



Coastal News

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covering **Mapua & Ruby Bay**,
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Fostering the Community Spirit

Two Tadmor women who have thought about the eroding sense of community in rural New Zealand have put their computer skills to work in devising a website where everyone with a computer in places such as Mapua, Ruby Bay, Mahana and Tasman can share information on-line. Kathy Crow and Gay Hamilton explained to Coastal News their motive for setting up the website, Heartland:

It's the result of us sitting down over a few beers and thinking about our own community and why we like it so much. We just love it where we are because of the unique characters and strong sense of community. Sadly this is something that is slowly being lost in rural New Zealand, as commuting becomes more commonplace and people do their shopping in larger towns. Local businesses struggle and people within communities get more detached from each other.

The hub of any community is its people – the resources they have (businesses, community groups, clubs) and how they connect. If the information flow is good, then a community thrives. If it's not, then resources get under-utilised and they can disappear.

As newcomers to Tadmor, we didn't know who was who. On our first day we had an emergency and needed an electrician and plumber fast, but we didn't know who to call. We ended up with someone from Wakefield at huge cost and it took months to find out what our local options were.

And it's not just newcomers that have problems. Many long-term locals tear their hair out too, trying to find businesses or specialist contractors that serve the area. Who fixes whiteware? Who does plastering? The man that delivers fresh fish – how do you contact him? And then there are power cuts! How many times have we been caught out with a roast in the oven because we hadn't read a tiny ad in the back of the *Nelson Mail*? Surely we could be emailed in advance?

This got us thinking. As web designers, we know what a fantastic resource the internet can be, and how

perfect it is for exchanging information within a dispersed group of people. So we hit on the idea of having information all in one place—stuff that is relevant for that community. What do local businesses want? To have plenty of local, loyal customers on their books. What do community groups want? New members and support for events. What do farmers want? Meat prices, weather, equipment. What do residents want? Lots of things, but why commute for it or pay huge call-out charges or postage when it may be on your doorstep?

Heartland is your local one-stop-shop where you'll see what businesses service your area, what's for sale, what's going on and what clubs and groups are up to in Mapua and elsewhere. You can all join and add your own personal items too - absolutely free.

We also have a fund-raising element. Mapua businesses, clubs and groups can join and get their own webpage and directory listing for a nominal fee,

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50 percent of which goes to your local school. Businesses can also get a directory listing in other communities they provide a service in for an additional fee. We set up the webpages and from then on businesses and groups can change it – if they want to.

We are very pleased to say we have joined with the Mapua School PTA and will be launching the fundraiser in the coming weeks.

Like any community, Heartland needs participation to really thrive - the more people that get involved, the

better it will be. So, if you're like us and want to find something, someone or see what's happening in the area, get in behind your community and visit www.heartland.co.nz/mapua. It's absolutely FREE!

Kathy Craw and Gay Hamilton, The Hen House, Tadmor

Note: Some may not know where Tadmor is. It is about 12km west of Tapawera across the Motueka River.

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It's the easy way to buy and sell locally
Heartland is the simple and hassle free way to buy and sell property, cars or anything on-line for free. No commission, no joining fees and no postage.

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We want to make it quick and easy for you to find out what's going on in the Mapua, Ruby Bay and Tasman area. You can find online noticeboards with:

- Buy, sell, free
- Local events
- Work wanted
- Cars and machinery
- Property for sale or rent
- Public notices

Add your items for FREE
Join and add your own items too - it's free.
Got a local event you want to publicise?
Or things you want to buy or sell?
Put it on Heartland!

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Join now and you can enter our competition to win a Fuji Finepix S3500 Digital Camera.

All you need is an email address.



 www.heartland.co.nz/mapua

MAPUA & DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC.

RATING SEMINAR

A PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS RATES AND THE RATING POLICY HAS BEEN ARRANGED FOR JULY 25TH AT 7:00 p.m. IN THE MAPUA HALL.

ALL RESIDENTS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

SPEAKERS WILL INCLUDE:

**TIM KING (DEPUTY MAYOR)
CHRIS AUCHINVOLE (NATIONAL LIST MP)
BOB DICKINSON (TDC CEO)
GORDON CURRIE (NELSON GREY POWER)
DAMIEN O'CONNOR (TO BE CONFIRMED)**

A GOLD COIN ENTRY CHARGE WILL APPLY.

John Sharman, Secretary

Coastal garden group

Garden Notes

May saw a record turn-out for members and guests with more than 40 people attending our regular meeting. Much of the business end of the meeting was devoted to the submission being made to the Tasman District Council by the Reserves Sub-committee for a lake in Aranui Park. The lake would form the foundation around which walkways, picnic areas, parking and planting would develop. The group is fully behind the sub-committee and it was gratifying to hear the enthusiasm from our members.

The Garden Club's entry for the Mapua Festival in November was discussed and some of the bits and pieces we need have been found. The Show Committee has also asked our members to help with decorating the Hall, so there will be busy times ahead.

We are grateful to our panel, Beth, Anne, Diana and Heather for talking to us about trees and shrubs, perennials, cuttings and answering questions from the floor. It is always an interesting session and much can be learned in a short time.

Autumn is the time to attend to planting trees and shrubs and it is also an excellent time for taking cuttings, although the room was divided as to whether autumn or spring is the best time for dividing perennials as many lifted now start into new growth too early.

The men among us had occupied the kitchen and provided a delicious afternoon tea, after which we held our plant auction, home-grown feijoas and pumpkin featured well in addition to many fine plants.

Camellias and azaleas have started to appear alongside the roses in the Bloom, Cluster and Shrub competition but we had some unusual entries for this time of year too, with a lovely amaryllis putting on a show.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 1st June at 1.30pm in the Supper Room at the Mapua Hall. We look forward to seeing you there or if you have any queries please feel free to contact either Barry Highsted (540-3139) or Anne-Marie Giddens (540-2335).

June is the first month for armchair gardening. A time to enjoy browsing through garden magazines and enjoy a well-earned rest.

Watch the spring bulbs start to peep through the ground and know that spring is not too far away. Emerging bulbs can be fed with a complete bulb fertiliser of your choice.

Do not be tempted to prune your roses. You could cause severe die-back, wait until early July. Cold soil slows down growth rendering food less available and gentle forking with a hoe helps to keep soil slightly warmer.

Trees and shrubs are now arriving at garden centres. Remember bare roots are apt to dry quickly so get your new treasures planted promptly, or heel them in.

In the vege garden where leafy veges will be growing this summer, give a dressing of 250g/sqm of dolomite lime. This should ensure that most of the garden receives lime once in three years.

My tip for this month:

Plant lavender plants around your apple tree to combat codling moth. It *WORKS*. A.G. Daly of Ashburton has not sprayed his trees for two years. Huge success. The 21st June is the shortest day then it's on the rise again. Can't wait. Cheers.

Barry Highsted

PROBUS CLUB OF MAPUA & DISTRICT

The club's guest speaker for the May meeting was Rudi Tetteroo. He is the area programme manager, community relations, for the Department of Conservation based in Motueka. His parents came out from Holland in 1955 to work on a dairy farm in Richmond. George Lyons, the Chief Park Ranger for the Nelson Lakes National Park, stimulated his early interest in national parks. He spent seven years as Chief Ranger for the Egmont National Park before returning to the Nelson district.

Rudi gave a symbolic time frame of the Earth's history by using a standard retractable ruler. He gave a time frame of 500 million years as the oldest known rock formation on Earth. By retracting the ruler he showed the time frame of 80 million years ago was the movement of New Zealand from Gondwanaland, and 8 million years ago was man's first inhabitation on earth.

The world's first National Park was Yellowstone in America, set up in 1881. New Zealand's first park was Tongariro set up in 1887, and the second park being Egmont. There are now 14 national parks in New Zealand. The latest is being Rakiora on Stewart Island. The smallest but the busiest is the Able Tasman. The Department of Conservation has a staff of 1500 managing the parks. The three main interests in park management are geology, natural history and cultural history. The basic work of the Department is the propagation and management of New Zealand native plants and wild life. Some of the accomplishments of the department are the eradication of pests from islands around our coastline. One example was Kapiti Island off Paraparaumu. DOC staff were able to kill off all pests such as rats and possums, giving a big increase in bird life and natural vegetation.

Rudi spoke about the use of 10/80 poison as a very effective way to control pests. By good control of the poison the staff are able to reduce the pest population down to 10% in a controlled area. This gave a very noticeable increase in bird life.

Rudi has had the opportunity to visit several national parks in the USA. He found the Grand Canyon and Colorado River one of the most spectacular parks. The demand for water from the Colorado River was so great that the river dried up before reaching the sea. Rudi finished his talk with a varied number of questions from club members, before being given a presentation and a vote of thanks by club member Laurie Metcalf.

After an enjoyable afternoon tea the club's treasurer, John Sharman, gave an interesting talk on the techniques of bookbinding. John became interested in his hobby 12 years ago by learning the skills at evening classes. He demonstrated the assembling and binding of an 18-volume magazine. Taking the first and last sections of a volume he glued end papers on the front and the back as appropriate. The magazines were set up in a sewing frame, which John made. Fine holes were pierced into the back edge of the magazines, through which strong fine linen thread was inserted to hold the magazines together. Gauze strips were glued to the back edge of the magazines to give added strength, and to provide a hinge. The two hardback covers were then glued to the existing fibre covers. John pointed out the importance of having the grain of the covers being set up correctly to ensure the covers will not distort, and stay flat.

John went on to talk about his involvement on book repairs. He showed the meeting a book with the pages falling out of its bindings. He described how to bind the pages together and recover. John pointed out the importance of carefully handling of worn or damaged pages before renewing the bookbinding.

John brought along a variety of books that he had repaired. The new covers were impressive, giving the books a new lease of life. John sources his materials through the Association of Book Crafts in Auckland.

David Higgs

VISIA unveiled in Mapua

First Step to Younger Looking Skin

The team at **Zoom Beauty** are proud to be the only skin care specialists north of Christchurch who can offer you the world's most advanced digital complexion analysis system – the **VISIA**.

We all want to look our best and we're prepared to pay for it. Last year New Zealand women spent over \$5.2 billion on skin care products and treatments. As demand for younger looking skin continues to soar so too does the number of products and services available.

The problem is – with so many options to choose from how do you know that what you're paying for is actually working?

According to **Zoom Beauty** therapist Megan Spick the only way to cut through the confusion and genuinely get the results you're after is to follow a simple yet powerful four step process.

The first step is to thoroughly and accurately assess your skin. Your skin is constantly changing



and unless you know precisely what you're dealing with anything you do is hit and miss.

The **VISIA** objectively assesses and digitally records the six critical features of your skin. With this in depth analysis we can custom tailor a rejuvenation and skin care program for your specific needs. What's more we can also record your progress over time. The **VISIA** tells you in no uncertain terms whether or not

you're getting full value for money

Another unique benefit of the **VISIA** stems from its ability to compare each one of your skin characteristics with 100 women the same age as you. Seeing how you rate for your age can be surprising.

For the month of June, **Zoom Beauty** is conducting **VISIA** skin analysis (which includes full-colour report) at **no charge** (\$65 value). To book your free **VISIA** consultation or to receive a free 4 Steps To Success information pack call **Megan** at **Zoom Beauty** on **540 2333**.

Coastal Connections

Fourteen ladies gathered for lunch at the Waterfront Café & Bar in Nelson on 14 May. The choice for just \$12 included smoked salmon and Camembert omelette, steak or chicken with home-made focaccia, mesclun salad and fries, fish of the day, bacon and corn chowder and a mussel soup. Coffee was good value at \$3.50. After coffee, we shared magazines, news and knitting patterns, then visited the new Mitre 10 Magastore to purchase plants. The next stop was at Splendour at Tahunanui, where quality accessories, furniture of distinction and giftware are displayed. This was a delightful visit.

We agreed that the menu at the Waterfront Café and Bar, plus of course, the magnificent view of the harbour, deserves a return visit. The free parking is a bonus but one has to be very aware of the heavy traffic when crossing the road!

We welcomed Olive from Motueka who joined us for her birthday and as a group, we celebrated our second anniversary. Colleen was able to join us too, so it was another happy luncheon.

Our "Be Prepared for Emergencies" information sheet was distributed in hard copy to those who did not receive it by email. This sheet was prepared using information suggested by members and from various official publications.

Our next meeting will be on the 8th of June at noon, when we will have lunch at the Pukeko by the wharf in Mapua. Please phone Dot on 540-2323 if you are able to attend. We would like to welcome more members – again, please phone Dot so that the café staff can arrange appropriate seating beforehand.

Reported by Barbara Halse

Mapua & Districts Soccer Club

Well, the season is off and kicking and all teams have competed in their various grade competitions. The Mapua Domain is in good condition and the noise from both players and supporters on Saturday mornings is very encouraging.

The club is being sponsored this year by The Naked Bun and The Mapua Tavern and I would like to thank both businesses for their support. Please do say thank you to them when purchasing food or drink.

Midgets: The midgets have two to three teams this year and are competing against both Upper Moutere and Motueka teams. The focus is fun and the coaches Kate Weston and Phil Jones along with all the supporting parents make the games a pleasure to watch. The players all appear to get quite involved and a number of them have been seen donning the uniform long after the game is over.

7th Grade: Our 7th team play at Appleby Domain on Saturdays in a competition with a variety of other Tasman Bay teams. This makes the Appleby Domain a very busy place. The team has a number of new faces and coach Nadienne Cookson is focused on enjoyment and some basic ball and game understanding skills.

8th Grade: A very competitive start to the season for this team with their coach Charmaine Gallagher ensuring the team players focus on zone positioning and teamwork. Solid defence has been the hallmark of this team to date and their win over Upper Moutere was a sign of things to come.

9th Grade: Roger Waddell's team are showing a lot of good game and personal skills. This has resulted in some very tight games for the team. This team has both experienced and new players and already the team is showing the kind of camaraderie seen in the Italian Serie A.

10th Grade: Our 10th team has been together for some years now and they have quickly shown their familiarity in what is a tough competition. Gary Breakspeare runs an active training programme on a Wednesday afternoon and the ball juggling competition at the end is hotly contested.

11th Grade: This team originally started off in the 10th grade but the skill of the players along with some player changes has meant they will be finishing the season battling some tall competition. Gary Breakspeare provides the training and Anna Inkster gives the guidance on the Saturday. This team started off with some big wins and the 11th grade should not prove too difficult for them.



12th Grade: Stu Campbell has a large squad of very eager players this year. The skill level of the team is very high and a good (and a bit unlucky) start bodes well for the season. A stonking 15-6 win against Motueka was quietly pleasing.

13/14th Grade: This squad has a lot of experience both within the players and the coaching of John Gillan. The players are displaying on the pitch great individual and team skills and with Johns guidance this team is developing well in what is a strong and skilled grade.

Seniors: With a combined age of over 500 years the seniors have already shown what great teams are made of. Initially playing in a borrowed strip some early draws and a win have firmly established the team as not just a snigger around the card table. Toby Wild has managed the team through its creation and the coaching and leadership of David Francis has been supported by all the team. Bar injury they are here to stay.

Upcoming Events and Focus: I know it's a long way off but for the year end the club is planning to have a fun family afternoon with both serious and less serious activities. Stay tuned for details.

Continued improvements to Mapua Domain is a focus of the club and we are in discussion with the TDC on a number of items including watering, security, and future development.

The name of the club is also to be considered in light of the change by New Zealand Soccer Inc. to New Zealand Football Inc.

Support: The club values the support it receives both directly through the players, families and sponsors and indirectly through the interest of the community. If you wish to contact, assist, or support in anyway the club please contact Tony Jemmett 03) 540-3664 or any one of the committee members.

Tony Jemmett, Mapua & Districts Soccer Club

A Frayed Knot

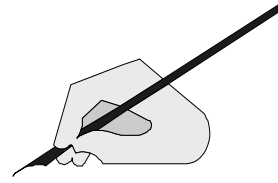
Tis not that the youth are so uncouth,
But the bureaucratic bitches, and their
PC twitches,
Plod the pavement, ponder the gripe,
The media mumbles and hysterical hype.

Tis not that the conscientious cop catches
crooks,
But the taxwoman tickles your till and bank
books.
Gag the government, save a tree,
Back to basics, and, simplicity

Tis not that geriatrics go grey anyway
But the nursemaid on the hill, will usurp their
last thrill,
Relief from the corset of compliance, and
regulatory agenda,
At last, "Gone, no forwarding address...
return to sender
Yes tis the wonder witches of Wellington
...although not into winning wars,
continue to piddle on the plebeians
... please pull up your drawers

*Prudence Murraine,
(transient resident, Ruby Bay*

DRAWING CLASSES FOR COMPLETE BEGINNERS!



If you have always wanted to but can't or if
you have always believed drawing is difficult
or for the talented few - then I invite you to
think again! Everyone can draw if shown the
steps.

No special talent is required - desire is
enough!

This final 9 week class for 2006 begins
Saturday 1st July at 1.30 - 5pm and ends 26th
August. The small class is held in a cosy
central Motueka venue and costs \$25 per 3½
hour session. Charcoal, pen and ink and
graphite are used. Course covers gestural and
contour drawing, using negative space to
reveal the subject, tonal techniques,
proportion and perspective made easy, fore-
shortening, drapery, landscape, still life and
more. Materials list at Impressions Art Supply
in Richmond or it can be emailed to you. Six
students maximum gives individual attention.
These innovative and fresh approach classes
fill quickly so call soon for more information
Contact Carol Peck on 021 266 8816
Email: drawnow@hotpop.com

Community Association Report

Rate Increase: The May meeting of the Mapua and Districts Community Association heard that the Tasman District Council proposes to increase the general rate 3.7 percent higher than inflation due to other increases according to the region, like capital value, the ASB Aquatic Centre, river rates, Mapua sea wall, and others. Also the major drivers for the increase are a reduction in revenue from the council forestry, increased wages and salaries and most significantly debt cost associated with new loans. But remember this is only a draft plan after all. When all submissions are in for council's consideration then the new rates will be adopted. Also the cost of recycling will rise from \$55 to \$100 a year.

Walkways: I am pleased that we can look forward working with the walkways group as a sub-committee of our association, thanks to Sarah McLeod who has made herself available to help lead the walkways group.

The issue has been raised about the walkway behind the school. This walkway has been closed for some time because of at least two gum trees which have blocked the path. We have sent a letter to the TDC seeking a resolution to this problem. It has been noted that Mapua has been allocated \$15,000 for an estuary walkway this financial year and \$10,280 next year; there is no allocation for the remaining eight financial years.

Sea wall: The council has put an estimated cost in the 10-year plan of \$938,200 for a rock wall, with expenditure for the year 2007/2008 being \$462,600 and the year 2008/2009 being \$475,600. How this is to be funded has yet to be resolved. The sub-committee has put a submission forward asking for more consultation on the whole matter.

Waterfront Park: After meeting with John Rooson the sub-committee was surprised when shown a map

of a proposed new car park for 150 cars. This is not the same as shown on the plan of E/2. We are working with the council for the provision for buses and boat trailers. The final cost of whole site will not be fully known until the completion, hopefully by September. A large amount of chemicals not detected before may put an upward trend on the final cost. Also another reactor has been put in and will be much quieter than at present. The existing buildings are to be moved across the road later this year.

Trustpower Awards: Your association has nominated five voluntary groups to be considered and be recognized for a cash reward. They are the wetlands group, the reserves group, the Mapua show committee, the Mapua soccer club and the Tamaha scouts group. Entries close on June 19.

Scout Association: For quite a few years the cub den has not adequately served its purpose to the scout Association. They have been offered the Enner Glynn scout hall after their group closed. After consultation with the council to find a suitable site, the proposal offered is to shift the hall to the northern end of the domain next to the oak trees.

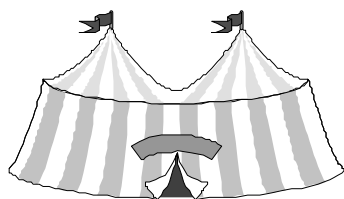
Discussions are being held with the Soccer Club to use part of the hall for changing rooms. Included in the hall would be a kitchen, toilets, showers, and an outdoor barbeque area. The Sea Scouts are due to sign a lease for boat storage at the wharf.

Leaders/helpers wanted for both scouts and cubs. As parents and the community focus on the youth who are motivated, achieving and staying out of trouble (the majority), rather than the few causing problems at present.

At our next meeting on June 12 at 7.30pm the speaker will be Glen Thorne, parks & reserves, at the Mapua Hall.

Jim Bryse, Chair

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Show dates
25th and 26th November 2006

This month has seen letters go out to those clubs, artists and businesses we would like to join with us in celebrating all this unique area has to offer.

We are very pleased to report that Judy March will exhibit her paintings at the Festival. Many of you will be aware that Judy was recently made an associate of Pastel Art New Zealand. Some of her paintings were on show at last year's Festival of Fruit Flowers and Food and we look forward to seeing more of her work this year.

We are encouraging everyone who takes part to embrace the theme 'Oklahoma' so you can look forward to some interesting exhibits and displays. Whilst the emphasis is on our participants displaying their talents with an exhibition there will be goods for sale so look out for the opportunity to buy a gift for someone special or to treat yourself.

Keep watching for more updates as the dates draw closer.

Festival sponsor: Ray White Real Estate—Mapua

MAPUA FESTIVAL

TDC Service Awards

The following is reprinted with permission from the Tasman District Council's *Newsline*

It's time to say cheers and well done to all those dedicated volunteers around the Tasman District who consistently put lots of time and effort into making our communities better places to live. They do all this without pay and with little recognition, so now it's time to thank them properly.

Nominations are now being accepted for the Tasman District Council's Outstanding Community Service Awards. It's a way to celebrate the efforts of those who undertake all manner of good works on behalf of neighbours, friends, schools, clubs, churches and service organisations.

So if you know someone who has been doing voluntary work in your community, helping out with a variety of activities for 20 years or more, now is the time to put their name forward.

Nominees must be residents of the Tasman District to qualify. Nomination forms are available from all council offices and libraries and gave an outline of the type of information you need to include.

A committee comprising the Mayor and other members of the council will evaluate the nominations. Award presentations will be made in August.

Nominations close 30 June 2006. For further information contact Tara Carter at the Tasman District Council on 03) 543-8578.

Floral Art Design

The Floral Art Designer of the Year Competition will again be held at the Mapua Village Hall in the supper room. Top designers from the Nelson Marlborough area will compete for the honour of representing our area in the National Competitions, which will be held in Auckland.

There will be a public viewing on Saturday and Sunday, June 24-25, 10am-4pm, with entry being a \$2 coin.

Their title is "Architectural Experience", and the design is to be staged on the floor in a 1.5m by 1.5m space. A non-competitive section for other Floral Art members will be as displayed. These will be in the style of Beidermeier and/or Pot-et-Fleur.

RSA MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Ph 540-2545

We had a capacity audience at “Playing Miss Havisham”, performed by Helen Moulder; not another seat could have been squeezed in. It was a fantastic way to raise funds for the library. The generosity of Helen in choosing to work with voluntary groups to stage her performances, coupled with the generosity of our own Woollaston Estates in providing the magnificent venue, meant the library has had an excellent start to our fund-raising year. Grateful thanks to all involved, and also to the community, who showed great support by way of ticket sales.



Our AGM was held on 9 May, and we are pleased to have no fewer than three new committee members on board. We welcome Hugh Gordon, Robin Goette, and Eileen Dobbie to the team, and farewell with thanks Owen Brett. Also thank you to Val Hunter, who is a committee member but has stepped up to fill the vacant secretary job. I am looking forward to the next year as we have such a wealth of enthusiasm and dedication around the committee table at the moment. As chairperson I would like to take this opportunity to publicly acknowledge the hardworking efforts of not only the committee, but all the volunteers at the library. There are about 30 people all told. Every day the library opens its doors is a tribute to the work they do.

Statistics for the year May 2005 – April 2006: Donations 213, Purchases 437, Total 650.

Books Issued: 10,900. This is 787 issues up from last year’s total. The increase in issues coincides with the opening on Fridays, so that has been a successful change for the library. We are now open to the public 12 hours a week.

Grants received: \$7250 in total. This is wonderful news for the library, and all thanks to the hard work put in by Sue Brillard and her helpers. The library depends solely on grants and our own fund-raising efforts to survive.

We hope you will continue to enjoy the library service that we offer over the next year. All suggestions and ideas from the community are welcomed. We would not be able to do what we do without the loyal support of the community. Thanks to all the readers out there.

Sarah McLeod

Toy Library

Thank you to everyone who purchased brownie, strudel and coffee from the Toy Library food stall held at the Mapua Easter Fair. It was an amazing fund-raiser for us, raising \$946!! A big thank you to the committee and members who contributed to this awesome result.

We couldn’t have achieved such a great result without the support of the following people:

- Brent Sturm –Richmond Ray White Real Estate (Site sponsorship)
- Pomeroy’s (Filter Machine/Pots & Coffee)
- Mapua Four Square (Ingredients)
- The Naked Bun (Brownie)
- Neudorf Winery (Blackboard, tablecloths, aprons)
- Thawleys Orchard (Apples)
- Pak n Save (Vouchers)
- Mapua Community Church (Trestle tables)

We plan to use the funds to pay for shelving inside our new shed and to purchase new toys.

Have you noticed the red, cut-down shipping container at the back of the Mapua Hall? With the help of a TDC grant (another big thank you!) we now have a bigger, more secure and watertight storage facility for our outdoor toys. This replaces the small old garden shed that was continuously vandalised.

It has been a very busy time for the toy library committee, particularly for the McMiken/Boffa, Adams/Kelly and Thurlow families. We welcome to the world Campbell McMiken, Eddie Adams and Bryn Thurlow!

The toy library is open the first and third Tuesday of the month from 10am to noon, and 6.30-7.30pm, and is at the rear of the Mapua Hall. We welcome new members and visitors.

Angela Fon

Library Hours:

Tuesday, Friday & Saturday	2pm – 4.30pm
Wednesday	5pm – 7.00pm
Thursday	10am – 12.30pm

Health Centre News



Dr. Tim Ewer will be away during June and early July, attending conferences in Dallas, the UK and Europe.

Richard Thomas, Elizabeth Wood and Sally Harris will continue to provide full medical services. We are also about to take on an extra receptionist to help with the increasing workload on Thursdays and Fridays.

Recent News of healthy nutrition

Relief for neck and back with Omega-3 fatty acid –

The latest issue of Surgical Neurology has shown that Omega-3 fatty acid supplements may be effective for relieving neck and low back pain. Reported benefits were

- discontinuation of prescription anti-inflammatory drugs in 59% of patients
- improvement in overall pain in 60% of patients
- improvement in joint pain in 60% of patients
- satisfaction with the level of improvement in 80% of patients

Help for cold/flu

In another review, the authors discussed the important role played by vitamin C and zinc in immune function and in reduction the risk, severity and duration of infectious diseases. A large number of randomized controlled intervention trials involving intakes of up to 1 g vitamin C and 30 mg of zinc, demonstrate that adequate intakes of vitamin C and zinc improve symptoms and shorten the duration of respiratory tract infections, including the common cold.

There were no significant adverse effects reported and 88% stated they would continue to take the fish oil supplements.

Heart Health

In a cross-sectional study involving 3,258 men, it was found that a high intake of vitamin C can exert an anti-inflammatory effect that may reduce the risk of heart disease.

There are a number of important national and global health promotion events for the month, including:

June 1-6	Infant Gastric Awareness Week www.cryingoverspiltmilk.co.nz
June 3-11	Autism NZ Appeal Week www.autismnz.org.nz
June 11-17	Brain Injury Appeal Week www.brain-injury-nz.org.nz
June 18-24	Order of St Johns Appeal Week www.stjohn.org.nz
June 20	World Refugee Day
June 26	International Day Against Drug Abuse www.undcp.org
June 26-July 2	SIDS NZ Appeal www.sids.org.nz
June 27	Matariki www.tetaurawhiri.govt.nz

Mapua School Report



Mahana School Report



Rooms 7 and 8 have returned from their camps at Pinedale Motor Camp in the Wakamarina Valley. The two weeks were a little damp at times but all activities were completed. The four-wheel-drive journey over the Maungatapu Saddle proved exciting for Room 6 but unfortunately for Room 7 the following week were only able to go up from the Pelorus side to the site of the Murderers' rock because of the slippery conditions.

At camp all students had a taste for gold panning with most taking home some specks. Abseiling provided the greatest challenge for many moving down the steep rocky cliff. We all enjoyed visiting the skidder site to observe at close hand a logging operation. It was highly exciting to see the giant machines moving quickly over the site. As always the classes enjoying exploring the gold tailings and deep caverns that exist in the area. Despite the temperature all students braved the rapids in tubes and enjoyed a soaking at the end!

The Year 8 class are at Totaranui and Year 7s will be there next week. We hope that the Pakawau camping ground will still be in operation next year as it has provided our most exciting camp over the last five years. It is encouraging to read that the new owner of the campground is consulting with the Pakawau community over the future of the site.

It is wonderful to see so many students participating in Saturday sport, facilitated through the Mapua and Districts Netball Club, Mapua and Districts Soccer Club, Rangers Rugby Club and Mapua School Basketball teams.

For further information contact Hugh Gully, Principal, Mapua School. Phone/Fax 540-2806. Mobile 027 632 7078, www.mapua.school.nz

Mahana School has been gearing up for a number of artistic, sporting and music activities in May and June. Art extension classes for a group of 12 Year 5 - 8 students began at the end of May. The whole school has been focusing on gymnastics.

The Junior Room children have been practising songs and music to join the Junior Interschool Music Hooli in mid June. They have also been busy scientists. They investigated "What's Inside Stuff"? The "stuff" included a variety of objects found at home and in the shed. The children learned a variety of different stitches and used their skills to create beautiful sewing pictures. The class has been studying karate under the tutelage of parent Steve. The highlight of Karate in Term 2 was the visit to the Nelson Dojo to join a karate class. According to the Grand Master, the children were brilliant!

The Middle Roomers have been learning to be scientists and discovered the importance of developing research questions and investigating the answers. A scientist studying in Antarctica brought an Antarctic pack to the school and talked to all of the students about her experiences. Since then the Middle Room scientists have been investigating the subject of birds and developed numerous questions for research in books, the internet and from parent/friend experts. The findings include the matching of beaks, claws, food, and habitat. They even investigated several old nests, taking them apart and identifying the basic materials and how they hold their shape.

The Senior Room scientists are investigating geology, including continental plates, water erosion, and some local geological features including the Boulder Bank, Takaka caves, and Dunn Mountain.

Fantastic wall displays have been the focus of art, using a range of media including painting, collage and crayon. French language is continuing apace and parents have been encouraged to share their French photos and other resources. Extension activities for the Years 7 and 8 students include an outdoor cooking expedition and a possible climbing/abseiling activity. Plans are developing for the end of year camp for the class in Christchurch.

For more information about Mahana School, please contact Rodger Smith, Principal, by phone 543-2887 or by email principal@mahana.school.nz. website: www.mahana.school.nz

Mapua Wetland

Residents invited to view wetland

An Open Day will be held at Mapua Wetland on Sunday June 18 so those interested can see a new pond there and also view the result of 18 months' planting work.

Signs pointing to the wetland will be out on Aranui Road (on the village side of the Mapua Community Church) and the gates will be open from 1pm to 3pm. There is ample off-road parking and visitors will be very welcome. Members of Friends of Mapua Wetland Inc will be available to show visitors around and to answer questions.

The Open Day was decided on after several requests from residents keen to have a look at developments. Some had contributed to our successful Community Planting Day on October 1 last year and wanted to see how high their trees had grown.

They should be happy. The wetland peat is naturally very fertile and we had an excellent growing season. The result of all that is that the 1000-plus trees, shrubs and grasses planted on October 1 have shot away and we may need only another season before we begin to get a canopy of trees in some parts of 1ha site.

We have also had a survival rate which we estimate at more than 80 per cent and possibly over 90 per cent.

Although the wetland is only 1ha in size, it adjoins the much bigger Aranui Park and is designed to be complementary to it. The Beere family, who own the wetland site, and the Friends of Mapua Wetland are hoping to develop the area to a standard sufficient to

attract a Queen Elizabeth II National Trust covenant so that it becomes a permanent reserve near Mapua's centre.

A pond running across the wetland was excavated in February this year by a team from Alan Riggs Contracting. The pond has worked out well and it was well timed, because it served as a useful reservoir during this year's long drought.

Friends of Mapua Wetland members and supporters worked hard in late summer-early autumn, planting another 1000 grasses, trees and shrubs around the pond area. As the drought developed, they had to fill buckets from the pond and water all the new plantings by hand for more than a month, a demanding exercise.

A total of more than 3000 trees, shrubs and grasses have now been planted in Mapua Wetland. We plan to plant a further 1000 trees and shrubs this spring and hope to have another Community Planting Day then.

A grant from the Department of Conservation's Biodiversity Funds has helped fund the Mapua Wetland development, and DOC staff have kept a close eye on it.

In late May, we had an inspection by the auditor appointed for our project, Tasman District Council biodiversity manager Lindsay Vaughan. We were very gratified to come away with a good report which concluded that "the results are nothing less than outstanding and reflect a high standard of planning and execution."



Friends of Mapua Wetland were also pleasantly surprised in May to be nominated by the Mapua Ruby Bay Community Association for a Trustpower Volunteers in the Community Award. The Friends, and I am sure other volunteer groups, greatly appreciate this support from the Community Association.

David Mitchell

Microchipping your pet is quick and painless

Veterinarians have been implanting animals with microchips for many years but a lot of people are only now becoming aware of this due to recent changes in dog control laws. The Dog Control Act requires that all dogs first registered on or after 1 July 2006 be implanted with a microchip. It also allows for councils to microchip those dogs classified as dangerous or menacing.

Microchipping your dog is a quick and generally painless procedure. The microchip itself is tiny, being about the size of a grain of rice. It is implanted under the skin between the shoulder blades with a special applicator. Once there the body walls it off with fibrous tissue so it cannot migrate throughout the body. Each microchip has its own unique number and this number is entered onto a database with the owner's name and contact details.

Once implanted the microchip can be read by passing a special scanner (a bit like a supermarket checkout scanner) over the area. Once the scanner has read the unique number on the chip the owner's details can then be retrieved from the database. While it is easy to see that this will be beneficial to the council when impounding

dogs, it has a couple of other worthwhile spin-offs for dog owners.

A major benefit is that if your dog goes missing and is taken to a veterinarian, the veterinarian can scan the dog and retrieve your details from the database and therefore quickly get in touch with you regarding your pet's treatment. We have been in this situation several times already this year where unidentified pets have been brought to the clinic after road accidents. Another benefit is that a microchip allows for unquestionable identification of you as the owner of the animal. If it is stolen you can easily prove your ownership status. Sadly, this situation has arisen in the community this year when a Schnauzer was stolen from a vehicle.

Microchipping is available for cats, horses and other animals, although they will not be able to be registered on the National Dog Database run by the council, instead they will continue to be registered on the Australasian Database. While it is not a legal requirement to microchip these animals, it may give you some peace of mind to know that they are easily identified should anything happen to them.

Dr Paula Short

Celebrating 101 years

In June last year, the *Coastal News* was privileged to attend and report on the one-hundredth birthday celebration of one of Mapua's oldest residents, Tom Wiley.

It was therefore an even greater privilege to attend his one-hundred-and-first birthday party at the Mapua Bowling Club on the 17th of May this year. A gathering of over seventy friends and relations enjoyed the hospitality and fine food arranged by Tom's daughter Jenny Ralfe, and Tom was in good form having long conversations with all his old friends. Many folk expressed the wish that they could be as fit and well as Tom when they reached an age twenty years younger than him!

We all wish Tom many happy returns and continuing good health in the future.

Coastal News Reporter.



Tom Wiley with his daughter Jenny Ralfe

MAPUA Bowling Club

The club held a mini triples tournament on Saturday 22 of April as a social event for the club's official closing day. The day was fine, with a good turnout of members and visitors. The competition was set at two rounds of 8 ends, with a break for afternoon tea. The afternoon's bowls involved 36 players using 6 rinks. The day finished with club championship prize-giving, and a pot-luck tea.

The results of the afternoon's competition were:-

1st: Arnie Ahnfeldt, Bob Darragh & Janet Radcliff;
2nd Colin Pryke, Jean Daubney & Vince Bloomfield.
The lucky prize team went to Paddy Hood, Marie Batt, & Janet Crabb

The club secretary, Paddy Hood, presented the club championship prizes, which were:-

Women's Singles: Nancy McAlwee. P a i r s :
Nancy McAlwee & Sylvia Peter. Junior Singles: Allison Brett. Junior Pairs: Judy March & Liz. Scurr. Triples: Nancy McAlwee, Allison Brett & Judy March. Fours: Nancy McAlwee, Jean Daubney, Margaret Busby & Judy March.

Men's Singles: Jim Radcliffe. Pairs: Don Sixtus & Tony McQuade. Junior Singles: Frank Gibbison. Junior Pairs: Don Sixtus & Tony McQuade. Triples: John Coeland, Harry Jardine & Don Sixtus. Fours: Marty Verdonk, Harry Jardine, Glenn Gates, & Don Sixtus. Veteran Singles: Jim Radcliffe.

The Thomas Trophy is a round robin mixed pairs competition. The winners were Allison Brett & Don Sixtus with only one loss.

The Anniversary Cup for men 75-plus was the last tournament to be completed and was won by John Coeland.

The club's social evenings will continue through the winter starting at 3.30pm on the first and third Friday of each month. The social interests include indoor bowls, cards, pool, table tennis, etc. with an entry fee of \$1. Light snacks and refreshments will be available.

Wednesday the 17th of May was a special day at the clubhouse with an informal social for the club's patron Tom Wiley. It was Tom's 101st birthday. Tom's family put on lunch and afternoon tea for over 70 guests. He had a busy day catching up with many of his friends that dropped in during the day. For a person of 101, Tom has an amazing memory, and was able to remember all his friends.

Winter bowls will continue at the Motueka Bowling Club on their new artificial green. The club afternoons are Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays up to the beginning of the new season in mid September. For any further information phone Nancy McAlwee at 540-2834 or Paddy Hood at 540-3202.

David Higgs

Women's Recreation Group

The Mapua Women's Recreation Group continues to welcome new members as well as some old friends back. Feedback suggests that people new to the village find the group a relaxed and friendly way to meet some locals, and all participants enjoy new and/or different walks and tracks in the district.

Following our very successful Relay for Life participation in March, this term's special activity will be a trip to the Bead Gallery in Nelson where we will test our creativity! We put \$2 in 'the pot' each week to subsidise our four annual special activities. This fund also supports our designated charity, Relay for Life, as we build for the 2007 event.

Members thoroughly enjoy our regular (every 2nd or 4th week) walk around Grossi Point and along the coastline to the far end of Ruby Bay. This walk is always spectacularly beautiful and allows for varied walking speeds as members can 'peel off' and make their way back to the start point at regular points along the way. Another lovely walk was from Settlers' Cottage around Mahana, and we couldn't resist a peek at Settlers' Cottage. A first-time walk for our group was from Motueka Beach Baths along almost to the Kumaras and back round the Cemetery boundary. This is a wonderful walk with nearly all of it on walking tracks, so we will be looking to visit it again.

The 'later group' continues its gentle walks around the village, and both groups enjoy the very social walking time as much as the social coffee afterwards! With the two groups we are able to cater for most walking speeds. Our cycling members co-ordinate their rides to meet up with us, if not during the exercise period, at the coffee afterwards.

For regular information about our group, see the Noticeboard on the back page.



MAPUA & DISTRICTS BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

Chairperson: Marion Satherley ph 540 2180 Secretary: Diane Maisey ph 544 8275

COMMUNITY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

We are again producing this incredibly handy local directory, and as usual, we will be delivering a copy to all residents, FREE, in early Sep 06. Each year we aim to make the directory a comprehensive guide for our district, covering Mapua, Upper Moutere, Tasman and inbetween and to reflect the local community. We would like to hear from you if you have ideas and suggestions for information that we could be including in the directory this year.

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING—ALL WELCOME

27 June 2006 at 7.30pm

Venue: Rare Creations, 136 Aranui Road, Mapua

Andreas Niemann is hosting this meeting and will be talking about and showing us the high quality furniture he manufactures and sells.

MEMBER PROFILE

Mapua Tours & Shuttle

My name is Sandra Milne and I have been operating my business 'Mapua Tours and Shuttle' for three years.

I have a 1956 Chevrolet 4 door pillarless The Wedding Car, and a seven seater Honda Odyssey.

Wine Trails

You choose which vehicle you would like and I'll take you on a four hour wine trail. Gourmet platter included priced from \$45pp

Shuttle Service

I can take you to the airport, out for dinner, deliver friends home from weddings and parties or take you to the start of the Heaphy if you feel like a walk. Whatever you want I'll be there.

New service for Seniors

I would like to provide a special service to seniors who want to go out but would prefer not to drive themselves. I could take you to the movies, the Suter gallery, aquatic centre, shopping.....etc

Please give me a call if you and friends are interested in using my service. Make a date and I'll take you out.

I'm just a phone call away 540-2402 Sandra

MEMBER PROFILE

Providing practical solutions for small businesses and individuals.

- Book-keeping / GST Returns
- General Typing
- Data Entry
- One-off Projects—
co-ordination & management

Business Administration: there are many jobs that need to be completed to keep a business operating. I specialise in providing a range of admin services which allows you to spend more of your valuable time completing the jobs that your business does best.

If you lack the time, expertise or inclination to complete the 'paper-work' your business demands, contact me to discuss your individual requirements.

General typing: If it's written down, I can type it up. Reports, procedure manuals, constitutions, policy documents, etc.

Diane, phone 544 8275

Use

www.mapua.biz

to find and support local businesses.

A business listing on our website will help to get you found online. The MDBA is here to help YOUR local business succeed. Become a member of the MDBA and you too can benefit.

Be Local—Buy Local

Youth report

On the 4th May at the Mapua School 20 concerned and involved members of our local community met for another meeting with Celia Lashlie to further discuss youth issues. As usual Celia guided us through an interesting meeting in an effective, efficient and inclusive manner.

All present were asked for ideas as to how we might change or assist with the continuing development of a safe welcoming, supportive and healthy community.

The following are some of those ideas that Celia took away to put into some semblance of order and achievability:

- Education programmes
- Mentoring
- Inclusive parenting forums
- Education and control of drugs and alcohol
- Consultation with our youth as to what is working or not working for them.
- Creating awareness amongst our older generation of the reality of being young in this day and age.
- The need to be openly welcoming and inclusive to all members of our community so that we can all enjoy the lifestyle that Mapua and the surrounding district has to offer.
- Do we need more facilities for our youth and if so the need for them to be consulted and to contribute with ideas and effort to meet that end.
- More community functions that include the whole family.
- Raising the confidence of those with learning difficulties.

The next meeting will be held in June, the date to be confirmed and advertised locally.

Celia asked all present at the meeting to go out into the community to enthuse and encourage others to attend the monthly meetings and to contribute with their ideas. We as a community have a golden opportunity to create something special. For this to happen we need your attention attendance good will, energy and support.

Pat Perry.

Adolescence is a period of rapid changes. Between the ages of 12 and 17, for example, a parent ages as much as 20 years.

— Anonymous

COMMUNITY TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

It's time for us to produce the 12th edition of the Community Telephone Directory. As usual we will deliver this incredibly handy local guide FREE to all households and businesses in the district, around 1,800 of them!

We need your help to make this year's community telephone directory a comprehensive listing for our local area:

If you are a local **business** and would like to advertise your business in the directory, we welcome your enquiry.

If you are part of a local **community group**, then please contact us so that your group's contact details can be included in the directory.

If you are **planning a community event**, please let us know so we can include it on the 'Schedule of Events' (local) within the directory. Note, events will be dated between Oct 2006 and Sep 2007.

If you would like to submit a **photo, painting or drawing** suitable for the front and/or back cover, then please contact us as we like the directory to reflect the community. (Note, certain criteria will apply.)

The community telephone directory is funded entirely by advertisements placed by our member businesses. Please support local businesses.

Look out for your copy of the community telephone directory in September of this year – it will be delivered to your home.

Diane Maisey, Directory Co-ordinator

Letters to the Editor...



Police Update

By-pass revisited...

Last year despite concerted efforts by local residents and the Tasman District Council, both Transport NZ and Transit NZ put back construction of the Ruby Bay by-pass to the 2012-2013 financial years.

The Minister of Finance, by allocating \$900,000 to road transport in the 2006-2007 budget, has reopened the possibility to fast-tracking the project. For those of you reading this who want this to happen, now is the time to take time to send an email or to write a letter to any or all of the following:

Mr. Rick Van Barneveldt, C.E.O
Transit New Zealand
P.O. Box 27-477
Wellington
Email: Rick.VanBarneveldt@Transit.govt.nz
or

Mr. Brian Donnelly, C.E.O.
Transport New Zealand
PO Box 2840
Wellington,
or

The Hon. Damien O'Connor
Member of Parliament, Tasman-West Coast
Hugh Gordon, Ruby Bay

DO YOU LIKE DOGS AND WALKING?

OR CAN YOU GIVE A DOG A NEW HOME?

Oscar and Chester are 2 male Labradors seeking walking buddies in the Mapua area.

Oscar is 11 and Chester is 10 years old.

Busy new mum needs assistance with walking her dogs or finding them a new home.

If you can help please call

Kerri on 540 3386 or 021 078 1336

Hello to you all. Winter is certainly knocking on our door this month and the start of the frosty weather is a timely reminder that the roads will be icy and slippery, especially if you are travelling before the sun gets up. Every winter we attend many accidents that occur because of ice or grit, so make sure that you are not one of those statistics this year.

It is pleasing to be able to report that there are no major problems or issues that have been drawn to my attention in the Mapua area over the last month. With the cooler nights there are not so many people out at night and local people in the village tell me that things are running fairly smoothly.

The offender that was caught breaking into the Mapua Video Ezy and Ray White United stores is still going through the court process and I am in the process of reviewing evidence that we have collected against him from other burglaries in the Motueka area, and two in the Mapua area. Surprisingly the run of break-ins stopped on the night after he was caught!

Mapua Occurrences:

14 April: Two-year-old girl wanders from house. Found 1 1/2 hours later safe and well.

18 May: Car accident at Ruby Bay Bluff. Vehicle goes 60 metres over bank after the driver gets out!

*Grant Heney, Rural Community Constable,
Ph:03) 528-1220*

Hardwood (gum) Sleepers For sale

2.5 and 3 metres in length.

\$20 and \$25 respectively

Delivery can be arranged.

Phone Jack Wood @ 543 2677

Property News

It's now official. In Real Estate it's a "Buyer's Market". An equilibrium between the needs of buyers genuinely needing to move to a town or a district to work, retire to or for lifestyle, and the needs of sellers with similar objectives now exists to balance the market.

Investors are also beginning to show more interest to acquire rental properties after rising prices stalled their activities.

It has been suggested that during the recent hiatus in residential Real Estate, 95% of properties changed hands driven by the hype of the boom, whereas only 5% of properties sold and bought were because of a real need necessitated by change of job, deceased estates, retirement and changed personal circumstances such as divorce or financial difficulties, or for health reasons.

The consequence of all this is that now the party is over, reality will determine values and prices for properties. Although people who sold and bought during the boom think they are better off, the reality is the value is actually "monopoly money". They may have achieved a big price for their property, but they have had to pay top price to replace it, unless they downsized or managed to discover some place not yet found by speculators.

So what next? The key to a successful sale or purchase of property is really: two willing parties who have their priorities sorted in today's market, who have done their homework, and who are committed.

*Compiled by Mike Walker, Ray White Real Estate,
MREINZ*



VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE

April 29: SH60 Higgs Hill near Dominion Rd. Two cars. Wet road and speed.

May 18: Van over the Bluffs. Objects on road.

May 19: Car hit telephone pole Higgs Hill. Too fast for the bend?



Safety Tip – drive to the conditions, watch the road and your speed

We have apple firewood for sale phone 5402832 or 5432195 details

In February 2007 three to four members are going leave the brigade. If you think you could have the time to be a volunteer fire fighter contact the brigade as below.

If you can hear the Mapua fire siren day and night and have spare time and would like to be a fire fighter, we would like to hear from you. If you work at home, do shift work or have a business around Mapua and can help, then contact the Chief, Avan Perry, at home on 540-2421 or 025 364 721, or call in at the fire station Thursday nights' at around 7:30pm. E-mail Mapua@fire.org.nz or the web, www.fire.org.nz

Noticeboard

Parent & Child Xtravaganza – Founders Park Queens Birthday Monday 5 June, \$2 entry to park, free entry to Xtravaganza. A variety of stalls relating to pregnancy, babies and early childhood. Proceeds to Nelson District Parents Centre & Founders Park.

Parents Centre Childbirth Education Classes. 8 evenings. 5 July-16 Aug. \$140 including 1 year membership. Contact Genie 541 9641 or Melissa 544 3986

Wanted: Reasonably priced secure lock-up garage or store shed in Mapua. Please phone 540 3611.

Tailor made workshops for all ages. Giving people of all ages the opportunity to find their own, innate powers and feel capable and confident. Call us to discuss how we can serve you, your team and/or family with Tailor-made workshops. Ph. 543 2669

Website www.kidpower.org.nz

email newzealand@kidpower.org

Public courses coming up: **Fullpower** for women and teenage girls – Nelson 4 July, Lower Moutere 22/29 July. **Kidpower** Parent/Child for 4 to 7 year olds – Nelson 1 July. **Kidpower** for 8 to 12 year olds – Nelson 12/13 July. For more information call 543 2669

Can you type? Would you like to help build a safer world? Get to know other active people? Want to be part of a super volunteer team? Training, support and travel reimbursement provided. Help is needed for an exciting international project. Call Cornelia from the KIDPOWER TEENPOWER FULLPOWER Trust at 543 2669

Mapua Friendship Club welcomes old and new friends. We meet on the third Thursday of each month and enjoy a game of indoor bowls followed by a lovely afternoon tea and a raffle for a mystery prize. We also have cards if you prefer, Euchre, crib etc. No membership dues just a group of friendly people having a good laugh (some of us are not very good bowlers!) Come along and enjoy some good company. For further information ring Val Roche on 540-3685.

Floral Art Sat & Sun June 24-25, 10am-4pm. The Nelson Marlborough Area Floral Art Soc. Designer of the Year Competition and Floral Art display, will be held in the Mapua Hall Supper Room. Everyone most welcome - \$2 coin entry.

Poetry Night: Downstairs Bar at Flavour, Thurs 15 June 7.30pm. Open to all interested in hearing poetry or reading their own stuff. Supper at end for performers. Ph. Helen 5402515 or Raewyn 5402442

Mapua Genealogy Computer Discussion Group: Our Next **bimonthly** meeting will be 1.30pm on Saturday **3rd June**, at 46 Aranui Road, Mapua. For information about this group phone Val 540 3931 or Peter 540 2686

To rent - one bedroom, semi-furnished cottage in central Mapua. \$200pw. Ph 5402684

Mapua Women's Walking Group: Operating two social, friendly groups - both leaving from outside The Naked Bun on Thursday mornings. The early group leaves at 9.15 and walks for at least 1½ hours before meeting the later group for coffee. Ring Rose 5403600. Later group leaves at 10am - Ring Val 5403931. New members very welcome.

Coastal Garden Group meet monthly every first Thursday at 1.30 pm in the Supper Room at the Mapua Village Hall. Members, guests and visitors welcome, all enquiries to Barry Highsted (540 3139) or Anne-Marie Giddens (540 2335).

Digital Photography Group: Anyone with an interest in anything to do with digital photography/digital imaging is welcome to join our expanding group. Meetings first Tuesday of the month at 1.15pm. Phone Dot Siddle for more info, 540 2323

Mapua Combined Probus Club meets 1st Friday of the month at 1.30 in the supper room of Mapua Hall. All retirees most welcome. If interested please ring Pres. Athol Churchman 540 3450, Secr. Maureen Fon 540 3292.

Need Help? Can't connect your DVD / Video player/ Lost your computer work? Can't download your digital photos? Need help setting up an email account? Average job price only \$10! Basic web design, average price \$25/page, including advice on domain registration. Call **Whiz-kid Sam!** 5266-066. sambobuk@hotmail.com - <http://whizkid.awardspace.com/>

Photocopying at Mapua Auto Centre, 7 Warren Place, during office hours.

Kidz n' Koffee Playgroup every Wednesday (in school term) 10am to 12 noon. The age group is newborn to five years. All parents and caregivers are welcome to attend, there is no cost. Morning tea is provided for you and your children, a donation is appreciated. The playgroup meets at Hills Community Church, Mapua. Come and relax and meet some new neighbours. Enquiries to Sara Pumphrey 540-3889, and Sharon De Jong 543-2486.

Live music at the Pukeko Bar last Sunday of the month. A showcase of the region's best live music, 4-9pm. This month June 25th. Contact Graeme 540 20 50.

Postal Delivery

We can post the *Coastal News* to you. If you wish to take advantage of this, please send in your name and address plus \$10 (annually) to *Coastal News*, PO Box 19, Mapua. Mark the envelope "sub."