

# The Geraldine News

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## Geraldine shearer clips four wins in Ireland and England

Geraldine man Allan Oldfield has won four titles in two weeks in shearing competitions held in Ireland and England last month; and he hasn't finished yet.

Two titles were for blade-shearing events: the Northern Ireland Sheep Shearing Association All-Nations blades final at the Royal Ulster Show in Belfast, and the Leinster Championships blade shearing in County Wicklow, Ireland. The other two wins were in the junior machine-shearing final at Connacht Championships, County Mayo and the novice wool-handling final at the Devon County Show, England. Allan also won a third in that show's blades event.

His father, Phil Oldfield, says it was the first wool-handling event for Allan. "A friend entered him because he had nothing else on that day."

Phil won the same Leinster title in 2013 and 2014. He will be joining Allan in Scotland at the end of June to compete alongside him. The pair will shear in the open-blade shearing events at the Royal Highland and Lochearnhead shearing competitions.

"We are both quite competitive between each other and other competitors," says Phil, "but it's very jovial although quite serious on the board."

Phil has been competing "on and off" for 35 years in blade- and machine-shearing events. "I enjoy getting together with other shearers for a beer and a yarn."

Phil says Allan is currently machine shearing in Ireland and enters competitions because they are the best way to meet other shearers and compare how he ranks. After



Allan Oldfield is currently machine shearing in Ireland and enters competitions because they are the best way to meet other shearers and compare how he ranks. Photo: Supplied.

the Scotland competition, he plans to do a bit of travelling and meet up with his Russian partner who is teaching English in Spain. Allan intends to return to New Zealand to compete in the Golden Shears World Championships held in Invercargill in February 2017.

Together Allan and Phil run a small business, Shear Sharp NZ, which supplies blade-shearing equipment and provides demonstrations and instruction. Phil says, "We also sharpen, set and make the shears

safer and more comfortable." Before he takes part in the Scotland competition, Phil will be in Ireland for a week to run a blade-shearing course.

Phil taught Allan his blade-shearing skills when Allan was about 12 and Allan has been shearing professionally since he was 18. By trade, Allan is a chef but he shears sheep and alpacas on lifestyle blocks to supplement his income. He also gives shearing demonstrations at A&P shows.

Jo Bates

## GERALDINE'S NEWS IN BRIEF

### Community Trust of Mid & South Canterbury

The Community Trust of Mid & South Canterbury has made donations totalling over \$400,000.

Disadvantaged school children will benefit from \$170,502 distributed to the region's schools. A school's roll and decile rating determines how much each school will receive; the largest receiving over \$14,000 while the small schools get \$600 each.

Other grants include: South Canterbury Museum Development Trust: \$100,000 towards their \$400,000 major exhibition upgrade project. Geraldine Historical Society: \$15,000 for shelving and climate control. Geraldine Pony Club: \$7,500 towards new show jumping equipment.

Mid Canterbury Newcomers Network (co-ordinator costs), the National Heart Foundation South Canterbury Branch (health advocate costs) and Youthline Central South Island (coordinator costs) all received \$5000.

Submitted by the Community Trust

### Stay cosy in the cold

Is your home feeling cold and uncomfortable in the first cold snap of the winter? There are simple DIY fixes to make your home warmer, easier to heat and more comfortable – it's worth thinking about these before the cold weather really sets in.

- Check for gaps under your doors.
- Check whether window hinges and catches are tight.
- Turn your heaters and heat pumps off

when you don't need them, rather than leaving them on all day.

- Draw curtains at dusk to keep the day's heat in.
- Get rid of moisture and dampness in your home because damp air is harder to heat. Dry clothes outside and try not to use indoors airing racks. When showering or cooking ventilate the room.

If your house isn't insulated or the insulation is old or needs topping up, you will struggle to stay warm. You may be able to add the cost of insulation to your rates from \$9.00 a week – talk to your council.

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## Sick-day strategies

Apparently it's normal for children to get six to eight cold-like infections, and two or three gut-bugs each year. How do you handle, "I don't feel well" on a school morning?

One strategy is: "Have a glass of water and go to the toilet." This may have very minimal therapeutic benefit but, amazingly, it seems to do the trick about half the time. If they still claim to be unwell, check for symptoms and of course, if they are obviously unwell with a temperature or a bad cold, a day off would be a good idea. But if there are no obvious symptoms, you could say, "Okay, it's your choice. You can choose to stay home, but since you haven't got a temperature, it has to be just a boring day in bed – no playing or going outside." What you're saying, in effect, is, "Of course we'll take your poor health seriously, but we're not going to make it worth your while to just have a sickie."

John Cowan says, "Occasionally, just occasionally, I'd let our kids have a day off school, even when I was pretty sure there was nothing much wrong with them physically - more of a 'mental health' day. Sometimes they'd come to work with me and just hang around and have a quiet day. The reason I didn't mind this was that I think that school is very very important, so important that I don't want them to hate it."

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# Geraldine Westpac hosts model of a rescue helicopter

As part of the annual Westpac Chopper Appeal, the Geraldine branch has been playing host to a Westpac model of a rescue helicopter.

On loan from Alan Morgan of Timaru, the model weighs 11kg, is 1.52m long, has a rotor span of 1.6m, is radio-controlled and has a flight time of seven minutes.

Westpac representative Kaye Porter is passionate about the services provided by the Canterbury West Coast Air Rescue Trust, citing two of her Geraldine-based family members who have needed it, including her uncle, Roundy Patrick, who was in a truck accident in 2009.

"It's what the medical services can do in the first hour and getting them to the help they need quickly," says Kaye. "It's nice to hear the good stories. Hopefully you never need to use it but it's good to know the rescue helicopter is there if you ever do."

To make a donation, the team at Westpac Geraldine encourage people to drop into

the branch where they can also purchase second-hand books for up to \$2.



Jen Howard, Ruth Goodwin, Kaye Porter and Kerrin Allan encourage the community to support the annual Westpac Chopper Appeal. Photo: Pip Goldsbury.

## GERALDINE'S NEWS IN BRIEF

### May weather in Geraldine

**Tripp Settlement Road.** Temp high 21°. Temp low -3°. Rainfall 77.7mm. Snow to 800m approx.

**The Downs.** After a month of glorious autumn weather nearly all our rainfall of 61mm fell on the last three days of May with a marked drop in temperature.

**Te Moana.** We had steady rainfall throughout May with 102mm being recorded.

### Letters

#### Thank you Geraldine community

With the recent fire in Talbot street we have felt overwhelmed with the support.

Special thanks to: Geraldine Volunteer Fire Brigade for the amazing job you did in saving the home and most of our stuff; Bellyful for all the lovely meals; Geraldine Patchwork for the beautiful quilts; Susan D'Ath (St Andrew's) for the instant clothes, lunches and even school uniforms (much to my girls disgust); Geraldine Kindergarten for the endless support from mums and husbands with cleaning, cooking, lifting and offers of support; Michelle and Grant who have gone beyond to find alternative accommodation and for all your support; my friends, family and children who have been so understanding and adaptable; my horse friends who have chipped in and done some hard yards.

The biggest thanks must go to my wonderful neighbours Jenny and David Chambers who now are my second

parents. They have been my rock and kept me semi-sane; their endless hours of cleaning, lifting, child-minding, beds, meals and laughter. I will forever be grateful for your love and support.

We are proud to call Geraldine home with such a loving community.

We were alerted by our smoke alarms so please make sure your home has them; this would have been very different if we didn't have them.

Paula, Briah, Jade, Beau and Gus the dog

#### Breast Cancer Pink Ribbon morning tea

We would like to thank the members of the Keep Active exercise group and other friends who attended our Pink Ribbon morning tea last week. For us, it was a great success and we greatly appreciated the support we received from all who attended. Thanks too, to Waihi Lodge for their co-operation, along with Ann of Flowers Inc and Bronwen at Café Mes Amis for their contributions. Donations received have amounted to over \$500. Once again, thank you to everyone who attended, we hope you enjoyed the day as much as we did.

Dawn Wilkins, Jos Riley, June Lethaby

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# MP updates top local and national issues

The Geraldine News met with the Waitaki Member of Parliament, Jacqui Dean, for an update on issues important to locals.

**Many in and around agriculture are hurting. What is the government doing to give them diverse and viable alternatives within the sector?**

Overlaying everything is the new water plan that sets the framework for what can and can't be done. We're also investing more money into research for agriculture. While dairy continues to be a strong element of agriculture, we're always investing in improvements in productivity and we'll continue to diversify.

We've got to trade, and we've got to provide economic conditions for people in the agriculture sector to undertake what they want to. We're making a strong investment in skills development and our immigration settings are always being adjusted.

**What's the government's attitude to planning for a shift from commodities' production to adding value?**

That's got to be combined with industry recognising a need for a shift away from commodities, and they're well on board. There's Primary Growth Partnership funding to support development of, for example, new cuts of meat. Government will support that kind of endeavour.

**Given that New Zealand has signed up to emissions reductions, how will the government encourage uptake of electric vehicles and carbon-neutral power for homes and businesses?**

There are pluses and minuses in the emissions target: for example, Genesis has a plan to phase out Huntly [coal-fired electricity generators]. Overall, we're trending in the right direction. You can't just take a straight line. And there's a price on emissions...

We have just announced incentives for uptake of electric cars. Infrastructure around charging has to come as well; technology is changing and improving at an incredible rate. Above anything else, the announcement sends a really strong signal about moving to a low-carbon economy.

Also, there are subsidies for insulation, improved wood burners and solar panels, and there are residential tenancy insulation requirements coming in two to three years: all reducing people's reliance on high-carbon energy and with improved health spin-offs.

**Geraldine has many people with limited mobility, income or access to technology. What is the government doing to ease their daily lives?**

We've got the rural broadband initiative with faster broadband speed for everyone. There are subsidies for taxi rides, there's the community bus and St John provide the



Waitaki MP Jacqui Dean. Photo: GBW files.

Caring Caller service and volunteers at the hospital.

One of the things I really like about Geraldine is its sense of community and its appeal for elder folk. The resource centre is amazing. We mustn't lose those government services out of the resource centre. I'm happy to support it.

**With national average house prices at \$559,000 – and Auckland's average at \$931,000 – accommodation costs are extreme stressors for many. Even halved, costs are hefty. What will the government do about this?**

Property values in a lot of provincial New Zealand are very, very low. Best case scenario: a young person buying a first home in Waimate or Fairlie. If that person has been in KiwiSaver, they can use that, plus there's a homestart scheme where the purchaser can get a significant amount. There's your deposit.

There's a housing affordability issue for parts of New Zealand. Auckland's council has had a policy of constraining land supply. The sooner the council relaxes that boundary, the better. Paying for infrastructure is the same as for any subdivision.

**What's the Social Security Act rewrite about?**

We're failing too many children; we need to do better for our most vulnerable people. We're moving toward a more joined-up approach. We now have children's teams so, where

there's a vulnerable family, all the agencies work together for them. There's a strong focus on outcomes.

**How does the government plan to tackle the issue of euthanasia?**

That's sitting with the health select committee. We're just about to start hearing submissions. Views range across the spectrum. Our role is to come to a view when we've heard what people have to say.

It'll be months because so many want to be heard and we need to have a look at other jurisdictions.

**The Next Steps for Fresh Water document promises no dissolved nitrogen measure and has bare mention of many other pollutants or of buffer zones. It looks set to achieve temporary peace only.**

Things like excluding stock and other pragmatic permanent measures will do their parts in improving water quality. It puts more stringent requirements on businesses that have nutrient discharges. There will be a catchment-by-catchment approach that is modelled on Canterbury zone committees.

There's ongoing work on all inputs.

**With growing complaints about tourism's noise, visual scarring, road hazards, etcetera, what is the government doing to ensure tourism is easy on the locals and on conservation?**

It's a growing industry, with more than three million people a year coming. We have to make them welcome, while at the same time taking care of locals and providing jobs.

Foreign drivers: we've had a really strong response from arrows on roads, road realignment, signage, rumble lines and reminders to keep left in rental cars. We're working internationally to ensure information is given around driving conditions.

Freedom camping: there's a \$12m fund for local authorities to put in infrastructure to cope with freedom campers. An upside is that there are regions experiencing really strong growth; there are huge opportunities for communities.

Glacier landings: that's under active consideration. We need to work together across ministries to welcome people to New Zealand and have them have a safe holiday and respect our environment. We've just got to do it right.

Tourism is a valid, beneficial income earner for New Zealand but we need to ensure tourism has its social licence.

**Anything else?**

What I've loved is seeing the growth of Incredible Edible. It's unique in our part of New Zealand and it's part of what makes Geraldine a very cool little place. It's modern thinking and shows that community is really important round here.

Jan Finlayson

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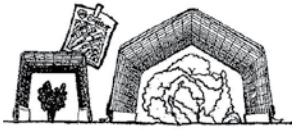


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## GROW YOUR OWN: Time to plant your garlic

I opened my mailbox last week to find a brown paper bag overflowing with alliums; garlic, shallots, elephant garlic – you name it, they were in there. I haven't the faintest idea where they came from; that's part of the magic. These delights weren't destined for me; they're for the edible gardens around town. But what this random act of kindness did do was spur me to action, in a garlic-planting frenzy.

We're late you see. We usually get our cloves planted by the end of April, so they have a good head start before the cold sets in. Garlic is a necessity for cooking here, and if we don't get it in the ground we'll be going without. Growing our own produces big fat cloves full of flavour. Apparently garlic comes with a host of health

benefits too, including keeping colds at bay, reducing blood pressure and detoxifying the blood.

So what are the secrets to growing great garlic? According to garlic-growing expert, Nathan Davis, we need to ensure the soil is well composted and rested. Ideally in soil that hasn't had anything from the allium family grown in it for four years prior. Always plant in free-draining soil, that is, in ground where water doesn't puddle with heavy rain. Traditionally garlic is planted on the shortest day, but in our climate getting it in earlier gives it a head start before soil temperatures drop.

Always plant your biggest and best cloves from last season. To plant, drag a line in the bed with your hoe handle, lay cloves out at an equal distance, then push in by thumb and cover with soil. Plant cloves down as deep as they are long and with the points up. Space rows 150-200mm apart, for ease of weeding.

Come spring, don't let the soil dry out as this is vital growth



The brown paper bag mentioned in the article, containing alliums ( elephant garlic, shallots and garlic ). Photo: Rebecca Lees.

time after their winter sleep. Garlic completes its above-ground growth by early December, so stop watering at this time, otherwise roots may rot.

Lift your garlic at the end of January after first checking bulbs are filled out and solid by removing soil from around a few to inspect. If uncertain then loosen the soil around a bulb, pull it out and do the smell test, as Nathan says, "If your nostrils get that gorgeous, attractive sweet pungent whiff, then things are go."

Once harvested, don't leave the garlic in the sun to dry. Instead braid the bulbs and hang them in groups in a shady spot, ideally under a balcony where air can circulate. Flavour will peak two to five months later. The best cultivars for South Canterbury are said to be the "hardnecks" Karuna and Red Toch.

Thanks to Nathan for his garlic-growing advice used in this article.

Rebecca Lees

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# Caring for the Talbot Forest Scenic Reserve



Timaru District Council parks liaison officer Gary Foster, second right, and a planting party at the Hislop Street edge of Talbot Forest in 2009. The little pittosporums, flaxes and other species, pictured here straight from the nursery, are now several metres high and are part of a revitalisation project Talbot Forest Working Group member Rosie Morton says is an “ongoing process”. Photo: Jan Finlayson.

The 19th century’s second half was crucial in Talbot Forest’s history. Despite intensive timber-cutting in the district, many of the forest’s tōtara remained standing, unmillable, turned hollow by the Māori practice of removing bark strips for patua, bird storage and preservation baskets. Also in the mix were a mid-century fire, agriculture’s advancing domestication of the surrounding environment and emerging appreciation of the forest’s non-commercial value. It was proposed some land be set aside, and the present scenic reserve’s core was gazetted in 1886.

For a long time Talbot Forest sat “in isolation up there”, says Department of Conservation (DOC) ranger George Iles, its challenges and opportunities not widely understood. At a special meeting in 1997, individuals and public agencies interested in the 26-hectare forest formed the Talbot Forest Working Group (TFWG), Timaru District Council (TDC) parks liaison officer Gary Foster says.

“At the meeting, we looked at how the forest links to waterways is a good mixed-podocarp example and is a great backdrop to the town. But it also has its own set of issues such as plant and animal pests, and its perimeter in proportion to its volume.”

The group – community members, TDC, DOC and Environment Canterbury (ECan) – established broad-ranging objectives: to look after what remained; to nurture linkages for wildlife movement outside the reserve’s confines; and to give voice and profile to the forest.

“We’ve been meeting monthly since that first gathering,” says Gary.

Group member Sally Haugh says, “Every second month is hands-on: hand weeding, planting and maintenance of new plants for their first two or three years; and every other month is planning, for example around areas that need attention or plantings for the next season.”

Integrated special projects, such as member John Sullivan’s possum trapping, enhance the value of the group’s work.

DOC supplies multi-level support: “We do track and facilities maintenance, weed spraying around the perimeter,



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and tracks and spraying wildlings [exotic pest plants] in the forest. I also go to the scheduled meetings,” says George.

Along with TDC, and ECan, “DOC provides information and any technical and practical support the group might need,” says member Ines Stager.

The long-term aim of forest linkage with outside areas is as prominent as regular maintenance in the group’s planning. Ines says, “With perimeter planting, adjoining council pine reserves changing to native vegetation, council contributions, SNA’s [Significant Natural Areas identified by TDC], the Kumho tyres [for every Ecowing tyre purchased, a tree is provided], the forest will be more dominant in 20 years than it is now.

“These support the biomass of the Downs area. Over time, nature will have better resources.”

Group member Rosie Morton says, “The forest has gone from being seen as a potential building site to being something appreciated by most of Geraldine. Pests, garden weed escapees and lighting issues [urban nocturnal light confuses resident long-tailed bats] are accepted and catered for in the council plan, and we don’t have to do everything ourselves.”

Community buy-in is strong. Ines says, “We have the high school on their work day, Kumho Tyres, we’ve had the BNZ, the scouts come once a year to help...”

TFWG is a group in good heart, with capability and direction. “We welcome new people with an affinity for the environment and the outdoors,” says Gary. “It’s usually for one hour, or one-and-a-half hours at a time; it’s short and sharp. There are things for people of different age groups and abilities to do.”

To find out how you can help the Talbot Forest Working Group, call Sally Haugh on 693 8190, Gary Foster at TDC on 03 687 7200 or George Iles at DOC on 693 1010.

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GOLF

**Grande Vue Golf Club.** Sunday 5 June. Stoneyhurst Trophy stableford round. S Pagen 89-24-65,40, M Lang 86-20-66,39, G A Patrick 81-15-66,38, J Patrick 97-27-70,38, P Oliver 88-20-68,36, J Muff 80-11-69,35, J Rate 97-27-70,35. Nett eagles: R Putze, A Muff, T Kerr, R Ramsay, J Patrick, J Muff, P Chapman, S Pagen, D Stenhouse.

**Geraldine Golf Club.** Tuesday 31 May. Sanders Cup R1. G Bolderston 72-3-69, M Gregan 106-34-72, N Ecroyd 105-32-73, R Harper 98-25-73, D Kenny 87-13-74, J Gibbs 107-31-76, F Blake 106-30-76, H May 102-26-76. Nearest pin: F Blake. Twos: S Bensemann, D Kenny, F Blake. Nett birdie: M Holmes M Blackmore. 9-holers: C McPherson 3up, G Hamilton 3up. Nearest pin: G Hamilton.

BRIDGE

**Thursday 2 June.** Championship Pairs 5. N/S: R Dewe & D Johnston 63.66%, E Reilly & M Thatcher 55.79%, V Hill & J Kelly 55.32%. E/W: A South & M Temple 70.09%, E Lineham & R Pitelen, A & F Numan 58.12%.

**Wednesday 1 June.** N/S: C Coulter & F Numan 72.92%, E Lyon & M Thatcher 56.25%. E/W: K Le Lievre & A Numan 52.50%, N Grundy & N Neal 51.67%.

RECENT AGM / Hui ā tau - Nō nā tata nei

**ORGANISATIONS** may have their new committee members' names printed in this column for free if emailed to geraldinenews@ihug.co.nz

PUBLIC NOTICES / Pānui a whānui

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**GERALDINE NEWS** deadline, noon on Mondays at Hammer Hardware.

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