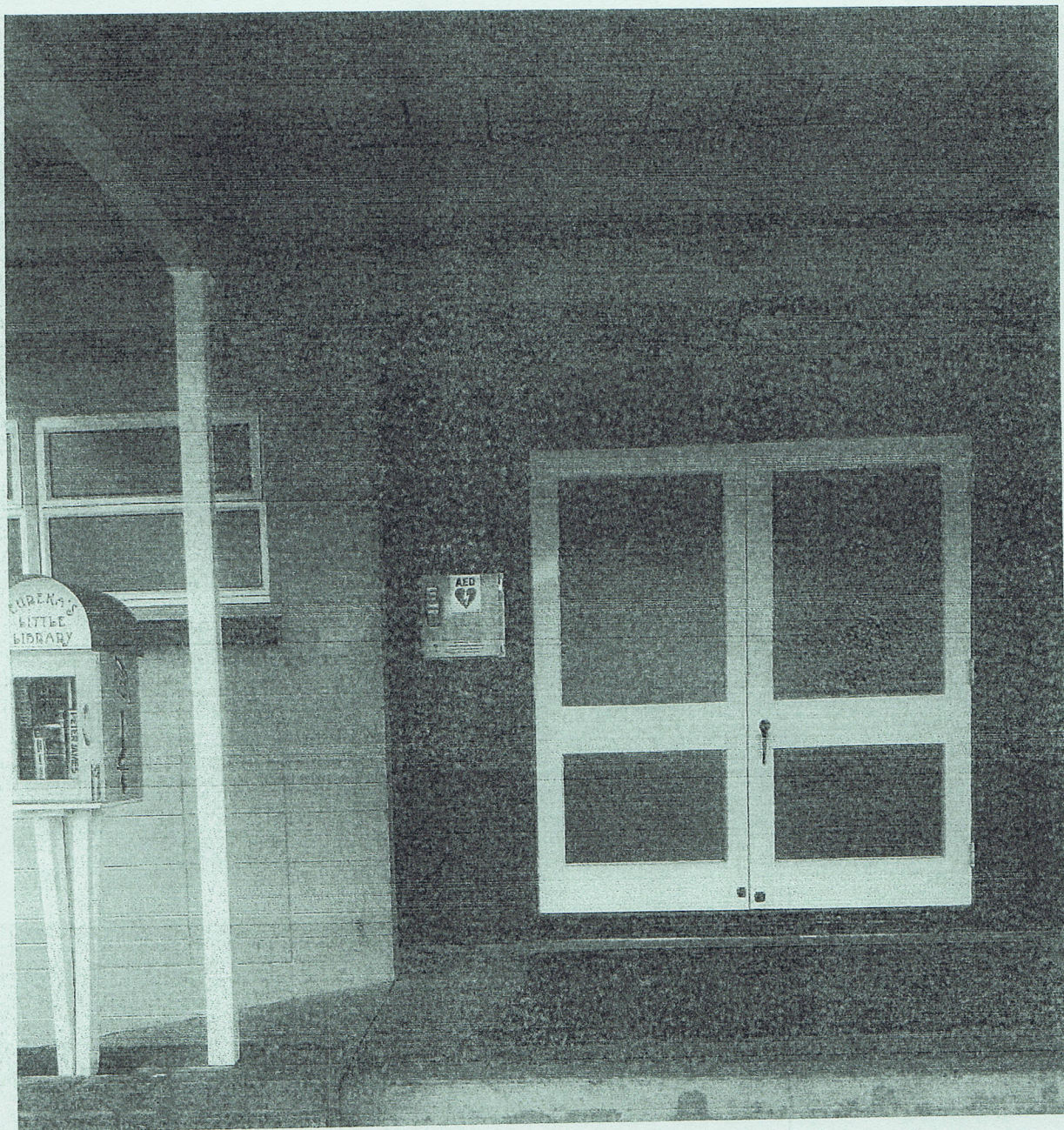


Eureka Express

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***Remember the AED location at the Hall,
and keep up to date with your CPR skills.***

EDITORIAL

Hello everyone,

We are Bridget Duncan and Brendon McMillan, living at 1285 State Highway 26, or many of you might know it better as Denise Irvine's old residence of 45 years.

We have been asked to kindly share a little bit about ourselves with you all, although it will be hard following all the amazing life stories that I've read in the Eureka Express since moving to this awesome piece of the countryside.

We bought our first home here in 2017 and are absolutely loving it. We have made it our own, pulling out old trees and replacing with fruit trees galore, adding a chicken run for the three girls we brought from across the road at Eureka Poultry, and putting up a sturdy front fence to keep our two dog children, Max and Bindi, safe from the hustle and bustle of 26.

Brendon, 29, grew up out the back of Huntly in Rotongaro where his family worked and lived on both dairy and bull farms before purchasing their own property, which happened to be an operating orchard, producing apples, plums and peaches for the local market. His schooling was achieved through Te Kauwhata College, and after a few years of dairy farming and fencing he went on to earning his Diploma in Civil Engineering. He is now in his 7th year working for Fulton Hogan as a Chip Sealing Engineer, running the first coat sealing operations for the business.



I, Bridget, 25, grew up in Hamilton with my Mother and two sisters. We all attended Fraser High School which just happened to be a skip and a jump from the family home. Once I graduated high school, all I knew was that I had an urge to work with and help animals, so I went to get my Certificate in Animal Care at Wintec. I had a taste for the farming life spending school holidays and weekends out with Nana and Pop on their dry stock farm in Tamahere, so I decided to take the plunge into Dairy farming. I worked on farm for 5 seasons before deciding it was time for a slight career change. I am now working for LIC where I'm in my 4th year as an AB Technician and 3rd year as a Herd Testing Technician, chopping and changing between the two depending on the season.

The travel bug is very well alive inside the both of us, both a blessing and a curse to any spare money we have! Before meeting, Brendon travelled all through South East Asia and I to Ireland and the USA. Together last year, we travelled Bali and then had an incredible trip to South America, exploring Argentina, Peru, Bolivia, Chile, Brazil, and Mexico. This year we had a couple of quick holidays, Camper vaning around the South Island, Rarotonga, and we will head to Tahiti later on in the year where Brendon's mothers side of the family all live. Next winter, all going to plan, we will be off to Africa for another big one.

Thank you, Eureka Express, for allowing us to introduce ourselves to you all and we hope to bump into more of you in the years to come. I'll leave you with the best family picture we've been able to get to date, Christmas Day last year, dogs looking sorry for themselves because they had just finished being told off for digging in the new grass!

SNIPPETS

BIRTH. NEW BABY CONGRATULATIONS TO: Shaun and Natalie Bartlett of SH 26 on the arrival of another darling daughter, Chloe Gael Bartlett, on July 27. A dear wee sister for Ella. Very best wishes to all.

FAREWELL TO EUREKA TO: Bruce and Tahlia Hopkins and their boys, Victor and Griffin, who have left the Badger Farm on Hunter Road after four years and moved to Kereone. Our best wishes go with you all.

WELCOME TO EUREKA TO: Megan Brocket and her children, Ada 17, Paige 15, Emily 12, and Liam 7, who are new arrivals on the Badger Farm on Hunter Road. They have moved from Tauwhare and we bid them a very warm welcome to Eureka. Ph: 027 8117312

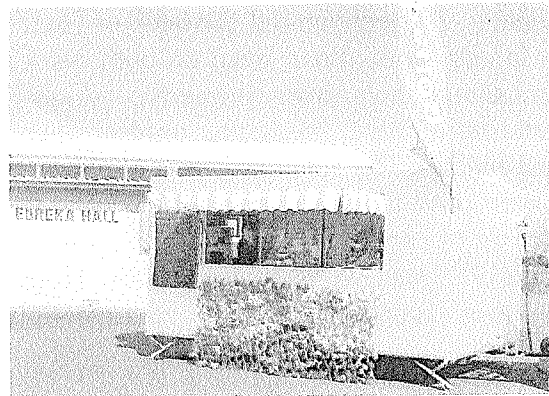
LOCAL PHONE LIST UPDATE; The local phone list is presently being updated for circulation next month. If you wish to make any changes to your listing, i.e. alterations, deletions or additions, please phone Sue 8241141 or Gail 8241758 or text Gail on 0212113348

INTRODUCING BARBARA – COFFEE CART AT EUREKA HALL

Hi, I'm Barb from Tauwhare and I'm excited to have started the bright yellow coffee & food trailer located at the Eureka Hall.

I offer the usual selection of hot and cold drinks with a small array of freshly prepared hot food. The bacon & egg bun seems a real hit! Every week here will be something new on offer to tantalise your taste buds.

As the weather warms up I hope to have a couple of tables & chairs for people to sit & enjoy their coffee & catch up with friends/family for a chat.



Eftpos & now CC facilities are available.

Call in or pre-order your coffee-to-go order from Barbara on 0212413378

Hours are Monday to Friday 7am to 2 pm (depending on customers).

Note: Due to my previous Tour Guiding commitments there are a couple of times where I will be away unfortunately. The first one being 26th August to 8th September

INTRODUCING: SAM WARE – OUR LOCAL MARRIAGE CELEBRANT

What I love about being a celebrant is working with couples to create a wedding that reflects who they are. A wedding day is all about the couple and their journey to their wedding day – as well as what they see as their future. Hearing how they met and what hopes and dreams they have for their future are the threads I weave into their ceremony.

Experienced and confident in public speaking – I have been a professional actor and singer for over 30 years. Working as a Celebrant it's a privilege to be able to use the skills I've crafted over those years to be a part of such a significant event in the lives of a couple and their families.

Phone: 021897706 sam@samwarecelebrant.co.nz www.samwarecelebrant.co.nz

TAUWHARE PLAYGROUP



Term 3 has seen us hibernating inside away from the cold, wet weather. The children have enjoyed the roller coasters, bikes and scooters, a new toy kitchen and a pizza making session where they made their own pizzas, cooked them, and then ate them yum.

Tauwhare playgroup is a friendly and fun group, where parents, grandparents, caregivers, children and babies meet together in a relaxed environment. Everyone is welcome. Our playgroup is free to attend, and our activities include: music and singing, imaginative play, outdoor and free play, art and craft activities, trips to interesting places.

Over the next few months we have children moving on to school and with that comes families leaving us. We are looking for someone (or more than one person) who would be able to assist our families in running playgroup sessions and helping out with planning.

Follow us on or message us on Facebook at Tauwhare Playgroup or contact Katherine 021403969 for further information.

BOOK FAIR

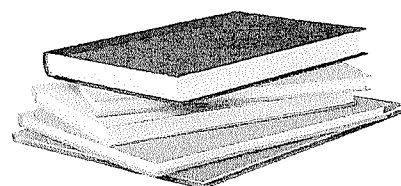
\$2 Book Fair

Friday 6th September – Sunday 15th September

9am – 6pm

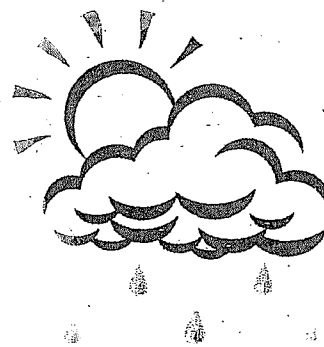
Eureka Hall

The big long book fair



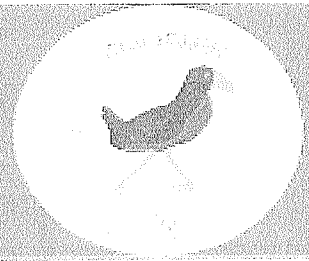
WEATHER

Weather for July 2019		
Rainfall total	71.2 mm	
Rain Total for year	326 mm	
Rainy days	22	
Most daily rainfall	25.2 mm	4 th July
Highest wind speed	33.8 km/hr	17 th July
Temp high	17.3 C	3 rd July
Temp low	-2.1 C	7 th July

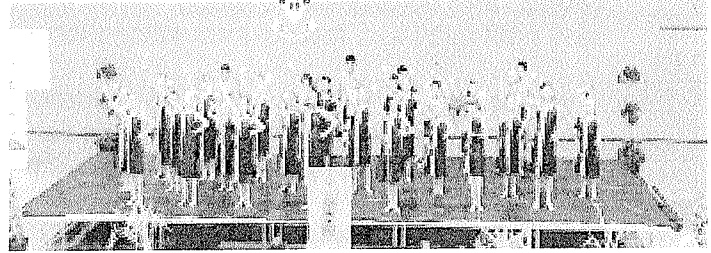


Tauwhare School

PO Box 100000, Hillcrest, Auckland
07 551 0900



Our kapa haka group performed at the first Hillcrest COL (Community of Learning) Kapa Haka Festival. The children were fabulous. They put their heart and soul into their waiata and haka. They were a credit to their tutor, Kirsty Gilroy. A very special (and grateful!) thanks and acknowledgement to Mark Haddock. Mark is an ex-Morrinsville College student and was part of their kapa haka roopu. He is currently studying at Waikato Uni but he came in at short notice to help us get 'stage ready' and has been volunteering his time and knowledge by helping at practices, playing guitar and working with the boys to refine their haka.



NEW STAFF MEMBER

We welcome Vanessa Belsham to our staff. Vanessa will be working alongside Mrs Pickett in Room 7 & 8 as the numbers of our year 0/1 children have grown. With 2 teachers and a full time teacher aid the children will get the individual support and extension they need.

NEW TOILET BUILDING

Work has begun on the new toilet block situated on the edge of the asphalt outside Rooms 5, 6, 7 & 8. The area is completely fenced off so children will be safe.

CROSS COUNTRY

It felt so good being back at the farm for our recent school cross country. Huge thank you to the Cleland family for welcoming us on to their beautiful farm. The children did themselves proud and we congratulate every one of them. Emma McCarthy took some wonderful photos which will go onto our TV in the school foyer. Thank you, Emma.

Open Race – 1st Luke Bellamy, 2nd David Sinclair, 3rd Heath Rogerson



KAAHUI AKO (Community of Learning) UPDATE

Our Across School Leaders continue to work across our 8 schools in the community of learning to ultimately raise the educational and vocational outcomes for all our children. Our three areas of focus are:

Raising high expectations for Maori Learners

Wellbeing of staff and students

Creating collaborative platforms to enhance teacher capability.

Please click on the link to read our latest COL Newsletter: [..\..\..\..\Desktop\CoL Newsletter August 2019 .pdf](#)

Step In

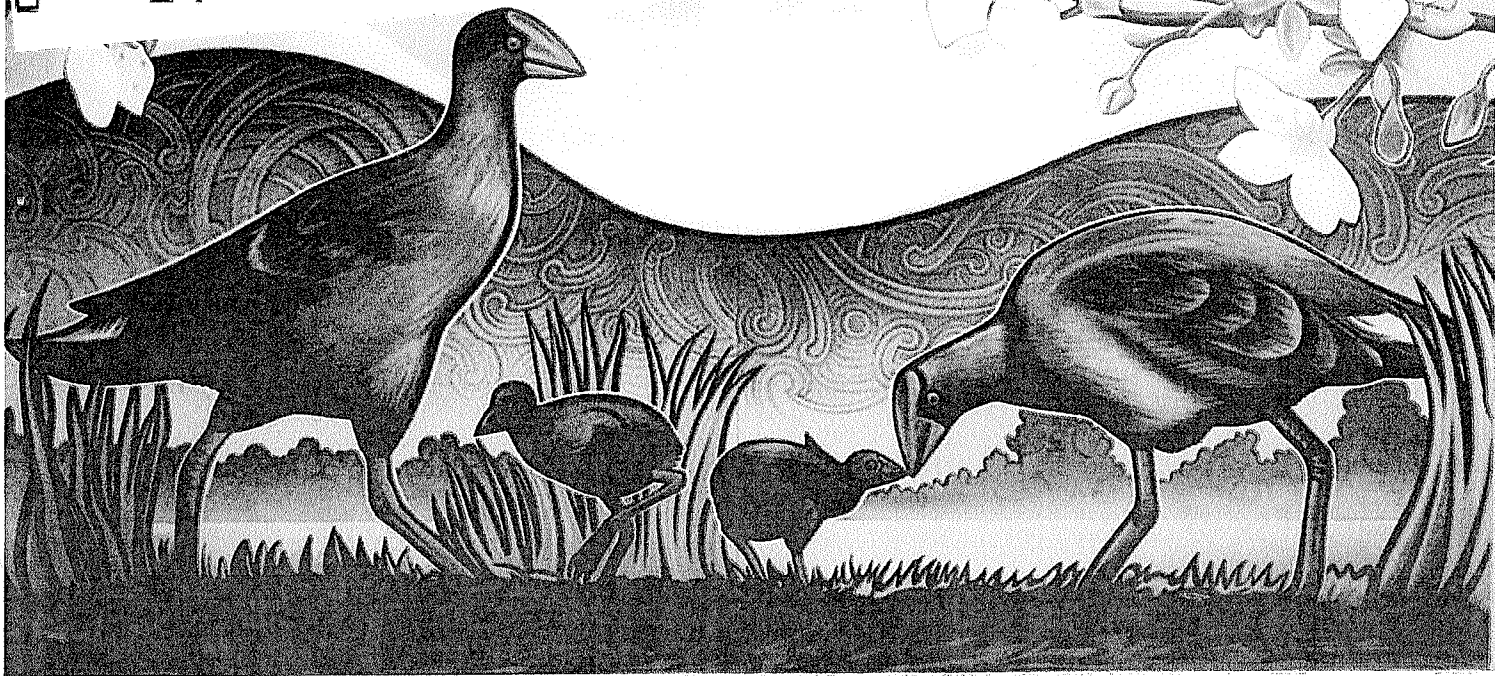
On Wednesday 28 August in Room 7. - 9am – 10.30am

Tauwhare School's Step In programme for pre-schoolers and their parents/caregivers is held regularly throughout the year. All prospective 4 – 5 year olds are encouraged to come along to the new entrant room to join in on a typical morning in the classroom.

Parents will be able to see first-hand the kind of topics Mrs Pickett will be teaching their child once they enrol.

Parents will be taken through the specific learning objectives.

Pukeko Country Preschool



Our little preschool is in a time of transition as we await our license. The new preschool is looking amazing and we can't wait to share it with you very soon. We are still in our little building and enjoying the space and it is a delight seeing the children's' imaginations going wild. The children are weaving the new songs they have learnt lately through their play, with the big bad wolf trying to blow down the barrier around the tractor. Pauline has begun sharing her love of ukulele with us and we are looking forward to seeing the children playing their own songs. Spring is on its way and the children are excited to see the daffodils that they planted months ago popping up. Over the weekend our fabulous mural by Jeremy went up at the front of the new building and can be seen from the school.

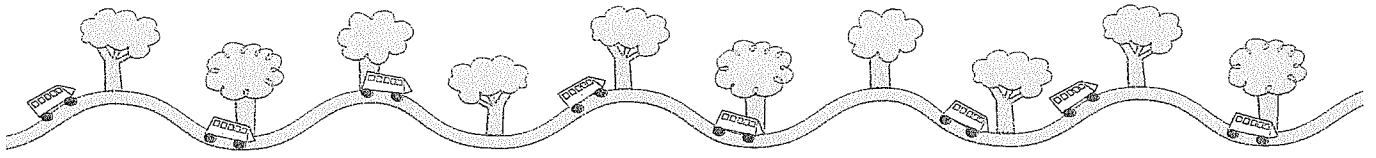
About Pukeko Preschool

We are a small rural preschool situated in the grounds of Tauwhare School on Scotsman Valley Rd. We are open from 8am – 4pm and licensed for 17 children. Session times are 8.45am – 1.00pm, 8.45am – 2.45pm, or choose your own hours for bookings over 6.5 hours. We welcome children from 2 years of age. They need to be toilet-trained (or close to it) as we do not have nappy-changing facilities (we will have these in our new centre).

Our new centre will be open from 7.30am to 5.30pm and will be licensed for seven under-2s and twenty-three over-2s. Keep an eye of our Facebook page for opening details.

Limited spaces are available – call in and see us, phone 824 0860, or email pukekopreschool@xtra.co.nz. We offer 20 hours Free ECE (NO extra charges for these hours) and you may also be eligible for the childcare subsidy. Contact us for more information, check out our website www.pukekopreschool.org.nz, or find us on Facebook 'Pukeko Preschool in Tauwhare'.





Motumaoho School

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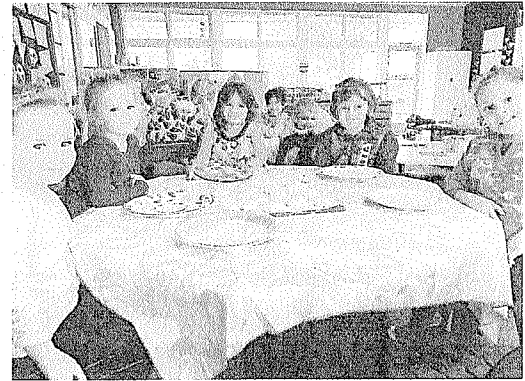


KidsCan Crazy Dress Up Day

On Thursday the 8th of August we supported the KidsCan programme by dressing up on their national crazy dress day, and bringing along a gold coin donation.. KidsCan is a programme that provides support for kiwi kids living in hardship.

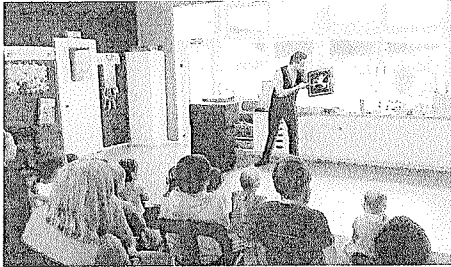
Baking with Room 2

Last week Room 2 did some baking. They made a yummy chocolate cake and a lovely batch of scones which were all ready in time for morning tea. All our learners in Room 2 contributed in measuring, adding and mixing the ingredients into the bowl. Everyone worked well together in this task, and the finished products were delicious!



It's Showtime!

It's showtime! We were very lucky to have a sneak preview of the magic and illusion spectacular 'It's Showtime' who are touring this month. Griffin was the lucky assistant in the presentation.



Work Samples - Room 1 Short Descriptive Writing

The fur is golden brown with as white as fog around his dark eyes like the night sky. His fur is as soft as a cosy warm blanket. In the tree is a monkey with a cheeky smile. By Maddy

Lightning storms are furious. They are shaped like swigly lines. They are strikes of lightning. Lightning is a gun firing electricity. Lightning is a light lighting up the place around it. It is a torch setting fire to everything it touches.
By Kayla

The tornado hit the house like thunder. Debris was flying everywhere like a raging rhino. By Chase

The wind is a vacuum cleaner sucking up the trees. They will snap out of the ground like a twig due to the strong winds. By Liam

TAUWHARE INDOOR BOWLING CLUB

Welcome to August 2019 club newsletter.

Bowls is a game where you can be as serious as you like, or you can just come along on club night for a social evening. It is never too late to come along.

If you have not played bowls before but would love to give the game a go, then come along to the Tauwhare hall on a Thursday evening. We have plenty of people within the club that can explain how the game is played. We start at 7.30pm but names need to be in by 7.25pm

As promised in last month's newsletter I said I would report on Amber McNally's Waikato selection results. Although she didn't get any game time for the Paterson Trophy, I am sure she supported her team players throughout the weekend. Waikato did come second for the challenge.

Amber did play in the Waikato pairs against the visiting South Island team, had two very good wins out of three games. Waikato beat the South Island team. She then went on to play for the North Island team against the South Island at Pukekohe and the North Island won. Well done Amber!!

The married couples and Jack and Jill tournament was played at the beginning of August. The married couples section went to Barry and Lynne Arnold from Taupiri and the Jack and Jill section went to Bev Meads and Lockie Verner.

Emily Stevens won the Eastern Junior singles championship and was runner up in the Waikato Junior Championship – well done Emily.

The Tauwhare men's and ladies singles have been played. Jim Bargh won the men's singles and Lockie Verner was runner up. The ladies section was won by Rosalie Arnold and Robin Bargh was runner up.

Tamahere have visited us for a social evening and a very enjoyable time was had by all.

Two teams attended the Gordonton August tournament. The team of Bev Meads, Jim Arnold, Rosalie Arnold and Glenda Goodare won the tournament after beating two other teams in the playoff as they had also had 4 wins.

The Eastern championship triples have also been played. Jim Arnold, Bev Meads and Rosalie Arnold were defending the title from last year and managed to win the tournament again this year.

If you would like more information, then do not hesitate to contact one of the following people: -

Jim and Rosalie Arnold 07 887 4832

Bev Meads 021 172 7822

Kevin Williams 07 824 0728

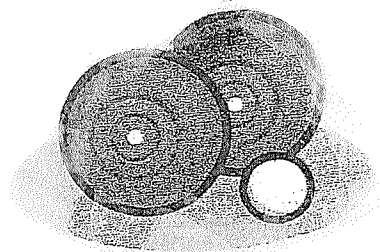
Upcoming events for September:-

5th – Club Night – Erin Rosebowl

12th – President and Vice President's Night

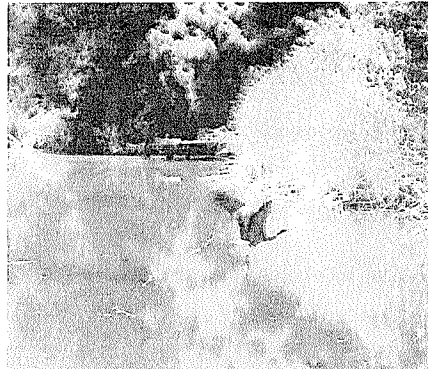
19th – Patron's Night

26th – AGM and Prize giving



THE SCULPTURE PARK @ WAITAKARURU ARBORETUM

We are delighted that Spring brings the return of frogs and more native birds to the park. We think there are at least three pairs of tui nesting. The herons seem to stay around all year!



Ensuring the Park's Future

As many of you know, we want the park to be more accessible so must find ways to attract more visitors again so that we can cover the cost of maintenance. To do this we will be open on **Sundays** from 1st September and in addition we will:

- Continue to be open by appointment other times (just phone or email)
- Continue to attract schools and groups
- Sell Annual passes again
- Run special events such as *Delight from 20-29th September*
- Hire out the park for weddings, concerts, fundraisers, Christmas parties, and other celebrations

Annual Passes

We want to make sure the park is well-used in all seasons and that people living nearby can benefit from frequent visits here. We also want children to reconnect with the outdoors and to help parents and grandparents with a wide range of resources so that every visit here is an adventure. Some local supporters purchased annual passes in the past. We hope even more of you are fans of this place.

Cost of the annual pass is three times the entry fee. The pass enables you to visit 364 days of the year.

Please email if you are interested, so we can send you the details and the form sculpturepark1@gmail.com

Any ideas you have to increase visitor numbers and raise the profile of the park are appreciated.

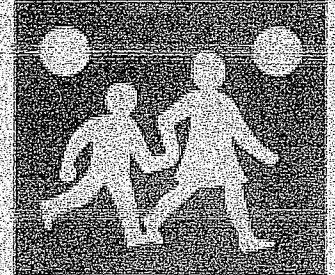
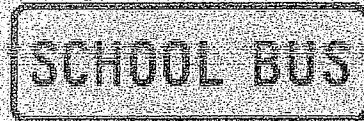
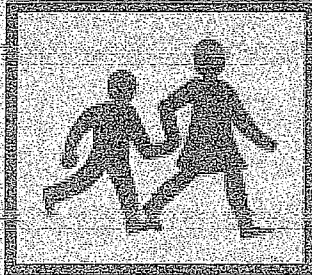
John & Dorothy Wakeling
www.sculpturepark.co.nz

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

School bus signs

The signs below will be displayed on school buses. If a school bus has stopped you must slow down and drive at 20km/h or less until you are well past (no matter which direction you are coming from) if:

- the bus displays a school bus sign on which the lights are flashing, or
- the bus displays a school bus sign (with or without flashing lights) and has stopped for the purpose of picking up or dropping off school children.

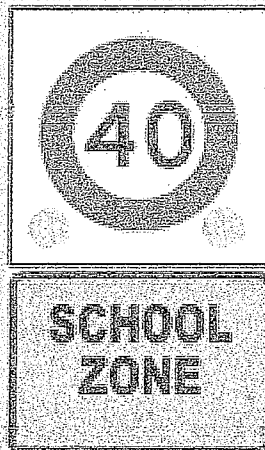


Note: you may also see 'Kura', the Māori word for school, on a bus.

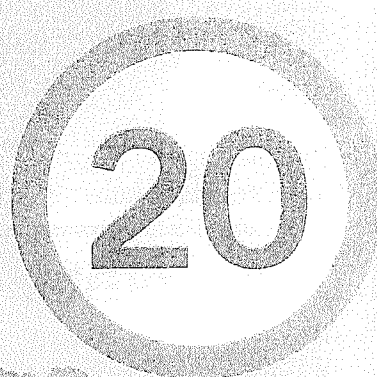
Police will strictly enforce a 4km/h tolerance of the posted speed limit outside schools, kindergartens and play centres during high-use times. This will apply within 250 metres of the boundaries on each side of the school.

School zones

Some schools display signs that are turned on before and after school and other times such as lunchtime:

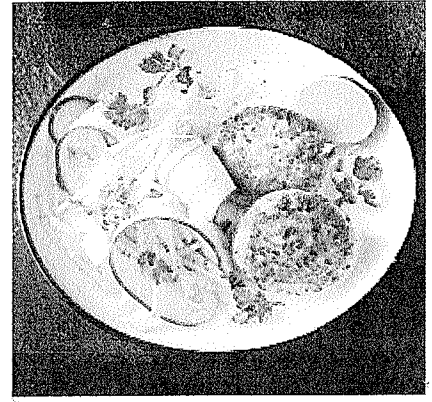


This sign will be displayed at the start of the school zone. If the 40 is visible and the yellow lights are flashing, the maximum speed is 40km/h until the zone ends.



TASTE BUDS

GREEN CURRY SALMON CAKES



500g potatoes, peeled and chopped.
2tbs (400g) green curry paste
½ cup coarsely chopped coriander
415g can pink salmon, drained and flaked

Boil potatoes until tender, drain and mash. Add remaining ingredients, season with salt and pepper. Shape into patties and cook approx. 4 mins each side.

Serves 4-6 people.

CARROT AND GINGER SOUP

2 spring onions, sliced
1 tbs freshly grated ginger
12 medium carrots, peeled and sliced
1ltr veg or chicken stock

Sauté the spring onions and ginger for about 5 mins, add the carrots and sauté a few more mins. Add the stock and bring to the boil. Turn down to low and simmer for 30 mins till carrots are tender. Puree till smooth. Season with salt and pepper, cumin and lemon juice to taste.

A twist for this soup is to OR add a cup of orange juice and only 3 cups of stock.

Yummy



Why you shouldn't advertise online (with non-local giant faceless corporations)

There's a lot of problems with the internet. One of those problems is how difficult it is to advertise online. So much of the web is funded by advertising that it's hard to get away from it – unless you install an ad-blocker. So you might think, well I'll take advantage of that in my business, but unfortunately it's not overly simple. Unlike a regular newspaper or billboard, where you put the ad up and then you're done, online advertising is much more complicated. First you've got to choose where to put your money. Is it google ads? Bing ads? Facebook (or even spotify) ads?

Now that you've chosen a platform, you have to reconcile yourself to the fact that if anything goes wrong with your advertising, there is no recompense. You're dealing with large, multinational corporations that don't particularly care whether you live or die. I had one incident where an advertisement I displayed on facebook did not match what they showed in their ad manager; this led to many people accusing the ad of being a hoax due to the missing text. Several complaints later, facebook's indian support center led me on, lied constantly, but never did anything or refunded.

As I learned, in social media each advertisement you make is basically a giant billboard that anyone can graffiti. Everyone can post a comment, and that comment gets viewed by the other people who see the ad. This can work out well if you have an established brand presence on facebook and the people commenting are your supporters. But - as I found out the hard way - you can also become a target for an angry mob in a way that isn't possible with traditional advertising.

In addition, my experience of advertising on Google Ads and Bing Ads has been pretty fruitless. It *is* possible to do well, and there are folks who do it for a living, but it is quite a fine art. Those people actually adjust ads on the fly, comparing the metrics of the different variants of ads they've put out and pushing ones which perform well, with more money. It takes effort and understanding to do, and unless you're committed to it, it may be a waste of time and money.

For facebook and other social media sites you are probably better off growing an audience organically, rather than paying for advertising, and that also takes time, patience and effort. Maybe not so much effort if you're an extrovert and you like talking with random strangers (there's nothing wrong with that!), but most aren't wired that way, and so it can seem like an exercise in futility. If you're so inclined you could hire someone whose job is to do this. That way, you can focus on getting work the done while someone else does the talking, like a personal digital secretary.

It has become apparent over the years that facebook intentionally lied about it's advertising, inflating the metrics of it's advertising views by up to 900% in some cases – the result has been several class action lawsuits. I've observed that they also have a bank of what look like fake users that they show ads to. Regardless, if you want to use their services it pays to hire someone who specialises in online advertising to see through all the smoke and mirrors.

Overall what I recommend is word of mouth and organic growth when it comes to online marketing. It depends on your business of course, but often non-local online advertising is throwing money down a hole unless someone is advising you. The younger generation increasingly don't read newspapers or local flyers, but they're also leaving facebook in droves, so mostly you're reaching Gen X'ers. Advertising online is one hell of a job, and you have to decide whether it's a job you want to be doing.

Email Matt on info@homepcsupport.co.nz or phone **0211348576**. \$60 per hour or \$50 for Grey Power cardholders, with no callout fee.



Bentley Home PC Support



Antivirus companies to Avoid

The things we do! The other day I was on the phone to Norton (also known as Symantec), an antivirus company, for a full 50 minutes. Every step of the way they tested our patience; they checked things that had already been checked, did things that didn't need to be done. They were – of course – running out of some call center in India for maybe 50c an hour, so I used my limited compassion and let them waste both my and the clients time. But enough's enough. When you get to 50 minutes of wasted time and they still won't admit they've got a problem or give a refund, it's time to choose another antivirus company.

Norton has always had problems; when it's not their appalling customer service, or their labyrinthine uninstall processes, it's the problems they *actually cause* to machines they're meant to protect. In the mid-2000's, installing their software was considered worse than having a virus. Even in this decade they've been found to actually expose systems to *increased risk* by using outdated programming procedures. They're probably the number 1 company I tell people to avoid when they ask about antivirus software. There are others though.

There is a peculiar antivirus package floating around the net that I sometimes see on client's machines called "360 Total Security". Not to be confused with Norton 360, a product from the late 2000's, this appears to be a semi-legitimate antivirus package made in China. However, and this is where it gets odd, there have been reports of it sending information from users machines back to a server in china. This may be harmless, but like Huawei, could be part of a larger China government data-mining project. They have also been found guilty of providing fake products to antivirus comparison agencies, in order to get better ratings and make more sales.

Staying with China, there's also a well-meaning but flawed product called "Panda Antivirus". The main problem with Panda is that it has a habit of creating too many 'false positives', that is, detecting things as viruses which aren't actually viruses. In 2016 it incorrectly detected core system files on many windows computers as viruses and removed them, resulting in thousands of computers being unable to boot up or access the internet.

Back on the western front, Trend Micro is another one I often recommend avoiding, for two reasons; poor programming and performance issues. It tends to be one of the slower antivirus packages – all antivirus packages slow down your system to an extent, but some are worse than others. But it's also guilty of some worrying security flaws: in 2016 it was found to contain code which would allow a hacker to silently steal any of the end user's passwords and usernames.

So enough whining, who do I recommend? Well, you've got several options. The best one, in my view, is probably Eset and their paid antivirus solutions. The company has an actual office in Auckland, so you can talk to real tech support people who aren't getting paid peanuts and will try and help you. More to the point though, they have the best antivirus packages in terms of performance and security. If you currently have a paid subscription to another antivirus product, talk to them; they should be able to give you a 'crossgrade' discount.

Also of note is "Avast". While it may sound somewhat scurvy, Avast is a legitimate, reputable antivirus company with both paid and free products, and it does extremely well in both detection and performance categories. The free version will of course bug you to upgrade to a larger product, but there's little advantage to doing it (so just ignore the ads). AVG, another antivirus product which used to be it's own company, is actually owned by Avast now. So you'll get the same protection from both, but I've personally found AVG's interface to be a little less reliable and workable.

Lastly, there's the built-in antivirus that comes standard with Windows 10, also known as 'Defender'. It is better than nothing, doesn't cost a cent and won't bug you to upgrade to anything, but it's worth noting that it consistently performs worse in it's detection statistics than the paid solutions. It is fine for lightweight computer use and internet browsing, though if you're going further afield on the net, you may need something sturdier. I hope all this helps your purchasing decisions. Then perhaps the hours I've spent trying not to swear at customer service reps for large antivirus corporations will not have been in vain.

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NEWS FROM YOUR WAIKATO DISTRICT COUNCILLOR – 25 AUGUST 2019

Finally, a welcome break from the wet weather – a fine weekend at last; time to cut the lawn.



A lot has been happening in the Waikato District during the last month including: -
A \$92m funding announcement for the start-up 150-passenger rail service between Hamilton and Auckland – the culmination of an 18-month collaboration between multiple councils and government agencies.

Following on from the rail funding announcement, **NZ Transport Agency Board committed funding to implement the infrastructure** needed to roll out the rail service in June 2020. This means Waikato District Council can now begin upgrading the Huntly Railway Station. Huntly township will be bypassed when the Huntly Section of the Expressway is opened in 2020, so this project is well-timed to create work and future opportunities for Huntly.

A contract between Waikato District Council (WDC) and Watercare Services Ltd to deliver safe drinking water, wastewater and stormwater services to Waikato district from 1st October has been completed.

You can read more about this partnership on our website <https://www.waikatodistrict.govt.nz/news/media-releases/article/2019/08/16/partnership-between-waikato-district-council-and-watercare-agreed> The formal signing of the contract will take place on Thursday 29th August at The Point, Ngaruawahia at 10am.

This issue of the *Express* includes the August newsletter from the **Sculpture Park at Waitakaruru Arboretum**, 207 Scotsman Valley Rd, Tauwhare. The park will be open on Sundays from 1st September but will be celebrating spring by **being open every day from Friday 20th September to Sunday 29th September: 10am – 5pm daily**, Go on to their website to learn more about the Park www.sculpturepark.co.nz

I represent Waikato District on the **Hauraki Gulf Forum** and last week I attended their quarterly meeting. Our Annual Report was released at this meeting. Our mission statement is - *to promote and facilitate integrated and coordinated management of the Gulf's environmental, cultural, economic and recreational resources.*

<https://www.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/about-auckland-council/how-auckland-council-works/harbour-forums/Documents/hauraki-gulf-forum-annual-report-2018.pdf>

27th February 2020 will mark the 20th anniversary of the Hauraki Gulf Park and around this date the Forum will release the 2020 *State of the Environment* and the 2020 Marine Park poster.

Supporting the management and action around the Hauraki Gulf Marine Park/ Tikapa Moana/ Te Moananui-ā-Toi is the *Hauraki Gulf Journal* – www.gulfjournal.org.nz Their latest newsletter includes mention of:

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2. **Tikapa Moana / Hauraki Gulf Oceans Lab** – an innovation lab working to restore the environment and health of the gulf www.thespiritlab.co/oceans-lab Successful applicants get to spend four days on the water and on islands in the Gulf developing themselves and their ideas to improve the Gulf; learn about environmental issues the Gulf faces, hear from stakeholders across the ecosystem.; learn indigenous based leadership and innovation methodologies with leading coaches and facilitators; connect and build a network with other passionate environmentalists; receive follow up support to develop and take forward a solution to improve the Gulf. **Applications close 6 September**

Consultation opened in 21 August on the **WDC Cemeteries Bylaw** – this review is about amending the 2016 Bylaw that restricted the pre-purchasing of plots to only when a relative was to be buried. After public consultation we propose to amend this clause so that at any time up to two plots can be pre-purchased. **Submissions close at 5pm on 22 September 2019.** You can make a submission online at waikatodistrict.govt.nz/cemeteriesbylaw, or by emailing consult@waidc.govt.nz or posting to Waikato District Council, Attn: Corporate Planner, Private Bag 544, Ngaruawahia 3742.

The completion of the Hamilton Section of the **Expressway** is now scheduled for late 2021. On SH1 Tamahere, motorists have now been diverted onto new lanes under the East-West Link Bridge onto what will eventually be the Tamahere off ramp while work begins on constructing or reconstructing routes and links for the Expressway including shared paths for cyclists and walkers.

In Eureka Ward, work is beginning on Powells Road, compacting embankments and removing peat from the road where a concrete underpass (a box culvert 5m high x 10m wide) will, in about 3-4 months, be constructed to allow the Expressway to cross over the road. The Powells Rd underpass will be the 17th and final bridge structure on the Hamilton Section.

Contact me any time - Rob McGuire, Councillor Eureka Ward

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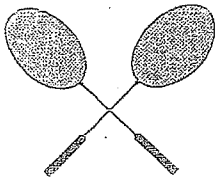
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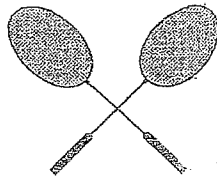
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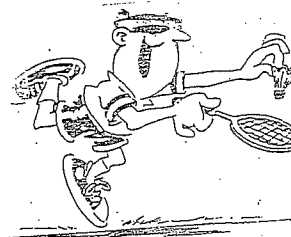
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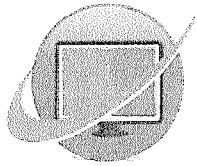
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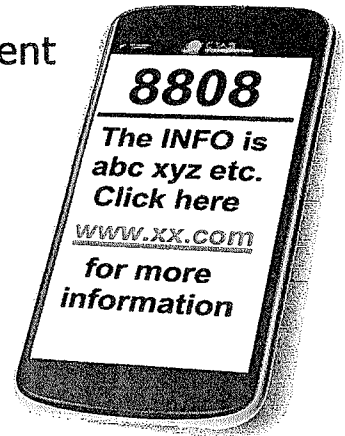
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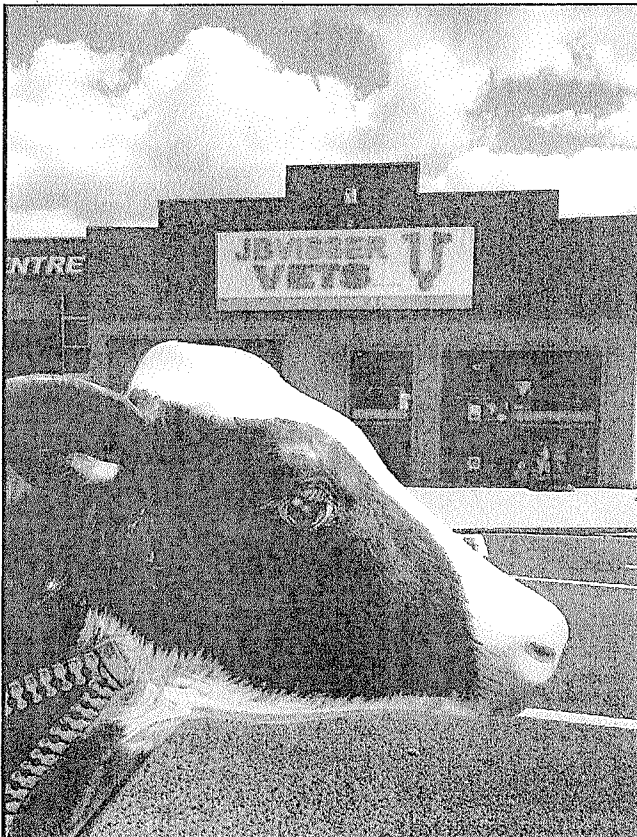
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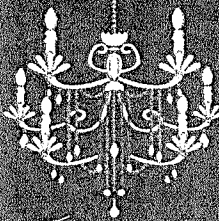
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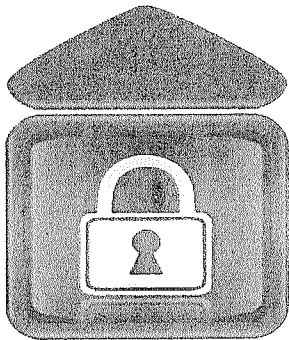
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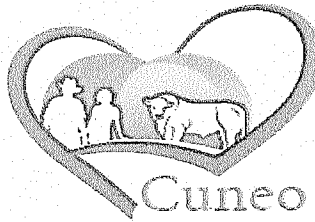
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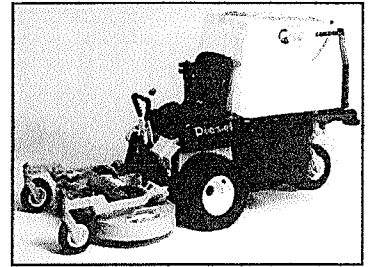


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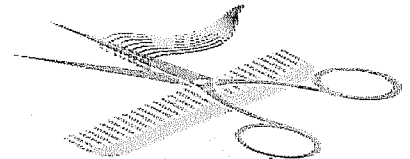
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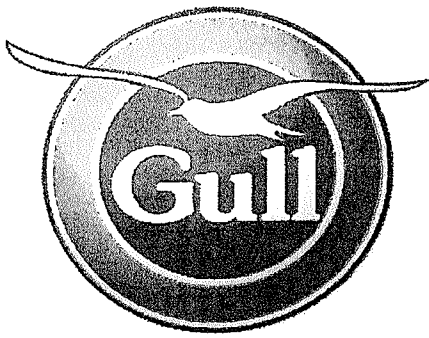
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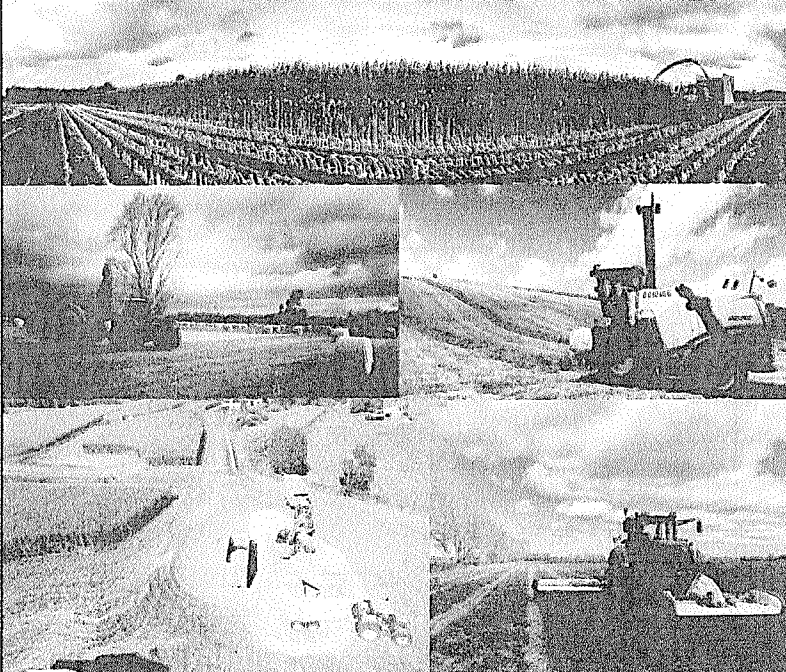
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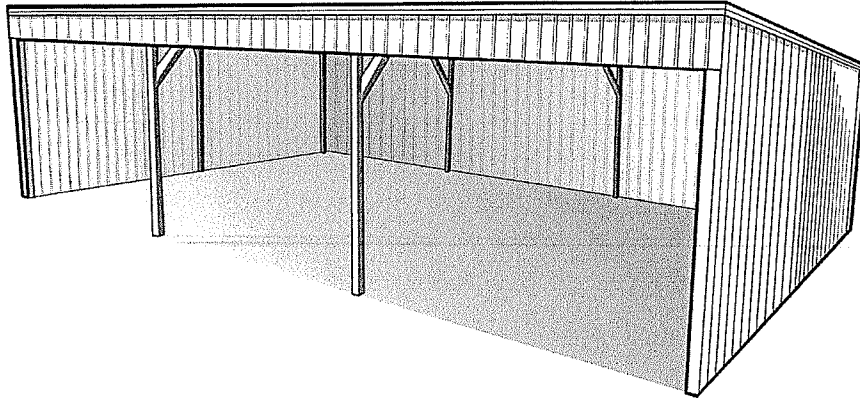
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