

Tarras Talk



Tarras Website - Relaunch

A big thank you to Tarrs Rural Women for supporting the relaunch of the Website, with Brenda and Liz taking charge of the relaunch!

A shout out to Shaun who has kept the website going for many years - thank you Shaun - the Tarras website has become the highest ranked website in the district

Rural Women appreciate the support of one of our local businesses in funding the site.

GET Ready - Tarras Hall Meeting



Community drop-in sessions

Tarras - Community Hall

Monday 7 October: 10 - 11am

Monday 14 October: 6 - 7 pm

Monday 21 October: 10 - 11am

Cromwell - 15a Chardonnay St

Monday 7 October: 12 - 1 & 5-6 pm

Monday 14 October: 12 - 1 pm

Monday 21 October: 12 - 1 & 5-6 pm

Santana Minerals is holding drop-in sessions every Monday in the Tarras and Cromwell communities over the next few months.

This is a chance to chat to the team about the project, find out about what stage we are at, and share your thoughts.

Tarras Talk - on the web or in your email in full colour!

From this month, the Tarras Talk will be on the web, and sent electronically to subscribers!

Printed Black and White copies can be picked up from the Tarras Shop mail room. Who would want one when you can get an electronic copy in colour?

Anyone in the community who would like to receive Tarras Talk via email to send their email address to Tarras Rural Women:

tarrasruralwomen@gmail.com

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Scott Worthington



Tarras is full of amazing people who have done amazing things. Scott Worthington is 1 of them. His story is so amazing that it will take 2 parts to share. Meet Scott Worthington, of Tarras.

Raised in the North Island on a rural property encroached by burgeoning city limits, Scott went to Auckland University & gained his BA to work as a teacher. Upon graduating he changed his mind & followed his high school subjects of Maths, Chemistry & Physics into the chemical world, developing a treatment for natural stone. With a partner in US, they planned to expand their business into Europe but building boom in Dubai took them there, & currently have major contracts in Saudi Arabia.

Scott embarked on a 3yr cycling trip around Europe before returning for Uni where he met Sue. Both having been exchange students to US in their high school years, they decided they would like to live in US, so got married & moved to Connecticut, & lived for 3 yrs. Tried to get a Green Card but it was made too difficult, so they gave up & moved back to NZ.

Scott and Sue, who is a talented copywriter, moved to Tarras 2020 (from Alexandra) & bought a block of 11 acres to house their 4 horses, Sue is a regular at the Cavalcade. They have a son, Mitch who lives in Auckland, works in finance & has just got engaged.

As you can imagine anyone who cycles around Europe has a sportsman hidden inside & Scott has gone on to compete in several Godzone Adventure Races & the odd Ironman or 3.

With his love for adventure & the international nature of his work, Scott has travelled to many countries. Asked how many passports he had, Scott laughs & says his 10yr one -he filled in just 3 yrs. His favourite country is Greenland, closely followed by Alaska (US) because of their pure isolation with minimal human impact. Nature at its very best. What's the worst country he's been to? *"Not sure I've been to a bad country, as every place I've been to has something special to offer."* Scott is the walking definition of a glass half full person!! When he is home his mind never stops. He's always planning what comes next & enjoys finding practical ways to make things work. Scott loves the Tarras Community & is involved in many things. He joined Tarras Fire Service 3yrs ago & supports as many local events as possible, often volunteering to help - usually sporting events.

Asked who was his hero, Scott replied – *"The 3 astronauts on Apollo 11. The ultimate adventure into the unknown required & tested every characteristic that is good in mankind. I was on my way to school when I heard them land on the moon. I have never forgotten it & I still wish I was one of them."*

In 2019 Scott organised his first great adventure race - The Revenant - 200km & 16,000m vertical ascent an individual Ultra Adventure Run. This annual event has become popular both for NZ, & overseas competitors. Scott has become adept at documenting his adventures using multimedia formats. His latest efforts saw him announced as winner in the NZ Mountain Film & Book Festival 2024. Winner of the Best Self-Filmed Film Solo Award: *"Solo,"* Director: Scott Worthington. More details on this & his other adventures to come.

TARRAS SCHOOL

Kia ora,

Happy end of term 3! The year is whizzing by! It has been another busy month with lots of learning goals being achieved. We've been working on an outdoor art project which will be added to the Tennis Courts area in the next week or so - keep an eye out for it. You can't miss it!

We had a great senior camp in Te Anau - the rain didn't dampen our fun! Check out our Facebook page to watch the video with everything we got up to! People commented on how polite, well mannered, enthusiastic and friendly the kids were - they're a great bunch!

With the generous support of many of you from our 'Cattle Fundraiser', we're currently working through the process of appointing a second teacher for 2025 - this is very exciting! This will enable us to split the tamariki and lighten the workload for all. Thanks so much to all of you!

After 7 dedicated years, Gae has decided to finish her cleaning role here at School - she'll still be our Teach Aide and Bus Driver though! We're incredibly grateful to her for her hard work, meticulous attention to detail, thoroughness and time.

Due to this, we are seeking a cleaner for a part-time position. The position is 1 hour a day (5 days a week) with a longer clean in the term holidays. If you are interested in this position, or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on principal@tarras.school.nz

Have a lovely October!

Alice



CREATING UNIQUE LEARNING EXPERIENCES.

COMMUNITY, CURIOSITY, DIVERSITY, SUSTAINABILITY

HAPORI, MAHIRA, KANORAU, WHAKAUKA

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

Upcoming services:

6TH OCTOBER 2024

DUTY: JO MCCAUGHAN & JAN ANDERSON

3RD NOVEMBER 2024

DUTY: REBECCA CHAPMAN-COHEN & JEANETTE EMMERSON

Services lead by Damon Plimmer – all welcome

TARRAS REFUSE STATION

**BLACK BAGS are not to be
used for rubbish!**

We have a user pays system, so please buy and use the orange bags.

It reflects badly on the Tarras Community if we don't "go orange"

**We have less than 5
books left!**

**A Tapestry of Tarras
Get yours before they go
[\tarrasruralwomen@gmail.com](mailto:tarrasruralwomen@gmail.com)**



Tarras Community Response Group

A HUGE "Thank You" to Jacqui Lambeth, Derek Shaw (Emergency Management Otago Advisors) and Julion Wright (ORC Natural Hazards Analyst) for dedicating a cold spring evening to come to the Tarras Hall to update the Community on their progress for Emergency Management Otago. Jackie and Derek explained that around the region they are encouraging communities to band together to help each other in an emergency.

Their sobering message was:

"Central Otago will be very very far down the list for help"

Tarras could be isolated for weeks with the first communities to be helped being Queenstown and Wanaka, and the tourists they would be hosting. Then the larger towns and finally the rural areas such as Tarras, Roxburgh, Ranfurly etc...

Julion gave a PowerPoint presentation of the likely hazards our community could face, particularly with the changing climate events that have been experienced around the world and more recently in New Zealand.

The evening was very informative and has been the birth of the Tarras Community Response Group (CRG). We will be:

"People Helping People"

They stressed that the most important aspect of an emergency is **COMMUNICATION**. On the night a fantastic number of community minded people have volunteered to be on the CRG but there is always room for more!!! If you would like to find out more or have some skills or resources to offer in the case of an emergency please email: tarrasruralwomen@gmail.com.

In the meantime do take a minute to look at the links below and register your household on <https://otago.getsready.net> website for updates in the case of an emergency.

<https://getready.govt.nz/>

Winner of the First Aid kit door prize: Congratulations Paul!!

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR MORE TIPS AND INFO!!

Māori Point Wines Spring Events



Saturday October 5th - Monty Bevins returns for another intimate acoustic concert in Māori Point's barrel hall. Enjoy Monty's unique soul-folk sound amidst the ambiance of our Pinot Noir and Chardonnay barrels. Your ticket includes a glass of wine and nibbles. Arrive at 5:30pm for a 6pm start. Tickets \$30 available on our website.

Wednesday October 9th - Unleash your inner artist at our vineyard! Join for a fun Pottery and Sip event from 6:30-8:30pm. Enjoy a complimentary glass

Friday October 11 - Happy Hour from 5-7pm at our tasting room. We will offer discounts on wine by the glass as well as some speciality cocktails and nibbles on the day.