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TARRAS TALK

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UPCOMING EVENTS



WEDNESDAY 13 AUGUST - 2PM

Keen to meet some new people? Then come along to Tarras Book Club – hosted this month by Anne Rive. For more information contact Claire on: clairekearsley59@gmail.com

TARRAS RURAL WOMEN AGM

The upcoming meeting for Tarras Rural Women AGM is as follows:
Wednesday 20 August
6.30pm
The Tarras Hall supper Room.
All welcome.

WE'D LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU

If you would like advertise, have an article or upcoming event, or wish to receive Tarras Talk via email please contact:

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email.tarrastalk@gmail.com

Cancer Society Daffodil Day 2025 Friday 29 August

Tarras Rural Women, together with our broader community, are proudly continuing our support for those in need across Otago and Southland.

On **Friday, 29 August**, join us in Tarras Village from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for a vibrant community sales table – an opportunity to mingle and support our cause while enjoying the best of local produce.

Highlights include scrumptuous homemade baking, a diverse selection of plants, gourmet nuts and premium olive oil, peony tubers, handcrafted artisan products, and of course, bright daffodils. **Please note: this is a cash-only stall.** It's always a warm neighborhood gathering – perfect for reconnecting and making new friends.

In addition, we're hosting a Spring Fundraising Raffle filled with lovely surprises! **Tickets (\$5 each, cash only) are on sale now**, starting 1 August at the Tarras Café. You can also purchase them on 29 August at the village table, with the draw taking place that afternoon.

From **1 August**, you'll find Otago/Southland Cancer Society collection buckets at both the Tarras General Store and

the Tarras Café – your chance to contribute directly to such an important cause.

Daffodil Day provides a meaningful way to show solidarity and support: every dollar raised stays within our Otago and Southland communities, directly helping people facing cancer.

If you'd like to donate baked goods, daffodils, raffle items, or need help transporting anything to the stall, please reach out to **Sandra at 021 266 6210** – you can also drop raffle donations off at the Tarras General Store.

We look forward to sharing a wonderful day with you – celebrating community, supporting a vital cause, and spreading kindness across the region.



Did you know: Daffodils are chosen as a sign of HOPE for the days that follow.

A proud new Tarras landmark



LEFT TO RIGHT: Anny, Rebecca, Carla, Steve (Metalworks), Carol and Billee.

A brand-new Tarras sign now proudly marks the entrance to the Village, bringing a fresh sense of identity to the community while honouring its past. Crafted from durable metal, the new sign sits gracefully within the original stone surround, blending old with new in a way that reflects the enduring spirit of the region.

The previous wooden sign – installed many years ago by the Tarras Rural Women – had weathered countless seasons and served as a welcoming symbol for locals and visitors alike.

Tarras Rural Women extend heartfelt thanks to Anny and Tussock Lucas, whose generous funding made the new sign possible. Their contribution reflects the deep-rooted generosity and community-mindedness that continue to shape Tarras.

The sign was beautifully brought to life and installed by Steve and Jen from Metalworks, making this a truly local project from start to finish. Their craftsmanship and care have ensured that the new sign is not only functional and long-lasting, but also a proud symbol of community collaboration.

New look Tarras Talk

A big thanks from Rural Women to Anna Emmerson for helping redesign Tarras Talk and Camilla Rutherford for providing this month's header image.

Both Anna and Camilla are local women with considerable experience and expertise. Anna has worked in the design and marketing sector for the past 30+ years and award-winning photographer Camilla is known for her engaging work in lifestyle, adventure, travel and advertising photography.

It is wonderful to see the refreshed look of our community newsletter!

We're keen for feedback, contributions and advertising. All you need to do is send an email with content, no later than the 20th of the month for next month's issue to: tarrasruralwomen@gmail.com



TARRAS CHURCH

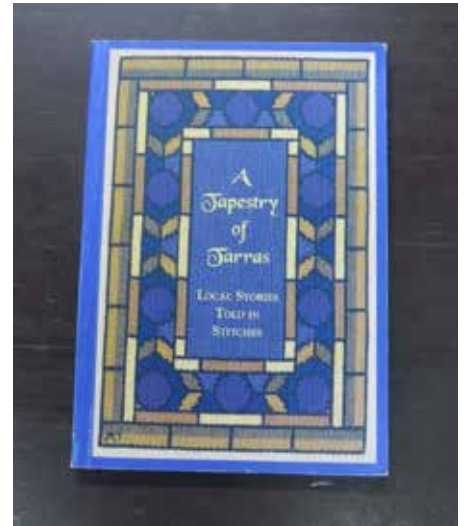
Service is the First Sunday of every month at 11am - led by Damon Plimmer. All welcome.

3 August 2025

Duty: Sue Rutherford & Anne Rive

7 September 2025

Duty: Annie Snow & Lesley Purvis



Are you new to the region... or a long-time local?

A Tapestry of Tarras book is an ideal addition to your bookshelf. This limited edition book was produced in 1997 by the then Women's Division of Federated Farmers of New Zealand, Tarras Branch - now Tarras Rural Women. It offers a collection of local stories from around the region.

To secure one of the last 4 copies available at a cost of \$40 each contact: tarrasruralwomen@gmail.com.

Lilliput Library:

SPREAD THE WORD

The Library continues to be popular and is always in need of restocking.

You can help by donating any surplus novels. Thank you!

You can:-

- Take a book
- Return a book or pass on to friends.
- Add a new book

A Lilliput Library aims to encourage and foster a love for reading within the community. The library is located beside the School gate.

Tarras Refuse Station

Please do not use any old bag for your rubbish.

The CODC bags are now blue, AND they are a wee bit bigger!

The new blue bags can be purchased from Tarras Village Store, or the Central Otago District Council (CODC) Service Centre, 42 The Mall., Cromwell.

Please note: Bags are \$8 each

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ALICE CASEY, PRINCIPAL



Aria, Otago Rugby and the girls in action.



Hard at work preparing our outdoor art installation.



Kia ora, We've had a great start back to Term 3. We attended the Mata Aū Kapa Haka workshop in Wānaka with the other local schools learning a new waiata, a haka and how to make a poi.

The girls have also had Rugby Skills training sessions with Aria from Otago Rugby which they loved - we're looking forward to having more sports providers come to visit and teach the tamariki new skills.

To start the term, we created an outdoor art installation for the 'Light Up Cromwell' event that was held on Saturday the 2nd of August. The jigsaw and sander were out and everyone worked through the paint layers! We hope you made it along to see the display in Cromwell.

This term we're promoting reading and all the great things about books! We'd love to have people from the community come in to read to the children their favourite picture book, a magazine article, newspaper article, poem etc. If you'd like to come in for a quick 15 minute slot, please let me know – principal@tarras.school.nz – and we can organise a day to suit you. The tamariki would love to hear you read to them!

Have a great month ahead.
Ngā mihi, Alice

JULY THANKS GOES TO:

- The lovely Wanda for providing knitting lessons for the seniors every week
- Liz for her well-written report of life at Tarras School found in last months 'Tarras Talk'; and
- Fraser and the team at Peregrine Wines for their incredibly generous donation towards our Cattle Fundraiser.



Interested in learning something new and social?

We're starting up a weekly **Mahjong** group, and you're invited! Whether you're a seasoned player or have never played before, you're very welcome to join.

No experience needed — we'll teach you the basics as we go. Mahjong is a fun, strategic tile game with a rich history, and it's a great way to keep the mind sharp while enjoying good company and conversation.

Just bring along a positive attitude and a willingness to learn, and we'll supply the tiles and the tea – we'd love to have you at the table!

Contact Rebecca on 027 670 8441 for more information.

MAORI POINT WINTER CONCERT

CANDLELIGHT & STRINGS

AN INTIMATE EVENING OF CLASSICAL MUSIC AND WINE IN OUR BARREL HALL

Saturday 23 August
Doors 5:30pm Concert 6-7:30
413 Maori Point Road, Tarras
Tickets \$60

Solo violin and viola with Cameron Stanley of the Dunedin Symphony Orchestra.
Featuring Bach and other works, with stories, insights and conversation woven in.
Elegant flows d'orchestres | Beautiful wines | Formal attire encouraged (but not required)

UPCOMING EVENT

Antipodes Quartet

Eden Annesley VIOLIN

Mana Waiariki VIOLIN

Tal Amore VIOLA

Lavinia Rae CELLO



A deeply immersive
journey into the realm of
'inner landscapes', exploring
the profound emotional territories
that music can evoke.

Thurs 28 August, 7.30pm

Tarras Community Church

Tickets Adult \$35, Senior \$30, Student \$5

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