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PRE-ENTRY

\$65- Adult

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ONLINE entries are now open.

Use QR Code or follow the link on the Amuri Area School Craig Pickering Memorial Trailride Facebook page
@AmuriAreaSchool Trailride

ENTRY ON THE DAY

\$75 - Adult

\$40 - 16 & younger

Peewee Circuit only - FREE

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LUNCH PROVIDED

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COMMUNITY NOTICES CONTINUED

Community Men's Breakfast on Saturday 6th December from 7am at the Community Rooms, Amuri Area School hosted by the Hurunui Grace Fellowship

Please RSVP, for catering purposes, to either Chris Scarlet - 027 2155577 or Tjaart Grove - 021 1022896 by Wednesday 3rd December.

All are welcome!



SCROOGE IS BACK

Little Unity Theatre presents Dickens **"A Christmas Carol"**

At the Waipara Hall on the 18th and 19th December at 7pm, and Saturday the 20th December at 6pm

(Running time 70 minutes)

Enjoy this classic story of the unhappy miser Scrooge and his encounters with the three Christmas spirits!

Tickets: Adults \$10, Students \$5 and pre schoolers **free**

Tickets from Sally Macs Amberley, the Hawarden Library at Hurunui College or via email to Chris Brown cb@hurunuicollege.school.nz



Young at Heart CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

For our Older Citizens

Friday 5th December

From noon at the Culverden Fire Station

RSVP to Yvonne Cheney on 027 229 3824 by Wednesday 3rd of December

Numbers are limited

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Kayren Hatherell - Call: 027 656 6351

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The Living Waters Foodbank in Waikari services the north of Waipara



[HTTPS://HURUNUI-INDEX.NZ](https://hurunui-index.nz)

Find how to contact clubs, charities and other local community organisations. If you want your organisation added please email us at admin@hurunui-index.nz

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209 High Street, Rangiora.

We're here to help you with any issue. Please call in to talk to one of our trained volunteers or phone us on 03 313 8822 or 0800 367 222, email northcanterbury@cab.org.nz



**Amuri Community
Health Centre**

03 315 6328

Prescriptions

In the run up to Christmas, check when your medications will be next due and organise your GP appointment / prescription request in plenty of time.

If your medication/s will run out over the holiday period, you may not be able to get the prescriptions sorted for when they are needed.

The pharmacy will have reduced delivery around Christmas and the New Year.

The Health Centre will be closed for the public holiday days.

To avoid disappointment, check when your medication is due.

We may not be able to organise last-minute requests.

Clinical Team

Dr Sarah Ballam

Thursday each week

Charlie Ballam (Paramedic Practitioner)

Thursday each week

Sharron Bonnafox (Nurse Practitioner)

Dec – 2,3,4,9,10,12,16,17,19,23,24,29,30,31

Dr Kevin Gattey (Locum GP)

Dec – 2,8,9,15,16,22,23,24

Dr Richard McCubbin (Locum GP)

Dec -5,12,19

Closed:

Christmas Day

Thurs 25th December 2025

Boxing Day

Friday 26th December 2025

Practice Nurses

Monday to Friday

District Nurses

Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Physio – Flora

Clinics are on a **Tuesday** each week

Book through reception

Pace Podiatry -Andrew

Hawkey

Clinics on a Friday every 6 weeks

Next Clinic

Friday 5th December 2025

Book through reception

Interpreting New Zealand

Interpreting New Zealand is a telephone language interpreting service. If English is not your first language, we can use Interpreting New Zealand to help you talk to staff here at the health centre.

Let a staff member know if this is a service that would be of benefit to you.

It is important you arrive **5 minutes** early for these appointments, to allow for connection to the service and not impact on your time for your consultation.

Alternatively, we encourage you to bring a family member or friend who can help you communicate with staff at the health centre if language is a barrier, although the use of a registered interpreter is preferable. Phone and speak with reception if you would like to know more or to arrange an appointment to coincide with an interpreter.

AFTER HOURS: Phone the Practice on 03 315 6328

Your call will be transferred to the AFTER-HOURS SERVICE where you will be able to talk to a Registered Nurse who will assess your needs, offer advice, or arrange immediate assistance from the on-call doctor or rural nurse

In an emergency, please phone 111



Amuri Community
Health Centre



Location

40 Wilkin Street, Rotherham
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Sunday 21 December 2025

11.30am - 2.30pm

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Peril Notifications

The last issue for 2025 is 11th
December

The first Peril for 2026 will be 22nd
January.



Amuri Community Trust News

Congratulations to the four Clare Chaffey Scholarship recipients for 2025:-

Kyla Domingo and Bianca Policarpio Dela Vega both will be studying for a Bachelor of Nursing (3 Years) at ARA, Christchurch.

Anna Neppelenbroek has completed her first year studying Health Science at Otago University and will study for a Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (5 Years) in 2026.

Madison Wayne will be studying for a Bachelor of Arts and Science Majoring in Anthropology and Forensic Science at Otago University (5 Years).

All recipients presented exceptional applications and it has been a privilege for the ACT to be able to assist them all with their study costs for 2026. They have all demonstrated leadership, motivation and dedication to study for their chosen career along with a genuine desire to assist their rural community once qualified.

The ACT acts as an umbrella group holding funds for other organisations when required. We are a registered charitable trust with donations being tax deductible. All ACT money is used exclusively to help individuals or groups in the Amuri District (Mount Lyford, Waiau, Rotherham and Culverden). In June 2025 the ACT sold the Waiau Plunket Rooms; the sale proceeds have been invested and will give the ACT ability to further assist our community. The funds have also allowed the ACT to do much needed repairs and maintenance work on the Culverden Plunket Rooms. The ACT has recently made a \$5,000 contribution to the Amuri Community Vehicle Trust for upgrading one of their vehicles.

The ACT appoint the directors to the Amuri Health Care Board on behalf of ratepayers. Our thanks to the AHC Board; Chair Meg Macfarlane, Alistair Kenyon, Rose Robinson, Annabel Harris and retiring director in 2025 James McCone; for the many hours of voluntary work they do running our Medical Centre. The ACT has assisted the AHC with \$1,000 for patient travel to specialist appointments in 2025.

The ACT trustees; Chair Tom McIntosh, Don McLean, Grant Hay, Judy Meikle, Anne Gardiner and Jane Northcote; wish you a safe and happy festive season and look forward to assisting our community again in 2026.

CHURCH NOTICES



AMURI CO-OPERATING PARISH

Services and events in December

7th Holy Communion 10am service

Parish Lunch to be held at Aldersyde, the home of John and Diana Turner. This is for everyone, and especially to celebrate those new to Amuri Co-operating Parish.

Lucky dip: bring a \$5 or less wrapped gift to put in the gift basket. Some non-perishables to go to the City Mission Christmas basket.

Sausages and bread provided-bring food and drink to share. Bring your togs for a swim-weather permitting!

Come directly after church from 11.30 onwards

14th Third Sunday in Advent: Missionary to Romania, Anna Tovey and Azaria Brooker, Diocesan Children's Ministry Developer, both visiting us to celebrate Children's Sunday.

21st Blue Moon: 10am-a quiet time to remember loved ones.

Community Christmas Carols 7pm on the lawn at Rotherham.

24th Christmas Eve: 7pm Carols and Communion

25th Christmas Day: 9am Christmas Cake and Cherries

28th No service at Rotherham.

Midday **Picnic Lunch** at Lake Rebekah, Woodchester Station. BYO everything including togs, sunhat etc



Enquiries, contact Revd Dawn Baldwin **027 356 7471**

Hurunui Grace Fellowship welcomes everyone to join us in a worship service followed by morning tea

Every Sunday morning, 10am at the Culverden Fire Station

For more information, please contact either

Tjaart Grove - 021 102 2896 or *Chris Scarlet* - 027 215 5577

CATHOLIC PARISH of the GOOD SHEPHERD

Saturday 6th December- the Vigil Mass at Culverden will be celebrated at **4pm** (not 7pm). A group wedding will take place.

From the 14th to 22nd December-the Christmas Novena Mass (Simbang Gabi) will be in Culverden each night at 7pm.

Wednesday 24th December-Christmas Vigil Mass:

5pm Hanmer

7pm Culverden

9pm Amberley

Parish phone 03 319 8730

Everyone welcome

Leslie Hills-Amuri Garden Club

Leslie Hills-Amuri Garden Club will "Celebrate Christmas" and hold their annual Rose Show on Monday the 8th December at the home of Diane Norrie-95 Long Plantation Road, Culverden, starting at 11.30am

Please bring a plate of finger food for a shared lunch following the meeting.

Visitors and friends welcome.

Enquiries please phone Yvonne 03 315 8017

Help us find the needle in a haystack

Chilean needle grass (CNG) is an invasive grass that can grow up to one metre tall. It has bright green leaves and distinctive long-tailed seeds with a pointed base (6-7cm long). CNG is easiest to identify from late October until March during flowering and seeding when its drooping panicles have a red-purple tinge.

CNG spreads easily on clothing, machinery, vehicles, feed and livestock and is very difficult and costly to control once established. Their sharp, needle-like seeds can also penetrate the flesh and eyes of livestock, causing serious injury and degrading meat and wool products.

CNG can be tricky to identify but our team is here to help. If you have seen CNG or think you have it on your property, contact us on **0800 324 636** or visit reportpests.nz

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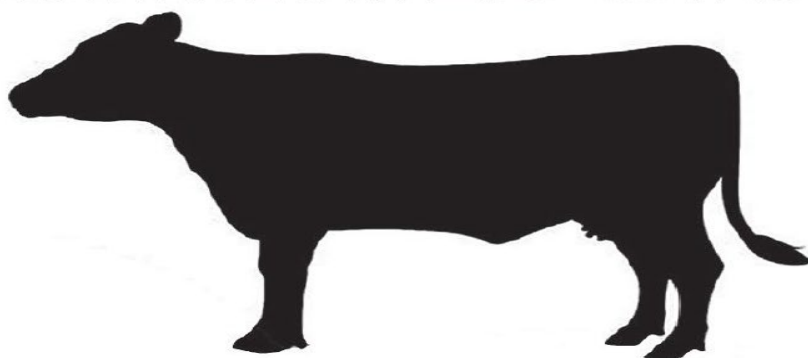


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