



COMMUNITY & SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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MARCH 2009

Relay For Life

Thankyou to all who attended the **Night at the Oscars** at Bendigo on Sat night.

A total of \$4055 was raised for the Tarras team. Joan Hilary of Cromwell and Colin Pledger won best dressed. The film **Slum Dog Millionaire** was very current as it won the best film at the Oscars in LA the next night.

Tarras people were treated to a preview!!!

The Country Coffee Shop dinners have been sold out . Imelda has donated \$20 per head to Relay for Life.

The Relay for Life raffle was won by the Snow family.

The Tarras Team invites anyone who would like to walk with us on 7/8 March at the Cromwell racecourse to contact either Imelda or Heather or a team member. We would love to have you join us for this worthy cause.

Thanks to the Tarras community for their great support.

Anyone who would like to book a **Piano Tuner** who is coming to this area please contact Marley Whéen 445 2215.

If you have any unwanted screwtop jars or Agee Jars please contact Nicki 445 2660.

Cemetery Rose Garden

Tarras Rural Women are reminded of the unveiling of the rose plaque by Joy Chapman at the cemetery on Mon. 16th March at 1.30 p.m. This is to commemorate the planting of the collection of Goldfields historic roses from our area.

C.O. Heritage Rose members will also be in attendance as they have assisted in funding this project.

Following this, members are invited to Jan Gibson's for afternoon tea. A plate for afternoon tea would be appreciated

If you have any cuttings of old roses please bring them along.

Anyone is welcome to attend.

Dog Trials—

At the recent AGM James Lucas became the new President replacing the retiring Richard Pledger. Stewart Perriam was elected Vice-President.

The 2009 Trials are on Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th March.

Working Bees will be held on Thursday 19th March at 1.30pm and Monday 23rd March at 4pm

Tarras Talk is sponsored by Tarras Rural Women and can be viewed on-line at:
<http://webweb.tarrasnz.com>

DEADLINE FOR APRIL TARRAS TALK IS FRIDAY 27 MARCH — PLEASE BE EARLY

TARRAS RURAL WOMEN

Next Meeting..... Wednesday, 18th March 2009
In the Tarras Hall supper room., 7.30 p.m.

*Jo Wakelin, senior lecturer at the Cromwell Polytech,
will be our guest speaker at 8pm.*

"Low on H2O"

A look at which are the most drought tolerant plants for our area.

We have heard from others that Jo's talk and photographic presentation is very worthwhile and relevant to our growing conditions.

Jo is hoping you will share your plant knowledge too.

We warmly invite and encourage all the gardeners of our district to attend!

*Hostess Duty ...H Perriam & L Harrison
Raffle...J Graham*

*REMINDER: Rural Women subs of \$29 are now due.
Please pay to Pat Holder or leave in the RW mailbox at the Tarras Country Store. Thanking you in anticipation!*

Rural Women New Zealand

Upper Clutha A & P Show -- Friday, 13th & Saturday, 14th March 2009

RWNZ have been allocated space in the PGG Wrightson Marquee.

We seek your support in the form of help from members who can give one hour of their time to RWNZ by helping on the stand over the two days.

Please contact **Margaret Pittaway** by Monday, 9th March.

Ph: 445 1201 email lochlea@xtra.co.nz

Central Otago Women in Agribusiness

Next Field Day Tarras Game Factory

Date Thursday, 5th March 2009

Speaker Steve Brown

Steve's Tarras Game Factory processes wild rabbit, hare and pheasant, as well as organically grown chickens that he raises on the site at Bendigo Station. Steve will talk about this innovative business and the markets for his products.

Programme 11.15am (optional) Meet at "The Shed"

Northburn Winery Cafe, for early lunch.

12.30pm Tour of Processing Plant at Bendigo Station

Cost for the Day \$5 for members

\$10 for non-members

NZ Army Dance Band will be performing at the Tarras Hall as part of the Southern Lakes Festival of Colour on Wednesday 29th April at 7pm. They perform for 90 minutes, plus an interval, and admission is \$32 (including booking fee). Book your tickets online: www.festivalofcolour.co.nz or phone 034434178.

CONGRATULATIONS

Clarky (Colin Clark) on his 70th Birthday on 3rd March. Have a great day.

Charlotte Gibson and **Jonny Teat** (ex Rotorua) on their engagement in Perth.

Kylie Butcher and **Nick Seal** (ex Ashurst) on their engagement in Auckland.

Stuart Miller (Janie's son) and **Gemma McNamara** (ex Oamaru) on their engagement in Blenheim.

Marianne and **Lance Irving** on the birth of their first baby, Bede Samuel Austin Irving on 4th February in Christchurch. Mary and Gerald Goodger now have 8 Grand-children.

Ben Purvis on his selection in the Vincent Cricket Team.

Willie Moore on qualifying for the Victorian Golf Open. On 19th March he will play in the Australian Amateur Championships in Brisbane. Willie lives in Melbourne.

Tarras Community Trust (TCT) News

Water Scheme

- There was a meeting held for subscribers to the new scheme where they were updated with progress and water pressure options were explained. The presentations and handout notes are on the Trust's website below.
- Otago Regional Council has started to seek Tarras's reaction to the minimum flow regime they wish to impose on the Lindis River. The first of a series of meetings was held in mid-February where residents emphasized to ORC that such a regime would have a dramatic effect on the district. Further meetings will be held through the year.
- Water users who have subscribed to the new scheme will receive invoices for the last 2 instalments in March and May

Refuse Tip

The CODC wants to talk to Tarras about the future of the tip. Any thoughts on this topic you may want to contribute please contact a Trust Board member or the undersigned.

Secretary
Ph 445 2033
Email: info@tarrasnz.com
<http://web.tarrasnz.com>

Thankyou to all, for the cards, visits, meals and well wishes during Karen's recent illness. This was much appreciated.
Karen and Steve Inglis

TARRAS CHURCH

All Are Welcome

Combined Services for all the Community

Cup of Tea after all Morning Services.

Sunday March 8 at 9.15 am

Led by

Rev Denis Bartley

Sunday March 22 at 9.15 am

Led by

Rev Diane Gilliam-Weeks

Communion & Harvest Festival Service

God has given us two hands -- one to receive with and the other to give with. We are not cisterns made for hoarding; we are channels made for giving.

Billy Graham

Enquiries	Anglican	Spin Lucas	445 2885
	Presbyterian -	Ian Westergaard	445 2333

Harvest Festival Service

Tarras Church

Sunday 22 March 9.15am

Harvest Festival Services are our opportunity to offer our thankfulness for the gifts from God's earth.

After the service, the produce will be taken to Elmslie House to assist in providing for the residents.
(Deuteronomy 24:19-22)

Presbyterian Support advise that the following goods would be very acceptable:

Garden produce: Pumpkin, Marrows Courgette, Tomatoes, Apples Pears. Peaches, etc.

Cereal foods; Weetbix, Cornies, Oatmeal Muesli.

Jams, Marmalade, Honey, Tea, Coffee, Flour, Sugar, etc

*Diane Gilliam Weeks,
Minister, Upper Clutha Presbyterian Parish*

Tarras Anglican Flower and Cleaning Roster:

March: M Kane/K Inglis

"**BOOK CLUB** this month is at Marley's house at 7.30pm on 11 March 2009. If you can't make it please return the book to Felicity as soon as possible."

Walking Group - each Wednesday 9am, meet at the Hall.

Tennis - 6th and 20th March at the Hall, 5 p.m. onwards, BYO BBQ.

Yoga - continues each Monday at the Hall at 10am, new members welcome.

Gold Rush - is on 22nd March. If there is any-one not connected to Golf who would be willing to help out on either the 21st or 22nd we would be grateful of your assistance. An expected crowd of 570 people will receive an evening meal at the Hall. This is the Golf Club's only major fund-raiser. The first competitors arrive at the Hall coming from Thompsons Gorge and the Ardour Valley at about 1pm. Please phone Jan Gibson.

Golf - At the recent AGM Russell Lovelock remained the President and Tom Moore was elected Vice-President. All other office bearers remained the same except the inclusion of Mark Davidson who was elected back onto the Greens Committee. Twilight Golf continues.

Opening day for all is Saturday 28th March, please bring a salad to have with the BBQ.

Womens Opening day will be Thursday 5th April, 9am report.

"**Pilates**" I have recently moved to Tarras from Wanaka and before that Auckland. I teach Pilates either in small groups or one-to-one.

Pilates is an all-over conditioning programme, particularly effective for abs, back and posture improvement.

Please phone me, Nancy, to discuss your needs on 445 2151 or 021 565 705.

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Monday to Friday 7.30 a.m.—6.00 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday 8.00 a.m.—6.00 p.m.

Playgroup

Welcome back for another Playgroup year. Thank you to those that may have watered plants over the holidays and helped tidy up before our first morning back for the term, a special thanks to Anita and Jill, this was greatly appreciated.

The children have really grown over the holidays and we are enjoying watching their personalities develop.

Welcome to our new families: Rebecca and their daughter Sophie, Debbie & son Jaimie, Tania & daughter Melia.

We have enjoyed the company of Libby and son Luke while they were visiting from Australia and hope to see them again next time they visit.

After only a couple of weeks back at Playgroup we have already seen some changes in the grounds. A concrete area has been made for the children to ride their bikes, bounce balls and play with pavement chalk. A huge thank you to Hamish Mcknight for all his hard work and also to Jill who co-ordinated the builder.

Currently we have 13 children enrolled with 9 who arrive regularly to playgroup.

The age group ranges from 3½ years to 7 weeks old.

DOG TRIALS

We will be catering again for this local event and will be relying on your generous support that you have always given us in previous years. This is our only fundraiser for the year. A member will be in touch requesting a donation before the trials which are on the 25th/26th March.

Birthdays

Jill Herron – 28th Feb

Marcus Holdsworth – 11th April

Playgroup is open each Monday 9.30 a.m. - 11.45 a.m.

Visitors welcome.

Enquiries - Pip - 445 2330

email: shepherds.creek@xtra.co.nz

SCHOOL NEWS

Otago Anniversary Day 23 March

The school will be closed for this day.

Festival of Colours (April 28 - May 3)

We have managed to book two performances for the children. Story teller Rangimoana Taylor will hold a workshop at school on Wednesday 29th May. The Junior children will go to the performance Tale of a Dog on Thursday 30 in Wanaka.

Playground Supervision and Sports

We are looking for some parents or interested members of the community who could come to school for half an hour during a lunchtime and umpire a game or just generally help with the supervision of the children. The children would love to play, soccer, badminton, rugby, tennis, 4 square, netball etc with an adult. The staff will very much appreciate your help, as we are very stretched to cover the playground at all times.

Tutus on Tour

Well! How fortunate can we be, members of the New Zealand ballet company are going to come and do a workshop on March 24th at 9 am for the children. This is an awesome opportunity for the children.

New School Storage Shed

The Pub Charities have given us \$2000 for a new storage shed. We are planning to where to put it and that it will house swimming gear and sandpit equipment.

COMMUNITY SOCIAL WORKER :

Offers free, confidential help, information and support to individuals or families.

Phone Gaye 443 7725
Community Social Worker
Community Networks Wanaka
14 Dunmore Street.
WANAKA 9305

Schools Zones

Please watch your speeds around school.

The New Zealand Police will be patrolling these areas over the next few weeks.

Also the passing speed past a stationary bus is 20 kms.

School Holidays for 2009

April 10 - 26

July 4 - 19

Sept 25 - Oct 11

End of School 18 Dec

A&P Show (March 13 & 14)

The Friends of Tarras School once again have accepted the job of catering in the Ravensdown tent to raise funds for the school. If you are able to assist Lynette and her team at some time in the tent over the two days. There are two time slots. 9.30 am - 1.00 pm and 12.00 pm till 3.00 pm ish.

Please contact her on 445 2200.

Thanks for your support in this.

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Tarras School 125 years in Tarras.

The Tarras School is 125 years old in 2010. The Board of Trustees invites any interested members of the community to form a committee to organize a reunion. A meeting needs to be called as soon as possible. Please contact the Board Secretary on 445 2817 to register your interest.