

Residents News

August 2024

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Notices: Page's 2,3,11,12,13,14 Welcome to spring! It is wonderful to see the MVV gardens looking great and that they are so wonderfully looked after by Matt, Chris and some of the Village people. I often have people outside of the village comment on the welcoming entrance and the well-maintained gardens and grounds when they drive in.

#### Maintenance

## Thankyou's:

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Now that the weather is warming up it is hoped that the various painting work can get underway along with the other work in the 2024-25 Budget some of which has already begun and been completed.

Obituary:The Trustees approved Busy Bees Cleaning to clean the<br/>carpets throughout the Community Centre. RR Lester<br/>Frame is coordinating this task that will hopefully cause<br/>minimal inconvenience to you, the residents. It has been<br/>some time since this task has been done so it will freshen up<br/>these well used areas.

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The Trustees approved the purchase and installation of two exterior sensor lights on the northern side of the lounge on the path past the fishpond.

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 We look forward to seeing you at the AGM on the 18<sup>th</sup> September.

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Helen and the MVV Trustees.



 Trustees: Caroline Breen, Helen Carter (Chair), Robin Harrison, Desmond Prisk, Graeme Thompson & Julia Traylor (Asst. Chair)
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#### COMMITTEE

Convenor **Tony Kerr** 

Members Pam Dunwoody **Ron Paulin** Colin Smith Jill Welford



NEXT MEETING Friday 4th October 2024 @ 9.30am

#### Tena Koutou

Have you watched the Olympic Games? Didn't we do well for a population of only 5 million. Actually, we probably only have less than 1,000 elite athletes who are at that level. A total of 20 medals is our best games yet. Lisa Carrington is unbelievable, another 3 Golds. We now have the para -Olympics to follow. I love the

para-Olympics. I have spent some years as a **PAR** Social Worker working in the Disability sector. To support people with disabilities making small

personal goals is an amazing experience. These para athletes have achieved incredible goals.

At our age we too can achieve our own physical goals. Health and wellness is the key. Keep active, doesn't matter what you do, just do it! With that in mind, 'Have a Go Day' for September is 'The Walk Group', Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 from the Community Centre.



PARALYMPIC

GAMES

A huge thanks to Robert for his expertise with the Gym equipment demonstration. Thank you Robert.

Kia Ora Tony Kerr, Convenor.



# **NEW LEVY FORMS**

Automatic Payment forms for the new Levies are available for signing <u>NOW</u>.

Please ask Donna/Ruth at the Village Office during Office hours 10:30am—2:30pm.

VILLAGE CHURCH SERVICE

Next Service on Thursday 5th September at 11am Taken by Andrew Maude - Wilson Street Baptist Church



NEXT MEETING Tuesday 3rd September 2024 @ 4pm

At Happy Hour on 26<sup>th</sup> July, we started half an hour earlier enabling us to serve fish and chips straight from the shop. For those that don't know, because of the size of our order it has to be completed before 5pm. Served with salad (Thank you Dianne Paulin) it was enjoyed by all. The fish

#### COMMITTEE Convenors Valerie Fahey Angela Kerr

Members Karen Brooks Marie Dey **Noeline Farr** Jim Kroening **Dianne Paulin** Helen Thickett were huge! After tea, Jill Welford presented a very interesting quiz. Who knew Otoplasty was an operation to pin your ears back! A great night. Thank you Jill!

Helen McHaffie played piano for us on the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Ray Cox entertained on the 9<sup>th</sup>, playing guitar and singing songs from the sixties. His first appearance went very well. Elaine Caird played piano on the 16<sup>th</sup>. We are lucky to have these people come to our Happy Hours.

On August 17<sup>th</sup> the St Marys Children's Choir entertained us, conducted by Catherine Anderson. A large audience attended and donations of \$314.60 was given. Special thanks to our tea

Chinese meal is on the 20<sup>th</sup>. A reminder will be sent out closer to the date. This will

ladies and our 'Chairman' Jim Kroening, and helpers. A very nice afternoon.

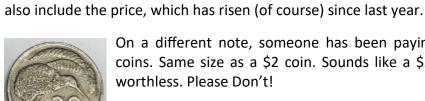


September Entertainers are:

Jan Prestige on Piano on the 6<sup>th</sup> Liz LeRoy on saxophone, on the 13<sup>th</sup>.



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On a different note, someone has been paying for produce with large old 20cent coins. Same size as a \$2 coin. Sounds like a \$2 coin when dropped in the box, but worthless. Please Don't!

Angela Kerr & Val Fahey Co-convenors





## **Library Notes**

Enjoy our varied types of books and the reviews written by fellow residents. I'm sure that amongst our Fiction and Non Fiction books you will be able to find a book that you can curl up in your chair with a cuppa and enjoy.

COMMITTEE

Joint Convenors Trish O'Brien Lorraine Watkins

Members John Gresham Margaret Hartley Jeeves Jeevaratnam Lynne Kroening Shirley Malthus Jeananne McInnes Beverley Ward

The library books are going in and out of the library so it is being well used.

Great to see the Jigsaw puzzles being used.

Lorraine Co-convenor



When I was 3, I ate mud.



#### **BLACK SILK & SYMPATHY by Deborah Challinor**

Reviewed by Dianne Paulin

In 1865 17-year old Tatiana Caldwell travels from London to make a new life in Sydney, following the recent deaths of her parents. She soon becomes apprenticed to Crowe Funeral Services, and its unlikeable owner, Titus Crowe. Tatty is drawn to the fascinating conventions of the funeral trade, with all its rituals, as well as to the new practice of embalming. Before long, she marries Titus, and following his death a year later, she becomes Sydney's first female undertaker.



Elias Nuttall, a ruthless rival in the funeral trade, tries to buy her out, then tries to force her out of business, sets fire to her house, & finally accuses her of poisoning Titus. Tatty gathers a band of female allies in the battle to clear her name.

This book, by a N.Z. author, is a great blend of fact and fiction. It will appeal mostly to women.

#### THE GOD OF THE WOODS by Liz Moore

Reviewed by Lynne Kroening

In the Adironack Woods teenager Barbara Van Laars goes missing from a summer camp for boys and girls. Fourteen years earlier her older brother, Bear, disappeared in the same woods surrounding their wealthy family's mansion. His body was never found. As the search and rescue teams and local townsfolk spend hours and days searching for Barbara speculation is rife as to whether there is a connection between the two disappearances. This thrilling novel ebbs and flows between several characters, each drip-feeding readers



with tantalising new pieces of information. What are the wealthy Van Laars hiding? Who was supposed to be overseeing the camp on the night Barbara disappeared? Who is covering up the important details? Liz Moore is skilled in characterisation and deftly weaves her plots into highly believable settings. I had to keep reading until the conclusion. The final unexpected twist is a wonderful highlight. Well worth reading!

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## Library Notes Cont...



OPERATION BITING by Max Hastings

Reviewed by Rob O'Brien

The first Parachute assault by the English carried out in 1942 to capture a German Radar station in France and bring parts and information. This is the full story of the planning, training, the parachute drop, the capture of the station the dismantling of the unit under fire, the withdrawal of the party taken off by the navy and the debriefing, also the technical information obtained

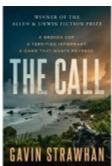
The book is very detailed even gives pen profile of the leaders on the English side some of which not very flattering. I enjoyed the book.

#### THE CALL by Gavin Strawhan

Reviewed by Trish O'Brien

After surviving a brutal attack, Auckland Cop. D.S. Honey Chalmers returns to her hometown to care for her mother. The remote coastal settlement of Weitutu holds complicated memories for Honey, not least the tragic suicide of her younger sister.

This novel weaves its way from before the attack to Honeys childhood and present day to 501 gang enforcers and an informant they are chasing. Winner of the Allen & Unwin Fiction prize. It was an easy read.



## Village Church Service—August Report

This month the service was led by the Rev Anne Stewart, from the Marchwiel Union Church.

The reading was the well known of David, the 23<sup>rd</sup>, titled the Divine Shepherd. Anne shared the story about an actor, who was asked to recite this Psalm to the local congregation. He agreed if, the minister would also recite it after him. With perfect pronunciation the actor recited the Psalm. The minister with a croaky voice fumbled now and then whilst reading, leaving everyone without a dry eye. The actor stood up and remarked what made the difference between the recital meaningful was, "I knew the Psalm, the Ministers knew the Shepherd."

Anne asked if we could remember tables prepared by us or others with ordinary or special meals. The food, the conversations or the company shared? As we worship God, in Church or at the Village we gathered by The Shepherd around the table as his flock; all important as each other, all loved just for who we are.

From Anne's closing prayer- We hold before you today our friends and families some we see and others are far away. Help us to bring to mind those treasured memories of times spent around tables with friends and families. Be with those we know and love, as you are with us. And we pray for the wonderful staff and residents here at Mt View Village who give so much to one another. And we ask you to bless each of us. Help us to know you are always close. Amen.

Thank you to Elaine Caird kindly playing the piano as we sang, All Things Bright and Beautiful, Be Thou My Vision and Here I am Lord.

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## **Bloke's Morning Tea—August Report**

Residents Ron & Jim K entertained 23 Blokes at our Aug Meeting that commenced with a "Moments Silence" for Jim Simmonds, who was a regular supporter of our Group.

Ron provided an interesting talk of his involvement in the "Central South Island Charity Bike Ride". The popular Event began in 2005 with just 56 riders and by 2014 had reached 190. To date over \$2.3m dollars has been awarded to several South Canterbury organisations since the Event's inception. Being a competitor involves paying a fairly large Entry Fee, finding Supporters and Sponsors and riders must attend several 3 - 6 hour 'training rides' and learn the skills each cyclist must practice within the group. A Bike Safety Inspection is mandatory, as is, having the correct equipment. Groups of up to 30 riders and support vehicles ride independently from other Groups. Ron spoke of the influence passing vehicles have on cyclists that surprised many of us and I for one will be more considerate in future. Ron's advice is: *"Slow down and provide plenty of space"*.

Jim became involved in Deer Stalking in his 30's. He is a "Life Member" of the South Canterbury Branch of the NZ Deer Stalkers Association and he has culled Deer throughout the SI but mainly in the Caples/Greenstone valleys West coast areas. He has also carried out Volunteer work for the Association laying Bait Lines. Jims photo of his precious wee 'slinky' Red Deer is a valuable keepsake now that Hunting NZ's wild back country is almost over. It was obtained inland from 'Shanty Town on the West Coast.



Thanks as always to Marlene, Fraser, and to Tea Stewards: Robin & Lex

Ray Smith

NEXT MEETING - Monday 2nd September @ 10am

<u>SHOW & TELL</u>: Compare - Robin Harrison <u>Tea Stewards</u>: Max Hunter & Jim Kroening

Thank You

for your kind thoughts and actions during the time of Jim's illness and death. Living in a village certainly is a blessing at times like this.

Jenny Simmonds



### 1.30 pm

SEPT 7TH	MENDING THE LINE	2022
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physical trauma. 2hr 2m		
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SEPT 14TH	NO MOVIE TODAY	
SEPT 141H	NO MOVIE TODAY	
SEPT 21ST	MY HOUSE IN UMBRIA	2003
An unlikely group of people wake of a terrorist attack.	e find solace and friendship after being thrown 1hr 43	together in the
Drama, Mystery, Romance,	Thriller: Stars Maggie Smith. Timothy Spall.	Ronnie Barker.
		Brenda
SEPT 28TH	CATHERINE COOKSON'S	2000
	'THE SECRET '	

When Freddie Musgrave is taken in by businesswoman Maggie Hewitt as a young runner, he realizes his life has changed forever, for the better. But when he is framed for murder Freddie turns detective to find just who is out to get him. 2hr 15 approx.

'The Secret' is a roller-coaster thriller with no shortage of suspense action and intrigue among the dark streets and riverside of 19th Century Tyneside .

Cathryn

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Jim was born and educated in Blenheim. In 1952 he commenced a career of 30years with NZ National Airways which took him to live in many places in NZ including Timaru, Hamilton, Wellington & Auckland. When the airline introduced computers, Jim was chosen as a Systems Analyst which he enjoyed, then with later reshuffles in staff, Jim along with Jenny decided to leave NAC and form a company to assist small businesses transfer their accounting systems and word processing to the small micro computers that were just coming on the market. Although Ackland had much to offer but not a place to retire in, the decision was made to shift to Geraldine and serve customers via the telephone lines and connecting directly into their computers if need be while continuing the business in Geraldine Jim became treasurer of the Geraldine Aged Persons Welfare and it was from that involvement that they decided to move into a Village and as Geraldine didn't yet have a village they chose 16 Elloughton Crescent in the Mountain View Village.

During the 13years in the Village, Jim took advantage of being involved and enjoyed many activities these included 5 years on the Entertainment Committee (3yrs as convenor) introducing the popular Friday Night Raffles, Library Committee (3yrs), Lawn Bowls, Indoor Bowls, Men's Morning Tea, Bar and Table Duties, Monthly Sunday Sports, Sunday Singing and Dancing. Table Tennis where he left his Legacy of inventing the 3-person game which is wonderful and means no-one has to sit out. The Village Choir from 2016 until he died.

Jim had been in excellent health until he turned 80 and from there on had some setback which slowed him down, finally succumbing to cancer, he always had his lovely sense of humour and never complained, and was very grateful he had the opportunity to say goodbye to his family and friends and remain at home till the end

The final tribute to Jim came from the Choir who asked to sing at his funeral service and sing they did for a friend who will be missed.

Fleur Kinney



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Sunday 29th SEPTEMBER - DAYLIGHT SAVING - CLOCKS GO FORWARD 1 HOUR - AT 2AM Spring Forward 1 HOUR 29th Sept 2am 2am

SUNDAY 29th SEPTEMBER - DAYLIGHT SAVING - CLOCKS GO FORWARD 1 HOUR - AT 2AM Retire and Start Living August 2024 - - Page 9



# **Gym Demonstation**

A great turnout for the gym demonstration by Robert Jacobs. Robert worked his way through each apparatus showing the 18 residents how to operate each item and giving valuable advice on each one, including the weights and stretching exercises.







## Thank you Robert







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# Plans are underway for another Village Show.

This time we will focus on photos. There will be individual spaces like last time to show off your favourite photos and maybe you can add a wee bit about them. We will have an "Ancestors Corner" if you have any old photos of relations.

This year we are having a couple of Competitions. Guess the Bride and Groom, so dig out your wedding photos, find one of yourself and enter. A photo scavenger hunt with details to come too. Once again, we will have the popular Devonshire Teas.

A notice will go up on the Notice Board to add your name to if you are able to donate a batch of plain scones. Your help will be much appreciated. Raffle or raffles and a bring and buy table. Once again, all money raised will go to St Johns.

So, the important part – When? **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October from 11am – 4pm.** Registrations of interest need to be in to Faye Pringle by 6<sup>th</sup> October.

Get on board everyone and let's have another fun and successful Show Kaye Cuthbertson



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Thank you for all your hard work Matt. You keep our Village looking beautiful!

## THE FISHPOND

The fishpond got a bit of a clean-out last week although once started, it hardly seemed necessary. The main objective was to put a larger 'tower' in for the fish. As you will have noticed they were getting rather crowded in the original one. However, this turned out to be a lot harder than anticipated and consequently we ended up with a crack on one side. We now have a slightly larger tank beside the other one while we find another solution. Thanks Angela, Matt and Chris for getting in the pond.

I hope everyone is enjoying watching our fish and with spawning season almost upon us, watch out for more fish 'antics'. As a result, hopefully we will be proud parents of a few more babies to join our lone resident baby. How many of you have already spotted it?

Excited to say it looks like the new yellow waterlily is growing, so hopefully it will flower this summer. I have also put three irises in the waterfall ponds so fingers crossed they will flower this summer too.

Kaye Cuthbertson



Have you tried the treadmill in the "Hobbies Room"?

Start slowly and over time you can increase speed and incline. Ideal past time for cold, damp or wet weather during the winter days.



New

Members Nelcome

#### Wine Appreciation Group

New members most welcome to join this informal group.



## The next evening is Wednesday 18 September @ 7pm.

Just bring a wine glass and \$5.00, and come along to the Community Centre.

Contact Brenda Lyon 0277898232

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New

Members



## SUNDAY DINNER DINE OUT SUNDAY 8th September at 12noon TIMARU TOWN & COUNTRY CLUB Douglas Street, Timaru All Welcome

If you are interested please have names on list by Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September by 4pm.

If you need transport please contact – Helen Thickett 6147363



Having been the warden for area 5 for many years, Jeeves has decided to retire from this position. I would like to express my thanks to Jeeves for his commitment to keeping the residents informed of any sudden unforeseen incidents, or important notices that needed to be communicated at short notice.

Jim Kroening has agreed to accept the position of warden for area 5 (V) and I thank Jim for taking on this responsibility.

Robin Harrison. Chief Warden.



#### Residents please update your telephone directory.

Sandra Perfect - 1a Peel View Place Phone: 6845077 Cell: 021 02853589

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	REGULAR DATES MO	e Hours n - Fri - 2.30pm		ORTANT DATES ptember 2024	
SUNDAY	Lawn Bowls 10.30 - In Recess Dinner Dine-out 12 (2 <sup>nd</sup> wk/mth) Sports & Recreation Afternoon 2 - In Recess Musical Afternoon 2pm - In Recess	Mondo Tuesda Thursda Friday Sunday	ay 2nd ay 3rd ay 5th 6th	Blokes Morning Tea 10 Entertainment Com. Mtg 4 Church Service 11 Jan Prestige Entertains on Piano Dinner Dine Out 12 noon	
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FRIDAY	Corn Hole 10.30 MV Village Choir Practice 1.45 Social Hour 4.30		ed x2 or	1's, 7x80's, 2X90's Ave Age 83 n 4th, 12th, 27th, x3 on 22nd turning 78, 82 & 86	
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