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Editorial

It was interesting to read the independent audit into the performance of our Council in relation to the repair contract for the clock tower, and into the earlier stages of the construction of our wastewater treatment ponds.

Some of the comments by the auditors, Calibre Consulting, were quite blunt as to where the mistakes were made, but as is the way these days, no one actually gets to take the blame. To my reading, the Council entrusted the oversight role to people who were not suitably qualified to handle projects of such magnitude and did not give them the necessary processes and procedures to manage the work flow.

The full report is available on the Council's website. Search for Audit and Risk Committee Meeting Agenda for 19 May 2022, item 6.

Oh for the days when councils retained their own chief engineer. The annual salary for such a person would have been well spent on these two projects alone.

But life goes on, and we have seen off the shortest day, so it's all freewheeling now into summer. Matariki celebrations helped lift the mood, next we have our Daffodil Festival. Before we know it, we'll be singing carols at our Santa Parade.

Let's not lose sight of the fact that we have a chance to elect our next Council in September/October. The current one has given us plenty of food for thought.

Paul Dykes, Editor

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Saturday Laughs

Top comedians grace our stage

After bringing the laughs to Wairarapa in February, the sell-out Saturday Laughs is back for round two with even more top Kiwi talent. This two-hour comedy showcase will have the Carterton Events Centre filled with laughter on 23 July.

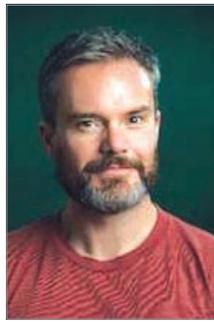
This night of comedy gold will be hosted by multi-award winning comedian, writer and one of the country's best MCs, Nick Rado. A Kiwi favourite, Nick is perhaps best known as a guest panellist and writer on over 250 episodes of 7 Days and has the chops to prove his talent, as the only comedian to win the NZ Comedy Guild Award for Best Comedy MC five times, as well as having won Best Male Comedian in 2019.

Headlining the night is a leading light of New Zealand comedy, Justine Smith. A regular face on New Zealand TV screens on 7 Days and The Project, she's also been on Funny Girls and Rhys Darby's Short Poppies. A winner of the prestigious Billy T Award and Best Female Comedian at the NZ Comedy Guild Awards, Justine is a powerhouse that must be seen.

Alongside Nick and Justine is the super-talented line-up of Aotearoa's best comedians from across the country, including Dave Wiggins. Originally from the US and now based in Whanganui, Dave is making his triumphant return to comedy after a 10-year break to deliver his unique energetic observational stand up.

Storyteller, director, blues singer-songwriter and of course comedian Sameena Zehra also joins the line-up, as well as award-winning Lesa Macleod-Whiting who won over audiences at the last Saturday Laughs, and Martinborough local and comedy newcomer Daniel Boerman.

Details at www.wellingtoncomedy.co.nz/



Nick Rado



Wairarapa Word

A morning with Mary Holm



Mary Holm

Personal finance author Mary Holm comes to Carterton on the morning of 4 August to meet the locals.

She will talk about how to make your money work in the real world of family complications, relationship issues, house price fluctuations, being braver in retirement, making the most of KiwiSaver, helping your children, and more. Come armed with questions.

Mary Holm, ONZM, has written seven books, including *Rich Enough? A laid-back guide for every Kiwi*, and her latest, *A Richer You – how to make the most of your money*. Both topped the NZ bestseller list.

She writes a personal finance Q&A column in the *Weekend Herald*, presents seminars, and regularly discusses personal finance with Jesse Mulligan on RNZ. She holds a BA in economic history, MA in journalism, and MBA in finance, and is a director of Financial Services Complaints Ltd (FSCL), and a former director of the FMA and the Banking Ombudsman Scheme. She lives by the sea near Auckland.

"A Morning with Mary Holm – Stories from a Financial Agony Aunt" is presented by Wairarapa Word, celebrating its 10th year of free monthly programmes, thanks to Almo's Books, Carterton Creative Communities and a team of volunteers.

A Morning with Mary Holm will be held at the Carterton Events Centre, on Thursday 4 August, doors open at 9.45am for a 10am start. Books by Mary Holm will be available for purchase and for signing. Entry by koha.

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Gardening guide

How does your garden grow?



My *Crier* articles generally cover the vegetable garden. But that's not where the action is until September at the earliest.

I went underground with garlic bulbs last *Crier*, and now it is time to go underground with tulip bulbs. Ideally, tulip bulbs will be spending time in the fridge or freezer for a couple more weeks. They like to think they are in a Holland winter.

There is nothing like a brown paper bag for nesting tulip bulbs, and if they are then planted out in a sunny and well-drained position, prepared with a scattering of garden fertiliser, there will be tulips bursting into flower in mid-October.

Crier herb of the month is thyme. Fresh thyme is commonly sold in bunches of sprigs, but is easily grown in small gardens, where they remain flavourful. Thyme retains its flavour on drying better than many other herbs.

Depending on how it is used in a dish, the whole sprig may be used (e.g., in a bouquet garni), or the leaves used and the stems discarded. Leaves may be removed from stems either by scraping with the back of a knife, or by pulling through the fingers or tines of a fork.

Don Farr



Waste not, want not

Get the most out of your vegetables – sometimes you can eat stems, stalks, roots, and all. It's sad to see the remains after a crop harvest left to wilt on the land. Appalling amounts of vegetables are wasted before they even get to the kitchen.

I have friends who go weekly to a supermarket to collect so-called greens offcuts – for pig food. Others kindly give me silver beet from their garden but strip and discard the super centre white rib while harvesting, and top and tail runner beans brutally while picking. It might be a while before we see bundles of cauliflower and cabbage leaves alongside leafy greens in supermarkets though. I'm privileged to have a small veggie garden (mostly small raised beds), but don't have space for caulis and cabbages. Last year I grew mini caulis, but the actual plant was large and still took up too much space.

Prices of cauliflowers have gone off the radar lately. Make the most of what you buy if it hasn't already been denuded in the sales process. It's a veggie that has a huge percentage wasted because many mistakenly believe the stems and leaves are inedible – they are highly nutritious and delicious. Farmer's markets sometimes sell intact cauliflowers.

Most cauli stalks will need peeling like a carrot and the root end removed, but the remainder is delicious. Include the stalk "marrow" with the florets in cooking. Leaves can be used chopped into a frittata.

I make old faithful macaroni cheese and replace half the macaroni with cauliflower wedges. Cauliflower soup can have florets, stems, and leaves all included. Add cream too, if you dare. Cauliflower rice is a good way to sneak more servings of vegetables into your day. You'll find plenty of cauliflower recipes online.

Fionna Hill



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What's On in Carterton

Carterton District Historical Society Heritage Plaque Launch is on Wednesday 27 July at 10.30–11.30am in the Carterton Events Centre Foyer. Copies of 19 plaques will be unveiled, followed by morning tea and a walk to view the four plaques in Holloway St

NZ Mountain Film Festival is again showcasing a selection of award-winning NZ and International short films on Sunday, 4pm, 7 August at Rangitahi Hub at Carterton Events Centre and then on Sunday 4pm, 28 August, Regent 3, Masterton. Enquiries to holdsworthrestorationtrust@gmail.com, tickets cost \$15 for each session

Aratoi Museum exhibitions Andrea Gardner *this is the rabbit hole*, until 16 October, Wendy Bornholdt *Drawing on Resources*, until 16 October, *Masterton Museum: A Cabinet of Curiosities*, until 2 July next year, *Continuing Legacy: 150 Years of Masterton Trust Lands Trust*, until 28 August, *Ngā Haerenga/ Journeys – Celebrating Matariki* until 21 August

Yoga with Em Community yoga suitable for everybody. Booking essential. Contact Emmie 021 184 8680 or view the schedule at www.yogawithemmie.com

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Greytown Music Levansa Trio (violin, cello, piano) 4pm Saturday 23 July at 57 Wood St, Greytown. Admission \$30, children \$10. Also: Musical Miscellany 4pm on Sunday 7 August at 57 Wood St, Greytown. Bookings essential, contact Ed and Juliet Cooke on 06 304 9497 or email efjacooke@gmail.com

The s'Parkin Songsters (Parkinson's Wairarapa) meet at the back of the South Wairarapa Workingmen's Club in Greytown every Wednesday morning at 10.30am. The cost is a gold coin donation and all sessions end with refreshments

Annual Carterton Rotary Book Fair to be held at the Carterton Events Centre on 13-14 August. Contact Deirdre at 027 686 9953 if you have books to donate

Wairarapa Fabric Fair Saturday 3 September, South End School Hall, High St South, Carterton, from 10am to 1pm. Email waifabricfair@gmail.com or phone Elena 06 379 5550 or 027 490 0851, or Colleen 022 038 0483

Mulled Wine Concerts presents Bridget Douglas (flute) and Michelle Velvin (harp), Friday 15 July at 6pm at Anzac Hall, 62 Bell St, Featherston. Tickets \$30 (adults) and \$15 (students under 16) available online from marygow@gmail.com

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Carterton's first official Matariki public holiday and Ka Pai was right alongside community with an abundance of offerings to educate, entertain and celebrate. Our highlights included:

- * the magical early **morning haerenga**; story telling and star gazing with local legends **Ra Smith** and **Becky Bateman** rounded out with a Wild Oats breakfast feast.
- *A **special whānau screening of Whina**, providing opportunity for Rangatahi and Kaumatua to engage and learn the intricacies of a life lived through struggle, perseverance and determination for change.
- * The launch of **Aotearoa Moving Portraits**. Intended as a portrait style exhibition but in this instance screened as a one-off theatre event, we saw local community champions share moments from their lives in 8 unique stories capturing tales of whānau, forgiveness, self discovery, historical relevance and environmental impact.



Each of these, and many other moments spent over this first official holiday cemented the intention of Matariki, celebrating who we were, who we are, and who we want to be. Mānawatia a Matariki!

A special thanks to everyone who supported these events, and especially to each of our **Moving Portrait participants** for generously sharing their stories: Brian Shennan, Frances Reiri-Smith, Helen Dew, Marlene Ditchfield, Mike Johns, Pat McLean and Ra Smith.

Because of the talented Sean Woolgar creating this project in our community and reminding us how wonderful it is to be told a story, we now have the start of a community legacy. To add your story to the Aotearoa Moving Portraits kete, visit. www.aotearoamovingportraits.nz
 Photo credit: Debbie Hunt



A full house plus wait list for Te Pou's **Mental Health First Aid Course**, hosted by Ka Pai this month, demonstrated the need for this learning in our community. Tēnā rawa atu koe to Massey University lecturer Philip and co facilitator Susan Ferris-Day for giving their time and energy freely to educate and build our community's capability. Community Champs right there! We are working to host another course in September, to pre-register email hello@kapaicarterton.nz

Community hero

Tim's bread rises to the occasion

When Covid strikes down his friends and neighbours, Tim Wright knows exactly what to do to make things a little bit better – he bakes bread.

A dashing computer programmer at Microsoft by day, Tim accepts the news of another Covid victim in his vicinity heading into isolation with splendid enthusiasm.

"People ask what they can do to help in these situations," says Tim. "I know immediately – I say I'll bring you bread."

Then, since he is coming round to drop off bread anyway, it's easier for people to accept his offer to bring any other items they require.

It all started with a neighbour over the road falling ill, but after baking 10 loaves Tim decided to keep proper records.

"People kept asking how many loaves I had baked for Covid victims. I can now say the answer is 19.

"It is interesting to go round to drop the bread off to people who have just started isolating. They are paranoid, and don't want to pass on the virus, so they just wave and smile – there's no chance for a chat."

Sadly, Tim keeps hearing of more people who have contracted the virus – he has delivered three of his loaves to Upper Hutt on his occasional run into work in Wellington.

He says the bread takes 18 hours to make, based on a no-knead recipe he found in the *New York Times*. Without giving the secret away, Tim says it contains flour, salt, water and yeast, resulting in a crunchy crust, a slightly moist interior, and several holes.

"It's bread – it's delicious. It's nice having fresh bread when you're sick.



Tim Wright knows his bread

Talent Wairarapa 2022

Judges faced a supreme test

Talent show judges always tell you how ridiculously difficult it is to choose a winner, as every contestant is just sooo good. As one of the judging panel for Talent Wairarapa, I can confirm that this statement is 100% accurate.

The Wairarapa audience filled the Carterton Event Centre auditorium for the 5th annual Talent Wairarapa event. This year felt like the most diverse of all of the shows, with offerings ranging from beatboxing, tap dancing, handspan drumming, percussionist, singer/songwriters, vocalists and school bands all in the mix.

Each contestant dug deep and gave a stunning performance that blew the audience and judges away, every time.

Typically at this point, we'd talk about who brought home the bacon and how well deserved the placings all were. That being entirely true, instead let's discuss the organisers, sponsors, whānau, teachers and supporters who truly make the night a rousing Wairarapa success. For every performer seen on stage, there's a small cheer squad who work frantically behind the scenes getting these performers ready to bring their A-game.

Whether you're sewing costumes, rehearsing steps, driving between venues, reciting lyrics or giving a big thumbs up – every performer needs their support team to truly make them shine.

And where would Talent Wairarapa be without the dedicated and hardworking Rotary team (led by Vickie Pickering), who are always upbeat and smiling at every audition, semi and final show.

Stage management (Nikki King), sound desk mixing (Sam King/Toby Mills) and hauling music equipment (father/son duo Jamie and Luke Searle) also play a major part in keeping these events flowing smoothly.

What about who pays for the banners and gets to hand out the certificates at the end of each show? That honour was Ngaire's from local plumbing outfit, Straight Flush.

Lastly, there's those teachers (or perhaps it's YouTube) who work with our talented youth and impart every morsel of musical knowledge to get them stage ready.

In each instance, everyone plays a part in bringing the performer to the stage. We thank you all for making our judging job so difficult and we look forward to seeing you back again next year.

Cimone Grayson

(See Rotary article for results.)



Limelight Theatre

Support local heroes

There are many heroes in the Wairarapa, who strive constantly to improve our towns, our environment and the lives of Wairarapa people.

Mostly they are very modest, reserved people who would never look for praise or recognition for what they do. That's as it should be, but it doesn't help to get much-needed community support for their tireless efforts.

So I would like to blow the trumpet today for one amazing Carterton couple, who have dedicated themselves to helping the most disadvantaged of local youth, to leave behind all that threatens to hold them back and destroy their lives, and learn to love themselves, make a good and useful life for themselves and achieve their full potential.

That is a massive contribution both to these young lives and to the whole Wairarapa community.

If you want to learn more, search in your internet browser for "Wayne Poutoa". It is worth making that small effort. Wayne is an ex-gang member, who left the gangs behind, became a Baptist minister at the Baptist Church on Broadway and is now, in partnership with his wife, Jennifer, helping young people to escape the future, or lack of a future, that faces too many of New Zealand's disadvantaged youth.

Their cabin "village" alongside the Baptist church has been hugely successful in achieving those aims, so I believe that their drive to enlarge the village is in everyone's interests and well deserving of public support.

Limelight Theatre Company of Carterton will be fund-raising (voluntarily) for Wayne and Jennifer's village at their performances of "Return to Little Grimley". So come along, enjoy our two hilariously outrageous comedies by the brilliantly funny David Tristram. Note that ticket price has been reduced to just \$15.

Heart of Arts

Art seeking an emotional response

Sonja Bremmers is holding an exhibition of her work at Heart of Arts from 22 July. The Masterton resident says she has been creating art since childhood.

"I never start with a completely determined image. You miss out on your pure powers of creation if you want to stay in control and cling to fixed images," she advises.

"I have always looked at the landscape and our fragile relationship with the environment. No one who has grown up in the rural NZ landscape as a child can fail to make connections between change and man's impact on the land."

Sonja says the surface of the painting is as important to her as the image. She is always experimenting with surfaces and textures.

"My approach is to build up layers, allow them to dry, then build another layer. It's a time-consuming process. I explore colour relationships and the unexpected juxtapositions that happen while painting: the surface of the painting and layers of paint must be rich and heavily textured.

"My goal is to create paintings that appeal to our sense of touch, which can evoke feelings of pleasure, discomfort, or familiarity. I want to elicit an emotional response. My hope is that people who see my work are moved in some way."

Her artwork is made from hand-made paper, ink, pure silk, and printed paper, acrylic, found materials, and more.

She works reflectively with materials, so nothing she makes is "designed". "Pieces rather evolve and change until the last paint or mark is made."

Fabric fair

Material gains to be made

The 7th Wairarapa Fabric Fair is coming up in just under two months.

Do you enjoy sewing, knitting, crocheting or fabric and fibre crafts? If you do, then get out your diary and keep Saturday 3 September free. Come along on the day and get those extra bits and pieces to finish a project or be inspired to create something new. The venue is South End School Hall, High St South, Carterton, from 10 am to 1pm and there is plenty of parking.

Do you have a stash at home you have been meaning to go through, this would be a good time to do it and donate it to our charity table. If your stash is enough to sell and make some money back, then book a table and join us on the day (just remember no made-up goods to be sold).

Once again this year we are donating the profits from the table hire and the donated goods on our charity table to King St Artworks, who help support people Wairarapa wide.

Carterton Central Lions will be running the FAB Cafe, so we are looking forward to a hot drink and some home baking again this year. They do such a great job selling cups of tea or coffee, along with home baking to have while you browse. They will be donating their profits to King Street Artworks as well.

Check out our Facebook page @Waifabricfair for updates. To book a table, or to donate some of your stash, email waifabricfair@gmail.com or phone Elena 06 379 5550 or 027 490 0851, or Colleen 022 038 0483.

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Project audits

Looking into cost overruns

Carterton District Council engaged an external consultant to undertake an independent review of the project management process used for the delivery of the clock tower and wastewater treatment reservoir pond project after both projects incurred additional costs and delays.

It says the purpose of the reports is to document the lessons learnt and propose recommendations for future project delivery, with a focus on delivery of non-standard / new build projects.

Calibre Consulting from Masterton and Wellington was selected to undertake the work. It was given access to all necessary staff, including staff who have since resigned, and relevant project and tender documentation.

The clock tower project was able to be reviewed in its entirety as this work is now complete. The wastewater treatment ponds project review covered the period from tendering until April 2022.

The review team concluded that despite the repeated increases in costs for the clock tower project, the final cost of the strengthening works was likely to have been only marginally above a realistic budget, if it had been scoped correctly at the outset.

On the wastewater treatment ponds project, the review team concluded that the decision to award the construction contract to the lowest-cost tenderer and proceed knowing that there were concerns with the relocation of the mudfish, led to much of the delay and cost overruns.

Overall, the review team identified nine areas where Council could lift its game. Calibre suggested Council developed a simple business case procedure for all projects that outlines scope, programme, budget, management resources, communications and assess risk.

Project cost estimates should be prepared based on sound risk and scope assessments – not to understate the project as a way of demonstrating value.

A procurement plan should be developed early in the project to assist and guide project implementation. Council should ensure that there is clear separation between operational management and governance for all projects, with clearly defined roles and accountabilities.

A project manager should be appointed who has appropriate authority and time availability to manage each project.

Reporting procedures should be regular and robust and address issues such as risk, budget, programme, quality, health, and safety. Council should have a robust central filing system and train staff in how to use it.

The report said the review team understood the difficulties a small local authority may have in delivering projects where it may have insufficient staff resource with the necessary project management experience required to deliver one-off projects.

It said this can leave Council vulnerable if projects are not scoped correctly at the start or don't have adequate budgets, and if they proceed with insufficient attention to project start-up and delivery practices.

Paul Dykes

Taking it further

A report was put to Council at its Ordinary Council meeting on 29 June 2022 with recommendations on how to implement the advice contained in the review. These recommendations were around the following keys points:

Project Scope – the scope must clearly define outcomes, benefits, scope of works, design, cost estimate, estimated time to complete, budget and known risks.

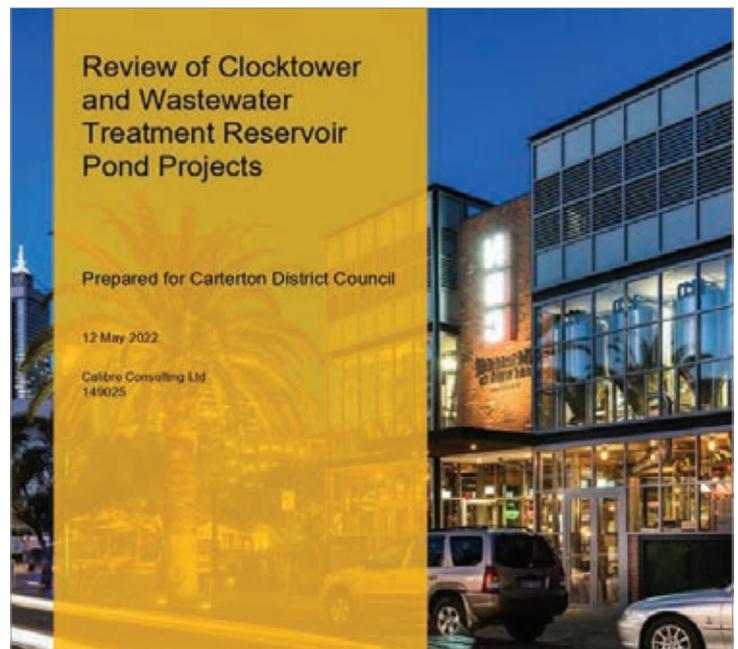
Risk Assessment – Risk assessment will be used to assign a risk rating to the project. The risk rating will trigger requirements and guide the decision-making process. Risk assessments will include complexity of project, estimated cost, health and safety considerations, environmental impact and reputation.

Flowchart – The flow chart will guide the officer through various decisions and requirements. These holding points are project team, procurement, contract and specifications, reporting, and contingency.

Project management – To ensure consistency in the delivery of council projects the Project Management Guideline will have minimum requirements for officers to adhere to. Minimum requirements will include documentation, quality, programming, financial management, risk management and communication.

These recommendations were adopted at the meeting and these guidelines will be developed this calendar year. The Council will review current projects to fall in line with what will be developed.

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These are on-sold at bargain prices in the onsite Re-Use It! shop and profits are returned to the local community.

Donating items to Ā Mua reduces waste and the demand for new goods, which has positive effects for the environment and climate.

Address: 69 Boundary Rd, Featherston (first on your right when you get to the 70 km sign). Opening hours: Monday and Wednesday, 10am–12pm; Saturday, 10am–2pm. Drop-offs: During opening hours only. Please don't leave goods outside the gate. Facebook: Ā Mua Community Resource Centre.

Examples of items accepted for resale include building, plumbing, painting and other DIY materials, tools and implements, gardening and landscaping materials, including plastic plant pots and garden product sacks, furniture and sports, leisure and outdoor equipment, including bikes and scooters.

Items accepted for recycling include scrap metal, car batteries, tetrapaks (clean, dry and cut open so they are flat), household batteries, milk bottle lids; wine and beer caps.

We hope to soon have a bin for soft plastics (such as food wrapping). In the meantime, there are bins in Masterton at Countdown and The Warehouse. Note that the soft plastics must be completely clean (washed). There's good information about which soft plastics can be recycled at www.recycling.kiwi.nz/

Items we cannot accept include gas appliances and gas bottles, child car seats, and bike helmets. We also currently don't accept electrical appliances.

Guy Walker and Anne Nelson

Parkinson's awareness

Join the Parkinson's singing group for a therapeutic boost

Parkinson's Wairarapa established the s'Parkin Songsters in 2017 in conjunction with a speech and language therapist.

It is a therapeutic community singing group that aims to help anyone who has Parkinson's or neurological issues that have affected their speech, co-ordination, communication, posture.

Singing exercises your lungs, improves circulation and aerobic capacity. Facial muscles get toned and the singing helps to improve posture and memory. It can also help depression and anxiety, and can lift your mood and increase the feeling of wellbeing.

The classes begin with warm-ups, breathing and vocal exercises, followed by a wide variety of familiar and new songs held in a fun, relaxed environment.

The s'Parkin Songsters meet at the back of the South Wairarapa Workingmen's Club in Greytown every Wednesday morning at 10.30am. The cost is a gold coin donation and all sessions end with refreshments. So if you have a free Wednesday morning, please pop on in and join us.

For more information about our singing group, contact Marguerite Chadwick (coordinator) at cocktail443@gmail.com or 027 444 1781 or 06 379 5376.

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This fundraising event starts with the first night of four NZ-made short films at the Rangitahi Hub, Carterton Events Centre on Sunday 7 August at 4pm. This will be followed by a second selection of five International short films on Sunday 28 August at Regent 3, Masterton, at 4pm.

NZ made films include "We Don't Usually Have Ice Creams" – This isn't your average pensioner walking group. They don't believe in tracks or bridges. These men are tough, but the women are tougher.

"The Long Way Home" – Three Kiwi women living in Switzerland decide to skip the airplane and take the long way home – travelling 20,000 km by bicycle learning many lessons along the way.



The long way home

"Traversing the Night" – With the team's average age of 22, their dream was to traverse the spine of the Southern Alps over three months from Arthur's Pass to Fiordland. This film was awarded the "Best NZ Made Film" at the 2022 NZ Mountain Film Festival, making it a must see.

International films include "Legacy on The Muir" – Yosemite Valley climber Tom Herbert revisits his father's footsteps on his famous El Capitan route The Muir Wall.

"House of the Gods" – Follow the team through 100km of untracked Amazon jungle into a unique slime forest and up the desperately steep wall of Mount Roraima.

For more information and to buy tickets, contact holdsworthrestorationtrust@gmail.com

Tickets cost \$15 for each screening.



House of the Gods

Carterton Menzshed

Open for business, and friendship

It's been several months since a full and open meeting has occurred, but finally we were able to get together again without restrictions to discuss matters and issues that needed airing, as well as planning for future events.

The treasurer's report showed a healthy, modest credit, which will enable improvements to health and safety infrastructure, such as dust extraction as well as machinery upgrades and repairs.

Planning for the future will start very soon with a good clean out and tidy-up of the work area.

A public open day is planned for four consecutive Saturdays – an exact date is yet to be decided.

A stall at the Daffodill Day in September is the next major event to be organised. Attendances have remained strong, allowing community-requested repairs and projects to be completed in a good time. If you need odd jobs or things made to order and you're having trouble finding someone to take it on, then think of us.

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Nominations open this month and close at midday 12 August

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Wastewater ponds

First reservoir filling up

Water flowing into the new reservoir ponds at the Wastewater Treatment Plant marks a significant milestone in the project, says Geoff Hamilton, chief executive of Carterton District Council.

The filling of Reservoir 1, the first of three new reservoirs at the Daleton Farm site, began after remediation took place to repair the liner damaged by a contractor.

The project team are using a staged approach when filling the reservoirs to ensure safety of the team working on site, and to protect the surrounding environment. Filling is weather-dependent, with cold mornings required to ensure the liner does not expand or crease during this crucial initial fill.

Maintaining groundwater levels below the rising level of reservoir is also important, to ensure the liner settles onto the base and slope of the structure while allowing air pockets to vent naturally.

The capacity of Reservoir 1 is about 60,000 cubic meters, or roughly the same size as the existing three storage ponds.

"We are very pleased to be making this announcement," says Geoff. "Filling the ponds is another huge step towards achieving our strategic goal of protecting our waterways and finalising one of our Council's largest infrastructure projects.

"Reaching this stage is a testament to the tenacity and hard work of our project team and their ability to overcome hurdles and manage complex problems.

"The project team started work on the repairs as soon as practicable to get ahead of the winter weather. It is hugely positive that we have got water flowing into the reservoirs now."

Planning the repairs for Reservoirs 2 and 3 is underway, with the weather and cooler temperatures potentially adding risks to the



Mayor Greg Lang and Geoff Hamilton watch the filling process



One of the repair jobs to the damaged liner

repair timetable.

The work will fall within the previously announced budget of up to \$1.944 million, which was approved last December by Council.

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Manawatia a Matariki

Star-struck for festival weekend

Matariki is a new addition to our official holiday calendar and in Carterton we made the most of the extra-long weekend with community engaging in Matariki activities and events at every turn.

With strong local support from Carterton District Council, Ka Pai Carterton hosted three vastly different community events that each celebrated Carterton as a shining star in our Wairarapa region.

The festivities kicked off with an early morning Haerenga with Ra Smith and Becky Bateman that saw an eager group of stargazers sighting the Matariki cluster atop Admiral Hill, impeded only by the stunning sunrise. For added excitement, they also saw five planets in correct alignment: Mercury, Venus, (Moon), Mars, Jupiter and Saturn, before heading to Gladstone Complex to share in a communal breakfast. Attendees heard local Māori stories from our treasured Carterton storyteller Ra Smith and were dazzled by star facts from Under the Stars astronomer, Becky Bateman. Many participants expressed gratitude at making new connections, learning historical local stories and sharing a morning of appreciation.

Next on the programme was a special rangatahi and kaumatua attended film screening of "Whina", the inspirational life story of Dame Whina Cooper. It felt apt to share in an uplifting story that has Māori rights at its core and centred on a woman known fondly as the



Atop Admiral Hill. Photo Celia Wade-Brown

Mother of the Nation. The audience shed many tears together and joined in a spontaneous waiata as the credits rolled, led by Frances Reiri-Smith and whānau as they expressed thanks to Ka Pai Carterton in hosting the beautiful film event.

Our final community event was a special screening of Aotearoa Moving Portraits that saw a Carterton's Event Centre audience captivated by the telling of eight uniquely different Carterton stories, as told by local residents.

Celebrating the stories of Carterton's residents – past and present – brought moments of sadness, reflection and gratitude.

We are so grateful that Matariki allowed us to share in these special activities with our community. Thank you to all Carterton community who engaged in this wonderful holiday and experienced glimpses of sparkle alongside Ka Pai Carterton, Manawatia a Matariki.

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Greytown Music

Levansa Trio returns

The Levansa Trio will be returning to Greytown on 23 July after a long absence.

Its members – Andrew Beer, violin, Lev Sivkov, cello and Sarah Watkins, piano – first came together as an ensemble in 2019, while Lev was visiting from Switzerland to play solo concerts.

It was clear from the beginning that this international collaboration between a Canadian, a Russian and a Kiwi had great potential, and that the musicians felt a spontaneous affinity as chamber music partners.

Despite being on opposite sides of the world, Andrew and Lev performed together online, and even made impeccable recordings of violin and cello duets by Gliere. Andrew and Sarah also played together on social media, with a guest appearance from her cat!

Sarah says “We’re looking forward to putting the band together, with an intense period of rehearsals before our first concert, in Greytown, as we feel that the rapport we felt the first time around will carry us through.”

Martinu’s Piano Trio No 2, Mozart Adagio by Arvo Part, and NZ composer Clare Cowan’s “Ultraviolet” will feature in the first half of the concert, and the major work on the programme is the epic Tchaikovsky Piano Trio in A minor.

Although Tchaikovsky had previously refused to write a piano trio as he thought the sounds didn’t blend well together, the death of his close friend, Nikolai Rubinstein, who had composed five piano trios, changed his mind. He resolved to commemorate Rubinstein by writing a piano part so virtuosic it would have been worthy of Rubinstein’s keyboard prowess.

Levansa Trio: 4pm Saturday 23 July at 57 Wood Street, Greytown. Admission \$30, children \$10.

Bookings essential – contact Ed and Juliet Cooke on 06 304 9497 or efacooke@gmail.com



From left, Andrew Beer, Sarah Watkins, Lev Sivkov

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We are out and about
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Concert review

Piano recital a real boon

At the end of a wild wet week a recital of romantic piano music was a real treat.

Otis Prescott-Mason, a gifted student from the New Zealand School of Music, began with Schumann’s Arabesque in C. Schumann wrote it when he was desperately longing for permission to marry his love, Clara Wieck. The postlude says it all.

Next came two movements of Beethoven’s Sonata No.28, written while the composer was on holiday in Baden taking the waters and walking among pines. Prescott-Mason’s lyrical phrasing in the first movement, especially in pianissimo passages, was exquisite, the dotted rhythms of the March impeccable.

Meticulous technique and strength are required for the wonderfully patriotic Polonaise in F# minor by Chopin. Both were at Prescott-Mason’s command for the pounding fortissimo octaves of the two polonaise sections. His playing would certainly have got the toes tapping of the Polish emigrée princess for whom Chopin composed this work – she may even have danced!

The final work was part of Liszt’s response to his reading of Dante’s Divine Comedy (Après une lecture du Dante – Fantasia quasi Sonata) a work in two main parts that describe the soul riding down to Hell (with strong, descending tritones representing the devil) and the gentle, shimmering joys of heaven, with a dramatic finale rumbling to a conclusion.

The enthusiastic audience was given a generous encore – a fresh blast of Mozart, with Sunny Cheng joining Otis Prescott-Mason. Another splendid concert in this Mulled Wine series (17 June, Featherston).

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RECOMMENDATIONS FOLLOWING INDEPENDENT REVIEW ON THE WASTEWATER PONDS UPGRADE AND THE CLOCKTOWER REMEDIATION PROJECTS



A report was put to Council at its Ordinary Council meeting on 29 June 2022 with recommendations on how to implement the advice contained in the independent review on the Wastewater Ponds Upgrade Project and the Clocktower Project. This review was undertaken by Calibre Consulting Ltd and was tabled at the Audit and Risk Committee meeting on 19 May 2022. The Calibre review identified 8 lessons with associated recommendations.

In response to the findings, Officers will develop a Project Management Guideline to guide staff and contractors through the various stages of a project. The guidelines will have a summarised flowchart with various actions and decision points that will require staff to identify, address and manage specific risks.

These recommendations were around the following 4 keys points:

- Project Scope
- Risk Assessment
- Flowchart
- Project management

These recommendations were adopted at the 29 June Ordinary Council meeting and the guidelines will be developed this calendar year. The Council will be reviewing current projects to fall in line with what will be developed.

CDC is taking steps to meet recommendations from an independent review of recent projects. We are developing new Project Management Guidelines for staff and contractors. Council's Procurement Policy will also be reviewed for alignment and consistency. The guidelines will not only address the findings but improve our overall delivery of projects. We are confident these will be in place by the end of 2022.

ANIMAL FACILITY



In March, the Council started work at the Dalefield Road site for a new animal facility. The existing facility is no longer fit for purpose and does not meet the current legislative requirements.

Council received a report at its June 29 Ordinary Council meeting outlining that a further \$229,000 would be needed to complete the project. This would take the total to \$599,000.

At this stage, construction hasn't begun, only groundworks and draft architectural plans.

Council resolved to defer the project and instructed the CEO to engage with Masterton and South Wairarapa District Councils' CEOs to develop a business case for a single joint Wairarapa Animal Control Facility. The CEO would present this to Council by 31 August.

If the business case has not sufficiently progressed by 31 August, Council would consider changing the design of the Animal Shelter to fit within an existing cookie-cutter style design. The total cost of this option would be \$549,000 [including contingency of 20% or \$94,000 an increase of \$179,000].

Carterton kindergarten

Kindling cracker

We have kindly been donated the kindling cracker from Ayla, the inventor of this product.

The kindling cracker started off as a science project when she 13. Now it is distributed around the world.

With Martin's support, we are going to use our kindling cracker so the tamariki can make kindling and we will sell this off as a small fundraiser.

Ask grandparents, parents, whānau if they would like to buy a bundle of kindling. We will have an honesty box and the kindling outside the kindergarten for the public to purchase. We are selling this at \$7 a bundle or 3 for \$20.

Thanks to Ayla for donating this to our kindergarten and for Martin's ongoing initiatives to support Carterton Kindergarten.



Martin supervises the splitting

Parkvale Catchment

Taking the front foot on conservation

The Parkvale Catchment Charitable Trust has been in full swing over recent months, kicking off with a field day held at Wiltons Rd Dairy in April.

This was a well-attended day with more than 70 people turning out for the event. The day involved a social get-together with BBQ lunch provided by the Trust to celebrate the fantastic wetland creation done by Elise and Clarence Stolte on their dairy unit on Wiltons Rd.

The field day was an opportunity for the Trust to introduce themselves, tell the story of how they came to be, and describe

the goals the group have going forward. These include taking the front foot on environmental conservation within the catchment, supporting landowners through regulation change and combining this work with events to build a strong fellowship within the community.

A second field day provided by the Trust involved Freshwater sampling training. This was facilitated by WaiP2K and led by Liz Gibson, a freshwater ecologist from Wellington Mountains to Sea.

The day involved testing the water quality at three sites along the Parkvale Stream. The first site was at the top end of the stream on Parkers Rd, the second about mid-way along at Hughes Line and the last site was at the bottom at the confluence with the Ruamahanga River.

The group intends to have another day like this soon and hopes to work with schools to get youth involved and engaged in this type of work.

Just recently the group had its very first planting day where a portion of the Parkvale Stream on Hughes Line was planted. More than 20 volunteers came to help and together in excess of 200 plants were planted in one hour – testament to the strength of the volunteers within our community.

We welcome new people to get involved with the Trust, so please connect with us on our Facebook group Parkvale Catchment Charitable Trust

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Testing the waters

Dalefield School helps to raise funds



1 July was PJ Day to help raise funds for the incredible work done by the Ronald McDonald House Charities New Zealand. Dalefield School of only 79 students got right behind it, donned their PJs for school, and raised \$164 for this charity. Photo Debbie Hunt

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Carterton Preschool

Fire safety and fun

Impromptu camp fires are the best on a drizzly afternoon. The tamariki foraged around the playground to find some sticks for our kindling.

Once the fire was lit, we had some great conversations about fire and being safe around fire so that we don't get burnt. Our kaiako Jess asked the tamariki if they knew the three things fire needs to burn. Straight away the tamariki called out ideas such as wood, branches, houses, etc.

"That's right. Fire needs fuel to burn. Wood is fuel. Can you think what else it might need?" This had everyone a little puzzled. They were sure if a fire had fuel it would burn. So, she explained that fire also needs heat and air (oxygen) to burn. If we take one of these things away the fire will go out.

"But how?" the tamariki wondered. Again, Jess explained: "We can take air away by smothering a fire. If we were to cover the wood in the brazier with sand the fire would go out because the oxygen wouldn't be able to get in."

"How could we take away the heat?"

"Water," Ruby exclaimed.

"That's right. Water makes it cold and takes away the heat so the fire won't burn. But to take the fuel away the fire would have to burn right out. Or if it was a big scrub fire you could get a big digger or bulldozer and dig a trench in front of the fire. That's called a fire break and when the fire gets to the dirt there will be nothing left for it to burn."

Then we enjoyed our afternoon kai around the fire, chatting and sharing stories.

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Carterton School

The great outdoors beckons

At Carterton School we have been focusing on the great outdoors as a theme across the school for 2022.

Our tamariki and community have a huge passion for outdoor learning and our school roll has continued to rise as the positive stories continue to circulate around the community.

We had our school cross country earlier in the term, and even though it was raining, the tamariki did us proud. A large contingent of students made it through to the Wairarapa Regionals.

The tamariki behaved exemplarily and were a credit to the school. Congratulations to the 11 students that have made it to the 2022 Greater Wellington Cross Country Championship.

Another highlight was the Ākonga Māori Matariki celebration, with a hāngī included. This was a great addition to the school calendar and highlighted the great things happening in our Ākonga.

Congratulations to Whaea Jo, Whaea Hera and many whānau for pulling off a magnificent evening. We smashed it out of the park! Next year, we look forward to welcoming the community to an even bigger Matariki event.

We have had two teams entered in the weekly basketball competition held at Kuranui College, and both have put in a monumental effort and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. A big thank you to all the whānau who have been supporting the tamariki. An extra big thank you to Mr Hill who has coached both teams.

Carterton School was named a finalist in the 2022 Wairarapa Sports Awards. Thank you to all students, teachers, and whānau for your votes and contribution to sport at our school. We will continue to be innovative, creative, and reduce all barriers to participation in physical activity.



Waiting for the hāngī is part of the pleasure

Thank you to Sherie Pointon at Admin Advantage, who sponsored our school to attend the awards evening at Carterton Events Centre. We have so many things to be proud of as a school and this event will be added to our list of successes this year.



Congratulations to Year 7/8 basketball team, who won the final against a very talented Martinborough team. The team has improved each week and it showed with the quality of skills on display. The final score was 41-40 to Carterton. From left: TeAriki, Charlie, Rico, Harry Joseph and Troy



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Age Concern Contact 06 377 0066 for more information
Alcoholics Anonymous Bob 021 042 2947 and Martin 06 372 7764
Carterton Community Dinner All welcome. \$6. RSVP 06 379 7937
Carterton Foodbank Answerphone 06 379 4092
Carterton Friendship Club Jeanne 06 379 5444
Carterton District Historical Society 150 High St North. Vivienne 06 379 5564 carterton.hist.soc@gmail.com
Carterton Justice of the Peace service Every Friday noon–2pm Carterton Library
Central Lions Nita Edwards 027 247 8441
Clareville Cemetery tour organiser taphophile and researcher. Contact:06 379 6402, pentonygraham@xtra.co.nz
Club Carterton on Facebook. 35–77 Broadway, Carterton
Community Connector Services Supporting people who have been affected by Covid-19. Enquiries to Maria Hull 021 783 938 or 06 379 5407 extn 709. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 8am–5pm
Diabetes contact Simon on simonnpeterk@xtra.co.nz or Annette on dnapeters@xtra.co.nz
Digital Seniors free technology coaching sessions for over 65s. sarah.wright@digitalseniors.co.nz
Epilepsy Support Group 0800 202 122
Freemasons Contact Doug Johnston 06 379 8972
KaPai CimoneGraysonorLucyMcKenzieemailhello@kapaicarterton.nz, website kapaicarterton.nz
Kieran McAnulty Kieran.McAnulty@parliament.govt.nz, 04 817 9999
Lions Club of Carterton Membership and meal cancellation phone Alf Clear 021 806 604
Parkinson's Singing Group every Wednesday 10.30am at South Wairarapa Workingmen's Club, Main St, Greytown. Phone Marguerite 06 369 5376
Parkinson's Exercise Class every Thursday 1.30pm at Wairarapa

Boxing Academy, Dixon St, Masterton. Phone Roslyn 027 264 8623
Personal Development Coach Maree McManaway, call 027 248 8660, www.lyf4u.co.nz
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New Zealand Red Cross Masterton Migration Programmes Hanschen.Venter@redcross.org.nz 027 261 5731, 0800 REDCROSS (733 276), www.redcross.org.nz
Rotary Club Coral Aitchison 021 650 850
Reformed Congregation of Carterton, 6 Howard St. Worship times 10am and 6pm. All services live-streamed at www.rcnz.org Phone Pastor Arnoud Vergunst 027 920 1327
Senior Citizens Yvonne Brown 022 140 6671
South Wairarapa Rebus Club Contact Ken Hyde 06 379 6566, email kandnhyde@xtra.co.nz
South Wairarapa Working Men's Club 06 304 9449, swwmc.org.nz, swwmc@wise.net.nz
St David's Presbyterian Church 164 High St South, Carterton. Sunday services 10am. Phone 06 379 8325 or 021 215 9386. Email st.david@xtra.co.nz
St Mark's Anglican Church 185 High St South, Carterton. Sunday Service 8am and 10am plus 10am Thursdays. Email office@stmarkscarterton.co.nz or phone 06 379 8371 or 021 541 618
Toastmasters Wairarapa meets fortnightly on Tuesday evenings, 7.30pm at the Salvation Army Hall, 210 High St South, Carterton. Contact Jill on 027 488 4376
Tranzit coach tours for active seniors. www.tranzittours.co.nz or 0800 471 227 9.30am–4pm
Wairarapa Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) 43 Perry St, Masterton. Monday–Friday 9am–4pm, phone 06 377 0078 or 0800 367 222, email wairarapa@cab.org.nz, website www.cab.org.nz

Wairarapa Safer Community Services Trust 185 High St South, Monday–Friday, 8am–4pm. Enquiries to 021 509 493 or 06 379 5407
Wairarapa Bible Church 265 High St South, Carterton. Sunday morning Worship 10am (includes Sunday School). Email

Sport, fitness, movement

Basketball Facebook: Wairarapa Basketball Society
Carrington Bowling & Croquet Club Association Croquet Robin Brasell 06 222 4000, Golf Croquet Helen Waldron 379 5671, Bowls Pauline Hodgson 021 406 6728
Carterton Golf Club Foot golf, \$5 for children, \$10 for adults, office hours Friday–Tuesday 8:30am–1:30pm, phone 06 379 8457, email admin@cartertongolf.co.nz, website www.cartertongolfclub.co.nz
Carterton Scottish Country Dance Club Contact Michael 06 377 0322, 021 535 897, website: dancescottish.org.nz
Carterton Swimming Club Cynthia Lowe: cartertonswimrace secretary@gmail.com. Water aerobics, indoor pool, key hire, Russell Geange 06 379 7750
Carterton Tennis Club new members welcome, free public session 5.30pm every Thursday, cartertontennis@gmail.com
Clareville Badminton Club Steve Ruscoe, 027 333 3975
Cycling Irene Price 027 634 9167 or Lesley 021 299 6389
Dalefield Hockey Club Gail Miller, secretary, 06 379 8341
Dance Lessons Hip Hop, Jazz, Tap, Contemporary and Ballet. All ages. Jacqui Murray School of Dance 027 242 3462, www.jacquimurraydance.co.nz, email jacquimurraydance@extra.co.nz
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Featherston Amateur Wrestling Club Classes Wednesdays during school term time, Beginners, 10 years+ (including adults). Phone Dannii Sargent 027 920 6751
Free Fit Club Di Bailey 027 498 7261
Indoor Bowls, Clareville For information phone Colleen on 06 379 8399
Indoor Bowls 1.30pm Mondays, Club Carterton, Broadway,

wairarapabilechurch@gmail.com

Wairarapa Salvation Army Carterton Centre, 210 High St Sth. Church service at 10:30am Sundays. Phone 06 378 7316 or email sarah-ann.grove@salvationarmy.org.nz

Carterton. All players welcome for a social afternoon of bowls. Phone 027 645 0905
Gain Momentum Pilates with Linda Penlington. See gainmomentum.co.nz for details
Greytown Rail Trail Parkrun 8am each Saturday, register first, website www.parkrun.co.nz/greytownwoodsidetrail
Karate Jacqui Malcolm 027 325 3370
Modern Jive dance classes Contact Lance 021 134 5661 or Facebook group, Wairarapa Modern Jive
Mountain biking Contact Allan Wasmuth 027 212 5644, wascox@contact.net.nz
Ruamahanga Ramblers Full programme on sporty.co.nz/ruamahangaramblers/. Paul Furkert 06 379 5355
South Wairarapa Tramping Club Barry Kempton, 06 304 9353, 027 430 5935. For the club: Carol Major, 06 304 8210
Squash Club howardboothsquash@gmail.com
Swimming lessons and club activities, all ages, Carterton Swimming Club, Pembroke St. Heated indoor pool. Contact Cynthia Lowe, cartertonswimracesecretary@gmail.com
The Dance Shed Wendy Walker 027 319 9814
Wairarapa Dance Club Russell 06 377 1609
Wairarapa Dog Training Club Google us
Wairarapa Shafts & Wheels Driving Association text or phone, 027 318 3359
Yoga with Odette Odette 021 180 9452, classes see nzyogasnug.com
Yoga / Reiki Health and wellness for mind, body and soul. Phone Colleen 021 177 1956 www.colleencarver.com
Yoga with Em, contact Em 021 184 8680 or see website yogawithemmie.com

Special Interests

Borderlandz Paintball in Belvedere Rd. Contact Vicky Gallon 0508 P8NTBALL, vicky@borderlandzpaintball.co.nz or visit BorderlandzPaintball.co.nz
Cards On Wednesdays Barbara 027 387 9236
Carterton Community Choir Contact Elaine Pacey 027 820 5801
Carterton Farmers Market Memorial Square, every Sunday from 9am–12.30pm (when at Covid Level 2 or under.) Check Facebook @CartertonMarket for wet weather venue. Enquiries info@cartertonmarket.co.nz or 027 663 9011
Carterton Menzshed Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 9am–1pm, at A&P showgrounds, Clareville. New members welcome, contact Stephen Timperley at stephen@timperley.co.nz or 027 488 7155
Carterton Rose Society Graeme Renall, president, 06 379 7065, Vivienne Hawken, secretary, 06 379 5564
ExplorationNZ is a progressive Christian group. We meet Sunday afternoons 4pm in the Lansdowne Crossway Church, 1 Totara St, Masterton, contact Pauline Coy paulinebc@gmail.com
Garden Group Vicki Waller 027 487 0707, rossvickiwaller@gmail.com
Holdsworth Women's Institute Call Denise Richardson 06 379 8339
Knit and Natter Group Keitha Roberts 021 061 7720
Mah Jong Contact Margaret Stevens 06 379 8681
Mangatarere Society Jill Greathead 027 488 4376 mangatarere.restoration@gmail.com
Men's Group Wairarapa Support group meeting every 1st Thursday indoor (Carterton) and every 3rd Saturday overnight in the mountains. www.mensgroup-wairarapa.nz
Railway Museum website cartertonrailwaymuseum.org.nz
South Wairarapa Bridge Club Contact Katherine 027 243 3495
Stonehenge Aotearoa Open 10am–4pm on Saturdays and Sundays. Guided tours any time or day by arrangement. Phone 06 377 1600

Tui Brewery Shine & Show series. Contact Rosie Rogers, Tui Brewery experience director, Rosie@thebrewery.co.nz
Wai Dadz support group All dads welcome. Contact Luke Tiller 0508 CALL DAD
Wairarapa Archive Mark Pacey markp@library.mstn.govt.nz
Wairarapa Camping and Caravan Club Phone 027 677 3706 or email pamhoneill@gmail.com
WaiGuys Social group for gay men. waiguys@gmail.com. Facebook.com/waiguys
Wairarapa Greens 021 247 8360 or Wairarapa@greens.org.nz
Wairarapa Herb Society Meetings third Tuesday of the month 1.30–3pm Old Courthouse, Holloway St, Carterton. Contact Christine Voelker 027 280 6739 or waiherbs@gmail.com
Wairarapa Labour, Masterton Branch Phone 06 379 8021 for venue and details
Wairarapa Woodworkers Guild Secretary 027 273 2279 or email wempe@outlook.co.nz
Wairarapa Vintage Car Club Barbara Lang 06 372 7593
Wine and Food Wairarapa Contact Ann Smith, phone 06 304 9824
Wairarapa Branch NZ Soc of Genealogists phone Diane Edwards, 06 379 7150 or email wairarapa@genealogy.org.nz
Wairarapa Model Railway Club meetings first and third Thursday of the month, 7.15–9.30pm, contact Peter Murray 027 630 1780

If your group's details have changed, or you would like your entry removed, please let us know at crier.ed@gmail.com

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Honorary Fellowship

Award for extraordinary achievements

Emeritus professor Stefan Pallister has been awarded an Honorary Fellowship with Chiropractic Education Australasia (CCEA).

The award is acknowledgement of his extraordinary contributions to accreditation, CCEA and the chiropractic profession.

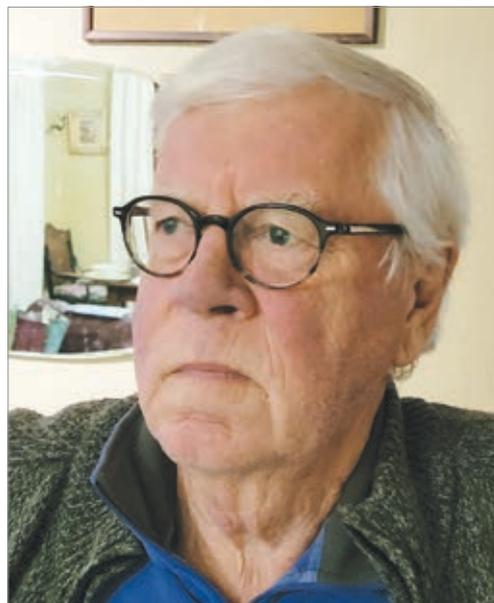
The Carterton local has been involved in chiropractic accreditation for more than 40 years, including work as CCEA Accreditation Committee Chairperson and previously

as a Site Evaluation Team Leader/Member and CCEA Director.

He has also been a representative for the Councils on Chiropractic Education International (CCEI).

Emeritus Professor Pallister was acknowledged for his work at Murdoch University as Foundation Professor and Head of Program.

Congratulations to Stefan on his monumental achievements in chiropractic.



Stefan Pallister



Reaching for the stars

South End Kindergarten

Matariki and new beginnings

The reappearance of the Matariki constellation represents the beginning of O Te Tau – the Maori New Year.

Matariki is forever linked with new beginnings and time to reflect on whanau and friends and remembering those who have passed.

Matariki is also a time of kia whakanui, celebration and ceremony in New Zealand.

During the month of Matariki we have celebrated through waiata, stories, storytelling, kapa haka, cooking and lantern making.

Whanau got to share this with an evening at kindergarten, eating together, listening to the waiata we had learnt, then a walk through the kindergarten environment.

Sunset Cinema

Nordic Noir for the brave

Who is in the mood for a romance, a thriller, a who dunnit and a coming out/coming of age story with a twist of Norwegian Gothic?

Thelma ticks all these boxes and has exquisitely beautiful cinematography to top it all off.

Thelma is a small-town girl kept under the thumb by her strict religious family. When she moves to Oslo to go to university she starts to experience unexplained epileptic seizures, however telekinetic powers also arise when she discovers she feels an attraction to her classmate Anja.

These powers are not simply moving objects with the control of her mind, but scarily she is able to manifest her wishes – and she is not careful about what she wishes for.

Thelma won a raft of international film awards, but most importantly it was voted among the best LGBT films in 2017 and praised for genre-bending and blending with a fresh take on supernatural themes.

Come and feel the slow burn of Nordic noir on Friday 12 August. You can find out how to get your tickets at www.sunsetcinemacarterton.com/tickets

You can find us at the Rangitahi Hub at the back of the Event Centre, head down behind Carters and the Town Clock. Coffee, tea and cakes available from 7pm and the movie starts at 7.30pm.



South End School juniors have been enjoying dance lessons from Footsteps Dance Company on Thursdays. Thanks go to the generous support of Ka Pai Carterton for allowing this to happen.

Rotary Club

Talent contest winners announced

Our major focus during June has been Straight Flush Talent Wairarapa. Each year the standard of entrants has risen. Despite drop outs because of Covid, the final went ahead on 18 June.

Congratulations to all the finalists and especially Over-14 winners Captivated, and runner-up Jack Moser, and Under-14 winner Maceo Field, with runners-up Jack Brown and Henare Kerehi.

The profits from the 2021 event were used to sponsor, along with Carterton District Council, bringing Yes, Yes, Yes to the Wairarapa. 200 Year 12 students have attended this show, which focuses on consent.

We now turn our focus to the Annual Carterton Rotary Book Fair to be held at the Events Centre on 13-14 August. Keep an eye out for a flyer in your letter box. Contact Deirdre at 027 686 9953 if you have books to donate.

Recent speakers have included our newest club member. Temi Fayoni grew up in Nigeria and because of the injustices she saw, a career in law was a natural progression for her.

Members visited Richmond Funeral Home and Rotarian Peter Giddens talked about how he came to buy the business and how funerals have become less traditional in recent years.

Peter McCordle, author of "Party Hopper", told his journey through 30 years of NZ politics. Having worked with 12 political leaders from several parties, he gave a balanced account of their attributes. He summed up by saying our leaders are not perfect, but we have been well served.

Past district governor Martin Garcia informed us that the Rotary Foundation helps the 1.2 million Rotary members with grants to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the seven areas of focus: promoting peace, fighting disease, providing clean water, saving mothers and children, growing local economies, supporting education and protecting the environment. We should look at these internationally and in our own community.



Temi Fayoni is welcomed to Rotary by district governor Mark Wheeler

Wairarapa Hospice

Knitting the funds together

This July Miss Maude Fine Fabrics and Yarn has come up with a novel way of raising money for Hospice Wairarapa. They are inviting people to come and help them to knit a scarf. For every centimetre knitted they will donate \$5 to the Hospice.

But they need your help to knit the scarf, so pop along to the store, take a seat and knit a line. You'll even be rewarded with a delicious locally baked gingerbread cookie.

It will be taking place for the whole of July so there is plenty of time to come sit, have a chat and relax into some knitting. It doesn't matter what your skill level is – from beginners to advanced knitters – anyone is welcome to come and try.

Miss Maude has also supported a charity fabric sale called Fabric a Brac that took place on 2 July, with all proceeds going to Hospice Wairarapa. There was a wide variety of vintage and modern fabrics, patterns and other sewing notions for sale and plenty of treasures to be found.



Tracey Harris, left, from Hospice and Emma Smith from Greytown

Are you taking photos to go in the *Carterton Crier*?

For the best results in **print** (it may look good on screen!) images must be 300dpi, and saved as a JPEG or PDF.

Make sure your smartphone is set to its **best** setting before you take the picture, keep the sun behind you, and don't "copy/paste" your image after download, save it as a separate file. For us oldies with a camera, the same applies!

Email them as **attachments, not pasted into a Word file** or similar, and send to the team at crier.ed@gmail.com.

Historical Society

Freezing works became log yard

Around 1880, a boiling down works was established at Waingawa by the Beethams of Brancepeth, with the tallow being exported and the carcasses fed to pigs.

In March 1910, the Wellington Farmers' Meat Company, accepted a tender from Messrs Taylor and Hodge, in the sum of £18,071, for the construction of a freezing works at Waingawa.

This followed protracted investigations of the Waingawa and Woodside sites – the main concern being the former's price of £18 an acre with the latter at £6 an acre. Woodside would need a pumping station, which probably influenced the decision in favour of Waingawa.

The freezing works were established prior to WW1 by the Wairarapa Farmers Meat Company. Unfortunately, when the cooperative ran into financial difficulties in the 1920s, the works were taken over by the BNZ.

The works were purchased in 1929 by Borthwicks, who enlarged them, upgrading the operation and changing from "solo-butcher" to a "chain operation", this work being carried out in 1933.

In February 1939 a serious fire destroyed the slaughter, cooling and beef rooms, with the cost of reconstruction estimated at £20,000. More than 100 men were employed on the reinstatement, which was quickly completed with little impact on production, through skilful management of the operation. The recent instillation of a pumping unit was a contributing factor in the prevention of more serious damage.

The works changed hands several times in the following years,



The Waingawa freezing works

with Waitaki taking over from Borthwicks, followed by Affco, but the works finally closed in 1989 as the ever-increasing list of compliance requirements imposed by the US authorities required staff increases on each chain, but through-put remained unchanged.

The closure impacted heavily on the region with, by the mid-1990s, 64% of people over the age of 15 earning less than \$20,000 a year and 18.4% of Carterton's population receiving a Government benefit.

Waingawa has reinvented itself and is now an industrial estate, which includes a "land port" for the transportation of logs to Wellington by rail, destined for the export market.

Source: Papers Past and David Yerex

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www.ohakunetrainstay.co.nz

Rose notes

Now is the time to plant



If you find new roses, now is the time to plant them. July is the month to prune your roses, earlier in the month if it's warm; if the weather is cold you can prune as late as August. If there are frosts and you prune too early the new growth will be killed.

Prune your roses yourself as no one else can do it better. However you prune, the result will be more flowers from spring to autumn.

You can still take cuttings and as you are pruning there is nothing to lose by trying a few.

You can spray with lime sulphur if you used copper and oil last time or vice versa. By spraying now you will eliminate spores of black spot, mildew and rust.

Keep your new plants watered, but do not feed them at this time. Check that all your ties are firm, and have not got too tight.

Phillippa Edwards, Carterton Rose Society



Heart of Arts



The members' exhibition

Carterton's High St gallery is holding its Members Exhibition until 21 July.

This will be followed by an exhibition by Sonja Bremmers, who is a well-known artist in the Wairarapa. Please drop in to the gallery – there just might be something that you fall in love with – from artworks, to beautiful pottery, jewellery and more.

The gallery also has work from individual artists rotating in the north window every fortnight, so keep an eye out for that.

Heart of Arts is always looking for new members. If you are interested please email coordinator.hoa@gmail.com

We have some of our long-standing committee members retiring from the committee in October, so if you think you could spare some time and want to be part of this supportive group then just let us know.

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Wairarapa Herb Society

The world's oldest and tallest herb



Found living in remote Chinese temple gardens, this tree was at one point thought to be extinct. It is believed to be more than 200 million years old.

The name comes from the Chinese yin-hing, meaning "silver apricot", because of the edible yellow/orange coloured fruit produced by the female tree. However, male trees, with their beautiful shaped leaves with medicinal properties, are more commonly planted.

Its leaves have traditionally been used to alleviate the symptoms of old age, but current research shows that the leaves aid in the enhancement of brain function, help to circulate blood throughout the body and have antioxidant properties. It can aid in mental confusion, tiredness, brain fogging and tinnitus.

The best way to access the goodness of this wonderful tree is to harvest some of the leaves in late summer just before they turn that wonderful golden colour. Use them to make a tincture by putting in a dark glass jar/bottle covered with 45% alcohol (vodka makes a handy substitute).

Keep the jar in a cool, dark place for at least three weeks. Decant into a dropper bottle and take 30 drops daily in water (source: Herb News, vol 30/1, Herb Federation NZ).

And the tree? It's the Ginkgo or Maidenhair tree.

If you are interested to learn more about herbs, why not join the Herb Society? Meetings are every third Tuesday of the month at the old Courthouse, Carterton, or contact us at waiherbs@gmail.com

Keep Carterton Beautiful Group

It's acorn season

Now that the acorns have fallen to the ground, volunteers have been clearing these at Clareville Cemetery and Carrington Park.

This was heavy work, and the truck was certainly full, as shown in the photo. But it is certainly satisfying to see these areas cleaned up.

Next, we will be raking and clearing the leaves at Clareville Cemetery. This is a big job and usually takes five or six Friday morning weekly working bees.

Like our Facebook page to see other photos of what we have been up to.

Cath Rolls, 027 303 1838



Squirreling away the acorns by the truckload

Under The Stars

New hands on the astral tiller



I'm Chris, the new owner of Under The Stars. I'm made of atoms that were once inside a star. As also are you.

There's a chance that some of the atoms in you were created in the core of a different star or stars to the atoms currently forming me. Even as you read this, there may be cosmic progeny of different lineage between your left and right eye.

The earth and everyone on it, all the animals on land or in the oceans, contain chemical building blocks that were created in the cores of a handful of long-gone stars that we will never point to.

This is deep stuff I know. Some think of it as astronomical spirituality. It is definitely a beautiful, natural cycle of this cosmos we find ourselves in.

I'd like to thank the human collection of stellar star stuff that is Becky Bateman for bringing Under The Stars to life. I hope to be able to continue the excellent work that she has done thus far and that she will remain a key figure in the Wairarapa astronomical community.

I wish her clear skies and all the best for the future. Thanks Becky.

For her part, Becky says she is delighted that Chris will be the new owner of the award-winning nomadic stargazing business Under The Stars from 1 July.

"Chris used to work as a stargazing guide on Mount John in Tekapo as well as being a talented astro-photographer, so I know Under The Stars will be good hands," says Becky.

"He will still be providing nomadic stargazing experiences in the Wairarapa and he can be contacted on either kiaora@underthestars.co.nz or chris@underthestars.co.nz

"Thank you for all your support for astro tourism over the past four years, and I look forward to Chris taking Under The Stars to the next level and inspiring more people to go outside and look up at our wonderful dark skies."

Chris Murphy, Under The Stars



The Crab Nebula is the result of a supernova historically documented in 1054 CE. Image NASA, ESA

Tiananmen Square

Hong Kong Song

In Hong Kong Song, a small exhibition of photographs and books at Almo's Books & Café until 15 July, I present the poetry, poverty and generosity of Hong Kong, where I lived for 25 years.

A hometown under great oppression. I am donating half of my proceeds to Hong Kong Free Press, a brave independent website, and I invite you to support the cause.

Several images are from a housing estate where homes are of sheet metal, scrap wood, water-resistant fabric. For years, I lived near this older woman, smoking.

In Hong Kong, it is summer. White heat. Cicadas. Sweat. Yet the evenings, balm.

Friends – many of them cigarette smokers – would come to my home and sing all night long. Yet the summer is not just another season; June not just another month. On June 4, 1989, the Tiananmen Square massacre in Beijing. So much loss of life.

Every year in Hong Kong, I'd join thousands of others for a candlelight vigil on June 4th, yet, increasingly, China is erasing the memory of the massacre. No longer can people in Hong Kong mourn – or protest – in public. The vigil is banned.

China is also forcing schools and universities to "revise" textbooks in an effort to remove that event from history. Freedom of Speech, of Press, is diminishing: several newspapers and NGOs are now closed. Yet Hong Kong Free Press remains.

Here in Aotearoa, it's Matariki, a time of community, joy, newness. A time to remember the dead and release their spirits to become stars. Here, it is winter. Winds. Months of damp.

I exhibit to show my love for Hong Kong. To support freedom. To remember everyone who has been fighting for the cause. Some people incarcerated, with fresh arrests in June 2022. Some have left for another country. Many still live in Hong Kong. I send us all a song.

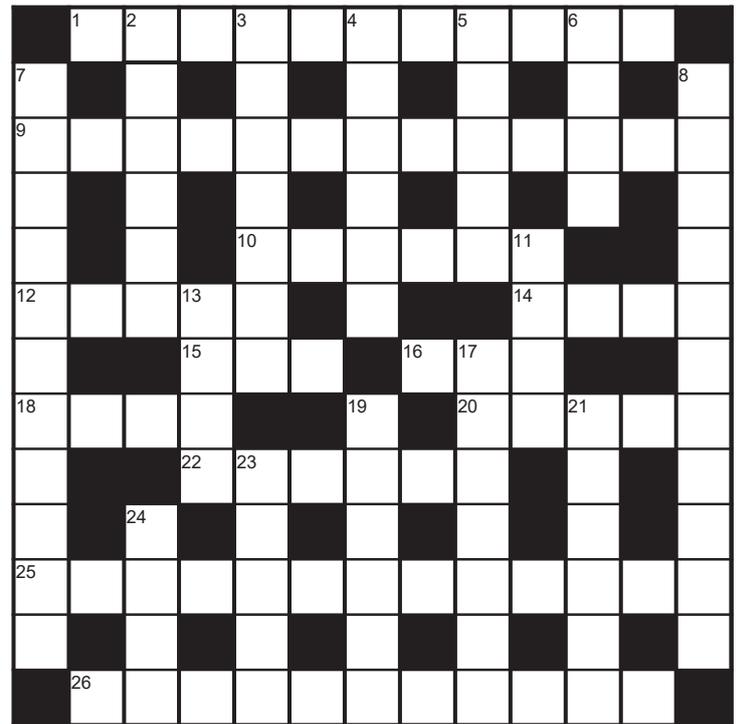
And I thank Almo's – where I work part-time – for inviting me to exhibit to mark the re-opening of the café.

Madeleine Slavick



Remembering the Tiananmen Square massacre

Crossword



ACROSS

1. Retailers of printed publications (11)
9. Distance around a circle (13)
10. See 22 Across
12. Ancient Greek storyteller (5)
14. Work (Te Reo) (4)
15. Large container for holding liquids (3)
16. Small pocket for holding a watch (3)
18. Operatic song (4)
20. Red cosmetic for the cheeks (5)
- 22 and 10 Across. Carterton retailer of South African specialties (6,6)
25. React excessively about play on muddy site (Cryptic) (13)
26. Park that is home to Carterton AFC (6,5)

DOWN

2. She-monster mixes blood and guts on board (Cryptic) (6)
3. Strategy or way of doing things (Te Reo) (7)
4. Exertion (6)
5. Relating to the words of a song (5)
6. Monetary unit of South Africa (4)
7. Enthusiastic approval (11)
8. Units of metric measurement (11)
11. Raised pulpit – or (Aust informal) ambulance (4)
13. Ellipse (4)
17. Culinary herb – a variety of wild marjoram (7)
19. Drive aground (6)
21. Raise or elevate (6)
23. South Asian republic (5)
24. Monetary unit of several South American countries (4)

Crossword courtesy of Bruce Caddy

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Dear Agony Aunty...

Dear AA,

I recently moved from Auckland to Carterton looking for a quiet life in a country village. I chose to live near the centre of town to reduce use of my car and do my bit for the planet.

But I haven't found the peace I was looking for – quite the contrary. That ugly grey clock chimes loudly more than 800 times a day; am I the only person who has noticed?

The fire brigade siren is deafening and usually roars out three times a day. When I used the term village to a Cartertonian born and bred I received a look of contempt and was told that "we never call Carterton a village".

I'm at a loss – it's noisy, not what I expected and I'm not fitting in. Should I give up and move to Greytown?

Alienated Aucklander

Dear Alienated Aucklander,

Let's focus on the positives. You have indeed got out of the rat race up there and you have reduced your carbon footprint. All good.

You obviously live close enough to be able to pop to the Events Centre, enjoy the library, and meet the locals at our excellent cafes.

Can I recommend reducing your stress by going to pilates and joining a music group? You won't find a better pilates instructor anywhere in Auckland, and some of the local garage bands are "inspiring".

Yes, the clock chimes often and the fire brigade is often called upon to save lives. But go on, slip off the expensive loafers and get yourself a pair of red bands. You will find this is a great place to live.

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Please send your questions for Agony Aunty to: crier.ed@gmail.com

Your Letters ...

Dear editor,

What a disappointment to see the series of adverts in the June Crier for the upcoming council elections.

Apart from the cost of such an exercise, who on earth thought the subject warranted schoolboy humour ("I'm sick of Council telling me when I can play with my hose")? Are we meant to find this funny?

The rest of the series focused on single-issue candidates, suggesting that anyone with a bee in their bonnet about something esoteric would make an ideal councillor.

It is misleading at best to promote the idea that any one councillor could change any of the issues referred to in the adverts.

I can see that the adverts are clever and eye-catching, but we need quality councillors, not single-issue drum beaters. Why not set out some of the attributes required of a good councillor – surely the whole council thing isn't just a joke?

S Sullivan, Carterton

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Crossword solution

19. Strand, 21. Uplift, 23. India, 24. Peso.
7. Acclamation, 8. Centimetres, 11. Ambo, 13. Oval, 17. Oregano,
Down: 2. Ogress, 3. Kaupapa, 4. Effort, 5. Lyric, 6. Rand,
10. Little Africa, 25. Overdrummatise, 26. Howard Booth.
Across: 1. Booksellers, 9. Circumference, 10. (See 22 Across),
12. Aesop, 14. Mahi, 15. Vat, 16. Fob, 18. Aria, 20. Rouge, 22. &

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Midwinter swim

Outdoor swim helps indoor pool

Last month the second Mayor's Midwinter Swim in the Ruamahanga River attracted a crowd alongside the Gladstone Inn.

It was a fantastic day, with plenty of people there who either joined in with the splash or stood on the riverbank to support.

Mayor Greg Lang organised the event this year as a fundraiser for the Carterton Indoor Pools, owned by the Carterton Swim Club.

"It was such a fun day for families and it was great to once again see our Carterton community come together to try and help each other," said Mayor Lang.

"I want to thank everyone for their support and to the Gladstone Inn for coming to the party again with pizza and mulled wine."

"The indoor pools are a great community asset, which provides a facility for year-round swimming lessons and improves local recreational opportunities, particularly for youth and elderly residents."

A 2019 facilities condition report found that the pool building has significant structural and environmental issues that must be addressed. Additional funding is required to enable the indoor pool to be upgraded to ensure the longevity of this important community asset.

The Midwinter swim helped raise \$6845 towards its \$10,000 target, which is a fantastic outcome. The money is intended to be used to



No shortage of keen participants this year. Photo Debbie Hunt

initiate the design stage and go to tender to secure an architect.

If the swim club's target goal is not met the money will be used to maintain the building as is for as long as possible.

There's still time to donate! Head to givealittle.co.nz and search "Carterton swimming club".

On behalf of Greg Lang and Anna Beetham

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Get snapping!! This is a great chance for young and old to get creative!

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