



“Māpua Liveability”

continuing consultations and community concerns

Māpua & Districts Community Association’s March 2021 meeting again focused on:

- **Being informed** about the wide range of current consultation processes going on: Public Transport Plans, TDC Long Term Plan (LTP), Government’s “3 waters” proposal and reform of the Resource Management Act (RMA).
- **Having input** into all of the above. (Noting that submissions for the Public Transport Plans closed on March 17).

Draft Nelson Tasman Public Transport Plan (2021 – 2029) and Draft Regional Land Transport Plan for Te Tau Ihu 2021-2031.

Drew Bryant (TDC Activity Planning Advisor Transportation) and Clare Scott (TDC Transport Planner) spoke to and elaborated on the main points of each of these plans in a power-point presentation. Links to both the slides and the speakers’ recorded presentations are on the MDCA Facebook page.

TDC Mayor Tim King noted that “lots of consultation processes are going on at present” and encouraged all residents to be aware of these and to take the opportunity to comment.

Regionally:

- TDC Long Term Plan (LTP), noting the “immense range of topics and details”, urging us all to “please consider the range ...” and commenting that “it is costly to provide services across a region of such diverse communities”.

There is a one-month consultation period for this plan (MDCA April Meeting will focus on the Plan’s content and the process for submissions).

Nationally:

- “Three Waters” current proposal
- Resource Management Act (RMA) reform proposing three new pieces of legislation with the aim of speeding up the process
- Mayor King noted that this would have “a major impact on local regional development” and the role of local authorities

A link to the recording of his presentation can also be found on the MDCA Facebook page.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS

“Māpua Liveability” Working Group (was “Intensification in Māpua”)

- This working group (Three MDCA Exec members, three local residents and chaired by Paul McIntosh), held their inaugural meeting and identified their main focus as being **improving relationships with TDC Councillors/staff**. Paul noted that the main problems were not with administration but “how the rule fits within the overall strategy/plan”.
- Common themes were identified with the umbrella theme being “**Liveability**”, leading to the re-naming. Key community concerns are currently focused on how to ensure that:
 1. Walk and cycleway links go into the developers’ plans.
 2. Ample opportunity is provided for “lots of input from the community” on any aspects of development; loss of trees, walk/cycleway links, open spaces etc.

Links to the recording and related slides are on the MDCA Facebook page.

- Cr Christeen McKenzie suggested that this “visionary presentation” be repeated at a TDC Strategic Planning Meeting so that there can be “engagement with the senior leadership of TDC “. She will let us know.
- Cr Anne Turley responding to the query as to whether group members were able to meet with developers, suggested that they check with TDC Customer Services as to who is most appropriate person to follow this up with and noted that the “TDC Committees were now charged to gather information from a range of sources”.

Cr David Ogilvy stressed the importance of ensuring that input into working group presentations matched the long term plans enabling connectivity between the Māpua Working Group and the rest of TDC.

Marion Satherley (MDCA Chair) noted a planned meeting of all District Community Association Chair-people on April 9th which would include input on conflict management.

Marion identified concerns at “the disconnect between the information provided at TDC meetings and the resulting plans provided to the community which didn’t include the vision...”

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She asked Councillors to clarify:

- 1. Whether there are any more deferred residential zones and
- 2. What triggers the lifting of a zone

Christeen undertook to report back on these queries at the April Meeting.

Roads and cycleways Wayne Chisnall has:

- Followed up the issues/problems related to cyclists accessing the cycleway from the roundabout at Higgs Road with Jamie McPherson (TDC) who has indicated that shared pathway signage is planned for Māpua Drive/Higgs Road.
- Undertaken to raise with Jamie the community's concern that the re-developed pathway between the Māpua School street frontage and the new raised traffic islands could be seen as part of the road as it is now wide enough for cars to travel on.

COMMUNITY WELLBEING

Māpua Willing Wheels (MWW) noted with delight and relief that we have received confirmation of ongoing funding from the Rata Foundation and the Lotteries Commission for the co-ordination and administration of this project for the rest of 2021. Local businesses/organizations are encouraged to offer sponsorship to support the scheme's administrative costs; any amount will be appreciated.

Motueka Coastal Corridor Community Bus Route (Motueka through Tasman/Māpua to Richmond). Rachel Mason has begun her (currently) six-month contract for establishing this new extended service which will pass through Tasman and Māpua.

Community Hub. See separate newsletter article elsewhere in this issue with details of projects and progress.

The data collection project is now being collated ready for release with significant interest shown in accessing the future resource.

A fruitful meeting was held with the Māpua Library Committee Members to discuss how the two facilities can co-operate especially in terms of information and resource sharing.

The committee members expressed support for suggestions of both an online community directory and also the potential establishment of a Community and Whānau Group in this district for sharing information and identifying potential shared concerns and projects.

Future hot topics

April: Long Term Plan; outline and input.

2021 months: A list of possible Hot Topics for the rest of 2021 is posted on MDCA's Facebook Page. If you have any other suggestions of topics, please send them to info@ourmapua.org as soon as possible so they can be considered for the calendar.

Be sure to attend/join in our next monthly meeting: **Monday, 12 April 2021 at 7.15pm.** Note later time (content and format to be confirmed on MDCA Facebook and Mailchimp mailout).

MDCA works closely with TDC to ensure our community functions in a way that suits the majority of our residents. To have a vote that counts, become a financial member of MDCA by simply paying a \$10 membership fee to our NBS account 03-1354-0356471-00 with your name and phone number as a reference.

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letter to the editor

Respecting our 'Youngers'

We talk a lot these days about **respect**; largely in relation to young people respecting their elders, respecting authority, and sadly, often about the lack of.

We talk of how a lack of respect is one of the roots of the troubles in society today, lack of respect for police, teachers, people's property, older people, parents, politicians.

R.E.S.P.E.C.T. Aretha maybe started the theme! God bless Aretha.

What happened on a sunny Sunday morning in our beautiful village showed a total lack of respect. But it was a display of disrespect from an older person (apparently "15 years past qualifying for a Gold Card") towards a young member of our community who was quietly and politely doing her job.

We have many young people, and I'm talking about high school students, who work on their weekends to earn money so they can run their own cars, pay for their phone plans, save for university, learn to serve others, understand the value of a dollar, be responsible and contribute to our community. These young people also deserve **our** respect. After all, how are they going to learn to respect us if we don't teach them by our role modelling?

My daughter is one such young woman – quite a wonderful young woman or so I'm told. She works locally after school and on weekends. She is polite, kind, respectful, helpful, and hard working. And sometimes it's not easy when she's tired, or sick, or has school deadlines to meet and sports to train for. But she shows up and smiles at her customers and is polite, helpful and kind. She also does a good job.

I now ask you, the grey-haired lady in a blue car, to consider how she felt this morning when you called her

'useless' as she failed to put your Gold Card through for payment of services (and you failed to offer it)? Imagine how your words felt to her, an hour into her 8-hour shift on her second day running at work, on her weekend. I doubt you'd enjoy being spoken to like that by her.

Not that she would; she has been raised far better than you have, clearly, and does have respect for others.

She is someone's granddaughter. Do you have a granddaughter? Would you like her to be spoken to like that at work?

She is my daughter. Do you have a daughter? Would you like your daughter to be spoken to like that?

She is someone's sister, niece, and friend. Do you understand? Was it worth spoiling someone's day over less than \$5?

Your utter lack of respect for my daughter has me reeling because you should know better, you should be kinder, you should be a better role model and you were not.

Māpua is a special place, but it is only what we make it. The behaviour of all, especially our young people, is a direct reflection of each of us.

You get out what you put in. You get what you deserve. You reap what you sow. Let's all show respect to each other, whether it is a nod of the head, a smile, holding a door, stepping aside on the pathway, saying good morning, picking up litter, helping a neighbour, a stranger, a visitor, and being patient, kind and respectful to the people who serve us.

Out of respect for my daughter's privacy, my name and address are not posted here. The message remains the same.

Name and address withheld

ANZAC DAY

On Sunday 25th April ANZAC day services will be held in our region. These services are open to the public and provide an opportunity to remember those who have served our country and those who have passed.

Māpua

Parade – 10.45am starts adjacent to tennis courts

Service – 11.00am at Māpua RSA Memorial Library, followed by morning tea at the Māpua Hall.
A plate would be appreciated.

Tasman: Service – 10.00am at the Memorial

Upper Moutere: Service – 10.00am at the Domain

Poppy Day

The RSA Poppy Day this year is on the 16th April. In conjunction with our collection boxes around the region we have a stall outside the Māpua Four Square for the day. We are looking for volunteers to assist with the collection by manning the stand for two-hour blocks. If you are willing and able to assist, please contact Nic on 021 220 3920.



Māpua Community Hub (MCH)

The idea of establishing a Community Hub in Māpua is continuing to develop and grow.

Working group members met on 2nd March to report back on monthly tasks and discuss next steps.

Progress from the last update:

1 The Data Collection Contract is now complete. Thank you Connie for a job well done!

The overwhelming response has been positive, and data collected will be invaluable for planning and funding needs. Relevant data collected will also be used to help create a proposed "On-line Community Directory".

Thank you again to the Māpua Ruby Bay Community Trust for providing the funds for this important step to be carried out.

2. Old Church Building.

The important decision to be made before a project manager is appointed, a concept plan drawn up, and costings carried out is **What type of building?**

Do we carry out essential works only?

Upgrade the existing building?

Carry out a major refurbishment?

What are the priorities? Based on having a clear idea on spaces and services required.

3. Community connections

Two working group members met with Māpua Library committee members for discussions on the Hub initiative and the future relationship between the Library and proposed Community Hub.

A regional hui of Community and Whānau will also be attended by some working group members and visits are planned to Community Hubs in the wider Nelson/Tasman area.

Working group members are available to discuss the Māpua Community Hub initiative to any community groups/organisations. You are welcome to register your interest at info@mapuahub.nz and one of the working group members will be in contact.

4 Draft MOU

The Memorandum of Understanding between the Hills Community Church and Māpua Community Wellbeing Trust is currently being checked (legally) before going any further.

5. Strategic Plan

The hub draft strategic plan is being reviewed by people with skills in this area, before formal adoption.

6. Governance

A protocol has been drawn up and a meeting is planned in April to fine tune the working relationship between the Māpua Community Wellbeing Trust and Māpua Community Hub working group.

The next meeting of the working group and supporters is to be held on:

Tuesday the 6th of April 10am

At the Old Church Building on Aranui Road.

The meeting is open for interested Members of the community to attend.

you are welcome to attend

Kai Collective update

In mid-March, Rose Barnes and her team of regular Kai Collective kitchen helpers produced 56 main courses and 30 fruit crumbles to replenish our supplies of frozen meals. Thanks team!

Thanks to the Māpua Hall committee for making the brilliant hall kitchen available for our cook ups.

Currently, meals can be collected from our main freezer in the Māpua hall, when the hall is open, and from the Māpua school office during school hours.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Jenny Marchbanks and her staff at Delicious, who have so willingly housed our third freezer over the past few years. We were a little mortified to learn that this very secondhand freezer died recently, leaking itself over the floor of the storeroom! True to character, Jenny quietly cleaned up the puddle and the freezer has duly found its way to the dump for recycling. Thanks to Margaret Pigeon for the loan of her trailer, and to John and Rose for helping me load it!

We are currently researching options for a replacement freezer, so watch this space for news of developments. There will also be an announcement of a new venue for meal collection when this is finalized.

It is so much easier to collect a meal on behalf of someone else – so please keep this resource in mind when you know of anyone needing a little extra care and support, whatever the reason.

For enquiries, please contact Bridget on 021 1838 790 or Rose on 021 1111 003.

Your cash donations are always welcome. The Māpua Kai Collective bank account number is 03 1354 0464683 30. I extend gratitude to all who donate to this community resource, on behalf of us all.

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I have just bought an insurance policy on a new vehicle that our 16-year-old is learning to drive in. It's expensive but worth it and if he's a careful driver we won't need it.

Thinking of insurance got me thinking about Easter, and here's why: as Christians the resurrected Christ – Jesus coming back to life – is kind of like an insurance policy.

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It's an amazing true story of love and forgiveness and one our world needs to hear.

If you'd like to know more, rock up to a church service this Easter or check out a great summary at <http://www.thebibleproject.com>.

Connie Sherlock, Hills Community Church

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Motueka Scottish Country Dance Club

We are having a CEILIDH!

When: Saturday 1st May 2021

Where: Lower Moutere Memorial Hall

Time: 7pm

What is a Ceilidh? (Pronounced Kay-lee)

Ceilidh is a Gaelic word meaning visit, gathering or party. Originating from Scotland and Ireland. Traditionally, a ceilidh tended to be a fun social night of Celtic folk music, singing, dancing, storytelling, and card playing. Dating back to 1875, they have always been, and still are, very popular worldwide.

The upcoming Ceilidh will be the 5th one organised by the Motueka Scottish Country Dance Club, in recent years. They are often asked, "When is the next one?" Locals love these informal and fun gatherings, especially as they are run by locals, for locals to enjoy.

As well as the fun and informal 'called' dances (similar to barn-dancing), often involving much hilarity, a variety of entertainment is organised for the night. This includes being welcomed by combined Motueka and the City of Nelson Highland Pipe Bands, items by local Motueka musicians, storytelling by Alli Campbell of Upper Moutere, a demonstration dance performed by our own club members, a piper, and a drum salute.

The emphasis is on "FUN". A ceilidh is suitable for all ages, no partner necessary! The dances are mainly group dances, informal, social, relaxed, with easy to learn moves. They are called first, with a walk through beforehand so everyone can have a practice before the music starts. Prompts are called throughout to keep us all on track. The music is lively and upbeat, no prior experience or ability is required. Come along, join in the fun and laughter.

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News from Māpua Bowling Club

The outdoor bowling season is drawing to a close. For Māpua, Closing Day is scheduled for Saturday 17th April with a fun game of bowls, the presentation of trophies and a shared tea. But before the members retreat indoors, there are a few more events on the calendar.

The last two tournaments are both for teams of triples, the first being mixed and the second for ladies only. This latter is an annual event known to all and sundry as Giggle Day. It is a day of friendship where anything goes and usually does! The theme this year is “bright and shiny” so some interesting outfits are anticipated.

Club championships are all but finished with just the conclusion of the Men’s Fours to be finalised. Some of the Club winners have gone forward to play in the Champion of Champions fixtures organised by Nelson Centre. It is rare for Māpua players to reach a final of Champ of Champs let alone win so we are all over the moon that this year, we have had success. Warren Keith took the title in the Men’s Junior Singles narrowly beating Lenny Allred of Riwaka in the final match. This is wonderful for Warren, Māpua and the country clubs as a whole



Two club competitions are nearing conclusion and the winners will receive their trophies alongside all the Club champions at Closing Day. These are the Thomas Trophy for mixed pairs and the Higgs Anniversary Cup, singles for the over 75’s (and yes, we do have plenty of them!).

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Book review

I have read two books recently, both with strong women characters.

The first book is **“For Reasons of Their Own” by Chris Stuart**. After working for over twenty years in humanitarian aid overseas, Chris has settled in Nelson and this is her thrilling debut crime novel. Chris has previously written short stories and non-fiction.

This story is set in a drought-stricken imaginary town north of Melbourne during searing heatwaves and arson-fed bush fires keeping the police extremely busy.

The tenacious, yet flawed policewoman, DI Robbie Gray goes undercover at an international conference due to rising Islamic fundamentalism in neighbouring countries. Delegates at this conference include UN staff, WHO representatives, consultants, climate change activists and NGO’s refugee advocates.

While at this conference she comes into contact with Dr Alamri, one of the delegates speaking at the conference and Samira Al Hashmi, a former refugee who is PA to Jane Duckmanton, CEO of Waterworks and responsible for the running of the conference.

The author has set up her characters well for this book, which is one in a planned series of three. Detective Inspector Roberta Gray is a Kiwi lesbian police detective who has been in trouble with a previous drug-related investigation that cast suspicion on her and her team, plus her colleague, Constable Pip MacMahon, a disenfranchised aboriginal policeman.

The story unfolds when a dead body is found near a swamp running alongside the railway line. As the plot unfolds, people are forced to ask the question of whether the past can ever really be left behind. It is also the story of a government manipulating evidence for their own purposes. The author’s experiences of working as an humanitarian worker in the Middle East, Indonesia and the Pacific comes through in writing, it’s a real page turner and a thrilling debut novel, and I can’t wait for the sequel.

My second book is **“Wild” by Kristin Hannah**

Kristin Hannah is an American award-winning and bestselling author of more than 20 novels and she lives in the Pacific Northwest.

“Wild” is a remarkable story about the resilience of the human spirit, the triumph of hope and the promise of new beginnings.

In the rugged Pacific Northwest of the USA lies the Olympic National Forest. The story opens with child psychiatrist Dr Julia Cates appearing in court after one of her clients unexpectedly shot and killed some children. The case against Julia is thrown out and as a result of this her career is in ruins. She gets a call from her police officer sister, Ellie asking for her help with a case back in her hometown near the Olympic National Forest.

The case revolves around the discovery of a young girl of approximately six years old, who emerges from the dense forest with only a wolf as company. Dr Julia Cates begins working with the extraordinary little girl, whom she names Alice. Alice howls and screeches if anyone tries to get close to her and she appears not to be able to speak and there is no clue to her identity.

Julia is determined to free her from her fears and to discover the truth about Alice’s past, but Julia needs help from others, including her sister whom she barely knows and a handsome doctor with secrets of his own.

What follows will test the limits of Julia’s faith and strength as she struggles to find the truth and a home for Alice and for herself, plus coping with the tenuous sisterly relations between herself and Ellie.

At first, the story seems quite unbelievable, but we learn through the author’s background work on this book that there have been a number of “wild” children, left to fend for themselves in unpopulated areas across the world.

The way in which the author sets the scene and the early intrigue surrounding the girl’s true identity enticed me to turn page after page of “Wild”.

Helen Jeffery, Library Volunteer





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215 Participants in a Single Day

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Go Wild on a Holiday Programme this April

We are running a Go Wild Holiday Programme for 7-10yr olds in the first week of the holiday from the 19th - 23rd April. The day programme runs from 9am - 3pm with lots of mini adventures to be had both on and off site - you might get to go abseiling, caving, kayaking, bush walking or treasure hunting. Spaces are limited, so book soon - visit www.wio.org.nz.

Primary School Adventure Camps - Book in now!

We are running adventure camps in Term 4 - this is a great way for primary schools to offer fun adventurous elements in their school camp while Whenua Iti take care of all camp logistics & safety, minimising school organisation load and giving teachers more time to connect with students. For bookings please email mo@wio.org.nz or visit www.wio.org.nz for more info.

Prepared for Covid Levels thanks to our partners & funders

A big shout out to the **Macpac** team in Nelson and **Top of the South Trades Academy** who have supplied us with extra tents! This means WIO can keep running overnight programmes throughout Level 2. It's great to keep programmes going and means less disruption to youth who have already had enough upheaval (as have we all!).

Mini Adventurers Programmes get the Green Light

Thanks to renewed funding this year, our ever popular Mini Outdoor Adventurers and Mini Environmental Adventurers programmes will be running across both Terms 2 & 3 to cater for the growing demand schools have for accessing outdoors-based learning for this age group. Head to our website www.wio.org.nz or email Mo - mo@wio.org.nz.

Outdoor Wanderings: Beachcombing at Kina Beach

This is one for all ages & levels of fitness! Kina Beach is a great spot to walk on a sunny day, with the shelter from the cliffs behind seeming to elevate the temperature a few degrees. Be prepared for impromptu swimming by the little ones and take a towel, walk the beach, pack a few snacks as you always stay longer than intended and see what the tide brought in. A great place to find all sorts of treasures.



Magic time on the waka with our Manaaki Tāpoi Level 3 students



Year 9 Garin College Students in a sea of tents while on camp at WIO.

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Moutere Hills RSA Memorial Library aka Māpua Community Library

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AGM You are warmly invited to attend our AGM on Tuesday 13 April at 10.30am at the library. All welcome.

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The photograph shows our efforts for March and we do sell some.

Meetings are held at the Māpua community church on Fridays from 10am to noon with a morning tea. We ask for a \$3 donation to cover the hire of the room, there is no membership cost, and we have lots of craft materials to share.

Contact Julie on 0277418575 or Barbara on 5403901



Māpua Fire Brigade



Feb to Mar 2021 call outs

- 17 Feb 21:37 called to a fire at Kina beach, nothing found.
 - 1 Mar 07:50 unpermitted fire Bronte Rd East, fire put out.
 - 2 Mar 10:32 car into Barrier SH60 and Māpua Dr, no action by Brigade, left with police.
 - 8 Mar 22:47 alarm activation at Upper Moutere School, turned back, faulty unit.
 - 18 Mar 11:42 motor bike crash SH60 near Aporo Rd, turned back by St John.
- Calls this year = 17

Safety Tip – Be Safe.

All rubbish and burn-off fires need a permit.

Last month we said goodbye to our red tanker; a 1983 Isuzu Forward 4X4. Māpua Brigade started using the Forward around 1985 to supply water for fires all over Tasman Bay.

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March saw a few of the events cancelled due to the Covid level change we had at the beginning of the month. Our little club fell below the restricted limits and we were able to continue with our Thursday 5k runs.

I want to mention a club member for his dedication to joining us. Jared from the Māpua Fruit and Veg shop made the brave move to shut shop a bit early on Thursday to join us for a run. And can that man move! His smile and sense of humour is a welcome addition to our madcap little group.

The couple of events some of our members did get to were the Goldfield's Cavalcade down South. Patricia and Louise managed, quite well I might add, to cover the four days of running/fast tracking equating to about a marathon a day.

The Waimea Harriers hosted a Belgrove to Kohatu run. I did that event and can highly recommend the course as it was all along the cycle trail with the added bonus of running through the tunnel. A good head torch is a must.

The last event for this month had five of us girls run the Kaiteriti Gold half marathon with Karen Welsford taking first in her age group. Congratulations to Karen and everyone for getting out there and giving it a go.

Our club is all about the love of running so whether you are fast, slow, or anywhere in between and want to join us, come on down on a Thursday evening. We meet at the Māpua Domain. Early starters (walkers and anyone wanting a bit of extra time) start at 5:15 and runners at 5:30. Most of us then head over to the Sprig & Fern for drinks and curly fries.

With the clocks moving back shortly I suggest wearing reflective clothing and a head torch.

Happy running!



At the Kaiteriti Gold half marathon.

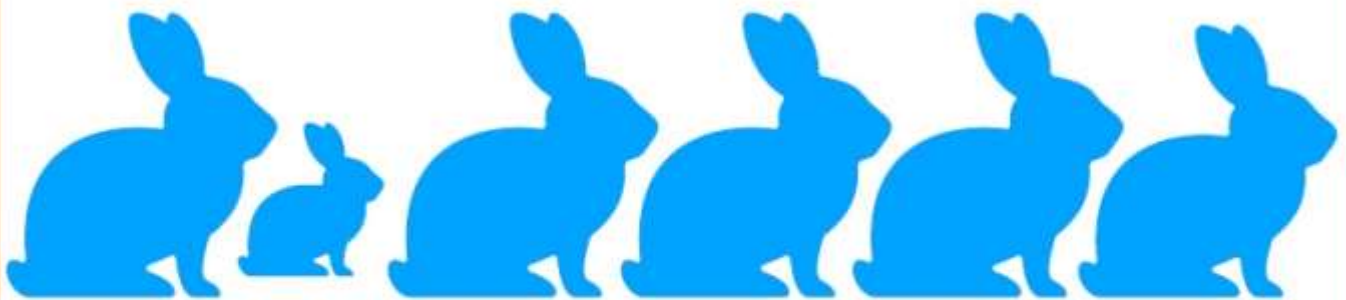


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Patients with any cold, flu, respiratory symptoms or fever, should **NOT** come directly to the Health Centre. **Please phone first.** You will be given an appointment for one of our Clinical team to phone you to evaluate your symptoms and give advice. This applies to patients of any age.

If a COVID swab is indicated, you will be asked to drive to the back entrance of the Health Centre and phone the receptionist to let them know you have arrived. A doctor or nurse will then come to your car to assess you.

The COVID vaccine rollout is planned around four main groups (timings will overlap, and dates might shift slightly as the Ministry continues to undertake modelling):

- **Group 1** Our 50,000 border and MIQ workers, their household contacts, and the people they live with. This started last month, and the vast bulk will be completed this month, with at least one dose administered.
- **Group 2** Approximately 480,000 frontline workers and people living in high-risk settings. Starting with the 57,000 healthcare workers on community frontlines, and then moving through to healthcare workers protecting our most vulnerable and some priority populations. This started in February and will continue through to May.
- **Group 3** Priority populations. Approximately 1.7 million people who are at higher risk if they catch COVID-19. This is planned to start in May.
- **Group 4** The remainder of the general population – approximately 2 million people. Starting from July.

Flu vaccines will be available from next month (or possibly by the end of March if supplies arrive in time) for those patients that meet the MOH criteria:

- Patients 65 yrs and over
- Pregnant women
- Patients with chronic conditions
- Young children with a history of severe respiratory illness

Our staff will be in contact with those who have had the vaccine in previous years to organise when to come.

We would also like to welcome Phoebe Bardoul who will be joining our team for three weeks as a Trainee Intern.

For younger patients and teenagers there is a fully confidential medical service available throughout the working week and those medical costs may be covered by a special PHO fund. You can check this out by simply turning up at the practice or phoning 540 2211 or email info@mapuahealth.com.

There is also a new service available through the local primary health organisation called Skylight - <https://skylight.org.nz/>. This is a national not-for-profit trust that enables children, young people, their families/whānau,

and friends to navigate through times of trauma, loss, and grief by building resilience. Phone 03 539 1170 for more information.

One of this month's health events is about autism. Children and adults who have an autism spectrum disorder (ASD) look the same as other people, and due to the invisible nature of their disability it can be much harder to create awareness and understanding.

Autism and Asperger syndrome still remain relatively unknown disabilities among the general population, yet it is estimated that they are about four times as common as cerebral palsy and 17 times as common as Down's syndrome; touching the lives of over 40 000 people and their families throughout New Zealand.

ASD affects language, social skills, and behaviour, and those affected are often unable to interpret the world and what is happening around them in the same way that others do.

There are now many different ways of trying to potentially prevent and help improve this disorder. For more information see www.autism.org.nz.

This month's health/school events include:

April 2	World Autism Day	www.autism.org.nz
April 2	Easter Friday	
April 5	Easter Monday	
April 7	World Health Day	www.who.int/en
April 16	Term 1 ends	www.minedu.govt.nz
April 17	World Haemophilia Day	www.wfh.org/en/whd
April 22	World Earth Day (protect our species)	www.earthday.org
April 25	World Malaria Day	https://endmalaria.org
April 26	Anzac Day	www.rsa.org.nz
April 28	Safety at Work Day	www.un.org/en/events/safeworkday

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9.15 am Yoga with Charlotte	9 am PANZ Pastel Artists of NZ	9.05 am Aerobics with Lynda	9.30 am MAG Art Group <small>Mapua Art Group</small>	9.05 am Aerobics with Lynda
9.30 am Superb Dance <small>with Hilary</small>	9 am Sioux Line Dance	9.15 am Yoga for Healthy Aging with Nikki		9.30 am Superb Dance <small>with Hilary</small>
3.30 pm Ballet 3-4yrs <small>with Kerry</small>	10 am Mapua Creative Fibre <small>2nd Tue of Month</small>	10.05 am Pilates with Lynda		10.05 am Pilates with Lynda
4 pm Ballet 5-7yrs <small>with Kerry</small>	2:00 pm Chair Flair with Hilary	1:30 pm Tai Chi		10.45 am Yoga with Martin
5.30 pm Broga Men's Yoga <small>with Nikki</small>	6 pm Aerobics with Lynda		7.00 pm Mapua Community Choir	2 pm Friendship Group <small>3rd & last Friday of the month</small>
6:30 pm Mapua Hall Society Committee meeting <small>Meeting 3rd Monday of month</small>	6 pm Yoga with Martin			6.30 pm YOUTH GROUP <small>Most Fridays</small>
7 pm Mapua & District Community Assoc. <small>Meeting 2nd Monday of month</small>	7 pm Pilates with Lynda			

This month

- Sunday 4th April
Māpua Easter Fair
- Wednesday 21st April
Sprig & Fern Māpua Quiz

Packhouse Cinema

- Sunday 11th April

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Coming Soon

- Sunday 16th May
Māpua Market

Hall Society News April

Māpua Market returns to Māpua Hall on Sunday 16th May. Applications for stall holders are open from March 15th – April 7th follow the link to the application form @TheMapuaMarket on Facebook or email enquiries to MapuaMakersMarket@gmail.com. Māpua will be buzzing again this Easter with the Māpua School & Māpua Playcenters' annual fundraiser the Māpua Easter Fair on Sunday 4th April here in the Hall and on the grounds of the domain. Join the Hall Society at the Sprig & Fern Māpua on Wednesday 21st April for the Māpua Hall fundraising Quiz with raffles and prizes.

New classes: in term 2 we welcome Rachel at Fun Creative as she brings her wonderful Fun Creative Drama to the Hall for classes running after school on Thursdays for 7-13+. Please get in touch with Anita at the office or with Rachel directly at rachel@funcreative.co to register your interest.

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Victims, vaccines and vacations

In the US, in February, a sad commemoration. Half a million lives lost to Covid. This terrible figure is reported to be more than the combined loss of US citizens in WW1, WW2, and the Vietnam War. While the US continues to struggle, we hear of a third wave of the virus in Europe and a further series of lockdowns.

Family losses resonate through several generations at least. A distant relative, now 90, has a mind as sharp as a needle. She recounts family stories, a number health related. The loss of two infants among her mother's siblings, one to measles another to whooping cough.

Following a bout of whooping cough herself, this grand lady entered her adult years with a weakened chest. When her own family got the flu, she developed pneumonia, on three separate occasions. That is until the introduction of flu injections. Our wider family has its own strong advocate for vaccination.

This lady's uncle survived five years in Europe during WW1. Very soon after he arrived home his older sister died in the influenza pandemic. She had recently married and was then recalled to her hospital nursing role.

My mother's uncle also died of Spanish flu in 1918. He was 31, the father of two small boys. In today's terminology he would have been categorised as having an underlying health condition. As a result of a workplace injury, a year or two earlier, he experienced a long period of recuperation. Just ahead of the dreaded flu.

Visiting his widow, decades later, the spectre of that pandemic remained. The house appeared to have stopped in time, in the second decade of last century. A shaft of afternoon sunlight penetrated the heavy living room curtains, striking a brass planter. Billy's greatcoat still hung on the back of a door. Our young minds were spooked.

A long shadow cast over those childhood visits. We were told an ambulance crew had needed assistance moving a flu-stricken neighbour. Billy had gone to help. He died within a few days. Later we would feel only deep sympathy and admiration for our great aunt Minnie, widowed for over half a century.

A few drops of vaccine can be all it takes. During the internationally sponsored national polio eradication programme in India, trusting villagers and city dwellers brought children and grandchildren to receive an oral vaccine. Two drops saved a child from a life of misery. In the narrow streets of an Agra slum, houses were chalk marked when the under-fives had been vaccinated. A polio victim appeared. Keenly interested in the vaccination process, he could only scuttle across the ground. Suddenly this young man vanished, back inside the humblest of dwellings.

We are all aware of debate about vaccines. In some circumstances this can of course be taken to extreme lengths. Recently a New Zealand judge dismissed one parent's objection and ruled that a 4 year-old be vaccinated against tetanus, diphtheria, rotavirus, whooping

cough, pneumococcal, measles, mumps, rubella, chicken pox and human papillomavirus. Many of us will be more aware of the more common of these nasties.

Ahead of several vaccines being available, some will recall parents taking a keen interest in their offspring coming into contact with measles, mumps and chicken pox. We were told it was much better to experience these as a child. The symptoms would be less severe. Not much consolation at the time.

A neighbour's visit was the only bright spot in one spell of long, uncomfortable days, confined to bed. From a farm further down the winding, potholed and dusty road, Mrs B arrived with a washing basket full of children's books. Her kids usually got whatever was going around before we did. She knew what our household was enduring.

It is becoming apparent that anyone venturing overseas, beyond designated travel bubbles, will need evidence of vaccination against Covid. As vaccination programmes roll out in the UK there has been an upsurge of interest in "cruises to nowhere" P&O for one will sail from Southampton and merely follow the best weather. No ports of call are offered. Chasing the sun, even for a few days, must be a tempting prospect for those trapped at home across much of an English winter.

A digital Covid travel pass seems set to become a reality. Meantime international certificates of vaccination emerged from a forgotten box in the garage. Most entries were handwritten. Alongside a stamp from the British Airways Medical Service. A reminder of visiting remote places, crossing borders, moving between continents, and generally roaming the globe, with some constraints but relatively carefree. A global pandemic had then belonged to the past and the world of science fiction.

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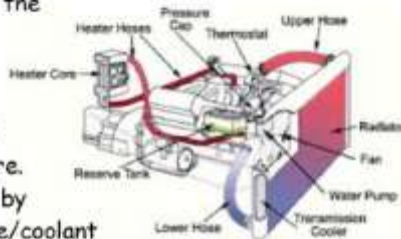


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Function & Maintenance

An engine's lifespan is very dependent on a car's cooling system. When a car overheats the resulting damage is often severe enough to require an engine overhaul. It is important to make sure the cooling system is always in good working order. Taking a few preventative measures may significantly increase the life of an engine.

The main function of the cooling system is to carry heat away from the engine to maintain the desired operating temperature.



This is accomplished by circulating antifreeze/coolant throughout the engine. The heat generated is transferred to the antifreeze/coolant and carried to the radiator to be cooled.

Modern vehicles operate in a wide variety of atmospheric temperatures, from well below freezing to well over 37°C. The fluid used to cool the engine must have a very low freezing point, a high boiling point, and it must be able to transfer heat.

Because water holds heat, freezes and develops rust readily, it is very important an adequate amount of antifreeze is within the cooling system to reduce the possibility of the engine overheating or freezing.

Antifreeze also contains additives to prevent rust and corrosion.

The temperature of the coolant can sometimes reach 121-135°C, even with antifreeze added these temperatures would boil coolant. To prevent this the cooling system is pressurised to around 14-15psi, effectively raising the boiling point by approximately 8.3°C.

Preventative maintenance includes regularly checking:

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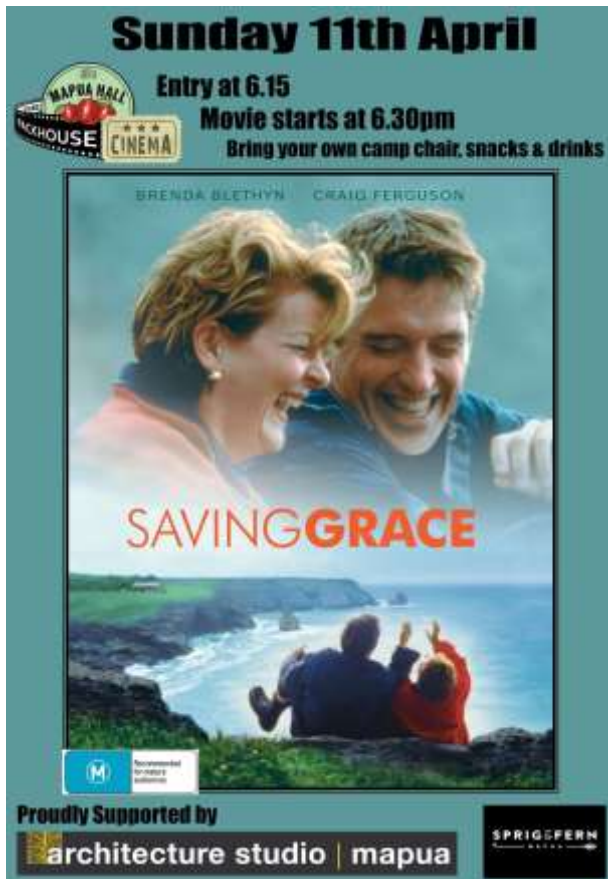
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Saving Grace

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Charming doesn't begin to describe "Saving Grace;" it's absolutely irresistible! Anyone who ventures into this movie will leave with their spirits soaring high.

Grace Trevethyn (Brenda Blethyn) has just lost her husband, but her problems are about to get a whole lot worse. Her dearly departed has left her with no money and outstanding debts. Faced with losing everything she owns she needs to find a way to get a lot of cash...fast! She gets a brainwave when her gardener, Matthew (Craig Ferguson) asks the town-famous horticulturist to give him advice on a plant he is secretly growing. Grace realizes that his plant is actually marijuana, so they decide to use her gardening skills to grow a heap of top-quality weed and sell it to pay off her outstanding debts.

The most notable quality about "Saving Grace" is its likability. Every character is extremely sympathetic, and, save for the first 20 or so minutes, the film is non-stop good cheer. We all want everyone to have a happy ending, even if it sometimes means turning a blind eye to some slightly illegal activities.

Brenda Blethyn is one of Britain's finest actresses, and here is why. She turns what could have been a caricature into a fully living and breathing individual. She's a nice lady, but she's not stupid. Craig Ferguson is equally amiable as Matthew. He's a deadbeat loser, but he's so likable that it doesn't matter either.

Saving Grace is a thoroughly likable and always amusing movie. While this movie is not an out and out comedy, it does boast two or three scenes that are nothing short of hysterical. Go and see it on a day you are feeling down and it is sure to cheer you up.

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Problems with land use consent for your Tiny, yurt, RV or house-bus?

Tasman District Council invites you to submit (or resubmit) your plans and undelivered land use concepts to Julie Jacobson juliejacobson247@gmail.com as case studies for the Community/Council Initiative, "Consent Clarity for Tiny's".

The purpose being for TDC to examine or revisit these real local cases and to identify the clear and affordable pathways available to consent - under a variety of circumstances.

Julie's role is to provide anonymity to participants if desired, and to check that details and information needed is complete before sending the case to TDC's Tiny Team.

The goal being to establish, through precedent of approved applications, clear consent pathways.

Establishing a TDC "Consent Clarity for Tiny's" - interactive public resource page, on their website - for Tiny House Owners and Land Owners to visit and use to help understand their consent requirements - specific to their Tiny Home design and the particular site location and

zoning, before attending one FREE TDC Preapplication meeting.

We on the EXPO Committee have been fortified and uplifted by the willingness shown by Pauline Webby, Ian McCaully and Katrina Lee from TDC. We thank them personally for listening to the community, hearing our Tiny voices, and to now committing to act - with the urgency demanded by an affordable housing emergency. Identifying and revealing the clear, practical and affordable paths to Tiny consent, hidden within existing regulation - such as Limited Period Consent - allowing for an activity on the land limited to a specific period of time. 1 week to 35 years.

We'll get there together - help.

And if you can spare some Koha for the Big Tiny House EXPO Motueka 2021 and Julie's and team's unpaid work in putting together the HUI platform for collaboration. Drop it in the bucket when you visit, or watch out for a givealittle page launching soon. Thanks.

www.bigtinyexpo.nz

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April. Can you believe, leaves are turning and Easter is nearly upon us. There are still lots of visitors coming to our region which is great to see.

We had a fantastic turn-out to our Directory launch held at Gravity Winery mid-March. It was wonderful to see so many small business owners at this event to network and talk about the current climate and how everyone is doing.

The launch of the Directory was well received with some good feedback for the next edition in 2022. Now more than ever people are realising just how important community associations like the MDBA are to keep growing a healthy business region, so all business sectors can thrive and support each other in these unusual times.
See you all at the AGM.



Enquiries about becoming a member of the MDBA please email mdba@mapua.co.nz. If you wish to purchase extra copies of the new directory for just \$9, please email us to place your order.

BOOK THE DATE - MDBA 2021 AGM

TUESDAY 25th MAY 2021, 7pm @ MOUTERE INN - RSVP - mdba@mapua.co.nz

MEMBER UPDATE— MEMBER UPDATE



Landscape supply yard located at 15 Warren Place, Mapua, We are a local business providing bulk and bagged landscape supplies to the area. Landscape yard products include barks, compost, potting mix, stones, AP20 material, sand, con agg, ocean shell, pea straw and sleepers. A range of fertilizers, grass seeds, seeds and general garden products are available in our yard. We offer a pick-up service with courtesy trailers and also offer deliveries. Also as part of Mapua Landscapes is Mapua Contracting for all your excavation needs.

Contact us for bulk rates. Come on down and check us out. Autumn is a busy time in the garden.

Our current hours are Monday – Thursday: 8am – 4.30pm, Friday: 8am – 4pm, Saturday: 9am – 3.30pm

Check us out on Facebook – Mapua Landscapes and Mapua Contracting. Phone 03 540 3423.



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Noticeboard

Tasman Dippers: A casual collection of people who enjoy connecting with the open water. Year-round dips or swims in the sea at Rabbit Island. All the info you need can be found at www.tasmandippers.nz

Māpua Boat Club welcomes new members. No boat required. Social nights Thursdays 5.30 - 7pm at Club rooms on Māpua Wharf. Raffles, cash bar, snacks, regular guest speakers. To join, contact Secretary, Katrina 0211393945

Mapua Craft Group: Meetings may change this year so please contact Julie Cox 0277418575 or Barbara Halse 5403901.

MATHS TUTOR - Experienced High School maths teacher available for individual tuition. \$30 for 45 minutes. First lesson free. Jane 021 02972934

Stamp Collectors - anyone interested in forming a group or having their collections evaluated – contact Nick Ferrier 021 688243

Quakers meet at Family Service Centre, Motueka 10am 2nd Sundays. All welcome. Enquiries: Linda 027 447 6435.

Māpua Friendship Club: a young-at-heart group meet 3rd and last Fridays, Māpua Hall for indoor bowls & bring-a-plate tea, + occasional outings. \$3 door fee, 20¢ raffle. Contact Valeri 540-3685

Māpua Art Group meets Bill Marris Room Māpua Hall Thursdays, 9-noon. Paint, draw, help each other in a social environment. All levels & media. \$5 incl morning tea. Tables, chairs, easels provided. Cushla Moorhead 03 528 6548.

Java Hut Knit Group: 10am Tuesdays at Java Hut. Bring your knitting or crochet. Debbi 027 327 4055

MDCA: Māpua & Districts Community Association meets Feb-Dec, 2nd Mondays, 7pm Māpua Hall; info@ourmapua.org

Kidz 'n' Koffee playgroup: Wednesdays 10-noon, Hills Community Church (during term time). All parents & carers welcome, we cater for 0-6 yrs. \$2 don/family. Make new friends. Info: Verena 027 435 1932.

Taoist Tai Chi: gentle meditative-style movements improve flexibility, balance and relax the mind. Wednesdays 1.30-3.00 pm, Māpua Hall. All welcome. Enquiries 027 443 1121

Women's Recreation Group - meets outside Māpua Mall Thursdays. Leaves 9.15am for 1½hr walk. Route varies. Join us whenever you can. Some members cycle. Lynley 540-2292.

Re-cycle Printer Cartridges at the Library. Printer & Photocopying cartridges accepted. Reduce waste, raise funds for the Library. Two good reasons!

Fibre Craft Sunday. Birch Hall, Richmond A&P Showgrounds. Last Sundays 1.30-3.30pm. Learn to spin, knit, felt or weave. \$5 includes tea or coffee. All ages welcome. Richmond Creative Fibre Group: Diane 547-6517 or Karyn 544-9709

Toy Library: extensive selection of toys, puzzles & videos for children 0-5yrs. Māpua Hall every 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 10-11am & 6.30-7.30pm, 1st & 3rd Friday 3-4pm. mapuatoylibrary@gmail.com

Ruby Coast Newcomers Social Group: meet new people, make new friends. Coffee 10am last Fridays at Tasman Store and occasional social events. Just turn up. Vivien/Richard 526-6707

Spinners, Knitters, Weavers: Creative Fibre Group, Māpua Hall, second Tuesdays 10am. All welcome.

Ruby Coast Walking Group meets 9.30am Wednesdays by Tasman Store. Walk 1½ hrs then coffee & muffins back at the Store. All welcome. Fiona: 021 232 6089 for more info.

Ruby Coast Running Club: 5k run Thursday nights 5:30pm. Also runs most mornings. Find us on Facebook or contact Debbi 027 327 4055.

RSA: Anyone interested in joining Moutere Hills RSA is welcome. No former service history required. Great platform to catch up & meet new members. Nic Poultney 021 220 3920 or 548-4420

Daytime Book Group: Meets first Tuesdays 9.45am. New members welcome. Gaye 03 526 6827

Toastmasters: Like to speak with more confidence? Motueka Toastmaster Club meets every 1st & 3rd Weds, 6.45–8.30pm, 15 Courtney St, Motueka. Please come along to a meeting, no obligations. Info: Dave 027 538 0059.

Community Youth club. Year 9 -13 youth. 6.30-8.30 most Fridays at Māpua Hall. Contact: Mark Waweru 020 410 48 799. Funded & co-ordinated by HCC.

Motueka Senior Net. Tech for mature adults. Monthly meetings. Help sessions 2x/month. De-mystify technology in a fun & friendly forum. Clubrooms 42 Pah St, Motueka. Seniornetmotueka.org.nz

Tasman Golf Club welcome new golfers to Kina Cliffs for local golf experience at realistic cost, the best in Nelson. Coaching available. Info: Jim 022 096 6067 & Lyndal 03 526 6819, teeup@tasmangolfclub.com

Coastal Stringers Ukulele group: beginners welcome. Fridays, 1.30~4pm Boat Club rooms on the wharf. Just turn up & join us for some fun! Info: Colleen 540-3010, Diane 540-2627.

Coastal Garden Group meets 1pm first Thursdays, Tasman Bible Hall (opp. Jesters). Men and women most welcome to share their love of gardening. Guest Speakers, Workshops, Garden Visits. Ph 03 970 0565

Sing Your Lungs Out! Free community singing group for anyone with respiratory issues, morning tea. Singing improves your lung health! 10am Mondays, Te Awhina Marae, Pah St, Motueka. Pip 0274 282 693

Tasman Area Community Association (TACA) 7.30pm last Thursdays (x Dec) Tasman Bible Church. Residents of Ruby Bluffs to Tasman & Kina welcome. Info: Facebook or www.tasmancommunity.org.nz

Nelson Trout Fishing Club: 7pm 3rd Wednesdays, Fish & Game Rooms, 66/74 Champion Rd, Stoke. Beginner or expert. Courses, field trips, speakers. Open to all ages. Info: 03 5476432, secretary@nelsontroutfishingclub.com

Friends & Neighbours: Varied programs of interest, friendship & good morning tea. Third Fridays 10:30 - 12:30pm at Tasman Bible Church. Info: Jane 526-6709.

Motueka Scottish Country Dance Club: Weds 7.30pm Lower Moutere Hall Scout den. No partner needed, dress casual, wear soft flat shoes, beginners welcome. Good exercise, lively music. Contact Fay 021 039 3559 or Alison 0220 363 891.

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