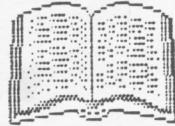


AUGUST 1991

# WAIWHARE WIRE



Yes, I'm amazed too! It's amazing that we already have another issue of the Wire so soon after our last issue. This is really because of the efforts put in by Carol and a small team of helpers working with her on production of the mag. Linda Ward, Chris Dunn and Keren Wallace are all busy, grabbing selected people by the throat to get contributions from them to make our mag an interesting and informative publication.

So thanks ladies for your input and your help.

This is a real 'Bumper issue' with heaps of holiday reading for everyone. We hope all this reading does not 'turn off' those of you with a short concentration span - Never mind Tony - perhaps you can read a page a day!

*Congratulations*

To Robyn and Stuart McDougal on the birth of little Thomas George on 17th June.

To Margie and Rob Glennie for producing two beautiful daughters - Alice May (5lb.11oz.) and Sydney Kate (5lb.7oz.)  
Well done Margie!



Margie with Kate (left) and Alice.

Two Waiwhare weddings have been celebrated in the space of just a month - seems incredible doesn't it?

CONGRATULATIONS AND ALL THE BEST FOR THE FUTURE

Paul and Maylene Bryant

Chris and Danny Ward (not another Ward!)

But...things happen in three's don't they? ...who's next?

Congratulations...to Jarreau Purcell for doing so well in his rugby this year and for being selected for the Ross Sheild trials.  
..to Andrew Clarke and Bradley Wallace for collecting the 'Most Improved Player' trophies of their rugby teams.  
..to Grade 7 - Bradley Wallace, Daniel Ward, Nicholas Webster, Jock Lawrence and Ross Monson and the rest of their team for winning the TOP TEAM sheild - we look forward to seeing this displayed at the school shortly.

Congratulations to Andy Gunson for gaining the BEGINNERS PRIZE at the recent Science Fair with his experiments on mould - well done Andy. A few of the Waiwhare School children may have been able to help you out there Andy and donated the contents of their school bags !!!



## School News

School has been rolling along well lately, we've had a very enjoyable and rewarding middle term and a really fun and enjoyable atmosphere has surrounded us over the last few months.

The school roll presently stands at 50 and it's pleasing to see the roll being at this number, considering that we started the year with a roll number of only 43.

It is on July 1st that the Ministry of Education assesses roll numbers in order to work out the staffing of the school for 1992 and also to establish what our bulk grant will be for next year. Our grading roll on that day was 52.6 (5 year old children are actually counted as  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ) This guarantees that we retain three teachers for next year and our funding for the year will remain at about \$39,900.

In 1990 our bulk grant was \$49,393 (before G.S.T.) The B.O.T. managed to run the school on \$47,593 for the year. We place some \$1800. in reserve for replacing and upgrading buildings and equipment in future years. This years bulk grant was cut from \$49,400 to \$39,900. The government has stated that the bulk grants for 1992 will be frozen at the same as this year. So our spending power is getting less and less each year.

In the last budget the government announced that B.O.T. will now be responsible for the paying of day to day relief teachers. This is the beginning of a phase where the B.O.T. be responsible for the paying of teacher salaries. The board will have the power to be able to employ as many (or as few) teachers as they wish. They can employ anyone they want to as well - even unqualified people and people who do not hold a trained teachers certificate. Most B.O.T.'s in N.Z. have indicated to the government that they would prefer to have nothing to do with the paying of teachers salaries. At this stage the system is due to be implemented in 1993 and 30 schools throughout N.Z. are presently trying this system.

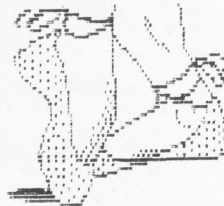
We recently held a reading evening at the school. As well as discussing various approaches on learning to read, teaching reading and monitoring and evaluation we had on display the schools reading material, recently purchased books, big books, computer programmes and listening post tapes. The evening was attended by seven parents and three visitors, one being a university student from Japan who is presently visiting Brian and Pat Tolley.

I would like to congratulate Jarreau Purcell, a Form 1 pupil at the school who was chosen for Ross Sheild trials for Hastings West. Unfortunately Jarreau missed final selection in the team but still an excellent effort to be chosen for trials, and, there's always next year!

## Dancing

Tina Clarke and Suzanne Ward (as well as ex-local, Amy Price) have been learning modern dance at Jennifer Grant's School of Dancing for the past three years. Earlier this year they all passed their Grade 1 exam with flying colours and on August 10th they took part in the second annual Variety Concert at the Hastings Municipal Theatre. They also performed in the concert last year, quite an honour as they are part of the only dancing group in the concert.

Suzanne and Amy started their dancing days learning ballet from Cynthia Chalmers, firstly at Otamauri School (as it was then) and later at Sherenden Hall. A group of 12 to 15 four to eight year old girls still meets at the hall each Monday afternoon to practise being junior prima ballerinas. Local girls attending this year are Joanna Ward, Michelle Dunn, Jessie Oster and Anna Monson.



All mothers are awaiting "Mothers' Day" with eager anticipation - as that is the day when we find out how dainty our little darlings have become.

During July and August, Rugby Union and League have been hot topics of conversation in our household. With four sons, what can one expect. And what is one to do? If you can't beat 'em...join 'em! I have become an avid supporter, even sacrificing craft group to watch a game or two of league. Actually there are several ladies in the district who wouldn't mind a rerun of the league games and those nicely built men in their brief shorts! The games of course were exciting too!

We hear Mike Barnett has all three league games on tape, girls, for those moments when the World Cup games get a little boring.

Right Mike ?

## FIRE-PARTY

The Hastings District Council has based an International fire-engine at the Kaweka fire-depot. This has replaced the County fire trailer that was based opposite Waiwhare School. This trailer has now been removed and the shed will follow shortly.

A volunteer fire-party has been created and a call out list of these volunteers has been forwarded to the County and the Fire Service. A 111 call to the Fire Service will activate the call out.

Some training was done last summer and lately a small core of people who live close to the forest H.Q. has received some training on the two machines based there. Training will commence again in September and the Fire Service has promised to come to the party with training in dealing with property fires.

A skill previously not strong in the fire-party.

I look forward to seeing the guys at training on Wednesday 4th September, 4.30pm

S.T. Smith



Playcentre children at the  
Hastings Fire Station

with: Fiona Elliott, Daniel  
Henries, Anna Wilson  
Maree Wallace.

# WAIWHARE SCHOOL

FANCY



DRESS

**THEME: A Night at the Movies**

**PLACE: Sherenden Hall**

**WHEN: Thursday 29th**

**August 7:30 pm**

**EVERYBODY WELCOME!!**





Paul and Maylene, or Maylene and Paul, depending on who is the boss at the time, would like to thank all those people who came to our wedding party. Thanks everyone for the gifts and your company. We had a lovely day and a great evening; unfortunately life resumed as normal on Monday ... Sunday was a struggle!! Thanks Buster for the 'sounds' and once again thanks to you Liz for your culinary skills and Debbie for your decorating. The pongas looked great, thank you Clive.

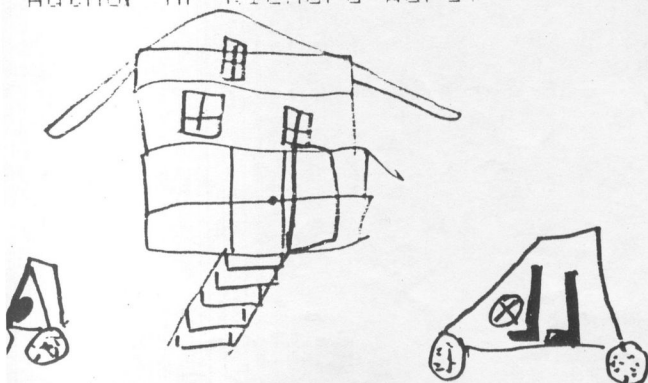
Thanks very much to those kind folk who manned, or as the case may be, laded the bar. Nathan and Troy; Mr. Peachey for your time and the double triples; it didn't matter, she drank it anyway.

July and August have been covered, what is happening for the rest of the year?

## The Wedding

We went to Woods' wedding. Callum and Andrew were there. Then we saw an opossum. After we went into the bushes and I got a sting. I didn't know what it was. Then I went inside and I got some ice to put on myself. And I played in the hall. Dave got a balloon but I let it go. Then I tried to get a balloon. Andy and Jamie tried, Andy got the balloon. I stayed up to 3 o'clock.

Author Mr. Richard Ward.



Mart and the Tart

BUS CO SUBMISSION TO HASTINGS  
DISTRICT COUNCIL

Last Monday, 19th August 1991 the President of the Waiwhare Bus Co Inc Graham Lawrence, and his secretary Ian Paton, addressed the Hastings District Council on a previously written submission to the District Draft Annual Plan. They were seated around the councillors table and addressed a full council meeting for 10 minutes and then had to answer a further 10 minutes of questions.

The details of our written submission read:

"We are writing on behalf of the Waiwhare Bus Co Inc, who operated the two school buses in the Waiwhare district. After Omahu school, Waiwhare School is the next largest school on the Taihape Rd, with 3 teachers and a roll of 50 pupils."

The routes travelled each day including the distances of each road. This is a total of 166km and of these 125km are metal. This metal road represents 75% of our route.

The metal surface of these roads are in an appalling state, thus causing us much passenger discomfort and increased maintenance to the buses.

We understand from the draft plan that there is only \$50 000 to be allocated for the Taihape Rd, as we cannot see where money has been available for upgrading the above mentioned roads. We are therefore writing to ask you to accept a submission that money be allocated to improve the surface of these roads."

During our speaking time we expanded on the submission and we suggested areas that we felt required sealing- ie the Glenross hill from Robinson's to the top of the hill, and another section from the school towards Fountains. We also made a mention that the Glenross Road alone must be paying over \$80 000 in rates so we thought a lack of funds was not a valid argument for not doing some work.

Three councillors spoke in a positive manner showing sympathy towards our submission and Mr Fraser the engineer, mentioned they might be able to "push" to get some funding from Transit N.Z, but we had to remember we did not have a heavy traffic density on this section of road.

Mr Fraser also mentioned the cost of maintaining rural roads works out at about \$3 000 per km per year, and as Glenross Rd is 12km long somewhere near \$36 000 must be spent on this road every year without any extra work done. It costs to prepare and seal a new section of road anything from \$18 000 to \$120 000 per km depending how much preparation is required, and this must be followed up 3 years later with a reseal costing approx. \$15 000 per km. From these figures it was shown how funding is stretched to do this work.

The outcome of our submission will be known after it is considered by the Councils management team on 12 September 1991. So we will keep you posted to any future developments.

## HB had country library in 1878

The story of a public library operating from a backcountry station in Hawke's Bay in 1878 was told to the historical affairs section of the Hawke's Bay and East Coast Art Society by Miss Alice Woodhouse, the society's librarian, at last night's meeting of the historical section.

The Glenross Public Library was the work of David Paton Balfour and the remains of this early public service were sent recently to the Hawke's Bay Museum. This contained a few books, mostly about 40 or 50 years old, a catalogue dated 1915 and listing more than 3000 books and a balance sheet for the year 1900. This showed there were 35 subscribers, the subscription was 1/- a month and the librarian's fee was £5 a year. There was a Government subsidy of £10.

Glenross Public Library had its start, Miss Woodhouse said, in 1878 when the men of Mangawhare Station came to the manager and said they

had collected 10/- each between themselves to buy books. The manager, David Paton Balfour, took the money, added another pound as his contribution and went in to Napier to buy books. He bought 52 books for his £5.

D. P. Balfour was a remarkable man. He had emigrated from Scotland to Victoria with his family and made his own way to Otago and then to Hawke's Bay. When he arrived in New Zealand he could barely read, having resisted all attempts to educate him. While working in Otago, he attended night classes and learned Greek, mathematics, astronomy, botany and other subjects.

After being driven off his first holding on the Mohaka River by Hau Hau raids, he became manager of Mangawhare for J. G. Kinross.

Mr Kinross sold Mangawhare and kept a "small part," a mere 30,000 acres, which he called Glenross. When Balfour moved to the

new homestead he took the library with him and it blossomed out into The Glenross Public Library.

Miss Woodhouse said a catalogue to which she had access, dated 1884, listed 744 books, mostly novels of the day. Entrance fee was 2/6 and then 2d a week subscription, but shearers on Mangawhare could get books throughout the shearing season for 2/- a week without entrance fee.

The books travelled back to Mangawhare when Balfour had to leave Glenross in 1889. His employer got into financial difficulties, the station was taken over by Dalgety's and Balfour lost his job. For a time he worked for the Hawke's Bay County Council and was responsible for much of the work at the Napier end of the Taupo Road.

Miss Woodhouse said she had talked recently with the late Mrs Sanderson who was then in her nineties.

About 1905 Glenross was

bought by T. Sanderson and W. Duncan with Mr Sanderson as manager.

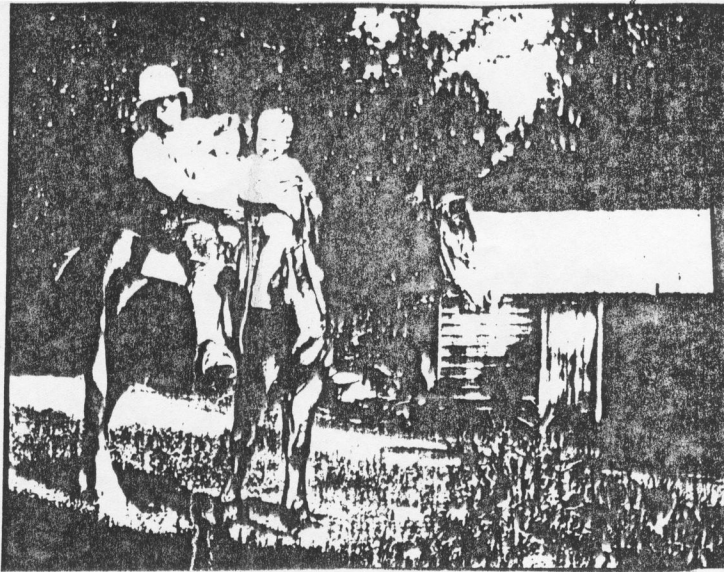
Mrs Sanderson had vivid memories of the station which she had greatly loved. Her report on the interesting history of the library, Miss Woodhouse said, was that the men on Mangawhare carried it on for some years, in particular a man called Harrison.

When he died in 1920, Mrs Sanderson herself acted as librarian for about 10 or 12 years until she found that all and sundry had access to the library and books were getting lost and destroyed. She refused to take any further responsibility for the library, and for 30 years, its useful life has been limited.

Miss Woodhouse said it was heartening to think that the Country Library Service had taken over where the old Glenross Library left off, that its vans now roll along the Taihape Road regularly and the people of the area are once more served.

The original Mangawhare library. It still stands on the McKae property - in a state of disrepair. On the horse are Frank, Peggy and David Hildreth.

The Mangawhare library is currently operating - books may be taken out free of charge. Contact Pat Tolley - 875.



### Recipe Books

A message for all those people who enquired about the recipe for Chris and Danny's wedding cake - it is on page 7 of the Waiwhare Cookbook (Linda's recipe). Guaranteed never to be dry.

The recipe book is being re-re-re-reprinted after the school holidays so let me know if you wish to get a copy. Believe me, they go as fast as I can produce them as Pat Tolley whisks most of them away to sell to her visitors. Pat is quite cunning and I recommend that others try her approach - when visitors rave about her bread and ask her for the recipe she sells them the book instead. Thank you, Pat, for selling so many on the school's behalf.

Linda



The following is part of a letter received recently from Grant Tolley in Al Gosaibi, Saudi Arabia.

Well, everything is settling down quite a bit now over here... certainly a change from the war, that's for real... pity the 'pay cheque hasn't stayed the same!!

The Yanks are pulling out in a big way from our base now although it's still going to take some time yet. On the way to our beach alongside the road there's 7 km of vehicles parked up both sides of the road waiting to get shipped out! All their aircraft - fighters, that is - have gone now although the Kuwaiti Skyhawks and Mirages are still operating out of the base. A lot of Yanks in town which unfortunately keeps the prices up around here.

..... Only downloaded the rest of our "alert" bombers about 2 weeks ago so now most of them are flying. The ADV's are still flying CAP's (Combat Air Patrols) and they're still on 12 hours but not all the time.

..... Have been playing touch rugby down at the beach, mainly Aussies and Kiwis, on the sand and then when it gets too hot we end up playing it in the water..... am organising an ANZAC game against my club the Al Khobar Eagles. Have a few trips organised this year with the rugby club - I think the main one is to get away to Cyprus.

Weather wise out here...well, it's just starting to warm up...into the high 30's, low 40's at the moment - ... the humidity is still a bit low so really it's quite nice...

We've been getting quite a bit of the free Kuwaiti smoke down this way...some days it's quite bad and it has upset the weather pattern. We've been having a lot of cancels for flying because of the weather and last Thursday was the worst I've seen... had high winds so had a sand storm mixed in with the smoke. Just when I came back off leave we had a bit of acid rain as well - real black spots. You notice the smog as it gets in the back of the throat, especially out running too.. oh, to be able to take a decent breath of fresh air. Has been hard shaking off colds at times too.



#### Pony Club

In the last few months we have had ten people in the district who attended an Instructors Course Assessment day at Waiwhare. From these ten only five can go forward this year to attend a course taken by an international instructor. The other five will attend next year if they still wish to do so.

The two instructors who came up to Waiwhare had a great day and were very impressed with the standard of those who attended.

On Sunday 11th August, Otamauri Pony Club riders were invited to the Northern Hawke's Bay Pony Club Gymkhana at Puketapu. Elissa Chalmers and Serena Goulding attended. There were five age groups and with 16-17 riders in each group the competition was fairly stiff. Serena won a 4th in the potato race and Elissa won a 4th in the age jump, a 5th in riding and 6th in the medley in her age group. A really enjoyable day but very long as I judged all day with 47 riders in the Hunters' Jump.

Christine

On behalf of those who attended the recent reading evening at school I would like to thank Tony, Pam and Marion for their efforts in providing what was an interesting and enlightening occasion. Many of the complexities of how children actually learn to read and develop their reading ability were explained clearly and with tremendous enthusiasm. A large display of the reading material available to our very lucky children was set out for parents to inspect. Those of us who did attend felt that such an evening should be compulsory for all parents as not all of us recognise the value of reading in our lives.



# Mighty Midgets and Tiny Tyrants

Room One have been studying this theme during the past few weeks. Here is some of the language work from that study. If you are interested to see other examples of the childrens work done during this conservation study, feel free to come down to the school and view it.

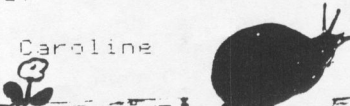
Pam Gunson.

## Snails.

Snails lay eggs underground. I like snails, they are good for our garden. Snails go away from their eggs. They soon crack the eggs when they are hatching and the egg will hatch.

The snail will eat the egg when they are hungry, then go out for food.

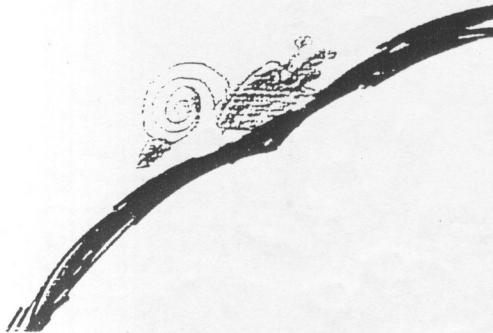
Author Miss Caroline Robinson.



## The Snail

Snails are good and they are mighty midgets and they leave their eggs behind. Enemies come and eat the eggs. And the snail comes back and lays more eggs.

Author Miss Joanna Ward.



## Worms.

Worms wiggle underground. One worm wiggled, Right down Morning came. Some worms disappear, Waiting for rain.

Poet Mr Corey Bullock.



## The Spider

I saw a spider, it was black. I found it in a yellow ball by the calves. I was scared of it. I threw it away but in the morning the spider was gone.

Author Miss Michelle Dunn.

WHATS HAPPENING AT KAWEKA FOREST

OWNERSHIP:

One of the most often asked questions about the forest that I get asked is, "Who owns it now?"

As most of you are probably aware, the Forest Corporation was privatised in November and its Hawkes Bay forests were sold to Carter Holt Harvey Forests Ltd. That is, the crop and the management rights were sold, the land remained in the crown's possession.

A few months ago, Oji Sankoku, (the Japanese partner with C.H.H. Forests in the Pan-Pac Mill at Whirinaki) bought all of the State forests off Carter H. and all but 10% of its interest in the mill in a 'rubber-band' deal which allows it to buy back into the mill and forests. The life of this option is two years.

So meantime a quite complex situation occurs where the crown owns the land, Oji Sankoku own the crop and the management rights and Carter Holt Harvey manage the forests under contract to Oji Sankoku.

LOGGING

The next concern of local people is logging and its impact on the local roads with logging trucks. Logging was due to start in March this year, but has been delayed and is due to commence shortly.

There will be only one gang to start with and this situation will last until 1993. Approximately 76,000 tonnes per annum will be logged in this period, which equates to about 12 truckloads per day. However from 1993 until 1996 up to three gangs will be employed to log up to 199,000 tonnes per annum and this equates to around 33 truckloads per day. From 1996 to the turn of the century production is planned to increase to 217,000 tonnes per annum.(35 trucks per day).

The major increase in production is partly due to the fact that between 80 to 90% of the wood for the Pan-Pac Mill has been supplied from Kaingaroa Forest, under a sale that dates back to Forest Service days. This sale runs out in February and the Hawkes Bay forests are going to have to take over supplying the mill.

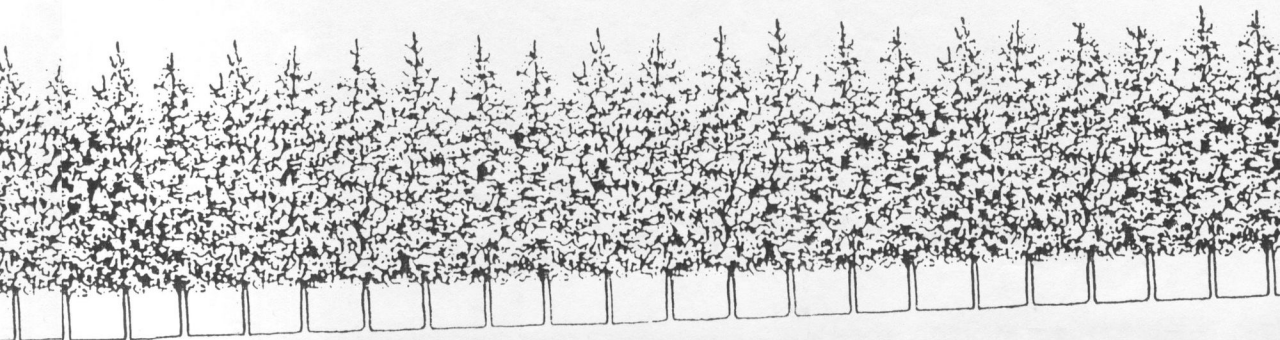
FOREST DEVELOPMENT

One concern that people often bring up, is that there was no legislation to force the companies that bought the State forests to replant after logging. While it is true there is no legislation to cover forests other than sand-dune forests, planting will continue. The management rights were sold for a MINIMUM of 33 years. This means the company will still have to pay land rentals for the land after logging for 33 years even if nothing is done to land. So as the average crop rotation at Kaweka is 25-30 years, it makes sound economic sense to replant and get a further crop in this period.

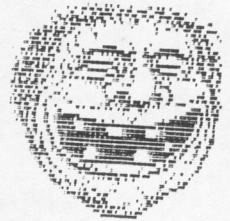
I hope this answers some questions and concerns that some people have over your local forest.

Have a good one, cheers.

*S.T. Smith*



# WAIWHARE WALLY OF THE WEEK



## Waiwhare Wally of the Week

Monday last week most families in the Waiwhare, Otamauri districts had their power off for a short time during the afternoon.

One particular family, however, still had no power towards tea time, so the children and their mother set about getting the evening meal and preparing the candles for when darkness finally arrived. As evening approached they set up the primus and began cooking tea by candlelight.

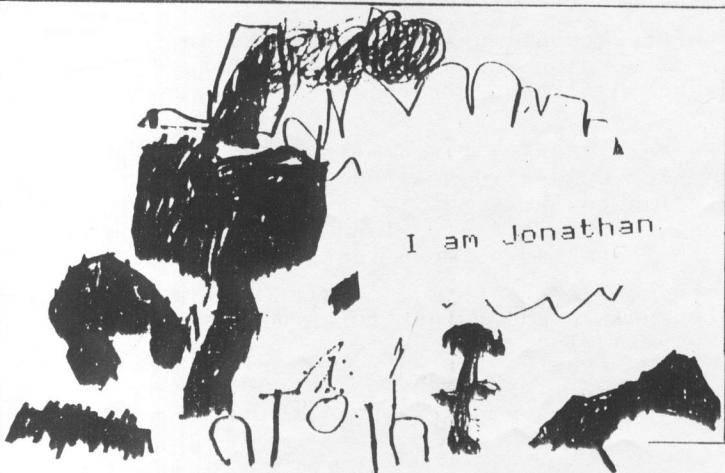
When our Wally arrived home he suggested they ring the Power Board. His better half, however, recommended he check the switchboard. It was then (by torchlight) that they discovered the main switch off and our Wally admitted that sometime during the day he had turned it off to check the fuses and had forgotten to turn it back on! (One way of getting the family to save power, I guess!!).

## SNOW

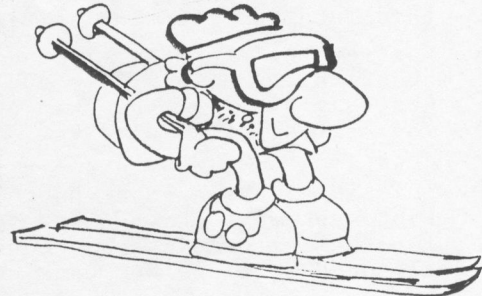
What a thrill we had last Monday when all of a sudden, out of the blue (or was it grey), came a splattering of picturesque white flakes. Who would have thought within an hour or so, the countryside could change so dramatically from typical spring colours, to a blanket cover of white. - Even the young bloods were seen to be greasing their skis - are they farmers or players?

Just as quickly as it came though, the snow seemed to disappear as the sun poked its head through the clouds, (not before some of us had had a few frolicking moments in it, however!)

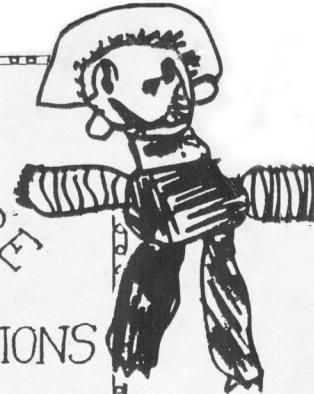
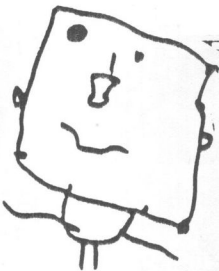
We were then asking ourselves the question "Did it really snow this morning?" as we basked in the sun all afternoon.



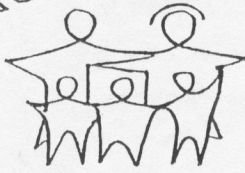
I am Jonathan.



From BRAND NEW ENTRANT  
JONATHAN KERNOT.



# OTAMAURI PLAYCENTRE



## OFFICIAL OPENING OF EXTENSIONS

Otamauri Playcentre would like to  
invite you to the opening of their  
extensions on 21st Sept ~ 11-30 am


LUNCHEON PROVIDED.

RSVP CHRIS DUNN OAR 824

Lyn Elliott OAR 843

21ST SEPT 11-30 AM

OTAMAURI PLAYCENTRE



No-one can have failed to notice the new extension to the building at Otamauri Playcentre. We are thrilled with it so far, and are now concentrating on painting and decorating. On closer inspection you can also see our mums and dads have been busy sprucing up the grounds with shrubs, bark and concreting. We are hoping everything will come together for our official opening on September 21st. All the building, health and safety standards enforced on us by the Ministry of Education over the past two years meant a lot of our energy and resources have focused in this area. The recent culmination of all this seems to have those involved fired with enthusiasm and ready to channel this into quality time at Playcentre with our children.

Earlier this term we visited the Pre-school music group at St. Andrews where about thirty of our mums and children sang and danced to the catchy tunes of Rev. David Dell. The swim and shared fish and chips at Flaxmere Pool after was a great crowd pleaser.

Several of us enjoyed a visit to Port Ahuriri Playcentre a few weeks ago. This is always a good chance to pick up new ideas, and see how others do things. Last week we took the four year olds to the Fire Station, a neat experience for them with lots to see and do. Lunch at Fantasyland was a great success although getting them back out the gate was no mean feat.

We are about to start our last theme for the term - 'living things! The possibilities here I imagine are endless and I look forward to this.

We have some dates for you to keep in mind;

Official Opening - Sept. 21st.

Sherenden Flower Show - Nov. 2nd.

More details later. Any enquiries to Leonie Smith ph. 8742 804.



The following is a letter received from Vanetta and Neil Rosenberg back in April of this year:

Dear Waiwhare, Otamauri & Sherenden Community Friends,

Helen's wonderful painting of the Napier waterfront scene will always remind us of you all, and of the happy days spent in such a neat community.

Your generosity with the gifts and the great "send-off" at Playcentre was more than overwhelming and anything I could write would seem inadequate, to describe the appreciation we feel for all that was done for us.

The painting, the carefully selected books and the ceramic tile featuring the dear old school bus are all very cherished mementoes. In fact it's only lately we've been able to look at that very school-bus-tile without a huge lump in the throat. Down here the school bus still arrives at 8.05am at the bottom of the road but there's a difference - if you're not there it just sails on past!

Despite pangs of homesickness we are settling in well and I have to admit it is very easy living life on the outskirts of a city. Eight minutes from the kitchen to the Octagon is nice. Our house is really comfortable, warm and sunny and we still marvel at the view. To the east it's out to the head of the harbour and to the west it's back to the city. Next door is a paddock which belongs to one of the neighbours, which is mowed, not grazed! Neil and the "other" kids on the road would gather there for cricket in the warmer weather. People seem to be indoors now that it's wintry but generally we seem to see quite a bit of the neighbours and everyone seems friendly.

Neil's course is going well and he's at present "on section" teaching accounting, economics and junior maths at Logan Park High School, Dunedin's largest co-ed with 1200 pupils.

Sam is enjoying Macandrew Bay School. There are about 120 pupils and 6-7 teachers. I couldn't say it has the personal touch that Waiwhare had but it does have a countrified feel about it. I've been quite involved in fundraising for the school. Six of us made a patchwork quilt which was raffled, raising \$800. Bright idea for Waiwhare!? Also the school fair a fortnight ago netted \$3200 (previous years never over \$2000). Tough economic times?

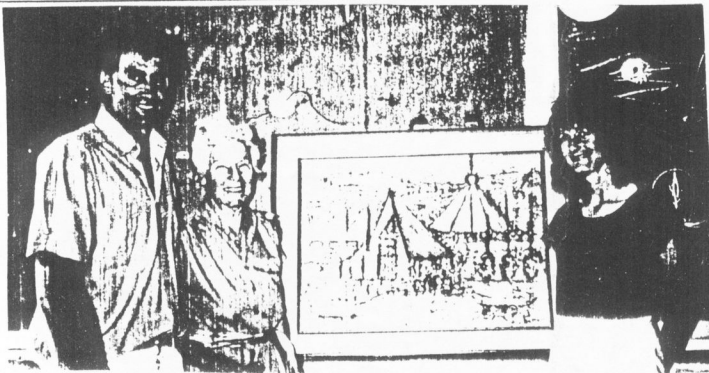
Chloe is now a kindy child at Waverley (towards town). I looked at the various options and decided against the dwindling playcentre at Macandrew Bay. She's thriving on the social interaction.

We thoroughly enjoyed Helen's recent visit and in her unique way she recounted several happenings since we had left Otamauri. The Sports Day sounded better than ever!

I feel sad when I think of you people gathering for playcentre, institute, craft group, garden circle, school functions and community functions, but at the same time we feel glad that we were part of it all for that eight years.

With grateful thanks for your friendship and your generosity.

Vanetta and Neil Rosenberg



### Modern Mary

Mary had a little sheep,  
Her neighbour kept it with his flock.  
And every year she'd use the wool  
To knit two dozen pairs of socks.

But now her old age pension's cut,  
And poor old Mary has to eat,  
The little lamb is mutton ham,  
And Mary's left with frozen feet.

## Badminton and Squash

Two enjoyable evenings were held a couple of weeks ago when the Badminton Club invited the Squash Club members for a night out and vice versa. The badminton night was very successful, with a round-robin tournament organised. We played table tennis, bowls and badminton. Many laughs watching some squash players attempting to play badminton. Some real "Hollywoods", aye Jill?

Not sure who won - Badminton, I think!

The squash night proved to be great fun, with a round-robin tournament evening also organised. Straight into a ten minute game of squash (no warm up) then on to play darts and pool. Much hilarity and "gay banter" at the pool and darts. Jeannie Ward and Pam Gunson were the guns at the pool table, beating the male opponents game after game. They could do no wrong!

A yummy supper was provided and light refreshments (which affected some more than others!). Some also took part in boat races, I do remember. Do hope we can make this an annual event. Still not sure who won - was it Badminton? Who cares?!!

Helen Ward

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## SOCIAL CLUB

Another year gone by, enjoyed by all those who attended. At the A.G.M. held recently a new committee was elected comprising:- M.Robertson, J.Weir, A.Ward, S.McDougal, G.Sheild, D.Hill.

Looking forward to another good year with -

The rugby World Cup !

Chris Wards first child ?

Roly getting down to Grant Fox's weight !

A holiday to America for Sue McRae ( It'll be cheaper than the court costs and shout) for whoever goes through Johnny's fence next.

Have a good one - The Committee.



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## CRAFT GROUP

Our two recent workshops have been highly successful and thoroughly enjoyed. Knitting: what wonderful ideas Robyn Gardener handed on to us all; especially those 'short cuts' to make knitting with a professional finish so simple. Dried flowers: we all 'arranged' at least one basket of dried flowers and filled a bag of pot pouri at this workshop run by Sue and Mary from 'Victoria Baskets' who were so generous with their flowers - I,m sure we all got more than our moneys worth here (some more than others). We also made herbed scones and herbed butter - yum!!

Next Workshop: HARDANGER EMBROIDERY. 31st AUGUST. WAIWHARE SCHOOL.  
10 a.m. Bring some lunch to share.

A small fee will be charged.

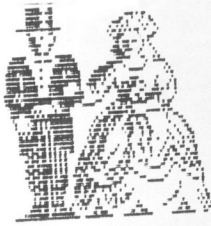
Non craft group members are most welcome.

Ring Carol 844, or Jill 825 for further details.

Please let us know if you intend to come along as we need definite numbers.

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Yes folks! He's done it. Martin has agreed to do a centre spread for us! Unfortunately, we'll have to wait for the next issue. Sorry Christine!



Chris and Danny Ward's wedding took place at Sherenden Hall on August 17th, 1991 at 3.30pm. The chapel was beautifully decorated with flowers arranged by Ruth Nowell-Usticke. The service was performed by Fr Mike Foley, a school friend of Chris's from Silverstream. The bride and groom entered the hall together, Danny wearing an apricot suit with a dainty cream blouse and Chris in a pale fawn suit. Danny's bridesmaid was her friend, Annette, who looked stunning in a turquoise dress and Chris was supported by ex-local Stuart Nairn, now from Cambridge.

The wedding service was very simple and meaningful. Danny's sister, Paula and Chris's nephew and godson, Michael Ward, shared the readings. The bride and groom signed the register to the accompaniment of "Holy Morning" and "Love Me Tender", played by Linda. All too soon the service was over and Danny was part of the Ward family.

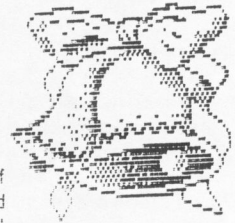
Initial worries about the weather earlier in the day were laid to rest and family photos were able to be taken outside the hall. The bride and groom were then whisked off by drivers Jasper Nowell-Usticke and Andrew Ward, firstly to Danny's family home and then up to the old Wrekin woolshed for official photos.

Meantime, the wedding guests enjoyed themselves sipping the wine and eating Liz's delicious savouries. The reception started about 6pm and was presided over by Danny's brother, Jeremy Simpson, a very able MC. The usual toasts were performed, with entertaining speeches and jokes from Andrew Hildreth and Stuart. Once the formal part of the reception was over the guests then partook of a veritable feast of cold meat, casseroles, salads and vegetables, followed by fruit salad, meringues and eclairs. The creator of this feast was the district master chef, Liz Kay, who deserves the highest praise for her efforts. Liz was ably assisted in the kitchen by Carol Ayres, Carolyn Clarke and Gerald. Sincere thanks to you all.

At 8pm guests began arriving for the dance and the present table began to fill rapidly. Bridesmaid Annette was eagerly assisted by Danny's nieces and new nieces-in-law in opening the fabulous presents. MC Jeremy welcomed everyone to the dance and handed over to Chris, who announced the fact that it was his parents' ruby (40th) wedding anniversary the next day. The Ward grandchildren presented their grandparents with gifts and flowers and then Fred and Lorna cut their own cake. Chris and Danny, together with Fred and Lorna, then led off the dancing with "The Anniversary Waltz".

The rest of the evening went very quickly. All enjoyed dancing to Buster Monson's selection of music and nibbled on Liz's delicious meatballs and savouries. Naturally it was the Waiwhare crowd who was still there after midnight. The dance finally ended about 3.30am - quite normal around here!

On Sunday the Wards, always keen to carry on, put on a hangi at Wrekin. It was laid down by Craig Guy, who really is a master in the art, as the food was delicious. The cold weather meant we all made use of the shearers' quarters once again. All in all, a terrific weekend.



## Welcome to Waiwhare, Danny

Every now and then in education, one comes across classic comments said by children. This weeks was when I asked the class what they could tell me about giant squids. "Well", came the answer from a young pupil "They have long bodies and eight testicles!"

### Netball

At the school children's inter-school sports days on Thursdays a few ladies decided it would be fun to get together and help the children improve their game. From this a Ladies' Social Netball Team was formed. The Sherenden Ladies also got a team together and we played a game at Waiwhare in July, which Waiwhare won. The following Monday the teams played again, this time at Sherenden. The game ended in a draw.

The Waiwhare team is still meeting at school on Wednesday lunchtimes and playing mixed teams with the children. We've even got Rev. Dell really enjoying the game - now that he knows the rules.

Thank you Carolyn, Leonie, Pam, Jane, Marion, Keren and Gill for giving up your time for a team that has no practising or coaching. I think we really are a top lot!

Christine



GOLF (Or how to get the most out of Tuesdays!)

To me, golf is one of the easiest, most enjoyable ways of keeping fit - over 5kms of walking at least once a week goes a long way to achieving a reasonable level of fitness for people of all ages. It's fun and has the blessing of doctors and health specialists everywhere. The game can be enjoyed in an organised Club competition situation or equally, in 'small groups playing a casual game at any of the numerous golf courses around the country. It is also a great way to meet people - as new-comers to Hawkes Bay five years ago, Stuart and I found the Waiwhare district a very friendly and welcoming place to live but golf has given us contact with lots of people outside our immediate area.

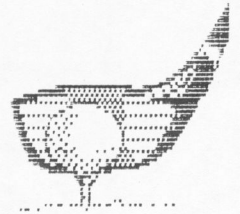
The Ladies Club has mid-week and weekend members who all take part in the same weekly competition. Players choose which day (Tuesday or Sunday) will be their competition day but Sunday players are always welcome on Tuesdays. Lady members are always encouraged to play on Sundays when the Men's Club has visitors for the day - visits are arranged between other golf clubs, social clubs, the District Council, Police etc. and to take part in Mixed Tournaments run by the Club.

Other activities are arranged occasionally by the Tuesday ladies either in conjunction with golf or as an extra. Every so often we have a 'plant day' when we exchange plants and raise a little bit of money for club funds. We visited the garden at Matapiro Homestead after golf one Tuesday. Exchange visits with other golf clubs are often enjoyed as a social outing in contrast to the more serious Inter-club matches which are played annually. We also have a '3 putt' club where the fines imposed for 3 putting subsidise an annual lunch outing. The Golf Club runs a Social every year - in earlier years it was a Ball.

The Hillary Commission funded 'Come and Learn' clinics this year which were highly successful - I understand there are still some to come towards the end of this year so anyone interested in these clinics or in coming along and having a go feel free to contact me or any club member - you will be made very welcome.

Tuesday golf fits in very well with school hours so don't be shy - come and have some fun.

Jeanette Weir - ph. 702



The B.O.T. have been busy again. This time (with the help of some keen fathers) building a kitset aluminium shed to store our gym mats. But they've run into a little snag!

You see, it was pretty windy the day the guys got together to put the shed up. This was a major problem naturally, sheets of aluminium would be blown all over the place. Then someone had the bright idea of putting it together inside a shed, out of the wind. So our group of intellectual workers moved into David Wards woolshed, and within a couple of hours one shiny new shed was complete.

This was a few weeks ago now. And so why hasn't it been moved onto the school site? Because dear readers, now that it is built, they can't fit it through the door!!





BABY SITTING CLUB

Hey Mums and Dads, do you require a reliable baby sitter? If so, why not join our baby-sitting club. No charge, just pay in hours. For 'the rules' and further information ph. Vanessa Kernott. 8742 460.

FOR SALE

Lovely quiet  
FLEMISH GIANT RABBIT  
Honey coloured  
and comes with  
BEAUTIFUL PAINTED CAGE  
\$50.00  
Sophie Lawrence  
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WANTED TO BUY

'Simon' electronic game.  
ph. Lyn Elliott  
8742 843

GLENROSS KNITWEAR

We have a limited  
number of natural  
jumpers for sale.  
ph. Debbie or  
Simon 8742 886

FOR SALE

Shipping containers.  
Near new condition.  
Ideal secure storage.  
Ph. Rick 8742 844.

FOR SALE

Solid white wooden  
cot in good condition.  
With inner sprung  
mattress. \$75.00  
Jill Simons 8742 825

HOLIDAY WORK WANTED

Anything considered.  
Ph. Jayden and Daniel  
Herron. 8742 826.

CASUAL WORK WANTED

Farmwork, crutching,  
painting, etc.  
ph. Melvin Kernot  
8742 460

LOST: Jill Simons' 'Geese' cross stitch  
pattern. Lent out, but forgotten who to.  
If you have this pattern please contact  
Jill. Ph. 825.

BALLROOM DANCING

There has been a lot of interest lately in the possibility of having ballroom dancing lessons somewhere in the district. we would like to gauge what definite interest there is in the idea - please let me know as soon as possible if you are interested.

- Linda. phone 419

There is some interest from folk living away from the district to receive copies of the Wire - we are more than willing to send copies away to those who want it but due to cost of postage and the fact that we rely on the school to fund the mag. we need some help in the way of a subscription. If you live out of the district and would like to receive the Waiwhare Wire please complete this slip and return to: WAIWHARE SCHOOL, R.D. 9, HASTINGS. Subscription is \$5.00 per year (or 6 issues).

Please send me copies of the Waiwhare Wire for the following year.  
I have enclosed \$5.00 subscription.

Name.....

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# COMMUNITY COMMENT

Well folks, you are about to find out why that red Commodore leaves Waiwhare every morning at 7.45 hoping to be in Napier by 7.55 a.m.

It started back in 1983 when an old school friend rang me and suggested I may be able to help out his company, repairing containers. Containers? you may ask - aren't they the things Tui or D.B. are presented in - or so I thought. In fact a container, a basic shipping container, is a steel box 20' long, 8'6" high and 8' wide in which all your primary products leave N.Z. e.g. wool, meat, tallow, bone meal etc. - yes, somebody makes money from them! Other types of containers include Tanks for wine, oil, chemicals etc; 40' long ones; refrigerated; open tops and bulk boxes for grain, coal etc.

In fact, practically everything exported is containerised.

After four years of working for this company I decided to 'go it on my own' forming an association with Mainfreight Transport, but under my own identity of 'Fastfix Container Services'. I have two employees and together we service six shipping companies and two leasing companies; recently gaining the contract with Russian owned FESCO (Far Eastern Shipping) I am hoping that payment from them will not be made with Ladas and Vodka as in the case of the Dairy Board. ( Rum O.K.)

My workload has steadily increased as Napier Port has developed. Since the purchase of its container crane, at a cost of 4½ million dollars, twelve months ago and coupled with good promotion, excellent service and quick turnover, container trade through Napier has increased 50% - good for Napier, good for us!

When a container arrives in our depot (which, by the way, has been described as one of the best in the country) it is surveyed for damage, being handled by wharfiqs world wide you can imagine they sustain quite a lot. Shipping companies require containers to be wind and water tight only, to ensure sound carriage of its cargo. Lessor companies (the owners) demand repairs of a criteria set by the Institute of International Container Lessors and we have to adhere to these world wide standards. They're pretty fussy, these guys!

After the survey, which is basically a quote to repair, we await approval to go ahead. Most repairs are authorised from within N.Z. by respective agents, however some companies e.g. COSCO (China Ocean Shipping) only allow their agents to approve damage up to \$100. and anything above that must be authorised from that particular country, which can take up to 3 months (Payments often take a lot longer!)

When repairs are finally approved we systematically attack the dreaded box. Fixing anything from a barely visible hole to a major rebuild. Once repaired, the container is stored until needed for its next cargo which may see it leaving Napier for Kelang, Kobe, Shanghai, London or New York, only to return some time in the future to be attacked by our sledge hammers, gas cutters and welders, prepared for yet another round-the-world trip (lucky container).

Many containers don't make it back to us: falling off the back of a ship seems an incredible occurrence but happens all too often; once in the water they float 1-2 feet below the surface and many a yachtie thinking he has hit a whale is more likely to have hit a stray container! Some months ago, six containers loaded with BEER 'disappeared' over the side, en route to Samoa - strange indeed!

Any volunteers for a salvage party??!

A new container is worth around \$3500.US (\$6150. NZ) and a refrigerated container \$35,000.US (\$61,500.NZ) Its life expectancy is approx. 7 years, after which it is likely to be sold rather than repaired if badly damaged. As the opportunity to purchase these units has arisen we have found there is a ready market for them as secure and portable storage for household effects or contractors' tools; on site offices; shops; storage of foodstuffs etc. Good for housing yachts, eh Jim!

Container uses seem to be limitless!

Repairs can be hard and dirty work and shipping companies very demanding but there are always new people to meet and stories to hear  
AND...the odd treat to lunch on board a visiting ship  
can make it quite tolerable.

*Rick Ayres*