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A CLAIM by Ikarna-Rawhiti Maori Party candidate Heather Te Au Skipworth that the Government is on “a very thin line towards apartheid” have been dismissed by the electorate MP Meka Whaitiri as insulting and scaremongering.

Ms Te Au Skipworth was referring to the Covid-19 Public Health Response Act, which was passed under urgency by the coalition Government.

The bill initially gave police the right to enforce segregationist laws against a specific part of society.

Ms Whaitiri said Ms Te Au Skipworth said “This is the swift response having something that people will not have to queue for.”

“I am also satisfied to changes of the bill that saw the review period change from two years to three months. This means we can lighten any included measures as alert levels continue to decrease. “Make no mistake, your Labour Caucus is working at all levels of government to ensure the wellbeing of our people, marae and language are protected and enhanced post-Covid-19. “This was confirmed by the Government’s record investment of $900 million of unmatched targeted funding to support Maori to rebuild together,” said Ms Whaitiri.

Ms Te Au Skipworth said Labour had “done this before” with the Foreshore and Seabed Act and the Urewera police raids.

“The principle to protect citizens rights needs to be upheld by the very people we elect to make laws that support all people and not be used to bring down the sledghammer under the excuse of Alert Level 2.”

“The Public Health Response Act is to be reviewed by a select committee and the findings will be reported in time for its first 90-day review.”

Gisborne Farmers’ Market resumes Saturday

A CAMPervan stored in a paddock on a property in Franklin Street of Massey Road was destroyed in a fire early yesterday morning.

Police have an arson inquiry under way.

Fire and Emergency NZ was called to the blaze at around 1.30am.

The campervan was well aught when fire crews arrived.

A FENZ spokesman said there were concerns initially that there might have been someone inside the vehicle when the fire broke out but that turned out not to be the case.

A specialist fire investigator was called in to look into the cause and police confirmed this morning the fire had been deliberately set.

“We would like to hear from anyone who has information about the incident,” police said.

“Contact the 105 number or call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.”

ARSON INQUIRY

A ONE-WAY loop system will greet people who go to the Farmers’ Market this weekend.

“Today Saturday, from 9.30 to 12.30, the Farmer’s Market will be back on for the first time since the country came out of lockdown. But it will not be as big as before for the reopening day. Market manager Andrea Gregory said there were around 20 stallholders who had signed up to be part of this Saturday’s market.

“The stallholders who aren’t coming back are generally the food people. Stallholders have to have something that people will not have to queue for.”

READY TO RETURN: The Farmers’ Market will be back up and running this Saturday but with stricter rules and fewer stallholders due to Covid-19 Alert Level 2 restrictions.

There will also be no tables for sitting at and volunteers will be on hand to make sure people do not congregate in groups.

People will have to enter through one entrance — at the end of Stout Street — go around the market in a circle and exit at Stout Street across from the museum.

“We have an operational plan that spells out exactly how the market will run.”

A new website will be launched over the next few days, which will show a map, list of stallholders and other information.

Once it goes live it can be found at www.gisbornefarmersmarket.co.nz

This information will also be on the market’s Facebook page.
Your say wanted on coronavirus recovery plan

Gisborne Herald

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No plans to sell council assets

The district council will not consider selling assets to reduce potential financial impacts of Covid-19.

“Gisborne District Council is not recommending or considering sales of any council assets in the current financial year,” GDC chief executive Nedine Thatcher Swann said.

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Lock to lagoon gate twice cut open

The gate lock had been cut and let me know,” Ms Pohatu said. “Our aim is not to stop people using Te Wherowhero but to limit vehicles in the area.”

Ms Pohatu contacted the local police officer, who helped her check the area for people and vehicles before locking it up again on Friday afternoon.

“They are disappointing people ignore what we are doing, Te Wherowhero lagoon is the only place like it in Gisborne. The environment there is very precious and fragile.

“The nearest similar ecosystem is Ohiwa to the north and Ahuriri to the south.”

“There are birds that migrate there from other countries annually to nest.

“Is it housing?, Is it employment?, Is it economic recovery, built environment, or ‘our future’?

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“We have Ovation NZ slaughtering and processing.”

“This is because of the physical and financial benchmarking mixed with the farmers’ individual desire to get better and to be the best. We are all ambitious. No one wants to be beaten,” he said.

“I work with six farmer business groups covering 80 odd farms that extend from Tutira to Tokomaru Bay.

“Many of these groups are at capacity and have waiting lists to join. It demonstrates the positive attitude that is out there right now.”

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GROUP DISCUSSIONS: Farmer discussion groups like this one are critical for achieving future goals in the region and demonstrate the positive attitude that exists in the primary production sector here. The Trial and Era Business Group met pre-Covid-19 at Kohata Station at Whangara, owned by Kerry and Charlie Seymour.

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**OBITUARY**

Te Moananui Turoa  
*“Jack” Kuru*

with other son Arana to start his harvesting company.

Jack’s experience and knowledge were integral in the development of unique road building techniques used on the East Coast.

While Jack loved his bulldozers, when faced with a new challenge of building on the steep papa rock terrain, he was the first on the East Coast to implement a large 70-tonne excavator.  

There was criticism at the time but soon afterwards all other forest road builders faced with similar challenges followed suit, stepping up to using larger excavators as their front-line earthmoving machines.

Jack mentored, taught and educated hundreds of workers on the East Coast, some of who went on to own and operate successful businesses of their own.

He was recognised in the East Coast forestry community, winning numerous Eastland Wood Council awards for excellence.  

Jack came from the school of hard knocks. He worked hard, played hard and loved big toys. I have had the pleasure of working with Jack and the Kuru family since 1999 and laughed over many stories. I recall the story of Ricky as a young boy being taught a motocross bike. Jack was not about to muck around starting Ricky on something small so instead purchased an adult-sized machine.

Jack welded an extension on the bike-stand so Ricky could stay upright at the start line on race day. Unable to touch the ground, Ricky was told, “When the flag drops, open the throttle wide and don’t fall off”.

Well, you could say that Jack’s mentoring turned the throttle wide open for the Kuru family and is a reason why their subsequent businesses were so successful.

Above all else, Jack the legend road builder was a beautiful and lovely man and many of us in the forestry industry loved him dearly. The wisdom Jack passed on is in my mind and his love is in my heart forever. Rest in peace, Jack.

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**DONOR FUND INCREASE WELCOMED BY BUSY COMMUNITY LAW CENTRES**

by Sarah Curtis

GISONIRES’ Community Law Centre (CLC), like others around the country, is experiencing high demand for free legal advice on issues specifically emerging from the Covid-19 crisis.

But an initiative by the law profession for pro bono work and recently-announced donations increased by banks are helping to ease the load.

New Zealand Law Society president Tiana Epati, a Gisborne lawyer, says Community Law Centres Aotearoa provides a much-needed service nationwide for those who cannot afford to pay for legal advice.

“These maha (work) is vital as it increases access to justice for all New Zealanders. Demand for their services is always high and the Covid-19 pandemic has brought additional challenges.

“The New Zealand Law Society, Te Kahui Ture a Aotearoa and the New Zealand Bar Association recently supported the CLC’s call for increased pro bono support for people with urgent Covid-19 related issues. The prompt response from lawyers with employment, family (shared care arrangements), insolvency/bankruptcy, tenancy and property and immigration practice areas evidences both the demand and the profession’s desire to assist,” Ms Epati said.

The Law Society welcomed news of additional funding to community law from banks that contribute to a donor fund, especially at this challenging time.

The Lawyers and Conveyancers Special Fund, established in 1982, collects interest from five banks on solicitors’ and licensed conveyancers’ nominated trust accounts.

It is vested in the New Zealand Law Society and the New Zealand Society of Conveyancers jointly and is held by them in trust for the purposes specified in the Law Practitioners Act 1982.

The fund is received by the Ministry of Justice, then topped up by a Crown contribution to an appropriate amount, which is then allocated to community law centres.

In June last year, the Government announced an increase of $6.72 million for community law centres over the next four years. The increase was expected to bring the total annual funding for the 24 centres to $13.26 million.

Each bank donates 20 percent of the interest it earns on licensed conveyancers’ nominated trust accounts. The ANZ bank, which contributed about $920,000 last year, recently announced a 15 percent increase (an estimated $720,000) to its donation for the next 12 months, prompting other banks to also increase their contributions.

Community Law chief executive officer Sue Meroney said ANZ’s increase would match the ANZ’s increase and the TSB had also increased its support, albeit with a small lump-sum donation, rather than an increase to the proportion of the Special Fund donation.

“This increase will help Community Law to sustain its legal support to communities as they battle the impact of Covid-19,” Ms Meroney said.

Even though Community Law had only been able to offer services remotely since Alert Level 4, it had already seen a surge in demand for advice on specific issues relating to the pandemic and the country’s response strategy, said Ms Meroney.

“We wish to see this increase substantially when Community Law Centres open for face-to-face services.
By Hannah Veitch

LONG ago, racial unity was an elusive ideal. Over time, humanity has made strides, but we still have a long way to go. Which is why, in 2020, I stand before you and ask myself, why is it that kids still feel crippled by racial barriers? Why do we feel wrong, when called upon to stand up for race unity, as one small note in a worldwide song that hopes, one day, we will all be singing the same tune.

Racism can be inwardly provoked. If someone has a negative experience with a different race, it is possible the weak-minded will associate that single example with the whole race, and labels become the norm. This division is what they associate with the word "race". As a result, when someone asks, "How many students are there?", you can start to see the divide.

The past 20 years is a difficult thing to do in human nature. As we mature, we become increasingly aware of our racial and ethnic difference. This hit me full force on the very first day of high school. I walked into a room, divided by boys and girls on one side, white girls on the other. No one student questioned it. PE team selections were subconscious racial segregation and racial labels became the norm. This division didn't exist at first and the created tension that made me dread going to school. But I didn't feel right and created tension that was the right thing to do, to fix it, but I began to fear: "Are we taking this too far?"

Today, racism is a jarring note in society's song, singing out of tune in a key that doesn't connect us together. These out-of-tune notes are unnecessarily amplified because racism is learned from peers, elders and role models. Today, we stand up for race unity, as one small note in a worldwide song that hopes, one day, we will all be singing the same tune.

We are all vulnerable no matter our gender, wealth, beliefs, appearance, or race. That as a team of 5 million we have driven back this plague of racism out of a country could take to spread the song of racial unity.

Our political leaders must embody and enact "the change we want to see". However, weak implementation can undermine the best-designed plan. Concrete implementation is found in the behaviour of leaders. They send messages as much by their deeds as by their words, so they cannot be too busy or unwilling to be part of the solution. In our future, I hope to see local politicians in New Zealand participating in race relations programmes in schools at least once a month. A simple but effective method our country could take to spread the song of racial unity.

Our political leaders must embody and enact the change we want to see, and our leaders such as principals, teachers and parents must encourage it.

However, we acknowledge, accept and celebrate our differences. However, we must focus on positive ones, will have vividly, and not teaching the negative interactions feeling the sting of a rebuke more powerfully than the joy of praise. Thus focusing on the positive interactions between races in the past we are scientifically referred to remember more vividly, and not teaching or slaming light on the positive ones, will have a disastrous impact on race relations.

In her Race Unity Speech awards presentation, Hannah Veitch drew attention to the differing styles of New Zealand's Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern and US President Donald Trump. She said Trump's description of Covid-19 as the "Chinese virus" was unacceptable in its labelling of an entire race as responsible for the pandemic. She called on political leaders to embody and enact "the change we want to see". Hannah Veitch spoke about unacceptable levels of racism. Picture supplied

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Kiwis head back to office and school after weeks in lockdown

by Emma Russell
New Zealand Herald

AUCKLAND — For the first time in nearly two months, thousands of New Zealanders are swapping their slippers for shoes today as we enter our first full week of Alert Level 2.

And with the mass return of Kiwis to offices and schools, the prime minister has confirmed the number of people allowed to attend church gatherings could also increase in the next two weeks.

New Zealand is again the focus of headlines across the globe, with The Washington Post reporting how the country “quashed Covid in 49 days”.

Transport officials have warned there will likely be traffic mayhem on Auckland’s motorways this morning as more buses are put on to allow for distancing.

Many businesses remained shut despite Alert Level 2 coming into place on Thursday so they could allow themselves time to work through issues like handwashing, hygiene and physical distancing.

“We should also encourage the option of people spending part of their week working from home”

— Auckland Mayor Phil Goff

Hundreds of thousands of children will also trade home learning and virtual Zoom meetings for the classroom today as schools around the country throw open their doors.

Sport is also slowly returning - Super Rugby players today report training, albeit a bit slower and possibly heavier than they were.

The Washington Post reported on New Zealand’s remarkable fightback against Covid in less than two months - and how Cabinet made the call to move to level 2 last Monday.

“Jacinda Ardern favored a middle option of a staggered reopening, according to political insiders,” The Post reported. “Although some prominent epidemiologists had urged another week of restrictions, New Zealanders, who had almost universally abided by the rules, were getting antsy. And then there was the economy.”

Deputy Prime Minister Winston Peters told The Post: “The problem with the staggered response was the potential for the message to be very confused, so simplicity and common-sense language was required. In that context, any staggering needed to be seriously limited.”

The Post described the backdown on funeral rules as a “rare hiccup for a government that has been hailed around the world for its response to the pandemic, a response that could be described as data-driven and radically transparent”.

The Post quotes former Air NZ chief executive and government’s business advisory services chairman, Rob Fyfe, as saying: “The best thing we could do was to lock our country down and get on top of the virus before it got on top of us.

“In other countries, like the US, people assume that the best outcome for the economy is to get it going again. But if states have to lock down again, they will get a far worse economic outcome than if they’d shut down quickly and completely.”

As Kiwis headed back to work and school today, Ardern joined Mike Hosking on NewsTalk ZB. Regarding the 10-person capacity for church congregations, she hoped the Government could move on the number of people that could gather together.

“One numbers will move in Level 2... that will include church services.”

The director general of health would be reviewing the number of people who could gather after two weeks in Level 2.

But she maintained people gathering together who knew each other well — such as at churches or family reunions — could not currently be done in large groups because it was too risky.

Many leaders, including Destiny Church’s Brian Tamaki, have expressed their frustration at the 10-person limit, saying churches could easily comply with social distancing rules.

Meanwhile, Ardern told Hosking New Zealand had been very quick to move to support businesses and their employees, long term one of the most important things the Government could do was upskill the workforce.

“Every country will find itself needing to develop its economic recovery,” Ardern echoed Goff’s calls saying safe physical distancing on our buses, trains and ferries meant we can’t all turn up at the same time.

The reopening of schools would put additional pressure on Auckland’s bus capacity. AT warned, with some routes being redeveloped to help with school runs.

To help combat the motorway chaos, some towns were not to have every sitting, seeing buses, which were empty due to the national border closure, would be added to both school and public services.

“We are hoping to bring back 100 or 200 or buses which is an increase of about 4 per cent,” AT spokesman Mark Hannan said.

It was also advising parents to wait with their young children to make sure they got a seat on the bus.

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Meanwhile, The Washington Post said New Zealand would still be looking abroad, particularly to countries which had seen spikes after coming out of lockdowns.

Fyfe told The Post: “Just look at the flare-ups in Singapore and South Korea, and even Germany is hot now. This is going to be a really challenging time. We have to do this quickly and how precisely we can respond to any flare-ups here is going to be critical.”
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NATIONAL NEWS 7

BRIEFS

One new case of Covid-19
CHRISTCHURCH — New Zealand recorded one new case of Covid-19 yesterday — a boy under the age of four months. The boy’s test result at home cluster in Christchurch. In a statement, the Ministry of Health said the new case was linked to the Rosewood cluster as a household contact of an earlier case.

The Ministry said the boy was aged between one and four, but his exact age would not be disclosed for privacy reasons.

There were no further deaths reported.

The number of confirmed and probable cases has risen to 1,499, of which 1149 are confirmed cases.

The Ministry said 96 percent of all confirmed and probable cases had now recovered, with 1,433 people now reporting as having recovered, for an increase of five on the day before yesterday.

There were no new cases on Saturday. — NZH

Gang raids under lockdown
AUCKLAND — Gang members have been arrested as part of a co-ordinated nationwide effort to crack down on organised crime.

More than 100 search warrants around the country were executed yesterday, with 800,000 children expected to return to school.

Mr Hargreaves said schools had been doing a lot of work to ensure classrooms were clean and safe.

Schools were taking different approaches to drinking fountains, with some closing their fountains and others providing hand sanitiser.

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Large tyre fire in Rolleston
CHRISTCHURCH — A large fire in Rolleston, a town near Christchurch, has now been contained.

A total of 25kg of methamphetamine, 30kg of cannabis, a range of other drugs such as MDMA, QBL, and LSD were seized.

Police also discovered 14 clandestine labs and one估计 more than 200,0000 children. — NZH

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HAS CALLED FOR INDEPENDENT INQUIRY: Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison is standing firm on his call for an independent inquiry into the coronavirus and has denied any motivation other than to prevent such a pandemic happening again.

The Australian reported that the international support would “debrief” Beijing. It has previously threatened Australia with trade backlash from China.

The Australian government has also allowed the body’s alleged slowness in responding to the pandemic to be examined, as well as its praise for China’s response despite Beijing’s concealment of the virus during the early weeks and punishment of whistleblowing doctors, The Australian reported.

US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo has urged all countries to join Australia’s call for answers.

A US President Donald Trump suspended funding to the World Health Organisation, and Scott Morrison said he sympathised with some of the US president’s criticism of the organisation. Australia’s Trade Minister Simon Birmingham said by yesterday that he had tried to set up a phone call with his Chinese counterpart to soothe growing tensions, but he had not had a response.

News reported. China was threatening to put a large tariff on barley imports following an anti-dumping investigation and it has blocked beef imports from four abattoirs.

The full list of countries backing the resolution reportedly includes Albania, Australia, Bangladesh, Belarus, Bhutan, Botswana, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Ireland, India, Indonesia, Japan, Mexico, Monaco, Montenegro, Mozambique, New Zealand, North Macedonia, Norway, Paraguay, Peru, South Korea, Moldova, the Russian Federation, San Marino, Sierra Leone, South Africa, the European Union and its member states, Turkey, Ukraine, the United Kingdom and Zambia.

— New Zealand Herald

BRIEFS

Govt to give refugee centre $12m to strengthen security

AUCKLAND — The Government is investing $12 million over four years to upgrade its Mangere Refugee Resettlement Centre.

The money was allocated in this year’s Budget. The funding is in response to an assessment that was undertaken following the March 15 attack, which found there was an “increased level of risk”.

Immigration Minister Iain Lees-Galloway said after the March 15 attack, security was being considered through a completely different lens.

“With the additional safeguards that have been built into the bill, there now is a level of security staffing at the refugee resettlement centre, and the funding that is included in this year’s Budget will help to address all of those,” he said.

Lees-Galloway said it was due to record numbers of people coming into New Zealand’s borders.

Meanwhile, the Government is also investing $8 million over four years, extra claims for refugee and protected-person status once border restrictions are lifted.

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Arden hits back at National

WELLINGTON — Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern has hit back at the opposition’s “cynical politics” after that called her Government failed to launch a Covid-19 rescue package an election bribe.

In her first TV appearance after the election results, Ardern visited a state-house worksite in Petone, Wellington, to meet and speak to construction workers.

Ardern delivered her government’s election-year Budget. The Budget laid out an initial $16 billion of spending, and with $14 billion already been allocated, that left about $20 billion untargeted.

National Party leader Simon Bridges last week criticised the $20 billion of unspent money, saying it was an election bribe four months out from New Zealanders heading to the polls.

Ardern, however, said Bridges’ criticism was just “cynical politics” and the whole point of the recovery package was to grow jobs and support businesses.

“It is a called a Covid response and recovery fund — and that is what it’s for,” she said.

National’s deputy leader and campaign chair Paula Bennett added her voice to Bridges’ on Friday, saying the pool of cash was simply campaign bribes.

“What with the country now Level 2, there should be a level of respect for all political parties entering into the campaign period.”

National also accused the Government of providing people from important health information to a party-political broadcast and ads on TV that feature ministers are no longer anonymous.

Four weeks out to go until the election, attention is turning to policy, particularly around tax. The Government has already put up taxes at the moment, saying any such suggestion was scaremongering.

— NZH

IMMIGRANTS CAN BE REASSESSED UNDER NEW LEGISLATION: Law Society

by Gill Bonnett, RNZ

WELLINGTON — The Law Society says immigrants can be reassessed over their post-event safeguards were introduced to protect them. The assessment of the new bill has passed its final hearings in Parliament on Friday.

About 350,000 people are in New Zealand on temporary visas and more than a quarter of those are on work visas.

Some have lost their jobs and been unable to start new ones, others are overseas and worried about whether their visas will be extended and if they will still get paid when the border re-opens.

Immigration Minister, Immigration New Zealand (RNZ) said the Minister of Immigration had assured the migrant community in New Zealand that the Government would not use the powers in the act to take away any existing visa rights. It can now impose, vary or cancel conditions for groups of temporary entry class visa holders, extend expiry dates and stop some people offshore from making applications.

“Those changes could include amending visa conditions for groups of people such as what region they can work in, or extending expiry visa dates for groups of people,” it said.

“The new powers cannot be used to change conditions if that change would simply disadvantage the class of visa holders concerned. It is an effective safeguard because it means that the minister would not be able to use the powers in a way that materially deprives visa holders of existing visa rights (e.g. work rights).”

The legislation was a pragmatic solution to challenges it faced, it said.

Several hundred thousand people on temporary entry class visas are in New Zealand at present — too many to easily deal with on an individual basis when the system is so disrupted.

The convenor of the Law Society’s immigration and refugee committee, Mark Williams, was among those who made submissions to the Epidemic Response Committee on the bill.

He said that safeguards recommended by select committee queries were incorporated into the bill.

“Although the additional safeguards that have been built into the bill, there now is a level of security staffing at the refugee resettlement centre, and the funding that is included in this year’s Budget will help to address all of those,” he said.

Lees-Galloway said it was due to record numbers of people coming into New Zealand’s borders.

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WELLINGTON — The postponement of Expo 2020 has scuppered a $54m-plus push by New Zealand to promote itself to the world this year but the programme’s head says the delay could work in the country’s favour.

“Through the government’s decision to delay Expo 2020 we have been able to attract over 25 million visitors to the massive Expo 2020 Dubai site for six months from October but participating nations have voted to delay opening for a year because of the coronavirus pandemic. New Zealand had budgeted $54m for participating and the delay will add at least $12m unutilised costs to the programme, but commissioner general to the expo, Clayton Kimpton, said New Zealand’s leverage could come at just the right time for this country — and others.

"You don’t want to crow too early, but I think we are moving into uncharted territory with an event at Shanghai in 2010 came at a good time as the world was emerging from the global financial crisis and New Zealand was bedding in its free trade policy," he says. "If you’re seen to be a healthy country that is open for trade and tourism and the local market, but it was also the hub from which we're able to service a large portion of the world..." Kimpton said Expo was the biggest event the country has ever hosted and "the most immediate opportunity we have got with all of those countries as Britain was getting closer to Europe and an event at Osaka in 1970 gave the country the opportunity to make sure that creative brief is refreshed, to tell the story of tomorrow."

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Let public vote on bridge

**Follow facts**

Re: Handling Trump truths, May 13.

The editor is quite right in publishing a letter like this, and is entitled to leave the readers to draw their own conclusions as to whether or not President Obama was at the centre of a cabal orchestrating the coup against his predecessor’s presidency. It is a fact that Mr Cooper can come up with nothing to challenge this assertion... but many in the US would disagree.

Ewan McGregor, Waipawa

Keep up the good work

**Carmen Fletcher**

Fantastic! We have won our first foray in the battle against Covid-19. The Government (rightly so) has incurred a huge debt in its effort to save the lives and misery of many New Zealanders. This debt belongs to all of us and has to be paid back, in order for us to regain our standing internationally as a financially-secure country — which in turn will afford us a better living standard in the future.

We all need to lighten our belts for the next couple of years to achieve this. Yes, we have temporarily lived beyond our means, so now is NOT the time to lobby the Government with any unrealistic financial demands. Instead, let’s support the Government to show our appreciation.

Keep safe and be kind.

B. & T. Brown

Peddling same narrative

**Hine Wilcox**

The library might like to donate their copy of Trump’s Crossfire so I can ceremoniously burn it in my fireplace. You all peddle the same narrative — Fire and Fury — Michael Wolff, Trump Must Go Now, Dick Wilson, Impeach — Nate Kaylor, The only accurate book on the subject which is well informed Mr Light, and long may it be so. But there are times when a bit of leadership, or dictatorship if that is your preferred term, is needed. We can and will return to normalcy soon enough.

Bob Armstrong

Time, place

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Keep up the good work and well done all of you — after I have solved your crossword, I am not feeling blue.

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As publications go, The Gisborne Herald is the winner. I sat down and read it after my dinner.

You still give us all the news and your reporting is first-rate.

I am not depending on a bus nowadays, so your road is never late.

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Professional treatment

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WHAT’S ON IN COUNCIL THIS WEEK

by Pat Seymour

THERE are no formal meetings of council this week — the new Audit and Risk Committee set up following election 2019 with an independent chair was to meet, but that meeting has been postponed due to Covid-19. Mayor Rehette Stoltz together with management determined a new structure, and this committee is intended to be more vigilant and critical to the organisation.

Members of the committee are the Mayor and Deputy Mayor and the four committee chairs, Crs Cranston, Foster, Dunn and myself. The committee is chaired independently by Mr Bruce Robinson who has a background in audit from years in the financial sector in Wellington. It has only met once.

The function of the committee, or terms of reference, cover the areas of internal controls, risk management, internal audit, external audit and compliance with legislation. This is an important function and the committee is keen to get up and running with this overview of council activities.

Councillors recognise the huge job done by many agencies in this region to keep our communities safe during the various levels of the Covid-19 constraints. Mayor Stoltz, GDC staff, emergency services along with he and other key groups in the region have met regularly and made plans, often not visible to the public or community, to keep our region safe and to advocate for those in the region hit by redundancy and unemployment.

The enormous amount of food that has come into this region to be distributed as food parcels through the welfare arm of civil defence is amazing. We have also been looking after the vulnerable in their communities since day one of the lockdown.

Council also recognises the success of preventing the spread in Tairawhiti is due to the goodwill and commitment by all the community to live by the new rules during the lockdown. spices. If thanks must also go all our healthcare workers in Tairawhiti who have managed preparedness for something that no one had ever experienced before, and something that no one knew just how big it might yet. You have done an amazing, silent job behind the scenes.

Our rural communities on the Coast have been very active and initiated a great structure linking all localities from the very beginning with checkposts and well-managed data collection.

Despite a variety of mixed messages as to the legitimacy of the checkposts, they were significant in making sure no travellers made it to the more isolated parts of our district in the beginning when it was late summer and Covid-19 cases were still on the road in this beautiful part of New Zealand.

While one could tell just how great a hold Covid-19 would get on NZ as a whole, and then on communities, the community groups were up and running from the beginning with the sole purpose of protecting their vulnerable. Thanks to those who filled that role for their communities and thanks to the support people who took smoke and bail them through the long hours!

The council plans to return to face-to-face meetings in the week beginning May 25. Most councillors will be very pleased about that. We will meet for at least two weeks this time or two councillors think that is a great medium, nothing beats face-to-face dialogue. I am sure it will be challenging for council officers too as access to virtual technology across this region is not as widespread and locals alike would have greater appeal.

I suggest the council should ask the community to vote on the continuation of this bridge project.

Colin Shanks

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Afghan President agrees to share power with rival

KABUL — Afghan President Ashraf Ghani and political rival Abdullah Abdullah signed a power-sharing agreement, two months after the US and NATO forces announced plans to withdraw from Afghanistan. The deal also calls for Ghani to lead the country’s National Reconciliation High Council, and he will be able to appoint half of Ghani’s cabinet and issue executive orders. The Reconciliation Council has been granted the authority to handle and approve all affairs related to Afghanistan’s peace process. The council will have five deputies from both leaders’ teams.

Omed Maisam, a spokesman for Abdullah’s team, confirmed an agreement had been signed at the presidential palace. ‘A technical team will work on the implementation of the agreement and details will be shared later,’ he said.

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UK daily death figure dips to lowest since lockdown began

LONDON — The UK’s daily figure for coronavirus deaths has dropped to 170 — the lowest since the day after lockdown began. The announcement comes a week after the first easing of restrictions in England — and while numbers are typically lower on Sundays, the figure is almost 100 fewer than the 268 reported a week ago. But the overall death toll remains the highest in Europe, and is now 34,636. Meanwhile in Spain, the daily number of deaths was below 100 for the first time since its lockdown started. The UK death numbers announced on Sundays and Mondays have dropped more than the other five days of the week, due to fluctuations in how quickly deaths are reported by hospitals and care homes. Sunday’s figure was the lowest since 24 March, when 149 deaths were reported. Spain, which introduced a strict lockdown on March 14, announced 87 new deaths on Sunday. At its peak on April 2, there were 961 deaths in a 24-hour period. Italy has also reported its lowest figure since its lockdown began, with a total of 146. Like other government ministers during the week, Business Secretary Alok Sharma said the country was moving towards Level 3 of the coronavirus alert system, which would see the gradual relaxation of restrictions, but “to definitely conquer this disease we need to find a safe workable vaccine”. — BBC

India extends restrictions

NEW DELHI — India on Sunday extended its nearly 2-month-long lockdown by two weeks after reporting nearly 5,000 new coronavirus cases, but said restrictions could be eased in low-risk areas to boost economic activity. After surpassing China on Saturday, India now has the most confirmed virus cases in Asia, with nearly 91,000. New Delhi, Mumbai, Chennai and some other key regions are still battling to control the rising curve of coronavirus infections. But the Home Ministry said low-risk areas will be allowed to restore economic activity. All domestic and international passenger flights will remain prohibited. Metro services, schools, colleges, hotels and restaurants will also remain shuttered nationwide, the Home Ministry said. The Health Ministry on Sunday reported a record jump of nearly 5,000 cases in the past 24 hours, raising the number of confirmed cases in India to 90,957, including 2872 deaths. India had fewer than 500 confirmed cases and nine deaths when the lockdown was first imposed on March 25. On May 4, the Government announced an easing of restrictions, allowing the reopening of neighbourhood shops nationwide, and the resumption of manufacturing and farming in rural areas. It also resumed running a limited number of trains, mainly to carry stranded migrant workers. — AP

Leaders weigh reopening risks

NEW YORK — On a weekend when many pandemic-weary people emerged from weeks of lockdown, leaders in the US and Europe weighed the risks and rewards of lifting Covid-19 restrictions, knowing that a vaccine could take years to develop. In separate stark warnings, two major European leaders bluntly told their citizens that the world needs to adapt to living with the coronavirus and cannot wait to be saved by a vaccine. “We are confronting this risk, and we need to accept it, otherwise we would never be able to relaunch,” Italian Prime Minister Giuseppe Conte said, heading a push by regional leaders to allow restaurants, bars and beach facilities to reopen this week, weeks ahead of an earlier timetable. In the US, images of crowded bars, beaches and boardwalks suggested some weren’t heeding warnings to safely enjoy reopened spaces while limiting the risks of spreading infection. A member of President Donald Trump’s cabinet, Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar, would not second-guess state and local officials as they decide whether to let restaurants and other businesses reopen. He said the lockdown measures also carry “serious health consequences”, including the risk of suicide, delayed cardiac procedures and cancer screenings. “I think in any individual instance you are going to see people doing things that are irresponsible,” Azar told CNN on Sunday. “That is part of the freedom we have here in America.” The warnings by Italy’s Conte and British Prime Minister Boris Johnson came as governments worldwide and many US states struggled with restarting economies blindsided by the pandemic. With 36 million unemployed in the US alone, economic pressures are building even as authorities acknowledge that reopening risks setting off new waves of infections and deaths. “We are facing a calculated risk, in the awareness… that the epidemiological curve could go back up,” Conte said, adding that Italy could “not afford” to wait until a vaccine was developed. Health experts say the world could be months, if not years, away from having a vaccine available to everyone despite the scientific gold rush now on to create one. Britain’s Johnson, who was hospitalised last month with a serious bout of Covid-19, speculated on Sunday that a vaccine may not be developed at all, despite the huge global effort to produce one. “There remains a very long way to go, and I must be frank that a vaccine might not come to fruition,” Johnson wrote in the Mail on Sunday newspaper. Coronavirus has infected over 4.6 million people and killed more than 313,000 worldwide, according to a tally by Johns Hopkins University that experts say undercounts the true toll of the pandemic. The US has reported over 89,000 dead and Europe has seen at least 160,000 deaths. Some experts noted recent infection surges in Texas, including a 1,800-case jump on Saturday, with Amarillo identified as a growing hotspot. Texas officials said increased testing was playing a big role — the more you look for something, the more you find it. Many are watching hospitalisations and death rates in the weeks ahead to see exactly what the new Texas numbers really mean. But Texas was one of the earliest states to allow stores and restaurants to reopen and some experts worry it is a sign of the kind of outbreak re-ignition that might occur when social-distancing and other prevention measures are loosened or ignored. “It is likely that we are going to see more of this” kind of increase, said Dr. Boris Lushniak, dean of the University of Maryland School of Public Health. Dr. Michael Saag at the University of Alabama at Birmingham called Texas “a warning shot” for states to closely watch any surges in cases and have plans to swiftly take steps to stop them. “No one knows for sure exactly the right way forward, and what I think we are witnessing is a giant national experiment,” said Saag, an infectious diseases researcher. In the US, many states have lifted stay-at-home orders and are trying to carry some businesses that have been shuttered ever since mid-March, the rush to reopen this week, weeks ahead of an earlier timetable. 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Coronavirus fears mount as mosques reopen in West Africa

DAKAR, Senegal — It’s been a Ramadan unlike any other for Abdourahmane Sall, far from the mosque in his home in the often-misty holy month as coronavirus cases mount. With only a little over a week left, he decided joining thousands of others in tradition was worth the risk after authorities allowed prayers to resume.

The World Health Organization has warned that as many as 190,000 Africans could die from coronavirus in the current pandemic, and countless more from other diseases as the continent’s limited medical resources are stretched even further.

But across West Africa, countries are finding it increasingly difficult to keep mosques closed during Ramadan as even confirmed virus cases mount and restrictions are relaxed. The holy month is a time of heightened spiritual devotion, for Muslims, and many pray is now more important than ever.

Last week Niger and Senegal allowed mass prayers to resume in libraries. Libraries are regaining its houses of worship beginning on Sunday. In Nigeria, Africa’s most populous nation, several states recently signalised the reopening of mosques even as the number of confirmed cases nationwide exceeds 500.

For Scandinavians, the news is not widely celebrated. As Sinésio Tikuna described in an interview his belief that beehive smoke saved four sick tribe members, there was no one at a Manaus hospital to help a feverish woman, struggling to breathe, make it inside the emergency room.

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**Brain training - keeping your mind active**

### Simon Shuker’s Code-Cracker

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet. Enter the letter or letters given in the control grid into the main grid, then use your knowledge of words to work out which letters should go in the missing squares. As you get the letters, fill in other squares with the same number in the main grid and control grid.

Check letters off the A to Z list at the bottom as you identify them.

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### Wordfit

Can you find all the words into the grid?

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- Art
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- Idols
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- Nape
- India
- Cat
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- Lapse
- Ear
- Omit
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- Elf
- Opal
- Loval
- Eda
- Papa
- Mails
- Fop
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- Gen
- Rail
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### Wordsearch

**Lyrical**

How good is your memory?

Name the song and the singer or band.

- 60s: We’ve given one to get you started.
- 70s: How good is your memory?
- 80s: We’ve given one to get you started.

Fill in the nine blank boxes across the grid and then it the words into the crossword grid.

### Anacross

Solution 32

Anacross is a two-part puzzle. First solve the anagrams, then it the words into the crossword grid.

### Double Cross

Reveal a completed crossword by deleting one of the two letters in each square.

### Previous Solutions

Insert the missing letters to make ten words — five across the grid and five down. More than one solution may be possible.
E-scooters return to city streets

AUCKLAND — E-scooters are returning to the streets, but with new safety restrictions in place. Since the country moved to Alert Level 2, some companies have been re-introducing their e-scooters for public use. New measures designed to give customers the confidence to be able to use e-scooters without risking potentially spreading Covid-19 have been put in place by the separate companies.

Jackson Love, the co-founder of Flamingo Scooters, which operates in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch, said they had designated teams of people going around to clean the e-scooters.

“You'll see our team out checking on the cleanliness (of our) e-scooters between rides, and our software systems are completely tracking the sanitisation of every e-scooter. At the moment, we're sanitising our e-scooters after every two to three rides, and then at those rides, that scooter is actually disabled.”

Love said it was crucial people had the confidence to be able to use their e-scooters.

“The public can be reassured our e-scooters out on the streets, are being cleaned regularly. ‘Flamingo remains a safe way to travel, a safe mode of transport, which does minimise your contact with others, and there are additional safety measures in place.”

Love said if someone who had used one of his company's e-scooters contracted Covid-19, their app could then be used for contact-tracing, so people know if they had used the same e-scooter.

In other cities, however, providers had been holding off on the re-introduction of e-scooters.

In New Plymouth, for example, Blop said they would not be re-introducing their e-scooters for another two weeks at least.

They had engaged with their customers and based on the feedback they had received, they found the majority were not comfortable using e-scooters during Alert Level 2. As for the larger e-scooter companies, they have put in place significant mitigations to assist.

A spokesperson for Beam, which operates in Auckland and Christchurch, said “the health and safety of our riders is top of our minds.”

“We will be closely following health-advice and guidance from the Government. If anything changes that could risk the health of Beam customers, we will act swiftly to keep everyone safe.” — RNZ

QUEENSTOWN — Skifield operators will not be restricted in how many skiers they have on the slope under Alert Level 2 rules this ski season. However, they will be required to manage the skiers so that they are compliant with Level 2 rules.

In a joint press release on Saturday, NZSki chief executive, Paul Anderson, Cardrona Alpine Resort general manager, Bridget Legnavsky, and Ruapehu Alpine Lifts Ltd executive, John Dean, said they had been working with the Government on behalf of the industry to clarify how skis resorts could operate. Ms Legnavsky said skifield operators will have to manage physical distancing, ensure contact tracing was in place and increase cleaning and sanitisation.

“The large areas over which ski areas operate mean that there is no cap on the total number of people allowed on the ski area, provided physical distancing can be managed,” Ms Legnavsky said.

Ski resort restaurants and hospitality facilities would be subject to hospitality requirements.

Mr Anderson said it was “fantastic” to be able to plan the season with confidence.”We're looking forward to bringing people safely back to the mountains so we can enjoy our Code Yellow.” — Otago Daily Times

New Zealand’s new normal

‘It’s OK to notice that life feels different now’

WELLINGTON — As many New Zealanders head back to work and school, the Health Ministry is assuring them it is “completely normal” to feel anxious about it.

With the move to Alert Level 2 last week, many businesses have already reopened and schools were set to begin classes again today.

In a statement released yesterday, the Ministry of Health said that while some New Zealanders would be looking forward to being around people again for the first time in a while, it might also feel strange to some people and some might not want to be feeling anxious about being around groups of people again.

“These feelings are completely normal. It’s a really good time to start a daily wellbeing routine that can help to keep you feeling physically and mentally fit.”

— Ministry of Health

“I’ve noticed that it feels different and to reach out to someone to talk about it or to look for useful tips and guidance online.”

The Ministry of Health had said there were several different ways for people to seek help during the next phase of the battle against the coronavirus pandemic and there was a range of different resources available on the Ministry of Health website.

“It’s also a really good time to start a daily wellbeing routine that can help to keep you feeling physically and mentally fit. Looking after your mental wellbeing every day helps to make coping with tougher times easier.”

— Stay healthy and stay safe, New Zealand.” — RNZ

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“I think there’s a great deal of goodwill. People were incredibly grateful that they’re allowed to return to work like other workers in the country.”

Negotiations about the industry reopening started early with Government agencies, including the Covid-19 committee, health authorities, police and WorkSafe.

Dame Catherine said while she was concerned about the government’s announcement of the new rules before the consultation, she believed the decision was the right one because they did not want sex workers to be in a position where they could not work.

During the lockdown, some sex workers applied for assistance under the wage subsidy scheme, but there was a wariness about declaring being a sex worker inside a Government system in case of issues arising, such as custody of children and tax.

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“Difficult” about the lockdown, the Prostitutes Collective to keep workers and their clients safe.

National co-ordinator Dame Catherine Healy said she had spoken to many sex workers around the country and all of them had been lobbied by clients about returning to work during Alert Levels 3 and 4.

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by Dubby Henry, NZ Herald, additional reporting by Agencies

AUCLAND — There were another two fires at cellphone towers in Auckland on Saturday night.

Police are investigating the fires in the suburbs of Weymouth and Glenmore which happened about 11pm on Saturday night.

It brings the total number of suspected attacks on towers to 17 over the past two months.

On Saturday, an investigation was launched following another suspicious fire near a cellphone tower in Wellington.

Fire and Emergency was called to the 4G tower in Parnivaa at about 2.20am on Saturday to extinguish a blaze in the gully near the site.

Telecommunications Forum chief executive Geoff Thorne said the attacks were a concerning trend that was putting lives at risk.

“We’re not sure what the motivation of these attacks is, but whatever it is, it is putting lives potentially at risk because all of the damage that is happening to the cellphone towers is preventing people potentially from making calls to 111 emergency services.

An attack on a tower in the Auckland suburb of Mangere on May 13 also occurred in the surrounding area.

Any suspicious behaviour near cellphone towers should be reported, Mr Thorne said.

In Britain, dozens of cellphone towers have been set alight recently, reportedly by people who believed a theory that 5G technology was helping to spread the Covid-19 coronavirus.

— RNZ

Destiny Church’s pastor implies he flouted rules

by Paula Bennett.

AUCKLAND — Destiny Church in Auckland held a service yesterday morning for the first time since the lockdown — and its pastor, Bishop Brian Tamaki, said it was an act of “civil disobedience”.

There is a 10-person cap on religious gatherings under Alert Level 2, which the Government has said is necessary to prevent the spread of Covid-19.

Many leaders, including Tamaki, have expressed their frustration at the limit, saying churches could easily comply with social-distancing rules.

However, no Level 2 restrictions appear to have been flouted at the drive-in service in South Auckland, although Tamaki suggested he had broken the law by opening the church doors and was willing to be arrested.

Police confirmed to the New Zealand Herald they had not been at the service because the idea was already talked with the church about how to comply with Level 2 restrictions.

Tamaki billed the service as taking a stand for the rights of everyone in New Zealand, including the right to religious freedom.

“Fundamentally, I believe the church has been discriminated against,” he said.

“Everybody else, from strip clubs to rugby matches and malls to restaurants, are all open but the church was restricted, with a thumbs down on it, to 10 people.”

Destiny Church spokesperson Anne Williamson said yesterday’s service was about taking a stand and showing that the churches of New Zealand could comply.

However, only 10 people were allowed into the church auditorium, Ms Williamson also said.

A smaller group was doing contact-tracing work at the site, while another group was working in an upstairs video-editing suite.

Neither group consisted of more than 10 people and everyone in the building had been tested for Covid-19.

People were also asked to keep their car windows up and were not allowed to get out of their cars.

No Level 2 restrictions appear to have been flouted at the service, despite Tamaki suggesting he had broken the law.

Marshall’s were patrolling to make sure people complied.

A police spokesman said police had been in contact with church officials all week in the lead-up to the service “to help them to understand how they could operate within the parameters of the Alert Level 2 restrictions”.

“As a result of these discussions, police were not in attendance.”

Level 2 restrictions were there for the safety of the community and to protect the lives of those made at Levels 3 and 4, she said.

“Police will continue to investigate any reports of suspected breaches, including religious services, using our graduated-response model of engage, educate, encourage and enforce.”

Among those on the original guest list were All Blacks coach Sir Graham Henry, Auckland MP Nikki Kaye, Maori Party co-leader John Tamihere, band members from True Bliss and former MP Hone Harawira.

But at 8pm, some of the VIPs seemed to be in short supply.

Brian Tamaki left the HeadQuarters early after an entree of tuna because he had a prior commitment to attend to.

He told reporters though that the event had been really well run and all that the guests appeared to have been having a good time.

“They’re keeping to the protocol so that’s fantastic.”

Dancing had been banned at the party due to physical-distancing requirements and the music was playing softly enough for people to talk to one another.

Molloy courted controversy over his party plan, which was decried by Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern and other bar owners.

Meanwhile, Brian Tamaki yesterday said he no longer had confidence in the current Government, saying this nation was being turned into a communist country and that he was taking a “stand for the freedoms and rights of all New Zealanders”.

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7pm Seven Days
7.30 Bradley Walsh And Son: Breaking Dad
8pm Dog Squad
8.45 QvA With Jack Tame
9pm Selling Houses Abroad
9.30 The Kelly Clarkson Show
10pm Stephen Colbert
11pm Neighbours
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TVNZ 2

5pm The Simpsons
6pm Home And Away
5.30 Good Morning With Tom & Ben
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7pm The Project
7.30 Lego Masters
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7.50 Five Oak
8.30 The Reading
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6.20 Earnest & Wine
6.25 How Do They Do It?
7pm Whanau Living
7.30 On Country Kitchen
7.45 Whakarongo Mai
8.30 Favela Rising
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Pay TV

Movie Premiere Discovery

2.00 Teen Spirit (2018) starring Elle Fanning, Zlatko
5.00 Killers Anonymous
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- T = Trained on tried
- N = Won at other distances
New-look Supercars schedule confirmed

MOTORSPORT by Laine Clark, AAP

BRISBANE — The Gold Coast and Newcastle rounds have been scrapped in a new-look Supercars schedule that will conclude in Bathurst in February.

After announcing that the season will resume in Sydney in January, Supercars recently invested in a revised programme, with 11 more rounds set to be held.

Supercars have not held a complete round since the opening Adelaide 500 in February after coronavirus shut down the season following qualifying at the Melbourne 400 at Albert Park in mid-March.

The Adelaide 500 would also be cancelled.

“Following extensive conversations with both the Queensland and New South Wales governments and with local government partners, the traditional street-circuit events on the Gold Coast and Newcastle have not been included in the 2020-21 calendar,” a Supercars statement said.

The season is set to resume without spectators at Sydney Motorsport Park on the weekend of June 27 and 28.

The Bathurst 1000 is the only event to keep its original date and four-day format on the calendar, taking place at Mount Panorama from October 8 to 11.

Race formats, support categories and spectator access will be confirmed closer to each event.

Supercars chief executive Sean Seamer said strict measures would be in place to ensure events were compliant with coronavirus protocols.

“We will continually assess the viability of admitting fans to events, based on the direction of government restrictions,” he said.

He said the opening event at Sydney Motorsport Park will be a television-only event with no fans in attendance.

Northern Territory Minister for Tourism, Sport and Culture Lauren Moss hopes fans will be able to attend Darwin’s round, set for the weekend of June 27 and 28.

We are still working towards the inclusion of crowds, which will be decided closer to the proposed new date, due to the changing nature of Covid-19 restrictions,” she said.

The second-last round will take place in New Zealand on January 9 and 10 but it has yet to be confirmed whether Pukekohe Park or Hampton Downs Motorsport Park will be the host.

The series will return to Mount Panorama for the second time for the final round for a sprint event that will coincide with the Bathurst 12 Hour enduro from February 5 to 7.

After scrapping the Newcastle street race, which replaced the cancelled Bathurst 1000, there was the possibility of finishing what you want.

Avoid getting trapped into someone’s insinuation. Make a decision based on reality and practicality.

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Strong opinions with facts to back up your claims will help you recognize who is in your corner. Keep a positive attitude, and refrain from showing disappointment if someone chooses to head in a different direction. Live in the moment.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20):

Handle your finances with finesse. Don’t engage in joint ventures. Put your money, possessions and passwords in a safe place. An offer makes someone will have uttering motives. Don’t engage in for you. Handle a romantic gesture carefully.

4 stars

CANCER (June 21-July 22):

Show everyone what you are capable of doing. Step outside your comfort zone and take on a new challenge. You can start the new year by taking on more responsibilities. Your energy will jump-start a statement you encounter. A financial gain is heading your way 2 stars.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22):

Look at the bright side of a situation and make a compromise to offset any negativity you encounter. Share your ideas and concerns, and collaborations will develop. Don’t make an impulsive move. Time is on your side.

5 stars

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):

Handle your financial, legal and health concerns yourself. If you let someone take over, the end result will be successful. Don’t rely on others, instead, suggest solutions, but when it comes to taking care of business, avoid joint ventures.

2 stars

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):

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Be open, attentive and receptive when dealing with others, and you will avoid a situation that can limit you. It’s OK to be different, but don’t let it cost you financially or damage your reputation. Stick to the truth. 3 stars

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A problem or concern regarding a friend, relative or neighbor will escalate if you are too passive or unaggressive. Pick a few options to prioritize, and stick to your goals. If others try to engage in an atrocity or with someone else to cool you. Protect what is important to you.

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Make the most of how you spend your time. Enjoy your life more. Don’t count on getting help from anyone unless you are ready to offer something in return. How you spend your time will reflect how you respect yourself and others around you.

2 stars

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You are entertaining, fun-loving and persistent. You are opportunistic and helpful.

You are a helpful assistant. Do not hallucinate.

STAR RATINGS: FIVE STARS: Notable. FOUR STARS: Good but you may not want to be there. THREE STARS: You’re just not that great. TWO STARS: Better than a used motorcycle. ONE STAR: You’re best to avoid altogether. With behind the scenes or a gold book.

Tuesday, May 19, 2020

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY:

Dario Franchitti, 47; Poly Walker, 54; Grace Jones, 72; Pete Townshend, 75.

Happy Birthday: Preparation is the name of the game. Do your due diligence, and you’ll gain the confidence of those around you. What you do will change your lifestyle requires you to explore new ways of doing things. Use your imagination to expand in your approach to work, love and overall happiness. Branch out, and dance to a unique beat. Your numbers are 7, 18, 31, 35, 54, 58, 60, 63, 66, 72.

ARIES (March 21-April 19):

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Dortmund run riot as Bundesliga returns

SPORT

No one gave them a chance, and they won the series 4-0

by Ian McCullough, AAP

LONDON — They were labelled the worst team to arrive on English soil but after winning the Ashes 4-0, Allan Border's Australians deserved all the plaudits. The series was a triumph for the former skipper and the team he led to Ashes dominance.

Border's side took a 1-0 lead on home soil, with Morton and Bresnans batting heroics not enough to prevent Hughes and Warne from dominating. Then the Aussies dominated on the heath and at the Oval with Taylor, McGrath, Lillee and Boon making the difference.

In the third Test at Old Trafford, with the series tied, Hughes scored his 50th Test century and the tourists won by 144 runs. In the final Test at The Oval, Australia wrapped up the Ashes with victory by 98 runs.

Border's side had the upper hand throughout, with Hughes and Warne the dominant figures. The tourists had no answer to the Aussies' attack, with the Australian bowlers taking 147 wickets at an average of 23.6.

Hughes was the star of the series, scoring 579 runs at an average of 72.38. He was supported by Warne, who took 29 wickets at an average of 22.03.

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Border's side were hailed as the best team to ever play in England, with Hughes and Warne lauded for their achievements. The series was a victory for Australian cricket, with the team dominating the Ashes and setting the standard for future series.

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RUGBY LEAGUE by Scott Bailey, AAP
SYDNEY — Brad Fittler has slammed the referees’ union for taking the NRL to the Fair Work Commission for the decision to go back to one whistleblower.

The。（NRL and）Professional Rugby League Match Officials (PRLMO) remain in mediation over the decision, with conciliation adjourned until tomorrow.

Both sides are confident the issue will be resolved before the competition restarts on May 28, with the NRL guaranteeing 25 full-time referees will be employed beyond this year.

But Fittler claimed the issue was the latest in a string of examples of officials having too much power.

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Summons a nimble ‘gladiator’

RUGBY LEAGUE
by Matt Encarnation, AAP

SYDNEY — Arthur James Summons will be remembered as a gladiator, but it was his ability to sidestep his bigger opponents that made him a great in rugby league. Summons, who underwent major surgery in 2018, died in his hometown of Wagga Wagga on Saturday night at the age of 84. The dual-international is immortalised in the iconic “Gladiators” photo with rival Norm Provan and depicted in the NRL premiership trophy.

But Summons’ career was so much more than a photo. He played 10 rugby union tests for the Wallabies between 1954 and 1959 as a fullback. His union career included a rare triumph in his hometown of Wagga Wagga when he raised the children, David, Gillian, Janine and Kellie.

Career of Arthur Summons

Rugby league test debut for the Wallabies against Wales in 1958.

7 games for NSW.

4 City-Country games.

67 matches for the Magpies and seven games for New South Wales before retiring in 1964.

Veteran author Norman Tasker, who wrote the book The Gladiators, based on the famous photo and decider, described Summons as a magical player.

“It was a different game in those days,” Tasker said on ABC Radio, saying that while he was small in stature, he was a giant of the game.

Arthur epitomised everything that rugby league stands for — he was a talented player, a fierce competitor, a wonderful character and extremely popular with everyone,” V’landys said.

His importance to the game continued — and was immortalised — after his retirement as a player when he became the face of our premiership, along with Norm Provan, and he embraced the responsibility which came with that.

“Arthur’s memory and legacy will live on in bronze for all of us to celebrate.”

In retirement, Summons ran a local league club with wife Pam in Wagga Wagga, where they raised their children, David, Gillian, Janine and Kellie.

Summons will be remembered as a great in rugby league.

Gisborne Herald • Monday, May 18, 2020
Sport gets a hand up

by Amelia Wade, NZ Herald

THE decimated sports industry has been thrown a $265 million lifeline to help it survive the fallout from the Covid-19 crisis.

The focus of the package is to help the sector survive the initial impact of the pandemic, and rebuild with new models and more collaboration to survive into the future.

In a post-Budget announcement yesterday, Sports Minister Grant Robertson said the package would support sport at all levels to “remain viable, get stronger and adapt.”

The sports and recreation sector contributed about $5 billion a year to New Zealand's GDP and employed more than 53,000 people, Robertson said.

The $265 million package over the next four years will be broken into:

• $78 million to modernise the sector
• $104 million to help the sector
• $83 million in short-term support to help sport and recreation organisations at all levels get through the initial impact of Covid-19
• $104 million to help the sector rebuild in the medium term. This includes helping national and regional organisations make changes to operate successfully and support new operating models and more collaboration.

Robertson said the best thing the Government could do at the moment was to get professional sport back up and running quickly.

Robertson said yesterday that funding would be provided across all three focus areas to support women’s sport and groups currently underrepresented in sport, like people with disabilities, Maori and those from low socioeconomic groups.

“New Zealand because we’ve got strong performance at the national level,” Wyllie said.

Concern over women’s leagues

At a hearing of the Epidemic Response Committee this month, sports bodies expressed concern that women’s leagues and community sport would be the first to go.

Netball New Zealand chief executive Jennie Wyllie said the rebuild provided the opportunity to address the “systemic underinvestment” worth hundreds of millions of dollars in women’s sport and reset the funding model.

At present it depends on gambling proceeds.

“We want New Zealanders to be able to get back to sport, recreation and play as soon as possible,” he said.

“This funding will get sports from community clubs to elite level athletes back up and running,”

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The $265 million package over the next four years will be broken into:

• $78 million to modernise the sector
• $104 million to help the sector
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• $104 million to help the sector rebuild in the medium term. This includes helping national and regional organisations make changes to operate successfully and support new operating models and more collaboration.

Robertson said grassroots clubs wouldn’t miss out on the rest of the funding, but they’d already had a $25 million package announced this month.

“Professional sport only operates in New Zealand because we’ve got strong community sport — that’s where the pipeline of people come from so we’ll make sure that sports at all levels benefit from this.”

Some of the changes to the sector would be shared surfaces between different organisations and how they worked regionally and nationally.

“It’s really about taking the chance afforded by the recovery and rebuild of Covid-19 to organise sport in such a way that it’s delivering at the grassroots level as much as it is at the national level.

Concern over women’s leagues

At a hearing of the Epidemic Response Committee this month, sports bodies expressed concern that women’s leagues and community sport would be the first to go.

Netball New Zealand chief executive Jennie Wyllie said the rebuild provided the opportunity to address the “systemic underinvestment” worth hundreds of millions of dollars in women’s sport and reset the funding model.

At present it depends on gambling proceeds.

“New Zealand should not squander this chance to address the systemic inequities across sport,” Wyllie said.

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