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- BB-ICONZ (formerly Boy's Brigade) at Lane Park Church, 6:30 – 8pm Thursdays in term time for boys of ages 8 (ish) to 18 (ish).
- Flatmates & Bang You're Dead: 27th of November 6th of December
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- Let's Search It: Saturday 1st / Sunday 2nd of November
- Upper Hutt City Football Ivan England Grand Final: Sunday 19th of October, 10.30 am
- Upper Hutt Repair Cafe: Saturday 1st of November, 10.00 am – 2.00 pm
- Taoist Tai Chi: Mondays, 6.30 pm 8.30 pm
- Playgroup at St. Hilda's: Wednesday mornings during term time, 9.30 am – 11.00 am
- SeniorNet: Tuesdays 1.30 pm 2.30 pm
- St. Margaret's Playgroup: Tuesday
 Mornings, 10.00 am 11.30 am (term time only)

- Rimutaka Baptist Church Playgroup: Fridays, 9.00 am - 11.30 am during term time
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- Strings Attached Ukulele Group
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- St. Hilda's Anglican Church
- Silverstream Reformed Church

ENTERTAINMENT

 What's new at Monterey Cinemas? Releasing 16th of October, 2025



A faulty motor found to be the cause of warmer-than-normal temperatures at H2O Xtream

We've noticed that our lane pool and reception area have been quite a lot warmer and more humid over the past few days.

After investigating this, we've found a faulty motor in our air ventilation system.

Contractors and technicians will be on site from tomorrow (Thursday, 9 October) to replace the motor. We hope to have the work completed by the end of the week, so that you get to enjoy your swim, workouts, classes, and wellness time in a comfortable environment.

We're open as usual. If you plan on coming in for a swim in the next few days, be prepared for temps to be a lot more balmy than what we usually get during our Hutt Valley spring!

For more info, visit out website: <a href="https://www.https://ww.

Source: H2O Xtream Aquatic Centre

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Maidstone Intermediate

A week at Maidstone: 9th of October – 13th of October

At last Wednesday's Assembly, Maidstone's exchange students who had been to Korea recently, gave a presentation of their experiences while being in the country. The school also took the opportunity to look back on Mental Health Awareness Week, reminding themselves of the importance of kindness, connection, and looking after their wellbeing

On Friday, Wellington Free Ambulance visited Maidstone. The ākonga learned all about the important work they do, heard about some of their craziest call-outs, and got hands-on experience learning what to do in an emergency, including CPR and other lifesaving skills.

Over the weekend, 12 girls took part in the annual "Global Girls Festival of Rugby. The weather wasn't great but the girls had a blast.

The Pakuratahi Rōpū finished their camp in the South Island, and early yesterday morning it was time for Akatarawa Rōpū to head off down to Wellington to get started on theirs.

Later that same morning, Maidstone had the big reveal of their new Hinepohatu pou at the school. Ultimately the Hinepohatu pou stands as a welcoming taonga at the kura, reflecting their stories, values, and whakapapa. It celebrates creativity, cultural knowledge, and ākonga achievement, while providing a lasting symbol of identity, pride, and connection to te ao Māori for current and future generations of ākonga. A group of ākonga also made the trip to Otaki Gorge to experiences survival camp skills for the day.

To see all images associated with this article please view: https://uhconnection.co.nz/school-news/a-week-at-maidstone-9th-of-october-13th-of-october/

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Source: Maidstone Intermediate / A "thank you" to Maidstone Intermediate for their permission to share their school news on The Upper Hutt Connection.



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Donate to the Pink Ribbon Street Appeal to make a difference for breast cancer

This Friday and Saturday, the streets of Wellington will come alive with pink as passionate volunteers hit the pavement for the Pink Ribbon Street Appeal.

Breast Cancer Foundation NZ's annual fundraiser will see more than 1,300 volunteers across the Wellington region shaking pink buckets over the two days to raise vital funds for breast cancer research, education and patient support.

"Breast cancer still takes the lives of more than 650 New Zealanders every year, but it doesn't have to be this way," says Ah-Leen Rayner, the Foundation's chief executive.

"We know times are tough right now, but even a small donation can make a big difference. Your support will directly fund vital programmes like our nurse advice line, a clinical trial investigating a new way to diagnose breast cancer better, and our iconic Pink Campervan that travels the country educating Kiwis about breast health and early detection.

"As a charity that doesn't receive any government funding, we rely entirely on the generosity of New Zealanders to keep these crucial programmes going. Please donate whatever you can to the Pink Ribbon Street Appeal to help make sure more women can live and live well after breast cancer."

Donations for the Pink Ribbon Street Appeal can be made to volunteer collectors who will be out in force shaking pink buckets across the region on 17 and 18 October, online at www. pinkribbonappeal.co.nz or by texting 'PINK' to 2447 to donate \$3.

A "thank you" to Pui-Yi Cheng from Breast Cancer Foundation NZ for sending this article to The Upper Hutt Connection.

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Haukaretu Stream Restoration Project

Haukaretu Stream Restoration Project – October 2025 Update

This update is to inform you that the first scientific assessment of the stream has now taken place, and our thanks for that go to Alice Jenkins, Catchment Coordinator for Te Awa Kairangi, (Hutt river) at Mountains to Sea Wellington. https://www.mountainstoseawellington.org/

Armed with a bunch of very impressive hi-tech electronic measuring equipment, Brian and I assisted Alice documenting and measuring key environmental conditions at the restoration site. This is the first of many monitoring sessions, so that at the completion of the restoration we can demonstrate the difference we have made. Alice said it is great to see that most measurements fall in the 'good' category – except for dissolved reactive phosphate which is 'fair'. She predicted that the nitrate will also move to the 'fair' column when we test with the high range kit next time.

Plant Raising and Planting Out

Forest and Bird are continuing with potting of seedlings through to December. Lynne reports that for planting in February we have already done the flax and the rushes. There are still sedges in stock to pot on. For suitable trees we have Ribbonwood/ Plagianthus regius and Kahikatea.

Another opportunity for a fun time out with the Forest and Bird folk is coming up on Thurs 23 October at Birchville Park from 5pm till 7pm, with a picnic provided. The activity is "planting/releasing", which means some planting out of surplus plants from the nursery as well as the usual maintenance of previous plantings, e.g., clearing of weeds, etc., which is known as "releasing" i.e. making room for the plants to grow.

Birchville park is at 4 Emerald Hill Drive (turn left at Topaz Street on SH2 before Te Marua. All welcome.

The planting out morning at Macaskill Lakes (Te Marua water works) was very enjoyable, and such events would be a great way for families with children to get an introduction to conservation without on-going commitment – though it could be additive.

Source: Haukaretu Stream Restoration Project



Upper Hutt City Council

Metropolitan Water Services Delivery Plan accepted by Government

The plan for delivering water services to metropolitan Wellington residents and businesses through a new organisation with new funding and governance arrangements has been accepted by the Department of Internal Affairs.

The Metropolitan Wellington Water Services Delivery Plan was submitted by five councils – Hutt City, Porirua City, Upper Hutt City, Wellington City and Greater Wellington – as required under the Government's Local Water Done Well policy and legislation.

The plan is based on establishing a new multicouncil-owned water organisation in partnership with mana whenua iwi Ngāti Toa Rangitira and Taranaki Whānui ki Te Upoko o Te Ika. The new organisation, with the interim name Metro Water, will operate from 1 July 2026.

The Water Services Delivery Plan (WSDP) says that Metro Water will have the resources, independence and region-wide perspective to effectively manage and improve drinking water, wastewater and piped stormwater services for current and future communities, rather than being limited by council funding, electoral and decision-making cycles.

Transition planning is progressing.

A joint Partners' Committee will be established to oversee Metro Water, made up of representatives from each partner council and mana whenua.

The foundation governance documents for Metro Water, including the constitution and partners' agreement, will be presented to each of the five partner councils for approval in December 2025.

Wellington Water Limited will continue to deliver water services on behalf of councils under the current model until Metro Water takes over on 1 July 2026.

The WSDP is available on council websites: https://www.upperhutt.govt.nz/Council/Plansand-strategies/Local-Water-Done-Well-Reform

Source: Upper Hutt City Council 09/10/25



Ray Randle & Graham Robertson

Postal History Corner: Akatarawa Post Office

The heavily forested Akatarawa Valley and surrounding hills were extensively logged from the latter part of the nineteenth century and eventually up to the 1960s when Arthur Clouston was the last sawmill operator.

A post office to service the settlers, mill operators and their workers was opened at Akatarawa on 20 April 1898.

The names and dates of the Postmasters were*

The post office would have been conducted from the postmaster's homes or perhaps from a sawmill office.

A separate Telephone Office2 operated from 7 October 1910 to 11 September 1912 by Mr W Wilson. The hours of operation being – 12.30p to 1p and 4.30p to 5p from 16 August 1911

The Post Office & Telephone Office closed on 1 February 1925.

A Telephone Office then opened from 21 May 1927. The names and dates of the Telephone Operators were*

The Telephone Office closed from 14 December 1938 to 17 February 1939 and from 6 December 1939 to 1 June 1940 before permanently closing on 1 November 1941.

The mail service from Upper Hutt was provided by a contract held by J Salmons to provide a twice-weekly service from Upper Hutt. As early as 1908 a part rural delivery mail service operated at Akatarawa every Monday, Thursday and Saturday. The mails closed at Akatarawa at 8am and at Upper Hutt at 2.15pm with arrival at Akatarawa scheduled for 7pm.

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In 1913 the delivery was once again twice weekly and L Schonfelder held the contract at £50 per annum. Two different postmarks* are recorded being used at Akatarawa, with the first from 9 Jan 1901 – 17 Sep 1903 and the second from Mar 1919 – 30 Jun 1922

Are there more envelopes and postcards that were mailed from Akatarawa waiting to be discovered to record further dates of usage?

* To see all images and adittional content associated with this article, please view https://uhconnection.co.nz/general-news/postal-history-corner-akatarawa-post-office/

A "thank you" to Andrew McNiven for sending this article to The Upper Hutt Connection.

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Upper Hutt City Council

Preliminary Results for the Upper Hutt 2025 Local Body Elections

The preliminary result for the Upper Hutt City Council elections held on Saturday 11th October is as follows.

Mayoralty Votes Received

ZEE, Peri 5,297 GUPPY, Wayne 3,846 MCLEOD, Angela 1,892 GRIFFITHS, Blair 1,844 HOLDERNESS, Emma (Independent) 1,796 SWALES, Hellen (Change we need, voice you deserve) 1,466 INFORMAL 15 BLANK VOTING PAPERS 113

Council – At Large (10 vacancies) Votes Received

HOLDERNESS, Emma (Independent) 8,996 ULTRA, Tracey (Independent) 7,684 MCLEOD, Angela 7,455 WHEELER, Dave 6,675 WHITE, Corey (Independent) 6,644 SWALES, Hellen (The voice you deserve) 6,252 HAMMOND, Bill (Independent) 5,981 WELCH, Daniel (Backing the Future of Upper Hutt) 5,815 CAREY, Matt (Independent) 5,744 DHILLON, Gurpreet 5,606 GUSH, Tofa (Our Community) 5,516
ANDREWS, Euan 5,421
GREY, Henry 5,218
KINGI, Rachel Tukaki 5,035
THOMSON, Brett 4,905
MCKENNA, Kylie (Independent) 4,436
NEWELL, Heather 4,169
BURT, Dave (Hope resilience and a shared future) 3,772
CASHMORE, Wade (Independent) 3,644
ADHIKARI, Ramil 3,634
ANDERSON, Michael J 3,375
MCNICHOLAS, David (DJ) 3,096
HOMAN, Teresa (Independent) 3,016
BLISSETT, Heather 2,808
MANDER, Nigel (Serve the community) 2,765
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Rimutaka Licensing Trust (6 vacancies) Votes Received

As the number of nominations received did not exceed the number of vacancies, Bruce BOLD, Bob HANLON, Colleen HILDER, Tom JONES, Sean NEAREY are elected unopposed.

The voter return was 49.15%, being 16,269 votes, excluding special votes.

Warwick Lampp

Electoral Officer - Upper Hutt City Council

13 October 2025

Source: Upper Hutt City Council

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Roadworks on the River Road from Saturday 11th of October – Friday 17th of October

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Please note, roadworks are weather dependent and may change at short notice.

Source: NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi



New Zealand Police

Swift Police response halts 'boy racers' in Hutt Valley

A rapid and coordinated response by Wellington Police last night decisively disrupted a planned gathering of antisocial road users, preventing dangerous driving and associated disorder across the district.

Police deployed to Upper Hutt where a significant meet-up had been organised. Road Policing and Public Safety Units established multiple checkpoints across the Hutt Valley, checking vehicles and driver credentials, and actively preventing the group from settling at known hotspots.

Twenty-eight infringement notices were issued, primarily for vehicle defects, licence breaches, and unsafe modifications.

Inspector Simon de Wit says the operation sent a clear message.

"These groups pose a real risk to public safety and are a source of ongoing frustration for our communities. Their behaviour is reckless, disruptive, and unacceptable.

Police will continue to take decisive action to prevent this kind of activity and ensure our roads remain safe for everyone.

This operation reflects Police's commitment to proactive enforcement and community reassurance through targeted disruption of antisocial road users.

Source: New Zealand Police

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Upper Hutt's new rating revaluation reveals sharp fall in home and land values

Upper Hutt City property owners will soon receive a Notice of Rating Valuation in the post with an updated rating value for their property.

The new rating valuations have been prepared for 18,474 properties on behalf of Upper Hutt City Council by Quotable Value (QV). They show the total rateable value for the district is now \$16,677,365,250 with the land value of those properties now valued at \$8,484,337,050.

Rating valuations are usually carried out on all New Zealand properties every three years to help local councils set rates for the following three-year period. They reflect the likely selling price of a property (not including chattels) at the effective revaluation date, which was 1 June 2025.

On average, the value of residential housing in Upper Hutt city has decreased 9.3% since the previous revaluation effective revaluation date of . 1 July 2022. The average home value is now \$776,000, while the corresponding average land value has decreased 18.2% to \$438,000.

QV Senior Consultant and Registered Valuer Jack Whiteman said rating valuations are like a snapshot of the market at a point in time. "When the previous rating valuations were set in July 2022, the local property market was coming off a period of exceptional post-pandemic growth.

"In response to that rapid escalation and rising inflation, the Reserve Bank substantially lifted the official cash rate (OCR) to rein in spending and bring inflation under control. The resulting spike in interest rates sharply reduced borrowing power and dampened buyer demand," he said.

"Since then, the higher prices and tighter lending conditions made it more difficult for first-home buyers to enter the market, while decreasing values and reduced yields curbed investor activity. The Wellington market — Upper Hutt included — experienced some of the strongest value growth in the country during the boom and has since undergone one of the sharpest corrections.'

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"Fast forward to June 2025, the market in Upper Hutt has been relatively subdued. While the OCR has recently seen a few cuts and interest rates are trending down again, other significant economic headwinds continue to deter growth. Job insecurity, cost-of-living pressures, and widespread public- sector cuts have led to rising unemployment and an outflow of people from the region, weighing heavily on household confidence. Combined with ongoing global uncertainty and weaker buyer sentiment, what was a sellers' market in early 2022 has clearly shifted to a buyers' market in 2025."

He said housing that was newer or of higher quality had retained its value slightly better – though all suburbs saw the average capital value (CV) drop between 6.8% and 18.5% over the past three years.

"Upper Hutt has experienced a fairly homogenous decrease in value across all suburbs compared to where things sat three years ago. Since our last revaluation in 2022, there has been a notable increase in supply particularly of older or entry level stock. Similar to other areas of the Wellington region, newer or modernised stock tends to be holding up well compared to older housing stock," Mr Whiteman added.

Meanwhile, many of the same economic factors such as cost of living and public sector job cuts have also impacted the commercial sector.

QV Wellington manager and Registered Valuer Hoa Quan said, "Commercial property values have decreased by 4.5%, and while property values in the industrial sector have increased by 9.7% since the city's last rating valuation in 2022."

"The industrial sector is benefiting from low vacancy level within the Wellington region. Commercial land values have decreased by 13%. While industrial land values have increased by 13.5%.

Mr Quan said the industrial market has compared relatively better to commercial on a national scale for some time now – a trend that has continued in Upper Hutt City.

Since 2022, the average capital value of a lifestyle property has decreased by 16.5% to \$1,185,000, while the corresponding land value for a lifestyle property decreased by 20.1% to \$600,000.

"Lifestyle property makes up a modest part of the Upper Hutt City market, with 1219 lifestyle properties. This sector of the market has followed a similar trend as the residential with prices easing back from the peak of 2021/2022 market. The sales numbers in 2025 have reduced significantly since 2023/2024"

Mr Quan said there were limited true rural properties in the city with less than 70 properties in total. Of these, forestry properties had performed relativity better overall, down only 16% in three years.

The effective rating revaluation date of 1 June 2025 has now passed and any changes in the market since then will not be included in the new rating valuations. In many cases, this means a sale price achieved in the market today may be different to the new rating valuation set as at 1 June 2025.

The updated rating valuations are independently audited by the Office of the Valuer General and need to meet rigorous quality standards before the new rating valuations are certified. They are not designed to be used as market valuations for raising finance with banks or as insurance valuations.

New rating values will be posted to property owners after 15 October 2025. If owners do not agree with their rating valuation, they have a right to object through the objection process by 21 November 2025. If you'd like more information on rating valuations head to www.qv.co.nz/about/about-rating-valuations/# or about how to object to your new rating valuation go to https://www.qv.co.nz/services/rating/valuations/object-rating/

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A "thank you" to Andrea Rush for sending this article to The Upper Hutt Connection.



Soren Neupane with Allan Chee: SeniorNe Education Leader/Manager

When Seniors bridge it up with Al

Silver Surfers: Discovering Al Magic

"I'm too old to learn this computer stuff," Joe announced, arms crossed, as I pulled up ChatGPT on my laptop during our weekly session. He's a grandpa.

Famous words from Joe.

Three weeks later, this same man was teaching me how to use AI to organize his vintage record collection and plan his anniversary trip to Italy. Welcome to the wonderful world of seniors discovering artificial intelligence—where the learning curve becomes a launching pad.

The Grandmother - a Digital Chef

Remember Grandma from my last article? The one whose grandson got hooked on science quizzes? Well, she didn't stop there. During our next ChatGPT session, she had a wild idea: "Can this thing help me remember all my old family recipes?"

Could it ever! We taught her how to feed ChatGPT descriptions of her mother's chicken soup ("the one with the secret ingredient I can never quite remember") and her aunt's Christmas cookies. The AI helped her organize decades of food memories, suggested measurements for her "pinch of this, handful of that" instructions, and even created printable recipe cards she could share with her kids.

But here's where it got really fun: she started asking ChatGPT to adapt her recipes. "Make this vegetarian for my granddaughter." "Convert this to gluten-free." "What if I don't have buttermilk?" Her kitchen became a laboratory, and AI became her enthusiastic sous chef.

Grandpa's- Digital Time Machine

Grandpa Joe, our initial skeptic, discovered something magical: ChatGPT could help him write his life stories. For years, his family had begged him to document his time in the Navy, his adventures hitchhiking across Europe in the '60s, his first job as a radio DJ.

"I don't know how to start," he'd always said. "I'm not a writer."

I showed him how to have conversations with ChatGPT about his memories. The AI would ask questions, help him organize timelines, even suggest ways to make his stories more vivid. "Tell me more about the music you played," ChatGPT would prompt. "What did the ocean smell like that morning?"

Within a month, Grandpa Joe had drafted twenty pages of stories. His grandkids were mesmerized. "These are better than any movie," his teenage granddaughter told him, eyes wide.

The Unexpected Artists

Then there's Margaret, a retired librarian who discovered ChatGPT could help her write poetry. Not just any poetry—funny limericks about her garden gnomes, haikus about her grumpy cat, and silly rhymes for her great-grandchildren's birthdays.

"I always wanted to be creative, but I thought you had to be born that way," she confided. Now she collaborates with AI, bouncing ideas back and forth, learning about meter and rhyme schemes, and giggling over her own wordplay. She's even started an "AI Poetry Club".

When Roles Reverse (In the Best Way)

Here's what gets me emotional: watching these grandparents become teachers themselves. Grandma now runs informal "Tech Tea Time" sessions at her community center, showing other seniors how to use ChatGPT for everything from planning garden layouts to understanding their medical bills. Grandpa Joe teaches digital storytelling at the local library. Margaret hosts poetry workshops.

The kids and grandkids who once patiently explained how to attach photos to emails? Now they're asking their grandparents for AI tips.

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The Beautiful Cycle

What started as me sharing some tech tricks has blossomed into something bigger. These seniors aren't just learning—they're creating, connecting, and contributing. They're bridging generational gaps in both directions: teaching their grandkids patience and storytelling while learning technology from younger folks.

Last week, Grandma's science-loving grandson helped her create an Al-powered plant identification guide for her garden. Grandpa Joe's granddaughter is helping him turn his stories into a podcast. Margaret's great-grandson illustrated her poems with Al-generated art.

A Moment of Reflection

After one particularly lively session at the Senior Net center, Allan Chee—my old tutor and the heart behind this entire setup—pulled me aside. We sat watching Margaret excitedly explaining the concept of prompts in ChatGPT to her colleague, her hands animated, her eyes bright.

"Remember when I first taught you about computers?" Allan asked, a smile playing at his lips. "You were so frustrated ("totally useless" would have been a better word) with that old 386 clunky desktop running Windows 311."

I laughed. "And now look at us, teaching AI to people who thought they'd never touch anything close to AI."

Allan nodded thoughtfully. "That's the thing about education. It's never really about the big dramatic moments. It's these small steps—one coffee, one conversation, one 'let me show you this' at a time. Look at Margaret. Three months ago, she was afraid to click anything. Now she's teaching others."

He gestured around the room at seniors clustered around screens, helping each other, laughing, discovering. "Education isn't just about learning facts. It's about enlightenment—that moment when someone realizes they can do something they thought was impossible. And active living? That's what happens when people stop saying 'I'm too old' and start saying 'show me how."

"Small steps," I repeated.

"Small steps," Allan agreed. "But watch where they lead."

The Real Revolution

This is how communities thrive. This is how families grow stronger. This is the transfer of skills in action—not top-down, not one-directional, but circular, cooperative, and beautiful.

We often talk about upskilling in corporate terms: certifications, courses, professional development. But real upskilling happens around kitchen tables and coffee shops, in community centers and living rooms. It happens when someone takes the time to say, "Let me show you this cool thing," and when someone else has the courage to say, "Okay, show me."

These grandparents aren't just learning to use AI. They're modeling lifelong learning, proving it's never too late to try something new, and showing their families that education doesn't stop at any age.

The best part? They're having an absolute blast doing it.

Because that's what cooperative communities do: we teach, we learn, we lift each other up—one ChatGPT session at a time.

A "thank you" to Soren Neupane for sending this article to The Upper Hutt Connection.

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Send an article to The Upper Hutt Connection

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Cheers, Ben Knowles - Editor / Operator @ The Upper Hutt Connection

SPORTS

Cricket season starts again: Fixtures for Premier Mens and Premier Reserves in October and November



Upper Hutt United Cricket Club



Remutaka Roller Derby

Remutaka Roller Derby say goodbye to their Upper Hutt rink with Nelson Bays Roller Derby

What a fun afternoon of roller derby! Thanks to @nelsonbaysrollerderby for making the journey up to play with us! It was a very close game but the Crazy Cats took the win with one point over the Angry Birds!

Congrats to the award winners: MVB Raygun, MVJ's Fulcrum and Ellipeño, Exceptional Benchie Jam Tart, and Psych who received an award from both teams for their blocking and calmness on the track.

Again, such a fun game and a great send off to the rink!

Source: Remutaka Roller Derby



Upper Hutt Petanque Club

Results of the Kapiti Memorial Mêlée tournament

The Kapiti Memorial Mêlée tournament was held on Sunday 12th October on a wet and blustery day, though the serious rain held off until part way throught the very last game. This tournament is a memorial for those petanque stalwarts that have now passed, but never forgotten.

The tournament started with the steam train passing by, always a great sight. 5 rounds of games were played where everyone is partnered up with random players, against random teams. At the end of these games, everyone is ranked based on number of games won and then their score differential. Only 1 point separated the 1st and 2nd places, but Dave Gwerder (UHPC) took the top spot again, having won last year as well. Annick Le Guen (Kapiti) took 2nd place, Kevin McFadgen (Kapiti) 3rd, and Bill King (Kapiti) 4th. Derek Worsley (UHPC) won the raffle. Well done to all winners, and thanks to all players and helpers on the day.

Source: Upper Hutt Petanque Club

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To see all images associated with this article, please view https://uhconnection.co.nz/sports/upper-hutt-petanque/results-of-the-kapiti-memorial-melee-tournament/

COMMUNITY EVENTS: To view all upcoming and regularly occurring community events, please visit https://uhconnection.co.nz/community-events/



Retrieved from Whirinaki Whare Taonga

A Year to Dance About – Junior Show: Sunday, 9th of November

Presented by The Studio

- Sunday 9 November | 10.30am Cast 1: Lil Stars 1, Lil Stars 3, Bright Stars A, Jazz Prep A
- Sunday 9 November | 12.00pm Cast 2: Lil Stars 2, Lil Stars 4, Bright Stars B, Jazz Prep B

Please note – this is only our Junior dancers (Lil Stars, Bright Stars, Jazz Preps)

Come and experience the magic of a year, as our littlest dancers take you through the fun holidays and events that bring us together!

Adult \$21.00 | Senior (over 65) \$17.00 | Student (12-18 years) \$17.00 | Child (under 12) \$10.00 | Infant (on lap) Free | Balconies \$15 (not recommended for children| Booking & transaction fees apply to all sales | Bookings required

Book via iTICKET: https://www.iticket.co.nz/events/2025/nov/a-year-to-dance-about-junior-show



Retrieved from Whirinaki Whare Taonga

A Year to Dance About - Senior Show: Saturday 8th of November / Sunday 9th of November

Presented by The Studio

- Saturday 8 November | 1.00pm
- Saturday 8 November | 3.30pm
- Saturday 8 November | 6.00pm
- Sunday 9 November | 2.30pm
- Sunday 9 November I 5.00pm

Please note – Jazz 1 and Hiphop 1 are only in the Saturday shows. Hiphop 2 is only in the Sunday shows, please take care when selecting sessions.

Come and experience the magic of a year, as our Senior show dancers take you through the fun holidays and events that bring us together! Filled with energy, joy, and strong performances, 'A Year To Dance About' is going to be one big party – come and celebrate!

Show contains use of strobe (a minimal amount).

Adult \$33.00 | Senior (over 65) \$20.00 | Student (12-18 years) \$20.00 | Child (under 12) \$15.00 | Infant (on lap) Free | Balconies \$20 (not recommended for children) Booking & transaction fees apply to all sales | Bookings required

Book via iTICKET: https://www.iticket.co.nz/ events/2025/nov/a-year-to-dance-about-seniorshow

Source: Whirinaki Whare Taonga

13/10/25



BB-ICONZ (formerly Boy's Brigade) at Lane Park Church. 6:30 - 8pm Thursdays in term time for boys of ages 8 (ish) to 18 (ish).

BB- the updated version of Boy's Brigade, is the oldest uniformed youth organisation in the world, and in 2026 we celebrate 140 years of BB in New Zealand.

Your local group meets at Lane Park Church (LPC) on Thursdays from 6:30 till 8 pm for boys of age 8 till 11 years (Adventure), and boys of ages 12-14 (Delta Junior). Our older boys of ages 14-18 (Delta Senior) continue to meet till 8:30. We run the ICONZ program that was specially developed for boys and young men in New Zealand.

Has your boy ever sat around a fire with others and toasted marshmallows?

How many times has your son eaten fresh snow and marvelled?

Have the young men in your family seen a sunrise and wondered?

Do the men in our future society need to understand themselves better and be able to relate to others?

What role does God have to play in our lives?

BB @ LPC does not answer these questions, but it provides opportunities to ask them.

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BB @LPC recognises a thirst for beauty, adventure and danger in our boys and young men, and seeks to provide safe ways for this to be experienced, and these questions to be asked. For \$50 per term, your boy could be a part of this too.

Send us an email at BB-ICONZ@laneparkchurch. nz before you come along, since we will be out and about in the bush, beaches and rivers for most of the fourth term!

We have a diverse bunch of young guys from a bunch of different backgrounds, some play fire football, some go to various churches on Sunday, and they are led by an equally diverse bunch of men who want to see boys grow into men who live better lives.

A "thank you" to John Burgess for sending this article to The Upper Hutt Connection.

08/10/25



Retrieved from Whirinaki Whare Taonga

Flatmates & Bang You're Dead: 27th of November - 6th of December

This show will take place at Heretaunga Players The Studio 52 Ward Street, Upper Hutt

- Thursday 27 November | 8pm
- Friday 28 November | 8pm
- Saturday 29 November | 3pm
- Sunday 30 November | 3pm
- Wednesday 3 December | 8pm
- Thursday 4 December | 8pm
- Friday 5 December | 8pm
- Saturday 6 December | 8pm

Heretaunga Players is proud to present a Double Bill of short 1-act comedies: 'Flatmates' by Barry Lambert and 'Bang, You're Dead!' by Paul Reakes as our final production of 2025.

Flatmates synopsis: Ben is annoyed to find a strange woman in his flat who claims to have been living there than he has. When his soon-to-be exwife and her lawyer arrive with the divorce papers, Ben's new flatmate proves to have very useful powers of persuasion.

Bang, You're Dead! synopsis: Lydia and her boyfriend Marcus rehearse the murder of Theo, Lydia's husband, which they are to commit that evening. When the victim and a "perfect witness" arrive not all goes according to plan.

All shows include a 20-minute interval. The total performance time (including interval) is approximately 2 hours.

Tickets \$23 | Booking fees apply to all sales | Bookings required

Venue | This show will take place at Heretaunga Players The Studio 52 Ward Street, Upper Hutt

Book via iTICKET: https://www.iticket.co.nz/ events/2025/nov/flatmates-and-bang-youre-

Source: Whirinaki Whare Taonga



Laugh with Laughing Club: Every Monday, 6.30 pm - 7.30 pm



Retrieved from Whirinaki Whare Taonga

Let's Search It: Saturday 1st / **Sunday 2nd of November**

Presented by CSSD

- Saturday 1 November | 12.30pm (Part One Only)
- Saturday 1 November | 2.15pm (Part Two
- Saturday 1 November | 6.30pm (Full Show)
- Sunday 2 November | 12.30pm (Full Show)
- Sunday 2 November | 5.30pm (Full Show)

What do our online searches say about us? What are we really asking when we type into the search bar at 2 a.m.? In "Let's Search It," dancers embody the curiosity, vulnerability, and randomness of the digital age—where every question leads to a rabbit hole of possibilities.

Each dance piece is inspired by an actual question someone might Google. This recital is both a celebration of human curiosity and a reflection on how technology shapes our thinking, identity, and desires.

All Tickets for a Part Show \$18.00 | Full Show: Adult \$28.00 | Full Show: Child \$15.00 | Booking fees apply to all sales | Bookings required

Book via iTICKET: https://www.whirinakiarts.co.nz/events/current-events/lets-search-it/

Source: Whirinaki Whare Taonga

13/10/25



Upper Hutt City Football

Upper Hutt City Football Ivan England Grand Final: Sunday 19th of October, 10.30 am

This Sunday our U19s face off against Olympic in the Ivan England final. After beating Petone 4-1 over the weekend, the boys are ready to fight to take out the tournament.

Make sure to come show your support when we kick off at 10:30am down at Fraser Park, we face Olympic in our pool rounds at Napier the following weekend so this will be a great test for the lads.

Source: Upper Hutt City Football



Upper Hutt Repair Café

Upper Hutt Repair Cafe: Saturday 1st of November, 10.00 am – 2.00 pm

Location: Upper Hutt Baptist Church Hall, corner Milton Street and Fergusson Drive

Free event, but Koha is appreciated

Items we can help you repair:

- Wooden
- Mechanical
- Electrical
- · Bicycles
- Sewing
- Jewellery
- Frames
- · Kids Toys
- Clocks
- Ceramics
- · And more!

A "thank you" to Catherine Cooper for sending this article to The Upper Hutt Connection.

10/10/25



Taoist Tai Chi: Mondays, 6.30 pm – 8.30 pm

Taoist Tai Chi sessions

Mondays 6.30-8.00pm.

Trentham School Hall.

Start any time.

Reduce stress, find calmness, balance, strength and flexibility with Taoist Tai Chi[™] practice. Join us to have a go a great way to improve your life and health. https://www.taoisttaichi.org/find-a-location/

A "thank you" to Glenn for sending this article to The Upper Hutt Connection.

13/05/25



Playgroup at St. Hilda's: Wednesday mornings during term time, 9.30 am – 11.00 am

Ages from babies to school age are welcome, depending on the circumstances.

A "thank you" to Jocelyn for sending this article to The Upper Hutt Connection.



Upper Hutt Libraries

SeniorNet: Tuesdays 1.30 pm -2.30 pm

Location: Upper Hutt Library

Not completely comfortable with technology? Wondering how you are going to cope when everyone is using their mobile phones?

Come along to Upper Hutt SeniorNet, every Tuesday at 1.30 – 2.30pm at the library where a happy group of older people meet to discuss technology and learn how to be confident in the digital world.

Just turn up and say hello!

A "thank you" to Heather Newell for sending this article to The Upper Hutt Connection.

29/04/25



St. Margaret's Church - Silverstream

St. Margaret's Playgroup: Tuesday Mornings, 10.00 am - 11.30 am (term time only)

Tuesday mornings during term time 10-11.30am. Come along and join in the fun with your preschool children. Meet other parents and carers, relax and enjoy a cuppa while the kids play. (Please note all children must be accompanied by an adult!). Looking forward to seeing you. Start's Tuesday 13 May 2025.

A "thank you" to St. Margaret's Church -Silverstream for sending this article to The Upper Hutt Connection.

06/05/25

Rimutaka Baptist Church Playgroup: Fridays, 9.00 am - 11.30 am during term time





Contributor: Cushla

Upper Hutt Baptist Church playgroup: 9.30 am - 11.30 am, Tuesday mornings

If you're looking for a Tuesday activity for your little ones then come check out UHBC Playgroup at Upper Hutt Baptist Church, corner of Milton St and Fergie Drive.

We run 9.30am - 11:30am each Tuesday morning and you can drop in anytime that suits.

Lots of fun stuff to play with and a different activity each week to stimulate young minds.

Morning tea for children and adults provided.

Everyone welcome

Gold coin donation

Hope to see you there

Cushla gave permission for this article to be put up on The Upper Hutt Connection.

28/03/25

AT HOME

Wish you didn't have to scroll about while viewing the Wednesday Edition? Why not try using the Kindle app?

Up until recently, it didn't seem to matter what app I was using on my phone, every time it was a large PDF document, I always had to scroll about every time I was viewing a page – I could never view the whole thing all at once.

If you find this annoying like I do, you might want to try downloading Amazon's Kindle app off the Google Play store, as it also performs nicely as an excellent PDF viewer. It displays one page at a time, and in full view. You can zoom in if you want to. If you want to move to the next page, then just swipe to the right.

I want to make it clear that Amazon hasn't asked me to do this, and I'm not paid to promote the app. This is simply a good method I found and I thought others would find it useful too. Below are step by step instructions on how to read the Wednesday Edition on your mobile device. The Kindle app is available for download on Windows, Mac, iOS, and Android devices.

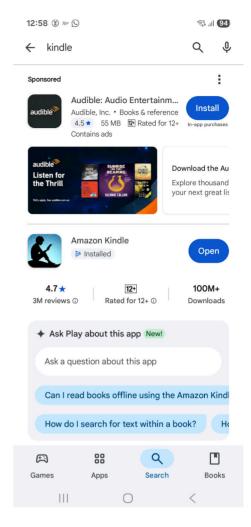
Please note that there are pros and cons when it comes to this approach: Although using the Kindle app gives the freedom to view full pages easily – the downside of this is that the hyperlinks will no longer work.

Instructions:

1. Download the Kindle app from the Google Playstore, or the app store which comes with your device. Check the image above to see the icon for the Kindle App to make sure you're downloading the right thing.

Optional: Login with your Amazon account if you have one, or create an account. This isn't an essential step but it does allow you to allow Kindle to access your folder where you store your PDF's for ease of access, and to not lose your place when you decide to take a break.

3. Open the Wednesday Edition link from email into your browser, and download the file to your device.



4. Browse through the folders on your phone, and head to the downloads folder. If you have a Samsung phone like I do, then follow the following directions. If you don't have a Samsung phone, it will probably be something similar.

Home Screen (default screen on your phone) > Samsung > My Files > Downloads

- 5. If the folder you have your PDF's in is a different location to the one you chose in Step 2, then they will appear when opened in Kindle, but they won't be referred to by the name of the file. It will be a string of numbers instead. You also won't be able to save your progress while reading.
- 6. Click on the file, and then select the option "Open With... Kindle" $\,$

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COMMUNITY SUPPORT



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Strings Attached Ukulele Group

We need a few new players/performers for our ukulele /singing/ performance group, based in Upper Hutt. More than anything we love people with enthusiasm who are keen to interact with an audience. We perform mostly at retirement villages but have also performed at birthday parties and celebrations of life. We focus on songs from the 50's to the 80's but most importantly we are there for our audiences and what they enjoy.

- you need to be able to hold a tune.
- the ability to play a ukulele would be great but if you don't we can teach you!

If you are keen or know of someone who would be an asset to our group' please ring Virginia on 0273920920.

A "thank you" to Virginia for sending this article to The Upper Hutt Connection.

28/07/25

The Upper Hutt Womens' Carers' Group

Our group consists of women who have someone in their lives who has had a stroke or has Alzheimers, that they are caring for.

We meet once a fortnight for two hours. We offer a supportive listening environment with lots of laughs as we walk our challenging journeys together. If there are women out there who feel we could be of support, please contact Jenny on 0284340102 for further details.

A "thank you" to Virginia for sending this article to The Upper Hutt Connection.

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GARAGE SALES

Bake Sale and Garage Sale fundraiser: Sunday 19th of October, 9.00 am - 3.00 pm | 16 Whitley Ave, Upper Hutt

McIntyre Whanau are doing a fundraiser for a family member with cancer..

This is going to be a garage sale you don't want to miss.. 5 households combined at one sale. Everything must go!!

Grab a bargain. CASH ONLY or can hold big items for online payments.

Food available as well..

- Fried Bread Burgers (limited number)
- Sausage Sizzles
- Baking
- Kids treats

Featured items that will be at the sale..

- Music Equipment
- Kayaks
- Furniture
- Books & Household ... Plus heaps more!

Thanks in advance for your support

Azania gave permission for this article to be put up on The Upper Hutt Connection.



Contributor: Azania

RECIPES

Stuck for an idea to what to do for dinner? Check out the different recipes in the meals, desserts, and baking sections below.

Cheers, Ben

https://uhconnection.co.nz/recipes-meals/

https://uhconnection.co.nz/recipes-baking/

https://uhconnection.co.nz/recipes-desserts/



Business Advertising

A webpage on The Upper Hutt Connection at only \$1 a day

Is your business lacking a website, and you don't want to bother with setting one up yourself? The Upper Hutt Connection can offer you a webpage on The Upper Hutt Connection at only \$1 a day (billed at \$30 a month). Include all the text, images, links etc that you like.



Would you like to advertise your business weekly in The Upper Hutt Connection's Wednesday Edition? You can have your business advertised at only \$10 a week (billed at \$40 a month). Include a small paragraph of text along with a small image – OR an image alone, with all your business info included in the image itself. A small line of text can be included for a link to your website, etc. If you have a request where you'd like your ad to be placed in the Wednesday Edition then please say – otherwise I'll use my own judgement.



As for restrictions on who can advertise, the only exclusion is the sex industry. Everyone else is welcome to advertise on The Upper Hutt Connection.

If you're interested in advertising on The Upper Hutt Connection, please email me at editor@uhconnection.co.nz

Cheers, Ben Knowles - Editor / Operator @ The Upper Hutt Connection.

Please note that advertising on The Upper Hutt Connection is only open to those based in Upper Hutt – That is as north as the Remutaka Hill, the border of Akatawara Road between Upper Hutt and Kapiti, and as south as Reynolds Bach Drive, Stokes Valley.



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WORSHIP SERVICES

Heretaunga Community Church

Live for Jesus, Share his Love

Our Sunday morning service is at 10am and everyone is welcome.

We would love you to stay afterwards for fellowship over morning tea.

Our Creche for children under 3 1/2 years runs every Sunday morning. Our Children's Church runs Sundays during school terms.

Services are live-streamed on YouTube: Heretaunga Community Church

Address: 51 Lane St, Wallaceville, Upper Hutt 5018, New Zealand

Email: admin@heretaunga.com

Website: https://www.heretaunga.com



Heretaunga Community Church

St. Margaret's Presbyterian Church - Silverstream

You will find us at: 4-6 Dunns St, Silverstream, Upper Huff

The Minister: The minister at St Margaret's is Rev Rodney Ramsay. Rodney is on-site most days from Tuesday to Friday and anyone is welcome to drop in for a chat over a cup of coffee/tea.

If you have any need to contact Rodney he can be reached at the office number 5279604, on his mobile 0211259835 or via email at minister@stmargaretssilverstream.org.nz

Worship services: Our worship services take place on Sundays at 10.00am.

The First Sunday of each month is a Communion Service and the second Sunday is a Family Service.

Our services are fairly traditional, and we have a very warm and welcoming congregation. All are welcome.

Our services are live streamed on Zoom. If you wish to receive the link, please text Lynley McInnarney at 027 278 0010 or send an email to mcinnarneys@gmail.com

We offer children's church for primary school age that happens during the main church service.

St Margaret's runs a teenage youth group on the second and fourth Thursday of the month in the church hall and lounge during term time. Youth group runs from 6.30pm to around 8.00pm.

Other contact details: The Lay leader (Session Clerk) at St Margaret's is Chris Rosanowski and he can be contacted at rosanowskic@gmail.com

Please visit our website for further information including the hire of our facilities.

https://stmargaretssilverstream.org.nz



St. Margaret's Presbyterian Church - Silverstream

Rimutaka Baptist Church

Location: 2 Akatarawa Road, Brown Owl, Upper Hutt

We would love to get to know you, so come along to one of our groups and meet others in your community.

Tuesdays

5 Loaves and 2 Fish Food Pantry: 11am - 12noon - Free

Food is available for those who are needing extra assistance. If you have food to contribute to contribute to the pantry, feel free to drop off at the church.

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Wednesdays

Community craft session: 10.30 am - 12noon - Free

Bring along your craft and join us for morning tea.

Community Lunch: 12noon - Free

All welcome

Bible study: 7.00 pm - Free

All welcome to learn more about the Christian faith.

Fridays

Rimutaka Playgroup: 9.00 am - 11.30am - Donation

All caregiver and preschoolers are welcome. This is a fun, friendly, safe environment. Morning tea is provided.

Youthgroup: 7.00 pm - Donation

Contact the church for details

Sundays

Church Service: 10.00 am

All welcome, and please stay for morning tea after the service.

Sunday online recording available on YouTube from 5.00 pm



St. Hilda's Anglican Church

St. Hilda's Anglican Church

Location: 35 Cruickshank Road, Clouston Park, Upper Hutt

Email Church Office: sthildasuh@gmail.com

Who we are:

A congregation of faithful followers of our Lord Jesus Christ, who draw on the Anglican tradition to support a lively expression of our faith.

Our recently unanimously agreed vision statement is: St Hilda's – a vibrant, faith-based presence within our community.

What we do:

- We are a community of people who come together to worship God, to grow in relationship with one another and with the wider community.
- We offer loving service to God, one another, the people of Upper Hutt and the world.
- · We are disciples of Jesus, the Lord of Love.
- We believe in the Christian Creator, Redeemer and Giver of Live. We are inspired and guided by the Holy Bible. We seek to grow in faith.
- We welcome newcomers to our parish family with warm hospitality. We provide a wide range of activities, both spiritual and secular. We encourage all to develop their relationship with Christ through our worshiping community.
- In recent years we have turned our focus outwards to serving our community.

Weekly services:

Sunday 9.30am: Traditional NZ Anglican Worship

This is a comfortable, family-friendly feeling service, although it follows the traditional liturgical format. The service order alternates between the three ANZPB Eucharistic (communion) liturgies. There is always a sermon with a liturgical assistant leading the worship; when a priest is not available. The communion is led by one of our leaders licenced for reserved sacrament.

Thursday 10.00am: Traditional Communion Service

The service order follows ANZPB with the Sunday sermon being repeated here. Our services are supported by a good tech suite, including two large monitors installed at the front of the church, and a quality sound system.

Prayer books remain available in the pews for anyone who prefers to use them.

Sue sent this article to The Upper Hutt Connection / Source: St Hilda's Anglican Church Upper Hutt



Silverstream Reformed Church

Location: 8 Blue Mountains Road, Silverstream

What we Believe:

We believe that Jesus Christ is the only Saviour and the Sovereign Lord over all of life. We are fully committed to the Bible in its entirety as the Word of God. We believe that theology is important, it is vital for the health of the church, and without sound doctrine the church decays. Throughout history, the church has confessed what it believes by faithfully summarising the truths of the Bible in written forms known as creeds and confessions. These confessions do not hold the same authority as the Bible, but they help to summarise the Bible's teaching. Ultimately, the Bible remains our only rule for faith and life

Who we Are:

Our Church is a family church, with a mixture of young families, retirees, couples, single people and youth. We have approximately 200 members, from different backgrounds, meeting together because we share a common faith in the Lord Jesus Christ

Service Times:

Our worship services are on Sunday at 10 AM and 4 PM, and we would love to see you there. Our friendly greeters will meet you at the door and answer any questions you have.

Like to know more? Visit our website at: https://silverstreamrcnz.co.nz/

Silverstream Reformed Church sent this article to The Upper Hutt Connection.

11/12/24

ENTERTAINMENT

What's new at Monterey Cinemas? Releasing 16th of October, 2025

BALLAD OF A SMALL PLAYER

Running time: 103 minutes

Rated: R13 (Offensive language, deals with suicide)

When his past and his debts start to catch up with him, a high-stakes gambler laying low in Macau encounters a kindred spirit who might just hold the key to his salvation.

Book here: https://www.montereyupperhutt.co.nz/movie/ballad-of-a-small-player

View trailer at IMDB.com: https://www.imdb.com/title/tt32063098/videoplayer/vi2171914265/?ref =nv sr srsg 2 tt 7 nm 0 in 0 q Ballad%2520of%2520a



Ballad of a Small Player

BLACK PHONE 2

Running time: 114 minutes

Rated: R16 (Violence, horror, suicide references & offensive language)

Four years ago, 13-year-old Finn killed his abductor and escaped, becoming the sole survivor of The Grabber. But true evil transcends death ... and the phone is ringing again.

Four-time Academy Award® nominee Ethan Hawke returns to the most sinister role of his career as The Grabber seeks vengeance on Finn (Mason Thames) from beyond the grave by menacing Finn's younger sister, Gwen (Madeleine McGraw).

As Finn, now 17, struggles with life after his captivity, the headstrong 15-year-old Gwen begins receiving calls in her dreams from the black phone and seeing disturbing visions of three boys being stalked at a winter camp known as Alpine Lake.

Determined to solve the mystery and end the torment for both her and her brother, Gwen persuades Finn to visit the camp during a winter storm. There, she uncovers a shattering intersection between The Grabber and her own family's history. Together, she and Finn must confront a killer who has grown more powerful in death and more significant to them than either could imagine.

From returning visionary writer-director Scott Derrickson, Black Phone 2 is written again by Derrickson & C. Robert Cargill, based on characters created by Joe Hill. The film is produced by Jason Blum, Derrickson and Cargill. The executive producers are Joe Hill, Adam Hendricks and Ryan Turek.

Book here: https://www.montereyupperhutt.co.nz/movie/black-phone-2

View trailer at IMDB.com: https://www.imdb.com/title/tt29644189/videoplayer/vi823183385/?ref =nv sr srsg 3 tt 6 nm 0 in 0 q Black%2520Phone

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Black Phone

ROOFMAN

Running time: 125 minutes

Rated: M (Sex scenes, offensive language & nudity)

Based on an unbelievable true story, Roofman follows Jeffrey Manchester (Channing Tatum), a former Army Ranger and struggling father who turns to robbing McDonald's restaurants by cutting holes in their roofs, earning him the nickname: Roofman. After escaping prison, he secretly lives inside a Toys "R" Us for six months, surviving undetected while planning his next move. But when he falls for Leigh (Kirsten Dunst), a divorced mom drawn to his undeniable charm, his double life begins to unravel, setting off a compelling and suspenseful game of cat and mouse as his past closes in.

Book here: https://www.montereyupperhutt.co.nz/movie/roofman

View trailer at IMDB.com: https://www.imdb.com/title/tt4627382/videoplayer/vi678676505/?ref =nv_sr_srsg_3_tt_7_nm_0_in_0_q_Roof%2520Man



Running time: 100 minutes

Rated: M (Sex scenes)

A newly engaged couple have a breakdown in an isolated area and must pay a call to the bizarre residence of Dr. Frank-N-Furter.

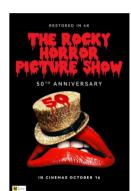
Book here: https://www.montereyupperhutt.co.nz/movie/the-rocky-horror-picture-show-50th-anniversary

View trailer at IMDB.com: https://www.imdb.com/video/vi2137168153/?ref =tt vids vi

Anniversary

Source: Monterey Cinemas Upper Hutt





The Rocky Horror Picture Show: 50th Anniversary