

Moa Mail

A Fantastic Daffodil Day In Ingwood (Linda McIntyre)

The weather was very kind for Daffodil Day, the masses of yellow flowers looked amazing. Baking, preserves and goodies graced the tables. Thanks to generous community minded people including the Women's Institute, Floral Art Ladies, Ingwood Rotary and Ingwood RSA for their sponsorship of the grocery raffle. This had been a good week for the daffodils to flower and there was no shortage of the cheery yellow flowers. Nola Koch baked a beautiful cake and Margaret West led it, thanks to Dusk Pharmacy for the lovely gift basket, plus there was the Cancer Society Teddy Bear Raffle. A great effort around.

A big thank you to all the raffle contributors: Kevin Walsh Autos for a service worth up to \$250.00, Jackson Scrap Booking, Ingwood Book Shop, Farm Source, Farmlands, G&J Martins, Drakes Furnishers, The Cool Shop, Ciao Bella Pizza & Icecream, Grant Irwin from Moutora 4 Square, Leanne Blakelock Accountant and Linda McIntyre McDonald Real Estate. Thank you to Ingwood Lions for another great cooking display, turning out yummy lunch boxes (precooked and delivered on the day, plus sausages draped in onions and tomato sauce. Funds raised are in excess of \$5700.00 with more to come in an amazing effort from the volunteers and Ingwood community.



Left: The busy hardworking Lions

Editor's Comments

When the country loses an icon such as Sir Colin Meads, it causes us to reflect on where that icon rated in New Zealand folklore. Colin Meads rated at the top of the scale, we have had many great rugby players but that is not why we loved him. It was his natural humility, his generous nature, proud and strong indeed he was, remarkable on the field but even so much more remarkable since off it. So giving of himself and his time. I do not know if he ever said no to a request and I doubt he did. His death has not been so much the grief in his loss but more of a celebration of who he was and his persona.

Shade-by The River

I always like to watch the weather forecast after the Six O'Clock News and once again the lady presenter has presented me with a conundrum. She said that it was likely to rain about dinner-time. When is dinner-time, that is the question!

When I was a kid we went to the village school and had dinner break from 12 noon to 1.30pm. Most of us walked home and very soon there was the main meal of the day on the table. It was very different to today's meals as there was a war on at the time and rationing meant you had to make do with what you could get. I know that our grandchildren would not even look at that type of food. Dinner was not really back to school and lessons finished at 4.00pm. At secondary school it was similar with a dinner break in the middle of the day.

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- Megan Hale
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Ingwood Yoga (Pam Fredericks)

Since the beginning of the year Annalisa Face has been our Monday night yoga teacher. The type of yoga we do is Iyengar, that was brought to the West by B.K.S. Iyengar. It focuses on attention to detail and precision of body alignment in each asana or pose. Props such as blocks, straps, bolsters and chairs are used to help facilitate safe yoga practice for everyone. It doesn't matter if you are a beginner, are elderly, have health concerns, are stiff and immobile or have been practicing for some time, everyone can benefit from the positive outcomes of yoga.

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Purangi Kiwi Project Update (Karen Morant)

There has been a lot of publicity recently about the A24 Farmlands resetting rat traps developed by a company called "Good Nature". We have been working with them over the past six years and the beauty of these traps is that they will kill rats then reset 24 times as opposed to the one catch DOC 200 trap method.

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Ingwood Community Fridge (Gean Warren)

Recently Stan Warren along with the help of the Ingwood Community and the generosity from LA Netau set up a 'no questions asked' Community Fridge in the Wash House Laundromat. It is a Ingwood Community Fridge for anyone in need to help put food into their or their families tummies when needed without having to feel uncomfortable about asking for help. It's as simple as the Ingwood Community filling the fridge/freezer and putting non perishables on top of the fridge/freezer. There is some simple signage and rules to be followed. Also it is asked that people please do not abuse the generosity of others.

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Below: Children from Top Kids Ingwood Children with meals and baking the staff and children helped prepare.



Family History (Mary Bookman)

Ingwood and Stratford are on a joint trail for family histories having joined forces to form a new Society. They meet in two places: Stratford Community House and the Ingwood Library, and members share each other's resources. This works well because the two towns have a lot in common, as well as being only fifteen minutes apart. More and more people are interested in finding out who their early family were, where they came from and how they fared in the early European settlement of the country. It's amazing how many families in New Zealand have at least one family member who at one time or another spent time in Ingwood or Stratford. Some left after a brief visit, leaving only faint traces behind, while others stayed on and their descendants are still around. We get inquiries from all around the world from those seeking information on their travelling ancestors, and it's a fascination and a pleasure to tell their stories, and even reunite relatives. If you are fascinated too, come join us. The Ingwood Group of the Taranaki Central Family and Local History Society is open to enquiries on Monday mornings in the Library, and the members meet in the morning on the fourth Wednesday of each month except December and January. Members can do requests when the meeting room is free. Join the trail to know your roots! Contact Mary Bookman (Chairperson) 756 7644.

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Enrolments for 2018 First Semester at Egmont Village School

Enrolment at the school is governed by an enrolment scheme, details of which are available from the school office. Applications for out of zone places are now being invited for students wishing to enrol between 30th January and 6th July 2018.

Gardening With Sue From Hammer (Sue Marsh)

Wow, wasn't that great to finally see a fine weed! Roll on to longer summer days, and now, most importantly, back to the topic of planting potatoes.

Once you have decided on your choice of seed potatoes, (now available in small 6 packs for the tiny garden) remove them from the bag and place in trays in a dry, airy spot away from direct sunlight. The sprouts are approximately 20-40mm long. If you are starting with an existing garden bed dig in organic matter like sheep pellets and Tui Compost to your soil. Make long furrows in the soil approximately 300mm apart for smaller varieties and 400mm apart for main crop and larger varieties. Add a layer of Tui Vegetable Mix, a highly quality natural-based planting mix containing the right blend of nutrients to provide your potatoes with the best possible start and sustained growth throughout the season.

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Norfolk School Features On TV One Breakfast With Matty McLean (Andrew Georjon)

Norfolk School had a fantastic experience with Matty McLean and the TVNZ Breakfast team last Thursday morning. The opportunity came about through Fonterra after the Matheson-Julian Wharua were chosen to feature in the SCHOOL latest 'Fonterra 4.3km Early Rise' TV and Being a Norfolk School family, it was the perfect choice for the latest Fonterra Early Rise Breakfast, which has been a monthly feature on the TVNZ Breakfast show this year. The children have absolutely loved watching themselves on TV. This event turned out to be a wonderful community get together with children, parents and wider community members all coming together to enjoy a delicious breakfast. We are very grateful to the combined efforts of TVNZ Breakfast, Fonterra and our awesome community for making the morning a special memory for us all.

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- I will tackle important issues and be an active water quality, roads, community events and helping local businesses.

Mel Cook

Vote for a vibrant Ingwood community for all. Together we'll make it happen.

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