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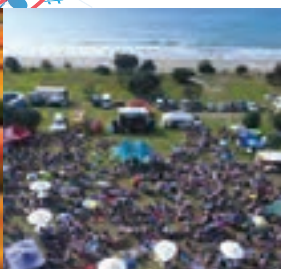
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Editor's comment

I love putting together the Chronicle each month because I get such good feedback from the community. The last couple of issues I have personally delivered over 1000 copies to mail boxes and around town in the rain and sun. Most of the time I get a friendly response. However when I delivered the March issue one place took offence. Thankfully they are the minority. Your support and eagerness to receive the new edition of each Chronicle keeps me going. If you are a motel, shop or other place people gather and would like some copies of the Chronicle each month then let me know – I'd prefer to supply them where they are appreciated.

It's festival time! April has A Taste of Matarangi (see advert opposite), the Colville Easter Festival (see page 4), and coming up in May is the Seafood Fest (see advert page 15).

Debbie

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Letters

Recently, Thames Coromandel District Council Mayor, Sandra Goudie stated publically that she did not have an obligation to tell ratepayers what her opinion was on matters of crucial importance to the region.

I would like to dispute that. I believe that all public officials in elected positions have the responsibility to declare their opinions and beliefs that guide their decision-making and how they carry out the duties of their office. This statement from Mrs. Goudie is anti-democratic and is a betrayal to all who have voted for her, or who would consider voting for her.

Mrs. Goudie said she was not obliged to reveal her stance on climate change because, "I think it's incredibly highly politically charged and driven and I don't think that makes for a good basis for sound judgment".

Speaking for myself and many others, I find that a refusal to declare her beliefs on a matter of scientific certainty shows poor judgment and scorn for the people who have voted her into office. We deserve to know what her views are, so we can vote accordingly.

<https://www.radionz.co.nz/news/national/382892/climate-change-declaration-politically-charged-thames-coromandel-mayor-sandra-goudie>
William Stewart, Christchurch

Dear Editor,

My wife and I are from Ontario, Canada and are spending two months in your lovely country. We have been here before and one of our favourite places to visit is Coromandel Town and area. We are drawn to your historically preserved stores, restaurants and gift stores. We particularly returned this time to eat at our favourite restaurants The Star and Garter and Pepper Tree.

The Star and Garter is a treasure inside and out and I am not sure that it is appreciated for its uniqueness by your local town council. When we were in for dinner we struck up a conversation with a local couple who told us that the town council is contemplating a roundabout right in front of the Star and Garter. This will destroy not only the visual effect of your entire town but will speed up the traffic and make crossing the road much more dangerous.

I understand the need to reduce traffic backups on busy weekends but there must be a better way, such as a through traffic bypass that does not dump traffic into the main, historic intersection. Please do not destroy this town and lose your uniqueness forever. Do not "Pave Paradise" and lose your history like we have done in North America.

Your Canadian friends,
Jim and Elaine Hibben, Canada

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Poetry SPOT

Easter

By Beryl van Donk

I will be remembered,
my hour short and sweet,
I carried the Saviour'
Palms strewn round my feet.

I grew as a tree
and then was cut down
To make a sad cross
in place of a crown.

I've been here forever
a cave dark and wide,
But I held the Saviour.
Yes! It was Jesus who died.

I ponder these happenings,
Was all this for us?
For poor wretched sinners
He was nailed to a cross.

Now let's sing with gladness
for today Jesus lives,
So we'll live forever,
All our sins He forgives.

Colville Easter Festival**19-22 April 2019**

All is organised. Tickets on sale, don't miss out!

Tickets available at Colville General Store and Richardsons Real Estate Coromandel. Check our website for online tickets. \$20 for each night. \$50 for the three nights (available till **7 April**).

Festival opens with Colville Sings Down Under Hits. Starts at 7.30pm **Good Friday 19 April**, age 16 up. Theme is "Dress to the 9s", or "crazy as you want". Supper provided. Tickets essential.

The Big Music Night **Saturday 20 April**, 6pm till late. All ages welcome, please limit alcohol. 16 under free. Bands: Cloak Bay – young jazz school muzos from Raglan/Welly; MC Dbldbl with producer Trapjaw Kelpie – performing songs from their new album "Chip Buddies" and more danceable tunes; GARH – the legendary Tait Kora leads his four-piece East Coast band playing Jazz/Funk; Radio Rebelde – 12 piece Latin Reggae/Ska band from Waiheke, members from around the world. Let the party begin. Food, coffee and tea available to purchase, cash only.

Variety Show **Sunday 21 April** 5pm. A real family night: Colville and Coromandel children perform "The Great Piratical Rumbustification" directed by Bronnie Kenchington and Bazza Ross, a play Tim Bray adapted from Margaret Mahy's book. Colville School – Movie Productions, present three original short films. Folk music by



Cara and Gavin Asher. Enjoyable songs for young and old. Nibbles will be served at half time.

Easter Monday 22 April 1pm – Cara and Gavin then become

Grandma and Grandad Giggles to entertain the preschoolers, at Hereford 'n' a Pickle weather permitting, otherwise in Colville Hall.

Workshops

Registration at Colville Social Service Collective (CSSC) (07) 866 6920 or email cssc@colville.org.nz.

Friday 19, Saturday 20, Sunday 21

April – Traditional Tibetan Thanka Painting with Venerable Nyima. 10am-12pm daily at Mahamudra Centre. \$20 adult \$10 child (for 3 continuous sessions).

Saturday 20 April – Bees Wax Wrap with Greer Rasmussen. Session 1: 9am-12pm \$20 adult \$10 child. Session 2: 1pm-4pm \$20 adult \$10 child. At Colville Social Service (opposite Post Office).

Saturday 20 April – Jungle Animals Drawing (for children) with artist Joanne Black. 10.30-12pm at Colville Hall Grounds \$10.

Saturday 20 April – Mono Printing onto Geli plates (for adults) with Artist Joanne Black. 1pm-3pm at Colville Hall Grounds \$20.

Sunday 21 April – Wool Weaving with Jackie Campbell. 10am-4pm at Colville Hall Grounds \$20 adult \$10 child 9+.

Sunday 21 April – Plant a tree to celebrate Earth Day! Colville Harbour Care will have locally grown trees for koha on Sunday 10am-4pm

Easter Monday 22 April – Needle Felting with Denise Jones. 10am-12pm at Colville Hall Grounds \$20 adult \$10 child 9+.

Easter Monday 22 April – Play with Clay with Janet Palmer and Kay Ogilvie. 10am-12pm at Colville Hall Grounds. Koha, all ages.

Come and enjoy. Tickets essential for Colville Sings, has sold out on previous years.

For more info and any enquiries contact Steve or Ella on 021 711 489 / 027 487 5131 / (07) 866 6920

Poetry in the Dead of Night*By John Irvine*

You know, now and then I feel I'm empty of cogent words and all those fancy lines that once filled my heart with chuff aplenty. It's then I wonder if they'd all been mine, See, I'd wake in the wee hours with a thought then write a poem in the midnight hush, file it in my brain for now as I ought, and return to my dream of poetry mush. Next day while drinking strong and sweet black Joe I'd trundle out this ragged thing and write it down. Mayhap this one will make some dough. Oh, yeah, wouldn't that would give me a fright! "I have writer's block," the dunces all cry Big deal, I sneer, eating take-away Thai.

Poetry SPOT**Christchurch vigil**

On Sunday 17 March people in Coromandel Town got together at James' Reserve to show support for the victims of the Christchurch shootings.

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Coromandel Garden Circle

By Jenny Penman

Competition Cup Winners (L to R): Natalie Blasco, Linda Webb and Win McMinn

The Garden Circle AGM took place on Wednesday March 13 and it was an occasion for thanking returning and retiring committee members and for welcoming those that have been newly nominated. Our newly appointed Co-convenor, Susan Bretherton, enlivened the meeting with a wonderful showing of some of her beautiful painting on silk followed by a small demonstration of the art. Susan's fun banter and free-spirited approach had many members asking her to give a workshop when she can manage. While our meetings are mainly garden focused it is wonderful to see how our members further enrich their lives and opens our eyes to other opportunities.

A mainstay of the AGM is the awarding of cups to the year's competition winners. This year it was an almost clean sweep with Natalie Blasco taking out four awards (Single, Multi and Mini Blooms and the Ngaire Aquirre Trophy). Natalie was very involved with the Garden Circle's entries in Illume and the Santa Parade, and you may know her from the Information Centre, so she obviously "doesn't let the weeds grow". Other winners were Win McMinn (Arrangement), Linda Webb (Special) and Pat Williams (Runner-up).

The Committee were also delighted to bestow Life Membership to Elspeth Campbell for her work within the Circle since joining in 2001. Elspeth has held several positions, has great garden knowledge and continues to bring cuttings and seedlings from her Te Kouma garden for members. The Circle members remembered well the entertaining and witty articles Elspeth used to pen for the Chronicle – perhaps she can be encouraged back from retirement!

While we have all enjoyed the long hot summer, that sun can become relentless. Natalie shared an article on "Shinrin-yoku" or "Forest Bathing" – the practice of walking slowly through a forest for an extended period. This has been practised in Japan and is now regarded as a notable preventative medicine with many physiological and psychological health and wellbeing benefits. So maybe forget the weeding and take yourself off for a measured stroll along one of our many lovely cool bush tracks and reconnect peacefully with nature.

Our programme for the year includes talks, demonstrations and day trips to places of interest and events. We meet the second Wednesday of the month usually at 1:00pm at The Combined Club, Woollams Ave.



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Housing development at Wainuiototo (New Chum beach)

By Rosemary Stone,
Preserve New Chum for Everyone Inc

Many locals know and love beautiful New Chum beach (known by many as New Chums). It requires some effort to get there as there is no road access. You need to wade through the creek at the end of Whangapoua, hop over boulders for 20 mins before a steep (sometimes muddy) path takes you over the saddle to the beach. Walking through the shady nikau glade, the beach reveals itself – a glistening white sandy curve, turquoise water, fringed by mature pohutukawas. All you hear is the sound of birds and crashing waves. The thing that makes the beach special is its isolation and its wilderness qualities. Currently the beach is unique, being accessible on foot over public land and with no housing.

The owners of Te Pungapunga station (the farmland surrounding New Chum) have recently proposed a housing development, including 11 house sites in the New Chum catchment. They have done this through the TCDC district plan review process, which happens every 10 years. The district plan manages land use and subdivision in the Thames Coromandel district.

At the end of last year, parties who made submissions about New Chum beach, met with the council to review the proposed district plan. Parties included the owners (Northern Land Trust Holdings), Whangapoua Ratepayers Association, Preserve New Chum for Everyone Inc and the Environmental Defence Society. An agreement could not be reached among the groups, so now an appeal will be held in the Environment Court in March/April.

The position of "Preserve New Chum Inc" is that there should be no development in the catchment behind New Chum and that the district plan should reflect this. We believe that this beach would be compromised by housing – some of the house sites proposed would be visible from the beach, from the water and from the Motuto Point where many of the scenic photographs are taken. The sounds of civilisation (mowers, dogs, music) would spoil the very thing that makes the beach unique. In the context of the east coast of the peninsula, New Chum is virtually the last remaining wilderness beach. A development would spoil what is a jewel in



the crown of Coromandel, akin to Cathedral Cove, Hot Water Beach and other tourist destinations on which our economy relies.

With this in mind, we have employed a lawyer, planner, ecologist and landscape planner to represent us in the Environment

Court. Clearly, this is an expensive business and despite extensive fundraising and a small grant, we need a lot more money. If you would like to support us, see the FAQs below for ways you can help.

New Chum – FAQs

I thought that the beach was saved already?

No, despite all the publicity around previous attempts to subdivide and several applications being withdrawn, the owners fully intend to subdivide and have been actively working towards this.

Won't I be able to have my say?

No, this time around, the owners have put their proposal forward through as part of the TCDC's 10-year district plan review process. This has effectively taken it out of the public arena because unless you were engaged in this process, you won't have heard about changes affecting New Chum beach.

Why hasn't there been anything about this in the paper?

So far, this has all been happening behind closed doors and there hasn't been any opportunity for the public to engage. There are ways that you can personally help publicise this though (see below).

Who are Preserve New Chum for Everyone Inc?

We were established in 2010 with the first committee including Ngati Huarere ki Whangapoua local resident and business person Grahame Christian and Ngati Hei kaumatua Peter Tiki Johnston. The driving force was, and continues to be,

Linda Cholmondeley-Smith, whose family originally owned the farm adjacent to New Chum beach. Current committee members also include Coromandel local, Rosemary Stone and ex-MP and previous resident of Colville, Catherine Delahunty. We have a long-term commitment to a positive solution that protects the values of the Wainuiototo beach and adjacent hills.

I don't want to see New Chum developed – what can I do?

We desperately need money as we head to the environment court. We have engaged an amazing team of experts to defend the beach, but it costs money. If you are able to give, please donate at <https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/help-us-save-new-chum-beach-you-are-needed-now>

Tell your friends and family what is happening at the beach and ask them to give. Our website is www.preservenewchum.org.nz and our Facebook group is Preserve New Chum for Everyone.

If you have any friends in the corporate world or know of any individuals who could donate a larger amount, please email us newchumforeveryone@orcon.net.nz and we can discuss.

Where to from here?

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Library News

By Raewyn McKinney

Work is nearly completed in the change-over from the old catalogue to the new digital one.

The new laptop is in use, and the old catalogue cabinet has been removed from the library, but unfortunately, as I write this, we do not have a computer for members to use to access the new digital catalogue. It is hoped to have a computer set up downstairs for members' use by the end of April. In the meantime, if there is a book you are keen to find out about, leave a note with the duty librarian and someone will contact you.

New additions to the library this month include:

The New Ships by Kate Duignan



Peter Collie is adrift in the wake of his wife's death. His attempts to understand the turn his life has taken lead him back to the past, to dismaying events on an Amsterdam houseboat in the seventies, returning to New Zealand and meeting Moira, an

amateur painter who carried secrets of her own, and to a trip to Europe years later with his family. An unexpected revelation forces Peter to navigate anew his roles as a husband, father and son. Set in Wellington after the fall of the Twin Towers, and traversing

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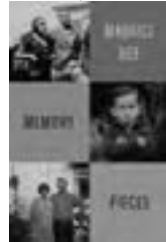


Washington Black by Esi Edugyan

George Washington Black, or "Wash," an eleven-year-old field slave on a Barbados sugar plantation, is terrified to be chosen by his master's brother as a manservant. To his surprise, the eccentric

Christopher Wilde turns out to be a naturalist, explorer, inventor, and abolitionist. Soon Wash is initiated into a world where a flying machine can carry a man across the sky, where even a boy born in chains may embrace a life of dignity and meaning -- and where two people, separated by an impossible divide, can begin to see each other as human.

Memory Pieces by Maurice Gee



An intimate and evocative memoir in three parts: "Double Unit" tells the story of Maurice Gee's parents – Lyndahl Chapple Gee, a talented writer who never went on with a writing career, and Len Gee, a boxer, builder, and

man's man.

"Blind Road" is Gee's story up to the age of eighteen, when his apprenticeship as a writer began.

"Running on the Stairs" tells the story of Margaretha Garden, beginning in 1940 ... when she travelled with her mother Greta from Nazi-sympathising Sweden to New Zealand, through to her meeting Maurice Gee ... in 1967.

Warlight by Michael Ondaatje



A vivid, thrilling novel of violence and love, intrigue and desire. It is 1945, and London is still reeling from the Blitz and years of war. 14-year-old Nathaniel and his sister, Rachel, are apparently abandoned by their parents, left in the care of an enigmatic figure

named The Moth. They suspect he might be a criminal, and grow both more convinced and less concerned as they get to know his eccentric crew of friends: men and women with a shared history, all of whom seem determined now to protect, and educate ... Rachel and Nathaniel. But are they really what and who they claim to be? A dozen years later, Nathaniel begins to uncover all he didn't know or understand in that time.

The library is open from 10am to 1pm from Monday to Friday; and 10am to 12 noon on Saturday. The library will be shut on Good Friday, 19 April, and Anzac Day, 25 April

Rural Youth and Adult Literacy Trust

By Christine Ramsey

Do you enjoy reading? Can you write notes or fill in forms with ease? Can you imagine your life if written words were a constant barrier to communication?

Yet that's the situation for many adults in rural or isolated communities who struggle with low literacy levels. The Adult Literacy Rural Trust, www.adultliteracy.ac.nz, was formed to help overcome that problem – and volunteer coaches are central to the Trust's success.

So if you have a little spare time on your hands, a computer and a willingness to help someone to overcome that barrier – without your needing to leave the comforts of home – the Trust would love to hear from you.

What would be involved? A literacy coach helps someone read and write by giving them the chance to practise regularly. All you need are basic computer skills (since the training and coaching is done online); and a readiness to commit to talking with an adult learner half an hour a day, preferably three to five days a week. There's even scope for "job-sharing": adult learners do best when talking with a familiar face, though, so it's ideal if paired coaches can give 30 minutes two or three days a week most of the time.

The Trust provides full training and ongoing support for its volunteer coaches. There's an initial training which is done online at your own pace and with the full support of a trainer. Then, during the regular interaction with an adult learner, volunteers can access an experienced tutor for assistance or advice if needed and there are weekly sessions where coaches can support and bounce ideas off each other.

The role is immensely rewarding for the coaches who come from all over the country and overseas.

To find out more, contact us on Freephone 0800 891 339 or email admin@adultliteracy.ac.nz for more details. We will send you an application form and confirmation of the next training course date. A gift of your time and talent could transform another's life!



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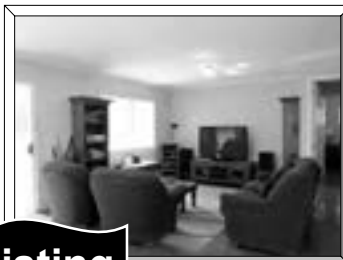


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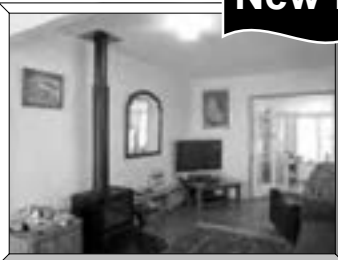
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Coromandel Town Information Centre

By Sandra Wilson, Manager



Turning a negative into a positive

We were broken into last month, had money and several items stolen, and the office was trashed. The good news is... that didn't hold us back! We were up and running as usual to assist our tourists and local community, mostly working out on the verandah due to the many hours it took to clean up the mess inside, interact with police, etc.

A Givealittle page has been set up to help us replace stolen items, pay for repairs, and purchase an alarm. I would like to personally thank everyone who has given so generously. This reflects the amazing support we have within our community. If you would like to donate, the link is below. The donation page will end in May: <https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/replace-stolen-equipment>.

Another blessing is the Star and Garter "Sunday Pizzas", which in March raised money for the Information Centre as well. All of you that purchased pizzas likely know that \$1.00 from each Sunday pizza goes towards a local community service on a monthly basis. This will also help get us back on our feet.

Town is still busy with tourists. We continue to provide booking services for the 360 Discovery Ferry, InterCity buses, and various activities on the peninsula and beyond. So be sure to stop by and let us help you! We find that people often don't make their bookings in advance and then are disappointed when services are unavailable, so it does pay to think ahead a bit.

Be sure to check out the Easter Art Exhibition at Hauraki House **13-22 April** and the Colville Easter Festival **19-22 April**, with music, food and workshops. We have tickets for the upcoming Coromandel Players presentation of "The Great Piratical Rumbustification". The play will be at Hauraki House on **Friday 26 and Saturday 27 April** (see pg 29) Tickets are \$10 adults, \$5 children.

You may also be interested in participating in a one-day pottery workshop at Driving Creek Railway. Their website (<https://dcrail.nz/events/>) shows the following dates for upcoming sessions: **30 and 31 March**, 8.45am-3pm; **27 and 28 April**, 8.45am-3pm; **1 and 2 June**, 10am-4.15pm. Beginners and experienced potters are all welcome.

Coromandel Family Health Centre

Flu season – Autumn is here and it's time to start thinking about protecting yourself for the upcoming flu season. Remember influenza (the flu) is a serious illness. The vaccinations should be available this month and benefit everyone in our community.

They are free for our patients over 65, pregnant women and those with chronic health conditions.

Health and Safety – The new health and safety regulations impact all employers and we are offering pre-employment medicals, including drug screening in our clinic. Spirometry can be added for staff exposed to respiratory hazards. We are looking at offering audiometry screening soon for baseline and ongoing monitoring of hearing for employees exposed to noise hazards.

Please ring us to discuss your requirements (07) 866 8500



2019 Coromandel Town Seafood Fest

The Committee is proud to bring you the 4th Coromandel Town Seafood Fest, showcasing our world famous seafood products creating both local and regional industry and employment opportunities.

Each year the Fest has grown and our 4th Seafood Fest is no exception, with more food available, more variety of stalls, more cooking demonstrations by local chefs and of course our guest Derek the Chef along with all-day entertainment.

Once again we welcome the Coromandel Kauri runners and walkers and their supporters to our event and also our own Plastic Free Coromandel who are helping us promote an environmentally friendly event. Do feel free to bring your own plate and mug!

Preparations are well underway but there is still room for more stall holders – so do ring Gail on 027 466 5131 to secure your spot or go to www.coromandelseafoodfest.com or www.facebook.com/coromandeltownseafoodfestival.

Bring along the whole family, and all your friends, for a fun-filled day with plenty on offer, rain or shine. See you there.

Saturday 4 May,
Coromandel Area School
9am to 4pm, \$2.00 entry at the gate.



SeniorNet

By Loes Beaver



We are nearly at the end of another financial year, and it is pleasing to see new members each month. Now that so much of our banking, govt departments, etc., are online, we really need to keep up-to-date with our IT equipment.

We still meet on Monday afternoons, 4pm, in Kapanga Road at Tom's Place.

For any Information either drop in to see Tom or phone me on (07) 866 8053

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Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild

By Jenny Penman

The Show and Tell table at our March Guild meeting had a fine array of Miao embroidery purses either in progress or completed as a result of the Alysnn Midgelow-Marsden workshop undertaken in February. Alysnn started by introducing the class to some exquisite 100-year-old embroidery purses that she had picked up on travels to China, which were made of paper parchment and wrapped in beautiful, shiny black cases stained with pig's blood! Once the art of origami was explored and satisfactorily demonstrated by all, the class was let loose on the large boxes of fabric, thread, silk paints and other goodies Alysnn provided. The hero of the day (after Alysnn, who managed to cope wonderfully with 19 students!) was her embellishing or felting machine. This 12 needle wonder (that does not require threading to the mystification of one student) made short work of manipulating layers of different fabric, thread and other material into a fused material of quite a different appearance that could be further embellished with bead or embroidery or whatever really.

Our next workshop will be of a very different nature – Sardinian Knotted embroidery. This work will require a much more structured and accurate approach under the expert guidance of renowned tutor Yvette Stanton.

Our petite projects (those done as a group on Guild Day) progressed a little in the course of the afternoon. This year they are all to have the theme of Montmellick or Blackwork and those of us who have opted for the Blackwork found how very difficult it is to count off threads when the conversation around is so interesting. An accurately established framework is essential for this counted work with no room for fudging, apparently!

Interestingly the Guardian newspaper recently ran a piece titled "The Calming Effects of Sewing Can Help People Express and Heal Themselves". The author tells how "being the youngest of four children I had no place of my own. I shared a bedroom and was squeezed among my siblings in the back seat of the car. But through sewing I could delineate a personal physical space. Needle work cocooned me in a privacy of sorts. I discovered a different kind of peacefulness in community sewing: the collective concentration and camaraderie of a common endeavor. Today, in prisons throughout Britain, the organization Fine Cell Work involves hundreds of men in embroidering items to sell online or to make commission. Their needlework brings them sensory salve in the silken slip of thread and the soft crumble of cloth, a tactile antidote



to the harsh and hard environment that surrounds them."

Our next Guild Meeting will be on **Wednesday 3 April.**

For further information about the Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild and related activities contact Lettecia Williams (07) 866 6626

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Plastic-Free Coromandel Town

By Kate James

We need your unwanted fabric! Old curtains, or any thickish fabric is awesome for making reusable shopping bags. Please leave donations of fabric at the Work Co-op in town, 316 Wharf Road, weekdays 9am-3pm or message us on Facebook if you'd like someone to pick up your fabric.

Sewing sessions are in full swing again. Come along and have fun helping to cut, iron or sew some fabric bags for yourself or for other members of our community. Sewing sessions are held at the Council building, 355 Kapanga Road, Coromandel Town on Tuesdays from 1-3 pm. This month they will be held on **2, 16 and 30 April**.

The Seafood Festival is fast approaching: **4 May**. We are delighted that the Seafood Festival Committee is working with us to reduce waste by providing recycling bins and promoting BYO plates/containers/cups/cutlery to reduce the need for takeaway items that are then tossed out. We will also have a plate station at the festival where people can pick up the utensils they need for a donation and bring them back to be washed hygienically and reused.

The Coromandel Homegrown Market is proudly making moves to become plastic-free. Much of the packaging you will find there now is natural compostable cellophane. Be sure to reuse this or put it into your home compost rather than sending it to landfill.

Questions and answers: People often ask us questions about alternatives to single-use plastics and recycling and things. Our Plastic-Free Coromandel Town Facebook page is a great place to get answers and we will include some questions and answers here in the Chronicle too. We are running a competition to name our "Agony Aunt" personality. Check out our Facebook page for more details. This month's

question: Are takeaway coffee cups recyclable? Answer: No! Grab yourself a reusable cup (or use a jar) or make time to stay and enjoy your coffee in the café.



One of our reusable bags visiting the Hollywood Walk of Fame



Coromandel Independent Living Trust

There is a lot happening these days at Coromandel Independent Living Trust (CILT). We operate such a broad range of services, it's hard to keep up sometimes! Did you know we run "Artists in The Making" over in Whitianga? This is a day programme for people with mental and physical disabilities, where they can socialise in a creative environment, creating mosaics and other fine works of art. Lately they've been learning all about screen-printing from local artist Pete Septon. They aim to set up screen-printing equipment at their studio and hope to soon be able to make their own custom T-shirts or tea towels, etc., and sell them as a social enterprise to further support their activities.

We also operate the Coromandel Refuse Transfer Station, and Goldmine Re-use Centre. Ash from the RTS has this story to share:

"We have just had a lovely young couple by the names of Kingsley and Monique at the RTS. They're on holiday from Christchurch, and are apparently good keen South Island farming stock!

"Whilst travelling the 309 Road they noticed that there was so much rubbish scattered along the roadside as to be (embarrassed as Kiwis) to see...

"So they went and got some rubber gloves and black bags and recovered and sorted as much of it as they could safely get! Phil and I were profoundly astonished and let them dump their haul (of course) for free!"

Thank you Kingsley and Monique, if only more people cared so much for the environment we wouldn't have so much rubbish in the first place! We encourage everyone to visit The Goldmine before you buy new. You never know what you might find.

Our plan for a purpose built community services hub is progressing along really well. Thanks to TCDC, we have been granted an excellent plot of land on Pound Street. This is a perfect location for "The Hub" as it allows us plenty of space and it is only a short walk from town. If you want to know more about this exciting project, please visit our website: www.cilt.org.nz/hub.

Thanks to CEDACT (Coromandel Education Advancement Charitable Trust), we have received funding to put 30 young people through their driver licence training and tests. This is a great opportunity for some people in our community. If you are interested, call Coral Clark on (07) 868 8644 or 027 937 2589.

Other exciting news: We have had our 2018 audit, so the 2018 annual report should be available on the CILT website soon. And those of you that enjoy the high quality photocopier and printer at the Resource Centre will be pleased to know we are getting an even better one!

We are continuing to run community van outings for pensioners and people with mobility limitations. These are short day trips to interesting locations around the peninsula and are a fantastic social day out. The last trip was up to Port Charles where Letticia from Moehau Environment Group gave a talk about kiwi conservation from the kiwi listening post. Passengers heard about some of the intensive work that goes into preserving this enigmatic and rare bird.

The next outing will be on **Friday 5 April** to the Kuaotunu Bird Rescue to look at the work they do to rescue and rehabilitate injured birds, and then over the scenic Black Jack Hill to Otama Beach, with a stop at the Kuaotunu cafe and art gallery.

To secure your seat, give the staff at the Resource Centre a call on (07) 866 8358.

Come in to see us at the Resource Centre, use our free community computers and chat to us about our many projects and services. We aim to help as many people in the community as possible to support people in creating a meaningful life here in Coromandel.

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Coromandel Grey Power

John Rabarts. President

Catching rats new information just to hand from Ben: "The best bait for catching rats is – rat." Not sure how that works – first catch a rat I guess. I will follow up and put the information in the next Chronicle. I do know that smoked rabbit meat is a great bait for stoats, rats, weasels, etc., in stoat boxes.



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Heart Beat – St John Ambulance Coromandel/Colville

By Julie Scampton, Station Manager, Coromandel

First Aid Courses

St John Coromandel offers First Aid Courses to the community during the year.

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St John Coromandel offers a subsidised fee of only \$95pp (normally \$169). This is to encourage our community to gain knowledge and confidence to provide effective first aid!

Next First Aid courses to be held in Coromandel are: **Saturday 27 April** and **Wednesday 29 May**, 8.30am-5pm.

To book your course call Coromandel St John on (07) 866 8279.

St John Week will be held **1-6 April** with a community day on **Friday 5 April** including Coromandel Four Square Promotion Day; Coromandel Area School Mufti Day; St John Stall offering blood pressures and Blood Glucose Tests with a Main Street Bucket Collection.

Join the St John Supporter Scheme

Application forms are available at the medical centres, Four Square and the ambulance station.

Stay safe, keep well.

You too can be part of Coromandel/Colville Team: For more enquiries call the station and talk to the duty officer or leave a message (07) 866 8279 to find out more



There are two types of EPA. One for property and the other for personal care and welfare and financial matters. It is important to have conversations with your family and close, longtime friends how to decide who your attorney should be, and who might be backup, if the time comes and your chosen person is unable to act for you. With this thought keep in mind that you may be thinking twenty or more years ahead, and a younger person may be more able to support you at that time than, say, your parents, or even a friend somewhat older than you. Your attorney can be anyone you trust to understand and respect your wishes, your needs at some future time and your feelings expressed about the future. Usually they are a sensible and trusted friend or a family member, a colleague or even a trustee corporation like the Public Trust (for property EPA only – and do check out what their fees and likely disbursements will be). Once you have decided who you would like as your attorney, and what you want them to do, you need to arrange a lawyer, a qualified legal executive or a representative of a trustee corporation (like Public Trust) to be your witness. They will make sure you understand your options, what the EPA document means and that it meets all legal requirements. For all of them ask about costs and fees! – preferably before you start the process with whoever is providing your legal advice. Some lawyers and other legal professionals offer a Super Gold Card discount so if you are over 65 make sure you ask. Leaflets are available for your advice and to inform any person considering being an Attorney for an EPA. If you or a family member have internet access you can ask through www.superseniors.msd.govt.nz or call at your local MSD office (you may need an appointment to get through the door). We are also asking for a supply which will be available at Grey Power meetings.

Coromandel Grey Power members get a newsletter and notice of our regular Grey Power meetings. Enquiries to join please contact Membership Secretary, Carol Carson on (07) 866 7172. Or text John Rabarts on 022 611 5717. My cell phone doesn't receive voice calls where I live and I can't access left messages. But text messages will get through



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Grief, Hope and the Brave Conversations

By Catherine Delahunty

Last Friday morning I supported the young people of Thames who participated in the Schools Strike for the Climate. They were part of a global action on climate change which was supported by more than 30 events in Aotearoa. Thousands of students marched to demand more urgent action for our common future including in Hauraki/Coromandel towns. It was wonderful to see young women organisers leading these colourful and determined young people. Hours later the horrifying news of the terrorist attack broke from the Christchurch mosques.

Glued to media outlets, sickened and overwhelmed, many of us could barely imagine how those families from the Muslim communities were feeling. The news kept getting worse and the news has continued to be heartbreaking and confronting. I personally find the pictures and stories of the massacred people very difficult but I want to know and speak their names. I do not want to see the face of terrorist white supremacists or hear quotes of their hideous violent rhetoric. As for that video, media outlets and social media should know better without being told.

On Saturday morning my friend Sally Christie, who is a District Councillor, and I decided we needed to organise a vigil in Thames to give some space where people could express solidarity with the bereaved and against Islamophobic racism. We are so grateful to Ngati Maru people who came

to open and tautoko the event and all the tangata whenua for their support. We were so glad that at least 100 people came to share the moment. A lovely woman arrived with a table and clay and people made hearts with messages, which she will fire and then send to the mosques from this community. The words by Syd Keepa, Sally Christie, Scott Simpson MP, Denise Messiter from Te Whariki Manawahine o Hauraki /Women's Refuge and myself were appreciated. The candles and flowers became an altar of floating light, people talked to strangers. We also know Coromandel Town, Whitianga, Karangahake and no doubt other local communities have been holding their own vigils of respect.

As the sad days unfold the issues behind this atrocity cannot be ignored. We cannot just treat this reality as a case of some deranged individual who had no networks, and no encouragement here, be it ever so tacit. A short visit to Facebook shows that some citizens of this country hold terrible ideas about Islam and racist judgement is common. It shows that in a country built on colonial violence there is an underbelly of racism which may not verbally condone murdering children and adults at prayer but which is constantly "othering" people and communities who live differently. When I was an MP I talked to many taxi drivers from across the world now living here and the racism they were subjected to is just one indication of the work we need to do.

The white supremacist groups who support killing Muslims, gain comfort from any tacit agreement in any form. Free

speech rhetoric has to confront that which hate speech encourages. We who are not the current targets of hate need to examine ourselves and our prejudices. How much do we reach out across difference in our communities? How often as a Te Tiriti o Waitangi educator have I met good people with unexamined racist ideas of white superiority? I can only own that I was one of those people and still have a lot to learn about how Pakeha privilege prevents real power sharing. There is little point in saying "this is not us" and that we have achieved a culturally respectful and welcoming nationhood different from the rest of the world. After all, we still are not teaching our own history properly, let alone a universal commitment to the first language of this country. But the outpouring of solidarity and love from so many people shows that we can start the brave conversations and we can be willing to challenge the toxic stereotyping in our daily life. We have to do this to honour those 50 people killed at prayer, the many injured, and their violated families.

We also have to remember the leadership of our young people who showed us the bright side of hard issues last Friday. These moments call on us to be our best selves and to listen to the voices of the communities who have been attacked. Let's try and do that together for more than just this week or this month. There are good resources now circulating so that we can help each other reject racism and ignorance. Let's support each other to support peace and justice every day.

Coromandel Contract Bridge Club

By Judy Bronlund

Hauraki Pairs is the competition for April, with a fun night at Easter. We have had a few visitors to Coromandel that have come to play bridge with us. We welcome visitors and would love some new members, so please come and join us. Lessons can be arranged; contact Val. We play each Monday evening at the St John Rooms.

Contacts Val (07) 866 8739 or Lyn (07) 866 8858

CoroLocalLegend with Coromandel Four Square

Congratulations to Dr Kate Armstrong of Coromandel, who is the recipient of a gift hamper from Coromandel Four Square. Dr Kate has been nominated by Emily Scholes, who wrote "Dr Kate is extremely kind and helpful and Coromandel is a better place because of her".

Thanks for your community spirit Dr Kate, you do an amazing job servicing Coromandel, Colville and beyond through the Colville Community Health Centre. You are a true CoroLocalLegend!

Congratulations to Raewyn McKinney of Coromandel, who is the recipient of a gift hamper from Coromandel Four Square. Raewyn has been nominated by Kerry Whittle, who wrote "Raewyn actively supports a number of Coromandel groups and services. Her thorough research for her Chronicle museum articles and her book reviews for the library are standouts. She's long been a supporter of Coromandel Area School, since being an adult student herself she's more recently stepped in to adjudicating external school exams. She's also there for the Coromandel Rugby Club at all home games, collecting parking money at the gate. A keen croquet player, Raewyn is unassuming, generous with her time and always cheerful and ready for a friendly chat. We're lucky to have her in our community." Thanks for your community spirit Raewyn, you are a true CoroLocalLegend!

Do you know someone who deserves recognition for their amazing community spirit?

Drop us a line telling us and they will receive acknowledgement in the Coromandel Town Chronicle as well as receiving a \$50 gift hamper from Coromandel Four Square.

Send your nominations to: Coromandel.foursquare@foodstuffs.co.nz (subject line: CoroLocalLegend) or post to: CoroLocalLegend, PO Box 5, Coromandel 3506. Kindly refrain from nominating family members



Dr Kate Armstrong



Raewyn McKinney



Mary enjoys view of Whitianga Harbour from the new lookout platform on the Maramaratotara Track

Monday Walkers

By Natalie Blasco

Holidays are over folks so let's get our boots on and get walking. We have been walking in the bush to avoid the heat and sun, but since the weather has cooled a bit we are also enjoying beach walks. Dogs are usually welcome but may need to be on a lead on tracks. And on some tracks, for example on DOC land, they are not allowed. There are many amazing tracks and views all over this area and beyond – places you may not have gone before, but can enjoy with a group.

Everyone is welcome to come and join our group. We meet each Monday at 9am at Woollams car park (north end) for carpooling and usually finish between 1-2pm. There are no fees to join. Whether you are a visitor to Coromandel Town or a resident, if you are interested and would like more information, please contact Natalie on the number below. We do send out a weekly email to let you know where we are going each Monday, so let us know if you want to be on the mailing list.

You may also be interested in some of the walks with the ECHO Walking Festival. They are all over the Waikato, so go onto their website to see what's available and sign up to participate. It's another great way to explore new areas.

Happy walking everyone.

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International Women's Day Breakfast 2019

Sincere thanks to all of the ladies (and Pin) who shared our breakfast at Umy on Friday 8 March. Great food, great company, great way to start the day and celebrate International Women's Day. We would also like to thank the folks at Richardson's for selling the tickets and Umu staff for such great service. Couldn't do it without you.

As a result the Waikato/BOP Cancer Society benefited by \$450. Great effort!

We also sold tickets in the quilt raffle, which is now on display in Harcourts until **Easter Saturday, 20 April**, when we will draw the winner. Harcourts are also selling quilt raffle tickets on our behalf, so do pop in and view the quilt when passing their office. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

Thanks everyone from Marie and Robyn.

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Coromandel Budget Advisory Service

By Brooke Redman

Coromandel Foodbank absolutely relies on all of you to support us and we would not be here to in turn support the local community without you. In saying that, we'd like to extend an enormous thank you everyone who has donated money, goods or their precious time to us.

Special thanks are due to –

- Our Lions Club for their fundraising efforts selling Christmas cakes last year and their subsequent generous contribution to us from the profits of that endeavour.
- talented local artist Vaughan Udall for raising a healthy sum of money for us with his "A Painting A Day" challenge over the festive period.
- our local Four Square for their awesome initiative in exchanging cool dog bowls for donations of food items to our Foodbank.

Lots of extra food for our community members in need, plus a bonus present for our donor's fur friends, is definitely a winning situation!

Having a pantry clean out or heading off on a holiday?

Don't forget that we always have a donation box located in the front window of the Four Square for any non-perishable items. If you have perishable items that you would like to donate, please give us a call or message us via our Facebook page.

We are also looking for any ideas in our bid to eliminate single-use plastic from the Foodbank. Currently our recipients are requested to bring their own boxes/bags. We are swapping over to brown paper bags instead of plastic bags, and we utilise our stash

of reusable shopping bags and produce bags gifted to us by Plastic-Free Coromandel Town. Currently single-use plastic is still used here to wrap meat, as it is bought in bulk and then split into portions and frozen.

Please let us know via our Facebook page any of your clever ways to avoid plastic use in the kitchen that may help us here at Coromandel Foodbank.

Budget Advice

If you want help with working on a budget, getting debt under control or any other financial issues, please pop in to our office at Tiki House – we're here to help.

To make an appointment come and see us at our office in Tiki House, located opposite the BP, or call us on (07) 866 8351.

Foodbank

Food parcel requests need to be in at the Budget Office by 12.30pm on Tuesday. Food parcels must be collected at 2.30pm on Wednesday. Please remember to bring your own bags/boxes if you are collecting a food parcel.

Please keep donating any food items and excess garden produce. All clean, resealable jars and containers and reusable bags are also gratefully accepted by us on our mission to become single-use plastic-free this year.

Community Garden

The Community Garden is desperately looking for regular volunteers this year. Our Volunteer Morning is held between 9 – 11am on a Wednesday at the gardens, located behind the dairy on Glover Street.

The garden is always in need of plants, seeds, lawn clippings and mulch. If you have any excess of these, you can drop off at the gardens or send us a message via our Facebook page to organise a pick up.



Coromandel Business Association

The Coromandel Business Association is looking for new, and returning, members to join the fun and support business activities in the area. Incoming Chair, Pamela Grealey, and Treasurer, Lorraine Courtney, look forward to seeing you at the upcoming meetings.

Please contact cbapmg@gmail.com for more information or follow us on our new Facebook page

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Museum News

By Raewyn McKinney

Although the museum usually changes to reduced hours as from Easter, it has been decided this year to remain open until the school holidays end on 28 April.

Anyone who has not yet visited the World War 1 exhibit is urged to take advantage of the extended season, as some items in the display are on loan from the local RSA, and these items will be returned after Anzac Day.

Visitor numbers over the summer have been very pleasing, in spite of (or, perhaps, due to) the extremely hot weather, and we hope this trend continues for the last month of daily opening.

We are currently running a competition to choose a name for our model penguin. The competition is open to all children and will continue until the end of April, when the worthy winner will receive a small prize.

Recently we have received some interesting donations to the museum. We thank everyone who has taken the trouble to make these donations.

This month, I thought to focus on some of the different activities enjoyed in April by Coromandel residents over the years.

From the "New Zealand Herald" 5 April 1924:

"AXEMEN'S CARNIVAL THE COROMANDEL CLUB

The Coromandel Axemen's Club's Carnival will be held on Easter Monday, April 21, at Coromandel. An attractive programme of chopping, sawing and athletic events has been arranged, and large entries are expected. Nominations close with the secretary on Saturday, April 19."

From "New Zealand Herald" 8 April 1936:

"ANNUAL OCEAN EVENT RACE TO COROMANDEL

The annual ocean race to Coromandel will start from King's Wharf tomorrow evening... The finishing line will be near Woolshed Bay, on the port hand entrance to Coromandel Harbour. In addition to the



1905 New Zealand football team



1920's axemen's carnival

ocean race, sports will be held on Easter Saturday, including steer-riding and a football match between Coromandel players and yachtsmen. If sufficient entries are received a race for centreboard yachts, open to all classes, will be held on Sunday, off Coromandel wharf, starting at 10 a.m."

From "New Zealand Herald" 20 April 1878:

"CRICKET

The Belltoppers at Coromandel

The Belltoppers have achieved a great triumph at Coromandel, beating the local team easily in one innings. The scores are as follows: Coromandel – 1st innings, 51; 2nd innings, 76; total, 127. Auckland Belltoppers: 1st innings, 243."

From "New Zealand Herald" 28 April 1884:

"EASTER RACES AT COROMANDEL

A very good day's sport was had in Mr. Lynch's paddock on Easter Monday,

although the affair was somewhat late in getting matters arranged, but the day being fine a large number of people assembled on the ground. The following are the events: Miners' Purse Handicap – First prize, £5; 2nd, £1... Coromandel Cup Handicap – Prize, £20. Hurry Scurry Handicap. – 1st prize, saddle; 2nd, £1. Handicap Hurdle Race – prize, £15. Pony Race Handicap – 1st prize, saddle; 2nd, £1."

From "Auckland Star" 5 April 1905:

"COROMANDEL NEWS

As the football season is being approached, interest in the game is being revived. It is probable that four clubs will join the Coromandel Rugby Union this year, and compete in the cup matches. A meeting of the Union will be called at an early date, to make fixtures for the season, and elect officers."

From "New Zealand Herald" 18 April 1914:

"BOWLING

COROMANDEL COMPETITIONS

During the Easter holidays the various tournaments promoted by the Coromandel Bowling Club were concluded. The club championship singles were played in three sections... The final between T. Jones and R. Campbell was won by the latter. The handicap singles were won by E. Moore, who defeated H. Davies in the final."

Obituary – Cyril Wormald

By Mana Retreat Centre

It is with a heavy heart that we share this news – our dear friend Cyril Wormald, has passed away.

Known for his love of the land and sea, we have been blessed to have Cyril's wisdom and guidance here at Mana and among our community for over 13 years.

We are connecting our hearts together as one, weaving a web with all the lives touched by Cyril's fiery spirit – join us in his remembrance.

Anexa FVC Vet Services

Regretful Closure

It is with regret that we advise that we will be closing our Coromandel clinic on **12 April 2019**. It is no longer financially viable for us to continue operating the Coromandel clinic. We are, however, committed to continuing to provide services to you and your pets, through our Anexa Vets Thames clinic.

- Anexa Vets Thames are a best practice accredited companion animal clinic, meaning we can offer a wider range of treatment options in our Thames clinic, including the very best care for your pets.
- Among our many services, we offer in-house blood tests, digital x-rays, dentistry (including dental x-rays), in-house grooming, and puppy pre-school.
- The Anexa Vets Thames clinic is open Monday to Friday 8.00am-5.00pm and on Saturday mornings from 9.00am to 12.00pm.
- We run a local 24-hour, 7 day per week after-hours emergency care service.
- Our team of vets are very experienced in companion animal care, and our team of support staff are all qualified vet nurses. The team have many years of collective experience between them.
- Your pet's history will be available to the Thames team, allowing us to provide continuity of care.
- Our clinic stocks a comprehensive range of pet products and accessories including food, toys, and flea and worm treatments.

We look forward to seeing you and your pet(s) at Anexa Vets Thames. If you would like to discuss your pet's ongoing care call our friendly team on (07) 868 7005 to discuss and/or make an appointment

OUR COROMANDEL



News from Thames-Coromandel District Council

April 2019

Climate change declaration to be discussed



Our Council has not yet made a decision on signing up to the Local Government Leaders' Climate Change Declaration.

The declaration commits councils to plans to reduce greenhouse gases, increase resource efficiency, promote public and low-carbon transport and support the use of renewable energy and uptake of electric vehicles.

The declaration was discussed recently during a Council workshop and Councillors expressed a desire for clarity on any financial implications

of the document and the consequential rates increases it might place on ratepayers.

Councillors also indicated the importance for leadership and clearer guidance from central government as to what is specifically required of local government when it comes to risk and resilience matters such as climate change.

Our Council continues to be proactive in ensuring our communities are engaged, prepared, protected and safe in the long term.

- We've adopted the Government's revised climate change guidance. (Available at www.mfe.govt.nz)
- We have a Coastal Management Strategy, which sets out initiatives to better manage our coastal assets and understand the risk of coastal inundation and erosion. The 2018-2028 Long Term Plan includes \$2.6 million over three years to help implement this strategy. More on the Coastal Management Strategy at www.tcdc.govt.nz/cms
- Our Council's Proposed District Plan also includes policies that are aimed at protecting the natural features and landscapes of the Coromandel's coastal environments, and managing the effects of flooding, coastal erosion and tsunami. www.tcdc.govt.nz/districtplan
- We have helped set-up the Coromandel Electric Vehicle Scenic Touring Route, a network of fast-charging stations for electric vehicles at key points around the Coromandel on SH25. www.tcdc.govt.nz/evchargers

Progression of this discussion will likely be scheduled for a Council meeting in April.

Coromandel Town Centre Street improvement update

During pavement and storm water investigations for the Coromandel Town Centre Street Improvement Project, a possible historic brick-lined storm water line has been discovered. This storm water line could be of historic significance and Council has applied to the Archaeological Authority to investigate this further, prior to work commencing on site.

Unfortunately the effect of this is to delay the project start date, until after winter, while earthworks are completed. There will be a three-month construction period with the work staged so that there is minimum disruption. A detailed programme will be developed and communicated to you so that everyone is fully informed before the work starts.

If you have any queries in the meantime



please contact our Community Manager, Margaret Harrison, at the Council's Coromandel office – 866 1002 or margaret.harrison@tcdc.govt.nz

Easter Kerbside Collections

Our Kerbside rubbish and recycling collections will be a day later than usual following the Easter Monday public holiday. Coromandel Town & Te Kouma will have their collections that week on Thursday 25 April (Anzac Day) and our Kerbside trucks and operators will work around dawn parades and services so they are not disrupted. To see the full schedule for your area go to



www.tcdc.govt.nz/kerbside

The Coromandel Refuse Transfer Station, 525 Hauraki Rd, is closed on Good Friday (19 April), but open Saturday, Sunday and Easter Monday 11am-5:30pm. On Anzac Day (Wednesday 25 April) the RTS is open from 1pm - 5:30pm. For locations and hours of all seven of our RTS go to www.tcdc.govt.nz/rtts

Changes to Thames AA and Customer Services Operating hours

From 1 April our Thames Service Centre and the AA Service Centre at 515 Mackay St, will commence new operating hours of 8am to 4:30pm. See www.tcdc.govt.nz/contact for more information.



Coromandel
-Colville
Community Board
UPDATE

Next Meeting – The Coromandel-Colville Community Board's meeting will be held at 9am on 9 April at 355 Kapanga Road Coromandel.

Coromandel Citizens Hall update – Refurbishment works began on 11 February. So far the roof has been replaced, the old stage and internal entry porch have been removed. Work has now begun to remove the existing floor and renovate the piles.



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Kuaotunu - Contemporary Cottage

This is within the Kuaotunu Motor Camp comprises two Lots allowing extra space for guests to tent and park. The modern contemporary cottage including a wrap around wooden deck, 2 bedrooms and 1 bathroom.

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SECTION



Coromandel - 5min From Town

On the edge of Kikowhakarere Bay. Think of the options you would have with this blank canvas. Power is to the road and by the road is your gate. The all afternoon sun warms you as you sit watching the view. 809sqm (mol.)

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SECTION



Coromandel - Near The Golf Course

Gorgeous flat sunny land to play on. You will adore looking out upon the ever changing light dancing on the surrounding bush clad hills. Landscape to your heart's desire to create your own sweet, private oasis. 2682 sqm (mol.)

For Sale \$395,000
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SEA VIEWS



Coromandel - Mountains, Sea, Sunset from your Porch

4 min drive to Coro Town. 3 bedroom wood home set on 2.5ha of bush. Outstanding location, views over the lush Coromandel coastline. Private and peaceful, this secluded hideaway is surrounded only by nature.

For Sale \$695,000
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BUSH BLOCKS



Colville - Three Beautiful Land Titles - Buy One or All

\$839,000 for all or enquire for separate title prices. This stunning bush and pine block is just north of Colville. Peace, privacy, hunting at your doorstep and genuinely majestic views to die for.

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LUXURY



Wyuna Bay - Wyuna Bay Wonderland

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Complete privacy, a wonderful tranquil ambience, at one with nature yet encapsulating luxurious living- this truly exceptional property, a few minutes from Coromandel Town but feeling like a million miles away, awaits the respectful stewardship of its next fortunate custodian.

For Sale By Tender—Wednesday 24th April 4pm—Unless Sold Prior
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SEA VIEWS



Colville - Off Grid & On Point...

This absolutely captivating Colville lifestyle block, 5 mins north of Colville comprises 27.55ha of native bush and pine and a substantial 4 bedroom, 3 bathroom home. There are spectacular views of Waikawau Bay and out to Cuvier Island, wonderful peace, seclusion and tranquillity. There is hunting, if desired, virtually at your doorstep, and stunning native flora and fauna surrounds you. Internet access available.

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Mahamudra Centre

By Roy

As usual leaving this to the last minute, I find myself having to write the day after the Christchurch massacre. What a sad, sad day for New Zealand. It reinforces for me yet again the need for us all to develop compassion and a sense of responsibility to others. We all live on this planet together, we all want happiness and to avoid suffering. We must work together for all humanity or the suffering will be endless. And where does this sense of compassion and responsibility arise? It arises within our own mind. It is our own mind which experiences the happiness and suffering. As long as we expect our happiness to come from others and we blame others for our suffering, events like the Christchurch massacre will continue to happen.

Here at Mahamudra Centre we have just completed a Wellness Weekend with Qi Gong, Yoga and Meditation classes. The people attending were able to investigate their own mind and develop some understanding how to recognize, understand and, through that, begin to gain some control over their own mind which is how we can all find our individual peace and happiness. And when we have developed our own mind in this way, the world becomes a better place for all of the other beings as well.

For those who knew Anya who lived at Mahamudra Centre for several years and passed away here a year ago, there will be a memorial gathering of her friends at the Centre on **6 April** to celebrate her life. This will take the form of a gathering in the Meditation Hall at 4pm, giving the opportunity for those who wish to share some memories of Anya, followed by a meal at the Centre.

During Easter we will be a part of the Colville Arts Festival. Venerable Nyima Gyalten is a Thangka painter. Thangka is the traditional form of Tibetan sacred art. Between 10am to 12 on **Friday 19, Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 April** he will give classes using a lotus flower as the subject. This class is limited to 10, so get in early.

Hedwig will be back with another of her Mindfulness weekends, "Meditation for Everyone", **3-5t May**. A great opportunity to investigate the mind with an experienced teacher.

The Free Lunch Friday community lunch continues to be a great social event for the wider community beginning at 12 midday on **29 March and 12 April**.

My year as fill-in Director is nearing the end, so this is my last newsletter. Jan will take over on **1 April**. On the 16th Khongor and I will fly to Europe, visiting friends and my son before engaging in a 5-week retreat with Lama Zopa Rinpoche in France. Then back to Mongolia where we are setting up a new Centre to help reestablish Buddhism which was almost wiped out during the communist era. Please do visit some time!

A big Thank You to all those who have helped out during my time here. As is always the case with this type of work, whatever has been achieved is due to the efforts of many. Thank you.

The Importance of Trans-dermal Magnesium

By Abby at Abby's Healing Haven

I have become a bit of a zealot about magnesium! The more I research, the more of a preacher I've become...

Magnesium stores in the brain tissue and the heart tissue, so it's impossible to get an accurate read from the blood...you can see from the fact that it stores in the two main electrical systems of the body it is fundamental to our healthy functioning. Alarming it's estimated 80% of us are deficient in magnesium, leading to some serious health issues, including two big ones for NZ: heart disease and depression.

Magnesium is first in line of defence against depression. It runs the entire nervous system, is responsible for the release and relaxation of muscles, and assures a good night's sleep.

I spray the magnesium chloride oil on the soles of my feet as I'm going to bed, no more restless leg syndrome, no more cramps....

I have tried taking tablets but nothing happened, literally no difference. Then I found out that magnesium takes 12 hours to fully assimilate through the gut, which is practically impossible as it has a laxative effect anyway.

Meanwhile everything we put on our skin goes directly to the bloodstream (that's how nicotine patches work).

It's important too for the uptake of calcium in the body as well as protein... (you're maybe starting to see why I'm a magnesium guru now).

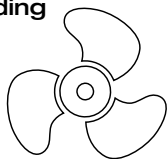
Abby's Healing Haven has 200ml spray bottles available for \$45 and 100ml bottles for \$30. That's much more economical than tablets; the 200ml bottle lasts me about 3 months. The brand I use is Magnesium Life, from the South Island. I sell it for the same price as on their website and have a steady flow of satisfied customers who keep coming back for more.

I do mind/body therapies as well as massage and find it's important for clients to support the body through any neural changes made from therapies that address anxiety and depression, as well as supporting the relaxation of tight muscles. Drop me a line at abby.abracadabra@gmail.com or text 021 352 486 to get some magnesium from me and make the biggest and simplest positive change to your mental and physical wellbeing this year!

Wishing a happy, healthy 2019 to all.


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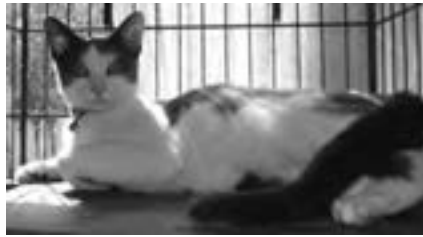
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Animal Rescue Thames

By Alice and John Parris, and Deedee

Huge thank mews to those who have supported the cats with donations of food – has been a huge help to the unit. Also the donations of bedding, towels and garage sale items.



April heralds another miracle for rescue. 19 years of dedication to the animals, the love and the mission of compassion continues. As we go through the years we reflect on some of the wonderful animals who have been in our lives, the rescues done and the fundraising year in and year out, which always takes a huge amount of effort from a very, very small team. We get there but it is now starting to take its toll on the aging humans, our love for the animals has never diminished but the fundraising to “just get by” is starting to affect us all. But we have cats in care so we just hang in there and go for it and keep the unit running however we can. They have to be fed and cared for until they find that forever home!

Homed – nothing further homed. But we do have lots of gorgeous felines waiting for forever homes, including two stunning grey brothers. One is a silvery blue tabby the other steel grey with white. They are lovely, good natured boys, both desexed and both four months old and ready for adoption. We also have a white-patch-grey 6-month spayed female (she has a cute white patch black kitten eight weeks old).

Newbies – a friend came to our door with two cages. Having only just gotten out of hospital and in recovery myself, I was not in a great space for this one. Thankfully hubs soft side and far too cute kitten in a white coat with patches of black meant that we made the decision to take this lot in, including a grey six-month female heavily pregnant. The white grey girl plus one had had four kittens but where they were found, they found three had passed away. No one knew why or what happened to them, which is really sad, but the little one she had is cute as, and a chunky monkey with cattitude. The other mum had her kittens the next morning – three healthy kittens – but she became a nightmare and protected her babies to the extreme, which made for very difficult cleaning and feeding of her unit. Both are young females and both sisters – oddly we believe possibly the same male tom as the grey sister had a white-patch-black in her litter almost identical to the sister's one. They came from well out of area and with collars on, but despite every attempt via door knocking, no one knew the cats and no one wanted to know them. The grey girl was extremely lucky she didn't have her kittens under the school building as no one would have known she had given birth, so we are grateful that she had them whilst in our care. She has settled a little and allows me the privilege to occasionally pat the wee ones, and they are very healthy and cute as well. We got the white-patch-grey girl spayed as she was looking like she was going to go into heat and the other two grey older boys we got last year were neutered. With more in means more costs – and sadly it is March which really means we have very little in the account and most of last year's fundraising dollars are nearly gone.

We should be able to scrape through to the garage sale in April but this puts huge pressure on us to raise some seriously large funds to get us through to the end of the year.

So we are really in an awkward position as once these limited funds are gone we have absolutely no back up – having lost my job last year I can no longer back up and pay the cats bills.

Garage sale – **Easter Saturday 20 April** – Grahamstown Hall, 768 Pollen St, Thames – 8.30am until noonish. Currently we have lots of crafts but we would love good quality saleable items – of books, puzzles, bric-a-brac, kitchenware, dinner sets, pots, householdy stuff, clothing/bags/shoes (must be clean and saleable), linen, toys, tools, plants, etc., to help us raise the funds we need to keep the unit running over the winter period.

Wanted – donations of cat/kitten food – sachets, biscuits, pet milk, towels, summer bedding, and homes for all of the older felines still in care waiting patiently for forever homes that are quiet and loving.

Meow furr now.

All enquiries purrlease phone Animal Rescue (07) 868 2907 (afternoons best). 532 Thames Coast Road, RD 5, Thames 3575

Coromandel Yesterday

By Meghan Hawkes

News from 1912

The Coromandel County Council wrote to the Thames County Council with suggestions for a bylaw regulating the speed of motor cars around the coast. It was proposed that the speed limit be 10 miles an hour on a straight run and four miles an hour around corners, the driver to sound the horn when going round. All unnecessary noises such as opening valves were forbidden. Councillors were indignant. It would be useless passing a bylaw that would be continually broken. To limit the speed to 10mph would mean that drivers would always be breaking the bylaw while to make it 4mph around corners would limit it to the pace of a walk.

Since the terrible calamity of the Titanic a nameless thrill pervaded all voyages on the Atlantic steamers from the moment of embarkation until port was safely reached. Colin Fraser, from Coromandel, travelling to British Columbia to report on various mining propositions, had to cross the treacherous Atlantic in one of these great ocean greyhounds. Owing to dense fog and ice the four-day journey from Liverpool to Quebec took 10 days. In particularly thick fog, with the engines slowed down, the whistle was kept sounding at full power at short intervals, while keen eyes from the bridge and the crow's nest sought to penetrate the gloom. The fog slowly cleared revealing an enormous iceberg - they were in close proximity to six of these deadly dangers. No time was lost in giving them a wide berth.

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Your Bugs/Probiotics

Within your intestinal tract and mouth and on your skin, live an ecosystem of hundreds of trillions of different microbes: bacteria, plus viruses, moulds, fungi, protozoa, and even worms. We provide a home for these microbes, and in return, they provide a service. Without these microbes, or microbiome, we cannot live or function, we cannot survive. They have two main jobs.

They digest and extract energy from our food so that we can use it.

They also act as sentinels for our immune system, alerting it to harmful things we eat or are exposed to. There are hundreds of strains and species of good bugs, and they all have a specific role to play in your body.

Some even help us maintain a healthy weight. In fact changes in the microbiome have been linked to excessive weight gain. How is your microbiome?

Your Immune System

Immune boosting probiotics (baby-specific good bugs) from your mother's vagina at birth, are essential for inoculating and waking up immature white blood cells. Colostrum and oligosaccharides and Immunoglobulin A from ongoing breast feeding also provide us with a natural immunity. Without a normal set of microbes from your mother at birth, your immune system cannot develop properly.

Leaky Gut

Only single cell molecules of digested food should pass through the intestinal wall to be absorbed. Big molecules of big proteins, undigested food, or toxins need to be further worked on by your digestive enzymes, the hydrochloric acid in the stomach and of course, the millions of good bugs.

However, if these big molecules do prematurely break through the digestive tract border, your immune system's circulating white blood cells conclude that a foreign invader is lurking, sounding the alarm for an immune response, causing pain, inflammation and illnesses. Thanks to modern Western foods, poor dietary choices and too many pharmaceutical drugs, all breaching the intestinal wall daily, our immune system goes on attack. This signals your body to store fat, deplete energy, and block absorption of essential vitamins and other nutrients.

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Lions News

By Lion Lyn



Hello again – doesn't time fly when you're having fun? Our first business meeting went very well with a member "poached" from Whitianga Lions Club. Gordon Barnaby has come on board as our secretary, bringing a wealth of knowledge and experience, and computer skill which up till now has been sadly lacking in our club. Thank you and may your time with us bring happy memories, however you are welcome to join us for wood working bees and fritter flipping! The dinner meeting saw 22 in attendance with almost a dozen apologies. Family and work always precede Lions, however we all know what a great night we are missing when we cannot attend.

The Lion rock was passed again to Pam and Peter for unwavering commitment to club projects, come rain, hail or shine; you two keep on keeping on! Well done and thank you again. After drawing of raffles, a little twisting of tails and a couple of yarns it was time to say goodnight. We all look forward to the next one on **Wednesday 3 April**; but before then we have a business meeting, 20 March, which unfortunately does not draw so many in attendance, but does control the running of the club. Upcoming events include a fundraiser outside Four Square on Easter weekend, the Seafood Festival at our local school, and A Taste of Matarangi, with proceeds usually going to the Westpac Helicopter and S.A.R. I reported in Feb the monies guestimate raised from cakes was in excess of \$500 for the Foodbank, but after our last business meeting, we are pleased to report it was in fact over \$700, and has been paid to the Coromandel Foodbank. A great effort by all involved.

Ongoing is our firewood. Please remember, it is a fundraiser for community projects for us, but there are others who support their families with this work. Also we do not have the storage space, so your place is best!

As always, if there is a community event or project we can help with, then please don't hesitate to call or simply talk to a Lion. We can be found at the Coromandel Hotel on Friday nights around 5pm, running a weekly raffle.

Till next month, enjoy the cooler weather, and keep smiling!

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Community Yarn

CILT volunteers are announcing the launching of a new community project.

Open to both skilled and aspiring knitters to join a creative venture to bring out the woolly nature in us all. Knit for babies, a jumper for winter or even yarn bombing. Help others to learn and create. Coffee and tea provided.

Full instruction and assistance will be given by Marie O'Brien. We encourage creative exchanges and use of recycled woollen garments by unpicking and upscaling.

Donated wool would be much appreciated.

10am-12pm first Wednesday of the month, **3 April** onwards
Room 14, Tiki House.

Further information ring CILT (07) 866 8358



Wild things

By Karen Marshall

The kahikatea (a member of the podocarp family) is New Zealand's tallest native tree and can live to 500 years old. Its timber is called "white pine" and is odourless and lightweight, making it ideal for packing in the old days. Between the 1880s and 1940s the vast majority of kahikatea stands left this country as packaging for 56lb slabs of butter. The female trees that remain produce a black seed on a juicy orange-red base in autumn, such as those recently spotted on trees behind Phoenix House. They are edible to humans, possums and a multitude of native birds. These trees grow easily and quickly from seed, especially in wet or swampy areas such as the McGregor Bay Wetland, where planting is intended for the future.



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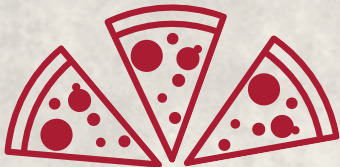
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Coromandel Bowls Club

By Linda Wright

We have just hosted our annual "Seafood Tournament" with fabulous weather and many thanks for the great sponsorship by Goldridge Mussel Farm, Richardsons Real Estate, Coromandel Court Motel, Star & Garter Hotel and Thames Demolition. Thanks also to the goods and services sponsors, Top Town Takeaways, Moana Oyster Co, Pepper Tree Restaurant & Bar, Salty Towers, Coromandel Oyster Co, New Image, Liquor King, Raewyn and Dickie Berghan, Eunice MacDonald, Alan Dow and Linda Freeman. The back-to-back winners in the 1st Division were Kevin and Debbie Gainsford, Sandy Foy and Ray from Thames Coast. R/up, Geoff Morris's team from Papakura. The 2nd Division winners were J. Holland's team from Frankton Junction. The second round of our Summer Cup against Mercury Bay was won by Coromandel, with a great turnout by the local players, so back-to-back win for Coromandel.

The Open Optional 2x4x2 Pairs, kindly sponsored by "Tidewater Motel and Tourist Park", was won by Colin Gawith and Jim Dicks.

Twilight Bowls, kindly sponsored by Pepper Tree Restaurant & Bar, ended really well, with the winners overall being "The Super Squares" and runner ups "The Twilights". Looking forward to seeing you all next season.

Thursday Club Day Bowls are still going well,



Action on the greens at the Seafood Tournament



visitors most welcome to join us. Names in by 9.30am when a draw is done for morning bowls, and a redraw is done for anyone wanting to play in the afternoon.

The winners of the Kolondyke Cup were Graeme, Raewyn and Jim.

Our last tournament for the season is "Open Optional Triples" sponsored by Pepper Tree Restaurant & Bar on **Wednesday 10 April**. Enter your team at the club.

The Club Social Friday and Saturday nights we are open from 3.30pm to 7pm.

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Seafood winners: Kevin, Sandy, Debbie and Ray from Thames Coast



Twilight bowls winners: The Super Squares

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RSA news

By Pat Williams

Another month down, nine to go till Christmas! Attendance on our Saturday night Club Night remains steady. Don't forget the Army Vintage Club Vehicles will be in The Club car park on **Saturday 30 March** from 4pm. Poppy Day is on **12 April** as 19 April is Good Friday. Will let you know how well we did next month. Remember any money collected in Coromandel stays in Coromandel and is used to assist Returned Men and their families. Three members attended the Waikato/King Country Bay of Plenty District Meeting on 17 February at the Whangamata RSA. These meetings are well worthwhile. Smaller clubs such as ours gain advice/info on many aspects of running a club. There are always reports from around the districts on air training and how they are doing. Quote: "Thames 37 Squadron doing well." Anna Rauch generally arranges our Anzac Day Honour Guard from the Thames Cadets.

I am trying to declutter! Trouble is photos, letters etc, cause a big distraction. Here are some snippets from a letter written by my dad from the trenches in World War 1 to his family in September 1916: "Over 720 horses water here daily. After being transferred from The Somme, that was a real home. Where we are now is near Amentieres, no sandbagged trenches, just ditches and dead lie rotting everywhere. The shells and shrapnel however are Hell on Earth and our chaps started to go down in ones and twos, some of them presented awful sights and if I am ever taking part in a like move in future it will be a case of eyes front. One does not gain heart by looking round I can assure you."

My dad was wounded here and was sent to No 1 NZ General Hospital Brockenhurst Hants UK. On his recovery he went back to the fray.

In the news at the moment there is a lot of talk about the returned men of today's wars suffering PTSD. I imagine my dad and all the other poor souls who endured such horrors would also have been greatly affected.

Quote for the Month: "In order to get from what was to what will be you must go through what is."

Hon Scott Simpson MP For Coromandel

Christchurch

We're all still grappling with the tragedy that occurred in Christchurch this month. Each of us will be doing so in our own way but even though the Coromandel is a long way from Christchurch, if you are anything like me you felt and will continue to feel very close to that city and its people right now and over the next few weeks. People in our local communities and communities all around New Zealand have gathered to pay respects to the victims and their families, to share in each other's company and to collectively, quietly and resolutely renounce hate, violence, and evil. There will be more opportunities for people across the country to express their feelings and stand in solidarity with the victims of this horrific attack in the coming weeks.

This is a time to stand united in our shared values as New Zealanders, which we hold dear and will always defend. Kia kaha Christchurch.... Coromandel stands with you.

Parliament

Words for this month's column about the proposed capital gains tax and the impacts it will have on our region were prepared, however my thoughts on this can wait for another time.

Since the Christchurch attack, security at Parliament has been tightened. On the Monday morning after the attack parliamentary staff were greeted by armed security personnel as they entered the building. The following day when Parliament sat for the first time since the Christchurch murders, the mood was solemn and sombre. There was an air of determination from MPs across the political spectrum but there was also a sense that New Zealand had changed... that in some awful way we have as a nation lost something of our innocence.

Thank You

Amongst the chaos of the horrific attacks in Christchurch, first responders did us all proud. Police, ambulance staff, St John, Defence Force personnel, doctors, nurses, administrators and local government officials all were tested in a way no training could ever prepare them for. In a city that over the last ten years has already had to endure more than any other in New Zealand, they acted calmly, professionally and above all bravely in the face of pure evil. There will be stories of true heroism under the most awful of circumstances. Thank you one and all.



Mana Update

By Jade Ferrière

Last month we had a surprising and somewhat embarrassing situation occur. Our website was hacked by the infamous spambots that many people have heard of, but never directly experienced, known as malware. Despite our security efforts these pesky robots managed to find their way into the matrix of our website with the malicious intent to redirect all of our website visitors to other traffic hungry sites.

Those who ventured online to book a retreat or browse our resource library were greeted with unexpected and distasteful home pages for money lenders and pornography – a confusing, and for some, offensive experience, that we sincerely apologise for.

As with all challenging situations there was opportunity for learning. Our web development team are now intimately familiar with the risks and ever-changing threats of malware, and have improved our online defenses and plugged up imperceptible security holes.

When we explored what it was these bots were doing we realised that it was actually a sign that our website is doing really well. These particular bots were designed to work with marketing agencies that promote being able to increase the number of people that visit a website. Such services are far from legitimate but they are everywhere online. An organisation will hire them to boost their website views, putting these little bots to work monitoring sites that are receiving a high number of visitors each day. They then hijack the web address to redirect the users to their clients. It is a bit cheeky if you ask us, but it did prove that our website is reaching more and more people, with upwards of 10,000 views each month!

While tackling the bots we took a moment to celebrate. Nearly three years ago we redesigned and reprogrammed our website so that it could grow along with us, and clearly it's working!

Now that things are up and working properly again, we invite you to check it out (www.manaretreat.com). We have some great resources available, including free downloadable meditations and a flourishing library of articles about conscious living and vegetarian cooking. You can also join our online community and get monthly inspiration in your inbox.

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Rangatahi

CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN

Coromandel Area School

By Jamie Leckie

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We are very pleased to welcome our new teachers to our wonderful kura.

First up Sheree Diaz (Whaea Sheree) and she will be teaching the year 5 and 6 students in Room 7 this year. She has come from Jean Batten School in Mangere where she taught there for 11 years. Before that she was the playgroup supervisor while completing her Bachelor of Education degree. Previous to obtaining her degree she was a teacher aide for four years, working mainly with hearing impaired children and ESOL students at Onehunga Primary and then Kedgley Intermediate.

Then we have Kelvin Wirihana-Tawake, originally from Taranaki/Whanganui, now calling Coromandel his home. After returning from Pokeno School he is excited to be back and teaching again at Coromandel Area School.

Next up we have Chris Long, the new maths teacher. He is really excited to be joining the school and living in such a beautiful place. He is originally from the UK where he taught for many years before coming to New Zealand in 2011 to teach at Taumarunui High School, where he has been for nearly eight years. As well as maths he can also teach science (physics) and outdoor education.

Then we have Laraine Heaslip who is thrilled to be a new member of the Coromandel Area School whanau. She lives on the 309 Road with her partner Gary, and has two adult sons who live in the Waikato. This year she will be working alongside senior students and supporting their learning in social studies, history, geography and classical studies. She says "I believe my role is to help youth be the best learners they can be, thrive, enjoy success and follow their passions and interests in a positive way."

Max is very excited to have escaped from Auckland and is looking forward to getting to know the community better. If you hear any explosions or bangs from the science lab, rest assured they are planned...most of the time.

Primary Camp

At the end of February, we had our annual Tucks Bay Camp! Junior camp has been a highlight of the term so far, with years 1-6



Students participating in the "Big Dig" at the Primary Camp at Tucks Bay

enjoying another action packed few days at Tucks Bay. There was kayaking, bush walks, sports, swimming and even whale watching... cool! Many thanks to all of the wonderful parents and whanau who came along as helpers for the camp; it would be impossible without you! Also, a huge thank you to our teachers and staff that organised the camp. Many hours of planning went towards creating this wonderful experience. Also thanks for Des and Leanne at Long Bay Camp for allowing this to happen.

We look forward to next year being just as enjoyable.

Swimming Sports

Well done to everyone that participated in the swimming sports non-competitive and competitive races. There were many races which were very fun including piggyback races, dolphin dives and walking races. It was good to see so many community members there supporting our tamariki. Thank you to Debra Attwood for all of your help and Miss Oldridge for planning and organising the day.

We hope you all have an enjoyable Easter; where did that time go? See you back here in Term 2.

Students' Art to be Celebrated

An exhibition of artwork by students attending schools in the Coromandel.

The Whitianga Art Group is inviting every school in the Coromandel area to be part of an exhibition in their gallery next October, when the Endeavour replica will be in Whitianga. The exhibition will be part of the Tuia 250 Commemorations, with the themes of navigation, first encounters, and shared futures.

The exhibition is the brainchild of three members of the Whitianga group – Jenny Cotterell, Pam Mundell, and Greg Healy.

Jenny said that the Art Group is celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. "As part of that," she said, "we decided to celebrate the many wonderful young artists in our area, and hold a joint exhibition. We have invited all schools in the peninsula to be part of it."

We will be asking participating schools to select art works to represent them, and this will be exhibited in three year-group categories. There will be first and merit awards for each category, as well as "People's Choice" awards – visitors will be able to vote for their favourite artwork(s).

Although there will be prizes awarded, the focus will be on exhibiting the work of as many students as possible. "Students will be given a real exhibition experience," Jenny said. "There will be formal judging, with an opening ceremony and presentations. The exhibition will be open for 10 days when Endeavour replica is here, and we expect large numbers of visitors to our gallery. If students wish to have their work for sale, we will manage that for them."

"Even at this early stage," said Pam, "several businesses have offered to sponsor prizes. We will be seeking others – the more sponsorship we can get, the more students who can have their work recognised and rewarded."

Kiwi Can

Kia ora koutou,

Boy term one is almost at an end already; that went really quickly!

We have had a super busy term with all our tamariki learning about Positive Relationships. Come check out our Positive Relationship/Whakawhanaungatanga tree out in our Kiwi Can room at some stage.

On 4 March we were lucky enough to have Sanford representatives from Auckland, Coromandel and Tauranga, visit us here in Coromandel.

For those of you that don't know, Sanford have been supporting and sponsoring our Kiwi Can – Coromandel programme for over 10 years and it was lovely to be able to host them here in our town for the day.

Keep an eye out for some future combined Sanford and Kiwi Can Coromandel events.

Nga mihi nui from the Kiwi Can team Marlene, Gemma, Jasmine and Brianna.



Coromandel Youth Group at Hauraki House

School Term Time Hours:

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Friday Night Social – 6.30-9pm for students yrs 6-9.

Sunday – 1pm-4pm.

Holiday Hours:

Monday – Thursday 11am-4pm

Friday Night Social & Sunday – As above
Coromandel Youth Group is for all children aged 5–15yrs. They can socialise, hang out, play or do some crafting. Parents just fill out a membership form for each child attending.

Please make a gold coin donation for after-school sessions.

Parents/guardians: please feel free to phone with child's expected time of arrival and departure as we can not take responsibility for children who are not signed in or for those who have signed out early.

For more information call in or phone (07) 866 7061.

Along with the kind donations that we receive, we would like to thank those that make this programme possible: Lottery Waikato, COGS, Trust Waikato, "Bizarre" Charitable Trust, The Tindal Foundation

Coromandel Community Preschool

By Debra Attwood



We are now well into autumn but the weather has still seen us outside with lots of water play and physical play. Over the summer we have enjoyed some great days with visits to the beach, bush treks, exploring the creeks, bike days and fun at the skate ramp.

We recently went along to the Area School to help out weeding an area in preparation for their Tremendous Day in late March where I am sure some of our tamariki also joined in.

We also went along for a visit to hear the Bug Man and the Shark Man speak and tell us about their journey.

On 15 June we will be hosting in Whangamata a workshop with Nathan Wallis who is an ex-university lecturer in human development and a specialist in neuroscience. He has a background as a child and family therapist, primary school and early childhood teacher. He has served in the past as lead trainer and board member for Brainwave Trust – which disseminates neuroscientific research findings. We may have available a few extra tickets, so if you are interested please speak to Belinda.

Since the holiday break we have said farewell to quite a few children: Jaycee, Qwyn, Lena-Rae and Promise who are off to school. We have welcomed Brooklyn, Nyah, Tegan, Anaru, Kaleb, Jacob, Gypsy, Akerrah, Ngatai, Anthony, Zim, Jace, and James. We look forward to getting to know them all and developing relationships with them and their whaanau. Birthdays celebrated with Ihaka, Zoey, Anthony, Grace, Remmi, Pongarauhine, Aroha, Blake, Casey and Anika; we wish them all a happy birthday.

Our rolls are currently full, but you are welcome to come along if you have a child this age and are looking for a quality early childhood centre and see if this is the right place for you and your child to begin their lifelong journey of learning. You can put your child's name on the waiting list if required. Check out our latest Education review on the website:

<http://www.ero.govt.nz/review-reports/coromandel-community-preschool-25-05-2018/>

The centre operates Monday to Friday 8.00am-4.00pm. We are situated at 155 Pottery Lane. If you are interested call in for a visit or phone us on (07) 866 7570

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At Hauraki House Theatre, Coromandel Town.
Adults \$10, children \$5.
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Arts

Coromandel Players

By Bazza Ross

CoromAvast! Me Hearties.

In November 2018, Coromandel Players staged the whimsical pantomime "Aladdin" featuring a popular cast of regular and new faces to the boards. Among the new were a small group of young, enthusiastic support players who for many made their performance debut. Such was their impact on the rest of the cast, that an idea was hatched to keep them together and form a youth group of actors and stage crew, thus giving them the opportunity to advance their chosen stage craft skills under the mentoring of senior players. Bronnie Kenchington and Bazza Ross canvassed and received a unanimous response that we need a junior dramatic arts section.

A decision was made to harvest the young, creative talent from both Coromandel and Colville, giving those children the chance to work collaboratively towards a production that could be performed in both regions. To accommodate the rehearsal travel barrier, the members of the now decommissioned Papa Aroha Fire Brigade were approached and an offer was made to use the station as a halfway rehearsal theatre for the group and its supporters. The rest, as they say, is history!

A show has been selected, auditions held, cast selected, technical support and crew organised and rehearsals are underway.

The synopsis is a cash strapped family come into contact with a rascallian hoard of retired pirates who hatch a scheme that satisfies their thirst for sculduggery and mayhem while helping the Terrapin family out of a tight fix.

Strap on your cutlass, polish your eye patch and prepare to be amazed.

"The Great Piratical Rumbustification" will be on at Colville Hall **Sunday 21 April** 6pm. This show is part of the Colville Easter Festival. Tickets can be purchased from Colville Store. Then, the following week in Coromandel Town, on **Friday 26 April** at 7pm, and **Saturday 27 April** at 2pm at Hauraki House Theatre, Coromandel Town. Tickets for the Coromandel Town performances can be purchased from Coromandel Town Information Centre.



Watch This Space

By Sally Tennent-Brown



"Ask Where I'm Local" – WTS Art Exhibition, Hauraki House 10-26 May

Where are you a local? What's your response to this question? Where's your heart? Metaphorically speaking.

The WTS exhibition in May will be looking at this question which has abruptly and harshly become much more than a theme for artists to play with.

As I write this, the immediate aftermath of the violent murders of people at prayer in this "country"/piece of land we call "ours", has in a sense called us all to feel more deeply into what it is to be a local . . .

What does it mean to be truly local? As an artist, how do I express what I need to say and share, in the most truthful, authentic manner? To what extent can I risk this and not take cover behind the personal tried-and-what-was once-accepted-as-true?

Taiye Selasi's TED Talk "Don't ask me where I'm from, ask where I'm a local" was the starting point for this exhibition. In it, she points out that, these days, almost all of us are multi-local. And appropriately, her words are helpful in giving a wider view of the subtleties involved in defining the variety of places where one might be a local.

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Music Society

By Maureen Kimber



The Music Society was formed in 1983 by the well-known former Brickell, Harrison and Kerby families with the capital of \$190, and committee meetings planned for Tuesday mornings before Choir practice. Classical music was the main agenda for NZ artists and often organised as a house concert.

I was invited to join the committee in late 1997, and by that time the audience for mainly classical music was dwindling and the scope of promotions and venues was widened. To this day the trend has continued – over the years the Music Society has presented events in church halls, the Citizens' Hall, the school hall, private gardens, the Mussel Kitchen, The Club, and this year for the first time in the garden at the Admirals Arms. Artists have provided a range of music from country to rock to big and small bands and choirs, and have showcased not only New Zealand talent, but greatly varied acts from England, Australia, USA and Canada – indeed a truly international line up.

An AGM has just been held, and unfortunately, despite the esteem that we are told the Music Society holds, the office holders and all committee members except one stood down and we were unable to form an Executive committee. As a result, the Music Society will go into recess until such time as a new committee can be voted in. We do hope that members of our community will step up to ensure the continuation of the Coromandel Music Society, especially to ensure that people who cannot afford, or are unable physically, to attend live shows in the main cities can still be afforded this pleasure.

In the interim Matt Sephton, phone 021 043 8689 or (07) 866 7215, and Robin Munch, phone 021 252 6892 or (07) 866 7092, have offered to promote some events personally, and they may be contacted by anyone who is willing to take on a rewarding voluntary role on one of our longest standing societies. Once Matt and Robin have a list of interested people, they will call a meeting to discuss how the Music Society and/or the organisation of musical events in town might proceed.

Thank you to everyone who has participated over the years, and I look forward to becoming an audience member at future promotions.

Gill Bacchus
painting at Kik Bay



Coromandel Art Group

by Barbara Peddie

There is one final item to do with our summer exhibition, and that is the raffle winners. They are – 1st, No.123 Rob Brouwer; 2nd, No.88 Helen Eley; 3rd, No.22 Kaye Mayhead; 4th No.186 Dave Nicholls; 5th, No.66 Linley Rose.

Now we are taking advantage of the continuing beautiful weather, and sketching and painting outside on Thursday mornings. So far we have been to Te Kouma and Kikowhakarere Bay. Long may this weather continue! We really are so lucky to live here!

Hauraki House Gallery

By Loes Beaver

After a busy Xmas and New Year we now have a short space to do any maintenance required.

During the last month the Gallery was hired for a one-day College Workshop by Robyn Lawrence.

Another one-day event is a painting workshop with Vaughan Udall, and what may be of interest to many artists is a Creative Waikato Marketing Workshop to be held on **Tuesday 30 April**.

The Easter Exhibition as usual will feature many well known artists who will be showing their latest works

We are receiving bookings for Christmas 2019 and well into February of 2020 so if you are considering an exhibition contact Loes at (07) 866 8053

Pastel Artists Coromandel

By Rosemarie Murphy

Our Tuesday morning meetings are back up and running for 2019.

We have two workshops planned for this year. One on **11-12 April**, again with Jackie Ellis from Waihi. We really enjoy Jackie's lessons and learn such a lot. The other workshop planned is on **4-5 November** with Tricia Taylor, an excellent tutor from Australia. If you want to attend these workshops please get in touch with us.

We held a farewell morning tea for our President, Christine Lunn, as she and David are moving to Cambridge this month. We thank both Christine and David for all they have done for the club. We will miss their company and their organisational skills.

Our hours are from 9.00am until 12.00 on Tuesdays at the Aero Club rooms on Tiki Road. Call in, get dusty and have a cuppa with us.

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Arts continued

Open Studios – Coromandel Artstour

By Kaye Anderson

The three artists featured this month exemplify the diversity of our local art scene. First there's Kim Brett, who has been here forever but is venturing down new pathways in her life and work. Bob Drummond is new to Coromandel and the Artstour, while long-established artist Barbara von Seida has a reputation for her expressionistic landscapes far beyond the Hauraki Gulf.

Kim Brett

A trip to Hokitika with her mother when she was seven years old was the beginning of Kim's love of glass. At three glass-blowing factories she saw artists producing ornaments, bowls and other sculpted shapes.



Many years later she was fascinated by Paul Armstrong's glass jewellery and the vibrant colours of Mike Cogswell's pottery glazes. Kim knew about glazes from working for her potter-painter mother and she knew how to cut glass. She had also inherited her mother's tiny kiln, which she had used for testing glazes.

Kim pulled the kiln out of the attic and "googled" how to fuse glass. Like pottery, the results are unpredictable until the objects have cooled. For greater reliability Kim imports glass from the US and then shapes it into dazzling pendants, earrings, bracelets and brooches, many of them reminiscent of the sea with their rich blues and greens.

At the moment her focus is jewellery. "I'm still learning the craft, but in the next few months I want to buy a bigger kiln to do more sculptural work, such as platters and bowls."

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There are other challenges as well, namely finishing the studio she shares with Kevin and, having sold her business, becoming a full-time artist. She's an important part of KNK Woodart too, because she's the one who brings the soft touch to their beautifully hand-finished wooden creations.

You can see Kim's jewellery at their studio on Tiki Road, next to The Coromandel Oyster Company.

Bob Drummond

"I like making stuff. I enjoy people and places, painting people in their place and painting memories I don't have photos for."

Bob and partner Pamela escaped from Auckland to Coromandel a year ago, a move which matched Bob's reason for coming back to New Zealand after 30 years in Europe, to live in a quieter, greener environment.

A software engineer by profession, he has been drawing and sketching "since forever". In Europe he drew cartoons and comic strips for a magazine. Then fifteen years ago he started painting. He began with landscapes which were soon filled in with people painted in his distinctive cartoon style. There are scenes of farm life in Taranaki where he grew up, the mountain in the background providing a specific sense of location. And now in Coromandel, his paintings depict people doing the sorts of things people do here, like tramping in the bush and cycling up the Thames Coast Road.

Bob says it has been difficult to spend time painting over the summer when the weather is so lovely. Another challenge is getting used to the colours of New Zealand. "The tones are different here, so I need to spend time outside finding those colours which are specific to this country."

To see more of Bob's paintings you can follow him on Instagram www.instagram.com/bobvondrummond.

Barbara von Seida

Barbara von Seida arrived in New Zealand with Cyclone Bola at Easter in 1988. The pulsating energy of this country had already drawn her to our shores and her work today reverberates with geothermal activity, enormous trees, quaking earth and unpredictable atmospheric conditions. Her paintings are titled *Norwester, Rugged, Turbulence*.....

Earlier in her career, Barbara used watercolours, but when the late Charles Holmes, who greatly admired her work, suggested acrylics, she rather reluctantly took up the challenge. "I loved the freshness, the immediacy, the transparent nature of watercolour paintings, whereas I thought of acrylics as synthetic and plastic."

But she turned the page and over the years a distinctive style has evolved, a loose and free way of painting, which makes the paint move and flow. Her work emanates from a strong emotional connection with the landscape.

"I let the colour and the brush speak," Barbara says, "and leave room for the viewer to find him or herself in the painting."

She uses board as her canvas because she scrapes a lot of paint off, building up layers of colour with big brushes. Swirls of orange and turquoise, splashes of purple, yellow and green dominate her work.

You can see her paintings on her website: www.barbara-von-seida.co.nz, watch her in action on a YouTube video, "Put some colour in your life," (www.youtube.com/watch?v=fhRhEZoSmcw) or phone (07) 866 8453 to make an appointment to visit her studio and gallery.



Auckland art critic Terry McNamara and Barbara in front of *Turbulence* at the opening of her solo exhibition at the Mairangi Art Centre – her prize for being runner-up to the Hibiscus and Bays Art Awards 2016

Environment

Moehau Environment Group

By Nat Munns

NZ Sea Week

We had a fantastic time celebrating NZ Sea Week (2-10 March) with both Coromandel Area and Colville Schools by participating



Sea Week

in a beach clean-up. It was surprising, in both instances, how a seemingly clean looking and well cared for beach can harbour an astounding amount of rubbish, when you look hard enough! The popular items included: mussel rope, soft bait lures, shot gun cartridges and wads, pegs and

Forest & Bird

By Kate Donoghue

A random meeting with a very special duck

While collecting sea grass on Kikow-hakarere Bay last night, I came across this tiny plastic duck. Blind and looking pretty battered, I remembered hearing of a container-load of plastic toy ducks that met a tragic fate in the middle of the Pacific Ocean, somewhere between Hong Kong and Los Angeles and ended up floating on the ocean currents. I googled it.

It happened in 1992, twenty-seven years ago – 28,000 small plastic ducks were accidentally dumped in the ocean.

Seems like these ducks have served some useful scientific purpose, helping marine scientists to better understand ocean currents. They've washed up on beaches all over the world and in many countries. So far, no others seem to have been reported as arriving here, so Coromandel may have a new claim to fame.

It also brings up of course the whole issue of plastics in our oceans and the alarming reports of ingestion by sea birds – entire colonies with their stomachs strangled by the plastic they've ingested. The recent highly-acclaimed documentary Blue (www.bluethefilm.org) is very informative and suitable for children. It was made by some passionate and committed young Australians.

Forest & Bird was recently contacted by Sustainable Coastlines, a New Zealand-based organisation with Pacific-wide links conducting research into plastics in our oceans. They would like to monitor certain sites around Coromandel and are asking for volunteers to support this. More later.

The local Coromandel Forest & Bird branch welcomes new members.

Contact Kate Donoghue 027 692 6494



Sea Week

lolly-pop sticks. Thanks to Coromandel Four Square, the children got to enjoy a refreshing ice block for their efforts.

A Word from our Operations Manager

Our possum control operation, run through November and December, finished just in time for the Xmas break. The post monitoring was completed in early February with both the Paeroa and Knox blocks showing a big reduction in possum numbers, from 35% to 2.4% in Paeroa block and 46% to 10% in the Knox block. Good news for our native trees! Through March, in addition to our regular stoat trapping across the northern peninsula and rat trapping in the Waikawau Wetland area, we are focussing on upgrading the infrastructure in the Rat Attack Project area and undertaking some focussed weed control in Port Charles.

Stoat Trapping Results: February 2019

Rat 168, stoat 19, weasel 7, ferret 1.

The ferret was caught in one of the buffer lines in the Coromandel Kiwi Project. Additional ferret traps are now being placed along this line to provide further protection from ferrets invading the northern Coromandel. A growing ferret population is a real concern for kiwi (including fully grown adults), and other ground nesting birds, like dotterel and native ducks, in our area.

Weed of the Month – Woolly Nightshade

This month's Weed of the Month is Woolly Nightshade. Also known as Tobacco Weed or Kerosene Plant, Woolly Nightshade is a capsicum smelling, small tree with velvety oval grey/green leaves that are whitish underneath. It has dense clusters of purple flowers followed by clusters of small round berries that ripen from a hard green to a soft, dull yellow. It grows and matures rapidly, forming dense and often pure stands, preventing establishment of native plant seedlings. It is also allelopathic, which means it produces toxins that poison the soil and is happy to invade almost all kinds of areas and soil types, including coastal and estuarine margins. Check out the window display at Liquor King Coromandel or www.weedbusters.org.nz for more information on how to eradicate this plant from your property.

Have a great month everyone.

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Coromandel Recreational Fishing Club

Hi to all. So far this month the weather has been great except for the weekend of 9 March, which we postponed the "Classy Chicks" Comp to from 23 February when weather warnings were out that a cyclone was approaching (Murphy's Law, it fizzled out).

The weather looked OK in the morning but turned out quite blustery and wet. We all got soaked during the weigh-in but this did not deter the lady anglers. Some very nice fish were weighed in all good sizes ranging from 2kgs to the heaviest 7.546kgs. On cue the weather fined up for the prize giving. At the last moment our male runners could not make it to give out the spot prizes so Shevana and her two little helpers stepped up to the task for Jan Maree the MC. With her usual wit and charm, she did a great job for us and was very much appreciated.

I'm sure everyone had a great day even though the weather was not the best.

Special thanks go out to all of the sponsors and 93 contestants who took part, the 16 teams who took the time to dress up in the most incredible costumes, and to the judges who chose the winners. I'm sure their job was not easy. Also importantly, to the 39 skippers.

A special thank you to Chris Doe, Nikki Stephenson and Shevana Davies who organised all the donated prizes, the competition and very efficiently carried the out the weigh-in.

Coromandel Croquet Club

By Kaye Anderson

Games are hard won down at the Croquet Club these days. The standard of play has been growing steadily with the so-called newer players determined to challenge the old hands, and frequently succeeding. Despite croquet's reputation for being a nasty game played by nasty people, there is plenty of laughter and good-natured rivalry on the greens. More experienced players have even been heard to offer advice to their opponents.

Until daylight saving ends on **Sunday 7 April**, we meet at 8.45am to begin play at 9am, both Tuesdays and Fridays. After that it's a later time of 9.15am for 9.30am start.

If you are keen to join us and need more information, call Kaye on (07) 866 8968. Otherwise just come along on a Friday. The club is situated in Woollams Ave next to the Bowling Club



The results

Snapper: 1st Kim Brett 7.546kg, 2nd Rose Dudson 7.019kg, 3rd Margaret-Ann Visser 6.886kg

Kingfish: Devon Newton 8.844kg

Trevally: Bex Savill 1.498kg

John Dory: Margaret-Ann Visser 2.347kg

Kahawai: Aileen Williamson 2.559kg

Dress-up teams

1st: Game Trophies

2nd: Gurnard Flappers

3rd: Great Pacific Garbage Patch

Skippers

Clay Short, Devon Broughton, Alan James, John Werder, Pat Fraser, Mudgey, Graham Robinson, Justin Williamson, Dave Bromley – who received prizes.

Mystery prize

Melissa Park – weighed in a 1.253kg snapper closest to the chosen 1.253kg weight.

Major prize

\$1,500 Travel Voucher. \$500 sponsored by Flight Centre Thames, won by Devon Newton.

Congratulations to all of the prize winners. To end the evening The Club auctioned a night for two at the Tide Water Motel, a voucher from Bush e Bikes and candle holders from Harbour View Motel, won by Aileen Williamson for \$250 being donated to the Club.

Please note: Kim Brett last year won the Heaviest Snapper Prize with a 4.103kg snapper. This year's snapper was nearly double the weight of last year's.

The Club Fish for February was



kingfish. \$100 was won by Troy Evans with a 8.880kg caught.

Club fish for April is gurnard.

Next Competition – "Take A Kid Fishing" in the Harbour on **Sunday 21 April**.

Entry forms can be picked up from Fish and Dive or Wyuna Studios, Coromandel.

Email: coromandelfishingclub@gmail.com

Coromandel Golf Club

By Lynne Fenwick



Saturday 9 February was opening day for the club with the first shot for the season played by our new ladies' Club Captain Elaine Everitt.

Men's Results

Winners for the day's competition were Eugene Weimer and Tony Edgar, with runners up Craig Dudson and David Lunn.

At the earlier Christmas Tournament, Jim Davis played to his age.

Stroke Play Championship winners were Mark Burkcombe – Senior, Tom Folwell – Intermediate and Kevin O'Keeffe – Junior.

Ladies' Results

The ladies' opening was Tuesday 12 February with a very social nine holes played as a team event with champagne to help us along the way.

This day is an invitation day to encourage new lady players and we hope that those who joined us enjoyed the day and will return.

Our first pennants event for 2019 was held at Mercury Bay Club with a third-placing result. We welcomed a large field of ladies on 12 March from clubs all around the Thames Valley to play the Coromandel course for the Karen McGirr Competition, with the Coromandel team outright winners.

The ladies are into first rounds of the competitions for 2019.

The pine trees continue to fall as work progresses steadily on the course with very little disruption to play, although members have been known to have putts go wayward when a tree comes crashing down.

We welcome green fee players to our course throughout the year. If you have friends and family visiting, they are welcome to join in with us on our club days or just come out for a round. We have clubs and trundlers for hire.

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Coromandel Swimming Club

By Debra Attwood

The Coromandel Swimming Club has been very busy during the first few months of 2019. Learn to swim lessons kicked off in early February with 60 children enrolled and six instructors. We were lucky with the weather and lessons completed on time. Thank you to all of our volunteer instructors who have helped out through the season. Next up was our swimming carnival, the Peninsula Combined Fun Carnival that was hosted by the Whangamata Club this year. A small group of swimmers attended and they all had some great results. Late in February saw the start of the school swimming sports with many of our swimmers competing at their local school swimming sports, then at Thames Valley secondary and primary schools' swimming events.

At the beginning of March we held our annual 24-hour Swimathon, with many swimmers camping overnight, ready to swim through the night. The swimmers set their own goal on how many lengths they would like to swim during the event. It is a relay-style event where at least two lanes must be maintained throughout the entire 24-hour period. This year we had 60 swimmers aged between 1 and 74 years of age who swam a total of 8640 x 25 metre lengths. That is a total distance of 216 km. It was so great to see our younger learn to swim children coming along and joining in by swimming some lengths with flutter boards and floaties. Thank you to everyone who sponsored our swimmers. We do not as yet have a total of the funds raised, with money still being collected.

Top results

Hineariki Lewis 600 lengths
Ezra Hunter 508 lengths
Karaonga Sanders-Daniela 500 lengths
Jamein Keena 420 lengths
Kaila Fenton 406 lengths
Katie Walker 400 lengths
Kokowai Uamairangi 338 lengths
Te Mauri Renata 330 lengths
Stella Barr-McLean 304 lengths
Shardae Ormsby-Williams 292 lengths
John Hunter 288 lengths

A full record of the results can be seen on the noticeboard at the swimming pool.

Our prize giving and AGM will be held on **Thursday 23 May** at the Trust Waikato Event Centre (upstairs at swimming pool). AGM at 6.30pm with prize giving following.

Check out our Facebook (Coromandel Swimming Club) page for more details about events and results.

Coromandel Recreational Fishing Club “CLASSY CHICKS” Ladies Fishing Competition 2019

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PUBLIC NOTICES

ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE, Colville. There will be an Anzac Day Dawn Service on 25 April, starting at 6 am in the Colville War Memorial Hall, with breakfast to follow. Proceeds from the breakfast will support the Colville Community Health Trust.

IF YOU'RE OVER SIXTY-FIVE and feel like coming alive, come and discuss a way to revive. Call Jules now. I'll show you how. 027 392 3221.

SITUATIONS VACANT

CLEANER WANTED Coromandel Cottages is seeking a reliable cleaner. Work is mostly be between 10am and 1pm, and it will be 10 to 15 hours of work per week. Cleaning experience would be a bonus but not essential. For more info Ph (07) 866 8857 Thanks Jeanette

TREE PLANTERS VACANCY: Colville Harbour Care is seeking 2-3 people to plant native trees in Colville this winter. Email for a job description. Applications close 5pm Monday 15 April 2019. Send CV with 2 references to Beth on chccoordinator@colville.org.nz or drop into Colville Social Service Collective.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS take people to hospital appointments in Thames and Hamilton, and this service is an integral part keeping the community linked with health services. New drivers are welcome and vehicle expenses are covered. If you have a car and want to help the community, please contact CILT at (07) 866 8358 or volunteers@cilt.org.nz to find out more.

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Coromandel Town weekly and monthly meetings

Every Monday

Step Aerobics at Coro Gym.....	8am
Free Guided Meditation, Mahamudra Centre.....	8.30-9.30am
Coromandel Hikers' Group, Hauraki House, Colin & Elspeth (07) 866 7137	9am
Monday Walkers, Irene 021 157 8408.....	9am
Sit n Be Fit at Coro Gym.....	9.30am
SeniorNet Coromandel contact Loes (07) 866 8053	4pm
Four-part harmony singing, Sue (07) 866 8833.....	7.30pm

Every Tuesday

Free Guided Meditation, Mahamudra Centre.....	8.30-9.30am
Pastel Artists Coromandel, Coromandel Aero Club Rooms (07) 866 7220	9am-12pm
Coro Walking Group, Lotto Dairy, Ruth (07) 866 7246	9am
Croquet, Woollams Ave, Kaye (07) 866 8968	9.15am
Yoga for everyone, Colville Hall, Kate 021 125 3152	10am
Playcentre, Woollams Ave	10.30am-1pm
Beginner Yoga with Becks, at the Anglican Church Hall, 170 Tiki Rd, \$10. Contact 027 407 0079	5.30- 6.45pm
Coro Motorcycle Club, Star & Garter, John 027 234 1013	7-9pm

Every Wednesday

Free Guided Meditation, Mahamudra Centre.....	8.30-9.30am
Step Aerobics at Coro Gym.....	8am
Coromandel Community Organic Garden volunteers drop in time.....	9-11am
Sit n Be Fit at Coro Gym.....	9.30am

Every Thursday

Free Guided Meditation, Mahamudra Centre.....	8.30-9.30am
Coro Walking Group, Lotto Dairy, Ruth (07) 866 7246	9am
Coro Bowls club day.....	9.30am
Coro Art Group, St Andrew's Church Hall, Val (07) 866 8911	9am-12pm
Free Guided Meditation, Havalona Pyramid	10-11am
Body Balance & Yoga Classes at Trust Waikato Events Centre (upstairs Swimming Pool) contact Tina 021 201 9750	5.15-6.25pm

Every Friday

Step Aerobics at Coro Gym.....	8am
Free Guided Meditation, Mahamudra Centre.....	8.30-9.30am
Yoga for everyone, Anglican Hall, Kate 021 125 3152	9am
Croquet, Woollams Ave, Kaye (07) 866 8968	9.15am
Playcentre, Woollams Ave	9.45am-12.15pm
Coromandel Home-school Group, Julene (07) 866 8333	10am
Coromandel Tennis Club "club day"	4pm

Every Saturday

Free Guided Meditation, Mahamudra Centre.....	8.30-9.30am
RSA Coromandel, RSA Club Rooms Woollams Ave. Courtesy van available. Contact president Kevin Stone (07) 866 7576	3.30-7pm

Every Sunday

Free Guided Meditation, Mahamudra Centre.....	8.30-9.30am
Anglican Church Service	10am
Coromandel Tennis Club "club day"	1pm

Monthly

1st Mon – Coro Patchwork & Quilters, St John rooms,
Jill (07) 866 7484..... 9.30am-3.30pm

3rd Mon – Coro Patchwork & Quilters, St John rooms,
Jill (07) 866 7484..... 9.30am-3.30pm

1st Wed – Coro Embroiderers' Guild, St John rooms,
Margaret Burgess (07) 866 5769

















1st Wed – Lions Dinner meeting, St John rooms.
Contact President Jean Smith 021 208 7576

2nd Wed – Garden Circle. Contact Jeni Mudgway 027 473 8446



3rd Wed – Lions Business Meeting, St John rooms.
Contact President Jean Smith 021 208 7576

1st & 3rd Sun – Church Service at St Andrew's Church
Rings Road..... 10am



If your meeting has been omitted, please email Debbie at corochronicle@gmail.com with the subject "meeting", or txt/ph 021 235 6648, or post details to PO Box 148, Coromandel 3543. Please include contact name and phone number.

MON		TUE		WED		THU		FRI		SAT		SUN	
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High tide 5.13am (2.5m), 5.31pm (2.4m) Low tide 11.20am (0.9m), 11.48pm (0.9m)		Plastic-free sewing session (see pg 12)		Community Garden Volunteer Morning (see pg 17) Community Yarn first meeting (see pg 24)		High tide 7.33am (2.6m), 7.55pm (2.6m) Low tide 1.18am (0.7m), 1.38pm (0.7m)		St John community day (see pg 13)		A Taste of Matangi		Daylight saving ends. Clocks go BACK 1 hour at 3am	
High tide 5.13am (2.5m), 5.31pm (2.4m) Low tide 11.20am (0.9m), 11.48pm (0.9m)		High tide 6.04am (2.5m), 6.25pm (2.4m) Low tide 12.10pm (0.9m)		High tide 6.51am (2.6m), 7.12pm (2.5m) Low tide 12.38am (0.8m), 12.56pm (0.8m)		High tide 8.13am (2.7m), 8.35pm (2.7m) Low tide 1.57am (0.7m), 2.18pm (0.6m)		High tide 8.52am (2.7m), 9.13pm (2.7m) Low tide 2.35am (0.6m), 2.56pm (0.6m)		High tide 8.52am (2.7m), 9.13pm (2.7m) Low tide 2.35am (0.6m), 2.56pm (0.6m)		High tide 8.31am (2.8m), 8.50pm (2.8m) Low tide 3.12am (0.6m), 2.35pm (0.5m)	
8		9	 	10	 	11		12		13		14	
High tide 9.10am (2.8m), 9.29pm (2.8m) Low tide 2.50am (0.6m), 3.14pm (0.5m)		High tide 9.51am (2.8m), 10.10pm (2.8m) Low tide 3.30am (0.6m), 3.55pm (0.4m)		Community Garden Volunteer Morning (see pg 17) Open Optional Triples at Coromandel Bowls Club (see pg 26)		High tide 11.20am (2.7m), 11.42pm (2.7m) Low tide 5am (0.6m), 5.23pm (0.5m)		Schools - last day Term 1 Free Lunch Friday community lunch at Mahamudra Centre (see pg 22)		High tide 12.37am (2.7m), 1.05pm (2.6m) Low tide 6.50am (0.7m), 7.12pm (0.6m)		High tide 1.37am (2.7m), 2.06pm (2.6m) Low tide 7.52am (0.7m), 8.17pm (0.6m)	
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CHRONICLE DEADLINE - May issue content - 4pm		Plastic-free sewing session (see pg 12)		Community Garden Volunteer Morning (see pg 17)		High tide 5.43am (3.0m), 6.17pm (3.0m) Low tide 11.56am (0.3m)		Good Friday Colville Easter Festival starts with Colville Sings Down Under Hits (see pg 4)		High tide 7.28am (3.1m), 8.01pm (3.2m) Low tide 1.12am (0.2m), 1.40pm (0.2m)		Easter Sunday Take A Kid Fishing Competition (see pg 34) Colville Easter Festival - workshops in day, then The Variety Show (see pg 4) including The Great Piratical Rumbustification (see pg 30)	
22		23		24	 	25		26		27		28	
Easter Monday Colville Easter Festival (see pg 4) Easter Art Exhibition closes (see pg 16)		High tide 9.55am (2.9m), 10.22pm (3.0m) Low tide 3.37am (0.4m), 4pm (0.3m)		Community Garden Volunteer Morning (see pg 17)		High tide 11.28am (2.7m), 11.57pm (2.7m) Low tide 5.13am (0.6m), 5.31pm (0.6m)		The Great Piratical Rumbustification 7pm at Hauraki House Theatre (see pg 30)		High tide 6.37am (3.1m), 7.11pm (3.1m) Low tide 12.20am (0.5m), 12.48pm (0.2m)		High tide 1.42am (2.5m), 1.58pm (2.4m) Low tide 7.53am (0.9m), 8.11pm (0.9m)	
29		30	 										
Schools - first day Term 2		Plastic-free sewing session (see pg 12)											
High tide 2.38am (2.5m), 2.55pm (2.3m) Low tide 8.48am (0.9m), 9.12pm (0.9m)		High tide 3.32am (2.5m), 3.52pm (2.3m) Low tide 9.41am (0.9m), 10.07pm (0.9m)											

KEY

 New moon  Full moon

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For Thames times -1.5m High and -1.8m Low.

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RN = Rural North
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