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## Singers wanted

Carols in the Park 2023 organisers are calling for singers to join the Christmas Carols Choir. We hope to welcome back all our 'regulars' and heaps of new choristers - young and not so young alike. Anyone interested should contact Denise Boston 021 122 6564. She urges anyone who enjoys a singalong to roll up and join the choir: "It will only take a few hours out of your life for a big return and you'll be

making a very special contribution to the Community". She confirms you don't need to be a great singer, just enjoy a good singalong and be prepared to put your heart, soul and a bit more into it.

The first rehearsal to announce the programme and set rehearsal dates will be on Sunday, 29 October, 4pm at the Baptist Church.

All interested please contact Denise Boston by emailing denise@newyou.net.nz with your name and phone/email details.

### Hon Scott Simpson: MP For Coromandel

As I write this, the final shape of the new 54th Parliament has yet to be confirmed, but I want to thank everyone who engaged in our democratic process. Voting is a simple, but effective way to hold governments and political parties to account. Elections should be, and are, a contest of ideas, policy and vision for the future.

I'm grateful and honoured to be returned as the Member of Parliament for Coromandel, to continue representing our region, our communities, and our people. It's a position and responsibility that I don't take lightly or for granted. As part of a new National-led Government, I'm looking forward to being part of a team that will bring positive change for people not just here locally but across New Zealand.

After six long years, New Zealanders have voted for change. Nationwide, we have experienced a decline in law and order, education standards have slipped, and everyday Kiwis feel like they can't get ahead. I'm confident that under the leadership of our new Prime Minister we can turn things around. Christopher Luxon has a proven track-record of getting results and he's keen to start implementing

practical policies as soon election results have been finalised and the 54th Parliament is sworn-in.

In addition to these issues which affect the entire country, we have some local issues which require immediate attention. State Highway 25A remains closed and I was very critical that it took six months before a decision on what to do was made. It took far too long to get to that point, but now that work is well under way, I'm pleased with the progress that is being made and I've still got my fingers crossed that the road can be reopened before Christmas.

As summer approaches it's vital that we get the message out that the Coromandel is open and that we're welcoming visitors back with open arms. Once we have a new Conservation Minister in place, I will be pressing them to get the Cathedral Cove track open again. This is a major drawcard for both local and international tourists. We need it back up and running.

In the meantime, I'm back at work and my office is open. Never hesitate to be in touch.

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



### A neighbour cuts down a 50-year-old totara tree

There is more light now but less life. Dead wood silence lies over the neighbourhood. No birds calling no children shouting as if in disbelief.

The living do not believe in death so imagine the reappearance of the departed A dream broken by sawdust reality.

"Mr Neighbour - why did you cut down your Totara tree?"

"It dropped too many leaves that were prickly underfoot" (He really did say that)

"Mr Neighbour - why don't you plant another Totara tree in the park down the road?" "Good idea" said his synthetic mouth. "Idiot" said his eyes.

Over the fence the peach tree leaves will soon brown and fall. From a high branch a Tui ruffles takes flight in search of Totara berries. Perhaps she will find them, perhaps not

- Scott Vennell



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## Fire report



The brigade has had a constant run of calls throughout 2023, medical assistance and motor vehicle accidents being the majority.

Fire calls have been reduced but currently new risks have developed. Our weather prediction for a hot, dry season brings huge risks to our region.

To limit damage clear gutters, remove vegetation and items next to buildings and ensure a four metre high and wide clearance along any routes for access along with clear property numbers.

Another fire risk which has huge repercussions is lithium ion batteries and electric vehicles. Follow all guidelines, use compatible charging devices and be aware of potential fuel sources if a malfunction develops.

Traffic volumes are high with the Kopu link being shut. Allow plenty of time and please avoid taking any risks. If any issues arise contact appropriate agencies as the build up of blocked vehicles becomes dangerous on the blind corners.

Our open day was a huge success with a constant flow of people looking through the appliances and



#### equipment.

Highlights were the information displayed on all aspects of risks in our community including a large display for our rural communities. We also had a display of our crew dismantling a car with the jaws of life with two passengers needing to be removed. Always a crowd favourite.

Wishing you a great run up to the new year. Stay safe.

- CFO Nigel Airey









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#### Norway would; We wouldn't

Recent correspondents to the Herald have quoted the successful Scandinavian economies with higher taxes, left wing governments and superior pension plans etc.

Comparing our economy to theirs is like comparing apples with elephants.

Norway's strong economy and their neighbours' for example, are largely funded by oil and gas. In fact Norway has recently approved the development of 19 oil and gas fields with investment of over \$US18 billion, including tax incentives, to secure production for decades into the future. Their economy will benefit from the added value and employment that follows. Norway has become key to Europe's energy security and is now the continent's largest gas supplier. All of this despite left wing government and strong opposition from environmental

Bruce Cotterill last week expressed the need for us to find additional sources of revenue to bolster our struggling economy. He cites the example of Guyana, a tiny country boasting the fastest growing economy globally, based on oil production. In our desire to massage green sensibilities we banish investment and exploration of our own reserves of oil, gas and high quality coal in favour of importing our energy needs.

We have to rely on wealthier economies to fund the borrowing that keeps us afloat.

Incredibly, we even have those who hold their nose when talking about agriculture, a mainstay of our economy and unlike fossil fuel extraction, is a natural part of the carbon cycle.

Is it because we are so virtuous and morally superior or is it simply that we are politically and economically naive?

#### **George Williams**

WHANGAMATA

#### Wonderful people

I wish to record my admiration for Diane and Philippa Norris, who show unstinting and gentle kindness to those in distress. Our town is a better place because of them with their quiet and loving concern for others. Two wonderful people I am honoured to know.

#### **Brian Pittams**

## Will Hamilton is back



After a bumpy few months and a stem cell transplant, I am back. Jack Driver did a fantastic job while I was away and to be honest it was like I never left. It is great to be

#### **Unwelcome Visitors**

We have had some 'friends' arrive back in town recently. You may have noticed them ripping around in their vehicles and just plain causing carnage, placing other road users in danger and to put it plainly, just being idiots. You will be happy to know that on Monday, we impounded for 28 days one of their vehicles from an address they frequent. To help with this we have star witnesses that don't tolerate this kind of behaviour and have given us a first hand account of what happened. A reminder, if you too don't want this kind of behaviour going on, pop out your phone and start recording, we would absolutely love to get a rego, hear your account of what happened and what you saw and love even more going and hooking the car for a month.

#### **Liquor Bans**

That time of year is approaching again, time to familiarise yourselves and remind your visitors of the liquor ban dates and locations. Head to the TCDC website for maps. Remember most long weekends have a liquor ban, easy way to save getting a fine knowing these dates.

We are still seeing a number of people getting duped out



Particularly through facebook deals. No goods = no money - it should be that simple. Still featuring is bank accounts getting emptied of many thousands and sometimes hundreds of thousands of dollars. Sometimes because the scammer is so convincing they talked someone into giving them their two factor text code or access to their computer and so on. Same deal team, if it smells fishy it probably is.

We love good juicy intel of crimes going on. If you know of something going on and would like to tell us about it, be sure that we have established and very secure national systems that keep you entirely anonymous. Alternatively give Crimestoppers a call, help us help you and our great little slice of paradise.

Keep safe out there.

- Sergeant Will Hamilton, Officer in Charge, Whangamata Police

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## A game for life

From Friday 3 November, to Sunday 5 November, the popular Whangamata Master Billiards and Snooker Tournament will be held at the Whangamata Club and the Whangamata RSA.

The event attracts 48 players and their supporters and will run a competitive tournament like no other. Held annually, this is the perfect time for all members of each club to come along and watch the games as they progress to the grand finale. Both clubs are open for all those interested from 11am, you don't need to be a pro, in fact here is some insight from a young woman's experience with snooker.

"If you had asked me some years back if I would play snooker for something to do I probably would have laughed. Some years later having taken it up as my sport of choice I can't see myself doing anything else!

"As a former 8 ball player who enjoyed the fast-paced game, I never contemplated approaching the bigger table because it looked too daunting and serious. Soon, I became interested, joined the local snooker club and things developed from that point. Like most new things, there were lots of challenges, lots to learn and I was aware that my capabilities were lacking in many areas. However, I persisted and I improved over

time. Joining at my local club level wasn't overwhelming, everyone was welcoming, friendly and offered support through tips on improving my stance, cueing action and playing and we had a lot of laughs. That for me was really appealing because I am ever so slightly competitive.

"Later, I was encouraged to give playing in a Masters Snooker Tournament a go. I was concerned about making a spectacle of myself, but with encouragement from local club members, I gave it a go and I liked it. What was great about it (for me) was that I got to dress up in formal gear and look the part - yes, it brought out my inner prima donna! It introduced me to a new group of people with interesting life stories, from varying backgrounds, from all over New Zealand who were friendly, supportive and competitive.

"Snooker is one of those games you can play for your whole lifetime - you don't have to retire from the game at a certain age and you get to travel around New Zealand to different venues."

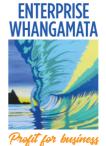
Whangamatā News is proudly the Official Sponsor to this Whangamatā event, we welcome players, supporters and all our locals to enjoy the tense and fun atmosphere of the event!

- Jennie Black

## Hiding in the shadows?

**Every month Enterprise** Whangamata, your local business association, has a Business After Five meeting at one of the local cafés or bars.

shadows".



In the last 12 months, they have managed to arrange a wide variety of guests. From the mayor to a chocolatier. From project director of 25A to one of New Zealand's famous surfers. Long time treasurer of EW, Jeremy Mace believes ... "Our Bus After Five meetings have really boosted our membership this year. Clearly our members have enjoyed the diversity of our guests. It's amazing who's hiding in the

This month's guest, for 26 October at Craft Haus, is Tara Durrant. Tara has worked in the television industry for more than 20 years. She spent 10 years in Australia working with international production companies on shows like Masterchef, Survivor and The Voice

In 2019, Tara and partner Alex Bradshaw began Fire Fire productions and a year later moved back to New Zealand. Using technological advances, and a fast internet connection, they decided to base themselves in Tara's hometown,



Tara Durrant.

Whangamatā.

Now, just three years later, Fire Fire Productions has made waves in the New Zealand television space for their innovation and high production standards. "The fact that we have an international film company in our own backyard is so exciting. I'm looking forward to Tara's presentation", concluded Jeremy.

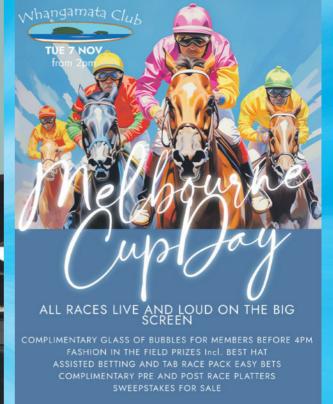
**Business After Five meeting:** 26 October, 5-6.30pm at Craft Haus. Free finger food and soft drink. Bar open.

- Shaun Fay









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## New Golf Classic scoring well

The Paradise Coast Golf Classic is a new three course event in the Coromandel.

Hosted by The Lakes Resort, Pauanui, Tairua GC and Whangamata GC, it's a fun way to play three of the Coromandel's finest.

"It's great to see the support we're getting" says Patrick Kerr, Chair of Enterprise Whangamata. "It's a wonderful mix of people from all over the upper north".

The director of the tournament, Josh Alderton, can't wait to see how golfers play the three different styles. "Resort v's Country Courses different thinking - exciting stuff".

The field for the tournament is already over halfway full and their early bird price ends on 29 October.



Lakes Resort Clubhouse.

Supported by local council there is over \$4,000 worth of prizes and the handicap allowance is very generous.

"We had a quick PR tour round the courses the other day. The recover is

outstanding for all three. Come and support us if you can, we'd love to see you", adds Patrick.

It's hoped The PCGC will become a regular feature on our local golf calendar and by the looks of it so far - it's well down the fairway.

The Paradise Coast Golf Classic is taking place Friday, 1 December to Sunday, 3 December, 2023.

To enter go to: www.whangamata.org.nz



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## Whangamata RSA Remembrance Wall update

This amazing project is an exciting event for both Whangamata RSA and our community. We were amazed by the response that we got, a chance to modernise and give our community a place to go to think about those who have sacrificed so much for us, to remember what we have.

The EPL team has been busy, they dismantled the existing wall.





dug out the surrounding area to make room for the new monument designed by local sculptor Ted Pickett. The reinforcing, lighting cables and water lines that will feed the fountain have been put in place

ready for the foundation for the monument.

The installation of a power cable from the RSA office out to the Wall has been completed, the concrete

foundation has been poured.

You wouldn't have noticed much difference until now as most of what has been required to do is engineering stuff, reinforcing, hidden pipes and cables, the reinforcing for the structure has been visible for a

When this goes to print, you will see the interesting task of erecting the wooden framing taking place - you will then appreciate the height and size of what will be achieved, what has been needed to make it stable and safe.

We can't thank our generous sponsors enough, raising \$23k of our much needed \$25k target to create an arboretum to be proud of.

- Geoff March, President







## Onemana comes out of its shell

There is a story about the lengths some locals will go to protect the peace, serenity, and exclusivity of their coastal mecca, Onemana. It goes something like this...

A couple of new residents arrived on the scene and considered promoting the beauty of the beach and community, along with the many stunning walks. Their options included social media activity and a website.

The response was direct – please don't promote our village, we like it just the way it is

This was a few years back and since that time a number of tourists guide books, media sites and travel promoters have discovered the coastal community and its offerings 8.9 kilometres north of Whangamatā, off State Highway 25.

The main magnet is the surf beach which is accessible across the vast grass and foreshore reserve which also provides views north to Slipper and the Aldermen Islands, and south to Mayor Island.

What is understood to be New Zealand's smallest surf club protects the beach.

The Onemana Beach Café and Dairy is at the foreshore entrance just down the road from the Onemana Pool and Spa complex.

Onemana has a small but proactive group which represents the community and stages several local activities and annual events. Even this group has adopted change transitioning from being the local ratepayer's body, to the Onemana Residents and Community Association.

Current chair of ORCA, Ruhi Pene, said the aim was to better reflect the entire community which comprises both ratepayers and residents.

As times change, just like the attitudes of its residents, the pool and spa has been impacted.

Previously owned and operated by property owners, the complex has changed to now being an incorporated society, operated by its members for its members.

The complex provides a freshwater swimming pool along with four spa pools, operating year-round being open until 10pm daily during the summer peak.

Overlooking the beach, the relatively new Onemana Surf

Club building now provides a fit for purpose facility for assisting in keeping those people safe when enjoying the beach. From the patrol room, lifeguards have a view of the entire beach while necessary equipment is stored below.

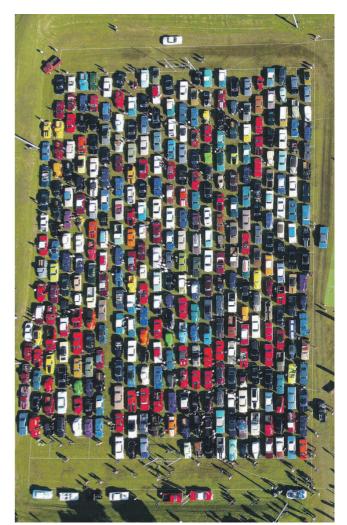
Beach Hop Friday is now part of the Onemana visitor fabric providing a spectacular venue for hundreds of visitors to park up and enjoy their vehicles along with the surrounds.

The annual Christmas week fair on the foreshore is a highlight for visitors across the entire region.

During Labour Weekend Saturday, Onemana is going to be on display with the spa and surf club being open for residents and visitors to check out. The beach café will also be open.

While visiting, a walk to either Pokohino Beach or Pakahakaha Bay could also be good for the soul.

Come to the Open Day on Saturday, 21 October, 10am-12pm, to hear the locals tell what makes it a special place. Join in on the activities, including the local pool and spa complex, while enjoying a sausage, cuppa or hot chocolate.



Onemana draws crowds.

### 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.

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.

In doing so, your kindness will live on, improving lives long after you have gone. When you support us, you become a partner in helping to improve the quality of life for the elderly in our community.

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There are lots of things outside of our control but one thing you can control is you can help to provide a suitable environment for those in our community who develop Dementia. We're asking people like you to become a monthly giver to support our efforts to provide a safe, homely environment for people with Dementia that is close to their loved ones. Currently there is no facility providing Dementia care on the eastern Coromandel Peninsula. Become a Friend of Moana House today and help transform lives in our community. There are so many ways you can become a Friend of Moana House ...

- Become a regular giver or make a one-off donation. All donations of \$5 or more are tax deductible.
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## Arts Collective upcoming event

The Arts Collective Whangamata has approximately 70 members, many of whom are exhibiting artists who support the major event calendar of the Arts Collective. The membership is growing steadily thereby adding a variety of artwork. The Collective has a close relationship with the Area School whose students never fail to produce amazing photography and displays of their NCEA art boards throughout the year.

Art After Dark 2022 was a new event designed to bring art, music and people together, celebrating the beginning of summer and most importantly to have some fun.

An eclectic mix of artwork caters for everyone. The many 2022 sales highlighted this which is so encouraging for artists. It was exciting for attendees to buy something special for themselves or an extra special Christmas gift for family or friends.

It was so successful that Art after Dark is happening again this year on 10 November, 5-10pm, at the Whangamata Golf Club.

The diverse range of artwork includes outdoor sculptural and garden art. There will be fabulous music by local musicians, dazzle after dark attire, delicious food and beverages. What a great night it's going to be.

Gather your friends for a memorable pre-Christmas event.

Prizes for the best dressed Art after Dark theme is kindly sponsored by Collins James Accountants and during the evening there will be items auctioned and a generous hamper raffled.

Thanks to local businesses Whangamata New World, Super Liquor and the Whangamata Club. Enterprise Whangamata has kindly supported this event with generous assistance towards staging costs.

Tickets are only \$25 and are available from the Whangamata Information Centre.

## Open Studios – a must see

Whangamata Arts Collective Open Studio Trail. Labour Weekend - Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 October. 10am-4pm.

A variety of artists and guest artists in Whangamatā will be opening their studios displaying a fabulous range of art work which will provide something for everyone. A great reason to hop on your bikes and head to the studios. Children are welcome.

Sue Jamieson and friends are excited to be part of this Labour Weekends' Art Trail.

Come along and meet Cherry, Cazza and Sue at **306 Hetherington Road**. You might find something special for a Christmas gift or just enjoy having a nosey!

Also available for purchase are some wonderful pieces of fibre art from Gretha Whyte.

Heather Watt and guest artists, Kea iti studio, 105 Kea Street. Heather is a mixed media artist with both indoor and outdoor mixed media work along with outdoor corten steel sculptures. There will be a huge range of new work on display. Her studio is overflowing!!

Nikki Seales, **137 McKellar Place**. Nikki is a multi-media artist,recently focusing on claywork, sculptural garden art, florist, dried flowers and arrangements all in a lovely garden setting.

Dianna Smith will be hosting some guest artists at the Whangamata Information Centre, Port Road, along with a variety of goodies for Christmas gifts. There will also be maps of the Studio trail available at the Information Centre





The Little Gallery, situated at **427 Port Road,** has an amazing array of art from local and surrounding artists. The gallery is open all weekend 10am-3pm. Great eateries nearby, a good place to look at art before lunch.





## Williamson Park access ready for dipping



Great news for Whangamatā beach-goers... Toes in the Water are back in action from Labour

Whangamata Menzshed along with Gary Clarkson (Clarkson Contracting) and his grandson Hunter helped get the beach access up and running for the start of the summer season.

This enables safe, accessible entry onto our beach via the beach mats and board walk for all including wheelchairs, walkers, runners, pushchairs, and lightweight beach

Gary St Clair will be there to keep the boardwalk and matting clear throughout the summer season.



This will continue to make Whangamatā Beach now a more inclusive location for all to get their Toes in the Water!

You can book a beach wheelchair or walker at toesinthewater.co.nz Text or call 021 0885 8939.

## Annual Spring Clean

The Annual Spring Clean is coming soon - Sunday, 22 October (Labour weekend), 11am to 12.30pm.

We are very pleased to be able to report that many local community groups and local businesses have expressed their support and are encouraging their members and staff to participate.

The plan is to tackle six areas which will cover most of the key places where water meets land around our beautiful town. There will be assembly points for each area as per below:

- Surf Beach Williamson Park
- Otahu Estuary Kotuku Road Boat
- Picnic Reserve Beach Road.
- Moana Anu Anu Avenue -Hetherington Road - Walkway Car
- Tukere Reserve Tukere Road.
- Peninsula Shoreline Meet at Beach Road Boat Ramp.

At each assembly point there will

be a coordinator who will do a brief safety briefing and then assign people to different areas to ensure each area is well covered. Bags will be provided and participants need only bring themselves and gloves if desired

Afterwards, all are welcome to congregate at the Port Road central display site (next to mini golf) for a BBQ and the opportunity to view displays and exchange stories of the variety of inorganic rubbish found (there may well be a spot prize for the most unusual item found).

Also, there will be an opportunity to hear about Sustainable Coastlines, a national group dedicated to improving coastline health and who are doing a grid search for microplastics and other rubbish in front of the Surf Club on the same

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## Whangamata Real Estate Community Pool update

Spring has sprung, and it's the time of the year where we all start looking forward to summer.

Every summer, being safe in the water is a top concern, and aside from being a great sport and excellent for fitness, learning to swim is a key life skill in a country surrounded by water.

We caught up with Monique at the Whangamata Real Estate Community Pool to chat about what learning to swim means to her.

## You run the community pool's learn-to-swim programme; tell us about it.

Monique told us "I have always wanted to start a Swim School at the Whangamatā community pool, and in the last 18 months, the programme has gone from strength to strength. Our Pool Management Committee is determined to ensure that all local children have the opportunity to become competent in the water, and the growth of the programme is a great step towards achieving that goal."

#### How many people are enrolled?

"We are expecting between 90 and 100 children to be enrolled for Term 4, and this is in addition to the adults we have enrolled in our SwimFit Learn-to-Swim for Adults programme in conjunction with the Whangamatā Swim Club. We now have between 3 and 4 enthusiastic and fun teachers each term teaching



in the pool; many in the community will have seen Marcia, Daniel, Ella-Rose and Jana at the pool."

#### What ages and abilities do you cater for?

"Almost all! Preschoolers can participate once they can comfortably stand in the shallow water, which is generally from about four years of age. Once children can swim 100m in three strokes (freestyle, backstroke, breaststroke), they graduate to the Whangamatā Swim Club. And of course, there's no age limit for learning to swim!"

## And you've recently launched a new initiative; tell us more about that?

"We are pleased to now be able to offer swimming lessons in Māori, with Jana taking the lead to make this happen. Making swimming lessons engaging and accessible to all is really important to us, and we're keen to do whatever we can to reduce the over-representation of Māori in our nation's drowning

statistics."

## What message do you have for people in our community who can't swim?

"Come and talk to me! You aren't alone not being confident in the water, and it is never too late to learn. Our new SwimFit Learn-to-Swim programme for adults with Whangamatā Swim Club means there's never been a better time to start learning."

#### Things are challenging for a lot of our families at the moment; are there any options for families who don't feel they can afford swimming lessons?

"We are passionate about all children having the opportunity to learn to be competent in the water, and will be assisting a few families to ensure they can participate. We can work out payment plans, and the Community Services Trust has also funded some of our students in the past. In short, come and have a chat!"

### How did you personally come to love the water so much?

"I have always spent a lot of time in the water from swimming lessons in my childhood, to summers at the beach here. Lifeguarding and swimteaching was a natural progression for me when I was a teenager and I have never left."

Thanks Monique. Keep up the great work!

Swimming lessons at the Whangamata Real Estate Community Pool: whangapool.co.nz

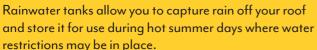
Whangamatā Swim Club & SwimFit Learn-to-Swim programme for adults: See Facebook, or contact swimwhanga@gmail.com for

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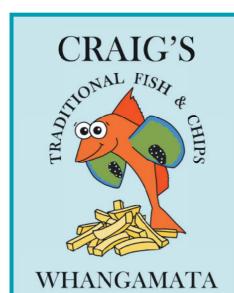


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## Keep our nests safe – dog ban in place

Walking along Whangamatā's beautiful beach, you'll often see, in Summer, brown and orangered little birds - the lovely New Zealand Dotterel. It's a familiar bird on sandy east-coast beaches, sand spits and tidal estuaries in the northern North Island.

#### **Breeding & Habitat**

Whangamatā's birds mainly breed on sandy beaches in monogamous pairs and vigorously defend territories against other dotterel. The nests are simple scrapes in the substrate, sometimes sparsely lined or decorated, often with a marker of driftwood or vegetation. Three eggs are laid, usually from August or September and are replaced if lost. Incubation usually takes 28-30 days.

Once the chicks hatch, they run around on the beach and feed themselves. It takes 6 to 7 weeks before the chicks can fly. During winter, groups of New Zealand dotterel, both adults and young, gather together at flocking sites.

#### Conservation

Thirty years ago, a survey of the population of Northern New Zealand Dotterel estimated that there were just 600 birds left in New Zealand and since they are endemic, that means in the whole world! Since then, with many years of continuing care, it was considered by DOC (Nov. 2019) that the total population has recovered to over 2,500.



#### Whangamatā's Dotterel Recovery Programme

Breeding success is usually low at unmanaged sites, but here in Whangamatā we've had, for many years, a determined group of dotterel minders.

Spokesman for the Group, Graeme Webb, says the main threats in Whangamatā are loss of eggs and chicks to predators (hedgehogs, stoats, rats and cats) and disturbance from human activities and dogs.

Dotterel nest in open areas with sparse vegetation and good all-round visibility, so the other real problem facing these birds is the restrictive areas of the beach where they are forced to nest and which are now under even more attack from sea level rise and storm

conditions. This often results in nest losses and the need to try again.

We often hear people refer to dotterel's stupidity with their choice of sites. However, when we think about predation, we should first think about ourselves! Without doubt, humans are the greatest predator.

#### What now?

Graeme goes on to say: The Whangamatā dotterel population has experienced difficult breeding conditions for the past two seasons due to the extensive changes to our beach front and 2023 is looking like more of the same. The world is now clearly in the grip of climate change and our beaches are no exception.

The peak of our local breeding season is traditionally mid-October

to mid-November. Regular nesting birds will have already been in residence near the usual nesting places for some weeks and they will defend the spots where they have nested in the past. Although the beach profile may change, the dotterel seem to have a very accurate GPS system.

Significant work has been carried out along the Whangamatā beachfront to produce a change in its profile. Former sand cliffs have been removed and the dunes reshaped. Extensive dune planting has also taken place. We have yet to find out how the Dotterel will handle these changes.



### **Whangamatā Tides 2023**

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	21	Sat			12:37	1.8	6:10	0.3	18:44	0.4	06:23	19:38		
	22	Sun	0:50	1.7	13:32	1.8	7:01	0.3	19:40	0.4	06:22	19:39		
	23	Mon	1:47	1.7	14:31	1.8	7:57	0.3	20:40	0.4	06:20	19:40		
	24	Tue	2:49	1.7	15:32	1.8	8:58	0.4	21:42	0.4	06:19	19:41		
	25	Wed	3:55	1.7	16:33	1.8	10:02	0.4	22:43	0.3	06:18	19:42		
	26	Thu	5:01	1.7	17:32	1.9	11:05	0.3	23:43	0.3	06:16	19:43		
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	28	Sat	7:01	1.9	19:21	1.9	0:39	0.2	13:02	0.2	06:14	19:45		
	29	Sun	7:54	1.9	20:12	1.9	1:33	0.1	13:56	0.2	06:13	19:46		
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## Road to Recovery

It's all go on road repairs this spring with great progress being made on SH25a and a good start to fixing the Tapu-Coroglen Road.

Waka Kotahi report that the first two sets of bridge steel beams (weighing around 20 tonnes each) were delivered to its Taparahi site earlier in the month. They'll be spliced together to form the base of the bridge deck for the first span. The new bridge will be three spans in total. The final two bridge beams are arriving mid October.

Work to improve SH25 at Ruamahunga, Thornton Bay, Manaia, Wharekaho-Kūaotunu culvert slip, Whirititoa Hill and Pumpkin Hill is also due to start this month.

On local roads, our Council's contractor Kelsey Construction is busy on the Tapu-Coroglen Road repairs. Please note that the road will remain closed during construction for safety reasons until its completion in December.



Our Council is holding a series of district-wide community drop-in sessions for our Long Term Plan (LTP) from 26-28 October. Elected Members and staff will be available to share more about the key issues our district is facing as we plan our facilities, services and projects for the next 10 years. They can help answer questions you have about the Plan, and how to share your feedback.

For a schedule of drop-in venues and times, visit tcdc.govt.nz/LTP-2024-2034



#### Whangamatā **Community Board** UPDATE

#### A word from our Board Chair, Dave Ryan -

"Our town has been enjoying the events that come with spring, including the recent half-marathon and Street Fling, and we're looking forward to welcoming more visitors this Labour weekend. With summer coming up, please remember to reduce your speed around beaches, where families and children will be walking and cycling. Beverley Terrace is particularly busy during our peak season. Scooters will also need to take extra care on our footpaths to ensure everyone's safety.'

dave.ryan@council.tcdc.govt.nz

The next Whangamatā Community Board meeting will take place at 10am on Tuesday 17 October at our Whangamatā Service Centre, 620 Port Road. See our website for agendas and minutes - tcdc.govt.nz/meetings



## **HAVE YOUR SAY**

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#### **LABOUR WEEKEND**

Some rules, regulations and schedules may change.



#### **Kerbside collections**

Rubbish and recyling collections are one day later following Labour Day Monday 23 October. Check your local kerbside

collection schedule at: tcdc.govt.nz/bindays Our seven Refuse and Recycling Transfer Stations are open every day during daylight savings from 8.30am-5.30pm. tcdc.govt.nz/rts



#### **Alcohol Bans**

Alcohol bans are in place over Labour weekend from 4pm Friday to 4pm Monday. tcdc.govt.nz/alcoholcontrol



#### **Dog Rules**

Dog restrictions are in place on some beaches this Labour weekend. Look out for Council's traffic light signage or go

to our website to see what rules apply in your area. tcdc.govt.nz/dogownerguide



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## Top teams meet again



The fabulous Whangamata Twilight cricket season has started, with last season's finalists Windies and Darkside playing in round one.

Darkside totalled a very handy 116 from their 16 overs. Not enough to trouble the Windies who hit the winning runs in the final over. JJ and Marius were there at the end to see their team through.

Looking forward to a great season.

Thanks to 'The Don' for his match report.

## Anyone can have a go

Softball is a summer sport for all ages – let's get it going in Whanga!

T- ball is a game for those under 9 years old and Junior Softball is for 9 to 18 years. There are adults in the Softball Premier games and also Mixed Social/Golden Oldies... something for everyone!

It's a sport Kiwis are good at playing with plenty on offer at Junior National Representative level and beyond.

Whangamatā News caught up with Lindsay Martyn, our local go - to for all things softball. He wants to get it going this summer - and make it a reality!

Lindsay told us "At junior level, kids love to throw balls, swing, bat and run. Softball refines each of those skills, especially how to get maximum speed on a ball once thrown, how to focus on hitting a



ball, and what to do when you run bases."

He also said it needs community input "Volunteers are key to making Whangamata Softball Foundation firm. Passionate volunteers would be amazing!"

Lindsay started his journey with softball with T-Ball when his son was 5 years old, volunteering to coach and never played before, his son is now 25 years old and stopped playing at 14 years.

"I found my passion and never left

Western Bay Softball Association."

If you are interested in playing or becoming a volunteer, make yourself known to Lindsay at the upcoming "Have a Go Day" on Sundays or contact please him beforehand: Lindsay Martyn on 0274 903 451.

They are also seeking some funding for new gear for new teams, perhaps a reader could help the youngsters?

- Jennie Black



## Protecting native species from introduced predators in Whenuakite

The Department of Conservation (DOC) Hauraki office is going to control rats, stoats & possums over approx. 1400 ha. This is scheduled for the next suitable weather window.

#### Native wildlife and forests need protection

The Whenuakite block of Coromandel Forest Park is among the most valuable conservation sites in New Zealand. There are kiwi, Archey's frogs, kererū, kākā and many other native species living there. It has a mixture of mature coastal forest and younger regenerating trees, with stands of kauri in selected areas and pōhutukawa aligning

Local community groups, volunteers and the regional council have recognised the importance of this area and contributed to conservation efforts since 2001.

The establishment of the Whenuakite Kiwi Care Group and a sustained predator control programme for more than two decades has increased the profile and protection of native flora and fauna in this region.

#### Why we are controlling introduced predators

Native species are fighting for survival due to predation from rats, stoats and possums. Without protection, we risk losing the unique natural heritage and biodiversity within Whenuakite.

Through sustained predator control using 1080, there is a big increase in breeding success for native birds, their food source is more abundant, and the forest canopy is healthier.

#### Our plan to protect native species

The safest and most effective method we have to control possums, rats and stoats over large areas is to use biodegradable cereal bait pellets containing 1080. This bait targets rodents and possums. Stoats are also controlled through secondary poisoning as they feed on the carcasses of the dead rodents.

Helicopters will safely and precisely distribute bait across the forest area along pre-determined and monitored flight paths. This is the only viable method to control predators in Whenuakite due to the vast and rugged terrain.

The distribution of non-toxic pre-feed bait pellets (sandy coloured) took place on 6th October 2023. This prepares possums and rodents to eat the toxic bait (dyed green) that is applied afterwards. Both baits are about 16 mm in diameter and cylindrical shaped.

#### Consultation and permissions

DOC has consulted with hapū, iwi and key stakeholders including landowners adjacent to the operational area.

DOC managers in certain positions are delegated the power of the Environmental Protection Agency to decide applications for permission to use 1080 on land administered or managed by DOC. Permission has been granted for this operation.

DOC has also received the required permission from the Ministry of Health.

DOC ensures that all legal and policy requirements are met, and that any potential risks of the operation are managed.

#### Managing risk

1080 is poisonous to humans, domestic and game animals. In areas where the toxin has been applied, dogs are highly at risk until poisoned carcasses have disintegrated. This takes four-to-eight months or longer.

There will be warning signs placed at entrances to the operational area immediately prior to the operation.

Risks can be eliminated by following these rules:

- DO NOT touch bait
- WATCH children at all times
- DO NOT EAT animals from this area or within the buffer zone outside the treatment boundary. The buffer zone is 2 km for deer and pigs, 200 m for rabbits, and 1 km for hares and possums.
- Poison baits or carcasses are DEADLY to DOGS



Observe these rules whenever you see warning signs about pesticides. These signs indicate pesticide residues may be still present in baits and poisoned carcasses. When signs are removed, normal activities can resume. If in doubt, check with your local DOC office. Please report suspected vandalism or unauthorised removal of signs.

#### If you suspect poisoning, please contact:

- Your local doctor of hospital OR The National Poisons Centre: 0800 764 766 (urgent calls) or 03 479 7248 OR dial 111
- Seek veterinary advice for suspected poisoning of domestic animals.

#### For more information

Please contact: Operational Planner, DOC Hauraki Office, 3/366 Ngati Maru Highway (SH25), 07 867 9180, thames@ doc.govt.nz OR EcoFX, 32 Huiputea Drive, Otorohanga 3900, (07) 873 8130, admin@ecofx.co.nz

Visit the DOC website: More information about DOC's National Predator Control Programme is available on our website www.doc.govt.nz/our-work/national-predator-control-programme



Map of predator control area within Whenuakite

This map shows the area we are controlling rats, stoats & possums to protect native species. You can also see operational updates and detailed maps of predator control on public conservation land on the DOC website. www.doc.govt.nz/nature/pests-and-threats/pesticide-summaries

## Replacing 60 poles in Whangamata

Powerco, who owns the electricity network in Whangamatā, has contracted Northpower and we will soon be starting works to replace nearly 60 power poles at various locations in Whangamatā.

The works are being carried out to improve the safety of the electricity network and improve the reliability of the power supply to customers in the

It might be necessary to interrupt the electricity supply to affected properties to safely complete the work.

All affected customers will be notified and advised of the date and time of any planned outages.

It might be necessary to access affected properties to carry out safety testing checks at the meter board.

The work has now been scheduled and is expected to be completed by the end of November.

We apologise in advance for any inconvenience and thank everyone for their patience and understanding during these essential works.

#### Northpower



## Hello fashion

The Hello Friday bi-annual Fashion Parade will take place again this Labour weekend, and local business owners Paula Leen and Mandy Alexander are excited to showcase the new Spring/ Summer collection on Sunday, 11am at the Pauanui Village.

The great friends embarked on their partnership and fashion journey back in 2016 which sees Hello Friday in its eighth year of business (and 15 plus Fashion Parade's). The store has a great following and is well supported by locals, holidaymakers and Coromandel Peninsula visitors many of whom make special trips to the well known destination

Customers enjoy a boutique style shopping experience with the store representing around 30 clothing and footwear brands. The carefully curated range caters for a wide range of ages (from mid 20's upwards), and most shapes and sizes. The focus is predominantly on easy wear, quality, lifestyle fashion, with a small selection of special occasion wear, and a great menswear capsule. Footwear is also a large part of the business.

Hello Friday is a huge supporter of the local community which gives Mandy & Paula great satisfaction being able to give back and



support many local clubs and groups. Nationally they support the Breast Cancer Foundation of New Zealand, and are proud to be in the top three national fundraisers for their annual Pink Ribbon Breakfast fundraiser.

Watch this space for a Pink Walk event in December!

Meanwhile, get the girlfriends together for a trip to Pauanui this Sunday for the Fashion Parade outside Hello Friday. Online 24/7 too! www.hellofriday.nz



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## Beach Break is coming!

Williamson Park, Whangamatā on 5 January, 2024.

The mighty Shapeshifter returns to the beautiful Coromandel, this is a must do summer event, with Shapeshifter's shows in Coromandel being renowned each and every time as an epic night of entertainment.

Shapeshifter's music is crafted by a living, breathing band of musicians, with all the form-changing sonic possibilities live instrumentation offers. The five-strong line-up of P.Digsss (vocals), Sam Trevethick (guitar/synths/sampler), Dan McGruer (synths/sampler), Nick Robinson (bass/synths/MPC) and Darren Mathiassen (drums) have created their very own heavy soul; a stadium-sized sound which adds layers of drum & bass, jazz, funk, rock and electronica to solid bass culture foundations. Off the grid and out of this world, from the clubs to packed festival fields, Shapeshifter's transcendent sound has already seen them achieve extraordinary things. Recordbreaking New Zealand tours, scenesetting appearances at festivals like Glastonbury, The Big Chill, Big Day Out and Parklife, soldout performances across Europe, multiple music awards, four EPs and five LPs — three with platinum sales — and an army of fans who return to relive the experience time and time

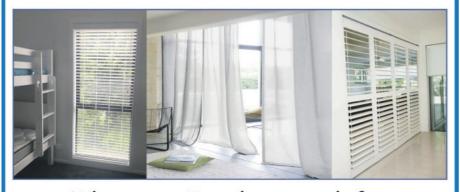
'On Your Side' is their latest single.



It is a tune about grasping the moment, loving those around you and living in the now. Hypnotic breaks and driving bass surround a calming jazz and blues-influenced song that challenges the usual Shapeshifter flavour while still staying true to the movement and the influences that inspire and drive them to be who they are. As 'On Your Side' gently ascends into a celestial realm of drum and bass magic, it takes its place as an ethereal anthem within Shapeshifter's illustrious catalogue, perfectly timed for the arrival of summer

Joining them on the night will be Australian psychedelic-surf rock legends Ocean Alley, festival shredders My Baby, and two of the best young acts to get you warmed again after a day in the waves in Masaya and Flaxxies.

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## Helping young people in Whangamata to drive safely and intelligently.

Lesson appointments are now open in Whangamata each month from now and through the summer

It was great to be at school with learner licencing, now back for on road practical driving.

## **Thames Driver Training**

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## Free family festival planned for December

Mark these dates on your calendar: Twilight Market on 27 December, 2pm-8pm, and Annual Craft Market Day on 28 December, 9am-3pm.

The Whangamata Summer Festival is planning a massive free community event just after Christmas in Williamson Park.

Festival Director Renee Meiklejohn says "We will have roving entertainers, plus a Magic Man to provide entertainment for the family in addition to the epic musicians on two stages."

This year the Twilight Market features Whangamatā band Pieces of Eight, The Marks Brothers, Uncommon State and Liminal, plus Lost Tribe Aotearoa (LTA), who are



an 8-piece family-based band from Raglan. Their sound is an eclectic mix of roots, dub, rock, ska and blues and they are well known for their high energy live shows and the contagious uplifting vibes their

music evokes. They have regular spots on the conscious festival circuit including Spirit Festival, Revive and Earthbeat Festival, as well as Sound Splash and for the first time in 2023, a spot on Homegrowns iconic mainstage.

"We love the energy and messages the band brings. The Coromandel doesn't get many free family events, where you can come for the day, browse the many stalls and slip off to have a swim", says Renee.

She hopes many of our non-resident ratepayers will take advantage of the weekend before Christmas to travel to Whangamatā for Christmas. "It will reduce pressure on the one road into town. The road will be super busy after Christmas (especially with over 120 trucks and vans attending the Festival), and the Coromandel is open and ready!

"Come spend Christmas at the bach this year, take the family to Carols

in the Park on Christmas Eve and wake up on Christmas morning at the beach!".

"We have a second stretch tent in the lake field for music and other offerings. We offer this space to any community groups wanting to highlight their organisation: perhaps a harbour care group sharing an update on their work on the dunes; or a local fundraising group running a children's programme for an hour or two with egg and spoon races, sack races, etc., to give mum and dad a chance to browse the stalls or have a quiet coffee while the kiddos are looked after.

"We are open to hearing from any group, and can tailor the time slot to their needs. We acknowledge there are so many community groups out there and want to open a space for them to showcase their work."

Email whangasummerfestival@ gmail.com for more infomation.















## Who was Bob Scott, the All Black?

Bob Scott is one of this country's most famous All Blacks.

He was, in his day, what Damon McKenzie is today in the current All Blacks - small in stature and a brilliant fullback, scoring tries at will and kicking goals from anywhere on the rugby field.

But, what made Bob truly famous was his unique ability to place kick a rugby ball over the goal posts from halfway with his bare feet!

Bob travelled the length and breadth of New Zealand

demonstrating this feat, which was one of his ways of giving back to the game he loved so much.

Bob retired to Whangamatā and was over the moon when a golden oldies rugby team was formed calling itself the Bob Scott Toe Kickers in his honour, the team to this day continue in Bob's memory raising funds by playing the game he loved and giving back to the community.

R.I.P. Robert William Henry Scott MBE.



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## Toe Kickers tournament – a family affair

Bob Scott's 2023 Toe kickers annual golden oldies rugby Tournament was held at the Whangamata Rugby grounds on Saturday, 7 October.

Rugby was the winner on the day, but actually, Whangamata Youth Sport are going to be the real winners.

Thirteen teams from all over the North Island joined in to make the annual event a huge success. Playing a round robin of games, in great spirit, with all games ending in a draw

We had great weather, over 400 players and supporters, who enjoyed a full day of rugby.

Golden Oldies rugby is usually played by over 35 year old guys and gals, but Whangamatā's Tournament

is now known as a family affair, with the youngest player being a 6 year old and the oldest player this year was 77 years young.

Another speciality of the tournament is to allow multiple generations to get out on the field, allowing fathers, sons, daughters and grandchildren to all play rugby together.

The day saw Whangamata Waka Ama and Rugby League Clubs fundraising, by providing hot food all afternoon with sausage sizzle. mussel fritters and burgers feeding the large crowd in true Whangamatā style.

At the end of the day the Toe Kickers ran their annual fundraising raffle and auction, with donated memorabilia, raising over \$5000.00. Items donated included a Jonah Lomu signed rugby ball, a rugby boot signed by All Black captains: Colin Meads and Brian Lachore, both of which were donated by Albie Hartwell and Julie Van Der Veer.

Other items auctioned included a Black Ferns Jersey signed by Co-Captain Rahui Damont and an All Black supporters shirt signed by Stephan Donald aka Beaver.

These generous donations were made because all funds raised go towards supporting youth sport here in Whangamatā. Thank you to all those that donated items.

On top of that, the Tournaments famous Fish in a Barrow raffle, that included snapper, crayfish, mussels and scallops, proved to be a huge

The day also gave youth rugby boys and girls a chance to help out, saying thanks for the support that they received over the last year.

A big thank you needs to go to all those who continue to support this event every year with product, service and time. To mention a few: Challenge Whangamata, Nigel Mulholland, Bubba's fish shack, Dave and Joyce Penny DCN Drilling, Smokey Pallet, Street Smart, MA Savage's Whānau, Kiwi Team wear, Whangamata Rugby Club and Bartley Graphics.

Lastly, a big thank you to the thirteen rugby teams who travelled from far and wide, to enjoy a weekend in Whangamatā, who without their support, there would be no tournament. See you all next













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Sunday

## **Adventure Race results**

#### **LOCAL RESULTS - 6 HOUR**

**WNW** - 6th Place Men's, 2500pts, 5:51:17. Gareth Kretzer, Daniel Curd, Geordie Walden, Ben Firth.

**Weekend Warriors** – 18th Place Mixed, 2330pts, 6:00:40. Andy Robertson, Paul Oswald, Steve Pyatt, Claudia Holschuh.

**Catdog** - 27th Place Mixed, 2100pts, 6:04:03. Shelby Garrat, Daniel James.

#### **LOCAL RESULTS - 3 HOUR**

**Team Garrity** - 5th Place Mixed, 750pts, 2:10:46. Sam Garrity, Mel Garrity

Watt's Going On? - 6th Place Family, 1420pts, 3:03:40. Zania Watt, Millen Lloyd, Jacob Robertson, Maddox Stewart.

Fun Times - 12th Place Family, 1300pts, 1:29:59. Nigel Airey, Sue Airey, Charlie Marr.

**The Possum Poachers** - 16th Place Family, 1200pts, 3:05:00. Laurie Baker, Grayson Baker, Zak Woodhouse, Kylee Fleg.











## WHANGAMATA SPORTS BAR

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## Adventure Race pushed competitors hard

**Experienced Adventure Racers** lined up beside first-time competitors at the start of the annual Bivouac Whangamatā Adventure Race on 7 October. This year, teams of two, three or four adults and young people explored the stunning coastal and forested areas around Onemana, using their map-reading skills to complete three exciting stages as quickly and accurately as possible.

Adventure Racing is a team sport that involves reading a map to find a series of check-points that have been set out along the route. Typically there will be mountainbiking, trekking and orienteering stages, with a few mystery challenges to add to the excitement. Teams compete for either 3 or 6 hours, and the team that can find all the checkpoints in the fastest time wins. There are time penalties for finishing after your time has elapsed!

The race began with a quick 2km 'rogaine' (a type of orienteering) around the picturesque Onemana coast, visiting 10 checkpoints. Most teams achieved this in just over 30

Then it was on to the mountainbikes for a steep, challenging hill-



climb up into the pine forest and some loops around fun single-track. 6-hour teams rode right to the end of the peninsula where they had an amazing view of Opoutere Beach in the distance.

The final 'stage 3' trek took teams along the beautiful southern beaches, towards Whangamatā. Then they looped back, either along Peninsula Road or along the eastern edge of the Whangamatā Harbour

before heading back to Onemana and the finish line.

Five teams were able to complete the entire course, visiting every checkpoint in the time available, and many other teams missed only one or two checkpoints!

Race organiser Rod Thompson expressed his gratitude to the Onemana community and local landowners for their help and

support. He also mentioned the work of the local scout group as parking wardens and the local LandSAR. "We are very grateful to LandSAR whose safety teams were positioned at the farthest ends of the course to check that no-one was lost or hurt", he said.

The event is well supported by a number of generous sponsors, both local and from further afield; Bivouac Outdoors, Pedal & Paddle, Craft Haus, Soul Burger, Salt District Brewing, Naturally Coromandel, Hosanna Honey, Pāuanui Half Marathon, Marokopa Munter, Whangamatā Half Marathon, Pure Nutrition and Trek n Travel.

Feedback from the 400 competitors has been overwhelmingly positive. They loved the course, they pushed themselves hard, but they loved every minute of it.

Whangamatā Adventure Race will be back in 2024 at another stunning location in the Whangamatā area.

This is a great fitness challenge to attempt with family, friends or workmates. You'll love it!

> - Ryan Thompson, Whangamata Events







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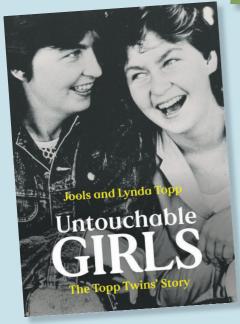
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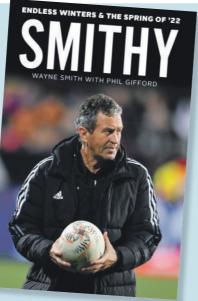
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#### **SMITHY**

WAYNE SMITH WITH PHIL GIFFORD

From his 1979 playing debut in a Canterbury side to the joy at Eden Park as the Black's Ferns united a nation in 2022, Wayne Smiths Story - as a Ranfurly Shield winner, All Black, multiple Super Rugby and World Cup winning coach, told in depth for the first time.





## UNTOUCHABLE GIRLS

JOOLS AND LYNDA TOPP

The incredible story of how a couple of country kids from Huntly became much-loved Kiwi icons and TV stars, with their own unique brand of original country music and comedy that has captivated audiences in New Zealand for more than 40 years.

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## Work still to be done



The school holidays have been and gone as have the holiday makers and visitors to our town.

One wonders what kind of impression they go away with; the **Island View Reserve carpark** and surrounds are still to be completed.

The WRA have been informed that we are waiting for the grass to grow in the plastic gobi blocks parking area. On close inspection there is not a lot of evidence that the grass is taking, however the grass outside of the carpark area is growing and could do with a mow.

The entire area is a disgrace.
Plastic fencing is strewn across the berm, sand has piled up around the kerbing, the straw bales are preventing access and sprouting weeds

Surely with the school holidays, the likelihood of visitors and freedom campers, that area could have been tidied up, the plastic fence removed, and the perimeter of the carpark mown.

Same with access six by the camp site, one of our main beach pedestrian access pathways. The lack of weeding/mowing is not a great look for our holiday visitors!

Who is managing the contractors and subcontractors and is there a maintenance programme? Hopefully we will see some action before Labour Weekend.

On a positive note, recently volunteers have been turning up in droves to support Whangamata Harbour Care with their maintenance work in the harbour. On the beach so many people happily turned up to support the Dune Care planting programme that the task was over in a few hours.

Whangamata Harbour Care has posted a flyer to local community organisations advising of a Spring Clean set down for Sunday, 22 October, encouraging volunteers to join in to clean up the harbour, shoreline, and estuaries.

- Whangamata Ratepayers Association



## Hey there, holidaymakers! How is the new council waste collection going so far? Thought so.

We understand your frustration; it doesn't have to be this way. If you're looking for a simpler waste collection service at a competitive price (without the need for bin tags), contact us for information about our Bach Bin service, designed specifically for the holiday period.

Choose between a 120-litre bin for \$151.20 + GST or a 240-litre bin for \$223.20 + GST. We'll arrange delivery, and after each service, we will place the bin back inside your boundary in case no one is home."

This weekly Bach collection offer is available in Pauanui and Whangamata on Mondays, and in Tairua and Whitianga on Tuesdays.

The collection period is from December 11th to March 19th.

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#### Whangamata 603 Rutherford Road

#### As good as waterfront

When you are seeking the finer things in life, invest in this heirloom property for you family's future. Soak in the breathtaking, ever changing, harbour views from both upstairs decks, lounge and kitchen. This magnificent home is built to last, immaculately presented and impeccably maintained making it a perfect choice for the discerning beach home buyer. Alternatively this stunning home is a luxurious permanent residence for those who cannot keep away from beautiful Whangamata. The heart of this stunning home is the spacious, well appointed, quality kitchen ready to entertain, spilling out to the open plan living and dining which flows further to the outdoor areas for alfresco evenings.

The master bedroom also harnesses the magnificent location and allows private space with a luxurious ensuite should the home be full of family and friends. With four bedrooms, three bathrooms and a second living area downstairs which easily doubles as a fifth bedroom, this home revolves around five-star detail and quality. Timeless finesse frames natural light and views; a promise of just how close the water is. Tiled floor garage with additional room allows even further options for accommodation or media theatre. Secure parking to easily stow the boat and motorhome and there's ample lawn space for visitors. Easy care is the key feature here. The marina around the corner and Ocean Sports Club when you prefer dining out, plus beaches, cafe's and bars a short walk away.

This outstanding property has an almost endless list of features that must be seen to be believed, even its own water bore and pump to allow ample water in summer as well as town supply.

Take the time to view this property, seeing is believing!

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**Price** Auction (unless sold prior) 11am Thurs, 30th November 2023 96 Ulster Street, Hamilton

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Whangamata 105b Tobie Place

#### Beautiful in Brick

This fabulous family home must be sold! Featuring 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms, this property provides ample space for a growing family or those who enjoy having guests over. With 3 toilets available, convenience is at your fingertips. The property also includes a garage space for one car plus workshop, as well as two carport spaces and open parking spaces for two additional vehicles.

Situated on a generous 565 sqm land area, this house boasts a spacious building area of 209 sqm. The price guide for this property is available upon application.

Inside, you'll find a range of features that enhance the overall comfort and convenience of the home. The property comes with a range of chattels, including blinds, a burglar alarm, dishwasher, and more. With a study room available, you'll have the perfect space to work or study from home. The hot water system is gas-powered, ensuring efficiency and reliability. Heating is provided by a heat pump, heat ducting system, ceiling fans, and a closed fire, ensuring you stay warm and cosy during the colder months. The property is well-insulated, with insulation in the ceiling and walls.

The kitchen is modern and well-equipped, making meal preparation a breeze. The separate dining area provides a dedicated space for enjoying meals with family and friends. The bathrooms/toilets feature separate showers and an ensuite for added convenience. The lounge is separate, offering a comfortable space to relax and unwind. The interior condition of the property is excellent, ensuring a move-in ready experience.

Externally, the property showcases a brick/masonry exterior in excellent condition. The decking/patio area is perfect for outdoor entertainment and BBQs. The roof is made of coloured steel, ensuring durability and longevity. The flooring consists of carpet and tiles, providing a mix of comfort and practicality. The property is fully fenced, offering privacy and security. The aspect of the property is northerly, allowing for plenty of natural light. Backing onto a reserve there's space to walk the dog or kids to play.

Additional features include a security system, smoke detectors, a waste disposal unit, and a rangehood. The property is connected to mains sewage and has access to town water and a 3000 litre rain tank.

Don't miss this opportunity to buy now. Contact Chris today to arrange a viewing and secure this home for your future.

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#### 104B AICKIN ROAD, WHANGAMATĀ

4 BED | 2 BATH

This unique property can be utilized as one large home or completely separated into two functioning cabins. Perfect for extra family and friends or holiday in the one and welcome guests to stay in the other. The front unit has a sunny open-plan kitchen, lounge, and dining. Two spacious bedrooms and room for a washer and dryer. The rear unit is perfect for a holiday stay. A serviced utility with two sizable bedrooms and a lovely lounge/dining area. The outdoor area is a real treat. Enjoy entertaining on the vast deck or take a very short stroll into town to enjoy shopping and the cafes.



#### 228A CHARTWELL AVE, WHANGAMATĀ

5 BED | 2.5 BATH | 2 CAR

This property is sure to capture your heart with its great features both inside and out. Enjoy the outdoor lifestyle with a large deck, a comfortable entertainment area, and a tranquil courtyard without the maintenance of a large section. Inside, the house is well-appointed with five bedrooms and two bathrooms, including an ensuite, so there is plenty of room for a growing family or extra guests. The upper level offers lovely views of the surrounding area. So don't delay – contact us today and come and take a look at this incredible house. This could be the start of something special.

#### 213A Chartwell, **Whangamatā** 2 BED | 1 BATH

This renovated stylish bach has loads of space for family and friends. Bring the boat, the tents, all the cars, and still have plenty of space for the kids and dogs to run around in a safe, fully fenced yard. With two bedrooms in this chicly decorated property, there are also two lined spacious cabins for extra guests.

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## Lindsay Turnbull





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**Blue and Katey** 

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. She has been an excellent and knowledgeable person to deal with on our behalf and we have no hesitation in recommending her to any future sellers.

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**Denis and Sharon** 

Lindsay's successful marketing campaign with great photography and a cool video along with the @realty team proved to be the difference in selling our apartment in a very challenging and difficult market. With a limited buyer pool, Lindsay's marketing generated lots of enquiries and good attendance numbers at the open homes. We highly recommend Lindsay to successfully market, negotiate, and sell your property in Whangamata.

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**Darryl and Maree** 

Thank you so much for all you have done for us, we will forever be grateful. You are absolutely fabulous!! We really do appreciate you ♡

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Ram and Jill



2D/105 Aickin Road, Whangamatā 2 BED | 1 BATH | 2 CAR



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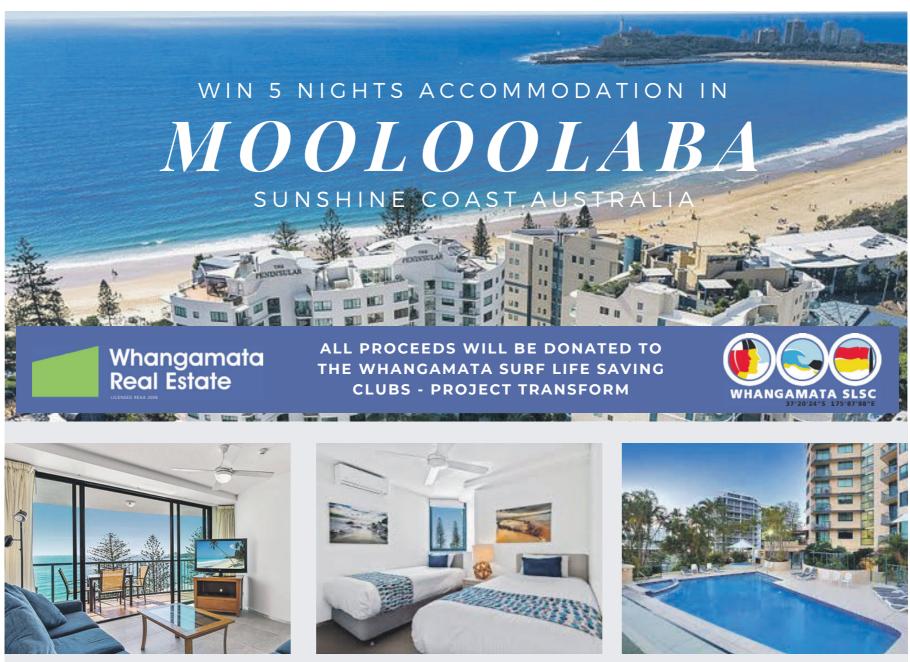
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#### **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

- Flights are not included in the prize. The winner is responsible for all costs associated with the prize
- The Travel prize is not transferable or exchangeable and cannot be redeemed for cash
- The prize voucher is valid until 18 December 2024 and is for accommodation in low season
- Entrants must be over the age of 18 to enter
- Entry into the promotion is deemed as acceptance of its terms and conditions
- A draw will made after 4pm on Saturday 2 December 2023 at Williamson Park (Surf Club) and the winner MUST BE PRESENT to claim the prize

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### Saint Patricks Row

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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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328 Ocean Road, Whangamata

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#### 104 Kiwi Road

- Located on the boundary of and overlooking Williamson Golf Course
- Single level living, double glazed joinery throughout, expansive dual
- Great indoor / outdoor connection, relaxed and modern open plan living
- Master bedroom with ensuite and walk in robe
- Entertainer's kitchen
- Separate guest or teen space
- Two bathrooms / 3 toilets, 3 x heat pumps
- Large double garage, level parking for boat or motorhome
- Freehold 809sqm site, fully fenced and gated
- Direct access to Golf Course

To be sold by Auction 328 Ocean Road, 11am Sunday 12th November 2023 (unless sold prior)

View 12pm Saturday & Sunday, 21 October & 22 October



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#### 225 Moana Anu Anu Avenue

- Located near grassy reserve and water's edge
- Peeps of the harbour
- Three double bedrooms plus office over two levels
- Master bedroom with ensuite and private sunny deck
- Open plan ground floor living well connected to outdoors
- Office/hobby room
- Internal access garage/workshop
- Storage shed plus additional kayak storage
- Very close to a wide grassy reserve and with easy access to the harbour
- Delightful gardens and exotic plantings

View by appointment



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#### 203B The Square

- Enjoy this sunny, low maintenance, single level three-bedroom, two bathroom home
- Open plan living is well connected to decks with a north facing aspect
- Outdoor areas are nicely framed by established plantings and easy-care gardens
- Master bedroom with ensuite
- Low maintenance grounds
- Fully fenced
- Central harbour location
- Off street parking
- Freehold 305sqm level site

View 11am Sunday, 22 October



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#### 119 Chevron Crescent

- Standing tall amongst the trees and in a bush setting, this family home welcomes you in
- Three double bedrooms over two levels
- Spacious kitchen, dining and living area
- Well connected to the outdoors
- Freehold 861sqm site

#### View 2pm Sunday, 22 October



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#### 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
- Separate Yurt accommodation

#### Viewing by appointment



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#### 107 Riverview Road

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

#### View 1pm Saturday, 21 October



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#### 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, 21 October



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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 2pm Sunday, 22 October



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#### 311A Port Road

- Sunny single level, low maintenance home
- Conveniently located near Whangamata town centre
- Two double bedrooms, open plan living, heat pump
- Private and fully fenced, established easy care gardens
- 304sqm Freehold Title

View 11am Sunday, 22 October



Sharon Laurenson 027 662 3164 View Listing: whanga.co/8171



#### 104A Silkwood Lane

- Three-bedroom homes in this price bracket are hard to come by
- Open plan living connects to a north facing deck
- Spacious garage with auto door
- Well fenced
- Ideal first home, rental, or a great retirement option

View 10am Sunday, 22 October



Sharon Laurenson 027 662 3164 View Listing: whanga.co/8230



#### 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

View by appointment



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#### 7/106 Barbara Avenue

- $\bullet$  One of Whangamata's most popular addresses, due to its convenient location
- Single level, lock and leave apartment
- Two double bedrooms, modern kitchen & bathroom
- Easy indoor / outdoor living, sheltered patio area and easy pool access
- Convenient Body Corp management & maintenance

View 10am Sunday, 22 October



Sharon Laurenson 027 662 3164 View Listing: whanga.co/8229



#### Unit 5, 106 Barbara Avenue

- Enjoy this very functional, one bedroom apartment in a fantastic location
- Refurbished throughout
- New front deck creating outdoor area
- Allocated off street parking
- Convenient Body Corp management
- Perfect weekend escape or Airbnb

View 10am Sunday, 22 October



Sharon Laurenson 027 662 3164 View Listing: whanga.co/8225



328 Ocean Road, Whangamata

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#### 107 Pacific View Drive

- This stunning house has been fully renovated and boasts breathtaking ocean views
- The new kitchen flows seamlessly into the outdoor dining and entertainment area
- The master bedroom features a lounge/bar area with a private deck and stunning ocean views along with a walk-in wardrobe and spectacular bathroom
- Two more spacious double bedrooms, one with its own ensuite.
- The double internal access garage provides ample space for storage or parking

#### View 1pm Saturday 21 October or by appointment



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#### 102B Hinemoa Street

- Breathtaking views of the sea, islands, and the beach
- Four bedroom, two bathroom home with double garage
- Open plan living, kitchen, dining and lounge area, all with fantastic views
- Great deck for entertaining
- Borders the lovely Island View Reserve

#### View 1pm Saturday 21 October and Saturday 28 October



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#### 2/106 Saint Patricks Row

- Spacious and stylishly designed, this 4 bedroom home provides ample space for everyone
- The master and guest bedrooms have ensuites, with 3.5 bathrooms in total
- Designer kitchen, complete with a scullery
- The open plan living and dining space flow onto a sunny deck
- A stunning property located in a highly sought-after area

#### View 12pm Saturday 21 October and Saturday 28 October



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#### 204 Hilton Drive

- A solid and tidy 4 bedroom home situated on a level full site
- Low-maintenance and fully-fenced backyard
- Open plan kitchen, dining, and living area with a fireplace
- Large double garage and plenty of off-street parking
- Sleepout

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#### 114 Tirohanga Drive

- This property offers a mix of space and privacy
- Three bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, open plan living, dining and kitchen
- The outdoor entertaining area with pool sets the scene for summer
- Single garage plus a separate cabin/office
- Selection of citrus, plum and avocado trees

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#### 122 Park Avenue

- Close proximity to the Park Ave reserve
- The property boasts a 2 bedroom sleep-out, a garage with utilities plus a caravan for the extra guests
- The garage is being utilised as the living space and the deck area leading off the sleep-out provides a nice space to enjoy and relax

Deadline Sale closes 4pm, Thursday 26 October (unless sold prior) View 12.30pm Saturday 21 October and Sunday 22 October



Nancy Millett 021 517 708 View Listing: whanga.co/8252



#### 215 Ocean Road

- This 3 bedroom bach is just two blocks from the beach
- 812 sqm of land
- Extra density zoning offers more potential for subdivision
- Great location, big site, big opportunity
- This property deserves your attention

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#### 131 Durrant Drive

- Family friendly 4 bedroom home with 2 bathrooms
- Modern kitchen nicely connected to the living space
- A large site with good parking & garaging options
- Great lawns and decked areas

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#### 113 Russell Bruce Place, Onemana

- $\bullet$  This property has been totally renovated with a new extension
- New shower room, new toilet, new kitchen, new ceilings, new carpet, new underfloor insulation, new double glazing, newly resurfaced decking the list goes on
- Very tidy three double bedroom home
- Lovely ocean views

View by appointment



Julian West 027 222 4364 View Listing: whanga.co/8240



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#### 55 Herbert Drive

- Upper harbour views and forestry backdrop
- 3 bedrooms, north facing home
- Large living area with direct deck access
- Double garaging and carport
- Large extra parking area for vehicles & boats
- Mature landscaped grounds

#### View by appointment



Colin Thompson 021 723 723 View Listing: whanga.co/8168

#### 106 Tamaki Road

- Classic original 3 bedroom home
- Level contour 926m2 site
- Close proximity to school, clubs and town centre
- Options to holiday now and redevelop later.
- Secure this opportunity and arrange a viewing today

#### Viewing by appointment only



Colin Thompson 021 723 723 View Listing: whanga.co/8255

#### 132 Sharyn Place

- Peaceful cul-de-sac location
- Bordering harbour reserve
- Open plan living with direct deck access
- 2 double bedrooms plus sleep out in garage
- Separate garage with toilet
- 877m2 site with easy care gardens

#### View 11am Saturday 21 October



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#### 115A Otahu Road

- Open plan living with direct deck access
- North/west aspect to capture the sun
- Three bedrooms
- Separate garage/workshop
- Low maintenance construction
- Close to school and community swimming pool

#### View 1pm Saturday 21 October and 11am Sunday 22 October



Colin Thompson 021 723 723 View Listing: whanga.co/8256

#### 500A Port Road

- 2 Bedroom unit with attached garage
- Corner site positioned well for the sun
- Easy walk to town centre and clubs
- Low maintenance construction • Furniture list included in sale

#### View 12pm Saturday 21 October



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#### **PUBLIC NOTICES**

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#### Whangamata Lions BBQ & Book Stall

**Harbour Care Market Port Road** Saturday 21 October, 8am to 2pm.

#### MOANA HOUSE TRUST BOARD

#### **Notice of Annual General Meeting**

to be held on Thursday 26 October 2023 at 6pm at Moana House, 353 Tairua Road,

#### Whangamata Agenda

**Apologies** Minutes of Previous AGM Matters Arising Financial Report Review of Subscription Chairman's Report

All Financial Associates Welcome Intending Associates may pay at entry to the Meeting

> Moana House Trust Board Secretary



#### **OPEN DAY**

Coastguard Whangamata is holding an Open Day at our Operations Centre 619 Beach Rd next to the Marina.

Date: Saturday 21st October (Labour Weekend) 1000 to 1400hrs

See what we do in our community and how you can support us by becoming a member, a volunteer, or a sponsor

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#### **DEATH NOTICE**

#### **HOLLARD, Christina Fay (Fay).** 14/3/1942 - 05/10/2023.

Passed away peacefully on 5th October, 2023. Dearly loved wife of David for 62 years. Cherished mother of Andrew and Lisa Hollard, Michelle and Mark Bocock. Precious Nanna to her five grandchildren, Christina, Laura, Peter, Duncan, Aidan, and three great-grandchildren, Theodore, Zaidee and Remi.

Though we have heavy hearts, we find solace in knowing she is resting comfortably. A private memorial will be held in November. Our sincere thanks to all staff at Moana House for their loving support and care of Fay.

**TWENTYMANS** 

#### **GARAGE SALES**

#### **Garage Sale**

Saturday 21 October, from 7am. Cnr Hetherington / Martyn Rd - Chevy Corner. Garage is Martyn Rd side.

Household, garden, tools, stuff - selling double up gear from 2 houses.

#### **Garage Sale**

Saturday 21 October, from 8am. 102 Tukere Drive. Girls clothes and toys, baby's cot, ladies clothes, books, 2x dolls prams... something for everyone.

#### **Garage Sale**

Saturday 21 October, 8am to 1pm. 117 and 119 Hampton Road, Whangamatā. Something for everyone.

#### **Dale's Garage Sale**

Saturday 21 October, from 8:30am. 146 Tirohanga Drive, Whangamatā.

Some items for sale: Fishing & camping gear, wetsuits, mechanical & engineering tools, line trimmer, occasional furniture, plus many misc. articles.

#### **Garage Sale**

Saturday 21 October, 9am to noon. Whiritoa Community Centre.

Great variety of goods from several households. Clothing, household goods, beach gear, toys etc.

#### **Shed Clearance**

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### Sports results

#### **MAH JONG**

13 October: We had 52 players today so all were playing at tables of 4. Our winners are: 1st Colleen Belsham, 38 points 2nd Karyn Jones, 36 points 3rd Marlene Campbell, 34 points Well done to you. Our lucky number was 10 and nobody scored 10!

#### **RSA 500 CLUB**

11 October: An enjoyable day was had by all. The winner on the day was Linda Harris and Rex Osbaldson won the raffle. Chris Hepi won the chocolate bar.

#### **TABLE TENNIS**

12 October: Roger Wolfe was our winner winning all 11 games played - well done Roger! Coming equal in second place were Therese Dixon and Denise Wallace. Lots of laughs and some great games.

Everyone welcome but please arrive no later than 12.50pm for play at 1pm.

#### **SITUATIONS VACANT**

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## Moana House & Village

#### **DIVERSIONAL THERAPIST**

We are looking for a full-time Diversional Therapist to provide leadership and oversight of our resident-centred activities programme. The Diversional Therapist and his/her team are responsible for providing innovative activities that enable each resident to participate in meaningful activities that are appropriate for their level of ability. Our aim is that the activities programme enriches the lives of residents by ensuring that the activities meet their physical, social, intellectual and cultural needs.

If you are a qualified Diversional Therapist, we would love to hear from you. If you are not qualified but are energetic, have a positive demeanour and enjoy interacting with the older people, we will provide the necessary training.

Moana House is situated in Whangamata, a picturesque seaside town in the Coromandel. We have 27 Rest Home beds and 20 Hospital beds and offer a day care programme and respite. We are about to embark on a significant expansion plan which will allow us to provide a continuum of care for Whangamata and surrounding districts.

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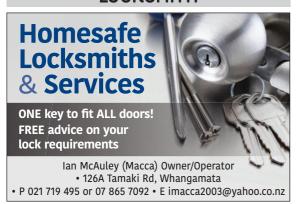


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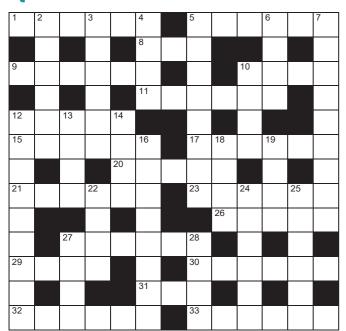
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#### **CLOTHING**



#### **QUICK CROSSWORD**



#### **Across**

- 1. Write carelessly (6)
- 5. Very hot and dry (6)
- 8. Paddle (3)
- **9.** Performed together, in \_\_\_ (6)
- 10. Cat cries (4)
- 11. Affable (6)
- 12. Call on insurance (5)
- 15. Promiscuous woman (6)
- 17. Raise someone else's child (6)
- 20. Nerd (5)
- 21. Tenant (6)
- 23. Place of safety (6)
- 26. Financial return (5)
- **27.** Nose gently (6)
- 29. Part of grammar (4) 30. Anzac decoration (6)
- **31.** Fish eggs (3)

**TRIO** 

- 32. Carve design in relief (6)
- 33. Musical pattern (6)

The same three-letter

sequence will complete

each of the four words

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#### Down

- 2. Oilseed rape (6)
- 3. Set upon (6)
- 4. Yearn (4)
- 5. Move to another place (8)
- 6. Bobbin (4)
- **7.** Troubled (9)
- 10. Roman Catholic service
- (4)
- **12.** Dare (9)
- **13.** Weapons (4)
- 14. Style (4)
- 16. Pincers (8)
- 18. Comply (4)
- 19. Genuine (4)
- **22.** Stupefy (4)
- 24. Ostentatious clothes (6)
- 25. Temporary malfunction
- **27.** Unfeeling (4)

WORDWHEEL

Add one letter

9-letter word

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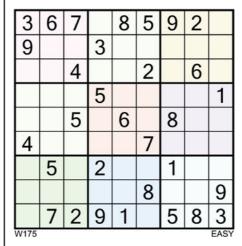
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28. Water jug (4)

#### 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**

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10. Mews, 11. Genial, 12. Claim, 15. Harlot,

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