

New Ministers in Methven

Methven is in the process of welcoming a delightful new family to town.

Many of you may already know Mary-Jo and Michael Holdaway from their dentistry practice in Ashburton, and now they have taken on a partnership ministry for Methven and Rakaia Anglican Parish.

The move into this aspect of ministry came about after a pivotal conversation with Bishop Victoria Matthews. Michael and Mary-Jo will work in the parish in co-leadership, and when the idea was suggested to them, they both felt drawn by the unique and diverse opportunity.

Neither Mary-Jo or Michael have worked together in ministry before, but are looking forward to living here and belonging to our community, encouraging people, building up the faith community and making a difference.

"I feel privileged to come to such a beautiful place, it's such an adventure," enthused Mary-Jo.

"It's a special place with a different complexion to Ashburton," commented Michael, "it's an adventure with God, like the opening of a flower."

Michael is well used to meeting and interacting with a variety of different people from his dentistry practice. Mary-Jo will also bring lots of people skills to the co-leadership having been a nurse and is also a qualified counselor.

Mary-Jo and Michael have three daughters; one in Auckland, one in Dunedin, and one in Wellington, and they're hoping that their new home base in Methven will be a pivotal



Michael and Mary-Jo Holdaway with Moss

drawcard for their children and friends, to come and visit and explore all that our part of Mid Canterbury has to offer.

They have already noticed the vibrant, warm, open, inclusive community that Methven is, and commented on the strength that is for a town.

The Holdaways will be moving to Methven in the next month, (once they've secured a tenant for their home in Ashburton), so if you see them about, be sure to say hello.

They are happy for you to get in touch.

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This section is for community support groups. For sports groups and clubs, contact your local group.

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

Methven Public Library 2pm-4pm
Methven Museum 2pm-4pm

FRIDAY

Methven Public Library 2pm-4pm
Methven Museum 2pm-4pm

SECOND AND FOURTH FRIDAY

EACH MONTH:
Plunket Coffee and Chat 10am-12pm
Plunket Rooms, Main Street

SATURDAY

AA Meetings 6pm Methven Primary School
Methven Public Library 10am-12pm

FEBRUARY

- 7 Folk Legend Andy Irvine, RiRa Events, 6.30-9pm, Theatre, Mt Hutt Memorial Hall
- 18 Methven Community Board voting closes at 12pm
- 28 Council Community Grants applications close
- 29 Mickey & Michelle Music Tour Mt Hutt Memorial Hall, 7pm, tickets on Eventfinder

MARCH

- 21 Rudzilla Stand up Comedy, Arabica Cafe, 8 pm
- 26 Diversity Day, Mount Hutt College 5-7pm

Will Davie is now back practicing
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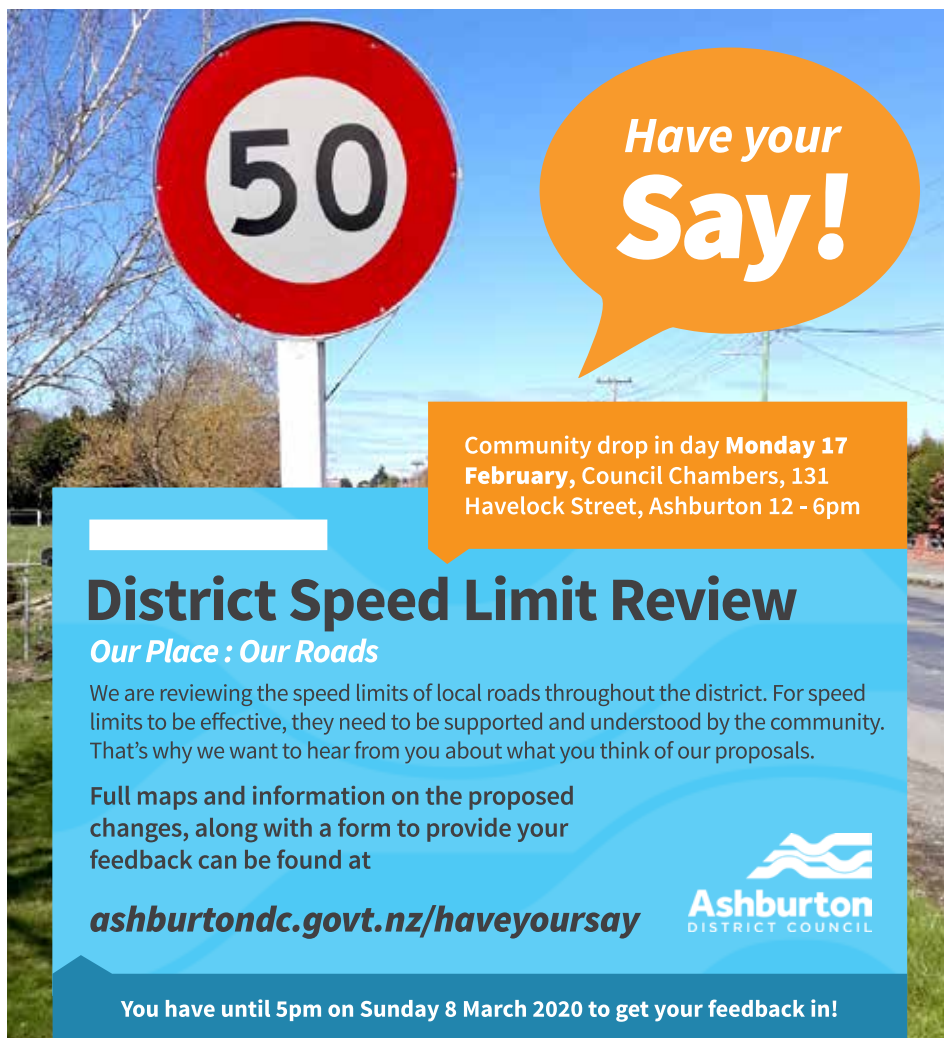
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Have your Say!

Community drop in day **Monday 17 February**, Council Chambers, 131 Havelock Street, Ashburton 12 - 6pm

District Speed Limit Review

Our Place : Our Roads

We are reviewing the speed limits of local roads throughout the district. For speed limits to be effective, they need to be supported and understood by the community. That's why we want to hear from you about what you think of our proposals.

Full maps and information on the proposed changes, along with a form to provide your feedback can be found at

ashburtondc.govt.nz/haveyoursay

Ashburton DISTRICT COUNCIL

You have until 5pm on Sunday 8 March 2020 to get your feedback in!

Public Notice

Methven Community Board by-election

Voting for the Methven Community Board by-election is now open until **12 noon, Tuesday 18 February 2020.**

The by-election is to elect a representative for one vacancy on the board. Voting packs have been posted to eligible voters, and these should be completed and posted back no later than **Thursday 13 February** to ensure they reach the Electoral Officer in time to be counted.

Special Voting Arrangements

A ballot box and special voting facilities are available at the Mt Hutt Memorial Hall on Friday 14 February from 2pm - 5pm, and on Tuesday 18 February from 9am - 12pm when voting closes. Additionally, voting facilities are available at the Ashburton District Council office, 5 Baring Square West, Ashburton during normal office hours until 12 noon, Tuesday 18 February.

The Electoral Roll can be viewed at the Council office, Ashburton Public Library and Methven i-Site.

Hamish Riach
Chief Executive
Ashburton District Council

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This three double bedroom character home has been well renovated and has so much to offer. Open plan living spaces - kitchen/dining/lounge with fireplace, heat pump and coal range on wetback, the home is warm and cosy in the winter and cool in the summer. Additional features:

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- Main bathroom - bath, separate shower, toilet
- Separate laundry with shower
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Price guide: low to mid \$300,000's.

65 Pattons Road, Mt Somers

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This well maintained bach is a must see, it offers 2 bedrooms and 1 bathroom with all the essentials. Can sleep up to 7 people - master with double bed and built in wardrobe, second bedroom with bunk bed - double base with single above, the lounge has a double fold out couch. The kitchen has a large pantry with a double gas burner, gas fridge and a coal range to cook on. The bach is self sufficient and runs off a 12 Volt with 500 amp hour batteries, 1800 watt ps inverter, 2kw generator along with 160 watts solar panels. Three tanks of 2400 litre, on a pump system supplies water to the bach. The bach comes furnished and includes 2 canoes, 3 burner BBQ and so much more. The out buildings include a storage shed/workshop, wood shed and toilet. **Asking Price \$245,000**

27b Mount Guy Street, Lake Clearwater

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OPEN HOME

THE PERFECT PACKAGE

This is a classic home been thoughtfully designed to maximise space and comfortable living. With four double bedrooms, a family bathroom and an ensuite, the home is well appointed and suited to a range of lifestyles. Features include a separate lounge, open plan living, kitchen with butlers pantry and a master suite (walk in wardrobe and ensuite). Along with double garage, separate laundry, built in wardrobes in all bedrooms, double-door fridge space and so much more. Currently being built by Stonewood Homes, interior design assisted by Country by Design. Stop into Professionals office to check out the colour palette and floor plan. A great opportunity to have a brand-new home with all the details taken care of.

Price guide: \$600,000's Deadline Sale closes 21 February 2020 at 3:00pm unless sold prior

Open Home Saturday 8th February 10.45-11.15am 29 Camrose Avenue

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OPEN HOME

READY FOR NEW OWNER

If you are looking to downsize, taking your first step onto the property ladder, or looking to invest; then this is the property for you. This large 1980's unit, built of summerhill stone has 2 double bedrooms with built in wardrobes. The generous living area, kitchen/dining is open plan and heated by a floor heatpump. With new carpet, paint and LED lights the property is ready for you. In addition you have an internal access single garage, garden shed, separate laundry and easy care garden.

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Open Home Saturday 8th February 10.00-10.30am 31b Colcord Place

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Get onto the property ladder now with this cute one bedroom, one bathroom property with future opportunities. This property offers a 487m² section, mature trees surrounding for privacy, vegetable garden and single garage. Currently rented until April at \$250 per week, insulation meets tenancy requirements. The option is yours - rent it out, Airbnb it, live in. Check this opportunity out today.

Price guide: mid \$200,000's

Deadline Sale ends 18 February 2020 at 4:00pm (unless sold prior)

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Hole in One for Jack!

Congratulations to Jack Brown who has become the youngest player to score a hole in one at the Methven Golf Course.

At just 14 years 9 months Brown scored his ace at the Par 3 13th hole known as Shorty. His grandfather, Robin Ree, and Jack's brother, William were there to witness the action on 14 January.

Brown is keen on his golf, practising most days and playing at other courses and in tournaments.

Looking back to 1966, the first date on the Club's Holes in One board, the youngest player to have a hole in one in competition is Alistair Sidford. He achieved the feat in 1985 when he was 14 years 11 months on the par 3 17th hole.

He has informed us that it was his second hole in one. When he was 13, he scored a hole in one at Wanaka. He has achieved the feat six

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1	332	332	4	5	7				
2	318	312	4	11	11				
3	494	494	5	9	5				
4	180	180	3	13	13				
5	374	353	4	1	1				
6	159	145	3	17	17				
7	310	310	4	15	15				
8	373	322	4	3	9				
9	359	359	4	7	3				
10	2899	2807	35						
11	463	463	5	10	10				
12	354	354	4	2	4				
13	324	324	4	12	12				
14	119	119	3	18	18				
15	261	261	4	16	14				
16	371	371	4	6	4				
17	385	355	4	2	8				
18	149	149	3	14	16				
19	498	498	5	8	6				
20	2924	2894	36						
21	2899	2807	35						
22	5023	5701	71						

times. He is these days Golf Services Manager at Boulcott's Farm Heritage Golf Club in the Lower Hutt and is a NZPGA coach.

Research has begun to find holes in one before 1966.

Members of the Club are looking forward to following the progress of Jack Brown along with other junior golfers in the future.



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Berry Beautiful!

New business "Berry Beauty" opened last December in Methven township.

Owner Katie Berry had previously worked from her home base at Mount Somers Station. Lucky staff and community members were able to access her expertise without having to venture too far from home. Needless to say, her popularity rapidly increased and 85% of her clientele came about by word of mouth.

Born in the United Kingdom, Katie moved to New Zealand seven years ago and met her Kiwi partner Brendon. This entrepreneurial couple are full of drive and operate two businesses between them (keep an eye out in Snowfed for more on their sustainable honey business). They are Parents to delightful little Frankie who is ten months old. The family now live in Methven, and Katie is totally set up in her home for beauty consultations and appointments.

Katie started her beauty career in makeup, training at Elizabeth Arden, and now offers a variety of services. She has had over ten years experience in the beauty industry, and has been surrounded with it from a young age, (with her Mum having been a hairdresser), and has done some modeling in the past.

Within makeup, she can do one on one lessons in makeup application. Workshops can be booked for up to ten attendees with the inaugural one being held in February, (these would be great for a Hen's Party, Team building, or for you and your friends), and cover a basic makeup

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Berry beauty owner, Katie Berry

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Katie's luxurious studio



tutorial, and a glamorous eye makeup look. Brushes and makeup are also supplied, and demonstrations are given along with a glass of bubbles and grazing food to complete a fun, luxurious occasion.

Another major part of Katie's business is brow, lashes and spray tanning using beautiful natural products.

Her tranquil studio is the perfect place to relax while having your beauty treatment, and really is a one stop shop for everything you need.

So popular is Katie, that she is already fully booked for March. She is taking bookings for the 2020-2021 Wedding Season makeup. If you're looking for a booking, get in quick, as she only has a few spaces left.

For more information or to contact Katie go to:

hello@berrybeauty.co.nz

METHVEN RESORT

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Show time soon...

We are fast approaching the 21st of March, our 106th Methven A & P Show.

Our show will be jam packed full of live entertainment in the Wine and food area, along with some amazing foodies and liquid refreshments to match.

Once again, our schedule offers something for everyone, and we would encourage you to participate by exhibiting in any of the numerous classes.

The Home Industries Pavilion has had some layout changes to improve the flow and viewing experience, hopefully creating more room for people to stop and look at the local talent that is on display.

Last year there was the hotly contested business class, "morning tea for the office," taken out by the girls at BNZ. 2020 sees this continuing with "grazing platter made with local produce," we are lucky to have had some sponsors provide prizes for this class this year, so talk to our secretary (or enter online or via entry form), if you think

you and your business colleagues have what it takes to beat the rest!

The FMG Young Farmer of the Year Aorangi Regional Final will be running at this year's



Pipe Band at the Methven Show in 2019

show. Competition will be spread over part of the trade area and the Rodeo arena. Running alongside this is the Junior Young Farmer of the Year and AgriKids Regional Finals - these events will see 100 plus children competing, plus the eight adult competitors. There will be some great viewing, seeing what they get up

to throughout the day.

There will be constant entertainment ringside with a full schedule of equestrian events for the day. We also encourage you to take the time to enjoy our other competitive events, such as wood chopping, shearing, dog trials, the gift lamb auction, kids' sheep colouring in and the Young Farmers Tug of War to mention a few.

This year, due to the ongoing M.bovis risk, we have decided not to run the gift calf auction. A very big thank you goes out to our extremely supportive farmers who are still supporting us with their gift calf proceeds. This allows us to continue providing a scholarship to a local person to further their education in the rural sector.

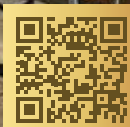
This year's winner is Rosemary Taggart who is off to Lincoln to start a Bachelor of Agricultural Science.

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Methven Community Board - "Meet the Candidates" Evening

Over twenty people attended the "Meet the Candidates" Evening hosted by Methven Community Board last week at Mount Hutt Memorial Hall.

The nominees; Tammy Dickson, Leonie Campbell and Richard Owen were invited to speak and share what they would bring and contribute to the Methven Community Board, if they were elected.

Eligible voters in Methven are urged to check their mail over coming days for their voting papers, as voting is now open for the Methven Community Board by-election.

The by-election is being held to fill one vacancy on the board, with three candidates standing for election. The Methven Community Board consists of five members to represent the Methven township. Only four nominations were received for the board when nominations closed for the triennial elections in October last year.

Voting papers have begun being mailed to eligible electors from 27 January, and they must be filled out and returned by 12 noon, Tuesday 18 February to be counted.

Ashburton District Council Chief Executive, Hamish Riach, is encouraging residents to complete their voting papers on time.

"The Methven Community Board advocates for the town's interests and brings local decision-making closer to residents. It is now up to voters to decide who should fill the final vacancy and represent them on the board. Please don't leave it too late. Postal votes must in the ballot box by 12 noon sharp on 18 February, so give yourself enough time for your papers to be returned in the post."

Completed voting papers should be posted by Thursday 13 February to reach the Electoral Officer on time by 12 noon, 18 February.

Voting papers can also be dropped into the ballot box at the Council office (5 Baring Square West, Ashburton) during normal office hours until 12 noon, 18 February. A ballot box and special voting facilities will be available at the Mt Hutt Memorial Hall (160 Main Street, Methven) on Friday 14 February from 2pm to 5pm and on Tuesday 18 February from 9am until 12 noon.

The electoral roll for the by-election is available for inspection at the Council office and Ashburton Public Library, as well as the Methven i-Site. Special voting facilities are also available at the Council office until voting closes on Tuesday 18 February.

Voting papers should arrive in mailboxes between 27 January and 1 February. If eligible voters have not received their papers by 1 February, they should contact the Council on 03 307 7700.



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The turquoise blue waters of the Rakaia were the perfect place to cool off with many venturing in for a swim, paddle or getting the boat out.



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Mount Hutt College News

Annie Jacobs

Introducing New Staff

Ed has come to Methven from Leicester, just over two weeks ago having lived in New Zealand before. Ed is joined by wife Andrea and twin daughters Alice and Bella.

Ed is the Technology Teacher at Mount Hutt college; teaching the application of materials and systems to make a better or easier world. This includes the subjects of woodwork, metalwork, technical drawing, soldering, plus electronics, mechanics, also plastics, acrylic and using computing to achieve desired outcomes.

Interests include skiing, climbing and mountaineering.

He has found Methven to be a really warm, welcoming place, and looks forward to making the school workshop a safe, happy and productive environment.



Ed Coles



Penny Laws

Penny has moved from Darfield High School, where she had been teaching for the last three years to Mount Hutt College.

You may remember Penny as she had taught here for over a term in 2016. Penny will be teaching in the Junior School at Mount Hutt College.

A self described massive book and reading nerd, mostly fiction, Penny loves to read. Other interests include mountain biking, and she especially likes the Christchurch Adventure Park, Hanmer Springs,

and obviously here too for the mountain biking opportunities. Running is something else that Penny likes to get out and do.

Darien Hurst-Long grew up by the beach in New Brighton on the East side of Christchurch.

Later, she attended Marian College then onto the University of Canterbury to study a Bachelor of Education specialising in Physical Education with Honors and minoring in Health and Outdoor Education.

Darien and partner Jelle recently moved to Methven from Westport where Darien spent her beginning teacher years at Buller High School. She will teach Health and PE at Mount Hutt College. Darien is a passionate swimmer and lost count of the amount of half marathons she has completed. Her enormous interest in swimming and long distance running led on to competing and completing both team and individual half ironman events and pool/beach lifeguard qualifications and work. She thoroughly enjoys yoga and have done this regularly over the last 6 years.

Jelle and Darien are parents to a very playful fur baby Whiskey (18 month old dog) who has kept them busy and who enjoys coming

"We're new to living in Methven, and are liking being able to walk everywhere; you can walk to the coffee shop and supermarket," said Penny.

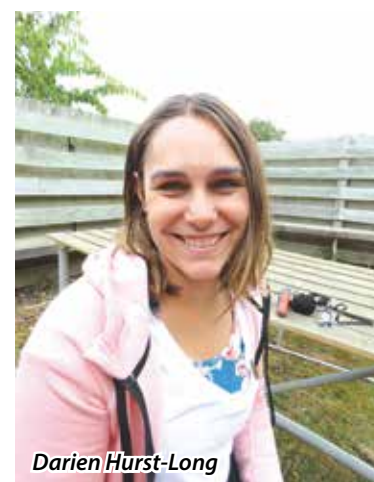
Jim and Penny have been married for the last 22 years, and their family include Lizzy (18) who is hoping to go to Otago University this year and John (20) who is a Mountain Bike Instructor at Christchurch Adventure Park.

A highlight for Penny this year will be taking a group of students from Darfield to Nepal with "Antipodeans." This organisation facilitates adventurous students in "voluntourism."

"The students take responsibility for trip budgets, tickets, itinerary, organise accommodation and food in teams, and also work on a group project. Previous projects have included building houses and renovating schools," said Penny. "This was a prior commitment to coming to Methven, but I'm hoping to do the same thing with students here."

on outdoor adventures with them. Darien is a keen outdoors person and currently part way through a tramping qualification.

They are really looking forward to joining the community, being closer to family and friends and taking advantage of all the outdoor activities in the area especially mountain biking, trail running and skiing.



Darien Hurst-Long

Big Buddies Day



Cooking up the sausages: Miss Sarah Parker, Mrs Jo Brennan, Mrs Jackie Brown.



Students enjoying a sausage sizzle with their Big (and little) Buddies.



New Big and Little Buddies



Solving puzzles with the New Zealand Air Force and the New Zealand Navy



School Powhiri (Welcome Ceremony)



School Haka being performed at the Powhiri to welcome the Manuhere (guests or newcomers)



The order of proceedings was explained to the manuhere by Mrs Rana Staples



Brief local news

New Caretaker

Mr Mike McKenzie is the new caretaker for the Methven area, having started work as at 13 January. Mike has previously worked for the Council in the early 90's. He will be responsible for mowing, maintenance of reserve areas, litter removal and maintenance of public conveniences, and general maintenance in Methven and along the Inland Scenic Route.

Building Consents Down

Nearly a quarter of the building consents for Methven were issued in January last year. In 2018, 50 consents were issued to the value of \$8,046,237 compared with 38 (\$4,322,040) in 2019.

Cemetery Cleanup

Ashburton District Council's Open Spaces Manager, David Askin, has advised that there will be a clean up of the trees at the Methven Cemetery. Around the district, a number of cemeteries had trees on their sites which had and will continue to be tidied up by Mr Askin's team. The tidy up at Methven Cemetery will occur in mid February.

Community Grants Applications open

On 1st February, Council grants for the 2020-2021 year officially opened. There are nine categories for which grants are available; School Holiday Programme, Sport Development, Community Library, Community Infrastructure, Biodiversity, Community Events, Heritage, and Community Project. Methven has benefitted from the Grants funding in the past. You will find more information on the Council website from 1 February. Applications close 28 February 2020 at 5pm.



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Non-surgical management of Anterior Cruciate Ligament (ACL)

Unbelievably it is only in the last five years that researchers have started asking if we NEED surgery to stabilise a knee after an ACL rupture!

In the UK, Australia and New Zealand it has been the standard treatment option for ruptures in the under 40, sporting population for over 30 years.

Searching the internet there are many examples of US athletes performing with no ACL. The only one I could find in NZ was Sam Dickson who returned to NZ Sevens to represent in the 2016 Olympics after an ACL rupture. Due to time frames he opted to rehabilitate rather than miss the games due to surgery and participated successfully.

Recent research has been looking at the question in more detail. Initially the theory was that the ACL reconstruction prevented OA and meniscal damage. That does not seem to be the case and in fact there is possibly more OA in those who have had surgery.

There is now even evidence that the ACL can potentially heal! Previously it was suspected blood was unable to clot within the joint and therefore was unable to scar and heal.

MRI scans have now demonstrated healing in previously ruptured ACL ligaments.



One new study from Norway found favourably in return to sport for rehabbed sportsmen

and concluded "athletes may be overtreated with ACLR surgery, but undertreated when it comes to rehabilitation" (Grindem, Arundale and Arden 2018).

The rehabilitation is pretty much the same post ACL rupture for those rehabbing, versus those after surgery but with the former, the body is not coping with the pain, inflammation and inhibition from using existing muscle, for a graft or drilling in to bone as an anchor. Nor does the rehab need to be slow to protect the six month remodelling process for the graft. As such, the 9-12 month rehab process post ACL surgery can be reduced to 8-12 weeks depending on the athlete and the sport. Strong quadriceps, equal hop tests and choosing to opt for rehab rather than surgery are all positively correlated with less knee symptoms at five years post injury (Filbay et al 2017).

I was also pleased to see that rehabilitation guidelines recommend 'top up' physiotherapy months after return to sport to ensure maintaining muscle strength and dynamic control. I frequently see clients in the clinic who have knee pain a few years post surgery related to their muscle control as opposed to their knee surgery.

Clients all dread to hear they have sustained an ACL rupture – anticipating missing out on sport, enduring surgery and months of physiotherapy. It is increasingly clear that rehabilitation is a definite option to successful return to all sports including high speed pivoting and impact. And apparently as in all things having a positive outlook and visualising success helps the outcome too!!

If you have had an ACL rupture with or without surgery, make the New Year 2020 an opportunity to review your strength and dynamic control to enjoy your summer sports and plan ahead for the winter. Call Contact Physio 302 8205 for a review and rehab plan!

Reference: Kieran Richardson, Specialist MSK Physiotherapist BJSM, September 2018

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Have your say on our District Road Speeds

Several roads around the District may be set to receive a new speed limit as part of the Council's Speed Limit Review, and residents are invited to have their say on the proposals.

The Council is seeking to reduce injuries on its roading network and ensure there is a consistent district-wide approach to managing speed, and is proposing to alter some speed limits.

The last time the Council conducted a speed limit review was in 2012, and Mayor Neil Brown says that since that time, the district has seen significant growth and expansion, particularly on the outskirts of many urban communities.

"The Council is constantly assessing the physical aspects of our expansive roading network to ensure it is safe for all users. Sometimes, this means road improvements that help improve safety under the current speed limit, but in some instances it means lowering the speed limit to ensure that the roads have safe travel speeds.

We want to make sure that everyone who uses our roads gets to their destination safely. Help us determine if we've got the speed proposals right by having your say when consultation opens. We are welcoming feedback from everyone."

Mayor Brown added that although speed changes are not proposed for all Ashburton District roads, residents are welcome to include their suggestions for any roads around the district.

In addition to growing urban areas, the Council has also received

several speed limit suggestions from residents in the last eight years, and these ideas have helped to formulate the proposals being put forward.

The consultation will be open from 27 January until 8 March at 5pm.

Information about the proposals and how to provide feedback will be available on the Council website from 27 January at:

ashburtondc.govt.nz/haveyoursay



METHVEN A&P ASSOCIATION NEWS



2020 SHOW SCHEDULE IS OUT!

Entries are open for our 2020 Show, so if you're thinking about entering your ram, pavlova, courgette, tomato relish or any of the other multitude of things we cater for, get your entries in!

You can get a copy of our schedule from Supervalu, Four Square, iSite and other retailers in Methven and Ashburton or you can view and enter online at www.showdayonline.com

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY 21 FEBRUARY



IMPORTANT POINTS TO NOTE FOR 2020 ENTRIES

- **WOOL SECTION:** Wool judging will now take place on Show Day. Please have fleeces at the grounds by 9am on Show Day.
- **HORSES:** Breast plate number holders are compulsory, back numbers will only be provided for working hunter and show jumping classes.
- **PHOTOGRAPHY & PAINTING (JUNIOR AND OPEN SECTIONS):** Exhibits need to be submitted by Friday the 21st of February - NOT at show time.
- **FRUIT, VEGETABLES & FLOWERS:** These classes can be entered on the day, please help our stewards out by knowing what classes you want to enter.

WANT TO HELP?

There's always somewhere that could do with extra hands. In particular, the Animal Shed, the Home Industries Pavilion and the Horse Section are always grateful to have extra people to help supervise, or to steward/help with judging. The animal shed crew is also on the lookout for animals to have in the animal shed this year. If you would be interested in any of the above, please contact:
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Thursday 5th March 2020

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Entry Fees

Methven A&P Association Members \$10.00
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Committed line-up for by-election

If you think politics is a bit strange and frustrating from time to time, you're absolutely correct.

Rightly there's a range of people more than willing to tell you where you're getting it wrong, or provide their own 2 cents. As your local MP it's actually part of the job I love most. It keeps elected representatives on their toes, and there's a tonne of good ideas out there. We'd be foolish to think that 120 people have a monopoly on wisdom. Often the reverse is true.

The only thing that makes me scratch my head a bit is where they are come election time. Not so much here in this district, but in other regions up and down the country, dozens of elected positions don't get an adequate number of candidates.

Granted, it can be difficult sometimes. Family circumstances, study, or a job that keeps you especially busy, it can be easy to sit out elections thinking it won't suit.

Which is what makes having a choice of three candidates in the upcoming Methven Community Board by-election all the more remarkable.

Recently I popped by the Mount Hutt Memorial Hall for a meet the candidates evening. Two things were immediately impressive. The first was the turnout. As a first-time candidate in 2017 I got quite used to attending similar meetings with the other candidates, often to a quarter-full room. The by-election crowd, by comparison, was engaged, full of ideas, and notably, bigger.

The second was the calibre of candidates. All were clearly in it for the right reasons, able to clearly articulate their opinions, and most importantly, open to engaging fully with the community. They're all doing their bit. All they ask is you do yours. By-election turnouts can be notoriously low, despite the ease in which most of us can vote.

Voting is well and truly underway, so if you haven't received your voting papers please give the Council a call on 307 7700. Voting closes at midday on Tuesday 18 February, you can deliver your ballot to the Council, the Memorial Hall on the morning of the 18th, or pop it in the post by 13 February.

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Mary Ralston

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It's apparent that many crops are thriving if they get enough water, and that they struggle without! Beans, zucchinis and leafy greens love lots of water, and young seedlings don't need lots but they need it every hot day.

At our place it's tomato time and on the hottest day of the summer so far (last Sunday), I slaved over a hot stove and bottled tomatoes. This was not the best idea I've ever had but it got the job done. I'll do another batch on a cooler day!

Bottling tomatoes is easy but it's important to stick to the procedure so you don't risk contamination. Sterilising the jars, lids and utensils is crucial.

First of all I cut up the tomatoes (I don't bother skinning them but you could if you're fussy), then stew them in a big pot on the stove. I add gently fried onions and basil (leave these out and do just tomatoes if you want – I just happened to have spare basil and onions).

Keep them simmering, and stir occasionally while you wash the jars and lids in hot soapy water, then rinse and put in the oven at 110 degrees.



Wash and rinse a wide-mouthed funnel, ladle, tongs and spatula as well and put these and the lids in a saucepan of boiling water. Boil these for 10 minutes and make sure the jars have at least 10 minutes in the oven and the tomato mixture has simmered for at least 10 minutes. If you stir them, put the spatula back in the pot of boiling water not on the bench, to ensure everything stays sterile.

When the 10 minutes is up, take a couple of jars out of the oven using a clean tea towel (don't touch the tops) and ladle the tomato mixture into the jar. Leave about 1-2 cm of space at the top. Using tongs and without touching the inside of the lids, put lids on and screw tightly.

It's a bit of a bother but lovely to have your own home-grown produce to use later.

Bottled tomatoes retain flavour better than freezing and they don't take up valuable freezer space. Also, if we have an emergency like an earthquake and the power is off for days, they don't go to waste.



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Bowls Report for week ending 2 February 2020

Centre Finals

Having qualified in the Centre Men's Singles Section Play, Rob Fensom travelled into the New Brighton green on Saturday afternoon to play in the semi-final against a player from Bowls Papanui. Bowls Papanui won, and went on to the finals day on the Sunday. Congratulations to Rob for getting that far – a great effort.

Men's Championship Singles

Congratulations to Jeff Nowell who beat Frank Sandy's in the semi-final to take out the Championship.

The Men's Triples Championship final will be played between Simon Fleetwood/Tim White/Jeff Nowell versus Craig Carter/Rob Fensom and Bruce Redmond.

Friday Triples held at Allenton on Friday 31st Jan. Well done to winners: Eric Maw/Graham Brooker/Anthony Holmes.

Rep Games between North Otago and Mid Canterbury. Played on Saturday 1 February at Allenton and Ashburton clubs

Senior Women: Won

Development Women: Won

Senior Men: Won

Development Men: Won

So a great day out for Mid Canterbury who won on the day. Congratulations to our representatives from Methven: Brent Mayson, Jeff Nowell, Tim White, Bruce Redmond and Lyn Fensom.

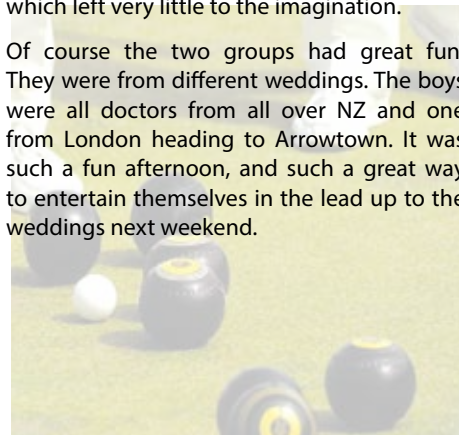
Fun on the green

Saturday saw an invasion colour and fun onto the green. The Hen's party arrived wearing bright, iridescent clothing in the era of 1970's exercise gear. They looked fantastic and had a great afternoon bowling before letting loose on the town!

Shortly after they had settled into their games,

the Stag party arrived with the "Buck" wearing what I thought must be a nursery rhyme character, but it was a little blue dress anyway which left very little to the imagination.

Of course the two groups had great fun. They were from different weddings. The boys were all doctors from all over NZ and one from London heading to Arrowtown. It was such a fun afternoon, and such a great way to entertain themselves in the lead up to the weddings next weekend.





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It was a beautiful summer's day for the Methven Garden Club's day trip to visit a garden in the Tai Tapu Area.

Twenty enthusiastic members (including 2 new members), met at the Garden of Harmony at 9am to leave shortly after, for our day visit to "Frensham Gardens" in the Tai Tapu area.

Arriving at 10.25am, we were met by our young hostess for the day, one of the workers at the gardens, who gave us an introductory talk, before leaving us to our own devices to wander around the extensive half hectare garden.

Frensham Gardens is a relaxed country garden set in a farm environment, and was started in 1992. Much thought has gone into the placement of colour, the short and long distance views, and the filtering of light, which is created by judicious pruning. The

Garden has been planned with year round interest in mind.

There is a serious plant collection which is always added to and there is subtle changing of all existing areas. As the garden is over 28 years old, there are some beautifully established trees and shrubs. The lawns and hedges are all beautifully



manicured. These gardens are open by appointment only, with an admission fee.

In no time at all it was time to say thank you to our hostess, and head back to the Tai Tapu Hotel for our lunch. What a wonderful variety of food to choose from the menu, and oh my, what generous servings. It was a good job we weren't in a hurry to leave!

We enjoyed our lunch and social time in the peaceful setting, but all good things come to an end and it was time to head back to Methven.

What a lovely relaxed, enjoyable day, arranged for us by Bridget.

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Open Home

12 Jackson Street, Methven

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Charming character home. Open plan kitchen that flows into large living area. Separate dining room. 3 bedrooms, bathroom & 2 separate toilets. Retro fitting double glazing, gas heater & night store. Single garage + large concrete block workshop. Private 1012m2 section.

Set Date Of Sale
Offers closing 2pm
Wed 26 Feb
(unless sold prior)

View
Wednesday 5th Feb
5:30 - 6:00pm



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Open Home

4 Blackford Street, Methven

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Two homes. Outstanding opportunity for a buyer seeking a reliable income. So close to the township. 1st home - 2 bed, 1 bath, open plan living, single attached garage. 2nd home 5 bed, 2.5 bath, large open plan kitchen living. Double attached garage.

Set Date Of Sale
Offers closing 2pm
Fri 28 Feb
(unless sold prior)

View
Saturday
1:00 - 2:00pm



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94 Spaxton Street, Methven

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Attractive 7 year old, 4 bedroom home, tastefully landscaped & securely fenced. Modern kitchen with granite benches. Dining space with timber plank flooring. Log burner & heat pump. Master includes ensuite/WIR & opens out to decking. Spa & wall mounted TV.

For Sale
\$660,000

View
by appointment



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48 South Belt, Methven

4 2 2 2

Modern edge home. 4 bedrooms. On trend kitchen. Open plan living heated by a log burner with doors opening out to large north facing decking. 2 modern bathrooms. Master views to Mt Hutt. Private well fenced section. Double garage.

For Sale
\$499,000

View
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19 Chapman Street, Methven

4 2 2 2

Family size 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
by negotiation

View
by appointment



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8 Camrose Avenue, Methven

3 2 2 2

Opportunity is knocking with this 2 year old cleverly designed home. Modern kitchen that leads out to very sheltered Alfresco area (covered outdoor space). 3 sunny bedrooms, 2 luxurious bathrooms (master ensuite). Ideal for 1st home buyers retirees home, holiday home.

For Sale
\$585,000

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