

Bull Creek Moanariri

Newsletter 1 27 December 2023



Merry Christmas! I hope you all had a very happy Christmas with your family and friends. What a gorgeous day Christmas Day was weather wise - with lots of people enjoying the surf and sand. It will be busy with cruise ships going past during the holidays. Keep an eye out for them.



Coming up:

Donation collection for our activities

Thurs 28th Dec 1.30pm **Sports Day**
6pm Community BBQ, -
bring a salad to share
7.30pm Talent Quest.
Fill out an entry form- available at Marquee

2023/4 Cribowners subs \$30
Please pay online or bring to
Sports Day to the Marquee.



Arrivals

Cruise Ships to Port Otago

Crystal Symphony 1,040 passengers	26 Dec 2023 - 08:00
Celebrity Edge 3,373 passengers	26 Dec 2023 - 09:00
Ovation Of The Seas 4,819 passengers	27 Dec 2023 - 08:30
Silver Muse 691 passengers	28 Dec 2023 - 08:00
ms Noordam 2,366 passengers	29 Dec 2023 - 08:00
Seabourn Odyssey 540 passengers	29 Dec 2023 - 08:00
Star Breeze 312 passengers	30 Dec 2023 - 07:30
ms Europa 408 passengers	30 Dec 2023 - 08:00
Norwegian Spirit 2,414 passengers	30 Dec 2023 - 09:00
Seven Seas Explorer 829 passengers	30 Dec 2023 - 10:00

If you see a sea lion

[Doc.govt.nz](https://www.doc.govt.nz)

If you are in New Zealand and spot a sea lion, you're seeing one of the rarest sea lions in the world. They're Nationally Critical and protected. It's an offence under the Marine Mammals Protection Act 1978 to disturb, harass, harm, injure or kill a New Zealand sea lion. A dog owner whose dog attacks a seal could face prosecution.

How to behave

- Minimise disturbance. Stay at least **10 m from them**, **20 m** if you're with your dog (always on lead).
- Sea lions are confident with humans. **Don't run away from them**. Back off slowly if you're too close, and avoid direct eye contact. They are unlikely to pursue you.
- Unlike fur seals, you can walk between a sea lion and the water, unless they're heading to the sea.
- **Keep an eye out**, as a female's fur colour is similar to sand. They might be hidden between dunes.
- **Move slowly away if you're in the water**.

There have been several sea lions living semi-permanently around Bull Creek. – Grays Beach, Shelly Beach, and in the bay. Keep dogs well away from them. Two of the paler coloured sea lions are pregnant and are more feisty than normal. Stay well away.

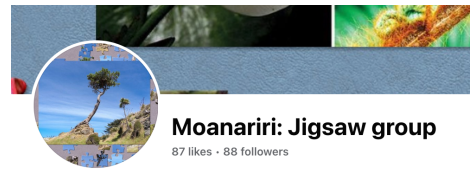
Do the kids' conservation quiz

How much do you know about New Zealand's natural places and the creatures in them? Test your knowledge with the kids' conservator

- What are our only native forest mammals?
 - tuatara
 - dolphins
 - bats
- Dogs are not allowed in some forests because:
 - dog toys keep getting left behind
 - dogs might kill wildlife like kiwi
 - dogs love eating native plants
- A male seal is called a bull. What's a female seal called?
- New Zealand's freshwater crayfish, or koura, are dark green in colour – true or false?
- Which is the largest seabird in the world?
 - Royal albatross
 - Little penguin
 - New Zealand pigeon / kereru
- The kiwi has the biggest egg out of all other birds its size – true or false?
- Which is the biggest threat to our native animals?
 - possums, stoats, and rats
 - rabbits, goats, and horses
 - trucks, tractors, and trailers
- What river animal appears on the New Zealand \$10 note?
- A baby wētā looks like a grub before turning into an adult – true or false?
- If you were creating a garden for lizards, which is the best thing to do?
 - have lots of hiding places for lizards
 - have lots of toys for lizards to play with
 - have large boxes for lizard families to live in
- Which is endangered – the takahē or the pūkeko?
- Wetlands are important because:
 - they prevent flooding across farm lands
 - they are home to all sorts of creatures
 - they clean the water that flows through them
 - all of these reasons
- There are wild wallabies in New Zealand – true or false?
- Possums threaten pōhutukawa and rātā by
 - damaging the roots of the trees
 - eating the leaves, buds, and shoots
 - breaking branches off for firewood
- New Zealand has two types of lizards – one is the gecko, what's the other?
- Which is not a weed?
 - cabbage tree
 - climbing asparagus
 - banana passionfruit
- What should you do if you see a seal or sea lion enjoying the sunshine?
 - get up close for a photo
 - feed it some food
 - stay away and leave it alone
- Public conservation land belongs to:
 - the Prime Minister
 - DOC rangers
 - all New Zealanders
- What native tree is known as the New Zealand Christmas tree, because its bright red flowers are seen around that time of y
- What is the name of this plant disease?



- Moaning myrtle
- Myrtle rust
- Rusty mildew

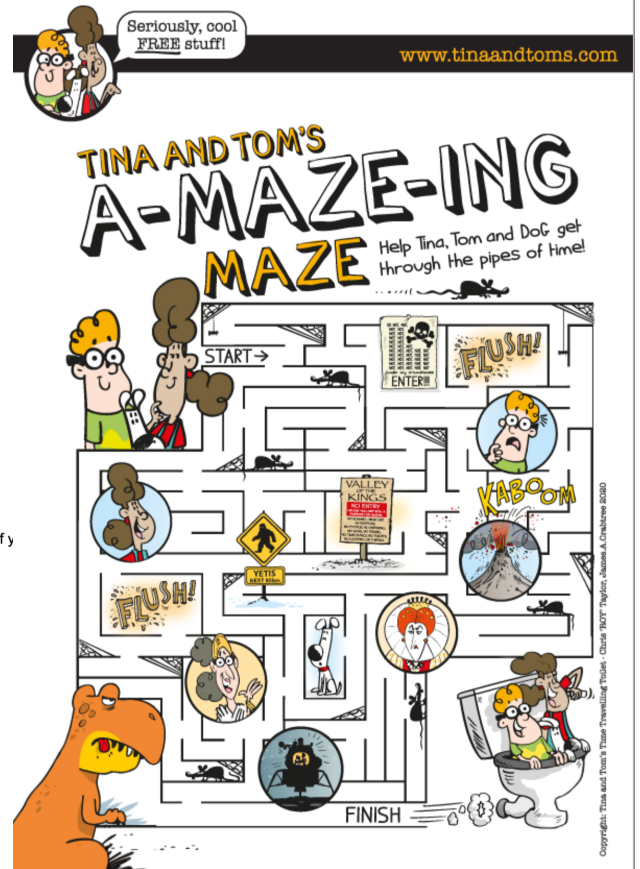


Moanariri: Jigsaw group

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Jigsaws to do in the holidays

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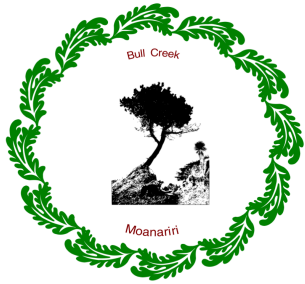
Weather forecast off yr.no

	Night	Morning	Afternoon	Evening	Temperature high/low	Precip.	Wind
Today 26 Dec.			☁	☁	12° / 11°	0.2 mm	6 m/s
Wednesday 27 Dec.	☁	☁	☁	☁	13° / 10°		6 m/s
Thursday 28 Dec.	☁	☁	☁	☁	19° / 11°		13 m/s
Friday 29 Dec.	☁	☁	☁	☁	24° / 12°	4.6 mm	11 m/s
Saturday 30 Dec.	☁	☁	☁	☁	13° / 11°	0.2 mm	7 m/s
Sunday 31 Dec.	☁	☁	☁	☁	14° / 8°	8.7 mm	9 m/s
Monday 1 Jan.	☁	☁	☁	☁	18° / 7°	0.3 mm	9 m/s
Tuesday 2 Jan.	☁	☁	☁	☁	17° / 11°	0.7 mm	7 m/s
Wednesday 3 Jan.	☁	☁	☁	☁	14° / 9°	0.1 mm	5 m/s



Thank you very much to all the helpers who put up the Marquee this morning. It looks amazing with all it's Modifications- thank you John and Gordy.





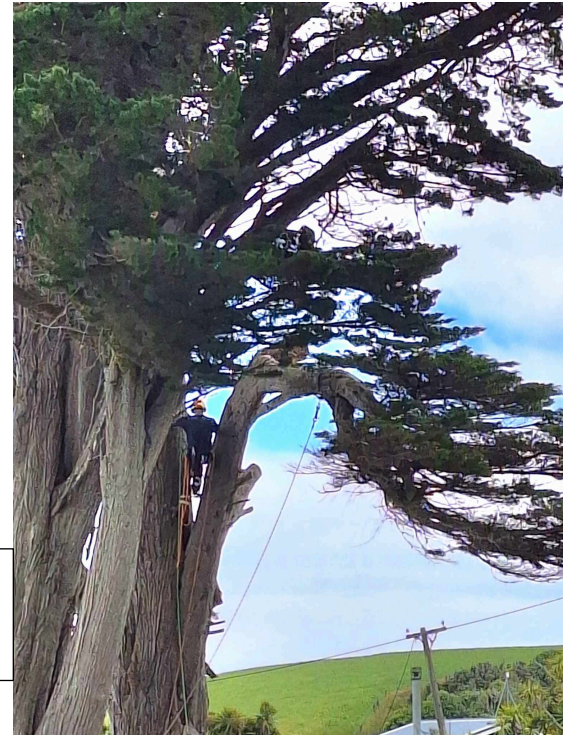
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Thank you to Grant Campbell for your great skills in trimming the macrocarpa tree so we are able to retain our very popular "Bull Creek swing." This was a huge job. Thank you also to the team who cleaned away the enormous pile of debris.

Colouring In competition.
Collect sheets for your age group at the Marquee.



Reminders:

Bull Creek programme 2023/2024

	Low Tide		organiser
27 Dec Wed	10am	Erecting Marquee 10am Committee Meeting 12	
28 Dec Thurs	10.50	Sports Day collection: Sports Day 1.30pm Crib owners BBQ 6pm Talent Quest 7.30pm	Justin & Lucy Billy/Al/ etc
29 Dec Fri	11.40am	Track working bee – Meet at marquee 9.30am Sandcastle Competition judging 2pm prize giving. 5.30pm marquee	Dave/ Chris Coral/ Joy
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3 Jan Wed		Marquee take down	

2023/4 Cribowners subs \$30

Please pay online or bring to the Marquee at Sports Day.

For online payments:

Please put crib number & surname and what you are paying eg donation or subs

To Moanariri crib owners assn

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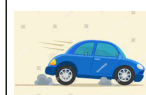


Please
keep dogs
on leads

If your dog is at the beach-
please keep it on a lead.

**SLOW
DOWN
OBEY
THE
SPEED
LIMIT**

There are lots of young children
around Bull Creek for the
holidays. Please slow down to
the speed limit.



Sports Day results 28/12/2023

Sprints		1st	2nd	3rd
3 yr		Leo Butler		
4 girls		Briar Allison	Maggie McEntyre	
4 boys		Eli Dean	Jackson Adam	
5 girls		Ruby Butler	Elsie Te Whata	Ellie-May Lennon
5 boys		Ben McGregor		
6-7 boys		Stan Dick	Charlie Simms	
6-7 girls		Ella Dean	Harper Simms	
8-9 girls		Lily Te Whata	Kora Dean	Chloe Jeffery
8-9 boys		Ernie McEntyre		
10-11 boys		Freddie Dick		
10-11 girls		Sarah Cameron	Leah Campbell	Elsie Shearer
12-13 boys		Cohen Anderson	Tristan Leckie	
12-13 girls		Libby Campbell	Annabelle Cameron	Olivia Dick
14-15 girls		Emily Dick	Lucy Anderson	
14 boys		Jake Butler		
Men		Ken Campbell	Liam Dick	Justin McEntyre
Women		Charlotte Lennon	Emma Butler	Megan Jeffery
Gumboot Throw				
10-15		Cohen Anderson	Tristan Leckie	Jake Butler
Men		Grant Campbell	Ben Cameron	Matt Freeman
Under 15 girls		Libby Campbell	Kate Campbell	
Women		Megan Jeffery	Jade Dickson	Kara Leckie
Under 5		Ellie-May Lennon	Ruby Butler	Maggie McEntyre
Under 5		Jackson Adam	Eli Dean	
5-10		Charley Simms	Freddy Dick	Ernie McEntyre
10-12		Kora Dean	Maggie Cameron	Lily Te Whata
Wheelbarrow				
10 -12		Elsie & Jordan	Cohen & Tristan	Olivia & Freddy
9-10		Kora & Lily	Chloe & Ella	Layla & Melody
7-8		Ella & Kora	Maggie & Sophie	Charley & Ernie
5/6		Harper & Indi	Ruby & Ellie-May	
13-15		Jake & Emma	Lucy & Emily	Annabelle & Freya
Under 5		Lily & Elli	Ava & Jordan	Ernie & Maggie
adults		Jane & Megan	Andrew & Claire	
Bull Creek grunt/ Cross Country				
Adults women		Charlotte Lennon	Claire	
Adults men		Liam Dick	Hayden lennon	Hayden Allison
11-15 boys		Jake Butler	Cohen Anderson	
11-15		Olivia Dick	Elsie Shearer	Emily Dick
8-10 girls		Kora Dean	Lily Te Whata	Freddie Dick
7-8 boys		Charley Simms	Ella Dean	Stan Dick
4 years boys		Eli Deans	Jackson Adam	Leo Butler
4 Years girls		Ava Shearer		

Sack Race

Open men	Grant	Matt Freeman	Ben Cameron
Open women	Charlotte Lennon		
6-7 boys	Charley Simms	Stan Dick	
6-7 boys	Ella Dean	Harper Simms	
8-9 girls	Lily Te Whata	Chloe Jeffery	
10-11 boys	Freddy Dick		
10-11 girls	Sarah Cameron	Leah Campbell	
12/14 boys	Jake Butler	Cohen Anderson	
12/14 Girls	Sophie Cameron	Libby Campbell	Olivia Dick
8-9 boys	Ernie McEntrye		
4-5	Indi	Ellie May Lennon	Ruby Butler
4-5	Elli Dean	Jackson Adam	

Stilts Race

Open men	Grant Campbell	Cohen Anderson	Ben Cameron
women	Megan Jeffery	Trudy Anderson	Charlotte Lennon
6-8 boys	Charley Simm	Stan Dick	
6-8 race 2	Chloe Jeffrey Maggie Cameron	Lily Te Whata	MacKenzie Clark
Under 6 girls	Indi Clark	Ellie-May Lennon	Ruby Butler
Under 6 boys	Elli Dean	Ben McGregor	Leo Butler
Under 15	Kate Campbell	Olivia Dick	Libby Campbell
13-14	Lucy Anderson	Francesca Freeman	
Under 15	Jake Butler	Ken Campbell	

Water Balloons (to be held after Sand castle prize giving)





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Talent Quest 28/12/2023

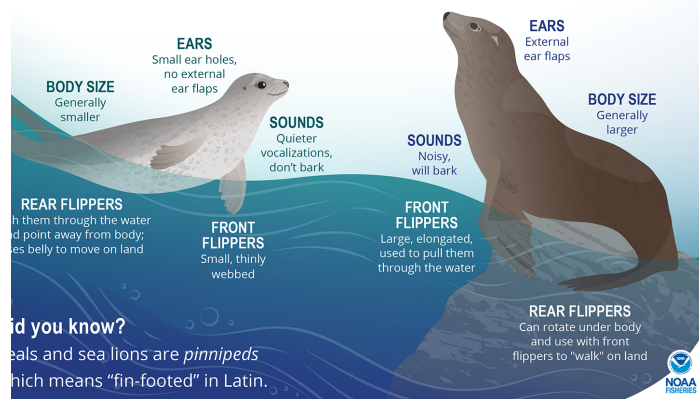
Lily Te Whata	gymnastics	Most flexible
Murdoch family	skit	Best family act
Leah Campbell	magic	Most interactive magic
Ava Shearer	singing	Best under 5 xmas song
Harper Simms	dancing	Best dancing act
Maggie McEntyre	singing	Best solo without music
Freya	singing	Best overall act
Ruby Butler	singing	Best solo with music
Charlie Simms	magic	Best magic act under 8
Ernie McEntyre	jokes	Funniest jokes
Indi Clark	singing	Best over 5yr xmas song
Leo Butler	singing	Best singing 3 and under
The Freemans	dancing	Best overall adult act

Christmas Eve 2023



SEAL

SEA LION



In general, **fur seals tend to be found on rocky coasts** while **sea lions can be found on sandy beaches**. Sea lions like to haul out on sandy beaches to rest. In contrast the fur seals are most often found on rocks near the water.

Bull Creek programme 2023/2024

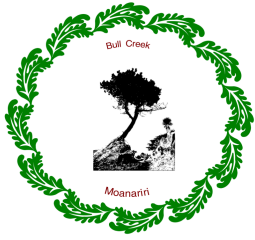
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Well done to all those who entered the Talent Quest last night. There was such a wide variety of entries- magic, gymnastics, jokes, singing etc



Sand Castle Competition 29/12/2023

Ava Shearer	volcano	1 st under 5 sculpture
Elsie Te Whata & Kate Campbell	Crab	1 st under 6 sea sculpture
Maggie McEntyre & Ruby Butler	Christmas tree etc	1 st under 6 Christmas scene.
Briar Allison	Rarotonga scene	1 st 3D map under 5
Reuben & Jackson	Sand castles	1 st under 4 sand sculptures
Leo Butler	Shark attack	1 st 3 years sea creature
Tessa Jenkins	castle	1 st unassisted castle 3years
Kate McGregor	Turtle with shells	1 st Turtle 10-12 years
Ella Campbell & Chloe Jeffery	Seaweed Turtle	2 nd Turtle 10-12 years
Ernie McEntyre	Bull Creek BMX track	1 st 8-9 years
Lily Te Whata	Octopus	2 nd 8-9 years
Briar & Maeve & Allison family	Rainbow & Stars	1 st Family Sand Sculpture
Freeman family	Mermaid	2 nd Family Sand Sculpture
Dick family	Bull Creek swimming pool	3 rd Family Sand Sculpture
Simms family	Starfish	1 st sea creature sculpture- family
Clark Crib	Turtle	2 nd sea creature sculpture- family
Ella, Libby, Kate Campbell	Pair of jandals	1 st under 15 creative footwear
Grant Campbell	Driftwood shelter	1 st wooden structure
Alice McGregor	Roughans crib & landscape	2 nd 3D map
Freya Jeffery & Leah Campbell	Sea Lion & cub	1 st 12-14 sea mammal
Bradley Beynon	Large Turtle	2 nd 12-14 sea mammal
Trudy Anderson	Yahtzee Dice	Most creative game
Isla McGregor	Anchor	1 st = 11-12 years sculpture With special note of attention to outstanding shaping
Tristan Leckie	Titanic & Iceberg	1 st = 11-12 years sculpture With special note of attention to outstanding shaping
Annie & Ben McGregor	Starfish /driftwood	Most creative starfish With special note of attention to artistic effects
Lucy Anderson	Bull Creek 3D map	1 st 3D map & overall most attention to detail.






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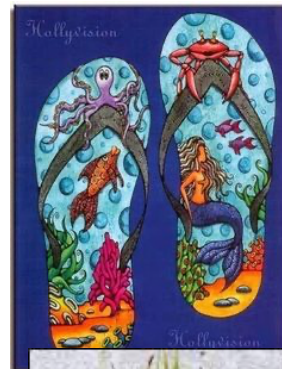
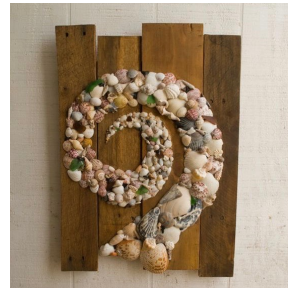
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Remember to make your beach theme artistic creations and display them in
The marquee by 1pm on 1st Jan.
Colouring competition entries also at that time



Ideas for Arts entries



THANK
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We wish to thank Dave Dickson from Hirepool for donating the 26 new Marquee poles.

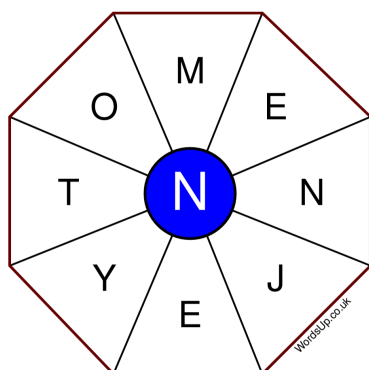


Thank you Brett for donating the paua & venison as additional treats to our Sports Day BBQ. These were very much enjoyed.

Instructions

You have ten minutes to find as many words as possible using the letters in the wheel. Each word must use the central letter and at least three others. Each letter may only be used once. There is at least one nine-letter word in the wheel.

There are 51 possible words of four letters or more that use the central letter.



A **ditloid** is a type of **word puzzle**,^[1] in which a phrase, quotation, date, or fact must be deduced from the numbers and abbreviated letters in the clue.

Examples [\[edit \]](#)

Puzzle	Solution
3 B M	Three Blind Mice
7 D S	Seven Deadly Sins

Ditloids Quiz I


Can you solve these number-word puzzles?

- | | |
|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1) 13 L in the H A | 26) C-14 D |
| 2) 101 D | 27) 18 H on a G C |
| 3) 1001 A N | 28) 500 S of P in a R |
| 4) 29 D in F in a L Y | 29) 6 F in a F |
| 5) 24 P on a B B | 30) 2001 a S O |
| 6) 6 W of H the E | 31) 60 Y for a D W A |
| 7) 4 S on a D B | 32) A B in the H is W 2 in the B |
| 8) 56 is the S of the F 6 T N | 33) 3 M and a B |
| 9) 220 Y in a F | 34) 16 P in a C S |
| 10) 360 D in a C | 35) 1 F O the C N |
| 11) 1066 : T B of H | 36) 86400 S in a D |
| 12) 9 is the S R of 81 | 37) L 2 P in a P |
| 13) 5 F of D | 38) K 2 B W 1 S |
| 14) S to the 4 W | 39) 66 B of the B |
| 15) 3 B in a T | 40) 25 P in a P |
| 16) 40 D in L | 41) 366 D in a L Y |
| 17) 2 S to E S | 42) 50 Y for a G W A |
| 18) 88 K on a P | 43) 50 P for a B in D |
| 19) T 10 C | 44) T W 9 Y |
| 20) 14 P in a S | 45) 42 D on a P of D |
| 21) 206 B in the H B | 46) 60 M in an H |
| 22) 24 H in a D | 47) 2 H are B than 1 |
| 23) 116 Y in the H Y W | 48) 24 B B in a P |
| 24) 1,000,000 D Q | 49) 52 C in a P |
| 25) 100 C in a D | 50) 7 H of R |

Sandcastles 29/12/2023



Results of 30 Dec 2023 Fishing Competition

Girls 5 & under	1 st Maggie McEntrye Butterfish	348
	2 nd Indie Clark Butterfish	280
	3 rd Ruby Butler Butterfish	252
	4 th Elsie Te Whata Butterfish	227
Biggest Mussels	1 st Briar Allison	
Boys 5 & under	1 st Jaxon Adam Butterfish	291
	1 st Leo Butler Best rock pool collection	
Girls 6-8 years	1 st McKenzie Clark	335
Boys 6-8 years	1 st Ernie McEntyre Butterfish	272
	1 st Charley Simms Biggest eel	
Girls 9-12 years	1 st Chloe Jeffery Biggest Butterfish	380
	2 nd Lily Te Whata Biggest Butterfish	290
Boys 9-12 years	1. Cohen Anderson- Butterfish	380
	2. Freddie Dick- Buttersfish	356
	3. Cameron Adam Butterfish	303
Girls 13-16 years	1 Lucy Anderson Butterfish 1 Lucy Anderson -Starfish	306 286
	1 Freya Jeffery Biggest	290
Paua 	1 Jake Butler 13-16yrs 1. Mike Anderson adult	160mm 163

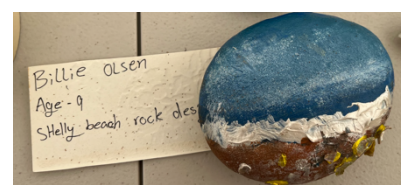
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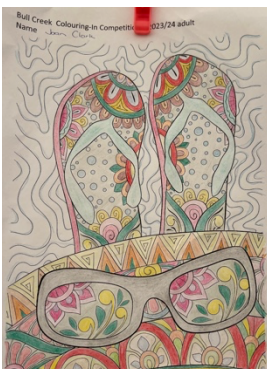
Arts 2024

1 st overall -Art entry	Phil McGregor	Tuatua Kiwi Fantails in a tree
1 st driftwood creation	Annie McGregor	Butterfly garden
1 st five years	Ben McGregor	Fish Finder bottle
2 nd five years	Indie Clark	Painted shells
1 st under 5	Briar Allison	Shells & beach scene
2 nd under 5	Maeve Allison	Shells & stones
1 st Driftwood	Maeve Allison	Driftwood creation
1 st 6 years	Harper Simms	Christmas Tree & collection
1 st 7 years	Charlie Simms	Christmas Tree & collection
1 st 8-9 years	Billie Olsen	Shelley Beach rock design
2 nd 8-9 years	MacKenzie Clark	Bull Creek Rock & collection
1 st 10-12 years	Kate Ransby	Tropical Cocktail bottle
2 nd = 10-12 years	Isla McGregor	Bull Creek bottle x2
2 nd = 10-12 years	Alice Ransby	Bull Creek bottle christmas tree
1 st Paua Creation	Francesca Freeman	Paua patterns
2nd Paua Creation	Kirsty Freeman	Beach in Paua Shell

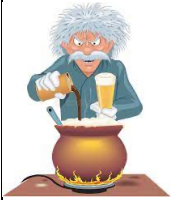


Colouring-In 2024

1 st 4 years	Briar Allison
2 nd 4 years	Maggie McEntyre
3 rd 4 years	Ava Shearer
1 st 5 years	Indie Clark
2 nd 5 years	Ruby Butler
3 rd 5 years	Ben McGregor
3 rd 5 years	Elsie Te Whata
1 st 6-7 years	Harper Simms
2 nd 6-7 years	Stan Dick
1 st 8-9 years	Charlie Simms
2 nd 8-9 years	Lily TeWhata
3 rd 8-9 years	MacKenzie Clark
1 st 8-9 years	Billie Olsen
2 nd 8-9 years	MacKenzie Clark
1 st 10-11 years	Freddie Dick
1 st 11-12 years	Elsie Shearer
2 nd =11-12 years	Alice Ransby=
2 nd =11-12 years	Olivia Dick=
3 rd 11-12 years	Bradley Beynon
1 st 13-15 years	Lucy Anderson
1 st Under 18 Best Overall	Liam Dick
2 nd Under 18	Emily Dick
3 rd Under 18	Kate Campbell
1 st adult	Joan Clark
2 nd adult	Lisa Dick





Bull Creek programme 2023/2024- finale			
	Low Tide 2.30		organiser
2 Jan Tues		Home brew Entries to the marquee by 3.15- 4.15 Examples of categories to the right Starts at 4.30pm Bring an entry/ies & some nibbles	Ann, Ali Billy
3 Jan Wed		Marquee take down 11 am	

Draught Beer
Lager
Dark beer
Spirits
Wine
Punch
Cocktails clear
Cocktails yellow
Cocktails Blue/Green
Reds
Whatever cream



New Years Day Golf
 Campbells were the winners of the 2024 trophy – 130-122.



Scavenger Hunt held on 31 Dec
 1st Dick & Adams family
 2nd Te Whata & Jeffery families
 3rd Ransby/ Butler/ McEntyre families

Thank you very much to the many helpers who have worked away behind the scenes to ensure the holiday activities run smoothly. Some of these are.

- Weed eating/ Lawn mowing,
- Tree trimming/ track clearing
- Macrocarpa trimming for the swing
- Pest control- possums
- Repairing the marquee
- Collecting port-a loo,
- Bringing over the Bull Creek burner.
- Ordering bbq food
- creating & delivered newsletters
- Ordering prizes, -gifts, lollies, cash, fireworks, certificates.
- Ordering the two skips
- Judging activities
- Setting off fireworks

