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Christmas
Greetings



Season's greetings everyone,

Welcome to the last newsletter for 2012. November was a busy month, with Raewyn and I celebrating becoming certified fossils (60) – that's according to our sons, bless them! The combined celebration we held at the Pavilion (Magpie Park) was a beauty. Getting together with relations and friends not seen for many years is special, and to top it all off our son Jamie got down on bended knee and proposed to his lovely lady Claire Wootton. There was hardly a dry eye in the place, especially Claire, as Jamie had managed to keep it secret from her. We very much appreciated those family and friends who toiled away to make it such a memorable occasion. Thanks also to Gina & Ray at the Diner for their scrumptious finger food, New World for the yummy birthday cake, meat and a whole heap of food. The team there were a great help. On the day, Mary & Mywa did a magnificent job preparing, serving food and drinks and cleaning up till late.

And our three sons, Andrew, Jamie & Matthew – they made the event with their presentations. The research, effort and humour displayed made us and many others very proud of them all. So much time was put into it all. Thank you so much, to all of you for a very entertaining and memorable day. It sure was a great day.

Our greatest purpose here on earth is contribution.

With that thought in mind, wasn't it great to see Marnie Anstis's book "Taketakerau The Millennium Tree" doing so well. I find it interesting that it was a "labour of love" which was self published and self marketed. You have to really love what you are doing to take on those challenges. Not only has Marnie succeeded, but the book has won an award and been selected at one of the 50 best children's books for 2012. It's amazing what can be achieved when you do what you love and love what you do.

The true test of a person's character is seeing what it takes to stop them.



Husqvarna Promo Finishing THIS MONTH

The "Taming The Wild" spring promo this year has been hugely successful. This year especially, we have encountered a lot more customers who want to buy a trusted brand that has a proven track record and readily available spares back up. Husqvarna ticks all the boxes with over 300 years of heritage, a huge R&D budget and a commitment to back up their products with spare parts availability. When you purchase a quality Husqvarna product you not only get all of the above but you get us too – the multi award winning and qualified team to service your machine!! Now that has to be the best reason ever to buy your Husqvarna from us!

Enclosed is the "Taming The Wild" flyer from which I'll highlight some items here. The lawn mowers on page 2 have been a real hit with customers. I don't believe there is another mower on the market that beats the features and price of the LC19A or the LC19AP which is the commercial model. They are both super easy to start and push, which is a good combination.

On page 16 is the impressive chainsaw line up and the pole saw. The 236 chainsaw has been an amazing seller and as an added incentive, till the end of the month we will give you a free spare chain valued at nearly \$40 to go with it. Add to that your free first service and you see it is a very special deal for not a lot of money.

When it comes to ride-on mowers, Husqvarna has the best range ever. Whether you need a catcher or non-catcher model, a zero turn or the articulated bio-clip model, they are all available with that famous and trusted Husqvarna logo on the front. Remember the specials end this month, so have a word with Mrs Santa about a BIG stocking filler.

*The weaker sex are the stronger sex
because of the weakness of the stronger sex for the weaker sex.*

Water Filters

Summertime means more drinking – water that is, well, most of the time. We have been supplying Davey Water Products filters for over 20 years now with many happy customers as a result. With all the contaminants about in today's environment pure clean water is essential for maintaining good health. Whether it is a single tap or a whole of house system (or both) that you require, we have it in stock plus all the pipe fittings to install them. Water filters are a great and practical Christmas gift too!

Water Pumps & Pressure Tanks

We have an excellent range of world famous Dab and Davey pumps in stock for household or farm requirements. They come as bare pumps or complete with pressure switch or set up with an electronic controller. These pumps can be matched to a pressure tank which reduces the number of times it start and stops, therefore saving power and extending the life of the pump.

A few more practical gift ideas:

Wind up torch with radio – a must in emergencies, and it comes with a free LED key light for only \$39.95.

LED Lantern – really bright and good for spotlighting. And it floats too. Only \$22.30

LED Pocket Torch – great for handbag or glove box. Just \$4.50, including battery.

Tow Rope – 50mm x 4metres, 4000kg \$26.70

Aluminium Ramps for Ride-on mower or Quad, \$399.00

Powerbuilt 88pc Tool Set - 1/4" or 3/8" drive sockets, R&OE spanners, and screwdriver set in folding carry case. This is our biggest selling set at just \$273.00

Burley Mincer \$122.00. **Mincer with pulley** so it can be motorised, \$158.00



CHRISTMAS OPENING HOURS

We will be operating normal hours of 7:30am to 5:30pm in the week leading up to Christmas.

Saturday 22nd - we will be open for the **morning only**, from 8:00am to 12:00pm.

We will not be opening on Saturday evening.

Monday 24th - 7:30am to 4:00pm

Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th - Closed.

Thursday 27th and Friday 28th - Normal hours

Saturday 29th - Half day only, from 8:00am to 12:00pm.

We will not be opening on Saturday evening.

Sunday 30th December through to Wednesday 2nd January, we will be closed.

Normal hours will resume again from Thursday 5th January.

Christmas Party Hire

Christmas Day will be here before you know it, so if there is anything you will be needing for your day, give us a call and book your requirements. The big items normally booked are Spits / Roasters, Chillers, Portaloos, Marquees. These are limited so the earlier you book the better your chances. And we have plenty of crockery, cutlery, glasses etc to cater for those extra numbers of guests you may have. Extra tables and chairs are always helpful too.

And for the kiddies we have a choice of 2 bouncy castles, great to keep them occupied for hours.

Then there is the bubble machine to keep them amused too.



Have you checked your **LPG bottles** – do they need refilling? We are agents for "Swap'n'Go".

Are your **BBQ hoses** in good condition? Don't leave these till you are ready to turn on the BBQ. (Remember: "Happy wife = Happy life")

What about your boat trailer? Wheel bearings and gas appliances and fittings are the most common things visitors come looking for over the holidays.



Thought For The Month:

The article, "What Good Is a Tree?" in Reader's Digest explained that when the roots of trees touch, there is a substance present that reduces competition. In fact, this unknown fungus helps link roots of different trees – even of dissimilar species. A whole forest may be linked together. If one tree has access to water, another to nutrients, and a third to sunlight, the trees have the means to share with one another.

Like trees in a forest, families need the support of one another to flourish.

Thanks for the support during the year and we trust you and your families have a tremendous Christmas and New Year celebration.



Have a great month. All the best from your friendly team at

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