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"About your traffic ticket, sir"

Having been a professional writer for over 40 years I've always known there are advantages to being erudite with the English language. Being a Toastmaster and public speaker for over 30 years also helps.

Every now and then I get reassurance that my work skills can also produce a simple financial benefit.

As when the traffic cop was writing out an infringement ticket because I'd briefly exceeded the speed limit on SH1. When I explained the danger of being wedged between a petrol tanker in front and a logging truck behind, he agreed that my decision to get out of there – fast – was a wise one. He put a big X through the half-written ticket!

My friend Winston in Melbourne sent me evidence of another example where a letter sent to the parking ticket people produced this outcome: "When we receive a letter contesting a parking infringement, we review the infringement based on the evidence we have collected and on the evidence you have provided. Please be advised the infringement has now been withdrawn."

All I'm suggesting is that you use the skills you've acquired to present your defence with clarity and strength. Sometimes there will be a happy outcome.

Brian Morris Principal

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Mark Rogers left a high-flying career behind to become a lifestyle farmer in Otago. However, he is well placed to follow his journalism interests. These include organic farming, ecological mining and renewable energy. So far, Mark has had articles published in *Organic NZ* and his local *Hamraki Rag*. He has also been commissioned by *Quarry & Mining*, and *Energy NZ* for freelance research and writing. These editors are asking for more articles.

Mark's next adventure includes overland travel from Los Angeles to Colorado, taking photos and developing travel articles along the way.

"I'll be looking for Kiwi connections as I go, so I can write about people, places and events with a Kiwi angle.

I'll be in USA for their 4th July celebrations. That'll give me a whole raft of fresh topics to write about for newspapers and magazines when I get home."

Brian Morris, principal

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Chat To Your Tutor Days, April

This is your opportunity to speak to your personal tutor. The toll-free number 0508 428 983 operates only at the times listed below. Mark your calendar now. Make a list of the questions you want to ask.

Notice Janice Marriott has two dates, one week apart.

Angela Pyke	Saturday 17th April	10am – 11.59am
Bartha Hill	Monday 19th April	8am – 6pm
Janice Marriott	Tuesday 20th April	9am – 4pm
Dick Ward	Wednesday 21st April	9:30am – 1:30pm
Dick Ward	Thursday 22nd April	9:30am – 1:30pm
David Pardon	Friday 23rd April	8:30am – 5:30pm
Michael Morrissey	Monday 26th April	10am – 2pm
Robert van de Voort	Tuesday 27th April	8:30am – 5:30pm
Janice Marriott	Tuesday 27th April	6pm – 9pm
Joan Rosier-Jones	Thursday 29th April	8:30am – 5:30pm

Have a list of items or questions ready before you make your call. Call early in the day to avoid the crush at the end.

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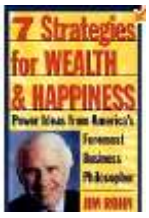
Life Coach students who start in April or May



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We are taking enrolments now.

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New enrolments for 2010

- How to write a romance novel
- How to become a Life Coach
- How to write poetry
- How to write rhyming children's stories
- How to write short stories
- How to write fantasy stories
- How to write mystery thriller whodunit novels

Digital Photography now has three levels: Beginners, Freelance Photographers, and Advanced level (including Photoshop). Call Carol Morris for a chat: 0800-801994.