

VDI scale for reporting an odour complaint.

Feedback or Odour complaints can be reported to Redvale Landfill through three different methods,

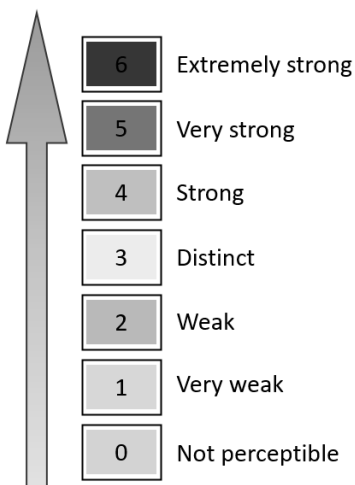
1. Email redvalecomplaints@wm.nz
2. Phone call 09 427 0600 or 021 190 2018
3. Text message 021 190 2018

To work with us, please provide constructive feedback only, which includes the following information,

1. Time and location of the odour
2. Type of the odour
3. Character and intensity of the odour
4. Frequency of the odour – how often it occurs, duration of the odour and time of exposure.

VDI scale example below on how to classify odour intensity.

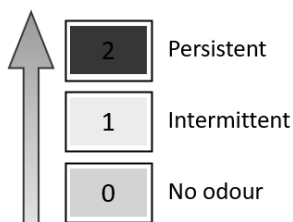
Odour Intensity



Odour Intensity: The perceived strength of an odour above its threshold. It is determined by an odour panel and is described in categories that progress from “Not perceptible”; “Very Weak”; “Weak”; “Distinct”, “Strong”, “Very Strong”, to “Extremely Strong”.

The best way of assessing odour is via the human nose. But everyone reacts to odours differently. One person may object strongly to an odour while another is not bothered by it. The only objective method to assess odours is a calibrated nose that has completed Olfactometric measurement.

Frequency Scale



Odour frequency: The perceived duration of time or exposure experienced.

Please feel free to access Redvale landfill weather station data by using the below link,

<https://app.outpostcentral.com/english/login2.aspx>

Username: redvaleguest

Password: community

Dear readers,

This is the third newsletter for this year, and seven months of the year have passed. I am writing this newsletter on the last day of July, and we have been promised two meteor showers tonight. I am hoping that there will be limited or no cloud cover, especially as the first shower is expected between 9 and 11 p.m. and the moon will only rise after midnight, meaning a fairly dark sky.

In early May, my family and I had the good fortune to see the Aurora Australis from our deck on Blackbridge Road and seeing it as far north as Auckland is apparently quite a rare phenomenon. It was stunning, lighting up the southern sky with a red hue, and in the early part of the show, there were about eight silver-white shafts reaching from the horizon and heading skyward. Later in the evening, tinges of green emerged below the red hue.

Later in May, we had a spectacular electrical storm, with flashes of lightning followed by pretty close thunder, accompanied by heavy rain and strong winds. I heard one particularly loud crash and thought it was thunder. Just before sunset, the rain had stopped, and I went out to put our chooks into the chookhouse and then noticed our garden shed had blown away, leaping two fences, and settling in a manuka thicket about 8 metres from its origin. We also lost four large older Kanuka trees—enough firewood for next year's winter.

And then, this month, we have had plenty of rain, especially from mid-month onwards.

On the global front, we won our first gold at the Olympics overnight (Women's Sevens), and there could be a few more medals, specifically in rowing. Sadly, the Russo-Ukrainian war is still dragging on, and the Israeli conflict also does not seem to have an easy solution in sight.

*Our next Community Liaison Committee meeting is scheduled for **6.30 p.m. on August 12th**. A reminder to all readers that these meetings are open to the public. If you intend to attend, please let Waste Management know so that additional seating can be arranged.*

On the environmental front, readers may wish to visit the Green Park Reserve (off Green Road) and have a gander. Those wishing to find out more about how to get involved can contact Auckland Council to find out about tree planting, etc. Also on this theme, there is an initiative to make Dairy Flat pest-free, copying what the folk at Coatesville have managed to achieve. If we can make our area pest-free, this will be good for the Green Park Reserve, as it would have very few pests getting through to it, and the park could play a vital link in the Nor-West Wild Link, joining Tiri Tiri to the Waitakere Regional Park.

In closing, I again appeal to all readers to please support the advertisers promoting their services in this newsletter. Locals supporting locals is always a good thing!

Take care!

Warwick Hojem

DAIRY FLAT COMMUNITY TRUST **FUNDING APPLICATIONS**

Applications for funding assistance are now being called for from individuals and organisations for projects that fall within the general objectives of the Community Trust.

This objective states "for purposes beneficial to those people whose principal place of residence is Dairy Flat."

Applications for post-secondary education scholarships from Dairy Flat residents are also being accepted at this time.

Applications can be submitted by post (PO Box 228, Silverdale) or scan and email to:
dairyflatcommunitytrust@hotmail.co.nz

Application forms available from: **www.dairyflatcommunitytrust.co.nz** or pop into the Redvale Landfill office and pick one up.

Applications open from Friday 19th July and close Friday 13th September 2024 @ 5pm.

Only applications received by this closing date (as indicated by postmark or email) will be considered for funding.

Funding allocations will be presented on Sunday 1st December 2024, 4.30pm at Redvale Landfill.

Dairy Flat Community Hall

Contact details: Please E-mail: info@DairyFlatLive.com

Hall is available for community use 7 days a week. If you like to start classes or other activities in the Hall, the Hall committee will support you, with low starting rates.

Activities in the Hall

- Yoga on Monday
- Toast masters on Tuesday/ fortnightly
- Every Friday night Rock & Roll on live music/ full bands people travel from all over great Auckland to Dairy Flat for those nights.

Check out what's on: www.DFlat.info

Many locals are very surprised, when they find out what's going on in the Hall on Friday nights.
Licensed Bar with Club prices. Cover charge for bands applies.

Hall hire

Hall is available for Parties on Saturday nights. Sorry we don't support 18th and 21st birthday parties in the Hall.

Care about

NATIVE BIRDS?



join the locals: pestfreedairyflat@gmail.com



Background

When humans arrived in New Zealand, we unfortunately brought various pets and pests, which have disastrously impacted many native species. NZ was once entirely free of warm-blooded predators like rats, so birds evolved with little or no ability to fly, making them easy prey for the predators we introduced. As a result, many bird species have already become extinct. In fact, today, New Zealand has one of the worst extinction records of any country. It's our obligation to save the remaining native birds, frogs, lizards and plant species and help re-establish them across NZ.

In 2015, the government announced the Predator Free 2050 program (PF2050) with the goal of eliminating all mustelids (stoats, weasels, ferrets, etc.), rats, mice, and possums in New Zealand. It's a HUGE challenge that requires every New Zealander to contribute.

This is probably the biggest community project.

Why have we established PFDF?

Most people understand the purpose of PF2050, but like many good ideas, it requires joined effort. We are all passionate and doing our own predator control efforts, but we quickly found when we started that our particular areas were not covered or supported by other Pest Free groups. That is why we decided to create a local group that fills the gap in the centre between Restore Rodney East and West. It needs us all to take responsibility for our environment, roll up our sleeves and tackle the issue as a community. A lot of good progress has been made across the country.

And you don't need to look far. Our good friends at Pest Free Coatesville are doing a fabulous job at reducing pest numbers. Thanks to their hard work there are numerous sightings of Kaka in the area. There are Kiwi sightings as close as Kaukapakapa and there are plans for Kiwi translocation in Coatesville. Dairy Flat and Waitoki areas are the missing link for a safe passage for Kiwi and other native birds like Kaka.

Our Goals

We aim to eradicate possums, mustelids, rats, and mice within a designated Dairy Flat and Waitoki area.

How Will We Achieve This?

We have registered PFD as a charity and are working with other groups like Pest Free Coatesville, Pest Free Wrights Road, DOC, and Auckland Council to combine our efforts and gather ideas.

We are open to collaborating with any groups with similar objectives.

We have access to traps (at a cost) and advice, but we need volunteers and funds.

With help from the community, we aim to deploy various traps around Dairy Flat and Waitoki area to significantly reduce pest numbers. Realistically, this will take time and lots of hands-on effort.

Here's how you can help as a volunteer:

- Install, clear traps and keep record of what you catch: On your land and/or in designated locations. We need to trap all of Dairy Flat and Waitoki because leaving gaps will provide safe havens for pests. Knowing how many rats, possums or mustelids we catch will help us with funding.
- Buy traps: Some traps are affordable, while others are sophisticated and expensive. We can help you to choose the suitable option for your land.
- Fundraising ideas: We plan to approach local companies for grants and financial support, but nobody knows the local community as well as you do. Please share your thoughts about businesses who deeply care about the environment and would like to be involved.
- Manage the effort: There will be many tasks along the way we need all the help we can get. Not everyone needs to be involved in catching predators. There are many organisational tasks that need doing like bringing our flyers to your workplace or school.
- Spread the word: We need everyone in the community to get involved in some capacity to make this work. Use your contacts!

Who Are 'We'?

So far, we are three people: Roberta, Ann-Marie, and Olaf. We're passionate about the environment and want to see kaka and kiwi back in Dairy Flat and Waitoki. Imagine bellbirds, saddlebacks, and stitchbirds visiting our backyards.

But now 'we' needs to include you! We need everyone to help in whatever way they can, so please get in touch and support us in making Dairy Flat and Waitoki safe for native birds again.

We will be having an initial meeting to kick off the work at 7pm on 30th October in Dairy Flat Village Hall. Put it in your diaries and come along to hear more.

In the meantime, please get in touch if you would like to help: pestfreedairyflat@gmail.com or joining our Pest Free Dairy Flat Facebook group.

Feeling Fab Charitable Trust
Dairy Flat
Auckland 0794

www.feelingfab.org.nz



Our Wellness Programme provides a safe, nurturing environment for those who have faced bereavement, trauma or loss, to experience the love and support that is so often missing during the seasons of grief. Our programme offers the opportunity to meet others who have had similar experiences; our team has huge hearts and understands that those grieving need tender loving care in a safe environment.

We have provided this much-needed service in our local area (including Dairy Flat) for many years now and we have been consistently told and seen and heard for ourselves - how vital our programme is for those travelling along their journey of grief. We are very grateful to Waste Management who have helped us so much in the past and also very grateful for the support of the Dairy Flat Community Trust.

We have teams in Dairy Flat, Warkworth, Mangawhai, Dargaville, Rodney and Wellington. We are growing and we really need your help to be able to continue our programme. If you would like to volunteer, please contact us at volunteers@feelingfab.org.nz. We need help with admin work, committee members, hair stylists, makeup, nails, general help (and sometimes reiki and massage), organising food, support people on the day etc.

Our programme has expanded to include Men's Days and this year, Youth Days. We need your support and help to keep our programme afloat - not just volunteering but also sponsorship and funding opportunities. We have had the honour to work with Red Beach Hospice, Harbour Hospice, Women's Refuge Rodney, Sweet Louise, Race 4 Life and Grandparents Raising Grandchildren, just to name a few throughout our Rodney area.

Please check out our Facebook and Instagram pages and our website (www.feelingfab.org.nz) for more information, for testimonials, live-streamed videos etc. Please email us at hello@feelingfab.org.nz, or PM us via our Facebook page if you would like to help us in any way or have any questions. Thank you, from Elizabeth and the FF Team.

Kind regards,

Elizabeth York
CEO/National Co-ordinator,
Feeling Fab Charitable Trust



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But that's not all! Our peaceful location, surrounded by beautiful grounds and ample car parking make us the perfect escape to the country. With friendly staff and delicious food, you'll feel right at home here.

As a club, we welcome both members and non-members.

Our team at De Hot Bar and Grill, led by Terri, is committed to providing good home-cooked meals at reasonable prices for all.

We pride ourselves on being family-friendly and providing a safe and relaxed environment for everyone.

The Pool heating is now turned **off** and the Fire turned **on**!

Join us on Friday Club night for Meat Raffles (bring cash) and for members, a chance to win up to \$1,000 in our cash draw!

We are now offering camping facilities for those travelling in self-contained motorhomes, RVs, campervans, or buses, with non-powered, overnight parking available for \$10 per person per night – please note must be self-contained and no hot showers available.

So whether you're looking for a drink, a meal, fire, or a place to camp out for the night, North Harbour Sports and Country Club has got you covered.

We can't wait to see you at "The Club" soon!

Website: dairyflatclub.co.nz

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/dairyflatclub>

Email: info@dairyflatclub.co.nz

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We are located in the Silverdale Rugby Club building at 6 Hibiscus Coast Highway opposite the Hibiscus Coast Bus Station.

We have 3 squash courts, clubrooms, a licensed bar and are open 24/7 for playing.

We offer a range of membership options to suit your needs, or you can play casually with no contract.

Club night every Thursday

Why not come down to our friendly club night on a Thursday from 7pm, meet other members and have a few fun games whilst keeping fit. We run 15-minute games and will match you with other players of similar ability. Not a member no problem you can try our club night two times before we ask you to become a member. We have a fully licenced bar so why not stay for a drink.

Introduction to Squash every Sunday afternoon.

New to Squash? Ever wanted to have a go, then why not come down on a Sunday from 3pm and we will show you how to hold your racquet, how to hit the ball and match you with other players of similar ability. Don't have any gear – no problem wear comfortable clothes for running and non-marking shoes and we will provide you with a racquet and ball. Bookings essential so you will need to register call Jenny on 027 272 8530

Juniors

Junior coaching by Brian Barnett who has been a professional squash player and elite level coach with national coach roles in the Netherlands and Czech Republic. Now running every Tuesday from 3.30-7pm bookings essential call Brian 021 727 079

For further information on the club and memberships please contact Hollie on 021 701 456 or silverdalesquash.president@gmail.com

SILVERDALE PONY CLUB ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

We are now taking enrolments for our 2024-2025 season!

Come and join our family-orientated, friendly club at Green Road and learn from some of the best coaches in our region.

We offer a fun and supportive environment, catering to all skill-levels from lead rein right up to advanced. We also offer weekly, coached adult ride lessons.

Rallies are held on a Tuesday evening from 5.30 pm - 7.00 pm from October through to April. Our first rally for the upcoming season is scheduled for 15 October (ground condition dependent).

Pony Club is a place to make friends, gain confidence, learn new skills, earn certificates, and enter competitive and non-competitive riding events as a solo rider or as part of a team. We offer a number of confidence-building events throughout the season, including our Fun Day and Show Jumping Day.

We look forward to welcoming all our new members!

Please see our website for more info and for enrolment details:

www.silverdaleponyclub.com



Update from Louise Johnston, Rodney Local Board member

This last quarter has been very busy for the Dairy Flat subdivision, especially on the planning front. Hopefully, this article is not too long, but there is a lot to cover. Please let me know if there is too much Council speak below or if you require further explanation etc.

Surf Park, Data Centre and Solar Farm:

Last month, the Surf Park, Data Centre, and Solar farm were consented under the COVID-19 fast-track legislation. The location of the 43-hectare Surf Park site is the old dairy farm at 1350 Dairy Flat Highway. The Surf Park development will consist of a surfing lagoon, outdoor pool, wellness retreat, and visitor accommodation comprising a three-story boutique lodge with 409 accommodation units, a restaurant, a 3-hectare data centre, and a 7-hectare solar farm, walking and cycling tracks. The excess heat from the data centre will warm the water in the surfing lagoon so that in winter, it is 18 C and over 24 degrees in summer.

As part of the consent conditions, there will be extensive landscaping and planting along the roadside and the stream banks. A shuttle bus will run between the Surf Park and the Park and Ride at Silverdale. A new right-hand turning bay on Dairy Flat Highway will be constructed along with adjacent footpaths. The site has road frontages on Dairy Flat Highway and Postman's Road. I understand the data centre will be accessed from Postman's Road. This whole area was earmarked by the Council for future heavy industry. I believe that this well-planned development with a rural aesthetic will be a huge uplift to the area. Hopefully, it will be an end to anymore of the haphazard, ad hoc container and construction yards being consented. Earthworks for the Surf Park are due to start this summer.

If you want to find out more details on the surf park, please use the below link.

<https://www.epa.govt.nz/fast-track-consenting/referred-projects/auckland-surf-park-community/>

Fletchers and Fulton Hogan's Private Plan Change:

Urban development can occur in Future Urban areas in several ways. These include a council-initiated Unitary Plan Change, a developer-initiated private unitary plan change, a resource consent, or Government fast-track consenting.

Fletcher's and Fulton Hogan have recently lodged a private Unitary Plan change (PPC 103) with the Council to rezone approximately 107 hectares of land in Dairy Flat from Future Urban to Light Industry. The land subject to the plan change is located south of the Silverdale motorway interchange between State Highway 1 to the east and Dairy Flat Highway to the west and extends to the south to approximately halfway to Wilks Road.

The PPC 103 includes landscape buffers along both SH1 and Dairy Flat Highway, stream and wetland plantings, walking and cycling infrastructure, new roads within the proposed industrial area and upgrades to intersections along Dairy Flat Highway. However, there are several waste and water constraints, and temporary solutions are proposed if there is no capacity at the Army Bay treatment plant when the staged development is ready. On the wider integrated transport front, the PPC does not propose any upgrades to the Silverdale interchange and no upgrades to the public transport network. Given that the bus service along Dairy Flat Highway from the Silverdale Park n Ride is not even an hourly service, it might be a struggle for workers to use the bus to get to work. Unfortunately, you can't walk or cycle from Silverdale Park and Ride to Dairy Flat. All the supporting information on PPC 103, including a link to make a submission online, can be found by searching 'Auckland Council Plan Change 103'.

Submissions close: at midnight on 9 August 2024 alternatively, you can email your submission to unitaryplan@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

Submitters will have the opportunity to present their feedback to an independent hearing panel, the panel will ultimately decide whether this PPC is successful.

It's important that locals provide feedback on this plan change, as we need to help shape the development of our area.

There are also two other large out-of-sequence Private Plan Changes with Council planners for the Dairy Flat subdivision. These plan changes are for high-density urban housing next to Milldale. Due to infrastructure constraints, Council were not planning to develop these areas until after 2050. Another developer behind Ara Hills is also planning to lodge a large housing development under the new fast-track consenting legislation. I am very concerned that if all these housing developments go ahead, Dairy Flat Highway and the Silverdale interchange will be gridlocked! Unplanned urban sprawl without the necessary infrastructure is not the way to grow Auckland!

Update on the Notice of Requirements hearing:

As part of the planning for the urbanisation of Dairy Flat, the Supporting Growth Alliance (Auckland Transport/Waka Kotahi and Council) has lodged 13 Notice of Requirements (NoR) with the Auckland Council for Dairy Flat. NoR's designate an area of land for a particular purpose, such as a road and are a form of route protection.

There were 430 public submissions received on the NoRs for Dairy Flat. The independent public hearing was held from late June to early July. 38 submitters presented to the hearing panel. The submitters were both home and business owners. The Supporting Growth Alliance now has a right of reply, which is due on the 9th of August. It is expected that the independent hearing panel will return a recommendation by the end of the year.

The Council will then recommend to the requiring authority (AT and Waka Kotahi) whether it thinks the designation should be confirmed in the unitary plan (with or without modification to the conditions) or be withdrawn Council and submitters may appeal this decision to the Environment Court.

Summary of the 13 NORs for Dairy Flat:

NoR 1: New Rapid Transit Corridor between Albany bus station and Milldale via Dairy Flat, including a walking and cycling path.

NoR 2: New Rapid Transit Station at Milldale

NoR 3: New Rapid Transit Station at Pine Valley Road, including Park n Ride

NoR 4: State Highway 1 Improvements – Albany to Ōrewa and Alterations to Existing Designations 6751, 6760, 6759, 6761

NoR 5: New State Highway 1 Crossing at Dairy Stream

NoR 6: New Connection between Milldale and Grand Drive, Ōrewa

NoR 7: Upgrade to Pine Valley Road

NoR 8: Upgrade to Dairy Flat Highway between Silverdale and Dairy Flat

NoR 9: Upgrade to Dairy Flat Highway between Dairy Flat and Albany

NoR 10: Upgrade to Wainui Road

NoR 11: New Connection between Dairy Flat Highway and Wilks Road

NoR 12: Upgrade and Extension to Bawden Road

NoR13: Upgrade to East Coast Road between Silverdale and Redvale

Update on our rural roads:

As part of Auckland Transport's 10-year budget, funding has significantly increased for both our sealed and unsealed road networks. For the unsealed road improvement program, 124 million has been allocated over the next ten years. The unsealed road improvement program for the next two years is now up on the Auckland Transport website and includes several roads in the Dairy Flat subdivision, such as Turley, Tender, Blackbridge and Gervin Road. Please refer to the link below for more details:

<https://at.govt.nz/media/nomfcy2i/2024-to-2025-and-2026-to-2027-unsealed-road-improvement-programme.pdf>

Also, if you want to find out when your unsealed road will be graded, the maintenance grading program is now uploaded to the AT website. Please refer to the below link:

<https://at.govt.nz/projects-initiatives/north-auckland-projects-and-initiatives/rodney-grading-schedule>

Lastly, as we head towards a wetter period, that means more potholes, so please remember to report these to Auckland Transport via <https://at.govt.nz/about-us/contact-us/>, or if there is a safety risk, please call AT on 09 355 3553. Complaining does work!!!!

Changes to Local Board representation:

Auckland Council must review representation arrangements every six years to ensure they are fair and effective.

As part of this review Council are seeking feedback on the proposal for the Rodney Local board to have two new rural subdivisions. This will not impact residents living in the Dairy Flat Subdivision. However, under the proposal for the Kumeu Subdivision, this be reduced from 4 members to 2 members, Warkworth from 3 members to 2 members, and Wellsford will no longer be a separate subdivision. There will be two new subdivisions created for North and South Rural. The number of overall subdivision members will not change and will remain at nine members.

While this is a very dry subject, it is important because Local Boards now have greater powers and can sell and buy community assets such as parks and halls, defer maintenance, etc. so we need to ensure we have good quality candidates standing for election.

You can have your say until Thursday, 8 August 2024. Please use the link below.

<https://akhaveyoursay.aucklandcouncil.govt.nz/auckland-council-representation-project>

Pest Free Dairy Flat:

Please come to the inaugural **Pest Free Dairy Flat community meeting on October 30th at 7 p.m. at the Dairy Flat Hall, Postman's Road**. Pest Free Coatesville has seen fantastic results with its trapping, and Dairy Flat is the missing link.

Our 154 Hectare Park at Green Road Dairy Flat:

Since the last Dairy Flat newsletter, we have extended the car park to accommodate more vehicles, including horse floats.

We have just over 600K allocated for building two bridges in the park and a section of the gravel pathways. The entrance from Sunnyside Road will be via a new culvert pipe, which is on-site but will only be installed once the weather improves. Construction of the gravel paths has started; however, we do not have the funding to complete all the tracks but there will be one all-weather loop completed with the existing funding.

For the Penlink offset mitigation planting, fencing should go up later this year, and planting will start in the next planting season. This includes both wetland planting and riparian planting. This is a massive win for Green Road.

Also, the Council has secured growth funding for a park toilet and bore, which will be delivered next financial year.

We have also started a Friends of Green Road group, and we are meeting this week to formalise a strategic plan for the group and establish an incorporated society. The incorporated society will be an important advocate for the park going forward and a fundraising vehicle, especially for completing the pathways network and feature tree planting, etc. Please let me know if you want to get involved even if it is just to stay updated.

Deadline for assistance for properties severely impacted by Anniversary weekend floods:

Lastly, if the flood events severely impacted you on the Anniversary weekend of 2023, you only have until 30 September to opt into the voluntary Council buy-out scheme. Council is very concerned that many high-risk property owners have not opted into this scheme, and if there is another extreme weather event, they will be at risk. Going forward, there is no guarantee that the insurance companies will continue to cover high-risk properties, and this is an opportunity to ensure you are not in this situation. Property owners can opt-in to the voluntary categorisation programme via the online registration form at property.flooded.co.nz, or email propertycategory@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz. There are several properties in Dairy Flat that have been assessed by the Council as having an intolerable risk to life if there is another severe weather event. Please, if you have neighbours who were in this situation, please remind them of the 30th of September deadline.

Please contact me if you have any questions or issues etc
Louise.Johnston@aucklandcouncil.govt.nz

News from Local Clubs and Organizations

Contributions to the newsletter are welcome.
The newsletter is printed every three months.

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Please contact: Tara Wiggill at WM New Zealand Ltd
Contributions can be emailed to: Twiggill@wm.nz

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Welcome to potter&dabble, our family-owned pottery wheel rental business, based in Dairy Flat!!

From our studio, located down a long driveway off Tender Road, we offer Nidec Shimpo Whisper-T pottery wheels and potters stools for RENT. Perfect for any potter wanting to practice at home, start small-batch production pottery, rekindle a hobby, or test out a wheel before purchasing.

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Visit our website potteranddabble.co.nz, key in your dates, and our live booking engine will tell you what's available. We offer free click n collect from our studio in Dairy Flat, or opt for local delivery. Rent for a weekend, a week, or for as many weeks as you like.

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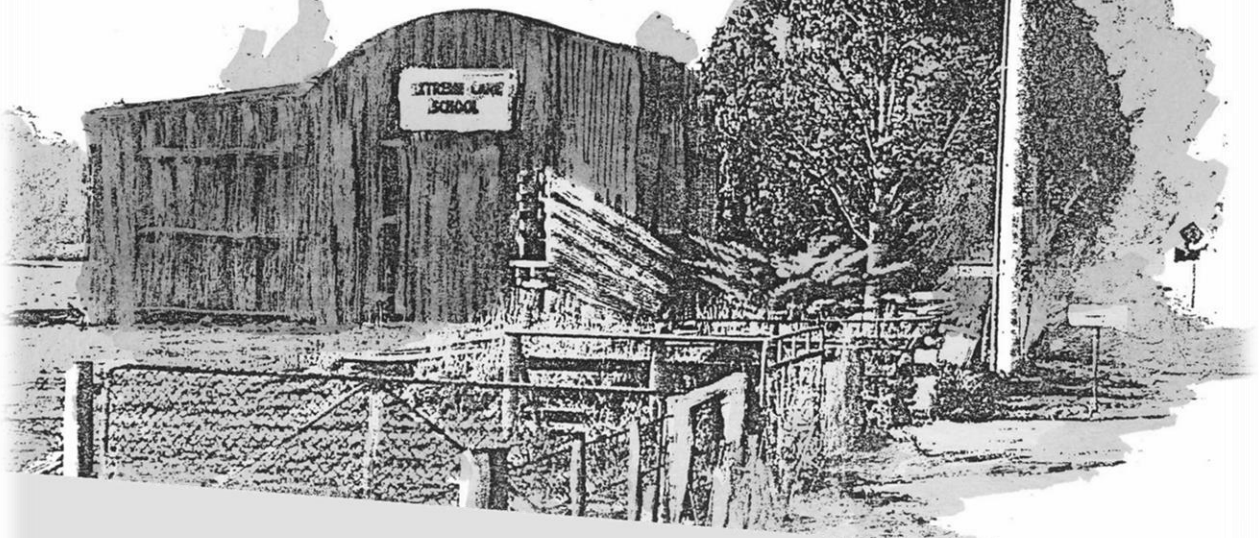
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Hi, my name is Louise. Our family has lived in Dairy Flat for almost 11 years. I set up potter&dabble out of my own personal need to rent a pottery wheel, and I am so excited to see the business grow and to be able to support fellow potters.

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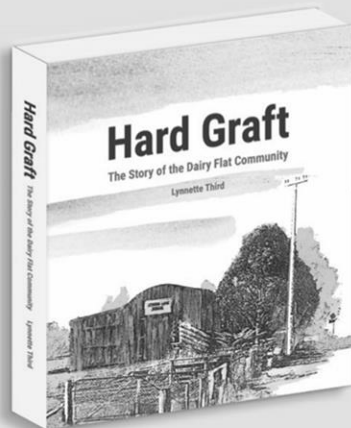


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