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## Opuke Thermal Pools and Spa are taking the plunge!

Annie Jacobs

*Exciting news this week - the Methven Adventures Board of Directors, along with their shareholders have decided to move ahead with construction of the Opuke Thermal Pools and Spa complex.*

The thought put into the state of the art thermal complex is astounding. An opening date is set for June 2021.

Site clearing began back in January, to mitigate any risk with the land.

"Just before Alert Level 4, final pricing came back," said James McKenzie, Project Lead. During Alert Level 4 every single detail was reviewed to ask the question, "Is it the right time to build?"

What's happening in our current climate? Is it too much risk?" All building consents are now in place. Covid 19 was a complicator, but all agree that now is a good time to build, so in mid-June, (now only a matter of days away), building will start. Local contractors and sub-contractors including Bradford Building and Harmer Earthmoving are being used for the project.

Planning projects that it will be mostly domestic tourism expected for the pools, yet they will appeal to the international community as well. "Sourced by mountains, powered by the sun," is the magnetic catchcry. The sparkling mountain water of the Rangitata River will travel via the Rangitata Diversion Race through sterilisers and filters to the pools.



Much thought has gone into the two hectare complex being as energy efficient and sustainable as

possible. Solar energy will heat the pools with heatpump back up as needed, therefore the cost level is not as high as gas or electricity. The kitchen equipment will all be electric as opposed to gas.

*Sourced by mountains.  
Powered by the sun.*

The complex will use solar energy sourced from a solar panel bank at the site. The panel bank is thought to be the largest solar

collector in New Zealand with just over 500 high efficiency cells.

The layout of the site has been thoroughly thought through, with the family area being separate to the adults area, and cosy natural cave-like pools offering privacy in both spaces.



Project Lead, James McKenzie



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# PUKA RATAKA (Diary)

## COMMUNITY

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### TUESDAY

**Methven Public Library** 2pm-4pm

### FRIDAY

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## MAY / JUNE

- 22 May - End of June** Joey Gerard's Art Exhibition, Mount Hutt Memorial Hall Art Gallery
- 1 June** Deadline for purchasing Mt Hutt Early Bird Ski Passes
- 8 June** Virtual Food Lovers Masterclass, tickets on Eventfinder
- 21-28 June** National Volunteer Week

## UPCOMING

- 1 July** Mount Hutt College Cross Country 1pm
- 11 July** Comedy Festival starts at Ashburton Event Centre
- September** Croquet Season starts
- 30 Nov** Waste Free Parenting workshop at Mount Hutt Memorial Hall
- December** Methven Croquet Centennial

*Security is mostly a superstition. It does not exist in nature...Life is either a daring adventure or nothing.*

**Helen Keller**

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# PRINCIPAL'S COLUMN

**Jack Saxon**

**Principal - Tumuaki Mount Hutt College**



*Just a week ago today, many of us were feeling a little surreal, as our schools across the wider Methven and Mid Canterbury area reopened their gates, allowing the vast majority of our learners to return at Alert Level 2.*

Seven weeks in Alert Level 4 and 3 provided us all with unique challenges, daily complexity and, perhaps most importantly, plenty of opportunities. For me personally opportunity was the chance to reconnect with those that matter most in my life. For others, opportunity would have taken on a different meaning. For our learners, one opportunity was the ability for them to take greater ownership and agency over their learning journey.

Much has been made of the concept of student agency in educational circles in recent years. Whilst a range of definitions have been put forward to encapsulate the essence of agency, put simply it is about students being able to take ownership of their own learning journey, make decisions around where this journey heads and have their voice empowered. When students are given greater agency in schools there are significant, proven and quantifiable gains in enjoyment, achievement and overall wellbeing. None of this is particularly earth shattering, most of us share similar experiences around our schooling where classes and teachers that empowered us, made us flourish.

Student Agency has been, and remains, a key priority of the Opuke Kāhui Ako and Mount Hutt College (MHC). Whilst agency looks different in each school, and we're all at different stages of the journey, I can say with some confidence, as a recent arrival to our community, that our schools are doing well in this space. Student Agency at MHC in 2020 has been about empowering our learners to own their learning journey at every level of school life. Even during Alert Levels this has been highly visible with our school leaders driving bubble competitions on social media, paying tribute to our fallen heroes on Anzac Day and supporting the return to school with a hygiene video around Alert Level 2.

Whilst this is significant in itself, it doesn't even scratch the surface around what is happening in the school now, and what is possible into the future. Whether it be the student Property groups that are being supported to plan \$300,000 of school enrichment works, our Year 9-10 students who have been able to choose their own project in Opuke Time or our senior students currently planning a major community consultation around school direction - examples of student empowerment are evident across the school. At MHC, Student Agency is not about a start point and an endpoint; we realise the journey is fluid, that there is always work to do and ways to improve.

*Our challenge to our learners as they come back from seven weeks at higher Alert Levels, to bring with them the agency that has been fostered during this unique period and challenge us to continue to provide opportunities to empower them.*



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# Cheaper Admission?

New Zealand is now experiencing a time of change.

Annie Jacobs

It's a tough time for businesses affected by the lack of international tourists, and so I was interested to see what some businesses are doing to entice kiwis to travel in their own country. Many of the over 45's will remember an advertising campaign years ago promoting our own backyard, "Don't leave town 'til you've seen the country."

As a keen traveller, I'm often surprised by how many South Islanders have not explored the

North Island and vice versa. Many have not been to Rakiura Stewart Island. Did you know there are over 1,000 islands around Rakiura Stewart Island? Ulva Island (a ten minute boat ride from Rakiura), is the place to go to see kiwi out playing in the sunshine during the daytime!

Perhaps it's time to again explore the possibility of Kiwi's having cheaper entry to New Zealand venues and exhibits and encourage domestic tourism. (Our local programme of under 10's for free is fabulous!) Many Kiwis cannot afford to visit New Zealand places of interest because of prohibitive admission fees.

In my travel overseas, I have experienced locals having a cheaper admission price than I did as a visitor, and I was fine with that – they're the ones who were paying the taxes that supported the local services and places of interest. It



Looking down on Oban

could be easily done with a Kiwi card being issued for everyone over a certain age.

*It could help encourage domestic tourism - getting to know the hidden gems within our own shores before we explore those further afield.*

## Dear Editor

I would like to say a big thank you to all the local businesses who have kept Methven going over the Covid 19 Alert Levels 4 and 3.

To our supermarkets for setting up delivery services as soon as we went into Alert Level 4, the restaurants and cafes who were quick to offer takeaways when we went down to Level 3, and now the retail shops, businesses, and bars who have been able to open in Level 2.

Plus Methven Medical centre, Methven Pharmacy, supermarket staff and all the teachers, farmers and rural workers who have kept going throughout.

We are lucky to live in such a great community.

Now is a great time to support our local businesses.

Liz McMillan



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## Mount Hutt College Methven

### Cross Country Championships Wednesday 1st July 2020

*All pupils are expected to "have a go." If unable to participate because of a sound, valid medical reason then a note is expected through to Miss Keepa - Sports Coordinator by Wednesday morning 1st July. (You will be asked to assist with jobs at the finish line.)*

Parents and friends are most welcome to watch the races. (This will be confirmed once we hear further information on Government rules around group gatherings.)

**Programme outline:** start and finish at back sports field.

**Starting times:**

- 1.10pm Year 7 girls
- 1.15pm Year 7 boys
- 1.25pm Year 8 girls
- 1.30pm Year 8 boys
- 1.35pm Year 9 girls & boys
- 1.40pm Year 10 girls & boys
- 1.45pm Year 11 girls & boys
- 1.50pm Year 12/13 girls & boys

Presentation of Trophies 2.45pm in the school hall.

*Caregivers and spectators; please park your vehicles on the school front field.*

# How to safety proof relationships

*We all have moments when our belief system is challenged, and our true genuine and loving intentions momentarily are hijacked, and disagreement happens.*

These misunderstandings left unresolved can become a big problem in a relationship and can be so destructive that a relationship can break down completely - this can happen at work, in the community or at home.

Sometimes we let misunderstandings go unresolved and on reflection wish we had repaired damage they may have caused. Remembering we may have felt okay at the time, but the other party may not. Emotional intelligence gives us insight into how the other person is really feeling. Giving time or space to a misunderstanding rarely repairs it, time is just the first step to repair. Our true intention to resolve a situation is what we do next, and might take a healthy dose of courage, humility and compassion.

Sometimes communication is received differently to how it was sent, and misunderstanding happens. This is due to our internal unconscious filters of values, beliefs and experiences that rapidly make sense, or not, of information. This is faster than our emotional intelligence which operates more as a mindful conscious aware practice, and re-filters information in a more considered way to include more understanding and meaning of the speaker. Recognising the meaning of

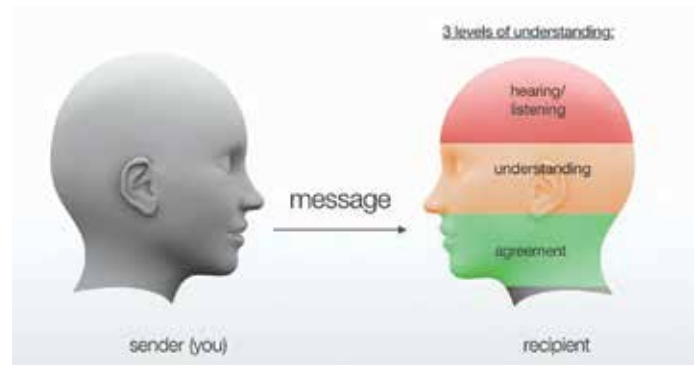
the message and not getting caught up in our belief system filters helps, so a bit of space to quiet the mind allows time for the emotional intelligence to catch up.

So how do we repair?

First take a few moments....or more for the heat of the moment to cool. When our head is hot it isn't clear, and we are unable to access new thinking. Quick fact: rational thought ceases when our heart rate rises over 100bpm. On average discourse occurs in the range of 100-140bpm, so there will be no solutions in that moment. When we do find ourselves misunderstood, and disconnected, we remove the heat by taking time out. This is best done by agreement.

Eg: "I am really struggling right now to find the right words to be understood and I really want to resolve this, I need some time to collect my thoughts and work out what I am really trying to say."

Agreeing a time to come back together to



discuss is a crucial step towards repair. In the meantime the next step would be to help soothe each other.

Eg: Intimate people may benefit from a cuddle and a statement of affection like, "it will be okay, we will sort this out... I love you... this problem is an external factor." etc. For work and more extended family, or friends, an interim statement may be

"This is really important to me, I can see this is really important to you, I really want to give this problem my time and energy and think this through, can we come back to this later today/ tomorrow when I have some new thinking to offer this situation?"

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**Tell the other party how you are feeling:**

- I feel blamed/defensive can you please rephrase that?
- Please say that more gently
- I feel criticised, can you rephrase that?
- Please don't withdraw
- I'm feeling lectured

**Apologise**

- My reactions were too extreme, sorry, please let me try again
- Tell me what you hear me saying
- I want to be gentler to you right now, but don't know how
- How can I make things better?

**Working on agreeing**

- I agree with part of what you are saying
- Lets compromise here, or lets find the middle ground
- I never thought of things that way
- What are your concerns?
- Can we write down the main problems?

**When either of you need to calm down try saying:**

- I need things to be calmer right now
- This is important to me, please listen or please say again in a gentler way.
- I am starting to feel flooded, can we identify the main problem.

**When you need a break to collect your thoughts request this by saying:**

- Give me a moment, I will be right back
- Please lets take a break for a while, agree a time eg:10 mins-30 mins
- We are getting off track, Can we take some time out to collect our thoughts so that we can work through this.

Not all discussions will resolve immediately and will need to be re-entered into to negotiate compromise. When we compromise, nobody gets everything they want, but the goal is everyone is happy with the agreed outcome. Work out solutions by making a time to sit down uninterrupted and calmly discuss the challenges.

**To end a discussion positively we use appreciations. These may sound like:**

- Thank you for sharing your concerns, and talking to me.
- I understand...
- I appreciate this was hard for you to discuss...
- I see your point, and it is important to

me. I will give this some more thought.

- Re-assure and reconnect with words of affirmation

Repairing misunderstandings in relationships defines our commitment, intentions, motivations for improvement and self development. Repairing relationships requires hope, trust and respect and defines boundaries. Supportive relationships help define healthy belief systems. So if the instinctive responses are not yielding desirable results, try some of the above soft start ups to manage those more tricky conversations. it is worth investing a little courage, compassion and humility into all of our relationships to be understood and maintain connections.

On a lighter note next week we will look at the five love languages we communicate in, and how to be right on target and gain appreciation for our efforts in love. 💖



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**Monday 6pm** Blokes

**Tuesday 6pm** Advanced Level 1/  
Level 2

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with Tania. I think they are all hard!!

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- No individual checking of technique by instructor at C19 level 2

- Leave promptly to allow for disinfection before the next class

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# Tony's Ride

*Hospice Mid Canterbury can thank the UK's Captain Tom for inspiring local Hospice ambassador Tony Todd to go on his own fundraising marathon. With Covid 19 making fundraising challenging, Tony decided to bike 73 kilometres around Ashburton on his 73rd birthday.*

With just ten days to organise, Facebook posts were set up and the media ran stories about his endeavour. Suddenly the calls and emails of support started flooding in and the fundraising venture was underway. Tony is well known and respected in the local community and many wanted to join him in his ride. With Covid restrictions, Tony had to organise riders in groups of ten for different laps, although a few hardy souls braved the foggy 8 degree start and were still there at the end. Some Lions members also came on board and contributed their support, both on the bikes and financially. Donations came in from as far afield as the UK and Canada.

At the time of writing this article, Tony had raised more than \$10,000 for Hospice Mid Canterbury. A number of Hospice services are provided by volunteers. Specialised services such as counselling and complementary therapies are delivered by independent professionals who are contracted to the organisation. Fundraising efforts like Tony's mean these services are offered free of charge to anyone in the Ashburton district dealing with a life-limiting illness.

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For information about services during the lockdown, visit [ashburtondc.govt.nz/covid19](https://ashburtondc.govt.nz/covid19) or follow the Council's Facebook page @AshburtonDC.

### RESOURCE RECOVERY PARKS

- The Ashburton Resource Recovery Park will be open on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020
- The Rakaia Resource Recovery Park remains closed on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020

### KERBSIDE COLLECTION

All red rubbish and yellow recycling wheelie bins will be collected on their normal days of the week, as follows:

- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June (public holiday) will be collected on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June
- All following collection days will happen as normal (Tuesday's collection on Tuesday, Wednesday's collection on Wednesday etc.)

Please ensure all red rubbish bins are placed at the kerb by 7.30am on collection day. If it is also your yellow bin collection week, please ensure it is at the kerb by 7.30am.

Neil McCann  
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# Hmm, Dark Choc Peanut Cookies

*These delicious cookies have less than half the sugar of standard cookies, heart healthy from the peanut butter, and are rich in antioxidants from the dark chocolate.*

I have a strong belief in nutrition being delicious, nutritious, fun, and balanced. These cookies definitely tick those boxes. This easy and quick recipe is a regular in our household, and I'm sure it will be in yours now too! I have definitely had plenty of opportunity to try them in a variety of ways. So, here you have it, my famous dark choc peanut cookies done four ways... find your favourite!

## Ingredients

- 1 cup peanut butter
- 1/3 cup brown sugar
- 1 free range egg
- 100g chocolate, chopped roughly\*

## Method

1. Preheat oven to 180°C on bake and line a baking tray with baking paper.
2. In a medium bowl, combine peanut butter, sugar, egg, and your choice of chocolate. \*
3. Using damp hands, shape mix into 12 circular portions and place on baking tray. You can use spoons for this or damp hands as the mix is quite sticky.
4. Bake for 12 – 14 minutes or until golden

and gooey!

5. Allow to cool before transferring to a wire rack

Store in an airtight container for up to five days.

- Smooth or crunchy peanut butter is fine, choose your preference.

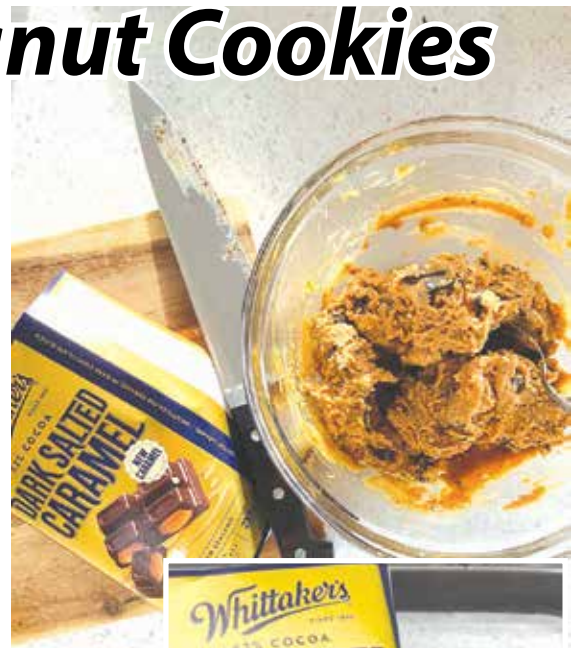
## Substitutions and tips

- The BEST combinations of chocolate in the cookies:
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# First week back at school

*In Mahuri I & K we have had a fun and busy first week back at school. We have done a lot of new and engaging activities in our class.*

One of the activities we did was dancing. We read the story "Many Coloured Days" by Dr Seuss, we talked about how colours make us feel different emotions.

Some days we might be having a yellow day where we are feeling happy or excited and some days we might be feeling grey where we may be tired or a little bit sad.

We talked about how some people may see green as free while others may see it as feeling unwell, but there is no "wrong" answer. We went outside and discussed different ways we can move our bodies e.g. twisting, skipping and hopping. Miss Kuyf played some music and we had to think about how the music made us feel and what "colour" we felt.

"I liked the dancing and how the music changed and we had to change our dance moves" – **Xavier**

"I enjoyed dancing when we had to choose what pathway (feeling) the music made me feel" – **Danni**

We have started learning about the food pyramid and different foods that are healthy and not healthy for us. As a class we have created a large food pyramid, where we have drawn pictures of different foods to go into the different sections. We have learned about fruit and veges, carbohydrates, and

dairy. Next week we are going to learn about proteins, fats and oils.

We also did the coke and mentos science experiment where we put a packet of mentos into a bottle of coke. This caused a reaction and the coke fizzed up and "exploded." This was a real highlight of our week and lead to some great writing from all of us.

"I like watching the coke fizz up. When we put the mentos in the coke, it caused a reaction." – **Felix**

"When you put the mentos in it came out like a waterfall" – **Teddy**

Another activity that we really enjoyed was a nature scavenger hunt. We went outside and had to find a range of nature items such as a smooth leaf, spiky leaf, rocks and flowers. There were some tricky things that we couldn't find like berries, a snail and a spider.

"I enjoyed trying to find all the nature things on our scavenger hunt. I couldn't find a spider or berries." – **Georgie**

"I found a spider on the wall and I found some red, yellow and white flowers in our gardens." – **Ace**

We have just really enjoyed being back with their friends and reconnecting with each other.



"I enjoyed playing with my friends again." – **Kees**

"I enjoyed playing on the ropes with my friends again." – **Aleigha**

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# "Joining our bubbles" at OLS

*In the words of Jack Johnson – "It's always better when we're together."*

Last week we were so excited to see the students back at OLS! We had lots of opportunities to discuss our lives in Alert

The junior room students enjoyed blowing bubbles outside to reference "joining our bubbles" after Alert Level 4 and 3.

We used our breath to control the size of our bubbles as they floated off into the Autumn morning. This was also good practice as a technique to learn to calm ourselves if we were feeling worried or nervous.

Mrs Breach taught us how to "belly" breathe to support our wellbeing and daily meditation time.

*Each student was paired up with another to create a collaborative bubble art piece for our cloakroom.*

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Levels 4 and 3, and how we were feeling about being back at school.



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*Nothing in recent history has brought about such global disruption as the COVID-19 pandemic.*

Kiwis have sacrificed so much through the restrictions of Alert Levels 3 and 4, and our collective efforts have so far worked well. We've flattened the curve.

Recently we saw the economic cost of the virus with the release of Budget 2020, which shows some of the bleakest figures New Zealand has seen in decades. Debt will balloon to \$140 billion, or around \$80,000 per household. Unemployment is set to skyrocket by as many as 160,000 people. Truly sobering figures.

Despite this, we should be confident that New Zealand will bounce back. Kiwis will make

new plans and find new opportunities. But there's no doubt the challenge before us is serious.

The two over-riding questions are: how do we avoid making the economic disaster worse than it needs to be; and how can we get back on track?

A vital part of that must be limiting the damage by opening up more of the economy as quickly as we safely can. We should be concentrating not so much on what we can't do, but on what we can.

Even now in Alert Level 2, a focus must be on opening up a trans-Tasman bubble as soon as

we can. Not only is this important for places like Methven, much of our nation's prosperity relies on inbound tourism. It will

*...I look forward to continuing to help businesses in need.*

be a struggle for some time, but many of our local businesses are up for the challenge.

I was pleased to have been able to assist Mount Hutt in their discussions with the Government over reopening under Level 2. In cases like theirs, pragmatism can align with safety, and the idea that a confined restaurant should be treated the same as a large skifield would have been ruinous for economies like ours and further south.

That pragmatism must continue, and I look forward to continuing to help businesses in need. Without them, the economic cost will blow out to a level none of us can afford.

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# Blended class style

*We are out of the pit stop going round the safety laps and it's now time to think about what we are going to do to move forward.*

It was joyous to be back at the Heritage Centre this morning with the commencement of Tai Chi. Seeing the warm smiles on people's faces and hearing chit chat again was monumental.

My focus today in class as a Personal Training coach and Tai Chi instructor was on strength and balance. I am very aware after 8 weeks detraining and the added stress of the Covid-19 era that clients' bodies need a different approach to practical training.

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# METHVEN GOLF CLUB

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## Hooray – Competition and Green Fee players back at the Methven Golf Club!

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Although a bit chilly, over 40 smiling members enjoyed superb course conditions, the chance to have a haggie and to discuss all the action in their group in the Club House.

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Competition was the first round of the Duff Trophy with 16 pairs taking part. Defending Champions, Simon Wareing and James Anderson, began as they finished last year by winning a close match against father and son, Phil and Jeremy Johnson. Other notable winners included, President, Pete Wood and Piers Rolton, who came from 4 down with 6 to play to win at the 20th against Club Captain, Ross Breach and Phil Elliott.

Other pairs to win were Frank Sandys and Gary Kermode, Matt Mason and Greg Overall, Paddy Helmore and Bruce Dickson, Geoff Rhodes and James Bell, Ian Lucas and Geoff Kelk, Richard Maw and Frikkie Greybe.

The second round of the Duff Trophy and 1st round of the Middleton Trophy are this Saturday.

Ladies and 9 holers were also last week preparing themselves to restart their competitions.



Green fee players are now welcome back. One group enjoyed the course so much on Saturday that the players returned on Sunday. Green fee players are asked to pre book by emailing [methvengolf@xtra.co.nz](mailto:methvengolf@xtra.co.nz) or text 027 502 8439 to book a tee time. Green fees at the moment are half price.

*The Club looks forward to seeing you this Queens Birthday weekend.*

## MEN'S GOLF RESULTS

23rd May

1st Round of the Duff Trophy

**Senior:** Simon Wareing 81-12-69. **Intermediate:** John McGettigan 82-13-69. **Junior A:** Geoff Kelk 91-22-69. **Junior B:** Gary Kermode 100-25-75.

**Other Good Scores:** 70 Mark Lock, Ben Rutter, Dayle Lucas. 72 James Anderson, Keith Middleton, Frank Sandys, Athol McAlpine. 73 Mike Gray, Ian Lucas, Gavin Santy, Matt Mason, Michael Kemp, Craig Middleton, Alister Maxwell

**Two's:** Geoff Rhodes, Ross Breach.

**Dubliner Best Nett:** Simon Wareing 69 by lot. **Methven Foursquare Second Best Nett:** Geoff Kelk 69. **Methven Travel Best Gross:** Dayle Lucas 73.

**Closest to the Pins-Bar Voucher No 4:** Mike Gray. **Terrace Downs No 6:** Graham Gunn. **Ski Time No 13:** Frekie Greybie. **Green Parrot No 17:** Bruce Dickson. **Hunters Wines No 14:** Jeremy Johnson.

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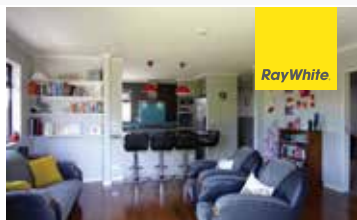
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Family friendly 1012m2 section. Modern 4 bedroom home. New kitchen that flows to living area plus separate family lounge with log burner. 2 bathrooms, master ensuite & WIR. Large laundry. Plenty of sheds & well fenced. This house has something for everyone.

**For Sale**  
\$726,000

**View**  
by private appointment only



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52 South Belt, **Methven**

3 2 2 1

- Tidy kitchen with new bench top, dishwasher
- 3 double bedrooms, 2 storey unit
- 2 separate bathrooms & toilets, 1 each upstairs & downstairs
- Gas fire for those cooler nights
- External access single garage

**For Sale**  
\$379,000

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Lots 2 & 3 149 Forest Drive, **Methven**

- Two 4000m2 plus sections
- Located down a private driveway
- Town water, power, fibre & fully fenced
- These sections combine pristine views, privacy & tranquility

**For Sale**  
'Ranelagh'  
2 Boutique Lifestyle Sections

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Thymestream, Mt Harding Road, **Methven**

- 1st release SOLD
- 2nd release lot 5
- 3rd release lots 10 & 11

[www.Thymestream.co.nz](http://www.Thymestream.co.nz)

**For Sale**  
Price on Application

**View**  
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Camrose Estate, **Methven**

- Stage 1 & 2 SOLD
- Stage 3/4-titles available - selling now
- Stage 5/6-new release (subject to survey & title)

Sections ranging in size from 725m2 to 970m2.

**For Sale**  
Price On Application

**View**  
by appointment

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