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## Hotshots starter tennis for children

Geraldine children are learning to play tennis in a way that lets them play a proper game from the moment they step on court.

Hotshots Tennis, a Tennis NZ initiative, is the starter tennis programme for children. Local man Murray Bradshaw, along with his wife Lynore, runs the coaching sessions. Murray explains that serving and rallying is easier as the children learn to play using shorter racquets, smaller courts and softer balls. "These balls don't bounce so high."

There are different types of balls for different ages and abilities. Murray gives away spare soft balls, provided by Tennis NZ, to the children to encourage them to practise at home between lessons.

"I tell the kids they're practice balls so grab Mum or Dad and ask them to toss you some balls this week. The keen ones definitely show good improvement with more practice." Continued on page 2...

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The coaching sessions run every Monday and Friday after school at Geraldine Domain tennis courts.

Murray concentrates on making the coaching sessions fun for the children but also teaches them court etiquette, the names of the lines on the court and to shake hands at the end of the lesson.

Tilly (7) says she likes playing tennis because, "It gives you exercise and my Dad teaches me to play too. I have learned how to serve."

Dougal (6) says he has been playing for two years and this season has been concentrating on improving his serve, "It is good now." Sam (6) says he too has been learning how to serve. "My serve is good and



Murray Bradshaw (back left) leads Hotshots Tennis, the national starter tennis programme for NZ children. Photo: Jo Bates.

I get them all in. I like it because they have a court right near my house. I play [tennis] with Mum and Dad."

Hotshots Tennis is in its second year and the number of local children learning has doubled from last year. Murray has been coaching since he was 15 years old, when he used to help his own tennis coach teach younger children.

"I have always loved the game. Mum sometimes had to call the tennis club at night to ask someone to tell me to get home."

Murray has played college tennis in America as well as coaching there. He gained a scholarship that allowed him to study at Idaho State University and continue developing his tennis skills.

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## Local woman leads world optometry body

For the first time, the elected president of the IOA (International Optometry Association) is from New Zealand. Fellow industry professionals recently chose Vanessa Cummings at the conference in Malaysia. She is the first Kiwi elected to this prestigious role, displaying the quality of New Zealand optometry. The IOA formed in 1951, and meets biennially to share knowledge and expertise.

Vanessa says attending the Malaysian conference was an amazing experience. About 140 people attended lectures and joined in discussions about forward planning for optometry. "Often the socialising is one of the most important parts," says Vanessa. "It gives everybody the chance to discuss and share experiences, learn off each other and argue."

The next conference will be in New Zealand, something that will require an enormous amount of preparation on Vanessa's part. Tourism New Zealand will be involved

in the organisation of the event.

Attaining her new role wasn't as simple as a quick election. Vanessa's efforts to be involved, good contributions to discussion and her displays of leadership and approachability made her a worthy candidate. "You have to get yourself out there at these conferences, make an effort to talk to everybody. If they don't know who you are, how can they vote for you?"

Prior to her election Vanessa was also the president of ADONZ (Association of Dispensing Opticians New Zealand), which made her eligible to attend the biennial IOA conferences resulting in her election. She has since stepped down from ADONZ.

For now, Vanessa is enjoying a lull in her presidential responsibilities that allows her to focus on her study. Currently she is completing a three-year degree in optometry by correspondence from the UK. She is the first Kiwi to take the course, and though the work is admittedly hard, she is enjoying the



Vanessa Cummings, wearing her IOA presidential chain. Photo: Jordyn Te Rahui-Hobbs.

majority of it. When it comes to deadlines, Vanessa's motto is, "Just get on with it."

On top of study, Vanessa also works as a dispensing optician for Timaru Visique, of which she is a partner. Her husband is a stay-at-home dad, and she attributes being able to dedicate her time to work and study to the consistent home environment he creates. "It helps to be able to go home to dinner and a clean house so that I can study." Vanessa was born and raised in Timaru, and now lives in Geraldine with her family.

Jordyn Te Rahui-Hobbs

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# Preschool trials sun-sensing application



Liah, Drew, and Ollie, well-coated in sunscreen, outdoors at Geraldine Preschool. "I wonder how much UV there's been today," ponders head teacher Sue Cooper. The UVLens digital application will bring certainty about levels; cool, overcast conditions such as these can mask high solar UV radiation. Photo: Jan Finlayson.

Geraldine Preschool children have been thinking hard about the sun recently. "Te Ra's super-hot, and super-big, and super-angry, and he's got sharp teeth and he has swirly eyes," says four-year-old Riley; Drew, also four, adds, "He's got fire hair and he has a fire tongue." They add drama to emphasise the mythological sun god's magnificence.

They have considered positive and negative practicalities of the sun as well. Drew summarises, "You can get sunburn and you can get hot; you wear sunglasses. But vegies need sun and rain. And sun makes us warm." Logan, another four-year-old, says, "The grass grows when you have rain and sun."

The children are strong on qualitative solar-related knowledge, but until recently, the preschool could only make informed guesses about solar ultraviolet (UV) radiation levels; one of their main health concerns.

UV radiation is well-known as a major cause of burns and other damage that can lead to skin cancer and other ill health, but accurately judging its strength is difficult as UV cannot be perceived the way the sun's light is seen or its warmth (infrared radiation) is felt. Altitude, time of day and year, cloud cover, reflection and proximity to the equator affect UV levels.

An answer to that is a new sun-sensing digital application called UVLens that weighs those factors and gives advice on solar exposure. It has recently been donated to Geraldine Preschool by sunscreen company Banana Boat and is almost ready to go. Head teacher Sue Cooper says, "We're going to trial it; there are 100 early childhood centres involved. It's been developed by [technology company] Spark 64 Limited and we'll give feedback to them."

A sensor mounted in the playground will send real-time information to the preschool's iPads so children and teachers can make good choices about sunscreen, sun-blocking clothing and shade.

Because UV levels are driven by more than solar brightness and heat, Sue predicts, "There'll be surprises some days when you think it's safe but it's not, and we'll be able to flag sunscreen some days when the UV's low; we may be able to delay it on other days."

With the information and enjoyable challenges the application includes, it is already adding to the preschool's science programme, Sue says. "It's teaching children other things. It's a learning tool."

You can learn more about Spark 64 and UVLens at [www.uvlens.com](http://www.uvlens.com)

Jan Finlayson

## HOTSHOTS TENNIS

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Murray works on a dairy farm and is grateful to his boss for allowing him time away to work with the children.

"Big Greg gives me time off so I can come and do some coaching. He's a good boss."

Using modified equipment in children's sport is not a new idea. Many sports have been using smaller pitches, lighter balls, shorter bats, lower hoops and other learning aids for many years.

Tennis for children has changed a lot over the past decade or two. Over 120 countries have adopted a modified tennis

programme, including the four Grand Slam nations (Australia, France, Britain and America). The International Tennis Federation introduced a rule change for children's tennis in January 2012 – only the fifth rule change in their 90-year history. The rule supports the use of modified equipment for children aged 10-and-under and recommends that all 10-and-under competitions and tournaments worldwide use low-compression balls and smaller courts. Hotshots Tennis uses the same balls and court size.

Hotshots Tennis starts again in February 2015. Contact Murray on 027 693 9940 for more details.

Jo Bates



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# Inaugural music, arts and crafts day held in Kimbell

The first annual Kimbell music, arts and crafts day (KMAC) was held in the picturesque village on Sunday 30 November.

Around 500 people passed through the event, despite a grim weather forecast, as the day dawned mild and cloudy. About twenty stall holders, five bands and two llamas provided folks with attractions and entertainment.

Children painted the Silverstream pub fence with a theme of summer, and local artists created paintings on the day.

Kimbell artist Randall Froude created a new landscape painting “*The 4 pounder Pond*” which was auctioned at day’s end, and sold for \$1000. Over \$3000 was donated to The New Zealand Neurological Foundation as a result of the arts and crafts day.

KMAC organisers Geoff Hooker and Phil Arvidson plan to make this an annual event for the district.

“We couldn’t have done this without the generous support and sponsorship of local businesses and volunteers. Feedback from stallholders, musicians and the public has been fantastic.



Alex and Ethan from Geraldine enjoy painting the pub fence. Photo: Philip Arvidson.

Next year, we will come back bigger and brighter. We believe a day like this really fits well with our community spirit. Great to see so many passers-by slow down, pull over and come in and enjoy the day too.”

Phil Arvidson

# Purchase of Christmas baubles will support Malawi Orphanage

Local resident Anne Smedley is hoping that the spirit of Christmas will mean a step further towards a sustainable and positive future for many children in one of the world’s poorest nations. “It’s really great that Fresh Choice has given us this opportunity so that when visiting the supermarket until 14 December and buying a bauble for your Christmas tree, it means that a little more money is raised towards finishing and equipping an orphanage in Malawi in which my son Bob is heavily involved.”

Currently an Air New Zealand engineer in Christchurch, Bob has travelled widely. He undertook aid work at the Joshua Orphan Care centre in Malawi where he not only met his wife Regina but also fell in love with the country. Bob found that there was a great need for orphaned children, often HIV infected or abused, to have somewhere stable to go. He has been developing a cooperative, *Mphatikizo*, dedicated to “sustainable rural development in Malawi”.

The co-operative is designed to be environmentally

friendly, self-sustaining and give a hand up through a Small Business Initiative.

Fundraising and gifts go towards furnishing and equipping the Madalitso Family Centre and Orphanage, for which the villagers have made and baked the bricks as well as built foundations and flooring.

While living in New Zealand Regina has trained at CPIT and qualified as a chef as well as raising their children, Diana and Joshua. “She finds my garden a delight and wants me to plant one just like it around the orphanage but I’m not sure that it would grow,” says Anne. Next year Bob and his family will return to manage the orphanage and live in a house nearby which will have space for backpackers and aid workers to stay. “Funding, time, expertise, knowledge and any other gifts are valued equally,” publicity encourages.

So if you have \$1 (the daily income for 40 per cent of Malawians) to spare for a bauble, then perhaps buy one for a friend. For further information visit [www.mphatikizo.com](http://www.mphatikizo.com)

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# LETTERS

**Santa Parade winning floats**

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Most Enterprising Float: Fonterra. Best Family Focus: Winchester Rural School. Best Christmas Spirit: North End Motors. Each of the winners will receive an engraved cup to display proudly for the next 12 months.

Go Geraldine

**Paul Ubana Jones at Geraldine Cinema**

Switzerland, Florence, Perth and Geraldine, back here again after eight or so years, the amazing Paul Ubana Jones. Wow.

Another world-class performer, not just the fingers skeetering over his guitar strings, the gritty vocal gymnastics but also the thought-provoking social comment behind his writing, and the wonderful Ubana Dylan and Ubana McCartney renditions as you’ve never heard them before. Thank you to Calvin and Deirdre and team for providing such a treat.

Jan Hill

**Mphatikizo Orphanage Appeal**

A very big thank you to all those who generously contributed to the Mphatikizo Orphanage Appeal. The money collected will help with installing a water pump and toilets.

Special thanks to Garry, Judith and Aaron Sheed. It was Garry’s idea, and also the sauage sizzle outside the supermarket. Our thanks too, to Hugh and Fi, Audre Ramsay, Westpac and all the volunteers who so willingly gave their time. Our thanks again to everyone.

Bob, Regina and Ann Smedley

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Incredible Edible Geraldine has been inundated with support for its edible landscape project and people have rallied on finding out about our recent hose theft. A man called Ian spoke to Linda at ITM and we now have a brand-new replacement. A different replacement hose also appeared last Monday, together with a fine collection of garden gnomes. We don’t know who all these generous donors are but thank you. You are all the reason why Geraldine is such a brilliant place to live.

Sam Lees, Incredible Edible Geraldine

**Contradictory information**

*The Geraldine News* (4 December 2014) seems to give contradictory and confusing information. An article on page three tells us that the track is on public land which “does not permit restrictions of other use: meaning cyclists should have equal access. While the photo alongside has a caption “It’s beautiful biking through”.

Later, a track user says: “The law of the land needs to be applied. It is a good track and that’s why cyclists want to use it.” So what is the law? It would seem that the people who constructed the track (thank you very much) have decided to make their own law!

It is also possible that the track become a shared path such as exists in many similar places. Is that a problem? It would indeed be very nice to have a track suitable for both walkers and bikers, which starts in the town and follows the Waihi River at least as far as the bridge on the Woodbury Road. Some of this is in place but there are no signs indicating access. Some safe way to cross over SH79 would need to be constructed.

Other towns have benefited from a policy of encouraging cyclists and Geraldine is a popular destination. So what is the plan? Let us encourage, rather than restrict. (Abridged)

Peter Sutcliffe

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# Academy students perform their own Future Fable

"It's been fun and challenging, putting ideas down and refining them, sometimes putting ideas aside, changing some lines significantly," says Kirby Brown, student at Geraldine Academy of Performance and Arts. Kirby and seven others in acting training have spent term four devising a half-hour play, from conceptual elements to stage management details.

The play is centrepiece of the Academy's end-of-year showcase this Saturday, and synthesises the year's work on improvisation, text and general drama skills. Course tutor Jill Roberts says, "The students created the whole thing from scratch; a couple of months ago there was nothing. It was written by them, they made the set, they chose the costumes, and everything else. I'm very proud of that; it's a great collaboration."

Their play, *Future Fable*, is set locally and is the sequel to a story begun in 2013. Jill says, "Last year we researched Geraldine in the 1940s and created a play called *A Day In Time*, set to the backdrop of World War Two, with references to real events here and abroad, incorporating many stories local people told us. This year, when I asked what era we should research, someone said, 'How about the future?' This set us a near-impossible challenge of researching something that hadn't happened."

"We chose the year 2050 and I asked the students to each look at different aspects – society, nature, landscapes, technology, communication, and imagine how it would have changed by then. Each student had to develop a character who lived in that world, and through improvisation, we let these characters meet. That's how the scenes were created."



Academy acting training students Kirby Brown, Lia Roberts, Phoebe Sharp, Astraea Nicolson, Jamie Roberts, Shakayla McColl, and Mary Roberts (Taylor Scott absent). *Future Fable*, was conceived and produced by the class. Photo: Supplied.

Student Taylor Scott has two characters. Developing them and connecting them with other characters in the writing and acting stages has been exacting. "I had to think hard when I was script-writing – who are you, why are you here, where have you been and what have you done? You have to think that before you go on stage, too."

*Future Fable* and other performances by Academy students will be at the Lodge Theatre, Saturday 13 December at 7.30pm. Tickets \$10 adults, \$5 children, \$20 family. For more information go to the Geraldine Academy of Performance and Arts' Facebook page.

Jan Finlayson

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## Sue Sheed steps down from hockey

When Sue Sheed first donned the Geraldine colours and took to the hockey field as a 15-year-old fresh from Invercargill, she had no idea the club and game would consume her for the next 30 years. However, although her passion for both has not diminished, Geraldine Combined Hockey Club's matriarch believes it is time to step aside and allow a new committee to steer it towards "a new chapter of its life".

Her earliest years were spent playing on the wing but her commitment to the success of the club saw Sue step onto the committee, initially as treasurer, while still a teenager. Since then she has held every position, including president, secretary, fundraiser and South Canterbury delegate. Sue was awarded life membership in 2011.

The club had just four teams when Sue first took over as president a decade ago. Under her leadership it has grown to ten teams – that's over 120 members of the community sprinting around Timaru's all-weather playing surface wielding sticks and hitting balls.

Fellow life member Dave Attwood has nothing but respect for Sue. "Her contribution to Geraldine and the sport of hockey has been phenomenal and she is held in very high regard in South Canterbury hockey circles. But it is the fostering of the sport amongst school-aged children that is

her biggest accomplishment."

Humble about her success, Sue is quick to acknowledge the support of her family, especially husband Hamish and the support of Geraldine's hockey community.

Barely pausing for the arrival of her own three hockey-playing children, Bridget (20), Jessica (17) and Tim (13), Sue has been a committed coach throughout her tenure. This year saw her Division 1 primary school team take out the South Canterbury Championship.

It is community spirit that has kept Sue in the game and in the club for so long. "I have met some amazing people and seen some incredible hockey games, but the thing I enjoy most is the pride I see when our players wear our red and black uniforms and play to the best of their abilities. I love seeing our supporters cheering from the sidelines. Geraldine Combined Hockey Club is a country club with a big heart and I cannot stop smiling with how popular our sport and our club have become."

Sue says it is with "a heavy heart" that she tendered her resignation as president at the AGM. She is confident the club is in good hands under the leadership of new president Jacqui Turner, supported by a large and enthusiastic committee.

There may be a changing of the guard but don't expect a change of allegiance from Sue Sheed.

Philippa Goldsbury



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# New principal for high school

There is a changing of the guard at Geraldine High School (GHS) as Juliette Hayes moves on and Simon Coleman from St Peter's College in Gore takes her place.

Juliette has been the principal at GHS for five years and is moving to a principal's position at Columba College in Dunedin. Columba College, is a day and boarding school for girls, with a roll of 550.

Juliette is excited about her new appointment but has mixed feelings about leaving Geraldine. She says she has worked hard to make sure the school has a strong place in the community.

"It is exciting; a fresh start and a new challenge. But we love Geraldine and the school has a special feeling. The staff know the kids well and genuinely care about them."

Simon Coleman is also excited about his new position. This is his first principal's role, although he has been deputy principal of St Peter's for four years and was acting principal in 2013. St Peter's a Catholic rural co-ed school, has a roll of 440 and 80 to 100 boarders.

For Simon's wife, Anna the move north from Gore is a kind of a homecoming as she was born and educated in Timaru. Their two daughters, Zara (10) and Emily (9), have visited Geraldine Primary and already know a few of the pupils.

Simon isn't planning any major changes at GHS in the near future and thinks the first year will be about getting to know people, particularly the students, staff and the wider community.

"I'll be a newbie just like the year sevens."

The Colemans are keen outdoors people and plan to



Geraldine High School's departing principal Juliette Hayes with her replacement, Simon Coleman. Photo: Lindsay Nelson.

explore the river gorges over the Christmas holidays. Simon puts a lot of value on time spent with his family.

Lindsay Nelson

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Annual Christmas Concerts

The Mid Canterbury Choir is looking forward to presenting its annual Christmas Concerts at St Andrew's Church, Havelock Street, Ashburton.

Many of the Christmas carols will be familiar, for example, *Deck the Halls*, *Angels We Heard On High*, *Silent Night*, *Mary's Boy Child*, *Jingle Bell Rock*.

We welcome Olivia Brown as our guest soloist. Olivia was the recipient of one of the choir's new scholarships this year, for her dedication to choral work at Ashburton College.

These will be the final concerts for musical director Sylvia Watson, who has been leading the choir since it was formed in 2003. Sylvia is looking forward to one less commitment in her busy life. The choir has appreciated the wonderful leadership Sylvia has given.

The concerts are on Friday 19 December at 12.15pm and 5.15pm at St Andrew's Church, Ashburton. Admission is \$5. We hope folk will take time out from their busy Christmas preparations to enjoy the concerts – a way to remember the true meaning of Christmas.

Submitted

### South Island Pipe Band Contest

The Temuka Pipe Band, of which Geraldine residents Heather Elwood and Hayden Mackenzie are members, were successful in last week's South Canterbury Provincial Pipe Band contest held at Geraldine Domain. Out of over a dozen categories the band walked away with four first placings, three seconds and were winners of the Bass and Tenor Cup.

Jo Bates

## NZ Walking Access Commission in Geraldine



The New Zealand Walking Access Commission's board met with stakeholders at StoneBridge in Geraldine recently. Formed in 2008, the commission provides leadership on walking access matters including new access and mapping. Chief executive Mark Neeson (second left,) explains the board's visit: "We began by engaging with stakeholders such as DOC, local government and community groups We've come back here to tell people what we've done and what we're doing. And to ask how we can help now."

Chair John Forbes (centre) says: "I hate something that sits in Wellington and doesn't get out. We move around; we do public fora to keep our feet on the ground." John and Mark are joined by board members Peter Brown, Penny Mudford, and Maggie Bayfield, Canterbury field advisor Geoff Holgate, and board member Brian Stephenson. Reflecting on progress since the commission's inception Mark says, "There's been a change in attitude around access; the debate has shifted from rights to responsibilities."

Jan Finlayson

### RESULTS

#### GOLF

**Geraldine District Golf Club.** Saturday 6 December, Christmas Meat Hamper Tournament. Medal round. Nett scores: Women: A Burrows 72 c/b, A Reid 72, A Cornelius 73, c/b, L Collins 73, J Ross 74 c/b, T Putze 74. Men, 0 to 17: G Robertson 64, G Leslie 66, D Goodwin 67 c/b, M Matthews 67, D Sheldon 68, S Crook 69. Men 18 to 36: J Peterson 68, B Selbie 71, T Tupe 72 c/b, J Cornelius 72 c/b, A South 72 c/b, G Clarke 72. Twos: A South, T Putze, G Robertson, B Paddon, M Matthews, K Stevens. Closest to pin: Women: J Ross (9), A Cornelius (12) by lot. Men: G Leslie (9), G Robertson (12). Birdie: R Irvine, M Cooper.

**Grande Vue Golf Club.** Sunday 7 December. Bisque Par round. C Patrick 10 up, M Lang 10 up, S Wallace 9 up, G A Patrick 9 up, P Oliver 7 up, R Ramsay 7 up, D Bruce 7 up, M Waldron 7 up, M Denton 6 up, T Kerr 5 up. Twos: G A Patrick.



## Holidays all year round at McKenzie Lifestyle Village.

It'll soon be summer. Lots of people spend their holidays here in Geraldine - but why just have a summer holiday when you can move here instead? Move to Geraldine's McKenzie Lifestyle Village - we take care of every day maintenance so you can a enjoy a holiday lifestyle all year round.

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# Geraldine Christmas Parade 2014





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## PUBLIC NOTICES

**THE** Geraldine Red Cross committee and volunteers would like to thank the community for the wonderful support during the year. We wish you a safe and happy holiday season. We close Saturday 13 December and reopen Tuesday 13 January 2015.

**GERALDINE** Combined Sports Inc AGM, Monday 15 December, 7pm at Geraldine High School Library.

**MCKENZIE** Lifestyle Village, 33 Connolly Street, Open Day, Sunday 14 December, 1-3pm.

**LIVING WATERS.** An authentic Christian fellowship meets every Sunday at 10am at The Orari Domain Hall, Orari. Join us as we share in a Living Word and fellowship in the joy of His presence. "...In order that they may know the mystery of God, namely Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." Colossians 2:3. All welcome! Enquiries: 693 8056 or 03 688 8702. [www.headingforhim.com](http://www.headingforhim.com)

**LIVING WATERS.** In-depth Bible Study on the Book of Revelation, Wednesdays at 7pm, 31 Templer Street, Geraldine. Ph 693 9617.

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**DOUBLE** glazing enquiries. Ph Geraldine Glass 693 9927.

**PROMPT** efficient mechanical service, contact Geraldine Auto Restorations, 34 High St, ph 693 1401.

**TRAVEL** broker, Sue Hammond. Ph 693 9141. Email: [sueh@thetravelbrokers.co.nz](mailto:sueh@thetravelbrokers.co.nz)

**CAR** troubles, contact Geraldine Auto Restorations, 34 High St, ph 693 1401.

**COMPUTER** problems? Call Geraldine Computer Solutions: prompt, professional, affordable. Ph 693 9496.

**SHOE** repairs. Geraldine Hammer Hardware are agents for Cobblers Glenn's Repair Bar.

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**LAWNMOWERS.** Masport, Morrison, we have a mower to suit your needs at Geraldine Hammer Hardware.

**HANDYMAN.** Repair and maintenance jobs around your home, garden, business. Monthly maintenance contract for business, rental, domestic customers. Please ph Ian 027 925 1411 email-ianrogers4@aol.com

**LANDSCAPING.** For a free quote and advice, phone Allan at Village Landscapes 021 493 874 or 693 7321.

**PAINTING** your roof ? We have a roof paint for you, from just \$120 per 10 litres at Geraldine Hammer Hardware.

## GARDENERS!!

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Water can be collected from your roof and/or grey water from your washing machine.

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**Rate's Plumbing & Drainlaying Ltd, Geraldine**  
693 8512 [ratesplumbing@extra.co.nz](mailto:ratesplumbing@extra.co.nz)

*Garth Payne*

## ELECTRICAL

**MOBILE 027 2009619**

**38 Sherratt Rd, RD 21, Geraldine**

**AH. 03 693-9124**  
**FAX 03 693 7420**



Sarah wishes to inform her clients that she is now based in Ashburton. Cathy is the new Geraldine contact, also offering carpet cleaning and light gardening.

Ph: Cathy 027 353 6191  
Ph: Sarah 027 367 3994, 693 9536

## The Geraldine News

## Christmas/New Year CHANGES to publication dates & deadlines

### ADVERTISERS:

Next week, 18 December, is your last chance to:

Thank your customers  
Remind locals to shop locally  
Promote Christmas specials

**We'll be busy, so please have your ads to us promptly**

PUBLICATION DATE	DEADLINE
Thursday 18 December <b>FINAL PAPER FOR 2014</b>	Monday 15 December <b>12 noon</b>

**Thursday 25 December 2014 to Thursday 15 January 2015** **NO PAPER**

Thursday 22 January 2015 <b>FIRST PAPER FOR 2015</b>	Monday 19 January <b>12 noon</b>
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Workshop closed from 8-20 December 2014  
We hope to see you again at our new address:  
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We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy Biking New Year





## HEALTH

**MANUKA** healing creams, moisturisers, lip balms, handcreams and UMF 15+ Manuka Honey Shop, Woodbury Rd Corner. Ph 693 9771.

**BOWEN** Practitioner Nikki, appointments available now. Ph 693 9475.

**MANDY** Wallace ND. Qualified in naturopathy/massage/Reiki. 16 years' practicing in Geraldine. I work from the Geraldine Resource Centre evenings and Saturdays. Ph 697 4818, 027 705 3210, email [mandywallace@extra.co.nz](mailto:mandywallace@extra.co.nz). Look me up on Natural Therapies NZ pages.




### AFTER-HOURS GP CARE

Temuka / Geraldine / Twizel / Fairlie / Waimate

If you need to see a GP outside of normal business hours please call your own GP surgery, the call will be redirected to the after-hours service covering your GP at that time.


In an emergency dial 111 for an ambulance.

[www.scdhb.health.nz](http://www.scdhb.health.nz)  
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### CATIE ROWE PODIATRY

Adele Bradley - Podiatrist is now practising at:  
Waihi Lodge, Geraldine  
**Tuesday 16 December**  
Phone: 03 686 0820  
Sorry no Eftpos available. House calls available.



## FOR SALE

**GARAGE** Sale. Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 December 8am-4pm, 16 Oak St, Orari (Hawke Rd end). Tools, toys, clothes, books, washing machine and lots more.

**GERALDINE** 2015 calendars. Available from L J Hooker, 16 Talbot Street \$20 each. Ideal gift.

**THE** Ribbonwood Recipe Book of Sweet Christmas Delights is on sale at The Kitchen Cupboard, The Farmhouse Geraldine, Just One Wish, and Bella Salu Beauty Therapy. The illustrations have a New Zealand Christmas theme. Cost \$20. All proceeds to Hospice South Canterbury.

**GRANDPAS** Toys open late Thursday 11 December until 7.30pm.

**PUMPS**, generators and concreting gear, all at Village Hire. Ph 693 7321.

**ISUZU** Big Horn, 1989, 2.8 turbo diesel. A/c, 236,000km, very reliable. Tidy interior. Chains included. \$1350 ono. Ph 027 262 3429.

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**WALNUT** coffee table with extension and drawers with glass top. An electric mower hardly used with very long extension cord, offers. Ph 693 7528.

**WATERBLASTERS** for hire, as used by Geraldine's best painters. Great for that slippery path or driveway. 2000psi and 3000psi models available. Village Hire, 31 Wilson St. Ph 693 7321.

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### Planning your Christmas Shop?

### Hours

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20/12/14	7am-8pm	23/12/14	7am-8pm
21/12/14	7am-8pm	24/12/14	6am-8pm

### Closed Christmas Day

We have a great selection of Christmas products!  
Chocolates, biscuits, crackers, specialty cheeses, dips, chips, nuts, deli treats, soft drinks, juices, quality meats, fresh produce and a large selection of beer and wine...  
Remember to get your Christmas order in at your full range supermarket.

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A great range of 'unique' Christmas decorations and gifts available instore now! Also we can service all your framing requirements; tapestry, cross-stitch and any other needlecraft, 3D shadow boxing a specialty. Prompt friendly efficient service a guarantee!

Come and see me in my bright, new showroom at:  
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## DOORS CLOSE 19th

### STOCK LIQUIDATION

### Come In & Do a Deal...!

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## Elite Lilies

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13 and 20 December



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Bunched carrots	bunch
Peas in pod	kg
Cherries	kg
Raspberries - small pottle	units
Strawberries - small pottle	units
New potatoes - boxed	box
Grapes      Red <input type="checkbox"/> Green <input type="checkbox"/> Black <input type="checkbox"/>	kg
Pineapples	ea
Frozen turkey    Size: Sml <input type="checkbox"/> Med <input type="checkbox"/> Lge <input type="checkbox"/>	ea
Fresh turkey    Size: Sml <input type="checkbox"/> Med <input type="checkbox"/> Lge <input type="checkbox"/>	ea
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Beer & wine (Your request)	
Gift baskets (Specify amount)	Male <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 <input type="checkbox"/> \$30 <input type="checkbox"/> \$40 <input type="checkbox"/> \$50    Female <input type="checkbox"/> \$20 <input type="checkbox"/> \$30 <input type="checkbox"/> \$40 <input type="checkbox"/> \$50
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**Name:** .....  
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**MILITARIA** wanted to buy by collector. Firearms, badges, bayonets or any items of military interest. German items are of particular interest. Ph Pete Young 693 8876 a/h.

**EMPLOYMENT**

**BARISTA** /coffee maker required for Christmas period and over the summer months for casual, part-time work in Geraldine café. Must be confident, fast and a great team member. Ph Sue 693 9883.



**Are you a cleaner in Geraldine?  
Looking for some additional work?**

Earthworks Aoraki requires a cleaner for their office premises on Te Moana Rd in Geraldine. Weekly cleaning required for the office and smoko room. For more information please contact:  
**Kate on 693 8585**



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We are seeking a part-time member for approximately three days per week and a casual team member, to be our reliever for staff absences, or in busy periods. If you are a person who has a passion for fine food, who has an engaging, outgoing personality, who enjoys working as part of a team and has proven retail and computer experience, then please apply by email or post, enclosing a current CV to:

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howard.chellew@barkers.co.nz  
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**OPEN DAY AT MCKENZIE LIFESTYLE VILLAGE.**  
33 Connolly Street, Sunday 14 December, 1-3pm.

**GERALDINE NEWS** usual deadline, noon Mondays Hammer Hardware.

### GERALDINE NEWS FINAL PAPER FOR 2014

is next Thursday 18 December and the deadline is 12pm on Monday 15 December.

Please make sure you have your ads to us promptly. Our office will be closed from Wednesday 17 December, reopening on Monday 19 January 2015. We would like to wish everyone a very happy holidays.



## "CHRISTMAS BUFFETS"

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## GERALDINE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE 2014

at Geraldine Resource Centre

Donations of gifts and food are now welcome to put under the Geraldine Community Tree - please wrap gifts and write the age & gender of who it would suit.

Thank you for helping to make Christmas a festive time for local families who are finding things tough this year.

Ph 693 7001 for any queries.

Cut off Date for gifts - Wednesday 17 Dec.



A joint project by Geraldine  
Lioness Club & Geraldine  
Community Resource Centre

## Holidays @ Kids Alive

### Holiday Programme

For Children 5-13 years

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> 8.30 to 3.00 pm**  
(Additional care from 3.00 pm to 5.30 pm available)

**Geraldine Primary School**

**Come and join us for Crafts, Bouncy Castles, Treasure Hunts.**

### January Programme

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30th January**

**St Andrew's Hall, Wilson St**

**8.30 am to 3.30 pm**

**Numbers are limited BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL**

**For more information phone Lorraine**

**693 9447 or 0274038126**



## St Andrew's

GERALDINE

**SUNDAY 14 DECEMBER 2014**

**9.30am: Traditional Worship with Carols & Readings**

**11am: Contemporary Worship**

Sunday Kidz term break-up with a picnic to follow in the playground next door to the swimming pool on the corner of Cox & Hislop Streets. Everyone welcome.

**GLORIFY GOD. GROW. GO!**

**MINISTER: Ian Hyslop 03 693 8248**

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## COMMUNITY DIARY

### THURSDAY 11th December

- **Twilight Golf**, 4.30-5.30pm start at Denfield Golf Course. All ages and abilities welcome. Team prizes and BBQ. For more info ph Ginny 027 693 7973
- **Geraldine Rock'N'Roll Club** 7.30 - 9.30pm at Town & Country Club. All welcome. Ph Lynda 693 8652
- **Arthritis Exercise Class**, 10.30am at St Andrew's Church Foyer. Ph Irene 693 9505
- **Girl Guides**, 6.30-8.00pm for girls aged 9½-13½ years at the Guide and Scout Den. Ph Marie 693 8779 for info.
- **Children's Choir** entry by koha, 4.30-5.30pm at The Academy. Please phone Christopher 027 568 5515
- **Shine Adults Community Choir** 7.15-9pm at The Academy, all welcome. Please phone Christopher 027 568 5515
- **Social Darts**, 7.30pm at Geraldine Town & Country Club. All welcome. Phone Marie 693 8664
- **Yoga**, 9.30am at the Bowling club and 6pm at The Academy. Ph Paula 693 8109
- **The Corral Workshop** 9am-4pm, woodwork, metalwork, glass & pottery. All welcome. Ph Cyril 693 8630

### FRIDAY 12th December

- **Geraldine Plunket Water Confidence** for ages 1-5 years, Ph Meg 693 7371 for info.
- **Geraldine SeniorCare** coffee morning 10—11.30am at Seniorcare Function Centre, all welcome, ph Sherri 693 8830
- **St Mary's Church**, Holy Communion at 11.15am, then Luvaduck Lunch at 12noon. All welcome. Gold coin.
- **Iconz**, 6.30-8.00pm at St Andrews Hall. Fun, skills, challenge and more for children aged 6 to 11 years. Parents welcome. Ph Susan 693 9905 or 027 318 1657
- **Midwifery Clinic**, pregnancy planning/testing and fully funded maternity care. Ph Kathryn 021 334 254

### SATURDAY 13th December

- **Future Fable**, a brief play written and performed by Academy acting students, 7.30pm at Lodge Theatre.
- **Morris Dancing**, 1pm at the Academy, Talbot St. All welcome. Enquiries to Rhys, ph 693 8726.
- **Geraldine Farmers Market** 9am-12.30pm, St Mary's Carpark. Produce, food, coffee & entertainment, great for the whole family. For info ph Jan 021 050 9607

### SUNDAY 14th December

- **Himalayan Lilies Open Day**, 10.30am-4.00pm at Orari Estate, visit this extensive garden featuring the Himalayan Lilies in full bloom. Picnic groups welcome. A fundraising event for Geraldine Historical Museum. Ph 693 9220 for more info.

- **Catholic Mass**, 9am at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, cnr Hislop/Peel St, Geraldine.

- **St Andrew's Church**, 9.30am Traditional Worship, 11.00am Contemporary Worship. All welcome.

- **St Thomas' Church**, Woodbury, 10.00am Holy Communion, Bishop Victoria visiting.

- **Geraldine Archery Club** 1pm at Orari Racecourse. Coaching courses available. Phone Stewart 693 9952.

### MONDAY 15th December

- **Geraldine Ladies Probos**, 10am at Denfield Golf Club. New members welcome. Ph Jean 693 7209 for info.

- **Geraldine Scout Groups**: Become a venturer and let the adventure begin. The Venturers programme is designed around Yrs 10-13 at school. Ph Brian 693 9829 for info.

- **Walking Group**, meets 9.00am at corner Cox & Hislop Streets (near Domain), pram friendly walks, all welcome. Ph Susan 693 9905 or 027 318 1657 for more info.

- **Geraldine Creative Fibre Group** 10am-3pm at Car & Vintage Machinery Museum. All welcome. Ph Jill 693 7439

- **Acting Training**, ages 11-18 years, 3.45-5pm with Jill Roberts at the Academy. Ph 027 452 4791

### TUESDAY 16th December

- **Alzheimers Support Group**, 10.30am at Resource Centre. Friendly, informative support for people who support others with memory loss. Ph Barbara 03 687 7583

- **Zumba® Gold** class 10am at the T&C Club. Great for beginners & senior citizens. Ph Gisell 693 9760

- **Gentle Exercise Class** for elderly, 10am at SeniorCare Function Centre. Ph Jenny 693 7076

- **Four Peaks Seido Karate**, new beginners class, 6-7pm at GHS Gym. All Welcome. Ph Liz 693 7212

- **Dance Lessons**, Jazz and Highland dancing, from pre-school to high school age. At the Academy, 2pm-6.15pm. Phone Amanda 027 941 9996

- **Mainly Music**, music and movement for pre-schoolers and caregivers, 9.30am at St Mary's Church. \$3 / family.

- **Geraldine St John Youth**, 7.00 - 8.30pm at St John's Rooms. For ages 8-18yrs. Ph Jane 693 8486

- **JP Service for certifying documents**, 12.30-1.30pm at Geraldine Community Resource Centre, a free weekly service, no appointment needed. Ph 693 7001 for info.

- **Petanque at Geraldine Bowling Club**, 10.30am-12pm New players most welcome.

### WEDNESDAY 17th December

- **Geraldine Kindergarten Playgroup**, all preschoolers & caregivers welcome to share the facilities, 1.00 - 2.30pm. Ph Tracey 693 8888 for more info.

- **Geraldine Athletic Club**, 6pm at Domain Oval, 7yrs-masters welcome. Ph Alison 693 7673

- **Yoga/Stretchies** join us 6-7pm at Woodbury Hall \$5 per session, all welcome. Last day for 2014, starts again 21st Jan 2015. Ph 692 2980 for info.

- **Inspired Speech & Drama Classes**, 3.30pm-4.30pm for ages 7-10 years, 5pm-6pm for ages 11-14 years. Ph Kay 693 9986

- **Evening Zumba® Fitness & Toning** 7pm combined class at Geraldine Rugby Club rooms. Ph Gisell 693 9760

- **Plunket Nurse in Geraldine**, morning home visits and afternoon clinic. Phone Paula 693 8177

### MULTIPLE EVENTS

- **Chen Style Tai Chi Chuan**, 10am Sat, 6pm Wed for beginners, 6.30pm Wed gentle exercise. **Qigong** 11am Sat. All at Geraldine Bowling Club. Ph Tim 021 141 9142

- **Funergy Fitness**, 6.30pm Tues and Thurs at Geraldine Primary School Hall. Ph Lynda 693 8675

- **Geraldine Craft Market**, 9am - 3pm Sat & Sun, Cox St opposite St Andrew's. Email [craftyperson@slingshot.co.nz](mailto:craftyperson@slingshot.co.nz)

- **Geraldine District Golf Club**, men's golf Sat & Wed 12.30pm, women's golf Tues 10am & Sat 12.15pm.

- **Geraldine Four Peaks Seido Karate Club** meets 6 - 8pm, Tues and Fri at High School Gym. Ph John 027 204 5057

- **Geraldine Heated Swimming Pool Hours**: Mon - Fri 6am to 6pm; Sat & Sun 10am to 6pm. Ph 693 9466

- **Geraldine Patchwork Group**, Tues 7-9pm ph Maureen 693 8328, and Thurs 10am-3pm ph Lynne 971 1775

- **Geraldine Toy Library**, open Tues 10.30-11.30am & Sat 9.30-11.30am, Talbot St. Phone Amanda 693 8294

- **Golf Croquet** at Geraldine Domain, Wed 10.15am & 1pm, and Thurs 6pm. Ph Margaret 693 8816

- **Grande Vue Golf Club**, mixed golf Sun 12.30pm, women's golf Wed 9.30am. New members welcome.

- **Red Cross Shop**, Talbot St, open Tues 10am - 3pm, Thurs 10am - 3pm, and Sat 10am - 12noon.

- **Rosie's Recycled Clothing Shop**, Peel St, open Tues to Fri, 10.30am - 3.30pm.

- **Walk in Wardrobe**, open Wed 3 - 5pm & Sat 10am-12noon at The Lodge Theatre, ph Carol 021 042 0849

- **Zumba® Fitness** with Gisell, Mon & Thurs 9.30am, Toning Wed 9.30am, at T&C Club. Ph 021 0228 7049

### GERALDINE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE

The Community Christmas Tree is at the Resource Centre for people who wish to donate gifts for local families in need this Xmas. All gifts gratefully accepted, Mon-Fri, 9am-4.30pm. Ph 693 7001. **Last day to donate gifts is Wed 17 Dec.** Thank you for thinking of others this Xmas.

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**RED HOT**  
special

**\$13.99**  
kg



**Fresh NZ Beef Rump Steak**



Get a  
peeler  
FREE with  
every  
bag!\*

**RED HOT**  
special

**\$2.99**  
bag



**Country Fresh Washed Potatoes  
2kg**



**\$7.99**  
kg



**Fresh NZ Pork Shoulder  
Roast**  
(Excludes Free Range)



**\$3.00**  
each

**Mainland Butter 500g**



**\$3.69**  
each

**Fresh-Up Fruit Drink/Juice  
3L**



**\$1.99**  
punnet



**Sweet Juicy Strawberries  
250g**



**\$29.90**  
pack

**Speight's Gold Medal  
Ale/Summit**  
24 x 330ml Bottles



**\$8.90**  
each

**Saints 750ml**



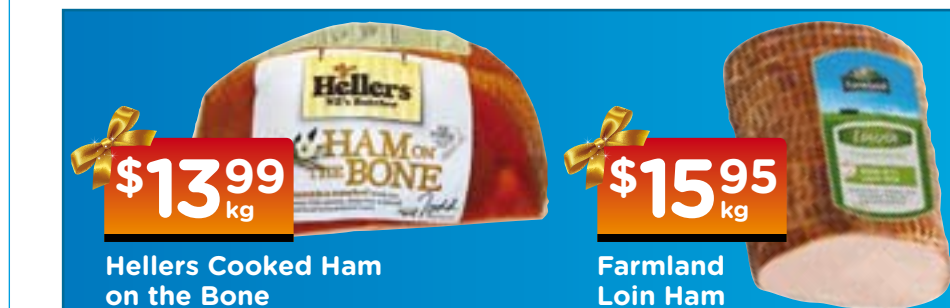
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each

**Wattie's Wedges/Fries  
900g-1kg**



**\$3.69**  
each

**Whittaker's Chocolate  
Block 250g**



**\$13.99**  
kg

**Hellers Cooked Ham  
on the Bone**

**\$15.95**  
kg

**Farmland  
Loin Ham**

Have you ordered  
your fresh Christmas  
turkey? Order now  
for pick up from the  
20th December.



Prices apply from Thursday 11th December to Sunday 14th December 2014, or while stocks last.

Trade not supplied. We reserve the right to limit quantities. All limits specified apply per customer per day. All prepared meals are serving suggestions only. Props not included. Certain products may not be available in all stores. Proprietary brands not for resale. \*While stocks last.

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