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Omarama Gazette



The Daily Wire

Keeping us connected

Thursday, April 9, 2020

In this issue...

The 'battle' continues; With another day there's a new diary entry; There's the new notices, of course, plus some old ones you need to keep at hand; and a juicy wee morsel to finish :)

Hi everyone

Last night, we counted out week two of lockdown...

How did we go? FanTasTic - this week the accolades go to the percussion section - the horns must have been on their Easter break. (I hope they didn't travel anywhere?!)

Book us in for next week's Omarama's Big Noise, 7pm, Wednesday April 15.

When that fire siren goes we'll be counting out week three. *Stay safe, take care.*

We would love to hear from you about how you're spending your '**Day in the life of Covid-19**'. Feel free to email or phone and I'll take down your words. Send photo's videos, whatever you find easy. Let's create a community diary about how we're spending this extraordinary time.

***Please get in touch** if you have a message you want to get out to the community.

***Please scroll to the end for email order instructions and forms** for Four Square, instructions from Kurow Medical Centre and info from the Waitaki District

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Publishing this week - unless there is an urgent message The Daily Wire will not be published on Good Friday or Easter Day.

Wishing you all a fabulous Easter Weekend.

Let's stay close whatever the distance
- Ruth

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subscribe to the Daily Wire.**

Here is the link to the Government's
one stop shop for all things
Covid-19 <https://covid19.govt.nz/>

The battle of the bale bears continues...



They've taken up the challenge.

*Now, I wonder where he's hanging out?
We're goin' on a beer hunt!*

Our Coronavirus Diary - Day Fifteen

Is there nothing this United Nations team at No.7 cannot do ?

By Sabrina Schels

Dear Diary,

In our house at 7 Quailburn Drive live Irina, the lovely lady from the Ukraine, Xiaoxia and Ray from China who work at the Wrinkly Rams, Dan the Pom and me (Sabrina) the Bavarian Engineer.

When lockdown started we were told: Do something you would otherwise not do or things you have never managed to get round to in normal life!

Alright then! In my case, I started off in the garden. I figured it needed the most attention after having spent the last six weeks tramping in the hills instead of caring about my vegetables. Already when I approached the greenhouse I could sense that it was not going to be a nice scene. The tomatoes had outgrown their stacks and had broken down, the chillies which were not getting any light were pouting in the corner and the zucchini had decided it had enough of this mess and had literally wandered out the front door. Armed with secateurs and a big box I marched into the jungle of horror. A day later I had finally won the battle there.

Then there was this pile of old pallets which we got given from the Hot Tubs (thanks a lot for them) sitting outside on the drive way. Something had to be done with them! I got some old nails, a hammer and a hand saw and started on a new shelf for the garage. If you think a wood saw can only saw wood, you are wrong! I can proudly say, I got through a nail even though it took ages and to be honest, the remaining sawing afterwards as well. But I dealt with it the Bavarian way: Open a beer, chop a bit around, do a lot of swearing, some more beer and so on ... until it finally stood in the garage. Even though it 'waggled like a cow tail' (Bavarian figure of speech, saying something is very wobbly) to start with, it has so far managed to not fall apart. A toast to the Bavarian Ingenuity!

From the garage into the kitchen – the busiest room in the house! There is always someone cooking something. The garden has produced a good crop and there were a lot of zucchinis, carrots and fruit which had to be preserved. We had an almost industrial production line going: washing jars, chopping fruit, boiling it, filling the jars and hiding them in the kitchen cupboards under a thick layer of newspaper (which anyway nobody reads) and towels. The high yield meant that we were running out of space and by the time Dan came home from work we had already rearranged the kitchen, garage and the spare corridor. The latter turned into a storage room. Everything we didn't need daily had to move out of the cupboards to give room for the jars. According to my mum, we can 'feed a whole army' with all our stuff. So, if you ever get hungry, you know which door to knock at.

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Bavanian bread baking going on. But since our kitchen scale has run out of battery, its final results vary slightly between chewing gum and building material. Irina conjures delicious sweets, Xiaoxia and Ray are creating yummy Chinese meals. And usually everybody is allowed to try, meaning we are eating a lot and all the time! By the end of this lockdown we will probably all roll out the front door.

Not only is cooking and building done DIY with Dr. Google's support, but we also had a go at doing haircuts. Xiaoxia gave me the idea when I saw her taking a mirror and scissors out in the garden and returning with a truly beautiful haircut. Dan needed one urgently too, so he thought at least. Well, there is nothing a German Engineer cannot do (Those of you who have seen 'Those magnificent men in their flying machine' know where this phrase comes from). 'I have shorn my dog when I was a teenager' might have given him a hint about the outcome.... Luckily Irina who in contrast to me had looked up how to do DIY haircuts on YouTube, came to the rescue of what was left. Let's look on the bright side of it: We all had a good laugh (at Dan's expense), the cut didn't cost him a penny and we didn't have to give him a bald shave.

If we are not experimenting with DIY, we usually sit around the property enjoying the sunshine, reading books, playing games or doing stuff on our computers.

Well folks, enjoy the lockdown, do the things you would usually never do in normal life and have a laugh! :D Sabrina.

Thank you for all that you do :)

Warren Aitken, of Otematata 'On the Spot', snapped out and about in the trusty white van, delivering essentials throughout Otematata. Photo: Supplied

We are so privileged to live in a community where people are willing to step up and go the extra mile in these difficult days. Thank you Warren, Dale and Joseph, and Margaret for all that you do.

On the Spot - Otematata

The opening hours for the Easter Weekend are:

Good Friday April 10 - Closed
 Saturday April 11 – 9am to 1pm
 Easter Day April 12 – Closed
 Monday, April 13 – Closed

The daily trading hours are:

Monday to Friday – 9am to 2pm
 Saturdays – 9am to 1pm
 Sundays – closed

"We are endeavouring to meet all your requests for the products you need. Unfortunately if these items are not something we stock, then there will be a delay in getting them. We only receive general groceries on a Tuesday and Thursday and the

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generally be here the next (subject to availability).

Fresh bread, milk and dairy products are received Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday.

Deliveries – Thank you to all those using our free delivery service.

This has resulted in fewer people visiting the store, ensuring that both you and we remain as safe as possible. We are now delivering daily (Mon-Fri) to all areas, so even if you only require one item, please don't hesitate to email:

westroad83@gmail.com or zebgts@gmail.com or phone (03) 438-7648. It's no

problem and we are probably going past your address anyway.

The daily close-off time for deliveries is midday (Monday to Friday). Any orders received after this time will be delivered the next week day. ***Deliveries are only made on week days***, so please ensure that you have everything you need before midday on a Friday. The last day for deliveries over Easter is today, Thursday, April 9.

Payment – Thank you for the speedy payments. Please don't feel pressured to pay for every single delivery. We have a number of customers who are receiving deliveries every day, so please feel free to just paying several small deliveries together. If you don't have access to internet banking, please give us a call.

Please don't hesitate to contact us if we can help in any way."

Best wishes and stay well...

On The Spot - Otematata

Ph (03) 438-7648

Hello again, do you like my hat?

The Great Omarama Teddy Bear Adventure Story for every boy and girl!

By Lynda Allen.

The story so far...

Lynda's teddies have escaped with one thing on their minds - creating mischief!

Last week they decided to have a picnic on the roof - well, that was bound to turn to custard.

Luckily, Lynda and her magic needle soon had them mended, ready for all new mischievous adventures.

Yesterday, she spotted the teddies with lots and lots of rope...how would this end?

All's well that ends well, it seems. - to read earlier stories check past issues of **The Daily Wire** at the top left of this email.

There's more antics on the horizon as the Teddies plan a 'hat' day.

Stay tuned



(Lynda Allen has kindly allowed the 'Daily Wire' to share her bears' adventures. Thank you Lynda.)

Together at home

Easter's looking pretty ...

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- Putting with New Zealand Pro Ryan Fox | Home Advantage

Why not enjoy armchair travel with National Geographic?

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See if you can puzzle this out...

(Click on the photo to do the puzzle)

The answer - We're Better Together.

Omarama School hold-up the Goldfields Cavalcade at Ireland Bridge 2019

I'm sure we installed that anti-virus
software?



The Noticeboard



Mobil Omarama will be open from 8am to 6pm
seven days a week including the Easter weekend.

Stay safe and be kind

Challenge Omarama - the store is closed.
Fuel is available 24-hours via the pump pay station.



FROM NETWORK WAITAKI

*"We're two weeks into the lock down and are now planning for the future.
To ensure that we can keep the power flowing safely and reliably, we need to get*

doesn't break down.

Over the coming weeks, you'll start to see our crews out there getting back into work.

Some of the work we do means we can't keep everyone two metres apart, but they are working in their own extended bubbles and we have health and safety measures in place to minimise the risk.

Where possible we will do the work in such a way that we keep the power on, but there might be some work we have to do where we need to switch the power off.

We'll let you know well in advance if this is going to affect you - we know the timing isn't great but with enough planning we hope to minimise the disruption to your household. We apologise in advance for the inconvenience."

Network Waitaki ask that you refer to its [Facebook](#) page for regular updates

RUBBISH COLLECTION SERVICES

People are advised to put on disposable gloves before moving bins and to wash hands thoroughly afterwards. The handles can be a coronavirus hot-spot and must be treated like any other surface, doorknobs, stair rails etc, collectors say.

PLAYGROUNDS ARE CLOSED

OMARAMA GOLF COURSE IS CLOSED.

SPORTS COURTS ARE CLOSED

OMARAMA AND OTEMATATA RESOURCE RECOVERY PARK

Omarama open: Wednesday and Sunday – 9am to 11am

Otematata open: Wednesday and Sunday – 1pm to 3pm

Household rubbish: Only bags of household/domestic waste and essential commercial waste will be accepted. There will be no charge for bags, however, there is a **limit of two bags per car, per week** (car registrations are recorded to monitor this).

Commercial rubbish: commercial waste from current account holders will be accepted with no gate charge, and invoiced later.

To safely manage these facilities under current circumstances and to protect the facility operators' wellbeing, please note the following conditions for using this service over the next four weeks:

- **No recycling (either clean and store at home, or dispose of as rubbish)**
- **No green waste**
- **Place all waste in the marked area**
- **One person out of a car at any one time only**
- **Please do not talk to the booth operator**
- **Please leave promptly**

And please, do not enter a recovery park if you are unwell, have travelled outside of NZ in the last 14 days; or have been in close contact with someone with a confirmed or suspected case of Covid-19. Thank you!

Essential services operating in Omarama

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Omarama Veterinary Clinic - please phone ahead. 03 438 9868

"The veterinary professional has been given an official 'essential service' status and therefore will continue to be able to supply seasonal requirements. We have had assurance from suppliers that there will be no issue with supply (or logistics), so we would urge everyone that there is no necessity to stock up or forward purchase.

When you do visit our clinics you may be met at the front door to ensure that we regulate the number of people in the building at any point in time. Phoning ahead can allow orders to be prepared in advance and these can be brought to your car.

Firewood supplies:

SupplyMoore Yard

"Under current conditions we are still able to deliver your firewood if supply is necessary, we would like to do this without any contact so delivery instructions are important, post delivery we will text our bank details for payment, the yard will be closed for pick up so please text or message orders to us or Emma on 027 635 5664

Gas supplies:

Rockgas Mackenzie Country <http://www.rockgasmackenziecountry.co.nz/>

From AA New Zealand

Effective from Friday, April 10, WoFs, CoFs and driver licences that expired or after 1 January 2020 will be temporarily extended.

Once we start adjusting back to business as normal, the New Zealand Transport Agency will advise of expiry dates for these documents, which could extend up until 10 October 2020.

Vehicles are still required to be safe to operate on a public road.

If you're an essential worker, 15 AA Auto Centres nationwide can provide appointment-only WoFs and urgent vehicle repairs.

We've covered the key info about the extension and all of our services at aa.co.nz/covid-19-faq/

Waitaki District Council update

Malo 'aupito, fa 'afetai The Government has announced a \$17 million COVID-19 Pacific Response Package to support New Zealand's Pacific communities. More information at <https://www.beehive.govt.nz/release/government-helps-pacific-communities-fight-covid>.

Oamaru Hospital has released information about the plans it has in place to deal

All boat ramps at the Waitaki Lakes are now closed, this includes those administered by the Waimate District Council.

Mā tātau katoa e ārai atu te COVID-19. The Government WhatsApp channel for COVID-19 is now available in seven additional languages. These are Maori, Samoan, Tongan, Fijian, Hindi, Cook Island Maori and Simplified Chinese. Find the link here: covid19.govt.nz/whatsapp.

WHAT'S OPEN?

The council has launched a 'What's open in Waitaki' [page](#).

The directory will be part of the Covid-19 Waitaki Response page and aims to list all businesses that are staying open during New Zealand's Covid-19 Level 4 alert. The response page also includes information on council services and facilities, support for people and businesses.

At present, the list includes medical centres and pharmacies, vets, food and service providers, service stations and transport options.

Council economic development manager Gerard Quinn said it was still working with local businesses to fill this list and encouraged everyone who wanted to be included to get in touch and register by emailing wcded@waitaki.govt.nz. The council needs to know your location, contact details and a website link so people can check for any specific conditions.

Business owners are reminded that it is the business's responsibility to ensure they are acting according to the law while staying open. If businesses are uncertain about whether or not they can continue to operate they are urged to contact MBIE by emailing essential@mbie.govt.nz or calling 0800 22 66 57 (9 am to 5 pm).

Waitaki District Health services

From today, there is a bright green tent by the side door of Oamaru Hospital's Emergency Department. This tent has been supplied by St John.

It will provide a clinical space for hospital staff to see persons that may have Covid-19 or other infectious conditions.

There will be security presence around the tent and no one is to enter this tent unless directed to by an ED staff member. ED staff members will use this space to take history and swabs where this is clinically indicated.

The tent will be used to keep the ED Covid-19 free for as long as possible.

The public are to present to the side door of ED if unwell.

Staff will talk to you through the intercom and may either have you enter ED or be directed to the tent.

IMPORTANT: Unless it is an emergency - call your GP anytime if you are unwell.

There is a GP available at all times

HOLIDAY HOME? Thinking of heading to the crib for a change of scene during lockdown? Yeah, we're thinking of flying to Mars. Just in case you're wondering, Virus says NO. You can only travel if you're accessing essential services or if you're an essential worker travelling to and from your essential work..

DELIVERIES please have the necessary items left at your door. Avoid any physical interaction with the delivery person and keep a distance of two metres. This will protect you both from exposure to COVID-19. Wash your hands thoroughly after receiving anything.

COURIER or post parcels and packages.

You should only post or courier items that are essential to the provision of the necessities of life. the postal and courier service is busy helping society receive items and goods that are essential. Adding additional pressure and burden to that service may impact on society's wider ability to get through this period and stop the virus.

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wipes don't disintegrate like loo paper, so flushing them can cause major blockages and breakdowns at wastewater plants, and they'll break your loo, too. Do you really want to be stuck at home with your kids and a blocked toilet?

The Waitaki District pandemic response information page is here:

<https://www.waitaki.govt.nz/our-services/emergency-management/Pages/pandemic-response.aspx>

The Waitaki District Council facebook page is [here](#)

www.waitaki.govt.nz

Visit the dedicated Pandemic Response Page on our website: www.waitaki.govt.nz



Message from the Mayor

"May you live in interesting times." This ancient quote which is an ironic curse, seems to be an appropriate one for us in the current situation. These are indeed interesting times! Life has changed significantly for many of us, and we will have to adapt to it. For others who have been housebound or have limited mobility, sadly it may be more of the same. But for all of us, this is a time to step up and take responsibility for ourselves, and the people around us.

Please remember to stay connected to friends and family. Even though you can't visit them, you can still phone them on landlines, or contact them electronically. Keeping connected to other people is more important than ever, and it's necessary for most people's mental health. I'm looking forward to having a little more time to 'Facetime' with my extended family, using video chat whenever possible to see how everyone is.

Please make the most of the month ahead of us, and please take care of yourself and your family. These are interesting times, and we all have the ability to make them positive times. Best wishes,

Gary Kircher, Mayor for Waitaki



How to self isolate

All NEW ZEALANDERS who are outside essential services are asked now to stay at home, and to stop all interactions with others outside of those in your household. You can leave your home for fresh air, a walk, exercise, to take your kids, or the dog, outside but **only spend time with those you are in self-isolation with**. If you are outside, keep your distance from others. That means 2 metres at all times. Try not to touch any surfaces. If you do, wash your hands.



Essential Services are still running

Supermarkets, doctors, pharmacies, service stations, and access to essential services like banking, power, communications, postal services will all be available throughout New Zealand at every alert level.

If you do not have immediate needs, do not go to the supermarket. It will be there for you today, tomorrow, and the day after that. We must give time for supermarkets to restock their shelves, there will be enough for everyone if we shop normally.



Be kind. Check-in on the elderly or vulnerable

Now's the best time to start yelling over the fence at your neighbours! Swap phone numbers. Think of ways to keep people who aren't online in touch. Think about dropping supplies to those at home sick or that can't make it out. Just remember good hygiene and leave at the door or an agreed spot. Always stay 2 metres apart or more.



Need financial support?

Don't wait! Apply now. Visit www.covid19.govt.nz for info on how to access the government's economic response package or phone the Ministry of Social Development on 0800 599 009.

Need Help?

The Waitaki District Council call centre will remain open: 03 433 0300

For health advice call your GP, or Healthline on 0800 358 5453

Stressed? Call or text: Need to talk? 1737 This service is free, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Womens Refuge: 0800 733 843

Youthline: 0800 376 633

Age Concern Otago Waitaki: 021 0234 5882

Whitestone Taxis & Post (transport, delivery): call 0800 434 1234

How we're updating you

On our website, we'll post updates on Facebook and Twitter, broadcast updates via Real Radio 104 every morning (plus send updates to other stations). If you live in the Waitaki Valley check the Oamaru Gazette. In Palmerston listen to Happy Days Radio and Puketapu Radio. We are also finding ways to reach those of our customers who might not use these channels and get print material out to them. Stay safe, everyone.

www.waitaki.govt.nz



covid19.govt.nz



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against
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Changes to Council Services

Our offices are close to the public but Council is still operating and focused on delivering essential services during this time.

Our call centre will remain open 03 433 0300, you can email us too at service@waitaki.govt.nz

Building

No building inspections will be undertaken. Proceeding with uninspected building work will ultimately delay a project and limit our ability to provide Code Compliance Certification. Please be patient and delay your building work until after the alert levels are reduced. If there are any safety concerns with respect to Building/Construction, contact Council for further guidance.

Rubbish and Recycling

Waitaki Resource Recovery Park is closed. If you don't currently have a kerbside rubbish collection service, please call one of the following businesses directly to organise this - Awamoa bins on 03 434 9445; WasteCo on 0800 341 1111; or Waste Management on 03 434 0031.

Our rural Transfer Stations and the Palmerston Landfill will continue to be open for rubbish drop-off but with limited opening hours and restrictions. Check our website for details.

Recycling isn't an option for hygiene reasons - please clean and store or treat as rubbish.

Council Facilities

Parks

All playgrounds are closed for hygiene reasons. When using the open spaces of our parks and reserves please follow social distancing guidelines.

Cultural Facilities

Oamaru Opera House, Horroster Gallery Waitaki, District Archives and North Otago museum are closed. Check the Culture Waitaki website for updates.

Waitaki Aquatic Centre

The Aquatic Centre is closed. All pre-payments have been automatically frozen for all customers (swim school & squad). Expiry dates on concession cards & memberships will also be extended.

Waitaki District Libraries

Libraries are closed but online resources including e-books, press reader, story box and movie streaming are available from the Library website. Please keep all library items in your home until Libraries are open again. No overdue fines and fees will be incurred.

Camping Grounds

All WDC camping grounds are closed. Our Camp Manager will endeavour to facilitate collection of units if necessary - phone 027 6866 901. Otherwise units may stay on site until it is publicly advised that the grounds are open for collection of units again.



Waitaki
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Omaroma Four Square | 10 Chain Hills Highway | Omaroma 9448 | Phone: 03 438 9895

CLOSED SUNDAYS

Easter trading hours

Good Friday CLOSED
Easter Saturday 9.00am to 6.00pm
Easter Sunday CLOSED
Easter Monday 9.00am to 6.00pm

While New Zealand is at Covid-19 alert level 4 and in our ongoing efforts to ensure the safety of our local and wider community, and our staff and their families - we offer the following options regarding your grocery requirements – should you be unable to, or simply prefer not to shop personally during this time of uncertainty.

1. Email order - and collect
2. Email order - and delivery (within the township).

This service is available Monday – Friday
Please send orders to - **omarama@foursquare-si.co.nz**

Emailed orders need to be received by 4pm (Sunday – Thursday) for delivery/collection Monday-Friday between (10am-12pm). **Please email if at all possible and refrain from phoning through orders.**

Please find attached a template grocery order form to be completed, which on receiving – our team will put together for you – for either collection or delivery. At this stage, communication indicates stock levels of core lines are being maintained, however further updates may see some non-essential lines reduced - alleviating unnecessary pressure on deliveries/transportation of goods.

Options for payment:

1. Charged to existing account
2. Payment by direct credit
3. Payment on collection

Any significant updates affecting this current service will be communicated.

Stay safe everyone.

From Alona and Blair, and your Four Square team

There are two ways to access the order form...

(In both cases the completed form must be emailed

to: omarama@foursquare-si.co.nz)

1. Click [here](#) to download the Microsoft Word form.

*** save it to your computer.**

*** type in your order, save it, attach it to the email and send.**

* download the form and save it to your computer

* print it

*write your order on the form

*scan it or photograph it, attach it to the email and send.

Shopping safely_guidance now available

31 Mar 2020

Simple guidance is now available for people in New Zealand to keep themselves and others safe while doing their supermarket shop.

The information covers:

- how to prepare so you can get in and out quickly
- tips to keep 2 metres away from other shoppers and supermarket staff
- hygiene tips for while you shop
- what to do with your groceries when you get home.

[Find out more about shopping safely.](#)



Kurow Medical Centre and its satellite clinics
in Twizel (Mackenzie Health Centre Private Clinic)
and Omarama (Community Hall)

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT FROM KUROW MEDICAL CENTRE AND MACKENZIE HEALTH CENTRE.

In order to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and to protect our vulnerable at-risk patients we have been asked by the College of General Practitioners to only see patients at our clinics if they really need to be seen.

For all other appointments, we will now do these via telephone OR virtual Consultations (for this you will need a computer, laptop or smart phone so we can send you a link to download). All screening appointments i.e.

**PLEASE DO NOT COME TO THE MEDICAL CENTRE
(OR OMARAMA COMMUNITY CENTRE ON TUESDAYS)
UNTIL YOU HAVE PHONED AHEAD FIRST!
WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED TO TAKE THE PRECAUTION
OF LOCKING THE CLINIC DOORS!**

Call 03 436 0760 or 03 976 0503 to speak with the Doctor or Nurse.

Please be reassured you WILL be seen if your condition is urgent!

Our aim is to bring in patients one at a time from their cars.

Flu shots are now in and will still be given to patients who are eligible but this will now take place outside the clinics and preferably whilst you are sitting in your car.

Again phone ahead first to arrange a time with the nurse.

Thank you for your understanding during these difficult times.

Take care and keep safe, Juliet and Tim.

8 Wynyard St, Kurow

P: 03 4360760 F: 03 4360780

E: info@kurowmedicalcentre.org.nz

W: www.kurowmedicalcentre.org.nz

www.facebook.com/kurowmedicalcentre

The Mackenzie Health Centre is our Twizel Satellite Clinic at:

3A Benmore Place, Twizel. Phone: 03 976 0503 Fax: 03 436 0780

Omarama Clinic at Omarama Community Centre, Chain Hills Highway, Omarama.

Phone: 03 4360 760, Cell: 027 434 7464.

How goes it today?

Other places to find support - click below to go to websites

MENTAL HEALTH TIP:

**LIMIT THE AMOUNT
OF NEWS YOU
FOLLOW**



Ministry of Health

Be kind



Advice for Farmers

- from the Waitaki Emergency Response group

Otago Rural Support Trust: 0800 787 254 (0800 RURAL HELP) continues to provide its support service over the phone or on Skype/Zoom during lockdown.

They can help connect farming families with business advice, suppliers, financial information, health, and counselling services. Their services are free and confidential.

Guidance is going out to farmers about managing under meatworks' capacity restrictions.

See <https://beeflambnz.com> for details.

Industry groups and MPI have launched a stock feed planning service for all farmers nation-wide. Toll free numbers:

drystock farmers call 0800 BEEFLAMB (0800 233 352), dairy sector 0800

4DAIRYNZ (0800 4 324 7969), anyone can call 0508 AGFIRST (0508 243 477).

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changes, which will be promoted by industry groups and Federated Farmers.



When circumstances beyond your control lead to a rural business crisis — be it financial, climatic or personal — the Rural Support Trust is ready to assist. Services are free and confidential.

0800 RURAL HELP (0800 787 254)

Just being kind 

Stay tuned...catch you again soon :)

Please share this email and encourage others to subscribe if they need to get local notices. I apologise, I am not able to print copies at the moment. Perhaps, those who can could print one off for someone they know who would appreciate it?

Here is the link to the Government's one stop shop for all things Covid-19- related <https://covid19.govt.nz/>
(There are daily updates, check it out.)

[Radio New Zealand](#) is the best radio station to tune to for the latest updates, or check its site for news. Listen Live FM 97.3 MHz Omarama, Ch-50 on Freeview TV, CH-421 on Sky TV, Via Internet rnz.co.nz/audio/live/national

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Just to let you all know, there will be no Omarama Gazette or Otematata Chronicle produced while New Zealand is at alert level 4 in the fight against the spread of Covid 19.

Instead there will be the Daily Wire with the latest updates sent each day at 4pm-ish by email.

For those who advertise regularly in the Gazette and Chronicle, I will extend your present contract arrangement accordingly once regular transmission resumes. Please contact me if you would prefer a refund - many thanks for your support.

Omarama Gazette

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