

Tinopai Market

On the morning after the recent massive weather event, a few hardy souls turned out for the Tinopai market. With everything from beautiful silver jewellery, crafts and second hand goods, to plants, sweet treats and a sausage sizzle, the smiling faces of the locals made the sun come out. Keep an eye open for the next one and pop out there for a vist- and take your togs for a jump off the wharf!



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The Tide Is High...

The water was lapping over the wall and onto the grass at Pahi recently - and was much enjoyed by children and unicorns.



Local Nominated

Local resident, Kate Hawley, is a set and costume designer who has worked on numerous film and stage productions. Films she has designed the costumes for include *Crimson Peak* (2015) and *Mortal Engines* (2018). Stage productions include work for the Royal New Zealand Ballet, the New Zealand Festival and the New Zealand Opera Company.

Kate has recently been nominated for a Costume Designers Guild Award for *The Lord of the Rings: The Rings of Power!*

She will be attending the awards red carpet gala in Century City, California on February 27- so we wish her good luck.

Kate has also answered our questions on the back page.

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REMEMBER!
Either way it's 20k when you pass a school bus that's picking up or dropping off children.

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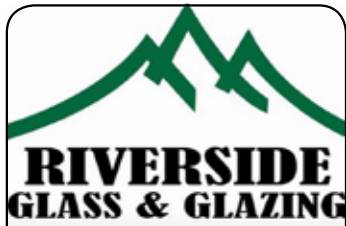
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Letters from The Old Post Office... Making A Point...

Gloomy reflections brought on by watching the news, reading and possibly running out of wine and time. I would like to make a point. I am tired of people claiming, "I did not know!" I am tired of people blaming others for their situation. I am tired of the ignorance they claim has led to their current, tragic situation.

Wake up, people. Read your history books, read the newspaper, listen to your parents. It is all there for you. It should come as no surprise that wars kill, gangs fight, people die. It has been this way for centuries and I have no doubt, people being people, that it will continue.

Andy, a character in a short story "On the sidewalk bleeding" by Even Hunter lies on the sidewalk dying and wonders "but nobody dies in a rumble." Really? The newspapers are full of reports of deaths, teenagers die from gang related violence every week in England, NZ and I am sure that few countries are exempt.

The sniper from another short story "The Sniper" by Liam O'Flaherty is on the Republican side in the Irish Civil war, he "has the face of a student." Surely, he must know that

fighting in a civil war means that friend is pitted against friend, brother against brother. Yet, we know when he rolls the body over and "he looks into the face of his brother," that he will be devastated, as will his family.

Wilfred Owen writes back from the horrors of trench fighting in WW1, telling of the terrible conditions. He refers to that old Latin tag "Dulce et Decorum est pro patria mori*". Yes, WW1 was horrific and young men became "like hags..." their "white eyes writhing." However, once again, isn't all war horrific?

I should think the soldiers in the English army landing on the French coast back in August of 1425 had a terrible time. 2,000 men were killed and 5,000 sent back as they became too ill to fight. In the following battle of Agincourt, approximately 10,000 French

were killed and 1,600 held prisoner. This must have been terrible to endure. This battle, as so many others, is well documented.

How can anyone claim that they did not know? That they did not realise the true horrors of war?

I have made my point and I am sure it will be ignored. History is in the past and mistakes are just waiting around the corner. We do not seem to learn our lessons from the past. We will continue to be surprised by the consequences of our (as history should tell us), greedy, cruel and foolhardy actions.

R.I.P

Deb

* It is sweet and right to die for your country

PS Apologies but cribbed old piece of writing. Perhaps the next Letter will be more cheerful, or not.



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Council Mark says - The Same Is Not Always Equal

For this story I want you to place yourself at the dinner table with your twin daughters, both aged 11 (well they would be the same age if they were twins, wouldn't they?).

Amy wants to be a Black Fern when she gets older, and is very sports-minded, whereas Charlie is much more interested in the printed word and can picture herself running a large library in future. But they are twins, and although they are close, sometimes they clash, and suddenly an argument erupts between them at the dinner table and food is thrown. This is completely unacceptable to you, so there must be consequences for this

behaviour. But what would be fair to both of them? To send them both to their room for some quiet solitude would be great for reader Charlie, but it would weigh heavily for Amy. Alternatively a run two times around the block would be an escape for Charlie but an unremitting grind for Amy. There are solutions to this problem; I'll leave you to figure them out for yourself. If you are a parent or a teacher you may have had plenty of practice in this regard. The best and fairest solutions will take into account the

differences between the two girls, and may well involve them in completing a task together. And so it is in society - to treat people equally and fairly sometimes we have to deal with them in different ways. In other words the same is not always equal.

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Life seeps away 'til nothing's left
and I am lonely and bereft.

Glass half full - oh what joy!
There's still much left I can employ
of strength of heart, and plans and schemes
to add yet more to all my dreams.

The glass continually overflowing,
ever filling, ever growing,
when I choose that one for me
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Paparoa School News 'Back To School'

While I write this article, there are only six sleeps left until the kids are going to be welcomed back to school. Paparoa School starts back on Tuesday 31 January at the normal time of 8.30am. I hope that you all have had a safe and happy break and

have started 2023 with full water tanks!

We will be starting the school year with a few new faces and look forward to welcoming all the students back. With the A & P show coming up, we are excited to be entering our giant pumpkins "Peter and Paul" and I can't wait for the kids to see the size they have become. The

gardens are bit overgrown, so we have started hacking back the weeds and replanting. The school is working with the Whitebait Connections this term, where we will adopt and look after a spawning site. Our focus for the term is 'Our Environment' and we will also be focusing on developing our compost systems and improving

recycling at school.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the community for the respect they have shown when using our school and pool over the summer break. Knowing that you all value our school as much as we do is much appreciated.

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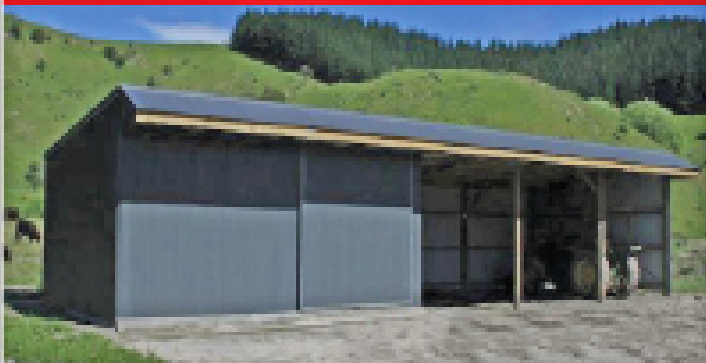
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This valuable community resource is always looking for new volunteers who have a few spare hours a week.

As well as gaining satisfaction from helping others in their community, volunteers also get to share in the surplus produce. Plus the kettle is always hot and there's always someone ready for a chat and a cuppa.

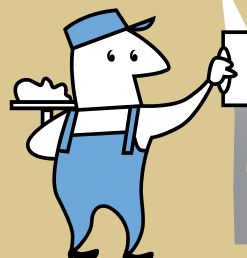


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I've been thinking ... Dick Of The Month

I hereby nominate Henry Charles Albert David Mountbatten Windsor as Dick of the Month. At first I had some sympathy for Harry. Firstly his need to cope with the trauma caused by his mother's death. Then his situation as 'spare'.

It can't be easy being born to a lifetime as second fiddle and having to perform a supportive role under constant media surveillance. Sure, the privileges, power and wealth would compensate, but the ability to be one's natural self is a big price to pay.

However sympathy turned to exasperation when it became obvious that this poor little rich boy wants it all: to be a person of importance, to publicise his views on everything, to live like a prince and to enjoy all the privileges of being royal without the bother of doing the job.

When it became clear that this could not happen he started the 'poor little me, I am a victim' campaign.

Being a victim apparently justifies his sharing so many of his personal details with the world, and appallingly, so much family stuff, claiming that it is cathartic and will do good. For whom? (No cynical thoughts about money allowed)

P LLeeassee.

We have, of course, been lapping it up. All of us. But do we really believe Harry's vitriol is justified? Or that he can solve his problems by trashing his family? I doubt it. Whatever we think of the institution of monarchy or the functionality of the Royal Family, our Head of State and 'the Firm' hardly deserve this sad situation.

And then...

Overexposure.

Who cares any more? Henry Charles Albert David Mountbatten Windsor has become boring. Who will take any notice of his future moans?

Certainly Dick of the Month. Possibly even Dick of the Year. Definitely a Royal Dick.

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It is a community inspired, relaxed, fun event!

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With the arrival of summer weather, finally, we are very much looking forward to our upcoming Passata Day at Grow Paparooa; but....

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and families come together with their homegrown tomatoes and make a day out of processing them. We want to begin our own tradition and bring the community together yearly to process your tomatoes that you've lovingly grown and have some fun at the same time. With a grant from Rabobank Community Fund we have purchased two machines that will do it all for you with minimal effort.

We have half hour slots between 10am and 3pm that you can book through janmareedallas@gmail.com



or 021431724. All you need to bring is your clean jars, lids and tomatoes. Additionally we have a chef giving us a cooking demonstration and pasta for everyone to share in. So even if your tomato harvest didn't go to plan this year pop down and join us for some pasta, perhaps bring a picnic along and find out what it's all about.

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Novels are like dreams, they give us a way to act out unconscious desires in the safety of an unreal setting. Reading helps our minds cope with the unsolvable problems of real-life. So no need to worry if there isn't perhaps something wrong with us when we enjoy reading of (and viewing) crime and murder, or all those soppy romances, or highly imaginative fantasies and science fiction. Reading is good for us and we can never read too many books! So there Sergeant Maxwell.

So on to another gory crime novel, one in the D.I. Lottie Parker series by Patricia Gibney, "Tell Nobody." While dealing with her own issues, our detective unravels the chilling case of a serial killer and abuser of young teenage boys, whose dastardly deeds keep her, and us, guessing to the end.

When it comes to the abuse of young boys and children, the Catholic Church, especially in Ireland and Australia, has been the subject of many an autobiography, "Angela's Ashes"- Frank McCourt, "Bridge Across My Sorrows"- Christina Noble, "Philomena (the Lost Child of)"- Martin Sixsmith, too many to list. The outcome of exposing the guilty is that the innocent become tarred with the same brush. (i.e. having the same faults or bad qualities, a saying originating from sheep farming when all the flock were tarred whether or not they had diseases.) They have the burden of carrying the shame of others on their shoulders as they fulfil what is a genuine Christian calling. This is the topic of "A History of Loneliness," John Boyne. It is a work of fiction that reads like an autobiography of an Irish Catholic Priest, from his childhood traumas, his mother's wish for him to become a Priest, time in the seminary, in Rome at the Vatican, a Priest and librarian in a boys' school and all the while being a son, brother, uncle and good friend. From the cover blurb: "This book is going to have an enormous impact on everyone who reads it."

The theme of people suddenly disappearing without trace has become a popular one, "Gone"- Michael Grant, "Gone Girl"- Gillian Flynn. In "What She Left," Rosie Fiore deals with the effect this has on those left behind wondering what has become of their loved one. I can't tell you too much but the truth is slowly revealed like layers being peeled off an onion. Not what you expect.

And if I have disappeared without a trace it is because I am somewhere reading too many books! Go and do likewise.

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we have a good source of good fats such as our Omega 3 fatty acids.

Good food sources of essential fatty acids include olive and coconut oils, nuts, and oily cold-water fish. Supplements containing essential fatty acids include flaxseed oil, fish oil, cod liver oil, and krill oil.

"Everything we do and consume affects our brain, and there have been numerous studies, that highlight the effects of food and drink on

overall brain health and function," said Dr. King (a neuroscientist and founder of Florae Beauty).

"Omega-3 fatty acids, in particular, have been found to be beneficial when it comes to improving mental function as well as supporting an overall wellness plan when considering disease pathologies like mood disorders and others affecting learning and memory," Dr. King continued.

One article <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/18408140/> mentions that it is important to increase your omega 3 intake and decrease your omega 6 to optimise Great health. Most western diets have a ratio of 15 omega 6 to 1 omega 3 but recommends a 1 to 1 ratio for great health.

Several clinical studies have shown that decreasing the n-6: n-3 ratio protects against chronic, degenerative diseases. One study showed that replacing corn oil with olive oil and canola oil to reach an n-6: n-3 ratio of 4:1 led to a 70% decrease in total mortality. That is no small difference.

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The driving force now is "supply and demand". There are more properties on the market than usual, (47% more nationwide) and fewer buyers. Now is a great time to buy if you can make your finances work. It's also a good time to sell as there's probably nothing to be gained by holding off. The market is a little busier now, with genuine buyers and sellers meeting the market, finding opportunities and moving on with their lives.

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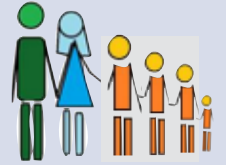
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By the time of publication the house will be half quieter, as two of four boys will be back in the education stations. A time many mothers cherish, a time homeschoolers balk at. Having a shoe in both camps, I can understand the sentiment of each. One particular little man is gratefully sent off to harass his teachers and classmates with hours of verbal diarrhoea, while the one who remains home schooled is quiet as a mouse so as to avoid my interrogation on his work rates. One big boy is surely still only attending school for social liaisons and sports, and the little guy- well, he turns five this year, but he is nowhere near ready to spend hours away from us. I would like him to be ready! A lot can happen in nine months...

Nine months ago was April/May 2022 (depending on when you read this.) We were just planting winter tomatoes in our greenhouse, gleefully rubbing our hands at the expectation of salsa in August - a meal that came to fruition! Now - thai hot chilli peppers stand in their wake, 1.8 metres tall! If we were living off what we grow in the garden, it would be a daily plate of cucumber and chilli



peppers. Probably quite a cleansing diet short term, but they are being turned into chutney for the long term instead.

What is to come in the next 9 months?... "New Prime minister Dave Dobbyn announces kale powder is the only food available from now on..." I joke of course, but the past few years have taught us that anything can happen in a few months.

For now, I will enjoy the change of pace as we swing into a new season of school and whatever else is to come, so - have a wonderful February!

Jenny



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In any case talk to Linda about options and possibilities:

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Pets in the Valley

Well they are not pets and you'll never see them in Paparoa but my best animal experience this month involved watching dolphins' fishing.

We had been tramping for seven days and were having a rest day in a place called Barn Bay at the bottom of South Westland. Wandering out onto the beach on a glorious West Coast morning, we had a wonderful treat of around 20 Hectors dolphins fishing and playing in the bay in front of us. Dressed to brave the relentless sandfly invasion I sat for at least an hour just watching these fascinating mammals as they gracefully rode the waves. Up to 8 at a time would surf inside a wave heading towards the beach and then turn and disappear again.



One animal, I assume a younger one, did some jumps for us which was rather special. Although their activities looked quite benign, I'm sure there was a coordinated pack hunting dance happening in front of me. I don't know where else in the world you could have a private viewing of such beautiful animals in such a pristine setting.

Hope you all have had lovely holidays too.

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Science Corner

Insect Hijackers



Way back in the 19th century wine production in France was nearly destroyed by an insect. This very clever insect (a type of aphid) called phylloxera hijacked the grape vine's normal life cycle to make the plant produce a leaf gall. A phylloxera gall looks like a wart on a leaf.

(There are many different types of gall caused by other invaders, some fatal, some beneficial and others benign, on different plant species, appearing on stems, roots etc. For this article only one species is being discussed.)

The insect hijacks the plant reproductive system by using the plant's reproductive flower or fruit genes to make a bump on the plant's leaves. Once the bump or gall is formed, the insect then has a nice comfy little place to live and breed. Unfortunately, for the plant these insects then tap into the plant's food supply and get in the way of photosynthesis, weakening it.

Fortunately, there are grape vine varieties that resist phylloxera, and it is possible to cross breed plants to be genetically resistant.

How do the insects take over the plant's reproductive system? It is thought that when they lay an egg in the leaf it injects some type of signal into the plant that instructs the plant to make a flower bud structure (which becomes a gall) on a leaf instead of normal leaf tissue. When plant galls are dissected the insect mum can be seen inside with all her eggs.

Note- In NZ this type of aphid attacks the roots of the plants rather than the leaves and does not produce galls. It is a pest of our grapes, but many of our grapes are grafted onto resistant root stock.

Aphids in general are very adaptable and able to increase their populations very quickly in other ways but that's another story.

Stella



Grape Leaf Gall




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Rainfall

At the writing of this, 13 January 2023, this is already the second wettest January since records started being kept at Taylor's property, Paparooa in 2005.

The "summer" months so far are: November 306.9mm, December 220.4mm, and to January 12 - 172.5mm. So far 699.8mm.

Last year was a record at 1,638mm, with November the wettest month since our records began.

Don Hargrave



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February Gardening Notes

There seems to be 2 months of the year when you don't plant much out in the garden - June when it's cold and wet and February when it tends to be too hot and dry. But if you are wanting to plant new plants in February first soak the root ball in a bucket of water. Fill the planting hole with water and wait until it has drained. Mix some pre swelled water crystals in the soil in and around the plant. Water after planting and top with a layer of mulch.

Remove graft growth from specimen and fruit trees as these sap energy from the graft and inhibit growth where you want to see it.

Now is a good time to propagate cuttings of roses and perennials such as geraniums and daisies. Select a strong woody stem topped with a small head of foliage and with secateurs cut on a slant. Dip in rooting hormone or gel. Fill a seed tray or small pots with a sand/compost mix and use an old pencil or knife to make holes. You can also add a pinch of blood and bone. Place cuttings in holes and firm the mix with gloved fingers. Sit on trays, water frequently and spray with weakened liquid fertiliser as and when the roots start coming out the bottom. By using sand in the compost mix the roots get strong searching for nutrients. Use an old teaspoon to scoop the rooted cutting and plant into a larger pot of good quality potting mix with slow release fertiliser added. Plant out in the garden when roots show through the base of the pot.

Strawberry off shoots and newly rooted side plants attached to the host can be separated with a sharp knife and planted into pots. Place in semi shade on trays and keep moist, out of the heat of the sun, allowing the plants to get established. Meantime set up a new spot (I use a pallet filled with a mix of compost and potting mix) ready for planting out. Those left behind and not planted out will continue to grow and produce well for around 3 years.

In moist warm conditions signs of powdery mildew appear on zucchini, pumpkins, cucumber etc. Regularly spray leaves with a mix of - 1 cup each of skim milk and water, with 1 teaspoon of baking soda and a splash of dishwashing liquid. The lactic acid in milk is inhospitable to fungi. Tomatoes in these conditions are also susceptible to various fungal diseases. Give them a fortnightly spray with copperox, and remove any lower leaves turning yellow to increase air circulation around the plant. This will help avoid fungal infections getting established and let sunlight in to ripen the fruit.

Sprinkle cayenne pepper onto soil (it will cling longer when soil is damp) around plants vulnerable to insects as this will burn off these pests and deters successors.

JR



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- Paparoa A&P Show** - Sat Feb 4, Showgrounds.
- Grow Paparoa Passata Day** - Sat Feb 11. See p6 for booking details.
- Arapohuee A&P Show** - Sat Feb 11, Mitiitai Rd, Dargaville. See p11 for details.
- Tokafest** - Sat Feb 18, Tokatoka Tavern, 12 noon - midnight. See p5 for details.
- Paparoa Artisan Market** - Sun Feb 19, 11.30 - 3.30pm, at the Paparoa Hall

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2nd	16.04	10.12	18th	16.24	10.25
3rd	16.50	11.00	19th	17.18	11.20
4th	17.31	11.39	20th	18.08	12.09
5th	18.08	12.15	21st	6.26	12.55
6th	6.21	12.48	22nd	7.11	13.40
7th	6.53	13.20	23rd	7.55	14.23
8th	7.25	13.51	24th	8.38	15.06
9th	7.56	14.22	25th	9.22	15.49
10th	8.28	14.54	26th	10.08	16.35
11th	9.03	15.30	27th	11.00	17.26
12th	9.42	16.10	28th	12.04	18.27
13th	10.29	16.59			
14th	11.30	18.00			
15th	12.45	6.39			
16th	14.07	8.00			

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Things Are Brightening Up

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Unwelcome Swallows

This is what happens when you let these little critters set up house in your house. They are very demanding and very, very messy - which hopefully won't be too hard to clean up!



4 Questions for Kate Hawley, Costume Designer

How long have you lived in the area? About to celebrate my second year here in Paparoa!

What brought you here? Have been a travelling film nomad for the last twenty years - mostly working overseas. Guess I really felt the need to ground myself (quite literally) and sought a place to live in contrast to the make believe environments I inhabit in my work life. I discovered Paparoa quite by accident - as a result of many weekend drives. But this place felt very special - the energy of the landscape, the light (one side of my home evokes the pastoral world of Thomas Hardy), and the other, a mythological garden of eden. So really I find as much inspiration here, as I do in my work.

How do you fill your days? When I am home, my days are filled working in my place, trying to create my own little piece of something special. Not very practical so my neighbour's have developed extreme patience and tolerance of my incompetence. I do laugh though - many have said to me, "Kate, Rome wasn't built in a day!" But the industry I work in, it definitely can be...

What do you like about the area? I find I know absolutely nothing about living on the land but have tremendous respect for the knowledge shared by my fantastic neighbours and the new family of friends I have made here. So many interesting people doing different things. Indeed it's the first time since my childhood that I have enjoyed such a sense of community and the support given to each other. It's pretty bloody special. I also find myself in one of the most creative communities - so much diverse talent tucked away here - creating a special energy. That bodes well for the future of any community.



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