



Residents News

September 2026

A NOTE FROM TANIA - VILLAGE MANAGER



Hello everyone

Spring is here, and daylight saving has arrived, which means lighter evenings to enjoy, although those darker mornings make getting out of bed harder again for a little while.

The gardens are coming to life, as we see more sunny days ahead as we head further into spring. It has been lovely to see so many residents in their gardens, and the vegetable plots are certainly starting to look very impressive for this time of the year.

On September 29 we welcomed our neighbours from Radius Elloughton Gardens. Over 30 people attended a very informative morning on aged care, respite care, and ACC funding. It was a great opportunity to get together, learn a little more, and enjoy a delicious morning tea supplied by Radius Elloughton Gardens.

It has been a busy few months at Mountain View Village, there is always plenty going on behind the scenes. My focus remains on keeping things running smoothly, dealing with the things that need dealing with, and doing my part to maintain a positive and welcoming village environment.

As we head into the warmer months, I hope everyone enjoys the longer evenings, spend some time outside and enjoys all the wonderful things happening at Mountain View Village.

And if you're finding those darker mornings difficult, you are certainly not alone!

Tania



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Desmond Prisk, Graeme Thompson & Julia Traylor (Asst. Chair)

Your Residents Representatives: Angela Kerr & Lorraine Watkins



NEXT MEETING Tuesday 6th October 2026 @ 4pm

COMMITTEE

Convenors

Valerie Fahey

Members

Karen Brooks

Marie Dey

Noeline Farr

Angela Kerr

Jim Kroening

Dianne Paulin

Helen Thickett

Isn't it good to see so many people out in their gardens, well except when that cold wind is blowing!
It was great to welcome Helen McHaffie back to her slot playing piano on the first Happy hour of the month, after she broke her ankle in May.

The Saint Mary's Children's Choir sang for us on the 5th of September. It is always good to have children in our village and their singing was appreciated. They in turn appreciated the afternoon tea we provided. \$200 was given in donations to the choir thank you.

Our Chinese meal suffered a set back when the owners of the Golden Palace returned from holiday to find their freezers defrosting. We put the meal off for a week. Thank you for your understanding. Some couldn't make the new date but others could so sixty will attend.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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2nd October Helen McHaffey on piano

9th October Elaine Caird on piano.

16th October "Breakthru" The Prentices from Geraldine on guitar and keyboard are playing for 45 minutes so raffles etc will be early.

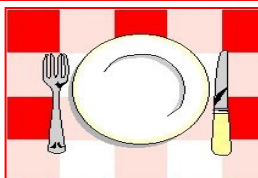
We are hoping to have a BBQ before the end of the month. Look out for a notice in your letterbox.

A farewell for Raylene is being organised. Information about this will appear in your letterbox also.



Croquet, craft, or cornhole, board games, housie or exercise groups, table tennis, movies or bowls, or just a friendly morning tea, please don't sit at home. It's all happening at your community centre. Come join us.

Val Fahey.



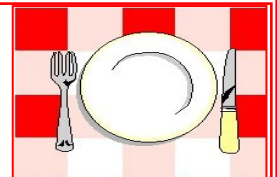
SUNDAY DINNER DINE OUT

11th October at 12 noon

MAKIKIHI HOTEL

Main Rd, Makikihi

ALL WELCOME



Please put your name on the Notice Board list by Thursday 8th October.
If you need transport please contact Helen Thickett 6147363.

Retire and Start Living



NEXT MEETING Tuesday 24th November 2026 @ 3pm

COMMITTEE

Convenor
Jill Welford

Members
Judy Hamer
Ron Paulin
Colin Smith

First and foremost, I wish to thank Pam Dunwoody for her contribution to the Sports Committee and wish her well for her move to Oamaru. I'm sure everything will fall into place and she will enjoy residing in North Otago.

Arriving in your letterboxes will be a questionnaire form, please return to either of the RR's, this form is offering your help with something in the village. It doesn't have to be much, but every little bit helps. Please think about it. We all get to enjoy meals, morning teas and activities. Thanks to those who already contribute. If you feel you aren't fit enough at the moment, maybe think about coming to the occasional happy hour, or attending one of the groups on offer. Most of us moved here for a sense of community, it would be nice to see you. Have a good month.

Thank you, Jill

MOVIES

3rd October Forgotten Love

Forgotten Love follows a renowned surgeon who, after losing his memory and family, begins a new life in rural Poland and gradually crosses paths with someone linked to his past, offering him a chance at redemption.



10th October Hidden Figures???

Hidden Figures follows three African-American women at NASA whose mathematical brilliance drives key moments of the U.S. space program despite segregation and sexism. Their determination, teamwork, and innovation make the story both inspiring and accessible, with standout performances and a balance of humor and drama. Praised for its strong cast, uplifting tone, and historical significance, it is widely considered a must-watch.



17th October No Movie

24th October Agatha Christie Death on the Nile

Death on the Nile follows detective Hercule Poirot on a luxurious cruise down the Nile, where a newlywed couple's honeymoon is shattered by tragedy, leading to an investigation filled with passion, jealousy, and an array of suspects. The visually stunning Egyptian backdrop and sweeping desert vistas enrich the tension-filled mystery. Featuring an all-star ensemble led by Kenneth Branagh, the film offers elegant production design, dramatic twists, and classic whodunnit intrigue.



31st October Train Dreams

A Stoic logger searches for meaning in a life marked by loss and a changing American frontier in this Academy Award-nominated epic.





Library

LAND by Maggie O'Farrell

Reviewed by Trish O'Brien



Ireland 1865 on a windswept Peninsula, Tomas and his son Liam are working for the British Soldiers as they map all of Ireland. A novel about separation, loss, colonisation and rebellion.

CLIVE CUSSLERS - COLD FIRE by Graham Brown

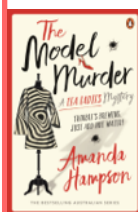
Reviewed by Trish O'Brien



A Nato super weapon is successfully tested at the North Pole. The aircraft carrying it suddenly vanishes. The crew are found murdered at their stations and the weapon capable of triggering global catastrophe is missing. Rival powers are closing in, who will win the race.

THE MODEL MURDER by Amanda Hampton

Reviewed by Trish O'Brien



A Tea ladies mystery. Sydney 1968. A popular local man is murdered, police point to his glamorous model fiancée who has disappeared. Hazel suspects a cover up and rallies her Tea lady friends to investigate, which brings danger to her door. It is a very easy read taking us back to 1960's.

COMMITTEE

Joint Convenors

Trish O'Brien
Lorraine Watkins

Members

John Gresham
Margaret Hartley
Lynne Kroening
Shirley Malthus
Beverley Ward

Church Service - August Report

Andrew Maude from Wilson Street Baptist Church, lead the service with Elaine Caird on piano. Hymns, All Things Bright & Beautiful, Praise My Soul the King of Heaven. Andrew read Psalm 63 v:4-8. He asked us, what do you long for, what satisfies you, where do we turn to when things are hard? When, David the King was forced to flee, to go into hiding because his son Absalom wanted the throne for himself, from his own Dad. A difficult time, to be lied to & deceived in this way by your own son. Imagine what it must be like, to publicly flee and cower in this way? What incredible trust and belief David had in God to help him through this time. And I hope this will be your encouragement to us here today. First of all, thirst. What do we really want? David starts with a picture we can relate to and understand. He talks about his thirst; we all know what it is to thirst. Early morning the first thing that comes to David is the Lord in spite of everything else. What is the first thing on our minds? The Lord or something else? Coffee, to do list or...? Earnestly think about the Lord first today, and coming weeks. As C.S Lewis wrote, 'David had an appetite for God.' In the desert David doesn't long for water or food, he longs for, & craves God. Things change in our lives, they go up & down but God's love does not, it does not change. Our deepest thirst is quenched by the living God, Jesus Christ who said; let anyone who is thirsty come to me. His last words on the cross were, I thirst. Here I am Lord, I have heard you calling in the night; was the last hymn sung. Ann.

Retire and Start Living



Bloke's Morning Tea - September Report

Ray Welcomed the Ladies and Introduced our Speaker; Ingrid Davin-Margin, a staff member at the Timaru library, who entertained us about her very recent Trip to Croatia, Slovenia, Hungary, Bosnia and Austria, interconnected countries at the cross roads of central Europe and the Balkan States.

She shared her highly entertaining and educational address with some brilliant photography that provided a unique insight to an area of the world most of us have never experienced. Their Historic Cities, Structures and beautiful scenery left a lasting impression. Thanks Marlene/Fraser/Barry/John and Jim for your part.

Rob 's health has resulted in another trip to Hospital and he has reluctantly given up his duties.

Ray S

NEXT MEETING - Monday 5th October @ 10am

Speaker: Myway Bus Service - **Tea Stewards:** Lester Frame & Tony Kerr



Tuesday 20th October

Village Morning Tea

@ 10am

Come, chat & enjoy the company of others over a cuppa!

Followed by...

Village Monthly Meeting

@ 11am

Happy Birthday everyone!

Some Statistics

17 Residents Celebrating· 5 Men & 12 Ladies

Age Range 64 - 92· Ave Age 82

Decades 3x60's, 3x70's, 10x80's, 1x90's

x2 on 23rd, 26th & 29th



October

MARIGOLD

Creativity
Passion
Warmth
Wealth
Strength

Congratulations!

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Benvenue Friendship Group – Garden Tour

34 people visited our beautiful Village for a Garden Walk on 14 September.

Thanks to Dorothy Clelland who showed them around the Gardens and Walkways with help from Suzette Shaw. This was a wonderful way to showcase our Village.

Inez Wilson talked on 'Cooking with Herbs' which was followed by a delicious 'High Tea' afternoon tea prepared by Helen Black.



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Note New



Newsletter Cut Off Date 22nd October 2026

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

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All Contributions for the Newsletter are to be emailed to ruth@mvv.co.nz as soon as your meeting / event has taken place. Please do not wait for the Cut Off Date to send your information as it does not allow time for editing etc. This date is there for last minute events please. **Thank you**

Award Winner - Nachiko Schollum

We are delighted to celebrate one of our very talented residents Nachiko Schollum who recently received the Premium Award at the Timpany Walton SC Pottery Groups annual exhibition for her beautifully potted March Hare.



*Congratulations Nachiko
very well deserved!*



Retire and Start Living

Matt McCambridge



20 YEARS
that is 240 months
1,040 WEEKS
7,300 DAYS | **175,200 HOURS**
10,512,000 MINUTES *and counting!*

20+
YEARS
DELIVERING EXCELLENCE

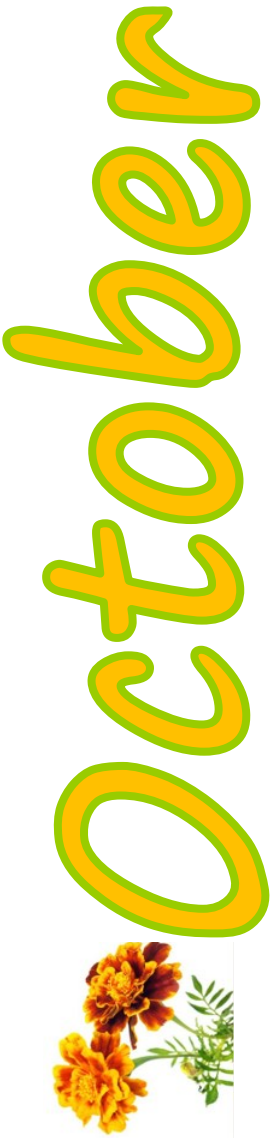


Congratulations!

20 Years working hard in our Village

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UPCOMING EVENTS

SUN	MON	TUESDAY	WED	THURS	FRIDAY	SAT
						
4	5 Blokes Morning Tea 10 Craft & Chat 10 Triominos 1.30	6 PODIATRIST Walk Group 10 Rummikub 1.30 Table Tennis 4 Entertainment Comm. Mtg 4 Wine Appreciation 7	7 Golf Croquet 10.30 Balance Class 1 Mah Jong 1.30 Lawn Bowls 1.30	1 Church Service 11 Upright & Active 1 Housie 2 Cards 500 7	2 Corn Hole 11 Choir Practice 1.30 Sept. Sports & Recreation Comm Mtg 3 Social Hour 4.30 Helen McHaffey on Piano	3 Movie 1.30
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HAPPINESS
IS A MOOD.
POSITIVITY
IS A MINDSET.

Village Church Service
Thursday 1st October
@ 11am
Restoration Ministries
Kathleen Macdonald
All Welcome



PODIATRIST



**Tuesday
6th October**



**DUTY ROSTER
October 2026**

DUTY MANAGER
Val Fahey

FRIDAY NIGHT DELL DUTIES:
Helen Thickett & Don Sargent

FRIDAY NIGHT HOST:
Helen Thickett

Thank you for your help.

SOCIAL HOUR Friday's @ 4.30pm



In the
Community Centre

ALL WELCOME



Changes in LIFE

We all live our lives knowing that things CHANGE! I used to run marathons, now I struggle to walk around the block. I used to have hair down to my shoulders, now days it really only grows on my face. I used to have hair under my armpits, I now have No body hair.

As a Country we are about to have a General Election, this again will be another change, maybe?

We grow as infants, children, teenagers, young adults, parents, grand parents, elderly, all CHANGES in our lives. Remember the phone on the wall, Black & white TV, NO TV, just the valve radio.

Do we accept them, do we need to make changes, you cannot stay a young adult all your life, although we may wish to!

CHANGE can be difficult at ANY age, but we have to have CHANGE to progress, to move forward.

My view.

Tony Kerr

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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