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THE HISTORY OF THE HOT CROSS BUN

The tradition of eating sweet buns in spring is often claimed to entirely predate Christian times, which will make sense to anyone who has spent time in the UK in February. Winter in Britain is hard and miserable enough in the twenty-first century when we have central heating and Netflix, let alone thousands of years ago. Many books on the history of Easter or British baking will confidently explain that the first springtime spiced buns were offered to the Anglo-Saxon goddess Eostre as a tribute and explain that her name is also the etymology of Easter. The problem with this very believable story is that the only historical source which references Eostre being Easter's namesake is the writing of a single eighth century monk. Some sceptical historians think the whole story could be too convenient to be true, and it seems more likely that the buns are a much more modern invention.

But while hot cross buns aren't necessarily quite as ancient as the Romans, they've certainly been eaten in the UK for centuries. The song 'One a penny, two a penny' alone dates to the mid 1700s. And while many Christian countries, as mentioned above, have enriched buns, one of the unusual features of hot cross buns is their eponymous cross. Modern hot cross buns have crosses made from everything you can think of – chocolate, icing, pastry or simply a flour and water paste. But originally the buns had quite a different design. They were scored with a knife to give the distinctive cross, so that they had a split top more like a soda bread.

It is this split-top version that is served at St. Albans cathedral, who also claim to have played a role in the invention of the hot cross bun. The story goes that in the fourteenth century a monk made buns closely resembling hot cross buns to distribute to the poor. However, the classicist Peter Gainsford cast some doubt on this story, after he tracked down the original version of the story in a 1850 advert for a London bakery. The bakery claims to serve buns made from the monk's ancient, secret recipe. However, the fourteenth century Book of St. Albans – allegedly the source of the bun recipe – contained no such thing. So, the search for the original hot cross bun continues.

As far back as we can trace hot cross buns however, they have been massively popular. Stories abound about bakeries being harangued by enormous crowds when their buns went on sale. Hawkers sang their now-famous song throughout the streets, and sold buns from dawn till dusk. The Chelsea Bun House was a particularly popular place to buy the buns, and is said to have been mobbed by poorly-behaved bun lovers in 1792 to such a degree that the owners somewhat sulkily refused to sell hot cross buns the following year.

In the Elizabethan Era the monarchy attempted in vain to keep a lid on spiced bun mania. In Elizabeth David's English Bread and Yeast Cookery she explains that in 1592 the London Clerk of the Markets banned the selling of spiced buns except on Good Friday, Christmas and funerals. However, the ban didn't last long and by the early seventeeth century buns were available throughout the Easter period once again.

But while Easter hot cross buns have never gone out of style, they have adapted to the times. Using Doves Farm's organic flours is a great way to give hot cross bun recipes a modern twist, like our caramelised apple and cinnamon hot cross buns with a ginger syrup glaze, which uses white spelt flour from Doves Farm. More classic buns can also be given a healthier twist by substituting some plain flour for nutty Doves Farm oat flour, or you can boost the nutrition of a hot cross-bun brownie with some Doves Farm wholemeal rye flour, which pairs beautifully with cocoa. We also have a recipe for a glutenfree hot cross bun, which uses a combination of gluten-free flour and buckwheat flour.

Wherever they came from – and whatever they evolve into in the future – it seems likely that hot cross buns will stick around. They've stood the test of time, and we hope you'll find the perfect hot cross bun for you.

WELCOME

A belated welcome to new residents on Eureka Road - Stella Gong and Daniel Tsai and their 3 sons, Samuel Cai (14), Shawn Cai (8) and Ryan Gong (7).

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JP. Kevin Deane Please call or text to arrange an appointment. Kevin Deane JP m 021 281 0068, Kevin is located in Eureka.

DONATIONS ACCEPTED.

We are all aware that the cost of everything is going up all the time. The printing of the Express is also costing more. If you would like to make a small donation, we would be very grateful. We will send you a receipt for your donation so please put your name as a reference. Our bank account number is 03-1559-0042660-00. The name of the account is Eureka Express. We would also like to thank everyone who puts their loose change in the box at the Gull Station, all donations are gratefully received and help towards the rising costs.



EASTER COLOURING COMPETITION 2024 RESULTS

Preschool:

1st Chloe Bartlett, 2nd Ronan McMillan

Juniors:

1st Una van de Pas, 2nd Gia Redgate, 3rd Paul Czyz, 4th Evelyn King

Commended: Annabelle Boe-Stevens, Kayleigh Thompson, Ella Bartlett

Intermediate: 1st Leo Redgate, 2nd Charli Carroll,

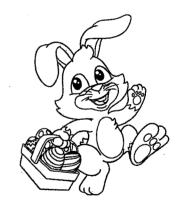
3rd Vivienne King, 4th Dinah van de Pas

Commended: Ava Thompson, Shawn Cai

Senior: 1st Reid Carroll, 2nd Alila Jones

The judges were once again most impressed with the high standard of all lovely entries. Congratulations to you all. We hope you have a Happy

Easter.



| Weather for Feb 2024 | | |
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| Rainfall total | 73 mm | |
| Rain Total for year | 159 mm | |
| Rainy days | 7 | |
| Most daily rainfall | 27 mm | 3 rd Feb |
| Highest wind speed | 58 km/hr | 3 rd Feb |
| Temp high | 28.8°C | 6 th Feb |
| Temp low | 7.6°C | 12 th Feb |

EUREKA EXPRESS AGM AT THE HALL 8 APRIL 2024 7.30PM

Come along and meet the committee, have a cuppa after the short meeting.

No pressure to join the committee, just come along and show your support.

Classified Advert

Part Time Bar Person

Hukanui Golf Club is looking for a person to work part time in our clubhouse at Gordonton. We have a 9/18 Hole Golf Course and 18 holes of Footgolf. We cater to various ages.

Hours: Every alternate weekend Saturday's & Sunday's 9am - 5.30pm (Fortnightly)

Can vary depending on weather and number of players.

Every Wednesday over daylight saving 3-9pm (October-April)

Extra hours maybe required to help with Golf Tournaments and functions.

Role: Working in the bar and preparing Club Day food.

Bar work experience would be an advantage, though training will be given to the suitable applicant. A person who has played golf would be an advantage.

For more information or enquiries please contact:

Debbie at Hukanui Golf Club, 1550 Gordonton Road, RD 1 Taupiri Phone: 824 3784

Please email CV and cover letter to: hukanuigolf@xtra.co.nz

Subscription services: The grift that keeps on grifting

The modern software landscape, and even the hardware landscape, has been shifting toward subscription services for some time now, as opposed to the tried-and-true "one-off purchase" model we've had for the majority of software development's history. That is to say, instead of paying a set fee and then dealing with the consequences (and any outstanding bugs) until they put the next major version out, you pay a regular low fee, either monthly or yearly, and get the most recent version on your computer, at all times. This shifts the perception of software from something you own, to something which you are licensed to be able to use.

Software companies love this because it makes revenue reliable, which makes business planning solid. They also charge far more overall using this model than when they do one-off purchases. Unfortunately, there are little-to-no advantages for the consumer. Yes, you get an up-to-date version of the specific software all the time, but too often it feels like you're being used as a tester for not-quite-finished goods at a greater cost.

When software companies gave one-off purchases, it was easier to gauge the quality of the software - either it was buggy or it was fine, and if buggy, would get bad reviews or patch updates. But how does one review a product which is constantly changing? And subsequently how do we as consumers form an opinion on said software? Also, what happens when you don't have access to the internet? Or when the company goes under, and their activation servers with it? You're not so much buying a product as you are buying a service which lasts as long as the company stays alive. Not a great place to be in.

And now there are hardware companies trying to get in on the act. HP recently revealed they want to long-term shift 100% to a subscription-based service for their printers - ink delivery + customer support. At this point, if you don't use the cartridges within their predetermined lifetime for many HP printers, they expire even if they're full. Not a good look.

The best solution to the situation is to vote with your wallet and avoid subscription services entirely. Avoid HP, and avoid Microsoft Office if you can, but if you can't, buy their one-off licenses (dutifully absent from their website front pages, but still clearly available). Use competitor or open-source products where available or buy older licenses that don't force constant payment. Otherwise, the grifters keep on grifting.



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TAUWHARE SCHOOL

Term 1 - MARCH 2024

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TOP NEWS

Book Boomerang Box

Do you have books at home that could see a bit more love by our young readers?

Each class has a Book Boomerang Box where we have books given to us from families to provide reading for other children. These books live in the class with no issuing requirements attached to them. Students see a book they like, take that book to read either at school or home and replace it with a book they no longer are reading. We ask that the books are shared with the classroom teacher first, who will be the person to place the books into the Book Boomerang Box for the children to read. This is an amazing initiative for the school and one of the ways we are encouraging the love of reading.



Tauwhare Reading Culture

We have a special partnership this year with the National Library to further grow our library space and reading culture across the school. We prioritise our reading to support learners with having a love for reading alongside the skills and abilities to read with fluency and comprehension of toxt

Cluster and City Swimming

Our team represented Tauwhare, first at the Cluster Swimming, then the City Swimming this term. We had some stand out performances with many of our swimmers placing and coming first in their events. We love the opportunity to highlight our strong swimming programme at these events.

Science is Alive in Tauwhare

The House of Science Kits are bringing the world of science alive at





Pukeko Preschool Newsletter March 2024

Whanau Picnic Fun!

We had a fantastic turn out at our Whanau Picnic, everyone enjoyed the fun, the food and the friendship. We are so

pleased with how fun this event was and how many were able to make it. There was such a strong sense of kotahitanga (community, togetherness). It was so wonderful to see everyone getting to know each other, to see our tamariki proudly sharing their home away from home with their whanau, and to see the joy on everyone's faces.

We want to say a HUGE Thank You to our Board of Trustees for organising Sam and His Farmyard Friends, Palette Play - Face Painting and Mermaid Hair, and Mr Whippy! You can find them all on facebook, as well as their contact details below, if you want to contact them for your own events - we highly recommend them!

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Palette Play - Face Painting and Mermaid Hair: Paletteplaynz@gmail.com

Mr Whippy: mrwhippy.co.nc waikato@mrwhippy.co.nz 0275555271

And thank you to our Preschool Whanau, for making our Pukeko Country Preschool Community what it is! It is all of you who make this community a great one, so we thank you!







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HALL UPDATE

Hello to you all.

Next hall committee meeting is on Wed 3rd April at 7.30. Come along and meet us.

ANZAC DAY SERVICE

25TH APRIL 2024 EUREKA HALL 10.AM



Followed by morning tea at the hall. Please bring a plate and join us.

Contact Gayle Orr for any bookings or any other enquiries. 0272917150

| Usage | Residents | Non - Residents | |
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| Hall per day | \$ 50 | \$100 | |
| Social function | \$150 - \$300 | \$250 - \$500 | |
| Children's party | \$30 | \$75 | |
| Bond | \$400 Secretary's | \$500 Secretary's | |
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EUREKA EXPRESS - ADVERTISING RATES 2023

| Classified adverts Free | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| Small business advert x 10 inserti | ons \$10 per month | \$100 per year |
| Third of a page x 10 insertions | \$15 per month | \$150 per year |
| Half of a page x 10 insertions | \$20 per month | \$200 per year |

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NGĀ TAONGA TUKU ORANGA

Ruma Tüi

Room Tūī has been caring for the plants in our Trees for Survival area. These plants will be planted during our community planting day in June this year.









Ruma Piwakawaka

We were **reading** the story about the hole in the king's sock and discussed how the solutions the king thought of were going to work and fix the problem. We linked the story to our school values and noticed that he showed resilience by trying different techniques and even learning some new skills, knitting, to help him fix the problem. The students tried to be like the king, showing resilience.

For **maths** we also created our own patterned socks, using repeating patterns and colours. In our **writing** we had to use an apostrophe to show that the socks belonged to us.













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TAMAHERE-WOODLANDS COUNCILLORS' UPDATE MARCH 2024

District News

Long Term Plan deferred

Waikato District Council has decided to defer its next Long Term Plan (LTP) until 2025.

Using a one-off opportunity offered under legislation repealing the previous Government's Three Waters programme, the Council will switch to an 'enhanced Annual Plan' for public consultation for the 2024/25 financial year, followed by a nine-year LTP from 2025-2034.

A key consideration in this decision is to gain better certainty around the Government's next steps to implement its 'Local Water Done Well' programme. This will roll out in two Bills later this year, with the second one - providing for new types of structural and financing tools - not expected to be introduced to Parliament until December.

General rates increase of 13.75% proposed

To meet a range of increased costs including inflation, interest rates, increasing compliance requirements, and increasing asset maintenance costs, the Council's draft 2024-25 Annual Plan proposes a general rate increase of 13.75%.

This is a no frills budget and will only just allow the Council to continue to provide services at the same levels as previously.

Three years ago the last Council planned for inflation levels of 2-3%, but in practice costs for the Council have inflated at least 17% since then, with the current cost of civil construction being 26% higher than three years ago.



A series of planning workshops with community representatives has helped shape Council's views.

In order to keep general rates to the level being discussed, the Council has had to find about \$2m in operational efficiencies, and reduce expectations for our roading network with a budget which will afford only a small lift in resurfacing and rehabilitation work.

Annual Plan consultation

Consultation on the Annual Plan will take place from 25 March – 26 April and will include face-to-face meetings in every Ward.

Watch the Council website for more details: www.waikatodistrict.govt.nz/say-it

Hearings of submissions on the Annual Plan are scheduled for 14-17 May and deliberations scheduled for 4-8 June. Final adoption of the enhanced Annual Plan is scheduled for the Council meeting on 25 June.



Come and ask questions. Tell us what you think.

Advantages in deferring the LTP

Deferral of the LTP until next year confers several advantages including:

- More time to plan for a new era of water delivery after Watercare confirmed this month its withdrawal, as of June 2026, from a contract to operate the district's water, wastewater and stormwater services. This is disappointing since the Watercare contract offered benefits in service delivery, capital project delivery and procurement but it's also timely for us to consider a range of options for water service delivery post-June 2026, whether that be inhouse, a council-controlled organisation (CCO), or delivery by another authority or agency.
- Greater certainty around Waka Kotahi funding (expected to be confirmed in September).
 Waka Kotahi provides a 51% subsidy for our roading programme which uses about a third of our general rates income.
- Greater certainty for ratepayers on rating impacts when we consult on the LTP in 2025. A QV
 property revaluation currently underway is not due for delivery until May.

Local projects:

 Tauwhare sculpture blessing – More than 40 people turned up for the blessing of the iconic Tauwhare sculpture earlier this month outside the Tauwhare War Memorial Hall. It was an enjoyable and meaningful occasion. Thanks to artist Marti Wong for the design representing Tauwhare "house or place of rest" and Tauwhare Hall chair Lockie Verner for the construction. Thanks also to Te Mape Haimona for leading the blessing.



Waste minimisation fund

Applications for Council funding for waste minimisation projects are welcome from now until Friday 19 April. The goal is to encourage long-term waste minimisation action and behaviour change, ultimately reducing waste to landfill. The fund has \$50,000 to distribute through a single annual funding round, with up to \$10,000 (GST exclusive) available per project. Local businesses, schools, community groups and marae are all encouraged to consider applying. To check the fund guidelines or to make an application, go to the Council website and search for "waste minimisation fund".

Reminder: Keeping of animals bylaw

Share your ideas with the Council on the Keeping of Animals Bylaw before we revise it through a formal consultation process later this year. Early engagement is open until 31 March. This is the time to make your views clear. Go to www.waikatodistrict.govt.nz/say-it

Contact your Tamahere-Woodlands Councillors:



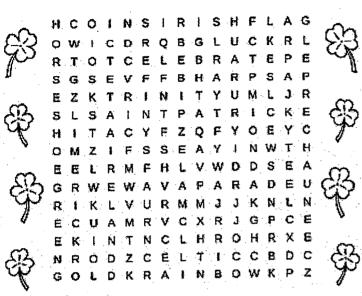


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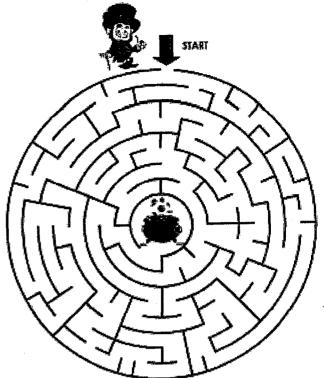


Happy St. Patrick's Day!

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Guide the Leprechaun to his pot of gold!



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St. Patrick's Day Word Scramble

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Ireland, green, Leprechaun, charm, rainbow, lucky, gold, clover, Saint, Patrick, Irish, holiday, limerick, pot of gold, parade, shamrock, wish

Cloud behind rainbow, Butterfly-small, butterflylarge, left tree missing, left rock now a flower, right flower missing, extra line at rim of pot, shamrock reversed, bottom left rock missing, bottom right extra rock

Find 10 differences.

Ladies a Plate

Berry Clafoutis

You can use any fruit, which can be tinned, frozen or fresh

3 cups of your favourite berries

4 eggs

1 cup sugar

1 cup milk

34 cup plain flour

1 tsp vanilla extract

Pinch of salt

Preheat oven to 170C

Grease a 25 cm ovenproof dish Scatter the berries into the prepared dish. In a separate bowl, beat the remaining ingredients until well combined, and then pour over the berries Bake for 45 minutes. Serve with ice-cream, whipped cream or yogurt

Gluten-free Raspberry, Almond and Coconut Loaf

1 cup Gluten- free plain Flour

2 tsp gluten-free baking powder

1 cup almond meal

¾ cup desiccated coconut

50g unsalted butter

2/3 cup caster sugar

2/3 cup milk

2 eggs lightly beaten

2 tsp finely grated lemon rind

1 cup frozen raspberries

2 thsp slivered almonds

Grease 12x12 loaf pan. Line base and sides with baking paper, extending paper 2 cm above pan edge. Sift flour and baking powder into a large bowl. Stir in almond meal and coconut. Make a well in the centre. Combine butter, sugar,



milk eggs and rind in a rug. Add to flour mixture. Stir until just combined. Add frozen raspberries. Fold in gently. Spoon mixture into pan Smooth over top. Sprinkle with slivered almonds. Cook in a moderate oven 180C for about 1 hour or until cooked when tested with a skewer. Stand loaf in a pan for 15mins

Turn out into a wire rack to cool. This can be made dairy free with olivani and soy milk



Gardening Tips

Seeds to sow- Broad Beans, Chinese Cabbages, Onions, Peas, Silverbeet, Sugar Snaps, Spring Swedes and Turnips.

-Aquilegia (Granny Bonnets), dianthus, penstemon, pansy, poppy, lupin, scabiosa, snapdragons, statice, stock, Sweet William, and sweet peas

Punnets/Seedlings to Plant- Broccoli, Brussels sprouts, Cabbages, Cauliflowers, Lettuces, Silverbeet, and Spinach

-Alyssum, aquilegia, calendula, cornflower, statice, stock, sweet peas

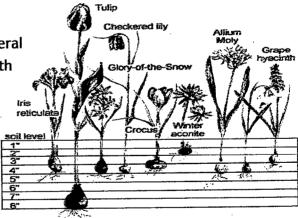
Refresh potting mix- Once summer crops have finish in pots, pull them out and refresh your potting mix before planting with cool season crops. Tip the old soil into a wheelbarrow, break up clumps and remove roots and weeds as many as you can and mix at least a third with new potting mix. Add some compost too. Refill pots, a scoop of slow release fertilizer helps also.

While the soil is still warm, adding mulch to garden beds at this time of the year can help retain some of that warmth as cooler weather sets in.

Now is a good time for building cold frames or erecting tunnel houses. Shift frost-tender plants in pots such as lemon grass and citrus indoor or under the protection of eaves

Plant spring flowering bulbs in autumn to early winter (before the end of May). The general guide for planting is to plant the bulb to a depth equal to 2 times the bulbs diameter.

For example- if a daffodil is 5cm in diameter the planting depth is 10 cm. Soak anemones and ranunculus over night before planting to rehydrate.



....FOE OR FRIEND...

Are ants living in your plant pots? Ants like dry conditions so it probably means your potting mix is dry. Regular watering will see them move out. However ants won't harm your plants. In fact they feed on the eggs of some pests and even help aerate the soil as they dig holes. This can reduce soil compaction and allow roots to easily absorb the nutrients.









Flystrike in sheep.

Flystrike is a serious problem and potential welfare issue in sheep that occurs when flies lay eggs on their fleece. The eggs hatch into maggots that feed on the sheep skin and cause pain, infection and sometimes death. Flystrike prevention is better than to cure.

Signs of Flystrike distress in sheep can include:

- 1. Isolation: Sheep may separate themselves from the flock and seek solitude.
- 2. Rubbing or Scratching: Infested sheep often rub against fences, trees, or other objects to relieve itching caused by the maggots.
- 3. **Biting or Nipping**: Sheep may bite or nip at their own skin in an attempt to remove the maggots and shake their tail.
- 4. **Stamping or Kicking**: Agitated sheep may stamp their feet or kick their hind legs as a response to discomfort
- 5. **Blackened Fleece**: Check the sheep's fleece. **Look for dark pigmented wool** or areas where the wool is falling out. This discoloration may result from skin damage caused by the maggots
- 6. Flies Buzzing Around: If you see flies buzzing around the animal, especially near the hindquarters or tail, it could indicate flystrike.

Here are steps to treat flystrike:

- 1. **Shearing**: If a sheep is affected by flystrike, **shearing** is essential. Removing the wool helps expose the affected areas and allows for better treatment.
- 2. **Isolation**: If only one sheep is affected, **isolate** it from the rest of the flock. This prevents the spread of maggots to other sheep.
- 3. **Physical Removal: Carefully remove** any maggots using tweezers or forceps. Be thorough to ensure no maggots are left behind.
- 4. Clean and Disinfect: Clean the affected area with diluted lodine to prevent infection. Disinfect any wounds or sores.
- 5. **Flystrike Dressing**: After removing the maggots, apply a **flystrike dressing** to prevent re-infestation.
- 6. **Daily Monitoring**: Examine the treated sheep daily to ensure flystrike does not recur.

Remember, consult with your veterinarian for personalized advice and treatment recommendations. Regular monitoring and preventive measures, such as **shearing**, **tail docking**, and maintaining good hygiene, can help reduce the risk of flystrike in sheep.

TAUWHARE INDOOR BOWLS NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the March newsletter from the Tauwhare Indoor Bowling Club.

For our bowling club to survive we would love to see some new members join the club. If you are new to the area, or never played bowls before but would like to give bowls a try then come along to the Tauwhare Hall on a Thursday evening. We would appreciate you being there by 7.20pm ready for a 7.30pm start. We have members within the club that are happy to introduce you to the game. We are a friendly, sociable club and there is always lots of laughter and banter. You do not need to bring anything along – just wear flat soled shoes. The evening usually finishes between 9.30 and 10pm.

We have had 2 club nights:-

07.03.24 Winner – Jim Arnold and Heather Bargh

Runner Up - Bev Meads and Adam McNickle

14.03.24 Winner – John Neal and Alison Neal

Runner Up -- Bev Meads, Heather Bargh and Trudy Pocock

Programme for the next few weeks:-

21.03.24 Patrons Night
28.03.24 Club Night
04.04.24 Club Night
11.04.24 Rinks Championship
18.04.24 Burnside Challenge
25.04.24 Club Night

Our aim going forward is to make bowls a fun social evening. If you would like more information please do not hesitate to contact one of the following people:-

Bev Meads 02

021 172 7822

Jim & Rosalie Arnold

07 887 4832

John Cottle

07 824 0992 or 027 524 0992

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Travel Thoughts by Edie Swney

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"The use of travelling is to regulate imagination by reality, and instead of thinking how things may be, to see them as they are."

- Samuel Johnson

Love this quote as it is a constant in my association with people. I am a traveller, and the thought of travelling has always been exciting. The comments that I come up against are "the world is not a good place to travel at the moment".

Saddens me to think this is a general train of thought as the world offers every possible dream come true. Whether you have always wanted to see a Grizzly bear in Canada, or a flamingo in Bonaire to a Spanish dancer in Spain, cruise the different waters by cruise ship or canal boat, cruise down the Murray River on a river boat. Do not be afraid to travel and follow your dreams and experience what beauty and fun and romance there is to be had.

On my wish list is to walk the Camino de Santiago trail, this is a pilgrim walk that can take weeks depends on where you begin, just walking sticks a backpack and good walking shoes is all you need, not only would this be so enlightening and good for the figure it would be a true feeling of achievement without all the trimmings.

Do not be afraid to travel no one is going to send you to the small parts of this large world where you are going to be in any conflict.

Travel I feel has expanded and there is so much more variety of tours, cruises, sports tours etc. I am hoping that the air lines will become a little more realistic with their airfares. There still seems to be some hesitation among them to be flying out of NZ which limits us to transit destinations. USA market has really opened with good air fares. Travel USA are very keen to get some Kiwis to visit that part of the world. USA travel destinations can be more than Disneyland or Universal studios. Take a train across the country from East to West or do the Route 66 on a Harley.

Pleases me to know that Kiwis are great travellers and that they leave a positive impression wherever they venture.

Ciao for now



WAIKATO

FARMERS DAY

WEDNESDAY 8TH MAY 2024

Come along for a day of fun with out local farming community

Golfers and Non Golfers Welcome

18 Holes – Teams of Four Players, Ambrose,
Registrations from 9.30am for 10.30am Shot Gun Start

Entry \$25.00 per person

ENTRIES CLOSE: THURSDAY 2nd MAY

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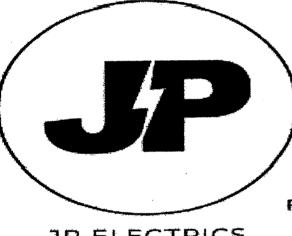
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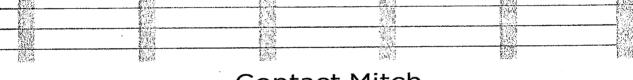
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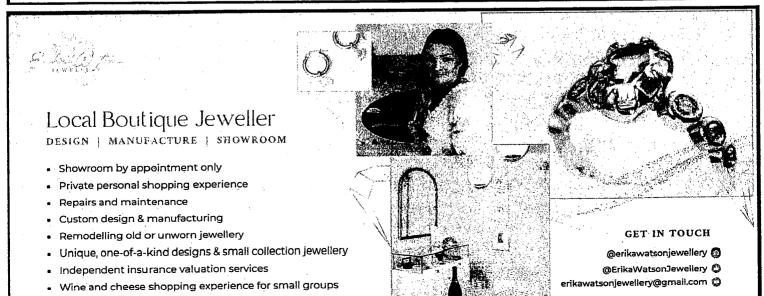
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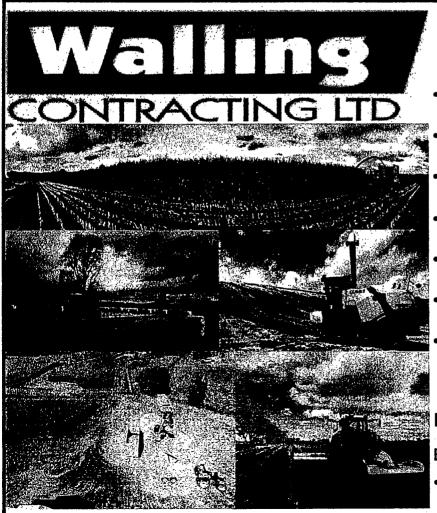
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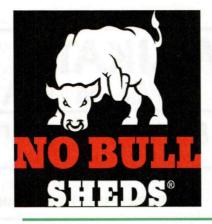
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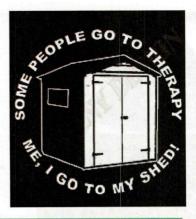
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