

A Note from Tania, Mountain View Village Operations Manager

As we move forward together at Mountain View Village, I encourage everyone to focus on the many positives that make Mountain View Village such a special place to call home. Every day brings an opportunity to share a smile, lend a helping hand to someone, enjoy a friendly chat or simply appreciate being lucky enough to live in such a beautiful Village.



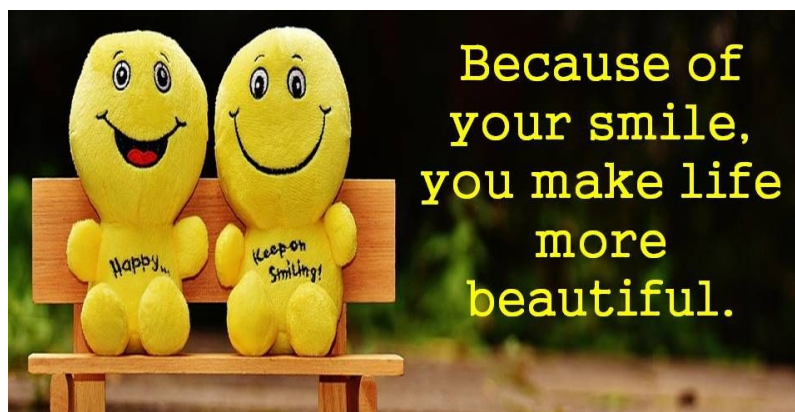
Over the last month with my family from Belfast staying, I was lucky enough to go on a helicopter ride from Mt Cook, and even luckier when we arrived to find out that our flight had been upgraded. It was truly one of the best experiences I have had in years! If you ever get the opportunity to do it, my advice is just do it! It is fabulous and a great reminder that sometimes our best memories come from saying yes let's do it!

Making the most of each day, embracing kindness, and creating happy moments with those around us is important especially as we age. Together, we can continue to build a welcoming, supportive, and caring village where everyone feels valued and included.

Only one more month and spring will be here! Warmer days and beautiful gardens, are just around the corner.

Enjoy the last of the colder months, take care of each other.

Tania



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Desmond Prisk, Graeme Thompson & Julia Traylor (Asst. Chair)
Your Residents Representatives: Angela Kerr & Rob O'Brien



NEXT MEETING Tuesday 4th August 2026 @ 4pm

COMMITTEE

Convenors

Valerie Fahey

Members

Karen Brooks

Marie Dey

Noeline Farr

Angela Kerr

Jim Kroening

Dianne Paulin

Helen Thickett

Another month gone and we are a bit closer to warmer weather. Remember you have the winter warmer payment so turn the heating up. That's what it's for.

Our fish and chip night was well attended. Picking the parcels up from the shop I was amazed at how busy they were at five pm. They certainly are a popular shop and it's understandable why we must pick it up by five.

Mark Welford did a great job putting the quiz on. Our knowledge of 60s tv shows and pop music was put to the test. It must have taken quite a bit of time to put it together and we do appreciate it.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August Happenings

7th Bindi Elworthy will sing for us, accompanied by Jan Prestige on piano.

14th Elaine Caird plays piano.

15th Saturday. Soup and roll luncheon followed by a movie.

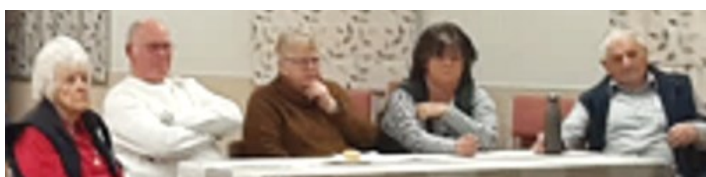
23rd. Sunday. 2 pm MVV Choir will sing for us. Afternoon tea to follow.

The soup and roll luncheon starts at 12noon. It will cost \$10. Please pay online or cash in the box at reception by the Thursday beforehand. There will be some home-made soups to choose from and a cake and cuppa. Then if you like go into the lounge and watch the **Saturday** movie handpicked by Cathryn Gabities.

The choir has been practicing hard for their concert and it's always a fun performance. Hope you can find something here to entice you out on a cold day.

Val Fahey.

Quiz Night



Retire and Start Living

Fish & Chip Night





NEXT MEETING Tuesday 29th September 2026 @ 3pm

Many things make our village special, not least the residents and committee's who work behind the scenes to provide activities and entertainment which we all enjoy. Supporting each other is part of that.

The premmie knitting club exceeded their goal of peggy squares received nationally. Thanks to those who contributed from our village.

There is good attendance at most activities. New members and residents are welcome.

It's never too early to think about Christmas. The Sports Committee are working on some ideas to make the village look more festive during this time. We may also have a "most festive letterbox" competition. Elloughton Gardens had some great decorations a few years ago (before they removed their letterboxes).

Kind regards, Jill Welford

COMMITTEE

Convenor

Jill Welford

Members

Pam Dunwoody

Judy Hamer

Ron Paulin

Colin Smith



1st August

Whina

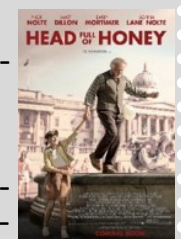
Whina is a biographical drama depicting the life of Dame Whina Cooper, an influential Māori leader who broke gender boundaries and championed her people's rights, especially land rights. Spanning decades, it blends personal struggles with monumental activism, culminating in the landmark 1975 Māori Land March. Praised for its heartfelt performances and cultural authenticity, the film offers an inspiring and educational portrait worth watching



8th August

Head Full of Honey

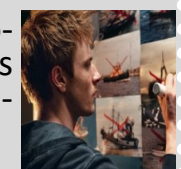
When a grandfather living with Alzheimer's struggles with grief, his granddaughter boldly takes him on a road trip to rekindle fond memories



15th August

23000 Lives

The film follows a group of young activists who, disturbed by the growing number of deaths among migrants crossing the Mediterranean, launch a crowd-funding campaign to purchase and refit a ship for rescue missions. The story centres on the vessel Luventa, operated by the NGO Jugend Rettet, which became a first responder in the central Mediterranean, saving thousands of people from overcrowded and unsafe boats. The narrative explores the challenges the crew faced, including political scrutiny, legal battles, and the moral dilemmas of civilian sea rescue.



22nd August

No Movie

29th August

Shirley

Shirley is a 2024 American biographical drama film written and directed by John Ridley. The film stars Regina King in the title role, alongside Lance Reddick, Lucas Hedges, Brian Stokes Mitchell, Christina Jackson, Michael Cherie, André Holland, and Terrence Howard. It depicts the 1972 presidential run of Shirley Chisholm, who was the first Black woman to be elected to the United States Congress.



Retire and Start Living



Library Notes

Remember we have a large range of Non Fiction books. Covering many subjects. The Library has been given 15 very good jigsaws, please feel free to make use of them.

Please take note of the new sign beside the issue book. This is important.

Happy reading everyone.

Enjoy. Lorraine



COMMITTEE

Joint Convenors

Trish O'Brien
Lorraine Watkins

Members

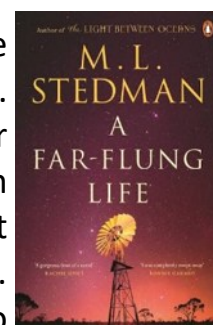
John Gresham
Margaret Hartley
Lynne Kroening
Shirley Malthus
Beverley Ward

A FAR-FLUNG LIFE by M.L.Stedman

Reviewed by Kaye Cuthbertson

After her husband and eldest son were killed in a horrific accident and her second son, Matt, fighting for his life, Lorna is left to run the huge remote sheep station in outback Western Australia with her teenage daughter Rose. Matt eventually recovers enough to return home but has memory and anger issues. He has always been Rose's 'little brother' and she tries to help him recover. After a night stranded in the shearing shed sheltering from a violent storm, Rose suddenly needs to take off and live her own life and disappears. More distress, sadness and secrets are to it this family and Matt is forced to choose between love and duty.

After tears running down my face in the first three pages (emotional or what?) this book was a great story. Overall, quite sad but that's life sometimes.

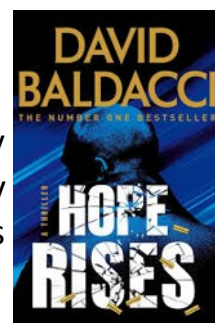


HOPE RISES by David Baldacci

Reviewed by Trish O'Brien

Walter Nash becomes an FBI informant on a global operation headed up by master criminal Victoria Steers. He finds himself changing into someone very different to gain her trust and what he learns turns everything he believes upside down.

It keeps you guessing. I enjoyed it.



THE BOOKSHOP DETECTIVES-MURDER & MOJITOS by Gareth Ward & Louise Ward

Reviewed by Kaye Cuthbertson

Garth and Eloise are at it again in another crime solver. This time closer to home but still involving their arch-criminal Athur Pinter, a serial killer Eloise "put away" in the UK when they were in the Police Force. Pinter is determined to make them pay for his incarceration from far and near when he escapes from Belmark Prison. Clues to his whereabouts have Garth and Eloise on edge. Should they cancel the Art Deco Festival to which a Cuban author has been invited?

Another great read in this series, lighthearted but entertaining.



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Convenors report

Social Club account

Some of you have asked why the Social Club account balance has decreased. This was due to subsidizing the Mid-Year Meal, Paying for two Residents - Jill Welford and Cathryn Gabites, to complete their Bar Managers Licenses. We have purchased some items, e.g. Power cords and power boxes for the serving of meals in relation to the donated Bain Maries so everything is safe, plus other items.

Aorangi Stadium donation

It was passed at the Convenors meeting: "That we contribute a minimum of \$250.00 to the Aorangi Stadium fit out and get the name of 'Mountain View Village Residents' on the wall of contributors." This money will come from the sale of extra mid-year meals and we would welcome donations from residents over the next month.

Reminders:

- Please tell the Office, your neighbours and your Warden if you are going to be away.
- Have a torch handy in case you need it in a power cut.
- If you change your door locks and have new keys, please ensure the office has a copy in case you are locked out and access via the office held key is required. Lester Frame plus the Resident Representatives can access this safe.

Convenors Committee

Village Morning Tea → Village Monthly Meeting



Tuesday 16th June @ 10am
Come, chat & enjoy the
company of others
over a cuppa!

Followed by

The Village Monthly
Meeting 10.45am in
the Hall.
We look forward to
seeing you there.

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Obituary

Jeeves Jeevaratnam

Karunairajan Jeevaratnam, known as Jeeves, came to live at 9 Grange Close in December 2011. His new home was designed by his wife Indi and her sister, an architect, with room for their families to enjoy too. Much of the home's beautiful wooden furniture, was hand made by Jeeves. The kitchen, was where Jeeves loved making his well known and loved Croissants, these, he enjoyed sharing.

Jeeves embraced Mountain View Village taking part in various interests, activities and relaxation. As an avid reader he joined the library committee where he, "Assisted to keep shelves tidy. Put the returned books to correct places on a regular basis. He helped to record the details of newly purchased books and with change over of Public Library books every quarter."

The Village Fair and a bus trip in the South Island, Jeeves remembered as special events he took part in.

Jeeves was a very enthusiastic table tennis player, regularly playing for many years. He also used the Exercycle in the gym for his fitness 3-4 times each week. The many aspects of living here which Jeeves enjoyed during the past 15 years, were, the Blokes morning tea, the occasional movies, twice yearly dinners, happy hour, companionship with other elderly people with similar interests in life, chit chat with people he meet in the village. He felt secure in the village.

Four neighbours' were very grateful to accept Jeeves kind offer to place their newspapers at their front doors every morning.

In 2014, Jeeves wrote his interesting profile for the Village newsletter, it is in the Profile folder in the library. He also wrote a short article about his skin condition to reassure people, he was not contagious—"but in a few years time, I could achieve my long held ambition to be a pakeha! Watch this space!"

As quoted at Jeeves' funeral, "He was a gentleman who was a gentle man."

Your smile, kindness and sense of humour are missed by your friends and all who knew you, Jeeves.

God Bless you.



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Village Church Service - July Report

Come to me, I will give you rest



Matthew 11:28

Father Tang Phar from the Timaru Catholic Parish, previously from Vietnam, led the Service. When I came to this land, of milk and honey. Life has more blessings. The people are wonderful. We can say, wow, how wonderful it is to see the blessings given us, sometimes we don't know that moment, but when we look back. The gift of good health. I see many people, 80s, 90s, even over 105. The gift of life is wonderful.

The gift of family, children, family members, education, medication, all sorts of things, so much goodness that we can appreciate, and give thanks to God. Those are the blessings that we receive. And as we journey along life, we also have to face difficulties or sufferings. Those sufferings may be in our family, not doing so well, suffering financial hardship, born with disabilities or, maybe our own suffering of ill health, but we know with our faith, we can thank our Lord Jesus Christ. He invites us "Come to me, all who are heavy laden and weary; come and take rest". It might not be for physical goodness but it is for our salvation. That's why we're here, not only for fellowship but for our faith. Sometimes older people often ask, "Father, why am I still here". But God uses you to pray for, your family and for many others. And sometimes as we get older, we don't have so much with physical strength but we can still do many things, little things with sincerity of our love and our faith for Jesus. You can see the power of God working through your prayers.

Fleur Kinney read from Isaiah and Trish O'Brien read the 23rd Psalm. The hymns, Just a Closer Walk with Thee, The King of Love my Shepherd is and Be Thou my Vision were accompanied by pianist Elaine Caird. **Ann.**

Next Service on Thursday 6th August at 11am
Minister Anne Stewart - St Davids Union Church

Happy Birthday everyone!

Some Statistics

*7 Residents Celebrating: 1 Man & 6 Ladies
Age Range 79 - 93. Ave Age 83
Decades 1x70's, 5x80's, 1x90's
x2 on 7th. 1xBig '0's*



Congratulations!

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A decent muster watched an interesting Video, provided by Colin, of the development and design of Aircraft jet Engines.

The jet engine revolutionized aviation by replacing piston engines with continuous-thrust gas turbines. Pioneered independently in the 1930s by Britain's Frank Whittle and Germany's Hans von Ohain, early turbojets evolved into today's highly efficient high-bypass turbofans used in modern commercial and military aircraft.

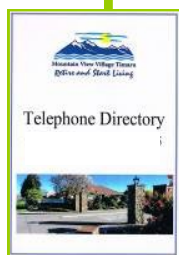
Early jet engines were mechanically simple but suffered from high fuel consumption and noise. These early designs drew in air, compressed it, mixed it with fuel, ignited it, and expelled the hot exhaust through a turbine to create thrust. While turbojets were excellent for achieving high, supersonic speeds for military fighters, they were too inefficient and loud for routine commercial air travel.

Thanks again Marlene & Fraser, Morning tea Stewards.

Ray Smith

NEXT MEETING - Monday 3rd August @ 10am - ALL VILLAGE MEN WELCOME!

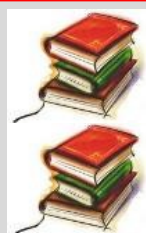
Speaker: Bob Rodgers - **Tea Stewards:** Brian McAuley & Lex Hoogenraad
(Sept Speaker: Ingrid, Timaru Library)



Residents - Update your details at the Office for the Phone Directory.

If you no longer have a landline - Please let us know at the Office so it can be taken out of the Directory.

Thank you!



Book Return Day

Please return all Timaru District Library Books by

Tuesday 4th August

New loan books will be available on Thursday 6th August in the afternoon. Thank you.



St John Talk

Wednesday August 12th at 10am

Come & have a Cuppa & listen to Deb from St John talk about

Medical Alarms and new Information Packs which can be placed on your fridge.

These will replace the Emergency Card & Life Tube.

VILLAGE CHOIR CONCERT & SING-A-LONG

SUNDAY 23 AUGUST 2026 - 2.00PM

JOHN STUBBS COMMUNITY CENTRE



Come along, bring your family and friends to an afternoon of lively entertainment by your own choir. The choir are looking forward to residents joining them in the sing-along brackets, words will be provided. Afternoon tea will follow.

Jenny Simmonds

Soup & Roll - Cuppa, Cake & Movie

Soup - Vegetable, Pumpkin & Tomato

Saturday 15th August at 12noon—Cost \$10pp

Please put money in the box at reception or pay online

by 4pm Thursday 13th August

- ◆ Please bring a Soup Bowl & Spoon.
- ◆ Come and enjoy your lunch then stay on for the Movie
- ◆ Any surplus money to go toward a donation to Aorangi Stadium from "MVV Residents".



MOVIE



If you are having your locks changed / replaced.

Please remember to drop an NEW EMERGENCY KEY to the Village Office.



SUNDAY DINNER DINE OUT

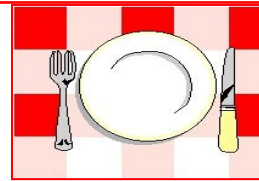
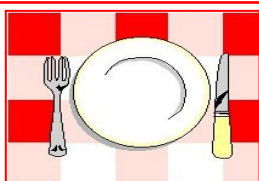
9th August at 12 noon

Monteiths-Bay Hill Bar/Restaurant

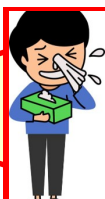
Bay Hill, Timaru

ALL WELCOME

Please put your name on the Notice Board at the Office by Thursday 6th August. If you need transport please contact Helen Thickett 6147363.



Reminder



As there are many Flu & Cold Bugs around,

PLEASE STAY HOME

From the Village Centre if you are unwell.

Many thanks, Raylene



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UPCOMING EVENTS

SUN	MON	TUESDAY	WED	THURS	FRIDAY	SAT
30	31 Craft & Chat 10 Triominos 1.30	August				1 Movie 1.30
2	3 Blokes Morning Tea 10 Craft & Chat 10 Triominos 1.30	4 TDL Book Return Day Walk Group 10 Rummikub 1.30 Table Tennis 4 Entertainment Comm. Mtg 4 Wine Appreciation 7	5 Golf Croquet 10.30 Balance Class 1 Mah Jong 1.30 Lawn Bowls 1.30	6 Church Service 11 Upright & Active 1 Housie 2 Cards 500 7	7 Chair Yoga 10 Corn Hole 11 Choir Practice 1.30 Social Hour 4.30 Bindi Elworthy & Jan Prestige Entertain	8 Movie 1.30
9 Dinner Dine Out 12 noon	10 Craft & Chat 10 Triominos 1.30	11 Walk Group 10 Rummikub 1.30 Table Tennis 4	12 Convenors Mtg 9.30 ST JOHN TALK 10am Golf Croquet 10.30 Balance Class 1 Mah Jong 1.30 Lawn Bowls 1.30	13 Ladies Cuppa n'Chat 10 Upright & Active 1 Housie 2 Cards 500 7	14 Chair Yoga 10 Corn Hole 11 Choir Practice 1.30 Social Hour 4.30 Elaine Caird on Piano	15 Soup & Roll Lunch, Cuppa, Cake & Movie 12 noon
16	17 Craft & Chat 10 Triominos 1.30	18 Village Morning Tea 10 VILLAGE MONTHLY MEETING 10.45 Rummikub 1.30 Table Tennis 4	19 Golf Croquet 10.30 Balance Class 1 Mah Jong 1.30 Lawn Bowls 1.30	20 Upright & Active 1 Housie 2 Cards 500 7	21 Chair Yoga 10 Corn Hole 11 Choir Practice 1.30 Social Hour 4.30	22
23 MWV CHOIR CONCERT & Sing-a-long 2pm	24 Craft & Chat 10 Triominos 1.30	25 PODIATRIST Walk Group 10 Rummikub 1.30 Table Tennis 4	26 NEWSLETTER CUT OFF Golf Croquet 10.30 Balance Class 1 Mah Jong 1.30 Lawn Bowls 1.30 	27 Upright & Active 1 Housie 2 Cards 500 7	28 Chair Yoga 10 Corn Hole 11 Choir Practice 1.30 Social Hour 4.30	29 Movie 1.30

Please...
Note New EMAIL



Newsletter Cut Off Date **26th August 2026**

Please send all Contributions to.... **ruth@mvv.co.nz**

Mark & Jill wish to thank Village Residents for their support, cards, visits & baking when Marks father passed away recently.



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VILLAGE EMERGENCY MEETING POINT - COMMUNITY CENTRE	
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PODIATRIST



**Tuesday
25th August**



**DUTY ROSTER
August 2026**

DUTY MANAGER
Val Fahey

FRIDAY NIGHT DELL DUTIES:
Rob & Trish O'Brien

FRIDAY NIGHT HOST:
Dianne Pauline

Thank you for your help.

SCAM ALERT

**BEWARE OF SCAMMERS SAYING THEY ARE FROM
WESTPAC BANK**



STAY POSITIVE

HAPPINESS
IS A MOOD.
POSITIVITY
IS A MINDSET.

Paying On-Line: For events organised by the Entertainment Committee.
Account No: **06-0889-0258646-00**

Account Name: **Mountain View Village Social Club**

We suggest you save this Account number on your Payee list.

Paying in cash: Put money in a named envelope in the Lock Box at Reception.

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