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Lest We Forget

Eureka Express Editorial – The Redgate Family.

A quick hello from the Redgate Family – Luke, Gill, Leo and Gia.

This year marks 10 years since we sold our little newly renovated bungalow in Hamilton and started to build our dream of raising our family in the country. We purchased some land off Kevin and Lin Buckley on Waverley Road and began to build our family home. We moved in with our then One year old son Leo and have loved being able to work on our little piece of paradise, planting trees, adding gardens, landscaping, building sheds and doing small renovations and additions over the years. Our family grew to 4 in 2016 when we welcomed the arrival of our Daughter Gia, now 8.

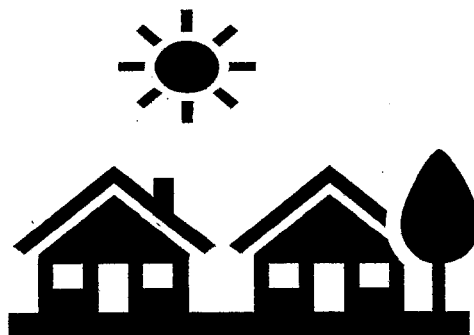
We are so grateful to be able to watch our kids grow up in the country with space to run and play and be free. Luke and I both grew up on farms in the Waikato and had that free range childhood and it was always something we hoped we could give our kids also. I often watch as the kids bike up to the neighbours to say hello or share some of the baking we have done, and I think to myself how amazing it is that these things still exist in this very fast paced, busy world – the joys of a rural community.

While we are not farming like our parents did, we own a small building company L.S Redgate Building Ltd. We build and renovate residential houses in Hamilton and surrounding areas and have a love for the American style craftsman homes. Luke spends most of his time managing the business and working alongside our staff while I keep busy running around after our kids and squeeze in Makeup Clients where I can. Make up Artistry is a hobby turned part time job for me since I had the kids.

Both Leo and Gia attend Puketaha Primary and are very involved in their sports and our weeks are filled to the brim with trainings and Games. Both Luke and I are coaches for the kids' various sports teams, so life is extremely busy while we juggle it all but it's how we like it – Organised chaos.

As I write this, I'm looking out over the Buckley farm as the sun is rising over the Kaimai ranges and despite having seen this same view for the past decade I am still blown away by its beauty. I think it's fair to say we love being a part of this little Eureka community and don't plan on going anywhere any time soon.

The Redgate Family.



The red poppy for Anzac Day



The red poppy has become a symbol of war remembrance the world over. People in many countries wear the poppy to remember those who died in war or are serving in the armed forces. In many countries, the poppy is worn on Armistice Day (11 November), but in New Zealand it is most seen on Anzac Day, 25 April.

In Flanders fields

The red or Flanders poppy has been linked with battlefield deaths since the Great War (1914–18). It was one of the first plants to grow and bloom on battlefields in the Belgian region of Flanders. The connection was made most famously by a Canadian medical officer, Lieutenant-Colonel John McCrae, in his poem, 'In Flanders fields'.

In May 1915, McCrae conducted the funeral service of a friend, Lieutenant Alexis Helmer, who had died in the Second Battle of Ypres (Ieper). Distressed at the death and suffering around him, McCrae scribbled the verses in his notebook. In a cemetery nearby, red poppies blew gently in the breeze – a symbol of regeneration and growth in a landscape of blood and destruction.

Legend has it that McCrae threw away the poem, but a fellow officer rescued it and persuaded him to send it to the English magazine *Punch*; 'In Flanders fields' was published on 8 December 1915. Little more than two years later, on 28 January 1918, McCrae died of cerebral meningitis. As he lay dying, he is reported to have said, 'Tell them this, if ye break faith with us who die, we shall not sleep.'

Keeping the faith

Many people were moved by the pathos of 'In Flanders fields'. Among them was Moina Michael (1869–1944), who worked in a YMCA canteen in New York. Two days before the signing of the Armistice (11 November 1918), she wrote a reply to McCrae: 'We shall keep the faith'. Michael set out to have the red poppy adopted in the United States as a national symbol of remembrance. The American Legion adopted it as its memorial flower at its annual convention in September 1920. In attendance was Madame E. Guérin, who had been invited to speak at the event by Frederick Galbraith, the Legion's second National Commander. Madame Guérin held the first Poppy Day in the United States in 1919. In 1920 she conceived the idea of 'Inter-Allied Poppy Day'. This would remember the fallen and benefit the women and children of France, who would make the artificial poppies, and Allied veterans and their families. Known as 'The Poppy Lady of France', she made the poppy an international symbol of remembrance. Over the next year Guérin and others approached veterans' groups in Canada, Great Britain, Australia, and other countries, urging them to take up the practice.

The first Poppy Day

One of Guérin's representatives, Colonel Alfred Moffatt, suggested the idea to the New Zealand Returned Soldiers' Association (as the Returned Services' Association or RSA was then known) in September 1921. The RSA placed an order for 350,000 small and 16,000 large silk poppies with Madame Guérin's French Children's League. The RSA planned to hold its first Poppy Day appeal just before Armistice Day 1921, as other countries were doing. When the ship bringing the poppies from France arrived too late for the scheme to be properly publicised, the association decided to wait until Anzac Day 1922. The poppies went on sale on 24 April. The first Poppy Day appeal was a huge success – many centres sold out early in the day. In all, 245,059 small and 15,157 large poppies were sold. Of the £13,166 (equivalent to \$1.35 million in 2021) raised, £3695 (\$380,000) went to the French Children's League to help relieve suffering in war-ravaged northern France. The association used the balance to assist needy, unemployed returned soldiers and their families; that tradition has continued. Poppy Day grew in popularity. There were record collections during the Second World War. In 1945, 750,000 poppies were distributed nationwide – nearly half the population sported the familiar red symbol of remembrance.

Making poppies

New Zealand's supply of red poppies has been sourced both overseas and locally. The association began producing its own poppies in 1931, with disabled former servicemen in Auckland and Christchurch making them. The Christchurch RSA is still responsible for the manufacture of poppies, which are now made of paper rather than cloth. Rationing and restrictions during the Second World War affected the making of poppies. The government relaxed its restriction on the importation of cloth from Britain so that poppies could be made. By this time, ladies' committees (women's sections) of the RSA were playing a key role in the making (and sale) of poppies. In 1936, a Wellington ladies' committee made 20,000 poppies for Poppy Day.

Wearing poppies

In New Zealand the poppy is worn most often around Anzac Day. Since 1927 Poppy Day has been the Friday before Anzac Day (unless this is Good Friday), with the appeal continuing until 25 April. Poppies symbolise remembrance at other times as well as on Anzac Day. The red poppy can be seen at major commemorative events, at military funerals and at war graves and cemeteries in New Zealand and around the world. In 2020, Poppy Day was cancelled for the first time since its inception because of restrictions on interpersonal contact during the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic.

In Flanders Fields

In Flanders fields the poppies blow

Between the crosses row on row,

That mark our place; and in the sky

The larks, still bravely singing, fly

Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago

We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,

Loved and were loved, and now we lie

In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:

To you from failing hands we throw

The torch; be yours to hold it high.

If ye break faith with us who die We shall not sleep, though poppies grow

In Flanders fields.

WELCOME

Welcome to Sam Hodder and Jess Lee who have moved into a house on State Highway 26.

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE FOR EUREKA

JP. Kevin Deane Please call or text to arrange an appointment.
Kevin Deane JP m 021 281 0068, Kevin is located in Eureka.

DONATIONS ACCEPTED.

We are all aware that the cost of everything is going up all the time. The printing of the Express is also costing more. If you would like to make a small donation, we would be very grateful. We will send you a receipt (which is not tax deductible as we are not registered as a Charitable Trust), for your donation so please put your name as a reference. Our bank account number is 03-1559-0042660-00. The name of the account is Eureka Express. We would also like to thank everyone who puts their loose change in the box at the Gull Station, all donations are gratefully received and help towards the rising costs.

Classified Advert
Part Time Bar Person

Hukanui Golf Club is looking for a person to work part time in our clubhouse at Gordonton. We have a 9/18 Hole Golf Course and 18 holes of Footgolf. We cater to various ages.

Hours: Every alternate weekend Saturday's & Sunday's 9am - 5.30pm (Fortnightly)

Can vary depending on weather and number of players.

Every Wednesday over daylight saving 3-9pm (October-April)

Extra hours maybe required to help with Golf Tournaments and functions.

Role: Working in the bar and preparing Club Day food.

Bar work experience would be an advantage, though training will be given to the suitable applicant. A person who has played golf would be an advantage.

For more information or enquiries please contact:

Debbie at Hukanui Golf Club, 1550 Gordonton Road, RD 1 Taupiri Phone: 824 3784

Please email CV and cover letter to: hukanuigolf@xtra.co.nz

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Yes we have a website and now you may also read and access our local history book, "Eureka 1874 - 1984" on the website.

Local History

copies of the 2004 "School and District Jubilee" booklet are readily available and are free.

The booklet contains a synopsis of Eureka's history and development. Contact

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HALL UPDATE

Hello to you all.

At the last meeting of the hall committee our finances were discussed in detail. The committee rely on the income from hall hireage and from the Council, a remittance which is part of the payment we all make as part of our rates for the hall. Currently that payment is \$35 per year. As we all know the cost of everything is going up and up, and to continue to maintain the hall we are finding it difficult to find the funds we need. Sometimes the council will help, however, most of the money comes from the payment for use of the hall. The money we receive now is just not enough, so just to let you all know the committee have approached the council to increase the levy charged to all households. It has been sometime since we have asked for this to be increased, so now we need to increase it again.

Over the years the hall was mainly maintained by the community, who held working bees. This meant the labour was free and it was a community effort. However, this does not happen now, so we need to pay. The committee we have are willing to complete a lot of the tasks to save money, however, the work cannot fall on the same few all the time. The hall is an asset, and we are one of the few communities that really do look after their hall and are proud of it. The Eureka Hall has a good name in the Waikato, as do the others in the area, this is due to the work and commitment of the committee members.

We are still currently working on the major task of painting the interior of the hall. As you can imagine, this is not cheap, and we do have some funds to get some of the work completed. We are going to approach to the council for some help with this project. If you would like to discuss this or anything else with the committee our next meeting is on Tuesday 11th June at 7.30. Come along and meet us. Our local District Councillor Crystal Beavis attends our meetings, and the Mayor is also going to attend one this year.

Contact Gayle Orr for any bookings or any other enquiries. 0272917150

Usage	Residents	Non - Residents
Hall per day	\$ 50	\$100
Social function	\$150 - \$300	\$250 - \$500
Children's party	\$30	\$75
Bond	\$400 Secretary's Discretion	\$500 Secretary's discretion

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Third of a page x 10 insertions	\$15 per month	\$150 per year
Half of a page x 10 insertions	\$20 per month	\$200 per year

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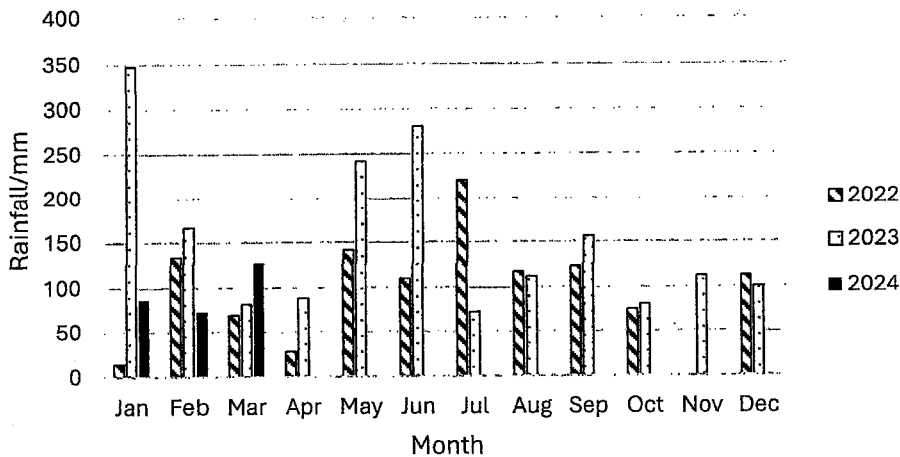
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EXPERIENCE REVEALS THE BEST

Weather	March 2024		March 2023	March 2022
Rainfall total	127 mm		82 mm	69 mm
Rain Total for year	286 mm		595 mm	216.5 mm
Rainy days	14		6	3
Most daily rainfall	21mm	14 th March	44 mm	61 mm
Highest wind speed	50km/hr	5 th March	33.8km/hr	38.5 km/hr
Temp high	23.8°C	10 th March	28.8 °C	29.9 C
Temp low	3°C	21 st March	3.3 °C	8.3 C

Rainfall



TAMAHERE-WOODLANDS COUNCILLORS'

UPDATE APRIL 2024

District News

Annual Plan consultation

It was good to meet with residents and ratepayers wanting to know more about the Waikato District Council's draft 2024-25 Annual Plan and other matters at public meetings held in Tamahere, Matangi and Gordonton over the past month, as well as in other parts of the district.

The plan proposes a general rate increase of 13.75% and a no-frills budget that will only just allow the Council to continue to provide services at the same levels as previously. This is because the Council's costs have inflated about 17% over the past three years, with the current cost of civil construction being 26% higher than three years ago. Cost factors include increasing compliance requirements, interest rates, and asset maintenance costs.

If you wish to make any comments or submissions on the plan, please make sure you get these in by Friday 26 April. Info available includes a video. Go to www.waikatodistrict.govt.nz/say-it.

Hearings of submissions on the Annual Plan are scheduled for 14-17 May and deliberations for 4-8 June. Final adoption of the enhanced Annual Plan is scheduled for the Council meeting on 25 June.

Infrastructure challenges – new podcast

Infrastructure connects us, enables our economies to thrive, and maintains our quality of life.

A substantial portion of our budget, about 30% of general rates, is dedicated to maintaining and improving our roads. However, the current funding model falls short of adequately addressing our needs. Water infrastructure is equally crucial, and costs are rising, as are compliance standards which are designed to safeguard public health and the environment.

A new podcast series, "Let's talk about it," delves into these issues and more. In the first one, Mayor Jacqui Church and local experts explore the state of our local roads, discussing funding, maintenance plans, and road safety initiatives. Go to www.waikatodistrict.govt.nz/news and find the podcast link in the article "Tackling road and water infrastructure challenges in the Waikato district".

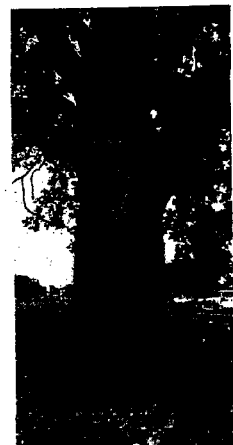
ANZAC Day

ANZAC Day honours our returned servicemen and women, and others who have died in conflicts and peace-keeping efforts around the world.

Services in the Waikato District on ANZAC Day, Thursday 25 April 2024, include:

- Gordonton (dawn service at 6am at the Cenotaph, Gordonton Hall, 1024 Gordonton Rd) followed by morning tea in the hall, and
- Eureka (please arrive at 9.45am for the service at 10am at the Cenotaph, Eureka Hall, 1298 State Highway 26) followed by morning tea in the hall.

Go to the [Waikato District Council website](http://www.waikatodistrict.govt.nz) to find details of all services in Waikato District including the civic service in Ngaaruawaahia at 11am.



Waikato Regional Council draft Long Term Plan 2024-34

Waikato Regional Council (WRC) has issued its draft Long Term Plan (LTP) and is seeking feedback on five topics including a region-wide public transport rate.

WRC proposes transferring the collection of public transport rates to the Regional Council from 1 July 2025. It proposes two 'user-pays' options, which is a change to the current system. (Currently rates for public transport are collected by the District Council through general rates applied to all ratepayers which are then paid to the Regional Council.)

The options proposed would mean that a number of WRC ratepayers in Waikato district (including in Tamahere-Woodlands from Gordonton to Tamahere) would pay either:

- \$26.74 per \$100,000 of capital value (CV) if their property is within 5km of a bus route (eg. \$213.92 for an \$800k property, \$534.80 for a \$2m property, etc), or
- \$42.35 per \$100,000/CV if the property is within 800m of a bus route (eg. \$338.80 for an \$800k property, \$847.00 for a \$2m property, etc)

Properties sited further away from bus routes would be subject to a lower rate.

If you wish to make a comment or submission on Waikato Regional Council's draft LTP, make sure you do so by Thurs 2 May. Go to <https://yourvoicematters.waikatoregion.govt.nz/2024-2034-ltp>.

Waikato District Heritage Day

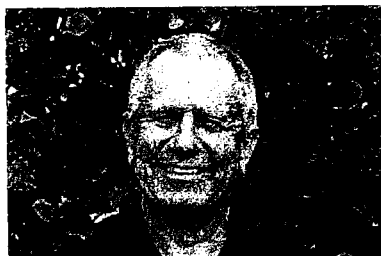


Waikato District Council and the Waikato District Heritage Forum (representing many local heritage groups and volunteers) came together to present the very first Waikato District Heritage Day on Saturday 20 April.

Highlights of the day in Tamahere-Woodlands were open days at Woodlands Estate, Gordonton, St David's & St George's church, Matangi, St Stephen's church and historic cemetery, Tamahere, and tours of the historic Matangi Dairy Factory. An open invitation was issued to visit the carved pou on Bruntwood Rd celebrating 'te maungārongo', the 1865 covenant of peace to end the NZ land wars.

The Council and the Heritage Forum hope to run the event annually, and to help it grow in future years.

Contact your Tamahere-Woodlands Councillors:



Crystal Beavis, mob 0275 957 927, email crystal.beavis@waidc.govt.nz
Mike Keir, mob 027 449 3012, email mike.keir@waidc.govt.nz



IN LOVING MEMORY OF MICHAEL (MIKE) STOKES

Mike passed away at Linda Jones, Hamilton on the 9th March 2024 aged 83 years. To his dear wife of 62 years, Joy, to his family of four, Ross, Gary, Vicki and Lyall, their partners and all the grandchildren and great-grandchildren, goes our sincere sympathy in their great loss.



17th November 1940 - 9th March 2024
A life well lived

Mike was raised in Fiji, spending his first 14 years there with his family, before completing his education at New Plymouth Boys High School. Always keen to work with animals Mike soon found his niche in farming and gradually worked his way towards farm ownership.



Mike and Joy were married in 1961 and they moved north from Taranaki to South Waikato spending some 11 years at Kio Kio farming and contracting before purchasing a farm on Seddon Road, Puketaha, in 1978. There they quickly became an integral part of the Puketaha/Gordonton/Eureka community.

Retirement beckoned around age 60 and Mike and Joy moved to Eureka Road in 2000 to enjoy more leisure time, fishing for Mike, golf for Joy and travel for them both.



About three years ago Mike's deteriorating health necessitated a move to Linda Jones Retirement Village, but it was a reluctant move for Mike who couldn't bring himself to sell their Eureka Road property which is still in their ownership.

Mike was a great friend to many and his sense of humour, his fun-loving practical jokes, his hospitality and his love and pride in his family will long be remembered.

Sincere condolences are extended to the Stokes family of Hunter Road on the loss of their dear Aunt, Patty Stokes, who passed away in Hamilton on March 13th, in her 99th year. Patty was born and raised on Hunter Road (originally named Factory Road) and retained ownership of the Stokes homestead property until June 2020 when she sold to Steve and Helen Van de Valk.

Patty's brother, Robert and his wife Marien also farmed on Hunter Road and there raised their family of Timothy, Jane and Henry. Marien now lives in Hamilton but Jane still resides on Hunter Road being the 4th generation of the Murphy/Stokes family to do so.

(It was Mrs Margaret Murphy, Patty's grandmother and thus Jane's great-grandmother, who donated half an acre of land in 1914 on which the first Eureka Hall was built – next to the present hall.)

TAUWHARE INDOOR BOWLS NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the April newsletter from the Tauwhare Indoor Bowling Club.

For our bowling club to survive we would love to see some new members join the club. If you are new to the area or have never played bowls before but would like to give bowls a try, then come along to the Tauwhare Hall on a Thursday evening. We have members within the club that are happy to introduce you to the game. We are a friendly, sociable club and there is always lots of laughter and banter. You do not need to bring anything along – just wear flat soled shoes. The evening usually finishes between 9.30 and 10pm.

We would appreciate you being there by 7.20pm ready for a 7.30pm start.

Recent Results: -

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| 21.03.24 | Patrons Night
Winner – Jim Bargh and Trudy Pocock
Runner Up – Rosalie Arnold and Heather Bargh |
| 28.03.24 | Club Night
Winner – Lockie Verner and Heather Bargh
Runner Up – Bev Meads and Alison Neal |
| 04.04.24 | Club Night
Winner – Rosalie Arnold, Lockie Verner and Darron Cutler
Runner Up – Bev Meads and John Cottle |
| 11.04.24 | Championship Fours
Winner – John Neal, Rosalie Arnold, Lockie Verner and Adam McNickle
Runner Up – Bev Meads, John Cottle, Glenda Goodare and Trudy Pocock |

Programme for the next few weeks: -

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| 25.04.24 | Club Night |
| 02.05.24 | Championship Triples |
| 09.05.24 | Club Night |
| 16.05.24 | Open Triples Tournament |
| 23.05.24 | Club Night |
| 30.05.24 | Club Night |

Our aim going forward is to make bowls a fun social evening.

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

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| Bev Meads | 021 172 7822 |
| Jim & Rosalie Arnold | 07 887 4832 |
| John Cottle | 07 824 0992 or 027 524 0992 |

EUREKA PHONE LIST

It is getting close to the time to renew the phone list. If you want to be on the list, (which would be very handy in an emergency) please let us know. We still have many people on the list with a landline listed, but now have mobile phones. To keep our phone list up to date, please let us know and we will change it.

Ladies a Plate

Feijoa and Date Cake

1 cup chopped dates
2 cups peeled and chopped feijoas (approx 6)

¼ cup boiling water
1 tsp Baking Soda

Place all ingredients in a bowl. Stir to combine. Leave to cool.

125g Butter
1 ½ cups flour
1 tspn vanilla

1 egg
1 cup sugar
1 tspn baking powder



Cream butter and sugar, add vanilla and egg and beat well.

Add the feijoas mix, flour and baking powder. Mix well. Spread into a lined, greased tin – approx 20cm round or 20x25cm

Cook at 180 DegC for 50 mins-checks with skewer.

Cool before turning out

Topping

1 cup brown sugar
1 cup desiccated coconut

50g butter
2 Tablespoons milk

Combine in saucepan and cook for 2 mins. Spread over cake and return to oven for final 10 mins Good without topping too.



Feijoa Crumble Shortcake

180g butter, melted
caster sugar

2 eggs
1 ½ cups desiccated coconut

¾ cup +2 Tbsp
2 1/2 cups self raising flour
8-10 feijoas, peeled, chopped

Preheat your oven to 170c fan bake. In a large bowl mix together the butter, ¾ cup sugar and eggs until well combined. Sift in the flour, add in the coconut along with a pinch of salt and stir to combine. Then evenly press two-thirds of the mixture into a lined slice tin. Toss together the feijoas with the remaining sugar and spread out in an even layer over the base. Then crumble the remaining dough over the top. Place into middle of the oven to bake 25-30 mins. Allow to cool for 5mins in the tin before slicing.



Gardening Tips

Seeds to Sow- Broad beans, broccoli, cabbages, carrots cauliflowers, Chinese cabbages, kale, onions, peas, radishes, shallots, silverbeet, spinach and winter lettuces.

-alyssum calendula, cornflower, lupin, nemesia, stock,

Punnets/Seedlings to Plant - Brassicas, shallots, silverbeet.

-cyclamen, calenda, polyanthus, flowering kale, primula, pansies, violas, poppies, snapdragons, wildflowers, winter roses.

Prepare Soil for Spring- a lot of autumn work is focused on creating healthy soil. Cover crops include legumes and an autumn crop that includes peas, lupin, and some oats.

Birds on Pest Control –The best pest control are silvereyes a bottlebrush and a bird bath. They will come every day in the afternoon to the bottlebrush when it's in flower. They will come have a bath, and then they will go around your herb garden and

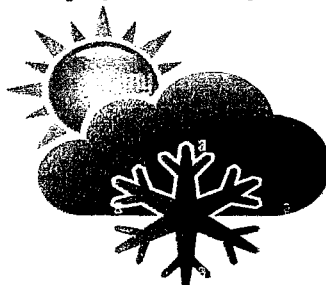


meticulously pick off every single caterpillar and aphid. And your blackbirds and thrushes will deal with your slugs and snails.

Some vegetables, like parsnips, carrots, cabbages, and Kale, taste better after a frost.

The frost triggers them to produce more sugar.

The higher levels of sugar protect the plants.



TRAVEL THOUGHTS *with Edie Sweeney*

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“WE TRAVEL NOT TO ESCAPE LIFE, BUT FOR LIFE NOT TO ESCAPE US”

Think about this saying. As we get older how appropriate is this saying when we realise maybe it is our time to see the world and feel the energy that it can provide.

Pre covid there was a lot of travel product, cruises, tours etc then post covid travel became possible but we were left with very little option due to travel wholesalers getting them selves up and running. This did prove to be a problem especially for travel agents. We enthusiastically were all set to send our clients on wonderful trips but had very little at that time to accommodate. Many just wanted to get over to see their families that covid prevented them seeing, I know that feeling as I was getting to the point after a couple of covid years beginning to panic when was I going to see my kids and grandies again. That was just a little laspe for me for a minute but my positivity jumped in again.

Pleased to say in our last regional meeting we had wholesalers and airlines coming to us with exciting and positive news. Better cruising product, airlines are improving their planes and their airfares (still not where I would like them). Tours for all over the world and those awesome train journeys, lets not forget Club Med is back.

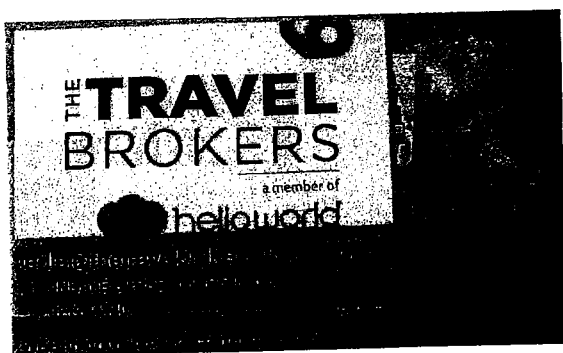
River cruising still a major favourite of mine with the unforgettable Christmas market cruise through Germany etc. No one should miss a Xmas in Europe. Memories warm the heart.

What I wanted to talk about particularly with this arcticle was Wedding registries, or 21st registries or any milestone. Pre covid this was very popular where you are at a loss for a gift, so created a registry where funds were deposited into their file. Amounts were never disclosed unless the giver wanted it so. The weddings I have done this for in past generally received enough to go towards a honeymoon. It is a great idea and one well received. Also companies or just clients wanted to reward their workers with a travel voucher is a great idea.

Why am I a travelbroker? It is in my blood being a Sagitarian I guess. You are either a traveller or not and that is ok. It is what you feel inside and the buzz I get sending and organising holidays to suit my clients needs is hard to explain. I guess I am just lucky to posess this and have the opportunity to enjoy it. What got me going was my yearning to find my family history and walk the streets my grandparents and parents walked. Im Dutch and proud to be.

Think about tracing your history.

Ciao for now Edie



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FARMERS DAY

WEDNESDAY 8TH MAY 2024

**Come along for a day of fun with our
local farming community**



Golfers and Non Golfers Welcome
18 Holes – Teams of Four Players, Ambrose,
Registrations from 9.30am for 10.30am Shot Gun Start



Entry \$25.00 per person

ENTRIES CLOSE: THURSDAY 2nd MAY

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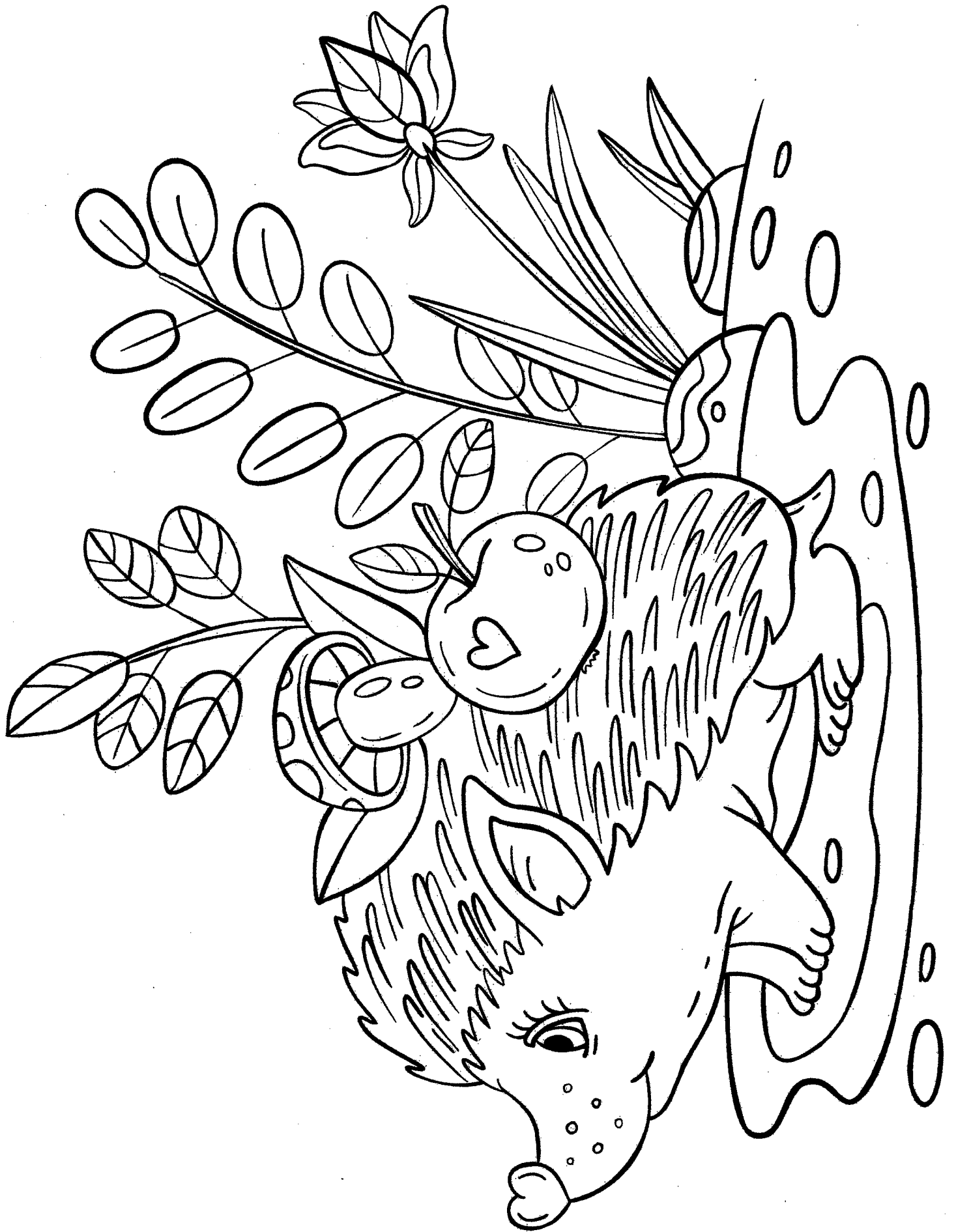
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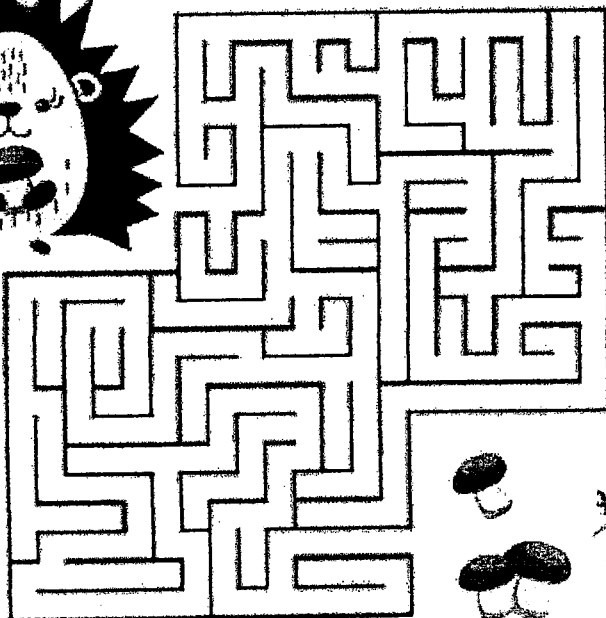
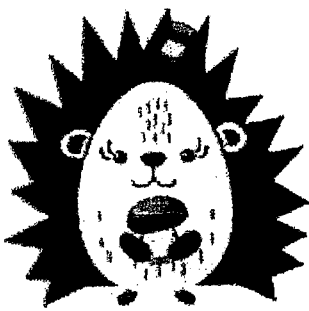
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Hat pompom and brim; pear
 now an apple, cup steam
 missing, flower missing,
 mushroom spots missing



Word Unscramble

1. daehiy
2. sruenwol
3. rrqusile
4. seleva
5. kare
6. nmutua
7. pape
8. uipnkpm
9. nroca
10. ycilhl

Hayride
 Sunflower
 Squirrel
 Leaves
 Rake
 Autumn
 Apple
 Pumpkin
 Acorn
 chilly

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Hi, I'm Erika Watson, the face, the hands, and the businesswoman behind Erika Watson Jewellery, A Morrinsville based Manufacturing jeweller, with 12 years' experience. My Boutique showroom is located on Kuranui Road, Motumaoho.

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Happy NZSL (New Zealand Sign Language) Week 6-12th of May 2024

This year, the Deaf Aotearoa's theme is "an Aotearoa where anyone can sign anywhere." Our goal? To spread the joy of NZSL across every corner of Aotearoa. From the mountaintops to the ocean depths and everywhere in between, let's make NZSL a language for everyone, everywhere, from the Deaf Aotearoa Office. The sentences above from their website needed to be clarified. The Deaf Aotearoa is encouraging everyone, anywhere in New Zealand, to learn our NZSL through homes and schools. Our mission is to make NZSL a language that resonates in every corner of Aotearoa. From the highest peaks to the deepest seas, NZSL is for everyone, everywhere, as we strive towards an inclusive Aotearoa from the heart of the Deaf Aotearoa Office. I encourage you readers to look up YouTube. There is one beautiful song by Six60—Pepeha Waiata. This song is produced in three languages: two official languages in Te Reo Māori, NZSL, and English (state language in Education, etc.). This translation of Six60's Pepeha has been developed by a collaborative team of Māori Deaf, Māori hearing, Pākehā Deaf and Pākehā hearing – with the support of Six60. One of the beautiful aspects of languages is that they are not static but dynamic. Te Reo Māori Concepts in NZSL (English) can be expressed differently. This waiata tells a story of belonging, as does this translation in NZSL – you will see the story concepts expressed visually in NZSL. Try to learn these signs and enjoy the Waiata – Pepeha.

Jean Masters

<https://youtu.be/TgO8Mjp9dCw>



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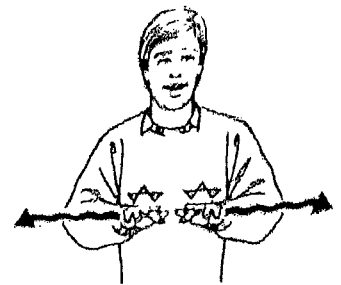
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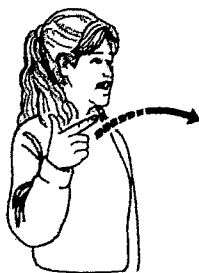
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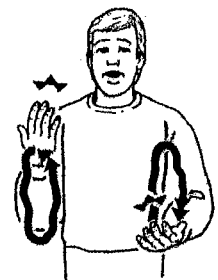
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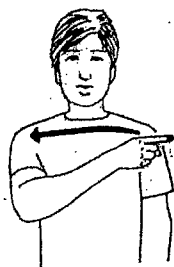
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fire, smoke

ahi, auahi



(all of) you

koutou (katoa)




Newsletter April 2024

The last month at Pukeko Country Preschool has been about Easter and Dance Classes and learning about ANZAC.

Our Easter Egg Hunt was a success - rain and all!
A bit of water didn't worry any of our tamariki - where there's chocolate in the rain you can count on wet children!
Everyone got to go hunting for an Easter Egg, and then we had the rest in an "Easter Egg Scramble"
It was the best kind of organised chaos you could hope for!



We have started Dance Classes on a Wednesday morning at Preschool, and the tamariki LOVE it. Isla, who own ALLIANZ Dance Company is offering free dance classes for our tamariki once a week, and we are so grateful. We can definitely recommend her - she makes dance class fun, full of enthusiasm and a learning rich experience for all 
Isla runs dance classes on a Monday afternoon at Tauwhare Hall, so if you are looking for somewhere for your children, you can find ALLIANZ Dance Company on Facebook and Instagram



We have also been learning about ANZAC, and remembering the people who fought for our freedom. The tamariki are so curious, not only about the soldiers who went to war, but also about other people and animals who went to war, and the different jobs they had.

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TOP NEWS

Bunnings Friendship Bench

Room 2 and our guests from Bunnings South spent time building and painting a Friendship Bench for our school. We will utilise this in our playground as a way to promote friendship and including children into games that happen during our break times.

Year 1 & 2 Tabloids

Rooms 6 and 7 had an awesome day participating in our school cluster's Tabloid Sports Day. Tamariki joined in on so many fun activities including a skateboard caterpillar crawl, saving water bugs, throwing beans bags, ring toss, 3 legged race, and many more! An amazing opportunity for our junior classes to experience learning outside the school gates.

Can You Store Stairs?

We have stage stairs from our production last year we do not have the space to be able to hold at school. Do you have space at your place to help store our stairs for us please? Approx measurement is 2.5m by 1.5m.

Book Week and Grandparents Day

Grandparents Day has been booked in for THURSDAY 30th of MAY. This is during our school Book Week and Book fair. Our School Disco will be on the Thursday evening in Te Manawa.

Science of Food is Alive in Tauwhare

From our very own harvest, we were able to prepare many different meals at school. We utilised the food we had grown to learn how to make different dishes and share them with children across the school. In the photo above, Josh, Blake, Rory, Anika, Harper and Lilly show their pizza creations.





How to feed your livestock.

Feeding cattle on a lifestyle block requires thoughtful planning and attention to their nutritional needs. Here are some essential tips to help you care for your cattle/sheep effectively:

1. **Understand Your Stock's Needs:**
 - Older livestock need to eat **2% of their body weight** each day in pasture, Hay, bailage or other dry matter (DM) just to maintain their current weight.
 - Younger cattle require **3% of their body weight** for weight gain.
2. Optimal utilize your paddocks, e.g. strip graze behind an electric mobile fence and close of grazed area so the grass can regrow.
3. Use supplementary feed, if necessary, like silage, hay, or maize silage.
4. Have the correct stock rate for your property, adjust it if needed.
5. Livestock need minerals like calcium, magnesium, copper, vitamins (B12, A,D etc.) and selenium to stay healthy. Not all of them are always available in the grass. Mineral lick blocks are an easy solution or feed supplements with minerals (pellets/nuggets).
6. A warning: do not feed livestock mulched grass from your lawn, it can cause blockage in the rumen, do not feed garden plant clippings, they can be poisonous.

Feeding your livestock some extra food daily like pellets or muesli gives you the opportunity to check them up close, without stressing them too much. It is good to have an understanding what your livestock recommended body condition score is (that is the amount of visible vet stored on the body). Ask your vet for advice or search online. –

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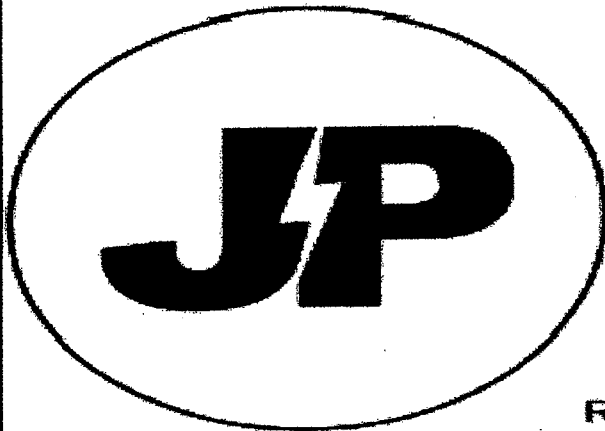
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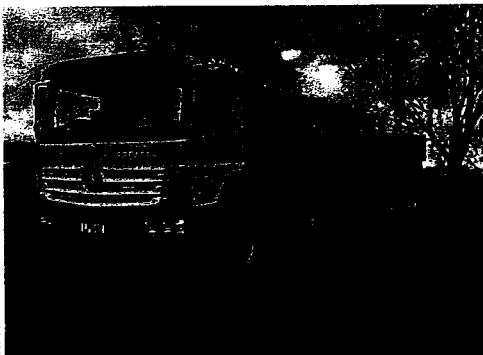
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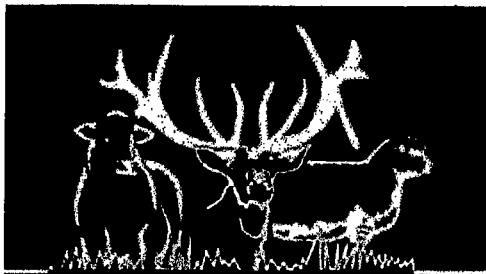
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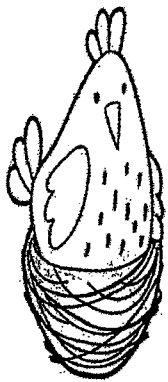
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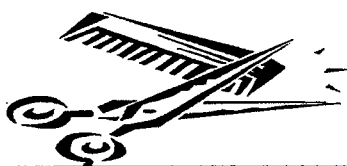
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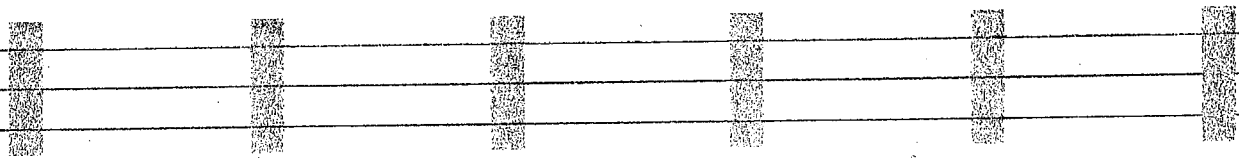
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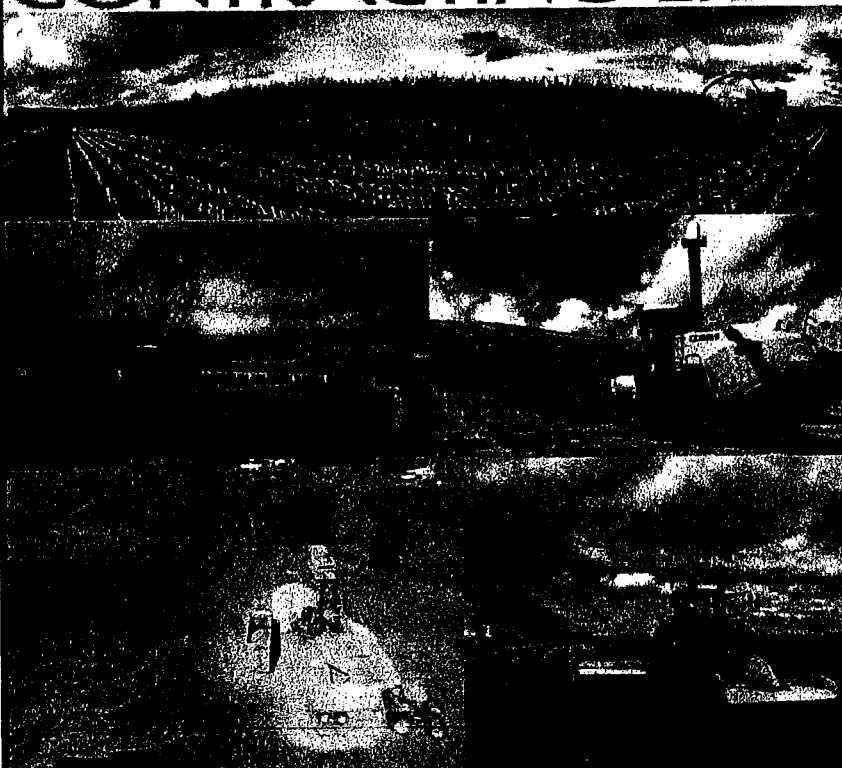
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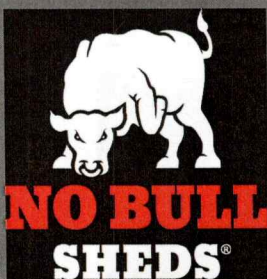
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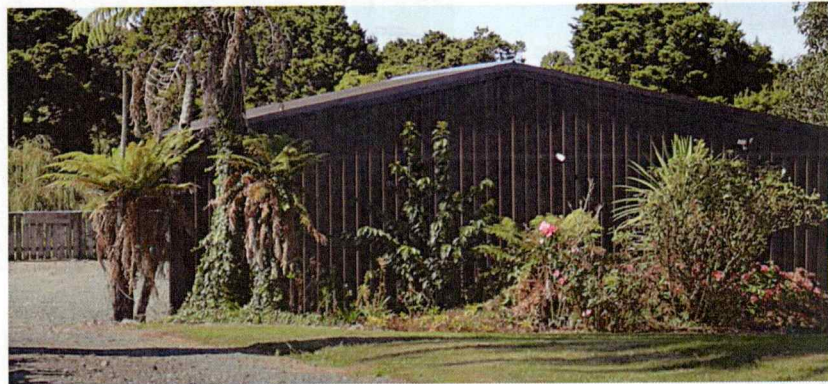
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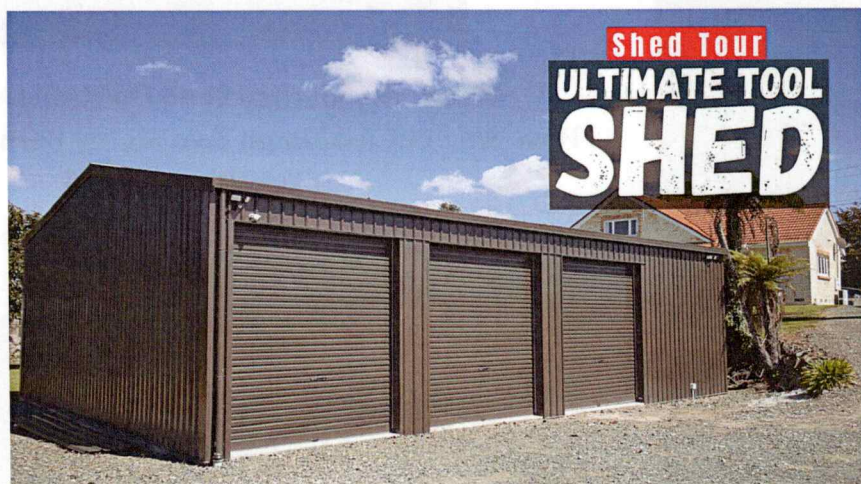
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