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Welcome back! I hope you all enjoyed the Christmas and New Year break. Most businesses are now back to work and things are returning to normal, so it is a good time to get out with the children before they go back to school and sort out their new uniforms, books etc... Adults riding on the footpaths. Do you realise that it is illegal to ride on the footpaths, unless delivering mail - or the device has a wheel size less than 355mm (like a tricycle or small child's bike) some councils have created shared paths for both. Enjoy your week, regards The Telegram.



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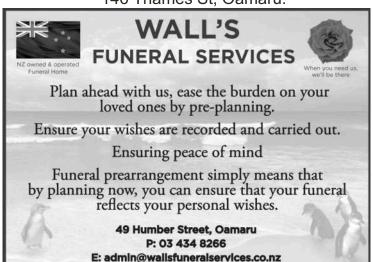
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SOIL WOOD COAL Happy New Gardening year to all.... What a changeable January so far - but thankfully we are experiencing some sunny days, along with heavy rain from time to time - I have not had to drag the hoses around - a bonus for any gardener. **Roses:** All Roses should have had a Summer pruning after the first flowering. Cut a spent flower stem down to an out facing bud on a thick part of stem - not

just the flower. If just the flower is removed, the remaining stem will die back to only the first bud - that part of the stem will be too weak to support new blooms. Dull days and mildew may become a problem for Roses. I have noticed mildew rust and the odd bush with black spot while cutting back. Pull all the affected leaves off and destroy - this can leave bushes quite bare, but it takes no time at all for new leaves and buds to grow back. A spray with fungicide should limit problems.

Cut back Summer flowering perennials and shrubs to encourage continuous flowering. I have just cut back Daisy bushes, Delphiniums, Lavateras, Dianthus, Lupins and most of the Herbs, because they were all going to seed. Feed with slow release or a liquid fertiliser - they will all come back fresh and most will flower again. Foliar feeding is very important to encourage fresh new growth after cutting back anything at this dry time of the year. Fill gaps in the flower garden with annuals. Front planting full sun: Impatiens, small type Petunias, Begonia, small Marigolds, Lobelia, Alyssum. Mid plantings: Nicotina, Coriopsis, tall Petunias, tall Marigolds, bedding Dahlia, Salvia, Nemesia. Tall back plantings: Cosmos, Lavatera, Sunflowers, Canterbury Bells, Love in the Mist. Semi shade (with good light)plantings: Impatiens, bedding Begonias, Lobelia, Japanese Anemone (perennial), Foxglove.

Lawns: When the next rain arrives, feed the lawns with lawn fertilizer and they will bounce back like fresh Spring lawns. Hydrangeas are showing their first large blooms and because of the frequent rains, colours are very intense. Hydrangeas enjoy semi shade, so are perfect for planting alternatively with Rhododendrons and Camellias, Pinks in a sweet soil and Blues grow and flower blue in the opposite - lime for pink and acid fertilizer for blue shades, also pine needles and coffee grounds will help keep soil acid.

Petunias are taking centre stage now - they are great gap fillers for sunny gardens, but do not perform well in shade. A shady spot can be filled with Impatiens, which are also colourful when planted in bold groups.

Seed collecting starts now - Sweet Peas, Sweet William, Poppies, Iris. There is a lot of ripening going on and I have a lot of small paper bags stored away already.

Lifting tree branches: After the heavy rain, it was easy to see which branches on large spreading trees were too low, restricting light from plantings below. Oaks, Flowering Cherries, Ash, Alms and Maples, put on a lot of new growth each year and most want to grow to the ground to shade roots if left. Remove crossover branches and any branches you feel are not required - dappled light is much nicer than dense shade.

Ponds: Keep an eye on pond water - evaporation from heat in Summer means topping up regularly. Still water tends to green up as it warms - adding Barley straw will keep slime from growing. There is also a Barley liquid available at pond retail outlets. Fruit and veg: Gooseberries, Strawberries, Raspberries and Currants ripen quickly, so it is a rush to get them picked before they drop from the bushes. Cut all the fruiting branches from Black currants, then strip them of currants in a shady spot - this way the fruit is picked and the bush pruned at the same time. Grapes - Reduce the length of fruiting runners and remove all unproductive growth. Tomatoes need water kept up and some leaves removed to let more light in - too many leaves take up nitrogen that should be used by the fruit. Water needs to be kept up and plants are maturing fast then bolting to seed if not picked when ready. Corn and Pumpkins are making good growth benefiting from the rain . Keep planting all veg - we have the best growing and ripening time ahead. Cheers, Linda

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Waitaki Sets Base Level for Emissions

In the red in a good way: a Waitaki District Council commissioned Greenhouse Gas emissions report for 2018/19 shows the organisation at significantly negative net emissions, with the organisation removing more greenhouse gases than it emits.

The first report of what may be biannual reporting commissioned by the Waitaki District Council to inventory its own greenhouse gas emissions as an organisation was released today.

Waitaki District Council's gross emissions were 2,876 tonnes and removals -4,902 tonnes, resulting in net emissions of -2,026 tonnes. This means that the Council is making a positive contribution overall towards mitigating climate change and by doing so acting on one of Council's strategic priorities, to recognise and provide for the implications of climate change. Waitaki District Council Chief Executive Fergus Power said, "The idea behind getting this report done was to provide a baseline for our level of emissions and identify the main sources of emissions. The three largest sources of emissions include: wastewater treatment (36%), electricity consumption (30%), and landfill (13%). Any subsequent reports will therefore be able to provide a comparison with this base level. Council is yet to decide on its subsequent level of reporting but potentially we may be looking at every two years." Mayor for Waitaki, Gary Kircher said, "Along with many Councils and companies across New Zealand and beyond, the Waitaki District Council has commissioned the work to measure how we are doing regarding our net emissions. In our case, we are fortunate that our reasonable forestry assets act as a "net emissions sink" and that Council is making a positive contribution overall towards combatting climate change."

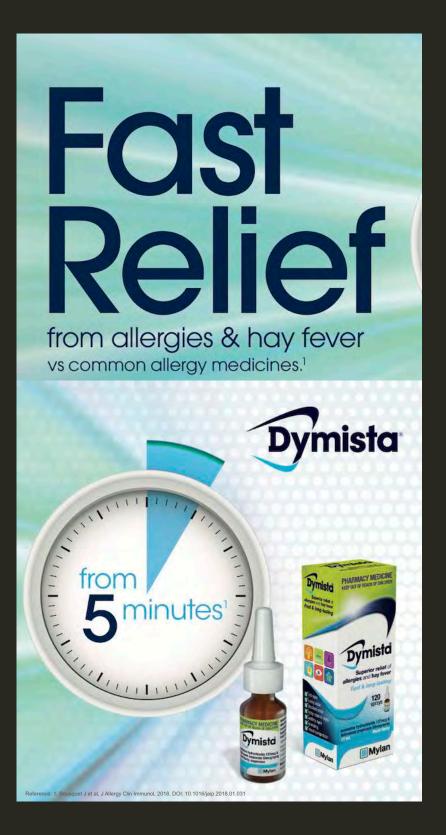
Thinking of doing something new. Why not become a big Buddy?

I am Christine Moffat, Coordinator of The Presbyterian Support Otago Family Works Buddy Programme. I see the vital role this programme plays in our community. As a parent, I know how important it is that children develop secure attachments, an "I can do attitude", the ability to make good choices and the habit of doing good for others. These attitudes are nurtured in the child through shared one on one time, a trusting friendship and fun with an adult Buddy. Recently we visited Mckerrows Pond for our end of year outing, where we enjoyed an afternoon of fun on the kayaks and boats. The Wainakarua Lions club put on a wonderful barbeque, which was enjoyed by one and all.

An Adult Buddy had this to say: It was great to catch up with the other Adults and of course see how much the Young Buddies have grown in confidence and size! I joined the Buddy Programme to enrich the life of a young person, it wasn't long before I realised how much my life was being enriched by having a young Buddy.

We urgently need 10 new adult buddies, who could spend a couple of hours a week with a child between the ages of 4 and 12. You need the ability to develop a trusting friendship and above all have fun. Full training and support is provided. To find out more please phone me on 0211916327. Email: buddyno@psotago.org.nz

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Please note that a Police check will be required for the successful applicant.

BBQ - Garlic mushroom burgers

Ingredients

- 2 cloves of garlic
- 2 sprigs of flat-leaf parsley
- 35 g butter
- 2 large mushrooms
- 2 burger buns
- English mustard
- 1 lemon 1 handful of rocket



Method

- Preheat the oven to 200°C/gas 6, or fire up your barbecue.
- Peel and finely grate the garlic, then pick and chop the parsley leaves. Combine with the softened butter.
- Clean the mushrooms and fill them with the butter. Wrap in tin foil and bake in the oven or place on the barbecue for 15 minutes, or till the mushrooms are soft and cooked.
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We are currently looking for casual support workers to work alongside people and their families outside of school hours. This could mean covering morning shifts or working in the afternoon. There is also the potential to cover different periods of leave over weekends and longer periods of time. This role offers you an exciting opportunity to support individuals and families in their own homes with varying roles these may include personal cares, household management, support the family with activities and supporting individuals in the community and work environment.

CCS Disability Action builds our work around three core documents; UN Convention of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Te Tiriti o Waitangi and the NZ Disability Strategy. We work within a Human Rights framework and are an EEO employer. This position offers you flexibility in how you manage the role and we openly encourage people with lived experience of disability to apply.

To be appointed the successful candidate will have -

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If you are passionate about becoming a Community Support Worker we want to hear from you. Please contact our Business Support team (03) 365 5661 or email <u>southern.recruitment@ccsdisabilityaction.org.nz</u> or drop into the local office at 316 Thames Highway, Oamaru, 9400 for an application pack. We are committed to ensuring our application process is accessible to everyone, please let us know if you require an alternative method of application.

Applications close: Monday, 20th January 2020, 5.00pm

Community Diary

Wednesday 1 5th January

Free JP for certifying documents, affidavits, & declarations.11-1pm at the Public Library.

Friday 17th

AA Meeting, Orwell St Chapel, 12noon, Ph. 0277 227818.

Summer Indoor Bowls; 7 p.m. at the Indoor Bowls Centre Centennial Park, all welcome contact Denise 4371704 or Cliff 4371999

Meadowbank Bowling Club; Bowlers & nonbowlers welcome. 14 Conway St Social bowls from 2pm. Ph Mary 4347196

Saturday 18th

Craft & Treasure Market - Scottish Hall; 10 Tyne St, 10am - 2pm. To book a Stall phone Wendy 021515205 or Lisa 0277069902

Orchestra Concert, Waitaki Summer Music Camp; @ WBHS Auditorium, @ 7.30pm. Adults \$10; Children \$5; Family \$20. Door Sales only. Ph027 434 1173

Sunday 19th

AA Meeting, Orwell St Chapel, 6pm, Ph. 0277 227818 or 437 2337.

Monday 20th

Waitaki Woodturners; meet at 1pm at our clubrooms - Oamaru Race Course & Tuesday evening at 7pm. Ph 439 5795.

Tuesday 21st

AA Meeting, Orwell St Chapel, 7:30pm, Ph.0277227818 or 4372928.

AGM Notices

Waitaki Woodturners Guild AGM on Mon 3rd Feb in the clubrooms at Oamaru Race Course 7pm.

Public Notices

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