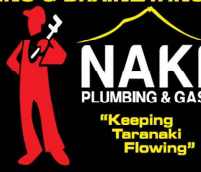


From New Plymouth to the World BMX Stage (Sarah Silver)

The Silver Family journey to Brisbane for the BMX World Championships was one they will never forget. The weather was incredible, although coming from a New Zealand winter took some adjustment! Australian tracks were another adjustment. They trained daily at local tracks, often travelling 45 minutes. Unlike New Zealand's softer line surfaces, which unsuited erode, many tracks are 50K surfaced, similar to tarmac. They're fast—but unforgiving when you crash. Unfortunately, Scott discovered this first hand, crashing during practice and breaking two ribs and two bones in his hand. Devastatingly, he never made it onto the Worlds track. His focus now turns to healing and Oceania next year. Levi and Cies completed two exciting practice days before racing began. Levi's race day started with a 7am drop-off, but disaster struck when she crashed on her first warm-up lap, spraining both wrists. After pain relief and plenty of encouragement, she chose to race anyway. This was her dream, and she wasn't giving it up. Racing fiercely through the pain, Levi achieved an incredible World #29. After a Thursday rest day exploring Surfers Paradise, Saturday was Cies' turn. It was nerve wracking watching the speeds these kids reach! Cies raced confidently, progressing into the top 32 before a squeaky down the first straight saw him finish an outstanding World #23. We're incredibly proud. The kids got to meet riders from all around the world including Alisa Wiloughby, Sam Wiloughby and Kai Sakakibara. Huge thanks to Shelley Wilkin, Supreme Commissioner, Lions Ingwood, Rotary Ingwood, Kitchen Studio Taranaki, Browns Forestwood, Toi Foundation, The Racers Garage, and everyone who supported our fundraising. We couldn't have done it without you.



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Government Invests in Predator Control (Rob Harcourt)

Our Government is investing \$1.04 million in projects led by Te Kāhui o Taranaki and the East Taranaki Environment Trust, alongside an expected \$1.2 million in cash and in-kind support. "This is what good conservation investment looks like. Government backing local ambition, with iwi, landowners, community groups and volunteers bringing funding, time, expertise, and practical support to the table," Mr Poukaka says. "By working together, taxpayer funding goes further and we can achieve more for the special places and species of Taranaki." Te Kāhui o Taranaki will receive \$432,840 to map, monitor and restore critically endangered coastal turf ecosystems within the Taranaki iwi rohe. The iwi-led project will carry out restoration planning and involve local communities in the long-term protection of this rare habitat. East Taranaki Environment Trust, which operates as the East Taranaki Environment Collective, will receive \$603,760 to expand predator control and monitoring within a 46,000-hectare landscape in north-east Taranaki. The project is co-led with iwi, supported by local volunteers and will help create a safer, more connected landscape for kōkako and other native species. "From the coast to the ngahere, this is mahi taia in action. Our Government, iwi, landowners, community groups, and volunteers combining their strengths to deliver lasting gains for Taranaki's environment." The Taranaki projects are the first to be announced from the 2026 DOC Community Fund, with further announcements to follow across the country.



Above: kōkako are thriving in the East Taranaki Environment

Durham Women's Institute August Report (Christine Fitz Patrick)

Justice Woodhead hosted our formal meeting and provided a lovely morning tea. There were some bright spring flowers in our monthly competitions although it had had been a bit of a challenge to select bluish free specimens due to the recent sleet, wind and rain. Knitted Peggy squares were also judged and items collected for the approaching Daffodil Day Raffles. We had arranged to have a leisurely lunch at the Summerset Retirement Village Café before meeting with Sales Consultant, Leone Davies. One of our members had bought her mum along for an outing and she chose to stay in the lounge to listen to the toe tapping live entertainment, which featured ukuleles, while we were shown around and admired the two-bedroom show home villa. Our impression of the village was one of green spaces, cheerful, tidy vegetable and flower gardens and a fresh and attractive homes. Next month we celebrate our birthday and host some visitors from Tokoroa WI.



Above: Christine Gyle, Valarie Young, Jean Dobbs, Justice Woodhead, Valarie Hine, Peggy Topping, Claire Dearden and Christine Fitz Patrick

Editors Comments

Ingwood is a town built on pride and community spirit, so it was hugely disappointing to hear that some members of the community have total disregard for the hard work that goes into making Ingwood beautiful. Over the past few weeks, several of our hanging baskets have been deliberately knocked down and destroyed. The damage hasn't been accidental. It has been repeated and targeted, which is very discouraging for those who volunteer their time to keep Ingwood looking its best and not to mention the extra cost involved in replacing the baskets. Our public toilets have also been targeted by vandalism. A huge thank you to Robyn Hardgrave for cleaning this up. I understand the town security cameras are soon to be installed. This will be timely, and we hope it will help stop this behaviour from continuing.

Karen Menatti

Farewell Vida Harkness (Marie Pearce)

Ingwood First Trust Chairperson Marie Pearce presenting Vida Harkness with a gift to acknowledge the contribution she has made to Ingwood First over many years. Vida has held many roles within the Trust including Treasurer, Secretary/Treasurer, and Committee member. She has volunteered her time to the countless projects Ingwood First has been involved with. Vida is retiring and moving to New Plymouth. Our grateful thanks and best wishes go with her.



Above: Vida Harkness and Marie Pearce

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Scouts Brave the Elements to Support their Jamboree Journey (Peter-Van Koppert)

On Sunday, 9 August, a group of enthusiastic Ingwood Scouts braved the cold and windy weather to get out into the community and serve up a tasty snack of sausages and bread as part of their fundraising efforts. A huge thank you to Ingwood New World for generously supporting the Scouts by providing a venue and contributing some of the produce for the BBQ. Your support is greatly appreciated and makes a real difference to our fundraising journey. The Scouts have a huge mission ahead of them as they work hard to raise funds to take a group of young people to the 2026/2027 Jamboree at Mystery Creek in Hamilton. A Jamboree is so much more than a 10-day adventure. It is an incredible opportunity for young people to step outside their comfort zones, build independence and confidence, develop leadership and teamwork skills, make new friendships, experience new challenges and create memories that will stay with them for years to come. They will have the chance to meet Scouts from different communities, learn new skills, take part in exciting activities and experience the true spirit of Scouting. For many of our young people, attending Jamboree will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience but getting there requires plenty of hard work and fundraising. We would like to say a heartfelt thank you to everyone who supported our sausage sizzle on Sunday. Every sausage purchased, donation made and word of encouragement helps bring our Jamboree goal one step closer. And we're not stopping there! The Scouts are well and truly in fundraising mode and have more events planned. Sunday 6th September: Sausage Sizzle at The Warehouse, Bell Block and Sunday 25th October: Sausage Sizzle at Mere 10 MCCA. We will also have raffles and other fundraising opportunities coming up, so keep an eye out and show your support when you can. We are incredibly grateful to the Ingwood Lions and the Ingwood 4x4 Club for supporting the Scouts with their fundraising efforts. Community organisations like these play such an important role in helping our young people achieve their goals. Thank you, Ingwood, for getting behind our Scouts! Every bit of support helps us get one step closer to seeing our young people proudly heading off to Jamboree for an unforgettable 10-day adventure. Together, we can help our Scouts get there!



Above: Hardy Scouts brave the cold while fundraising for their Jamboree

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Lions Raise \$5k (Wendy Owen)

Ingwood Lions Club had a great response from our community ordering fertilizer this year. We are very grateful to the Ingwood High School Netball team and the Ingwood Scouts, who kindly helped with both bagging and delivering the Fertilizer. We raised a whopping \$5000, which will go back into our amazing community. So thank you to all of you who ordered. If you would like to join Lions or come along to take a look at what we do please contact Wendy on 027266307 or Rob on 027688819



Above: Ingwood netballers mucking in to help with the fertilizer drive



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DCFO Lance Allerby Hangs up his Helmet after 31 Years (Nicky Kulkarni)
On the 26th June, Lance hung up his helmet for the last time after 31 years' service, with the last 20 of those years as Deputy Chief Fire Officer. In 2020, Lance received his Gold Star medal.



Left: Chief Fire Officer Cameron Gillespie presents a plaque to Lance Allerby. Right: Lance Allerby in amongst the fire suits

for 25 years' service. He also became a Life Honorary Member of the Ingwood Volunteer Fire Brigade. Lance started in the brigade on the 7th March 1994. He recalls back when they didn't have pagers, so upon arrival at the station you took a phone call, wrote it down, so you knew where you were going. He still remembers his first call, a car accident (he was a good outcome) and his last call was a PFA at the high school. Apart from when he moved to New Plymouth and doing two years in the New Plymouth West Brigade, the rest of his service has been in Ingwood. His attendance record for trainings over the years has been outstanding. Lance has been supported by his wife Tash and daughters Georgina, Ilay and Sophia. He's enjoyed every minute of being in the brigade with a bit of happy memories. Lance, thank you for your time and commitment to our community and we wish you all the best for your new chapter in life.



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Accessibility Upgrades Complete (Hayley Duggan)
After more than a year of planning, fundraising and hard work, we're thrilled to see our accessibility upgrades at TET Stadium & Events Centre complete. The project has included a new accessible pathway from the main entrance through to the grandstand, improvements to the carpark and access areas, and two newly marked accessible carparks. New Plymouth District Council has played a huge part in making the project possible, alongside funds raised through our TET Stadium Christmas Night Market and generous donations and support from our community. The final carpark work was completed by local team Professional Excavation Ltd, who have done a fantastic job with the new concrete and surrounding access areas. We're proud to have worked with local contractors throughout the project, with their support helping us deliver improvements that will benefit our community for years to come. TET Stadium & Events Centre welcomes thousands of people each year for sport, recreation, school athletics, community events and functions. Making sure our facility is easier and safer for everyone to access is incredibly important to us. It really has been a community effort, and we're incredibly proud to have this important project complete.



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It is the final days of viewing the "Fritz Reuter 150 Years" Exhibition in the Fritz Reuter Gallery II, Visit Fun Hol Toy Museum for Free Entry.

Polish Descendants Celebrate the arrival of Fritz Reuter (Martha Symanski)

On August 1st, descendants of the Dudunski family gathered at the Durham Road Hall to mark 150 years since the ship Fritz Reuter arrived in Wellington on 4 August 1876, carrying Mathias Gabriel Dudunski and his family from Hamburg to New Zealand. Mathias arrived with his wife Apollonia and their children Franziska and Franciszek, travelling with other Polish settlers who continued on the steamer "Tupou" to settle in Ingwood. The Polish Settlers first homes were simple punge huts on James Street. The men were soon tasked with building the road and railway south of Ingwood, contributing to the early development of Taranaki. Mathias purchased his first plot of land in 1878. After losing his land in Poland, Mathias was determined to rebuild security for his family. He bought land not only for himself but ensured that each of his sons received a plot, and even his daughters owned a plot of land on Durham Road. A group of Polish settlers, eager for a place of worship also acquired small adjoining sections and built a small chapel that soon needed to be enlarged. It formed the foundation of what is now the Ingwood Catholic Church.



Above: Descendants of the Dudunski family gathered together at Durham Road Hall

