

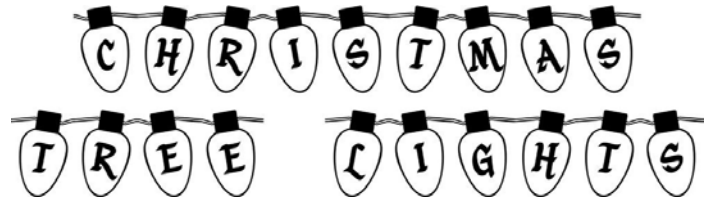
# THE VILLAGE VOICE

THE NEWSPAPER OF PIRONGIA  
SUMMER 2010

## STAY SAFE THIS CHRISTMAS

### A MESSAGE FROM THE FIRE SERVICE

It's easy to get carried along in the rush before Christmas, and forget about some of the basic things we can do to stay safe over summer. Here's an easy check list to get you started:



- Make sure your tree has lots of water – treat your Christmas tree like your favourite pot plant. You should fill the water container every day. This will prevent the tree from drying out and give a healthier looking tree.

- Select a place in your house that is cool and away from busy areas, stairs and doors – especially doors leading outside. Secure the tree so it can not be knocked over by children or pets.

### FIRE PERMITS

Waipa District's annual Restricted Fire Season begins on 1 December, and ends on 31 March. As the Rural Fire Authority, Council sets the conditions and requirements to permit any fire in the open air during the restricted season.

Council will issue permits, weather conditions permitting, and these can be obtained from Council reception during normal business hours. There is no charge for these permits. Council staff monitor Fire Weather conditions through daily updates. If any of the factors become extreme, new permits will not be issued and existing permits cancelled until conditions become acceptable.

The person in charge of a fire is ultimately responsible for any damage the fire may cause, despite the fact that it may be permitted.

A copy of the permit is lodged with our local Fire Brigade, so that should there be a call-out, they will know if they are attending a permitted fire.

You can apply for a fire permit online at: [info@waipadc.govt.nz](mailto:info@waipadc.govt.nz)

- Remember your lights have been stored away in their box since last Christmas. Check the lights carefully before placing them on the tree. If any of the wires are frayed or broken, throw them out and buy a new set of lights.
- Make sure all the connections are tight and that the bulbs/cords are in good condition. Loose connections and frayed cords can cause a short circuit.
- Test the lights before you place them on the tree. Once installed, you should be able to turn the lights on and off without having to crawl under the tree.
- Never leave the tree lights on overnight or when leaving the house.
- Never use candles near the Christmas tree or as tree decorations.
- If your tree becomes dry and starts shedding needles you should remove it from the house. Don't take the risk!
- Check that your artificial tree is made from flame resistant materials.
- Lights should never be used on artificial trees with metal frames.
- All tree ornaments should be flame resistant.

## PIRONGIA'S GOT TALENT!!!

Jack and Kathie Rifle married in 1990 and adopted their first child in 1998. They adopted three more children between 2001-05. In 2006, a tragic car accident took the lives of three of their much loved children.

Last year, after much thought, they decided they were ready to adopt another baby. "We were offered the opportunity to have a family of siblings placed with us permanently". We knew that those five children were intended to be raised as part of our whaanau. So in July last year four of the children came home to Pirongia, with the newborn joining the family when she was discharged from hospital several weeks later. We feel very blessed. The only problem is ... the house isn't big enough for them all! The family have a three-bedroom home with one bathroom and one toilet, and a very small kitchen. "We are making things work, but it certainly isn't ideal. We have four children sleeping in one room and two in another."

So they are setting about to raise some funds to assist in the expense of renovating their house to fit their family. They are organising a 'Pirongia's Got Talent', which will be held on 18 December at 7:30pm. There are already half a dozen confirmed acts and a number of guest performers, including members of the Rifle family, plus a Hamilton-based band made up of fire fighters from the Pukete firehouse. "We also still need to find more sponsorship and prizes. If anyone could help or contribute we would be very appreciative."

'Pirongia's Got Talent' will be held at Pirongia School with 5% of the proceeds going to Pirongia School and 5% to Pirongia Playcentre. Tickets for the night will be available from Pirongia School from Monday 6 December or by contacting Kathie on 021 617 565 or [pirongiasgottalent@gmail.com](mailto:pirongiasgottalent@gmail.com). Some doors sales will also be available: adults \$8, children \$4 or \$30 for a family of two adults and four or more children.

"We're hoping people will see it as a wonderful way to get into the Christmas spirit, celebrate the end of the school year and have a fun family outing."

## EDITORIAL

Seasons greetings to all our readers! The circulation of the Village Voice continues to climb, with issues now available online via our own Facebook page and also at the website <http://stjohnsteawamutu.wainet.org>.

I am delighted to welcome two new people to the Voice's team - Leonie, who has taken over the formatting, and Jessica, our junior reporter who will be sharing news from Pirongia School. There are around 40 people involved in the writing, collation, formatting, proof reading, printing and distribution of each issue - no mean task and yet another example of the awesome work so many people do behind the scenes! We have deliberately kept advertising space to a minimum in order to keep the news of our community the real focus of each issue.

No doubt many readers will be celebrating the opening of Pak'n Save in Te Awamutu, and the imminent arrival of Countdown, Mitre10 Mega and other "superstores" rumoured to be coming. But don't forget our local suppliers and producers, who can give you fantastic products (and superior service) right here on the doorstep. At the Village Fete on 5 December there will be more than 20 local producers selling their wares - honey, bacon, coffee, lavender, olive oil, cupcakes, jewellery, art, eggs...it's all there! Do come and support these businesses and organisations and get some wonderful homegrown Christmas presents or treats for yourself.

Recently I stopped for ice cream at the Village Cafe and was thrilled to see the gorgeous jewellery and gifts in their new store-within-a-store. The vegetable stand on Crozier St is getting more produce by the day (newly dug spuds anyone?) - and there mustn't be a person left in Pirongia that isn't buying their strawberries and asparagus in Papesch Road! Three more great reasons to shop locally!

Finally, it is with some sadness that we will be farewelling George Allanson, as he concludes his term as Vicar of the Te Awamutu parish (which includes Pirongia) on 31 December. His support of the Village Voice, from the very beginning, has been appreciated so much. George will continue to live in the Village but work part time for the Melville parish, with particular responsibility for Ohaupo and Windsor Court.

May this Christmas for all our readers be peace-filled, sun-drenched, and generously shared with friends and family.

Susan Trodden - Editor  
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The next issue of **THE VILLAGE VOICE** will go to print in March 2011. If you would like to contribute please contact me at the above email address.

## A MESSAGE FROM ..... ST SAVIOUR'S

Shrek, the lovable green ogre, once said, "Have you seen a baby lately? They just eat and poop, and they cry, and then they cry when they poop and poop when they cry!" Our youngest son is nine years old now, so my memory of such events is somewhat vague. However, I suspect there are some weary mums and dads who would agree with Shrek!

Given this, and as we approach Christmas to celebrate the birth of Jesus, I find it remarkable that God chose to enter this world as a baby. Why not a superhero with stunning good looks and a flowing cape, or some invincible creature from the deep who befriends the underdog? Why a baby?

Here are some thoughts.

Preciousness. Babies really are precious. Have you ever been in a busy work place when an employee on maternity or paternity leave brings their new-born in for all to see? Suddenly deadlines go out the window, grumpy e-mails are left mid-sentence, and there is a crowd of people goo-ing and gah-ing over the precious little baby. Babies have an amazing ability to cause us to look beyond ourselves and our situation.

Vulnerability. Babies are delicate and vulnerable little bundles totally dependent on those looking after them. Jesus entered this world naked and totally vulnerable, (Interestingly he left this world in the same way). While a superhero or a powerful creature may be able to create dependency, or even demand people to follow them, Jesus' vulnerability reminds us that we are totally free to accept him (or not) as our Lord and Saviour.

Compassion. Jesus experienced every aspect of human development, starting as a vulnerable baby through to adulthood, and all the highs and lows in between. He experienced joy, temptation, betrayal, and utter despair and pain; he is therefore uniquely placed to enter into our own circumstances with compassion, understanding and the gift of hope.

Maybe Shrek is right to a point, but I think there is more to babies than eating, pooping and crying. They are a gift that reminds us of the preciousness and origin of life itself. The next time you change a nappy, you may want to spare a thought for baby Jesus, whose birthday we celebrate at Christmas.

May God bless you mightily this season of joy, hope, peace and love.

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## 145 YEARS AGO IN THE VILLAGE RAISE YOUR GLASSES

A hotel has been on the corner of Crozier and Franklin Streets, ever since Alexandra was founded. As with all hotels it has had a succession of proprietors and been rebuilt several times (1882, 1930). The name Alexandra was given in 1870, but it has been known as Finch's Hotel. The Alexandra Lodge had a room in the Hotel and held meetings there (1877).

At this corner in 1881, Tawhiao accompanied by Wahanui (Maniopoto) with over 500 followers, met with Majors Gilbert Mair and Jackson. He with 80 of his men laid down their arms with a statement that it meant peace for all time between the Maori and European . . . an act of dignity which ended the Waikato conflict.

Further down the road, was the Shamrock Hotel. In 1883, Patrick Connell transferred his licence from Royal Exchange Hotel to the Shamrock, but he lost this after just one year. By 26th June 1888, Mrs Jesse Sage, the new Proprietor, advertised that she "kept a first class table, and the hours will be found convenient and pleasant for visitors".

## HEART OF THE VILLAGE BEATING STRONG Community Centre and Chapel News.

We are very busy getting ready for our inaugural Village Fete. There will be around 25 stall holders, as well as a visit from Santa Claus, the Pony Club offering Pony Rides, a bouncy castle, lots of delicious food and drink, Christmas present ideas and local art. The afternoon will finish with Christmas Carols in the Chapel, led by the newly formed Pirongia Village Choir. Kick-off is at 1pm.

The Centre has had a number of new tenants this year - including the above choir that meets fortnightly in the chapel (Friday evenings). They are a great backdrop to Aikido in the hall next door!

## THANKS!!!!

Grant and Colette Burr and the team at Pirongia Action Automotive would like to say a huge thank-you to all our friends and clients for your support and kind wishes after the fire. We have risen from the ashes and are currently adding a new tyre shop onto our existing workshop which should be up and running before Christmas. We can still offer all our tyre services as all lost equipment has been replaced. We wish everyone a happy and safe Christmas Holiday. Drive Carefully!!

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## PIRONGIA SCHOOL STUDENT REPORT

We are delighted to introduce our newest reporter for The Village Voice. Jessica Cullen, age 8 and a student at Pirongia School, has filed this report:

Kia ora everybody! Pirongia School is a wonderful place to be. There are beautiful environments, friendly people and I have to say, lots of learning. We are learning to get active while doing activities and my favourite activity is list three things that helps conserve our water. Sport here is amazing! Our sport heroes, Jean McKenzie and Ella Muckle, are crazy about sport and fitness, but we all love it. We have interhouse competitions too. We have Junior and Senior Athletics. There is school singing every Friday morning and also school assembly's on Friday afternoons. There is dress up days some weeks. We have thirteen classes all very focused on their learning. There is A team, B team, C team and D team. We have had Agriculture day where people bring their Calves and Lambs and on the same day people can bring there cage pets! Also if people don't have a caged pet we have flower arrangements where you can do a flower jar and other arrangements. This year it was rainy in the afternoon so we missed out on gumboot throwing. We are very lucky to have a Library in our school so we can read lots of books so that we don't get bored and so we get lots of words into our clever heads so we can use professional writing words in our stories.

We could never have a better principal than the one and only Jan Cullen!

Jessica Cullen (no relation to the above).

## TAKE A KID FISHING

When we think of Pirongia, it's usually the mountain that comes to mind - not the beach. But we are blessed with being an easy distance from lots of great fishing spots, and Pirongia has it's own fishing club. It's a small, family oriented club. "We love to encourage kids to get the fishing 'bug'" says Grant Ditchburn.

There are two events coming up soon which just might be what you need to get your kid into fishing. On 1 and 5 December there's a kids fishing trip on the Clansman (an awesome charter boat) at Kawhia. These will have good sponsorship to keep costs down. Later, on the weekend 25-27 March 2011, there is the "Annual 'Take a Kid Fishing'" competition.

We meet on the first Wednesday of the month at various member's homes. Contact Grant on 871 9608 for more information.

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## MOUNTAIN PESTS TAKE THE BAIT

Pirongia Te Aroaro o Kahu Restoration Society ran another bait station fill on Mt Pirongia in early October, involving some 50 volunteers. As good numbers of bait stations along the grid still contained bait from an earlier fill, we are quite confident that rat populations have been drastically reduced. New specific data will be collected from rat monitoring to be completed at the end of November by St Paul's Collegiate students involved in the Hillary Award programme. Pre-operational monitoring showed rat populations were at 66.25% and the aim is to reduce this to zero so native birdlife can thrive. A noticeable increase in birds over spring, both on the mountain and in the village, suggests that we are having a positive effect. This has encouraged us to make plans for our fourth extension to the bait station grid in as many years and we will be meeting with DoC shortly to discuss this and to progress the proposal to reintroduce native robins (Toutouwai).

Those involved with the bait station fill would have noticed Dave Owen from Wavelength Media, Te Awamutu, filming us for the production of a DVD. This is to be used at the forthcoming National TrustPower Community Awards in Tauranga in March 2011 as we need to make a presentation about our group. Dave also used some of the collected material at the recent Big Screen event in Te Awamutu, thus helping to promote our work.

In early November our Society staged the sixth Mt Pirongia Art Awards. We were delighted to receive more than 30 artworks from the Waikato and beyond to set up a stunning exhibition at Pirongia Memorial Hall. With the support of two great judges, generous sponsors, and lots of committed volunteers lending a hand, we were able to present an outstanding collection of art celebrating our precious maunga. After three days of exhibition and countless compliments, this year's award winning and merit entries were shifted to the Te Awamutu Information Centre where they stay until 17 December. Janice Gibson kindly donated a painting to us which was raffled; the winner being Pauline Marjoribanks.

Our envirocentre project, involving the old Pirongia School library building, is still progressing slowly. We are currently preparing a detailed application to DoC outlining our plans to site the building on Rangimarie Reserve in Crozier St.

With the warmer months now here, we will be gearing up for native bat monitoring at the bush edges of Pirongia Forest Park. We already have a database of people who

started training last year, but new volunteers can still be catered for. Training takes place near dusk, and the monitoring involves using a hand held bat detector and walking approximately 1 km along transects.

Volunteers for projects and activities are always welcome, so for more information please contact Clare St Pierre on 871 9133 or [clare.stpierre@gmail.com](mailto:clare.stpierre@gmail.com)

## BUILDING A PEOPLE OF POWER

Did you notice any Zambian's walking around Pirongia recently? MMM NZ hosted their International Board at their NZ Centre, 1 Kane Street, from 8 to 11 November. Delegates came from Singapore, Hong Kong, Australia, Thailand, Canada and Zambia. There were too many visitors for their small meeting room so they used a room across the road at the Rugby Club for the daytime meetings. On the Monday night they hired the local Clydesdales Team and the visitors were treated to a horse and wagon ride down to the Little Clydesdale café where they enjoyed a lovely three course meal and a great evening together.



MMM sends teams of builders and handy people to help Christian organisations with their building and maintenance projects – free of charge! From the Pirongia Centre, teams go out around NZ and to the Pacific Islands. MMM has other Centres in Fiji, Australia, Thailand, Hong Kong, South Africa and Zambia.

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## THE VILLAGE FINDS A NEW VOICE

The Community Centre Chapel has had more new life breathed into it with the recent formation of the Village Choir. Aably led by Marisa Parrington, the choir is meeting on Friday evenings and currently working on some traditional Christmas hymns and carols which they will be presenting at the Village Fete on 5 December. Marisa has 40 years of singing experience and is excited about the prospect of sharing her passion for music and song with our community. Do you love to sing? Contact Marisa at [marisa.parrington@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:marisa.parrington@yahoo.co.uk)

## RACING THIS TIME???

Few people know that the Pirongia Golf course is in fact on the site of what used to be the Alexandra Racecourse. This year, on Boxing Day, as it has almost every year since 1866, the golf course is being used for a picnic race meeting. Temporary fencing will be erected to denote the racecourse and cars are parked on the fairways, surrounding the greens. There is a full card of races starting at 11 am with three races for trotters (with sulkies). The event has become a yearly tradition for nearly 10,000 people. The whole family is well catered for, with children's activities as well as plenty for adults to see and do. Bring your picnic, some spare cash and plenty of sunscreen!

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The appeal runs on Friday 17 December from 8am - 7pm and Saturday 18 December from 9am - 5pm. SAFE ask that you do a minimum of 2 hours at any stage during this time frame.

The Warehouse Te Awamutu kindly lets us collect at the front of their store so that we can take advantage of the huge flow of foot traffic. Last year we collected about \$250 in 2 hours (the average across NZ is \$50 an hour), so you can see that the people of Te Awamutu are very generous and willing to support this worthy cause.

SAFE will send you a collection pack and your children can get dressed up as animals if they want to have a bit of fun and really stand out in the crowd!

We know that you will probably be busy organising last minute Christmas shopping or preparing for your holiday but if you could spare a few hours to help collect, that would be tremendous.

If you would like to make a difference for the animals, register at [www.safe.org.nz](http://www.safe.org.nz) or for more information contact Toni on 871 9633.

## NEWS FROM THE HORSES MOUTH

Changes have been afoot at the Pirongia Clydesdales. The cafe has now been operating for several months and is open to the public from Thursday to Sunday. The premises are available for private functions during daytime, Monday to Wednesday. Karen is keen to talk to you about your private booking.

There are a number of specials on the revamped menu, including High Tea on Thursday, Friday Roast (delivered to houses in the village) and Saturday Pie day. Like most cafe's there is an all day breakfast available on Sundays - but few other places offer a "Marks Breakfast", which includes "hair of the dog", for \$16.

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## CUSTODIAN REQUIRED

Would you like to contribute to your community? Got an hour or so a week to spare? The Community Centre and Chapel is in need of a custodian. This would entail keeping an online bookings register and being first point of contact for potential users and existing tenants. You will also have a place on the Centre committee which meets five times a year. You will ensure the buildings are kept at a high standard but not be required to carry out maintenance or upkeep. (Cleaning is largely the responsibility of the tenants). Living near the Centre would be an advantage. For more information please phone Susan on 872 8128 or email [pirongavillagevoice@gmail.com](mailto:pirongavillagevoice@gmail.com)

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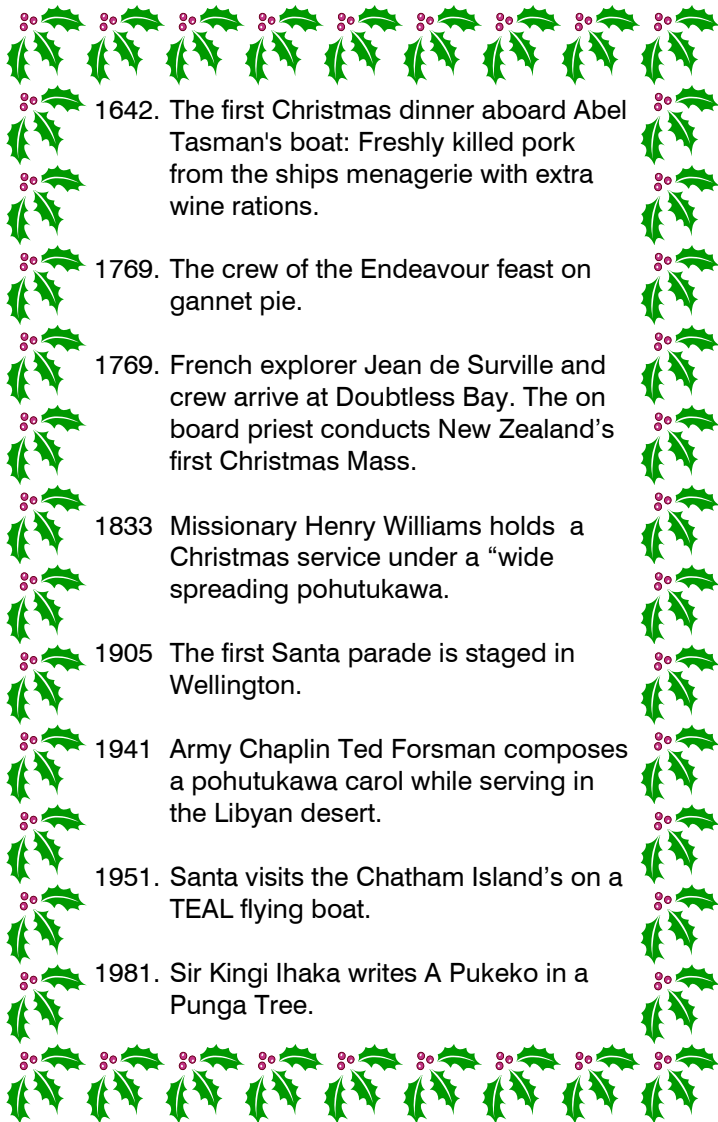


# CHRISTMAS DIARY



Special events and fixtures for Christmas celebrations in Pirongia.

<i>EVENT</i>	<i>DATE</i>	<i>TIME</i>	<i>LOCATION</i>
Pirongia Village Fete	Sunday 5 December	1:00 - 5:00pm	Pirongia Community Centre
Pirongia's Got Talent	Saturday 18 December	7:30pm	Pirongia School
Alexandra Racing Club Boxing Day Races	Sunday 26 December	11:00am	Pirongia Golf Club
Pirongia School Prizegiving	Thursday 16 December		Te Awamutu College Hall
Last Day of School	Friday 17 December		



- 1642. The first Christmas dinner aboard Abel Tasman's boat: Freshly killed pork from the ships menagerie with extra wine rations.
- 1769. The crew of the Endeavour feast on gannet pie.
- 1769. French explorer Jean de Surville and crew arrive at Doubtless Bay. The on board priest conducts New Zealand's first Christmas Mass.
- 1833 Missionary Henry Williams holds a Christmas service under a "wide spreading pohutukawa.
- 1905 The first Santa parade is staged in Wellington.
- 1941 Army Chaplin Ted Forsman composes a pohutukawa carol while serving in the Libyan desert.
- 1951. Santa visits the Chatham Island's on a TEAL flying boat.
- 1981. Sir Kingi Ihaka writes A Pukeko in a Punga Tree.

## St Saviour's Christmas Activities

### Christmas Festival:

10 - 23 December ~ 10:00am - 4:00pm.  
 Organised and run by the Church Craft Group.  
 Decoration theme ~ angels galore.  
 Café ~ good food and drink in a quiet haven.  
 Shop ~ handcrafted Christmas gifts/decorations.

### Carols on the Redoubt:

Sunday 12 December ~ 6:30pm, Aubin Close.  
 Featuring the Te Awamutu Municipal Band.  
 Supper to follow at St Saviour's Church.  
 If wet, transfer to Community Hall.

### Mainly Music & Plunket Christmas Party:

Thursday 9 December ~ 10:00am.  
 Details on previous page.

**Family Service:** Sunday 19 December ~ 9:30am.

**Christmas Eve:** "Midnight Mass" ~ 11:15pm

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# DIARY

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EVENT	DATE	CONTACT	LOCATION
Pilates	Mon, Wed, Friday	Topsey 871 9290	Memorial Hall
Craft Group	Monday	Barbara 871 9494	St Saviour's Church
Plunket Clinic	1st & 3rd Thursdays	Penny 871 9113	Sports Centre
Mt Pirongia Lions	1st & 3rd Tuesday	Lesley 871 9664	Pirongia School Hall
Creative Fibre Group	3rd Tuesday	Gaylene 871 9572	Community Chapel
Pirongia Senior Citizens	1st Wednesday	Jessie 871 8802	Bowling Club
Ratepayers Meeting	3rd Wednesday	John 871 9548	Memorial Hall
Women's Institute	2nd Wednesday	Beryl 871 9618	Memorial Hall
Anglican Church Service	Every Sunday	Tim 027 209 740	St Saviour's Church
500 Card Club	Friday Evenings	Jessie 871 8802	Mangapiko Hall
Playgroup	Friday Mornings	Kate 871 9570	Te Pahu Preschool
Pirongia Country Market	Last Sunday	Shirley 871 9536	Memorial Hall
Table Tennis (restarts April)	Monday Evenings	Brett 07 847 7569	Te Rore Hall
Outdoor Bowls	Tuesdays/Thursdays	Office 871 9784	Bowling Club
Mainly Music	Thursday Morning	Susan 871 8128	St Saviour's Church
Pippins, Brownies, Guides	Tuesday Weekly	Sharlene 07 825 9704	Sports Centre
ICONZ	Wednesday Fortnightly	Graham 870 2400	Community Centre
Interdenominational Service	3rd Sunday Evening	Trevor 872 8102	Community Chapel
Zumba	Tues am / Thurs pm	Becky 871 9855	Community Centre
Pirongia Fishing Club	1st Wednesday	Grant 871 9608	Various members homes
Village Choir	Friday Evenings Fortnightly	marisa.parring ton@yahoo.co.uk	Community Chapel
Aikido	Friday 6.30pm	Jack 872 8121	Community Hall

## OTHER CONTACTS

Pirongia Golf Club	Murray 871 9880	www.pirongiagolfclub.co.nz
Historic Society	Alan 872 8088	
Playcentre	Office 871 9669	
Fire Brigade	Office 871 9986	
Pirongia Rugby Club	Te Oti 027 590 2435	
Junior Rugby	Malcolm 871 9171	
Chair, Pirongia Sports Clubs	Layne 021 179 7824	chipkerr@xtra.co.nz
Netball	Audrey 027 500 3024	audrey.kaihe@twoa.ac.nz

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