

Tokomairiro High School Newsletter & Community Noticeboard

Wednesday

14th April 2021



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Successful Milton Gutbuster and Family Trail Ride





held on 28th March. 300 riders of all ages and abilities took part, many travelling some distance to enjoy the two main tracks that had been carefully designed to suit everyone. We were very excited to have Courtney Duncan, woman's motocross world champ attend this year. She enjoyed checking out some beautiful private land and meeting many keen riders. Thanks to all the riders who came and supported the event.

This year our recipients and road marshals were volunteers from Project Bruce and Blessed Box. Both local groups who do amazing things for our community and whom we are pleased to support. Thank you all for your time on the day.



The Milton Lions wish to express their thanks and gratitude to the following, whose assistance makes our event such

a successful day; Our sponsors - We are very lucky to have the ongoing and very generous support of our sponsors each year, Caltex Milton and Stihl Shop Milton

Our landowners - We know how fortunate we are to have access to such scenic land. Your cooperation and generosity was outstanding again this year. Clutha LandSAR and Milton St John. Thank you



Scott Brady and daughters Kate (left) and Gemma (right) catch up with Courtney Duncan.

for your time and expertise once again. Our volunteers - There are a lot of people helping behind the scenes with the admin, the

health and safety plans, advertising and planning. The Milton Gutbuster and Family Trail Ride will be back next year on Saturday March 5th. Keep an eye on our Facebook page.

Congratulations



Congratulations to Vann Adams, who over the Easter attended break а St John Youth Leadership Development Training Camp Waddington held at in Christchurch. Vann attended to gain his Corporal rank; the first of three NCO ranks the Youth programme offers. It was a full-on weekend with drill practise, practical learning, games and even a formal dinner.

Year 11 Hort Students Help Out at Spud Dig

Some of our Year 11 Hort students visited the Project Bruce community gardens behind the showgrounds last week to help with the potato dig. They enjoyed the experience and were rewarded with a bag of potatoes to take home. There are still a lot of spuds to be dug, and the community will

be invited to pick their own off the paddock at a later date. In the meantime, you are welcome to visit the hub to grab a bag.

The youth meet at the St John Station on Eden St Monday nights during term time at 6pm. If you have children aged 8-18 that would be keen to join the programme, please touch with get in Öli oli.blackbourn@stjohn.org.nz





Left: Jorjah de Seymour filling her sack of potatoes.

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Tokomairiro High School Newsletter...



SCHOOL MISSION: Inspiring Excellence in Education, in Character and in Life.

Week Nine - Term One

Tena koutou katoa,

Greetings to you all in the final week of Term One. We have had a very busy term and this week will be no different. There will be a number of assessments being completed this week and students will be receiving progress reports on Friday before starting a well earned break from school.

There has been a lot happening over the past few weeks.

Principal's Sabbatical

Glenis Sim has now started her sabbatical and will not return to school until Term Three. While she is away, I am excited to be taking over the reins as Acting Principal. I will be supported by Tom Sinclair as Deputy Principal and David Gilling as Assistant Principal. We are always available by phone or email if you need to contact us about anything. Likewise, our Deans, Carol Bungard (Y7/8), Gemma Cowie (Malcolm /Reid) and Daryll Reddington (Ayson/Ross) are also always there to answer questions and help students.

Junior Curriculum Review A number of schools around the country have implemented changes to the delivery of the curriculum for year nine and ten students and we have now started to review our curriculum. As a staff we have identified the strengths and weaknesses of our current model and have started to do some research into what other schools are doing differently.



Early next term we have some visiting staff schools in Christchurch to see first-hand how а different curriculum can affect student deliverv engagement. We are very keen to have input from caregivers about what is important and we will be hosting an evening next term to be able to do this consultation. There will be more information on the details of this evening soon.

Lunches in Schools - Ka Ora Ka Ako We are very excited to start the Healthy Lunches in Schools programme at the beginning of Term Two. It is going to be great to be able to provide all of our students with a free healthy lunch every day. Our providers will be Kelly's Kitchen, Subway Milton and Kaan's Catering. We now need to let the providers know about the dietary requirements of our students, so students need to return the forms that they were given last week. House group teachers and the school office have spare forms if necessary. The canteen will still be open at interval for students to purchase morning tea.

Canteen Facelift We have started to give the canteen a facelift and this will continue over the holidays. Once the electrical and building work has finished the room will be painted so it is a brighter space for students to

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enjoy their lunch in. We are also hoping to replace the furniture and have applied for a grant to be able to purchase some new tables and chairs.

Student Capabilities Survey A short survey about student capabilities was recently sent out to all caregivers. Thank you to everyone who has completed this, however, don't worry if you haven't completed this yet as there is still time to do so. Here is the link to the survey in case you have lost the email https:// forms.gle/g4RLiosRK3vywfer7

Short Film Competition The Driving Change Network is inviting secondary school students to create a short film, animation or motion graphic about the benefits of holding a full New Zealand driver's licence. Submissions should be between 45 seconds and two minutes in length and will be judged on creativity, humour and content. There are individual prizes available as well as cash prizes for the school. The final date for entries is May 3rd. Full terms and conditions can be found at www.drivingchange.nz

Tuakana Teina Programme For the last three weeks, 22 of our students have been involved in our new Tukana/Teina program. This involves an older or more expert tuakana that helps and guides a younger or less expert teina. For this we currently have 11 senior boys mentoring younger boys from the junior school. So far, we have been planning team building days and deciding on what effort grades the group is aiming for. Aside from this, students have been getting to know each other and build positive relationships. We are also looking to work with Project Bruce on an environmental project soon. So watch this space!

Sports Round-up Preparations for winter sports are now underway. It was awesome to see such a great turnout for netball trials last week. Hockey is also being organised. This year, again, our rugby players will play in a combined team with South Otago High School and Lawrence Area School. We are looking forward to seeing all our students participate with pride and we are anticipating some great games. With the winter sports starting up we have got to the end of the Touch, Volleyball and Athletics competitions. Well done to all the students who have represented our kura and have organised practices and teams. A special mention to Pippa Greene (Year 8) who has qualified to compete in the Otago Primary Schools Triathlon Competition; this is a fabulous achievement - ka pai Pippa.

It goes without saying that we thank all of the staff and caregivers who coach, drive vans and support all of our students in their sporting endeavours.

Nga mihi Vicki Wish Acting Principal

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Ki to kohahi te Kākaho ka whati, ki te kāpuia, e kore e whati When reeds stand alone, they are vulnerable, but bound together they are unbreakable.

Senior Student's Trips

Senior students' parents may be inundated with coloured paper this month as students ask for their permission to attend trips and courses. Mrs Ferguson has organised a trip, in conjunction with South Otago High School, to Otago Polytechnic Cromwell Campus, and Highlands Motorsport Park on 5th May (yellow); First Aid Course on 11th May (pink); and Tertiary Open Day to check out learning options for 2022 on 24th May (blue).

Information is on each letter, but please contact Mrs Ferguson if you have any further questions.

Prompt return of forms is always appreciated to confirm numbers as courses and transport need to be booked in advance.

Genesis

The Genesis is a free publication, delivered weekly to homes and businesses in Milton and Waihola, and is available on the school website, Facebook or via email. The Genesis office is open Monday and Tuesday 8:30am - 3:30pm. If the office is unattended, any articles, advertising or payments can be taken to the school office or left in the secure box in the office door. If you want to leave a phone message for the Genesis outside office hours, please phone the Tokomairiro High School office (417 8620). **Genesis Deadlines:** Advertising - Monday **9am**, Articles - Monday **12 noon**. Articles/ advertisements can be emailed to the Editor at

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House Points Update

Term One has seen hot competition between the houses. We have had our first major event in Athletics Day and a number of smaller competitions. Students' attendance and participation also count towards the house competition. There is not much between any of the houses at the moment and the leading house has changed a number of times during the term. Currently Ross is leading, followed closely by Ayson then Reid

and Malcolm. We have our final competitions on Friday this week with the inter house group challenges and then the inter house dodgeball matches to end the day. So, any of the houses could go into the holidays holding the lead! Ayson 1065 Ross 1103 Reid 906

Malcolm 796

THS Library Book Club

In 2021 after request by students and staff, the Tokomairiro High School Library decided to set up a book club, to discuss our reading and recommend books for others to read. We decide to open it for staff and students and the first meeting was held on March 8th at lunchtime in the THS Library. The first meeting was well attended and there was a lively discussion of all sorts of books.

We also decided as a group on a book for all of us to read. Mr Daniels made a suggestion and was instructed to get copies for all members

Then some members offered to talk about books. Members talked about the different types of books we could discuss. We set a time limit so everybody would have a chance to speak. These were some of our recommendations

George Stark "It "by Stephen King - He liked that it was set in the real world, and the horror was good. He would give it a 4/10

Taylin Francis: Showtyme Adventures series by Kelly Wilson Taylin has been reading this series and would recommend this book for horse lovers

Jayden Brown: Metro 2033,2034,2035. A series by Dimity Glukhovsky! Jayden is currently reading the third novel "Metro 2035" so this must be a good series.

Mr Daniels: "The Gulf" by Jack Davis A non-fiction book about the geology and history of the Gulf of Mexico from prehistoric times to the present. Recommended for older readers.

Lucious Mann: "Ballad of Songbirds and Snakes" by Suzanne Collins This is a prequel to the Hunger Games set thirty years before the events of the Hunger Games.

Next meeting will be Monday, 3rd May in the library.

Dates to Remember...

Friday 16th April - End of Term One - Reports Issued Monday 3rd May - Term Two Begins Tuesday 11th May - Teacher Only Day Thursday 13th May - Junior Science Fair Wednesday 19th May - PTA AGM



Bible Reading for Today

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Careers Visits

The local Motor Trade Industry Organisation (MITO) organised schools' trip to Dunedin а automotive businesses. THS Careers Teacher, Gill Ferguson, took three of our students who are senior interested in this pathway: Blue

Gunion, Will Scurr, and Spencer Davey. They visited Bridgman Street Panelbeaters, Terra Cats, and

Dunedin City Motors. This gave them a good opportunity to see these businesses in action.

Right: Blue Gunion and Will Scurr at Bridgman Street Panelbeaters.

Term One in Maori



31st March 2021

Winner: Pat (Owaka)

Milton

Loser: J Thornwaite

This term in Māori the students have been working hard on their Pepeha (A form of introduction that establishes identity and heritage.) Each student researched or asked whanau members about their Pepeha, then they had to create a slide adding photos of their maunga, awa, waka, marae and whānau. We also have two Whakairo classes run by Ben Whitaker. The juniors are learning the art of Whakairo (carving) and the seniors are making Taonga Puoro (Māori musical instruments) made from bone.

Above: Shannon de Seymour sanding her koauau made of bone

Euchre

7th April 2021

Winner: R Cull Loser: Di (Balcutha)

Raffle: J Thornwaite



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RSA News From the Trenches

Paddy is just back from a weeks holiday, while he is recovering from a few big occasions at the RSA recently.

We're just gearing ourselves up for ANZAC Day which will be held on Sunday 25th April with a street march and a commemoration service held at the Cenotaph commencing at 11am sharp.

This time last year, we were unfortunately dealing with the vagaries of Covid and incessant lockdowns which prevented a proper acknowledgement of ANZAC and everything it stands for. This year we are anticipating a large crowd (hopefully the weather gods play along). I've had a sneaky look at the programme, and it looks very impressive - so I encourage you all to come along. Due to road closures, we need some volunteers to assist with traffic management, so if you are keen, meet at RSA on Sunday at 9.15am - all volunteers are greatly appreciated. Should be a fantastic day.

Also coming up rapidly is duck shooting and all those keen to get their eye in, there is a practice shoot on Sunday 18th April, so come along and make sure there are no excuses on Opening Dav.

Just a reminder that the Thursday night raffles are steaming along nicely and the Joker draw is well over \$1700 so well worth winning each Thursday night. Better odds than Lotto. Private Pike

Bridge



Bridge Stakes 31/03/21

Bridge States Show	
Kay Roughan/Lester Clark	70.83%
Raewyn Devlin/Trevor Tetlow	62.50%
Kathy Powell/Ann Phillips	52.78%
Vic Stanley/Julie Scott	44.44%
Colleen Mackie/Heather Gardner	40.28%
Tony Morland/Avis Broome	40.28%
Clare Harrex/Trish Peterson	38.89%

Milton Pairs 7/04/21

Trish Peterson/Ann Phillips	70.24%
Vivienne Clifford-Marsh/Graham Dale	56.55%
Lester Clark/Lisa Rutherford	54.17%
Clare Harrex/Kay Roughan	54.17%
Raewyn Devlin/Avis Broome	51.19%
Tony Morland/Heather Gardner	50.00%
Trevor Tetlow/Jo Turnbull	43.45%
Kathy Powell/Vic Stanley	42.86%

forum café

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Forum Cafe

Heat and Eat Meals

Tuesdays Only

Roast Chicken (\$13) & Roast Hogget (\$14) with Roast and Seasonal Vegies and Gravy Both Gluten Free

*ORDERS MUST BE IN BY 2pm MONDAY . Collect your order by 3pm Tuesday, then take it home - heat and eat! Sorry - no deliveries available.



Toko Golf



0-26.6		2640.4	
1.J O'Connor	89-26-63	1.K Partridge	102-37-65
2.M Cain	94-26-68	2.J Pierce	111-42-69
3.J Greene	89-20-69	3.Q Tatupu	108-37-74

Monthly Medals

Jo Hitchon Button - Best Nett Over Month - M Cain (Nett 59) May Murdoch Tee - Best Stb Over the Month - M Cain (49 Stb) Eileen Kennard Trophy - Best Putting - LGU day - J Greene (29) Anna Burnett Brooch - Best Nett - LGU Day - J O'Connor (63).

Stableford - 6th April 2021

0-26.4		26.5 - 34.4	
1. Wendy Agnew	38 stb	1.Q Tatupu	41 stb
2. L Rutherford	36 c/b	2.L Mitchell	38 stb
Ruta Reid	36	3.A Smales	37 c/b

Mens Golf - 3rd April 2021

Senior 0-16		Junior 17-36		
W Tatupu	64	T Twaddle 66		
JDay	66	S Michelle 69		
B Lee	67	R Agnew 70		

Closest to Pin - W Tatupu

Senior Citizen's Report

Fourteen seniors attended on 9t April. Bronwyn from Garvan Homestead was our guest speaker, and talked about her walk in bare feet for Multiple Scelrosis. She walked from Cape Reinga to Bluff, covering 1,495km in 48 days, with volunteers who provided three meals a day. All Health and Safety requirements were catered for, and thirty nine people finished the walk with her, some riding horses. Half a million dollars were raised for MS. We thanked Bronwyn for her interesting story and presented her with a fruit tray. After the meeting, we all enjoyed a chat over a cuppa and biscuits for afternoon tea. Next meeting is on 23rd April at 1:30pm.



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Toko Rugby Report

Toko hosted competition heavyweight West Taieri in $c_{\rm c}$ the hope of ambushing the pigs onto a BBQ.

However it was West Taieri who jumped out of the blocks quickly and imposed their dominance with three well created tries to run out to a comfortable early 19-0 lead. West Taieri dominated all aspects of set phase with Toko forwards struggling at both lineout and scrum time to gain a foothold in the game. A late first half try to Jacob Jenkins provided a slim ray of hope with a 19-5 halftime lead to West Taieri.

West Taleri continued early part of the second half and flexed their substantial muscles to score an additional four tries to run out comfortable winners 43-10 at fulltime. The score could have ballooned out a lot more, but gritty doggedness by Toko defense, meant they kept West Taieri scoreless for the last 15 minutes of the match. Toko scored a late consolation try to

Jacob Jenkins Toko exhibited massive amounts of grit and never gave up which had to be commended, considering they were missing a few key players.

Next up for Toko is a battle of epic proportions against the evil empire at Balclutha - here's hoping for a strong performance *The Judge*

Rebus Club of Milton

At the March meeting, the President welcomed members and three visitors. The speaker, Kevin Baff from Stirling, formerly an engineer in the RAAF talked about his work for the International Committee for the Red Cross (ICRC). His special field was teaching the international law of conflict according to the Geneva Convention and protocols. This took him to areas of armed conflict where both sides had to be educated. His stint in Afghanistan was between 2006 and 2013 at the peak of fighting there. It was brutal and the mandate was to teach that civilians and wounded on either side were to be protected from violence. The media did not always reflect the true facts and investigation was necessary to find out what was really going on. Issues arose with criminality especially around drugs, the high rate of illiteracy and infiltration by the Taliban. The latter was made up of disparate groups across the country that did not work as one. The border with Pakistan was another volatile area. After retiring, he and wife found a peaceful haven in Stirling and are happy to be settled there. Kevin was thanked by Alan Strain and given a gift of fruit.

The next meeting is on Tuesday April 20 ay 10 am in the RSA hall. The speaker is John Cosgrove, photographer and reporter for The Clutha Leader. Committee please meet at 9.30 am.



Genesis Classifieds ...

Toko Squash Club Report



Squash is back in up and running in Milton

Our focus is on getting local people back into playing squash and having fun. Hopefully the club will grow and we will be able to start a social competition.

If you are interested in playing and would like a hit please contact Craig Maaka 0272574030 . Keys are \$60. Any other enquiries or you would like to join the committee, email us at Tokosquashclub@gmail.com

Acknowledgement

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Carole Mary London

Chris, Matt & Jen and Vicky would like to sincerely offer our thanks to everyone for the beautiful floral tributes and messages of sympathy, too numerous to mention individually, and to those who attended Carole's service on the sad occasion of her passing.



We would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the emergency services involved in Carole's care; FENZ, St John, Otago Rescue Helicopter and all the staff at the A&E Department at Dunedin Hospital. Sadly their efforts were in vain, but we have nothing but praise for all the staff and volunteers involved.

Situation Vacant

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St Mary's School, Milton Cleaner/Caretaker



We are looking for a Cleaner/Caretaker for our school for 18 hours per week cleaning and 1 hour per week caretaking - term time only.

A further 15 hours each holiday period will be in addition to these hours.

Applications in by Wednesday 5th May 2021 Start Date – As soon as possible Previous applicants welcome to apply. Job description and application pack can be obtained at St Mary's School Office or by emailing the following address: <u>office@saint-marys.school.nz</u>



Church Services



Tokomairiro Co-Operating Parish

Sunday 18th April 9am Waihola 10:45am Milton

All Welcome!



Sunday Services - 10am All Welcome!

110 Union Street For information - follow us on Facebook - 021 249 6312

Public Notices

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Duck Shooters Eye Opener

Sunday 18th April

10am at the Milburn Limeworks off Jensen Road.

All shooters welcome

Organized by Milton Bruce RSA Clay Bird Club

RSA Milton Bruce Returned Services Association (Inc)

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Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Milton Bruce Returned and Services Association Inc, will be held in the Club Rooms, 31 Union Street Milton on Tuesday 4th May 2021 at 7.00 pm.

Business 1. Apologies

- 2. Confirmation of Minutes of previous AGM
- 3. Adoption of Annual Reports
- 4. Adoption of Accounts for the year ending 31.12.2020
- 5. Election of Executive Committee.
- 6. General Business.
- 7. Adoption of Subscriptions for 2022.

D Williams Secretary



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