

Monique Wieruszowski Brings Home Silver
Inglewood's Monique Wieruszowski broke the New Zealand 16 years record to win silver at the World Aquatics Junior Swimming Championships in Netanya, Israel, at the start of September. Monique had broken the New Zealand Age Group 16 years record twice for quality for the final and then again in the final. Competing in the final of the 50m Breaststroke, 16-year-old Monique trashed Estonia's Enil Jelfanova from the outset but was able to hang on for silver in 30.68s. She was 0.26s behind the Estonian, with the USA's Piper Engel trailing behind Monique to take bronze in 30.74s. It was the first medal for New Zealand in this edition of the World Junior Championships. Monique then continued the next day to compete in the 100m Breaststroke where she broke the New Zealand 16 year age record swimming 1:09.49s in her heat swimming for the semi-finals. Then doing even better in the semi final swimming 1:08.72s to break her New Zealand open record. This was not enough however and she finished tenth overall for the 100m Breaststroke. Congratulations Monique.



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Harold (Jack) Underwood has always been fondly remembered as the original Fun Ho! Toy maker but he also designed and made other products e.g. nursery products in 1936 designing a car seat called the 'Kiddi-Safe-Seat' and also the Underwood 'Folding Pram'. He manufactured these originally in Wellington but in 1948 shifting up to Taranaki these were soon being made locally in Inglewood. In 1979 the Underwood Engineering Company brought from Tri-ang Pedigree (NZ) Ltd the name 'Tri-ang Pedigree' and machinery and moved all the operations to the Inglewood factory. The company was soon manufacturing more nursery products along with bikes, tricycles, ride-on toys, go-carts, dolls, prams, pushchairs and the ever famous white patio furniture. A display of many of these items is now set up in the Heritage Centre through the 'Red Door' at the Fun Ho! National Toy Museum - entry to the Heritage Centre is free.

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Above: Curator: Gay Laurence and Alisa Swaine the items on display

Smallbore Rifle Club (Lisa Donnelly)
The Smallbore Rifle Club has just completed another season of our popular Junior Shooting program. Not held last year due to Covid disruptions, many of our previous members have now left school and moved away for work or further education. This saw the majority of our members this year being first year shooters, keen to experience and enjoy our sport. Despite this, the standard of shooting has been very good and some excellent results have been achieved. We had five teams entered in the OF Rest grade of the Target Shooting New Zealand postal Challenge, three from Inglewood High School and two from new entrant, Sacred Heart Girls' College, New Plymouth. Some extra training for the new shooters, changing to full cards for this competition, proved very beneficial, with all five teams finishing in the top nine of 25 teams entered. Inglewood High School Number One - Jak Knowles, Cody Knowles and Oscar George gained second place, extending their record of finishing in the top two positions of this event in six of the last seven years, just one point behind the top place was Sacred Heart Girls' College Number One team of Addison Coombe, Cassidy Hancock and Brian Cross. IHS Number Two - Charlotte Wood, Blake and James White finished in fifth position, again one place ahead of SHCC Number Two - Amy Mitchell, Brianna Mitchell and Amy Lilley, with the IHS Number Three team of Tanus D'Ath, Amy Honeyfield and Charlotte Porroz in ninth place. A really good result considering many of these students have had limited time shooting on full cards. In individual rankings, Amy Mitchell 189.03 and Jak Knowles 189.03 finished second and third in the field of 68 entered in the Rest grade. Charlotte Wood 190.4, was shooting in the Girls grade, in a jacket and sling, and gained a very good 15th place in the field of 66. Our end of season Family Pairs Competition was again well supported with a chance for parents to have a shoot. A close finish with three teams each scoring perfect 100 scores to share the honours. Results from our prize giving held last week: Junior Grade - Group cards First Capri Peterson IHS, Second Korban Peters NPBHS, Third Amy Honeyfield IHS, Fourth Addison Coombe SHCC, Fifth Hananah Knowles EVS, Seventh equal Cassidy Hancock, SHCC and Jacob Porroz IHS. Intermediate - Full cards First Oscar George IHS, Second Knowles IHS, Third Cody Knowles IHS, Fourth Brianna Mitchell SHCC, Family Pairs - First equal Tanus and Emille D'Ath, Hannah and Craig Knowles, Cody and Craig Knowles.

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National Swimming Competition Success (Mary Smart)
On the 8th of August Anahera and Monique both 15 and both from Inglewood High School travelled to Hawkes Bay for the 2023 Short Course national swimming competition. Both swimmers achieved outstanding results against some of New Zealand's best swimmers. Some highlights include: Monique winning her 16 year old 50 breast stroke finals and then going on to win the A final (open age) - while at the same time, breaking the New Zealand 16 year old 50 breaststroke record with that swim. Anahera, won gold in the 15 year old girls' 50m freestyle and also broke the Taranaki record that had stood since 2006. At the time of writing, Monique Wieruszowski was competing in Israel and therefore not available to be interviewed. While speaking with Anahera, it was abundantly clear that she is humble about her success as a professional swimmer, but she did share her inspiring outlook and strategies with me. Anahera has been swimming for many years and started her swimming career as part of the Inglewood Swimming Club, moving to Starford Flyers as her talent grew. Anahera attributes her successes to having a strong mindset, setting goals, focusing on the fun rather than viewing it as a chore. Above all, she says, you have to do it for yourself. Anahera described the atmosphere at the nationals as being 'competitive, but fun'. Over the years, many of her competitors have become friends, so going to events like this is a great opportunity to catch up with mates, and have a swim. Anahera describes training for the nationals to be intense and at times scary, 'but you need to have faith, that all your hard work will pay off'. Anahera is extremely grateful for the support she has received from her family, in particular her parents. She says her mother is a sounding board to help her juggle school, work, training, and social life, which she acknowledges is becoming more challenging as she gets older, and demands on her time increase. She is also grateful for the support shown to her by the school, coaches and her local community.



Above: Anahera Martin with her medals

IHS Roller Hockey Stars (Madison Dagher, Olive Roach and Paige Wilhurst)
Quinn Fraser and Larkin Myles have recently returned home from Macau, having gained plenty of experience to prepare for their next competitions in Beijing, China. Upon arriving in Macau, they had a few days before the matches to acclimatise to the different weather and culture. Spare time was spent playing touch rugby to become accustomed to exercising in the humidity before their competition. Quinn and Larkin arrived open-minded and eager to learn new tricks and skills from other teams around the world. They found their competition to be sharp and very skilled. Competing against Spain was particularly challenging, and the boys added that no one scored against Spain the whole time they were there. Quinn's favourite team to face was China because he got a head shot. Larkin relished the experience of learning new skills from playing a range of teams and being able to experience different game play. The boys agree that an unforgettable moment was swapping jerseys with other teams and players. The four games in Macau are viewed by the boys as valuable warm up for the big world qualifiers taking place in Beijing, China, in October. A proud moment for the boys was finding out that Quinn has been selected for the New Zealand Merit team. We eagerly await to see if Quinn and Larkin will come home with a win from their China competition and wish them well.



Above: Quinn in action

Gardening Clues With Sue (Sue Marsch)
The start of Spring has been kind to us, and we really start getting our gardens ready for new seasons plantings. In Taranaki, we can now think about planting our favourite beans. Choose a bean that suits your personal preference in terms of how you like to cook and what you like to eat. You can choose between runner beans, broad beans and French beans (climbing or dwarf), and each family has several varieties to select from. Beans are relatively easy to grow, and most enjoy the same type of conditions. If you are starting with an existing garden bed, dig in organic matter like Tui Sheep Pellets and Tui Compost to your soil. Then you can add a layer of Tui Vegetable Mix. If planting in pots and containers, fill with Tui Vegetable Mix. The best times to plant are early in the morning or late in the day, so the plants aren't exposed to the hot sun straight away. Always water plants well before and after planting. Feed your beans and they will feed you. Plants use nutrients from the soil as they grow, so replenishing the nutrients ensures your plants grow to their full potential. Select a fertiliser specially blended for your crop like Tui Vegetable Food. Feed beans planted in pots and containers with Tui NovaTec Premium fertiliser. Well-watered, well-nourished beans will have a better chance of leaving insect pests and diseases at bay. While your beans are growing regularly apply a dose of Tui Organic Seaweed Plant Tonic to give them a welcome boost. New ranges of petunias are about to arrive in garden centres, so watch out for these in the coming weeks, they look amazing, and will be a change from your regular favourites. Of course, your favourites are sure to be available, and hopefully a drier summer than last, might actually suit petunias, they certainly don't like too much rain. Plenty to do, plenty to plant, so happy gardening this week.

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Jake Stewart Doing Well in His Bodybuilding Competitions (Ann Stewart)
Jake Stewart who has been competing in Bodybuilding with NZIFBB federation for the last four years as a teenager has recently, on Saturday 26th August, competed as a adult in the Palmerston North Tournament of Champions and placed second Junior Classic Men's and another amazing result with a second in the Open men's Class. Jake has won five gold medals and two silver he is heading in the right direction. Jake works out at the Inglewood gym so thank you to the community that makes this gym possible.

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Lions News (Viv Adamson)
At our August Lions social meeting we had Lions 2022 PDG Megan England come along and talk to us about the Lions NZ Skin Cancer Screening Trust. The Trust is getting a Screening bus up and running which will be available and accessible by all New Zealanders. They are fundraising for a vehicle and to get it fitted out, fit for purpose. We then had a "Questions Night" which was followed by supper. On Sunday 10 September the Lions held the 2022 Lions Junior Speechmaker competition for the Inglewood District. We had nine entrants on the day from St Patrick's. The judges were Linda McIntyre, Kaye Collett and Sophie O'Connor. The subject for the impromptu speech was "If I were Prime Minister for a Day". The three children that will now go onto the 2022 Lions Lions District. The judges were Linda McIntyre, Kaye Collett and Sophie O'Connor. The subject for the impromptu speech was "If I were Prime Minister for a Day". The three children that will now go onto the 2022 Lions Lions District. The judges were Linda McIntyre, Kaye Collett and Sophie O'Connor. The subject for the impromptu speech was "If I were Prime Minister for a Day". The three children that will now go onto the 2022 Lions Lions District. The judges were Linda McIntyre, Kaye Collett and Sophie O'Connor.

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Above: Lions President Wendy O'Connell, Sophie O'Connor, Linda McIntyre, Kaye Collett, Millie Rosewarne, Selina Morfette, Rosie Young and Toby Flynn

RATAPIKO **Ratapike Kids No Shrinking Violets** (Stuart Young)

After a five year break Ratapike School students once again battled over the "Midway Cup" for excellence in public speaking, it was a hard-fought contest with 90% of the school confidently presenting a speech to the assembled crowd and esteemed judges.

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Squash News (Pauline Stachurski)

Construction is well underway for the Ingelwood Squash Club to have a new outdoor deck. It will extend the lounge area on warmer days, or evenings. Toilet facilities will be accessible on the deck area making the trip downstairs unnecessary. Many thanks to the Taranaki Electricity Trust (TET) for their generous contribution towards this new addition to the club. Also a big thank you to Valerine Construction Ltd (Shawn), and his team of workers for the excellent workmanship. Club members are keen to see the deck completed by the summer months and perhaps some barbecues on the deck!

Above: The contenders

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Restore PG NOPS Reserve (Leigh Honnor)

Kereru know Spring is in the air. Over the last week I have observed several pairs feeding on the young leaves and buds of native trees around Kohanga Moa. Their favourite is Kowhai. Kereru live only in Aotearoa. You often see them roosting in trees or on power lines, silent apart from occasional "oooh". They are a heavy pigeon with a distinctive wing beat and magical display dives during the breeding season. At the moment they are getting ready to nest. The female lays a single egg on a shallow platform of interwoven twigs which looks fragile. Most eggs are laid between September and April. Unfortunately the failure rate is high as they are very susceptible to predation from possums, stoats, ship rats, and feral cats, at this time. There are traps set in both PG Nops and Joe Gibbs reserves as part of Towards Predator Free Taranaki. You can help protect kereru by setting a trap in your backyard, school, or workplace. Native forest remnants like PG Nops are important as they provide habitat for nesting and a smorgasbord of flowers and fruit such as tawa, kahikatea and miro. This month we spent time spreading bark mulch to suppress the weeds around the native plants we have planted. A kereru kept us company. The plants we have planted will provide food for years to come. As always we could achieve more if we had extra pairs of hands. Next working bee is 1.00-3.00pm, Sunday 24 September. Meeting at the Tawa Street entrance. If you would like to know more call Neil on 027 221 7712.

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