

The Carterton *crier*



DECEMBER 2022

► Working together for Christmas

- Free community dinner
- Church leaders' messages
- Pool slide opens

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Editorial

There you go – we've almost tucked away another year.

Christmas is one of the final rites of the year and most people are able to choose to celebrate it with family and friends at church and/or around the dinner table.

For those who want to gather in a community setting, or are on their own over Christmas, once again a dedicated band of stalwart volunteers has arranged a free Christmas dinner at the Events Centre (see page 3). It's not too late to lend a hand.

It's never too late to donate non-perishable food to the Carterton Foodbank, but this time of year remember to drop in a festive treat as well. It will brighten up somebody's day.

This community has shown its caring and resilience in recent years – let's hold on to that spirit as long as we can.

The year has been momentous for the *Crier*, with the formation of a management committee to steer the Carterton Crier Society Incorporated (CCSI) into the future. I openly welcome the increased support that this brings.

After 21 years, the *Crier* is finally in a sustainable environment, with safe hands taking it forward. Feel free to join the CCSI and share in its growth. A display about the *Crier* will stay on show at the Events Centre up to Christmas.

In encouraging the creation of the CCSI, Santa has already granted my Christmas wish – let's hope you have similar success with your wishes.

Happy holidays,
Paul Dykes, Editor



Disclaimer

Hey, we're all volunteers working to put out a **free** community newspaper for Carterton and district. If we have made a mistake, just let us know at crier.ed@gmail.com and we will endeavour to make amends. Thanks.



Part of the fabulous window display at HUHA on our main street – good enough to win second prize. Photo Erena Rangiwhetu

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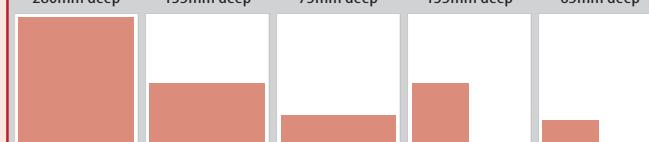
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Community Christmas dinner

Help spread the goodwill



Long-term organiser Sue Fleet welcomes guests

The Carterton Community Christmas Dinner has been going 21 years and has gone from strength to strength.

Starting out small by the St Mark's Church, to the Carterton Events Centre scout den, to the main auditorium. Carterton District Council most graciously lets us use their beautiful space for no cost.

They also donate Simon's time. He has been an integral part of the dinner for years and we could not do it without him.

The majority of our food is donated: Hams by Premier Beehive, legs of lamb from a local farmer and ex-councillor, pumpkins are also donated by a local farmer and current councillor. New World are enthusiastic contributors. They donate masses of food, including cooked chooks, but also heavily discount extras such as sweets and pavlovas. Pinehaven Orchards generously contributes to our fruit salad.

Several community members donate deserts of different types, such as trifle and mousse. Sue's homemade Christmas cake is the highlight.

As usual, we look for volunteers to help in all aspects of the day. This year we will need help setting up the hall on Thursday, 22 December in the afternoon. This includes tables, chairs and decorations.

Volunteers required on Christmas Day include:

10am to noon – Food preparation and greeters

Noon to 1pm – Food serving and refilling serving dishes (volunteers get a free lunch)

1pm to 2pm – dish clearing and clean up

2pm to 3pm – more cleaning up and sorting out utensils, glasses, bain maries, etc. This is the shift where we need the most help.

Business Wairarapa Awards

Innovating fast forward

Aratoi Wairarapa Museum of Art and History has won the Harcourt Hamill Realty Award for Innovation in this year's Wairarapa Business Awards.

New director Sarah McClintock has been in the role only two months, so she thanked the previous director Susanna Shadbolt and Aratoi staff for all their work over the past six years getting the museum to this point.

"We are thrilled to win this year's award," says Sarah. "The whole team has worked incredibly hard to create an innovative and sustainable museum. We love trying out new ideas, but understand that keeping in touch with our audience is crucial to our success and to ensure the museum stays accessible for all. We strive to be a positive role model within our community."

Judges were particularly impressed with Aratoi's sustainability ethos, its work with the community and with its innovative programming.

Sarah is excited to keep pushing the boundaries as the 2023 exhibition schedule promises to be stimulating, varied and thoughtful. An interactive family exhibition over winter around Matariki, many new local artist showcases, and the touring Rita Angus exhibition are just a few highlights coming up over the next year.



Aratoi director Sarah McClintock, award sponsor Prue Hamill, and Aratoi's Becky Bateman (Photo credit Lucia Zanmonti)

All are welcome to join the festivities, but bookings are essential. Please contact the Events Centre on 379 4081 or Sue Fleet on 379 8850 or email sue.fleet@xtra.co.nz

If you wish to volunteer, please email Judith at judithjagger@hotmail.com or call 027 379 6003.

Lastly, Merry Christmas to all, and here's to a wonderful 2023.

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Self-grown is sufficiency

There can be few experiences quite like Christmas dinner harvested from your own place. It's been a long tradition. If we couldn't grow it or forage it, then we didn't eat it; in some branches of this family, including the meat.

As a child I remember my mother, a townie, being pressed once to pluck the Christmas chicken for an extended family dinner. She did not enjoy meat; after that, she contrived for our little nuclear family to eat at a hotel on Christmas Day.

These days our family centrepiece is turkey cooked to perfection by our daughter using my sister's Thanksgiving turkey recipe. It comes lovingly stuffed and basted with lots of buttery homegrown thyme and tarragon.

Since forever, no Christmas dinner is complete without those lovely pearly little potatoes. This year we're growing a variety called Swift, planted at the end of September and shepherded through the late frosts and equinox gales with careful hoeing up of the soil into regimental rows. They flowered in November; we've been salivating at the thought. In ideal conditions, Swift matures 60–75 days from planting.

Wash the potatoes using your thumbs to rub off the skins before steaming them, or boil gently. Serve with generous amounts of butter and salt. Yum!

Normally, I would have parsnip to roast, but this year not. We'll have butternut instead. It has been a good keeper.

Then you'll need a green. Peas, although this year they have been a challenge to grow. We tried a new variety called Utrillo, and wished we had stuck to our normal Greenfeast. Utrillo germination was poor, but maybe it was the population explosion of quail. Of course, the quail season is long past or they too might find their way to the menu.

Merry Christmas, and don't forget to mint the peas.

Barbara Thompson



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Salad days are here. I love this colourful red salad to have with hot or leftover cold meat around Christmas and holiday time and it is also enjoyed by vegetarians as quinoa and beans are high in protein.

Accompany it with pomegranate dressing. If some of these ingredients are pricey you may wish to replace them with lower-cost goodies. Nuts and seeds have a varied price range – feel free to swap some out.

Cabbage, although costly, goes a long way if thinly sliced or grated. I chose red cabbage and included lots of red edibles for colour. Raw, peeled, grated beetroot as well as raw carrot add great variety. Red kidney beans would keep your colour palette red and add protein. If you don't have microgreens, include any raw edibles to add variety.

Raw Energy Salad

1 1/2 cups microgreens – red cabbage, radish and purple basil are good red microgreens
1 large raw beetroot, peeled and grated
1 large raw carrot, grated
1/4 red cabbage, finely sliced or grated

1/2 red capsicum, finely sliced
1/2 red onion, finely sliced
1/4 cup pumpkin seeds
1/4 cup sunflower seeds
2 teaspoons cumin or fennel seeds
1 cup cooked quinoa (red if possible)

Combine pumpkin seeds, sunflower seeds and cumin seeds and lightly toast in a frying pan over medium heat, stirring continuously. When seeds are cool, combine with all other ingredients. Drizzle pomegranate dressing over the salad and serve.

Pomegranate Dressing

4 teaspoons (20 ml)
pomegranate molasses or paste
Juice and finely grated zest of 1 orange
4 tablespoons (60ml) olive oil

Salt and finely ground black pepper to taste
1 tablespoon finely chopped mint.
Mix all together.

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What's On in Carterton

Community Christmas Dinner, Carterton Events Centre, Christmas Day, email Judith at judithjagger@hotmail.com or call 027 379 6003

Carols at Cobblestones on Saturday, 17 December, complete with live music, carol singing, cash bar, yummy food for sale, and of course a visit from Santa Claus.

Aratoi exhibitions Julia Teale Koha – *Presenting Plenitude* until 19 February, *Look Closely and Tell Me What You See* photographs from the collection until 19 February, Leah Vivienne Creaven *Land Girl* until 12 February, Professional Weavers Network of NZ present *Ngāhere – The Bush of Aotearoa* until 12 February

Wai Word Poet Laureate Chris Tse will lead a writing workshop (10-11.30am) on 18 February and give a performance (2pm) at Carterton Events Centre. Free entry, koha is welcome

Carols in the Park, A very Carterton Christmas, 11 December from 4.30pm Carrington Park, follow on Facebook for more information @AVeryCartertonChristmas

Sunset Cinema first screening in 2023 on 10 February and every second Friday of the month thereafter

Wairarapa College is excited to be celebrating 100 years in 2023 from 10-12 March, details at www.waicolcentenary.nz

Rangatahi to Rangatira Anyone aged 10–24 can attend every Wednesday night, 5.30pm–7.30pm, in the Rangatahi Hub (back of the Carterton Events Centre). Just turn up. Take a look at www.facebook.com/r2rcarterton

Wings Over Wairarapa 26–28 February, heaps to offer, www.wings.org.nz

Wings Over Wairarapa

Top summer event takes to the skies

The Wings Over Wairarapa Air Festival – regarded as one of the best air shows in the country due to exhilarating flying in the skies and exciting displays on the ground – is set to draw in the crowds this summer.

After the 2021 event was cut short by unexpected Covid-19 alert level restrictions, Wings general manager Carla Steed says it is a much-anticipated return for the Wellington region.

"Whether you are into aircraft or not, Wings is a fun, family day out full of action and is a great reason to bring your friends and family to Wairarapa," says Carla.

While the flight programme is still being finalised, aircraft favourites such as the P51 Mustang and the Yak-3M aka "Full Noise" will entertain crowds. Also featuring in the festival will be a Strikemaster, Spitfire TR9, Doug Brooker's MXS and the Roaring 40s, as well as aircraft from the New Zealand Defence Force.

A new aspect to festival will be an expanded STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics) programme called Take Flight. The three-day programme is designed to promote and



Coming to skies near you

inspire people to consider flight and aerospace careers.

Activities as part of Take Flight will include aircrew maths, rocketry, virtual reality, digital fabrication, and 3D printing, engineering and maintenance, simulation, robotics, circuitry, drones, and other unmanned aircraft.

Students will be able to meet aviation experts, engineers, pilots, and technicians to learn about satellite-tracking equipment, basic ballistics, body armour, as well as missiles and protection equipment.

Tickets are on sale now for the aircraft extravaganza, held at Hood Aerodrome in Masterton from 24–26 February 2023. A special Wairarapa locals deal will run throughout December with general admission entry on Saturday or Sunday entry at \$69 per adult, a saving of \$20, plus children rates available. Tickets are available for purchase now, with proof of Wairarapa residence. These will be available at the Masterton or Martinborough i-SITE Visitor Information Centres.

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Current Restrictions: sprinklers allowed on alternate days.



Odd numbered houses on odd days, even numbered houses on even days.

Restrictions help manage the water supply to ensure there is enough for everyone, to help with the community's reaction to climate change, is part of our consent requirements, and ensure supplies are available for firefighting.

For more info about water use and restrictions visit:

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Carterton pool

Slide is already a winner

Last month we celebrated the launch of Molly's slide at the outdoor pools, which is now open to the public.

Molly was just 10 years old spoke at last year's 10-Year Plan consultation hearings when she urged Council to replace the slide at the town's outdoor pools.

Council made room in its Ten-Year Plan budget for up to \$10,000 towards the project and sought to support Molly with her community fundraising for the rest.

The Ka Pai Carterton committee unanimously supported contributory funding of \$42,090 +GST. The campaign received another generous grant from Trust House, and community fundraising totalled more than \$4000.

This was on top of welcome support from the Wairarapa business community, who came together to provide some of the sponsorship for the community fundraising. There were also extra funds raised by a 10km fundraising swim and sausage sizzles.

The total funds raised were enough to cover the cost of the slide installation and beautification, including the mural



Molly using the slide for the first time

designed by Adrian Jackman and painted with help from local schools and Rangatahi to Rangatira.

Molly not only fundraised for the slide, but she also surveyed her peers to help custom design the slide, and picked the colours to match the mural.

Deputy mayor Dale Williams spoke on behalf of the mayor (who attended, but had lost his voice) and he hit the nail on the head when he said people think that one person

can't make a difference.

Well, one person can make a difference when they are someone like Molly who can take an idea, articulate it and create an avalanche that results in the community rallying around her to get an amazing new slide.

We love you mahi Molly – we're all going to have an epic summer of swimming thanks to you.

Elisa Brown

Carterton School

Camp Quality event a hair-raiser

A few of our Carterton School tamariki and staff are sporting much shorter hair after a fantastic Head Shave event held at assembly on 18 November.

Students Daisy, Ryan, Monica and Harvey all put their hand up to lose their locks in order to fundraise for Camp Quality, an awesome organisation that runs a fun-filled camp for children living with cancer.

Principal Mr Jackett faced the razor too. "I was a bit nervous at first, but after the whole kura began chanting support during assembly, and remembering the awesome charity we were fundraising for, it was a no-brainer to sit down and get my head shaved by Mr Hill."

Mr D, who also had his head shaved by the deputy principal Mr Hill, said "I am very impressed with the tamariki willing to make a big sacrifice for the benefit of others, it really shows how great the students at Carterton School are. There has even been talk about students who are already putting their hand up for next year's event".

Brent from More FM jumped in the hairdresser's chair as well, supporting our cause. So far we have raised more than \$2,000 on our Give A Little page and \$450 through our Wacky Hair Day held on the same day. The Give A Little page is still open and accepting donations so feel free to pop on and support our fundraiser too.

We want to say a big thank you to everyone who has donated, the hairdressers, the organisers – especially Whaea Kirsty – and to everyone who has shared the link and came out to support our kura during this event.



Two of the volunteers, after sacrificing their hair



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Carterton netball

Eyes on 2023 season

Our Jo-Kelly & Co Carterton Netball Club teams are looking forward to another successful season in 2023.

Starting off, we have our annual twilight competition, on Wednesday evenings from 1 February. A slight change will see players taking the court for four quarters.

We are inviting teams to enter by either email to cartertonnetballclub@gmail.com or via Gaylene Malcolm on 027 6080 215. Get your friends, work mates or family together and enter now – spaces are limited.

The primary (yrs 1–4) season starts in term 1, playing Tuesday afternoons from 21 February through to 28 March. If you wish for your son or daughter to take part in this, please contact Jodi O'Brien on jjdl@xtra.co.nz or 027 775 2408.

Trials for 2023 will be held in the new year for all players wishing to play at any grade. We love welcoming new members to our friendly club, so please come along. We will post trial dates on our Facebook page Carterton Netball Club, Instagram @cartertonnetball and on our website www.sporty.co.nz/cartertonnc as soon as possible.

We are also inviting expressions of interest for coaches at all levels (primary and senior). If you are interested in being a part of our amazing club, where you can impart your knowledge and love of netball to our players, then make contact today.

Jo-Kelly & Co Carterton Netball wish you all a wonderful festive season and look forward to seeing you on the court in 2023.



Vintage Car Club

New members rally

It was a beautiful spring morning when 12 vehicles set off from Farriers at Masterton on a 100km navigation exercise, set in expert style by Jim Barr and managed by some of the more recent members of the club.

All cars reached the lunch stop at the Eketahuna motor camp, a pleasant venue by the river. Here the winners were announced. Shaun Leahy and Willie James won the regularity and tulip stage 1 in Shaun's MGC, Chris and Jane Giles the Straight line Navigation Stage 2 in the Peugeot 205 CTI, but the overall winners were Phil and Liz Brown in their Daimler DB 18.

Last month the Car's the Star was Graham Hodder's 1914 Saxon. Manufactured in 1914, in 1917 the car belonged to Captain Salt who was stationed at the Featherston Military Camp. Graham Hodder's great aunt, Ida Hodder, purchased the car from Captain Salt that year, thus beginning more than a century of ownership by the Hodder family.

The car has a 4-cylinder, 1419cc, 12hp side-valve engine, with a 2-speed transmission mounted on the rear axle housing. Normal cruising speed is 30 mph (48 km/h).

Coming up on Sunday 8 January is the Annual Coastal Run – a day trip to one of the Wairarapa's many coastal destinations.

Monday 6 February is the Waitangi Day Club Afternoon social run and Sunday 12 February is our Remembrance Rally – a competitive run for the Remembrance Trophy.

The VCC Wairarapa Branch clubrooms are at the Clareville show grounds. Anyone with an interest in heritage vehicles both classic and vintage, is welcome. Don't be put off by the word "vintage", any vehicle over 30 years old is eligible for VCC events.

More information on our website: www.sporty.co.nz/wairarapavcc

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Some of the cars on the new members' rally, Bob Cumming's P6 Rover, ahead of club captain Hugh Hunter's Morris 8 followed by the only bike, a 1969 BSA Victor Special, ridden by Kevin Sullivan



The Car's the Star, Graham Hodder introduces his 1914 Saxon

Christmas Carols in the Park

You are invited to join us at Carrington Park to sing Christmas Carols Christmas Eve Saturday 24th December 2022 At 7pm Please bring your family and friends along. There will be a free Sausage afterwards Everyone is welcome. Looking forward to seeing you there. Contact details: Johan & Emily 06 379 7937 or 027 210 2768

Wai Word

Poet Laureate in Carterton

Wairarapa Word's 2023 season opens with a visit from Chris Tse, New Zealand's 13th Poet Laureate.

Chris Tse will lead a writing workshop (10-11.30am) on 18 February and give a performance (2pm) at Carterton Events Centre. Free entry, koha is welcome.

"Stepping into this role as a queer, Asian, writer is an incredible and life-changing opportunity," says Chris, at 39 the youngest writer to hold the position.

Chris Tse's events in Wairarapa are presented by Wairarapa Word and Wairarapa Library Service (WLS), with support from Almo's Books, Carterton Creative Communities, NZ China Friendship Society, and Carterton Events Centre.

WLS is continuing its support of Wai Word, which WLS manager Annette Beattie views as one way to celebrate and nurture a literary eco-system across all our communities.

"Everybody wants and loves Chris Tse because he makes poetry emotionally potent, incredibly chic and also sexy," wrote Claire Mabey



Poet Laureate Chris Tse

in *The Spinoff*. "He's an entire literary eco-system: the poet's poet; the reluctant-about-poetry-reader's poet; the fashion-lover's poet; the pop idol of poets; the Prince-Madonna of Aotearoa letters."

"We are thrilled to bring Chris Tse to Wairarapa," said Madeleine Slavick, founding coordinator of Wairarapa Word and herself a poet.

To book your place for the free writing workshop email dan@wls.org.nz. For more information, visit events.waiword@gmail.com

Keep Carterton Beautiful Group

Weather woes continue

Unfortunately, the weather has not played ball and has stopped progress on some of our painting jobs at Sparks Park.

However, we have been able to paint the roadside fence and bike stand at the Swimming Baths – all looking fresh now for this year's swimming season.

Also, the convolvulus is rampant along the walkway between Pembroke and Victoria Sts. This took two working bees to remove.

Volunteers have spent about 900 hours weeding, painting, weed spraying and planting hanging baskets at the District Council during 2022, so a huge thank you to our volunteers.



Painting the pool fence

Follow us on our Facebook page to see what we have been up to.

On behalf of our volunteers, we wish everyone a Happy and Safe Christmas Season.

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Emergency works

Our application for emergency funding for the storm event in August has been approved by Waka Kotahi. The total estimated cost for the event is \$800,000.

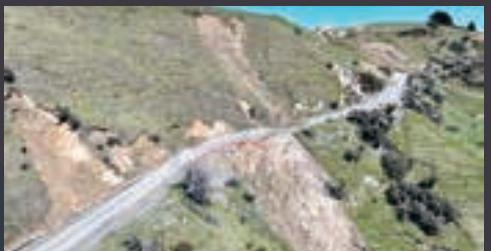
In October we applied for another event for weather damage in the Te Wharau Road Flatpoint area. Our application is currently under review.

During these emergency events it is primarily the environment around the infrastructure that fails – failure of infrastructure is a secondary result of other factors. For this reason, we are working with Greater Wellington Regional Council to develop a slope stabilisation plan through pole planting which will significantly improve resilience in this area.

The total estimated cost of emergency works for this financial year is \$1,713,629. This equates to an increase of 49% to the annual roading budget. Such an increase has a significant impact on resources, both internal and contracted.

Fulton Hogan has engaged sub-contractors and additional project management resource to assist with the delivery of the emergency works.

Visit cdc.govt.nz/works for info on planned works



Carterton District Council Speed Review

Road to Zero is the Government's Strategy to guide improvements on road safety, which sets a target of reducing death and serious injury by 40% over next decade (compared to 2018 levels).

The strategy includes a range of improvements across the system including speed limit changes in urban areas and on the highest risk parts of the road network.

Speed management is about achieving safe and appropriate speeds that reflect road function, design, safety and use. When speeds are appropriate for the road, simple mistakes don't need to end in tragedy.

Ruamāhanga Roads and Tonkin and Taylor are currently developing the Interim Speed Management Plan (ISMP). The ISMP includes the following steps:

- Development of draft ISMP (Nov 2022)
- Council endorsement of ISMP
- Waka Kotahi endorsement of ISMP
- Public consultation process
- Publish review
- Implementation



Potable Water Storage Tanks

The assembly of the tanks is progressing well, and wall construction should be completed by the end of November.





Frederick Street Water Treatment Plant Upgrade

The Frederick Street Water Treatment plant upgrade is progressing well. This project has taken longer than scheduled as we are carrying out the work while keeping the plant running, so you can still receive water to your tap with minimal disruption.

Some of the changeovers have required the plant to be offline, and to do this we needed to be able to run the Kaipaitangata plant by itself (for Water Supply to the network). This is weather dependent, as rain and wind can cause too much turbidity in the stream water. Covid-19 is still making the rounds which also resulted in delays.

The primary focus now is the programming of the plant to comply with the newly introduced Taumata Arowai drinking water standards.

Phase 3 – Lincoln Road water main

The water main installation and reinstatement has now been completed. The project team is working with Downer on its final quality assurance before finalising the project.

Dalefield pumpstation

The Dalefield pumpstation connecting the storage tanks, Lincoln Road water main and the Frederick Street Water treatment plant is currently out for tender. The tender is being advertised on Tenderlink. The procurement has a big focus on quality. We aim to appoint the successful contractor before the end of the year for construction to start early in the new year.

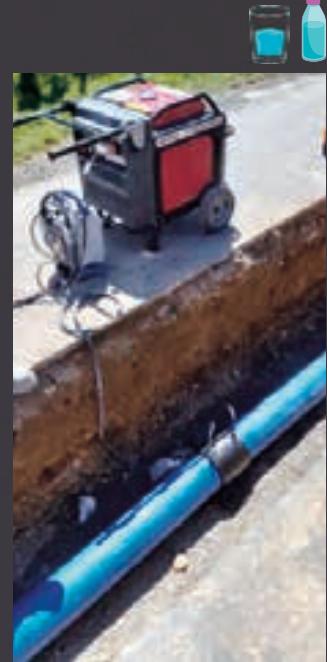


Image: water main pressure testing

Wastewater Treatment Plant Reservoirs Upgrade



The construction of the reservoirs is progressing well. Ordish & Stevens is currently ahead of schedule for their original construction programme. Due to favourable weather conditions and contractor availability, some activities have started earlier than programmed.

The outfall pipeline which currently dictates the critical path is roughly 50% complete. Even though the remaining work on the outfall pipeline only requires a couple of weeks of construction in fine weather, the contractor's availability means completion may be delayed until July 2023. However, in the event that other scheduled jobs are delayed, the contractor will return to complete this work early.



Good news on the reservoir outlet pipes! We have been able to start this work early due to availability of key resources. This was previously programmed to start in February 2023.



The main driver behind the decision to install a conductive liner was to be able to conduct electrical leak detection. This is a great tool for quality assurance and could also be used as part of the asset management condition assessment in the future. The leak detection identifies leaks not necessarily visible to the naked eye.

In November 2022 we started the leak detection process. Due to availability of under water testing equipment, we managed to test reservoir 1 as well. This has been worth it as we have identified two leaks to date. The testing should be completed within the next 8 days.

Do not let this image fool you! Even though the process appears very simple the research and development of the process is quite impressive. The process in a nutshell includes electronically charged water being sprayed onto the conductive liner. In the event of a leak, the operator is notified by an alarm. Due to Viking's involvement in the leak detection and this being the main priority at the time, the liner repairs have been postponed until testing is complete.



Mangatārere Stream

Draft flood map shows hazard areas

Flooding is likely to increase in the future as climate change brings more severe weather. So, understanding flood risk is more important than ever.

Since February 2018, a project team appointed by the community has been working to update the flood hazard maps for the Mangatārere Stream, including Carterton.

This project team includes local community members, flood hazard experts, and representatives from Carterton District Council and Greater Wellington.

Data, community insights, expert advice and the latest technology are used to create maps that show how river flooding would impact the community.

These maps aim to improve public safety and reduce the risk of costly flood damage to property by encouraging people who live in areas where flooding could happen to be prepared, preventing people from building in high-risk areas, and informing the ways flood risk will be managed.

Creating draft maps is a key stage in the development process. After an independent audit these maps will be finalised. Once finalised they will be provided to local councils for inclusion in the Wairarapa Combined District Plan.

The Wairarapa Combined District Plan Committee can then use these maps when making decisions on rules for building new homes and making changes to existing homes.

These maps focus on understanding the likely spread and depth of flood waters in a significant, but infrequent, river flood. You might



Project team member Steve Cretney discusses the maps with Ron Shaw at the Events Centre display

hear this size of flood called a "1-in-100-year-flood". But it's more helpful to think of this as a 1% annual chance flood.

That's because there's a 1% chance of this sized flood happening in any given year. This doesn't mean that there is exactly one of these floods every 100 years. It's also important to remember that several big floods could happen in quick succession.

The draft maps went on display at the Events Centre last month, with members of the project team on hand to answer questions.

It was stressed that the maps show the Mangatārere Stream flooding only – they make no allowance for flooding caused by storm water.

Check out your street at www.gw.govt.nz/wairarapa-flood-maps
Information extracted from GW website.

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Come and celebrate

There is such power in stories. We all have a story. Where we've come from and how we got to be where we are now.

Stories are handed down through the generations and our little ones love to hear them. Some stories have life changing impact – like the Christmas story. The story of a man born over 2000 years ago. What is it about this story that brings such amazing joy to some, while others go yeah, nah, not for me?

Is it too good to be true? That God would send His son, as a baby, God in human form, as a baby? Say whaat? Born in a stable, sleeping in a feeding trough, then that God would send angels to shepherds, of all people, to tell them about it. Shepherds indeed! At the time, the lowliest of occupations (nowadays highly respected men and women – thank you shepherds).

Yet these lowly shepherds heard the story and were compelled inwardly to go and see this baby. Their lives were changed forever.

They encountered the baby who grew to be the most talked about man in history. Our calendars are marked by His death, nearly 2023 years ago – an event that caused a cleft that for the rest of recorded history, would mark time as Before Christ and After Christ.

Our lives too can be changed by an encounter with this man – Jesus, Saviour, Healer, Restorer, Wonderful Counsellor, Emmanuel, God with us.

We know he wasn't born on 25 December, but that's the day we set aside to celebrate His miraculous birth.

Come and celebrate this man. He really is the Prince of Peace that we all need.

Christmas Day Service – 9am – 25 December – St David's, Carterton

Hope-less or hope-ful?

The Christmas Carol "O little Town of Bethlehem" speaks of what might be expected as a result of the birth of Jesus Christ: "The hopes and fears of all the years are met in thee tonight".

When Jesus was born, Palestine was under Roman occupation. Most Jewish people hoped that their God would intervene and help restore their peace, freedom and prosperity. Some looked to God to send a mighty leader to toss out the Romans.

Others hoped God would just put things right. None of them expected that God would intervene in the form of a helpless baby. Turns out, they were looking in the wrong place.

Today, many of us hope that somehow our current circumstances will be improved. Understandably, we want relief from financial hardship, social isolation, or anxiety about the future. Sometimes we look to violence, crime, gambling or drugs as a solution. But then we too are looking in the wrong place.

For Christians, each Christmas season is filled with hope: hope that they will encounter their Messiah in fresh and compelling ways. But it's not a baby in a crib that they are seeking – Christ left the stable more than 20 centuries ago.

They seek and see the resurrected Christ in daily blessings: in a random act of kindness by a stranger; in a smile from a neighbour; in a surprise reconciliation; and in quiet moments when, choosing to step off the consumption-driven treadmill, they open themselves to God's presence.

They, in turn, seek to be beacons of hope and to show kindness to others, particularly the last, lost and least in our midst. Theirs is a hope founded in God.

Where are you looking for hope this Christmas?

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He kept and will keep His Word

The 25th of December is a random date on which someone chose to commemorate the birth of Jesus, but the birth of Jesus is not a random event.

It is a massive event. It is by far the biggest world event recorded. For Jesus is not just one of the many babies born. He is the Creator entering His own creation to become the Saviour of sinners.

John captured this astounding truth in *John 1:14*, "And the Word [God] was made flesh [human], and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."

It is noteworthy when we read the record of those celebrating His birth in the Bible, that they highlighted God's faithfulness about Jesus the Promised One.

Zechariah spoke, "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for He hath visited and redeemed His people (...) as He spake by the mouth of His holy prophets, which have been since the world began." (*Luke 1:68, 70*)

Despite many centuries, God kept His Word. He came as the promised One when things looked grim. He came into this world of sin and brokenness, to bring hope of forgiveness and healing, through His doing and dying. One day, He will return to finish His grand work! Though the scenes and outlook of our present world are grey, His promise shines with hope. "So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many: and unto them that look for him shall He appear the second time without sin unto salvation." *Hebrews 9:28*.

Hearing such a promise, John concluded the Bible with, "Even so, come, Lord Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all, Amen." (*Rev. 22:20-22*).

Pastor Arnoud Vergunst, Reformed Congregation of Carterton



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Kuranui College

Sports to the fore

This year has been a busy year for Kuranui College sport and although term one was slowed slightly by Covid, competitions and achievements ramped up for the remainder of the year.

During the year students participated in basketball, netball, tennis, cricket, rugby, hockey, football, volleyball, touch rugby, smallbore, gliding, aviation, futsal, claybird shooting, badminton, 3x3 basketball, e-sport, golf, Muay Thai, wrestling, swimming, athletics, mountain biking, archery, chess, cross country, tenpin bowling, and squash.

Congratulations to our major winners: Para Athlete Thomas Morland (athletics and basketball), Junior Sportsman Tristan Wagner (athletics and football) and Campbell Bradbury-Mills (football, basketball, chess, cricket).

Junior Sportswoman Aria Whiteman (athletics, cricket, netball, smallbore, basketball, coaching, umpiring), Junior Achievement Duncan Allen-Alloway (wrestling), Senior Sportsman Jarrod Yee (athletics and hockey).

Senior Sports Woman Alesha Alexander



Sports awards winners (from left) Alesha Alexander, Campbell Bradbury-Mills, Tristan Wagner, Aria Whiteman, Simon Fuller, Jarod Yee, Duncan Allen-Alloway

(cricket, netball, smallbore, basketball, coaching, umpiring), Senior Achievement Jack Hancock (Muay Thai).

Most Improved Team girls T20 cricket, Team of the Year 1st XI boys hockey, coach of the year Jason Hutchings.

Thank you to all the Carterton and Gladstone clubs who support our students now, in the past and in the future – it takes a community.

In 2023 we look forward to introducing the Duke of Edinburgh, lacrosse, mountain biking, girl's rugby, disc frisbee, bowls and ki-o-rahi, along with the new Performance Academy and Performance Wananga to

support students striving for excellence in sport through balancing their overall hauora and fundamental skills.

We are grateful to our coaches, managers, umpires, van drivers, sponsors and funders for the support they provide our rangatahi in achieving the best they can be in sport and recreation.

If you would like to join the KC Sports Team in 2023 as a volunteer coaching, managing, umpiring or van driving, check out full details for all our sports at www.kuranuicolllege.school.nz and register or seek further information by emailing whitemank@kuranui-college.school.nz

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New mayor

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I'm honoured to be back in the role of Mayor of Carterton and would like to thank the Carterton District community for their expression of confidence in my ability to lead.

The hard work has already started and I'm ready to be an effective advocate for Carterton residents.

Our district needs good, strong leadership during these times of massive changes that threaten the very existence of small rural councils such as ours. The challenges we face seem endless – the Local Government review, Three Waters Reforms, the proposed RMA changes, increasing workloads on councils, climate change challenges, and escalating inflation. There's a storm brewing on the horizon and it's heading straight for rural New Zealand.

I remember being a young lad, milking cows, cutting scrub, and shooting possums. My foster father told me – "when farmers are struggling, they close the cheque book and when they close the cheque book, the entire community feels it".

Well, he was right. This is why I'm keen to learn more about where our district's economic wealth is generated from, and how we can

protect it. Our farming sector is vital. It is also under pressure on multiple fronts and has potential to cause a downturn.

One of the biggest challenges our Council faces is rates affordability. The question is, how do we meet our infrastructure needs, and temper our aspirations to ensure Carterton remains affordable for young families and our long-time older residents?

We need to set realistic rates that recognise the cost impacts on people living on low and fixed incomes.

I love Carterton. I am concerned Council has strayed from its core business of infrastructure and community support, and has moved to projects that do little to build confidence in the Council's ability to manage complex issues. We will do our best to maintain important social services, while being mindful of what ratepayers can afford.

At the end of the day, we all want Carterton to thrive, to see value, and have key priorities met. It is time to get back to basics.

Hon. Ron Mark, mayor of Carterton



South End School

Top efforts for peace

We were lucky to be invited by the Carterton Lions Club to participate in the international peace poster competition.

We were asked to express what we think of peace through creating a visual poster.

We are excited to share that Aria Smith was placed 1st and Cale-Grace Lockyer 2nd. Our prizes were \$100 and \$50 Take Note vouchers, which we are looking forward to spending.

We are very excited because Aria's poster now goes onto the regional competition.

Saskia Slothouber from Ponatahi Christian School, received a \$25 Take Note Voucher for being placed third.

The theme for the 2022-23 competition was "Lead with Compassion", and young people were invited to explore and visually express the peaceful future that compassionate leadership brings.

Lion Steve Cretney approached primary schools in the Carterton District, along with Kuranui College, to advise them of the club's intention to run a competition from August to October.

Some of the schools could not commit to entering the competition, as their curriculum was pretty full, but South End School, St Marys



L-R: Steve Cretney (Carterton Lions), Cale, Jule Jones (kaiako) and Aria School and Ponatahi Christian School collectively provided 30 entries for judging.

Celebrated local Carterton artist Rhondda Greig was asked to be guest judge and, over several days, Rhondda settled on the competition prize winners.

Celebrating Christmas

A good old fashioned Christmas carol sing-a-long!

WHEN- 5pm SATURDAY 17TH DECEMBER

WHERE- St David's Carterton - Outside under the tress

WHY- Because we love to share the joy of Christ's birth!

WHAT TO BRING-A smile, a rug to sit on & a non-perishable donation to the Foodbank.

We will have a sausage sizzle & games for the children. Your little ones may wish to dress up as shepherds, angels or kings.



Historical Society

Heritage items have found their way home

A move to 142 High St North by the Carterton District Historical Society has all of the collection housed under one roof at last.

On 9 October members and friends gathered at the new premises to celebrate. Former patron Greg Lang offered encouraging words about the future of CDHS and proposed a toast to our developments and prospects.

Maureen Leach, our longest-standing committee member, cut a delicious cake that was enjoyed by all, with a glass of bubbles.

The new premises provides space for small, themed displays of Carterton heritage items and room to hold events, which will bring Carterton's heritage alive.

The heart of the collection – records about Carterton's people, places and events – is now easily accessible and as always, we welcome visitors seeking research information about Carterton District's past.

Pop in and see us. Currently you will find a window display about the history of the Belvedere Rd Show Grounds. Do you remember getting a new summer dress to wear to The Show, fetching hot water for your picnic cuppa from the tea kiosk, or the spectacle of the grand parade?

Inside you'll find a map of the original High St with photographs



A Red Cross blanket created by Carterton women during WWI

of early buildings and their later replacements. Another display shows items representing schooling in Carterton, including the original school bell, the bonnet and parasol belonging to teacher Miss Elizabeth Anderson, and those pesky dip pens that once caused splattered school shirts.

The first television sold in Carterton will transport you back in time, as will other items in the audio-visual technology display.

CDHS has extended opening hours to Tuesday and Thursday afternoons 2–4pm and will also open by appointment. Contact the secretary, Vivienne, at 06 379 5564 or carterton.hist.soc@gmail.com

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APPLICATIONS PROCESSING

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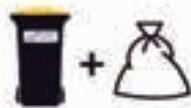
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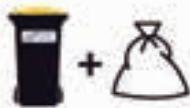
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Normal collections from 27th Dec.

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Carterton & Districts Returned & Services Memorial Trust Tertiary Grant

Grant applications are now open

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Application forms are available from:

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Applications close 24 February 2023

Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

Grant applications are now open

Carterton District Council invites applications from rural sports clubs and rural school teams with young people aged between 5 and 19 years who require subsidies to assist with transport expenses to local sporting competitions.

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Carterton Christmas



Parade 2022



Carterton Rotary

Getting the word out

Rotarians have been busy turning out to marshal the gates at the A&P Show – a very busy couple of days with a record turn-out.

A few days later many of us were back in action with the fire brigade collecting for the food bank.

My favourite activity was presenting Usborne Illustrated English Dictionaries to all the Year 4 (8 to 9 year old) students in the Carterton area. Since former Rotary international president and New Zealander Bill Boyd and his wife Lorna implemented The Dictionary 4 Life project in 2008, more than 200,000 books have been distributed throughout New Zealand and the Pacific Islands with many more worldwide. Carterton Rotary uses some of the money raised from the Annual Book Fair to fund this.

Earlier this year we sponsored Kuranui College Year 12 student, Lola Holbrook to attend the Rotary Innovative Young Mind STEMM Course in Silverstream. Rotary Hutt City started this programme in 2017 and it is designed to encourage young women, who are under-represented in these fields, to explore Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and high-tech Manufacturing fields. It is a six-day residential programme for Year 11 & 12, which showcases the wide range of study, research and career opportunities available in STEMM.

Lola thanked us and said it had opened her eyes to study options she hadn't considered previously.

We would like to identify suitable candidates aged 15-17 years and still at school for the Rotary Youth Programme of Enrichment (RYPEN) which will be run 17-19 March at Inglewood. This is not a leadership award but for "young people who possess qualities of decency, persistence and application and who deserve further encouragement culturally and physically".

You can download a form online or contact our secretary ckconroy@farmside.co.nz

Deirdre O'Flynn



St Mary's School Year 4s with Deirdre O'Flynn

Wairarapa Herb Society

California dreaming



Everyone is busy now with preparations for the festive season or finishing all those jobs before going on holiday. The mind runs at 100 miles an hour and the much-needed sleep does not arrive.

Eschscholzia californica is a poppy native to California and Mexico, used by the native Americans as a sedative, hypnotic and analgesic. This poppy contains a non-addictive, non-narcotic mild opiate "fuzz" responsible for its properties.

As a milder substitute for opium poppy, the Californian poppy works for all sorts of pain and is used to help with insomnia.

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Please note that only the California poppy can be used as mentioned here. All other poppies are poisonous to humans and dogs (source: Maria Noel Groves, Body Balance).

If you would like to know more about unusual herbs, join an enthusiastic group that meets every third Tuesday of the month at 1.30pm at the Old Courthouse in Carterton.

The Herb Society will take a break from now until February 2023. For further information, call Christine 027 280 6739.



Horses for courses

Musical genres workout

Next year's 121 Festival will showcase more than 40 international and national artists playing house, techno, dub, roots, jazz, soul and hip-hop over three days on 10–12 March.

Taking place across six stages at the picturesque Tauherenikau Racecourse in South Wairarapa, 121 Festival combines multiple music genres, with art and wellness for an unforgettable multi-dimensional experience.

The festival takes full advantage of its unique setting, which features ancient kahikatea trees and a range of buildings including vintage grandstand, concrete bunkers and 1920s ballrooms.



Anetha



Babe Rainbow

Among some of the headline acts are Anetha, Bradley Zero, Babe Rainbow, FJAAK, Lord Echo (live), LSDXOXO, Kettama, Peach, Overmono (live) and Avantdale Bowling Club.

On the back of a stellar breakout year in 2020, organisers are anticipating tickets for 2023 will be in high demand.

Tickets on sale now.

Challenge Shield Trophy

Schools vie for honours

In the annual challenge for school gardens, Gladstone School came first, with South Featherstone School second and St Mary's School, Carterton, coming third.

There was only one point between the first three placings, which shows how highly competitive The Challenge Shield has become.

The judging of the school gardens was carried out by volunteers from the Carterton Garden Club as well as an overseas guest who was delighted to participate.

"The schools are amazing," says Coral Aitchison, convenor of this yearly challenge run by the A&P Society at Clareville.

"We have wonderful vegetable and flower gardens, but also bee hives, poultry, tame rabbits, a tame pig, sensory gardens,

fenced in berry gardens (possums), but also trapping of rats and possums who of course love to raid the garden beds.

"Fruit trees and herb gardens, lots of strawberries, native trees and shrubs being planted as well. Glasshouses and seeding beds, bug motels are just some of the students' endeavours.

The School Journals created by students from the various schools are of a very high calibre. Photographs and comments are made throughout the year recording their activity and even recipes of the food harvested and cooked and eaten by the students. One school is even growing popcorn and another school tried a beetroot milk shake. Apparently, it tasted quite good.



Gladstone School's Joel Douglas holding the trophy

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Saint Marys

New sharing shed

Reece Kirk from Chanel College has made a new sharing shed for Saint Mary's school in Carterton.

He made it from recycled wood he found on the side of the road. The wood had a thick layer of concrete attached to it, and he spent five whole lessons working away at it to get rid of the concrete, and three to sand it.

He painted it with blue paint provided from Saint Marys – he did four coats of paint until it was ready. The Henley Menzshed helped Reece build the roof.

The top shelf with the plastic cover holds books, the bottom and middle shelves holds food.

Reece Kirk got ideas from driving around the Wairarapa and seeing some of the other sheds. He got his template from the one on Oxford St. From his work he got eight credits for his NCEA.

Saint Mary's is very pleased with our new sharing shed.



Saint Mary's new shed is popular

Reasons to be cheerful



An electrician called Dave visited me this month to replace a faulty smoke alarm and add a power point in my kitchen.

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Cafe:
Dish:
Price:

Balter Bar & Kitchen
Flaming Cheese (Vegetarian)
\$22

Sabrina Sullivan spoke to Bhajan Singh, co-owner of Balter with his cousin Tript Dhillon.

"Really, we consider that we have three signature dishes, but Flaming Cheese has been on the entree menu since Tript took over Balter two years ago.

It starts with a salty Dutch gruyere cheese called Kaffaloguevere, seared on a very hot skillet. Agave syrup is added to reduce the saltiness. Then ouzo is poured over, giving a fresh fennel flavour. It is served with a side of sourdough bread, hummus and pickled olives. It looks so spectacular, as the ouzo is set alight at the table. We simply can't take it off the menu!

We are also very proud of our Fenugreek Potatoes with whipped feta and halloumi (\$17). It's a little bit Indian, a little bit Middle Eastern. This dish was inspired by Tript and wherever he has been working in the past nine years people have asked for it. (Tript was formerly head chef at Hummingbird in Wellington, also Los Banditos).

Our third specialty is Smoked Mango

and Doris Plum Cheesecake (\$18). It is a deconstructed cheesecake with white chocolate, ground almonds, our own mango puree, Doris plum and Persian fairy floss.

Balter also caters for weddings and events outside the restaurant. Recently we catered for a wedding party of 150. We are happy to help the community, we host Rotary meetings and dinners regularly.

For myself, the feeling of community here in Carterton is something I was missing all my life."

Secret tester's report ...

"Wow! What an amazing combination of flavours and textures. The presentation is fantastic and the portion is generous so two could easily share. Impressive."

our signature dish



Flaming cheese lights up the menu



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Linda P.



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11.00am					PILATES
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6.30pm			PILATES		

Full timetable starts back Feb 6 2023



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Carterton Community Directory

Education, youth, children

Carterton Community Playgroup Contact Renee 022 315 3374

Carterton Community Toy Library Facebook:@cartertontoylibrary

Carterton Kindergarten Phone 379 8102 or call in to enrol. Website wmkindergartens.org.nz Email: carterton@wmkindergartens.org.nz

Carterton Playcentre Email carterton@playcentre.org.nz, and on Facebook

Carterton Scout Group Keas, Cubs and Scouts. Contact Sylvia Morgan 06 379 7153 or 027 249 3395

Girl Guide Groups Guides and Brownies, Sharon Aston 021 033 0550. Pippins, Debbie Fryer 06 379 6588

He Pounamu Early Nurture See Facebook, or email admin@hepounamu.co.nz

Kiddie Gym Lorna or Joan 06 379 8325

Longbush Playgroup Ginny 06 372 7003

Masterton Toy Library 365 Queens St Masterton. Open Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, Sundays 10am–12 noon. New members welcome.

Montessori Playgroup 9.30–11.30am, Plunket Rooms, 50 Holloway St,

Carterton, phone Emilie 021 963 929

Proactive Parenting Services at Wairarapa Safer Community Services Trust, 185 High St South, Monday–Thursday 8am–4pm. Enquiries to Sam Williams 021 509 626 or 06 379 5404

Rangatahi to Rangatira youth group, a free Carterton youth group getting young people involved in their community. Facebook: facebook.com/r2rcarterton

South End Kindergarten Phone 06 379 7723, southend@wmkindergartens.org.nz

St John Maria Tankersley 06 379 6479

Wairarapa Kids Choir Wednesdays from 3.50–4.50pm term time at the Courthouse, Carterton Events Centre, ages 7–13. New recruits welcome. Contact jillbebbington@wise.net.nz

Wairarapa Youth Services at Wairarapa Safer Community Services Trust, 185 High St South, Monday–Friday 8am–5pm. Enquiries to Loraine Mitchell 021 509 446 or 06 379 5407

Arts

Book Club Carterton District Library, library@cdc.govt.nz. 06 379 4080

Book Group U3A Sue Burns 06 379 6506

Carterton Craft Market Open 7 days from 10am–3pm. Call Desley 027 787 8558

Greytown Music Group Ed and Juliet Cooke, phone 06 304 9497, email efjacoode@gmail.com.

Heart of Arts Wairarapa 47 High St North Carterton. Open Wednesday–Sunday 10am–4pm

Jonáš Koukl's music classes and drumming group. Contact Jonáš at jonas@connecting-arts.com 021 0842 1552

NZ Pacific Studio Residency Programme www.artistresidency.org.nz

Off Track Arts Handcrafted jewellery, sculptures and art knives by Benjamin Madden and Marisa McLuckie. Home gallery open by appointment, offtrackarts@gmail.com, www.offtrackarts.nz

South End Strummers Contact Carole 06 379 7292

Wai Art Group For information phone Anthea Crozier 06 377 1261

Wairarapa Music Co-Creation Meetups www.connecting-music.nz, 021 0842 1552

Wairarapa Word A free and friendly way to meet writers. 1st Sundays, 3pm. Contact events.waiword@gmail.com or Steve Laurence at Almo's Books: 06 379 7103

Services

3Mile Sign up via our Facebook or Meetup pages

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 142 High St North, Carterton. Open Tuesday and Thursday 2–4pm or by appointment via Vivienne 06 379 5564 or email carterton.hist.soc@gmail.com

Carterton Justice of the Peace service Every Friday noon–2pm Carterton Library

Carterton Rotary Club Kevin Conroy 022 340 7418

Central Lions Nita Edwards 027 247 8441

Clareville Cemetery tour organiser taphophile and researcher. Contact: 06 379 6402, pentonygraham@xtra.co.nz

Club Carterton 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 Georgina Kilmister, Chris.georgina@yahoo.com

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

Ka Pai Cimone Grayson or Lucy McKenzie email hello@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 06 379 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

Red Cross psychological first aid (PFA) initial emotional and practical support following a traumatic event, psychological first aid online courses, www.redcross.org.nz

New Zealand Red Cross Masterton Migration Programmes Hanschen. Venter@redcross.org.nz 027 261 5731, 0800 REDCROSS (733 276), www.redcross.org.nz

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 John Reeve 06 379 9379, southwairaraparebus.com

South Wairarapa Working Men's Club 06 304 9449, swwmco.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 wairarapabiblechurch@gmail.com

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: cartertonswimracesecretary@gmail.com. Water aerobics, indoor pool, key hire, Russell Geange 06 379 7750

Carterton Tennis Club new members welcome, free public session 6pm 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@xtra.co.nz

Dimensional Fitness classes. Fitness training with Anaru and Dallas Te Rangi. Facebook

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

Gain Momentum Pilates with Linda Penlington. See gainmomentum.co.nz for details

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

Sport, fitness, movement

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

Taoist Tai Chi introductory sessions begin 26 October. See www.taoisttaichi.org for more information or phone 04 586 0297

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 website 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

Carboot sale St Marks church grounds every first Saturday of the month 9am to noon. Enquiries Parish Office 06 379 8371 (Office hours 9am to noon Tuesdays)

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

ExploratioNZ 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

U3A (University of the 3rd Age) a group for mainly older folk to meet and discuss issues usually on the third Thursday of each month in the Events Hall of the Roseneath Lifecare and Village in Carterton 9:30–11am. Contact the convenor, Paul Mallinson on 021 109 4652

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 pamhorneill@gmail.com

WaiGuys Social group for gay men. waiguy@gmail.com. Facebook. com/waiguy

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

Carterton Menzshed

End of a great year

Christmas is here once again, time to clean the barbie and get into the festive mood with a Xmas sausage sizzle. The shed will close Tuesday 20 December, reopening 10 January 2023.

Reflecting back over the years, it's wonderful to see how the club has grown, from struggling to keep two mornings per week going, we are now open four mornings, and due to a good management team the place is running well with systems in place to get those community projects finished in a reasonable time frame.

With more members getting involved, the skill sets have broadened, allowing us to take on those more unusual jobs. Like the refurbishing of the billiards table, which we have decided to move on as we just do not have the space for it.

A big thank you to those who have donated items to the shed, but we could do with more so if you have timber and furniture taking up space in your yard or shed and would like to see it gone we can do it for you.

Barry, Russel and Stephen worked on the billiards table

Now that we have a quality welder we are also looking for scrap metal, so if you want the yard or shed cleared give us a call, we'll clear it out for you.

Our operating hours are 9am to 1pm Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday morning at the A&P showgrounds. If you would like to be involved with our friendly club, pop in for a look or give Stephen a call on 024 887 155 or email stephen@timperley.co.nz

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Carterton Rose Society

Rose show rises to the occasion

The Carterton Rose Society held its Rose Show on 18-19 November, attracting a wonderful turnout of exhibitors.

It was a very successful show, with many members of the public entering this year. The Champion Exhibit of the show was a beautiful vase of the rose Elina, won by Jacque Kreyl.

The venue was perfect and we had a busy two days, with so many visitors coming to view the display. The perfume wafting from the shop was breath-taking and all in all it was a very successful show.

Champions of the show:

Champion Exhibit – Jacque Kreyl

Champion Exhibition Bloom Class 1 – Graeme Renall

Champion Decorative Bloom Class 3 – Jacque Kreyl

Champion Large Stem of Roses Class 6 – Joy Silcock

Champion Small Stem of Roses Class 4 – Kate Barry

Champion Miniature Class 21, 22, 23 – Graeme Renall

Champion Novice Bloom Class 27 – Kate Barry



Champion of the show, from Jacque Kreyl



All the winners

Senior Citizens

New venue for activities

Carterton Senior Citizens are now meeting at their new venue at the old Court House (next to Events Centre) each Friday from 12.30pm until the end of the year and commencing in the New Year from 1–4pm.

If you have nothing to do over the Christmas holidays, you might like to join us for a game of cards (500) or Rummikub. New members are welcome and can be assured of a friendly team and many laughs.

The afternoon fun costs you \$4 and this includes a cup of tea/coffee/biscuit and a raffle ticket. Where else can you get that for \$4? Annual subs are only \$5.

Healing and pleasure

Two events in early January focus on sexual healing and fulfilment under the banner "Balanced & liberated: Sexual Healing & Sexual Pleasure".

Doris Micheletti, sex and intimacy coach, and Natasha Micheletti, a trauma therapist, will conduct a conversation on the topic at the Carterton Court House.

They aim to improve, shift and grow your sexual intelligence. You will learn techniques on how to feel your way towards sexual healing and fulfilment, rather than being in your head about it.

They hope you will walk away understanding what your sexual healing and fulfilment means to you.

The first session is for females only, from 7-8.30pm, 9 January, with the men-only event the following day at the same time. Tickets can be purchased at Eventbrite.

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OPEN FOR SUMMER!

An outstanding finish to 2022 for our community with the opening of **Molly's Slide** and **community mural** at the Carterton Outdoor Pools, teamed with the news that the Department of Internal Affairs has approved funding of \$291,000 to **develop and detail** the plans for **Carrington Park** ready for procurement.

A successful **Wairarapa Walking Festival**, the completion of our **Te Ao Māori** 10 week programme, the **national CLDP conference**, a **Placemaking Aotearoa** award and some very **VERY** exciting **planning for 2023** - wowsers, what a month it's been!

To all our community, we thank you for your involvement, wish you a happy and healthy close to your year ... and a **very Ka Pai Christmas!**

12 DAYS OF A KA PAI CHRISTMAS

Head to the Carterton Outdoor Pools and enjoy a free ride down the brand spanking new slide. Take a picnic and soak up the sun in the refreshed surrounds with awesome new mural



Shop with locally owned businesses See CartertonNZ.com - our local business network to see what and how you can purchase locally.

Celebrate our identity
A positive image encourages us to feel pride, and spend time and money locally so share your favourite things about our community to #kapaicarterton to be in to win a \$50 grocery voucher each week through summer!



Declutter a few rooms and take your findings to Huha or St Vinnies. Your trash, someones treasure all the while supporting local agencies to deliver much needed services

Attend a local event like a Very Carterton Christmas. Many events make their money through sponsors. Your family can add to the event numbers which increases the likelihood of sponsors supporting future events.

Grow From Grant Writing, Te Tiriti and Te Ao Māori programmes, to Mental Health First Aid and Individualised funding workshops, Ka Pai supports community members keen to learn. Let us know what skills your group needs and see how we can help



Share a meal with a neighbour. Spark a conversation and create a connection. Send a snap through to #kapaicarterton and be in to win a \$50 grocery voucher!

Donate your time to a local school, cause or get in touch with Sam and Hari at www.Milky-Way.Kiwi who have an out of this world project needing community support this January!



Teach youth life skills It could be a cooking class or how to mow a lawn, change a tyre or to mend rip - Ka Pai supports multiple youth initiatives that would benefit from simple everyday skills, easily shared.



Take prides in our community, and a rubbish bag, while walking. Pick up any litter along the way while you walk off those Christmas pies

Say Thank You to a community volunteer or elected member of council. Encourage them to continue giving their time and energy to supporting our community



Encourage your employer or team to sponsor local teams and allow employees to volunteer during work hours. You feel good, the company ticks off it's community duties and local events are more successful... win, win, win!



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Preschool and Littlies

Early start to greet Santa

For Carterton Preschool and Littlies, Christmas starts in mid-November as we begin the planning and preparation for the annual Christmas parade.

With a theme of Santa's Workshop, the children decided we needed lots of presents and elves to feature on the truck. Work began in earnest as the children painted, cut, and glued the large decorations for the outside of the truck while the teachers worked on the topiary present trees and Santa's workshop.

The morning of the parade dawned sunny and the children arrived with their families to be face painted and to choose their hats before embarking on our journey through the centre of Carterton.

After two years with no parade, it was heartening to see the Carterton community gathered together in the spirit of Christmas. Our tamariki were excited to spot friends and family in the crowd and enjoyed a visit from Santa to our truck. A big thank you to East Taratahi Building Supplies for their truck loan and Dwayne Osborne for being a fantastic driver.

Christmas at our centres focuses on the rituals of Christmas. We fill the centres with the sights, smells and sounds of Christmas so we can instil beautiful memories for the children.

They enjoy baking, making crafts and gifts for their families and enjoy decorating the centres and trees for the season. One ritual that both centres do is a book advent calendar, each day a child is chosen to unwrap a Christmas story for us to read together.

We come together for a wonderful end-of-year centre celebration where our families and teachers relax and enjoy good food, fun activities and a bouncy castle while waiting for the "surprise" visitor for gift giving.

Merry Christmas to all our families and you our community.



Carterton Preschool and Littlies awaiting the off

Rose notes

Keep your roses flowering



When the first flush of roses is over, deadhead your bushes to make sure of continuous flowering.

You may need to water as the weather warms up. Spray for diseases and remove and destroy all leaves that have been affected by disease. There are organic sprays available that give good results against fungal problems.

Top up your beds with mulch to prevent moisture from evaporating.

When cutting your roses, it's best to cut early in the morning or late in the evening. Put them in tepid water for a few hours before you arrange them.

Phillippa Edwards, Carterton Rose Society



Add mulch to prevent moisture loss

Workies whispers

Members vote in their champions

South Wairarapa Workingmen's Club president Garth Hurrell presented the main trophies at the sporting group's presentation night.

The major trophies, the Sportsperson of the Year Cup and the Club Achiever of the Year Cup, were voted on by the club members.

The Sportsperson Cup went to Barry Stannard for his successes and contribution to indoor bowls. The Club Achiever was awarded to Tom Bateman for his continuing involvement around the club and with his regular assistance and activities such as the erection of the decking surrounding the club building.



Tom Bateman with the Club Achievers Trophy



Barry Stannard with the Club Sportsperson Trophy

Following the presentations Paula Story entertained throughout the evening with her mixture of middle-of-the-road music such as Elvis, Abba and line dancing numbers.

On Friday 16 December it's the "Credence Clearwater Revival Tribute". This show will be in the Russell Lounge at 7.30pm. There is a cover charge for this event, tickets available from the bar.

New Year's Eve will feature "Good As Gold" entertaining us.

Rebus Club

Cycling in France



Joe Howells

Members attending our October meeting heard a fascinating address from Joe Howells, one of the principals of Green Jersey Cycle Tours, based in Martinborough, the largest cycle hire company in New Zealand.

The bulk of their hire market is Martinborough Wine Tourism. Pre-Covid, Green Jersey had organised tours to the south of France with on-the-ground support, reciprocated by them in NZ, from a similar cycling organisation in France. Green Jersey are now taking bookings for their cycle tours in France for 2023 and are hoping for reciprocal business.

The main Green Jersey French tour is 16 days riding from the Atlantic Ocean to the Mediterranean, a distance of 750 km, taken at 50 to 75 km per day. All meals and accommodation are booked ahead, luggage transfer and bicycle hire are included in the cost. Often the route follows canal paths, canals from Bordeaux to Toulouse to Agde. Together these canals avoided the hazardous 3000 km sea journey for freight through the Straits of Gibraltar.

France is a very cycle-friendly country, with many kilometres of cycle trails. Joe showed us views of tracks, in a wide range of environments, with different surfaces from asphalt to shingle tracks, most being dedicated to both cyclists and walkers.

For all the wonderful scenery, the scars and monuments of war are everywhere to be found, often softened by the abundance of flowers growing wild, flowers that reminded him of the flowers that grew in his grandmother's garden in Martinborough.

The South Wairarapa Rebus Club meets in the South Wairarapa Working Men's Club on the fourth Friday morning of each month and organises an outing in those months with a fifth Friday. Please contact John Reeve 379 9379, or 021 560 461.



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Dear Agony Aunty...

Dear AA,

It's that time of year again when I wonder if I have got enough firewood left over to get me through the summer.

I say that because I have had to light the fire on Christmas Day here in Carterton in two of the past three years. My winter heating allowance from St Jacinda has run out, so do I buy food and Christmas presents, or do I spend the money on firewood?

I know I'd be happier with a warm fire rather than a new pair of socks (especially if they are Christmas-themed), but food is quite nice, I find.

You have seen a few Christmases, I suspect, so what advice can you give me?

Wrap Up, Carterton

Dear WU,

I say, I must object to your dig at my age. I clearly have wisdom beyond my years, but that doesn't give anyone the right to apply ageist terminology when referencing my good self.

However, I do appreciate your dilemma. It is one that many Carterton families grapple with on a weekly basis. Thank goodness we have the Foodbank.

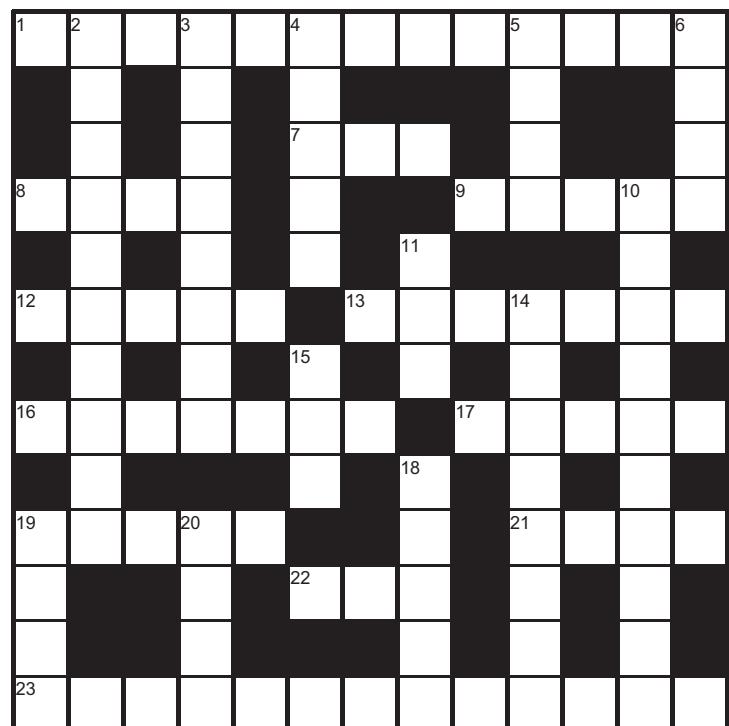
You mention you find food quite nice, and this prompts me to encourage you to forage. Fionna Hill, one of the *Crier* columnists, is a bit of an expert in this field and there are books available on the subject.

As that noblest of Scots Billy Connolly once commented: There is no such thing as bad weather – just inappropriately dressed people. I'd take his words to heart, if I were you, and wrap up.

AA

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

Crossword



ACROSS

1. Not suitable (13)
7. Meeting (Te Reo) (3)
8. Person who replaces a worker on strike (4)
9. Professional cooks (5)
12. Conductor's stick (5)
13. Priest (Te Reo) (7)
16. Cafe in Carterton that opens weekdays at 3am (4,3)
17. Prematurely terminate (5)
19. Book of maps was nearly at the end if separated (Cryptic) (5)
21. Consumes (4)
22. Type of West Indian pop music (3)
23. Thrown from a window (13)

DOWN

2. Casual (10)
3. Carterton street – location of the swimming pool (8)
4. Embargo or prohibition (Te Reo) (5)
5. Move slowly in church (Cryptic) (4)
6. Watches (4)
10. Metaphorical (10)
11. Gearwheel or sprocket (3)
14. Portable rain protector (8)
15. Layer of wood (3)
18. Adjust to different conditions (5)
19. Keen (4)
20. Dull pain (4)

Crossword courtesy of Bruce Caddy

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Carterton Kindergarten

Ka Pai funding supports community initiative

Thanks to Ka Pai funding we have been able to offer the toymaking workshops to other centres beyond the kindergarten gates.

Grandparents, Just us Kids preschool, Playcentre to name a few have had the opportunity to work with Martin at the kindergarten.

Alongside our tamariki, who are now experts, these groups have had the opportunity to work in this space making toys. The toys we are making in these sessions are to be donated to the Very Carterton Christmas event for those tamariki that do not have toys.

Nelly Kendall-Carpenter, teacher, Carterton Kindergarten



Martin the toymaker, with some of his apprentices

Sport NZ Rural Travel Fund

Grant applications are now open

Carterton District Council invites applications from rural sports clubs and rural school teams with young people aged between 5 and 19 years who require subsidies to assist with transport expenses to local sporting competitions.



Application forms are available from:

- Carterton Events Centre
- By email: sandrab@cdc.govt.nz
- Council website - www.cdc.govt.nz

Applications close 24 February 2023



Your Letters ...

Dear editor,

Having just attended the Santa parade in Carterton, I feel compelled to write to make a few helpful comments.

First off, I have the greatest respect and admiration for the volunteers who make things such as this happen. It's so easy to take things for granted.

I was, however, amazed to see that the closed-off section of our main street had not been cleared of parked cars. This meant the children had to pop out onto the roadway to see what was coming – and to gather the sweets that were sent their way. This looks like a recipe for a future tragedy.

And I feel it would have been great to have a focal point to gather around at the end of the parade, such as a Christmas tree or carol singing.

I don't recall ever seeing a community Christmas tree in Carterton. Is there a reason for this?

Santa's helper, Carterton

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Sunset Cinema

Elves work through the silly season

There is no rest for the Sunset Cinema team over summer holidays as we prepare for another year of international, documentary and art house film.

While you are all quaffing wine, snuffling mince pies and mingling at work/school end-of-year parties, we have our eyes glued to film trailers and spreadsheets. We all have to watch each trailer, read reviews and assess whether it will have appeal for our regulars.

We try to choose a wide variety of comedy, drama, documentary, range of languages and diversity in directors. We all vote and then hold our breath to see if the NZ Film Society will grant our wishes and make the films available for us. This is a little bit like writing a letter to Santa and putting out some whiskey for him and some carrots for the reindeer.

We are a teensy film society compared to the main centres, but Santa usually comes through with the goods. We are lucky to have Minty to flash up our website each year and run off fresh posters and flyers with the new programme. This means that we are all ready for the first screening on 10 February and every second Friday of the month thereafter.

If you know someone who loves film, then you can gift them a Sunset 3-trip or full-season ticket for 2023 – details can be found at sunsetcinemacarterton.com

We have a nice little ticket holder that makes a lovely present for movie buffs. Have a wonderful summer break and we look forward to seeing you for another year of fantastic film.

Crossword solution

Across: 1. Inappropriate, 7. Hui, 8. Scab, 9. Chefs, 12. Baton,

13. Touching, 16. Cafe Ole, 17. Abort, 19. Atlas, 21. Eats, 22. Skew,

23. Defenestrated,

Down: 2. Nonchalant, 3. Pembroke, 4. Rahui, 5. Inch, 6. Eyes,

10. Figurative, 11. Cog, 14. Umbrella, 15. Pi, 18. Adapt,

19. Avid, 20. Aché,

Carterton School

Team Kahikatea on a high

Wow! As we race to the end of Term 4, we sit and reflect on how many activities we have participated in and all of our achievements at Carterton School this year.

We started 2022 with a hiss and a roar with our whole school swim sports, a fun round-the-bays type of event at Carrington Park and even managed to go to the Beach Education programme at Riversdale.

We have been involved in student leadership activities such as road patrol and buddy classes, performed a cool "Time to Travel" stage production as well as some of our math brains participated in Matharapa. These are just a few of the opportunities Carterton School has provided for the Team Kahikatea Senior students.

During Term 4, we have kept the fun coming with Team Kahikatea attending Camp Waimanaaki and our Year 8s climbed the mighty Tararua ranges to Powell Hut for an overnight stay. We are so proud

of their achievements.

Thank you Carterton School for being an amazing environment to hang out with friends, experience new opportunities, and learn every day. We also want to say a big thank you to our awesome teachers of Team Kahikatea, Whaea Melanie MacGregor, Mr Delamere and Mr Bailey. Your dedication, humour and ability to challenge us all through all of our day-to-day learning and outside-of-the-classroom activities have helped develop us and prepare us for our future learning.

We hope you all have a fantastic Christmas holiday and we wish our graduating Year 8s all the best for college in 2023. School will be very different without you here, but we are excited to see you grow into yourselves at college.

Kei ōu ringaringa te ao – The world is yours.

Harvey Williams, Year 7, Team Kahikatea



Powell Hut conquered



Hitting the beach

Dear Santa,

An intrepid cyclist here
Tis nearly Christmas
And soon will be next year

We've cycled through winter rain
It seemed to never stop
Except for the day it snowed
And the temp took a drop

We've done the Remutaka rail
trail
Eketahuna and ridden locally
And crossed the new bridge
When it wasn't too windy

So now 'tis time to compile
A list of what we'd like
For some fancy lycra
And others a new bike

But what we'd all like
Is another year of cycling fun
With friends and hounds,
And quite a bit of sun



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