

Inglewood Primary School Celebrates 150 Years and Sporting Pride (Tracy White)

Inglewood Primary has always had a proud sporting spirit and a knack for producing some pretty special athletes!

As IPS celebrates 150 years in 2026, the history books reveal an impressive record of sporting success. Back in 1918, the Inglewood School football team played five matches and won them all. Their final game against Central finished an incredible 34-0! In 1927, the senior girls' basketball team claimed the Taranaki Primary Schools Basketball Competition, while further victories followed in football and basketball during the 1930s. The trophy-winning tradition continued. In 1994, the Linkhorn Rugby team won its competition for the first time in 22 years and yet again in 2022, while IPS teams have also claimed the Bunkart Cup for Netball several times since being donated in 2003 and perhaps the perfect example of that enduring spirit.

Above: Caitlyn and Hinari with a photo of Inglewood Primary School sporting legacy can be seen in more IPS pupils who have gone on to represent New Zealand at the highest level. Paris Mason has become a dual international, representing New Zealand in both netball and basketball, and is now a Silver Fern. She has also excelled in touch, demonstrating the versatility and determination that have long been part of the sporting culture of Taranaki. Then there is Melissa Ratcoe, who achieved the extraordinary feat of capturing New Zealand in both football and rugby, going on to win two Rugby World Cups with the Black Ferns.

From the children running onto the field in 1918 to athletes representing Aotearoa on the international stage IPS has had a sporting spirit.

Historical displays celebrating 150 years of Inglewood Primary are currently on show at Fun Hol National Toy Museum, giving past and present members of our school community the chance to reconnect with the people, memories and achievements that have shaped our school.



150 Years Celebration

October 23-24, 2026

Registrations for the celebrations are closing soon details below



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Community Christmas is back - and bigger than ever!

(LaAnne Blakecock)

After such a lovely evening last year, Vertical Horizon is opening the gates a little wider this Christmas and inviting the whole Inglewood community to come along, share a meal, meet some new people and have a look at what Vertical Horizon is all about.

Last year's community BBQ was a wonderful chance to meet and chat with neighbours on the surrounding roads, and even a bit of Taranaki rain couldn't dampen the spirits. The feedback afterwards was so positive that we decided this year we should do it all again - only bigger.

So, you're invited to the Community Christmas Dinner at Vertical Horizon: Thursday 10 December, from 6pm onwards. Dinner is free, with Vertical Horizon sponsoring the Christmas ham and meat for the BBQ.

If you're able, please bring along a small salad or dessert to share and most importantly, bring yourself, your family and your Christmas spirit.

Whether you already know Vertical Horizon well, have driven past and wondered what goes on here, or are simply keen for a relaxed evening with other people from around Inglewood, we'd love to see you. Disability access and parking are available.

To help us make sure there is plenty of food to go around, please RSVP with the number of people attending to info@verticalhorizon.co.nz. Come and join us for good food, good company and a community Christmas together.



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Inglewood Golf News

(Debbie Outman)

On Saturday 19th September the final was played for the Nelson and Davidson Cup Trophies.

The Winner of the Nelson Cup was Murphy Longworth and the Winner of the Davidson Cup was Pecos Broughton. Congratulations Guys!

Right: Pecos Broughton and Murphy Longworth



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Editors Comments

The world around us is changing at a pace we've never seen before. Social media, rapid technology advances, and the rise of so-called "AI" tools mean information can be created, shared, and manipulated in seconds.

And whether we like it or not, this change is happening with or without us. One of the unsettling realities of the digital world we live in is that we can no longer take everything we see at face value. Written posts, online articles, and even videos can be convincingly altered using modern AI tools.

What's becoming increasingly noticeable, and concerning, is the rise in scams. Scammers are getting smarter and more sophisticated every day. They imitate banks, government departments, courier companies, and even friends or family. Their goal is simple: to get you to click on links, or hand over information. Staying safe starts with staying alert: Never click on links in unsolicited emails or text messages. Pause and question what is being asked of you, especially if it feels urgent or threatening.

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Politics The Ultimate Tradie Interview (Barbara Kuriger)

Youth Parliament is held every three years and gives young New Zealanders the chance to learn first-hand about our democracy, influence government decision-making, and ensure their voices are heard. They also have the opportunity to learn about politics, and politicians, first-hand.

I genuinely believe more New Zealanders should have that opportunity. I don't think everyone needs to sit in the Prime Minister's chair in the House—or in mine, for that matter. But I do believe that the more we know about politics, the more we understand it and—most importantly—the more we engage with it, the better off we'll all be.

It really comes down to a simple idea. No matter if it's central or local government, the hospital board, or the school boards, when we vote for someone, we're putting them in a position of power. We trust them to make decisions for us. Wouldn't it be nice to know who they are and what they believe in?

I know that can be tough, especially in local government, because it's hard to know anyone running for election. Often, people rely on word of mouth or name recognition, but honestly, those aren't always the best guides. It's much better to do your own research. Take some time to find out about the candidates: what their track record is, if they've worked in the community, and whether others recommend them. We'd do this if we were hiring a tradie, and in many ways, politicians are like tradies. They work for you and are paid to do what you want them to do.

That's politics at its best. It's not some mysterious game played in Wellington or in council chambers by people in suits. Instead, it's a long-running DIY project managed by five million demanding customers. We pick the team, set the plans, and every three years, we decide whether to keep them on or send them back to the depot.

So next time the ballot papers arrive, don't just shrug and guess. Make a cuppa, do your homework, and go to the public meeting. They're not boring; they can be funny and fun for everyone except the candidates. Check out who you're hiring. After all, if you wouldn't let a stranger rewrite your house in the dark, why let someone rewrite your future without at least a quick look at their references?

Barbara Kuriger MP for Taranaki-King Country

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Garden Clues with Sue

Spring is a great time to think about companion planting — choosing plants that grow well together and can help each other along. It's a simple way to make the most of your garden space while attracting beneficial insects and helping with some common garden pests.

One of my favourite combinations is tomatoes and basil. Basil enjoys the same warm growing conditions and attracts pollinators to the garden. Carrots and onions are another classic combination, with their different scents helping to confuse some garden pests. Growing lettuce and radishes together is perfect for spring. Radishes mature quickly, while the lettuce continues developing, making good use of the space. Around your cabbages, broccoli and kale, try planting thyme, all, calendula or marigolds to attract helpful insects.

There are some combinations worth avoiding too. Beans don't particularly like growing alongside onions, garlic or other alliums, so keep these separated if possible. Tomatoes and potatoes are also better planted apart, as they are both susceptible to similar diseases, which can spread between them.

Companion planting isn't a hard-and-fast science, but it's fun to experiment. This spring, mix flowers, herbs and vegetables together and see what works best in your garden. May the weather be good for our gardens!

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Bowling Club News (Peter van Dyk)

Inglewood Bowling Club had its Opening Day on Saturday 12th September. It was fine weather and we had a massive turnout of members. The highlight of the day was the formal recognition of our two new Life Members, Janette Brocklehurst and Neil Earley. Congratulations to both. Dave Stachurski's team of Dave, Peter van Dyk, and Vicky-Lee Kennedy won the Opening Day tournament.

On Sunday 6th September, the weekend before Opening Day, we played the annual Goring/Fussell Tournament against Waitara Bowling Club at Waitara. Waitara won the competition and retained the trophies.

On Sunday 20th September, Inglewood hosted the annual Challenge Shield Tournament between Inglewood, New Plymouth and Waimea Bowling Clubs. History was made this year, with Waimea winning the trophy for the first time. It was another great day of bowls and socialising. Thanks to all involved.

We would like to welcome the large number of new fall and social members who have joined the Club recently. We hope you enjoy your association with Inglewood Bowling Club.



Above: Janette Brocklehurst and Neil Earley Inglewood Bowl's two new Life Members

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It's the funniest hotel stay you'll ever witness!

(Amanda Bolland)

Get ready for a fun night out, as Cue Theatre in Inglewood presents its latest comedy, Hotel Mikado. Written by S.P. Frankston and directed by Christine King, this is the second time that this English comedy has been produced.

Set at a hotel resort in Spain, the story follows Wendy and Kevin on a weekend away to celebrate their anniversary. As with all good comedies however, their romantic weekend goes completely off the rails when the couple discover Wendy's eccentric ex-husband Henry, is staying at the same resort.

Coincidence? Not at all. Henry still holds a candle for his ex-wife, and

Above: Simon Bask, Cat Jordan, Nicola King, Adrian Whelan

Hotel Mikado

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with his over-the-top go-go-loving companion in tow, he embarks upon a crazy scheme to win Wendy back!

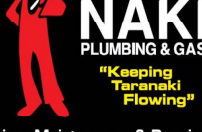
This Three Act play features a talented cast of four Taranaki actors who bring this comedy to life, with a combination of sarcastic humour and quick wisecracks to keep the audience giggling along with the action. Showtimes: 7.30pm (Evening), 2.30pm (Matinee)

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Arthritis in Pets (Companion Animal Team)

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Disobedient or aggressive
Chewing or licking particular joints
Acting depressed, irritable or out of sorts
Lameness/limping or abnormal gait

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Small Bore Rifle Club (Peta Bunnop)

On Wednesday, ISBRC ran a junior night where students shoot grouping (10 shots on one target) or full Card (10 shots on 10 targets) matches and a postal Competition through Target Shooting New Zealand (TSNZ). We run for 12 weeks over the winter from 6.30pm for juniors aged 10 and above. No experience or firearms licence required.

This seasons success: Junior Groups: 1st Lincoln Union 990, 2nd Riley Adamson 987, 3rd Tessa Keen 983
4th (equal) Emily Drinkwater, Jude VanBerkirk 980
Intermediate Full Cards: 1st Breille Spick 974-44, 2nd Bentley Curry 948-23, 3rd Betty Murrell 947-32 and 4th Ari Mekalick 930-26

Family Pairs: 1st (equal) 200 Emily and Sam Drinkwater, Betty and Daniel Murrell 2nd (equal) 199 Brielle Spick and Kane Anderson 199 and Kaitie Holdem & Philip Rockell 3rd (equal) 198 Ella-Jayne and Cori Delves, Selma and Jun Montforte, 4th Aury and Bryn Harvey 197

TSNZ Secondary Schools Postal Challenge: Rest Grade (shooting off a rest) 1st Inglewood High School: Bentley Curry, Betty Murrell and Brielle Spick
TSNZ Rest Grade individual: 2nd Brielle Spick, 3rd Bentley Curry, 3rd Betty Murrell
TSNZ Secondary Schools Teams (full Cards, jacket and sling): 5th Sacred Heart Girls' College, Briar Croot, Addison Crombie, Cassidy Hancock

Above: The winners were all smiles at the small bore junior night

Squash News (Pauline Stachurski)

The Inglewood Squash Club has been holding the Club Championships.

Doubles are very popular at the club, so a trophy was made for players to compete for during the champs.

This year eleven pairs competed for the honour of having their names engraved on the trophy.

Above: Joseph and Karlin Snowden (winners) Chris Blyde and Lance Mitchell (runners up)

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Durham Institute
September Report
(Christine Fitz Patrick)

September is our birthday month. This year we celebrated 84 years since our first meeting. Two ladies from Tokoroa WI were able to come across to enjoy this outing with us. Fortunately, the Awakino gorge happened to be open in time to facilitate this road trip. One of these ladies will be recognized by locals as she was resident in Inglewood before retiring to Mangakino a couple of years ago. Members each received a stem of beautiful orchids to mark the event and we had lunch together. Our roll call was to share a memorable celebratory story. Some of the subjects had the potential to lead to a whole different set of stories for another day. This week, a good number of our members attended a Federation event in Inglewood, to hear Grant Carter from Taranaki Health Trust. Some of us went to a presentation that he did earlier in the year prior to the opening of the new East Wing of New Plymouth Hospital. This time he had drone footage of the impressive interior, additional fascinating facts, photos, stories and answers to questions. An excellent presentation and revelation of the generosity of local sponsors, both large and small.



Above: Mirk Smith holding two of her knitted blankets

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What's on and Coming Events
Please advise of your event
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Fritz Reuter Gallery
"New Exhibition"
Gallery Space 1:
Inglewood Primary School
Primer Class Photo's
Gallery Space 2:
"Through the Lens"
Hi Egonne 4WD
Pans event
300 Lower Durham Road
Sat 3rd October
9am

St Andrew's Parents Group at the St Andrew's Hall,
Fri 9th October
10.00am to 12 noon

Egmont Athletics
Ages 7 and up
Start date: Tues 10th October
Tues nights from 5:45pm

Inglewood Squash Club
Tuition,
Squash, Carols, Darts
Beginning 15th October
Contact: Pauline 027 315 4086.

Norfolk School Show Day
Community Event Day
Thurs 22nd October
Inglewood Primary School
See Page 6 Advert

Community Christmas Dinner - All Welcome
Venal Horrocks
Thurs 10 December
From 6pm
Please RSVP

I.U.R.N.C
Inglewood United Rugby Netball Club Inc
Notice of Annual General Meeting
Thursday 29 October 2026
7.00pm
TET Stadium Clubrooms
1 Elliot Street, Inglewood

Members must notify the Club Secretary (secretary@inglewoodrugby.co.nz) of any proposed Elected Committee Member nominations or other items of business intended for the meeting no later than Wednesday 7 October 2026. A further meeting notice with details of the agenda will be posted closer to the event.

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Te Kōhanga Moa Marae Hui a Tau 2026
Notice of Annual General Meeting 2026
To be held at Te Kōhanga Moa Marae
James Street, Inglewood
Date: Sunday 18th October 2026
Time: 11am
AGENDA
Karakia and Mihi
Apologies
Chairperson's Report
Financial Report
Acceptance of Trustees
Nomination and Election of Komiti Positions
General Business
Karakia Whakakapi
Naumai Haere Mai, All are invited to attend.
Any patā/questions please email:
Kay Wallace: kauri1086@gmail.com
Te Kōhanga Moa Ata Whiwhia, Ata Rawera, Ata Kura

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Inglewood Welfare Society AGM
(Denise Loveridge)

At the recent Annual General Meeting of the Inglewood Welfare Society, three new committee members were welcomed onto the committee. These three new committee members bring a wealth of knowledge around governance matters, and all have great extended community involvement.

The three new committee members are Wendy Osene, Karen Moratti and Robert Brown. Denise Loveridge continues her role as Chairperson, Sandra Moratti as Secretary and Stuart Waite as the Operations Board liaison person and Inglewood Welfare Society's Patron. Continuing on as committee members are Katrina Knowles and Carolyn Voci. Our Advisory Board is Dr Diane Jones, and Jonathan Puro.

In her Chairman's report, Denise acknowledged the retiring board members of Loraine Reeve, Marian Valentine and Peter Ayles. All have had real positive input into Marino. The Chairman's report recognized the outstanding work of the CEO and staff of Marino. Denise also acknowledged the valuable contribution of the Inglewood Rotary, Inglewood Lions, Inglewood Red Cross family members and other community organizations for their ongoing support of the committee and Marino.

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Above: Back Row: Jonathan Puro (Advisory board), Robert Brown, Wendy Osene, Katrina Knowles, Stuart Waite (patron) Front row: Karen Moratti, Sandra Moratti, Denise Loveridge, Carolyn Voci, Dr Diane Jones (Advisory Board)

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