

Another Milestone for Methven Care Trust

Julie Clements

On a very cold Wednesday last week, Alma Lochhead visited Methven to mark the official handover of the land on which the proposed new Methven House will be built.

The Lochhead Trust has gifted the land at Camrose Estate to the Methven Care Trust (MCT), a real milestone for the campaign.

With a target of over \$5 million to raise in five years, every little step forward along the way is a boost to the cause. With over two years of fundraising behind them, the Methven Care Trust team has been organising some great events, large and small, working hard to achieve their goal.

When thanked by MCT for the gift of land, Mrs Lochhead replied, "Alan would be very pleased", referring to her late husband. MCT is most grateful to be the beneficiaries of Mr and Mrs Lochhead's long standing and on going

generosity and kindness to the community of Methven.

At the 40th Anniversary of Methven House earlier this year, Jo Suyker MCT Chairperson, said in her speech that it was a tribute to the Methven community, the town had cared for its elderly for four decades in the former maternity hospital building on Morgan Street.

"Forty years of care, 40 years of commitment, 40 years of empathy and 40 years of devotion that has been given to the people that have walked through the doors and made Methven House their home. That, quite frankly, is a mighty effort for a community of this size."

Sue van den Heuvel, Fundraising Co-ordinator for MCT said, "This is a monumental step forward in our fundraising campaign and we thank everyone to date who has donated and supported this vital cause for our district and we look forward to continuing forward on our fundraising mission."

You can find information and updated news for MCT happenings on their website www.methvencastrust.co.nz or Facebook page <https://m.facebook.com/newmethvenhouse/>.

Pictured below, left to right: Alma Lochhead, Trevor Croy - Advance Ashburton Chairperson (Administrators of the Lochhead Trust), Jo Suyker - MCT Chairperson, Roger Henderson and Colin Lill - MCT Trustees, John Goodwin - Lochhead Charitable Trust Trustee.



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Mondays

Housie at Methven House 1.30pm. All members of the community welcome.

Tuesdays

Music & Movement - Under 5 Jive 10am
Morning Tea 10.30am, Baby Class 11am
Methven Toy Library - 10.30 - 11.30am
All held at Presbyterian Church

Wednesdays

Busy Bees 9am - 11am Elim Church

2nd and 4th Friday each month

Plunket Coffee & Chat 10am-12pm
Plunket Rooms, Main Street

Saturdays

Methven Toy Library - 9.30 - 11.30am
AA Meetings 6pm Methven Primary

2017 General Election



Advanced Voting:

Methven Heritage Centre, 160 Main Street
Thursday 14th Sept, 10am - 3pm
Thursday 21st Sept, 10am - 4pm
Friday 22nd Sept, 10am - 4pm

Election Day Voting:

Mount Hutt College, Main Street Methven
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public who wish to attend.

Apologies to the Secretary:
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Meetings

- Mt Hutt Memorial Hall and Heritage Board and Methven
Community Board

The following meetings will be held in the Mt Hutt Memorial Hall and Heritage
Centre Board Room.

Methven Community Board	Monday 25 September 2017 10.30am
Mt Hutt Memorial Hall and Heritage Board	Monday 25 September 2017 1.00pm

Public Forum

Council invites residents to have their say on matters of interest and concern at
the commencement of the Methven Community Board meeting. Persons wishing
to participate in the Public Forum are requested to contact the Committee
Secretary by 3.00pm on the working day preceding the meeting.

The meetings are open to the public. Copies of
the agendas are available prior to the meetings
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Maori Language Week 11-17 September

Julie Clements

Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori or Māori language week is being celebrated around the country this week.

In celebration of the language, New Zealand History has released a list of 100 Māori words that every New Zealander should know and be comfortable pronouncing.

Just a few of the words listed include greetings and place names, body parts and the Marae, some examples are:

Greetings

E nohu rā - Goodbye (from a person leaving)
Haera rā - Goodbye (from a person staying)
Haera mai - Welcome! Come!
Hei konā rā - Goodbye (less formal)
Kia ora - Hi! G'day! (general informal greeting)
Morena - (Good) morning!
Nau mai - Welcome! Come!
Tēnā koe - formal greeting to one person
Tēnā kōrua - formal greeting to two people
Tēnā koutou - formal greeting to many people
Tēnā tātou katoa - formal inclusive greeting

to everybody present, including

Components of place names

Terms for geographical features, such as hills, rivers, cliffs, streams, mountains, the coast; and adjectives describing them, such as small, big, little and long, are found in many place names. Here is a list so you can recognise them:

Au - current
Awa - river
Iti - small, little
Kai - in a place name, this signifies a place where a particular food source was plentiful, e.g., Kaikōura, the place where crayfish (kōura) abounded and were eaten
Manga - stream
Mānia - plain
Maunga - mountain
Moana - sea, or large inland 'sea', e.g., Taupō
Motu - island
Nui - large, big
Ō or o - means 'of' (so does a, ā); many names begin with Ō, meaning the place of so-and-so, e.g., Ōkahukura, Ōkiwi, Ōhau

One - sand, earth
Pae - ridge, range
Papa - flat
Poto - short
Puke - hill
Roa - long
Roto - lake; inside
Tai - coast, tide
Wai - water
Whanga - harbour, bay

If you are going to try your hand at speaking Maori, here is a guide on pronunciation.

The following English equivalents are a rough guide to pronouncing vowels in Māori:

a as in far
e as in desk and the first 'e' in where;
it should be short and sharp
i as in fee, me, see
o as in awe (not 'oh!')
u as in sue, boot

There are fewer consonants, and only a few are different from English:

r should not be rolled. It is pronounced quite close to the sound of 'l' in English, with the tongue near the front of the mouth.

t is pronounced more like 'd' than 't', with the tip of the tongue slightly further back from the teeth

wh counts as a consonant; the standard modern pronunciation is close to the 'f' sound. In some districts it is more like an 'h'; in others more like a 'w' without the 'h'; in others again more like the old aspirated English pronunciation of 'wh' ('huence' for whence)

ng counts as a consonant and is pronounced like the 'ng' in 'singer'. It is not pronounced like the 'ng' in 'finger', i.e., Whāngārei is pronounced Far-n(g)ah-ray (not Fong-gah-ray); Tauranga is pronounced Tow- (to rhyme with sew) rah-n(g)ah (not Tow-rang-gah).



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During Discovery, the children are focusing on their M.P.S. star attributes of being Sporting, Responsible, Trustworthy and Responsible. At Discovery Time the children get to choose from a huge variety of activities

that provide multiple opportunities for learning. These opportunities promote being creative, curious, adventurous and resourceful.

Discovery Time activities include role-play, making and creating, using digital devices, using fine motor skills to manipulate materials and using gross motor skills when building obstacle courses inside and outside the classroom.

Oral language is an important component as the children learn to use words to communicate what they are doing, dramatise their role and negotiate pieces of equipment that they would like to use.

The children use their social skills to teach each other about sharing, taking turns and how to use their W.I.T.S. when they have a problem to solve. Some of our favourite activities include the farm animals, coding the robotic mouse, sandpit, getting our nails painted rainbow colours, balancing on the beam with the Springy Spiders, making crafts, home corner, Lego and Dizzy Giddy.



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What does it mean?

At Lauriston School our Term 3 focus is enterprise and our students are putting on a production at the Methven Heritage Centre on Thursday 28th September at 6.30pm.

Two futuristic humans, Mary (Bella Casey-Solly) and Trevor (Tom McKenzie) survive a global warming catastrophe in their time.

They go back in time to 2017 and recruit five Lauriston School students. The travellers then go further back in time to see what humans are doing wrong.

Will the travellers stop the catastrophe, or will it be like pushing a restart button?

Follow the action packed show as they encounter Antarctica with the Cutest Penguins, Hot Madagascar, Crazy Cavemen,

the conveyer belt under the ocean, Dangerous Dinosaurs in Mt Algidus Valley before returning back to Lauriston School.

We have all worked hard to write the script, hold auditions, sew costumes, make props (including a giant bus with a huge red button) and become marketing managers to promote the show.

We have also designed and will make the finger food which will be supplied and soft drinks will be available to purchase on the evening. So now we will need to practise, practise, practise and practise. We all have a huge job ahead of us to get this Bus on the stage!!!

For further information please contact the school office.

It's Time for Action Projects

By Tahlia Fridd, Lucy Honeywell

At Lauriston School we do Action Projects. This is where we plan and organise a way we can raise money for camp or improve our school or community in some way.

We are part of the Canteen Action Project group. This means we make healthy school lunches to sell every Friday. We learn different skills like team work, communication, time management and real life skills like cooking, measuring, maths and reading.

Emma Maw has helped the canteen group this year. She comes in on a Monday to help us plan the lunch we will cook for the week and we also have a roster of parents who come in to help as well. We have to talk to and ask parents to help us buy groceries, so we can cook our lunch for the children on Friday.

These are some of the delicious lunches we have cooked: Butter Chicken, Toasties, Fruit Salad, Pita pockets, pizzas, Macaroni cheese, bacon and egg pie, hot dogs, Taco's, hot chocolate.

The canteen group has raised \$1069.63 dollars so far to go towards camp.

The other Action project groups we have at school are; the Pig group, Music group, Garden group, Design group, Sewing group, Sheep group and the Chicken group.

It is a great way to learn and have a fun time doing it. We do action project twice a week. We would like to Thank Emma Maw and the parents who come in to help us.

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Picking up the berries and spiky leaves dropped from the Holly Trees is a job no longer on the morning list at Methven Playcentre.

Two months ago members from Methven Playcentre and Methven Community Board watched as the Ashburton District Council grounds staff finally agreed to cut down the two Holly Trees.

For many years on every day Playcentre was open, the Supervisors had to check that the spiky leaves and poisonous berries were picked up from around the trees.

Once an area to avoid, the children are beginning to use it more.

The area is currently being transformed into a Fairy Garden, but in the future who knows what imagination may turn it into.

So far the children have made sun catchers, concrete mosaic tiles, and wooden peg people. A painting session gave the rocks a new vibe.

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Entries Open for Zonta Female Art Awards

The Ashburton Art Gallery in partnership with the Zonta Club of Ashburton are welcoming entries to the Zonta Ashburton Female Art Award 2018 (ZAFAA18). Now in its second year, the award is open to all Canterbury-based emerging and mid-career female artists and exists to acknowledge excellence in fine arts and assist in the development of growing careers.

The 2018 Premier Award recipient will not only win a cash prize but also the special opportunity to hold a solo exhibition at the Gallery in the following year. The winner will benefit greatly from a fully curated and professionally installed exhibition which will advance their public profile and increase their exhibition history. Gallery curator Shirin Khosraviani says "there is much more than money to be gained from award exhibitions such as ZAFAA. The winner will have the incredible opportunity to develop a new body of work for public exhibition and have the support of a passionate institution at their side."

Together with the Premier Award is a



Young Generation Award for female artists between the ages of 16 and 20. This cash award will acknowledge outstanding potential in visual art with the aim to encourage further creative endeavours, an outcome well suited to Zonta – a global organisation of women working together to advance the status of women worldwide.

Zontians Viv Williams and Elizabeth Stuckey say "The Zonta Club of Ashburton are thrilled to be supporting contemporary female artists in such a direct and meaningful way and are enthusiastic about

their continuing involvement in the second year of its running."

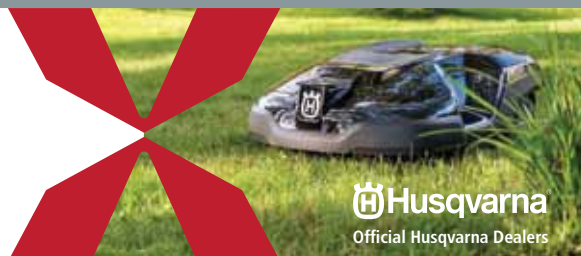
Entries will be shortlisted by a panel of judges comprised of three art sector professionals. The awards will be announced by the judges on the opening night on 2nd March 2018.

ZAFAA18 entry forms are now available through the Gallery's website, www.ashburtonartgallery.org.nz

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Named the 2016 SC Business Excellence Award Community Organisation Category Winner, in recognition of the difference they make in the community.

The 2017 South & Mid Canterbury Youth Survey is the third survey to be have been undertaken as a public service and advocacy

project aimed at taking the pulse of the district's youth on a range of topics. 724 young people aged 12-24 years answered questions online about what it is like to live

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The 39-question survey focuses on attitudes toward the four districts, participation in and attitudes toward various activities, education and career plans, and well-being. The survey is fully independent; YMCA receives no government or philanthropic funding for it.

Key findings paint a mostly positive picture, with results remarkably similar across Districts and largely consistent with the 2015 and 2014 surveys, according to Michèle Keggenhoff, YMCA Marketing, Communications and Fundraising Manager.

This year, however, the survey included an additional question about social media usage by young people, which yielded the following results: Facebook, Facebook Messenger, Instagram and Snapchat are the key social media platforms used by young people, with roughly 60% using one of these multiple times each day. About 80% of young people use these platforms -- and also YouTube -- daily or a couple of times per week. Twitter does not appear to be much used.

You can find the full findings from the survey at www.ymcasc.org.nz.

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Julie Clements



There are only a few days left to get yourself entered into the "Stars in Your Eyes" talent competition, a fundraising event for Ashburton's Youth Institute and other charities, organised by the Lions Club of Ashburton County, a Registered Charitable Trust.

"Stars in Your Eyes" is based on the TV show, where ordinary people are magically transformed, through a haze, into their favourite stars for the evening.

The competition is open to all ages, with only 12 acts making it through to the final on 14th October.

If you think you have what it takes to impersonate a show biz star then County Lions want to hear from you.

To enter, DVDs of your act are required and they must be received by 5pm on Monday 18th of September.

Finalists will be notified as soon as possible, and must be available for the rehearsal night of Friday the 13th of October at the Ashburton Trust Event Centre, with the main event on Saturday 14th of October.

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Mt Hutt Open for the Holidays



Thanks to weather not experienced in about a decade, New Zealand's Best Ski Field – Mt Hutt in Canterbury – will now remain open until the end of the New Zealand school holidays.

Due initially to close on Sunday October the 8th, the 313-hectare ski field is now set to remain open until Sunday 15th October, weather dependent.

"We've got absolutely oodles of snow and so staying open through to the end of the NZ school holidays makes perfect sense," says James McKenzie, Mt Hutt Ski Area Manager.

"When you factor in our Spring Pass prices, that kids 10 and under are free at Mt Hutt, and the close proximity to Christchurch airport for our non-local guests, that is a pretty good offering for your spring school holidays."

The Kids4Free Deal initiative between tourism operators in Methven provides several accommodation, dining and activities options as well as a Mt Hutt lift pass free of charge for children aged 10 and under.

Mt Hutt, which was voted officially New Zealand's best ski resort again in 2016, has had a massive season with snow fall not seen in a decade.

"We've just enjoyed one of the best weekends of the season to date following the 20cm top-up of powdery snow we received on Friday the first day of Spring," says James.

"Conditions on trail are primo and off-trail has been sensational."

The altitude of 2086m making it one of the highest ski areas in New Zealand and

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Deadline Approaching For Wood Burners

Ashburton District Council is reminding residents who live in the Clean Air Zone and wish to install a low emission wood burner that they have until 31 October to get their building consent applications in.

Environment Canterbury is phasing out older-style and low emission wood burners, and after the 31 October, residents inside the Ashburton Clean Air Zone (properties inside the Ashburton township) will only be able to apply to install an ultra-low emission wood burner.

Council Building Services Manager Michael Wong says there has been an influx of applications during the last few months to get a building consent before the cut-off date.

"We've been kept very busy processing these applications and we anticipate the trend will continue well into October. If you think this deadline affects you, and you haven't got your consent sorted, please come and see us with your application. We'll be accepting them right up until 31 October, but after that date, it will be too late."

To be granted a Solid Fuel Heater Building Consent, applicants must provide a floor plan of their house indicating where the wood burner and smoke alarms will go, the wood burner specifications and a completed application form.

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Excitement at the SIERDC Enduro Car Race Opener

Two local lads Andrew Wright and Adam Glass with their crew took their BMW E36 M3's to Invercargill over the weekend to take part in the SIERDC 1hr enduro race at Teretonga Park.

Winter conditions met the teams on Friday morning for testing making for a very slippery track with a couple of cars coming into strife!!

The track improved through the day and so did the times as we all tried different settings on the cars.

Saturday morning was qualifying time and rain showers made tyre choice very challenging. Adam had the best time and qualified 15th and Andrew 18th!! Racing underway and 10 minutes in, Adam was well ahead but a crash brought out the safety car, the boys both went into the pits to complete there compulsory stop!

Once back on the track, Adam was out in front for the next 40 minutes. There

was great racing between the two boys, swapping the lead six times, with only 10 minutes to go Adam's car started playing up but thankfully he was able to finish!!

Andrew finished 12th out of 42 starters and 1st in Class B (2000-3500cc), Adam 17th and 2nd in Class B.

The Boys can't wait to continue the battle for the 1hr SIERDC Class B Series Championship.



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"Working with farmers to achieve the best results for their operation is one of the best parts of the job. It is great to see the right product being applied

to give the right result for that farmer. No farming operation is the same which is why having an independent company helping can give stronger results" said John.

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For further information please contact:

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John Fulton with his two of his children, George and Harry. Absent from the picture camera-shy wife Vanessa and daughter Sophie.

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Training Day for the Hororata Highland Games

The Hororata Highland Games Amateur heavy training day, held 9th September at the Hororata Domain, has seen emerging athletes hone their skills in the traditional Scottish heavy athletic disciplines including caber toss, hammer throw, weight for distance, stone put and sheaf toss.

Coach, 18 times New Zealand Highland Heavy Events Champion, Pat Hellier commented "I am passionate about Highland Games. It is a sport which has taken me all around the world, it has a huge amount of comradery with competitors supporting each other and I am passionate about helping athletes find their way into this sport.

The Hororata Highland Games is leading the way in introducing and fostering people into the sport. The programme the event has developed, right from the Junior Warriors and the Have A Go events, to the Gough CAT Amateur Men's and Women's Championships and Oceania Heavyweight Championship, is world class.

The competitions get better and better each year and I am looking forward to the 11th of November where we will have some of the best Highland Games athletes go head to head."

"I know that the Hororata Highland Games committee is dedicated to elevating all the competitive events held on the day and that this has become a must attend competition for not just the heavy athletes, but Pipers and Drummers, Pipe Bands, Highland Dancers and Tug O'War teams."

Entries opened for all competitive events on the 1st of September and will close 23rd October.

This year the event will host two South Island and six Canterbury West Coast Highland Dancing Championships.

This is a nod from the Piping and Dancing Associations that the Hororata Highland Games is staging quality competitions.



Pictured: Pat Hellier demonstrating the cable toss

The Hororata Highland Games will be held on the 11th of November at the Hororata Domain.

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Grow Your Own

Mary Ralston

It's been a cold and windy week... but that's spring for you. Many people like to get a head start with their veg gardens and plant summer crops, such as carrots, early. But this is often counter-productive – the soil is cold and often wet in spring, so seeds may struggle to germinate, and if they do succeed in germinating may run straight to seed (bolt) because the cold conditions make them react as if they have just come through a winter.

After winter, annuals, such as carrots are programmed to change from growing vegetatively to reproducing, and making flowers and seeds.

So – wait until spring is really here before planting carrots, beetroot or parsnips. I usually sow mine in October when the soil is warmer. Seeds sown then will germinate and (hopefully) grow quickly without being checked or stressed by cold temps. Soil fertility (especially the crucial nitrogen) availability is also better when the soil is warmer.

Strawberries can be planted on a sunny day and when the soil is not too wet to dig. They take quite a bit of work but the flavour of home-grown strawberries is amazing compared to shop-bought ones so planting some is well worth the effort.

Strawberry plants last several years so take care when planting. Choose a sunny spot but not one that will be too hot in summer. Add compost or aged manure to the soil and dig in well.



Think about the boundaries of the proposed patch because they will need some sort of cover to protect the fruit from the birds and a compact patch will be easier to cover than a long row. Plant them about 30-40 cm apart and mulch around them with pine needles so that the fruit is lifted off the ground.

The acidity of the pine needles helps keep mould at bay. An alternative is to lay down a sheet of weed mat on the patch and bury the edges so that it is nice and tight, then cut holes in the mat and plant the strawberries into the holes.

Strawberries can be successfully grown in containers or pots. They like good drainage so pots can be ideal if they don't dry out. Use a good quality potting mix or compost and keep an eye on moisture.

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This Way North Passing Through

This Way North, comprised of Leisha Jungalwalla and Cat Leahy band, is the latest band to pass through the doors of the Blue Pub on their way up the ladder of success.

Hailing from Melbourne this guitar/drums two-piece are coming to Methven next week to bring us their unique sound.

Described as 'Punchy, left of centre, with a universally appealing groove and melody'. Cat brings solid groove based, dynamic power drumming, while Leisha sways with swampy slide guitar, slimmed down soul vocals, live looping and compelling alt-pop melodies. Sometimes likened to The Black Keys, Tame Impala and Ainslie Wills,

their unique musical connection creates an explosive sound that's rarely realised by just two artists on stage.

Leisha said, "Our great friend Mel Parson's suggested the Blue Pub cause she said it was a rocken' place to play and we've never been so wanted to check it out!"

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Middle Earth when I'm there, she admitted, plus Blue is my favorite colour!"

Cat and Leisha first met in the north...Canada in fact; at the renowned British Columbian ArtsWells Festival. While hanging at the festival, they discovered that their permanent homes were both north-side... Melbourne that is...half a world away but only 500m apart. A few post-tour blues jams lead to something good...really good. They have been touring almost non-stop since the start of 2017. Covering many miles across Australia and NZ's major cities. Playing festivals such as Wide Open Space (Alice Springs) and supporting Blues Fest band Turin Breaks (UK) in a sold out show at The Newtown Social Club in Sydney.

When asked what it was like being constantly in each others company whilst on tour, Leisha said, "I love seeing new places and being adventurous in them, like finding swimming holes, hiking and making new friends. Not too much is annoying, except that every time we drive past a cemetery Cat always makes the same jokes "people are dying to get in there" and "that's the dead centre of town" (I swear she's actually a 'Dad' cause of those jokes!).

Playing at the Blue Pub on Thursday 21st September, This Way North's live show 'leaves audiences with something powerful and different'. Come and check them out for yourselves!

You can find out more about the band and listen to their sound on You Tube or at: www.thiswaynorth.com.

This Way North sent me a link that stuck in my head, so I excitedly programmed them for Nannup music festival - not only are they great performers, but awesome to work with, and passionate about what they do - they rock! - Nannup Music Festival

"Saturday on the main stage came hard, giving us three truly standout performances. The first of those came courtesy of Melbourne power-duo THIS WAY NORTH. The guitar-drum duo was instantly captivating,

turning my skeptical-ass into a fan within minutes of stumbling across their mainstage performance. I was caught completely off guard by their powerful, dancey hooks and their impossibly cool aesthetic."— Rag Music (Atmosphere Gathering, Canada)

"Fantastic rocking debut ep from This Way North. It's just a taste that leaves you hungry for more, so I can't wait for their new stuff!"

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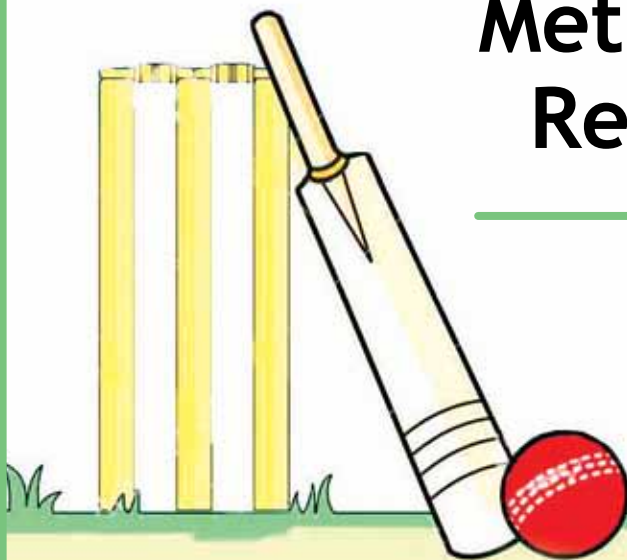
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The Summer Season for the Bowling Club: Start Date Alteration

Observant members of the bowling club were quick to notice the typing error in last week's article. Opening Day is, of course, not on 17 December. Sometimes my fingers take over when I am typing and I have absolutely no control over them.

But as it happens, Opening Day has now been postponed to Saturday, 23rd September. 1pm for a 1.30pm start. The green is rather soft, and another week would be helpful.

I shall do better controlling those fingers going forward! Let us hope they behave themselves on the bowling green this season.

Looking forward to seeing everyone there.
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Raffle Results

PILLARS raffle drawn on Friday 8 September. \$100.00 winner is No 167: Ally Smith.

Thank you to all contributors to PILLARS.

*Colleen Gorman - Treasurer,
Methven Catholic Women's Leagues*



10th - 16th September

Alyssa McGinity 14

Nikita Smith

Leah Maw 11

Jenny Husband 21

Fletcher Cavanagh 7

Anna Sowden 15

Nicola Robertson

Sarah Martin 5

Mike Johnstone

Megan Rutter 14

Mani Vaughan 2

Isaac Breach 11

CONGRATULATIONS!

Nicola Robertson

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SPORTS RESULTS

Methven Golf Club Ladies

Wednesday 6th September

3rd Round Championships

Bronze A: Ellen Kemp Beat Jan Lane

Silver: Gayle O'Duffy Beat Pam Watson

Irish Stableford: Heather Santy 363,
Jan Lane 335

Paradiso Best Nett: Jan Lane 71

Mt Hutt Lodge August Best Nett: Ruth Smith
68 C/B Heather Santy 68

Nearest To Pins

6 Silver Methven Travel: Gayle O'Duffy

17 Bronze A Methven Pharmacy: Jan Lane

4 Bronze B Arabica: Sharon Burrell - Smith

13 Methven Supersave: Gayle O'Duffy

14 Aqua 2nd shot Aqua Japanese

Restaurant: Jenny Senior

6 Saturday Ladies Methven Foursquare:
Sally Jones

Two's And Nett Eagles:

Wendy Wareing, Ellen Kemp

Methven Golf Club Mens

9th September

Gerard Fitzgerald Memorial 4 ball best ball
drawn pairs.

Winners: Jim Park & Paddy Helmore 61 +
Geoff Kelk & Paul Plimmer 61

Senior: Piers Rolton 79-7-72.

Intermediate: Jim Park 87-17-70.

Junior A: Phil Elliott 86-18-68.

Junior B: Geoff Kelk 91-25-66.

Other Good Scores: 68 Mike Harris. 69 Tim
Robinson. 71 Ben Rutter. 72 Mark Gorman,
Allan Smith. 73 Gavin Santy, Gary Foy, 74

Ian Lucas, Peter Kemp.

Two's: Mark Gorman, Piers Rolton

Eagle on No 10: Michael Kemp

Dubliner Best Nett: Geoff Kelk 66

Methven Foursquare Second Best Nett:

Mike Harris 68 by lot.

Methven Travel Best Gross: Piers Rolton 79

Closest to the Pin-Aqua Japanese Restaurant
No 4: Piers Rolton.

Hunters Wine No 6: Ben Rutter

Ski Time No 13: Mark Gorman

Green Parrot No 17: Jim Park

Cinema Paradiso 2nd shot No 14:

Michael Kemp.

Next Week: September 16th- Stroke Round

Bisque par.

Mt Somers Rifle Club

Scores - 4 September

Lachlan Rooney 74.1, 78

Archie Rooney 91.1, 83

Jess Heaven 90.1, 89.3

Naomi Douglas 85, 83.1

Jack Keane 68, 78.1

Pete Keane 70

Julian Evans 89.1

Brent Frame 98.4, 94.2, 98.4

Josh Jones 80.1

Jeremy Jones 88.1

Sid Stewart 100.4

Dave Millichamp 95.4, 96.2

Andy Oram 96.4

Mark Smith 88.1

Wayne Tubbs 93.1

Jo McAdam 99.7

Mt Somers had its annual "Battle of the
gorge" competition against Hororata with

Mt Somers winning 665.25 to Hororata
631.16.

Mid Canterbury Rugby

Representative Results

9 September 2017

Heartland Championship

Agstaff Mid Canterbury 16 v South
Canterbury 31

Mid Canterbury A

Agstaff Mid Canterbury 19 A v South
Canterbury 36

Under 18

Mid Canterbury 15 v South Canterbury 17

Under 16

Mid Canterbury 25 v South Canterbury 24

Under 14

Mid Canterbury 19 v South Canterbury 55

Under 13 Green

Mid Canterbury 21 v Country 58

Under 13 Gold

Mid Canterbury 31 v North Canterbury 57

Methven Bridge Results

Drawn Partners

N/S

Margaret Allan/Hilary Guild 62.50%

Val Brown/Bob Todhunter 45.83%

Gwen Goodwin/Jane Lavery

E/W

John Barwell/Mary Stone 52.78%

Willie Ensor/Heather Santy

DRAWS

Mid Canterbury Rugby Representative

16 September 2017

Heartland Championship

Wairapa Bush v Agstaff Mid Canterbury,
Masterton, 2:30pm

Mid Canterbury A

South Canterbury Development v Agstaff
Mid Canterbury A, Timaru, 1:00pm

Under 18

Mid Canterbury v Cavaliers, Ashburton
Showgrounds 2:30pm, Chris O'Malley

Canterbury Hanan Girls

Hanan Girls v Canterbury Girls, Ashburton
Showgrounds, 12:00 - 12:30pm, TBC

Hanan Girls v Canterbury Development

Girls, Ashburton Showgrounds, 12:40pm -
1:10pm, TBC

Canterbury Girls

Canterbury Girls v Canterbury Development
Girls, Ashburton Showgrounds, 1:20pm -
1:50pm, TBC

Under 14

Otago Sassenachs v Mid Canterbury,
Oamaru, 1:00pm

Under 13 Green

West Coast 12/13 v Mid Canterbury,
Sheffield 12:00pm

Under 13 Gold

North Canterbury U12 v Mid Canterbury,
Sheffield, 12:00pm

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