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Kohitere, Hokio abuse laid bare

By Paul Williams

The old Hokio and Kohitere youth prisons near Levin feature in a documentary that confronts New Zealand's horrific rates of historic abuse in state care.

Levin journalist Aaron Smale says he started making the documentary *The Stolen Children of Aotearoa* armed with a simple question: Why are there so many Māori in prison?

"I saw the statistics and wanted to ask and understand - why?" he says. "When I realised the scale of it, it suddenly made sense."

"You've got around 100,000 children that went through the system and suffered all this abuse, and a majority of those kids were Māori – up to 70 or 80 percent in some instances and the Māori [general] population was 10 percent."

He says "right there" he could see the dots joining: "How did we go from these poor but functioning communities in rural areas, to suddenly *Once Were Warriors*?"

"What happened in between?"

Time spent at correctional institutions like Kohitere, Hokio and others like them scattered around New Zealand at a young age was a reoccurring theme, acting like a conveyor belt for future serious offending and involvement in gangs.

"These institutions started to show up and it started to explain a lot – and this region

was unfortunately ground zero for it," he says. "There are a lot of people that worked in these institutions who wouldn't have been abusive and would have no idea this went on. But there were people there that were."

He says the release of the report from the Commission of Inquiry into Abuse in State Care laid it bare and gave the documentary teeth. The numbers were staggering – an estimated 100,000 cases of abuse.

Aaron says the documentary then couldn't help but take a bigger brush and look at the effect colonisation and urbanisation has had on Māori, as they were factors directly related, too.

"Before World War II there were very few Māori in prison," he says.

He admitted that making the documentary and listening to some of the stories wasn't easy.

"Of course it's not. This is awful stuff. The thing that makes me angry is that this type of thing is kept hidden over long periods of time."

"When you get to know the individuals and the impact it's had on their lives, and the intergenerational impact – that's why it's been so hard to walk away from."

"For most of their lives, if you spoke up it made things worse. The victims were never believed."

– Levin journalist Aaron Smale.



"You can't bounce in and bounce out."

"It's hard to feel sorry for yourself. I chose to do this and could walk away at any point. The victims can't. As hard as it has been, I'm only viewing this second hand. The victims live with this every day."

"My job was to make the public more aware of this."

"For most of their lives, if you spoke up it made things worse. The victims were never believed. To have that public validation is hugely important. It's that whole guilt and shame that goes with it. But that guilt and shame belong with someone else."

The government initially tried to ban Aaron

from attending its apology following the commission of inquiry last year. It was rescinded once it had grabbed the full attention of media.

"It was a shame because being the centre of that attention distracted from the whole point of the day, which was the apology to the victims. I was not the story. It wasn't about me."

He says his satisfaction came from the acknowledgement from victims that telling these stories had helped them make sense of what they had been through, like a phone call from a gang member who had been through Lake Alice as a young man.

"He said to me win, lose or draw, you've won. You gave us hope," he says.



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Inset photo: Jill and Barry on their wedding day outside St Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Symonds Street, Auckland, on May 7 1960. Photo supplied

Jill and Barry met in the early 1950s while both were working as apprentices on Auckland's Parnell Rise. Barry was an engineering apprentice with B Johnson and Sons near Carlaw Park, and Jill was an apprentice milliner at Milne & Choyce, first in Queen Street and later at Parnell Rise.

Barry had to give up his engineering apprenticeship due to hearing problems

resulting from catching measles a few times.

"I went into office equipment and carpooled to work with a few friends, some of whom who worked at the Auckland Star, and that resulted in a newspaper job for me," he says. "I was the first 8 O'Clock Sports national sales rep for a few years and regularly travelled all over New Zealand."

He also worked for Woman's Weekly and eventually became assistant manager at the Wellington office of NZ Newspapers.

"I was then approached by the Reader's Digest to start the first NZ edition and worked for them for 14 years."

That brought the couple back to Auckland. A chance trip with friends to the Bay of Islands resulted in them buying a property in Paihia.

He worked for the Waitangi Golf Club for nearly two years, handled marketing for the Bay of Islands deep sea fishing charter fleet.

He helped set up a sport fishing association to attract American recreational sport fishers to New Zealand

Next thing they found themselves in Burbank, California, for that job.

"We were only going for two years but stayed 14," Barry says. "We could have stayed longer but in the end we decided to come back as we missed our family too much."

"We've seen a lot of the US over those years and have probably been to places few Kiwis have been."

They returned to Auckland in 1996, but decided it had changed too much for them to put down roots, so they ventured south to Lower Hutt, Waikanae, and Levin in 2005 when one of their sons began a business in the town.

The couple have two sons, three grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Dancer Niyah shows she's up there with the best

A young Levin dancer has turned heads at one of the biggest ballet competitions in the Southern Hemisphere.

Niyah Henare-Pearson, 12, reached the quarterfinals at the Alana Haines Australasian Awards, competing against 380 of the best young dancers from New Zealand and Australia.

Niyah's dance teacher, Chantal Pinguet, says the Levin The Movement dance studio was "buzzing" as news of Niyah's achievement spread, as those types of results are usually reserved for dancers from the big cities.

"It's a phenomenal achievement," she says. "It really is a big deal for a dancer from a small town."

The awards are held biannually and in the past 30 years has grown in prestige.

Dancers have to be aged 11 or older, so it was Niyah's first year competing.

Chantal says the achievement is just reward for a dedicated dancer who is passionate about the art. She also belongs to the New Zealand School of Dance scholarship programme after a successful audition.

"Niyah trains most days of the week. She is an exceptional student and one that all our junior dancers look up to."

"It's great that she has been provided this opportunity. It's due not only to her talent but also her work ethic."



Niyah Henare-Pearson performing. Photo MX Dance Visuals



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BEHIND THE SCENES – WHAT GOES INTO PRODUCING A SHOW

Let's have a look at our current youth production Madagascar Jr. First, there is the decision of what show to do, and what would appeal to a younger cast to audition.

Next, we have to find the creative team – a director, vocal coach and choreographer. Auditioning looks for those who can sing and dance, as well as commit to the three times a week rehearsals for the next three months.

Building a set for the show follows with director and set builders collaborating to design the set. For Madagascar this had to encompass a zoo, a New York Street, the subway, the snowy arctic, a sea voyage and finally Madagascar. Once this is assembled our set painters put the final touches to the scenes.


Meanwhile, the wardrobe and props team is working in the background making or altering a

multitude of costumes and props.

The lighting team are planning the effects the director requires to bring the show to life, and preparing for plotting night when each individual lighting cue is paired with a specific action, word or line of the script.

Then comes the technical rehearsal. All of these elements have to come together with a lot of stop and restart moments. This allows the set crew to add what is needed into the giant jigsaw, and the sound team to coordinate the music and microphones.

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LEST WE FORGET – Anzac Day in pictures



A CHILLY MORNING greeted the hundreds who turned out for Anzac Day dawn services at Levin and Foxton.

Elderly veterans, current military personnel, and members of the public braved the early start, some wrapped in blankets and winter jackets. A large number of children also attended, brought by parents and grandparents to give them an understanding of the sacrifice their forebears made in wars and peace-keeping duties throughout the world.

Buglar Andrew Willis (top left) played *The Last Post*.

Grandparents Steve and Lee Watson (at left) were at the Levin dawn service at the cenotaph, with grandsons (from left) Jahren, 7, and Travis, 6.

"We brought them along to teach them something about respect and history," Steve told the Star. "It [Anzac Day] is part of our culture."

Later in the morning, under bright sunshine, services were held again in Levin (below left), at Shannon (below right), Foxton, Moutoa, Tokomaru and Manakau. Ōhau held a mid-afternoon service, and back in Levin, retreat ceremonies were at the Avenue Cemetery and Tiro Tiro Road Cemetery.

At Manakau, Army personnel led a march (at right) from the community hall to the cenotaph. A feature of the ceremony was the number of children who participated, many of them having stayed overnight at Manakau School.

Children lined up at the Manakau cenotaph to lay wreaths they had made themselves. They included (bottom right) Max Thompson, 7, who wore his father's medals and Army hat, and brother Zack, 5, wearing his great-grandad's medals.



Work gearing up for expressway

There might not appear to be much happening but work is gearing up for the Ōtaki to North Levin expressway.

The expressway will bring the biggest change to Levin and other Horowhenua settlements along the route since the railway from Wellington to Longburn was opened in November 1886.

NZTA Waka Kotahi says site investigations have been in full swing during the past month. Soil testing and earthworks trials are happening, with the insights from drilling and other work being used to help determine the overall programme, design and construction sequencing.

Archaeology digs have also begun at some of the 12 potential sites identified during the consenting process. These investigations will be done before construction starts.

On Tatarua Road, a new Ō2NL site office is being built, with the agency saying it's making good progress. Building construction can be seen by passing motorists. The site office is expected to be up and running about mid-year. Once it's open the office on Oxford Street in Levin will be vacated.

Work has also begun to develop a four hectare predator-proof area where protected lizards will be relocated during construction of the Ō2NL expressway. The area is being prepared on land at the corner of Queen Street East and Arapaepae Road (State Highway 57). It's planned to be a long-term enclosure after the project.

Under the project's Resource Management Act consent conditions, before construction works start in certain areas, Waka Kotahi has to search for and safely relocate any native lizards it finds to a safe and fenced, predator-free area.

To get the area ready, native trees and other plants will be planted, pest control – for animals and plants – will be done, and habitat features will be created, including log stacks, lizard hides and natural stone piles. If lizards are found when vegetation is cleared, they'll be relocated to their new home.

Trained ecologists and kaitiaki search for and relocate the lizards. There are a few ways to find them, including placing roofing tiles to create warm spots that attract lizards, live traps, or manually searching. Vegetation clearance will also be done in



An earthworks trial at SH57, which will help determine the overall programme, design and construction sequencing.
Photo NZTA Waka Kotahi

areas of lizard habitat to locate those not found during searches.

Waka Kotahi says during the past few months, the project team has been working through the developed design phase of the project, ahead of starting construction in spring. The transport agency will have public sessions in May where it will update people on the work and share the proposed final design.

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Mayor, MP at odds over speed limit increase

By Janine Baalbergen

A decision by NZTA to raise the speed limit to 100km/h on some stretches of Horowhenua roads has put Mayor Bernie Wanden and MP Tim Costley at odds.

After public consultation, NZTA found “not enough public support in Horowhenua” to keep speeds on sections of SH57 and SH1 at 80km/h.

Sixty-five percent of local submissions supported lower speeds, but after adding submissions from outside the district, 55 percent wanted the higher speeds.

“The voice of the community has been ignored, and that means higher risk for all road users,” says Bernie, who led a campaign against the proposed speed limit increases.

Ōtaki MP Tim Costley disagrees.

“The voice of the community has definitely been heard,” Tim says. “Where in the country the majority wanted lower speeds they are getting lower speeds.

“In Horowhenua the total number of people against was not high enough.”

He did say, however, he was disappointed that speed limits would be raised on the section of SH57 outside Speldhurst Country Estate.

“I haven’t given up on that one yet. I have spoken to NZTA and the minister, but NZTA will not reduce the speed on just that section of road, though it is only a few hundred metres. I am working on it.”

But Bernie says speeds will go up on busy stretches of road that run past marae, businesses and multiple side roads – as well as Speldhurst with its 700 elderly residents.

“The community was very clear that it wanted the lower speed limits retained, with 65 percent of local submissions against going back to 100 km/h.”

He accepts that overall submissions, including road users from



Ōtaki MP Tim Costley, left, and Horowhenua Mayor Bernie Wanden, who disagree on speed limits in the district.



outside the district, were 55 percent in favour of raising the limits, but it was a close call.

“And let me be clear – at 100km/h these roads are more dangerous for everyone. Since speed limits dropped to 80km/h in 2022 these roads have been safer.

“NZTA Waka Kotahi data show us there have been no fatal crashes in this period, compared to an average of more than two deaths a year when the speed limit was 100km/h. Serious injury crashes halved over the same period, from more than three

to an average of 1.5 per year.”

He says before the speeds came down, the Ōtaki to Levin highway was known as one of the most dangerous stretches of road in the country.

As a result of the public consultation, SH1 between Ōhau and Manakau will be 100km/h again from July 1, as will the stretch of SH1 from Manakau to Pukehou Bridge, as well as SH57-SH1 from the Kimberley Road intersection to Heatherlea East Road.

The section of road south of Shannon that is 60km/h will go up to 70km/h.

Tim says cars are much safer today and safety measures implemented on the state highways in our region will help keep fatal accidents low, regardless of speeds.

Mayor Bernie, however, has a plea for drivers, whether Horowhenua locals or those passing through.

“Please drive to the conditions, not just the speed limit. Saving a few minutes on your travel time is never worth getting into an accident.”

Director to thank for play choice

Foxton Little Theatre has guest director Matt Kilsby-Halliday to thank for choosing *An Unseasonable Fall Of Snow*, which opened at the weekend.

Matt, who has been in community theatre for almost 30 years, has performed on stage at Foxton before, though had only recently tried his hand at directing, encouraged by audience responses. *An Unseasonable Fall of Snow* is his first time directing for the historic Foxton theatre, and he was brave enough to mix it up a bit.



“I’m really excited to show Foxton what I can bring to their theatre,” he says. “I’ve been intrigued by this piece for years and hoped to one day get the opportunity to present it.

“I had long discussions with theatre friends about the themes and discussions in the text and collectively we came to the idea of twisting one of the characters slightly. The cast have been working incredibly hard to bring this to life. I hope you enjoy the ride.”

Written by acclaimed New Zealand playwright Gary Hendersen, the play has just three characters; Audrey (Ellise Buckley), Liam (Navah Chapman) and Toni (Kiana White).

It’s a psychological thriller centred around the interrogation of a bewildered young man.

- Warning: the play has strong language and simulated violence. It continues on Friday and Saturday nights until May 10.

A special night with Emily Write – big win for Levin

Jennifer Walton, Library Engagement Team Lead

There are some events that feel like a perfect match for a place, and An Evening with Emily Writes at Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō is one of them.

We’re thrilled to be hosting Emily – beloved writer, blogger, and champion of parents everywhere – for a night of laughter, honesty, and heart. Emily Writes (pictured right) first came to prominence with her raw and relatable blog posts about the realities of parenting, and she’s since become a trusted voice for so many New Zealanders.

Her books *Rants in the Dark* and *Is It Bedtime Yet?* made us laugh out loud and cry quietly, sometimes in the same paragraph. Just when we thought it couldn’t get any more relatable, she hits us with *Needs Adult Supervision* and we wheezed and leg slapped all the way through. Emily has a gift for making the chaos of life feel a little less lonely. She doesn’t sugar-coat it – she tells it like it is, and we love her all the more for it.

Having her in Levin feels like a big win for our community. It’s not just about hosting a well-known name (though we’re certainly proud of that). It’s about making space for real conversation – about parenthood, mental health, connection, and creativity. Emily’s events have a way of turning strangers into a room full of nodding heads, shared glances, and knowing chuckles. That’s the power of her voice.

This night is for everyone – not just mums (although I say drag mum along for a Mother’s Day celebration) or bloggers or book lovers. If you’ve ever tried to hold it together on two hours’ sleep, or wondered if you’re the only one who finds this whole life thing a bit messy and magical at once, this evening is for you.

Our library is proud to be a place where stories are told and shared, and we can’t wait to welcome you for what promises to be an unforgettable evening. Come early, bring a friend, and settle in for a night with one of Aotearoa’s most authentic and heartfelt writers.

Because when Emily Writes speaks, we all feel a little more seen.

Emily’s coming Saturday, 10th May, 7pm, 18+. Check out the library website or Facebook page for more details.

Heritage Rooms

Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō: Tues, Wed, Fri (10am–12:30pm), Thurs (10am–3pm).

Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom: Research librarian available all day Fridays.



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Exhibitions

Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō Gallery: All Sorts – Friday Collective (2–30 May 2025)

Explore the All Sorts exhibition by the Friday Collective, a group of local artists who meet weekly at Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō. Featuring works in oil and acrylic by Sally Peterson, Barbara Collis, Samantha Lewer, Iris Reesby, David Hemsley, Alola Frederikson, and Margaret Crighton, this exhibition offers a diverse range of subjects and creative expressions. Visit to find inspiration, view unique artworks, and maybe even take one home!

Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom Kabinet Art Gallery: Poking Sticks . . . A Different, Irreverent Reality (23 Mar–8 Jun 2025)

An exhibition to spark conversation, bring smiles, and challenge conventions. Featuring nine South Island artists, the showcase ranges from vibrant and lyrical to historical, unsettling, and bizarre—including an orange sculpture with carrots sticking out! Curated by Arjan van der Boon. Artists: Rudolf Boelee | Kees Bruin | Janet de Wagt | Saskia Leek | Kim Pieters | Helm Ruifrok | Simon van der Sluijs | Francis van Hout | Ronnie van Hout.

Weekly Events

Friday (2 May & 9 May)

Friday Live Concert, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 12–1pm

Saturday (10 May)

An Evening with Emily Writes (R18 +), Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 7–9pm

Mondays (5 May & 12 May)

Storytime, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 10–10:30am

Meet Street, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 10–11am

Digital Drop-in, Shannon Library, 1:30–3:30pm

Digital Learning: Smartphone Basics, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 1–3pm

Tuesdays (6 May & 13 May)

Digital Drop-in, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 10–11am

Storytime, Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom, 10:30–11am

JP Service, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 11:30am–1:30pm

Lego Hour, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 3:30–4:30pm

Sensory Sessions, Levin Aquatics, 7–8pm

Wednesdays (7 May & 14 May)

Aqua Tots: Foxton Pools, 10:10–11:15am / Levin Aquatics, 10:30–11:15am

Pop Up Eats, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō Carpark, 5–8pm

Quiz Night, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 7–9pm, \$5

(7 May only) FOHL Morning Tea - Guest: Mayor Bernie Wanden, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 10am (all welcome)

(7 May only) Teen Book Club, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 4–5pm

(7 May only) Page Turners Kōrero Group, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 7–9pm

Thursdays (8 May & 15 May)

Sewing Workshop, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 9.30am–11.30pm

Discovering Family History Workshop, Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 1–3pm

(8 May only) Digital Drop-in Session, Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom, 10–12pm

(8 May only) Digital Learning: eLibrary Discovery Session, Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom, 1.30–3.30pm.



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Every Wednesday 5pm – 8pm
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Quiz Night

Every Wednesday 7pm – 9pm
Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō
\$5 entry



Creative Hands

Every Wednesday 10am – 1pm
Levin Senior Citizens Hall
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Levin Senior Citizens Association

Every Third Thursday of the month 1.30pm – 3.30pm
Levin Citizens Hall
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Friday Concerts

Every Friday 12pm – 1pm
Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō



Levin Repair Cafe

Every Second Saturday of the month 10am – 1pm
Levin Senior Citizens Hall



Levin Monthly Market

First Saturday of the month 8.30am – 12pm
Uniting Communities Centre



Te Whare Mahana Monthly Market

Last Saturday of the month 8.30 – 12pm
Te Whare Mahana Community Centre, 32 Bristol Street, Levin



AquaTots Levin

Every Wednesday, 10.30 – 11.15am
Levin Aquatic Centre
\$2.50 child, caregiver free



AquaTots Foxton

Every Wednesday, 10.30 – 11.15am
Foxton Pools, 61-63 Main Street, Foxton
\$2.50 child, caregiver free



Sensory Sessions

Every Tuesday 7pm – 8pm and Saturday 9am – 10am
Levin Aquatics Centre
Regular pool entry



Book Kōrero Group

The First Wednesday of Every Month, 7pm
Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 10 Bath Street, Levin



Poking Sticks... A Different Irreverent Reality

On throughout April and May
Māpuna Kabinet Art Gallery, Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom,
Main Street, Foxton



Levin Hobby and Crafts Expo

Friday 3 May & Saturday 4 May, 9am – 3pm
Horowhenua Events Centre and Showgrounds, 32 Victoria
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Frocks on Shocks 2025

Saturday 3 May, 12pm – 3pm
Foxton MTB Trails at Target Reserve, SH1, Foxton



6 Week Fitness Challenge

Monday 5 May – Thursday 15 May
Levin Aquatic Centre and Foxton Pools



Teen Book Club

Wednesday 7 May, 4pm – 5pm
Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 10 Bath Street, Levin



Fish Fry Blues Club - Robert Johnson Birthday Tribute

Thursday 8 May, 7pm – 10pm
Firebird Café, 58 Oxford Street, Levin



Kit 'n' Kaboodle Live

Friday 9 May, 7.30pm
Firebird Café, 58 Oxford Street, Levin



An Evening With Emily Writes

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Te Takeretanga o Kura-hau-pō, 10 Bath Street, Levin
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Wednesday 28 May, 12.30pm – 2.30pm
The Pizza Factory, 38 Cambridge Street, Levin



Paint and Wine Night - Matariki

Thursday 29 May, 6.30pm – 8.30pm
Levin Club, 262 Oxford Street, Levin



Mavtech Film Night

Friday 30 May, 7pm
Coronation Hall, Corner Avenue Road and Main Street, Foxton

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REPORTER'S NOTES: JANINE BAALBERGEN

The language crackle – time for us all to get over it

The presence and use of multiple languages is a commonplace occurrence in many countries, as country boundaries are just political boundaries grown historical, formed through war after war.

Many countries have more than one official language and often several unofficial languages. In France, for example, they speak French, German, Basque, Languedoc, Breton, Corsican, Occitan and Dutch to name a few. In Belgium they speak Dutch, French and German. In the Netherlands they speak Dutch, Frisian, Lower Saxon. In Switzerland they speak French, German and Italian.

With language comes a different culture, a different cuisine and a different point of view. New Zealand's language crackle continues to amaze me. People protest Samoans speaking their own language among themselves, people whine about the increased use of te reo Māori in New Zealand English, which is what makes us unique.

For us true Europeans, meaning those who



grew up in a European country and culture (me in the Netherlands), hearing multiple languages daily is the norm. It's on TV, radio, and all around you.

We learn foreign languages, like English, at an early age. As you study languages you find a lot of similarities because they often have a common origin or have been influenced by others: Greek, Latin, Norse, French, German, Italian, Spanish. English is full of words originally borrowed from other languages and indigenised.

But some people in this country seem hell-bound at disavowing people with an accent or disallowing them access to or use of the language of their parents.

Admittedly there was a trend in many

countries to force people to use one way of speaking only. One group, often the dominant group politically or economically, decided their way was the only way, thus pointing out that if you wanted to belong you had to be and speak like they did.

In the Netherlands for example, many tried to hide their language heritage, Friesian or Lower Saxon for example, by adopting proper Dutch. It's what is spoken in the coastal provinces where people have dominated the country's history for centuries and where the country's power and business bases are.

In the last few decades what many referred to as dialects have been revived and are now taught at local schools, with many books published in the local speak.

Nobody denies you the right to speak English, so why deny me Dutch, or my friends Māori, Hindi, Chinese or Tongan? It is who we are and it brings diversity to our mash potato Americanised culture is where everyone is expected to be and do the way others with power do things.

We know we are not like you, nor do we wish

to be. So we assert ourselves. Many of us who are not of English stock don't complain that everything is in English . . . we adapt. So should you.

Māori welcomed Pākehā – in particular the English –with open arms 200 years ago and certainly don't deserve to be treated with the disdain they often are.

Actually no-one does. We are a multi-racial and multi-cultural nation, as are many so-called Western nations. Listen to each other, learn and be a better person because of it.

And if the reason you resent us speaking a different language is the fact you don't know what we're saying, consider this: It was probably not meant to be for you and we were most likely not talking about you, no matter what you think.

If it is that important to you to know what we are saying, learn the lingo, then you will understand how wrong you were. Enjoy the egg on your face.

We will probably find a face cloth to help wipe it off for you.

■ Janine is the Horowhenua Star's senior reporter

EDITOR'S DESK: PAUL WILLIAMS



Doing my dough cold on speed

What's a life worth? 20 seconds? A minute?

The government decision to revert speed limits either side of Levin from 80km/h back to 100km/h might save time on your drive through town, but it could cost lives. Since the limit was reduced to 80km/h in 2022 there have been no deaths. In the five years before that there were 15 deaths and 44 incidents of serious injury.

A chief coroner once called the road between Ōtaki and Levin a "killing field". The late Phil Comber said that more than 20 years ago, and there was a lot less traffic then.

I can't imagine the affect each death or serious injury has on families. You come to respect and admire emergencies services for the work they do and the horror they must see.

So, when you learn there have been zero deaths while speed limits were lowered, it gives a glimmer of hope that maybe, just maybe, there is a controlling measure to lessen suffering.

There are some in leadership that see it. Horowhenua District Council made a submission on behalf of residents and ratepayers. Mayor Bernie Wanden launched a "Safer at 80" campaign. In vain.

What is the value of "consultation"? The percentages that participate are usually pathetic – less than 1 percent of the population – yet the results are tallied up and relied on as if it were a referendum.

What should win the day is common sense. But where to find it?

Speed, on this stretch of road, with so many entries and exits and increasing volumes of cars, trucks, school buses and agricultural traffic, multiplies risk. The odds don't stack up.

If I was a betting man – and I am – I would have put the house on the government leaving speed limit at 80km/h. I would have done my dough cold.

COUNCILLOR'S CORNER: CLINT GRIMSTONE

A role on the council – if not you, who?

The local government elections in October are a chance to elect a new council, and if you feel unrepresented at the council table or disagree with the council's current direction, now is the time to consider running for election.

Ask yourself: If not you, who? Who in our community would make a good elected member? Who possesses the skills, knowledge, business sense, and community connections to contribute to decision-making and best represent your interests?

Once you've identified that person, start a conversation. Sometimes, just a conversation is enough to inspire someone to step up and run.

If you're considering becoming a candidate, reach out to a current elected member. I'm sure they'd be happy to share their experiences and offer guidance.

You might also attend council workshops or meetings. Local Government New Zealand has resources to help potential candidates, and the council's Democracy team can connect you with

them.

The responsibilities of an elected member are wide-ranging, from infrastructure like pipes, local roads, and footpaths, to environmental concerns such as tree management and stormwater treatments, and community development projects including town centre redevelopments, sports grounds, parks, wastewater treatment plants, and community events.

We have the responsibility to make decisions that benefit the people we serve for the long term. This includes everyone in the community – those who vote for us, those who share our views, current residents, and future generations.

Horowhenua is already a great place to live, work, and play. Despite the challenges ahead, there are plenty of opportunities. More and more people are choosing to call Horowhenua home, and we're looking forward to a new highway and increased train services, the



realisation of Tara-ika, a town centre redevelopment project, and a world-class golf course in Ōhau, all just a few years away.

Elected members must listen to your dreams and aspirations as it is vital for meaningful progress. It builds trust, fosters unity and ensures that development reflects real needs. True leadership begins with listening because every voice carries a vision worth honouring and a future worth building together.

This term as an elected member has been deeply rewarding, to know we are making a difference in our community and shaping its future. We are well-supported by council officers who are proud to serve you and dedicated to implementing the direction set by elected members. We acknowledge their work.

So, with less than six months until the next local body elections, I ask again: if not you, who?

■ Clint is a Horowhenua councillor

THE ELECTORATE: TIM COSTLEY

Foxton – a sign of how we can all work together

It's been a great week in our community, starting with Anzac Day and a three-day weekend packed with events.

Aside from the five Anzac Day services I attended, starting in Foxton and working my way south, there were many other highlights last weekend.

Saturday was the Big Dutch Day Out in Foxton, something I attend every year, and this year was another top event. Rangitikei MP Suze Redmayne and I attended, along with the two Dutch deputy ambassadors. It was a sea of orange, including my own custom orange Foxton T-shirt.

It's always so good to see Foxton busy, and it shows us the exciting future the town has. When we finish building the new expressway from Ōtaki to Levin (enabling work has started) Foxton will be the first stop out of Wellington. From the museum to shops, the river loop and the beach, there is so much to do and Suze and I want to see



the town this busy every weekend.

Te Awahou Nieuwe Stroom is more than just a museum, it is a visible sign that we can bring different cultures and tikanga together in a way that adds and multiplies – it doesn't compete or threaten.

In my view Foxton is a sign of how we can all work together and bring the best of our history and heritage to create something pretty special. That is a really encouraging sign to everyone in New Zealand about what our future looks like. Ignore those who seek headlines through division; we have a rich and proud history in our region and our nation and our future is positive.

This weekend I also attended the world premiere of the film *The People We Love*. It's a great New Zealand story, filmed in Kāpiti and well worth a watch. Please support our amazing local actors, writers, directors and producers. Congratulations Mike Smith and Sharon Tyrrell on an amazing film.



I also ran the 12km Faultline race around Wellington hills, an event run by Bengy Barsanti and his local team from our region. I judged the kids market stalls in Ōtaki, I spoke to the Levin Over 60s, visited the regional Emergency Operations Centre, hosted Education Minister Erica Stanford around local schools, attended an investiture at Government House on behalf of the prime minister, and much more.

I love our local community and I'm so proud to represent us all.

■ Tim is MP for the Ōtaki Electorate

Role of tikanga central to Privileges deliberations

The approaching session of Parliament beginning next week may well become a historic period in the development of Parliament and the future shape of the country's governance.

The reason is that Parliament's Privileges Committee is scheduled to continue on with its deliberations on the breach of the institution's rules by Te Pati Maori (TPM) MPs in leaving their seats to perform a haka in response to Act's Treaty Principles Bill.

TPM co-leader Debbie Ngarewa-Packer has since said that the three MPs were using haka as the deepest form of political expression, debate and tikanga that they could. She said it attracted disciplinary actions that were not based on tikanga, but Speaker Gerry Brownlee said he believed the haka showed a huge disrespect for Parliament.

Since the haka was performed TPM has consulted with lawyers, including former Attorney-General and Treaty Minister Chris Finlayson and Hamilton's Tania Waikato, as well as with tikanga expert Te Po Temara.

The University of Otago under the heading: "Societal lore (tikanga) in Maori culture" says: "It can best be described as behavioural guidelines for living and interacting with others. Tikanga tends to be based on experience and learning that has been handed down through generations, also deeply rooted in logic and common sense."

Lawyer Tania Waikato has agreed with Debbie Ngarewa-Packer that using haka as a tool of political debate in response to the legislation was "totally appropriate" and fully in accordance with tikanga. Parliament, she

claimed, was lagging behind other branches and institutions of government when it came to recognising and embedding tikanga.

It is this latter claim that goes to the heart of New Zealand's governance, because branches and institutions of government are subject to the direction of "the government" as approved by Parliament. And, it may be argued, Seymour's Treaty Principles Bill was a reaction to branches and institutions getting out in front of government.

TPM has therefore effectively set up a two-stage debate. The first covers the issue of whether by leaving their seats to perform the haka the three MPs were breaching Parliament's rules.

The second is whether tikanga has a role to play in decisions made by the Parliament. On precedent, it would be unexpected if the committee were to rule that it applies in this case. Should it do so, a precedent would be established setting undefined considerations to be taken into account in future proceedings of the Parliament.

It would not, however, mean that tikanga is ruled out of future deliberations in Parliament. But it is for the institution itself to make the decision as to whether tikanga should in future be a factor observed in parliamentary proceedings and protected in rules of conduct.

Affirmative action to formally introduce tikanga into the parliamentary business

Te Pāti Māori's Treaty Principles Bill haka showed "huge disrespect for the Parliament itself".

– Speaker of the House
Gerry Brownlee



environment would require a high degree of specific terminology setting out "dos and don'ts" for successive speakers to follow when enforcing order in the debating chamber. Without it the potential for disorder is significant. The current debate on the haka demonstrates this.

It is not an issue for instant decision making, especially if inflammatory and provocative oratory enters the mix.

Speaker Brownless has endorsed an initiative previously undertaken by his predecessor, Adrian Rurawhe, to establish a group of Members of Parliament tasked with reviewing Parliament's standing orders. This work indicates that the institution is open to change. The group's mandate is to assess whether Parliament's rules are suitable for their intended purpose and reflective of New Zealand society.

The report of this group when presented will almost certainly become the subject of extensive debate. But in the meantime, the parliamentary "haka saga" will occupy headlines through the report of the Privileges Committee and the "alternative" proceedings TPM says it will hold.

These alternative proceedings are likely to be positive for the government unless they are organised with a clear eye for substance over rhetoric. Headline grabbing actions and statements do not appear to have been constituency building for the party.

Political polls have TPM dropping, down to 3 percent, Labour declining and the Green Party steady. The coalition is marginally increasing its lead at a time when it should, on past precedents for mid-term governance, be finding voters resistant to its programmes.

Winston Peters and David Seymour see the outspoken tactics of the TPM leadership as useful fodder for political sniping while National holds middle ground at 36 percent against Labour's 32 percent. Labour cannot afford to see its prospective partners on the left dropping further but National will not be unhappy at NZ First and Act gaining at the left's expense, not theirs.

■ Bruce has been an economics and business editor, and a foreign correspondent in Washington, London and Hong Kong.

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Buyers’ choice – best house, or best street?

When considering real estate investment or buying a home to live in, one of the most debated decisions is whether to buy the best house on the worst street, or the worst house on the best street.

Both have their merits and drawbacks, and the right decision ultimately depends on your priorities – are they financial gain, lifestyle, or long-term potential.

Buying the worst house on the best street

The most commonly favoured choice among real estate professionals is buying the worst house on the best street.

The logic is primarily based on the concept of “location, location, location”. A property’s value is heavily influenced by its surroundings.

A run-down or smaller home in a high-demand, well-maintained, safe, and prestigious neighborhood often benefits from the value of the surrounding properties. This means that, over time, your property is more likely to appreciate in value simply because of where it is.

Additionally, buying the worst house gives you room to add value. If you’re able to renovate or improve the property, you could significantly increase its worth.

The improvements will be in line with the high-value homes around it, and you’ll likely avoid the risk of spending more than you’ll gain from the renovations, since the neighborhood can support a higher market price.

This makes it a prime strategy for investors and homeowners looking to build equity.

From a lifestyle perspective, living in a desirable neighbourhood usually means better schools, lower crime rates, cleaner streets, and access to amenities such as parks, cafes, and public transport.



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Even if your house isn’t just the way you want it right away, the neighbourhood offers a quality of life that might be worth the trade-off.

The best house on the worst street

Buying the best house on the worst street can also be appealing, especially for buyers who want a move-in-ready home and are less concerned about investment potential. If the house is significantly better than its neighbours, it might come with more space, modern renovations, and fewer immediate maintenance needs.

This can be particularly attractive to families or individuals who want a comfortable lifestyle without undertaking big renovation projects.

However, the main risk of this choice is limited value growth.

Even if your home is beautifully maintained, it can be dragged down by the condition of the surrounding area.

Poor infrastructure, neglected neighboring properties, crime, or a lack of community investment can all affect your home’s resale value. Additionally, buyers might be reluctant to pay a premium for a great home in a bad location, so you might struggle to sell it at a profit later on.

There’s also a psychological factor.

Even if you have a wonderful house, the quality of your environment plays a big role in daily satisfaction. If you don’t feel safe, have limited access to good services, or don’t enjoy your surroundings, the quality of your home might not compensate for those downsides.

Conclusion

In most cases, buying the worst house on the best street is the smarter long-term move. It allows you to invest in a location with strong demand,

good infrastructure, and potential for appreciation. It also offers opportunities to improve the home and increase its value in line with the neighbourhood.

That said, everyone’s situation is different. If your priority is a turnkey property and you’re less concerned about resale or equity growth, the best house on the worst street might suit your needs better.

Just be aware that you might face challenges if the area doesn’t improve over time.

Ultimately, the best decision balances your financial goals, lifestyle preferences, and risk tolerance.

Location tends to be the most important driver of long-term value, so buying a less-than-perfect home in a great area is usually the better investment.



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Step inside and be welcomed by a light-filled, open-plan living space designed for effortless living and entertaining. The neutral decor, double-glazed windows, and efficient heat pump create a warm and inviting atmosphere year-round. The contemporary kitchen is a standout feature, offering quality fixtures, generous storage, and everything you need to cook and create with ease.

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OPEN HOME SUNDAY 12PM-12.30PM

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» 47 Highbury Drive LEVIN

BEO \$1,180,000



TIMELESS ELEGANCE

From the moment you arrive, you'll sense the distinction of this remarkable five bedroom home. Nestled behind a private brick fence, the welcoming entrance leads through grand double doors into a beautifully light-filled interior. At the heart of the home, the designer kitchen is a dream for any chef, boasting premium finishes, a six-burner gas stove, and a walk-in pantry. Thoughtfully designed for seamless living, it flows effortlessly into both the formal dining room and the outdoor patio. Set on a private 1,412m2 section, the beautifully landscaped grounds create a serene sanctuary.

Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01842
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» 36 Salisbury Street LEVIN

BY NEGOTIATION



FOUR BEDROOMS AND STYLISH

This beautifully modernised 119m2 home combines the best of contemporary living with the character of yesteryear. Perfectly positioned close to town, schools, and the supermarket, convenience is just another highlight of this fantastic property.

Set on a private, fully fenced 457m2 easy-care section, this home offers a wonderful sense of security and low-maintenance living - ideal for busy families. Step inside and be greeted by gorgeous polished timber floors that add warmth and character, perfectly complemented by a light, modern interior and the bonus of high ceilings that enhance the sense of space.

The kitchen is a dream, boasting modern appliances.

Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01889
OPEN HOME SUNDAY 1.30PM-2PM

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» 14 Twin Peaks Grove KOPUTAROA

BEO \$1,059,000



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At the heart of the home is a spacious open-plan living area.

Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01857
OPEN HOME SUNDAY 11AM-11.30AM

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» 11 Matipo Street LEVIN

DEADLINE SALE



A WHOLE LOTTA HOUSE

This generous five-bedroom home is thoughtfully designed for growing families, offering multiple living zones and fantastic functionality. A tiled dining area flows seamlessly into a well-equipped kitchen and through to the laundry with access to the sunny rear deck. A modern bathroom with separate toilet and shower adds everyday convenience.

The cosy yet expansive living room features a woodburner with a flue system that channels warmth upstairs to the second lounge and bedrooms.

Deadline Sale (Unless Sold Prior) Closes 1pm, 15 May 2025, Wilton & Co, 530 Queen Street East, Levin

Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01893
OPEN HOME SUNDAY 12.30PM-1PM

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» 79 Kawi Road LEVIN

3 1 2 1

NEW PRICE

Beautifully elevated and boasting sweeping views over farmland, this well-presented home is bursting with charm and personality. From the moment you step into the welcoming foyer and ascend the staircase, you'll be greeted by gleaming polished timber floors and brand new carpet. Generous living spaces flow effortlessly into one another and out to the front balcony and private backyard, perfect for entertaining.

ASKING \$625,000
OPEN HOME SUNDAY 1.30PM-2PM
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01878
Adriana Wilton 0297766902



» 7 Heather Street LEVIN

3 1 1 1

First home buyer alert!

This could be just what you have been waiting for - this is a home you can call your own. With three bedrooms, and open plan kitchen and dining room which flows through to the lounge, heated by a wood burner, and views of the Tararua Ranges. The lounge has a ranch slider while the dining boasts French doors. The front opening to a porch, while the back opens to a larger covered deck.

BUYER ENQUIRY OVER \$425,000
OPEN HOME SUNDAY 11AM-11.30AM
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01879
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» 66A Weraroa Road LEVIN

3 1 1 2

NEW PRICE

Our vendor will consider all reasonable offers! So if you are looking for easy care living and being able to walk to the supermarket, this is it! Convenience is key at this brick and tile townhouse. Nestled just moments away from the supermarket and the heart of town. Step inside to discover the welcoming open-plan kitchen, dining, and living area, complemented by a separate lounge for added versatility.

BUYER ENQUIRY OVER \$525,000
OPEN HOME SUNDAY 12.45PM-1.15PM
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01637
Adriana Wilton 0297766902



» 69 Winchester Street LEVIN

3 2 1

Winner on Winchester!

This 120m2 family home with aluminium joinery, offers an exciting opportunity to make it your own, all within a convenient location, not far from town and schools. Step inside and be welcomed by a generously sized lounge, perfect for family evenings or entertaining guests. The functional kitchen boasts ample bench and storage space, a dishwasher, and flows effortlessly into the dining area and out to the sunlit conservatory.

BUYER ENQUIRY OVER \$499,000
OPEN HOME SUNDAY 11.45AM-12.15PM
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01806
Tracey Fraser 0210779062



» 21A Chester Street LEVIN

2 1 1 1

Cracker on Chester

Welcome to this delightful two-bedroom home, offering a perfect balance of comfort and convenience in a sought-after neighborhood. A spacious verandah welcomes you at the entrance, providing the ideal spot to relax with your morning coffee or unwind in the evening. A light-filled open-plan living and dining area, creating a warm and inviting atmosphere. Outside there is a studio room.

PRICE BY NEGOTIATION
OPEN HOME SUNDAY 12.30PM-1PM
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01859
Tracey Fraser 0210779062



» 174 Bath Street LEVIN

2 2 1 1

Easy living not far from town

Welcome to this fabulous low maintenance two bedroom home designed for comfort and convenience. Step inside the entrance that leads to an inviting living / dining area, where warmth is guaranteed thanks to a log burner, heat pump and HRV system. The well appointed kitchen offers a practical layout, has lots of bench space. Easy living in this great home.

ASKING \$650,000
OPEN HOME SUNDAY 11AM-11.30AM
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01865
Tracey Fraser 0210779062



» 27 Weraroa Road LEVIN

3 1 1 1

Step beyond the fence!

You will find a stylish three bedroom home, featuring modern updates and a spacious layout thats perfect for comfortable living. Step inside, and you are greeted by a large lounge with impressive sloping ceilings, giving the space an airy and open feel. The fresh paint inside gives a clean, modern look, and the fairly new carpet adds a cosy touch, as does the gas heating.

ASKING \$495,000
OPEN HOME SUNDAY 1.15PM-1.45PM
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01875
Tracey Fraser 0210779062



» 12A Stuckey Street LEVIN

3 1 6 1

Garaging galore!

Welcome to this charming three bedroom home just a short distance from town. Boasting two garages - a double garage provides ample space for your vehicles, with additional room for storage, plus there is also a four car garage, perfect for those with multiple vehicles or for someone working from home. A lovely open plan lounge and dining area boasts a heat pump and wood burner. Call today to view.

BUYER ENQUIRY OVER \$499,000
OPEN HOME SUNDAY 2PM-2.30PM
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01839
Tracey Fraser 0210779062



» 224B Cambridge Street LEVIN

2 1 1 1

For the creative minds

Tucked away in a quiet, private position, this delightfully different home is brimming with charm and personality - the perfect sanctuary for an artist, writer, or anyone who appreciates unique design. Inside you will be inspired by the soaring high ceilings, incredible natural light, and generous living spaces that invite creativity and calm. A whimsical, storybook-style staircase adds a touch of magic, leading to two bedrooms.

BUYER ENQUIRY OVER \$499,000
OPEN HOME SUNDAY 12PM-12.30PM
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01835
Adriana Wilton 0297766902



» 30A Perth Street LEVIN

3 1 1 1

Investors do your sums!

Tucked away on a rear section this three bedroom home is a gem! Currently tenanted paying \$550 per week, on a fixed term tenancy, this is the perfect investment with a great return. The tenant keeps the house like its their own! The kitchen and dining area flows seamlessly to the lounge area which opens through a ranchslider to a private rear yard with a single garage.

BUYER ENQUIRY OVER \$409,000
OPEN HOME SUNDAY 11.45AM-12.15PM
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01873
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» 61 and 71 Stafford Street SHANNON

Two generous sections

61 Stafford Street - 3324m2 - \$230,000
71 Stafford Street - 3097m2 - \$230,000
Discover the perfect blend of space and convenience with these two generously sized sections (\$230,000 each) , ideally located on the edge of Shannon township. With a semi-rural outlook and a welcoming community atmosphere, these properties offer an enviable lifestyle with room to breathe.

ASKING \$230,000
VIEW BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01870
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» 24 Grey Street SHANNON

2 1 1 1

Cosy starter on a large section

Here's your chance to step onto the property ladder with this two bedroom home situated on a generous 1000m2 (more or less) section, there's plenty of room for kids to run, play, and explore. Th galley-style kitchen has been updated, and a warm, welcoming living area is equipped with both a log burner and heat pump for year-round comfort. Whether you're a first-home buyer, or have a flair for DIY, this property is for you.

BUYER ENQUIRY OVER \$390,000
VIEW BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01881
Lynaire Cottle 0272224017



» 83 Queenwood Road LEVIN

3 2 1 2

The charm of yesteryear with modern ...

Tucked away on a private and picturesque 1536m2 site, this delightful family home seamlessly blends timeless character with modern-day comforts. Surrounded by beautifully established trees and easy gardens that only time can create, this property offers a sanctuary of space, serenity, and style -perfect for families, professionals, or anyone seeking a peaceful retreat in a prime North East location.

PRICE BY NEGOTIATION
VIEW BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01864
Adriana Wilton 0297766902



» 12 Glen Street LEVIN

3 1 2 1

It's all done here - move in ready!

Welcome to 12 Glen Street. A fabulous well maintained home where you will find your private haven in the ever popular North East. Double-glazed windows enhance warmth and efficiency, while the heart of the home , a stunning modern kitchen, features polished timber floors, a wall oven, sleek hob, dishwasher, breakfast bar, and abundant storage. It's a space that effortlessly blends functionality and style.

BUYER ENQUIRY OVER \$629,000
VIEW BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01887
Adriana Wilton 0297766902



» 18 Manchester Street LEVIN

2 1 1 1

Easy care living Just moments from town

Discover comfort, convenience, and low-maintenance living in this 140m2 brick townhouse, ideally positioned just a short stroll from Levin's town centre. Step inside and enjoy the spacious, open-plan kitchen, dining, and living area, a perfect space for everyday living and entertaining. The seamless flow continues into a sunny conservatory and out to a delightful deck and patio area , the ideal spot to enjoy your morning coffee.

PRICE BY NEGOTIATION
VIEW BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
Ref : www.wiltonandco.nz/WIL01862
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» 28 Highbury Drive LEVIN

4 2 3

Space for the family

Discover the perfect family haven in the desirable North East, zoned for the highly regarded Fairfield School. This beautifully designed home offers space, comfort, and fantastic entertaining areas. Featuring four generous bedrooms, including a spacious master retreat upstairs complete with an ensuite and a private sitting area - perfect for unwinding in peace.

BUYER ENQUIRY OVER \$619,000
VIEW BY APPOINTMENT ONLY
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HĪTŌRIA/History

SHANNON SCHOOL 1945

Compiled by Debbi Carson



SHANNON SCHOOL, STANDARD 12 (YEAR 8) 1945.
Back row, from left: Robin Sell, Colin Wilson, Peter Ropoama, Gordon Cameron, Tony Pope, Brian Moore, David Blanche.
Middle: Nancy Lang, Vivien Batt, Zelma Humphreys, Margaret Hooper, Mary Hennessy, Noeline Lee.
Front: Beverley Bowker, Mary Nott, Doreen Moss, Patricia Edmonds, Rossanne Cane, Pauline James, Lorna Homer, Dorothy Kennard, Audrey Gardner, Elva (Gina) McEwen.

Photo: Horowhenua Historical Society Inc

A little Shannon School history . . .

Shannon School was built in 1889, making it 136 years old today. Much has changed since then. The one-roomed building that served for many years as Shannon School was opened on Wednesday, July 17, 1889, with Mr Voysey as teacher. By 1905 two more rooms had been added and these opened on April 19. In the early years there were only primers 1, 2, 3 and 4.

RULES FOR TEACHERS IN 1872

- Each teacher will bring a bucket of water and a scuttle of coal for the day's session.
- Teachers each day will fill lamps, clean chimneys and trim wicks.
- The teacher who performs his labour's faithfully without fault for five years will be given 25 shillings extra a week.

Aunty Hui was a student at Shannon School, during the 1930s. She remembered when she started at Shannon School:

Pupils could buy a piece of fruit for a penny. In the morning they would read some of the Bible, then they sang *God Save the King*. When they finished they would do some reading. They had fireplaces for warmth.

She remembers some of the teachers weren't very nice, and if you were bad you got the strap, and if you were really bad you got six straps around the back of your legs. You had to use your manners at all times toward the teachers and parents. You called the teacher Mr and Mrs or Miss.

At morning tea you had to drink yucky warm milk. because it was left in the sun. You could buy some hot cocoa and soup for lunch for a penny, or you could bring your own homemade lunch. Aunty Hui said they traded lunches with each other.

One of the popular games was marbles. She said there were more fights over marbles than anything else.

There were gardens, and the kids could grow vegetables and weed them. School finished at 3 o'clock. In school you could only write in pencil or with an ink pot and ink pen.

Les Tunbridge was also a student at Shannon School. He said he used to walk to school and go home to have his lunch. He remembered having the horrible warm milk at morning tea time. The teachers were strict and you got dusters and chalk thrown at you, or you got smacked on the knuckles with a ruler if you talked at the wrong time. He also said that if your homework wasn't done you had to sit in the corner with a dunce hat on for five minutes. The dunce hat was a big cone hat that the teachers made people wear to make them embarrassed.

As told by Shannon School students Riki (Year 8) and Willy (Year 6), 2013. *From Bush and Swamp* by Marjorie Law.

Got old photos to share?

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FELLING GIANT TREE (tōtara or rimu), Shannon, 1902.

Both men stand at each side of the tree holding their axes against the tree. The tree has been scarfed (undercut) at right ready for backcut to bring the tree down.

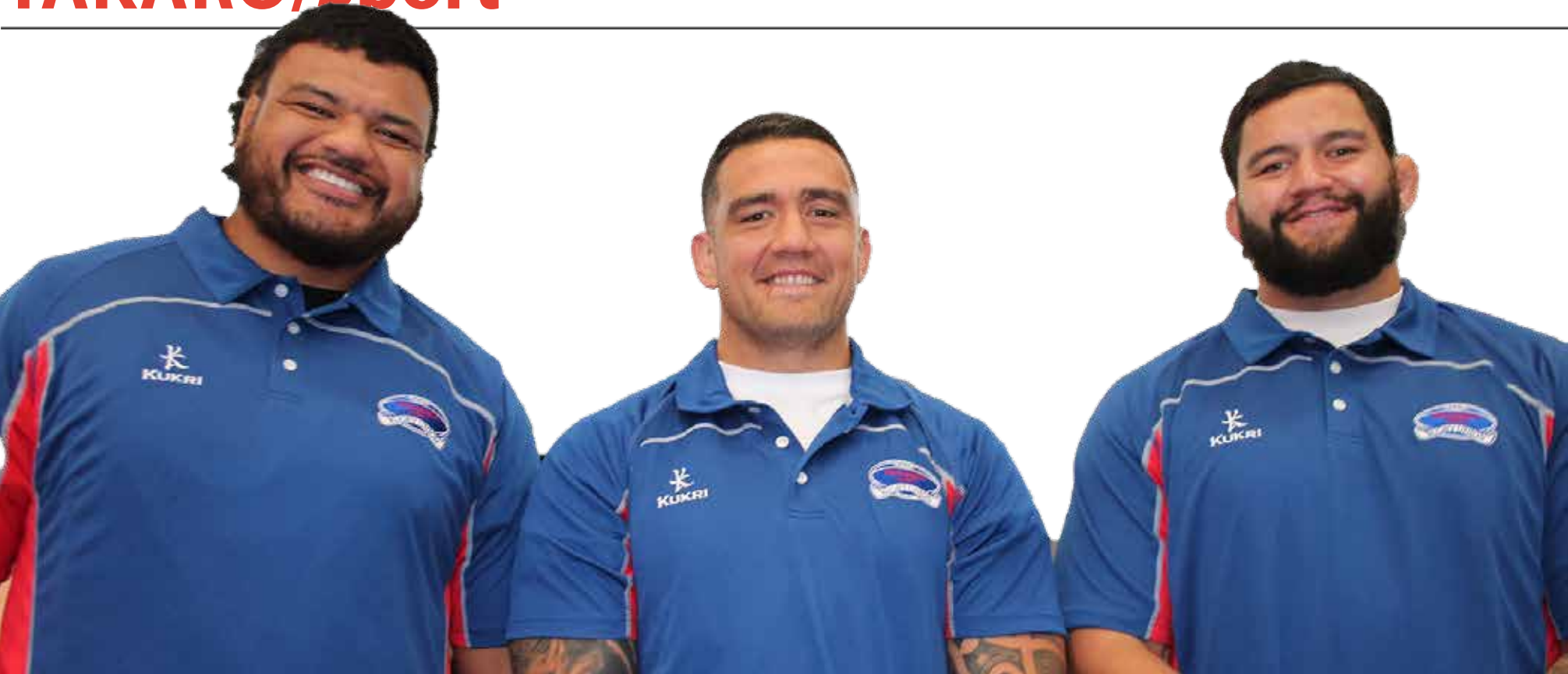
Photos left and right: Horowhenua Historical Society Inc.

RIGHT: OSBORNE'S BULLOCK TEAM SHANNON 1902

Osborne's Bullock Team hauling logs along bush tramway, Shannon, 1902.

Mr Taylor, Mr Osborne (2nd and 4th from left) and four men (unidentified) with log. Appears to be another man obscured behind second man at right – hat only is visible. The bullock teams had to work as hard as the bushwackers in the timber milling days. Here a bullock team pulls a felled log from the bush along a tramway.





All Blacks, from left, Pasalio Tosi, Codie Taylor and Tyrel Lomax at Horowhenua College this week where they were inducted into the Horowhenuaa Walk of Fame.

Photo Paul Williams

Local fame for ABs front row

By Paul Williams

What’s in the water, Horowhenua?

The region can lay claim as the breeding ground for the current All Black front row with hooker Codie Taylor and props Tyrel Lomax and Pasalio Tosi all either born or raised here.

The mountainous trio were in town this week at the invitation of Heritage Horowhenua to accept induction into the Horowhenua Walk of Fame.

The Walk of Fame is a series of plaques placed in Oxford Street, Levin to “recognise and commemorate those people of distinction who were born, or educated, or lived for any length of period, or who died, in the Horowhenua”.

Heritage Horowhenua chair Kerry Geertson says the Walk of Fame committee usually waits until someone has retired before their plaque is mounted on the pavement somewhere along Oxford Street.

But after watching Tyrel being interviewed on TV after a test match and hearing him talk about his “Horowhenua brothers” in the front row, he saw an opportunity to bend the rules a bit.

“I thought, jeepers we need to take the opportunity here,” he says.

He rang Horowhenua-Kāpiti Rugby Union chief executive Corey Kennett, who was able to pull a few strings and put the idea in front of the right people.

Plaques with their names and a QR code leading to their citations will now be placed outside the Salvation Army on Oxford Street, joining the likes of Sir Bernard Freyberg, Godfrey Bowen, Joy Cowley, Carlos Spencer, Chubb Tangaroa, Michelle A’Court, Leslie Adkin and WD Skelton, among others.

The trio all attended an induction ceremony at Horowhenua College this week where they were welcomed with a pōwhiri led by mana whenua Muaūpoko, before each was presented with their plaque.

Codie Taylor (Muaūpoko, Ngāti Raukawa, Ngāti Toa) did most of his schooling at Horowhenua College, cutting his teeth at an early age in the school’s First XV, and played all his junior rugby for Horowhenua.

“I’m proud to say I’m from here and from this town. I don’t live in Levin any more, but it is humbling to be back and see so many familiar faces,” he says.

“It shows you can do anything if you put your mind to it. I feel blessed and grateful for what I have been able to achieve.”

Tyrel Lomax (Muaūpoko, Tuhoe), a cousin to Codie, says if anyone asks, he is proud to say he hails from both Wainuiomata and Levin.

Although he was born in Canberra and did most of his schooling in Australia, where his father played professional rugby league, he has fond childhood memories of spending time at grandparents’ John and Maria’s in Levin, mowing their lawns and doing dishes at Kawiu Marae.

“It’s not too bad when you think there are three of us that come from a little place like Levin,” he says.

Pasalio Tosi says he remembers “having everything he ever needed” growing up in Levin and it is an “absolute honour” to have a plaque with his name on it.

His citation was read by former teacher and coach Chris Wilton, who recalled a “Jonah Lomu”-like figure who was an athletics champion, winning everything from the 100m sprint to high jump and javelin.

Codie debuted for the All Blacks in 2015 and has played 96 tests, Tyrel in 2018 (44 tests) and Pasalio in 2024 (7 tests).

Both Codie and Tyrel are past recipients of the Tom French Memorial as New Zealand Māori Player of the Year.



Petanquers in Levin

The Carleen Fitzgerald Memorial Tournament in Levin at the weekend attracted 36 petanque teams from the Wellington and Manawātū region.

Carleen was a founding member of the Horowhenua Pétanque Club. It’s the second year the tournament has been held in her honour.

Winners were Moises Burgos and Brian Smith of Upper Hutt, beating Michael Rocks and Grant Bray (Kāpiti/Naeanae) and Alan Christensen and Ian Bailey (Manawātū).

Horowhenua entered seven teams, the best of whom were Marie Jones and Donna Hunt, finishing 7th.

RESULTS

RUGBY
Ramsbotham Cup (Premier)
Round 5, April 26
Foxton 50, Levin COB 38
Foxton: J Rauca 2, M Harvey 2, S Lawton-Sue, T Tihema, C Paki tries; A Murphy 6 con, pen. Levin COB: J Angove, C Salu 2, V Tia, X Purewa tries; C Salu 5 con, pen).
Shannon 32, Wanderers 18
Shannon: A Jansen, M Halls, P Carroll, S Pape tries, S Pape 2 con, pen. Wanderers: M Tansley 2 tries, M Masoe con, 2 pen)
Rāhui 36, Paraparaumu 30
Rāhui: H Rasmussen, M Connor-Phillips,

A Roach, T Cook 2 tries; A Roach 4 con, pen. Paraparaumu: D McNamara, M Saunders, L McMahon, J Keating tries; J Thomson 2 con, 2 pen.
Bill Muir Cup (Senior Reserve)
Foxton 43, Levin COB 29
Foxton: K Peta 2, I Kauri, M Vueti, J Naibe, M Taikakara tries; K Murphy 5 con, pen. Levin COB: R Fonoti 2, J Fonoti, A Talai, S Toelafoa tries; J Tevita con, R Fonoti con.
Athletic 55, Wanderers 19
Athletic: I Ulutoa 2, T Gray, K Aholoka, S Aholoka, K O’Brien, T Ulutoa tries; O’Brien 5 con, pen. Wanderers: R

Cooper, G Lomax, S Jackson tries; O Hirini con, T Wilton con.
Rāhui 32, Paraparaumu 24
Rāhui: C Vanderweil 3, L Case, R Chapman tries; J Lewis 2 con, pen. Paraparaumu: C McPhee, R Murland, J Cuthbert, A Barsanti tries; Muirland 2 con.
GOLF
Levin
Week ending April 27
Tuesday Men Stableford: David Pick 39, John Saulbrey 36, Gavin Jones 35. Twos: Paul Bagg. *Wednesday* – 9 Hole Mixed Red Tees Stableford: Sid Richarson 22,

Mike Dalley 19, Brian Lange. Birdies: Stu Reid, Wayne James; Ladies Net: Leanne Ward 73, Anita Davidson 77, Carol Louisson 77. *Thursday* – Early Men Net: Brian O’Donnell 69, Colin Finlayson 71, Mike Tate 72; Late Men Stableford: Brian Wicker 39, Chris Allum 35, Barry Judd 35. *Friday* – 9 Hole Mixed Orange Tees Stableford: Jeremy Smith 23, Sid Richardson 19, Stu Reid 19, Birdies: Eunock Kim, Kuresa Faleseuga, Sid Richardson; Speldhurst 9 Hole Stableford: Mike Thomson 19, Brian Lange 18, John Griffin 18. *Saturday* – Early Men Par: Wayne Askew 2, Brett

Gordon 2, Ivan Franklin 0; Ladies Net: Anita Davidson 70, Julie Judd 70, Ani Lochore 73; Late Men Stableford: John Wehipeihana 39, Alistair Finn 37, Rod Batchelar 37; Levin’s Men’s E Grade Pennant’s team drew 4½ / 4½ with Marton at Marton.
Foxton Mid-Week
Thursday April 24: Matt Hullett c/b 36, Roy Brider 36, Peter Furjes c/b 31, Lorna Soo 31, Keith Norris 29, Dean Winyard 28. *Tuesday April 29:* Marty Berry 41, Craig Revell 40, Ann Hogg 37, Robert Chrystall 36, Dran Winyard 33, Lorna Soo 32. 2’s: Dean Winyard on 10.

THE CROSSWORD #NZ1918B (answers below right)

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8. Pleasingly rich (8)
9. Exhausted (5)
10. Bird on the \$10 note (4,4)
11. Uncultured, unsophisticated person (inf) (5)
14. Colony insect (3)
16. See 4 Down
17. Nickname of rugby great Michael Jones (6)
18. Lid (3)
20. Broadcasting device (5)
24. Colloquial name for NZer from a Pacific nation (8)
25. Auckland theatre which opened in 1929 (5)
26. Social group that meets regularly to discuss literary works (4,4)
27. NZ cricket fans, the ___ brigade (5)
- DOWN
1. Sphere (5)
2. Point of dispute (5)
3. Regular prefix to ‘Wellington’ (5)
- 4/16. One of the Today FM hosts who lost his show when the station stopped broadcasting in 2023 (6,6)
6. Unseemly (8)
7. Farm dog (8)
12. Periodical (8)
13. Alluring (8)
14. Painting, sculpture etc (3)
15. Pointer (3)
19. Second-hand store (2,4)
21. Cloth re-usable tissue (5)
22. Grown up (5)
23. Illegal inducement (5)

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EASY #28E Use logic and process of elimination to fill in the blank cells using the numbers 1 through 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and 3x3 block. Puzzle solution below.

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TRIVIA QUIZ

Answers below.

1. What’s the smallest country in the world?

2. The ancient Phoenician city of Constantine is in what modern-day Arab country?

3. Which country borders 14 nations and crosses eight time zones?

4. What geometric shape is generally used for stop signs?

5. What is “cynophobia”?

6. Which monarch officially made Valentine’s Day a holiday in 1537?

7. The unicorn is the national animal of which country?

8. A group of ravens is known as?

9. How many teeth does an adult human have?

10. Who invented the word “vomit”?

11. How long is New Zealand’s Ninety Mile Beach?

12. What is measured in “Mickeys”?

WORD SEARCH:

YOUR LOCAL EATERIES

answers below

RANGOLI
DUTCH OVEN
NOODLE CANTEN
COSSIE CLUB
SPONGE KITCHEN
NANYANG
RAEWYNS
STAR OF INDIA
WHISPERS
COBB + CO
ANATOLIA
SOMTUM THAI
MR GRUMPYS
ROADHOUSE
HODOO
PIZZA FACTORY

FACEBOOK

ENGLISH GRAMMAR’S 100 WORDS YOU DIDN’T KNOW YOU NEEDED

Some of these words are still in use today.

31. **Foofaraw** – excessive fuss or attention.

32. **Fuddy-duddy** – a person who is old fashioned or fussy.

33. **Gallivant** – to travel or roam about for pleasure.

34. **Gardylloo** – warning shouted before throwing water from above.

35. **Gazump** – to cheat or outbid at the last minute.

36. **Gobbemouche** – a credulous or gullible person.

37. **Gobbledygook** – meaningless language or jargon.

38. **Gongoozle** – to stare idly at something.

39. **Gubbins** – miscellaneous items.

40. **Higgledy-piggledy** – in a confused or disorderly manner.

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TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. Vatican City (Fun fact - It’s less than 2/10 of a square mile).

2. Algeria.

3. Russia.

4. Octagon.

5. Fear of dogs.

6. Henry VIII.

7. Scotland.

8. Unkindness

9. 32.

10. William Shakespeare.

11. 55 miles.

12. The speed of a computer mouse.

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1 Peter 3:8

CROSSWORD #1917A ACROSS:

5. Niche 8. Luscious 9. Spent 10. Blue duck 11. Bogan 14. Ant 17. Iceman 18. Top 20. Radio 24. Islander 25. Civic 26. Book club 27. Beige.

DOWN: 1. Globe 2. Issue 3. Windy 4/16. Duncan Garner 6. Improper 15. Tip 19. Op shop 21. Hanky 22. Adult 23. Bribe.


WORD SEARCH answers:

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May 2-9

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FRI 2 MAY	01:05	07:42	13:33	20:01	-
SAT 3 MAY	02:00	08:41	14:32	20:58	-
SUN 4 MAY	03:03	09:45	15:37	22:02	-
MON 5 MAY	04:14	10:53	16:47	23:13	-
TUE 6 MAY	05:25	11:59	17:55	-	-
WED 7 MAY	-	00:24	06:27	12:58	18:55
THU 8 MAY	-	01:24	07:18	13:48	19:44
FRI 9 MAY	-	02:12	08:01	14:31	-

WAITĀRERE BEACH

	HIGH	LOW	HIGH	LOW	HIGH
FRI 2 MAY	00:20	06:40	12:48	18:59	-
SAT 3 MAY	01:15	07:39	13:47	19:56	-
SUN 4 MAY	02:18	08:43	14:52	21:00	-
MON 5 MAY	03:29	09:51	16:02	22:11	-
TUE 6 MAY	04:40	10:57	17:10	23:22	-
WED 7 MAY	05:42	11:56	18:10	-	-
THU 8 MAY	-	00:22	06:33	12:46	18:59
FRI 9 MAY	-	01:10	07:16	13:29	19:41

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