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NEXT MEETING Friday 7th February 2025 @ 9.30am

Greetings.

It's encouraging to see an improvement in the weather. However, the rain in December and early January have seen the lawns looking greener, and the croquet green looking at its best. This is also thanks to Matt. Hopefully there will be some good games on Wednesday mornings.

COMMITTEE
Convenor
Jill Welford
Members
Pam Dunwoody
Tony Kerr
Ron Paulin
Colin Smith

The committee and I'm sure the Village Residents wish Ron well for his ride in the **Charity Bike ride** later in February. Donations are being accepted until 14 February.



Chi + Movement starts again on Tuesdays at 10am on 4th February. Note the later time.



Walk group will move back to 11am on Tuesdays. Note the time change.

Housie starts again on Thursday 27 February at 2.15pm.



Sport Canterbury sessions commence on Wednesday 19 February at 1pm for 6 weeks. Kate has asked for people to

complete a form for her, which is basically a self referral for green prescription, which covers the classes. I will distribute these to letterboxes of those with their names already on the list. If adding your name below the red line, please get a form from the office. And please return completed forms to the office before 7th of February.



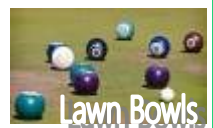
Bushtown in Waimate are having their annual Steam Up weekend, which also includes Wood Chopping competitions. This is on 8 & 9 March. Entry is \$20 plus \$10 for your driver. Please put your name on the noticeboard if you are interested in attending on Saturday 8 March and those interested in going could carpool. It's a great day out seeing the vintage sawmill in action, with a military display. Bushtown also has an old church and school onsite. There are food stalls and a grandstand to watch the wood chopping. There is also a free Paverpol workshop, please contact Jill if you are interested in registering for this.



Every month we have been highlighting one activity for **"Have a Go"**. Although you are welcome to join in with groups at any time, this is a date where the group are aware that residents may show up to see what it's all about. It would be great to see more people take up this opportunity. This month, it's **Chi+ Movement** on Tuesday 4 February. Come along. (please bring a donation which is given to charity.)



Graeme Thomson is following up with the firm about the seats around the bowling green, and he has removed the box that contained the kitty balls and mats as it wasn't safe to stand on. There is a new moveable step there to use.



Jill Welford
Convenor





NEXT MEETING Tuesday 4th February 2025 @ 4pm

Happy New Year. Let's hope this one will be a happy, healthy one for us all.

UPCOMING EVENTS

COMMITTEE

Convenors
Valerie Fahey

Members
Karen Brooks
Marie Dey
Noeline Farr
Angela Kerr
Jim Kroening
Dianne Paulin
Helen Thickett

After a very quiet January we are getting busy again. **Helen McHaffey** will be playing the piano for us all on the first February happy hour.



Towards the end of the month we hope to put on another **High Tea**, on a Sunday afternoon.



We have a **speaker** coming on Thursday 27th at 10am. **Kirsty Burnett from the Aoraki foundation** will tell us about the work they do to advance South Canterbury. Morning tea will be provided afterwards.



As usual there will be a note put in your letterbox closer to the day to remind you about these happenings.

When you are over in the centre don't forget to check out the produce table in the hall. Our clever gardeners often share their excess produce which can be purchased for a gold coin.



Catherine Gabites often contributes jam and pickles. She is always on the lookout for jars, with lids if possible. If you have any to spare they can be left in the kitchen or in her letterbox at 4A Stenhouse.



Thank you
Val Fahey.

JOIN THE FUN



In the interest of Hygiene and Village Maintenance, we would ask the Village Residents...



Please DO NOT feed the birds food-scrap thrown on lawns and grounds.



Thank you. RR's





Library Notes

Hope you have had a wonderful Christmas New Year break.
We have the changeover of books with the Timaru Public Library this week.

COMMITTEE

Joint Convenors

Trish O'Brien
Lorraine Watkins

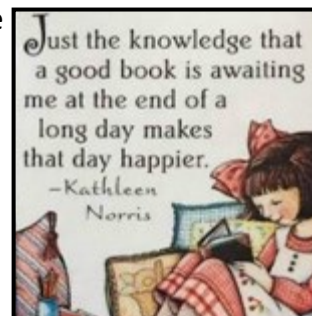
Members

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

Please be aware we aren't able to accommodate too many donated books. We try to keep a diverse range of books in our library, but if you have a certain book that you think would be have benefit to the village please don't hesitate to speak to Lorraine or Trish.

Enjoy your time reading or doing a puzzle from the library.

Lorraine
Co-convenor

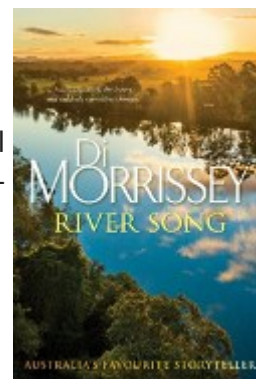


RIVER SONG by Di Morrissey

Reviewed by Marie Dey

This is a novel written by a popular Australian author. Four women from a local musical theatre group buy a winning lottery ticket. The winnings change their lives dramatically.

I thoroughly enjoyed this read and found it hard to put it down.

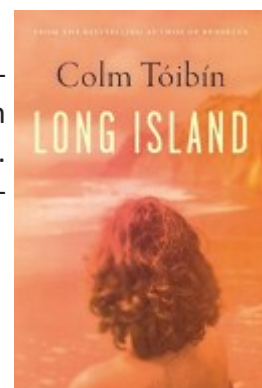


LONG ISLAND BY Colm Tóibín

Reviewed by Trish O'Brien

Ellis is Irish and married to Tony for twenty years. He is one of four Italian brothers living in neighbouring houses with two of the brothers and their parents. Her children are teenagers, and Ellis is feeling isolated and lonely with no one she can really rely on. One day another Irishman arrives at her home and gives her devastating news that Ellis has trouble coming to terms with. How Ellis reacts is at the heart of this story.

Different but interesting.



EXCESS BAGGAGE by Sarah-Jane Dunwoody

Reviewed by Kaye Cuthbertson

This little book written by Sarah-Jane Dunwoody, daughter of our very own Pamela, packs an amazing life adventure into its pages. How brave at 20 to be off to see the world and travel as extensively over a decade. What a life! Sarah has written about all her travels and her life as a young adult.

You won't be sorry if you pick up this book and have a read. Very easy to read and she keeps it interesting the whole way through! Well done Sarah, I hope you will have another go at writing, you do it well.



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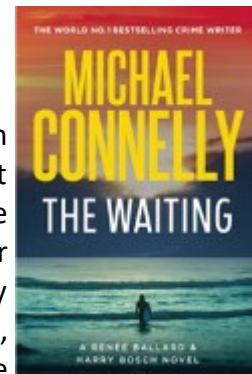


THE WAITING by Michael Connelly

Reviewed by Cathryn Gabites

In cold cases, it's not the hope that kills you. It's the waiting.

Renée Ballard and the LAPD's Open-Unsolved Unit get a hot shot DNA connection between a recently arrested man and a serial rapist and murderer who went quiet twenty years ago. The arrested man is only twenty-four, so the genetic link must be familial: His father was the Pillowcase Rapist, responsible for a five-year reign of terror in the city of angels. But when Ballard and her team move in on their suspect, they encounter a baffling web of secrets and legal hurdles. Meanwhile, Ballard's badge, gun, and ID are stolen—a theft she can't report without giving her enemies in the department ammunition to end her career as a detective. She works the burglary alone, but her mission draws her into unexpected danger. With no choice but to go outside the department for help, she knocks on the door of Harry Bosch. At the same time, Ballard takes on a new volunteer to the cold case unit: Bosch's daughter Maddie, now a patrol officer. But Maddie has an ulterior motive for getting access to the city's library of lost souls—a case that may be the most iconic in the city's history.



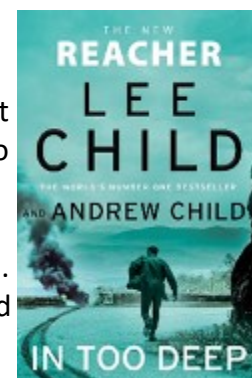
Another easy reading book by Michael Connelly. Bosch's daughter Maddie plays a significant role in the Open-Unsolved Unit and becomes apparent that will have a role in future books to come.

IN TOO DEEP by Lee Child & Andrew Child

Reviewed by Tony Kerr

Jack Reacher wakes up, alone, in the dark, handcuffed to a makeshift bed. His right arm has suffered some major damage. His few possessions are gone. He has no memory of getting here.

I have read most of Lee Child's books on Jack Reacher, this is not one of his great ones. Lee's brother Andrew writes most of the stories now, this is OK with lots of twists and turns, but not the same Reacher. Still a good holiday read.

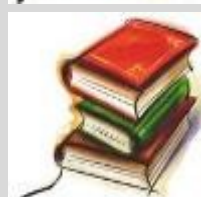
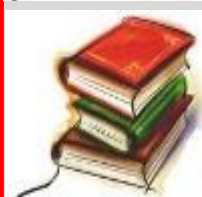
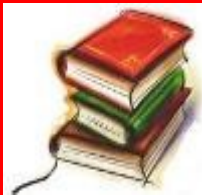


Return Day

Please return all Timaru District Library Books by

Monday 3rd February

New loan books will be available on Wednesday 5th Feb in the afternoon.
Thank you.



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Stenhouse Drive Picnic - December 14th



A big THANK-YOU to everyone in Stenhouse – past & present for the wonderful turn out making it a happy and successful occasion. A return visit from Mabel Ineson, Lex's daughter from Christchurch, and a visitor from Scotland, Anthony Steel (Toms Friend), were all made very welcome. Apologies from Judy at number 20. Anne, number 8 and Veronica, ex number 19a. Cathryn Gabities was not well at the time and also sent her apologies.

Tom Henderson won the lucky chair and Mabel cut the very large Christmas sponge! The highlight of the afternoon was an amazing young lad, Tim Kirk, who entertained us with his piano recital. I'm sure you will all agree with me when I say Tim who by the way is still at School, will go far with his music, probably New York or London. Thank you Tim and best wishes for your future.

Thank you, the shared meal was great, no one went away hungry!! Thank you to the table and chair personnel, a splendid job.

And to all those wonderful ladies who were busy in the kitchen washing and cleaning up, my sincere thanks.

Because Covid seems to be rearing its ugly head around December, I thought I might look at our Stenhouse picnic being held around early February. So, see you all next year.

Marlene.



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Newletter Delivery, with a Difference!



Jingle Bells
Jingle Bells



Its Christmas time...



Loved the newsletter delivery
lots of Christmas Cheer.

Ann



We wish you a merry christmas...
& a happy new year....



Christmas Fun

Thanks to Ruth on the moped and her son Santa (Luke), for all the Christmas fun delivering our Newsletter.

Wondered what the music & tooting was all about! So of course, not to miss out had to investigate. Pleased I did!!

Chocs from Santa & Newsletter from a dressed up Ruth.

Thanks to both of you. A bit of Christmas fun.
Marlene

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Celebrating on New Years Eve 2024



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THE VILLAGE SHOW 26 JANUARY 2025

A big thank you to everyone who took part in the Photography Show, my team, the kitchen team, the scone makers, those who put in entries and everyone who came along on the day. Numbers were down on the last show but it was a friendly, successful day and some great displays.

The **Know Your Village** competition had four people with correct entries - Helen Thickett, Trish O'Brien, Angela Kerr and Kay Benge. Well done ladies!

The **Guess Who** competition was won by Helen Thickett with all correct and 2nd to Dorothy Paterson with only two wrong. Very hard to pick. Oh how we have ALL changed!!

The **Raffles Prizes** went to Ruth in the office getting the \$100, Sarah (Pam's daughter) the gift basket, Mem Sutherland the Teddy and Barry Yates the pair of drawings done by Barry Dunwoody.

Thank you everyone for your support I don't have a final \$\$ tally yet but looking to be just over **\$800 for St John's**.



Wedding dresses from left to right.... Esther Bailey's, Fleur Kinney's, Trish O'Brien's, Lorraine Watkin's and Kay Cuthbertson's.



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THE VILLAGE SHOW



GUESS WHO COMPETITION

Name	No.	Name	No.	Name	No.
Marie Pike	16	Mary & Bruce Woodnorth	10	Ronalda Esler	21
Shirley Malthus	7	Cynthia Scrivener	9	Pam Dunwoody	3
Bev Ward	1	Derrick Peck	5	Pat Kinney	17
Esther Bailey	13	Marlene & Fraser Shewan	4	Fleur Kinney	2
Launa Trumper	18	Ann Munro	23	Helen Thickett	20
Lorraine Watkins	15	Faye Pringle	8	George Munro	24
Trish O'Brien	6	Dianne & Ron Paulin	19	Kay Beange	14
Fiona Elworthy	12	Kaye Cuthbertson	22	Norma Shaw	11

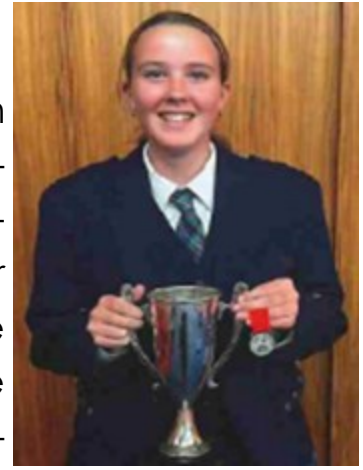
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Dear Mountain View Residents

Once again a sincere thank you for supporting me in my piping endeavours. As always I really love coming down to the Village and playing for you. November was the sixth year I have been. Already this year I have been to two contests, one in Waipu and the other in Turakina with pretty good results. Next is the New Zealand Pipe Band Championships in Invercargill, followed by Hastings at Easter, Scotland in August, NZ Young Piper of the Year in October at Nelson, & Canterbury Labour weekend. These are major competitions with other smaller ones I compete in as well. I will look forward to updating you in November when hopefully I can come and play for you again.

Many Many Thanks to You All

Maggie



FAREWELL

Resident Moved from Village

(please update your telephone directory)

Anne Kynaston - 8 Stenhouse Drive. Resident for 7 years

Thank you for your contribution to Village life.



SPORT SOUTH CANTERBURY

Strength, Balance, Nutrition

6 week Program

Starting on Wednesdays 1pm - 2pm

From 19th February - 26th March 2025

- ◆ Please add your name to the noticeboard list if you are interested by 7th February.



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A Big Thank-you!

A Big thank you for making my family so welcome in the village in December 2024 and being so friendly toward them.

As a family they had made the long trip from Wales to spend time with me and have Christmas with me and their New Zealand Families.

The three boys just loved it here, playing cricket on the lawn at 8am in the morning and knowing Santa and his slay dropped in. Photo of the reindeer feed (hay) and droppings left!!! (this was their visiting card - so the boys knew they had definitely called in!!!).

Again thank you to you all.

Don Sargent



Fruit Tree Update

The trees are now in their third year and are growing well. It is a challenge to keep some mulch around the bases, the birds spread it around and then it gets collected by the lawnmower.



A late frost reduced the fruit on the black boy peach and the greengage this year. The peasgood nonsuch apple is doing well, and the Coes plum tree has some nice plums. Hopefully the birds don't get to the fruit before we do when it's ready for picking.



Choir

Resumes on 14th Feb
@ 1.30pm



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Well done to all that contributed to another lovely puzzle completed in the library



everyone's welcome

'Have a Go' Day

NEW TIME

HAVE A GO

Chi+Movement

Tuesday 4th February at 10am

everyone's welcome



Wheelie Bin Cleaning time again

Instructions: Please put your red & green bins out for rubbish collection as usual, if your bin/s requires cleaning please leave these out after the bins have been emptied & they will be cleaned. If one or both of your bins do not require cleaning please bring them in after they have been emptied.

The Dates for Cleaning are:

14th March 2025 ~ Elloughton Crescent, Peel View Place, Amenities

28th March 2025 ~ Stenhouse Drive, Grange Close

Reminder



For Residents Safety
Residents, Family's, Visitors & Support Workers
Please remember the Village speed limit is 15kph.
This applies to any motor vehicles, motor bikes, scooters & mobility scooters.

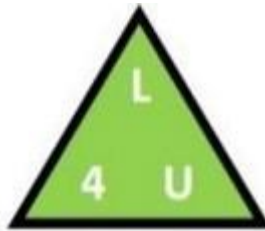
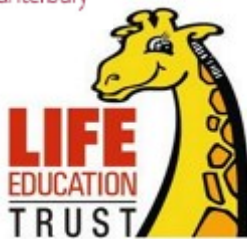
Thankyou RR"s



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CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND CHARITY BIKERIDE

The Charity Bikeride has chosen the following organisations as the recipients of the 2025 funds raised. Resident, Ron Paulin is entering this years event on 20,21 &22st February. He is back from holiday and is training seriously for his three days of riding more than 100 km each day.



Mokihi Hauora is a merger of Timaru Mental Health Support trust and Caroline House.

Ron is inviting any residents who wish to be part of this community fund raising event to sponsor him. He can supply you with the bikeride's bank account number for an internet payment or you can do this by contacting him directly with a cash payment. Either way he can then give you a receipt on which you can claim a tax rebate. Alternatively, you can place an anonymous donation in a box that will be on the counter in the Village Office from mid-January. Any donations will be gratefully received. and will be needed by 14th February. To be eligible to ride the event payments and receipt books have to be returned by the start day.

If you have any queries about the event or about sponsoring, please contact Ron directly.

RR'S

Meet the RR's

RR'S



Looking ahead please come and join us for a cuppa and chat on:

Wednesday 5th March 2025
10am Cuppa
10.30am Chat



Bring topics you would like to discuss.
We hope to give you an update on the Community centre upgrade.

Kind regards
Pam & Angela



Bushtown Waimate is hosting a FREE workshop at the Annual Steam Up Event on

Saturday 8th March and Sunday 9 March 2025

(Funded by Creative Communities)

At the Bushtown Heritage Park, Dobson Street, Waimate

Paverpol Workshop with Vanessa Powell

Qualified Paverpol Instructor of Garden Art

Saturday 8 March 2025

Sessions available

12.30 pm to 2pm—10 spaces

Make 2 Garden Balls

2.30 pm to 4 pm—10 spaces

Make 2 Bullrushes

Private Message

to book

you space

With the time

Preferred

Sunday 9 March 2025

Sessions available

10.30 am to 12 noon—10 spaces

Make 2 Bullrushes

1.30 pm to 3 pm—10 spaces

Make 2 Garden Balls



BUSHTOWN Steam Up & Wood Chopping

Saturday 8th March & Sunday 9th
March 2025

Adult \$20 per day
Kids under 15 Free
No Dogs

- Sawmilling by Steam & Thresher
- Vintage Machinery display
- Military Display

- Miniature Rail
- Kids Activities & Trailer Rides
- Traditional Handcraft Workshop
- Edwardian Heritage
- Food & Drink Stalls

Dobson Street, Waimate
bushtownwaimate.co.nz

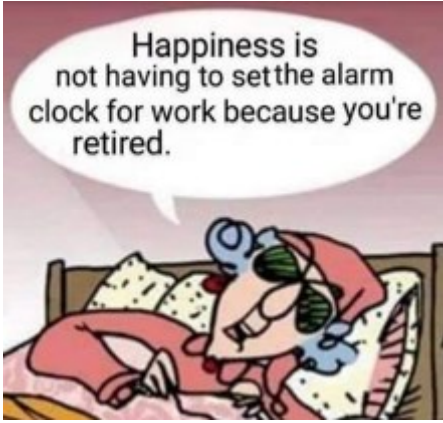
Please put your name on the noticeboard if you are interested in attending on Saturday 8th March.

Those interested in going could carpool.

Please contact Jill if you are interested in registering for this.

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Laughter Lines 😊 😄 😜 😂



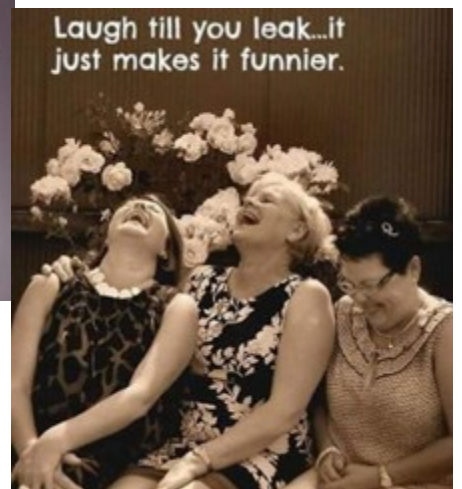
I NEVER ARGUE
I JUST EXPLAIN WHY I'M RIGHT



Life goes by way too fast to fret about what others think or say about you. So just have fun & give them something to talk about!



Leaving your house and returning back safely is such an underrated blessing.



Resident Contributions

Email: mvvvruth@gmail.com to contribute to "Laughter Lines"

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Village Church Service

Next Service Thursday 6th March 2025 @ 11am



Bloke's Morning Tea

Welcome to all village men. The first morning tea of the year will be held on **Monday 3rd February 2025 @ 10am**

A meet and greet followed by a Speaker to be announced.

Tea Stewards: Lester Frame & Brian McAuley

See you on the third, Rob O'Brien (Coordinator)

NEW TIME

Chi+Movement



Resumes on Tuesday
4th Feb @ **10 - 11am**



All Welcome!

Wear comfortable clothing & soft shoes.

SUNDAY DINNER DINE OUT

9th February 2025 at 12 noon

Makikihi Hotel

Main Road, Makikihi

ALL WELCOME

Please have names on list by 4pm on
Thursday 6th February 2025

If you need transport please contact
Helen Thickett 6147363

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Newsletter Cut Off Date

23rd February 2025

Please send all Contributions to.....

mvvruth@gmail.com

Thank you.

Notice Board



DUTY ROSTER

February 2025

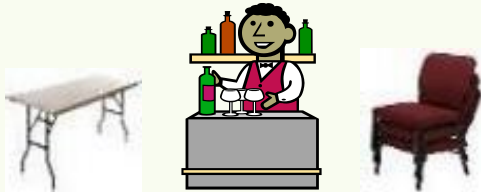
FRIDAY NIGHT DELL DUTIES:

Marie Pike & Julie

FRIDAY NIGHT HOST:

Noeline Farr

Thank you for your help



CONVENORS MEETING

9.30am Wednesday

12th February 2025

NEW TIME



Walk Group

Resumes on 4th Feb

Note: New Time
Tuesdays @ **11am**

NEW TIME



Lawn Bowles

Starting
@ **2pm**



from 19th February



PODIATRIST

4th February 2025

(Appointment book at Centre)

Ladies Cuppa 'n Chat

Come along and
enjoy
some time
together

Thursday
13th February
@ 10am



Wine Appreciation



Resumes
Wednesday
19th February
@ 7pm



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REGULAR DATES

Office Hours
Mon - Fri
10.30 - 2.30pm

IMPORTANT DATES

February 2025

SUNDAY	Lawn Bowls 10.30 - In Recess Dinner Dine-out 12 (2 nd wk/mth) Sports & Recreation Afternoon 2 - In Recess Musical Afternoon 2pm - In Recess
MONDAY	Blokes Morning Tea 10 (1 st wk/mth) Petanque 1.30 Triominos 1.30 Indoor Bowls 1.30 - In Recess
TUESDAY	Chi+Movement 10 Walk Group 11 Rummikub 1.30 Table Tennis 4 - In Recess
WEDNESDAY	Golf Croquet 10.30 Mah Jong 1.30 Lawn Bowls 1.30 & 2 Craft & Chat 2 - In Recess Table Tennis 4 - In Recess Wine Appreciation 7 (3 rd wk/mth)
THURSDAY	Church Service 11 (1 st wk/mth) - In Recess Ladies Cuppa 'n Chat 10 - (2 nd wk/mth) Garden Group 10 - In Recess Upright and Active 1 Housie(Rummikub) 2.15 - Seasonal Cards 500 7
FRIDAY	Corn Hole 10.30 MV Village Choir Practice 1.30 Social Hour 4.30
SATURDAY	Movie 1.30 - In Recess


Monday 3rd	Blokes Morning Tea 10 - Resumes
Monday 3rd	TDL Book Return Day
Tuesday 4th	PODIATRIST
Tuesday 4th	'Have a Go Day' Chi+Movement 10 - Resumes
Tuesday 4th	Walk Group 11 -Resumes New Time
Tuesday 4th	Entertainment Committee Mtg 4
Friday 7th	Sport & Rec Committee Mtg 9.30
Sunday 9th	Dinner Dine Out 12noon
Wednesday 12	Convenors Mtg 9.30
Thursday 13th	Ladies Cuppa n'Chat 10
Friday 14th	Choir Practice 1.30 - Resumes
Wednesday 19	Sport SC Program 1-2pm - Wk 1
Wednesday 19	Lawn Bowls 2pm - New Time
Wednesday 19	Wine Appreciation 7 - Resumes
Sunday 23rd	NEWSLETTER CUT OFF
Wednesday 19	Sport SC Program 1 - Wk 2
Thursday 27th	Housie 2.15 - Resumes

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthdays

FEBRUARY BIRTHSTONE

Amethyst



Some Statistics

10 Residents Celebrating

3 Men & 7 Ladies, Age Range 60 - 92

Decades 2x60's, 3x70's, 3x80's, 2x90's

Ave Age 79

Shared - x2 on 8th, x2 big '0's

Congratulations everyone!

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SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT
February						
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