

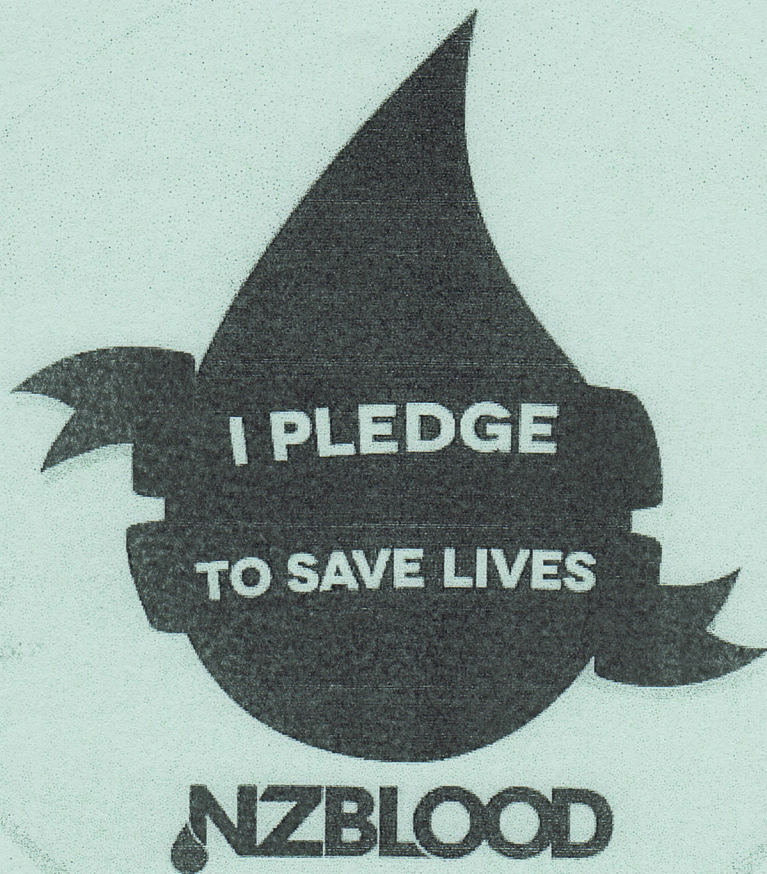
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EDITORIAL

We are the Hohua Whanau



***Ka koorewa ooku waka o Tainui, o Ngatokiomatawhaorua ki ngaa wai maakoha o ooku
awa o Puniu, o Waipa, o Taumarere.***

Tera te maunga o Pukeroa, o Kakepuku,

o Te Ramaroa e kumanu ana i ngaa tapuwae o Ngai taatou.

***Ka koopikopiko ngaa iwi ki waenga i tooku Hapu o Ngaati Ngutu, o Ngaati Huiiao, o Ngaati
Paretekawa, o Ngaati Korokoro ki roto i te iwi o Maniapoto, o Ngapuhi.***

***Ka tau ki tooku tuurangawaewae, tooku paatuuwatawata ki Mangatoatoa, ki Te Kauae
runga o Niu tiireni tuarua, ki Te Whakamaharatanga, ki Waipapa te whakaruruhau mo
ooku kauwheke.***

Kia ora koutou,

Zane and I have 7 children and 9 mokopuna our whanau is our life.

Zane and I have been part of the Eureka Community for nearly 2 years. Our whanau had previously lived in Hamilton for most of our lives, we wanted a bit more space and to experience country living. We love it out here in Eureka and have felt welcomed by this community.

Zane and I both come from teaching backgrounds and have taught at a few primary and intermediate schools within Hamilton. About 15 years ago we both moved into the Mental Health space where we taught adults that worked in this Sector, (doctors, health workers, nurses, occupational therapists).

Currently Zane is a cultural advisor in the Henry Rongomau Bennett Forensic Unit working for Te Puna Oranga the Maori Health Unit at the Waikato DHB. I currently work as an Ante-Natal and Safe Sleep support educator/designer in the Whirihia Te Korowai Aroha team at Whanau Awhina/Plunket.

We have 5 adult children, Tua, Emma, Tayla, Matehuria and Kuirau. Emma and Tayla have families of their own. My eldest daughter Matehuria graduated last year from the Waikato University with a Bachelor of Maori and Pacific Development, this year she is doing a Post Graduate Diploma in Secondary School Teaching (Total Immersion Maori). Our second eldest daughter Kuirau works for Armourguard based near Hamilton Airport. My son Te Hamama is 17 years old and is the Head Boy of Nga Taiatea Wharekura in Hamilton, and our youngest daughter Rangimarie is 11 years old and attends Te Kura o Whakawatea in Hamilton.

We have 8 grandsons and 1 grand-daughter, our one and only princess for now. Our year is filled with birthdays and many special whanau get togethers. "It's about creating memories" is something we always say in our whanau.

Zane loves to potter around outdoors, and in the garden and is always making or building something. My passion is making korowai (I am always looking for feathers, as natural is way better than brought feathers). I also practice mirimiri, or massage and make my own rongoa or oils and balms.

Our whanau are passionate about Te Ao Maori, and I am proud to say that all my children can speak Te Reo Maori.

Even though life is jammed packed we wouldn't have it any other way, and we are grateful to be able to live here in Eureka.

Thank you for allowing us to share a bit about ourselves.

Rawinia Hohua

WEATHER

Weather for May 2020		
Rainfall total	78.6 mm	
Rain Total for year	177.4 mm	
Rainy days	11	
Most daily rainfall	38.8 mm	3 rd May
Highest wind speed	32 km/hr	8 th May
Temp high	20.5 C	2 nd May
Temp low	-2.2 C	23 rd May



In Loving Memory

Thelma Nott



It is with deep sadness that we record the death of past Eureka identity and long-term resident of Hooper Road, Thelma Nott. Our sincere condolences are extended to Thelma's extended family. She will be sadly missed.

See over for tribute from Thelma's past neighbours and friends.

WELCOMES

It is a pleasure to warmly welcome the new June arrivals in Eureka. We trust you are well settled in, keeping warm and dry, and will enjoy your time in Eureka, be it brief or long-term.

- On Hunter Road, on the Badger farm, it is hello to Bayley Lomas, his partner, Cassandra and son Kairo, who have transferred from the Badger farm on Telephone Road. Welcome to you all. Bayley's contact number is 0225089923.
- Next door, the new owners of Patty Stokes' farm are Steve and Helen van der Valk. Steve and Helen hail from Kairangi where they spent 21 years farming 180 hectares. Their family of five are all grown and flown. Steve and Helen are renovating the farm house before moving in, and now they have downsized they are looking forward to having time to travel away from their new dry-stock unit over the coming years. A warm welcome to you both. Ph. 0276149169
- On Mayall's farm on Eureka Road it is a warm welcome to Chantelle Visser. Chantelle has been in NZ five years since leaving South Africa, and keeps busy in her spare time with her studies. Ph. 0273983059
- To SH 26, on Ross de la Rue's farm, it is hi to Rex Briggs and Kirsten Swann and their three young children, Mordecai 3 years, Demetri 2 years and Korvina 1 year. The family have moved from the back of Huntly and Rex looks forward to meeting other local farmers. A warm welcome to you all. Rex's contact number is 0279449544
- On Verryt's farm on Schollum Road we say hello to Joel Pollock, his partner Gemma, and daughters Amberley 10, and Harper 5. The family have moved from the hills of Taupiri to a nice flat farm... Coincidentally Joel is the grandson of Val and Wally Pollock, ex-Schollum Road, where his Mum, Sally, grew up. A warm welcome to you all as well.
Ph 021 1695508

A FAREWELL TO THE MATRIARCH OF HOOPER ROAD

Thelma Nott

She came as a 19 year old bride in 1952 to the farm at Lot Q2 at the very end of Hooper Road, and stayed there for over 50 years.

We farewelled her at St Matthew's Anglican Church in Morrinsville on June 2020, at a funeral which very much reflected Thelma Nott's loving approach to her life and those she loved and cared for. We were welcomed by Jim Reeves singing 'I love you because....' and she left the wine-red hearse to ABBA's 'Dancing Queen', with a number of loving tributes expressed in between.

Thelma was the best neighbour one could ever wish for. New arrivals were welcomed with lashings of home baking, and 20 years ago the Hooper Road residents were still holding 'road' Christmas parties that everyone turned up to, which formed a much anticipated get together especially enjoyed and contributed to by Thelma.

A lifelong animal lover, Thelma could always be relied on to feed and care for pets while the neighbour owners were away. She had, over time, rescued around 15 stray or dumped cats, all of which were neutered at her expense, and fed and cared for royally outside the house. There were also some 'indoor' cats, whose circumstances and past history meant that they weren't suitable for the outdoor life. And, of course, there had been a procession of dogs over the years.

Before her marriage, Thelma had excelled at various sports, and later in life tripped to Morrinsville three times a week for games of bowls and cards and monthly bus trip from the Senior Citizens Centre, to which she loyally proved a most generous donor. Her prizes for the regular raffles, and her generous baking became legendary.

She loved largish cars, and for years drove a big Nash, and later a Nash Rambler, before her final brand new purchase of a Mitsubishi Airtrek. A long-held regret was that she had never been able to drive over the Auckland Harbour Bridge!

She began life as a townie, but took to farm life like a natural, and spent many years doing the bulk of the farm work. Her one overseas trip was to Australia, where she attended a big dairy conference. So, her life was always busy, but she made sure she could indulge her passion for gardening, and the surroundings of the house were always colourful. This was continued after she moved to her townhouse in Morrinsville, and it was always a pleasure to visit her there and admire the latest bloomings.

Thelma loved hosting parties, and really lived it up for her 70th and 80th ones. The first was held on a river cruise on the Waipa Delta, and the second at Senior Cits in Morrinsville, complete with rock and roll dancers and hall filled with celebrating guests.

After a fall two years ago, which broke her leg, she couldn't walk again, and finished out her days in the hospital wing at the Hilda Ross Village, where she will be much missed.

She was always fiercely independent (some called her stubborn), hugely generous, and much loved by her neighbours and friends. Her lolly jar, kept filled for visiting children, was remembered at her funeral, and we all ended up at the hearse chewing our choices.



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Phone Colin White: 8241 847

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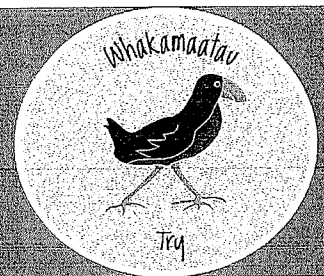
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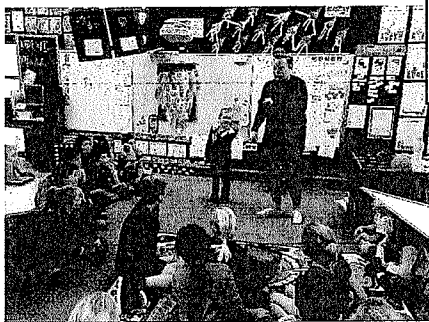
exciting to see the many and different authentic opportunities for learning throughout the school. Thankfully, the days of sitting at a desk, studying facts and figures to pass national standards are a distant memory! Learning is fun and varied.

Once a week all of our children separate into their Houses to find solutions to problems or issues they have found in our school environment. The solutions require research, collaboration, experimenting and making and building. Each House is made up of a cross section of children from all age levels, so the big children model and support the younger children.



Tui: Some of our seeds are not germinating. Do seeds grow best in soil? A mix of soil and compost? Or compost?

Takahe: Our compost bins are full but none are creating compost, so we are researching different types of compost bins, which we will build to see which ones work best.



dropped and how can we reduce or eliminate this?

Ollie (5yrs) showing his Worm jar: "We wanted to see if the worms eat anything and they actually have. They have eaten the soil!!!"



Kiwi: Our fabulous orchard produces lots of fruit, but the coddling moth gets to it before we do. What natural products or solutions can we find so we have an abundance of edible fruit?

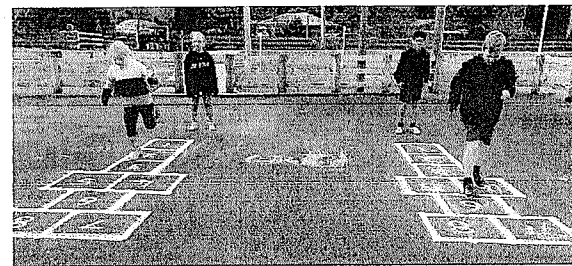
Kakapo: Our skinks have disappeared. Do they not like the houses we made? Let's make a Bark Hotel.

Persuasive Writing

Room 2 (Year 5) have been using writing persuasive to convince me to mark permanent hopscotch games on the front court. Their letters were very persuasive!!!

"... Hopscotch is good for your fitness. It improves your leg and core muscles. It also helps get better balance. I hope this has convinced you to help us not have 'hoptchtchitis'" Sienna

"....Drawing it over and over again takes ages and we use lots of chalk. Hand-eye coordination is important for ball skills. Stretching is good for weak muscles. Agility is good for rugby, soccer and hockey. We can help others succeed during hopscotch. Hopscotch is a fair competition; everyone can be of equal skill level." Quinn



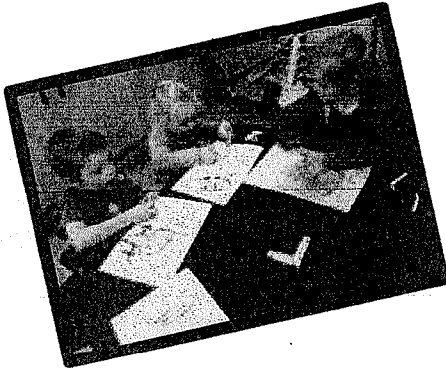
Room 1 (Year 6) have written to Councillor Rob McGuire with concerns over the lack of recreation or play areas for young teens in our community. The Yr 6 students are busy designing a scooter park for our school children to use and were questioning where they might skate after they leave our school. Our school scooter park will be too small and not challenging enough for young teens. It is time the council provided something to occupy these young people.

Dates for the Diary: Book Week 17 – 22nd August

Grandparents Day: 20th August

Step In: 26th August.

Pukeko Country Preschool



The children have really enjoyed themselves being back at Preschool, reconnecting with the teachers and rekindling friendships with the other children.

We have been very lucky with the mild start to winter, so there has been a lot of outdoor play still taking place. Our children are enjoying the sandpit, bikes, tractors, construction, painting, being very physically active and always finding ways to challenge their bodies.



About Pukeko Preschool

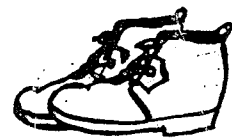
We are a small rural preschool situated next to Tauwhare School. We are open 7:30-5:30 and licensed for 30 children. Session times are 8:45-2:45 or choose your own hours for bookings over 6.5hrs. We welcome children from 5 months of age. Limited spaces are available call in and see us or contact us:

Ph 07 824 0860. Email pukekopreschool@xtra.co.nz
Web www.pukekopreschool.org.nz

Our whero room has been busy building relationships and creating a strong sense of belonging as we welcome some new infants into our Pukeko Preschool Family.

Pukeko Preschool will be holding their AGM on Tuesday 11th August 2020 at 7pm at 20 Scotsman Valley Road. All welcome.

NOTICES:



BE SAFE – BE SEEN

A local resident reports that people are walking in the dark without wearing fluoro clothing.

A visit to your local \$2 shop to buy a fluoro vest is a very reasonable investment in keeping yourself safe while walking, particularly at night.

FOUND: Sadly a cat (deceased) on SH26 has been found. It is long haired grey with white tum and legs, grey tail, no collar or microchip - please call 027 286 0120. In case the owner is found the vet has it in their freezer for a couple of weeks. It may be a stray, but if it was someone's pet and did have a home it was thought it was better than just burying it and the owners never knowing.

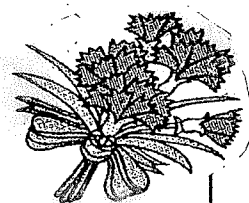
TAUWHARE GARDEN CLUB

[launched in late 2019]

Monthly meetings, garden visits, guest speakers and more.

Find us on Facebook – search for 'Tauwhare Garden Club' or contact Pippa on

0272935184 for details



TAUWHARE PLAYGROUP

Tauwhare Playgroup is back!

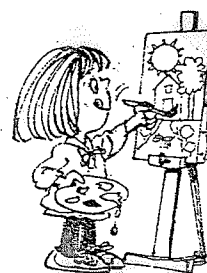
It is so lovely to see all the kids and the families back enjoying themselves.

Tauwhare playgroup is a friendly and fun group, where parents, grandparents, caregivers, children and babies meet together in a relaxed environment.

We meet at the Multipurpose Room at Tauwhare School between 9am-12 noon every Thursday during school term time.

A small plate of food for the children's shared morning tea would be appreciated; hot drinks for parents and caregivers provided .

For more information, follow us on Facebook to keep up-to-date with what is happening or email us tauwhareplaygroup@gmail.com



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The suburban Police Stations are now closed to the public so criminal activity should be reported by visiting the Hamilton Police Station in Bridge Street or by phoning them on 07 858 6200.

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Yes, we have a website and now you may also read and access our local history book, "*Eureka 1874 – 1984*" on this website.

LOCAL HISTORY

Copies of the 2004 "*School and District Jubilee*" booklet are readily available and are free. The booklet contains a synopsis of Eureka's history and development. Contact Gail for your copy. For a more detailed history please see above and read online.

GO BUS TIMETABLE

Leaves Morrinsville Mon-Friday at 7:30am, 10:00am and 4:35pm

Allow approximately 10 minutes to reach Eureka. Buses are scheduled to arrive in Hamilton approximately 20 minutes later.

Buses leave Hamilton Mon-Friday at 9:00am, 3:35pm and 5:15pm

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- Dep. Hamilton 8:30am, 1:30pm and 5:30pm
- Dep. Morrinsville 9:10am, 2:10pm, 6:05pm

Fares with BusIT Card (available from driver or Transport Centre)

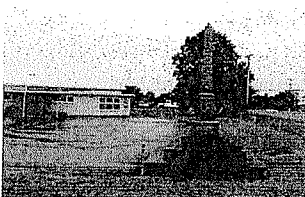
Card costs \$15.00

- Adults \$4.10; Child \$2.10

Cash fares

- Adults \$5.90; Child \$2.90

EUREKA HALL



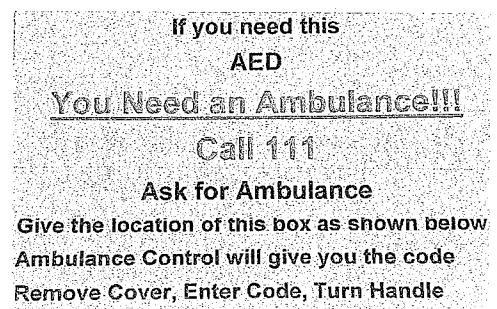
Your local hall, the Eureka Community Centre as it is officially known, is always available for hire and you are encouraged to use it for meetings, functions - including weddings, birthday or anniversary celebrations, luncheons, dinners or any other gathering you may be considering.

For bookings and hireage costs please phone Gail Mayall 8241 758

AED (Automated External Defibrillator)

An AED is situated at Eureka Hall. **In case of an emergency phone 111 for an ambulance and ask for the code to open the AED box.**

The instructions for use are inside.



TAUWHARE INDOOR BOWLING CLUB

Welcome to June's club newsletter.

GREAT NEWS – Some sort of normality has returned and we are back playing bowls.

As we are now having a much reduced season we will only be playing bowls at Tauwhare and not visiting other clubs. We will be having our championship evenings but all the other nights will be club nights which are also fun nights.

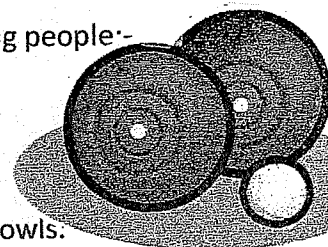
It is great to see members that used to play at Tauwhare return. They certainly have not lost their touch and have played some outstanding bowls. Maybe some other members that used to play bowls would like to return to have a catch up with current members and a fun night.

If you have not played bowls before but would love to give it a go then come along to the Tauwhare hall on a Thursday evening. We have people within the club that can explain how the game is played. We start at 7.30pm but names need to be in by 7.25pm

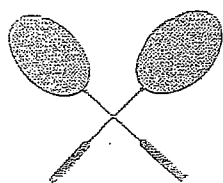
It is never too late in the season to come along and give bowls a try.

If you would like more information then do not hesitate to contact one of the following people:-

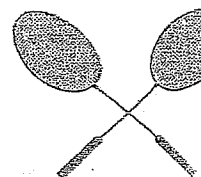
Jim and Rosalie Arnold	07 887 4832
Bev Meads	021 172 7822
Kevin Williams	07 824 0728



Look forward to seeing you very soon for a fun season (or what's left of it) of indoor bowls.



EUREKA BADMINTON CLUB



Junior News

Junior Badminton is underway at Matangi Hall.

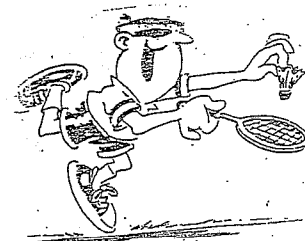
Wednesday nights 6 – 7.30pm

New Players always welcome. Racquets available.

From about 8 years upwards.

Come along and give it a try.

For further information please phone Bryce 8240699



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WEDNESDAY 1st JULY 2020

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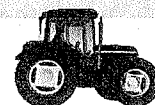
Golfers and Non Golfers Welcome

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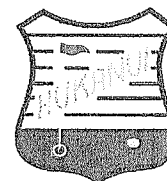
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How to learn computers “real good”

To whom it may concern; may it be known that I am not a people person – in fact, I'm not even really a “person” person. And sometimes I'm not sure I'm a person. But that's a tale for another time.

There are, however, those who enjoy working with others to achieve goals, and those are really the sort of people you should be looking for when you want someone to train you – rather than my beady eyes examining your every mouse movement and silently judging it.

(Note: this is not really true – I'm not really interested in mouse movements, I'm interested in whether or not you remembered to backup your data, and record your passwords. I am *really* good at being judgemental about those things!)

Anyway, thought I'd rattle off some organisations, people and websites that're good for those wanting to up their ante in terms of computer skillage. Local to Matangi there's our in-home trainer, Heather Wickham (catchuptraining.co.nz), who will quite happily invade your premises to teach you things, if you like. If you'd prefer off-site, there's a few more options:

- Ace Computer Training (ace.co.nz) have courses on a variety of common software packages and operating systems, with skill ranges from beginner to advanced.
- If you're an oldie, a good option is Hamilton Seniornet (hamseniornet.org.nz), who largely teach the basics of use and programs for Windows 7 and Windows 10.
- For – very specifically – Microsoft Excel training, there's Able Owl (ableowl.com), who train beginners to experts in the ways of Microsoft-centric spreadsheets.
- And lastly, for those who'd rather save their money, there's free computer training available through the Wintec Basic Computing program:

[wintec.ac.nz/study-at-wintec/courses/information-technology/basic-computing-\(space\)](http://wintec.ac.nz/study-at-wintec/courses/information-technology/basic-computing-(space))

Yes, that's actually a real web address which has parentheses in it and the word 'space' in between them. I'm as surprised as you are. And bewildered that they thought that was, in any way shape or form, a good idea.

Finally, here's a few online resources for those who just want to look stuff up for themselves:

- wikihow.com – Online resource with specific guides for a variety of activities.
- stackoverflow.com – A largely computer-centric technical resource in a specific question-and-answer format.
- snopes.com – A myth-busting site, largely for figuring out whether or not that dubious meme your aunty posted is true.
- google.co.nz – For everything else.

Do you need something that very specifically *isn't* computer training?

Email Matt on info@homepcsupport.co.nz or phone **0211348576**.

\$60 per hour with no callout fee. \$50 for drop-off-to-workshop services.



Bentley Home PC Support

How to ruin your computer

Do you like your computer? Do you not want to see it ruined? Then this article isn't for you. Please only continue if you truly and really want to destroy your computing experience. I warned you!

1. Vacuum your computer. As you may know, computers don't like static electricity much. Even the smallest amount is enough to fry a ram chip or a motherboard. So, vacuum that computer! Vacuum cleaners build up lots of lovely static charge that can instantly be transferred into your motherboard if you get a bit too close. It'll be fried in no time!

2. Speaking of which, I take it you don't like your data either? Well look no further. Not backing up your data into an external location like a plug-in hard drive means that eventually you're sure to lose it! All hard drives fail eventually, so really it's only a matter of time.

3. It's also only a matter of time before your computer fails, or something goes wrong with it and you end up having to go to a new setup and logging back into your accounts on facebook, trademe and email again. But you can't do that if you don't write down your passwords! Better yet, set up 2-factor authentication with a phone number which you later don't have access to. Then you'll never be able to reset them! Losing access to all your contacts and emails is so hilarious, you'll be laughing all the way to the bank – particularly if a hacker took over your account and then they use that access to pry their way into your other services.

4. Some of those criminals also make infected software and put it on the web. So make sure to download all the useful apps you can from just a bunch of random websites and then install them all on your computer. It's the best way to make friends with the denizens of the online underworld. Everybody likes having more friends!

5. Those bottom-dwellers are also constantly searching for holes in the security of your operating system and hardware, then searching the web for computers which aren't protected against such attacks. But your clever operating system is constantly being updated to ward off such attacks – not if you don't let it though! Never restart or shut down your computer, and then those important security updates have no way to ward off your new internet friends.

6. Operating system updates are not to be confused with bits of software you can download called 'driver updaters' or 'driver installers' or similar – by and large these are nefarious backdoors for scammers and marketers to either steal your details or get you to buy something. Even when they are legitimate, often they install the wrong driver for your hardware, disabling or otherwise messing with your computing experience. So of course, install them all! The more the merrier.

Now that you know how to really, fully ruin your computer and your computing experience, get to it! And if all of the above fails, I suggest a large hammer, or perhaps a big glass of water. Maybe even some icecream. Get creative!

ps. In all seriousness folks, be careful. Since the lockdown began worldwide there has been a substantial increase in scams in New Zealand, over social media, email and phone. Think twice. If it looks too good to be true, or even a little bit dodgy; it probably is. Also, while we're in Level 2 I'm continuing to do my 'pandemic discount', where dropping your computer into the workshop instead of me coming out to see you, nets you a whopping \$10 off per hour.

Have you ruined your computer? Would you like it un-ruined?
Email Matt on info@homepcsupport.co.nz or phone **0211348576**.
\$60 per hour with no callout fee. \$50 for drop-off-to-workshop services.



Bentley Home PC Support



CO Comment for Eureka Express:

At the start of March this year I took over the role of DairyNZ Consulting Officer for the Hamilton area. With Covid-19 putting a handbrake on things, I'm looking forward to getting out and meeting the farmers of Eureka!

Walking through the paddocks now, the horrendously dry summer seems like a distant memory. Average pasture covers have bounced back, and most people are reaching and/or exceeding 1st June cover targets of 2300-2400kgDM/ha+. With good rain and warm soil temperatures (10-12°C) the mild winter means we are still seeing pasture growth rates exceeding 30kgDM/ha/day. With earlier than planned dry off's for many, body condition score targets are being met earlier than expected.

While the kind weather has been a relief there's a few things to be wary of going into spring:

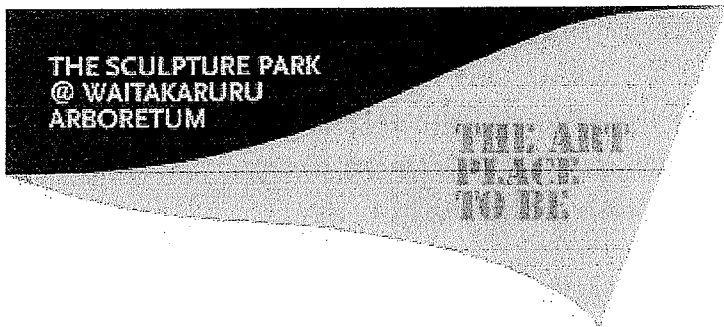
- **Too much grass:** Is there such a thing?! Avoid over-allocating grass because there's plenty of it. Hitting residuals through spring where possible will help maintain quality once the grass takes off. Following your SRP and assessing along the way whether you need to speed up or slow down the round will be key.
- **Too fat cows:** The risk of cows going into ketosis and going down with milk fever is twice as likely when they are at a BCS of 5.5-6.0+. Allocating feed based on requirements (maintenance and pregnancy only if at target), where practical running mob(s) based on their feed requirement. If at or above BCS targets, feed springers 90% of their energy requirements during the last 2-3 weeks pre-calving. Minerals (magnesium and calcium) will be important as usual.

With increasing covers it could be a good time to revise feed budgets and spring rotation planners before calving is upon us. If you are wanting me to go through these with you and your team or just review it – please don't hesitate to get in touch!

Until next Month....



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Native Tree Identity

All 2400 NZ native trees have arrived ready for planting up on the south-eastern slope of the harvested pine area. They will be planted within the next few weeks. As there are around 40 species, we thought it would be good to plant an example of each in a more accessible location. We've chosen an area where there is already a backdrop of native trees planted over the last 29 years. Wintec horticulture students got stuck in last Wednesday to plant them all in one day. We would welcome any ideas you have for this ID area. It will be another feature for the school and gardening groups who come to visit the park.



Asian Forest Planting

The trees and shrubs for the Asian area have started to arrive. As many are bare-rooted, they will need to be tagged and healed-in temporarily, ready to be planted. The design includes clusters of more than 90 species of trees and shrubs so we have had to coding devise system for making sure they get into the right places. More than likely the actual planting itself won't start until July. Some visitors to the park wander into that area to get a feel for its future.

Educational materials revamp

We have some great educational materials available for families and school groups here and on the website. Sybille Schlumbom prepared many of these when she worked here. She is helping us to bring these tutorials up-to-date. It is really important for the future of the park to get more school groups coming out for visits and using the park to its full potential. We hope to gift a trial with the new tutorials to a low-decile school by late August.

John & Dorothy Wakeling
www.sculpturepark.co.nz

10 ways to reduce your household waste



Reducing the amount of waste your household creates is a great way to make a positive difference for our environment. The best place to start is by looking at what you buy, as anything you bring into your home is something that you may need to dispose of eventually. Composting, reusing, recycling, and refusing items all helps to reduce household waste too.

Here are my top ten ways to reduce your household waste:

1. Choose products with minimal packaging

More and more companies are introducing home compostable 'plastic' packaging now. However, there are other ways to reduce the packaging you end up with:

- Use reusable bags for fruit and veges.
- Use reusable containers for deli items.
- Shop at bulk stores or use the bulk bins at supermarkets - you could use your own containers, jars, or bags.
- Choose products in recyclable glass jars and bottles, tins, cardboard or paper instead of in plastic packaging.

2. Compost

Composting is one of the best ways to remove food waste from your kitchen bin.

We have a compost caddy in a kitchen cupboard, which we use for non-meat food scraps, fruit and vegetable leftovers like peel and cores, and some paper and cardboard too. These all go into the garden compost bins - I will write a post about composting shortly, as it can be easy to set up, and not much of a hassle to get it working well.

We also keep chickens, who eat meat and dairy food leftovers. They will also eat fruit and vegetable scraps too, so they are a good alternative to a compost bin. Plus you get the bonus of fresh eggs!

3. Recycle well

Make the most of your council recycling service. Check your local council's website for details of what they collect, and only put those types of recycling in there - try not to 'wish cycle':

Wish-cycling is the practice of tossing questionable items in the recycling bin, hoping they can be recycled. As much as we may want to reduce waste and recycle as much as we can, wish-cycling is a real threat to the success of curbside recycling programmes.

4. Get into the second hand market – both buying and donating or selling

I love finding a pre-loved item that I need (or sometimes just want). Op Shops are a win-win to me, as you can find great quality items at a lower price than brand new, plus you support a charity at the same time.

5. Use reusables – water bottle, coffee cup, containers for takeaways

Instead of buying a new bottle of water in a plastic bottle each time you need a drink, reusing a bottle is a much better option for the environment and for your finances.

Many people are lucky to have safe to drink water straight from the tap. At my house, we are on rainwater tanks, so we filter our water before it gets to our kitchen tap. It tastes great, so maybe try a water filter if you are not satisfied with the taste of your home tap water.

6. Make the most of leftovers

Instead of throwing away leftovers from dinner, you can use them in these ways:

- An easy lunch the next day – I divide out a lunch sized portion before I dish up dinner.
- Pop them in the freezer in containers for a ready meal style dinner another time (remember to label them!).
- Make a double amount of dinner one night, and have it for two nights running (this may be a talking point, as I know many people don't like to eat the same meal two nights in a row).

7. Swap plastic wrap for containers, beeswax wraps or simply use a bowl with a plate on top

Ditch the cling film!

You could save food in containers, use beeswax or elasticated 'shower cap' type food covers. Or just pop a plate over the top of a bowl to go into the fridge.

8. Put a 'no junk mail' sticker on your mailbox, and sign up for emailed bank statements, newsletters, etc

I put up a 'No Junk Mail' sticker a year ago, and I haven't missed the advertising flyers at all.

Sign up for emails from companies you want to hear from, and you can also get bank statements online too. It saves time in sorting out junk mail too.

9. Make cleaning products at home, instead of buying a range of commercial cleaning products. Vinegar and baking soda can be used in place of many shop bought cleaners.

I use vinegar and baking soda in place of many shop bought cleaners. Baking soda in particular is an excellent cleaner, but it can be a bit abrasive, so test it out on a small area of whatever you are cleaning first, to make sure it doesn't scratch the surface.

I use baking soda to clean the toilet, bath, shower, and sinks. I use vinegar to wash the windows (when I actually get round to washing windows).

10. Find ways to recycle things that are usually hard to recycle.

I collect the following items for these schemes:

1. Terracycle – there are collection schemes for toothpaste tubes / toothbrushes / other oral care products, pens, and other waste such as yoghurt suckies and coffee capsules. Find a collection point near you at https://www.terracycle.com/en-NZ/about-terracycle/drop_off_locations
2. Breadtags for Wheelchairs – I collect these on behalf of my local community, and drop them off at a collection point near me. Find out more at their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/nzbreadtags/>

Other waste streams:

3. E-waste can be recycled at various places – search online for e-waste recyclers in your area.
4. Unused paint can be dropped off to some Resene stores as part of their Paintwise scheme – see <https://www.resene.co.nz/paintwise.php>
5. Plasback recycles farm plastic including bale wrap and some containers – see <https://plasback.co.nz/what-can-be-recycled/>

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NEWS FROM YOUR WAIKATO DISTRICT COUNCILLOR – 24 JUNE 2020

Another month nearly over – it is very hard to believe we are half way through the year. Covid lock-downs have kept us close to home during the months of lovely weather but it was worth the sacrifice and I am very grateful for the freedom of movement New Zealanders are now enjoying compared to the rest of the world. It is cold and wet as I write this newsletter; very different from a 22 degree day on Monday.

Council meetings are back to normal and we have returned to Ngaruawahia for most meetings with Zoom still being used for short meetings and some workshops. Our staff continue to work in off-site/on-site shifts.

A large proportion of the phone calls and emails I receive from residents of Eureka Ward are **about road safety and road maintenance**. Many districts, including those in Eureka Ward, are located on what was called the Piako Swamp – the Waikato region contains about half of New Zealand's peatland. Many of our roads are therefore built on peat and clay. Prolonged dry periods over the last decade have played havoc with our roading infrastructure as the peat contracts, causing roads to slump, rut or crack, often with little or no warning. Our roading contractors can patch up dangerous cracks or pot holes but to give a long term fix they have to strengthen, reshape and re-lay the road. We monitor our roads on a regular basis and put warning signage and speed restrictions in place if there are safety issues. If you note any roading problems in your area please go online to Council's website and lodge a request to have the problem fixed. If it is urgent phone Council or contact me.

An inorganic rubbish collection will start in July. The collection will start in the central/southern area a weekly basis, determined by the day you usually get your rubbish collected.

- Mondays – starts from 6 July
- Tuesdays – starts from 13 July
- Wednesdays starts from 20 July
- Thursdays – starts from 3 August
- Fridays – starts from 10 August

Your pile of rubbish must be less than two metres long, no more than one metre wide and one metre high. Please don't put out your rubbish until the day before your week of collection. A full list of what can be included is on Council's website or phone me if you need information.

As mentioned in previous newsletters, we have moved our **newsletter online** so *The Link* will no longer be delivered to your mailbox. To subscribe to the newsletter to get our latest news and service changes go to:- www.waikatodistrict.govt.nz and fill in your details.

Council has adopted its **Growth and Economic Development Strategy**. A recent press release read:- "*Titled Waikato 2070 the purpose of the strategy is to guide growth and development in the district over the next 50 years. Waikato 2070 is unique because it takes a joined-up approach to future growth and investment in the Waikato district. It combines economic and community development with future land use and infrastructure planning. It informs our rural and urban communities, businesses, investors, iwi, Government, neighbouring local authorities and Council itself on where growth in the district will be in the years ahead. While enabling growth, Waikato 2070 also aims to protect things like high class soils....*" *The strategy document can be found at <https://waikatodistrict.govt.nz/your-council/plans-policies-and-bylaws/strategies>*

Throughout April and May Council undertook a **survey of 800 households and businesses** and together with sources from the Ministry of Social Development, NZ Police, Infometrics and our own data were able to gauge the impact of Covid-19 lockdown on Waikato District businesses and the community. The Mayor wrote "*We know that the effects of Covid-19 and the resulting lockdown, has touched all parts of the district and economy. This is why it was important for Council to not only provide a vital Civil Defence and essential service role during the pandemic, but to get out there and speak with our communities about how they are doing. With this important knowledge we will be in a better position to support and help the district through the recovery phase of Covid-19*".

Survey data showed that:- 83% of businesses accessed the wage subsidy; 90% of businesses reported that they were in "okay" or better health pre lockdown; effects of drought, commodity prices and export hurdles have negatively impacted the agriculture, forestry and fisheries sectors; Job Seeker benefit numbers have grown by 25% - compared to other local authorities Waikato district is in the middle of the pack; 47% of new "job seekers" are first time beneficiaries showing different types of workers have been affected; crime rates are increasing; building consent numbers (construction activity) for the first quarter of 2020 remain strong relative to previous periods, however resource consents in the district have been gradually falling since a peak in mid 2018. The Council intends to do this survey again soon. Our analysts acknowledge that the effects of the pandemic are likely to come in waves over the next 12-24 months as the various sectors of the economy are impacted differently..

Rob McGuire – Councillor Eureka Ward

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The Kitchen Lady

Hi everyone, we are Renee and Joanne Mouat, mother and daughter duo and owners of The Kitchen Lady.

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Joanne, who is based in Tauranga, has many years' experience in the kitchen design industry and is constantly upskilling to keep up-to-date with different trends, technologies and the many quality products available. Our factory, also based in Tauranga, has state of the art machinery and our team of experienced joiners ensure your kitchen is created with the highest quality and care.

Renee, a Eureka local, was bitten with the design bug while leading the design and renovation of her family home. Renee came on board at The Kitchen Lady after having her son and is now completing an interior design course and learning the kitchen design ropes. With an eye on the big picture, Renee is gaining momentum and helping to grow The Kitchen Lady.

After working with a growing number of clients in the Waikato, The Kitchen Lady expanded to include an office on Renee's property establishing the start of a Waikato hub.

So, if you are thinking of renovating or looking into a new build, give Renee and Joanne a call, we come to you.

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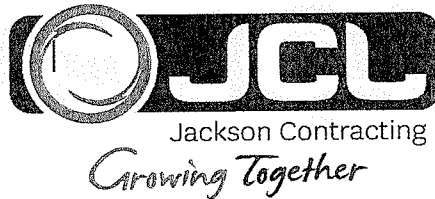
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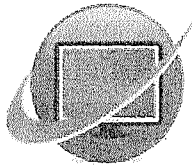
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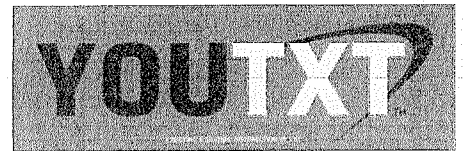


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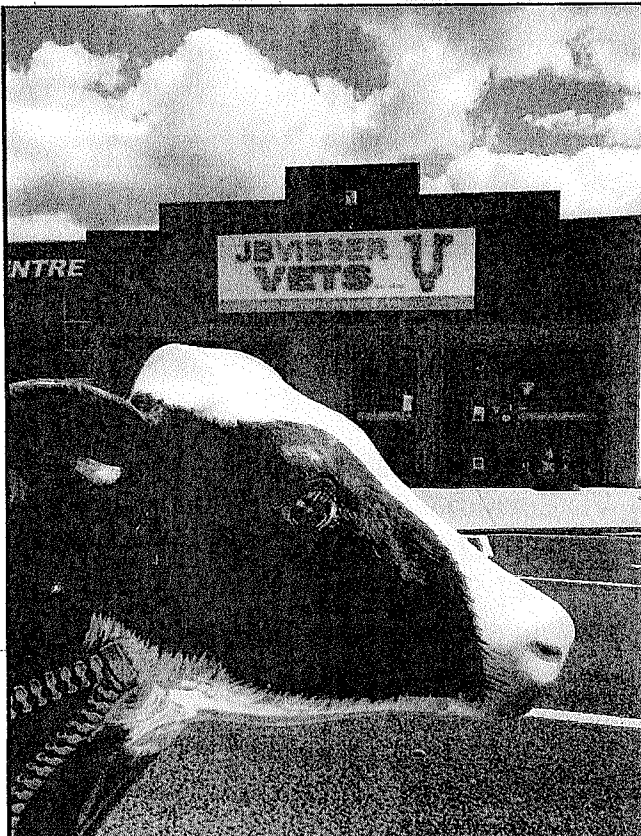
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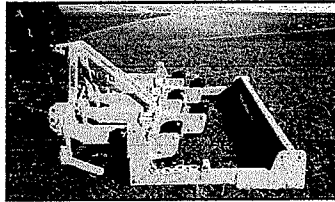
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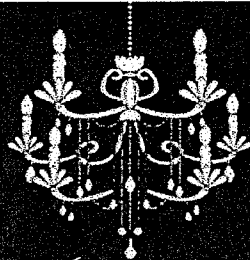
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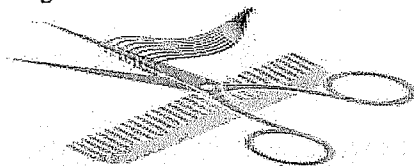
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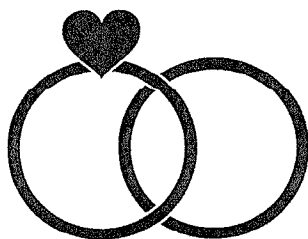
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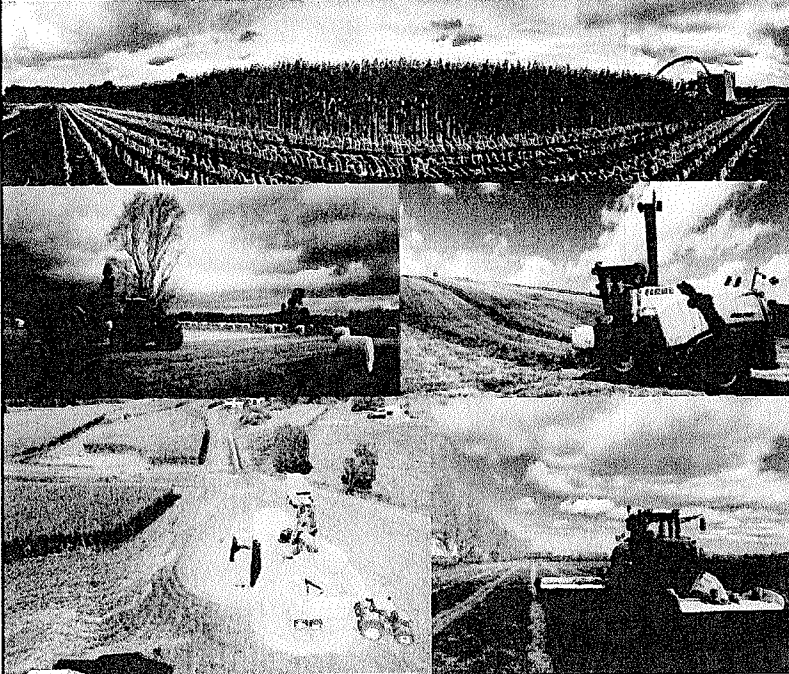
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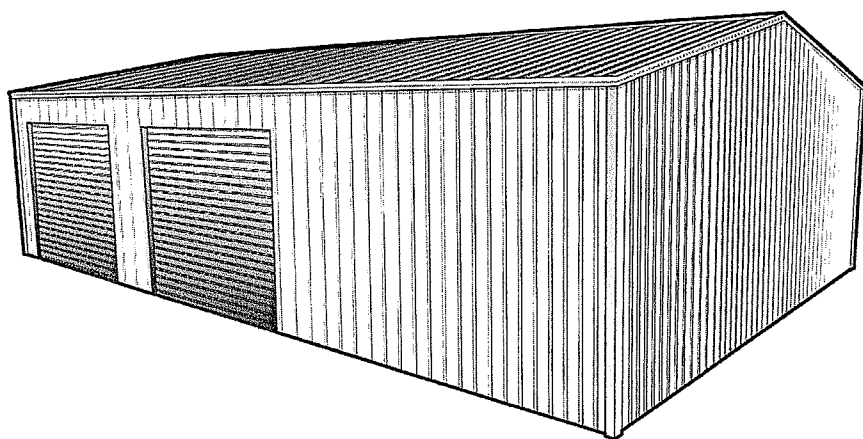
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The classic rectangular shed - from workshop to factory, as big as you like.



TESTIMONIAL

"The shed is great and went up like a dream! The crew was brilliant - thorough, really careful and fast. They did a great job and there were no problems at all. It's a really professional outfit with a great team."

- Rex Ferrall, Kinloch Mechanical Services, Taupo

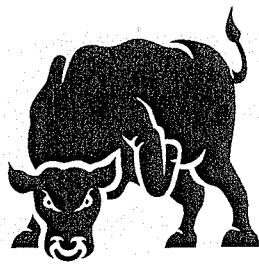
THE PRICE EXAMPLES FOR SHED KITS SHOWN BELOW ARE TO GIVE YOU A FEEL FOR COST.

Contact us to discuss your requirements and we'll price it for you.

SIZE: (span x length x stud height)	ZINCALUME	COLOURSTEEL
8 x 10.5 x 3 (2.5h x 2.75w Roller Doors)	\$15,215 +gst \$17,497 incl	\$16,770 +gst \$19,286 incl
9 x 15 x 3.5 (3.0h x 3.0w Roller Doors)	\$22,325 +gst \$25,674 incl	\$24,680 +gst \$28,382 incl
12 x 15 x 4 (3.1h x 3.0w Roller Doors)	\$28,270 +gst \$32,511 incl	\$30,950 +gst \$35,593 incl
12 x 20 x 4 (3.1h x 3.0w Roller Doors)	\$32,830 +gst \$37,755 incl	\$35,955 +gst \$41,348 incl

Disclaimer: The above prices are valid at the time of printing and are subject to change with individual site conditions, please check our website for latest pricing (www.nobullsheds.co.nz). *Cost of roller door delivery subject to location. E. & O.E.

Delivery to nearest national freight depot included*



NO BULL SHEDS®

About NO BULL SHEDS

NO BULL SHEDS was created by the **Waikato Shed Company** ✓✓ who have been supplying and building sheds around the greater Waikato and beyond since 2005.

Every shed built by Waikato Sheds has been custom designed with some containing quality extras like Aluminium Joinery, Vermin Flashings, Bird Brushes etc. and to date the same shed design has not been repeated.

NO BULL SHEDS has been developed with the help of the Waikato Sheds Team, who are passionate about good quality sheds, to provide the same quality base components and design capability with a No Frills approach.

Now, customers can get top quality shed pack systems at the lowest possible prices without cutting corners.

The aim is to make the whole process as simple as possible.

NO BULL SHEDS is a 100% Kiwi owned and operated company and is an authorised distributor of the proven Fair Dinkum Sheds Group.

NO BULL SHEDS Provides

- 4 basic and popular shed styles to get started
- Price examples for shed packs with 2 - 3 sizes for each style
- The ability to customise the shed to suit your needs
- A basic shed layout is provided as a starting point to assist you to determine your requirements



Real Sheds - Real Value.

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