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The days are getting longer, the daffodils are starting to bloom, and there are moments when it really does feel that spring is almost here ... a good time to hold our annual "Spring into Tawa" Market Day as detailed further down this page.

ON A SADDER NOTE ...

Graeme Sutton, longest-serving member of the current Tawa Community Board, died last Saturday after a long battle with cancer. Our condolences to Elizabeth, Graeme's wife (and daughter of the late Mervyn Kemp). They have three adult children. Graeme served the Tawa community well for more than 30 years, firstly on the Tawa Borough Council from 1974-1989, and then from 1989 to the present day on the Tawa Community Board (with a gap of six years in the 1990s). He was both a Justice of the Peace and a Paul Harris Fellow of the Rotary Club of Tawa.

Last night I was looking at the book "Tawa: Enterprise and Endeavour" (by K R Cassells), and G B G Sutton features in Tawa Borough Council photos taken every third year from 1974 through to 1986. In the last of those shots, he's sitting alongside a certain Mrs K L Prendergast who, at that time, was a fellow Tawa councillor. Those were the days!

Graeme's funeral service will take place at St Christopher's Anglican Church at 2pm this Friday 28th.

TAWA COMMUNITY POT LUCK MEAL WITH THE TAWA COMMUNITY BOARD

Come and meet the various members of the Tawa Community Board. They will be joining us at our Pot Luck Meal at 6pm on Saturday, 5th September, at the Tawa Community Centre. The evening will be rounded off with a short performance from the Tawa Go Go Nuts (Cook Island) drumming group. We'll be finished around 7.20pm - everyone is welcome. Bring your own food to pool with others.

"SPRING INTO TAWA" MARKET DAY

Come on down to the Main Road shops on Saturday, 12th September, 9am-12.30pm, to buy some of the many and varied goods on offer, to be part of the action, and to support your local community.

At this stage we have 38 confirmed stallholders. It's going to be a great day with plenty on which to spend your money, and entertainment from Harry the Clown, the Red Hackle Pipe Band, the Radio Training School people, etc, etc. And make sure you're there for the 'annual' waterballoon-catching competition at midday. More information is available at http://www.tawalink.com/springintotawa.html

TAWA-LYNDHURST TENNIS CLUB OPENING DAY

Sunday 30th August at Taylor Park (by Redwood Railway Station). Junior registration 10am - 12 noon. Coaches on court so come and have a hit! Open Club Day for all players 1.30pm onwards. Contacts:

Juniors - Julie Roberts 232 9301 sjroberts@xtra.co.nz Junior Interclub - Doreen Lally 237 9018 Seniors and coaching - Francis Glover 027 428 9759 tennisinc.ltd@gmail.com

HOME SCHOOLERS IN TAWA?

A local woman is considering home schooling her two children. She would love to get in touch with others in Tawa doing the same thing, to discuss their reasons for doing so and the "ins and outs" of setting the system up. Are you involved in home schooling or do you know of anyone who is? She'd love to hear from you. Her contact number is 232 9704.

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"Blessed are those who can give without remembering and take without forgetting."

"Every morning is the dawn of a new error."

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