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1. What is the name of the fictional country where The Handmaid's Tale takes place?
2. What is the name of the dystopian novel written by George Orwell?
3. How many books are there in the Harry Potter series?
4. Who is the author of Frankenstein?
5. What is the most printed book of all time?
6. What kind of 'phile' is somebody who loves to read regularly?
7. What is the name of the island where the boys descend into savagery in Lord of the Flies?
8. In 'The Kite Runner', how are Amir and Hassan related?
9. Where in Spain is 'Don Quixote' set?
10. Natasha Rostov is the heroine of which classic Russian novel?

Answers inside

Final Thoughts

"Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors, and the most patient of teachers" – Charles W. Eliot.

KICKIN' UP DUST

★ KAWERAU LINE DANCERS ★

Kawerau Line Dancers would like to extend a warm invitation to the community.

Come and join us as we showcase our line dancing talents!

Learn some moves, get some exercise, and most importantly, have fun with us.

Whether you're a seasoned dancer or just curious, everyone is welcome!

SATURDAY
18TH OCT
2025



10 - 4
AM PM

Kawerau Town Hall
\$10 Entry

creative
COMMUNITIES nz



Whiringa-ā-nuku / October

Kawerau District Library & Sir James Fletcher Museum

What's On

The Book Club meets
10.30am - 12pm
Every first Thursday of
the month

Operation Wrapped in
Remembrance
from now until
November 11th
Scarves to dropped
into the library by
Thursday 30th October

Billy Mc Queen
Exhibition
Museum Gallery
On now

A Day in the Life of
Kawerau!
Window galleries in
Jellicoe Court.

Library Hours:

Monday - Friday
10am - 5pm

Saturday
10am - 1pm

Sunday
CLOSED



THE KIDS ARE IN
THE MIDDLE OF
THEIR HOLIDAY
PROGRAMME AT
THE MOMENT
SO HERE ARE
SOME PICTURES
FROM THE FIZZY
MOON SAND
CRAFT.

Hello October!

This month is packed with plenty of things to enjoy, and what better way to get into the spooky season than a chilling read? Pick up a book that will make the hairs on the back of the neck stand on end and send a shiver down your spine. You can find some great reads in our catalogue or check out our featured title page for some recommendations.

Not a fan of fright? Don't worry the library shelves are bursting with titles to suit every taste.

We'd also like to see you at our Community Composting Day (details inside). It's a chance to learn more about composting, share tips and tricks, and connect with others in the community. We'll be joined by the friendly team from Hammer Hardware, the dedicated caretakers of Kawerau Urban Food Forest (KUUFF) and some of our council staff, all ready to guide us. Fingers crossed for good weather.

There's so much happening this month and whether you're here for the spooky stories or the green living inspiration, come discover and connect.

Last Months Highlights



COMPLETED TUKUTUKU PANEL, DONE BY OUR LIBRARY PATRONS DURING MAORI LANGUAGE WEEK.

Cottage Craft Club visit, Cupcake making and chat about our knitting for Wrapped in Remembrance.



What's happening at the library?

Composting is a natural way of recycling that keeps food scraps out of landfill and returns their nutrients to the soil. If you want to learn more then join us at our Community Composting Day on Thursday 9th October at the Kawerau urban food forest on Monika Lanham Reserve River Road.

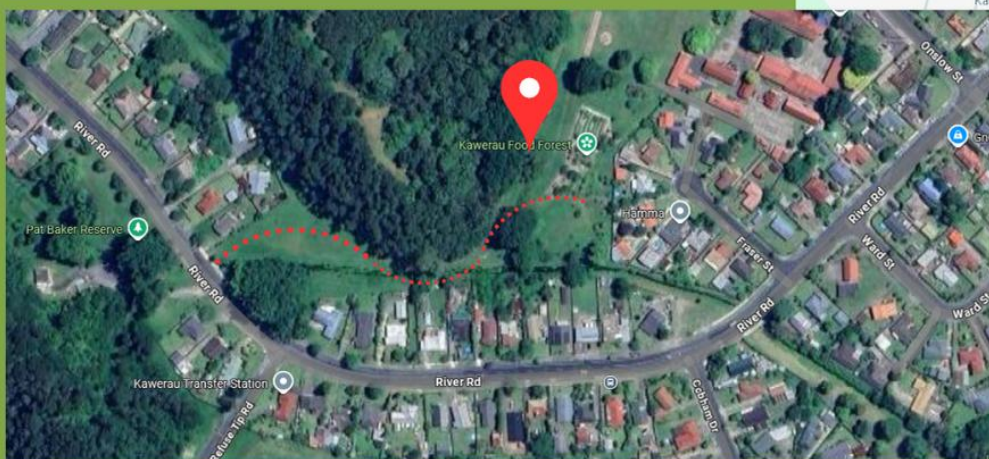
Attending on the day at Kawerau Urban Food Forest puts you in the draw to win this Home Composting system but if the weather cancels the event then make sure you check out some gardening books before the 9th to secure your entry.

Answers:

- 1.The Republic of Gilead.
- 2.Nineteen Eighty-Four or Animal Farm.
- 3.7,
- 4.Mary Shelley.
- 5.The Bible,
- 6.Bibliophile,
- 7.The island is unnamed.
- 8.They are half-brothers,
- 9.La Mancha,
- 10.War and Peace.

Where is Kawerau Urban Food Forest?

If anyone needs some help finding Kawerau Urban Food Forest, it is located on River Road near the Transfer Station. Across the road from Pat Baker Reserve, you will see a dirt track next to a creek that you can follow. Hopefully these maps help and if you need more information, please pop into the library for more directions and a free physical map.



COMMUNITY COMPOSTING DAY

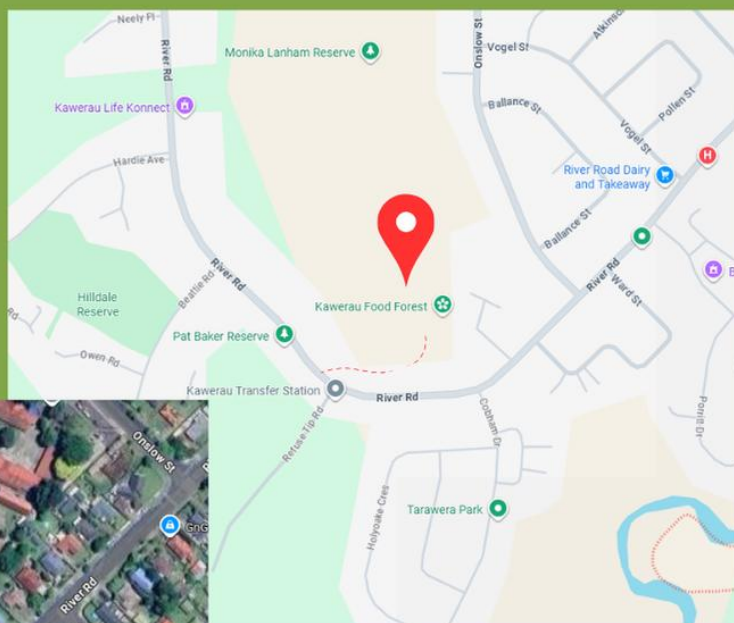
KAWERAU URBAN FOOD FOREST

Thursday 9th October

Kawerau Urban Food Forest
Monika Lanham reserve,
River Road.

From 9.30am - 11am

Check out books about composting or gardening this month or attend our community composting day and go in the draw to win a bokashi home composting system and more. (Event on if the weather's good)



KAWERAU DISTRICT COUNCIL

Te Kaunihira ā rohe o Kawerau

TAONGA O TE WHENUA - TREASURE OF THE LAND

FiGhTfUL FiNdS

OCTOBER'S FEATURED TITLES

Mondays are murder

Author:

Ravena Guron

Seventeen-year-old Kay left her sleepy hometown after the devastating death of her friend, Ivy. But when her parents go on holiday without her, Kay is forced to come back to stay with her cousin. And her return comes with a bang.



The frozen people

Author:

Elly Griffiths

Ali Dawson is a police officer working on crimes so old, the joke goes, that they are not only cold but frozen. What most people don't know is that the team travels back in time to complete their research. The process has been pioneered by the mysterious Italian physicist, Serafina Pelligrini, known to the team as Jones. So far the team has only ventured a few years back but Ali's boss has a new assignment for her. He wants her to step back to 1850, the heart of the Victorian Age, to clear the name of Cain Templeton, the eccentric great-grandfather of Tory MP Isaac Templeton.



Summer Island

Author:

Kristin Hannah

Talk-show host Nora Bridge insists that her estranged daughter Ruby, a struggling comedienne, come to her childhood home in the San Juan islands while Nora convalesces. Ruby has her own agenda, including writing a tell-all biography of her famous mother.



The nightmares of Finnegan Quick

Author:

Larry Hayes

Finnegan Quick is haunted by nightmares. They're so bad, he's terrified of going to sleep. Because Finn's dreams change the waking world too. He's already lost his mum, his dad, his dog, even his shadow. And now they're coming for his gran, the only family he's got left. Then a mysterious girl starts appearing in his dreams, helping Finn fight back against the creatures in his nightly adventures.

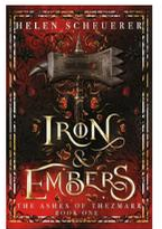


Iron & embers

Author:

Helen Scheuerer

Wren Embervale, alchemist-turned assassin, finds solace in only one thing: seeking vengeance for the death of her friends. The wars of the past may be over, but her thirst for revenge is far from quenched. For years, she has been content with her poisons and potions for company, but when an unknown form of alchemy is used to attack a king of the midrealms, Wren's time in the shadows comes to an end. She's offered a place at the ancient alchemy academy of Drevenor to find a cure to the dark magic threatening the kingdoms. To win her spot, she must conquer the Gauntlet - a gruelling series of deadly trials that could cost her sanity, or her life.



How to draw favourite characters

Young artists will embark on an exciting artistic journey full of friends, incredible superheroes, fast race cars, brave explorers, and much more!



Allotment gardening

: an organic

guide for beginners

Author:

Susan Berger

Whether you're looking to acquire your first allotment plot or are completely new to growing, this friendly guide is packed with helpful gardening advice to grow a variety of plants.



Making pottery without a kiln

Author:

Daniela Schmidt-Kohl

Discover 29 home decor projects perfect for beginners that can be customized for any style



Consumer.

Originally published monthly and changed to quarterly in 2023. Borrowable magazine



An icon for KAWERAU



One of the important tasks of the Kawerau Museum is to keep track of whenever the town and people of Kawerau appear in the news. We collect whole issues of local newspapers, and individual articles that appear in regional and national newspapers that can help us tell the story of Kawerau and its communities.

Sometimes you come across some surprising and mysterious things. A recent example was an article from 2007 about a proposal to erect a giant steel roller as the icon for Kawerau. The proposal was accepted by council and Kawerau businesses donated \$3000 for the installation.

The roller itself came from the Number One paper machine at Tasman mill, which is a powerful symbol, linking the town's identity directly to its industrial heart – the mill that created the town itself.

The fate of the roller is unclear. Was it ever installed? Where is it now?

And it raises the question: with the town's identity evolving, should Kawerau reconsider the idea of creating a new icon that represents its resilience, its stunning natural surroundings, its people, its diverse future? If the idea was revived in 2025, almost twenty years later, what icon might represent the heart of Kawerau now?



MACARBE MEANINGS

OCTOBERS WORDS OF THE MONTH

haunga

(stative) be stinking, smelly, putrid, reeking, fetid, odorous, stale.

He ika tērā e haunga mai nei. / That fish is smelly.

irirangi

spirit voice - an eerie, high pitched off key note, or harmonic, sometimes heard near the ceiling of the meeting house above people singing. It was sometimes regarded as a bad omen and a portent of death.

Mehemea ka waiata tātou ki roto i te whare, ā, ka rangona te waha e waiata ana i waho, he waha wairua, he irirangi tēnā (W 1971:80). / If we sing inside the house and a voice is heard singing outside, which is a spirit voice, that is 'irirangi'.

fetid

having an offensive odor; stinking

The park also built a larger sun canopy for the giraffe and dredged out garbage and fetid water from a pool that took up much of the enclosure

eerie

uncanny, so as to inspire superstitious fear; weird

Come nightfall, the eerie silence is often pierced by the woeful bleat of a wandering burro

For these words and more you can find them at the websites maoridictionary.co.nz and dictionary.com



What's happening at the library?

In acknowledgment of 2025 being 80 years since the end of World War 2, 75 years since beginning of Korean War, 65 years since end of Malay Emergency and 50 years since end of Vietnam War, we invite you to knit, weave or crochet a scarf for a veteran.

This is to let them know that they haven't been forgotten, they are wrapped in remembrance, and their service is appreciated.

Scarves can be any ply, any pattern and any colours.

Project on now finishing November 11, 2025

Completed scarves can be dropped into Kawerau Library – 27-29 Jellico Court, Kawerau

If you're working on a knitting or crochet scarf, we'd love to have it in by 30th October. Thanks to the wonderful support of the Kawerau Arts Society, all scarves will be proudly displayed in the Town Hall as part of the Art Exhibition before being sent off, shinning a little spotlight on this project.

If you would prefer not to have your scarf on display, please let staff know when you drop it off.

We'll also have a cozy space set up for anyone who'd like to sit together, knit and chat in the company of others while working on their projects.

