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Mental health

It is sobering to read letters (NZH 1/4/23) highlighting the mental health struggles of our children. Not only do they face long delays when parents seek professional help but also deficiencies that appear to exist in the quality of the assistance available.

Questions must be asked on what is driving this epidemic of deteriorating mental stability in our younger generations.

Top of the list must be the careless use of inflammatory language favoured by politicians and the mainstream media. Climate change is a hot topic in this regard.

Children every day read and hear alarming references to "climate catastrophe; mass extinctions; warming oceans; melting ice

caps and act before it's too late!" We see striking school children brandishing placards with mindless statements such as "no planet B" and "deadly dairy" that reflect the nonsense they hear on a daily basis.

It is outrageous that children are being robbed of hope for their future and are seemingly resigned to the demise of the planet. Are they ever offered lessons on millions of years of natural history and the resilience in Mother Nature's ability to adapt to changing climatic conditions? Are they ever offered guidance on balancing political rhetoric with natural science?

Sadly not, it seems.

George Williams
 WHANGAMATA



Beach Hop a roaring success

After a pretty miserable summer for our region, it was terrific to welcome everyone to the Peninsula for Beach Hop. It was the 23rd edition of this famous event and it once again brought a great display of classic cars and vintage culture. I really enjoyed seeing everyone dressed up for the occasion, especially the Elvis impersonators.

Noddy Watts and his team were absolute legends. They were cool, calm and collected all the way through. These volunteers come from all over our region to help out and put on a great event. We owe them a massive thank you for their hard work.

There was just a really nice feeling

at this year's Beach Hop. Local businesses were relieved to see the towns bustling with activity and visitors enjoyed seeing parts of the Coromandel they might have missed in past years. One of the main takeaways from the event is that people will go back to their homes and tell everyone they know that the Coromandel is open.

At this time of year, there's no better promotion for our region than Beach Hop. We've got a lot of long weekends coming up, so hopefully the word gets out there that we're open for business. Come and see us.

- Authorised by Scott Simpson MP,
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Police Report

Whangamata Police wish you a safe Happy Easter, and enjoyable school holidays. A gentle reminder the Liquor Ban is back in force over the Easter period in all public areas – save yourself the \$250 instant fine by sticking to the rules.

I'm sure you've noted more online scams occurring in the media recently, or maybe you know people who have been victims of this crime. The internet is an important source of information and means of social interaction for children, young people and adults alike, but it pays to keep in mind that it can also present dangers, including online fraud, scams, bullying and abuse.

Regarding social media, read through privacy options carefully and make sure you fully understand your rights, and what happens to your data. This goes for app updates as well. Set your profile to private, and only invite or accept friend requests from people you already know. Don't post your address, phone number, or other personal information online and only give personal information to trusted people or organisations. Remember that banks and legitimate businesses should never send you an email with a link to log in. Never reply to a scam message, even if you're curious. If you're unsure about any requests for details you receive, do some simple checks first. Navigate directly to the company's website instead of following an email link, call their office directly, or visit a local branch. For those of you who are tech people, use a safe search option and reset your computers to use Quad9

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In regards to your devices, installing a security program on your computer to protect against threats and viruses is a good idea. Consider an ad-blocker to protect against malicious advertisements. Don't click on advertisements on unfamiliar or untrusted websites. Set strong passwords and multi-factor authentication. Be mindful of what software you download and what permissions you grant to applications. Regularly back up your data. Be cautious when using public Wi-Fi networks – avoid doing sensitive things while using them, such as online banking.

Know who your child is making contact with online. If they are not your child's actual friends, question their online friendship. Know which social networking sites your child is on and what information they are posting. Talk to your child about the dangers of posting personal information online. Do not allow your child to use the computer in private areas of your home. If you or your child become suspicious about a person online, stop contact immediately.

Finally on a different note, please wear a cycle helmet and stick to the road rules when you're getting around town on a bike.

Thanks, stay safe out there.

– Senior Constable Jeff Waldron

The latest from Mayor Len

The rain has stopped – we are good now, right?

This was the rhetorical question that Waikato Regional Council's Resilience Team Leader posed at a briefing to Transport and Coromandel Cyclone Recovery Minister Michael Wood on his visit yesterday to our district about the amount of rainfall we've had in recent months and its physical impact on the Coromandel.

Minister Wood was here to listen to local community leaders about how we need to get through not just the coming months, but years. To this end, the first step is the Minister's office arranging the formation of a community advisory group, gathering people with mana – and also knowing how to get things done. The Minister will be back in Thames in about a month for the next meeting with this group.

In a separate session, people from the business community also met with Minister Wood and outlined how they've been affected, what they need, and what they can do to help build long-term resilience to extreme weather and climate change. Stronger roads, more imaginative options to replace transport by road when storms close them, and more robust digital connectivity in our

further flung communities, along with reminding visitors the Coromandel is open and accessible (albeit with some slightly longer travel times), were some of the needs expressed.

There is no Wellington template that will be imposed on the cyclone-hit regions the Minister shared. He's looking for a locally led response that the government can come alongside and support where needed.

He says the government won't hold back on resources to restore SH25A – it will be reopened, but realistically not by Christmas. Geotech work on the site of the collapse is proceeding and a decision on which of the three rebuild options to take would be made in May. NZTA/Waka Kotahi has given a timeframe of 9-12 months from now for the road to be reopened. In the interim, Minister Wood committed to more support for businesses to get through until the road is restored.

He also told us that legislation will be passed imminently that will allow him to approve significant work like the SH25A restoration without going through the normal RMA processes. This type of legislation was used after the Christchurch and Kaikoura quakes.

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Extraordinary measures to get customers' power restored

When toppled pines severed the power supply to Coromandel's Wentworth Valley during Cyclone Gabrielle last month, poles and lines needed to be quickly moved to restore customers' supply.

The line of pines on rural Wentworth Valley Rd near Whangamatā took out power poles and lines at the height of the cyclone, cutting supply to 20 customers.

Rather than resurrect the poles and restring lines in the same spot - it was deemed just too unsafe for crews to continue to work there because of subsidence and the threat of more trees coming down - Powerco and Downer field crews worked quickly to deviate the route.

The new 11kV route was actioned in days - rather than the usual weeks - benefiting customers and the local community.

LiDAR 3D modelling of the area was used to plot a potential new route for the line and the local landowner who's property the line would deviate over was consulted.

The landowner's reception to the idea of the lines going over



her land showed a "true sense of community", Powerco General Manager Electricity Karen Frew says.

"The owner lives off-grid so she doesn't benefit from network electricity, but she saw the benefit for her community. It ended up with one pole being on the roadside and then one on her property," Karen Frew says.

"It all happened really quick and basically felt like we had the diggers behind us as we were drawing up the plans and getting the land owner's approval."

Downer crews were prepping the new site as Powerco electricity design engineers were finalising

drawings and plans.

There's usually a process to go through, involving meetings, checks, balances and negotiations before poles and lines are moved - all of which takes time. There was no time for that this time round.

Customers had already been without power for several days and a solution had to be enacted promptly.

"We needed to get those customers restored as quickly as possible. In the area where the lines were originally, the land was very unstable. There wasn't an area where we could just reconnect the line. All the pines were at risk of coming down, so the decision was made to cross the stream and go down the other side of it," Karen Frew says.

"I'm really proud of our team and our crews who worked tirelessly in challenging conditions to get the power restored to our customers. And thank you to our customers, whose patience, understanding and encouragement helped sustain us as we worked as quickly and safely as we could to get the power back on."

- Power Co Media team

First round set leaderboard start

First round of the 2023 Whangamata Golf Club men's stroke play was played on Saturday 1 April.

The personal sizzling hot round came from Tom Horsburgh with a fine 78 in the Junior Division. Off the blue tees, the longest at Whangamata Titoki course, Tom shot a fine round. Playing through Junior champion Verne Russell, a personal friend of Tom, admitted he personally had some work to do to catch Tom. On the front nine Tom was 5 over par and then on the back nine Tom was only 3 over par. Tom shot 10 strokes better than his handicap, a huge round. Two more rounds of 18 holes of golf so there is bound to be movement on the leaderboards.

Leader boards after the first round. Junior B Frank O'Neill 95, Mike Somerville 108, Terry Heaney 116.

Junior Tom Horsburgh 78, Verne Russell 84, Kris McNaughten 85, Peter Gall 85, Allan Sim 86 and Warwick Covey 87.

Intermediate Bernie Sedon 76, Kevin Flower 77, Steve Goddard 77, Connor Chesham 79, Shane Dick 79, Keith Adams 80, Jim Corlett 81, Liam Denton, John Fleetwood, Les Ryan and Don Mackay all 82.

Senior Hunter Ussher 68, Bryan Grafas 71; Allan Smith 72, Michael Wickham 72, Josh Alderton and Kane Edwards 73.

- Don McKay, Sports Reporter for Whangamatā News



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11.00am Service in Whangamata War Memorial Centre. Welcome by RSA President Geoff March. Service to be taken by RSA Padre/Patron Terri Sorensen. Whangamata Area School Representatives Head Boy and Head Girl.

At the completion of the service, the laying of wreaths and floral tributes will take place at the Wall of Remembrance, followed by the Last Post, Ode and Reveille. Special mention of the names on the WW1 Honour Roll.

Following the wreath laying, a light lunch and an afternoon of entertainment by Ebonivory, The Bay of Plenty Pipes & Drums and Highland & Irish Dancers at Whangamata RSA

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There's still time to do your 2023 Census

There is still time to do your census, so you can make sure you count.

Stats NZ census collectors are out in communities until 3 May to support people who need help to complete their forms.

People in areas impacted by Cyclone Gabrielle and recent flooding have been given more time to complete the census, including through locally-led events and on-the-ground support to 1 June if needed.

Everyone is required to take part because the census is so important. The information gathered ensures better decisions are made on things like providing hospitals, schools, public transport and infrastructure like roads.

Census staff will be following up with people who have yet to complete their forms. When a census collector visits, they can provide help with filling in census forms or provide new and additional census forms if needed.

If you don't have a paper census form or an access code, call the helpline on 0800 CENSUS (0800 236 787) or go online at www.census.govt.nz. The helpline can answer questions about the

census, forms, and access codes.

While most people are doing their census online, Stats NZ is helping everyone complete the census in a way that works for them, through providing more paper forms, more census collectors, more work with communities, and more accessible formats and language support.

Information about face-to-face support to answer questions and for help to get census forms completed is available at census.govt.nz/census-support/.

A family member, friend, caregiver, support person, or trusted neighbour could also help complete census forms. Or people can call the helpline and ask for a census collector to visit.

People need to mail their paper forms to Stats NZ. They can call 0800 CENSUS (0800 236 787) if they need a census collector to pick them up.

There is information for people in a range of languages and other formats (New Zealand Sign Language, Braille, Easy Read, Large Print, and Audio) to ensure everyone has what they need to take part and be counted in the 2023 Census.

Where do Whangamata rates monies get spent??

There are 5,235 dwellings in Whangamatā. If the average annual rate were \$4k that equates to nearly \$21 million, plus of course commercial buildings. How much of this has been returned to this community in services and infrastructure, and capital works on an annual basis?

Whangamatā requires serious attention to infrastructure and service, for years locals have felt the ratio of rates paid against return and value is skewed.

On many occasions locals have asked the Community Board and Councillors to provide this information but it has not been forthcoming to date. Mayor Len Salt spoke at this year's ratepayers AGM. When asked if this information should be available, he replied that he "could see no reason why not and would look into this information being more transparent."

Council needs to understand the frustration from residents and ratepayers, over the minimal levels of service and infrastructure received in our community. Where are our rate monies going? TCDC are calling upon residents and ratepayers to make a submission to the 2023/24 Annual Plan which

includes a proposed rate increase averaging 11.4%, an increase of 3.7%.

The submission asks for feedback to enable the council to make decisions for the next financial year.

It is one thing to ask for participation and feedback as part of a regulatory process, but it is another to do it with transparency, honesty, openness, and fairness.

After the effects of recent storms and inability of Whangamatā infrastructure to cope, Council should heed the rumblings. Already there is talk of withholding rates so they can stay and be spent in our town.

If you as a Whangamatā resident or ratepayer and share in the concern of, where do our rate monies get spent, please visit the Whangamata Ratepayers Association website, and join us at www.WhangaRatepayers@gmail.com

Attend the Public Meeting Sunday 9 April, 2.00pm Whangamata Club Topics: Stormwater infrastructure, 2023/24 Annual Plan, Rates, where are our rate monies going?

– Rob Boston, Whangamata Ratepayers Association



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POIPOIA TE PITOMATA

How we measured success through Waka ama

Arriving back home last Friday evening feeling like winners were all three teams that attended Secondary Schools Waka ama Sprint Nationals. All praise and recognition of their hard work is duly earned. By the end of this article I hope to share with you the value of their success.

LEFT BEHIND: Originally we had four teams going but we just couldn't fill one of our J16 girls team. The decision to pull them did not come lightly but the Waka ama NZ rules are clear and strict so I couldn't even rope anyone from outside in. Kaea Reynolds, Nova Reynolds, Sophie Taylor and Ayla Williams along with their Manager

Victoria Davis were left behind. To soften the blow, Victoria organized a day trip for the girls to come down and support the other teams paddling and to experience the amazing atmosphere Waka life has to offer.

THE BOND: When we left Whangamatā we were three separate teams. On arrival to our accommodation we were still three separate teams but the next day, when parents started turning up things started to shift. Our Junior boys, Kotahitanga Toa, were first up. The wind was so crazy. WANZ cancelled the race for an hour. It was the 500m turns. As we stood on top of the hill watching the waka



The girls J16 team, from left: Lucy Sergent, Zoe Alchin, India Avery, Stacie Bathurst, Abigael Pugh, Adeyne Taikato

flip because of the conditions our boys started to break down. Every person could feel their fear so we all, including parents put hands over our Juniors, said a Karakia to keep them safe to steal them away from their parents.

Both senior teams followed close behind. At the gates there were tears of fear so the senior boys, Waka Toa, wrapped a circle around the juniors so no one could see. On the outside of the circle were our senior girls saying their own karakia of safety over the juniors. From this moment on we had formed the bond of whanau and aroha. This bond just grew stronger and stronger throughout the week.

WINNING COMBINATION: I would like to acknowledge the gift in my son Shannon Hughes and Tautahi Hansen as they built connections

amongst all our teams not only as coaches but also as mentors. They too were coached by me and they understand Waka Life, they lived and breathed it. I truly credit the success of this past week to these two amazing tane. I have always aspired to share Whanaungatanga (living together as whanau), Manaakitanga (looking after each other), Kaitiakitanga (taking care of your space, picking up after yourself) and Tikanga (Karakia before Kai, bums off tables, hats off for Karakia). Through these values our teams loved, supported and succeeded as one whanau and this is a bond that won't be altered or changed. Conversations developed throughout the week across the three teams and surprisingly enough even world's competition came up. Tautahi said "if you wanna be winners you have to walk, talk and



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train like winners". This is education, training, in your home and having respect and being responsible. This learning we did went way outside paddling a waka but it was all part of the amazing change in our teams. Shannon said "as a coach it was awesome to see the guys tautoko (support) each other, sharing the aroha not only with each other but with other clubs too".

HERE'S THE GOLD: Our girls J16 team Wahine Kaha - Zoe Alchin, Stacie Bathurst, Lucy Sergent, Abigail Pugh, India Avery and Adeyne Taikato took the podium (the first time for Whangamata Area



KJ and Zach.

School) to receive Silver ribbons coming second in their Bowl Finals at 2:56:11. That was a win shared by all of us.

Our senior boys Waka Toa made it to finals in their 500m turns but got knocked out. They too have a lot to be proud of as they paddled up a category in the J19 as one of our boys was just too old to paddle in the J16 but our young men took that challenge on so making it to the

finals in their first paddle together ever - a huge success for them.

Our junior boys Kotahitanga Toa, Managed by Breeze Aupouri-Rau, got knocked out at their semis but they were paddling against J16 boys, against experience too.

Our guys never gave up. They just took it all on. Congratulations whanau!

- Contributed by Simon Hughes

Here are a couple of words from our biggest supporters - our parents:

"One of the most magical moments was receiving a phone call from Zoe in tears of pure elation and joy for the girls to have come second. It wasn't about winning, it was about belief!"
- Lin and Lee Alchin.

"From the pictures I saw, it was so wonderful to see how they came together as a crew. I watched Owen embrace the entire experience with his mates."
- Jaimee and Jeff Price.

"Watching the boys from afar grow as one was so awesome to see. And to hear that, KJ loved every moment of it with his waka brothers. Thank you."
- Mary Thompson.

"The whanaungatanga shown through the involvement and participation within the group has had a massive effect on Mark in terms of confidence, independence and responsibility! There is more to him than diabetes. With positive guidance look what they can achieve... especially without attached labels."
- Tracey and James Keenan.

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Denise Clarke, Michelle and Musky Bathurst, Natalie Boyd (for purchasing our junior boys thermals to handle the icy winds in Rotorua on her way to watch her son). With a team like this, I am excited for our future.
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Whangamata vs Thames fitting finale

The Whangamata Warriors had never reached the final of the Thames Valley Senior cricket competition until this year, when they qualified at the top of the standings.

Second placed Thames Dynamites are no strangers to the Whanga team, and a tough final was expected.

The Warriors won the toss and chose to field, with the outfield being a bit long and slow from the rugby the day before.

Early on in the Dynamites innings found them four down after some inspirational bowling and fielding from the home team. Into the middle order and Thames came to play here. The runs started to accumulate, Dynamite's Tony high scoring with 54 runs. Thames



finished with a respectable 207 - game on!

Whangamatā sent out all season openers Michael and Karl. Out of character they both fell losing their wickets relatively early. New addition to the team, power batsman Marius de Villiers was in at three, and picked up a bit of the slack until he was caught trying to play a big shot.

Captain Matt was in at four, and out of character chose to play cricket shots and push singles around. If you have seen Matt play you would

know that's not his style. He went for a premeditated shot charging down the pitch, and was caught on the boundary by a superb catch.

Damion was up next and he took to them for a short time then he too was out fairly cheaply.

The Warriors had fallen behind the run rate at this stage, and needed 10 an over for the final 12 overs.

Enter Meet Patel who rapidly changed the scenario by smashing three huge sixes, but the rate was too much and a valiant Whanga fell

short by 30 runs.

Matt Aro extended a huge thank you to all the teams in the competition, as well as Team Manager Nathan Johnson for everything that he has done for our team throughout the season.

- Games stats supplied by Matt Aro
Photos by Mark James

Whangamata Boxers keep hitting targets

Whangamata Boxing Club out of Bodywork Gym travelled to a corporate boxing event at the Te Rapa Racecourse, hosted by Nabby's Gym on 18 March.

Two fighters participated in this competition, Kane Hohaia Johnson and Mike Fleming (nice try scored on Saturday for the Red n Whites).

Both boxers had been training for

this night, with Kane fighting at 82kg and Mike at 89kg. The team were both supported by Caydan Hope and Damian Matenga.

Kane fought a tough fight and went the distance with a handy boxer from the local Gym, Nabby's.

Hohaia Johnson is targeting a return to the ring in May

Mike fought next up for the Club and gained a well deserved unanimous decision. He is off for back surgery now and is hoping to return to boxing later in the year.

Caydan Hope has just returned from a well deserved break in Bali, expect to see him return to the ring soon, and Damian Matenga is looking to be active in the ring over the course of 2023.



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The Nostalgia Fair at Williamson Park on Sunday 26 March 2023 was the best the Enterprise Whangamata Business Association have ever had.

We had 73 stalls, with 72 paying. This is the most we have ever had. We allowed the Whangamata Area School to have a stall free of charge as they are fundraising for their student's trip to Samoa. And Tui and his team were flat out serving up the best American hot dogs ever.

The weather was great and we got fantastic feedback from the stallholders. They

all said the atmosphere was brilliant and they all reported fantastic sales.

The Nostalgia Fair generated \$7,000. This is to go to community groups in Whangamatā as part of our agreement with Beach Hop Inc and is to be decided by the EW committee.



Watch this space! Very soon our Enterprise Whangamata Business Assoc. will invite community groups to apply to be considered for some of this funding. Previously we have given to WAS Samoa trip, Inflatables purchase for the Whangamata Real Estate Community Swimming Pool and to the Whangamata Waka Ama to assist their trip to the Rotorua Secondary Champs held just last week.

- Jennie Black, photos by Mark James



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Creativity at Open Studio

Heather Watt, a well known local Whangamatā artist and member of the Arts Collective is opening her studio Kea iti on Easter weekend, Saturday and Sunday, 10 to 4pm.

Heather spent 10 weeks last year at Broken Hill, Australia's outback as an artist in residency and has come back full of creative ideas. She has been concentrating on working with recycled materials and corten steel, creating interesting garden art... loving the WOW factor.

She has a range of unique garden art along with original mixed media art work for both inside and out.

Heather won the 2022 Harcourts Challenge Supreme award for her 2D mixed media piece called 'Scratching the surface' and again this year for her 3D piece called 'Moving on'. A quirky take on a retro car door, plugged in and ready to go.

Heather is also known for her mixed media art workshops, catering for groups of all experience levels. She promises that they will be up and running again this July.



Watch this space and book in asap. Heather says "Everyone needs an opportunity to let loose, create and be happy with results." This she can guarantee!

Again, get in quick as Heather has plans for her next residency late 2023. Yahoo!

Heather Watt 027 388 8007
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105 Kea Street, Kea iti Studio
10-4pm Saturday and Sunday.

Starving fish signalling potential ecosystem collapse

Strangely white, mushy fish are still being caught in the Hauraki Gulf and further afield. Environmental and recreational fishing bodies are concerned the authorities are not acting fast enough to help the starving fish. Affected species include snapper, kahawai and trevally.



An Official Information Act request was made in December 2022, Fisheries New Zealand responded in March. Analysis of samples supplied to Biosecurity New Zealand and the Animal Health Laboratory show the fish are safe for human consumption.

More alarmingly, results indicate the degenerative changes in the fish's muscles and tissue breakdown is attributed to chronic starvation.

"It's alarming that the evidence points to chronic malnutrition. Our snapper are literally starving. This is not okay. The Hauraki Gulf used to be one of the most productive marine environments. Years of dredging, bottom trawling and run off from the land has destroyed the populations of crabs, mussels and scallops which are primary food sources for a variety of fish, birds and mammals," says Tairua-based New Zealand Sport Fishing Council Vice President, Warren Maher.

The Animal Health Laboratory highlights a range of issues that could be affecting the fish, including

"ecosystem collapse and decreased food availability and changes in the seabed and feeding areas of adult snapper".

"We all need to be worried about the declining food sources in the marine environment. Snapper are a resilient species yet even they are now starving. At LegaSea, we talk about restoring our fish populations.

"How can fish numbers increase if there's not enough food for them to eat?" asks LegaSea Project Lead Sam Woolford.

"It is time for more precautionary decisions. We must start now. Fishing methods destroying the seafloor such as bottom trawling, Danish seining and scallop dredging must go. We need to protect the food sources for our fish, so life can return to more natural levels. And we have to start paying attention to the signals that our marine ecosystems are collapsing."

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Term 1 at Opoutere School showed resilience

Hopes were running high for an uninterrupted Term 1. That was until Cyclone Gabrielle arrived on our front doorstep! However, as we have done before, our students, staff and community rallied together and supported one another through challenging times.

Interruptions aside, Term 1 provided some exciting successes and opportunities for our tamariki.

The annual school swimming sports was a great day out and we were very impressed with the calibre of swimming across our tamariki, in particular our juniors. Much of this was owing to the excellent tuition from Jayde and Marcia and funding organised by Monique at the community pool for which we are very grateful.

Once the road opened and Tairua and Hikuaui could travel, the 4 School

Swimming Competition was held. From this 11 of our students progressed to the Thames Valley

Swimming event with a handful of students also placing at this competition.

Our Senior leaders were chosen for our whānau groups, bus monitors, librarians, enviro and PE monitors and are expected to lead their whānau groups and fulfil their leadership roles over the term. They have stepped up to their new positions of responsibility and have led by example over the term.

Ōpoutere School Adventure Learning programme continued to



flourish this term. The Juniors have learnt how to paddle the waka and learn the tikanga and kupu (vocab) that comes with this. They had two successful days on the Whangamatā Harbour under the watchful eye of our staff and Simone from the Waka Ama Club. Thank you Simone for giving up your time and expertise to share your passion for waka ama.

With the spate of drownings over summer we felt it important that our senior students take part in

Beach Education hosted by the Whangamatā Surf Lifesaving Club. They also learnt about safety in the water when surfing, with some expert tuition from Julianna and Hannah at Whangamatā Surf School. On the last day of this Term, Paeroa College will again be taking our seniors as part of their service



curriculum, for some Adventure Based Learning, including team building and kayaking on the Wharekawa Harbour. We are excited to see this relationship with the

college continue to grow and We thank them for their support.

Ōpoutere School had an excellent turnout for the Whānau Hui where kaiako (teachers) and whānau (parents) had a chance to discuss their child's learning and next steps. We are very excited to be hosting our Learning Showcase this coming Wednesday 5th April, where our students take the lead and share with whānau their term's learning.

Congratulations to our Junior Staff who all recently completed their case studies as the final component of their Structured Literacy professional learning and micro-credentials. The implemented Structured Literacy Programme is already having a positive effect on our junior learners and is working seamlessly with our learning through play.

It has been a great term despite the challenges and I wish to extend my heartfelt gratitude to our amazing staff who adapt and persevere through these interruptions, our tamariki who show resilience and courage and our whānau who continue to support our kaupapa.

Ehara taku toa i te toa takitahi, engari kē he toa takitini

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WAS thrive in all areas

It is a pleasure to look back on a term where our students have thrived both inside and outside of the classroom.

The confirmation of our 2022 NCEA results saw WAS achieve some of the best academic outcomes in its history. Over 90% of year 12 students successfully achieved NCEA Level 2, and pleasingly, every student who completed a full year at school in year 12 successfully achieved this qualification. This outcome is worth celebrating as NCEA Level 2 is considered the base level qualification for success in the workforce or further study.

Another noteworthy achievement was that 64% of year 13 students achieved University Entrance last year. When set against a national average of only 42% success, the achievements of WAS year 13 cohort were outstanding.

We look forward to further academic success from our students in 2023 and we have again set lofty goals in this regard.

Our primary aged students continue to benefit from our Structured Literacy programme and as the literacy and numeracy assessment for NCEA face a significant change from 2024, we are committed to ensuring all students are prepared for life beyond primary school.

In terms of leadership, our year 13 leadership team have made a fine start to the year, led by Lily Honeycombe and Rory Bathurst as head girl and boy respectively.

Outside of the classroom, students have continued to thrive in a range of sporting, and cultural activities. Notable achievements have come in sports as diverse as mountain biking, surfing, golf, Waka Ama, surf lifesaving, pool swimming, and athletics with a number



Head Boy Rory and Head Girl Lily.

of students placing at Thames Valley and Waikato Level. Several students have even placed at national level. The most outstanding of these achievements was Pia Rogers taking out the National Open Women's Surf title in January. Pia is a year 12 student and a member of our Surf Academy. To be an open grade national champion whilst still at school is an achievement of which to be proud.

As we move into term two, we look forward to students continuing to accept opportunities, and to thrive in their learning.

- Alistair Luke, Principal, Whangamata Area School

Grass roots sports sees success

It has been an action packed term of summer sport at Whangamatā Area School. Term 1, 2023 is the first time in three years that our students have been able to enjoy all summer sport offerings without Covid-19 disruptions. We have had students compete and succeed in several School, Thames Valley, Waikato/Bay of Plenty and National events.

A few highlights of students representing WAS this term include:

- Felix Lloyd, year 9 won the Waikato Secondary Schools Under 15 Cross Country Mountain Biking title.
- Our U16 Wahine Toa crew placed second in the W6 500m at the NZ Secondary Schools Waka Ama Championships.



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With many summer sports now finished for the season, the focus now turns to winter sport. Training is already underway for a number of our teams. Having recently won the Thames Valley Secondary School Sevens festival our boys rugby team is looking strong going into the Winter season. The team were undefeated in the Future 1st XV grade in 2022 and are looking to carry on their success into the 1st XV grade this year. Our girls team also played strongly in this festival. They have made huge improvements since their 2022 season and we are

excited to see them thrive in the girls 1st XV competition this year.

Pictured are our rugby teams wearing their new WAS Sport training shirt. The image of the iconic islands of Whangamatā was designed by one of our students - Daniel Lewis. These new shirts will be worn by all of our year 9-13 sports teams for 2023 and beyond. The shirts have been purchased through local apparel and branding company Skully Pro, who are based out of Pauanui.

the support of volunteers in many roles. Thank you to all parent, staff, student and community volunteers who have given and continue to give their time to make sport happen for students at Whangamatā Area School. We are currently looking for coaches for a few winter sports codes. If you wish to share your knowledge in one of these coaching roles, please email jennifert@whangamata.school.nz for more information.

- Jennifer Taylor, Director of Sport, Whangamatā Area School

Grassroots sport relies heavily on

- Hunter Ussher, year 12 placed second in the Waikato Secondary School Golf Matchplay Championships.
- Cotter Jensen, year 11 placed third in the Intermediate Boys Javelin at the Waikato Bay of Plenty Athletics Championships.

We have also had several students place at both Primary and Secondary Thames Valley sports events this term.

The fantastic thing about living in the Coromandel is the natural environment and the opportunity for recreational sport that this area has to offer. These sports are seeing significant growth amongst our students - Mountain Biking, Surfing, Waka Ama, Golf and Swimming to name a few.



Back row from left: Mekhi, Jack, Jake, Nathan, Liam, Rory, Brock, Austin, Samuel, Taylor.
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the natural environment and swinging are some of the experiences on offer. There is a strong focus on collaboration, creativity, problem solving and managed risk taking.

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As informed previously the budgeted cost of the work is \$2.5Million. For the club to lodge funding applications and complete building plans, we must be assured we have the funds available to meet our obligations. For us to approach three very important potential stake holders, being, Trust Waikato, Lotteries Commission and Surf Life Saving New Zealand, (who have all indicated positive support, but not formal obligations), we must reach a "funds in hand" amount of \$650,000.00.

As at the 31st March the club has in its dedicated building account, \$295,000.00 of which \$100,000.00 came from club saved funds. We also hold time payment pledges of a further \$160,000.00 giving us a total of \$455,000.00, giving a shortfall of \$195,000.00.

It is therefore vital, that we reach this \$650,000.00 target before the close off for the next round of funding applications, at the start of June this year. Otherwise we will not be able to commence the refurbishment programme until 2025/2026 season.

I am sure you all know about the services we provide and the use made of our facilities, in the off season, and by schools and other service organisations.

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Yours truly,
Bryan Black
Life Member

Double header at home

The Whangamata Rugby stadium was teeming with players and spectators on Saturday for two enthralling rugby matches. The curtain raiser was between Whangamata B and Tairua with the main game Senior A Whangamata v Waihi Athletic. The early game saw Tairua hold a narrow 5-3 lead deep into the second half. It's been said before but "it could be anyone's game." However in a blink an unforced Whangamata error saw Tairua counter attack and score a converted try, Tairua 12-3. Another Tairua try confirmed their second win of the season 17-3. A tidy enough Whangamata B display but a lack of unity was neatly summed up by a sideline comment "what you doin' man? by yourself?" during the game. The Senior A match between Whangamata and Waihi



Athletic saw both sides still bleeding from heavy first round losses. The Whangamata squad was hit with injuries to seven players including the elusive three quarter Will Everton with a popped shoulder. It was even stevenish at half time with the Red n Whites just ahead 8-7. Telly Hemopo kicked an early penalty, Waihi scored a converted try then Whangamata got their first try. A significant plus for the Red n Whites was their scrum dominance. Their granite like front row of Tobias Pulley, Dylan Jeffries and Moose Gee had a big impact on their scrumming. Only five minutes into the second half and Waihi converted a try to take the lead 14-8. From here on it was all Whangamata as they scored four unanswered tries to win handsomely 32-14. Smooth running and line breaks by Tiaonten Raoren and Telly Hemopo cut through the Waihi defence at ease. A good result for the Red n White Senior A's as they add

the Ainsley Shield to their trophy cabinet. Results Thames Valley HG Leach Senior A Whanganata 32 v Waihi Athletic 14, Paeroa 17 v Te Aroha Cobras 23, Waihou 17 v Hauraki North 42, Rhames 13 v Mercury Bay 13. HG Leach Senior B Whangamata 3 v Tairua 17, Ngatea 3 v Te Aroha Cobras

27, Waihou 10 v Hauraki North 42. Coromandel Bye. Upcoming Senior Rugby, no competition Easter Weekend, then Saturday 15 April Whangamata Senior A v Mercury Bay at Whitianga and Senior B at Coromandel.

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I look forward to hearing from you. Happy Easter everyone ...

- Donna McDonald

Whangamata Golf Club to host 'wacky' event

It's been a tough six months for Whangamata Golf Club following several adverse weather events which severely impacted on the course infrastructure. And while the course and its members are on the road to recovery, there is still much repair work to be done.

A series of fund-raising events has already raised more than \$150,000, but the club and its members are not stopping there, with details released of its next venture entitled Wild Women's Weekend.

The event is now in its sixth year, and is being held the weekend after Mother's Day, from 19 to 21 May.

This year Wild Women's Weekend features New Zealand music legend Annie Crummer as its headline act performing at Whangamata Golf Club's stylish Titoki clubrooms.

On the Saturday afternoon of Wild Women's Weekend, the Whangamata Golf Club is also hosting, in association with She Loves Golf, an event called Wild Wacky Golf at its nearby nine-hole Williamson course.

Wild Wacky Golf is a fun Ambrose tournament with women dressing up and teeing off after a cocktail or



two. For many women golfers this is their first time playing on a golf course.

In addition to golf, the Wild Women's Weekend festival also includes other activities such as art, cooking, kayaking, and yoga. Tickets to the Annie Crummer show include dinner, guests' first drink, and transport from town.

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The family met up (three of their adult children including their daughter on vacation from the USA) to watch the parade and enjoyed the day of festivities as a family.

Towards the end of the day, my parents made the last minute decision to beat the crowds and head home before the prize draw. My sister (from the USA) stayed with us and she was in the audience along with my brother, my husband



and our son. It was crazy and surreal for them to hear Mum and Dad over the loudspeaker! Just proves you never know your chances for the big prize. It made for a very memorable Beach Hop! Thanks for putting on such a fantastic event!"

Well there you go - what a story.

And so some reflections...

Was Repco Beach Hop 23 the best? Absolutely! Did we all love the new and exciting changes with the Repco Power Cruise Loop, King of the Hop Elvis Tribute for \$10k in cash, 76 T-Buckets, music extraordinaire and so much more. Of course we did!

To be honest the Facebook posts

and negativity earlier in the piece became unnecessary, we did not get cut off from civilization, the sky did not fall, the event was bigger than ever. Was there poor reporting from national dailies? Yes. Were arrests and DIC of huge concern? No different to a night in a major city.

Did the Beach Hop senior Committee seek the advice of all transport agencies and beyond? Yes.

So let's agree, the tills did ring, was it a great relief from cyclone/covid loss? Yes.

The chrome still shone, the music played on, the engines roared, the children waved flags, the grand street parade - better than ever!



Onemana Castrol park-up.

Did they tour all the townships along the way and spending as they went? Yes.

Did our numbers swell? Yes, punters enjoyed the bars and restaurants, and the ladies dressed up like days gone past.

Did huge cash prizes draw the crowds? Absolutely!

Let's get ready for Repco Beach Hop 24, support the organisers, support the official programme (this magazine generates essential revenue for our community) and always greet, smile and enjoy our visitors nationally and Internationally. Our town is the face of a good time and we are all ambassadors to their return.

- Jennie Black, Editor










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Repco Beach Hop 23 prize winners

GO WAIHI OCEAN GOLD WARM-UP PARTY

Best Dressed Elvis: Brian Pascoe
Best Dressed Group: Isabel & Samantha, Renee, Crystal
Best Dressed Guy: Mark Dunn
Best Dressed Gal:
 1st Miss Sandy Dee,
 2nd Katie Emma, 3rd Jeanne Butler

Mayor's Choice: Nigel Clothier, 1932 Ford Tudor

Oceana Gold Choice: Lisa Sawyer, 1930 Model A Coupe

People's Choice: Trevor Halstead, 1951 Studebaker Starlite

50" Panasonic TV Draw: Chloe Bird, Morrinsville

PAEROA POP-UP PAGEANT

Best Gents: Mac & Rockie

Best Gal: Miss Jo Tweedie

Best Couple: Angie Walters & Michelle Wise

Best Group: Miss Rita Rose & The Road Gang

Repco Powercruise The Loop \$5000

Random Draw:

Allan Morrison, 1934 Plymouth

Castrol Edge Thundercruise

Best Of Show: Rachel Perrit, 1932 Ford Coupe

\$1000 Entrant Draw: Kevin Wilkinson, 1950 Chev 3100 Pick Up

FORD ELITE 20

Steve Wilcock, 1954 Ford F100 Panel Truck

Ian Day, 1934 Ford Coupe

Gerald Ward, 1965 Ford Galaxie

Bill Fryer, 1932 Ford Coupe

Grant Smith, 1969 Ford Mustang

Everard Smith, 1937 Ford Coupe

Guy Williams, 1936 Ford Coupe

Sydney Briggs, 1949 Ford Bonus



Ray Bowater, 1940 Ford Pick Up
 Mike Taylor, 1967 Ford Mustang Convertible
 Ray Foot, 1953 Ford F100
 Neil Baker, 1935 Ford Roadster
 Susie Mattock, 1932 Ford Victoria
 Dave Rose, 1948 Ford Popular Van
 Boyd Matenga, 1971 Ford Falcon
 Craig Burmester, 1968 Ford Cortina
 David Brown, 1967 Ford Galaxie
 Glen Baker, 1956 Ford F100
 Carly Skinner, 1962 Ford Falcon
 Leonie Heywood, 1958 Ford Custom 300

NEW WORLD THUNDER CLUB

Jake Chaplin, Chukky 1940 Ford Pick Up

John Popenhagen, 1961 Morris School Bus

Tony Collins, 1923 Ford T Bucket
 Brett Cranswck, 1923 Ford T Bucket

Simon Dingle, 1971 Dodge Demon

Top Shop: Pumice Patch

Best Nostalgia Car: Bert Dove, 1932 Ford Roadster

Repco Best Hot Rod: Gregg Mills, Ford Pick Up

NZHRA Top Vehicle: Trevor Halstead, 1951 Studebaker Starlite

Under 25 Young Gun: Chloe Bird, 1955 Chevrolet

Best Tot Rod: Milly Stephenson
Cool Classic Car Show - Best Of Show: Steve Flexman, 1936 Ford Roaster

JCD Customs & Marine Best Pickup

Truck: Rocco Pienaar, Ford F100

Harcourts Top Hop House \$1000

Draw: Ranelle Mcgrath

Best Rock'n'roll Club Banner: Whakatane Rock N Roll Club



TOP 5 CARS

Peter & Delilah Schimanski, 1971 Holden Monaro

Paul Bailey, 1970 Dodge Challenger

Trevor Halstead, 1951 Studebaker Starlite

Rachel Perrit, 1932 Ford Coupe

John Popenhagen, 1961 Morris School Bus

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TOP 3 BIKES

Fred Nolan, Harley-Davidson

Ross Barry, Harley-Davidson

Nathan Curan, Harley-Davidson



TOP 2 CARAVANS

Raewyn Mears, 1960 Everson

Leanne Scott, 1972 Oxford Sunseeker "Rusty"



NOSTALGIA SURF COMPETITION

ENTRANT DRAW

Panasonic TV: Rangi Ormond

Burger Fuel Vintage Show

Runner Up: Gizzy Galore

Winner: Sammie Sinister

King Of The Hop - \$10,000 Cash:

Che Orton, Hamilton

Kiwiplates Voucher Prize Draw: Scott

Clayton, Mellons Bay

\$5000 Harley-Davidson Draw: Jason

Chilcott, Hobsonville

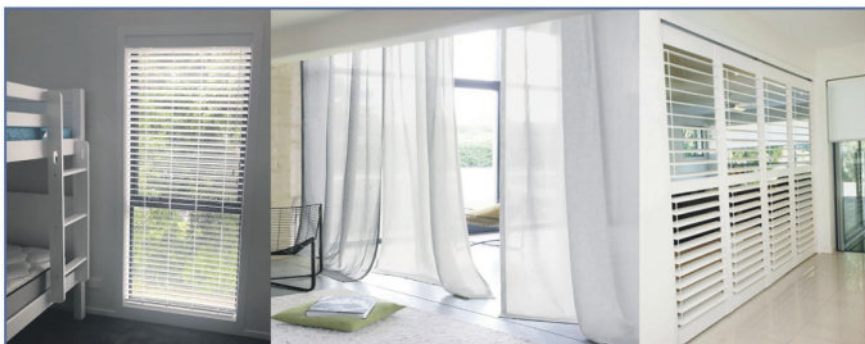
\$50,000 Cash Draw: Sacha Smith,

Cambridge

\$10,000 Entrant Draw: #728 Tim Hyde

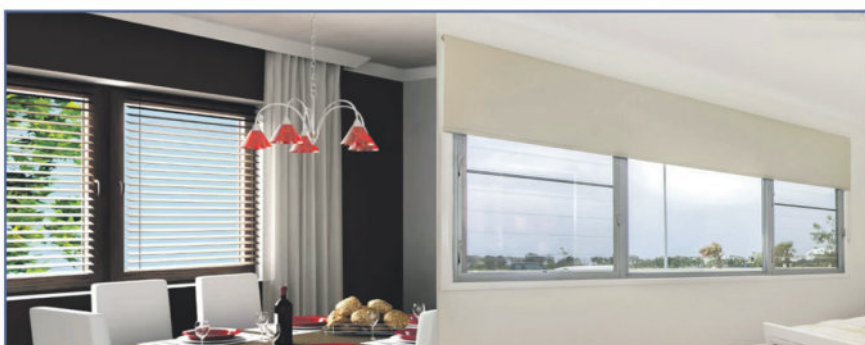
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Singles Bowls saw great competition

Over the weekend late March, the challenge was on to find the Whangamata Bowling Club's Singles Champions. With twelve men and five women competing the spectators were treated to some great head to heads and a few of the top competitors were eliminated earlier than expected

Eight men and three women won through to the second day for a sudden death play-off.



After a number of tense encounters Peg Jones faced Bev Simpson, who is still a junior bowler.

Bev set up an early lead and Peg had to work hard to match her in an effort to be the first to 21 points and take the Championship .Bev lead 20 point to 16 but Peg kept her scoreless for the next three ends and finished with a three point final end to take the game and the Championship

A similar match up occurred for the men's finalist when last season's champion, Mark Pene played Alan Cotter, another junior bowler .Ahead 20 to 16 despite an injured leg, Mark looked an odds on bet to be a repeat champion but Alan then scored a four point end and finished the game at 21 points to 20 and like Peg will go on to represent the club at the Thames Valley Bowls Centre's Champ of Champ encounter.

- Keith Miles



Sports results

WHANGAMATA BRIDGE CLUB

Winners of the Whangamata Bridge Club Summer Trophy are Sheryll Hill and Graeme Gunn. The Summer Trophy is the first of seven Pairs Events the Bridge Club holds during the year. Sheryll and Graeme did face some serious competition, and handled it well. In the final countdown they emerged deserving winners.

- Cushla Jarvis, President, Whangamata Bridge Club



Graeme Gunn and Sheryll Hill.

MAH JONG

31 March: We had 52 members playing so no 3 tables which was great for us all. The winners were:

1st with 38 points - Heather Dansby Scott

2nd with 36 points - Margaret Birkett

3rd with 34 points - Daphne Inglis

Very close scores.

Just a reminder there is no Mah Jong on good Friday and Easter Monday.

RSA 500 CLUB

22 March: An enjoyable day was had by all. The winner on

the day was Dave Gardyne and Linda Harris won the raffle. Chris Hepi won the chocolate bar.

29 March: The winner on the day was Helen Tebbutt and Erin Delaney won the raffle. Christine Boston won the chocolate bar.

TABLE TENNIS

29 March: Table tennis results were 1st equal Graeme Smith and Wayne Broome followed by Sandra Whitmore in 2nd place. Well done to all of you but especially to Sandra who is a relatively new player.

Lots of fun was had by all who attended.

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Open Home Easter Sunday 12-12:30pm

Asking Price \$1,575,000

144 TE TUTU STREET

A SECRET HIDEAWAY



You will be so surprised when you visit this home, tucked away overlooking the upper reaches of the Otahu Estuary. This charming 3 bedroom home has a fabulous outlook, a great place to come home from work and sit on the huge deck and destress. There is still plenty of opportunity to add value, so perfect for those hopping on the property ladder. You can launch your kayak and go for a paddle or maybe even find some whitebait! There is a very large storage shed/office type building, plus a lot of parking, perfect for cars, boats, trailers or a camper van.

Open Home Easter Sunday 12-12:30pm

Asking Price \$990,000

126 RANGITUIA STREET

TICKS ALL THE BOXES



This large GJ Gardner home represents great value for money. Built by GJ's to their high standards, cavity system, fully insulated, double glazing. 694m2 Freehold site. A very versatile layout with 3 large bedrooms, master with ensuite, open plan kitchen/dining/living upstairs and 2 big bedrooms downstairs along with a very large second living room, ideal if you have guests, teenagers, or perhaps an air b'n'b opportunity. Future proofed for those wanting to retire, with a lift shaft/cupboard, making it simple to install the lift in the future, taking you from the downstairs lobby to the living room. The indoor/outdoor flow to a very large deck, partially covered with a louvre system allows for year round el fresco dining, light up the bbq and enjoy friends and family on those balmy nights. There is a double garage plus heaps of off street parking for boats, trailers or project cars.

Open Home Easter Sunday 1-1:30pm

Asking Price \$1,595,000

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BEACHSIDE APARTMENT



Wake up every morning to beautiful views of the beach, check the surf or just sit back, relax and soak up the sun from the balcony. This top floor apartment is only four back from the beach and is only a short stroll to the cafes and boutique stores that Whangamata has to offer. This beautifully presented 2 bedroom apartment has large garaging, ample storage and two balconies for year round enjoyment. This building offers great security, keyless entry to foyer, own apartment, and garage. The lift makes for easy living for any age. Just like living in a resort!



*Open Home Easter Sunday
11-11:30pm*

Asking Price \$1,350,000
6/111 HUNT ROAD

COUNTRY LIFESTYLE



Just minutes away from three Coromandel gems! Whangamata, Opoutere and Onemana beaches. You will be spoilt for choice. This 2,023m2 stunning park like grounds are like no other on offer! The recently renovated home offers flexible living, with 2 double bedrooms plus 3 more spaces that would be perfect for unexpected guests, a kid's space, family room, plus a hobby room, ideal for artists or perhaps a work from home option. The stylish coastal country vibe exudes warmth and relaxation, grab a book, and sit under a tree in summer, then in winter snuggle up in front of the cozy wood burner. Opoutere School close by.



*Open Home Easter Sunday
1-1:30pm*

Enquiries over \$1,200,000
1065 TAIRUA ROAD



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Open Home Easter Sunday 2-2:30pm

Price By Negotiation
103B LEIGHTON ROAD

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- Whiritoa Sandcastle Comp



Surf Club - 30+ years



Cracker Jack Tournament - 17 years



Sandcastle Comps - 3 years



WRE Community Pool - 10 years



Christmas Fair - 1st year



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113B Philomel Road

- A nicely presented three bedroom home
- North facing deck, open plan living
- Large separate garage with 2 rooms complete with additional shower and toilet
- The spacious section is fully fenced and gated
- Short walk to the beach and town centre

[View 11am Saturday](#)



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PRICE BY
NEGOTIATION

167 Durrant Drive

- This 4 bedroom home offers views of the upper harbour
- Modern kitchen/dining, spacious lounge
- North-facing deck overlooks reserve
- Downstairs has a spacious bedroom with second bathroom and rumpus room
- High stud double garage with internal access

[View 11am Sunday](#)



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ENQUIRIES
OVER
\$1,150,000

307 Hetherington Road

- Fully fenced and gated, freehold 822m² site
- So close to the marina, reserve, and supermarket
- Cute as 2 bedroom kiwiana bach in a good tidy condition
- Single garage

[View 12 noon Sunday](#)



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\$1,070,000

115B Ajax Road

- Price reduced by \$45k
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\$850,000

124 Titiro Drive, Onemana

- Expansive ocean, island and beach views
- Huge open plan lounge/kitchen/dining area
- Four bedrooms, three bathrooms
- Downstairs has second lounge/dining & kitchenette
- Parking consists of two single lock-up garages plus a workshop

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\$1,300,000



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\$2,950,000

466A Ohui Road, Opoutere

- Direct beachfront access
- 1.9250ha in a combination of private bush, garden & lawn
- Three bedroom home, open plan kitchen and living
- Expansive north facing deck
- Sheltered outdoor entertaining area
- Secure garage plus double carport
- Separate Yurt accommodation



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\$2,450,000

107 Riverview Road

- Full site freehold title - 827sqm, zoned extra density
- Generous garaging plus off-street parking
- Additional Studio / Hobby room / Teens lounge
- Designer kitchen and walk-in pantry
- 3-4 double bedrooms, 4th bedroom or second lounge
- Wood burner and dual heat pumps

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\$2,400,000

203A Philomel Road

- Style and good design maximise use of space in this immaculate home
- Designer kitchen and scullery
- Four bedrooms (master with ensuite)
- Dual outdoor entertainment options
- Triple garaging, boat garage / workshop
- Landscaped gardens

View 12 noon Saturday



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\$2,395,000

320 Ocean Road

- Dual road frontages on Beverley Terrace and Ocean Road
- 835sqm Extra Density Zone
- 6 bedrooms, - 2 bathrooms
- Expansive deck
- Separate garage and storage lockup
- Great development potential

View 12 noon Sunday



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\$1,675,000

113 Moana Anu Anu Avenue

- Located on the boundary of reserve with harbour and marina views
- Expansive decks overlooking Reserve
- Modern decor and open plan living
- 3 generous sized bedrooms
- Second lounge/media room
- Freehold large 905sqm site

View 1pm Saturday



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103 Estuary View

- Freehold full site 600sqm
- Elevated views from this 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home
- Internal access double garage
- Modern kitchen, open plan living
- Excellent indoor / outdoor connection
- Delightful gardens

View 12 noon Sunday



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118 Tirohanga Drive

- Sunny open plan living and dining area
- 3 double bedrooms – master with ensuite
- Modern and spacious kitchen
- Double garage, workshop & garden shed
- Fully fenced & gated yard
- Freehold 711sqm site

View 1pm Saturday



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311A Port Road

- Single level easy living
- Two double bedrooms, open plan living
- Single garage / workshop
- Fully fenced private rear yard
- Handy to Town Centre

View 1pm Sunday



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Lot 1 of Lot 16 Te Pamahue Drive

- Elevated north facing site with expansive upper harbour views
- Located on the boundary of Reserve
- Close to town yet offering a semi-rural setting.
- Build amongst quality homes



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204A Tui Road

- Modern renovation honours original charm
- Polished timber T&G floors
- Two bedrooms plus Portacom
- Great north / west facing deck
- Free hold 335sqm fenced front site

View 1pm Sunday



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210 Given Avenue

- Freehold full site – 819sqm
- Close to beach access 15
- Dual decks for all day outdoor dining options
- Open plan kitchen
- Two living spaces – one up, one down
- Three double bedrooms
- Separate laundry and bathroom
- Additional outdoor shower and toilet
- Single separate garage
- Register your interest early

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View 11am Saturday & Sunday



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115 Rangī Avenue

- Freehold full site – 809sqm
- Close to Surf Beach and Estuary Store
- Four bedrooms, three bathrooms, two lounges, one great property
- Modern kitchen and open plan living connected to expansive deck
- Large lawn area and ample off-street parking for boats, motorhomes, tents and games
- Well suited as permanent home or holiday hot spot
- Family friendly home with multiple spaces
- Great storage throughout

View 11am Saturday & Sunday



Sharon Laurenson
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102 Saint Patricks Row

- Convenient location – close to beach and town
- Ocean and island views
- Great northly aspect – captures all day sun
- Elevated open plan living and dual decks
- Three double bedrooms - master with ensuite & walk in robe
- Internal access double garage with auto door
- 517sqm freehold site, Extra Density zone
- Near beach access 6 and 7
- Move first point to under the line starting - 517sqm freehold...
- Lift, entrance foyer and powder room
- Easy access boat or motorhome parking
- Fully fenced & gated

View 2pm Sunday



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Whangamata Real Estate

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108 Tui Road

- A spacious 2-bedroom property on a 809m² level site
- Free standing Metro fire and heat pump
- Covered patio area
- Fully fenced back yard
- Caravan (as is where is)

View: 12 noon Saturday & Sunday



Nancy Millett
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View Listing: whanga.co/8199



128 Avalon Place

- The house is single level with 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms
- Double garage with internal access
- Ample room for extra parking
- Decking front and back for outdoor entertaining

View: 1pm Saturday & Sunday



Nancy Millett
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22 Ngahere Terrace, Opoutere

- Enjoy beautiful, elevated views of the Opoutere harbour
- Set on a 5165m² (over 1 ¼ acre) lot clad in native bush with a natural spring
- The house has 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, open plan living
- It is in a very private position with no visible neighbours

View: 1pm Saturday



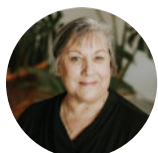
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226 Otahu Road

- Recently renovated inside and out
- New kitchen, upgraded bathroom plus new floor coverings
- Freshly painted inside and out, double glazing installed in the bedrooms
- There are good-size covered decks front and back
- Fully fenced and secure back yard

View: 11am Saturday & Sunday



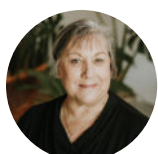
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111 Wattle Place

- This well-presented 2 bedroom home is bright, sunny, and warm
- Open plan kitchen/living area, plus a newly renovated bathroom
- A fully lined Double garage
- Newly renovated 10sqm Cabin, with infinity hot water and heat pump
- Fully fenced, front and back

View: By appointment



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68 Parakiwai Quarry Road

- A 2 hectare lifestyle block not to be missed
- The large 236sqm house has three double bedrooms, two bathrooms, generous living area has lovely rural views
- Internal access double garage plus separate 3 bay garaging
- Lots of native plantings and established plum trees



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104 Tukere Drive

- Take in the stunning vista of the Whangamata Harbour this property enjoys along with reserve frontage
- A beautifully designed and constructed 3 bedroom home
- Two living spaces, and a bathroom on each level
- Kitchen with scullery
- Automated louvres above the deck

View 10am Saturday & Sunday



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215 Ocean Road

- Great beach location
- 812sqm site, zoned extra density
- Loads of space for boats, cars, tents
- Two bedroom bach plus converted garage
- Potential for subdivision

View 1pm Sunday



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105 Sylvia Road

- Original 3 bedroom bach that has been upgraded
- Basement area and garage
- Excellent beach location
- Spacious 809sqm site
- Beautiful timber floors inside

View 12 noon Saturday & Sunday



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119 Moana Anu Anu Avenue

- This single level home has been stylishly renovated
- Four bedrooms + office/Study
- Master ensuite and walk in wardrobe
- Open plan kitchen, living, dining
- Outdoor dining and entertaining spaces

View 2pm Saturday & Sunday



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102 Aickin Road

- Here is an opportunity to maximize your investment with an outstanding town centre prospect
- 10 x powered storage units (2 of the units are split into two to make 12 spaces total) + parking
- 2+ bedroom concrete block house at the rear
- 832sqm site in extra density zoning offers great potential



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114 Hauturu Street

- Tidy, simple and original, 2 bedroom classic bach
- Beach and estuary are close by
- The 830sqm flat section is perfect for epic backyard games
- Complete with furniture package, shed & brick BBQ

View 1pm Saturday



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7/100 Winifred Avenue

- Enjoy water views and the benefits of being within proximity to town and beach
- Spread over three levels, there are 3 double bedrooms and 2 bathrooms
- Modern kitchen / dining area which leads out onto one of the two decked areas
- A good size ground floor patio

View 12 noon Saturday



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314A Sylvia Road

- Ever-popular Sylvia Road is nice and close to both surf club and Island View Beach Access
- This renovated 3 bedroom bach is well presented
- Two bathrooms, a utility, nice decked area
- The land is freehold title

View 11am Sunday



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6 Widdison Place

- A much-loved and upgraded 3 bedroom family home
- Beautiful tree-lined garden outlook with hills as a backdrop
- Well set up for outdoor living with tiered hardwood decks & customized lighting
- The property is fully fenced and gated
- Single garage

View 3pm Saturday & Sunday



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\$1,755,000

709 Tairua Road

- Family oasis in the country
- 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, 2 living rooms, 3 car garaging
- 2639sqm grounds, perfect for kids & dogs to play & explore
- Expansive sea, island and harbour views
- Olive tree-lined concrete driveway with ample parking
- Short drive to Whangamata, Opoutere & Onemana + school bus stops at the gate

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\$1,195,000

504 Achilles Avenue

- Walk to the beach, shops or Surf Club
- Three bedrooms, internal garage
- In excellent condition and very well maintained
- Excellent indoor/outdoor living
- Fully fenced and gated
- An ideal retirement home or low maintenance holiday home

[View 11am Saturday](#)



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\$955,000

64 Kon Tiki Road, Whiritoa

- Fabulous family beach house
- 3 bedrooms, double garage
- Easy stroll to beach and only one property away from tennis courts
- 809sqm, fully fenced section with tank & bore water
- Beautiful mature fruit trees including avocado, apples & citrus plus ornamentals
- Whiritoa is located between Whangamata & Waihi

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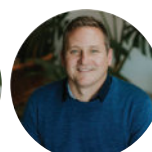


\$1,099,000

115 Elsinore Close

- This newly constructed GJ Gardner Home is in need of its first occupant
- Beautiful natural outlook
- Neutral colour pallet throughout
- Three double bedrooms, master has an ensuite
- Freehold 726sqm site

[View 11am Saturday](#)



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ENQUIRIES
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\$1,295,000

2121A Waihi-Whangamata Road

- 15 acres plus a roomy 3 bedroom farmhouse with office
- Nice rolling contour
- Enjoy the stunning rural views from the covered deck
- Double garage
- Beautiful Matai floors
- Fencing is all in order and the house has had new carpet and paint



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603 Beach Road

- Spacious modern 4-bedroom home
- Two ensuite bathrooms plus main
- Alfresco dining from deck areas
- Designed to capture the sun with ever-changing upper harbour views
- Double garaging with internal access



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138 Moana Anu Anu Avenue

- Desired peaceful location bordering harbour reserve
- Tranquil ever-changing water views
- Five bedrooms with two bathrooms
- Modern spacious kitchen
- Double garage with internal access

View 11am Saturday



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55 Herbert Drive

- Three bedroom north facing home
- Large living area with direct deck access
- Upper harbour views and forestry backdrop
- Peaceful exclusive location
- Landscaped mature grounds
- Double garaging and carport



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109A Graham Street

- Looking for a stylish beach house or holiday set up?
- Situated in a prime location, only four hundred metres to the central beach and easy walk to the town
- Three bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, open plan living
- Covered deck and sunny courtyard area

View 12 noon Saturday



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136B Sharyn Place

- A very tidy 2 bedroom, 2 bathroom property
- New paint, carpets cleaned, new dishwasher and stove
- Also has a new freehold title
- Offering a beautiful setting with the upper harbour and hills as your backdrop
- Fully fenced & gated

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Books & BBQ outside the Whangamata Library.

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Retirement Village Living

If you would like to learn about Retirement Village living, Longridge Country Estate, Paeroa is holding an information morning tea at the Whangamata RSA on Wednesday 12 April at 10am

Morning Tea provided. Preferred RSVP for catering.

Ph Eloise at Longridge Country Estate 0800 928928

Whangamata Ratepayer Association

Stormwater and Flooding Notice of Public Meeting Sunday 9 April 2.00pm Whangamata Club Members of the "working group" established to investigate cause, and effect will present their findings.

We encourage all those affected by recent weather events to attend this meeting. See the *Whangamata Ratepayer website* and Facebook page for additional information.



DEATH NOTICE

MOORE, Terence.

In the early hours of 29th March, 2023 Terence (Terry) Moore passed away at home. By his side was his wife and best friend Jackie, and his daughter Lynda. He is also survived by his granddaughter Amy. He was loved by many and will be missed.

In accordance with Terry's wishes a private cremation has been held. Messages to: 105 Avalon Place, Whangamata 3620

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Whangamata Tides 2023

APRIL 2023										
☾ New Moon: 20th ☀ Full Moon: 6th										
Date	High tide	Height (m)	High tide	Height (m)	Low tide	Height (m)	Low tide	Height (m)	Sun rise	Sun set
	AM		PM		PM		PM			
7	Fri	7:50	1.9	20:17	1.9	1:32	0.5	13:59	0.4	06:34 18:01
8	Sat	8:31	1.9	20:59	1.9	2:15	0.4	14:40	0.4	06:35 17:59
9	Sun	9:13	1.9	21:41	1.9	2:57	0.4	15:22	0.3	06:36 17:58
10	Mon	9:56	1.9	22:26	1.9	3:42	0.4	16:05	0.3	06:37 17:56
11	Tue	10:41	1.9	23:14	1.9	4:29	0.4	16:51	0.3	06:38 17:55
12	Wed	11:29	1.8			5:19	0.4	17:40	0.4	06:39 17:53
13	Thu	0:07	1.9	12:22	1.8	6:13	0.5	18:33	0.4	06:39 17:52
14	Fri	1:04	1.8	13:21	1.8	7:11	0.5	19:32	0.4	06:40 17:51
15	Sat	2:05	1.8	14:24	1.8	8:12	0.5	20:34	0.4	06:41 17:49
16	Sun	3:07	1.9	15:30	1.8	9:14	0.5	21:38	0.4	06:42 17:48
17	Mon	4:08	1.9	16:34	1.8	10:16	0.4	22:40	0.4	06:43 17:46
18	Tue	5:06	1.9	17:35	1.9	11:15	0.4	23:38	0.4	06:44 17:45
19	Wed	6:01	2.0	18:30	1.9			12:10	0.3	06:45 17:44
20	Thu	6:53	2.0	19:22	2.0	0:33	0.3	13:02	0.2	06:46 17:42
21	Fri	7:43	2.0	20:12	2.0	1:25	0.3	13:51	0.2	06:47 17:41
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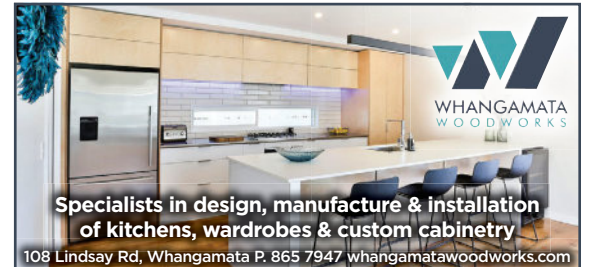
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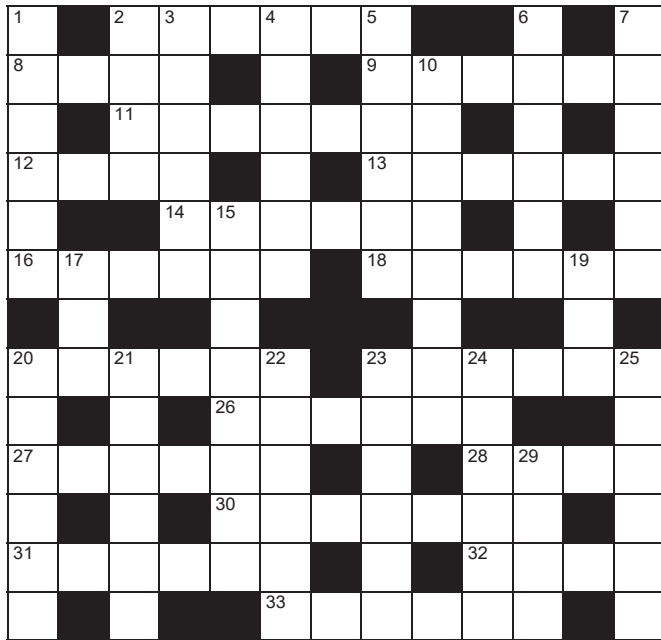
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QUICK CROSSWORD



- Across**
- 2. Informal opinion poll (3,3)
 - 8. Person who exploits others (4)
 - 9. Turn into bone (6)
 - 11. Set your sights (4,3)
 - 12. Countries in alliance (4)
 - 13. Usual (6)
 - 14. Rough shelter with a sloping roof (4-2)
 - 16. Nuance (6)
 - 18. Affected by drugs (colloq) (6)
 - 20. Shows off (6)
 - 23. Gesture (6)
 - 26. Tie up (6)
 - 27. Youngster (colloq) (6)
 - 28. Probability (4)
 - 30. Alleviate (7)
 - 31. Head dress (6)
 - 32. Large jug (4)
 - 33. Smoothly (6)
- Down**
- 1. Waterproofing grease (6)
 - 2. A ban (4)
 - 3. Medium for divine advice (6)
 - 4. Give cash in advance of use (6)
 - 5. Indicates (6)
 - 6. Professional killer (6)
 - 7. Skin covering a sight organ (6)
 - 10. Pureed fruit drink (8)
 - 15. And so on (Latin) (2,6)
 - 17. A type (3)
 - 19. Period of history (3)
 - 20. Rational behaviour (6)
 - 21. Communicate (6)
 - 22. Tranquil (6)
 - 23. Holy place (6)
 - 24. Scramble for favour (6)
 - 25. Sheen (6)
 - 29. Moist (4)

TRIO

The same three-letter sequence will complete each of the four words

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 __TO
 AL__E
 SHA__G

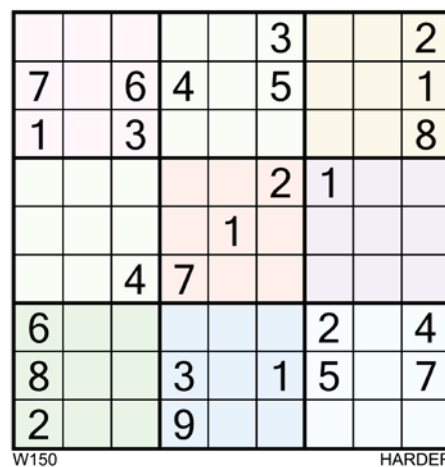
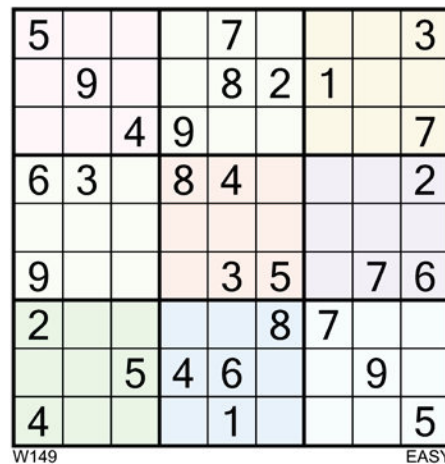
WORDWHEEL

Add one letter to make a 9-letter word reading clockwise or anti clockwise



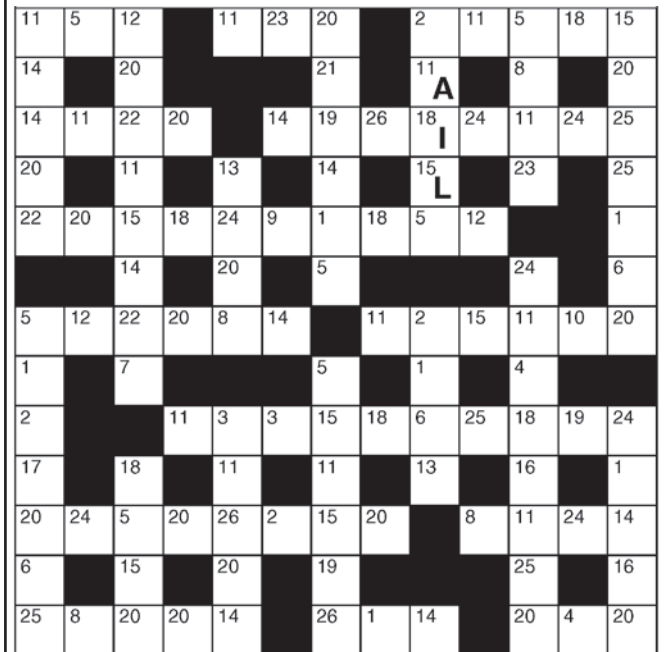
SUDOKU

Fill the grid so every row, column and 3x3 box contains the numbers 1-9



DECODER

Each number below represents a different letter. Find the correct letter for each number by working out the word from the letters given. To keep track, cross the letters off on the grid below.



A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13													
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WORKING SPACE

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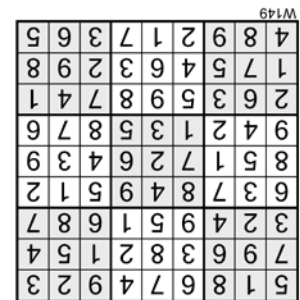
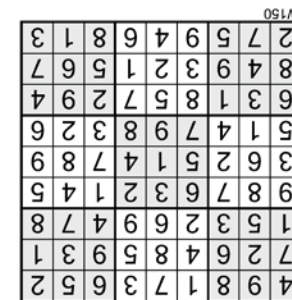
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Down: 1. Dubbin, 2. Veto, 3. Oracle, 4. Prepay, 5. Points, 6. Hitman, 7. Eyelid, 10. Smoothie, 15. Et cetera, 17. Ilk, 19. Era, 20. Sanity, 21. Impart, 22. Serene, 23. Shrine, 24. Grovel, 25. Lustre, 29. Dewy.

DECODER

14	D	15	L	16	G	17	J	18	I	19	O	20	E	21	X	22	R	23	P	24	N	25	T	26	M
1	U	2	B	3	F	4	V	5	C	6	S	7	Y	8	W	9	Q	10	Z	11	A	12	H	13	K

SUDOKU



TRIO: PIN WORDWHEEL: RELATIVES

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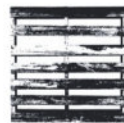
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9:35PM REBELS V BLUES
DJ 9PM
- SUNDAY
UFC 287
2PM ADESANYA V PEREIRA
8:15PM WARRIORS V KNIGHTS