

"I still have it!"

Dear Farmholder
Unfortunately accidents occur every day and so I would like to share with you what happened to Andrew Hurst to show just how vital the Rescue Helicopter is when things go wrong.



Just before the COVID-19 lockdown, Andrew and his family visited to the GCH Aviation Emergency Air Centre in Christchurch to meet the Crew that were on duty the day of his accident at his farm near Fairlie. I came out to greet them followed by 2 of those crew members, Tatsu and Wayne.

As Tatsu approached I could see a look of utter astonishment on his face; Andrew shouted out to him, "I still have it!" I realised they were talking about Andrew's leg and soon Tatsu was admiring the handiwork of the surgeon. Andrew was still on crutches, with a full brace.

As Tatsu recalled, "At the scene, I was literally holding Andrews leg together, it was completely shattered. We put him onto a temporary cardboard splint, but it soon became drenched in blood, we looked at applying a tourniquet but knew that yes that would stem the blood flow but it would also significantly increase the chance of Andrew losing his leg."



It had been a normal day for Andrew. Having returned from a bull auction he was driving a 2-wheeler round his farm, a mixture of sheep and beef everything seemed to be in order and it was time to head home. **In a split second he was under a Hilux that he had not seen coming from the other direction.** Initially in a state of shock Andrew did not realise the extent of his injuries and tried to wriggle out on his front. Fortunately, a worker on the farm called 111 and help was dispatched.

The immediate response from the Westpac Rescue Helicopter saved Andrew's leg.

I asked Andrew, "how is it going?", and after many weeks in hospital and at Burwood he said he was now waiting for his 10th surgery. Instead of dwelling on that fact, Andrew thanked Tatsu and Wayne most sincerely for saving his leg; his thoughts were with them and the service. He then looks at his family, his wife Jo, sister-in-law Sonya and sons who are 10 and 13 years, and thanked them for stepping up and taking care of everything around the farm. Andrew is pragmatic; it was an unfortunate accident that could have happened to anyone, he just feels so blessed he got the help he needed, and quickly.

In situations like this the only option is the Westpac Rescue Helicopter. It can be terrifying to suffer a serious accident or medical emergency far from help. In these moments, the Canterbury Westpac Rescue Helicopter and the West Coast ROA Mining Rescue Helicopter are a life-line; your life-line.

Every day the Rescue Helicopters and Crew watch over the lives of over 600,000 Kiwis as they go about their daily business; tending to their farms, moving cattle, out on tractors, ploughing the land and also exploring, having adventures and spending time with family. The Canterbury West Coast Air Rescue Trust is extremely proud to partner with AsureQuality as we share a common safety interest and a real appreciation of what it means to live and work in the South Island.

Please help AsureQuality to be prepared by updating your property map so this key information will remain up-to-date and better able to serve you in the case of an emergency or biosecurity response.

Really? Serve me?



**SEND IN YOUR MAP
TODAY TO GO INTO THE
DRAW FOR A
SCENIC HELICOPTER
RIDE FOR TWO.**

Please take the extra step and make a lifesaving donation. We need your help so when you or your family are out working or playing this winter, you can have peace of mind that if anything happens the Rescue Helicopter will be there, at any time, day or night, to help.

Due to COVID-19 we have had a significant drop in funding from grants, business support and community fundraising and so we currently need to raise \$250,000 to keep saving lives this year.



Your donation today will help get the chopper off the ground, out to the rural and remote areas, right across the Canterbury and the West Coast. On behalf of patients just like Andrew - patients who will directly benefit from your support - thank you.

Warmest Regards

with the Covid-19 there has been far less need for the westpac helicopter

Christine Prince
Chief Executive Officer

P.S. Not deterred by his situation Andrew has been very busy indeed, organising a fundraiser for the Westpac Rescue Helicopter at the Fairlie Community Centre - supported by his local farming community. This special night is finally going ahead on the 17th October and we wish everyone that can go an amazing time.

TOGETHER, we can save lives.



Freepost Authority Number 65077



AsureQuality Map Project Processing Centre
PO Box 20262
Christchurch 8543



YOUR AGRIBASE FARM ID IS:

KEY DECISION MAKER FOR FARM:

TRADING NAME:

FARM NAME:

FARM OWNER:

MANAGER:

MAIN FARM TYPE:

TO HELP US IN AN OUTBREAK

- Please read the enclosed double-sided letter to help you better understand this project
- Correct or add your farm details (top of the page)
- Correct or add your Stock and Crop Details (opposite)
- Indicate or update your **MAIN HOMESTEAD** location with a cross (X)
- Indicate or update your **MAIN FARM GATE** location with an arrow (>)
- Confirm your farm boundaries on the map (indicate correct lines where necessary)
- Return your updated map in the prepaid envelope

This was a google map of the property they were asking for help from

**YES, I WILL HELP
SAVE LIVES THIS WINTER**

\$100 \$200 \$500

_____ my best gift

Please find enclosed a cheque payable to
Canterbury West Coast Air Rescue Trust

I've made my donation via:

- Internet Banking 03 0623 0216240 02
- www.airrescue.co.nz/AsureQuality

Please reference your Farm ID (**WI02562**) and we will send a tax receipt to your address or email (circle choice)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Enquiries: 0800 226 454
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HECTARES:

NAME:

DATE NUMBER:

POST TOWN:

MAIN PHONE:

BUSINESS PHONE:

MOBILE PHONE:

ALT PHONE:

CROP AND STOCK DETAILS

LIVESTOCK as at 30 JUNE	NUMBER	CROPS as at 30 NOVEMBER	HECTARES
SHEEP		ARABLE CROPS	
- breeding ewes		Wheat (grain)	
- replacements		Barely (grain)	
- dry stock (meat)		Oats (grain)	
- dry stock (wool)		Maize (grain)	
- rams		Seed Crops	
BEEF CATTLE		FRUITS	
- breeding cows		Pipfruit	
- replacements		Stonefruit	
- dry stock (meat)		Kiwifruit	
- breeding bulls		Berryfruit	
- calves		Viticulture	
DEER		Citrus	
- breeding hinds		Avocado	
- stags for velvet		Olives	
- for meat		VEGETABLES	
- fawns		Onion	
- trophy stags/bucks		Potato	
DAIRY CATTLE		Squash	
- my own away grazing		OTHER VEGETABLES	
- milking cows		- fresh	
- replacements		- for processing	
- calves		OTHER CROPS/PLANTS	
- breeding bulls		Nuts	
Dairy Company:	Supplier Number:	Plant nurseries	
Effluent Storage: Sump (ha):		Cut flowers/ flowers seed	
Effluent storage: Pond (ha):		Forestry/woodlots	
LIVESTOCK AVERAGE HELD AT ANY ONE TIME		Native Forest/bush	
PIGS		Hay/fodder for sale or processing	
- breeding boars		Herbs	
- breeding sows (inc replacement gilts)		LAND USE	
- weaners/growers/ finishers		Irrigation	YES/NO
- other (e.g pets)		Riparian Planting	
Feral Pigs on property	YES/NO	Land not involved in livestock or plant use, e.g. Quarries, geothermal features	
POULTRY		Land area that is seasonally ploughed	
- layers		Total land devoted to livestock (including agroforestry)	
- broilers		Total land devoted to grazing other peoples' livestock	
OTHER ANIMALS		Other animals or land use (specify below)	
Ostriches			
Emus			
Horses			
Alpacas/Llamas			
Goats			
OTHER FARMING ACTIVITIES			
Grazing other peoples stock (as a significant enterprise)	YES/NO		
Behives on property	YES/NO		

Look very hard at these lists and tell me how collection of this kind of detailed information has ANY relevance whatsoever, to funding for the Westpac Helicopter. Helicopter pilots can land anywhere, anyhow. They have eyes and have always worked out relevant flat spaces to land on. Unless the GOVERNMENT IS now doing an underhand audit, and using Asure to map out locations of all New Zealand's food sources - for "OTHER" purposes. Want to call me a conspiracy nutter? Then give me a good explanation for this over-reach.

Another google map of the specific property from the air.

it's a very expensive exercise to target specific farms, delineate their property on a booklet and send it out to every farm - ostensibly for fundraising for Westpac Helicopter.

Where is that funding coming from?

AsureQuality is collecting the information contained in this form in order that it may collate, deal with and use the information in such manner as AsureQuality reasonably thinks fit and includes to: enhance New Zealand's agricultural productivity and ability to trade, help respond to and manage rural emergencies, diseases, pests, environmental quality issues and product quality issues, help produce agricultural statistics and assist fundraising by rescue services.

AsureQuality will hold the information securely against unauthorised access and will use it in accordance with the privacy Act 1993.