



# THE GLADDY

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## MARCH 2018

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## NEWS

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### WHAITUA COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

Sean McBride (Gladstone Rugby Club) and Gary Riddell (Complex) attended the Waitua workshop meeting held in Masterton recently in response to an invitation from the Waitua Chairman Peter Gawith.

The Ruamahanga Waitua Committee is reviewing the current water allocation policies in the Ruamahanga Catchment – this will affect the Upper Ruamahanga and the Waipoua River. All Category A consent holders will be seriously impacted with the proposed raising of the minimum flow levels over a period of years. At minimum flow the water use is to be restricted or potentially ceased. Raising the minimum flow levels would possibly protect the rivers' ecological health.

There are Significant Issues relating to potential water allocation changes that will affect our operations with Gladstone Rugby and the Complex financial stability.

- The main volume of water used is to irrigate the playing field. If our allocation is cut back we will be short of water to irrigate in order to ensure a safe playing surface for both junior and senior rugby grades.
- This is a Health & Safety issue that is of grave concern to us. Irrigation generally only takes place during January and February and this is sufficient to address our requirements.

The bore for which we have a Water Use Consent also supplies the water to the Complex building itself. If a cease take rule was enforced over the summer months we would have no guarantee of water and therefore a hygiene issue.

The Economic Issue would be immediate – no water would potentially mean no rugby, and in the early part of the season no social or sporting events could be held at the Complex. This lack of income could lead to the closure of the Complex.

We are looking out for our people in our Gladstone community by promoting cultural and social wellbeing, keeping kids off the streets, managing mental wellness and contributing to a vibrant community. You may want to make a submission to the Waitua about how these changes may affect you.

For further information please read our Submission to the Waitua Committee on our website at [gladstonesportscomplex.co.nz](http://gladstonesportscomplex.co.nz). Feel free to contact Gary Riddell on 063727550 or email [gladstonecomplex1@gmail.com](mailto:gladstonecomplex1@gmail.com) for further information on how these proposed changes could impact our community. Peter Gawith the Chairman of the Ruamahanga Waitua Committee is also available for you to contact.

### GLADSTONE COMPLEX WORKING BEE - SUNDAY, 25 MARCH, 9.00 AM

Feel free to bring along friends/family. Our priority will be to rip up the old carpet in the bar area in preparation for the new carpet to be laid. We will also be doing other odd jobs around the place, including weeding to smarten up the garden areas. Please bring gloves!

The More the Merrier – we will be having a cold drink at the pub after the work is done!

### CHURCH NEWS

Gladstone Church AGM was held on 7th February, with 9 attendees.

We wish to thank the district for supporting us and providing funds to reinsure the Church for fire and material damage only. We would be very grateful if someone would volunteer to keep the grounds tidy, a spray a couple of times a year would be much appreciated.

We will not be hosting lunch for the St Mark's Refugee day on 10 March this year, but there will be a Gladstone rural afternoon organised by two local families.

Thank you Rex and Bev McKay and Jill and Robert Baird for the wonderful job in cutting back the overhanging trees over the drive.

Carol Buchanan, our wonderful Trustee and Treasurer since 1991, has tendered her resignation. On behalf of our whole community, we thank her for her expert management of the Church's finances, and maintenance of the Church. However, we are now calling for someone to step into her shoes, more particularly as Treasurer. Carol wishes to relinquish this role asap, so we are in need urgently. Please contact Ann Allen on 027 357 8043 or email [aallens.deer@farmside.co.nz](mailto:aallens.deer@farmside.co.nz) or Bev McKay on 06 372 7870 or email [rdba@xtra.co.nz](mailto:rdba@xtra.co.nz)

The 2018 Easter Service on Sunday 1st April will be at 11.00 am, Rev. Sue Beauclerc will officiate.

Ann Allen Trustee

**GLADSTONE SCHOOL NEWS**  
**FEBRUARY – MARCH 2018**

We have had a brilliant start to our school year with our annual school BBQ, get together, held during Week 2. Our start of year roll was 128 students with a good number of new entrants due to enrol throughout the year. The school pool has been up and running across the summer with students making the most of this fantastic facility.

Our Y3 – Y8 swimmers took part in the Carterton Central Cluster Swimming Sports in Week 4 and from that event we now have a large squad of 31 swimmers competing in the South Wairarapa Swimming Sports on the 7th March. The BOT have recently sold the school house for removal as part of prearrangements for the car park development. The house will be removed by the end of July.

A good way to keep up to date with our school events is to read our school newsletter which is published every second Thursday during term time.

This can be accessed from our school website on [www.gladstone1.school.nz](http://www.gladstone1.school.nz) or alternatively download the free school app by going to the App Store and typing in Gladstone School (Masterton). We look forward to sharing events with our community throughout the year.

## GLADDY SPORT

### GLADSTONE RUGBY

Pre-season training is in full swing for the Gladstone Rugby Club with a preseason trip to Utiku on 10th March and a home game against Hurunui on the 17th March before the local competition starts on the 7th April. Trainings for both Premier and Senior Reserves are Mondays and Thursdays at 6.30pm so feel free to come along and join us for the 2018 season.

### GLADSTONE NETBALL

Gladstone Netball Club are looking for a coach for their Premier 1 team for this season. If you are interested in being involved with an awesome group of people please contact Ginny on 027 257 3164.

### BADMINTON

Badminton starts Tuesday 3rd April, contact Hamish McDonald 372 7541, all welcome.

### GLADSTONE HOCKEY

Gladstone Women's 1 and Gladstone Women's 2 Teams are looking for players for the upcoming season. Anyone is welcome. For enquiries please contact Jo Cundy on [freestylefencing@xtra.co.nz](mailto:freestylefencing@xtra.co.nz) By the 7th March.

## CLASSIFIEDS

The Wheelwright Shop is hosting "Go Carterton" (*Carterton Districts Business Association*) at 5.30pm on Thursday 22nd March. It will be an informal gathering where Gladstone can showcase what we have to offer and informally network with other businesses in the Carterton District.

Please contact Greg or Ali on 372 7080 if you would like to be part of putting Gladstone's best foot forward.

### COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

If you would like a notice put up on the Yellow sign please contact Ali on 06 372 7080

### Longbush Playgroup

Longbush Playgroup 50th Jubilee Saturday 13th October pop the date in your diary. For more information or if you would like to be involved please contact Ginny on 06 372 7003

Playgroup hours 9:15am - 12pm (Morning tea 10am) All welcome - for more details please find us on facebook or contact Rachel 06 372 7707

### FOR SALE

Conventional Barley Straw  
Contact Jill Baird on 06 372 7814

### TE WHARAU SHEPHERDS DOG TRIAL

March 17 @ Glenburn Station

Starts 7:30am

Straight hunt, zig zag hunt, long pull and handy event

Dog Worm Certificate required

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Zac Carlson on 06 3727075

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