

The Whisper News

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7th Edition

Keeping our community of Karamea in touch

Jan 2017 FREE

Kenneth Greenwell Memorial Beach Day

Saturday 21
January 12 PM @
LITTLE WANGANUI
RIVER MOUTH
PADDOCK



Fun for
everyone!
Sometimes you just need a BEACH
Day!

- **BOUNCY CASTLE**
- **HELICOPTER RIDES \$50 PP 1-2PM**
- **HUGE WATER SLIDE**
- **BEACH ART COMPETITION**
- **OLD FASHIONED FAMILY RACES**
- **TUG O WAR**
- **MARKET AND FOOD STALLS**
- **RAFFLES AND SPOT PRIZES**
- **TONY JOHNSON'S MILITIA ON DISPLAY**
- **JACK'S LANZ BULLDOG**
- **PLUS MUCH MORE FAMILY FUN!**
- **CAR PARKING GOLD COIN DONATION**



THE SUBBY IS SLIDING!

Have you seen what has happened to the Subdivision last week in the rains? There is a whole new water feature to its already stunning beauty. Check it out!



Astroman Ponders Sun

With these long days and very short nights it's a good time to think about our sun. It's 1.4 million km's across and 150 million km's away (8 light minutes). A giant fusion reactor it converts 600 million tons of hydrogen into 596 million tons of helium every second. The difference in mass is because one helium atom is 0.7% lighter than 4 hydrogen atoms. This mass difference is released energy - $E=MC^2$.

The Sun will shine for around 10 billion years yet only lose half to one percent of its mass. It's 2×10^{30} kg or around 330,000 earth masses. When the sun formed it was approx 75% hydrogen and 25% helium, this is similar to the universe after the big bang.

Apart from a small amount of lithium virtually all the elements have been created in stars and supernovae. When our sun runs out of hydrogen it will convert some of that helium into heavier elements.

The full moon in January (13th) is known as the Grain or mead moon in the southern hemisphere and the Wolf moon up north (the wolves howl in the mid winter). Venus is still bright in the western sky while Mars is fainter. Jupiter and Saturn are in the eastern morning sky. The planets tend to twinkle less than the stars due to have a larger apparent diameter, they also follow the ecliptic - the plane of our solar system.

Get up early and enjoy the view!

Astroman

WCRC Karamea Rating District Results To Be Announced

Karamea Rating District has received results from a study done by NIWA experts for the Karamea River mouth and what to do about the continual drift South of the mouth. Spokesperson Bevan Langford, says the committee will read the report this month and share with public. Stay tuned as we watch Nature do her thing!

SOUTH TERRACE WEATHER STATION

Rainfall Summary

JULY	303mm
AUG	142mm
SEPT	256mm
OCT	212 mm
NOV	391mm
DEC	211mm

Year total rainfall is 2691 mm. The driest year was around 1800mm, and wettest was 2200mm. So we have successfully broke the average record by over a half a meter more of rain. Weather is not getting better yet; so be patient! Jetstream is still in negative oscillation of SW and Westerly. Once this changes direction it will get better. Expect that in two to three weeks. Ocean temps are cold also. Patience; it will be summer soon!



71 Waverly Street
7826 617
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Upcoming Events

10 FEBRUARY "A MINOR THING"
A FOUR PIECE BAND FROM BLENHEIM
COME ON DOWN AND DANCE



KARAMEA HARDWARE

Top three questions asked @ Hardware:

1. Is this the road to Nelson?
2. Where is the petrol station?
3. Where is Karamea?

~Great selection of sun hats~

~Great prices~

Plenty of raingear. Have got a lovely "beach toy" selection in window to inspire the sun and plenty of gumboots on the shelf inside in case!!!

Great to have Vinnie just down the street; but very sad to farewell Bronwyn and Dave, BUT "they'll be back"!

You will never understand the damage you did to someone until the same thing is done to you. That's why I'm here.

- Karma

Nurse's Notes

There have been a number of slips and trips this month so just a friendly reminder R.I.C.E. for slips trips and falls.

-REST; don't walk on injury!

-ICE; cool it down

-COMPRESSION; Bandage it

-ELEVATE; above the heart

Listen to your body, if it is sore rest it, and if it does not improve, come see us! Did you know... some common pain killers are sold under same names.

Ibuprofen, Nurofen, Brufen and Advil are all the drug, so best not to mix and match these. If you are unsure whether you should take a medication, check it out with one of the nurses!

The nicest thing about the rain is that it always stops. Eventually. Eeyore

Fart in Little Wanganui and by the time you get to Karamea you've shat yourself!

THE MUSIC IS BACK!



Come along to the re-opening of the Bush Lounge at Karamea's exciting new venue on Friday 20th January.

Open mic from 6pm, followed by two local bands, 'The Jelly Roll Bakers' at 7.30 and 'Local Band Jammin' from 9 and Granity's 'These People' from 10.30. This is a free event for anyone keen on community, tunes and boogie.

Bring a plate or grab a freshly cooked wood fired pizza. Koha at door Contact Brendan 0204 1115500 for more details



LITTLE WANGANUI HOTEL

come on down for a coffee and muffin for \$5 from 10AM everyday! Free WIFI HOTSPOT.

UPCOMING EVENTS

21 January TBA LIVE MUSIC FOR BEACH DAY!

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR WAITANGI WEEKEND

SOCIAL CLUB RAFFLE EVERY FRIDAY

COMING SOON!

SHILDA'S AUTHENTIC INDIAN CURRIES WILL BE ON THE MENU

Farm Tip #2 from Southland farmer: SELL!

LONELY HEARTS

Young farmer with 1000 in his herd would be pleased to hear from young lady with tractor. Please send photograph of tractor.

SINGLE FEMALE seeks male companionship, vocation unimportant. I'm a very good looking girl who LOVES to play. I love long walks in the woods, riding in your pickup truck, hunting, camping and fishing trips, cozy winter nights lying by the fire. Candlelight dinners will have me eating out of your hand. I'll be at the front door when you get home from work, Call 000 and ask for Daisy.

Big, strong hunter with own cave seeks big, strong woman to cook meat, sharpen spears, make fire, keep fleas off the pets.

Single white male, 52, seeking marriage or just a chess partner. Must be at least intermediate level. Glasses are cute.

I hate men. At least most men. I am looking for the man who can change my opinion. Apply within.

Janet--79, widowed twice. Not looking to marry again, just want to date nice gentleman close to my age. I hold a black belt in Tae Kwon Do and am currently training in Judo. I know how to defend myself. So no perverts.

Slut in the kitchen, chef in the bedroom. Woman with mixed priorities, 37, seeks man who can toss a good salad

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Po box 15

Karamea

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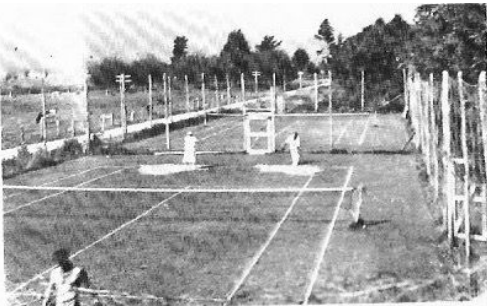
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Tennis Anyone?

The Sports and Culture Committee Inc. has approximately \$25,000 in funds left and plan to utilise to re-seal the tennis/hockey courts in front of the Bowls Club at the Domain. Roy Galway received quotes for re-seal or artificial turfing of courts which both came in about the same; a ballpark figure of \$50,000 to \$60,000. Sports and Culture will apply for Lotteries grant to fund the rest of the cost to resurface. There are also nets that need repair and the group will also look at the perimeter fencing. The courts are part of the Domain assets and were built in the 40's. The last upgrade was done in 1985 by the Domain board. Although an asset of the Domain; the school utilises the courts regularly in the school season and it would be great to encourage Karamea Area School to contribute to this improvement for the safety and enjoyment of the school children. The Social Tennis Club is looking for more members to join to make tennis happen again as it had back in the days in Karamea. Social Tennis Club meeting TBA. Any interests, call Julie Pratt 7826 111.



The Umere Tennis Courts 1935. M. Rose (Tunnickliff), R. Alley, and A. Alley in foreground.

POLICE BEAT

Again, not a heck of a lot to report in Paradise from our local constable. A car accident was called in from the Oparara Rd with vague details that two cars drove off the road. Two fire trucks, police, ambulance and nurse (all our emergency resources) were called out; finding nothing after a couple hours of searching. Assumption is that the vehicle pulled itself out and left scene. Constable Kees said message was vague from witness that called it in. Witness thought he saw two cars go off the road as he looked in his rear view mirror. Tip of the month: when reporting an accident be sure to gather as much information as possible; i.e. vehicle make/model/colour, perhaps use trip meter to gauge distance, and if someone can remain on the scene would be great help and save valuable time of our emergency services.

ATTENTION KARAMEA RESIDENTS

Upgrading of Karamea Community Centre (known as the RSA)

As part of its proposals to utilise the "Vision 2010" funds available from Buller District council the Karamea Community Inc(KCI) have had plans prepared by Carynne Scarlet for alterations to the RSA building at Market Cross.

These plans have been discussed with the committee entrusted by the committee with the management of the 'RSA', known as the Market Cross Community Group Inc. The Market Cross Community Group Inc are seeking direction from the community about the proposal and **invite the public to a meeting to be held at the "RSA" Thursday 19 January @7:30 PM.** (to be chaired by the Mayor) At this meeting, the public will be asked for their approval or otherwise of the proposal.

If approved, the public will also be asked how the costs of the hall are to be found; including the insurance on the premises, or public liability insurance. The income received from useage and council support just meets the cost of power and minor maintenance.

Copies of the plans are available from the Information Centre. At the meeting, suggestions for improvements or amendments will also be invited. If you wish to discuss the proposal prior to the meeting, the committee of the Market Cross Community Group Inc comprises: Ruth Hedgeman(Chair), Peter Gibson(Sec/Treasurer), Ian Hedgeman, Juliette James, Brian Partridge, Lisa Wilson and Betty Neil.



Life isn't about avoiding the bruises, it's about collecting scars to prove you showed up for it!

News From The Outside

Would you believe it? There is a whole world out there.. On the other side of the bluff. As I have come to discover over the last 6 months it's pretty big, bold and diverse. The other day I had the pleasure of taking a tour of and thoroughly exploring all that London has to offer in the realms of sex shops, fetish fashion all things Kink related. What an eye opening experience it turned out to be. Who would have thought there was such variety or beautiful latex outfits, cuffs, whips shackles and all manner of weird and wonderful toys for getting your rocks off.

After a solid twelve hours browsing all there is to see I have come to the conclusion that really there is something out there for everyone and as long as they are partaking with somebody who issued consenting then why the hell not. Get into it ladies and gentlemen. Karamea you all need a little (or a lot) more kink in your lives. Don't be shy, open the dialogue with friends. Sex is a wonderful thing and everyone likes it a little different. Vanilla is ok but it gets a little boring after a while so spice it up a bit... add a little pleasure mixed with pain. The more the merrier eh?! As for me I'm going to roll in talcum powder so i can pull on my latex catsuit. :]

Brad Spotter signing off.

COMING TO THE BUSH LOUNGE SUNDAY 29 JANUARY!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bF1N_mwinyw

SMOKEY ROOM RECORDS PRESENTS ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

THE RIVER JESTERS

ALBUM RELEASE NZ TOUR
2016/2017

Sunday 29th January
The old Saracens Bush Lounge
8 pm
Bring your dancing feet and
\$10 for the band

1080 UPDATE

This is the current situation with our Kahurangi National Park aerial 1080 predator control. Note we completed the pest control in the West Coast Oparara and Kakapo blocks in September.

Our Kahurangi National Park aerial 1080 predator control is planned to cover approximately 295,000 hectares. To date we have completed pest control over 75% of the total operational area – around 223,000 hectares. We have aerielly applied non-toxic pre-feed baits over another 43,300 hectares in the Parapara operational block which will encourage rats to eat the toxic baits when they are applied.

We plan to apply toxic baits over the Parapara block as soon as there is a suitable period of fine weather. We also plan to carry out aerial application of pre-feed and toxic baits in the remaining Goulard block from February, as weather allows. The Parapara and Goulard blocks are mostly in Tasman District but parts are in the West Coast region.

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KARAMEA VILLAGE HOTEL

AN ENDURING HISTORY OF COUNTRY HOSPITALITY
COME IN AND SOCIALISE WITH THE LOCALS
NEW SUMMER MENU COMING SOON!
7826 800

WHAT COULD IT BE?

If you have crossed the bridge in the last few weeks you will have noticed Karamea River Motels have been a hive of activity. But, what are they actually building??? We here at *The Whisper News* quizzed new owners Murray Wells and Shona Hedges but to no avail. "I can't tell you, it's a surprise! Watch this space", quipped Murray. Shona and Murray relocated from Nelson area along with Shona's brother Stuart and wife Ally, who run the jetboat tours. "We moved here for a lifestyle change and the outdoors". Keep an eye out for the Geep and Dorpers in the paddock out front. Welcome to the community we are excited to see what you all have up your sleeves.

**"It's the hand you have been dealt, so
Just deal with it" John Atomic**

COMMUNITY NOTICES

KARAMEA COUNTRY MUSIC CLUB

Karamea Country Music Club has not been active since 2005. Funds are held in a bank account and musical equipment is stored in the Karamea Community Hall (RSA)

Members identified as being current at 2005 have been identified and contacted where possible; and have agreed the the Club should be wound up and the assets distributed to a charity or charities as required by the Constitution.

Musical equipment is for sale and is available for inspection by contacting Betty Neil on 7826 862

The Public are hereby notified that if they wish to object to the club being wound up, they should do so in writing, addressed to the undersigned, by 28 February 2017

Signed on behalf of the Club by,
Betty Neil
127 Oparara Rd
KARAMEA

Business For Sale



Oparara Trust Building
Bridge St
Karamea

Contact: Sylvia Raikes
Ph: 03 7826 181
Cell: 027 7626 161

This is a seasonal business, offering: kayaking, Tubing, Riverbugging, Mountain Biking, Fishing and Horseriding. Great potential for guided walks and Tramping / Camping, Windsurfing, Tri-Kite and much more to the enthusiastic person

If you are serious about this potential to develop your own business, I can offer you my experience of options available and how and where they run, with guidance on how to operate safely.



For Sale: one pair, hardly used dentures, only two teeth missing

**TAI CHI CLASSES*START WEDS 25
JAN 10AM @RSA. \$4 ENQUIRIES
CALL 7826 182 KATHRYN**

Community Meeting to Discuss
Development of a Horticultural Social
Enterprise in Karamea
at the Karamea Bowling Club at 2:00
p.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2017. The
Buller Community Development
Facilitator, Peter Howard

Heads up innovators! Little Wanganui Raft Races are coming back!

Waitangi weekend- time TBA
Start creating your rafts people!
Build and name your own raft, prizes for best
construction/ team spirit...watch this space for
more information



Farmer tip #3 Count your spores.
Facial eczema warning!

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