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44W/5300LM, 56W/6300LM
Non-maintained
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STATE OF ORIGIN 2026

GLight and Powerbase came together to host an unforgettable State of Origin 2026, Game 2 at Melbourne MCG, bringing members, customers and rugby league fans together to enjoy one of Australia's biggest sporting rivalries. The event was all about creating a great atmosphere, connecting with customers and partners, and enjoying the game together. From the pre-match buzz and friendly banter to cheering on every tackle, try and big play, it was a fantastic night of sport, entertainment and connection.

Queensland levelled the series with a thrilling 44-24 victory over NSW in Game 2, setting up an exciting decider. With the Blues and Maroons battling it out across the series, the 2026 State of Origin delivered plenty of excitement, drama and big moments. In the end, NSW came out on top, taking the series 2-1 after a hard-fought final game.

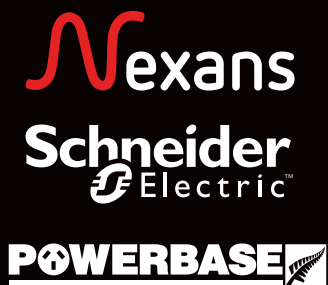
A huge thank you to everyone who joined us and helped make the GLight & Powerbase State of Origin 2026 event such a success.



ALL BLACKS VS IRELAND

Powerbase, together with sponsors Schneider Electric and Nexans, came together to host an unforgettable All Blacks vs Ireland 2026 event, bringing members, customers and rugby fans together to enjoy one of rugby's biggest international matchups. It was a great opportunity to connect with customers and partners, enjoy some pre-match excitement and soak up the atmosphere at Eden Park.

From the friendly banter and pre-match buzz to cheering on every tackle, try and big play, the event was a fantastic night of rugby, entertainment and connection. The All Blacks put on a strong performance, securing a convincing 40-21 victory over Ireland, making it the perfect way to bring everyone together, celebrate the game and strengthen relationships with our customers, members and industry partners.



G12/AS1 Lead Free and Dezincification Resistance Requirements: SMITHS PRODUCT UPDATE



Changes to clause G12 of the New Zealand Building Code, effective May 2026, have prompted a sector-wide review of products used in potable water supplies. At its core, clause G12 is about ensuring water systems in buildings are safe, adequate, and protected from contamination.

The updated requirements focus on two key areas: lead content and dezincification resistance in copper alloy components. These requirements impact the plumbing and electrical sector, placing a stronger focus on the materials used in fittings, valves, water heaters, and associated components.

The changes bring New Zealand into closer alignment with standards recognised in Australia and North America: NSF/ANSI/CAN 372 provides an established method for assessing lead content in drinking water system components, while AS 2345:2006 provides the framework for confirming dezincification resistance in copper alloy products used in water supply applications.

The first change limits the maximum lead content for products that contain copper alloy. Where products are used in potable water systems intended for human consumption, the weighted average lead content must be no more than 0.25%. By this definition, less than (or equal to) 0.25% weighted average lead content is considered "lead-free". Lead-free verification must be supported by testing from an IANZ (or equivalent) accredited testing facility, in accordance with NSF/ANSI/CAN 372.

The second requirement applies to dezincification resistance. Copper-base alloy components that are in contact with water and subject to hydrostatic pressure must be dezincification resistant. Dezincification is a form of corrosion whereby zinc leaches from brass alloy materials. To pass this corrosion testing, forgings and cast materials must have an average depth of dezincification of less than 100µm, in compliance with AS 2345:2006.

While the lead-free requirement is intended to reduce potential lead exposure from products used in potable water systems, the dezincification resistance requirement adds a separate check on copper alloy performance in service.

For Smiths, the regulation update prompted an assessment of our water heating element range; this resulted in modifications to the material of the brass boss (the threaded component of the element that houses the terminals) we also reviewed our supporting compliance documentation.

H59 brass has traditionally been used as a boss material in water heating elements. However, with the recent Building Code amendments, it is no longer suitable for the outlined potable water applications.

In response, Smiths exchanged the traditional boss material of affected water heating elements for ECO brass - carefully selected to meet the new lead-free and dezincification resistance requirements. Product codes and descriptions have been altered accordingly: existing codes are now suffixed with LF to indicate Lead-Free.

The affected products have been tested against the applicable standards, with Supplier Declarations of Conformity prepared to support compliance. These SDoCs are backed by accredited test reports which include authorised results for lead content in accordance with NSF/ANSI/CAN 372, and dezincification resistance pursuant to AS 2345:2006.

The Smiths brass boss element range now aligns entirely with the revised expectations for potable water plumbing products.

For the affected water heating element range, the mandatory material changes have been made; ECO brass has been adopted,



and corresponding Supplier Declarations of Conformity are available to support compliance with G12/AS1. This gives the industry a clear, documented position from Smiths, as reassurance that our products meet the Acceptable Solution requirements.

It is worth noting that not every water heating element construction is affected in the same way. Water heating elements from the Smiths Titanium Pro range maintain compliance because their construction does not rely on a brass boss. Instead, the SLWT range boasts a titanium sheath and 316 stainless steel boss. The existing material construction already aligns with the intent of the updated regulations.

Across the sector, these Building Code changes raise the baseline for products used in potable water systems. They give manufacturers, importers, wholesalers, and installers clearer expectations, while supporting greater consistency across products used in New Zealand water supply systems.

Smiths have supplied the electrical sector for many years, and water heating remains an important part of that work. Our role is to ensure the products we supply are fit for purpose, properly documented, and aligned with the current requirements of the New Zealand market. Smiths are proudly demonstrating our commitment to upholding the standards of the industry and will continue to do so in years to come.



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UGR<16 LOWGLARE COB LED SPOTLIGHT



GDL361 TC WH



GDL362 TC WH



GDL363 TC WH



GDL364 TC WH



GDL365 TC WH

Unit: mm	MODEL NO.	H	Ø	Cut-out
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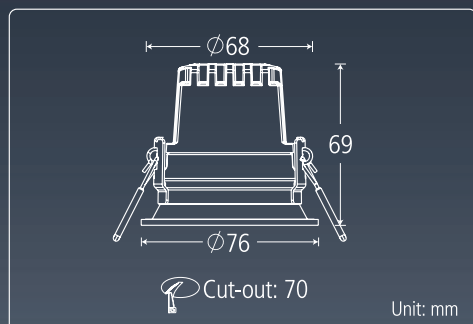


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- Powder coated finish
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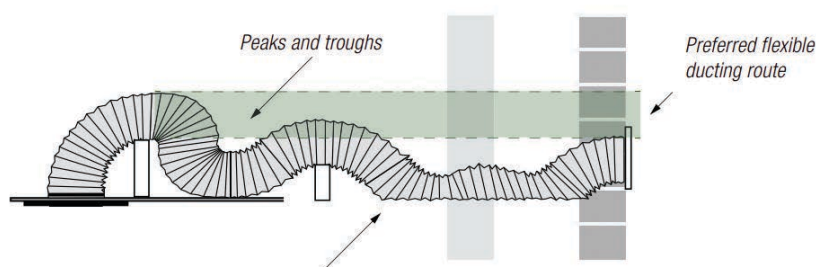
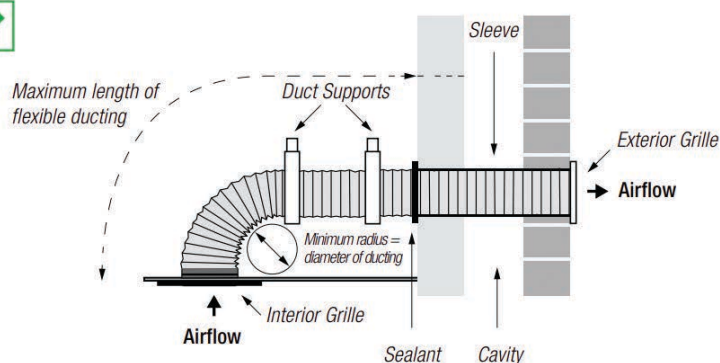
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DAY GIFTS

1. Yeti 26 oz Bottle With Flip Chug Cap 2. Boss Boss Bottled Infinite Eau de Parfum 3. Bennetts - Milk Chocolate 4. Flamingo Estate Heirloom Tomato Candle 5. Ninja Electric Grill & Smoker 6. Leatherman Skeetool® CX 7. Bellroy Laptop Caddy 14" - Everglade 8. Osprey Arcane Large Day Bag - Cascade Blue Heather 9. Yeti 26 oz Bottle With Flip Chug Cap 10. Lexon Thykho 3 Fm Radio & Bluetooth Speaker 11. Garmin Vivoactive 6 - Jasper Green and Jasper Green Metallic 12. Blunt Classic Midnight Navy Umbrella 120 cm

WHY BATHROOM DUCTING GETS COLD, DAMP AND DRIPPY.

Bathroom extraction is simple in theory: remove warm, moist air from the room and push it outside. But in practice, the ducting you use can make a big difference to how well the system performs.



This is especially true in New Zealand homes, where bathrooms often extract through cold roof spaces. When warm, moisture-laden air travels through uninsulated ducting, the duct wall can become cold enough for condensation to form inside the duct. Just like what happens to your windows if you don't have a SmartVent system installed. Once this happens, water can collect in low points, run back towards the fan, drip onto the ceiling and roof space, generally causing damage and mould growth.

Using a Manrose continuous extraction fan can help with this problem, but to get the best outcome you should pair it with insulated ducting.

Why insulated ducting?

Insulated ducting helps keep the air inside the duct warmer as it travels from the bathroom to the outside. By reducing the temperature difference between the moist air and the duct wall, it helps minimise condensation forming inside the duct.

That being said, if you're using an intermittent fan you might still see some condensation forming inside the ducting. This is because the ducting will still be cold when it sits in the roof space, as there isn't any hot air passing through the ducting to keep it warm. The solution is to use continuous extraction, as the constant



airflow helps manage moisture and can keep the ducting warm enough to mitigate condensation.

You should be thinking about using a Manrose continuous extraction fan paired with insulated ducting whenever you run ducting through any space outside the building's thermal envelope (uninsulated spaces). This typically includes areas like roof cavities, garages, subfloors, or anywhere the ducting is exposed to cold air.

Ducting can also be acoustically insulated as well. This won't make the fan silent (particularly if it's a centrifugal or through-wall fan), but it will help reduce the noise of the air through the duct. Acoustic insulation can make a surprisingly large difference, particularly in regions with low background noise.

For the best result, insulated ducting should be installed with short, direct duct runs where possible. Avoid unnecessary bends, sagging, or crushed ducting, as these all reduce the amount of airflow the system can push through and creates locations for moisture to pool. Ducting should also be hung so it falls slightly towards the external outlet, just like you would with spouting, so any moisture that does form is directed outside not back into the home.

A better system

Bathroom ventilation is not just about choosing a good fan (although that is a big part of it!). The ducting, airflow path, and installation quality all make a significant difference on the systems performance.

For NZ bathrooms, especially in colder regions or where ducting passes through an uninsulated roof space, insulated ducting paired with a Manrose continuous extraction fan should be the standard choice. This combination is a simple upgrade that helps protect the building, keeps the system running smoothly, and reduces callbacks.



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When you think of New Zealand motorsport, names like Bruce McLaren, Denny Hulme and Scott Dixon probably spring to mind. What probably doesn't, is a purpose-built factory hidden among the sheep paddocks of Canterbury that's quietly trying to build a race car capable of embarrassing Formula One. Yet that's exactly what Rodin Cars is doing.

The company, founded by Kiwi tech entrepreneur David Dicker, isn't interested in building another supercar to cruise Ponsonby Road, Rodin has one obsession and that is building the fastest track cars on the planet.

"What if there were no rules?" That question led to the Rodin FZED, an open-wheel race car that gives wealthy enthusiasts something remarkably close to a modern Formula One experience (minus the politics, team radios and million-dollar repair bills every other weekend).

But the real headline grabber is the Rodin FZERO. Powered by a bespoke twin-turbo hybrid V10 producing around 1,176bhp, weighing less than 700kg and capable of generating approximately 4,000kg of downforce, its goal isn't simply to be quick, it wants to be quicker than Formula One.

What's perhaps even more impressive is how much of the car is built in-house. Rodin designs and manufactures everything from the carbon-fibre chassis and suspension to titanium components, gearbox and even its own V10 engine.

And while many manufacturers are adding electric assistance, autonomous features and increasingly complicated touchscreens, Rodin has doubled down on the one thing motorsport fans really care about, outright performance.

The company has also expanded into driver development through Rodin Motorsport, supporting young racing talent across international single-seater categories. It's another reminder that as well as building extraordinary machines, Rodin is about creating a complete motorsport ecosystem.

New Zealand has always punched above its weight in engineering. From Bruce McLaren building championship-winning race cars to innovators creating world-class yacht technology and aerospace components, we've developed a habit of proving that great ideas don't need to come from Detroit, Stuttgart or Maranello. Now Rodin Cars is adding another chapter to that story.

Will the FZERO ultimately achieve its ambition of outperforming Formula One? Time (and a stopwatch) will tell. But one thing is already certain. Somewhere in the Canterbury countryside, a group of Kiwi engineers are giving the world's biggest motorsport names something they probably didn't expect, Competition.

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LOUIS SHARP

The Tony Quinn Foundation was established in 2021 by businessman Tony Quinn, owner of Hampton Downs Motorsport Park, Highlands Motorsport Park, and Taupo International Motorsport Park.

The Foundation was created with a clear purpose: to support talented young New Zealanders with the ambition and ability to progress onto the world motorsport stage. Backed by a group of experienced and well-connected trustees from across the motorsport industry, the TQF provides support ranging from grassroots development through to financial assistance for elite Kiwi drivers competing internationally.

Today, the Foundation is recognised for delivering opportunities that are unprecedented within New Zealand motorsport, helping bridge the gap between national success and global careers.





Louis began karting at just six years old and quickly rose through the ranks to become New Zealand's most successful age-group karter by the age of twelve, securing more national titles and series wins than any young driver before him.

He made his open-wheel debut in Formula First in 2020 before stepping up to Formula Ford the following year, where he immediately impressed by taking pole position on debut and claiming two victories in his second outing.

In 2022, at just fourteen years of age, Louis earned a coveted seat in the British F4 Championship. Despite missing the opening rounds due to age restrictions, he finished fourth overall, claiming two race wins and twelve podium finishes. He also added the UAE F4 Trophy title to his growing list of achievements.

Louis returned to British F4 in 2023, capturing the championship title before

going on to win the GB3 Championship in 2024, becoming the youngest-ever debut race winner in GB3 history and the first driver since Ayrton Senna to secure back-to-back British titles.

In 2025, Louis graduated to the FIA Formula 3 Championship with Rodin Motorsport, where his rookie season was highlighted by a record-breaking weekend at the Hungaroring, storming through the field to gain 29 positions across two races.

In preparation for his second season in Formula 3, the Tony Quinn Foundation awarded Louis a \$100,000 grant to support his 2026 campaign in the Castrol Toyota Formula Regional Oceania Trophy

(CTFROT). The four-week championship provided the perfect preparation over the European off-season, with Louis making an immediate impression by winning on debut. The Kiwi would go on to finish third overall in the championship and secure the Tasman Cup as the highest-placed New Zealand driver.

Following his successful CTFROT campaign in New Zealand, Louis has returned to Europe for his second FIA Formula 3 season, joining powerhouse PREMA Racing for the 2026 campaign. Backed by the Tony Quinn Foundation, Louis continues to compete against some of the world's best emerging talent as he pursues his ultimate goal of reaching Formula 1.

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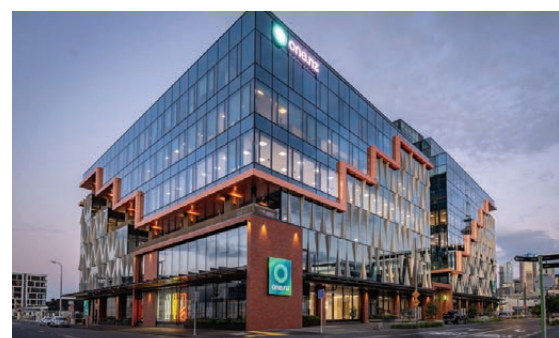
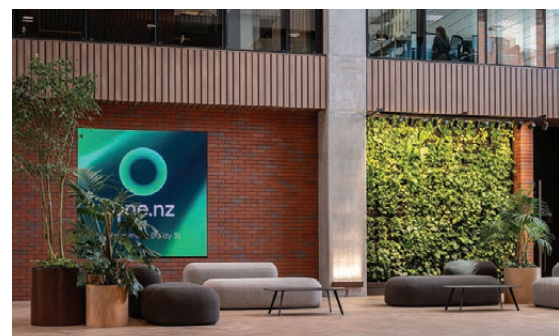


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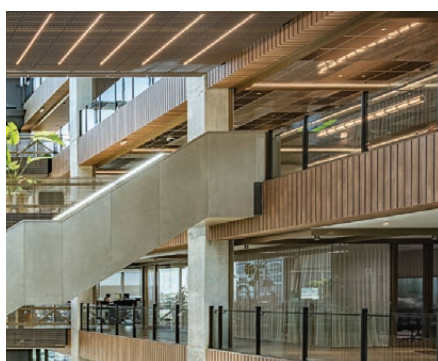
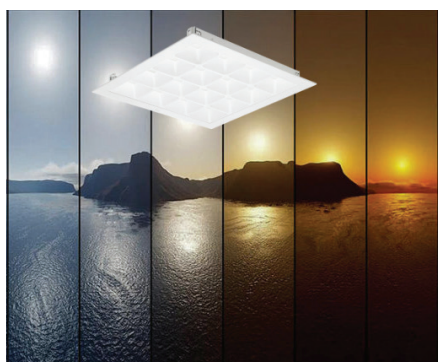
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Stop Squeezing the Life Out of It: **WHY “TIGHT AIN’T RIGHT” FOR DISTANCE**

Every weekend warrior is on the same quest. You want more ball speed. You want to bomb your driver past your playing partners. You want to squeeze every inch possible out of your irons. So, what’s the first thing most amateurs do when they step up to the tee? They try to murder it.

They grip the club like they’re choking a snake. They tense their forearms. Their legs turn to cement and their entire body freezes up.

Here’s the truth: Tight ain’t right. If you want real distance, you need to stay loose as a goose.

Tension is the silent killer of clubhead speed. When you squeeze the grip at an 8, 9, or 10 on the pressure scale, that tension doesn’t stay in your hands. It crawls up your arms, locks your shoulders, and freezes your lower body. A body made of concrete cannot create speed. Speed comes from rhythm, flexibility, and the whip-like release of the golf club.

So, how do you fix it? First, check your grip pressure. You need to hold the club at a 6/6.5 (firm enough to control the club but not strangling it to death) That’s it. When you stand over the ball and think “big drive,” your instinct will be to jump to a 9. Fight it. Stay at a 6.

The second trick is movement. The worst thing you can do is freeze over the ball like a statue. When you stand perfectly still, tension creeps right back into your forearms.



So, waggle the club. Keep the head moving. That little back-and-forth motion prevents the death grip from sneaking in. It keeps your wrists soft and your brain thinking about rhythm, not force.

Also, shuffle your feet. Pick your left foot up. Put it down. Shift your weight. You don’t need to stand like you’re waiting for a mugshot. You need to feel athletic. When you move, you stay loose. When you stay loose, you can actually create lag on the downswing and snap through the ball.

I guarantee you this: Your clubhead speed will be higher, your ball speed will be hotter, and your drives will be longer when you are relaxed and in control than they ever will be when you are tight and trying to crush it.

Next time you’re on the range, grip it at a 6, waggle the club, shuffle your feet, and swing smooth. You’ll be shocked how far the ball goes when you stop trying to force it. Stay loose, and watch the distance increase.

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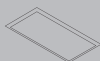
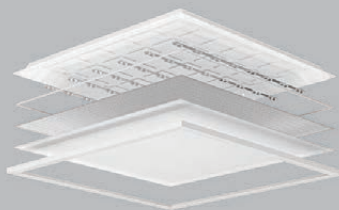
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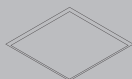
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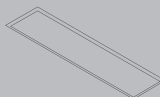
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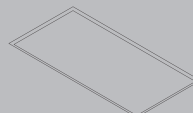
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EMBRACING THE DARKNESS

What's actually in a glass of Guinness?



It's been dark times for the New Zealand brewing industry. But one particular beer has managed to buck the downward trend and surge to nearly a quarter growth over the last few years, and which beer? None other than the humble Guinness.

While arguably the most iconic beer in the world, its jet black colour along with some of its own historical advertising makes it one of the most misunderstood by those who don't drink it. So how are we getting Guinness wrong? The common misconceptions are that it's a strongly flavoured, full bodied and alcoholic beer, also that it's brewed in Ireland. In reality, those descriptors are actually the reverse when compared to most other stouts in New Zealand. The style category that Guinness belongs to is called 'Dry Irish Stout' and it's the dry in that descriptor that really stands these beers apart. It's also brewed right here under licence by Lion, with our 'Kiwi Guinness' in fact holding a reputation for some of the best produced outside of the original St James Gate brewery in Dublin.

Crisp and light bodied, with a moderate bitterness, and at 4.2%abv, barely stronger than Speights, and rather than an indicator of concentration, the starkly black pour is derived from a small presence of black malt. Black, or burned, malts impart a very strong pigment (just ten grains would turn a cup of water completely black) along with a strong bitterness and drying astringency. Though if you're interested, shine a light through a glass of Guinness and you'll see that the true colour is actually ruby red.

The majority of malt that makes up Guinness is the same pale

used for any other ale, yet it tastes very different, and for this there are two principle reasons. Firstly is the hops, or more accurately the lack thereof. With its bitterness already derived from the heavily roasted malt, Guinness it doesn't require many hops at all. This, coincidentally, makes it very cheap to produce, which is a big reason pints are still affordable.

The second factor in its unique taste is also something of an absence rather than a presence. Whether poured over a bar, or from its special 'nitro' can, Guinness isn't aggressively uncarbonated like other beers. It is instead gassed with a nitrogen dominant mix that creates both the iconic stable white head, and more importantly the smooth, almost creamy mouthfeel. This is crucial to getting such expressive flavours out of such a diminutive malt base; a 'fizzy' Guinness would taste desperately thin and washed out.

And that is, in a nutshell, what's going on in a glass of Guinness. For those who have yet to partake, I hope this shines some light through this classic beer's dark mysteries. For those who have and were curious about truly local interpretations, many notable craft brewers have a Dry Irish in their range, though few have the infrastructure to present it in a nitro can. Garage Project however does, and their 'Snug' is a great place to begin exploring.



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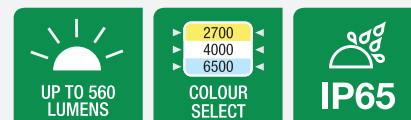
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PASSION AND LEGACY

Former Manu Samoa No 10 and freelance rugby scribe Campbell Burnes pays tribute to departing Crusaders legend David Havili.

The Crusaders are in the market for some midfielders. All Blacks Braydon Ennor and Dallas McLeod are heading north, but the man they are going to miss most of all is David Havili, multiple Super Rugby champion and their most recent captain.

The 31-year-old is off to Japan at the end of this year. He has many qualities as a versatile player, having appeared in four different positions for his franchise. He can run, kick and pass, making him the ultimate triple threat.

The last of his 30 Tests for the All Blacks came in 2024, and it was a surprise that Scott Robertson, a man who has huge admiration

for Havili, did not pick him in 2025, when he had just led the Crusaders back from the abyss and to yet another Super Rugby championship.

But Havili dusted himself off, went back to his beloved Tasman, took the captaincy armband, switched to the back-field and was named the best fullback in the NPC by the respected NZ Rugby Almanack.

He had played 79 games for the Mako up until the start of this season, and will no doubt rack up a few more before he takes the yen. Havili embodies the idea of a Mako Man. It's not just about doing the 'Fins Up' sign after each try you score. It's about being authentically passionate for your province, your region and your club. I haven't seen Havili play for his Nelson club, but no doubt he wears that jersey with pride too.

Not many players can hand on heart say they truly loved their team in four different levels of the game and nearly 300 first-class games, but Havili can justifiably say he does.

He was just unlucky that in recent times the All Blacks' stocks in the No 12 jersey have burgeoned, otherwise he may have played many more Tests than his 30. In fact, by the time you read this, maybe he will be, or have been, in South Africa with the All Blacks as a midweek player or helping cover injuries. There is no better squad man, because he's team first and can fill in any position outside halfback.

Havili played well enough in the first two-thirds of the Crusaders' campaign this season, and then his form exploded in the last month, perhaps galvanised by playing under the roof at their new venue of One NZ Stadium. He took it upon his shoulders, kicking 50-22s, making breaks, delivering last passes for tries. He took the Crusaders to the semifinal before they ran into a heavy Chiefs roadblock. But Havili, wearing his head gear, was their talisman again, as he has been for much of the last decade.

The problem was that Jordie Barrett and Quinn Tupaea had been braining it all season, as had Timoci Tavatavanawai of the Highlanders.

Havili's other problem with regards to All Blacks selection is that Anton Lienert-Brown's best position is probably centre, and we have rather less centre cover than second five cover.

The All Blacks will miss him, the Mako will miss him badly, and the Crusaders will miss him terribly.

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No one can ever doubt
David Havili's commitment
to the Crusaders.

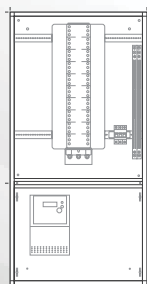


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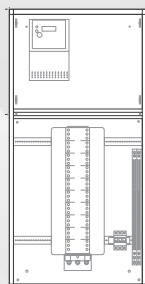
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A pork bone boil-up isn't fancy. It won't be winning any plating competitions, but after a hard day's mahi, a winter fish or a morning chasing pigs, there's bugger all that comes close in my opinion. It's proper comfort food, built on making the most of every part of the animal, and it's as Kiwi as it gets.

The author with a sizeable
Central North Island hog
(circa 1983)

You'll Need

- 2-3kg meaty pork bones (necks, ribs or backbones are ideal)
- Cold water to cover
- 2 onions, quartered
- 4 cloves garlic, peeled
- Salt & cracked black pepper
- 6-8 Agria potatoes, peeled and halved
- ½ green cabbage, cut into wedges
- 2-3 large bunches fresh watercress (Approx. 500g)
- Buttered bread or fry bread for serving
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Motumotu (Dumplings)

- 2 cups plain flour
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 +/- cup cold water

Mix into a soft dough. Don't overwork it. Roll into golf ball-sized dumplings and set aside.



Method

- Place pork bones into your biggest pot and cover with cold water
- Bring slowly to the boil, skimming off foam
- Add onions, garlic and a good grind of black pepper
- Reduce to a gentle simmer and cook 3-4 hours until meat is falling off the bone and broth is rich
- Season with salt to taste
- Add Agria potatoes and cook for 20 minutes
- Add cabbage and cook another 10 minutes
- Top with watercress and let it wilt for 2-3 minutes
- Add motumotu, cover with lid and cook 10 minutes, don't lift the lid, it is all about steam now!

To Serve

- Bowls loaded with pork bones, potatoes, cabbage and watercress
- 2-3 motumotu per serve
- Ladle over rich broth
- Serve with buttered bread or fry bread and a bit of Wattie's on the side.

That's really what a pork bone boil-up is about for me, not just the food, but what it represents. It's a pot bubbling away while everyone gathers, tells yarns, and slows down for a bit. No fuss, no waste, just honest food that's fed generations of pig hunters, fishermen, farmers and families doing it a bit tough but still eating well. In a world that's got pretty complicated, this is one of those meals that keeps things simple and that's exactly why it still hits the spot every time.

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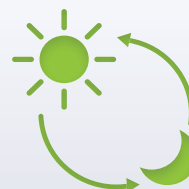


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What hasn't changed is the need for good people.

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For many employers, ATT is best known for its Group Apprenticeship Scheme. It's the model that has helped thousands of apprentices start their careers while giving businesses the confidence to grow. ATT employs the apprentice, takes care of the administration and provides ongoing support, while the employer focuses on training them on the job.

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But over the years, employers have told ATT they need options.

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Some want to employ an apprentice directly but still have support available throughout the training journey. Others need extra help on site before they're ready to commit to taking on another apprentice. Some simply want help finding the right apprentice in the first place.

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After working alongside apprentices and employers for 35 years, ATT has learned there is no single path that suits every business.

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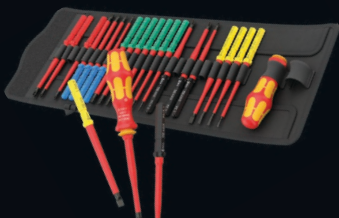
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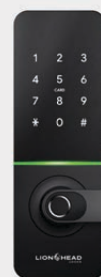
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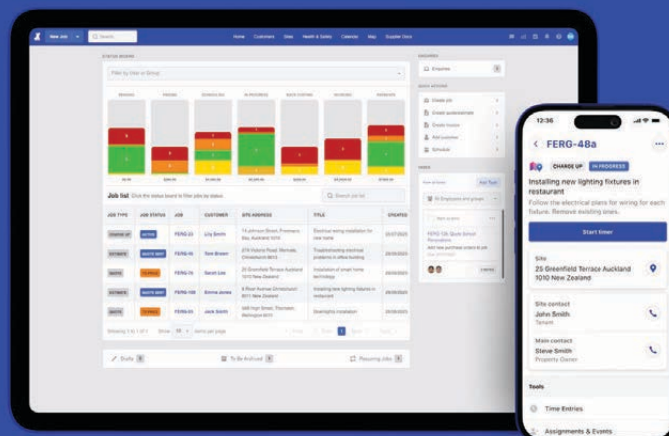
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Fill in the missing boxes so that the numbers 1-9 appear in every row, column and 3x3 square. This one is VERY HARD.

8			4	2	3			
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			9	8	7	4	3	5

TIME FOR A BREAK



RUSSELL

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Wolf Coffee Roasters
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Sitting amongst a row of historic buildings, Wolf Coffee Roasters is a specialty small batch coffee haven on Buckingham Street in Arrotown. Open daily, it attracts a diverse crowd of locals and visitors in pursuit of a good wake-up call.

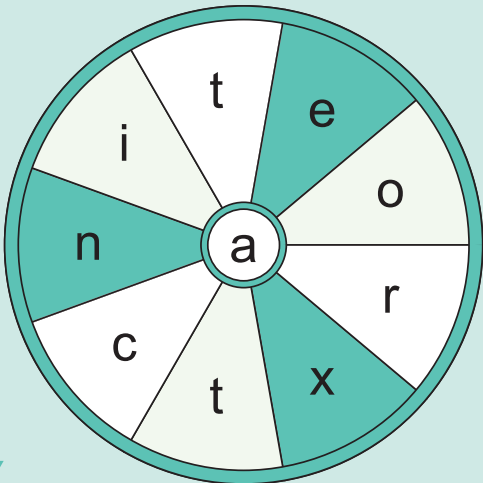
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WORD WHEEL

The goal is to make as many words as you can make from the letters in the word wheel. All the words should contain the letter in the center of the wheel and at least 2 others.

- // 15 words - Good
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