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- 4 ECAN Dam Feedback closes
- 8 Pink Ribbon Dav
- 18 Touch Rugby starts
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### **WEDNESDAY**

Qigong Classes, Anglican Hall, 10.45am Methven Green Waste drop off, Vaughans Rd, 12.30pm-2.30pm

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

### **SATURDAY**

Methven Toy Library 9-10.30am Methven Public Library 10-11am AA Meeting All Saints Church, 6pm

Methven Green Waste drop off, Vaughans Rd, 12pm-4pm

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# PUKA RATAKA The part our region

It is directly west of Methven Racecourse that the mighty Aoraki Mt Cook pierces the clouds and it was there in 1906 that Rodolph Wigley saw a future in tourism.

Rudolph made the first road trip in a De Dion Bouton two seater vehicle from Timaru to Mt Cook. That signalled the beginning of the Mt Cook Motor Company and other ventures which eventually became part of Mt Cook Airline, which now sits under the Air New Zealand umbrella.

But lets go back a year or two. This was the time when the eccentric inventor and farmer Richard Pearse had built an aircraft that flew in a paddock just miles up the road from Timaru, at Waitohi. Regardless of what people thought, there is no doubt that this man had a brilliant brain. His knowledge and understanding of aerodynamics, principles of electricity, mechanics and engineering were excellent, outwitting others in the field at that time. And unfortunately, due to the then remoteness of the countryside he lived in and New Zealand being considered a fledgeling colony, news of his exploits did not really spread far. It was the Wright Brothers in America who gained the glory for flight, with those following events at the time knowing that Richard was the first to achieve powered flight and the Wright Brothers the first to achieve powered, controlled flight. The remains of one of the aircraft Richard built



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# played in the history of Aviation

To this day, a replica model of Richard Pearse's flying machine is on the side of the road and well worth a visit with your kids and family - unbelievable that today's multi billion dollar aviation industry started with something such as this, right here!

In 1913, a young James Scotland son of the Hon W Scotland, Member of the Legislative Council, went back to England to learn to fly. He freighted a Caudron biplane to New Zealand and in 1914 had it taken to Invercargill by rail with a view to being the first to fly some long distances. He was the first to fly between Timaru and Christchurch - then the longest flight in the country. At 6am he left what is now known as Fraser Park in Timaru, climbing to 2,000 feet. Flying over Temuka, he

dropped a parcel containing a letter to a motor engineer there. This was the first airmail in New Zealand. Having engine issues in the cold weather, necessitated a stop at Orari, but the trip continued and flew over Ashburton at 4pm and landed in Christchurch just after 5pm.

This flight caused lots of interest in Christchurch and Hon. Henry Wigram (after whom the airforce base was named), wanted to start a flying school in Christchurch and James Scotland was lined up as the instructor. Unfortunately ill health prevented that, but the Canterbury School of Aviation was started.

Soon to follow was Rangitata Island man Ross Brodie who was the eighth man from the school to qualify for his licence.

Henry Wigley was innovative and had dreams of tourism and passenger services throughout New Zealand and recent world war had produced planes - seemingly no longer needed. Henry set about securing some and hangars were built at Washdyke, Invercargill, Wellington (at Rongotai, now Wellington Airport). Bert Mercer was an instructor for the Canterbury Aviation Company, flying from the Washdyke airfield and other wartime pilots soon joined the company.

On 26th October 1921, it was Wigley's company that did the first ever long distance inter island flight with pilot Bert Mercer at the controls, flying from Timaru to Auckland in 8 hours 53



minutes, landing at One Tree Hill.

Ashburton Aerodrome (now Ashburton Airport) officially opened on 17th May 1930. It was the first airport in the South Island to be owned by the local council. The large site occupies over 99 hectares of land today housing the famous Ashburton Aviation Museum, Mid Canterbury Aero Club and leases sites for hangars. In 1939, World War Two started and Ashburton Aerodrome was used a main player in training pilots. It was here that Methven's last World War II veteran, Colin Watson started his flying training in a Tiger Moth.

Rangitata Island Airfield has now been changed to the correct naming of Rakitata Island Airfield. It continues to this day and is run by Ross's grandson, Russell Brodie. Russell's son Ross made aviation history on 2nd January 2016, when he turned 16 years old. He flew solo in 16 different aircraft, yet was not old enough to hold a New Zealand Drivers Licence. Ross holds a Federation Aéronautique International (FAI) Certificate recognising this unique event.

It was at Ashburton Airport (then Ashburton Aerodrome) that Methven man Colin Watson did his pilot training after being accepted to join the Air Force in 1943, at age 21. Colin

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fly Tiger Moths, having his first solo flight after just eight hours of dual instruction!

Due to it starting out as a World War II training airfield, Ashburton Airport has more runways than Christchurch International Airport - the difference is that Ashburton's are grass. The airport is home to Mid Canterbury Aero Club where budding enthusiasts can learn to fly in a variety of conditions. The famous Ashburton Aviation Museum is also at the airport - well worth a visit with the upcoming school holidays. The Museum is proud owner of the extremely rare Harrier Jump Jet which is on display.



lifestyle).

She's a sassy and down to earth cowgirl who's ready to lasso your heart with her charm.

With a flair for the dramatic and a wardrobe full of fringe and sparkly boots, she's not afraid to ride into the wild side of the

Her performances are a fusion of country twang and fierce diva attitude, as she struts in her pink bands and rhinestonestudded chaps. Whether she's belting out a country classic or two-stepping across the stage, she always leaves the audience hollering for more.

She has many talents and interests but her number one passion is cows. Whether judging or grooming them, with her hairdryer and clippers, nothing makes this cowgirl happier.

Cows with the right breeding are the ones that thrill her most. You know, a cow with a good set of feet and legs, lovely depth of rib and a quality full mammary system with ideal teat placement.

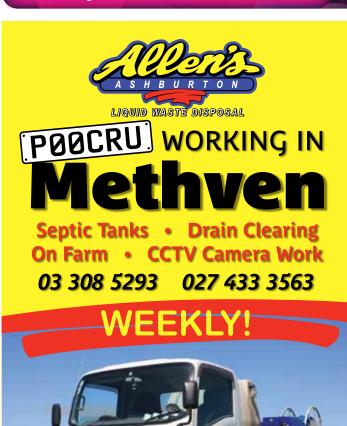
Offstage, this cowgirl queen is known for her quick wit and good sense of humour, always ready with a playful quip or a sassy comeback. With her larger-than-life persona and dazzling style, Ms PGG Wrightson Real Estate is a cowgirl who knows how to wrangle attention and steal the show wherever she goes.



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In New Zealand in 2024, from 23-29 September is Mental Health Awareness Week.

Mental Health is talked about now more than ever before in our society. Exterior pressures that build can cause stress and anxiety which affect our mental health. These may be within workplace relationships, your job, family relationships and make up, study, school or something else.

When things go wrong, try not to allow the stress or worry of it get to you. Is there another positive way you could deal with it?

There are things that we can do to prioritise our mental health - things that can help us help ourselves, such as getting good quality sleep, eating properly, limiting or omitting alcohol, drinking enough water and appropriate exercise.

However, there are times when the one or some of the above aren't working or something else is just not right, or perhaps you are supporting someone who has reached out to you and sharing their Mental Health struggle. It is a good idea to ask for help and support without feeling guilty or a failure. Don't give up - pursue getting that help or have someone support you to get it.

Taking care of our mental health demonstrates that we value ourselves and what we contribute to ourself, our family and friends and our workplaces and communities. You don't need to grapple with mental health alone

For more help go to the NZ Mental Health Awareness website: https://mhaw.nz/ explore/helpful-resources/ or talk with your family doctor, a trusted friend, or your family.

There are loads of places online to go for help:

- Mental Health Foundation
- Farmstrong
- Le Va (for Pasifika speakers)
- Aotearoa NZ Tough Talk (Mens Wellbeing)
- Depression.org
- MaMA (maternal mental health)
- Youthline
- Whakatau Mai Wellbeing Sessions
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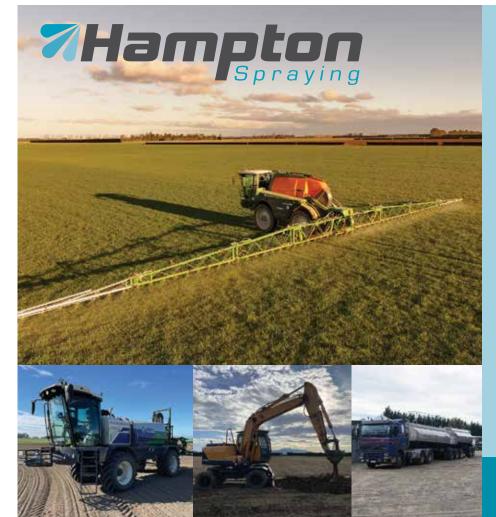
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# **Council decides** not to pursue **Lake Camp Consents**

Ashburton District Councillors have decided not to pursue resource consents to divert water from Balmacaan Stream to Lake Camp, in the Ashburton Lakes area.

The lake is low after a dry few years and Council had been asked by Clearwater hutholders to take action. Councillors called for a report to look at the costs and implications of applying for resource consent, and then voted 6-4 at their meeting yesterday for not going ahead with the consent application.

Mayor Neil Brown said water levels in the lake had fluctuated widely in past decades.

"We have been told by scientists that Nature is taking its course and the report by Council officers makes it clear that we could spend a significant amount of money pursuing consents, and still not get the water we seek.

"Environment Canterbury's Land and Water Regional Plan also makes it clear that any consent to take water from the Ashburton River catchment would be tied to minimum



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flows at the State Highway 1 bridge, and that creates a lot of uncertainty.

"Councillors had a robust debate about our responsibilities and how much money it might cost and, in the end, voted not to progress any consent."

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The Mayor said Council's decision did not preclude any other organisation from applying for

"We know this area is special to many people, and while some will be disappointed with our decision, it is a

consents.

sensible one. It is good to see that water levels at Lake Camp have been quietly rising over the past month on the back of rain, and a wetter La Nina-like climate is forecast in the coming months."

The report for Councillors said pre-application and lodgement costs of a consent would be about \$266,000, plus the cost of hearings, another \$216,000. If consent was granted, infrastructure and ongoing monitoring and compliance costs would be another \$200,000.

More costs would be incurred if the consent decision was appealed.

The pre-application costs would cover technical reports, including

hydrological, ecological and engineering assessments, and a cultural report, given the importance of Otuwharakei Ashburton Lakes for mana whenua. A lizard assessment may also be needed.



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# **Council School Holiday Activities**

Children's author Deano Yipadee headlines a jam-packed two weeks of fun activities organised by the Ashburton Library during the coming school holidays.

The musician and author of Nee Naw, The Little Fire Engine, Deano Yipadee will be starring in a live performance at the Ashburton New Life Church on Friday 4 October.

Tickets are free, and can be booked online at ashburtonlibrary.co.nz – but get in fast!

Library manager Jill Watson said the live show was at a venue that could accommodate a huge crowd, but all other activities were based at the library.

"We've drawn on Alice in Wonderland as a theme with a twist for teens, while younger children will have six other spring-themed craft activities to take part in, as well as a movie to keep them entertained."

The teen activities include making a wall clock, designing a custom tee-shirt, making a travel bag, building a mini garden and creating a felt hat. There is a cost for some materials.

3 Oct, 2-4pm - Custom tee-shirt

6 Oct, 11am-3.30pm - Make a bag

8 Oct, 2-3.30pm - Mini garden

10 Oct, 1-4pm - Make a felt hat

Younger children can have fun folding and decorating origami frogs, invent a FrankenToy

or make a bouncy ball. These activities are free, all start at 10.30am:

30 Sept - Make a bouncy ball

2 Oct - Create a blossom tree collage

4 Oct - Build a 3D spring portal

7 Oct - Minute to win it games

9 Oct - Origami frogs

11 Oct - Make a FrankenToy

The event space at Te Whare Whakatere will host a spring-themed movie on the big screen at 2pm on Sunday 6 October.

Waterworld Wipeout will be making a splash at EA Networks Centre on October 4, 5 and 6, with an inflatable course for ages five and up. Session times vary, and booking is essential – terms, conditions and costs are on the facility's website eanetworkscentre.co.nz.

The Ashburton Art Gallery and Museum will also have an array of holiday fun for youngsters, including its Clever Crustaceans exhibition, being toured by Te Papa and NIWA.

NIWA scientists will be running a build your own crustacean workshop at 1pm on 7 October, for children aged 5-12 years.

Eco Educate will at be the gallery and museum on 2 October from 2-4pm, for a trash to treasure activity, and there are a host of other drop-in activities.

Outreach programmes, with all the facilities and Eco Educate, are also happening on 1 October at the Mt Hutt Memorial Hall in Methven (10am-12pm) and at Mayfield Hall (1.30pm-3.30pm).



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# Easing the Burden: Our Move to Boost Relief Teaching

This week Education Minister Erica Stanford announced significant changes to our relief teaching system.

These reforms aim to swiftly increase the number of available relief teachers, offering hope to schools grappling with staffing challenges.

At the heart of this initiative is the temporary relaxation of eligibility criteria for Limited Authorities to Teach (LATs). Previously registered teachers can now receive a LAT without the need for a lengthy recertification process or the financial burden of a new three-year practising certificate. This change removes key barriers that have discouraged many qualified educators from returning to the classroom.

To kickstart this programme, the government is offering 200 one-year LATs and 150 teaching certificate renewals free of charge. This financial incentive is a welcome relief for teachers considering a return to relief work, especially those who may have been hesitant due to the associated costs.

The benefits of these changes are significant for our region which can struggle to attract teachers. It provides a flexible pathway for teachers back into the profession without the usual

red tape. Parents can breathe easier knowing that schools will have a larger pool of qualified relief staff, reducing the likelihood of classroom closures or merged classes. Children stand to gain from more consistent education delivery, with fewer disruptions to their learning.





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To kickstart this programme, the government is offering 200 one-year LATs and 150 teaching certificate renewals free of charge.

For the education system as a whole, this addresses the short-term need for relief teachers while paving the way for longer-term solutions. The government is already exploring additional options, including a specialised practising certificate for relief teachers and changes to legislation allowing qualified teachers without current certificates to work for longer periods.

The changes form part of a broader \$53 million investment in teacher workforce development and our commitment to long-term, sustainable teaching solutions.

These changes offer a timely lifeline to schools struggling to attract and retain quality teachers.

It is a pragmatic step towards ensuring that New Zealand's children receive the education they deserve, regardless of short-term staffing challenges.



# Schools News

# Methven Primary School

# Māhuri Measurement Fun

Over the past two weeks the New Fntrant/ Year One students in Māhuri F&S have been learning about measurement. They have explored handson stations include that ordering dinosaurs into size, weighing



mystery bags, making playdough worms, catapulting pompoms across the room, building stick towers along with scooping and pouring water and sand.

After everyone had explored each station, a challenge was set for the students to use their measurement knowledge, language and problem-solving skills. Some of these challenges included working with a partner to measure their head to make a headband, flying a paper plane and measuring how far it went, building the highest tower with popsicle stick and cubes.

One challenge was seeing who could make the most playdough snakes the same length as a popsicle stick. Angus won the challenge when he made 12 snakes!









# Our Lady of the Snows School

In a remarkable display of eloquence and insight, Year 7 student, Marivelle has captured the hearts of judges and audiences alike, winning not only the OLS Year 7-8 Speech Competition but advancing to the Small Schools Speech Competition and emerging victorious there too. Marivelle's journey continued as she competed in the Ashburton Rotary Competition, where she was triumphant as she secured first place once again!

Marivelle's aim was to bring attention to a topic that affects so many people in our community, sharing not only the struggles but also suggesting possible solutions that we can work towards together. "I wanted address a pressing issue that affects each and every one of us, the rising cost of living. It is a topic that may seem mundane at first glance, but I assure you, it has profound implications for our lives, our families, and our communities," explained Marivelle.

At every competition, her speech resonated deeply with listeners. With a powerful narrative and compelling statistics, she highlighted the challenges faced by families and individuals in today's economy. Her ability to blend personal anecdotes with factual data made her presentation both relatable and informative.

Marivelle is a shining example of what our students can achieve with hard work and determination. We are incredibly proud of her accomplishments and the light she has shone on such an important issue. Congratulations, Marivelle on your outstanding achievements!





# Schools News













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We celebrated with a majestic day filled with performances by over nine primary and secondary schools. The event showcased the diverse cultures of the community, with unique dances and an abundance of kapa haka, alongside special guests from Arowhenua Kura.

Even the weather played its part, offering a typical Mt Somers spring day—full of variety. Despite the changing conditions, the passion and energy of the children remained undeterred, and the day concluded with a glorious, still afternoon, where all the schools came together in a group waiata.

A special acknowledgment goes to the parents and families who made the effort to travel from their schools to support their children and the wider community. It was a true community effort, with each school



contributing to make the day a resounding success.



The weather's still windy and cold at times, warmish at other times, so if your soil is not too wet, go ahead and plant some things this weekend if you have the inclination.

As the soil is still cold, it won't hurt to wait a few weeks with most things, but it can be good to get going. I plan to plant early potatoes, cabbages and broccoli in the outside garden, and zucchini in the greenhouse.

Peas could also be planted along with onions (both "normal" onions and spring), herbs such as parsley, mizuna mix and rocket. Herby brassicas give nice early leaves but will bolt (go to seed) quite quickly. If you're okay with that, plant some and use early and then there'll be room for zucchini or something else in their place. It's good to plant brassicas in spring rather than summer or autumn because the white cabbage butterflies aren't usually around until mid summer.

Lettuces can also go in between the cabbages and broccoli. This is a nice way to use the space well – cabbage and broccoli need a lot of room (plant about 60 cm apart) but a lettuce planted in between will mature earlier than the cabbage so they won't compete with each other.

Brassicas and onions like slightly alkaline soils, and potatoes like slightly acidic. Compost and other organic matter inputs usually increase soil acidity, so adding a little bit of lime to the parts where you're planting brassicas and onions is a good idea.

Bokashi treated vege scraps are a good way to add fertility to the soil, both for long term crops like brassicas and onions, and also for following crops because the scraps attract earthworms-they do a great job of processing the scraps and releasing the minerals bound up in the scraps. I dig a trench about 20 cm









deep, add a layer of scraps, cover with soil, put the potato on top, and cover with more soil. For brassicas, fill in the trench completely, then plant the brassica and lettuce seedlings.





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# Netball Club

# **New Life Members**

Leanne Holmes Lynley Pluck Rebecca Cavanagh Sarah Colquhoun

Team Awards (MVP - Most Valuable Player, MIP - Most Improved Player)

### **Seniors**

Methven Wareings - MVP Ginnie Wright, MIP Faith Scott. Methven EuroAgri - MVP Alyssa McGinity, MIP Nikita Cavanagh. Methven Shearmac - MVP Elsie Dargue, MIP Jade Wallace. Methven Garage Gym - MVP Eli Ahotaeiloa, MIP Issy Marr. Methven SPS - MVP Georgia Gardener, MIP Jennifer Lopez. Methven Paddock Vets - MVP Sienna Poyner, MIP Jess McKenzie. Methven LH Farm Co - MVP Haleigh Joyce, MIP Kelly Lingard-Davison. Methven Southern Cross - MVP Melissa Rutherford, MIP May McCaw.

### **Juniors**

Yr 7/8 Methven R&R - MVP Livi Fletcher & Holly Marett, MIP Charli Bird. Methven Panel & Paint - MVP Kiti Botaira, MIP Navaeh McLintock. Methven Martin Seed Dressing - MVP Asha McFarlane Hydes, MIP Lucy Keane.

Yr 5/6 Methven Dargue Hedge Trimming - MVP Rykie Greybe, MIP Scarlet Meadows. Methven Gluyas Motor Group - MVP Ivy Hapuku, MIP Yasmin Goulton. Methven Clear Ear - MVP Ali Palmer, MIP Lexi Harmer.

### Yr 3/4

Methven Blue - MVP Maddi Horne, MIP Ruby Preston. Methven Red - MVP Charlotte Loten, MIP Alyssa Cuttle. Methven Black - MV: Michela Ellul, MIP Thea McLeod. Methven White - MVP Amalia Rodriguez, MIP Harriet Woolsey.

### **Senior Teams POY**

Prem 1 Tracey Stone. Prem 2 Annabelle Lucock. Prem 3 Alice Jackson.

### **Team Results**

Blue Pub 1st in Social 1. P&P 2nd in Junior B. EuroAgri 2nd in Prem 2. R&R 3rd in Junior A. Shearmac 3rd in Prem 3. Wareings 3rd in Prem 1. Martin Seeds 4th in Junior C.

### Player of the Year

Yr 7/8 Henrietta Cairns. U16 Tilly Johnson. U18 Rebekah Kalweit. Senior Ginnie Wright.

# **Mid Canterbury Awards/Successes**

Maureen Cuneen Shield - Annabelle Lucock

### Selection into Mid Canterbury Rep Teams

Senior A - Meg McIntyre, Faith Scott. U18 Rose Dargue, Naite Tuamoheloa, Ella Monk & Rebekah Kalweit. U16A Elsie Dargue, Tilly Johnson. U16B Georgia Monk.

### **Emerging Talent**

Naite & Rebekah

Elsie, Georgia, Tilly, Addison, Luca & Grace

### **Special Awards**

Kim Clark Memorial Trophy - Anna Quigley

Amanda Millington Trophy - Paddock Vets

Coach of the Year - Rebecca Cavanagh

Manager of the Year - Keryn Hooker

Umpire Trophy - Tilly Johnson & Addison Griffiths

### **Club Team Awards**

President's Trophy (Senior) EuroAgri

President's Trophy (Junior) Martin Seeds

Highest Goal Average Paddock Vets

Best Placed Team (Junior) P&P

Patron Award (Junior) P&P

Dedication & Commitment Shield (Junior) R&R

Commitment Trophy (Senior) SPS

Committee Trophy (Senior) Shearmac

Jubilee Trophy Blue Pub

Amanda Millington Secondary School Award Paddock Vets

Senior Team Trophy - Wareings & LH Farm Co

Excellence in Sportsmanship Dargue Hedge Trimming

Most Improved Methven Blue

Most Consistent Clear Ear

Junior Committee Cup (Best placed team in Mid Canterbury Comp) **Panel & Paint** 

# **Road Closures**

With warmer weather upon us, road repairs are underway and some roads are closed.

**Back Track** (from 23 September 2024, 6.00 am to 19 October 2024, 7pm). Affected Roads: Back Track, between Highbank Cairnbrae Road and Woods Road.

Reason for Closure: Road maintenance - dig outs, sealing, stabilisation.

Detour Option(s): Detour 1: Back Track, Woods Road, Highbank School Road, Highbank Cairnbrae Road.

Detour 2: Woods Road, Lyndhurst Road, Methven Chertsey Road, Highbank Cairnbrae Road.

**Dromore Methven Road** (one-way closure from 16 September 2024, 7.00 am to 12 October 2024, 7pm). Affected Roads: Dromore Methven Road at the State Highway 1 intersection. No entry from State Highway 1.

Reason for Closure: Road maintenance - dig outs, sealing, stabilisation.

Detour Option(s): SH1, Winchmore Dromore Road, Mitcham Road, Dromore Methven Road.

**Winchmore Dromore Road** (from 16 September 2024, 6.00 am to 5 October 2024, 7pm). Affected Roads: Winchmore Dromore Road, between Winchmore School Road and Mitcham Road.

Reason for Closure: Road maintenance - dig outs, sealing, stabilisation.

Detour Option(s): Dromore Methven Road, Mitcham Road, Winchmore Dromore Road and vice versa.

Fechneys Road - Westerfield School Road Intersection (from 30 September 2024, 6.00

am to 30 September 2024, 6pm). Affected Roads: Fechneys Road and Westerfield School Road Intersection.

Reason for Closure: Pole and conductor maintenance.

Detour Option(s): Valetta Westerfield Road, Sheates Road and vice versa.

**Dromore Methven Road** (from 16 September 2024, 6.00 am to 12 October 2024, 7pm). Affected Roads:Dromore Methven Road, between Pole Road and Winchmore Lauriston Road.

Reason for Closure:Road maintenance - dig outs, sealing, stabilisation.

Detour Option(s) :Dromore Methven Road, Pole Road, Thompsons Track, Winchmore

Lauriston Road, Dromore Methven Road and vice versa.





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# **Stowell Trophy Round 8**

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Mary Stone	Bob Todhunter	56.25%
Gerald Kidner	Melody Kidner	53.75%
John Barwell	Murray Hawkes	42.50%
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# **METHVEN GOLF CLUB**

## **Ladies Results**

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Tuis: Emma Hampton 39. Silver Jenny Senior 92-16-76. Bronze A Emma Hampton 91-21-70. Heather Middleton 102-27-75. Bronze B Becky Hood 107-33-74. Sandra Marr 111-36-

Freshchoice Methven Best Nett Of Day Emma Hampton 70.

Nearest The Pins: No 4 Open, Bronze B 2nd Shot Methven FourSquare Becky Hood, No 6 Open Methven Pharmacy Emma Hampton, No 13 Open Primo Ruth Smith, No 17 Open Methven Travel Jenny Senior, No 14 Silver, Bronze A 2nd Shot Farmhouse Station Coffee Heather Middleton.

Two's And Nett Eagles: Sue Pollock.

# 9 Hole 20th September

Stroke round: Chris Cunneen 55-22-33, Bryan Petrie 49-15-34, Ross Keown 51-18-35, Kevin Thompson 50-15-35.

PGG Wrightson Best Player Chris Cunneen. Methven Travel Methven Travel Nearest the Pin Hiromi Ikehata.

Methven Travel 2nd shot Fay Redfern.

# Mens Results 21st September

6th Round of Callaghan Trophy

**Stroke White Tees** 

Callaghan Trophy Winner K Middleton 275

Senior: P Middleton 64 Dubliner Best Nett. Junior: G Rhodes 66 Top Notch Four Square 2nd Best Nett.

Other Good Scores: P Harper 67, D Fisher 70, Strachan Adams 70, D Lucas 71, A McAlpine 71, G Shaw 72, P Elliot 72, M Gazzard 72, R Guild 73, T Molloy 73, P Walker 75, K Middleton 75, C Pretty 75, A Wright 75, M Gray 75, P Rolton 76, B Dickson 76.

Twos: N Binns, A Robins, R Withers, G Rhodes.

Nearest The Pins: No 4 Methven Pubs P Middleton, No 6 Charterhouse Farm N Binns, No 13 Hunters Wines A Robins, No 14 Aqua Japanese D Lucas, 317 Frydays G Rhodes.

Next Week: Club Champs Final Day.



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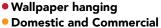


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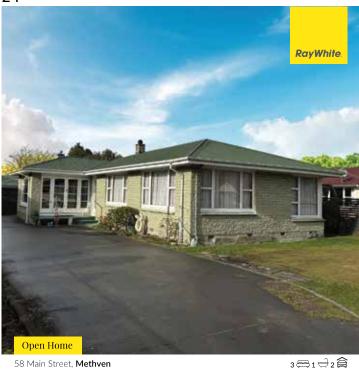
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