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Greenwashing

In recent days we have had the Government celebrating with great fanfare, the announcement of a \$140 million subsidy to enable NZ Steel to transition a furnace and kilns from coal fired to electricity. This initiative follows the subsidising of the expansion of the EV fleet (the clean car upgrade) and investing in the electrification of some rail networks. This exercise in political window-dressing includes no mention of how this extra electricity demand is to be managed.

Inevitably the increase in demand

for base-load power will require further reliance on the Huntly coal fired power station and its consumption of enormous tonnages of imported Indonesian coal. Shifting the reliance on coal from one site to another will achieve very little and the variable supply from wind or solar will not come close to satisfying demand.

Additionally, we now have Transpower advising they may not be able to guarantee supply at times of peak demand over the coming winter. Further, we have the Energy Minister giving condescending advice to consumers on how to save electricity in the home.

Hypocrisy, folly, or Green political genius?

George Williams WHANGAMATĀ

HON SCOTT SIMPSON

MP for Coromandel



Another Budget blowout

Last month the Government released its Budget, which we were led to believe would finally show some financial restraint. However, a raft of new spending initiatives has left everyday New Zealander to pick up the tab for another set of misguided policies. Their big spend up will put more inflationary pressure on the economy. This will put even more strain on Kiwi's with mortgages and make it harder to balance the weekly budget.

It was the perfect time to help hardworking Kiwis by adjusting the income tax thresholds. This would have been a meaningful change which could have gone someway to addressing the ongoing cost-ofliving crisis. Unfortunately, we got more evidence that Labour believes that they know how to better spend your taxpayer dollars than you do.

The Budget did include a package aimed at supporting local councils to improve the resilience of local roads. This is good news for the Coromandel because many of our roads, such as The 309 and the Tapu-Coroglen, are fragile and in desperate need of attention. When these routes are closed, more pressure is put on other routes around the Peninsula. Now it's up to TCDC to put our case forward to get our fair share of funding.

Meanwhile we are still waiting for the urgent action needed to get SH25a reopened. A reliable roading network is key for the Coromandel and I'll be doing everything I can to support these efforts.

- Authorised by Scott Simpson MP, 614 Pollen St, Thames

What legacy will you leave?

Leaving a gift in your Will no matter the size, is a contribution of extraordinary value to the generations that follow us.

There are many ways to leave your mark on your community.

Everything you do, such as your connections with your family/whānau and friends, your work, sporting, or community activities, all contribute to memories of you.

Another way is to leave a planned gift in your Will to ensure the ongoing provision of care for the elderly in your community.

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Scott Simpson MP for Coromandel

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614 Pollen St, Thames



Moana House & Village

Banking Hub Whangamata – trial set for July

Whangamatā News sought some clarity from the NZBA on the new Regional Banking Hub. It will provide face-to-face banking, cash services, and internet and phone banking, and is set to open in Whangamatā in July.

The regional banking hubs are an initiative led by the New Zealand Banking Association - Te Rangapū Pēke and New Zealand's six biggest banks - ASB, ANZ, BNZ, Kiwibank, TSB and Westpac

The hubs are a trial to test community and customer demand for multi-bank services in towns that are not big enough for several bank branches.

There are currently four banking hubs – in Martinborough, Ōpunake, Twizel and Stoke. Last year the banks decided to launch a second phase of the trial.

Three new hubs are opening over the next three months, in Whangamatā, Ōpōtiki and Waimate. This phase of the trial will last for one year. The six banks won't close regional branches during this time in



order to find a model that works for customers and the community.

The Whangamatā Banking Hub will be in Shop B, 608 Port Rd, Whangamatā. It is a relatively central location, providing access for businesses and personal customers.

NZBA CEO Roger Beaumont said the hub will provide a range of services.

"We're excited about bringing a banking hub to Whangamatā which takes on lessons from the first round of the hubs trial.

"The new hub will be located in a stand-alone location and have a multi-bank smart ATM and a coin and note change service. A concierge will be available to assist customers to access the services,

which include an ATM, tablet for online banking, and phone. These services will be available in private areas to help ensure confidentiality.

"We're also introducing a daily banker service, where a banker from each participating bank will be available for meetings four hours a dav. one dav a week.

"I know the last few months have been difficult for Whangamatā and I'm sure the hub will be welcomed. I hope it is successful."

The Smart ATM and change machines will be in a secure lobby that can be accessed 24 hours a day. The concierge and daily banker services will be available from 10am - 2pm each day.

The daily banker schedule is:

- Monday: Kiwibank
- Tuesday: ASB
- Wednesday: BNZ
- Thursday: Westpac Friday: ANZ

- Roger Beaumont, Chief Executive of NZBA



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SURF LIFE SAVING

Can you help us please or do you

know someone or

an organisation that can?

Beach Hop-oly: You could own this painting for just \$20

This original painting is being raffled at \$20 per ticket with all proceeds going to Moana House in Whangamatā to help build a Dementia Unit.

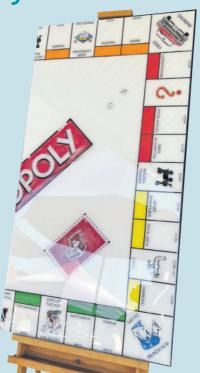
Only 250 tickets to be sold. Will be drawn on 2 May or when all tickets have been sold!

What you need to know about the painting...

An original painting by Clinton Christian created using acrylic with a resin coating. Clinton's pop art originals are extremely sought after by pop art enthusiasts – they are bright and lots of fun with a nostalgic twist on many of our old time favourites.

A Beach Hop take on the traditional Monopoly board. Including all the towns that the Beach Hop goes to – fun and a real talking piece.

120cm x 60cm.



Get your raffle ticket from The Little Gallery Port Road, Whangamatā (beside Chill Cafe).

Police report

Jack Driver here. I will be acting in the Sergeant's role until a more permanent plan has been decided from the bosses. Fortunately I still have Sergeant William Hamilton close by to lend me his advice.

For those readers that do not know me I have been in the Police since 2003, originally coming from the Metropolitan Police in London. Since then I have worked many roles across the Waikato District and moved to Whangamatā two years ago so my family and I can enjoy a more community feel. I have two young boys and my wife teaches locally.

PRESSING MATTERS:

Seatbelts. This is non-negotiable so our message is simple. Wear it, as there are too many people dying on our roads, plus it saves you a \$150 fine from us.

Whangamata Area School. With our area seeing a significant increase of traffic flow, we must look after our young people coming and going from school. Between 8-9am and 2-3.30pm I expect that any driver in this area to play their part in slowing down. Parents, we especially need your help with this *and* please set a good example with your parking habits.

Crimestoppers. Can I turn your mind to puzzle solving. Our community has had a person visiting the area with a shopping list (not for New World). Also, a number of burned out vehicles





have appeared on Tairua Road, towards Tairua. If you see suspicious activity or just think a car looks dodgy consider writing down the number plate and reporting it at:

www.crimestoppers-nz.org This can be done anonymously.

Your information may be extremely valuable for solving and preventing crime.

I look forward to meeting more of you as the year progresses.

Any comments, questions or concerns let me know.

- Jack Driver, Acting Sergeant Whangamata Police

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Te Aka Whai Ora Māori Health Authority FLU2023

OBITUARY Celebrating Andre Charles Hilliar

12.10.1966 - 17.05.2023

Whangamatā News was privileged to receive some special words from Andre's brothers Matt and Frank, just to give us all an insight into Andre's earlier years.

Andre was born in Matamata, a little brother to Frank and Matthew and third son for John and Janet Hilliar. Being the baby of the family, he was an adored little brother and before long was able to keep up with his older siblings. Most things in life became a competition even to the



point of who could eat their dinner the fastest to be first in for seconds, the grapefruit toss, cart races down the driveway to name but a few. Animals and birds in particular have always featured in Andre's life, and most will remember Maggie either with fondness or terror.

Schooling through Firth Primary, Matamata Intermediate and Matamata College. The only thing Andre liked about intermediate, was the days he had woodwork and would tell his Mum he would be late home helping the teacher clean up so he could get a chance to use the lathe.

Matamata College, his favourite subjects were Maths, thanks to the tutelage of Mr Wilson, Tech drawing and woodwork.

He left College to take up an apprenticeship with Mr Peter Galvin, and when Peter moved to Mount Maunganui Andre followed. He spent a few years there furthering his skills and making the most of the lifestyle the Mount had to offer, sun, surf, ocean and the mountain. Back then they used to hold a downhill race from the top of the Mount, which he loved competing in and would often just go up and down on the old school 90's bikes as of an evening.

He then moved back to Matamata



and did a short stint at NZCDC Waharoa as a Process Tester, under his brother Matt's charge, then to Trower Panels installing panels with them.

Then the old Black Bach called, and

he never looked back. Whangamatā became his forever home. It wasn't long before he was building out on his own and a ride around the town will show off many of his builds.

Rest in peace, Andre.



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Hikuai School seek sun sail assistance

Our Hikuai School Hunting Comp is looking bigger and better with some awesome new sponsors on board this year! And lots of cash and goodies up for grabs!

We have added a NEW Snapper category this year:

Adults - 1st, 2nd & 3rd heaviest Snapper

Kids - 1st, 2nd & 3rd heaviest

Snapper and a Mystery Weight snapper Prizes

And ALSO the new ladies category with some lovely prizes sponsored including a beautiful Saben handbag kindly sponsored by Haus Blank in Tairua.

We have some exciting new fun games and activities for the kids to do on the day this year as well as



the usual lolly scramble. Come along and check out the fun family day!

Please get your entries in as we have some very exciting spot prizes up for grabs, you don't need to hunt or fish to enter for spot prizes.

Adults tickets are \$50 and kids \$10 which includes lunch.

This year, we continue to raise funds for the relining of our school pool and the replacement of our large shade sail. Both important resources that we want to make sure are looked after and maintained for our tamariki and for future pupils. It is costing more than we originally thought, we are determined to continue to raise the funds to complete this project.

Link to enter is on our facebook page and Hikuai School website.





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WAS building awareness is key

Whangamatā News caught up with the teacher in charge on the day, Rachel Fulton and 60 wee students aged 5 to 7 years at Williamson Park on the 25 May.

They have been learning all about 'community helpers'. Civil Defence, Surf Lifesaving, Fire Services, St John Ambulance were all there on site showing the littlies their equipment to consolidate the learning from the classroom.

Rachel told us "they have been learning about people in our

community, volunteers and how they help us work together and learning to be responsible in our own families to do our part and look after ourselves".

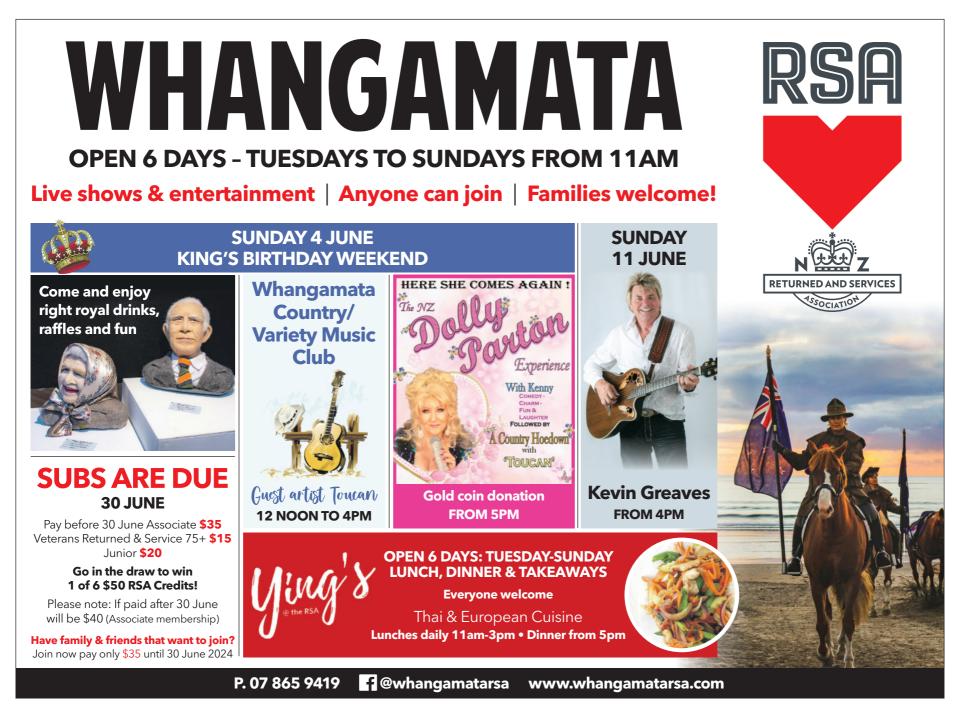
I must say, I've never seen so many littlies get onto the St John stretcher bed at once, and even when inside the ambulance, they made short work hanging off the side interior bars making it a jungle gym, just delightful!

- Jennie Black









Whangamata Ratepayers' public meeting this Sunday

Since the public meeting on Sunday, 9 April, the Stormwater Working Group has attended two meetings with TCDC officials with a third planned for Thursday, 15 June. In preparation for that meeting a second report has been completed. See the Whangamata Ratepayers Association website: www.whangamataratepayers.org.nz

A public meeting has been scheduled for King's Birthday Weekend on Sunday, 4 June, in the War Memorial Hall at 2.00pm.

Coromandel MP Scott Simpson will attend to hear first-hand the concerns of residents and ratepayers.

WRA Working Group findings are quite clear: successive council administrations have failed despite numerous commissioned reports to maintain current infrastructure and plan for growth.

A fundamental role of local government is managing, maintaining, future proofing the infrastructure assets paid for by the local community over decades.

Local government needs to change: there must be transparency, financial accountability, a robust commitment to listening and responding to community concerns and requirements.

When scanning Coromandel newspapers there is regular correspondence reporting instances where justifiable local community concerns are ignored and overridden by council.

Which brings us to Local Government Reform, and the submission from TCDC to the

review into the Future of Local Government draft report key points?

- Revitalizing citizen led democracy.
- Allocating roles and functions in a way that enhances wellbeing.
- Local Government as champion and activator of wellbeing.
- A stronger relationship between central and local government.
- Replenishing and building on representative democracy
- Building an equitable, sustainable funding and finance system.
- Designing the local government system to enable the change we need.
- System stewardships and support

Whangamata Ratepayers Association believes strongly that there must be greater independence given to local communities. Community Boards must be allowed to actively represent all ratepayers for the benefit and wellbeing of the town.

However, despite the proposed Local Government reforms, we learn that Government is seeking to introduce New Regional Planning Legislation (replacing RMA with co-governance).

A recent excerpt from the Taxpayers' Union, advises these reforms will cut to the very heart of why we have elected councils. It means that instead of democratically elected decision makers, local planners will be replaced with regional co-governed "central planning committees" to decide what can be built and where.

Under this proposed law, powers over planning and when a resource consent is required will be stripped from local councils and handed to 15 new co-governed "Regional Planning Committees". That means decisions about consent for your deck, new home, factory, your farms water take, and decisions made for your city or town will be made by people you have not elected and cannot be voted out.

This unelected body will be known as the 'National Māori Entity'.

At any time, iwi or hapū can produce a Te Oranga o te Taiao (environmental well-being) statement, dictating how the Minister of Environment must uphold the 'intrinsic relationship' between iwi/hapū and the environment in National Planning Frameworks for which there is no appeal process outlined in the bill.

Taxpayers' Union Campaigns Manager, Callum Purves, said:

"New Zealanders are rightly frustrated with the cumbersome Resource Management Act, which restricts how we use our land and has fueled a serious infrastructure and housing shortage, but this proposed replacement will make the situation much worse.

"Not content with seizing water assets from local communities, the Government is now proposing to grab planning powers from local councils and transfer them to fifteen unaccountable, undemocratic, so-called Regional Planning Committees.

At this rate there won't be much left

for our council to do.

"These changes will significantly reduce local control over decisions affecting communities while introducing many new and undefined concepts that will likely lead to legal challenges through the courts.

This increased red tape and bureaucracy will simply lead to higher building costs for everyone."

Taxpayer Union website: www.taxpayers.org.nz/tu_launch_ roadshow

These are serious concerns that the future of local government is in jeopardy: 3 Waters is a good example, local assets managed by a committee in a central location.

The TCDC 2023/24 Annual Plan submission process has produced an annual rate increase of 11.6%.We have yet to learn the full detail, due to be announced 27 June 2023. To accommodate change Council also develops a Long Term Plan every three years, the current plan is for 2021 – 31 and the next LTP will be adopted in 2024. TCDC will begin the consultative process for the 2024 LTP later this year.

Now is the time to act, we as ratepayers and residents must drive this process.What are our priorities and vision for our town?

Come to the meeting on Sunday, 4 June and have your say.

We thank all those who took the time to complete and return the submission forms, we are still receiving the odd copy.

> - Whangamata Ratepayers Association

Mah Jong Nationals for pong, kong and chow

76 players from across the North Island attended the incredible and competitive 2-day CNZ Mah Jong NZ Nationals Tournament. It was held in the War Memorial Hall and hosted by the Whangamata RSA Mah Jong group on the weekend of 21 May.



Photo by Mark James



Geoff March (left) with the winners, left to right, Helen Cashen, Shona Leggatt, Margaret Birkett and Jill Thompson with Clubs New Zealand President Terry Ray.

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Here are the results:

	Shona Leggatt	Bethlehem
2	Helen Cashen	Whangamatā
3	Margaret Birkett	Whangamatā
1	Jill Thompson	Whangamatā
5	Carol Boaler	Hamilton
5	Pauline Tolley	Mt Maunganui
7	Robyn Coombes	Katikati
7	Susan Knowles	Whangamatā
7	Judith Robb	Papakura
0	Wendy Pemberton	Whangamatā

John Bertrand Collectables Buying in Whangamata and Tairua on Sunday 11 June

Once again the buyers from Wellington based company John Bertrand (Collectables) Ltd are coming to Whangamata and Tairua on Sunday 11 June. Mr Tony Grant from the company says "This is a great time to bring along those unwanted items you've sorted out during the lockdown period and turn them into cash". Particularly wanted by the buyers are Gold and Silver (in any of its forms) and Collectables such as Old Coins and Banknotes, War Medals, Old Wind-up Watches and other interesting Old Collectables.

"We are keen buyers, especially of the items in the list below" said Mr Grant. "I'm sure everyone has unearthed something we want in the past few weeks and we would like to see it! Nothing is too small for our consideration. We are just as happy to buy one item as we are buying 1,000 items". The buyers will be in convenient locations in Whangamata and Tairua on Sunday 11 June (see details below). As Tony Grant says "if you are in any doubt about any items you wish to sell, take them along for an instant appraisal



Author of the John Bertrand NZ Coin & Banknote Catalogue

Gold & Silver At Near Record Prices

During these times we have seen a sharp

increase in the price of precious metals. The gold price in New Zealand is at near record levels so gather up all your unwanted items and take them along to the buyers. Tony Grant says "We can buy old gold items in all forms, including Jewellery (Rings, Chains, Brooches etc), Coins (Sovereigns and the like), Alluvial (River Gold), virtually anything, even Gold Teeth! We also need all Sterling Silver

including Cups, Tea Services, Cutlery and Old Coins" he said.

be very keen to see any of these issues. "We will pay at least \$300

Interesting Small Collectables Wanted

 $T_{(Collectables)}^{
m he}$ buyers from John Bertrand (Collectables) Ltd, visiting Whangamata and Tairua on Sunday 11 June, are happy to look at any interesting items, for example vintage pocket and wristwatches such as Rolex, Men's Omega, Breitling and gold watches etc. Also wanted, pre 1950's picture postcards, Maori and Pacific artefacts, old fountain pens and other small antique historical items.

"If you have something unusual which you would like to sell, please bring it into one of our venues, we would like the chance to at least have a look at it" said Tony Grant, buyer for the Company. "We will consider anything which may be of interest to a collector" he said.

Some Big Dollars in Early Banknotes

Early New Zealand Banknotes dated before 1932 are currently fetching for any undamaged Ten Shilling or One Pound banknote from a New Zealand big money! This is according to Mr trading bank dated 1932 or before. Tony Grant, author of the John Bertrand

Denominations of five pounds and higher would be worth from \$700. "Any banknote dated prior to 1900 would be worth at least \$1000" said Mr Grant.

Also purchased are any Reserve Bank of New Zealand pre-decimal issues, especially 50 Pound notes. All overseas banknotes are also wanted, especially early Pacific Island issues.

Collectors Need War Medals

ADVERTISEMENT

urrently, throughout NZ and the world there is a big Generally, unoughout the and the works there is a demand by collectors for war medals. These cover all wars right through from the New Zealand Land Wars and the Boer War, to the First and Second World Wars and the later Korea and Vietnam conflicts. New Zealand Servicemen and Women first served overseas in the Boer War in South Africa around 1900 and the war medals awarded for this service are needed by the buyers, as are any other Medals from early New Zealand and the New Zealand Wars.

General service medals from both the First and Second World Wars will also be purchased, but as can be imagined these were awarded in fairly large numbers. "If a group of medals has any special award for bravery such as the Military Medal, Military or Flying Cross or other medals for Distinguished Conduct or Meritorious Service, these can add great value to a group" stated Mr Tony Grant, buyer for John Bertrand (Collectables) Ltd. "Many families have old medals, some dating back to early Imperial days, that they are not sure what to do with. These are better off in the hands of collectors who will look after them. We will be happy to look at any war medals whatsoever, just bring them in to venues" he said.

Old Coins Can Toss Up a Rarity

In lockdown when you sorted out your drawers and cupboards you may have come across some old coins. You just never know what rarities may be lurking there. The advice of Tony Grant from John Bertrand (Collectables) Ltd is to bring them in to the venues and have them appraised. "We want to see any old foreign your coins on the spot and give you an idea what we can pay. You just never know what can turn up. We are also particularly keen to buy pre 1946 New Zealand Silver Coins for at least 10 times their face value" he said.

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Community Patrol wants help to keep baddies at bay

Keeping the baddies at bay is something a group of local volunteers take pride in doing from Opoutere in the porth to Whirit



the north to Whiritoa in the south.

These are the people behind the Whangamata Community Patrol who are looking for new patrollers to grow the team.

More volunteers are needed so that greater frequency can be achieved with more patrols being undertaken.

Across the country and locally, including Paeroa, Thames, Whitianga, Cooks Beach and Whangamatā, community patrollers work in association with police on crime prevention. There are community patrols groups throughout New Zealand, being the additional eyes and ears for the New Zealand Police.

Whangamatā members would love to have their vehicle out on a daily or nightly basis, to achieve this they are urging people to come and join this incredible community service.

Current patrollers come from many different walks of life, some retired, some working – but all with the same intention of helping to protect both people and property within our community.

Members are only asked to patrol once each month. Appropriate training is provided so that all patrollers have the necessary skills to handle any emergency or crime related encounter they may experience. Safety of the patrollers is paramount.

A monthly patrollers hour-long meeting is held to ensure appropriate updates and information is passed on.

Whangamata Patrol Chairperson, Kay Gregan, said members had achieved many successes over the years from finding stolen vehicles and assisting people in distress to assisting police during new year disturbances.

She says that during patrols, the patrollers kept an eye on the commercial areas of town, community buildings and facilities, along with both permanent residences and holiday homes – ensuring they are secure and safe. However, they are not a security team.

"During our patrols we have constant contact with police which means support or assistance is only a radio call away."

"We are always keen to hear from new people who may wish to join and support the patrol, if interested please contact me on 027 337 6222 or Geoff Tempest 027 489 2368.

For anyone interested it can be arranged for them to join an evening patrol and get a feel for the role undertaken by the community patrollers. All patrollers are Police vetted.

New Lions step up to the role

New Lions Peter and Sue Priest with Michael Foley being inducted into the Whangamata Lions Club.

The Sponsors were Lion David Collett and Lion Ralph Pitcher.

Inducted by Lions Zone 9 Chairman John Pedersen and Whangamata Lions President Chris Brown.



Michael Foley and Ralph Pitcher (Sponsor).



From left to right: David Collett (Sponsor), Peter Priest, Sue Priest, Michael Foley and Ralph Pitcher (Sponsor).

Rainfall for Coromandel

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- S05 Port Road, Whangamata

Community Classes

Kete Kai Cooking Classes are back!

In collaboration with Dee's STREATERY, these classes are a fun and friendly environment to learn new skills in the kitchen. Hints and tips to make your kai go further, easy and delicious meal ideas, and ways to make cooking enjoyable and nutritious using seasonal produce.

Classes are free, donations welcome. Spaces are limited.

BLOCK 1: 19th July - 23st August 2023 (6 weeks) BLOCK 2: 30th August- 4th October 2023 (6 weeks)

Eastern Coromandel COMMUNITY SERVICES

Cumulative daily rainfall compared

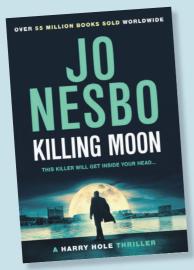


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30 years celebrated for Patch & Quilt

Whangamatā News was absolutely delighted to attend the High Tea at the Memorial Hall last Saturday for the 30th Reunion of the Whangamata Patch and Quilt Club.

And wonderful to have one of the founding members of the Club, Wendy Dowling, a mainstay to the club and whom has given so much to the ongoing success, a selfless person, who everyone wants to be friends with, where all the ladies can go to for quilting advice and presented with a well deserved bouquet.

It all started in 1992, when evening patchwork lessons were held at the Whangamata Area School, tutored by Shelley Robb.

Then, in February 1993, a formal group was established with Norma Ewart as founder and President. The 'first ever group' consisted of Norma Ewart, Catherine Anderson, Ann Asplin, Gay Barnes, Thelma Beckett, Diane Collins, Eileen Dickson, Wendy Dowling, Anne Gibbons, Jeanette Head, Lyn Johnston, Phillipa Lelievre, Betty Marriot, Pat Reid and Delwyn Stack - the original 15 founding members.

Initially, meetings were held in various homes, until numbers grew too big. Some of the venues were the "then" Game Fishing Club at the end of Beach Road, the Williamsons Golf course Clubrooms, and the Area School Sewing room.

By 1997, the club was hosting both day and evening meetings, to allow for those working and that year they saw in October, their first ever exhibition (at the Cedarwood Motel Conference Centre). By 2019 the Whangamata Patch and Quilt hosted its first 12th Biennial Exhibition. 2021 was the first exhibition ever to be cancelled due to Covid, so the club has shifted its biennial exhibition to Mataariki Weekend.

Every year, since its humble beginnings, the club has supported various charities, including CANTEEN, child and youth cancer, Whangamata Surf Lifesaving Club, Breast Cancer, Foster Hope, Moana House, Ronald Macdonald House,



Founding Members Lyn Johnstone (lady in white above) and Norma Ewart (lady in green below).





Dianne and Wendy Rowling.



Norma Ewart's daughters: Marie, Ann and Christine.

St John New Zealand,

Whangamata Community Trust, Waikato Cancer Hostel and the Tōku Ara Programme for year 10 students from the Area School.

Original members Norma Ewart and Lyn Johnstone (who couldn't attend on the day with frail health) were dearly missed. A lovely quote from Lyn, back in the day: "My quilting went into decline, then joy of joys, Norma Ewart moved in just down the road, and I was away again! The biggest plus has been the friendships made with so many people. Our club is a strong and supportive group and we have become a force to be reckoned with within the Whangamatā art scene." How true that is.

Whangamatā News was lucky to sit at High Tea with three of Norma Ewart's daughters, Marie, Ann and Christine. They kindly showed us their Mothers huge works of The Bush Hut, Surfers & Snowboarding quilts back to back, and a very special Lord of the Rings, with Harry Potter on the back of that incredible quilt.



Thank you Debbie Adding for introducing the event, hosting the 30th Reunion of such talented women, whose quilts have changed over the years from traditional quilts to art quilts, and now very modern and very popular.

The mantra of the day 'never be afraid to try something new!'





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PinkRibbonDay

Pauanui Pink Ribbon raised \$17,000



The annual Pink Ribbon breakfast event hosted by Hello Friday has again been a great success.

With a sell out crowd of 150 women from Pauanui, and surrounding areas were treated to a French themed morning at the Pauanui Club, decorations thoughtfully curated by the very talented Pat Courtney set the scene perfectly.

This year's guest speaker was the

compelling stories of her life's journey - one of family focus but includes dominating the world squash scene in the late 80s and early 90s, 5 years of service as the NZ Race Relations

very well known and respected

Dame Susan Devoy who told

Commissioner and more recently time on Celebrity Treasure

Island. A humble, down to earth

woman who considers herself an ordinary person with skills that have allowed her to do extraordinary things. Susan kept the crowd thoroughly entertained and was a wonderful guest speaker.

Mandy and Paula extend a huge thanks to everyone that helped make the event such

a great success, they could not do it without the support of so many from the community.

One of the best parts of the day is having such a large, diverse group of women come together, creating a fantastic buzz of energy while raising money for this ever important cause.

To support the breakfast event there was an online auction, raffles and a pre-loved clothing sale. A host of wonderful product & service donations from local businesses, industry partners and individuals greatly assist the fundraising efforts and all these sponsored items means that the costs and expenses for the day are kept to an absolute minimum.

A special mention to Danske Mobler for the feature auction item of a Stressless Recliner chair & footstool. And the final donation this year is \$17,000.

- Photos by Pat Courtney



COASTAL NEWS

Flash Fundraiser for Pink Ribbon at RSA

A great concept from Lindsay Martyn, for the Pink Ribbon Fundraiser, was having over 100 editions of the FLASH and Coastal News on display... going way back! They were donated to Lindsay by the late Mary Taylor - a great read and great raffles and cupcakes indeed. Gift basket winner: Cynthia Sorenson.





Taylor elected to board chair

Long term Whangamata Community Board nember Mary Taylor is the new chairperson of the Whangamata Community Board.

Whangamata Communit Despite challenges From the two district four member board he four member board with the support of tane Monrad was Mrs Monrad was four challenger Phil four challenger Phil four the casting for the new chair-



erson. Meanwhile the community board will remain t four members leaving fifth and sixth polling andidates Kathryn Jury and Bob Tate off the

oard. TCDC Administration Manager John Farquar, Jd Monday's meeting of the new board it could, it wished, delegate its powers to a subcommittee omprising the four elected boad members and vo appointed members (Tate and Jury) but the based decided to leave the composition as it currd decided to leave the composition as it cur

Earlier in the week Bob Tate told the "Coastal s" he had found the waiting experience since

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Pink Ribbon Day

Pretty in Pink at Titoki

Everything was pink at the Titoki Golf Club on the morning of 25 May when the Whangamata Cancer Support Group held a breakfast to raise money for Pink Ribbon research and support for those suffering from or affected by breast cancer.

With Covid having had such a negative effect on fund raising the coffers need much input to continue with the good work.

Around 110 guests entered a beautifully decorated Golf club and sat down to a great morning of food and entertainment with Michelle Gilbert from MG Nutrition giving a presentation to the group.

Entertainment included quizzes and raffles with Jacqui Clark and Christine Bougher (pictured below) winning best dressed ladies.

It was a hard decision for the judges with so many guests looking great in their pink ribbon aprons and t-shirts.

Alan Johnson (pictured right) claimed the title of best dressed male with his dapper cap and shirt.

An auction was conducted by the competent Gordon Turner who provided not only his professional skills but some laughs as well.

All in all it was a very successful morning with \$3400 being raised for the cause.

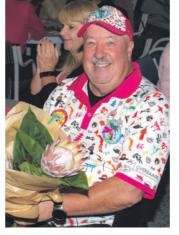
Grateful thanks to all the wonderful



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Toku Ara journey celebrated



Last week, *Whangamatā News* wrapped up the Whangamatā Area schools Tōku Ara programme with the girls' Ruawāhine graduation. 19 amazing, strong young ladies celebrated their Tōku Ara journey amongst proud whanau. But what did they learn about themselves over the 26 days away?

During their 24-hour solo, the girls reflected on their growth and aspirations. Here are some gems to share with you:

Who and how do you want to be after Tōku Ara?

• I want to think positively and tell myself "I can do anything!" I want to be hard working at everything I do and to be as accepting as possible towards others. Being here at Tōku Ara has helped me realise that it's all about how you choose to do things, it's all about your mindset.

- I want to be the kind of daughter that my parents are proud of. A person that people look up to and say "she is kind, loving, generous and brave."
- I want to be able to set goals and achieve them. I want to be able to keep in routine and be more organised.
- I want to live my life with no regrets and surround myself with people who support me and help me grow.



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What has the outdoors taught you about yourself?

- The outdoors has taught me that sometimes I doubt myself, but that I am capable if my mindset is positive. Nature has taught me to be resilient, to trust my instincts, and to be grateful for the many luxuries I have in my life.
- The outdoors has taught me that I can push myself outside my comfort zone and that I can get back up after failing with no embarrassment. It taught me to respect my environment and how to keep myself calm in challenging situations.
- That I am stronger and braver than I think I am.

What did you learn about yourself while at Tōku Ara?

• That I'm pretty social and that I can be resilient. I've also learnt that I am definitely not as tough as I look.

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- I have learnt that I am a leader. I need to use my voice. If I don't like something I need to say it. How is anyone gonna find out otherwise? I have learnt how to take care of myself to my best ability.
- That I shouldn't throw away opportunities that may come my way, and I shouldn't give up or leave when things get tough.
- I have learnt that I am enough!
 - Story by Gina Kennings







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Dr Brian Coffey

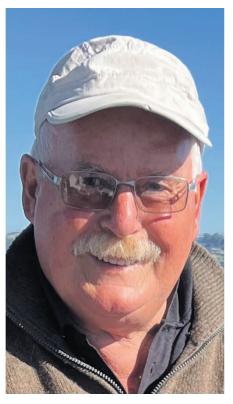
Dr Brian Coffey (Coff) was born in Raetihi but from early childhood lived in Putāruru. His interest in the natural world throughout his school years there made study of the subject an obvious choice at Auckland University.

Having completed a BSc and realising that a career in science demanded higher qualifications, he embarked on a Masters degree in Botany, graduating with honours.

Newly married to Susan, he then began a doctorate in Botany; his research topic being aquatic plants, both native and introduced.

Following his graduation, Brian was appointed to the position of Engineering Scientist at NZED (ECNZ today) based in Hamilton, working on the problems caused by introduced aquatic plants in hydro lakes throughout the country. His love of SCUBA diving and vast experience in the sport proved to be a real asset in the role. Underwater photography too was essential to his work.

Two years later Brian moved to the Ruakura Research Station to head their Aquatic Plants division and



continue efforts to understand and control the spread of introduced plants (lake weeds) so disruptive to industry and freshwater recreational activities. The call of the sea prompted the family to buy a property in Whangamatā in 1981, followed by the decision to leave the Public Service and establish their own Environmental Consultancy.

Requirements of the newly created RMA ensured a diverse range of work, both in freshwater and marine environs, while a highlight of Brian's professional career at that time was to lead the dive team in Greenpeace's driftnet campaign. Driftnets in the Pacific were abolished as a result of this fight to rescue whales and dolphins from nets in the open sea.

Brian was made a Life Member of WWF acknowledging his contribution to their Scientific Advisory Team.

He was both a part time lecturer and Student Project Supervisor at the Ecoquest Foundation in Kaiaua and part time Director of Research at the Pacific Coast Applied Research Centre in Tauranga, roles which endorsed his belief in the importance of encouraging young people to study and care for the environment. As a 3-star CMAS Scuba diving instructor, he introduced countless students to the underwater world and was author of a comprehensive training manual.

In 2000, the couple relocated their home and business to Whangamatā. Their love of the town made his involvement with Harbourcare an easy decision, joining the battle against the encroachment of mangroves in our waterways among their other projects.

As a local who cared deeply about our beach and coastline, the fragile dunes, harbour and estuary, Brian welcomed the opportunity to volunteer his knowledge and experience to support such a dedicated organisation in their efforts to gain necessary resource consents.

A true warrior for the environment and devoted family man, Brian is survived by his wife Susan (their marriage spanning 53 years) three children and seven grandchildren.

> - Kerry Gibb Authorised by Mrs Susan Coffey

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Poet's Corner

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Like a mountain mist guilt creeps upon me what was their botanic crime? Reaching unforgivable heights growing in the wrong place. Sri Chinmoy comes to mind: "Green is hope, Blue is infinity" I tear up more green hopes.

Later, walking along the beach the feeling of guilt has left me when I notice in the golden sand exposed by receding sea foam a white shell with blue orange hues. Feeling the smooth inner surface the parallel outer grooves I pocket the shell to take home.

Here I feel at peace. This place between the green forest and the blue ocean is my tūrangawaewae. Everything has a place of belonging.

The sea breeze becomes stronger and cooler time to leave for home. I pause, take out the shell and throw it back into the foreshore to be covered again by wave and sand.

Scott Vennell

The Officer

The Police Officers appearance was now of little concern

As he had been driving carefully indicating correctly with every single turn

Perhaps it was the Beach Hop sticker that attracted the attention

He was sure it wasn't his distraction from the the speed limit that needed slight correction

But still the Officer followed albeit at a distance

It was when he reached the traffic lights that he felt a slight resistance

He slowed the vehicle to a stop as his breathing quickened slightly

And he may have squeezed the steering wheel just a little tightly

The Officer first engaged the blinking lights as he exited his vehicle

And walked towards the lad his notebook in his hand

He checked the registration and confirmed the license clean

Then proceeded to question the lad with a warning not to stop at traffic lights

Especially when they're green

Graeme Smith

Mangamata



A Bit Of Kiwiana On Kiwi 115 Kiwi Road, Whangamata



King's Birthday Sat/Sun 1-1:30pm

Having been in the same family for over 40 years, this iconic Kiwi Bach is just what we all remembered from our long hot Summer holidays as kids. Now it is time to sell, giving a new family the opportunity to create their own memories. Whether you just give it a lick of paint and enjoy it for what it is, or perhaps renovate or build your dream beach house. The great thing is you have a full flat section of 809m2, giving you many options. There is space galore for caravans, boats, tents, backyard cricket, volleyball, water fights and lazing about in the sun. The golf course, heated community pool, area school, surf club, cafes and bars are all within walking distance. There are 2 double bedrooms, separate loo, large open plan living and a single garage. Come and take a look, we don't expect it to hang around very long.

WOW! Wasn't Expecting This

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King's Birthday Sat/Sun 2-2:30pm

"Wow, I wasn't expecting this" is a typical reaction to this fabulous home, when buyers walk in the door. Upon entering the huge open plan kitchen, dining and living room, you just want to sit in a chair and soak in the atmosphere. The location is fantastic, just across the road to golf, just up the road to pool, just down the road to beach and shops. Situated perfectly for sun on 809m2 this home offers all you will ever need. The gorgeous kitchen with huge island bench opens onto the large living areas, a wonderful space to entertain, which then flows out to a private oasis of decks, tropical gardens and lawn. There are 4 large bedrooms, the main with ensuite. Then there is a large garage with hobby/ office attached. Great parking for cars/boat/campervan on expansive driveway area. This home oozes character and style with a wonderfully inviting feel, so phone us now for a private viewing of this great opportunity.

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ynamic game – strong win

Whangamata Senior A men's rugby team kept their winning roll on with a strong 38-6 win over neighbours Waihi Athletic.

Four first half tries and three conversions pretty much sealed the game for the Red n Whites with the half time score 26-6.

Whangamatā scored first after only four minutes with a try in the corner which was neatly converted 7-0. Some untidy and error ridden play saw Waihi kick two penalties to close the score to 7-6. Those penalties were to be the last Waihi points in this game.

Eli Byles collected a classy inside pass from the half back to dot down under the posts. Dynamic forward pack leader Zach Clarke finished off a strong forward pack drive with a push over try.

The second half saw almost continual Red n White dominance with two more tries. It was a true winter's Saturday as the rain swept in and the floodlights added some

needed light on this rugby match.

Credit to the winless Waihi Athletic side who competed for the whole game. Cheers to referee Wayne Berry for his essential part of this game.

Whangamata Area School first fifteen travelled to Te Aroha and returned with a big 56-7 win.

In the Thames Valley Senior B competition, Tairua keep the Red n White B's scoreless with a 26-0 win.

There is no scheduled Thames Valley Club rugby this King's Birthday weekend.

Thames Valley Rugby results for Saturday, 27 May:

Senior A Waihi Athletic 6 v Whangamatā 38; Te Aroha Cobras 19 v Paeroa 29; Hauraki North 27 v Waihou 23; Mercury Bay 9 v Thames 0; Senior B Te Aroha 62 v Ngatea 8; Tairua 26 v Whangamatā B O; Hauraki North 83 v Waihou O.



Lock Finn McCall had a dynamic game with ball in hand.

- Don Mackay, Whangamatā News Sports Journo Photos by Jason Bartley. See more

match photos on the Facebook page Bart's Rugby Photos.



Hooker on the loose: Dylan Jefferies hares away for a second half try in the wet.



Luck of the Irish: Sean Cullen ran the cutter from ten flawlessly.

Sports results

MAH JONG

26 May: We had 47 players today with winners being

1st with 36 points: Carol Archer

2nd with 31 points: Rae Giles 3rd equal with 30 points: Jennie Walters and Pat Bigwood

The lucky number today was 18. Three people had this score but Dianne Trembath was drawn out of the three.

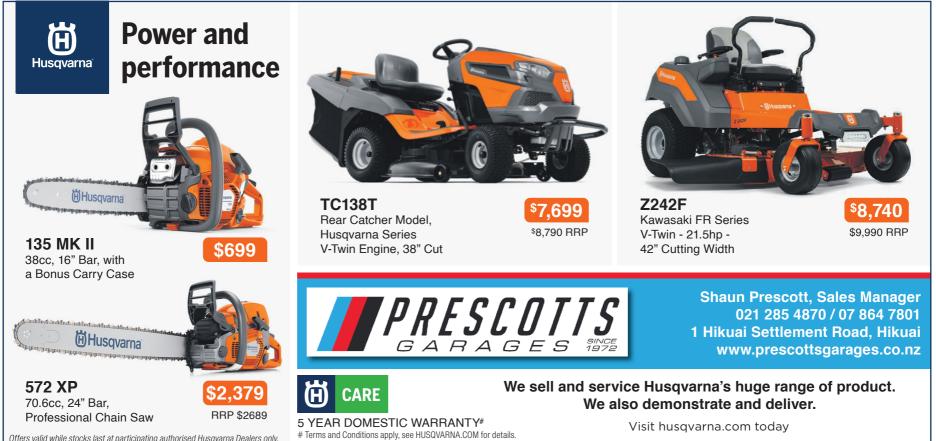
RSA 500 CARD CLUB

24 May: An enjoyable day was had by all.

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Throughout the process and successful sale Lindsay kept us fully informed on the progress and the reactions of prospective buyers by way of phone and text messages.

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- Breathtaking views of the sea, islands and all that the south end of the beach has to offer
- Four bedroom, two bathroom home with double garage bordering the lovely Island View Reserve
- Low maintenance freehold 457m² (more or less) site
- View 1pm Saturday 3 June & 1pm Sunday 4 June



Pete Sheppard 027 609 4955 Chris Speedy 021 747 901 Pete.chris@whangamatarealestate.co.nz View Listing: whanga.co/8226

140 Kiwi Road

- Beautifully finished and perfect for entertaining
- A very stylish 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home on the golf course
- Extensively upgraded to an excellent modern standard
- New double garage plus attached 1 room minor unit, all compliant
- Nicely landscaped full site
- View by appointment



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10 Manuka Drive

- A beautifully crafted home, nicely elevated with lovely rural outlookOpen plan living flows to covered outdoor area, perfect for all weather
- Open plan living hows to covered outdoor area, perfect for all weather entertaining
- The private section is over ¾ acre, nicely landscaped with mature plantings
- An impressive 120sqm shed with bathroom & separate storage room
 The location is just removed from town but still close and nice and peaceful
- View by appointment



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68 Parakiwai Quarry Road

- An outstanding 2 hectare lifestyle block
- The large 236sqm house has three double bedrooms, two bathrooms and
- internal access double garageFor the car enthusiasts, there is a very impressive purpose built (12m x 18m)
- man shed
- Lots of native plantings and established plum and citrus trees

View by appointment



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116 Aickin Road

- First time to market in over 40 years
- Potential development site to those who will appreciate its value
- Zoned Residential, very close to town
- Compliant Annex with attached Caravan
- Fully fenced Freehold 842sqm flat site

View 1pm Saturday, 3 June



 Wendy Jeffs
 027 421 9482

 Julian West
 027 222 4364

 View Listing: whanga.co/8224



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112 Philomel Road

- 971sqm freehold site with extra density zoning
- Possible development opportunity for multiple dwellings
- Close to the clubs, cafes, and beach
- The existing dwelling has 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, and a double garage



Nancy Millett 021 517 708 nancy@whangamatarealestate.co.nz View Listing: whanga.co/8220

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
- Covered decks front and back
- Fully fenced and secure back yard



Nancy Millett

021 517 708 nancy@whangamatarealestate.co.nz View Listing: whanga.co/8183

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 • Fully fenced, front and back

View 1pm Saturday, 3 June



Nancy Millett 021 517 708

nancy@whangamatarealestate.co.nz View Listing: whanga.co/8149

115B Ajax Road

- Great little set up; holiday now, develop later
- One big bedroom plus pop-top camper
- Open plan lounge/kitchen/dining
- Freehold 604sqm flat site • Park the boat, caravan, tents
- Selling fully furnished



Julian West 027 222 4364 julian@whangamatarealestate.co.nz

View Listing: whanga.co/8173

208 Russell Bruce Place, Onemana

- A modern home with three spacious bedrooms
- Large open plan kitchen/dining/lounge
- Substantial deck with wonderful ocean and island views • Double garage
- Separate serviced sleeper with internal entry



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Saint Patricks Row

A very sought after position. Secure one of these stunning 4 bedroom, 3 bathroom townhouses now.

Tasteful designer detail throughout. Spread out over three levels, the spacious master with ensuite and walk-in wardrobe sits on the second floor and has access to a private deck area with a great outlook and all day sun.

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Outdoor entertaining options are impressive and link well to indoor spaces. Freehold title, exclusive access, these townhouses are beautifully designed for maximum privacy and comfort. This is an opportunity to secure a quality build now and settle upon completion.



Colin Thompson M 021 723 723 colin@whangamatarealestate.co.nz View Listing whanga.co/8147



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MARKET UPDATE



MARKET COMMENT : With a miserable start to the new year due to the very unfortunate weather events both locally and nationally it hasn't been the 'kiwi summer' we crave and love. We have never experienced a summer quite like the last. January saw the lowest number of sales town wide, that our experiences sales team have ever witnessed.

Since then, sales are slowly increasing with May looking like the most promising month yet. It seems that market stability is gaining. We are seeing an increased number of offers, good sale stats and some great new listings too. Confident buyers met by realistic vendors willing to adapt to the current environment are getting results and for the first time in a while it is nice to see local first home buyers able to get onto the property ladder.

There is still caution out there due to interest rate raises or fear of over paying and the uncertainty around the upcoming Government Election come October. However, things are starting to improve and with a decision now made on State Highway 25A, that should give buyers more reassurance to make the move to the beautiful Coromandel.



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PUBLIC NOTICES

WHAT'S ON

TUESDAY: Whangamatā Family History Research (Genealogy). Monthly Feb - Nov on second Tuesday. Whangamatā Baptist Church meeting room 9.45am. Entry \$3. WEDNESDAY: Whangamatā Kaumātua Rōpū. Monthly Feb - Nov on fourth Wednesday. Whangamatā RSA 10am. Shared lunch.

Contact: Jaci Harris Ph 865 7997 or 027 710 4550

WHANGAMATA CLUB (INC)

In terms of Rule 15. (1), Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Whangamata Club (Inc), will be held at the Clubrooms, 404 Port Road, Whangamata on Sunday 9th July 2023 at 10.00am.

AGENDA

President's Welcome Minute Silence Apologies Minutes of the 2022 Annual Meeting President's Report Financial Report & Balance Sheet Treasures Report Presidents Honorarium Notices of Motion close 18 June 2023. Executive Remits Results of Election of Executive Committee Subscription Fee Appointment of Auditor for the 2023/2024 year General Business Closure.

All Full Financial Members are welcome to attend. Please present your Membership Card for entry into the Meeting. Ian McAuley, President

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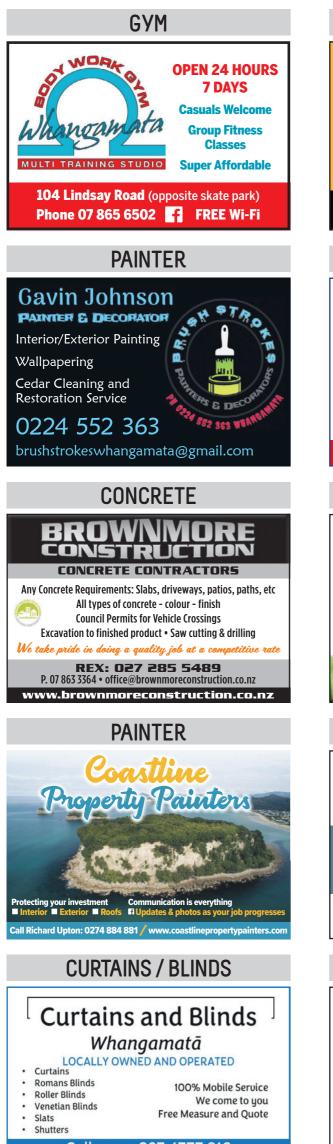
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Whangamatā Tides 2023

	JUN	NE 20	23		(New M	loon: 1	8th	Full Moon: 4th					
	D	ate	High tide AM	Height (m)	High tide PM	Height (m)	Low tide PM	Height (m)	Low tide PM	Height (m)	Sun rise	Sun set		
	1	Thu	4:12	1.7	16:51	1.7	10:27	0.5	22:49	0.6	07:21	17:05		
	2	Fri	5:01	1.8	17:43	1.8	11:17	0.4	23:40	0.5	07:22	17:05		
	3	Sat	5:51	1.8	18:33	1.9			12:07	0.4	07:22	17:04		
	4	Sun	6:42	1.8	19:22	1.9	0:31	0.5	12:56	0.3	07:23	17:04		
	5	Mon	7:33	1.9	20:12	2.0	1:22	0.4	13:45	0.3	07:24	17:04		
	6	Tue	8:25	1.9	21:02	2.0	2:14	0.4	14:34	0.2	07:24	17:04		
	7	Wed	9:17	1.9	21:54	2.0	3:06	0.4	15:24	0.2	07:25	17:03		
	8	Thu	10:11	1.9	22:47	2.0	3:59	0.3	16:16	0.2	07:25	17:03		
	9	Fri	11:05	1.9	23:41	2.0	4:53	0.3	17:09	0.3	07:26	17:03		
	10	Sat			12:02	1.9	5:48	0.3	18:04	0.3	07:26	17:03		
	11	Sun	0:36	2.0	13:00	1.8	6:44	0.3	19:01	0.4	07:27	17:03		
	12	Mon	1:32	1.9	14:00	1.8	7:41	0.3	20:01	0.4	07:27	17:03		
-	13	Tue	2:28	1.9	15:00	1.8	8:38	0.3	21:01	0.5	07:28	17:03		
	14	Wed	3:23	1.9	16:00	1.8	9:35	0.3	22:01	0.5	07:28	17:03		
	15	Thu	4:18	1.9	16:56	1.8	10:30	0.3	22:57	0.5	07:28	17:03		
	16	Fri	5:11	1.8	17:49	1.8	11:23	0.3	23:51	0.5	07:29	17:03		
	17	Sat	6:02	1.8	18:39	1.9			12:13	0.3	07:29	17:03		
	18	Sun	6:51	1.8	19:26	1.9	0:42	0.5	13:00	0.3	07:30	17:03		
-	19	Mon	7:38	1.8	20:11	1.9	1:31	0.5	13:45	0.3	07:30	17:03		
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-	23	Fri	10:32	1.7	22:57	1.8	4:26	0.5	16:31	0.5	07:31	17:04		
	24	Sat	11:14	1.7	23:38	1.8	5:08	0.5	17:12	0.5	07:31	17:04		
	25	Sun	0.00		11:57	1.6	5:49	0.5	17:55	0.5	07:31	17:05		
13	26	Mon	0:20	1.7	12:42	1.6	6:32	0.6	18:40	0.6	07:31	17:05		
-	27	Tue	1:04	1.7	13:31	1.6	7:16	0.5	19:29	0.6	07:31	17:05		
-	28	Wed	1:49	1.7	14:23	1.6	8:04	0.5	20:21	0.6	07:31	17:06		
all's	29	Thu	2:37	1.7	15:18	1.7	8:54	0.5	21:16	0.6	07:31	17:06		
-	30	Fri	3:28	1.7	16:14	1.7	9:47	0.5	22:12	0.6	07:31	17:07		

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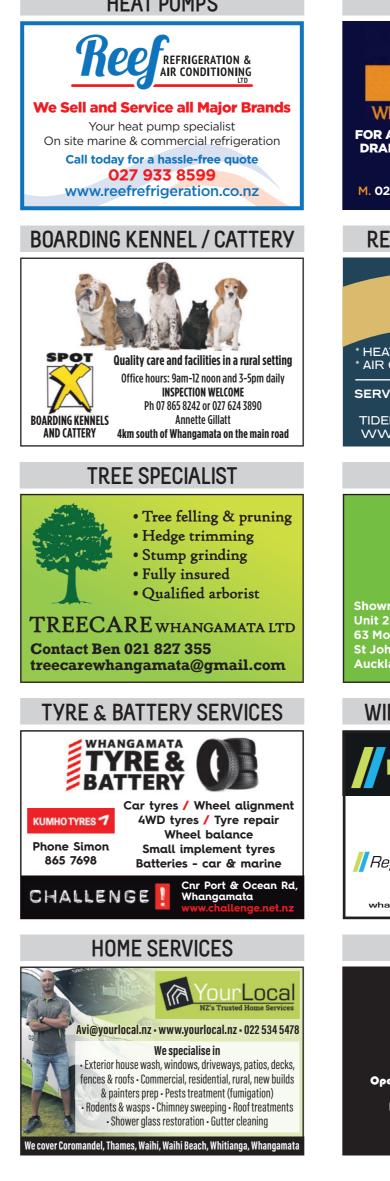


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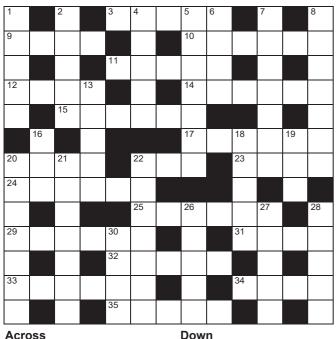
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PLUMBER



QUICK CROSSWORD



Across

- 3. Chart (5)
- 9. Teller of falsehoods (4) 10. Change or improve (6)
- 11. Bet (5)
- 12. Work determinedly at
- something (4)
- 14. Set of six (6)
- 15. Muffled, crackling sound (6) 13. Sentinel (5)
- 17. Beginner (6)
- 20. Acidic (4)
- 22. Completely empty (3)
- **23.** Unknown author (abbr) (4) 24. Soft, delicate (6)
- 25. Use up (6)
- 29. Subtle difference (6)
- 31. Implement (4)
- 32. Tearful vegetable (5)
- 33. Dwarf ornamental tree (6)
- 34. Dextrous (4)

The same three-letter

sequence will complete

each of the four words

US___

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GAR___

35. Gently mock (5)

TRIO

6. In this place (4)

- 7. Hold within (7) 8. Besotted (7)
- - 16. Sorrow (3)

1. Luxurious (5)

4. Respond (5) 5. Gift (7)

2. Country house (5)

- 18. Boast excessively (5)
- 19. Shy (3) 20. Wait for action (7)
- 21. Oddly mysterious (7)
- **22.** Conservationist (7)
- 26. Devout (5) 27. Headless peg (5)
- 28. Chosen few (5)
- 30. Cover (4)

WORDWHEEL

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D

Gastropub Est. 2022

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

SUDOKU

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

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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.

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SOLUTIONS

CROSSWORD

26. Pious, 27. Dowel, 20. Standby, 21. Uncanny, 22. Greenie, 13. Guard, 16. Woe, 18. Vaunt, 19. Coy, 5. Present, 6. Here, 7. Contain, 8. Smitten, Down: 1. Plush, 2. Manor, 4. React, 32. Onion, 33. Bonsai, 34. Deft, 35. Tease. 24. Tender, 25. Expend, 29. Nuance, 31. Tool, 17. Novice, 20. Sour, 22. Gut, 23. Anon, 11. Wager, 12. Slog, 14. Sextet, 15. Rustle, Across: 3. Graph, 9. Liar, 10. Reform,

DECODER

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28. Elite, 30. Coat.

SUDOKU

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