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While some of us may be feeling a bit down in the dumps at the moment - we are here to cheer you up this month with some positive stories. New businesses launching, passion and creative ideas coming from existing businesses and a good reason to get out and explore our region.

When the Fraser family first saw a five acre plot of land on the outskirts of Waimate four years ago, they thought the idyllic spot was out of their league. However, thanks to some good old-fashioned perseverance and a new job, the land and the beautiful home that now sits upon it is now proudly theirs. Their story is on page 16.

Susi Meares started making hats at 24 when she couldn't find a hat that she liked. We have a chat with her about her gorgeous one-off designs. Page 8.

Rebecca Kerr of Mint Boutique in Fairlie has always wanted her own label, so on March 15 she is launching her own New Zealand made Mint designer label online. Details are on page 12.

Paulette Haussman is the creative force behind local business Paulette's Sewing and Design. For more than 29 years she has been busy designing, producing and altering beautiful garments from her home-based workshop in Timaru. Page 15.

Glyn Potter who features on our front cover has taken a leap of faith and returned to his roots. His bespoke metalwork business making knives, furniture, boot racks and other household items is in the beautiful Mackenzie district. Page 18.

We visit the fabulous historic Victorian streets of Oamaru with its bustling cafe and art scene, to the picturesque beauty of the lakes district and golden sand beaches, the Waitaki District is just waiting to be explored. Turn to page 6.

A new destination playground is coming to South Canterbury! Check out the details of this great project and how you can get involved on page 5.

Enjoy your month - Dorothy.

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GIVEAWAY

To win an \$100 gift voucher, jump onto Paulette Sewing & Designs Facebook page. Like her page, click onto her recent giveaway post and comment yes please, make sure you tag a friend and share this post as well as we'd hate for anyone to miss out!

Paulette will draw the lucky winner on the 27th of March.

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A new destination playground is coming to South Canterbury!

Play is one of the most important things that we can do. Now that the play equipment at Caroline Bay, Timaru needs replacing, it's time to break from traditional playgrounds and offer more stimulating and inclusive play for all ages and abilities. We all want a fun, challenging playground where our kids can follow their imagination, play as their creativity takes them and not leave anyone out. The new playground can help our health, foster development and movement, promote social skills, resilience and tolerance. And help us connect to our special stories, heritage and history.

Soon you will be able to play on a shipwreck, lighthouse, 50m tandem flying fox, with a lava obstacle challenge floor, under 5s space, as well as over 40 play pieces themed around our environment and local stories. This will be a destination playground for locals and visitors to inspire us to move and play for a healthier and happier community.

This project is being managed by a joint steering group with CPlay volunteers and TDC to ensure every aspect of the finance, planning and build is well considered and organized. Aoraki Foundation are supporting the team by managing donations so you can claim 33% tax back on your donation.

Many volunteers are coming together to offer their expertise. This work in kind also ensures that less is spent on overheads, and frees up funds for the playground.

It's going to be fun, inclusive, meaningful and challenging - It's going to be EPIC!
\$1.8 m has been raised by volunteers, with to goal to raise total of 2.2 million.

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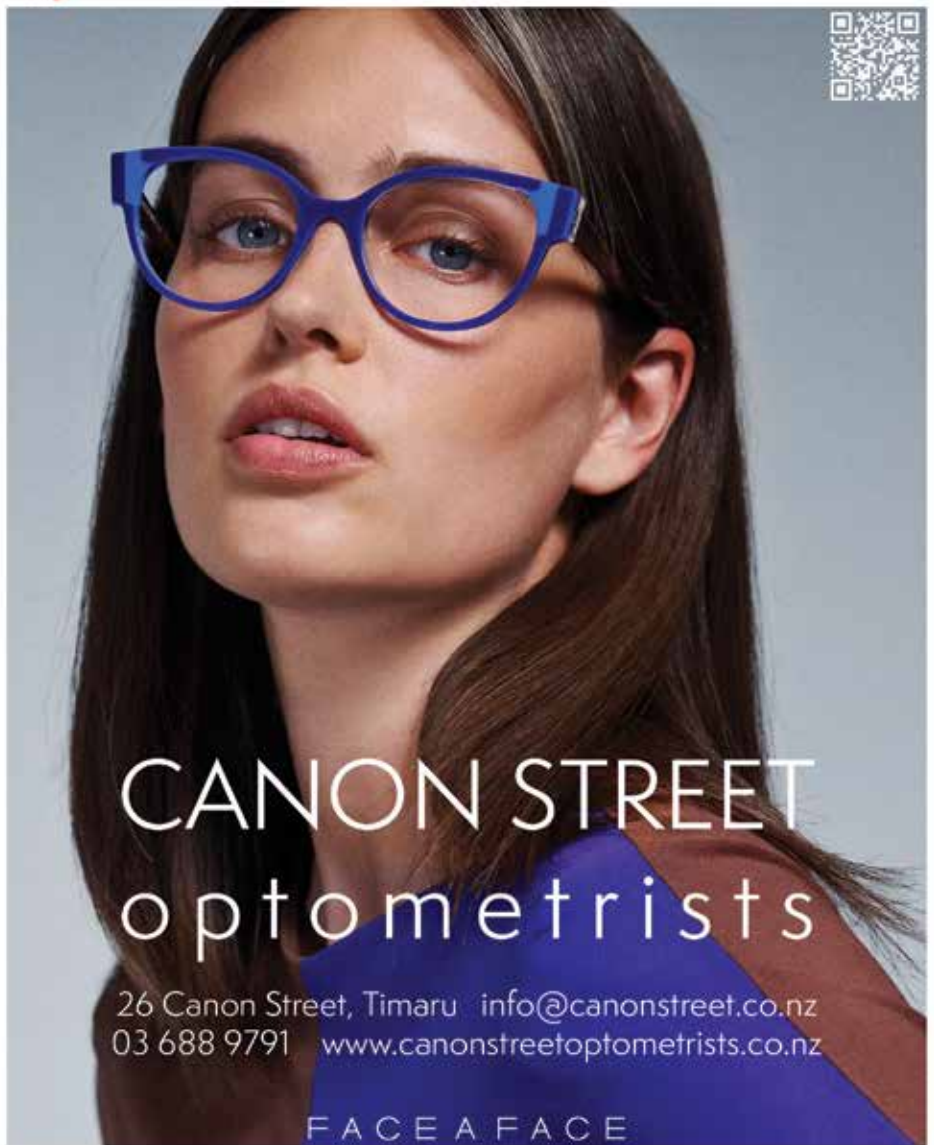
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Why Visit Waitaki

words: **Michelle McCullough** images: **Waitaki Tourism**

From the fabulous historic Victorian streets of Oamaru with its bustling cafe and art scene, to the picturesque beauty of the lakes district and golden sand beaches, the Waitaki District is just waiting to be explored.

Oamaru's Victorian Quarter is the Steampunk capital of the world and is full of amazing shops, cafes, breweries and art galleries. Popular store Art on Tyne offers a wide range of locally produced art and giftware. From jewellery and wall art, to clothing and homewares, Art on Tyne is well worth a visit to check out the wares of some of the regions most talented people. Waitaki's main town is also well-known for its range of second-hand and antique shops, with people traveling from all over New Zealand to rummage for treasures. If you want to stock up your pantry, then a trip to the Sunday Oamaru Farmers' Market is a must. Pick up some honey, beeswax wraps and candles from the super friendly team at Mossy Bees, treat

yourself to some delicious treats from the Harbour Street Bakery or book in some 'me time' with handcrafted body products from Honey and Spice.

For those with adventure on their to do list, Waitaki has something for everyone. Take in the picturesque scenery of the district's high country on horseback with the team Adventure Horse Trekking. Offering a range of treks, Adventure Horse Trekking's stable of friendly horses will take you far away from city life and up through hidden trails to some of the best views New Zealand has to offer. If two wheels are more your style, then check out the Alps 2 Ocean cycle trail. Starting at the base



of Mount Cook and finishing at the coast in Oamaru, this is New Zealand's longest cycle trail and takes four to six days to complete. For those who prefer to do their exploring on foot, the Waitaki region is full of walks to suit all fitness levels. The Cape Wanbrow walking track in Oamaru has spectacular views of the Pacific Ocean, while Herbert Forest offers a range of loop walks that are great for families.

Once you have finished exploring the region, be it by horseback, cycle or foot, Hot Tubs Omarama is the perfect spot to relax and recharge. Soak in a private wooden tub filled with pure mountain water, and set the temperature to your liking while taking in the magnificent Waitaki landscape. With scrumptious platters on offer, and open seven days a week whether the sun is out or it's snowing, Hot Tubs Omarama is a destination for the whole family. For those with more time, the Mariner Suites offers luxury accommodation in the heart of Oamaru. Boasting sea views from every room, this boutique hotel is located close to nearby attractions such as the Oamaru Blue Penguin Colony, the Victorian Quarter and the Friendly Bay Steampunk Playground which is extremely popular with kids aged from two to ninety-two.

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Alice is a partner at Timpany Walton. She works in the property area, including work to do with Wills, Trusts and Enduring Powers of Attorney.

What are Enduring Powers of Attorney?

An Enduring Power of Attorney (EPA) is a document which allows you to name someone to act for you and make decisions on your behalf even if you are no longer able to make decisions for yourself. An EPA allows you to name a person (called your attorney) who has power to act on your behalf and make decisions for you if you become incapacitated. In some cases, two or more people may be appointed.

There are two types of EPAs: those for property and those for personal care and welfare. Property means everything that you own, including bank accounts, investments and so on. A personal care and welfare attorney is concerned with questions such as where you are to live and are you being properly cared for.

Who can be my attorney?

Anyone aged over 20 who knows you well; that you trust to make decisions for you; is willing and able to take on the responsibility of being an attorney and is not bankrupt or subject to any personal or property court order.

What happens if I don't have an Enduring Power of Attorney?

If you can't make decisions for yourself and don't have an EPA in place, then an application to the Family Court may be needed. This can take a long time and be stressful. It can also be very costly if a lawyer applies to the Court.

Who can help?

Your lawyer can make EPAs for you and talk with you about the different choices available when setting up the EPAs. You can also get good information (including EPA forms) at officeforseniors.govt.nz.



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See you soon!

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Susi Meares

A Hat for Every Occasion

'I think that a hat or headpiece completes an outfit, just like the icing on a cake'

Susi has always loved hats! She grew up on a farm at Bluecliffs with a very creative mother and father, so as a child was always making things. She says she owes her sense of creativity to her mother, Odette and her father Gerry. Gerry was always making things in the workshop and Odette was often arranging flowers or creating something exciting.

She started making hats at 24 when she couldn't find a hat for herself that she liked. This initial creation led to commission jobs, where she takes orders for her exquisite custom-made hats, head pieces and

a specific colour that becomes the baseline for the creation, or they might want some aspect of their outfit to be incorporated into their hat. Susi loves the fact that people are becoming more adventurous with their choices and that she is able to bring interesting embellishments onto her creations such as feathers or flowers. On one occasion she even used a bright pink flamingo nestled into a massive nest of feathers!

Men are also starting to reach out to her to design headwear for them. One such example was race-goer Michael Stanton who wanted a design to show that men can also wear a headpiece while retaining their masculinity. The piece used black felt with six black quills that swept across the face and the Press cleverly named it the 'Man-inator'!

Her business name of Seventh and Figg was chosen when she was travelling in New York in her early twenties. Susi saw the names together on the corner of Seventh and Figg Streets and so the sophisticated and elegant brand was born. She now supplies hats for World, an avante-garde fashion store in Auckland and also for Bridget Hope at Magpie Style in Rangiora. Susi feels she is very lucky to be able to work with creative and compatible designers, such as Frances Hooper at World and Bridget Hope who give her free reign. She can be as way-out and flamboyant as she wants and she has built up a loyal client base through these two outlets. Philip Treacy, who designs hats for royalty is also a source of inspiration for Susi. However, Susi designs and makes each hat herself. She said "It's always rewarding for me to know that my hats are being loved and admired at races and weddings". So, if you are going to a wedding or the races or to any special occasion, then Susi is the person to see. She has a broad repertoire from classic timepieces to dramatic avante-garde creations. Nothing is too whacky or way out! Her website is seventhandfigg.nz or her email is info@seventhandfigg.nz. Susi can also be contacted at 027 2433975

Susi told me that she feels spoilt to be doing something that she loves so much and her clients certainly love her original and quirky hats, which are timeless and never date. She says 'You can have so much fun wearing an amazing hat'. Susi is featuring in a recently released book about creative women in NZ called 'Spirit- Conversations with Creative Women.'

'I think that a hat or headpiece completes an outfit, just like the icing on a cake'

fascinators. Today she runs her company Seventh and Figg from her Christchurch home. With three young children Susi works from home around their school hours, designing her gorgeous hats. Every hat is unique, some of them gloriously adorned with feathers and flowers, so there are no two hats the same. Susi collects quality materials which she sources from Australia and further afield to produce original one-off styles. Much of her work is hand-stitched and her glue gun is a vital piece of equipment.

She has an initial consultation with her client to match their personality, the event they are attending and the outfit they are wearing. They might want



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Owner Nick Symister, a University of Otago graduate who started his career at Saatchi and Saatchi in London, said being a uniquely agri-business creative agency offering a range of services to suit different budgets had given the company an edge over other agencies.

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The company has recently been selected as an official supplier to the New Zealand All-of-Government Design panel and All-of-Government Advertising Services panel.

"We're now on the New Zealand government roster which is very hard to get onto and it is renewed every four years. It's usually the big corporate agencies out of Auckland that are selected but we are one of the few independents that have been put on there."

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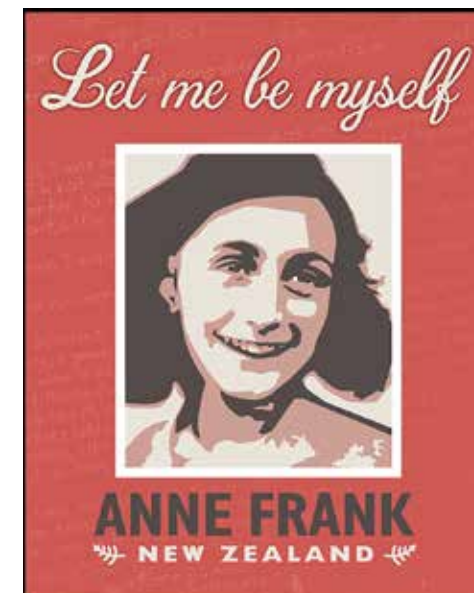
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SOUTH CANTERBURY MUSEUM

The South Canterbury Museum is the place to explore our region's heritage and see travelling exhibitions. **Anne Frank: Let me be myself** is showing until 1 May, toured by the Holocaust Centre of New Zealand. It tells the story of a remarkable young Jewish woman hiding from Nazi authorities in wartime Amsterdam. The exhibition helps us understand her life, recorded in her wartime diary, before her final capture and death. It reminds us living today about the need for understanding and acceptance. The Museum is located on Perth Street, downtown Timaru, and open from 10am-4:30pm Tuesday to Friday, and from 1pm on weekend afternoons.

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Mint Boutique is launching its own Label

"We talk the talk and walk the (cat) walk" says Rebecca Kerr of Mint Boutique in Fairlie. This is how she describes her team of 9 workers. Mint first opened in 2010 as a secondhand store in a quirky tin building. In 2017 a new building was built, along with a brand new website in 2019 Mint now stocks a range of new designer clothing labels, such as Seeking Lola, Homelee, Stella & Gemma, Betty Basics and more. Mint specializes in women's clothing and caters for sizes from 6 to 24. Rebecca describes her range as "casual fashion with a twist" and clients come from as far as Christchurch to buy her clothes. We are growing super fast nationally and internationally - this is just so humble!

Rebecca has always wanted her own label, so she decided to take the gamble and on March 15th she will be excited to launch her own New Zealand made Mint designer label online. The clothes are made using natural fabrics with a range of tops, layering tanks and dresses in sizes 6-20 and made right here in Christchurch. The thought of having a launch party in Fairlie on the 15th turned pear shape with the new traffic light system, Rebecca didn't want to put time and effort into this and only a hand full of customers turn up, so online launch it is, keep this date free!!

Rebecca had thought of going off shore but "wanted to keep it all in NZ as much as I can - small business supporting small businesses is what I wanted and the fact the past few years have been trying for everyone. I thought this was a great opportunity to support each other". With getting the contact from my son Ben at Blank Space for the factory they were happy to take Mint on to help grow our brand and work with us to make some fabulous pieces for our existing and new customers.

We are also excited to be launching an exclusive earring range, co-labelled with Lover Lover. These will also be launched on March 15th.

We have predominantly used social media and marketing emails to grow to where we are today and hope that this continues, we sure think it will once our label gets launched!"

Mint Boutique aims to provide something for everyone and anyone. Rebecca is proud to provide top quality clothing, accessories and Rebecca takes pride in her team and the excellent customer service we give - we are well known for this!!... 92% of their business is done online, with the busy staff organizing ordering and packing 7 days a week from 10.00am - 4.00pm. This busy little shop also sells gifts, jewellery and shoes. Customers like the labels offered and the ambience of the shopping precinct, where you can also sit and enjoy a coffee next door at the Fairlie Bakery once you have finished browsing and/or buying. It's great that our wee hub in Bobby square all brings in different types of clientele!

So to keep up with latest fashion trends at Mint Boutique, check out www.mintboutique.co.nz or you can find them on Facebook/Instagram

We love it when we get reviews like this!

"The best service! Emailed Rebecca and ordered at 2pm, replied back to advise order would be sent within 5mins of my email- and then goods sent at 2.10pm with tracking. Fantastic service. So fast for this time of year. Thank you."

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The Perfect Fit

For Paulette Hausman the key to the perfect outfit is having the perfect fit.



"I love making unique pieces for my clients that accentuate their best features and make them feel good."

Paulette is the creative force behind local business Paulette's Sewing and Design. And for more than 29 years, she has been busy designing, producing and altering beautiful garments from her home-based workshop in Timaru.

"I offer a total alterations service from hemming jeans right through to making wedding dresses. With zero-waste becoming increasingly popular, some people will go and buy vintage from a pre-loved store, so I'll make it fit. Or they will buy vintage fabric which can I transform into a really unique piece."

Paulette offers a range of made to measure clothing, as well as a ready-to-wear and merino range for both men and women. These stunning pieces can be viewed on

her Facebook page 'Paulette's Sewing & Design'.

With a wide range of fabric in stock in her workshop, and no pattern required, Paulette is also able to mend and re-create your favourite pieces from just a description or photograph.

Paulette also makes wedding and bridesmaid dresses and can proudly say she has made three generations of wedding dresses for her own family which was incredibly special for the local seamstress.

"I made my mother's wedding dress, my own wedding dress and my daughter Jaimee's wedding dress."

With the increase of online shopping a big part of Paulette's job is altering gowns that have been purchased online.

"For some brides it is more viable to buy their dresses online but a lot of the time they don't fit properly. It can be quite a big job because in some cases I'm having to remake the wedding dress. It's quite a specialized job but I don't mind. It's all about getting the perfect fit."

To make an appointment with Paulette contact her through her Facebook page call or text her on 027 361 2834 for an appointment.



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Idyllic spot in Waimate.

When the Fraser family first saw a five-acre plot of land on the outskirts of Waimate four years ago, they thought the idyllic spot was out of their league.

However, thanks to some good old-fashioned perseverance and a new job, the land and the beautiful home that now sits upon it is now proudly theirs.

"We knew about the land about four or five years before we bought it, but we thought we weren't going to be able to afford it. It was out of our league and then my wife got a new job, and things changed," Ben Fraser said.

Ben, a builder who owns Hunter Hills Carpentry and his wife Mhairi, a Human Resources advisor at Oceania Dairy Limited, started building their dream home in November 2020. The couple and their two children, eight-year-old James and four-year-old Sophie, moved into the stunning 270 square-meter home in August last year.

"The kids are having a ball. There is so much more room for them to run around, and they had some input into how their rooms were styled."

"The bright and airy three-bedroom home, which looks out onto the magnificent Hunters Hills, allows the family to enjoy rural living close to the Waimate township," Ben said.

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Ben took the house-build on as a full-time project alongside friend and fellow builder Jared Stringer. With more than ten years' experience in the building trade, Ben had a wealth of knowledge to draw on when it came to designing the home alongside his Scottish bride Mhairi.

"I really enjoyed the experience because we got to make all the decisions. [During my career] I've seen lots of different designs, and bits and pieces, so it was good to use that experience in my own build."

Ben, who is also a qualified joiner with more than 10 years' experience, also designed and built the home's spacious and modern kitchen which features natural Tasmanian Oak bench tops. Another key feature of the Fraser's new home is the cladding, which was sourced from North Island company The Redwood Guys, Ben said.

"We used redwood for the cladding which is a New Zealand timber grown in the North Island."

"While the build itself was relatively stress-free during the project, 37-year-old Mhairi was diagnosed with breast cancer," Ben said.

"It was a struggle because she was traveling to Timaru for treatment but in a way the build helped her take her mind off the cancer which she really appreciated. The treatment couldn't have gone better to be honest because it saved her life."

While Mhairi continues to recuperate, the couple are now looking toward their next project: landscaping their garden.



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Albury Forge

Bespoke Metalwork

Being stranded across the ditch has seen local man Glyn Potter take a leap of faith and return to his roots.

Glyn is the creative force behind Albury Forge, a bespoke metalwork business making knives, furniture, boot racks and other household items, located in the beautiful Mackenzie district.

Since 2015, Glyn's range of products have been sold at Fairlie giftware and interiors store Matilda and The Metalman. Owned by his wife Luisa Potter, Glyn is the Metalman to Luisa's Matilda. A boiler maker by trade with a passion for metalwork, up until recently Glyn worked in the Australian mining industry as an emergency services officer. However, after becoming stuck across the Tasman due to Covid 19 restrictions, Glyn decided to give up his job, return to Albury and become the village's resident metal craftsman.

"When I was stranded in Australia, I was trying to think what I could do when I got home. I have always wanted to do this, but I have never had the courage to say that's it, I'm going to give up my job and make a living through



my craft. It was scary to take the plunge and go from doing it part time to full time."

However, that decision has paid off, with Glyn's products becoming increasingly sought after for residential and commercial projects. And the recent introduction of knives to his stable of products has been a hit with customers at Matilda and The Metalman.

"So far my knives have sold before they make it to the shop. People have seen them and have been asking for them before they even get into the shop."

Albury Forge's range of knives includes kitchen knives for various purposes, as well as tougher, heavy-duty knives for hunting. Each knife can be customized to suit the varying needs of the user from the weight of the knife, material used in the blade and handle, as well as the style of

handle. Glyn's knives can also be personalized further using laser etching.

"Handmade custom knives are made in a considered way, for example the geometry and weight, and when you buy a good quality knife from a custom maker you are basically buying an heirloom piece. It's something that can be handed down from generation to



generation. If it's well looked after it will last several lifetimes. Every knife that leaves the workshop has been made to the highest standard."

Glyn takes custom orders whether you have an idea in mind or just want one of his products modified to suit your individual needs.

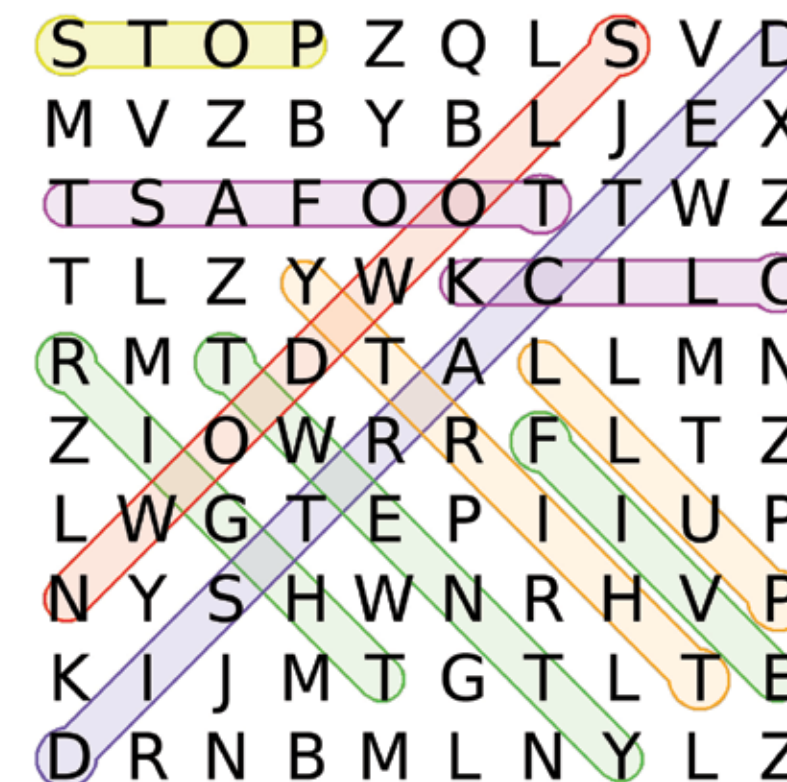
"I work with clients to meet their requirements. I can help them develop their ideas and concepts and turn it into the product that they want."

To see Glyn's range of products, visit Albury Forge on Facebook, pop into Matilda and The Metalman in Fairlie or shop online here www.matildaandthemetalmn.co.nz



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