

Tarras Talk

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Rural Women

Tarras Coffee Shop hosted a **Pink Ribbon Morning tea** today.

There was a delicious array of tasty treats!

All proceeds were generously donated to the cause

A MASSIVE THANK YOU
ANTONIA, PAUL & TEAM who
donated \$525

and the raffle raised \$266. **A total of \$791 was raised**

The raffle prizes were won by Helen Pledger, Felicity Hayman and Spin! Congratulations ladies.

Thank you to everyone who attended and donated lovely items for the prize basket.

THE TARRAS CHURCH SERVICE
IS THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH
AT 11AM

Upcoming services:

1ST JUNE 2025

DUTY: MARY ANN MORRIS & REBECCA McELREA

6TH JULY 2025

DUTY: ANTONIA WILSON & JAYNE RIVE

Services lead by Damon Plimmer – all welcome

District Plan - CODC wants your views

A number of meetings were held across the district in May including 2 well attended Tarras meetings.

If you have something to say

Contact Ann Rogers
Districtplan@codc.govt.nz

Community Spotlight

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"The Youth of a Nation are the trustees of posterity."

Teenagers can be seen as rebellious, lazy & rude & get a bad rap in the media but in Tarras we have some extraordinary young people! Two of them are from the same family - Nicholas & Celeste Rumore. This lovely family moved from Hawea to Wanaka & now to Tarras to get away from the hustle & bustle of town. (Sounds familiar lol)

Community Spotlight (from page 1)

Nicholas is the oldest @23yrs & is a former student at Mt Aspiring College but completed his schooling in Timaru. Nicholas joined Kahu Youth in Wanaka & took part in several events & activities. He enjoys his work as a sculptor with his Dad Steve, in their business, Metalworks Wanaka, & he has an ambition to build a large sculpture of a full-size whale! Nicholas joined the Tarras Fire Service as a Volunteer in Jan 2025 along with his sister Celeste. He appreciates structured learning & considered joining the army but is pleased he chose Tarras FENZ instead. As he works daytime in Wanaka, he has yet to attend his first callout. Nicholas says the best thing about being in the Tarras Fire Service is meeting & learning with other Tarras locals, all who have made him feel welcome & he's looking forward to being able to help people. He loves cars – has 7(!) including an old fire truck he got from Hamilton & he has plans to convert, tho admits it's a long-term project. Nicholas says he is not sure how he will manage seeing serious injuries on a callout, but says that that is what the training is for. & that as a team everyone helps everyone else.

Celeste Rumore is 17yos & has already achieved more than most people do in a lifetime. Previously attending Mt Aspiring College, she has been homeschooled for the last 3 years, which has seen her learning greatly accelerated. When at school Celeste was involved with Kahu Youth which led to her becoming a member of the Upper Clutha Youth Council. She enjoyed helping organise fun & safe events for the youth of the area, including the colour run, & safe spaces at big events like New Years Eve on the lake front.

As a 12yo she became very interested in architecture & she saved a front door from Wastebusters. Using this door as her inspiration, she has designed, & is now building, her own 20sqm tiny home on a trailer, with her own money. Her Dad taught her to weld so she has just completed building the trailer unit(!) (come-on be impressed - she's 17!), & is just starting the framing. Financial literacy is important to her & she is pleased that she is developing the skills to provide for herself in the future. Long term she would like to be an entrepreneur, as she has an interest in many things.



Celeste Rumore
Photo: Tarras Chick

As well as studying, building her own home & working part time to gain experience, Celeste decided she needed more. It started because she wanted to learn first aid as she is intrigued by the science behind it & she wants to be able to use her skills to help people.

So, she went along with Nicholas in January & she joined the Tarras Fire Service as a Volunteer. Celeste is the youngest member of the crew but her determination & commitment are so strong, that age is no barrier. (This young woman is seriously impressive!)

Celeste says the Tarras Fire Service team have been so welcoming and encouraging, it feels like a warm family. Like Nicholas. she has been attending training & recently attended a 2-day training on vegetation fires & the use of the radios & communication equipment. She has attended 3 call outs & enjoyed seeing how well the team work together.

When Celeste has nothing else to do but relax (yeah right), she enjoys horse riding, motorbiking, cars & doing random research.

Nicholas says he is not sure if he inspires Celeste, but that she inspires him – so much so he thinks the fire engine he has, could also be converted to a tiny home – for him! Both agree that it is great to have such a supportive family.

Proud Mum Jen, says her kids, & their achievements, makes her heart swell with joy. She says that “it takes a village to raise a child” and she thanks the Tarras Community for helping Celeste achieve her goals. People provided many opportunities for Celeste to raise the funds for her own home by asking her to: babysit, do gardening, stack firewood etc. “Tarras has a great community and we are so pleased to be part of it.”



Nicholas
Photo: Tarras Chick

TARRAS SCHOOL



Kia ora,

May has been a great month - the tamariki are settled, focused and working hard. Welcome Harry Purvis to school - we're delighted to have you join us!

We've been out and about exploring our neighbourhood and connecting in with the 'Small Schools' cluster. We attended a show, the seniors participated in the Rippa Rugby tournament and we have Cross Country and Ice Skating next week as part of our Physical Education program.

This term we're focusing our learning on 'Thank a Farmer' looking at where our food comes from, how it is produced and what it can be used for. This week we've been making different breads with butter next on our list. We'd love to visit other farms this year (it doesn't have to be this term) - if you produce something and are keen for us to visit, then please email principal@tarras.school.nz



On Fridays we have the local playgroup join us for buddy reading. It is a great way for the tamariki to get to know each other and the parents too! We enjoy their visits and welcome any other young families in the area to join in - 10:30am on Fridays.

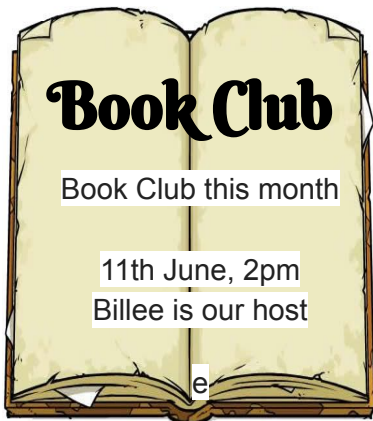
Month of May thanks goes to:

- Erynne, BT and Jamie for our visit to Devon Dairies and for the very informative tour we had.

Have a lovely June! Keep warm.

Ngā mihi nui,

Alice



For Sale

20ft. Shipping container, olive green, with air vents, \$ 5,500.
Fisher and Paykel fridge/freezer, \$ 100,
1m round wooden dining table with 2 matching chairs, \$ 50,
6 matching wood/leather lounge/waiting room chairs, \$ 200.
Call or text Holger, 021 2020 393.

Fire Restrictions

May was fairly quiet for us with our two calls being motor vehicle accidents in the Lindis.

We did our first aid refresher course during May at the school, thanks to Alice and her crew for providing us with a great smoko and lunch. Winter is approaching so the roads will become slippery and traffic will increase so we ask you to take care out there.

Most people will have had their fire going by now but have you cleaned your chimney properly?

A special thanks to Scott and Ange who raised us some money at Easter weekend with a horse at the shop car park.

TARRAS HALL HIRE CHARGES 2025

Whole hall full day (commercial)	180
Whole hall half day (commercial)	90
whole hall full day (Non Commercial)	120
Whole hall half day (non Commercial)	60
Supper room full day (Commercial)	90
Supper room half day (Commercial)	45
Supper room full day (Non Commercial)	60
Supper Room half day (Non Commercial)	30
Tables (each)	5
Chairs (each)	2
Mugs (tray)	15
Urns	10

All prices are per day and include gst. If extra cleaning is required after hire then an extra fee of \$150 will be added to hire fee.
Any broken equipment shall be repaired properly or replaced or an extra fee of \$150 will be added to hire fee.



CENTRAL OTAGO
FARMING FOR PROFIT

Grass to Gold Webinar Series

Monday 16, 23 and 30 June

7.30 pm via Zoom

Kick-start your planning for next season with tools, tech and tactics to make every blade count. Our team of experts will deliver high-value presentations across three successive webinars:

Monday 16 June: Systemising beef: tools, tech and tactics to make every blade count – industry-renowned beef expert **Bob Thomson (AgFirst)** shares practical tools, proven tactics and tech insights to boost efficiency and profit in beef systems.

Monday 23 June: Smart collars, smarter grazing: how wearable tech can be used to enhance grazing management – compare technology providers and learn about current and future applications for wearables. Speakers: **Jamie Waghorn (Gallagher)** and **Mark Craig (Halter)**.

Monday 30 June: Lamb finishing for maximum profit – set your system up to take advantage of a strong schedule, with practical, locally tailored strategies from local farm consultant **Peter Young**.

For more details on the webinars and to register, visit the B+LNZ website events page:
www.beeflambnz.com/events.

Tarras Hall - Our Community resource

Our council has kept the Tarras Hall as an invaluable community resource.

They have adjusted the Tarras Hall fees that are more in line with other Community Halls across Central Otago

Please consider using the Hall for your next community event!

Tarras talk by email!

Anyone in the community who would like to receive Tarras Talk via email to send their email address to Tarras Rural Women:
tarrasruralwomen@gmail.com