career highlights, multiple marriages to Elizabeth Taylor or legendary nights of drunken hellraising with Peter O'Toole and Richard Harris may be disappointed, as we leave the young actor after his revelatory first major performance, in *Henry IV Part 2*. Still a lanky, mop-haired student, but already with the voice and stage presence of someone infinitely more experienced.

In fact, this film isn't even named after him, but instead Welsh school teacher Philip Burton, (Toby Jones) who mentors a promising young student called Richard Jenkins, eventually adopting and giving the boy his surname to facilitate sponsorship to Oxford.

Young Richard grows up in coal smoke-shrouded Port Talbot in the 1940s, boarding in his eldest sister's crowded home, resented by her husband and unwanted by his father. With nothing to look forward to but conscription when he leaves school, he unexpectedly shows an aptitude for higher learning which is picked up on by his teacher, Philip. When Richard's aspirations turn to acting, he is left on a hilltop for hours to scream at the top of his lungs, until he "...finds a way to do it which doesn't hurt." While the power of voice projection is worked on, he is also taught to overcome his strong Welsh accent, while not completely abandoning it.

Sadly, the unlikely pair also have to contend with malicious gossip about the nature of their relationship, and the biting scorn of Richard's father who must agree to his son surrendering his birth name.

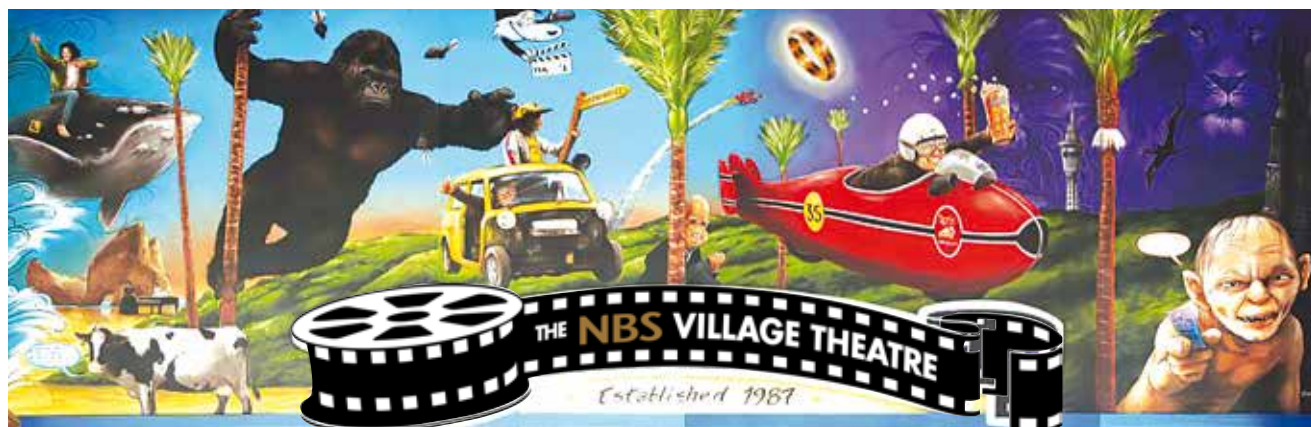
Lawtey is instantly likeable as Richard Jenkins, but immediately less so when he becomes Richard Burton. Almost instantly growing an impenetrable shell of immense self belief and arrogance, the lesser actors around him are quickly left in no doubt of his genius, even becoming resigned to navigating his very obvious drinking problem.

With mere days to go until a hard-negotiated and never to be repeated shot at an acting career, Richard spends rehearsals fighting with his director and unable to remember his lines. Pride in his past seems toxically mixed with an alcohol-fuelled deep shame of it, and when Philip arrives to help him prepare for the opening night, Richard lashes out cruelly against the man who has given him everything.

With mere hours to go until curtain call, events somehow need to resolve in time to give birth to one of the greatest actors of that generation.

Mr Burton is not a simple rags to riches, feel-good story. No production about such a complicated personality, probably equally loved and loathed by many who knew him, ever could be. And possibly the remarkable life and career which followed could never be encapsulated in a single film. But what *Mr Burton* does bring is two remarkable performances, one from an actor just beginning his career and another from a well established star at the peak of his powers. It is a perceptive look into how our pasts shape us all and even how coal can sometimes be crushed into diamond.

Mr Burton screens for the final time tomorrow at 7.30pm. Also tomorrow, in the long history of films whose titles say it all: *Jane Austin Wrecked my Life* encores at 2pm after proving a hit at the recent French film festival.



Screening Schedule - 29 August to 21 September

Fri 29	4:00	Black Dog (M)	Wed 10	5:30	Relay (M) Final
	7:30	Freakier Friday (PG) Final	Thu 11	7:30	Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale
Sat 30	2:00	Jane Austin Wrecked my Life (M) (subtitles) Encore	Fri 12	4:00	Sketch (PG)
	7:30	Mr Burton (M) Final		7:30	Life in One Chord (E) Final
Sun 31	2:00	NT Live: A Streetcar named Desire (R13) Note Earlier Start	Sat 13	2:00	Toy Story (30th Anniversary) (G) Once Only
	7:30	Black Dog (M) (Final)		7:30	Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale
Wed 3	5:30	The Naked Gun (M)	Sun 14	3:00	Andre Rieu's 2025 Maastricht Concert: Waltz the night away (Once Only) \$30
Thur 4	7:30	Relay (M)		7:30	Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale
Fri 5	4:00	Life in One Chord (E)	Wed 17	5:30	Sketch (PG) Final
	7:30	The Naked Gun (M) Final	Thu 18	7:30	The Roses (R16)
Sat 6	2:00	Tender (Part of Dying Matters Week) followed with Q & A	Fri 19	4:00	The Bad Guys 2 (PG)
	7:30	Relay (M)		7:30	Kangaroo (PG)
Sun 7	4:00	The Grapes of Wrath (PG) 1940 Classic Cinema	Sat 20	2:00	Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale (Final)
	7:30	NZ Mountain Film Festival (E) Encore \$22/\$18/\$15		7:30	The Roses (R16)
			Sun 21	4:00	Two for the Road (PG) 1967 Classic Cinema (Final one)
				7:30	Kangaroo (PG)

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THIS PROGRAMME:

SAT 6th
"TENDER" DOCO:
 As part of Dying Matters week the theatre is screening this film about community death care. 2pm. Q&A follows. Tickets at: www.gowithgrace.nz/dyingmatters

SUN 7th
NZ MOUNTAIN FILM FESTIVAL ENCORE 7.30pm:
 Due to popularity we are doing an encore of this homegrown Kiwi film, showcasing 7 short films shot in NZ. Catch it on the big screen!!

SUN 14th
ANDRE RIEU'S 2025 CONCERT:
 Be swept away in this magical summer concert with music, romance & celebration with Andre Rieu & his orchestra. Once Only Special Event. 3pm. \$30.

Movie Descriptions

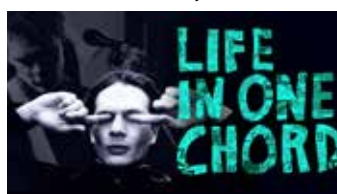
ANDRE RIEU'S 2025 Maastricht Concert: Waltz the Night Away

Step into a night of music, romance & celebration with André Rieu & his Johann Strauss Orchestra in a summer concert captured live from the stunning Vrijthof Square in Maastricht. (E) 3 hrs.



LIFE IN ONE CHORD (E) NZ Music Documentary 1hr30m

Punk renegade Shayne Carter (Straitjacket Fits) takes us on an iconoclastic tour through a career of highs and lows from suburban Dunedin to the heights of international fame and back again.



SKETCH (PG) Kids/Family 1hr30m

When a young girl's peculiar drawings come to life, leaving a wake of chaos & crayon dust, a grieving family has to band together to fight them off.



THE GRAPES OF WRATH (PG) 1940 2hr10m Classic Cinema

Based on John Steinbeck's novel which chronicles the hardships of a family heading west to secure their future. After their drought-ridden farm is seized by the bank, the Joad family head to California.



THE ROSES (R16) Comedy 1hr45m

In this adaptation of *The War of the Roses* Ivy & Theo are the picture-perfect couple but underneath the façade of the perfect family is a tinderbox of competition and resentments.



DOWNTON ABBEY: THE GRAND FINALE (Drama) 2hrs

The third & final feature film in the Downton Abbey series. When Mary finds herself in a public scandal & the family faces financial trouble, the household grapples with the threat of social disgrace.



RELAY (M) Thriller 1hr50m

The story follows a broker of lucrative payoffs who, caught between corrupt corporations & the individuals who threaten them, breaks his own rules when a new client seeks his protection to stay alive.



THE BAD GUYS 2 (PG) Kids/Family/Adventure

Sequel to the 2022 comedy. The Bad Guys are struggling to find trust & acceptance in their newly minted lives as Good Guys, when they are pulled out of retirement and forced to do "one last job".



THE NAKED GUN (M) Comedy/Action 1hr30m

Liam Neeson in the shoes of Frank Drebin Jr, son of Detective Frank Drebin, for this sequel to *Naked Gun 33 1/3: The Final Insult*. Joining the case is cast Pamela Anderson.



TOY STORY (30th Anniversary) (G) Kids/Family 1hr20m

An instant classic, it follows the adventures of little Andy's toys. Their world is rocked when a new action figure - Space Ranger Buzz Lightyear arrives & vies for supremacy with cowboy Woody.



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Local Elections 2025: Meet the candidates for Golden Bay Ward Councillor

In this week's pre-election coverage we are publishing profiles of the five candidates standing for two positions as Golden Bay Ward Councillor and the seven candidates standing for four positions on Golden Bay Community Board. All the profiles and images on these two pages have been submitted to *The GB Weekly* by the candidates. In addition, some candidates have produced short videos which can be accessed via TDC's website: <https://www.tasman.govt.nz/my-council/about-us/your-mayor-and-councillors/local-elections/nominations-received>

Golden Bay Grey Power and Golden Bay Rural Women have collaborated to organise two opportunities for the community to meet the local election candidates: Sunday 7 September, 2pm at Collingwood Area School Hall and 7pm at the Senior Citizens' Hall, Tākaka. Questions to be addressed to the candidates at the meetings can be submitted in writing at the event, or in advance to: Joyce Wyllie, kaihoka@xtra.co.nz; Carolyn McLellan, balmac@xtra.co.nz or Mike Delceg, delceg@xtra.co.nz



Rod Barker

Kia ora, I'm standing for Council because I believe this area requires leadership that looks beyond short-term growth and debt, and instead generates wellbeing within environmental limits.

Almost 10% of our rates now go towards servicing Council debt. That's money drained away each year that could otherwise strengthen infrastructure, improve services, and ease pressures on households.

At the same time, extreme weather events are hitting harder and more often, yet planning decisions still lean on a growth-first mindset that only deepens our vulnerability. We see the results around us: rising living costs, growing rates, fragile infrastructure, and anxiety about the future.

The underlying problem is that Council has been working as though expansion can solve these issues — when in fact it amplifies them.

We already know we are exceeding planetary boundaries: drawing down soils, polluting rivers, losing biodiversity, destabilising climate. No amount of "more" can offset the damage of overshoot. Council can choose to measure success not by growth, but by how well people and places are cared for.

That means long-term financial responsibility, resilience planning that faces climate realities head-on, and transparent governance that puts community wellbeing at the centre. Such as enhancing public spaces, supporting community gathering places and restoring green areas that connect us back to nature. These steps enhance cohesion, reduce isolation, and build resilience — the foundations of a thriving community.

If elected, I will work to strengthen our communities, protect the environment we depend on, and make sure rates are used wisely for our future.



Celia Butler

As a third term Councillor I will continue to use my vote at the Council table to keep rates, fees and charges as low as possible. Roading and wastewater are the primary drivers of our rates in Golden Bay.

Having achieved a zone change for medium density housing in Tākaka I will continue to work on increasing opportunities for permanent housing, particularly smaller houses. With heavier rainfall predicted to bring more flooding I promise to be active in preparing for emergencies and reviewing emergency systems. At Port Tarakohe a resilience ramp is now giving Golden Bay surety should the Tākaka Hill be closed. Improved drainage now prevents flooding at Pōhara.

The upcoming Council term will bring challenges from the Government as Parliament make law changes that will have far-reaching effects on Council operations, rules and policy. Keeping up to date with changes and their implications will be a priority for my decision making and I will continue to advocate for our much valued library, museum and other community facilities. I undertake to push for more maintenance of the Pōhara cycleway after successfully putting forward the Motupipi Street cycleway for government grant funding in 2024.

Protection of our unique natural environment from the coast inland, collaboration with land users in evidence-based policy development to achieve practical and effective arrangements for freshwater protection including Waikoropupū Springs is a priority.

I welcome the addition of the Māori Ward and should I be elected I look forward to continued collaboration with iwi.



Axel Downard-Wilke

As director of an engineering consultancy firm, I have strong governance experience. I've worked for and with local government since the 1990s and understand the role of a councillor well. I'm fiscally prudent, would never support Waimea Dam-type projects, and will bring the focus back to core services to keep rates under control.

You want your council representative to have the ability to build relationships. An effective councillor needs to convince seven colleagues to vote with them, so relating well to others is critical. I work well with people across the political spectrum.

I'm standing under the banner of resilient communities. All my adult life I've been engaged in community endeavours, often in a leadership role. Recently I've set up a group to address the 111 cover failures. I'm talking to NZTA about fixing Waitapu Splash. I chair the group that is going to build the Tākaka–Collingwood Trail, as we should be able to bike to school or work safely. Water must be safe for drinking and irrigation; hence I oppose mining at Sams Creek. I'll work to transform TDC into an enabler of storm protection, rather than being a bureaucratic hindrance. And tiny homes must become easier to consent to address our housing crisis.

I work respectfully with others, listen well, provide leadership, and am confident to speak up. I have the needs of the community at heart. I will listen to your concerns, and I'll represent you strongly. Vote for me and I'll get things done.



Julian Hall

We have a rates problem because we have a spending problem. Those making decisions would never spend their own money the way they spend yours. On top of this the Richmond bureaucracy seems to have a culture of opposing and hindering business and development.

I believe TDC needs to be more transparent and accountable in their spending and understand that ratepayers cannot be expected to fund vanity projects and tolerate repeated rate hikes. We must prioritise living within our means and focus on delivering traditional core services effectively and efficiently.

I support reduced spending, reduced staffing levels, and reduced debt. I also support a rates cap.

I am generally supportive of infrastructure development; however, the Waimea Dam has been a financial error, and now we are all left to pick up and deal with the debt. I will act to ensure that our budget reflects the priorities of the community, spending money only on projects and services that are core, and the majority support.

I am committed to ensuring decisions are made with common sense, sound financial stewardship, and the best interests of the wider community at heart. I bring a comprehensive approach to problem-solving and can offer Tasman District my strength in strategic thinking, negotiation, and financial awareness.

I was born in Tākaka and have lived in Golden Bay most of my life where I manage our family business. I am married and have two sons.



Mark Hume

I have lived in Golden Bay for 70 years and worked as a plumber and drainlayer here for 53 of those years. I believe the Bay has a unique character and in general a great community spirit. I am very open to hearing what our community wants from me if elected. I would focus on implementing effective measures to protect people and property first, prioritising action over complicated procedures and bureaucratic processes eg, rock walls where needed to protect homes from erosion, gravel extraction and management of rivers, creeks and culverts to mitigate flooding.

I believe using local contractors with local knowledge saves time and money and also contributes to the local economy.

We need to allow properties to have second dwellings, specifically granny flats or small homes without complicated bureaucratic process. We need to establish a clear and simplified, less costly approval process. I would also like to see the process of changing property zoning to allow for subdivision simplified to help with the housing supply and multi-generational living on one property. We need to simplify permits and resource consents to stream-line the building process and discard the current development levy.

Let locals decide how funds are spent using voting or polling, a "majority rules" democracy.

Address wasteful spending of rate payer funds on Council vanity projects, putting us further in debt. Full transparency and open governance in all decision making is paramount. Rates cap. Home owners are not an endless money pit.

Less bureaucracy, more democracy.

Meet the candidates in Collingwood and Tākaka on Sunday 7 September

Local Elections 2025: Meet the candidates for Golden Bay Community Board



Sunshine Appleby

My name is Sunshine Appleby, I live in Collingwood and I have 82 years of wisdom and peace activism.

There are many issues facing us as a community in relation to the council.

I support active community participation and answering the questions the community has regarding water protection, food sovereignty, increased rates, and the struggles so many of our community are having in paying these rates. Doubtless there are other questions and concerns that the community will bring to the board with the expectation they will receive satisfactory answers.

I intend to be a part of the movement forward for transparency and accountability. In the future when there are significant issues dealing with health and safety of our water supply for example, I will do everything I can to ensure all concerned members of the community are invited to open meetings with our MP or other council members.

The responsibility of being a Community Board member in Golden Bay includes not only transmitting communications from TDC to the community, but also letting TDC know of community concerns. Historically I have skills in mediation and am committed to clear communication, I am not a politician, I am a critical thinker and a woman who takes her responsibilities of citizenship to heart. My purpose for running for election on the Community Board is to be your voice for the Golden Bay community as I work closely with the regional council.



Clarissa Bruning

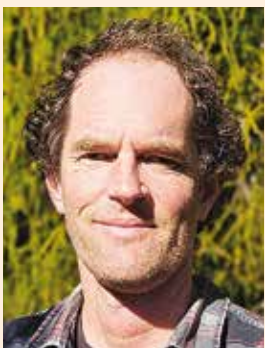
I've called Golden Bay home since the age of 10, completing my schooling here before a brief three-year stint away. For the past three decades, I've lived, worked, and raised my family in this special place, contributing to the community that has shaped who I am.

My background includes 10 years serving on the Motupipi School Board of Trustees, along with decades of volunteering for local sports clubs, schools, and community groups. Whether it's governance, organising events, managing teams, or helping raise funds, my focus has always been on building opportunities, fostering connection, and making sure people feel included and supported — particularly our young people.

I believe strong communities are built from the ground up through grassroots mahi, open communication, and genuine collaboration. Golden Bay faces unique opportunities and challenges, from protecting our environment and supporting local businesses, to ensuring essential services and facilities meet the needs of all residents.

I want to bring energy, governance experience, and a solutions-focused approach to the Community Board. My commitment is to listen, represent, and advocate for the full range of voices in our community — families, volunteers, youth, long-time residents, and newcomers alike.

Golden Bay has given me so much over the years. Standing for the Community Board is my way of giving back, protecting what makes our home special, and helping shape a strong, connected, and thriving future for us all.



Henry Dixon

I grew up in beautiful Golden Bay and after time away am living back here with my kids. We live in a truly special corner of the world, and I care deeply about seeing our community grow and prosper.

Through serving on the Golden Bay Community Board for the last three years I have gained valuable experience and understanding of how TDC operates, and how positive outcomes for Golden Bay can be achieved. I am pragmatic and work well as a part of a team to achieve results. We have a budget provided by the ratepayers of Golden Bay and it is important we use it to return maximum value to the citizens of the Bay.

Infrastructure resilience and connectivity is a perennial challenge for our isolated community. Recent flooding has once again highlighted these weaknesses. We need to use local knowledge to inform our response to future events, and when building to mitigate their adverse effects.

Employment opportunities and housing availability are pressing issues for Golden Bay. I want to see TDC long term plans, bylaws, and zoning allow more quality affordable housing and for local businesses and industries to be supported, so they can support their workers.

Over the last term I have advocated for the residents of Golden Bay and I am seeking your support in the upcoming election to build on the work we have carried out so far. I look forward to navigating the challenges and opportunities ahead for the benefit of our awesome community.



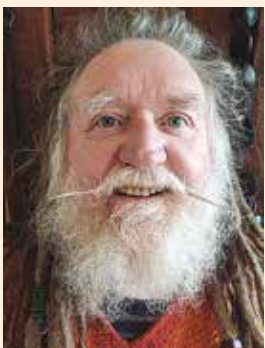
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I'm also standing for councillor, and that is my preferred role. Should I be elected to both positions, I must take the higher position, and the person ranked fifth in the Community Board election will be declared elected.



Grant Knowles

I have lived in Mohua Golden Bay for 38 years, becoming deeply connected to this unique and vibrant region. I am married to Hahna, and we have a one-year-old daughter, I also have two adult sons.

Serving on the Community Board for nine years has been an honour. I have gained a strong understanding of local government procedures, rules, and regulations. Despite many achievements, I see further opportunities for improvement, and I am eager to continue contributing.

Golden Bay is isolated, we are a unique, diverse and a culturally rich community. There will always be challenges. The Community Board can provide a sensible voice in the wider district ensuring sustainability and a strong identity while making the most of opportunities

I am committed to listening to the wide range of opinions and advice within our community. Many residents possess expert knowledge or have lived here for generations, and their insights offer a pragmatic approach to finding solutions as challenges emerge. I believe our future depends on building a sustainable, inclusive community for everyone.

Effective communication with board members, councillors, and staff across the entire district is vital and can result in positive outcomes for the Golden Bay community.

I look forward to being part of the team on the next Community Board. I am dedicated to listening to your ideas so that together, we can navigate uncertain times and work towards a stronger, more resilient Golden Bay.



Mark Raffills

...in this Northwest Country, the spirit sings one of the other, we tend the land, we touch hearts, we hold each other dear, our door is open and undivided are we, our words are strongly spoken, and here we are content to be...

I know how to listen and I am approachable. If you choose to elect me to the Golden Bay Community Board, I would work for you: 1). by making myself available to meet at local cafes twice a week and 2). by revamping the current Public Forum process to something more meaningful and 3). by looking to raise the status of the Community Board to a Local Board.

I know that our community is already represented by an impressive array of interest groups, formal organisations and individuals. I would like to facilitate a collaborative and co-ordinated working together of these people to enhance the autonomy of our community.

I have lived here these past few years with my wife Jeanie. I was the communications officer for Tasman District Council between 1993-2016. I am currently joint owner of two local businesses, the brother of a dairy farmer and am actively involved in Golden Bay's arts activity.

I believe our community has the knowledge, the skills and the heart-connection to manage our gorgeous natural and built environments; and to manage our relationships one with another.

I know the heart and soul of this Northwest Country is born of the trust, belief and respect we foster for each other.



Rodney Ward

I was raised and schooled in the Bay until '87 and after studies away, I ran my own business here before taking up opportunities to run companies in Marlborough, Abu Dhabi, Papua New Guinea and the Philippines. Covid trapped me in NZ and I was employed at Sollis as Contracting Manager and I learned much history and knowledge from very skilled mentors there. I then ran a Government based company which fired me up to work in directional governance again while also starting an offshore aquaculture venture feeding less fortunate people. Why me?

- I have served the Golden Bay Community Board prior as deputy chairman so I'm preloaded with council procedure.
- I know engineering, project management and people relationship building so I offer these skills.
- I want to see critical thinking and figures-based decisions targeted only to local issues. The board needs to supply quality information to our councillors to represent us.
- I believe that if you want things done, don't sit on the sidelines and comment so I have stood for election. Of the achievements of previous elected boards, I just don't see any results...
- The biggest challenge today is financial...

This dictates all outcomes so all spending needs accountability and targeted to mainstream issues, not just supporting vocal voices.

In short, if you want to see new thinking and centre-mainstream representation of the Bay, then I seek your support and your vote at election time.

Meet the candidates in Collingwood and Tākaka on Sunday 7 September



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Mountain Goats reach the summit

JO RICHARDS

Golden Bay's senior men's team clinched the Nelson Bays Football Division 2 title last Saturday.

Playing at home against Tahuna 2nd XI in the final round of the season, the Goats only needed a point to secure the trophy. In the end, they won convincingly against a well-drilled side who started the match sitting only three points below their hosts.

The Goats started on the front foot, attacking the visitors at every opportunity but despite creating numerous scoring chances – including a header that was cleared off the line by Tahuna defenders – were unable to find the back of the net. That was until the industrious Gonzalo Vasquez-Jouannet was rewarded for his efforts, striking just before half-time to give his side a 1-0 lead.

For the first 15 minutes of the second half, Tahuna looked as if they might get something back but their



GB Mountain Goats (with goat) celebrate winning the Men's Division 2 trophy. Photo: Jo Richards.

attacks invariably came to nought in the final third and the Goats' keeper was rarely troubled.

Just when it seemed that a stalemate has been established, Goats forward Kiyo Ejima scored to make it 2-0 and give his side a bit of a cushion. It also dissipated any nervousness the Goats might have been feeling and, for the remainder of the match, the Division 2 champions elect showed why they were top of the table. They attacked relentlessly, enjoying the final chapter in a successful season and

could have register several more goals were it not for the heroics of the Tahuna keeper. But even he could not do anything about Vasquez-Jouannet's penalty kick which was smashed home shortly before the final whistle.

Final score: GB Mountain Goats 3 v Tahuna 0.

Speaking immediately after the game, a very happy player-coach Lee McKenna was ready to celebrate. "I'm buzzing. On the day we were the better team. It's been an amazing season – bringing a trophy to the Bay."



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TĀKAKA PROGRAMME

MONDAY 1ST

Ask a Funeral Director

Question & Answer Session

Tākaka Memorial Library Room
11AM - 1PM

WEDNESDAY 3RD

Mohua Community Hall

Preplanning for Death and Dying

with Laura Manson

SESSION 1: FROM 9AM

WEDNESDAY 3RD

Mohua Community Hall

Mohua's Youth Grief Programme

with Specialist Mental Health Nurse, Michelle Cole

SESSION 5: FROM 1.30PM

FRIDAY 5TH

Dying Matters Radio

Making caskets for my friends in a small community

Free 958FM / Fresh FM 2 - 3PM

TUESDAY 2ND

Who's in your village?

Mapping Support for End of Life with Amelia Toohey

Tākaka Memorial Library
11AM - 1PM

Natural Funeral Workshop

PAID EVENT with Lynda Hannah

Mohua Community Hall
FROM 1PM

Panel Talk with Local Deathworkers

with Q&A Session

SESSION 2: FROM 9.30AM

Dying in Golden Bay

Support available at home, in a resthome, at the hospital

SESSION 3: 10.30 - 11.15AM

Māori Death Customs

with Erihapeti McPherson

SESSION 4: 11.30 - 12.30PM

Legal Matters for New Parents

Shannon Barrett, Glasgow Harley

SESSION 6: From 2.30pm

Advance Care Planning Workshop

with Paula Finnegan, Golden Bay Community Health

SESSION 7: 3.30 - 4.30pm

SATURDAY 6TH

Matuku Funerals Open Day

574 East Tākaka Road
10AM - 2PM

Tender Documentary

Village Theatre
2 - 4:30PM

THURSDAY 4TH

Drop in Session with a Death Doula

Golden Bay Death Collective

Tākaka Memorial Library
11AM - 1PM

SUNDAY 7TH

Magnificent Game of Living & Dying

Tea with the Ancestors

The Wholemeal Cafe
2 - 5PM



Register for local events

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Wind phone



Artists Sarah Thomas, left, and Aralyn Doiron with the Golden Bay wind phone installed during the week of Dying Matters on a tree in Memorial Park. Photo: Anita Peters.

ANITA PETERS

In 2011, Japanese man Itaru Sasaki created the first "wind phone", an old-fashioned disconnected telephone booth and phone that gave comfort to him by talking to his cousin who had died from cancer.

The following year, thousands of lives were lost in Japan's devastating tsunami. After Sasaki gifted his wind phone to the town most tragically affected, people began using it to also connect privately with their lost loved ones to comfort their grief. The wind phone movement swept the world as a symbol of remembrance, established in natural places like gardens and parks, inviting conversations carried by the wind to those who had departed.

Golden Bay now has its very own wind phone. During Dying Matters Week, a red phone will be installed on a corner tree in Memorial Park as a space for people to be with their thoughts, feelings and the ones they miss. Initiated by artists Aralyn Doiron and Sarah Thomas and built by John Black, the wind phone will be there for only one week until a permanent quiet public location can be found, when it will then be registered with the Wind Phone International movement. Generous private donations helped to fuel the dynamic energy of these two collaborating artists. The red phone was then donated by the Eastman family, formerly used as Dr Eastman's private medical line.

"What I love about this story is that this phone actually would have already saved lives," says Sarah.

"This is not just a novelty thing," adds grief worker Aralyn. "Almost everyone I know is walking around with incomplete grief. It doesn't even have to be about someone who died; it can be about having lost a pet, a lover, a job, or having an empty nest; you can just bring your grief here and have the conversation, with the wind."

"When we start acknowledging our grief, our life takes on a shine. Our culture has taught us to avoid grief, at all costs, to keep calm, carry on. But when we open our hearts to the heartbreak, that's actually the thing that saves us most of all."



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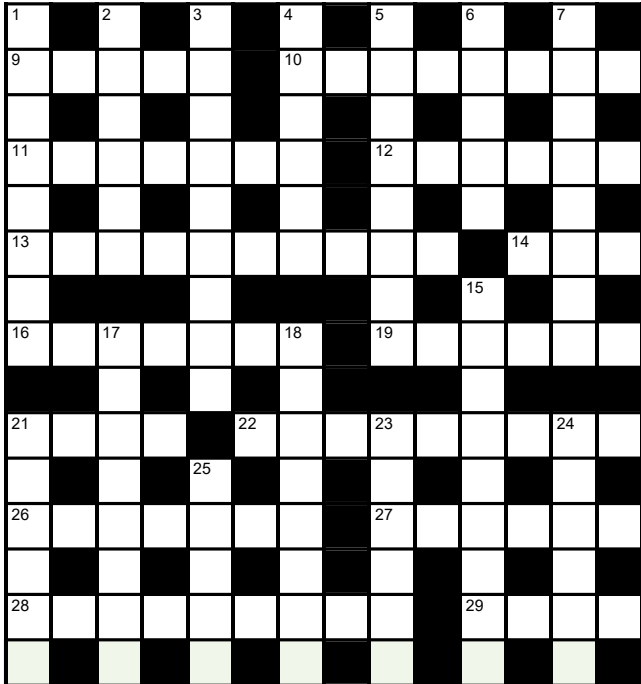
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ACROSS

- 9 Grant Tally? (5)
- 10 The advantage of being in the crow's nest? (5,4)
- 11 Rossini's trimmer found here? (7)
- 12 Connection left printers' medium for some time (7)
- 13 Part of the frame Nick might throw the dog? (10)
- 14 Touch-rugby. Under-elevens for beginners should be on the level (4)
- 16 Noted explosive device in tangled net (7)
- 19 It's obscure at the Oval. Lara firstly retires and gets a hundred (7)
- 21 A right, rotten lie to get the goat! (4)
- 22 Tries to get the race underway (5,2,1,2)
- 26 Spot Bono? It's on-going and you only think it will work (7)
- 27 Hoodlum loses nerve at the start and he makes it sound funny (7)
- 28 Outlaid too much on southern writer in open (9)
- 29 Confess it's necessary for such shallow nuptials (3,2)

DOWN

- 1 Service on land measure could make a killing (8)
- 2 Bow and scrape the wood left at the end (6)
- 3 Grass may be tall despite sleet falling all round (4,5)
- 4 Getting up with one from Belgrade is as good as it gets (6)
- 5 Cannot begin with hope about eccentric uncle's grandiosity (8)
- 6 Social worker may fly unmanned (5)
- 7 Civilian plays a part in ambush (3,1,4)
- 8 Be fast with notice of goods for sale and present (6)
- 15 Bat with a zip-wire (6,3)
- 17 Rattle till deaf and doomed (3-5)
- 18 Fall at the end of your journey (4,4)
- 20 Personal promoters? (3,5)
- 21 Avian predator might mean to return to rocky outcrop ... (6)
- 23 ... without first leaving heavy number (6)
- 24 Be there a couple of hours before midnight on the day (6)
- 25 Let go quietly from polite request (5)

MY FAVOURITE NOVEL

SARAH ALLEN

Choosing a favourite book has been far more challenging than I expected, as I have many. In my twenties, when I was in London and nostalgic for home, Keri Hulme's *The Bone People* transported me to the wild West Coast beaches of New Zealand. A plethora of books span the space between then and now.

My current favourite takes me back to those London days, when I cycled along a lock path beside the Thames to work. In *Mudlarking - Lost and Found on the River Thames*, Lara Maiklem describes fossicking along the riverbanks, starting at Teddington Lock and following the tide out to sea. She weaves the history of the people who once lived along the river with stories from her own life. The "treasures" she finds in each part of the Thames are portals into the past from 17th-century coins, to printer's type hurled from a bridge, to rings, pipes, coins and bottles.

Seeking tranquillity from the bustle of the city, Lara found peace in the intertidal zone, that liminal space exposed twice daily, revealing its secrets. Her gentle observations and well-researched in-sights into the origins of these objects make for a fascinating read.

The book inspired me to try my own version of mudlarking at Port Pūpunga. Walking along the shore with my eyes trained down, I mostly pick up plastic to save from the sea, but occasionally, like Lara I discover small treasures.

Reading *Mudlarking* transported me not just to London but back in time and now, when the tide is low, I often take a "lark" along the beach, to see what the sea has left behind.



BOOK REVIEW by Katie Lavers



THE MYSTERIOUS CASE OF THE ALPERTON ANGELS by Janice Hallett

The plot centres on a true-crime writer, Amanda Bailey, tasked with cracking the mystery of the Alperton Angels, a religious sect killing in London 18 years before. The baby, the only one found alive at the grisly murder scene, is now turning 18 and the race is on with hungry book publishers to identify them and write a book.

When she finds out she is writing against the clock, and against a rival publishing house as well as an old nemesis, the stakes are set, and it's riveting.

Told as epistolary fiction, (a story that is read as a series of letters) other recent examples include *Salmon Fishing in the Yemen* by Paul Torday, and the slim and engaging *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society* by Mary Anne Shaffer and Annie Barrows. This is a fictional account of the resistance in Guernsey during WWII, told in letters from characters with fortitude and light, wry humour.

In *The Mysterious Case of the Alperton Angels*, Hallett weaves main character's humble beginnings as a reporter and her fight to make it in the publishing world. In this case her emails, social media dm's, and transcriptions of interviews and phone calls create a sense of urgent immediacy and pace, which I love. It also leaves the subtext to be inferred by the reader from the conversations themselves, which is both humorous, exciting, and sad at various turns.

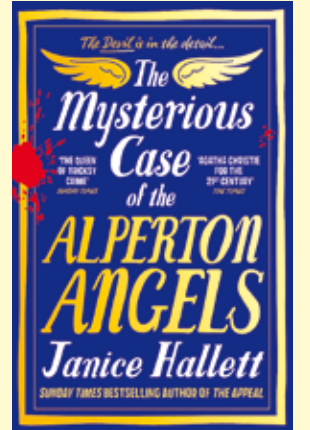
Indeed, the fact that I searched for the true story of the Alperton Angels after finishing the book is a testament to the grounded sense of reality that Hallett weaves in the world of her novel.

The story gets darker as the pages turn, and our heroine gets closer to the truth tracking down the shady characters as the truth twists and turns in your hands.

As we get to the second half of the story, the main character's fellow writer/nemesis from the past begins coming to very different conclusions after a joint interview with the charismatic psychopathic cult leader in Broadmoor psychiatric prison.

Hallett cleverly takes us down potential rabbit-holes of belief, ultimately revealing to the reader how far we are ready to believe the improbable.

I haven't read any other books by Hallett, but after reading this one, I definitely would.



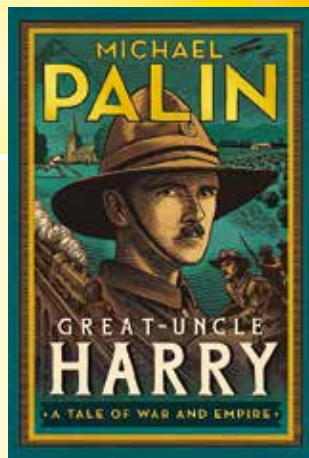
BOOK WINNER

The winner of **GREAT-UNCLE HARRY: A Tale of War and Empire**

is **Karen Dransfield**

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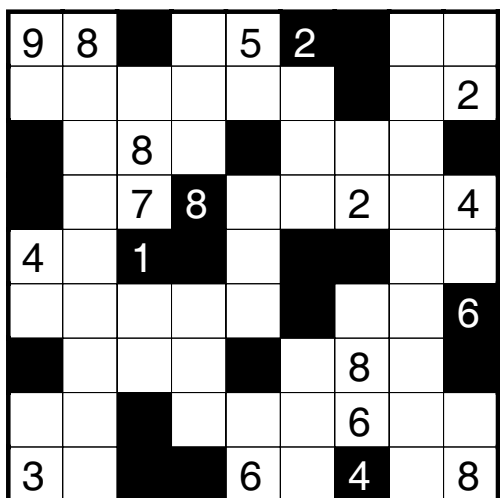


Editor's note: Thank you to everyone who contributed to this year's WordFest, especially those who told us about their favourite novel and all who entered our writing competition. Results will be published in two weeks' time.

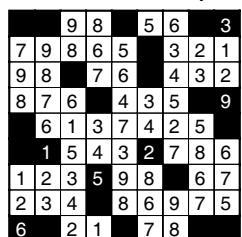
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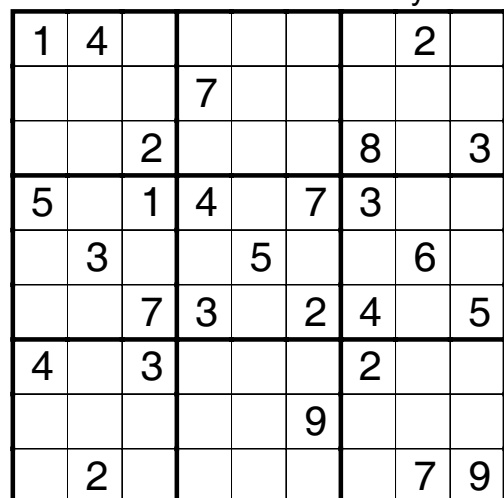


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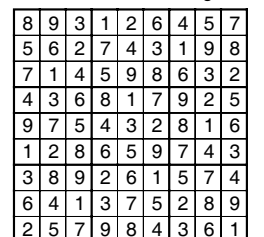
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SUDOKU

No. 755 Very Hard



Previous solution - Tough



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For many strategies, hints and tips, visit www.sudokuwiki.org

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The solutions will be published here in the next issue.

Illustrated book of curious tales

JO RICHARDS

A new book of illustrated stories for young readers is about to hit the shelves.

Tales of Curiosity by Sonya McArthur is a collection eight tales set in imaginative and symbolic worlds. Each story follows unique characters – including a light-footed dancer, a grumpy puppet-maker, a talented thief and shoemaker who joins the circus – as they navigate powerful emotional journeys, from confronting grief, to embracing difference and understanding change.

The Hokitika-based biodiversity ranger, who is currently on secondment to Golden Bay, also has a story to tell about how she came to write her book. "I wrote it quite a while ago now, when I was a much younger person trying to figure out the nature of the world and myself."

Sonya believes curious young readers will enjoy the tales. "Aspects of each story's visual beauty and emotional resonance will appeal to children who are on this journey of discovery, but they are also fun, classic 'story-teller' tales that can be enjoyed by anyone, no matter where they are at."

Tales of Curiosity is published by Mary Egan Publishing and is available in bookstores nationwide from early September. Price: \$35.



Author Sonya McArthur with her new book. Photo: Supplied.

BOOK GIVEAWAY



The GB Weekly has a copy of Sonya McArthur's book to give away.

Simply email your name and contact number to: admin@gbweekly.co.nz with "Tales" in the subject line by Friday 5 September

NATURE DIARY



A gallery of tree weta inside their weta motel. Photo: S Trewick.

SUBMITTED BY CYNTHIA MCGONVILLE

This winter I have uncovered and disturbed two tree weta in my woodpile. Apparently, woodpiles are a common place to find these prehistoric creatures. Prehistoric? Yes, fossil records indicate weta date back to a time that predates the existence of many of the dinosaurs. It's a good reason to respect them.

Tree weta are social creatures. They live in holes or tunnels called galleries. Initially these galleries are created and then abandoned by other insects. Once weta move in they maintain the gallery by chewing away at the bark around the opening. A gallery can have a number of young weta and females, but only one male. Males will defend their gallery from competing males. When threatened they raise their spiky hind legs to frighten invaders. Female tree weta can also look threatening. They have an ovipositor for laying eggs that looks much like a large stinger.

In spite of their scary appearance tree weta are more threatened than threatening. They need our protection. If you find one gently guide it into a jar with a piece of cardboard and relocate it in a nearby tree.

From time to time, I have thought about making and installing weta motels on my property. Giving tree weta a safe space to hide-out during the day. It's a good school holiday project. On the Department of Conservation's website, you can find building plans for weta motels. There is the one-star bamboo version or there are the luxury three to five-star versions. Take your pick!

POLICE REPORT



Kia ora whānau,

- **1 July:** Two intoxicated males were arrested for assaulting each other and assaulting Police during their arrest. Obstruction and possession of cannabis charges were also laid.
- **6 July:** A 23-year-old local male was issued a number of infringements and forbidden to drive after driving with excess breath alcohol over 250 but under 400.
- **6 July:** A 48-year-old local male was stopped for drink driving. He elected blood which returned a level of 152mcg/100ml of blood, three times the legal limit. He had his licence suspended for 28 days and has since appeared in the Nelson district Court, receiving a six-month disqualification and \$760 fine.
- **7 July:** A 31-year-old local female received a three-month suspension from driving for excess demerit points.
- **18 July:** A 30-year-old local female was warned for careless driving after crashing into a fence.
- **21 July:** A 59-year-old local male was arrested behaving threateningly following a civil dispute over trees.
- **18 August:** A 44-year-old Christchurch male was arrested for breach of bail.
- **23 August:** A 44-year-old Christchurch male was arrested for failing to appear in court. He has been remanded in custody until 27 September.
- Tākaka Police wish everybody to take note of the new 30km/h speed restrictions outside all our local schools. This has occurred throughout the district. The timings are all school specific but a good rule of thumb is 8am-9.30am and 2.30pm-4pm. Please ensure compliance with these lower speeds to avoid receiving a fine or worse, running over a child. The survivability of being struck at 30km/h instead of 50km/h is exponential. Kia haumarū, ite haumarū. Have a great weekend.

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Mitigation before Devastation (Part 3)



In recent public communications on gravel extraction in Tasman, TDC used data from the Upper Motueka river to illustrate their reluctance to remove gravel, with the “significant loss” of nearly 490,000 cubic metres of river gravel 10km either side of Tapawera between 2022 and 2024.

But the data tells a different story for Takaka.

When asked for comparable local figures, Rob Smith first provided us with 2023 modelling for future flood events - forecasting scenarios of whether they extract gravel upstream of Takaka township, or not. “In a 20-year flood, modelling showed ... flood water levels could decrease by up to 100 mm if gravel extraction was undertaken, [compared to none]. In the 100-year flood event the modelling showed that water levels across the floodplain could decrease by up to 150 mm.” Clive Bird notes “even if it only makes a difference of three or four inches ... that’s the difference between the water going through someone’s house - or not.” The modelling excluded any extraction of gravel from the Anatoki confluence, Rose’s or Balck’s Beach, or the river mouth - anywhere downstream of Duncan McKenzie’s stop bank, because “the trend is either for the riverbed to be decreasing or the projected future bed level is within the gravel management envelope that is part of Council’s gravel extraction consent.” But on further pressing for the data, Rob Smith confirmed Rose’s and McKenzie’s Beach are in fact “aggrading” - Rose’s (pictured) by 2000m3 a year, and Mckenzie’s at around 200m3 per year.

Fluvial geomorphology expert and Massey University Professor Ian Fuller was commissioned to help with earlier TDC study in the Upper Motueka river. He says he’d support gravel extraction only “if it could be demonstrated that [gravel] beaches were in a consistent state of aggradation, and if extraction would not have any downstream impacts.”

Downstream, where Takaka River meets the Bay, fourth-generation farmer Greg Fellowes is watching real-time, the effects of doing nothing - on the rivermouth. “I haven’t seen them doing any work to maintain the rivermouth in 15 years, and you can see the difference.” Islands of gravel now pile up at the mouth where Fellowes says there used to be none. “They used to do a lot more. People used to think we could mitigate the flooding because between 1983 and 2008, after the channel was put in, we didn’t have any big floods.” Richard Sixtus has been white-baiting in that area for around 50 years and remembers frequent boating from Waitapu Bridge down to the Bay. “You couldn’t see the bottom, it was that deep, but now you’ve got to watch out at low tide or you’ll hit your bloody propeller on the gravel.” Rob Smith of TDC says he has “no information about levels below the bridge.”

A: In law, The **Principle of Subsidiarity** emphasises local autonomy; that **locals know best**. While not binding in NZ Law, the ancient Greek concept says local communities and groups should be empowered to make decisions that affect them directly.



TDC data confirms locals’ observations that gravel is mounting up at Rose’s Beach (above) by 2000m3, annually.



No information is held by TDC’s Group Environmental Sciences Leader about the steady accumulation of gravel at the Takaka River mouth (above)

The Council has expressed concern about the economic viability of crushing gravel - but Merv Solly says don’t worry about that: “I’ll sell 100,000 cubic metres - just put it on a 5000 tonne barge to Wellington.” Rob Smith says over 7000m3 was taken from Roses Beach in 2023-24 but Sollys often go further afield to satisfy demand: “We have to go to Blenheim, sometimes as far as Culverden to cart river gravel hundreds of k’s back to Golden Bay.” All this while their washplant, where they process gravel to different sizes and colours, sits just metres away from Rose’s. “I guess that’s got some carbon saving, I just can’t see it.” Solly says.

Mr Solly says it’s not just gravel, and it’s not just the Takaka River: the Waingarō needs work, and the stopbanks on the Aorere River are in dire need of maintenance. He says the Council needs a skilled pair of eyes and ears here, in boots, on the ground. “Greater management of Golden Bay’s rivers would look like a river manager employed here, with permits issued locally.” The Sustainable Living Centre’s Sol Morgan says more weeds could be removed with machinery instead of toxic chemical sprays to help flood flow, and the environment. And Collingwood’s Beach Road residents say unsatisfactory culvert maintenance is threatening their homes with flooding... Calls for proactive management to our waterways - to reduce the need for reactivity, and potential, more drastic ideas from higher echelons...

Professor Fuller says *managed retreat* is “positive because it’s moving people out of harm’s way. It saves lives, it saves businesses.” While it might not even be necessary for Golden Bay and people affected would need to be compensated, he says it’s the safest way forward for some places. Watch the documentary ‘Managed Out’ free of charge, for a deep-dive on climate adaptation policy affecting property prices in New Zealand at www.managedout.co.nz. Mr Solly, who watched the film at the Village Theatre, says it’s totally changed his thinking on the topic.



Do we need to return to old ways? Catchment Board work after the 1983 flood in Kotinga. Photo: G Whenmouth

What can you do?

If you want more proactive and locally-driven river management in Golden Bay-head to getrealonrivers.co.nz for a petition you can sign online or download a hard copy of. Ask the TDC to

Get Real on River Resilience.

The petition was first drafted by Rose Renton, whose Spring Grove home was flooded by up to a metre of water, twice, for the first time in its 80-year lifespan this Winter. Rose has had to relinquish leading the petition initiative to fight a legal battle to obtain insurance for the damages, but she still wants to see the Council Get Real on our Rivers:

“I don’t think all the farmers and contractors are wrong, TDC say it’s a bigger picture than that - well, bullshit, because the gravel is visible.” It’s up to the community of Tasman to spread the word about the urgent demand for mitigation, before devastation.

Researched and written by Samantha Blanchard. Funded by the GB Thinker.

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PERSONAL NOTICES / Pānui ake

HAMBROOK, Mary Janette. A massive thank you from the family of Mary. Les, Sarah, Catherine, Joe, Susi, Tom, Tui, and families wish to extend our sincere thanks for all the beautiful cards, flowers, and food. We also send our gratitude and appreciation to the wonderful carers, nurses, and all the staff at Golden Bay Community Health. The wonderful care and friendship during Mary's four-year stay will always be remembered. Thank you. The donation box to Parkinson's NZ raised \$610. www.parkinsons.org.nz/donate

CONGRATULATIONS Jo on getting your gold card, 65 years on 2 September.



A memorial celebration & musical shindig for Patrick Riddett will be held at The Mussel Inn, Sat 30th Aug, from 3pm. Tributes from 4pm. Music into the evening. Please bring a plate of finger food to share

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We are a local couple seeking our dream property. Preferably between Takaka - Collingwood. Ideally this dream property would have a combination of;

- Beach front
- Views/nice aspect
- Native bush
- Water source
- More than 1000sqm land
- Some pasture (for household animals)

It can be a home, or bare land. Anything considered. Our budget matches our wishlist. We are genuine buyers ready to commit. If you are thinking of selling/subdividing soon we would love to hear from you.

Please contact via email Goldenbaydreamhome@gmail.com

SITUATIONS VACANT / Tūranga wātea

Customer Service Representative

Part-time (flexible shifts, permanent Saturdays)



Join the friendly team at Paper Plus Takaka.

We are looking for a positive, reliable team player to join us as a **Customer Service Representative**. This role includes working across both our Paper Plus retail store and our NZ Post agency, so if you enjoy helping people, staying organised, and being part of a supportive team, we would love to hear from you.

Position is available now, to apply please send a cover letter and CV to takaka@paperplus.co.nz with attention to Rochelle.

PUBLIC NOTICES / Pānui a whānui

NARCOTICS Anonymous Golden Bay meeting, Mondays 6pm, 42 Commercial Street, hall behind church. All welcome.

GB WEEKLY: Stitch 'n Sew, Takaka is our agent or you can email us: admin@gbweekly.co.nz (preferred). Office hours are Monday-Wednesday, 9am-5pm. Ph 027 525 8679. See our

SITUATIONS VACANT / Tūranga wātea



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COUNTRY STORE

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

The Rural Service Centre is a local, farmer owned co-operative which consists of a Country Store and Veterinary Clinic based in Takaka, Golden Bay. Our primary focus is on providing our members and customers with a comprehensive range of products and services. We are an independent local business that has a strong focus on supporting the Golden Bay community.

We are looking for a new member of staff to join our family. This opportunity does not come along often.

This is a part time role covering approximately 24 - 32 hours per week including the Saturday morning roster, there may be extra hours available for covering annual leave and sickness.

You must be a people person who is familiar with point of sale and comfortable and confident serving customers in person and over the phone.

It would be advantageous if you have gardening / farming knowledge but is not a precursor to filling this position. The person for this role must be fit and healthy as there will be some lifting involved as well as being on your feet for most of the day. This will be a very diverse role that would suit a practical hands on person who is willing to get their hands dirty.

We offer a competitive salary, staff uniform and employee discount, plus a great working environment with a supportive and fun team culture.

Applicants for this position must have NZ residency or hold a valid work visa. We are looking for someone to come on board as soon as possible.

If this sounds like you then please apply now with your CV and covering letter telling us why you would be perfect to join our team.

PLEASE SEND APPLICATIONS TO
Mike Manshande (Country Store Manager)
email: store.manager@rsc.co.nz

Applications close 21st September 2025

The Rural Service Centre 03-525-9113

64 Meihana Street Takaka

www.rsc.co.nz

website www.gbweekly.co.nz to read the paper online and find advertisement pricing details.

ALCOHOLICS Anonymous, new location at GB Community Hall, 88 Commercial Street. Open meeting, all welcome. Thursdays 7pm. Ph 0800 229 6757.

"BITS and Pieces", a SeniorNet presentation, with an interesting mix of topics: changing internet providers, QR codes, flash drives, the amazing things your hearing aid can now do. St John Rooms at the Rec Centre, Monday 8 September, 10am-noon. All welcome. Non-members, a gold coin koha please.

GB Animal Welfare Society Inc (ex-SPCA). Ph Carol Wells 525 9494, 8am-5pm weekdays.

ACCESS across Kaihoka farm is now closed as lambing is in progress. Thank you for respecting our private property. Joyce Wyllie.

SITUATIONS VACANT / Tūranga wātea



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Casual Relieving Housekeeper Vacancy

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- Full time or part time digger driver
- Seasonal Ag tractor driver

Relevant experience is required in the civil/earthworks industries and/or agricultural. If you have an interest in working in Golden Bay and the wider Tasman region, and you are a hardworking team player we want to hear from you.

In exchange, we offer a competitive remuneration package. Please note drug and alcohol testing is mandatory for these roles. Accommodation and licence training will be available to the right people.

For further information about this role call Tristan on

027 6885699

or email your CV and cover letter to

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SPORTS COORDINATOR

Permanent, part time – term time only. 15 hours per week. The role begins in 2026 with a transition period in Term 4, 2025 if possible.

Applications close 5pm, Monday 15 September 2025.

Enquiries: contact Steph Hartill, Business

Manager steph@gbh.school.nz

or phone 0278 744 033

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BLINDS; rollers, duettes, venetians, shutters, automation, quality curtain tracks, lined curtains, sheers. Ph Tracey, Imagine designs 027 440 0071 or visit the showroom 96b Commercial St, Tākaka.

BUILDER: new builds, renovations, decks, etc. Available now, Alistair Middleton Homes Created, ph 027 510 6511, al.homescreated@gmail.com

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1325 & 1327 Collingwood-Puponga, Pakawau Deadline sales USP 56 Beach Road, Collingwood Tender, Thursday 11th September



OPEN HOME



OPEN HOME

UNMISSABLE OPPORTUNITIES IN PAKAWAU 🏠 2 🚗 1 🚙 1 📏 910

Bring your 1970's LPs - this retro Kiwi bach is a classic! One of the few original Mill Houses in the area, it enjoys a sheltered spot overlooking farmland, just a few hundred metres from the beach via Collinson Street. With two bedrooms, a separate kitchen, dining room with heat pump, sunroom, covered porch, and a glimpse of the sea, it's a laid-back coastal retreat on a flat 910sqm section with garage, sheds, glasshouse, and gardens. Next door, a 700sqm freehold section with power to the boundary is also for sale - ideal for building, glamping or simply land banking for the future. Both properties must be sold.

House: Offers over \$525,000 Section: Offers over \$225,000
All offers invited on or before Friday 5 September 2025 (unless sold prior)

Open Home: Sunday 11am - 11.30pm

MASTERS PLACE - A CLASSIC BY THE SEA 🏠 4 🚗 1 📏 1080

Held in the same family for over 80 years, this solid 1920s home is built from locally milled native timber and is full of timeless character. With four voluminous bedrooms, two lounge rooms and a west-facing covered deck for evening BBQs, there's room for all the family - plus the beach is just across the road!

Whether you're after a permanent home, family retreat or holiday rental, this is a rare opportunity to own a piece of Collingwood history. Offered fully furnished and ready to enjoy. Homes like this don't come along often - they hold stories, and this one is ready for many more. Offered for sale by Tender (not selling prior). Tenders close 2pm, Thursday 11 September 2025.

Open Home: Sunday 1pm - 1.30pm

407 Hamama Road, Takaka PRICE SLASHED \$845,000 \$775,000



VIEW NOW

ON THE MOVE! 🏠 3 🚗 1 🚙 2 4.0534ha

Priced to sell NOW - Grab this rare chance to own your own frost-free microclimate just 10 mins from Takaka. My clients have purchased overseas & moving date is looming. First in will be the winners! Call me to view this warm character filled home set in park-like gardens with mountain views. Chooks, orchards, a studio with log burner, it is all here - dont delay!

Viewings by Prior Appointment

758 Abel Tasman Drive, Pohara Offers over \$850,000



OPEN HOME

RETIRE BY THE BEACH 🏠 191 📏 1180

Just one row back from the beach, this flat, fully fenced property offers the ultimate Golden Bay lifestyle. With plenty of parking for the caravan, camper, and boat, plus a huge lined double garage with workbench & two extra rooms, there's space for it all. Fruit trees, veggie beds, and a hothouse make gardening a breeze, while cafes, golf links, and the marina are all close by.

Open Home: Saturday 2pm- 2.30pm

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EMPLOYMENT WANTED / Hiahia mahi

SEASONED relief milker. Reliable, consistent, experienced. Ph Paul 021 771 916.

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FOR SALE / Hei hokohoko

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NATIVE trees and grasses at TLC Nursery. Big grade trees available and welcoming orders for 2026. Ph 027 525 6183.

ART auction: Search "Golden Bay heART for Gaza" on Trade Me for beautiful pieces large and small, with all proceeds going to humanitarian aid agencies in Gaza. Paintings, jewellery, carvings, crafts. More items are being added and donations are welcome, ph Kylie 021 152 8195.

UTE, double cab with canopy. Tidy, simple, reliable, 2014 GWM, 2wd, 195,000km, one owner NZ new. Gearbox replaced this month. \$6200 ono. Ph 027 447 2887.

PROPERTY AVAILABLE / Rawa watea



MORTGAGEE

2200 📏 1 🚗 3 🛏

COLLINGWOOD, 33 Ruataniwha Drive

MORTGAGEE SALE

This property is being sold by way of mortgagee auction.

OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS

Three bedroom, with garage and off-street parking. Close to school and amenities, situated at the end of a quiet street with a park next door. Landscaped for privacy.

MORTGAGEE AUCTION (Not Sold Prior)

THURS 25TH SEPT 2025 1PM

227 Hardy Street
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EATING OUT / Kai wahi kē

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DANGEROUS KITCHEN. Closed for winter break, re-opening beginning September.

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UPCOMING EVENTS / Mea pakiri haere

SUNDAY 31 AUGUST

CHILDREN'S CONCERT - with special guest Kath Bee, 2pm, Tākaka Primary School Hall, koha appreciated.

BADMINTON, REC PARK CENTRE, 6.45-8.45pm. All welcome. Ph Kerry 027 525 7007.

MONDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

LIONS BINGO, 7pm start at Collingwood Rugby clubrooms.

TUESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER

TĀKAKA JAZZ GROUP GATHERING, Golden Bay High School Music Room, 6.45pm. Drive into the school opposite the school shop. You pass two buildings. Mark Stillwell will be with us. Visitors are welcome. Enquiries ph/txt 022 139 3413.

GB WEEKLY DEADLINE: noon on Tuesdays.

WEDNESDAY 3 SEPTEMBER

PEER GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP presentation for families with under-13s and teenagers. Mohua Community Hall, 1.30-2.30pm. For more information ph Michelle Cole 027 313 8032.

ONEKAKA PLAYGROUP, all welcome, Wednesdays 10am-12.30pm, Onekaka Hall.

THURSDAY 4 SEPTEMBER

DAYTIME BADMINTON, Rec Park Centre, 9-11am. All welcome. Ph Kerry 027 525 7007.

LATER EVENTS

PALESTINE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF ACTION. Village Green, Saturday 6 September, 10am. Information and merchandise available. Bring your thoughts, hearts and hopes. GB Peace Group.

CAKE STALL AND RAFFLES FOR GAZA: Let's see if we can do a repeat of our phenomenal fundraising event from last month! Saturday 6 September, 10am-2pm at the Village Green. Home baked goodies and hungry puku welcome!

CRAFT DAY. Uruwhenua Women's Institute craft day. Monday 8 September at the Anglican Church Hall, 11am. Open day to see and participate with different crafts.

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in Golden Bay

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- Police - 111 or 03 525 9211
- GB Community Mental Health 03 525 7647 or 0800 525 7647
- Women's Refuge 0800 163 344
- Mohua Social Services 03 525 9728
- Work and Income 0800 559 009
- LifeLine 0800 543 354
- 'Need to Talk' helpline (call or txt) 1737
- Outline NZ - LGBTIQ+ support 0800 688 5463
- Hey Bro (for men) - keeping whanau safe 0800 439 276
- Youthline 0800 37 66 33



Tākaka Library

"Pest Free Onetahua" Presentation

Celebrate Conservation Week 2025 with "Pest Free Onetahua" - come and learn about this important local pest eradication project.

5 SEPTEMBER
1.00PM - 2.00PM

Dying Matters WEEK

Tākaka Library

- ◆ **Ask a Funeral Director**
1 September 11.00am - 1.00pm
- ◆ **Who's in Your Support Village**
2 September 11.00am - 1.00pm
- ◆ **Drop in with a Death Doula**
4 September 11.00am - 1.00pm

These events connect people across Aotearoa to start conversations in a safe space, learn from local experts and seek support to get affairs in order and navigate grief or loss.

SEPT 6TH

PUBLIC TALK IN GOLDEN BAY

**Developing Inner Values
The 5 powers for Life**

Practical tools from the Mahayana Tradition to live each day with purpose & compassion.

Followed by discussion & potluck lunch!
ALL are welcome.
Offering by koha/donation.

SAT 10.30AM

THE SANDCASTLE: 32 Haile Ln, Pohara
Contact Janine: 0221988253 or
Jonelle: meditate@chandrakirti.co.nz

Sams Creek Public Meeting

3.30pm, Sunday 31 August
Golden Bay High School Hall
Hosted by Sams Creek Collective

Siren Gold has now submitted their plans for a fast-tracked gold mine and it's not good news. Come along to get the facts, latest updates, and to learn about the huge risks we believe a gold mine at Sams Creek pose to our waterways and community.

GOLDEN BAY TENNIS CLUB

OPEN DAY

SATURDAY 13 SEPT
RAIN BACKUP 4 OCT (CHECK FACEBOOK)

FREE COACHING TIMES:
9.00am - 'Red Level' - ages: 5-7 years old
10.00am - 'Orange Level' - ages: 8-10 years
11.00am - 'Green Level' - ages: 11-12 years old
12.30pm - Teens
1.30pm - Adults

- FREE BBQ - GEAR PROVIDED -

COME AND HAVE A GO!

Park Ave, Takaka
gbtennis@outlook.com
Facebook: golden bay tennis club
<https://clubspark.kiwi/GoldenBayTC>

COME TO A TALKING CAFÉ

Connect with your community

Talking Cafés are an opportunity to meet people, make new connections and learn more about your community.

Pop in for a quick cuppa, or stay for a longer conversation with friendly people. All welcome, no bookings required.

Upcoming Talking Cafés
Tākaka Memorial Library

- Wednesday 3rd September, 1.30pm-3.00pm
- Wednesday 1st October, 1.30pm-3.00pm
- Wednesday 5th November, 1.30pm-3.00pm

For more details: wellby.org.nz or phone (03) 546 7681

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FROM KATH BEE

2pm, SUNDAY, AUGUST 31st
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Sustainable Living Month

SEPTEMBER 2025

- Composting Workshop** Sat 6th 2-5pm
- Spring Green Foraging Workshop** Sat 13th 10-1pm
- Syntropic Agroforestry Workshop** Sun 14th 9:30-4:30pm
- Planning Your Summer Garden Workshop** Sun 21st 10-1pm
- Build A Solar Shower/Cooker Workshop** Sat 27th 11-4:30pm

Scan the QR code for tickets and details!

Golden Bay Sustainable Living Centre | tasman

Meet the Candidates

Sunday 7th September

2pm: Collingwood Area School Hall
and
7pm: Takaka Senior Citizens' Hall

Hear community board, council and mayoral candidates speak, and answer your written submitted questions.

Another community event from
GB Rural Women and GB Grey Power.

MENZSHED MOHUA

Mohua MenzShed

CAR BOOT SALE

Treasures
Raffle Prize
Sausage sizzle
Butcher's

Goodness 2 Go

Sunday 7 September, 10-1, Park Ave, Takaka

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13th September 2025

Fun map sport for all - from families to experts

More details at: www.goldenbayatc.org

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Coming Up...

Wed 3rd CLOSED ALL DAY for staff enkaï.
Thu 11th QUIZ NIGHT - All welcome.
Sat 13th SHAUN KIRK supported by NICK HERBISON, 8pm. Tickets \$25 @ undertheradar, \$30 door.
Thu 18th ACID ON THE MICROPHONE - 7.30pm. Special guest NEAL.
Sat 20th GENERAL KALA, 8pm. \$20 door.
Thu 25th QUIZ NIGHT - All welcome.
Sat 27th THE ORANGE BOX - Arts on Tour kids theatre show, 2pm. \$10 tickets @ undertheradar.

OCTOBER

Sat 4th ALBI AND THE WOLVES - FUN RAISER TOUR. Tickets \$20 @ undertheradar, \$25 door.
Thu 9th QUIZ NIGHT - All welcome.
Sun 12th SILENT MOVIES LIVE. Charlie Chaplin's "The Kid and A Dogs Life" accompanied by original scores. 7.30pm. Tickets \$30 @ undertheradar.
Tue 14th LORD ROCHESTER - Scotland's greatest rock 'n roll band. Tickets \$30 @ undertheradar.
Thu 16th ACID ON THE MICROPHONE
Mon 20th SINGALONG 'ROUND THE PIANO with CRAIG DENHAM, 7pm. All welcome.

for more details see www.musselinn.co.nz

CHURCH SERVICES ON SUNDAYS

GOLDEN Bay Anglican Parish warmly invites you to join them on Sunday, 10am at Takaka or 4.45pm at Collingwood (starting with a cuppa). Worship services (with communion) 10 and 24 August; fellowship gatherings (fellowship, songs, prayer and bible study) 3 and 17 August. Combined parish gathering, 10am at Takaka, 31 August, no service in Collingwood that day.

SACRED Heart Catholic faith community winter timetable: Mass, 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 4pm. Service of the Word with communion, 2nd Sunday, 9.30am, followed by a cuppa. All warmly welcome. No service 4th weekend.

NO service at St Andrews Presbyterian Church.

Kahurangi Christian Church

Sunday 31 August
10:30am in various house church locations:
Takaka: Contact Rowan/Drea Miller, 021 106 8461
Parapara: Robin/Lauren Swafford, 022 604 9678
Collingwood: Gary/Maria Morgan, 0274 731 800

Sunday services 10am
Monthly worship service-4th Sunday @ 7pm
ALL WELCOME

Jesus said, "Blessed are those who believe in me and have not seen me". John 20: 29
HE IS THE GOD WHO DIED AND ROSE AGAIN!

Pastor: Rodney Watson
www.coctakaka.co.nz
Ph: 525 9265 | 93 Commercial St

GOLDEN BAY WEATHER FORECAST

Valid from Friday 29 Aug until Tuesday 2 Sept

Friday: Westerlies, becoming fresh and gusty tending southwest later. Showers, becoming confined to western areas during the morning.

Saturday: Northwesterlies becoming strong. Rain developing, locally heavy at times about the ranges.

Sunday: Southwesterlies develop, become strong and gusty especially west of Parapara. Rain and later snow persisting over Kahurangi eases to showers elsewhere.

Monday: Strong gusty southwesterlies, easing a little later. Showers with snow at first over Kahurangi. The odd shower and long fine breaks elsewhere.

Tuesday: Southwesterlies, fresh and gusty in western areas. Some showers in the west, fine and cloudy periods elsewhere.

Sollys Contractors are proud sponsors of this weather forecast.
Enquiries phone: 03 525 9843

Disclaimer: This forecast is a personal interpretation compiled from public information provided by NZ MetService and other public sources. It is a local forecast and no liability is implied or accepted.

TAKAKA FUELS & FISHING

Proudly sponsors Golden Bay Tide Watch
2 Commercial Street, Takaka | Ph 525 7305

WHITEBAIT NETS IN STORE NOW

GOLDEN BAY TIDE WATCH - TARAKOHE

Day	Time	Day	Time	Day	Time	Day	Time	Day	Time	Day	Time		
Saturday	Aug 30	Sunday	Aug 31	Monday	Sep 1	Tuesday	Sep 2	Wednesday	Sep 3	Thursday	Sep 4	Friday	Sep 5
H 1:30am	1:49pm	H 2:14am	2:32pm	H 3:09am	3:30pm	H 4:21am	4:59pm	H 5:43am	6:36pm	H 6:56am	7:38pm	H 7:55am	8:24pm
L 7:43am	7:50pm	L 8:26am	8:43pm	L 9:19am	10:03pm	L 10:30am	11:40pm	L 11:56am		L 12:51am	1:12pm	L 1:42am	2:09pm

SUN AND MOON

Day	Sun	R	S	Day	Sun	R	S	Day	Sun	R	S	Day	Sun	R	S
Saturday	6:56 am	6:03 pm	9:43 am	Sunday	6:55 am	6:04 pm	10:16 am	Monday	6:53 am	6:04 pm	10:57 am	Tuesday	6:52 am	6:05 pm	11:46 am
Sunday	6:55 am	6:04 pm	10:16 am	Monday	6:53 am	6:04 pm	10:57 am	Tuesday	6:52 am	6:05 pm	11:46 am	Wednesday	6:50 am	6:06 pm	12:45 pm
Monday	6:53 am	6:04 pm	10:57 am	Tuesday	6:52 am	6:05 pm	11:46 am	Wednesday	6:50 am	6:06 pm	12:45 pm	Thursday	6:48 am	6:07 pm	1:52 pm
Tuesday	6:52 am	6:05 pm	11:46 am	Wednesday	6:50 am	6:06 pm	12:45 pm	Thursday	6:48 am	6:07 pm	1:52 pm	Friday	6:47 am	6:08 pm	3:03 pm
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BILL HOHEPA'S MAORI FISHING GUIDE

Day	Time	Day	Time	Day	Time	Day	Time	Day	Time	Day	Time		
Saturday	Best at 4:58 am 5:22 pm	Sunday	Best at 5:46 am 6:10 pm	Monday	Best at 6:36 am 7:02 pm	Tuesday	Best at 7:28 am 7:55 pm	Wednesday	Best at 8:23 am 8:50 pm	Thursday	Best at 9:17 am 9:43 pm	Friday	Best at 10:10 am 10:35 pm



New Listing

Offers Over \$799,000

7A Watino Place, POHARA

3 2 724sqm

HOLIDAY READY IN PŌHARA

Modern, low-maintenance home tucked down a private driveway in sunny Pōhara. Close to the beach, cafés, golf course, and harbour for easy boat launching. Beautifully decorated, fibre-connected, with plenty of parking for a boat or

caravan. Ideal holiday home—just turn up and enjoy. Contact me today to view!

Viewings by appointment

James Mackay
027 359 0892



\$935,000

35 Tōtara Avenue, COLLINGWOOD

FABULOUS SEAFRONT BACH

This stunning seafront home in the tōtara forest boasts views from Pūponga to Farewell Spit. Enjoy sunrises & sunsets from the deck. The renovated bach includes a bespoke kitchen, oak floors, & sea-view bedroom. A 35 sqm Min Hall treehouse offers a bunkroom & bathroom. Call me to view.

Belinda J Barnes
021 236 2840

3+ 2 1 868sqm
Viewings by appointment

Daffodil Day is today.
Our stalls are outside Fresh Choice, Paper Plus and Collingwood. The daffodil is a symbol of hope—hope for research, support for patients and families, and a future without cancer.
Every donation helps make that possible.



New Listing

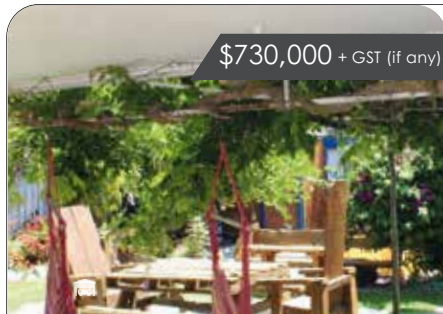
Price By Negotiaton

52 Nyhane Drive, LIGAR BAY

BLENDING NATURE & OPPORTUNITY

Wake to shimmering sea views and unwind in the hush of native bush. This sunny, north facing 2376sqm section in Ligar Bay blends coastal charm with relaxed living. With some services in place, it's ready for your dream home or retreat. Opportunities like this are rare. Enquire today.

Paul McConnon
027 504 2872



\$730,000 + GST (if any)

25 Motupipi Street, TĀKAKA

ANNIE'S NIRVANA BACKPACKER

Centrally located iconic accommodation. Deceptively spacious & licenced for 28 pax. With a fully self-contained separate owners' accommodation. It is YHA approved. Call me for all of the information and to view.

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021 236 2840

8 4 870sqm
Viewings by appointment



\$759,000

64 Abel Tasman Dr, TĀKAKA

SPACIOUS RETREAT NEAR TOWN

This charming semi-Lockwood home offers a welcoming atmosphere with a spacious lounge, & a sunny west-facing deck, perfect for relaxing. A detached sleepout, double garage, & two carports offer ample space for all your needs. A must-see property—contact me today to make this inviting home yours.

Paul McConnon
027 504 2872

3 1 2 1220sqm
Viewings by appointment



\$460,000

Lot 3 161 Wharariki Road, PŪPONGA

TITLE NOW ISSUED

Kickstart your off-grid dream on this rural lifestyle block. Mostly flat, ready to build, and made for freedom. With title issued, it's your chance to live wild, raise a family close to nature, and build something truly yours. Escape the ordinary, call now.

Belinda J Barnes
021 236 2840



Price By Negotiation

36 Nyhane Drive, LIGAR BAY

OCEAN, FOREST & PEACE

An elevated coastal haven with sweeping sea views and native bush surrounds. This double-storey home offers seamless indoor-outdoor flow and a lush section with reserve walkway access to the beach. A rare blend of comfort, privacy, and nature—your peaceful Golden Bay retreat or forever home. Call now!

Paul McConnon
027 504 2872

3 2 2 2500sqm
Viewings by appointment



\$895,000

2075 Tākaka Valley Hwy, TĀKAKA

PRIMO SPOT CLOSE TO TOWN

This elevated site has sweeping views of the Tākaka Valley with the solid 2-bedroom house well-built to take them all in! Being just a short walk to Tākaka and the recreation grounds, plus having plenty of space and a large shed, this property is a rare find! Call me for more details or to make a time to view.

James Mackay
027 359 0892

2 1 2 4875sqm
Viewings by appointment



Asking \$299,000

30 Arapeta Place, ROTOTAL

BUILD YOUR FAMILY HOME

Tucked away in a peaceful, family-friendly neighbourhood, this sunny freehold section is the perfect place to build your forever home. Enjoy mountain views, a quiet setting, and a safe bike path connecting to local schools. With mains services ready to connect, just add your dream home. Call Paul for the covenants.

Paul McConnon
027 504 2872



Offers Over \$475,000

188 Abel Tasman Drive, TĀKAKA

CALLING ALL DIYERS...

There's some work to do on this place, but it's in a good location close to town, has a generous 875sqm section, a good water supply and lovely rural views. There's plenty of space in the 4-bedroom, 2-bathroom home. Call me for a look and see if it could be a project for you!

James Mackay
027 359 0892

4 2 875sqm
Viewings by appointment



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