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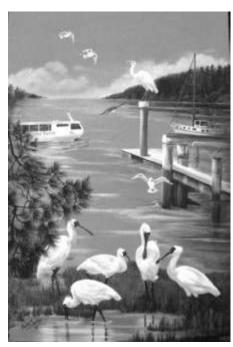
#### Community response "fantastic"

A fter the recent leaflet drop (via letter box and *Tasman Times*) and information in last month's *Coastal News*, there has been a fantastic response to the call for donations to complete the Aporo Sculpture. The funding target has been achieved with a final contribution of the remaining \$1000 being generously donated in response to the sign at right.

Construction has begun—a fantastic team effort!

If you've driven past the site in Tasman recently you may have noticed the foundations for the nine-metre sculpture have been laid and by the time you read this we hope there will be more to see.

The overall project is a series of three sculptures–another of similar size and design will stand at the turn-off into Mapua and a smaller one at the top of Seaton Valley. There have already been generous donations made towards both of these sculptures. Local artist Betty Salter has very generously donated an original painting



to be raffled with all proceeds going to the Mapua sculpture. Her painting (left), depicts the Mapua wharf and estuary birdlife. Signed prints

Signed prints will also be available for sale as a fundraiser for this second sculpture. The painting is hanging at



present at the Mapua Auto Centre in Warren Place and tickets can be bought there: \$5 each or a book of five tickets for \$20. Leave your contact details at Mapua Auto or contact Janet Taylor on 540-3364 if you would like to order a print as well.

A preferred site for the Mapua sculpture was proposed with some members of the MDCA executive and discussions are under way with the Tasman District Council around this location.

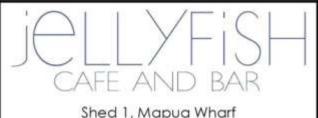
If you would like to know more about Betty's painting see her facebook page, https://www.facebook.com/BettySalterArtist.co.nz (click on photos then albums) or visit the Trust's website www.rcit.co.nz for further information about the project.

A big thank you to all who have and will support the Gateway Sculptures Project celebrating our place on the Ruby Coast.



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## **Pastel Artists of NZ**

fter our warm and relaxing summer break it was good to re-engage with friends and painting equipment on Tuesday 10 February in the Community Hall. Holiday "homework" was displayed and admired, some of the best results from the summer challenge ever seen. Then it was down to business, fine-tuning the final details of our annual Art Exhibition.

The Community Hall was a hive of activity during the day on Friday 20 February as pastel artists

mutated into handymen and women, carpenters, electricians and interior designers! The result was a worthy display of work all primed and ready for the opening of the seventh 'Top of the South Art Exhibition'.



What a great turn-out in the evening

to view new work by artists from Nelson and Marlborough ... and to enjoy the drinks and nibbles. The exhibition was opened by sponsor Lewis Della Bosca of 'Impressions' in Richmond with an introduction by Glenys Forbes. It was an encouraging start to the weekend with some red dots appearing on paintings denoting a sale, the ultimate accolade for an artist.

If you want to find out more about pastels and the PANZ art group in Mapua visitors are always welcome. Just call into the Community Hall on a Tuesday morning between 9am and 12 noon when you see the PANZ board outside. Or contact Glenys Forbes on 540-3388 for more information.

Sue England



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## Mapua Health Centre

e are 25 years old! And it's our birthday this month. That is the Mapua and Districts Health Centre came into being in the middle of March 1990 after an amazing effort by the local community in collaboration with the Nelson Area Health Board, which had just bought the site of the old post office. It has gone through various metamorphoses and changes over the intervening years, with the latest being the addition of two further rooms at the back of the building to allow for the hyperbaric oxygen unit and extra staff. Many thanks to all the volunteer help that we have had over recent years and to the health committee who generously give their time and energy to looking after the building and equipment.

The committee that oversees the building is actively looking at how we can plan for the future and cope with the increasing population and changes in health provision (with some services likely to be devolved from the hospital to primary care). Ideally we would like to build a new purpose-designed centre that also incorporated other services such as physiotherapy, pharmacy, dentist and other health professionals. If you have any ideas for achieving this or wish to help the committee please contact the chairperson, Derek Craze (info@mapuahealth.com).

We will have a new trainee intern joining us this month, Daniel Wansong, along with our new second-



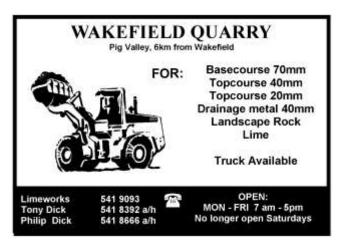


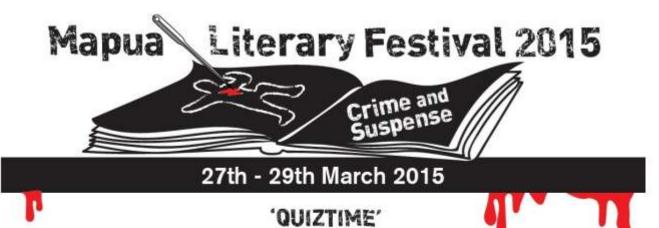
year house surgeon, Jessie Ma joining the team. This is a great opportunity for them to experience the general practice environment and get to know more about community-based medicine.

There has been a delay in the availability of this year's flu vaccine due to incorporating two new strains into it. We are expecting it to be ready by mid-April and we will be contacting those who are on our computer recall system when they arrive. However, if you would like to receive a vaccination against the flu and have not had one previously from our centre please call the practice nurse, as we need to order sufficient supplies in advance.

Just a reminder that we normally require 24 hours notice for preparing prescriptions and if you have internet access you can re-order routine prescriptions by emailing prescription@mapuahealth.com (you will need to give your details re name and exact medication required). Unfortunately, due to the high demand for same-day prescriptions, we will now be charging an additional fee for urgent, same-day scripts. The charges are \$10 for routine prescriptions for next-day pick-up, an additional \$10 if not paid within five working days, and \$20 for a same-day prescription.

Some of the events for the month: 1-31 Child Cancer Appeal month www.childcancer.org.nz 1-31 Epilepsy Appeal month www.epilepsy.org.nz 1-31 Melanoma Awareness month www.melanoma.org.nz National Children's Day 1 www.childrensday.org.nz 2-9 Plunkett Awareness week www.plunket.org.nz 5 World Book Day www.worldbookday.com 9-16 Kidney Health Awareness week www.kidneys.co.nz 16-23Brain Awareness Week neurological.org.nz/brainweek Walk to Work Day www.livingstreets.org.nz 11 21-28Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Week www.mda.org.nz World Water Day 22 www.un.org/en/events/waterday 23-30Hearing week www.nfd.org.nz 24 World Tuberculosis Day www.stoptb.org 27 Guide Dog Appeal (red puppy awareness) http://blindfoundation.org.nz





Patron **JOE BENNETT** launches the festival with a 'Joe-style quiz' Wine, beer and nibbles; tables of eight.

Venue Mapua Bowling Club Time Friday 25 March, 7 (for 7.30 start) – 10 p.m. Cost \$20

### CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS

A full day of writing fun and challenge led by **JOE BENNETT** 

Venue: The Boathouse, Mapua Wharf

Time: Saturday 28 March, 9am to 5pm

Cost: \$70

All levels of experience welcome for both workshops

### CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN

Half a day for children aged 10 – 13 led by Wellington author **BARBARA ELSE** All levels of experience welcome

#### Venue:Mapua Library

Time: Saturday 28 March, 10am to 12 noon Cost: \$20

### SING, READ, LAUGH, ENJOY

An afternoon for younger children to join in with music, poetry and stories led by **KATH BEE** and local author **ANNA CROSBIE** 

Venue: Mapua Library Time: Saturday 28 March, 2pm to 4pm Cost: Gold coin donation

### WHODUNNIT HALL!

Join us in the Incident Room to find out whodunnit! CARL NIXON, BARBARA ELSE, DYLAN HORROCKS AND CHARLOTTE GRIMSHAW, AIDED AND ABETTED BY JOE BENNETT

will give us their take on crime, mystery and suspense

Venue: Mapua Community Hall Time: Sunday 29 March, 1.30pm to 5 pm Cost: \$35

### COMPETITIONS

Short Stories and Limericks - closing date 28 February 2015

### TICKETS AND INFORMATION

For information visit **www.mapuafestival.wordpress.com** For tickets call Sue on 540 2934 or by email s1ad2as3@xtra.co.nz With thanks to all our sponsors:















# Mapua Library

Lit Fest—A reminder, 27-29 March. The excitement is building! For further information, visit www.mapuafestival.wordpress.com. Tickets are available from the library during opening hours.

**Display:** Poppies—a Patriotic Call to Yarn www.armymuseum.co.nz (*See picture on page 6*)

We have, in liaison with Mapua RSA and the Mapua Creative Fibre group, been active in promoting a local poppy display project. Knitted and crocheted poppies will be made into a wall hanging to be displayed in the library during April. An appropriate venue as the present library owes its existence in part to the generosity of the local RSA. We have already had a fantastic response and are very grateful for the amazing array of beautifully crafted poppies.

The poppies will later be sent to the Army Museum for the above project (patterns also via that website). A workshop on 10 February was very productive (see photo) but more poppies will be gratefully accepted. Can we have them by 10 March please. There is a collection bag in the library.

A second workshop will be held on 10 March, 2-4.30pm in the library. All volunteers very welcome.

#### **Book Groups Register**

A number of requests are received in the library for information about local book groups. We would like to compile a register of local groups with a brief statement about how they work, where they are based and contact details of a member from each group. This will be used only to disseminate information and relevant event details. Book groups would also be welcome to let us know if they have any spaces for new members.

If you belong to a book group, please consider joining our register and email the details as per the above list directly to the library.

If you've ever wanted to join a book group - or your current book group is looking for inspiration – we have some information in the library about the non-profit organisation Book Discussion Scheme (BDS).

#### Grants

Huge thanks to Canterbury Community Trust and the Lion Foundation who have made grants to us. These monies will be used to purchase new books -a vital part of us keeping our collection current and relevant.

Lynley Worsley

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## Book Review

My Stroke of Insight, by Jill Bolte Taylor. Reviewed by Katie Trickett. This book is available in the Mapua Community Library.

Five years ago I spotted my brother reading a book called *My Stroke of Insight*. I had never heard of it before so after skim-reading the synopsis on the back I decided I would pinch it from him and try it for myself. It was such a fantastic, eye-opening story that when I saw it again, this time in the Mapua Library, I knew it was time for a second read.

In 1996 Jill Bolte Taylor suffered a major haemorrhage in the left hemisphere of her brain. The book details what happened to her on the day of the stroke, as well as her life pre-stroke and her subsequent recovery. What is unusual about the story is that, at 37, she was not only very young, but was also a very successful published Doctor of Neuroanatomy. Seen through the eyes of someone with such familiarity with the workings of the brain, I found her personal account to be both incredibly detailed and lucid.

Understanding that she may be having a stroke, she still comprehends which parts of her brain may be shutting

down and what the repercussions of that trauma could be. With the majority of her left hemisphere now 'off-line', she processes the world through the right hemisphere. She finds the awareness of the intuitive right brain to be euphoric Nirvana and having now experienced that deep inner peace she refuses to go back to her old patterns and incorporates these new insights into her recovery and beyond. There is plenty of recommendations given to the reader on how we can also access the same feelings of euphoria without having to experience that same level of trauma. But I won't give too much away—you'll have to read it yourself!

I believe the information and advice given in this book would be of huge benefit to those who may have suffered any type of brain injury as well as for their care-givers. It is also a fascinating and inspiring read for those that just want to learn more about the different personalities of the left and right brain and how we can balance those differences to the greatest effect.

It is a quick and easy read but most importantly an enjoyable book. I think it might be time to buy my own copy.

### Crime & Suspense

There will be a whole lot of fun to be had at the third Literary Festival hosted by Mapua Community Library volunteers. There is something for everyone so pencil the dates in your diary—27, 28 and 29 March, and check the details on the festival website, www.mapuafestival.wordpress.com

Just to whet your appetites:

Friday night is quiz night and with Joe Bennett asking the questions it promises to be, well, a night to remember!

On Saturday we can offer you an adult writing workshop with Joe Bennett (pictured) and for the children, Barbara Else will show how to 'trap and train' a story. Very young children (and their parents) are in for a treat with the songs of Kath Bee and stories read by Anna Crosbie.



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Come and marvel at the Mapua Community Hall on Sunday when it will be transformed into the Incident Room and you can find out whodunnit! Carl Nixon, Charlotte Grimshaw, Bzrbara Else and Dylan Horrocks aided and abetted by Joe Bennett will give us their take on crime, mystery and suspense.



Places need to be booked for the two workshops and tickets are on sale for the quiz and 'Whodunnit Hall'.

For bookings, ticket sales and enquiries please call Sue on 03 540-2934 or email s1ad2as3@xtra.co.nz

This festival is a fund-raiser for our volunteer library but more importantly, a great community event and an opportunity to meet some wonderful Kiwi authors. We hope to see you there!

Sue England

#### Letters to the Editor

#### Naming of Mapua Library

Re the naming of our Mapua Library. It has been brought to my notice of the possible change to the name of the library.

The land was originally donated by the late Sam Busch in 1947 to the Moutere Hills Returned Services Association.

I was present when the library grounds were presented to the Tasman District Council for the "peppercorn" fee of \$1.

Members had expressed the wish that this was the ideal place for a public library. The understanding of RSA members at the time was that the new library would be named the RSA Memorial Library in recognition of this donation.

Norm Thawley, president.

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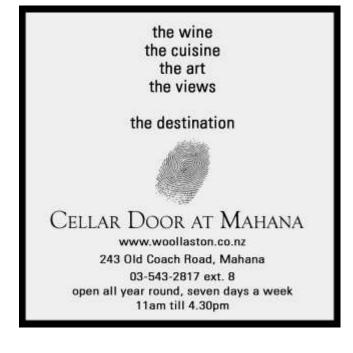
Y ou may recall in a previous issue of the *Coastal News* that there was a request for any ideas that members of the community might have to improve/ enhance Aranui Park, looking forward over the next 10 years. Richard Hilton from the Reserves Department of the TDC is wanting input from anyone who is interested.

Just to remind you, the original intent of Bernard Wells, who donated the land, was to have an area of peace and tranquillity easily accessible for anyone. There is an area of exotic trees towards the Aranui Road frontage, some planted many years ago, and an area of natives on the western side, a lot of which are part of the Tane's Ark Project through Mapua School.

It is a beautiful peaceful space that the community is lucky to have.

So if you have any ideas to contribute please contact me at n-h.bibby@actrix.co.nz, Barbara Hosie of the Coastal Garden Group or David Mitchell of Friends of Mapua Wetlands.

Helen Bibby



#### ideas that improve/ V rett and Rosalie Cruickshank, members of our club, speaking about bromeliads, their varieties, care

and propagation. Bromeliads originated in Central America, Chile, Peru, Mexico, Brazil and the Amazon Basin. They are grown in a wide range of climates surviving in the Atacama Desert, from the top of Bolivia to Lima on the coast.

Coastal Garden Group

ur February meeting had speakers David Per-

**The Sword Plant**: Vriesea: Flower spikes are often tall, broad and brightly coloured shades of orange, red and yellow. You water these in the centre of the stem called the tank. They flower only once.

**Billburgias:** There are many varieties with coloured leaves, stripes, blushing bromeliads. Most come from Central America and are the easiest to grow. Ideal house plants. A month before they are going to flower they go bright red and change colour very quickly over the winter period.

**Aechmea:** These start with a flower then go into berries (which are edible). The common ones have grey/white leaves with a hot pink flower.

Tillandsia: Air plants which grow on pungas.

**Ananas Group**: Pineapples. The not so common pineapple grows to the size of a duck egg and is bright red and very sweet.

Removing pups from the mother plant. Once the pups reach half the size of the original plant they can be removed, dried off for a day or two then put back in the same pot that the mother plant was in. Don't get water on the roots as they will rot. Potting mix should be gravel, pumice and 70% bark. Use wooden meat skewers to stake the pup as they are top-heavy. Keep in shade house or shady area in the garden. Will burn if in direct sunlight.

Cobwebs can be a problem. Use Rip Cord to alleviate. They are also frost tender. Vapourguard spray is a good protective.

Rosalie discussed her trip to Totara Waters Sub-Tropical Gardens near Whenuapai which has several acres of beautiful bromeliads. Thank you to David and Rosalie for an extremely informative talk and wonderful display of their own bromeliads for members to look at.

Judy Sisam

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## Tasman Bible Church



#### God's Own...

N ew Zealand used to be referred to as "God's Own Country." The phrase has mostly passed from use—God is rarely referred to in conversations and Parliament debates the relevance of opening its sessions in prayer when most of its members no longer believe that the "God" they are praying to exists. Now to be fair the "God's Own" sentiment had more to do with the beauty of our country than it did with the faith of Kiwis, but it does remind one that our country has undergone a definite shift away from a Christian world-view over the last couple of generations.

When Christians ponder this undeniable movement away from the Christian faith in New Zealand they come up with all sorts of possible explanations. Most likely the reasons for this shift are complex, but the underlying reality is that faith, in order to survive, must be active.

As we grow older it is not necessarily a "given" that our love for God and appreciation for all that He has done will likewise grow. Spiritual growth does not happen by coasting along on the highs of the past—either our own or those of our spiritual parents.

Such growth requires an on-going, active desire to know God and live for Him in the here and now.

Someone has observed that if we are coasting spiritually then we are most likely going backwards in real terms. Like a canoe drifting in a river, doing nothing inevitably means that we will head downstream. Drifting along, growing lazy or ambivalent about our walk with God can all too easily become fatal. Moving from obedience to outright rebellion against God may simply be the culmination of many small, seemingly innocuous moments of forgetful inactivity that, over time, become the norm.

If you are reading this and you once held to some sort of faith in God but no longer do (not really), what caused you to walk away from him? Was it a catastrophic life-event that shattered your belief? Was it that everyone else around you had long since abandoned religion? Or was it simply the inevitable result of a life lived without reference to God?

Whatever the cause, it is never too late to once again consider God. Where or not you believe in him, Christians believe that he is passionately interested in you.

Geoff Paynter

For more information on Tasman Bible Church go to www.tasmanbiblechurch.org.nz



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## **Under The Bonnet with Fred**

Morris Convertible—the Italian Job



Everyone has seen that neat looking 1959 Morris Minor convertible around Mapua with a brilliant custom paint job. The colour is called Regency Red and is borrowed from Jaguar, which I thought appropriate for a British icon of a motor car. All New Zealanders will have memories of a Morris Minor.

Billy's Morris was bought from an older lady while he was living in Sydney. The car was originally a white two-door sedan and it was called "Beryl" by its last owner. It became a project for him while at home after years of working off-shore in Australia.

Under the bonnet is impressive, with a twin carburettor Fiat 124 sports coupe engine, five-speed gearbox and diff. It was an excellent move to have the drive train all Fiat. The carbs have been re-jetted and the head worked. The only real modification was ffitting an external oil filter to make space for the steering box. The suspension has all been done with a sports kit available from UK which has made the Morris into a true sports car. The quality of engineering is perfect.

The bodywork is like new with a list of modifications that you might not think a Morris Minor would have—strengthened chassis and convertible kit , quarter-lights removed and electric windows fitted, rear boot modified for New Zealand and Australian number plate mountings, a spoiler under the front bumper, tan-coloured leather upholstery (beautifully done), dash redone with gauges for fuel, temperature, battery, rev counter plus warning lights above each gauge, racing steering wheel and door handles all matching. The colours are perfect with the contrast



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Billy took me for a drive and I have to say that if I had been blindfolded I would not have known I was in a Morris Minor. The exhaust noise when the engine started could have been on any race track in the UK. We drove out to the by-pass and Billy gave it a blast uphill, working his way through the gears to reach a high speed by Old Coach Road. Again I could not believe I was in a Morris Minor.

I had the privilege of driving the car. The steering was modern-sports-car-tight with sharp positive acceleration through the gears. Billy, I would suggest you take the Morris to the Motueka Drags and test the car in the amateur class. It is a lot of fun.

The personalised number plates "AMORI" have a double meaning. "A Morris," and as the car has a Italian Fiat engine, "AMORI" in Italian means "my love." I can see Billy has put all his engineering skills and heart into the Morri.

Fred Cassin



## **Applications for Grants**

Voluntary organisations are invited to apply to the Mapua/Ruby Bay and District Community Trust for a grant. Applications will be considered at the next meeting of the Trust in May and should be in the hands of the secretary by 1 May.

Forms may be obtained from the secretary (John Sharman), Ph 540-3642, and should be returned to PO Box 19, Mapua 7048

Grants will usually be for less than \$300 but the trus-



tees have a discretionary right to vary this in individual cases.

## **Out and About with Hugh**

**S** orrow. I start this column with profound sorrow at the news of the untimely death of Celia Lashley on 16 February at 61 years of age. Writer and social justice advocate, her passing is a great loss for everyone. Two of her outstanding landmarks are her work with teenage boys on the Good Man project and her book, *He'll be Okay: Growing Gorgeous Boys into Good Men.* 

Not so many years ago our community was confronted with a serious problem with our local youth. Thanks to a contact with Celia through her friendship with Pat Perry, Celia came to Mapua. She came to help. That was her nature. She graced our community by sharing her experiences with us and giving counsel to many youths and parents during her stay with us. "Thank you Celia for your good works, your books, your ready counsel. You leave us a lasting legacy."

**Heads Up:** For nearly 100 years, apple orchards dominated the Mapua scene. Today, many of those orchards have disappeared and the land is used is for other purposes; some for other sorts of agriculture; some for commercial enterprises; some for residential subdivisions.

In January 2012, The Government introduced the National Environmental Standard for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health (NES) which places obligations on the TDC that it must meet its environmental management and regulatory role

As part of this legislation, the Tasman District Council has undertaken a process of identifying areas of land that appear on the Environment Ministry HAIL list. Former orchard land is one of the activities included in this list.

**Hail:** When we think about hail, we think about the devastation to agricultural crops of all sorts created by hail stones. Local orchardists take out hail damage insurance policies or put hail covers over their trees in an effort to limit financial losses from hail. Quite costly either way.

Capitalise "HAIL" and you have an acronym for the Ministry of Environment "Hazardous Activities & Industries List," which is about a different sort of damage, eg, from ingestion of toxic chemicals. If, and I say "if" the land in question was formerly an apple orchard. What are these toxic chemicals that might or might not be present in the soil; around your house, the school grounds, the sports fields etc? How about the dust kicked up and blowing about when heavy equipment is moving soil in one way or another?" I recently drove along Mapua Drive through a cloud of dust raised from machines moving soil around on the Freilich subdivision, a former apple orchard. What contaminants were in that dust coming into my car that I had to breathe? Arsenic? DDT? What else? The TDC identified former orchard properties by examining old aerial photographs and then overlaying them on more current aerial photographs of the same land areas as they are today. Many letters were sent to landowners on 8 December last year telling them their property was on the site of a former apple orchard and of the council's intention to include their property in its Site Contamination List (HAIL).

A public meeting on the matter was held in the Mapua Community Hall on 23 December. Resulting from that meeting another letter was sent to landowners on 20 January. A copy of this letter is available from the TDC. A report on the matter and the process followed by the TDC will be made at a meeting of the TDC Environment & Planning Committee on 12 March at 9:30am, at the TDC Chambers in Richmond.

Is your property on the HAIL list? Yes? Then I imagine you will attend. No? It might be in your interest to attend anyway. If you are buying or selling a property it is important to know that any pertinent information regards the property will now appear on the TDC Property Information Memorandum (LIM) report.

If nothing else, we are becoming more and more aware of our exposure to an ever widening variety of chemical contaminants.

**Sprig & Fern:** Many are anticipating the opening in April of the Sprig & Fern Craft Beer Tavern Already some exterior changes in view to the former premises of the Tap with a new paint job, repairs and an addition at the rear of the building. Not yet seen yet but coming; a new look inside. As I said last month, "Prepare your selves for some new look changes to the floor plan."

Wharf & Park: The Wharf & Park Committee met on 17 February. Our wharf and its facilities had an estimated annual increase in usage of 30%. A hugely popular venue for locals and tourists. Under this sort of use it is now time for the council to close the wharf permanently to motor vehicles. This type of use requires some thinking out of the square. Perhaps a different concept on the use of the council land? The new building project on the former aquarium site is going ahead. The consent calls for 35 car parks! That's another challenge for a re-think.

**Suburbia:** Speaking of a re-think, are we losing the concept of being a village? Drifting towards becoming a suburbia of our own? I leave you to think or maybe re-think about this trend until next month.

Hugh Gordon

I want to get rich but I never want to do what there is to do to get rich. *Gertrude Stein, American writer* 

## Rangers Rugby Football Club



**Rangers JAB registrations:** Saturday 14 March 12pm – 2 pm, Moutere Hills Community Centre (Rangers Rugby home ground).

It's time to sign up for JAB rugby. As well as taking registrations we will be having a sausage sizzle, and a kick around with the rugby balls. We hope to see all our past JAB players and welcome new players and their families to join us. We provide a club environment which is family orientated.

We have great facilities at our grounds which are safe and entertaining for the younger family members too, with a playground on the grounds, and the shop selling hot food and drinks which is open whenever we have a good number of teams playing on the same day. The online registration site is also up and running and you can pre register at www.sportsground.co.nz/rangersrugby/104928

**Rangers Seniors** vs Riwaka vs Tapawera. Pre-season game, Saturday 14 March, 2pm kick-off at the Moutere Hills Community Centre.

The post office has great charm for one period of our lives. When you have lived to my age, you will begin to think letters are never worth going through the rain for.

Jane Austen, 1775-1815





Come down and support our boys while they tackle it out with the lads from Tapawera and Riwaka. It will be a great game and the bar will be open.

**Rangers Seniors pre-season conditioning**: Saturday mornings. Our senior pre season training is continuing on Saturdays at 8am at the Moutere Hills Community Centre, so come down and join in.

Rangers summer touch: Tuesdays 6pm-7.30pm.

Our friendly touch games are still going strong if you are keen for a run around. Everyone is welcome to join in and feel free to bring along the kids as well, and we can get them having a throw around of the rugby ball too.

Don't forget to keep up-to-date with what is happening with the club by checking out our facebook page, RANGERS RUGBY CLUB.

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In order to do that, Civil Defence advice is to 'Get Ready, Get Thru' by assembling and maintaining your emergency survival items for your home, as well as a portable getaway kit in case you have to leave in a hurry.

While you may have a gas BBQ on hand, storing a portable solar oven at home will give you additional options to use in an emergency. On a hot summer's day the oven will heat to around 100°C.

And now is also a good idea to practice cooking on your solar oven, so you know what you're doing, which will mean you won't waste valuable food in an emergency.

For further information please visit http:// nelsontasmancivildefence.co.nz/ or phone 03 543-7290.

There is a local Emergency Response Group in Mapua. If you would like to be involved with this group or would like some information please contact Dave England on 03 540-2934 or email s1ad2as3@xtra.co.

#### GET READY GET THRU



The Nelson Tasman Civil Defence Emergency Management Team, cooking a chook in a solar oven for lunch.

## The Probus Club of Mapua and District

The club's February meeting was a picnic at Rabbit Island on 6 February. Being Waitangi Day, the 16 club members were able to find space in a sheltered area. The weather had changed from the long, hot days to a showery afternoon.

Club members brought a good selection of food with the committee supplying cutlery and plates and a serving table. It was a good social afternoon.

On the 5 February several club members joined about 300 retirees at the Hope Community Church Hall. The two hour daytime concert was put on by the Operatunity music group. It featured music from the "Big Band" era, with instruments being the piano, trumpet and saxophone, plus a singer, Elizabeth Harris.

The group played 25 popular pieces of music, often bringing back memories of popular jazz and swing music around the 1940s to1980. Some of the music was made famous by such artists as Duke Ellington, Sahara Vaughn, Ella Fitzgerald and Frank Sinatra, to name a few. The group encouraged the audience to sing along to several songs such as *Moon River* and *Blue Moon*. Elizabeth had the audience laughing as she changed her dress between her songs. The show finished with a standing ovation. The band moved on to surrounding rooms from the auditorium to serve lunch of sandwiches, cupcakes, tea and coffee that was included in the cost of the show. The next show on 6 March is entitled *Memories are Made of This*.

David Higgs

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## Police Report

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All it takes is for someone from out of the district with light fingers to walk up your drive at random and you could be a victim.

I have been setting up some neighbourhood support groups in Motueka; there are numerous groups in and around Mapua. If you would like to set one up in your area give me a call.

Grant Heney, Community Constable, Motueka. Ph 03 970-5271

#### Mapua Occurrences:

Feb 14: 50-year-old male drink-driving in Toru Street.

Feb 13: Cannabis located growing in Seaton Valley Road

Jan 31: Burglary at Tasman, copper stolen. Motueka male arrested.

Jan 26: Domestic argument in Mapua

Jan 22: 20-year-old Richmond male driving while forbidden in Mapua. Car impounded

Jan 21: Domestic argument Mapua

Jan 19: Minor car accident at Mapua turn-off to Te Mamaku Drive

Jan 14 Mapua woman forbidden to drive

Quizmaster: Where do you think Cambridge University is? Contestant: Geography isn't my strong point. Quizmaster: There's a clue in the title. Contestant: Leicester

### **Elder Care co-ordinator**

Hills Community Church, Mapua, is seeking a co -ordinator for its Elder Care programme. This is an 8-hour a week position, the hours having some flexibility. The programme is based around 'Senior Moments,' a monthly gathering of senior citizens living in the wider Mapua area. 'Senior Moments' has been in place for a year and the new appointee will be expected to continue this ministry which has a team of volunteers. The appointee will also be expected to develop community elder care and home visiting within the Mapua community. As this is a Hills Community Church ministry the appointee will be expected to support the mission and vision of Hills Community Church. Confirmed funding (for at least two years) and excellent support in Mapua. For more information, job description etc please contact Rev John Sherlock (ph 540-3005) or e mail revsherlock.hcc@gmail.com





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A lmost everyone I have talked to recently comments on what a wonderful summer it has been. The weather has been fantastic, which accounts for a lot. We had a wonderful holiday travelling around the South Island. The prospect of travelling 2000-plus ks with three kids in the back seat was a little daunting to us. But I think I am scarred by memories of childhood, when cars didn't have air-conditioning!

We had a great time. The sun shone all the way down the West Coast. Central Otago was beautiful, and hot. We then spent some time back in Dunedin and plenty of sun too, (OK, a little rain too) but watching the Blackcaps play Sri Lanka twice in beautiful sunshine, was a highlight. We then travelled up the east coast and back to Mapua. It was a fantastic trip catching up with friends, but mainly just spending time together as a family.

The weather has continued to make it a great summer – and with more cricket to watch!

It does seem strange to me that the weather seems to have a huge bearing on our mood and our enjoyment of life. There is of course no guarantee that fine weather will continue, in fact it s guaranteed that for some days it won't. That makes it all the more reason to 'make hay while the sun shines' as the saying goes. But part of me wants to be able to enjoy life whatever the weather.

Life can be a bit like the weather; sometimes settled and sometimes fickle, sometimes you never know when a change is just over the horizon. One of the key ingredients in living well, is learning that changes in weather don't have to derail us. The Apostle Paul found himself in plenty of patches of rough weather. He wrote to the church in Philippi from a prison cell:

### Senior Moments

Senior Moments is a community initiative provided by Hills Community Church which aims to bring some of our older folk in our wider Mapua community together to socialise, relax together, connect and form relationships.

Looking back at 2014—Stories, footcare with Karin Lummis, more stories, David Kemp: his and local history, Sue Tilbey from Age Concern, more stories, Colin Hooker from SeniorNet, more stories with Matt our local vet and our last get together this year the amazingly talented musician Hannah Gibson. Spread out over 11 events, around 300 lunches, afternoon teas and morning teas were arranged and prepared by the volunteers (you know who you are, you are fantastic)! without whom these activities would not have happened. 'I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry (fine weather or foul)... I can do all this through him who gives me strength.' (Philippians 4:12-13)

For Paul his strength was found in God through Jesus Christ. This year, whatever the weather of your life, may you come to know as Paul came to know that in all things God gives us strength, courage, and even joy, in the stormiest time.

Blessings, Rev John Sherlock Hills Community Church is a community-based church with historical roots in the Anglican, Presbyterian, Methodist and Pentecostal traditions. We offer traditional and contemporary worship in an informal and relaxed style. Visitors and newcomers are most welcome.

**Sunday Worship:** 9am, Traditional service. 10:30am Contemporary service & Children's programme including crèche; Holy Communion celebrated at both services on the 2nd and 4th Sundays with morning tea in-between.

March 29th Combined service at 10:30am and shared lunch

Weekly Calendar:

Wednesdays: 10am-noon—Kidz n Koffee. Open to parents-caregivers-pre-K kids—a great way to

make new friends!

Fridays: 10am-noon—Craft n Coffee—learn a craft & share a laugh! Open to all, crèche provided.

Drop-off for area food bank – Bring your nonperishable food items to the church (122 Aranui

Road) on Friday mornings between 10am & noon.

We offer numerous activities throughout the week. Contact 540-3848 for more information.

It has been great to see our elderly come to check things out and returning and so providing our elderly in our wider community an opportunity to chat, relax, connect, have a meal, a cuppa, and getting together.

Last year we were blessed to have Marijke and Henk co-ordinating the programme. Due to other work commitments they are unable to continue in this roll. Our thanks goes to Henk and Marijke for making Senior Moments such a success last year. The Hills Community Church is committed to continuing and developing this great community event and service and is looking for a co-ordinator

Would you like to be involved? Would you like to hear about future events? Please contact the Rev John Sherlock at the church. All enquiries are very welcome!

## Mapua Bowling Club

#### The Write Bias

The weather has cooled a bit, making it perfect for bowls. Visitors and members alike are enjoying the roll-up afternoons on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and competition play on Saturday. We even had visitors from as far away as Melbourne, Australia, stop in for some bowls one afternoon this past month.

The new green is rolling faster each week. Like a good wine, it continues to improve with age.

Two special events will be held at the club during March. Firstly, on Saturday, 14 March, an afternoon of bowls is planned to farewell Frank and Joan Gibbison. Frank is our club patron and both he and Joan



Local chef Tony Robson-Burrell (Woollaston at Mahana) has a new business venture. Together with his wife, Holly, they have set up www.allaboutchocolate.co.nz, an online shop selling a range of exquisite and interesting chocolate bars from New Zealand artisans and other premium producers around the world.

Already one of their imports from Scottish company Chocolate Tree has appeared in *NZ House & Garden* magazine and chocolate bars from Mast Brothers (New York), Original Beans (Switzerland) and Marou (Vietnam) are receiving rave reviews.

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have been keen and supportive members of the club for many years. Bowlers from Ngatimoti, Motueka and Riwaka clubs have been invited to join us for the afternoon to bid Frank and Joan a fond farewell. A special afternoon tea will follow play.

The second special event is a competition held in memory of Elston Blain, a former member of our club. It is an annual drawn pairs event and the winners will have their names engraved on a very splendid cup. Last year's winners were Ben Whitten and Graham Watson. It is a fun and well sup-

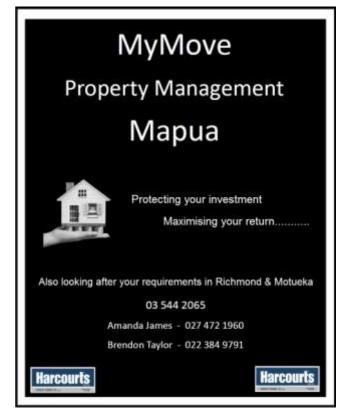


ported tournament. Originally scheduled to take place on Nelson Anniversary day, it was unfortunately rained out so it is rescheduled for Tuesday, 17 March and club members are keenly looking forward it.

League Bowling is held on Monday evenings, beginning at 6pm. These sessions are open to new and experienced bowlers with both friendly and competitive play. There is no need to book; just turn up on a Monday evening and give it a go. Flat-soled shoes are essential to protect the green, but there are plenty of sets of bowls to borrow at the club and the bar offers welcome refreshments. Why not give it a try?

For information about bowling, coaching or booking the clubhouse and facilities please call the secretary, Jean Daubney (540-3281) or the president, Michael Busby (544-6325).

Barbara Brown



### Further beautification of the hall front required ....

We still have a small amount left from the fantastic TDC grant we received to upgrade the hall car park and front landscaping. HOWEVER, we won't be able to get the job done unless we can receive donations of time and skills from our supportive community.

We've purchased some new sleepers to replace the tired half rounds in the front garden and will be working with The Coastal Garden Group to plant this out in an attractive garden for the hall.

If anyone can *help* with the demolition and more importantly, the assembly of the front garden bed ready for The Coastal Garden Group to do their magic, we would be most grateful!

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## Fire Brigade



Jan 15 to Feb 15 call-outs

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Safety Tip – Do you have a portable fire extinguisher in your house and car? A 1kg to 2kg dry power ABC extinguisher is good for most fires. Visit fire.org.nz for more information.

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Squeeze the handles.

Sweep the extinguisher from side to side while aiming at the base of the fire.

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## Sheds R Us

An item in the February issue of the *Coastal News* purporting to be a letter to the editor about men and their sheds, should perhaps have had a headline that read, "The Shed, a short story by Peter Francis." That is what it was—a story.

We thought that when readers saw the name of the "correspondent," Rebekah Hardbottom, they would realise it was a satirical piece. If there is a Rebekah Hardbottom out there, we apologise for using your name!

The editors have sheds of their own, and are happy to join the many red-blooded Kiwis who take refuge in their shed in times of strife or when the affairs of work or state threaten to overwhelm them.

For a while some years ago the *Coastal News* ran a monthly item on shed activities in the area but presumably it ran out of steam or a lack of new things to say. If someone wishes to revive the column we would be happy to support it.





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## Sam's Spam

ello readers! Sorry it's been such a long time since I last wrote but I have been busy studying for the final exams of my Bachelor of Information Technology degree. I am pleased to say that I have now graduated so am once again available in the area for those having technical problems.

For anybody else thinking of studying (but who wants to avoid a huge student loan), I have found some great online schemes through which you can study free of charge or even attain qualifications for reduced fees:

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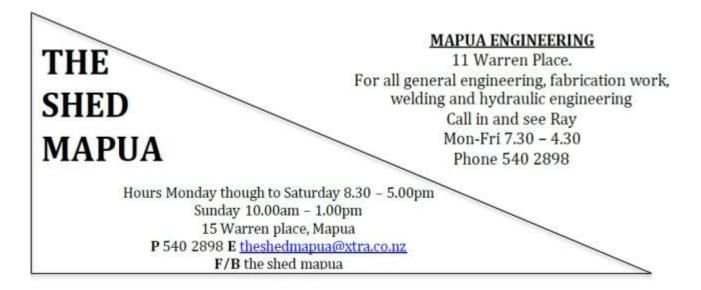
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### MEMBER PROFILE

#### Radiance Beauty Therapy is now open!!

When Jill and Pete moved to Mapua in July 2014 they immediately began additions and alterations to their home at 37 Iwa St. The hard work is now over and Radiance Beauty Therapy is opened. They have created a warm, welcoming salon that offers professional treatments in the heart of Mapua.

The beauty industry is no longer just about makeup and nails; there have been huge advancements in the products and treatments available. Radiance Beauty Therapy offers some of the more advanced treatments available today.

Skin care and rejuvenation is Jill's passion. She understands how the skin functions, the factors that affect it and how it will respond to the treatment and products applied to it, allowing her to create safe and effective treatment plans for her clients. Micro Dermal Needling using a dermal pen is one of the advanced treatments Jill offers and it gives amazing results with aging, pigmentation, scarring, loss of skin laxity. It is a very non-invasive, safe treatment – using the body's own healing response to correct the skin concern.

The salon also stocks professional skincare and makeup and the door is always open for you to pop in and chat with Jill about your current needs. Jill loves people and

whether you come to Radiance for an eyebrow shape or the full works she loves to see you leave satisfied.

The salon is open Tues – Sat, appointments can be made by phone or online. p: 540 3923 w:<u>radiancetherapy@gmail.com</u> 37 Iwa Street, Mapua

www.rubycoastmouterehills.co.nz



How fantastic to see the first of the Ruby Coast Gateway Sculptures taking shape by the estuary in Tasman. Along with grants from Pub Charity and the TDC there has been a great community effort. Many businesses and individuals from the wider region have donated their time, money and expertise to realise this ambitious project. Work began on the foundations on the 16th February and by the time you are reading this the completed sculpture may be in place - What a great outcome!

#### MEMBER PROFILE Sarah Lydford – Pilates Machine Works

I discovered Pilates and later Gyrotonic after injury cut short a professional dance career. Training in these disciplines lasted many years, took me all over Europe working with top teachers and like-minded people. I ran a very successful business in Wales for 12 years and it was an extremely humbling experience to start over in New Zealand, not knowing a soul!

Pilates Machine Works is a purpose built studio, equipped with specialised Pilates and Gyrotonic Machines. What sets this type of training apart from other methods, is that it offers significantly more scope, due to the design of the equipment, which is geared around the way the body works to maximize efficiency and control. They are nothing like gym machines! The whole ethos is about working smarter, with a deeper awareness and a lot more understanding. You always need to know, what is the exercise targeting? Why am I doing it? The sessions are 1 hour long and designed for private or shared tuition. Complementing these sessions I offer Sports/deep tissue massage as part of the lesson or a separate session.

Pilates is a more traditional core training method, whilst Gyrotonic is described as the ultimate cross trainer. I am the only teacher of Gyrotonic in Nelson.

Top athletes, professionals and pain sufferers are using these methods to enhance performance, balance their bodies and heal themselves.

Interested? Give it a try!

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# Noticeboard

**Riverside Café Fair Trade** - autumn clothes swap, meet at the café at 10am on Thursday 5 March. Swap your unwanted items for new treasures! A new quarterly event held at Riverside Cafe, Lower Moutere. Tel: 03 526-7447

Motueka SeniorNet: Get tech savvy and share more family experiences. Community computer support for 50+. Training courses for iPads, Phones, Tablets, PC and Mac. Members meeting 10am first Monday of month. 42 Pah Street, Motueka. www.seniornetmotueka.org.nz

**Mapua Mosaic Project:** Workshop sessions starting again soon, open to all from around 12-year-olds to adults. Most Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 2 - 4 pm, but please contact Bridget Castle on 540-2461 or bridgetpcastle @gmail.com, to register your attendance and check on details as times might vary depending on participants.

**Notices** here are free for Clubs and Groups, a gold coin donation for others. Email coastalnews @mapua.gen.nz

**Ruby Coast Run Club** meets Monday 6pm, Tues 9am, Sat 2pm at the Mapua School Car park. For all level of runners. Contact Debbi 027 327 4055 / DLBamfield @gmail.com or Kristin 027 598 2424 / info @kristin-harrison.com.

**Spinners, Knitters, Weavers** – Creative Fibre Group meet Mapua Hall, 2nd Tuesdays 10am. All welcome. **Joie de Vivre** Vintage Art and Craft Studio. Alterations and Sewing Repairs. Ph: Marijke Lups 03 540-3498

**Moutere Hills Rose Society.** A gardener with a special love of roses? We meet monthly - contact Margaret 03 528-8477 or Cynthia 03 528-8664.

**Toy Library:** extensive selection of toys, puzzles & videos for children 0-5yrs. Mapua Hall every 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 10-11.30am & 6.30-7.30pm. Phone Anja, 544-8733, about membership or casual hire.

**Kidz 'n' Koffee playgroup:** 10am – noon, Wednesdays during school term at Old Church Hall, Aranui Rd. All parents and caregivers welcome, we cater for 0-6 yrs. Gold coin donation for a delicious morning tea. Come and make some new friends. Info: Bridget, 540-2572.

**Daytime Book Group**: Meets first Tuesdays at 9.45am. New members welcome. Phone Mary 540-2450 or Anne 540-3934

**Fair Exchange:** We meet the second & fourth Wednesdays of the month. 9am at Hamish Café to exchange homemade or homegrown items. Info: Debbi, 540-2942 or DLBamfield@gmail.com.

**Qi-gong**, Yuan Gong form. weekly in Mapua. Info: Marianne, 546-8584 or bmtc @xtra.co.nz

Ruby Coast Newcomers Social Group: meet new

people, make new friends. We have coffee at 10am last Friday of each month at Tasman Store & hold ad hoc day & evening social events. Info: Vivien/Richard 526-6707, vpeters @xtra.co.nz, or just turn up.

**Coastal Garden Group** meet first Thursdays, 1.00pm, Tasman Bible Hall. Members, guests & visitors welcome. Ngaire, 540-3193

**Probus Club** meets first Fridays. All retirees most welcome. Enquiries to Pres. Stan Lawn, 540-2699.

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

Ashtanga Yoga, Upper Moutere, Tuesdays 6pm. www.angepalmer.com Ph 5530353

**Spanish Tuition:** Starting classes for adults and children in Mapua. Small group or private. Reasonable prices. Experienced native speaker. Jairo: 0224 139 802, marlocoliwi @gmail.com

**Mapua Art Group** meets in Bill Marris Room, Mapua Hall Thursday mornings, 9 to noon. Likeminded artists get together to paint, draw, help each other in a fun, social environment. All levels & media welcome. \$5 /session includes morning tea. Tables, chairs & easels provided. Lisa Chandler 540-3933.

**Mapua Friendship Club** meets at Mapua Hall on the 3rd Thursdays, for a game of indoor bowls and bring a plate afternoon tea. New members are enthusiastically welcomed, no prior bowling experience needed, our game is non-competitive, just a lot of laughs. \$3 door fee and 20¢ raffle. Contact: Val 540-3685.

**Mapua Social Cycling Group:** "Wheels 2 Meals". Approx 20 – 30 km ride with coffee break at halfway point and no racing! Departing from outside the Golden Bear, Mapua wharf. When? Each fine Thursday @ 9:30 am. Anyone interested - just turn up with your bike, "Hi Vis" top and coffee money or contact me by email wheels2meals @gmail.com

**Ruby Coast Walking Group meets** every Wednesday morning at 9.30am outside Tasman Store, Aporo Road, Tasman. We walk for about 1½ hours around the area and then enjoy a coffee and muffin back at the Store. Walk according to your ability and speed. Newcomers to the area and everyone (including couples) are very welcome. Just turn up or contact Fiona - 526-6840 or fiona.oliver @xtra.co.nz

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