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## Editor's comment

I hope you are all enjoying summer, we have been having some lovely sunshine. The sea was really warm today and I am finding evenings are the best time for a dip.

This January seems to have been busier than last year. There has many times I haven't been able to get a park near Four Square, and once I had to queue for the toilets at the Information Centre!

The Topp Twins are visiting this month so get along to Richardsons Real Estate and get your tickets. I believe it is supposed to be taking place outside so I hope we have good weather that day.

Hauraki House is still busy following the Christmas Art Exhibition which I always enjoy. The Coromandel Art Group exhibition is on next, followed by a solo exhibition by Diann Cade.

Enjoy your summer and I hope the sun and the visitors coming to our piece of paradise continue.

*Debbie*

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Dear Editor,

Some might have heard on the National Program 24 December Shane Jones referring to people concerned about the environmental effects of possible dredging in the harbour and dumping of the tailings along the foreshore as "stick insects".

Stick insect: svelte, hard to spot until they move and hard to shake off. Lose a limb and they grow another one and keep going. Shane is not very good at using entomological insults as I'm quite taken by "svelte".

Also they are the largest insect in NZ, if you consider length as a primary factor.

Not everybody shares Mr Jones's late night motel viewing tastes but maybe if he watched more David Attenborough he might have a better understanding of the natural world around him and how important it is, stick insects included.

Yours sincerely,

Carol Sutherland, Coromandel Town

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank everybody involved in the inaugural Christmas lunch held in the C.C.C. rooms on Christmas Day. From the organisers, Damian and Renee (Coromandel Four Square) and Rita and Keith Stephenson, to the many wonderful volunteers who cooked, served and cleaned up, and also those who donated some of the food.

The decorations were amazing. Red and white huge balloons were strung from one side of the room to the other across the ceiling (I heard only one pop), and the tables were dressed in Christmas colours, thanks to Lyn and Owen. Santa also dropped in for lunch, and a few people took advantage of his lap to sit on and have their photos taken.

I took up the offer of being picked up and taken home, and thanks Keith for being my chauffeur; although on second thoughts, perhaps I should have walked home to walk off the over-ample amount I ate.

Cheers, and Happy New Year to all.

Betty Page, Coromandel Town

Dear Editor,

I recently had reason to call on members of our local community for help with the party held in honour of Greg Braidwell following his tragic death. I know that many people were involved in making sure that everything ran smoothly on the day. I would like to acknowledge the people with whom I had contact: Joan and Ron Evans; Shane from Coromandel Meatkeepers; Damian and Paula from Four Square; Michelle, coordinator of the Friday market; Alex Sowerby and Emily James, Coromandel Area School students, their mothers Kirsty and Jocelyn and Emily's friend Gracie; Oksana and Evan Davies. Their generosity, support and hard work touched me deeply and highlighted what a caring town we live in. On behalf of Kate, Jimmy and the James family, thank you.

Robin Münch, Coromandel Town

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# Community Christmas

By Santa's Coro Helper

The inaugural Community Xmas Dinner was held at The Club on 25 December 2018. Rita Stephenson had long recognised the need for such an event for people in our community who might otherwise be alone or not able to enjoy the company of others on this special family day. Damian and Renee Langley, the owners of our local Four Square supermarket, got on board with the idea of the dinner very early in the piece. Initial meetings were held, volunteers called for, and the community response was excellent.

The dinner was provided free of charge, but people who wanted to attend were just asked to pre-register to assist with planning.

Food and monetary donations were very generous from a variety of sources, as was the time given by the large group of willing volunteers.

On the day, The Club was colourfully decorated with balloons etc, as were the tables, with Xmas crackers and individual gift parcels. Santa was in attendance, with great jollity, and coped magnificently with a few minor issues from a couple of the more unruly "youngsters".

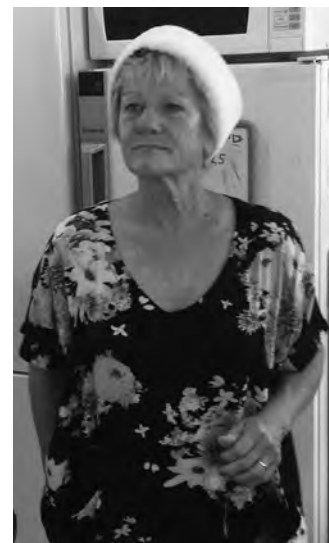


Roast lamb and ham were on the menu, with new potatoes, roast vegetables and peas, with meringues, fruit salad and trifle options for dessert. For those who wanted them, take home meal packs were provided from the food left over from the luncheon.

A big thank you to Rita and the Langleys for launching what is destined to become an important annual community event. Thanks to all of the volunteers (who all really enjoyed the day as well), especially Lyn for her efforts beforehand in decorating tables, etc., and both her and Chris for their hard work in the kitchen on the day. Thank you to those who generously donated food, table decorations and gifts, plus monetary contributions.

Our sincere thanks to The Club for the use of an ideal venue, and also The Bizarre Charitable Trust for their financial support of the project.

It was a memorable day, enjoyed by all in the true spirit of Christmas.



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Valentine's Day, also called Saint Valentine's Day or the Feast of Saint Valentine, is celebrated annually on **14 February**. Originating as a Western Christian feast day honoring one or two early saints named Valentinus, Valentine's Day is recognized as a significant cultural, religious, and commercial celebration of romance and romantic love in many regions around the world.

The day first became associated with romantic love within the circle of Geoffrey Chaucer in the 14th century, when the tradition of courtly love flourished. In 18th-century England, it evolved into an occasion in which lovers expressed their love for each other by presenting flowers, offering confectionery, and sending greeting cards (known as "valentines").

Info from wikipedia



## Lions News

By Lion Lyn



Greetings from your local Lions family! A great success with the Xmas cake raffles, raising over \$500 for the Foodbank. Thank you for all who supported this project. Winners were: No37 Steve, No18 A.Dewar, No21 A.James, No40 F. Wyllie, No20 Vivian, No22 Mark, No35 V. Gray, No40 Hellen, No19 Vivian, No36 Rick, No39 J.S., No34 K. Ward, No20 V.R., No 38 Bron R. Congratulations to you all. Many thanks also to those who supported by buying a cake or two, or more – we hope you enjoy them. They make great presents and they keep a very long time. I have one left which I am keeping for my midwinter Christmas cake! A huge thank you must also be acknowledged to Jocelyn for manning the raffles table on many days leading up to Christmas. And just for the record, we sold out of cakes well and truly before Christmas, so next year they will be on offer earlier for orders.

Our first business meeting of this year is to be held on **20 February**, so if the Lions are needed for a community event or project, then please don't hesitate to contact us, as we can't help if we don't know!

The Keltic Fair was a great success with our local butcher's sausages going down a treat, and almost a sellout of mussel fritters, with some mix donated to Phoenix House for the residents to enjoy. A lot of work, but well worth the effort; a great result. And we will be at the school doing it all again, **9 February** when the Topp Twins are here to perform. We will be there with our fritters and our Lion's smiles.

As usual numbers to ring are, President Jean (07) 866 6670, or 021 208 7576, or for firewood (07) 866 7722. Leave a clear message and I will get back to you. Cheers for this month

## Coromandel Town Information Centre

By Sandra Wilson, Manager



We have kicked off the New Year on a high. Thanks to your support at our "White Elephant Sale" we were able to have a ceiling fan installed in the Centre. This has made a huge difference to the working conditions during the summer months.

A special thank you to The Bizarre Charitable Trust for their grant. This enabled us to purchase a vacuum cleaner, shredder, keyboard, filing drawer, printer, and have our multi power boxes fixed to the wall and off the floor.

Thank you also to Coastal Plumbing for facilitating easy access to water.

My team and I are extremely happy with the improved working environment.

360 Ferry still operates every day until 10 February, then it returns to Tuesdays, Thursdays, Friday evenings, Saturdays and Sundays. Departure times vary, so come in and collect a copy of the latest timetable and fares.

InterCity: We still have the 11.17am from here via Whitianga to Thames every day. From Thames you can either go to Auckland to get to Hamilton and further south, or to Tauranga and beyond. Pop in and see us for all of your bookings.

All of our walks are open apart from Motutere (Castle Rock). There has been a rahui placed on it by the local iwi and it will remain closed until further notice.

All of our native bush walks have been checked for kauri dieback and thankfully we do not have the disease. So let's keep it that way by remembering to use the cleaning stations on the walks. Clean your shoes, walking poles, dog's paws, and pram tyres, especially if you are going from one walk to another.

**Thursday 7 February** is the closing date for the Coromandel Art Group exhibition in Hauraki House.

**Friday 8 February** starts an art exhibition in Hauraki House by Diann Cade.

**Saturday 9 February** will have the Topp Twins performing at Coromandel Area School; tickets available through Eventfinda.

**Saturday 23 February**: Classy Chicks fishing competition.

## Help for Community Groups Needing to Promote their Activities

At a meeting held on 10 December, the manager of the Coromandel Town Information Centre, Sandra Wilson, told community group representatives about the free opportunities they have to promote their activities, events and fundraisers. Sandra said that the Information Centre is not just for visitors to the region; local residents come into the Centre every day for help with all manner of enquiries.

The team at the Information Centre know that many community groups in the region have limited resources and are keen to help these groups get their message out through the Centre's extensive networks. Groups can advertise their activities with an A4 poster on the noticeboard in the Centre's window. Staff also promote community activities on the Information Centre's Facebook page. Where appropriate the Information Centre can publicise activities and events on the Centre's website, on a weekly radio slot with Coromandel's More FM, and in their quarterly newsletter. There is no charge for this service.

Groups wanting to promote their events should email the Information Centre on [coroinfo@xtra.co.nz](mailto:coroinfo@xtra.co.nz) with details of what the event is about as well as where and when it will be held. People wanting to keep up to date with information about local activities, fundraisers and events should like the Facebook page "Coromandel Town Information Centre" and sign up for the quarterly newsletter either through the website [www.coromandeltown.co.nz](http://www.coromandeltown.co.nz) or by emailing the Information Centre.

## Guess who?



This is a picture of a Coromandel personality celebrating his 21st birthday. Can you work out who it is? Answer on page 28.

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# SOME FEEDBACK ON LAST MONTH'S

For those who haven't read about The Coromandel Marine Gateway in the January issue you can download a copy from [www.coromandeltownchronicle.co.nz/html/issues.html](http://www.coromandeltownchronicle.co.nz/html/issues.html) or go to [www.coromarinegateway.nz](http://www.coromarinegateway.nz) to read all about it.

There is a display on the wall outside the old post office with more information about the Gateway and on **Wednesday 13 February** 9am-3pm you can go there for a chat about the project and have your questions answered.

## Forest & Bird

By Kate Donoghue



**Forest & Bird**  
GIVING NATURE A VOICE

Forest & Bird's concerns over the proposed Coromandel Marine Gateway proposal have not been allayed by the information presented by Pita Street Developments at their Open Day on 9 January. We understand that at least 10% of the harbour sediments they recently tested for heavy metals revealed levels that exceeded the maximum allowable levels for mercury. This is consistent with studies that were commissioned by TCDC in 2012 and 2013, which suggested that some of the harbour sediments have such high levels of arsenic and mercury that they would be considered to be hazardous waste under the Waikato Regional Council Coastal Management Plan.

There is a large body of scientific literature on the impacts of heavy metals on marine organisms, and shellfish in particular. Relatively small amounts of heavy metals can severely affect the reproductive ability of marine species and can cause a range of abnormalities. Shellfish that daily pump large volumes of water across their gills may be particularly susceptible to poisoning, because they can take up heavy metals against the concentration gradient (i.e. when there is a higher concentration in their body tissues than in the surrounding water).

There are also several well-documented cases of severe effects on human health from exposure to mercury, including the consumption of contaminated seafood; in particular Minamata Disease, caused by eating fish contaminated with methyl mercury. Even the perception of elevated levels of heavy metals in Coromandel Harbour could be sufficient to lose long-established overseas markets, and deter recreational fishers from using Coromandel Harbour and surrounding seas.

Apparently, the developers' solution to the disposal of the initial 100,000 cubic metres of dredgings is to form stop banks with it in the harbour margins and fill in some "holes" around Coromandel Town. The rest they are considering dumping off the back of Cuvier Island on the east coast of the Coromandel Peninsula. Dredging will need to be done repeatedly over the years.

Mercury is highly toxic to both humans and to marine life. Coromandel Harbour is one of the most contaminated harbours in the country for mercury, which is currently mostly bound up in deep sediments. However, these high levels of mercury could be released through dredging to allow vessel access. In Forest & Bird's view, using contaminated dredgings as part of the structures associated with the marina or dumping them at sea is unacceptable, and we remain deeply sceptical about the viability of this proposal from an environmental perspective.

## Coromandel Marine Gateway; some thoughts

By Chris Ogilvie

The proposed Gateway appears to be a standard commercial Marina come boat storage with some other facilities such as the ferry and fishing charter terminal and apartments. No doubt it will serve the needs of the wealthy few more than the average resident. Some jobs for the locals will come from it, as they will from any new venture. But I don't see it adding to Coromandel's "character" at all.

Barry Brickell's Pier, which seems to be the alternative, would be much more in line with the nature of Coromandel's direction; novel, quaint, quirky, a tourist attraction in itself, assuming that this is made a priority when designing the entire! And providing a fun way to visit the town. I understand it will provide secure berthing for larger boats, though not a lift out and dry storage area, of course.

One of my greater concerns regarding the Gateway proposal is the lack of appreciation of the coming effects of climate change. Sea levels are rising, at ever increasing rates. Weather events are getting ever more extreme. There is plenty of reliable scientific evidence showing that this is real, man-made, and getting worse. So provision should be made during planning to allow for significant sea level rise during its lifetime. This would mean ensuring that the dredgings that have been pumped along the shoreline are properly retained despite, say, 50 cm higher sea level and very severe storms, no doubt adding to the initial cost. Consider the recent damage to the Thames Coast, not actually caused by climate change, but undoubtedly made worse by it.

There may also be flooding of Furey's Creek at unprecedented levels. This could very easily bring down vast amounts of gravel, needing equally vast amounts of money to dredge it all out again, and also to find somewhere to put it, with the possibility of a repeat performance at any time.

The Pier should be built high enough to allow for similar amounts of sea level rise, (which would not add such a lot to the cost). There is a lot of mudflat between the river mouth and the Pier for gravel washed down by extreme floods to come to rest on before it builds up under the Pier.

I phoned TCDC and asked what their policies were regarding climate change. They were very clear that all new coastal projects have to have provision for future sea level rise, and that the Waikato Regional Council accepts that there will be more dramatic weather events caused by climate change. This may add considerably to the costs of building the Coromandel Marine Gateway proposal.

The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change is part of the United Nations, dedicated to providing the world with an objective, scientific view of climate change and its political and economic impacts. Each country has volunteer scientists who study the tens of thousands of available papers, and assemble it into this peer reviewed report. It exists so that member countries can make informed decisions. This one was done 2014, and current research seems to be showing that things are now worse than this report indicates.

Here are some quotes from that report: Human influence on the climate system is clear, and recent anthropogenic emissions of greenhouse gases are the highest in history. Recent climate changes have had widespread impacts on human and natural systems. Warming of the climate system is unequivocal, the amounts of snow and ice have diminished, and sea level has risen. Continued emission of greenhouse gases will cause further warming and long-lasting changes in all components of the climate system, increasing the likelihood of severe, pervasive and irreversible impacts for people and ecosystems. Limiting climate change would require substantial and sustained reductions in greenhouse gas emissions which, together with adaptation, can limit climate change risks. Surface temperature is projected to rise over the 21st century under all assessed emission scenarios. It is very likely that heat waves will occur more often and last longer, and that extreme precipitation events will become more intense and frequent in many regions. The ocean will continue to warm and acidify, and global mean sea level to rise.

For the full report see [https://www.ipcc.ch/site/assets/uploads/2018/02/AR5\\_SYR\\_FINAL\\_SPM.pdf](https://www.ipcc.ch/site/assets/uploads/2018/02/AR5_SYR_FINAL_SPM.pdf). It has short conclusions as above that make a brief reading possible

# COVER STORY

## The Future of Coromandel Town

By Catherine Delahunty

When I was 18 and first living at Colville, going down the dirt road to Coromandel Town was a big outing. It was pretty exciting to go shopping at James and Turner, find curiosities at the Anglican Bazaar and eat fish and chips on the porch of the Moehau Tea Rooms. I remember the juke box at the Tea Rooms and the drapers shop, which is now a bar. It is a different town now; so much busier and more modern. I miss the old days but also can see the value of the visitors to the shops, cafes and motels. The draw cards to Coromandel now were created by some very creative people. Driving Creek Railway and The Waterworks are examples of the hand made and the unique experience that people come to Coromandel for, as well as the mussels, oysters and the fishing. Places like Driving Creek are attractive because they are not like anywhere else; this combination of art, trains and forest cannot be found anywhere else. The ferry is also valuable because it brings people, but not by increasing road traffic.

Barry Brickell had a vision for the ferry which is much cheaper than permanent dredging of Furey's Creek and the harbour. His pier could be a new drawcard. It would not involve disturbing the sediment layer over the mine waste that sits in the harbour. Disturbing toxic waste means risking the shellfish industry in the harbour and then the huge expense of trucking and storing toxic mud. Although the marina plan does not mention this, a number of people who advocate for the project say that we can pay for it by mining the harbour mud for gold. This is illegal under Schedule 4 of the Crown Minerals Act. Someone has told Minister Shane Jones that it will be really easy to build a marina, a ferry berth and a channel. The Provincial Growth Fund is giving the harbour developers \$100,000 for the feasibility study. I have not heard that Brickell's pier idea is getting any of this money. It is good that the Growth Fund is contributing to possible improvements at Te Kouma wharf and Kopu Industrial area but Coromandel harbour is a very different story. The idea that we build houses on the coast in central Coromandel Town is also ridiculous given the certainty of sea level rise. The harbour has to be looked after in the context of the risks from both climate change and the toxic mud under the sediment layer. Creating new risks and costs is not useful development. There is also the matter of whether Coromandel wants to lose its unique identity and resemble Mission Bay.

I would love to see a proper cost benefit analysis of a pier for the ferry versus disturbing the harbour mud. Ongoing management of the toxic waste on land is costly enough as we have seen on Mt Te Aroha and in the Bay of Plenty toxic sites. The community will have to keep paying for any waste stored or transported. There is no magic "away" place for this legacy. It is best left undisturbed.

I hope people who love the Coromandel harbour will think about the longterm costs and benefits and not buy into the hype. We can have a new ferry berth without pollution. We can trust the vision of the person who gave us Driving Creek Railway and keep the magic of small town creativity in front of us for a future worth having.



Coromandel Marine Gateway concept picture



## Wild things

By Karen Marshall

The banded dotterels (pohowera) are commonly seen on our beaches, protecting their nests that are in the sand. They eat insects, worms and some berries, which they find by running, stopping, looking, stepping then pecking. Sometimes they will tremble one foot on the ground to encourage creatures to the surface. They are the size of a blackbird and often are hard to see, so all beach users need to take care so as to not separate them from their nests and, of course, keep dogs on their leads.

Anyone who has a picture of Coromandel wildlife they would like to contribute to this column is welcome to email the McGregor Bay Wetland Society: [mgregorbaywetland@hotmail.com](mailto:mgregorbaywetland@hotmail.com)

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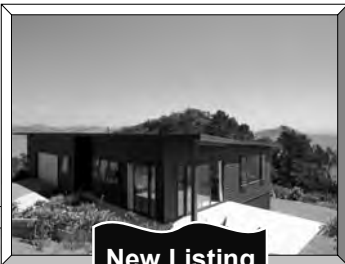
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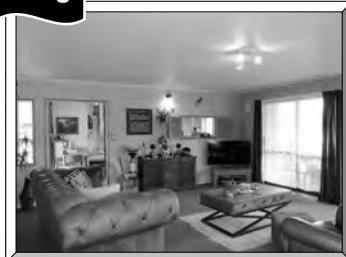
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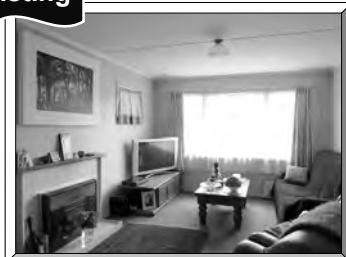
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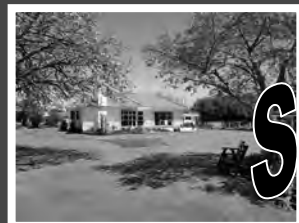
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## Animal Rescue Thames

By Alice and John Parris, and Jojoe

Huge thank mews to those who have supported the cats with donations of food – this has been a huge help to the unit. Also the donations of bedding and towels. We homed absolutely nothing but across holiday seasons it is as expected.

We gained one delightful ginger white kitten found in a garden. They rang us at 4.30am and I was woken up by the phone. Having just done our garage sale I was totally shattered and politely asked them to ring me in an hour, which they did and we collected Jojoe. He is a cool kitten but he created the most unholy behaviour in our trio of blacks. The trio went green with envy – hissing and spitting. Suki was unbelievable and not only hissed, spat but also snorted as well. They packed hissy fits and refused to be anywhere near this ginger-and-white intruder. As for Jojoe he just wanted to be friends with them all but none would buy into his rambunctious kitten games. For two weeks we suffered indignant blacks. Moby gave up being an enemy and now regrets that decision! He being full grown and Jo being a tiny dot, Jojoe would pack the swipes and jump on Moby; hilarious to watch. Jojoe kitten has been in many scrapes with the adult cats but is dopey enough to go in for another round and jump on anything moving to have fun and games.

Midway through January we gained two greys, one steel grey and one blue tabby, from Matatoki. Neighbour was hay-baling and obviously disturbed the family of cat and kittens and the two boys came in “feral”. Reality was both were just incredibly shy and frightened. This doesn’t take anything much to sort out: lots of good food, cuddles and pats and soon they will purr and be totally gorgeous kittens. Eight weeks old now and will be ready in about three weeks. These two caused a small ginger-white to go green along with the trio of blacks to go a deeper shade. That is the state of affairs in a multicat household. Each has to understand that they are all loved, and adored and they have to learn to get along with other rescues, like it or not. We really need to home some of our older felines ASAP to be able to accommodate the kittens we are now being called to rescue.

Wanted – donations of cat/kitten food (sachets, biscuits), pet milk, towels, summer bedding. Garage sale items in clean, saleable condition.

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## Mahamudra Centre

By Roy

What a busy holiday period! As a social enterprise we listed the Centre’s accommodation on booking.com in an effort to provide support for our Dharma activities. This has proved very popular, with many experiencing their first meditation during our regular morning meditations. Our unique offering of providing an environment where people are observing the Five Lay Vows (avoiding killing, stealing, bad speech, sexual misconduct and intoxicants) along with the regular morning meditation has attracted many who are sick of the over-indulgence that often comes at this time of year. The opportunity to stay in our peaceful environment and enjoy the morning meditations is available any time outside of scheduled courses and retreats. Check the options on our website [www.mahamudra.org.nz](http://www.mahamudra.org.nz) and contact the office on (07) 866 6851 to find what accommodation is available.

We have been most fortunate to have Venerable Palyon, a nun from the nuns’ community at Chenrezig Institute near Brisbane, with us during this busy time. Venerable Palyon started leading the morning meditation at 8.30am on Boxing Day and continued to do so until 29 January. Following her we are continuing with our morning guided meditations led by our local team. It’s a great way to start the day and free to attend!

Our very popular Community Lunch began again on Friday 18 January and is on every second Friday after that (**1 and 15 February**). Carey will be serving up delicious free vegetarian food at 12pm so do come to enjoy and socialise!

The Tibetan New Year is celebrated on 5 February this year. The 15 days following that are special days for spiritual practice and we will have Sutra recitations each day at 11am for about one hour. At the end of this period we will complete a Nyung Nye, a two-day fasting purification retreat, beginning early the morning of **18 February** and concluding before breakfast on **20 February**. One needs to have faith in Buddha’s teachings to attend the Nyung Nye.

Following this we are very pleased to have Hedwig Bakker return with her Mindfulness Practice for the weekend of **22-24 February**. The course title is Finding Calm in the Chaos and no previous experience is necessary to attend, just an open mind and the wish to have some control over one’s own mind and through that, one’s life.

The Centre is open to visitors every day from 10am until 5pm and our wee shop has a good selection of books on Buddhism for sale.

May 2019 be the year when developing the good heart of Loving Kindness and Compassion becomes the top priority for all beings, especially politicians.

### Himalaya shop : Colville

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# Coromandel Yesterday

By Meghan Hawkes

## News from 1885

A good deal of excitement has been caused at Coromandel by repeated attempts to break into people's houses. There is almost a reign of terror – several women, whose husbands are working away from home, being afraid to stay in their houses. The police have been quite unable to surprise the scoundrels; evidently their movements are watched very closely and the culprits act accordingly. It has been suggested that a detective should come down to Coromandel unknown to anybody; to endeavour to trace the guilty parties.

Mr Harney's house, on the wharf, has been burned down. The wharf was also burned through. There are strong suspicions of incendiarism as no one lived in the house and no fire was near it.

The population of Coromandel is about 200. There are 15 hotels, or about one pub to every 13 persons. Some of these establishments are respectably conducted and some are not.

An important discovery of gold is said to have been made between Port Charles and Kennedy's Bay. A small quantity of quartz has been taken from reefs cropping out on the beach and the proprietors of the land plan to throw it open as a goldfield.

Coromandel County Council has decided to protect the oyster fisheries for two years from 31 March. Coromandel is the principal source of the Auckland oyster supply.

Donations of eggs, butter and milk will be thankfully received by patients at the hospital.

## My Koru-mandel

By Chuck Navarra

Looking back, I started as a cleaner,  
A woofer, sometimes even a gardener.  
I met heaps of people from around the world,  
Guys, girls, young and old.

Staying here for 3 weeks happened so fast,  
everything is now part of the past.  
3 weeks turned into 3 years,  
My, oh my! After which I gained heaps of peers!!

The koru is about to bloom,  
And it is now ready to leave the room.  
The room is called the Coromandel,  
where a lot of good stories I can share and tell.

It may be a small town which is known for pottery and art,  
But it sure occupies a big piece in my heart.  
As I embark on my next adventure,  
The people and this place I will always treasure!

Thank you Coromandel for the three fruitful years. I wouldn't have been the person I am now if it wasn't from the people of Coromandel Town. To the people of this town, you guys rock! It was a pleasure to meet you all. It's now time for me to turn the page and move on. Life is short and I am going to live it well! To the person reading this, please don't forget to live life to the fullest! Boohyeah!  
Love and Prayers,  
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Source: Cancernz.org.nz

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**Writers Group**

Story by Selah Weingott

**Last time I saw the old man...**

The last time I saw the old man the very air around him seemed thicker but I thought it my own visual nonsense as after all it was only the same old moderately-polluted London air. But remembering now, replacing the phone back in its cradle, hearing the news, the strangeness was re-evoked.

An old man sitting alone on a park bench, the slant of late sunshine coating his disproportionately wide shoulders. I had felt the warmth for him. Been glad to imagine it entering the tight weave of the worsted cloth, soaking through to relieve his brittle bones.

He always dressed like an undertaker. Silhouette man cut out blackly. Separate man so as not to impinge on familial grief. So as not to attract the inevitable pity. Mine.

Now, months later, hearing his name from the clipped voice, I become abstracted, rooted at my third floor window gazing down over the red-tiled rooftops towards the same handkerchief-sized park.

In my distress I think I see him. Origami of autumn's bare branches and cross hatches, solo as ever on the only bench, a comfortless metal triangle. But now his magnificent shoulders are hunched and he is dwarfed by a black rubbish bin bearing the Kensington and Chelsea royal borough's lion and unicorn coat of arms. At least they are standing to attention.

Again, even in memory, I am recoiling from my fear of the old man's hopelessness. Better sit down and have a cup of tea. Better to drown that repulsion, to blot out the image of myself scuttling away sideways and as fast as I could.

So I make fresh tea, soothing myself with the circular motion as I add a large spoonful of honey. As the teaspoon clinks against the china it also bestirs the memory. Again I see myself moving towards him with that pleasurable relief that a chance encounter with a neglected friend in a big city sometimes brings. It had been some time and he was a sick old man, so much sicker than at Christmas.

The tea scalds my throat. I swallow back the heat and then the shame. I had hurried away only to be deafened by the reverberation of his reedy voice calling after me far into the night.

He was tearing pieces from white bread rolls, balling the fluffy crumbs to gather small mounds of confetti. These he cast before him like St Francis, the anticipatory sparrows joyously darting.

Unlike the alert sparrows, I had failed to continue following my original impulse of going towards him. In refusing what he was offering, I lost my last chance of being his friend.

**Monthly writers gathering – By Sue**

As usual, after coffees and teas all 'round, we started our monthly gathering with spontaneous writing. It always amazes me how in just 20 minutes, we are thrown a random topic and manage to come up with such rich and diverse stories. The stand-out story for me this month was, with the starter of "while shepherds watched their flocks", a story written about smugglers being thwarted in the dead of night and last seen racing for safety. Following this, we shared books which we have enjoyed reading and would recommend, along with the sharing of special poetry.

After a scrumptious shared lunch, we read our homework to the group. This month's homework topic, chosen to encourage sensory input, is to write a story about a blind person using first person format. You may like to give it a go and see what you come up with – the writing must be no more than 500 words.

Our group number is capped at 12 to give each person quality time to be heard. Due to one of our writers moving to Auckland, we now have one space free. If anybody is interested in joining our group, please contact Lora.

We will be running a one day workshop within the next few months. If you are interested in coming along, contact Lora (07) 866 7176 or Sue (07) 866 8833



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### SeniorNet Coromandel

By Loes Beaver



SeniorNet will have our first meeting of the year on **Monday 4 February** at 4pm at Tom's place of work. We will meet and discuss which day will suit members, and times, etc.

Members, please try to attend. With new IT technology today some of us need guidance when choosing programs and equipment. This is where SeniorNet can be of assistance. New members welcome.

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Congratulations to Rex Brett of Coromandel, who is the recipient of a gift hamper from Coromandel Four Square. Rex has been nominated by Clare Dudley, who wrote, "Rex is a generous, clever and helpful man, makes garden sculptures and donates them for raffles, helps out in stalls, grows amazing vegetables and shares them, uses his initiative to solve friends's problems and is always cheerful and happy to chat. He's quite an unassuming and modest man, a real gem and a huge asset to this community."

Thanks for your community spirit Rex; 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](mailto:foursquare@foodstuffs.co.nz) (subject line: CoroLocalLegend) or post to: CoroLocal Legend, PO Box 5, Coromandel 3506. Kindly refrain from nominating family members



### Abundance in the garden

By Debbie Morgan

It is that time of year when the garden is overflowing with vegetables and we are googling ideas of what to do with all the zucchini. I thought I'd share what I had for dinner tonight because I couldn't believe how tasty, very easy and very quick this dinner is. I've been meaning to try it for a few years, finally got round to it and was really impressed.

All you need to do is spiralise zucchini (or if you don't have a spiraliser then cut into thin strips like spaghetti). Put the spiralised zucchini into boiling water and cook for one minute. Yes just one minute! How quick is that? Then add some cherry tomatoes (halved), and stir pesto through. Grate a bit of parmesan cheese on top and dinner is served. If you have cherry tomatoes and basil in your garden then you can make this with practically all home grown ingredients.



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**Museum News**

By Raewyn McKinney

Things are going well in the museum, and we are all looking forward to a busy summer season. This summer we are pleased to welcome two new members to our roster; Debbie and Joanna. Thanks for your support, ladies.

Our new displays are proving very popular with visitors, even though they are not yet all 100% finished. Don't forget to pay us a visit over the holidays. If you haven't been to the museum for a while you are sure to get a big surprise.

In recent months we have been focused on the casualties of World War 1, but this month I thought I would remind everyone that life has always been pretty uncertain, even in Coromandel.

It is also a reminder to us all, that although the causes of accidents have changed somewhat, it is just as necessary these days to always take great care, especially when travelling.

**From *New Zealand Herald* of 19 February 1884:**

**"Serious Accident at Waiara (Cabbage Bay)"**

A very serious accident occurred to a bushman named Hammond on Thursday evening, 14 February, about six o'clock. It



appears that Hammond and several other men were riding on some empty trucks, and in going down an incline the brake was put on rather suddenly, causing a jerk, which threw Hammond out in front, and three of the trucks went over him, breaking his thigh, and it is feared, causing very severe internal injuries. His back is also badly hurt. A boat was immediately procured, and he was taken to the Coromandel Hospital, and lies there in a very precarious state. The



momentum of the trucks was so great that the body of Hammond threw them all off the line. Fortunately none of them were loaded, or it might have caused instant death." (Coromandel Correspondent, 16 February)  
**From *Thames Advertiser* 20 February 1896**  
**"Fatal Accident at Port Charles"**  
(Auckland, 19 February. TT)  
In a previous wire I informed you a young man, whose name was unknown, in the employ of Mr C Kennington, surveyor, had

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been lost in the bush at Sandy Bay, Coromandel, since Tuesday of last week. A telegram from Constable Donovan, of Coromandel, received yesterday states that the young man was George Powley, son of Mr Powley, cab-driver, Auckland, and that he was found on Monday evening on the beach with his neck and arm broken, having evidently fallen over the cliff. The circumstances have been reported to the coroner for the district and no inquest will be held."

**From Thames Star 5 February 1900**

"William Patterson was cut and bruised about the face and head, while his right shoulder was injured, owing to a fall of mullock in the Kapanga mine, Coromandel."

**From Thames Star 26 February 1908**

**"Coromandel News**

(By Telegraph – Own Correspondent Coromandel 25 February "James Marr, who has been working on a contract at Cabbage Bay, had his back sprained so badly while at work on Saturday that his mates procured Mr Bronlund's launch and brought him to Coromandel. He is progressing favourably.

Mr John Lynch, senior, met with a painful accident yesterday. Whilst feeding his chaff cutter (water-power) his right hand got caught by the cogwheels and the first, second and third fingers were cut off. Mr Lynch drove to the hospital and had the injured hand attended to."

Admission to the museum is \$5 per adult; children are free if accompanied by an adult.

As the museum does not have Eftpos, we urge all visitors to bring enough cash.

The museum will be open between 1pm and 4pm every day during February. Free entrance to the museum on **Waitangi Day (6 February)** 10.00am-4.00pm.

### International Women's Day Charity Breakfast

Hi ladies. Our Cancer Society Breakfast is being held on **Friday 8 March** this year which is actually the official date worldwide that International Women's Day is recognised.

Once again it is being held at Umu and tickets are being sold by Richardson's Real Estate. Tickets cost \$25 each, \$10 of which goes to the Waikato Branch of the Cancer Society.

The Cancer Society is a very worthwhile cause and we all know someone affected by cancer so supporting this charity is a must as it gets no funding from the government. Also Umu gives us such a yummy breakfast, so bring a few mates and come as a group, or turn up alone and we will make you welcome.

Either way we look forward to seeing you at breakfast on **Friday 8 March**.



### What Do You Do to Get a Search and Rescue Operation Activated?

By Daniel Kirsch, Kuaotunu Search And Rescue  
(Northern Coromandel Peninsula)

Hope you're all having a great summer. Aside from helping with a chopper rescue at New Chums it's been mostly quiet for us with Search and Rescue up here on the northern Peninsula. It means people have been safe and didn't get injured or lost. I'm writing this article because I've noticed over time that people aren't clear about what to do, and how to best get a search activated. So, what do you do to get a search rolling should things go belly up and one of your loved ones does not return when expected?

The first thing you do is call 111 and ask for Police. As SAR we operate under the Police, so only once the Police get a missing person call we get put on standby. As soon as the search is "activated" we are ready to roll. This is important as often the available time is critical and the sooner teams are put on standby, the earlier we can begin searching once the search is activated.

Aside from time being critical, the search methods are highly critical too. They affect the likeliness of a good or a bad outcome. SAR first response team members need to do a lot of training and this is for a good reason – this skill and methodology makes a huge difference in finding or not finding the lost person (and alive).

Aside from what you do, there are also a few things that you don't do: Don't ask someone you know in SAR for help (they should direct you to 111). Don't go looking yourself. And don't get friends or other people to look for the missing person either. Why? Because this often messes up the tracks and makes it a lot harder and slower for SAR to do our work. For example, this is particularly so around a car if the car is the last known point. If we can figure out the direction of travel of the lost person, this can cut the whole search area down in half or more. But when lots of untrained helpers have walked all over the place and left their own footprints and covered over those of the missing person, this can potentially blow the search area and time out of proportion. So if someone goes missing call 111 and ask for Police. Then we won't be far away. Thanks! Stay safe and look after each other out there.

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**Coromandel Budget Advisory Service**

By Caroline Dunn

**Budget Advice**

Hi all, hopefully everybody's year has started off well. It is mid-January as I write this and my first day back in the office for the year. All of the team was here today, so we had a quick team meeting, and are ready and excited to see where this year leads us.

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.

It's hard to keep up with the amount of planting, weeding and harvesting required to keep the garden in top shape and producing for Coromandel Foodbank and the local community. It doesn't matter what your skills or experience are, there is something needing to be done that will suit you. Mowing, weeding, harvesting, pruning, mulching, compost-building, etc. You might even be able to learn a new skill or two! Please drop in to the Community Garden located behind the dairy on Glover Street, give me a call at the Budget Office, or send a message via our Coromandel Community Garden Facebook page if you are keen on sharing your time and energy.

**The Topp Twins****Coromandel Area School, 9 February**

Dames Lynda and Jools are heading for the Coromandel hills soon for a special event – a picnic-style concert in the grounds of the Coromandel Area School, starting at 5pm on **Saturday 9 February**. The show will also help raise funds for a few special projects for the school.

Lynda and Jools are excited to be returning to touring smaller towns, as this is how their stellar career started, and "it's like we've come full circle" says Jools.

"We love Coromandel, it has always been one of our favorite places in New Zealand. Not only is it a beautiful place but it represents what is important to us – living a simple, down-to-earth lifestyle and protecting the environment. The people who live here have stayed true to their values, and that is a rare thing today. We are really looking forward to returning for the first time in 20 years and performing an outdoor show that we hope will bring the whole community together to have fun and celebrate what you all have here."

Tickets to the concert are available from Richardson's Real Estate in Coromandel, 151 Kapanga Rd, (07) 866 8900, online Eventfinda.co.nz, or ph 0800 BUY TIX (289 849). Kids under 13 are free. Adults \$55.

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**Heart Beat – St John Ambulance Coromandel/Colville**

By Julie Scampton, Station Manager, Coromandel

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## Coromandel Independent Living Trust

By Mike Noonan

### Coromandel Community Hub Decision Imminent

CILT expects a decision in February as to whether the TCDC will make 2,800 square metres of their land at 150 Pound Street available for CILT to build the Community Hub. This will be a very significant step in the development of the building. The land is needed to give CILT the equity required for a Lotteries Application. It is also necessary to demonstrate Council support for the project to other funders. The Community Board has already provided strong support.

The Hub will be the first publicly owned building built in our Coromandel/Colville Ward for many years. CILT's plan is to create a building with multiple uses and we are in the process of finalising what it should contain. There is a great deal of interest from local as well as visiting groups who need fit-for-purpose working spaces. To ensure that we get the very best result we are still seeking suggestions. Our feasibility study identified all the existing buildings that serve the community and we don't intend duplicating what already exists. The building will be fully "Accessible", which means that no type of disability will prevent you from using it with ease. Environmental design will mean the building will be low cost to build and operate. Sustainable power sources mean that the building could also be a back up in a civil emergency.

As it will be outside the heritage zone we will be able to build a modern building, but we will ensure our design references Coromandel's built environment. We will incorporate the Te Aranga design principles, as suggested by the late David Williams of Te Patukirikiri. These are based on the values that are intrinsic to Maoritanga.

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The land in Pound Street

that offers Ultra Fast Broadband and technical facilities in Coromandel will be an asset for the whole community. We need a space where people can work in a collegial environment. While technology allows more people to work from home, sometimes they will want to work in a more dynamic and communal space. Young people need a place where they can come together and have good experiences learning by association. There is also a need for a recreation space that is flexible enough in its design to cater for a wide variety of activities. As well, we will offer support to the town's tourist and aquaculture industries including training needs.

To ensure that the building is a good example of total Accessibility, CILT is forging a relationship with a university in Finland that specialises in making public spaces useable for all.

The Hub offers Coromandel the facilities that in larger communities might be provided by the local council, but the size of our community means we have a lot of need and limited ratepayers. The Coromandel Community Hub is an initiative where almost all of the funding will come from outside the area and therefore will not be a burden on the ratepayer. But we all need to be savvy to make sure that we, the people of the Upper

Peninsula, get the most benefit possible from this project and that we create not only what we need but we want. To help us achieve this, please contact us with any ideas or suggestions that you would like to put forward. If you have relevant expertise and would like to contribute we would welcome hearing from you.

Contacts Pete Sephton 027 242 4090, Mike Noonan 021 414 896 or email [hub@cilt.org.nz](mailto:hub@cilt.org.nz)

## Poetry SPOT

### Sea and Ice, Frost and Foam

By John Irvine

I'd never noticed this phenomenon before – how the ocean with its foamy white tides so resembles the winter paddocks I witness from my writer's winter window.

This morning heavy frost smears the grass right to the tree-bases on the valley's eastern sides, looking for all the world like a slightly choppy early morning sea.

At 7.00 am Brother Sun yawns his torpid way over the hilltop, casting his invisible fire onto the still frosty-white paddocks, and his lips purse in consternation.

Gradually, he renders his cruel lesson, sending the iciness scurrying to hide. The ragged line of frost slithers hastily in a westwards direction, frost-fatal, and I grin.

Brother Sun is certainly light and bright today but is not terribly smart for all his size and heat, 'cause at bedtime, as he slides sleepily down the western side of the mountain range,

tiny ice particles are silently dancing in their shadowy locales, hidden from anyone's view, excited about annoying Bro Sun yet again tomorrow. I never tire of the game and pump my fist frostwards!

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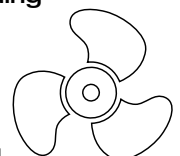
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## Ann's Good News, Naturally

By Ann Kerr-Bell

### Acid reflux, indigestion, heartburn, stomach pains

The true cause of acid reflux and other upper digestive conditions is very rarely high stomach acid.

The actual cause of these problems is- insufficient Hydrochloric acid production in the stomach, which is an essential link in the function of a healthy digestive tract.

This leads to the fermentation and putrefaction of meat and other proteins, which linger longer in the digestive tract, compromising digestion and absorption long term, causing the above ailments. Medical management uses prescription or over the counter drugs as symptomatic treatment, e.g. Losec or Omeprazole, Zantac, and other common heartburn medications, increasing the chances of a stroke. The drugs, known as Proton Pump Inhibitors (PPIS), compromise the absorption of the essential nutrients from the foods you eat, and have already been found to raise the risk of heart attack, kidney disease and dementia.

It is known that once on them, then stopping these medications, causes withdrawal symptoms, rebound acid reflux and acid related digestive disorders, when there was no high stomach acid issue in the first instance.

The stomach need to produce hydrochloric acid (HCL), to quickly breakdown the proteins, for best digestion and absorption of the vital nutrients in the foods ingested. If the stomach's production of HCL is suppressed, and breakdown of the food eaten is delayed, the content of the stomach may regurgitate back up into the oesophagus above the stomach, causing inflammation and damage to the lining of the oesophagus and throat.

Wrong food choices, and modern-day supermarket foods have potential to cause this to occur, as they are over-processed, contain unnatural chemicals that aggravate the digestive tract, suppress production of other digestive enzymes and essential bacteria, and thus prevents the natural digestive process.

Processed grains, sugar and sugar containing foods, fatty foods, too much meat, alcohol, cigarettes, legal or illegal drugs, large meals or eating too fast, can lead to this problem.

From here, the problem worsens, because the digestive tract is the gateway to the body, eventually all body systems can be affected. Modern diseases eventuate due to high toxic load and malabsorption of essential nutrients – e.g., Gastro Oesophageal Reflux (GORD), pain and or difficulty on swallowing, excessive salivation, sugar cravings, nausea, chest pain, helicobacter pylori and stomach ulcers, gallstones, hiatus hernia, candida, leaky gut, gluten sensitivity obesity, diabetes, inflammatory bowel disease, irritable bowel disease, diverticulitis and much more.

My good news is that I can help you. Prevent the cause. Enable optimum gut function naturally. Prevent what is shockingly now considered "diseases that are to be expected". Yes, they are preventable!

### More Good News

- **Diarrhoea** – This 8-month-old breast-fed baby boy had been having frequent attacks of watery stools, which was creating weight loss & nutrient deficiencies. After 3 days of rebalancing his microbiome, gentle herbal drops and a change in his Mums diet, his stools stabilised to normal.
- **Haemorrhoids**: This 5-yr-old man's whole digestive tract had been dysfunctional most of his life. His protruding piles were the last straw! As well as now being without all of the gut issues of a lifetime, and without piles, he is feeling younger, fitter and is training for a marathon thanks to his treatment programme.
- **Nasal Polyps / Snoring & Sleep Apnoea**: Low cellular oxygenation due to nightly snoring created a "grumpy old man" accorded to this guy's wife. No more gadgets up his nose while sleeping, as the nasal polyps just disappeared after 2 months on his programme.

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Monday Walkers from August 2018 issue

## Monday Walkers

By Irene Dunn

Holidays are over folks so let's get our boots on and get walking. We will be walking in the bush to avoid the heat and sun for the next month at least – dogs are welcome but may need to be on a lead on tracks. 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 Ave car park (north end). There are no fees to join. If you are a visitor to Coromandel Town or a resident, 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 for each Monday, so let us know if you want to be on the mailing list.

Happy walking everyone.

Contact Natalie (07) 866 7518

## Coromandel Contract Bridge Club

By Judy Bronlund

Now that we are into February we are starting with our first competition for the year, the Kapanga Pairs on **4 February**. Our first night back is a fun night on **28 January**.

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## Library News

By Raewyn McKinney

I am sure many people are wondering whether any decision has been made about the future of the Coromandel Community Library. The committee met on 13 December to discuss the various options.

Jim made a report on the KOTUI system, as used by the libraries in the TCDC area. We thank Jim most sincerely for his time and effort spent researching the system, and his excellent reports to the committee. As a result of Jim's hard work, the committee was able to consider all the advantages and disadvantages of joining the KOTUI system. In brief, the advantages are: easier administration, access to records, catalogues, and a better service to members with a greater range of books available. The disadvantages basically are the costs involved; both the set-up cost of the system and the on-going annual cost. After a full discussion, the committee came to the decision that, at the

moment, the Coromandel Library cannot afford this system; the ongoing cost would nearly double the annual cost of running the library, and it was felt that there would not be enough new members generated to justify this cost. However, in order to update and improve our records we have decided to investigate purchasing new computer equipment and upgrade our database. This change will not really have an impact on the members of the library, though we expect it to be more efficient and make searching for books in the catalogue much simpler. There has been no change to the library opening hours; a final decision on the hours has been postponed until the April meeting.

In the meantime, we thank those who took the trouble to give their views on the future of the library. We also thank everyone for their continued support.

Our Christmas raffle was also well supported; the lucky winner was Dave Lysaght.

This month I focus on some recent additions to our range of non-fiction books:

### *Women, Equality, Power: Selected Speeches from a Life of Leadership* by Helen Clark

A celebration of an outstanding leader who continues to strive and work for change. Helen Clark has been a political leader for more than 40 years. She entered parliament as a 31-year-old in 1981, led the Labour Party to victory in 1999 and was Prime Minister of New Zealand for nine years. Foreword by the Rt Hon. Jacinda Ardern, Prime Minister of New Zealand.

### *Made In Scotland: My Grand Adventures in a Wee Country* by Billy Connolly

After my knighthood was announced, a woman from the BBC came to Glasgow. She hit me with her first question: "This must mean a lot to you, with you coming from nothing?" ... "I did'nae come from nothing," I told her. "I come from something. I grew up in the tenements of post-war Glasgow. I am very proud to be working class, and especially a working-class Glaswegian... I come from the working class. And, most of all, I come from Scotland. This book is about why I will always be happy and proud that I do."

### *The Natural Home: Tips, Ideas & Recipes for a Sustainable Life* by Wendy Nissen

Based on an old-fashioned model of growing and cooking your own food, avoiding artificial products... including natural recipes for anything from cleaning your toilet to making your own bread ... advice on how to garden, create healthy food, make natural cleaning and beauty products and raise your baby chemical-free.

The library is open from 10am to 1pm from Monday to Friday; and 10am to 12 noon on Saturday



## Coro Summer Fest

By Matt Sephton and Caitlin Moloney

The 5th Coro Summer Fest was such a great success! This one day boutique festival creates so much positivity and connection in our town and we are thrilled to host it in our community.

People brought picnics, set up on the lawn and settled in to watch the likes of Nadia Reid, Huia & Rei, Banana Mundo, Mad Hallelujah Tribe and FreQ Nasty, it was incredible. It is truly amazing to see our community having such a brilliant time with folk from all over creating an incredibly unique experience.

We stretched ourselves and achieved our vision of having an epic lineup of performers, while keeping the numbers manageable and with space to move around. It was everything we had hoped for and then some – the vibe was fantastic, with about 430 tickets sold, solid smiles and great energy all around – we are really happy that it all worked so well.

We want to thank the amazing team that helped pull it to together, and also the neighbourhood for being so tolerant of the noise and embracing this event. Of course there is always room to improve, so we are de-briefing with all those involved and hope to continue putting this event on to maintain its fun factor, intimate size and solid infrastructure.

Thank you all! Hope to see you again next year.



## Plastic-Free Coromandel

By Robin Münch

It is with a heavy heart that I write this month's piece for the Chronicle. Most of you will know by now that one of our founding members, Kate James, lost her partner, Greg Braidwood, in an accident in December. Although you always see the smiling faces of just a few women in the public eye, Greg was an avid supporter in the background. We could rely on him for setting up market stalls and displays and providing essential equipment at the drop of a hat.

Our group feels deeply for Kate and for Jimmy, their son, at this sad time.

Tish Bell, another cherished and active member of our group, died in hospital in Los Angeles after a brief but devastating illness. Tish's was the biggest smile at the various plastic-free days and market stalls and she loved participating in the sewing bees as our champion ironing person. She contributed bright ideas to our project and really enjoyed visiting businesses in town, engaging with the people involved and encouraging them to reduce their use of plastic.

Our little group has been hit hard by these losses and we may take a while to pick up again.



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## Mana Update

By Jade Ferrière

It is another gorgeous summer here on the Coromandel Peninsula, and with turquoise waters glistening in the bay, blue skies, lush green native bush, cicadas and birds singing, we are definitely feeling called to be outdoors.

Summer really is a prime time to make the most of long walks on the beach, afternoon swims and alfresco dining. For most of us, it is “the busy season”, so finding time to be out in nature is even more important, as it helps to energise and restore balance even on those long days.

With the school holidays drawing to a close, there is an opportunity to slow down a little, and find balance between social time and silence, movement and rest.

That is why we have added an extra Rela Weekend to our schedule this March. Our Relax Weekends are an opportunity to breathe and experience recreation in a way that supports your idea of well-being. They are an invitation to rest and replenish, to be in nature, to eat well, to be with friends or enjoy some time alone, most importantly they are all about restoring balance.

This year we have six Relax Weekends on our event schedule – **8-10 February, 1-3 March, 10-12 May** (Mother’s Day Relax), **7-9 June** (Winter Relax Weekend), **18-20 October, 13-15 December**.

Our weekend package includes two nights’ accommodation, three delicious meals each day and optional classes (often yoga and mediation) suitable to beginners, all inclusive for \$250 per person. You can visit our website for more information or to book [www.manaretreat.com](http://www.manaretreat.com).

In the meantime we have this delicious Broccoli Fritters recipe for you to whip up and enjoy sitting out on the deck.

### Broccoli Fritters

Place 1 medium head of broccoli florets, ½ onion, ¼ cup cilantro and 2 cloves garlic in batches in a food processor and process until crumbly (looks like rice grains).

Transfer to a large bowl. Stir in ½ cup chickpea flour, 2 tbsp flaxseed meal, ½ tsp cumin, ¼ tsp cayenne pepper and salt. Mix well and squeeze together like you are forming a dough.

Heat oil on medium in a large skillet. Form into patties about ¼ cup, place fritters in the skillet, reduce heat to low and cook fritters on each side for about 4 minutes until golden brown.

These are lightly fried and not deep fried. Alternatively, you can bake on a baking sheet lined with parchment paper and sprayed with cooking spray in a preheated oven at 200 degrees for 30 minutes, turning halfway. Serve with sweet chilli, hummus or aioli.

## Grey Power Coromandel

By John Rabarts. President

Well it’s raining again – as I write this – been a while, but the weeds and lawns will be happy.

Thanks for the interesting and supportive comments about this column which have come in over the holiday time. Here is another remedy for those pesky ants. Lemons, cut in halves or quarters, place where ants are about. I can’t test this one as with all the other remedies we have been promoting over recent months I am right out of ants to test this one on. Good luck. But from same “anonymous” here’s a new suggestion. Put a block of camphor in your letterbox to keep snails, spiders, wetas and other wandering insects away from your mail. But take care that children don’t get at the camphor. Maybe someone can tell me where to get camphor these days. As a boy I recall having it in a little pouch around my neck in winter time to keep me from getting colds. Thanks mum. I think it worked.

Now here are some thoughts from Craig Larson, for young and older folk. “To live in community with others benefits one’s health significantly, reports *The Journal of American Medical Association*. Building on a dozen studies, correlating friendship and fellowship with health, a new study has found that people with a broad array of social ties are significantly less likely to catch colds than those with sparse social networks. The incidence of infection among people who knew many different kinds of people was nearly half that among those who were relatively isolated, the researchers reported. The lack of diverse social contacts was the strongest of the risk factors for colds that were examined, including smoking, low vitamin C intake and stress.” ( I notice they don’t mention camphor in a pouch so don’t discard that one in favour of talking with your neighbours and friends – just add it into the mix.) Researchers have found similar health benefits from community involvement and interaction for heart disease patients, and report one of the main beneficiaries of a broadened network of relationships is our immune system! So there you have it. Chat with your neighbours and friends. Be good for you and for them. Ralph Waldo Emerson said (or wrote), “The glory of friendship is not the outstretched hand, nor the kindly smile nor the joy of companionship: it is the spiritual inspiration that comes to one when he (or she as well) discovers that someone believes in him (or her) and is willing to trust him (or her) with his (or her) friendship.” Marcus Aurelius (who lived a long time before this Emerson character just quoted) also said (well he wrote it in Greek or Latin but I’ll translate for you): “Accept the things to which fate binds you, and love the people with whom fate brings you together, but do so with all your heart.” Seems like good advice!



Coromandel Grey Power members will get a newsletter and notice of our February meeting. 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. Comes of living in the supposed 5% of the country which doesn’t have cell phone coverage. But text messages get through, though often delayed.



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Quilt made by Val Spicer

## Coromandel Patchwork and Quilters

By Jenny Till

We have all been on a break over the Christmas New Year period; however our first meeting for 2019 is to be held on **Monday 4 February**.

Beforehand we are holding a committee meeting to discuss and work out a programme for 2019.

Our group had a stand at the Keltic Fair where we sold items our members had made and also raffle tickets for a quilt. The raffle is being drawn on **18 February**.

On Monday 14 January we had a "special get-together" and shared lunch to farewell one of our long standing members Val Spicer.

Val will be sadly missed as she has

always been an asset to the club with her cheerful company, willingness to help others and an inspiration to us all with her ability to produce many artistic and cleverly sewn works of art. When I questioned Val I learnt she has made approximately 40 quilts... wow, that is a great achievement.

The quilt pictured left Val kindly made for Lucci who lives next door to her and yes Lucci is horse mad. Needless to say Lucci was delighted with the quilt which now has pride of place on her bed.

We meet on the 1st, 3rd (and 5th) Monday of every month in the St John Hall. 9.30am start and 10am morning, tea, notices and "show and tell". President: Raewyn Penrose ph (07) 866 8880, secretary: Sharron Currie ph (07) 866 8762

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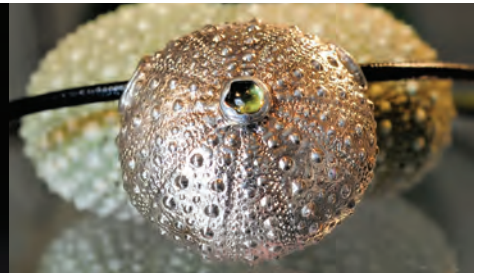
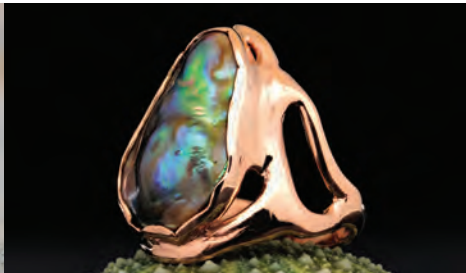


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## Hon Scott Simpson MP For Coromandel

### Climate change

Recently the Hauraki Herald has run a series of articles about the potential impacts of climate change on local Coromandel Peninsula communities.



Only a year ago in January 2018, our region was hit by a devastating weather event that closed SH25 for days, wrecked homes and business premises and inundated farmland on the Miranda and Kaiaua side of the Firth of Thames with pasture killing saltwater.

Ours is a vulnerable geography. The Coromandel electorate has one of the longest coastlines of any in New Zealand at nearly 500km. Much of that is either low lying tidal estuary or exposed east coast surf beaches. An extensive and expensive network of flood protection banks keeps the Hauraki Plains and towns like Thames, Paeroa and Ngatea safe from flooding that in previous generations proved ruinous.

While some politicians have said that climate change is the biggest issue of our time, there has been a tendency for grand statements rather than sign up to a practical plan that recognises economic and social realities. The extreme weather event of last summer particularly tested our resolve and our assumptions around our continued drive to build homes close to at risk coastal and low lying tidal estuaries. The New Zealand Insurance Council has already made it clear it's going to become increasingly expensive and difficult to get home and business insurance against such events. Our particular situation is highlighted simply because we have so much of our region in the at risk category.

When it comes to the fundamentals of our economic livelihood National's approach to climate change as a party of economic and environmental pragmatists means we take a principled approach with evidential science and technology playing the lead role. We also take a position of pacing our transition at the pace of our competitors and being honest about the economic implications of the transition. That is something that our political opponents rarely want to face.

National takes climate change seriously and has been working with the Minister, James Shaw, negotiating a framework for the establishment of an independent Climate Change Commission to take the short-term politics out of what is a very long-term issue and guide the response of successive future governments.

Bi-partisanship is not an easy option in the bearpit that is politics but we need to take this approach if we are to confront this issue properly. We don't want to go down the toxic politics route that is so prevalent in the USA, and even in Australia, which has contributed to their political instability of recent years. I think it's important we build an administrative and legislative framework that all parties can sign up to beyond the next change of government.

Urgency is required to solve the real task of actually driving down our emissions. As my friend and colleague, Bay of Plenty MP Todd Muller, has said, "We as an isolated, export-reliant country, have a hard road ahead of us as we stare down the barrel of what will without doubt be a century of economic change and climate adaptation across the globe."

National is proud of its record on climate issues. National increased our renewable electricity generation from 65% to 85% and we implemented a world-class Emissions Trading Scheme that can be held up positively against any in the world. It covers more sectors and gases than the European ETS does – going further to include industrial methane, transport fuels and forestry. We were also the party that signed New Zealand up to the Paris Agreement in 2015. Changes being considered by the current government to our ETS were actually initiated by National.

I'm hopeful we will be able to get a bi-partisan agreement on the establishment of a Climate Change Commission and a framework for legislative policy implementation this year.

## Combined Clubs Of Coromandel THE CLUB

### Coromandel Bowls Club

By Linda Wright

A great start to the new year with club members Colin Gawith, Jason Dickison and Ernie Groucott winning a Thames Valley Centre Title, in the Champ of Champ Men's Triples. Well done guys on your win, and for Ernie winning his Gold Star and Colin another Bar.

This after Colin Gawith and Karl Garrett (Thames) were Runners Up in the Sommerset National Men's Pairs Championship played in Auckland. To get to the final and lose by 1 point, so close, but well done.

We had 14 teams competing in our Open Optional Triples kindly sponsored by Twentymans Funeral Services. The winners were Graeme and Irene Goss and Vi King. 2nd was Reg and Linda Wright and David Weatherley. 3rd was Mercury Bay team Ray Yearbury, Paul Farrands and Paul Tindall (Howick).

Our next open tournament is on **Wednesday 13 February** Open Optional 2x4x2 Pairs, kindly sponsored by Tidewater Motel and Tourist Park. Enter your team at the club.

We will have started to play our second session of Twilight Bowls, kindly sponsored by Pepper Tree Restaurant & Bar, with two sessions, starting at 5pm then 6pm on Tuesday. Come on down and watch.

Thursday Club Day Bowls are still going well, 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 Club Social Friday and Saturday nights are open 3.30pm to 7pm.

President Linda Wright (07) 866 8440, 027 651 3477

### RSA AGM 2019

Coromandel Returned Services Association Inc AGM will be held on **9 February**, 2pm at The Club, Woollams Ave. Item on the agenda and nominations for the Executive to the Secretary by **4 February**.



The winners of Thames Valley Champ of Champ Men's Triples Jason Dickison, Ernie Groucott and Colin Gawith



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# Rangatahi

## CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN

### Coromandel Area School

By Jamie Leckie

Term 1 is already looking to be full of sports, camps, swimming and activities to keep our tamariki busy!

#### Welcome

Welcome back to all of our staff, students and families. The teachers have been working hard to organise exciting learning programmes for this year. We hope you have all had a relaxing holiday and are ready for 2019. We will have a powhiri on the first day back at school (**Friday 1 February**) where we will welcome our new staff, students and their families to our school.

#### Keltic Fair

A big thank you to everyone who was a part of the Keltic Fair organising committee and the helpers. Lots of time and effort goes into organising this event and it does not go by unnoticed, so well done team. It was a very successful day enjoyed by all and the weather was great. Thank you again.

#### Other information

**Friday 1 February** – First day back for the whole school.

**21-22 February** – Primary school camp Year 1-6 at Tucks Bay.

All enrolment and 2019 information including stationery lists and uniform lists can be found here: <http://coroarea.school.nz/home-2/2018-information/>.

#### Communication

We endeavour to communicate as effectively and efficiently as possible in regard to all school matters. Please ensure you read all newsletters, notes home and check the website regularly to keep up-to-date with any information you may need to know. Please also check our official Facebook page. The name of the page is Coromandel Area School, so please “like” and “follow” us on the page to get instant and up-to-date information, photographs and updates on school achievements.

Bring on term 1!

### COROMANDEL AREA SCHOOL



### Colville School

By Tui McMillan, Colville School Principal

Colville School is a great little school in a very unique part of New Zealand – the rural north Coromandel.

Our vision, inspired by the New Zealand Curriculum, invites partnerships with whanau and community for the better, equitable education of all tamariki.

“Colville School is a place where everyone has a right to learn. We strive to provide an environment that encourages independent users and seekers of knowledge. We want our learners to show a connection to their wider environment, fostering them with a positive outlook to be motivated, life-long learners.”

Through many strands of consultation and endeavour our vision defines our aspirations, our work and our hopes for our children.

“Effort, Service, Manners” are our learning values. The purpose of schooling is so much broader than an academic curriculum. At Colville School our teaching focuses on a holistic view of learning. Our learners are supported to be good citizens who protect their environment fiercely. They nurture their bodies with healthy exercise and eating and tune their spirits as well as their minds. Personalised learning plans and more teacher availability at Colville assist those who need individual attention. The end of year academic results at school were very pleasing. 81% of learners are working at or above expectation in reading, 84% are working at or above expectations in writing and 87% are working at or above expectation in mathematics. Colville School learners are proud of their successes.

In 2018 Colville School won the Resene Community Mural Design category for their work “Take 3 for the Sea”. The Coromandel Lions Club helped us get an “away uniform” for the school to use on exchanges and trips. We participated in fantastic learning opportunities with our “expert learning partners” – Colville Harbour Care, F.E.N.Z, Kiwican, Zero Waste, Life Education NZ, Project Energize, the Moehau Environment Group and St John. Over the January holidays the school classrooms have had a makeover. A new pool will be installed in Term 2 following a successful grant application. The Colville School seniors are working on predator control in a local bush area to attract more native birds.

Colville has definitely contributed quality citizens to the world of art, music and fashion. Small, rural schools offer a pretty special kind of education and Colville offers opportunities that city kids can only dream of – small class sizes, beach days, bush adventures, sporting exchanges, full school camps, pet days and lots of learning in the outdoors. No day is wasted at Colville. The 2019 year at Colville is going to be awesome. Colville is an amazing place to live, work and learn. Your teachers are Matua Ra-Tane Edelsten, Tui McMillan and Kerry Adams. Have a look at our Facebook page. Visit us next time you are in town. [www.facebook.com/colvilleschool](http://www.facebook.com/colvilleschool).

Welcome back to school – have a great year!



“Take 3 for the Sea” mural

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# OUR COROMANDEL



News from Thames-Coromandel District Council

February 2019

## Coromandel to benefit from Provincial Growth Fund

The Provincial Growth Fund is investing \$924,000 in Coromandel aquaculture and marine services, Regional Economic Development Minister Shane Jones has announced.

"It makes sense to invest in aquaculture, which has grown by 70 per cent in seven years, has annual sales of \$612 million and can drive regional development," Shane Jones says.

"Funding into three business cases will help get the planning right to support future aquaculture and marine services," he says.

The three projects based in the Coromandel are Sugarloaf Wharf Coromandel, Coromandel Marine Gateway, and Kopu Marine Precinct Coromandel.

"The projects provide opportunities at growing our population, growing our services and growing our businesses," says Mayor Sandra Goudie. "We're also extremely pleased that the government sees the value to invest in these projects."

Shane Jones says there is potential to expand Sugarloaf Wharf to accommodate growing aquaculture demand, so we're exploring that

as a first step. More than 90 per cent of mussels produced in the North Island are landed at Sugarloaf, but current wharf infrastructure is inadequate and constrains the ability of the sector to grow.

"Production is expected to double over the next 10-15 years, creating 550 new high-value jobs with millions of dollars of additional value to the local economy. This investment in infrastructure will help the industry get 'match-fit' for those emerging opportunities.

"We'll also look at the feasibility of developing a large marine facility at Coromandel Gateway to increase capacity and overall safety for recreational users and ferry and charter boats," Shane Jones says.

Currently, Coromandel Town has no all-tide marine facilities and a severe shortage of boat ramps, but there is growing demand for all these facilities.

There is strong local support for improvements in this space and evidence a local marina is needed, stretching back to the early 2000s.

"This Government is willing to fast track the work because it will make a difference to the people of the Coromandel," Shane Jones says.

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## EXULT WORKSHOPS

Are you sick of scrambling from one funding round to the next? Would you like your organisation to have a reliable income, but are unsure where to start? Our Council has partnered with Exult to bring you a sustainable funding workshop to help community groups and organisations develop a plan.

Exult is one of New Zealand's leading training providers for the community sector.

The workshop will be offered in Coromandel Town on Tuesday, 12 February, 9:30am - 12:30am at the TCDC Coromandel Service Centre, 355 Kapanga Rd.

The workshop is being offered at a discounted rate of just \$50 per person.

You can download a registration form [www.tcdc.govt.nz/exult](http://www.tcdc.govt.nz/exult) and/or email [rosie@exult.co.nz](mailto:rosie@exult.co.nz)

## The Coromandel Citizens Hall

Work on the Coromandel Hall is due to start mid-February and be completed by July. This involves refurbishment of most parts of the building including seismic strengthening to current codes. We will be using a locally based contractor and subcontractors and have recently been given additional funding from the Lotteries Commission.



Coromandel  
-Colville  
Community Board  
UPDATE

**Next Meeting.** The Coromandel-Colville Community Board will next meet on 26 February 2019 at the Coromandel Service Centre, 355 Kapanga Rd, Coromandel.

## Learn more about how our Council works

Come to one of our two-hour workshops aimed at demystifying how Council works. The sessions will cover how budgets and rates are structured and how activities are funded. We'll also answer any questions that are raised.

These workshops are open to anyone interested in how our local government works, including those considering standing as a candidate in October's local elections.

**5 February** – Whangamata TCDC office, 620 Port Rd

**6 March** – Mercury Bay TCDC office, 10 Monk St, Whitianga

**12 March** – Thames TCDC office, 515 Mackay St

More on the 2019 local elections:  
[www.tcdc.govt.nz/elections](http://www.tcdc.govt.nz/elections)

## Kerbside Collections

Our summer Kerbside rubbish and recycling collection schedule ends on Thursday 7 Feb for Coromandel Town and Te Kouma, and Saturday

9 Feb for Coromandel Rural North (both one day later because of Waitangi Day).

Our non-summer schedule starts on Tuesday 12 Feb for Coromandel Rural North and Thames Coast and Manaia, and on Wednesday 13 Feb for Coromandel Town and Te Kouma. It will be Week 1 of our fortnightly recycling collections, so if there's a 1 next to the collection day on your wheelie bin's address sticker, put your recycling out on the kerb to be picked up. To see the full 2019 non-summer Kerbside schedule go to

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## Coromandel 200

(200 Years of Coromandel)



The Coromandel 200 Community group is looking for expressions of interest to commission and create a commemorative piece on the Whangarahi Reserve to acknowledge the arrival of HMSS Coromandel to these waters in 1820.

The closing date is 28 February 2019.

For the criteria requirements please visit our project page [www.tcdc.govt.nz/coro200](http://www.tcdc.govt.nz/coro200)



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# Arts

## Watch this Space Coromandel

By John Eaglen



### 2019 winter programme for artists

2019 will be the fourth year of the WTS “by artists, for artists” winter programme at Hauraki House.

From May to September, this is open to artists from the Coromandel Peninsula and beyond. Highlights will include:

#### Shared Studios

Two or more artists work alongside each other (separately or in collaboration) exploring materials, techniques and inspirations. All creative genres – painting, sculpture, fabric art, poetry, and more. At the end of the programme work created will be publicly exhibited in a curated exhibition. Participation charge just \$60 – register now at [info@wtscoromandel.org](mailto:info@wtscoromandel.org) or call Sally on 027 302 4245.



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pating please register your interest by **31 January** to [info@wtscoromandel.org](mailto:info@wtscoromandel.org) or call Sally (027 302 4245) or John (021 930 470). **Open Studios Coromandel ArtsTour** First two weekends in October. Artists please confirm your participation to [artstour@wtscoromandel.org](mailto:artstour@wtscoromandel.org). There are some opportunities available for new artists to join this well established event. Be brave and apply! (See also separate article for Open Studios.)

### Coromandel Art Group

By Barbara Peddie

By the time you read this our exhibition will be in full swing at Hauraki House. We would like to thank very much the sponsors who donated prizes for the Judges' Choice Awards, namely the Lions, James & Turner, Coromandel Meatkeeper, and Peter McKenzie of Cormandel Boat Charter. And a big thanks to our judges too, Jocelyn Strongman, Caro Reid and John Gaffikin-Cowan. (At the time of writing this, the exhibition hasn't started, and so of course I don't know who got prizes!)

Our big joint painting of Coromandel Harbour was sold prior to the exhibition, but it will be on display there. We think this is our best joint effort so far, so come along and have a look.

And we hope to see you all at the exhibition, where you can view the results of our year's work. If you want to take away a memory of Coromandel, but don't want to buy a painting, some artists have notecards and prints on sale also. So there is something for everyone.

See you at Hauraki House, we are open 10am to 4pm, free entry, until **7 February**.

### Coromandel Community Arts Council – Hauraki House Gallery

By Raewyn Penrose

At the time of writing this report, our annual Christmas Exhibition at Hauraki House is in full swing, attracting many locals and tourists who have really appreciated seeing the local artists' work on display. Opening on 17 December, many people have taken the opportunity to purchase a special Coromandel gift for friends and family. This was the 30th successive year that this exhibition has been held, every year enthusiastically curated by Lindsay Garmson since its inception. This very popular exhibition was extended by a week through **23 January**.

It is then followed by the following exhibitions: Coromandel Art Group – **25 January to 7 February**; Diann Cade “Recall” – **8-17 February**; Easter Exhibition – in April; Autumn Exhibition – **10-26 May**.

It's going to be another busy year for Hauraki House and the local arts community.

To keep up-to-date with events in the Gallery check our Facebook page: Hauraki House Gallery or the Creative Coromandel website for events across the Peninsula

## Guess Who Answer



The man pictured on page 5 on his 21st Birthday is Richard Chrisp, Coromandel artist. Above is a recent photo.

Photo courtesy of Susie Whelan, Goosey Goosey Gander Photography

### Portraits

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Written by Lisa Brickell in collaboration with composer Sarah Macomb and dramaturge Ruth Dudding, Mockingbird is performed by Lecoq trained actor Lisa Brickell and musician/actor Siri Embla. Directed by Giovanni Fusetti and Ruth Dudding, Mockingbird follows Tina (Brickell), a counsellor who is afraid of commitment and terrified of having children due to her family history of postnatal depression. Brickell masterfully switches between four generations of characters and their hilarious “inner critic” which she performs in a Commedia dell’arte style half mask.

Mockingbird is rich with personal anecdotes from Brickell’s own family and informed by the work of Dr Diana Jefferies and her team at Western Sydney University, who studied historical accounts of women admitted to Sydney’s Callan Park and Gladesville Hospitals from 1885 to 1955. Brickell also consulted mental health organisation Changing Minds NZ. Taimi Allan, CEO of Changing Minds, says that sharing the real-life “lived experience” is “absolutely integral” to breaking down the stigma, barriers and discrimination associated with mental health issues.

“Helping people to share those experiences, through the powerful and engaging medium of theatre and sensitive use of humour, is a wonderful way to gain empathy and understanding rather than sympathy from audiences,” says Allan.

“This is the most wonderful show, deeply moving, hysterically funny with a twist that takes you to the darkest of places and returns you to the light.” – Alex Bonham, What’s Good, Auckland

**Saturday 9 March 7.30pm** Coromandel, Hauraki House Theatre. \$20, Tickets available from Harcourts, Coromandel Town

**Open Studios  
Coromandel Artstour  
“OSCA”**

The committee will be taking registrations this month for participation in the 2019 event planned for the weekends of **5, 6 and 12, 13 October**. We are looking forward to another successful year. With artist enthusiasm raised there should be a lot of new works created over the winter months.

Meantime groups of artists are forming around the town which serve to support each other pre- and post-Artstour events. This support encourages artists to remain “studio open” for viewing by tourists during the year.

Tiki Road’s group comprises Vaughan Udall painter, Jan Panther painter, Raewyn Penrose felter, Jan Linklater painter with the addition of Mike Barton glass worker, and Annette Kay mixed media.

Then there is the Top Towners of Julie Pijfers jeweller, Pete Sephton printer, Diann Cade painter, and Sally Tennent Brown mixed media.

The northern group of John Eaglen sculptor mixed media, Sam Ireland potter, Donna Scatchard painter, Greg Taylor woodworker and Nici Greulich weaver are exhibiting now at Backroom Gallery in Colville

It is quite invigorating to maintain this contact with each other, along with the WTS activities of the winter months.

Meantime Top Town artist Diann Cade has chosen to have a solo exhibition “Recall” at Hauraki House, opening at 5.00pm **Friday 8 February** (all welcome) and open daily **8-17 February** 10.00am - 4.00pm. Check it out. It is a time for her to reflect on the work she has in hand and where to from here? Art works are for sale.

[www.coromandelartstour.co.nz](http://www.coromandelartstour.co.nz)



“Friends” by Diann Cade

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# Environment

## McGregor Bay Wetland Society

By Carol Sutherland

### Plans on paper need implementation

Thanks to all who made individual submissions on TCDC's Reserves Management Plan, and those who joined together in the Community Submission despite the inconvenient deadline of mid-January. The Wetland Society has also made a submission.

Submissions may seem bureaucratic but they are an important part of local democracy. They don't have to be in legal language, as some from the heart can be quite powerful. However, the proof in the democratic pudding is how the authorities choose to respond.

Some of TCDC's actions in the past have been detrimental, although they should be following the principles of the Reserves Act 1977 (as we believe they are legally obliged to do) in order to benefit the indigenous flora and fauna.

There have been 25 years of community concern around the wetland, so acting upon a management plan would be a starter.

The wetland is a public scenic reserve. It's not private, it's ours as a community. Nor is it a drainage pond and the Reserves Act specifically outlines the right of access for the public in order to enjoy the reserve.

### "19 Scenic reserves

(1) (a) for the purpose of protecting and preserving in perpetuity for their intrinsic worth and for the benefit, enjoyment, and use of the public, suitable areas possessing such qualities of scenic interest, beauty, or natural features or landscape that their protection and preservation are desirable in the public interest."

The Act goes on to mention:

"• The public shall have freedom of entry and access to the reserve,  
• open portions of the reserve may be developed for amenities and facilities where these are necessary to enable the public to obtain benefit and enjoyment from the reserve."

Due to the drainage ditch and its length, access to the Reserve is difficult for the less able, thus a boardwalk is the most logical means of access. Part of the baseline study is to see what is there and where best to place a boardwalk and hide.

There are engineering skills in the Society, we have ecologists and we now need the community's creative input.

We are calling on the artists and architects within us all to reflect Coromandel in a small bird hide that is accessible for disabled people and engages small children. Pledged funding will be released when there is a plan and the go ahead from authorities.

mcmgregorbaywetland@hotmail.com for details

## Moehau Environment Group

By Nat Munnis

### Who Stole the Kiwis Call?

Unfortunately at the end of December someone decided they needed our kiwi call tower more than the kiwi listening platform at Port Charles did, so they helped themselves to it! They sawed through the very thick timber and stole the automated kiwi call tower that we had fundraised to have installed. This tower would emit either a male or female kiwi call when the button was pressed, enabling users to recognise a kiwi calling in the wild. It was a popular stop for many on the way to Port Charles, Big Sandy or further north. Because of this selfish and senseless destruction, we now need to raise funds to purchase and install a replacement. If you're able to help, please head to the "Givealittle" website and look for our page "Who Stole the Kiwis Call". Every little bit helps.

### MEG Summer Holiday Programme

At the time of writing, our Summer Holiday Programme is in full swing with over 11 activities having taken place, 690 people involved and \$2,000

fundraised. Our programme offers people the chance to experience Coromandel's natural treasures and have an unforgettable encounter with nature. As David Attenborough said, "No one will protect what they don't care about, and nobody will care about what they have never experienced."

### Keltic Fair

MEG raised \$400 in gold coin donations from people posing with Koru to have their photo taken.

Have a great month everyone.



Winston Knighton from the Morrinsville Police Station at the Keltic Fair



MEG volunteer Robyn Vinten having a cuddle with Koru the kiwi at the Keltic Fair

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# Sport

## Coromandel Croquet Club

By Kaye Anderson

Any time of year is a good time to take up the game of croquet! At the moment it's sunhats and sunscreen and an earlier start time than usual.

We are meeting at 8.45am to begin play at 9.00am, both Tuesdays and Fridays.

If you are keen to join us and need more information, call Kaye on (07) 866 8968. Otherwise just come along on a Friday at 8.45am. The club is situated in Woollams Ave next to the Bowling Club.



## Coromandel Recreational Fishing Club

By Allison and the Committee

Here we go again into another year which is going as fast as last year.

Will put the results of our Anniversary in the March edition all going well and we have it.

We had a quick meeting as we realised that we had made the theme for the Classy Chicks dressup theme "W" which was the Theme in 2017 so we have changed to "G".

This will be the 15th "Classy Chicks" Competition held by the Club. Date: **23 February**; everyone is welcome to join the competition.

We have a lot of fun at the prize giving with great prizes and the major prize being a \$1,500 travel voucher for the average snapper caught.

Posters and entry forms are out now for this competition, available from Wyuna Studios or Fish & Dive in Kapanga Road, Coromandel Town or email [coromandelfishingclub@gmail.com](mailto:coromandelfishingclub@gmail.com).

Here's to tight lines as always.

## Coromandel Community Recreational Society Trust Waikato Events Centre (Community Swimming Pool Complex)

By Debra Attwood

After a mixed December weather-wise, the January sun came out in force and people have been spending some quality family time at the pool. We also had many children attend our learn to swim programme while the pool temperature was very comfortable for the young swimmers. Special thanks go out to Debra, and Jodie for giving their time to teach these children valuable swimming skills. Also, thanks to Mark, Pete, Lisa and Felicity for helping set up and manage the many others who swam at the same time. February means back to school and back to a reduction in our hours; see hours shown later. Our morning swim time is well attended as either swimming or walking in the pool is a great place to start your day or if mornings are not your thing then come along later in the day if you like. Both of our pools are heated: the 25m pool is solar heated (so let the sunshine continue) and our toddler pool has a heat pump.

### Pool Hours during school term from 1 February

Mornings Monday to Saturday 6-8am, afternoons Monday to Friday 3-5pm, weekends and public holidays 12-5pm.

### Entry Costs

Adults \$4.00, students and seniors \$3.00, under 5's \$1.00, spectators \$1.00. Hot metered showers available for holiday-makers, campers, etc; entrance fee (showers only) \$2.00. Showers take \$1.00 coins for hot water.

Learn to Swim Classes run by the Swimming Club will start **11**

**February** and are nearly full so get in quick if you want to secure a spot. Payment of \$60.00 for the eight lessons is required before lessons start.

Call in to the pool for a registration form.

Remember if you are looking for a venue to hire for a day, night, afternoon our hall is available. Contact Debra Ph (07) 866 7660, mobile 027 348 2400 or email [debmack62@hotmail.com](mailto:debmack62@hotmail.com)

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| 11 Feb - 14 Apr | -       | 8.45 am | -       | 8.45 am | 6.40 pm | 8.45 am | 8.45 am |
| 15 Apr - 21 Apr | -       | 8.45 am | -       | 6.40 pm | 8.45 am | 8.45 am | 8.45 am |
| 22 Apr - 28 Apr | 8.45 am | 8.45 am | -       | 8.45 am | 6.40 pm | 8.45 am | 8.45 am |
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| 22 Apr - 28 Apr | 4.30 pm | 3.00 pm | -       | 4.30 pm | 8.45 pm | 4.30 pm | 4.30 pm |
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Hilda & family wish to thank all of those who sent flowers & cards following Ernie's passing at Phoenix House, Coromandel. Ernie's ashes are to be interred at the Ashes Memorial Garden, Coromandel Buffalo Cemetery on **Saturday 23 February** at 11.00am. Anyone wishing to join the family to say farewell will be most welcome. *To all of those that think of me Be happy as I go out to sea If others wonder why I'm missin' Just tell 'em I've gone fishin'.*

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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-midday  |
| 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 |
| 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 Jane Warren 021 232 2905 .....

**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.

# Calendar of events

## Coromandel Town February 2019

# 2019

| KEY  |  |
|--|--|
|  New moon   |  Full moon  |
| Tide times and heights from Land Information NZ<br>and are for Coromandel Harbour.<br>For Thames times - 15min High and -18min Low.  |  |
|  Blue bin bags out  |  Put recycling out  |
| RN = Rural North<br>CT = Coromandel Town & Te Kouma<br>TC = Thames Coast & Maniaia   |  |
| <b>Make sure your event gets listed</b><br>To get your event listed, email the details, your name and contact phone number to Debbie at <a href="mailto:corochronicle@gmail.com">corochronicle@gmail.com</a> with the subject "event". Or post to Jude Publishing, PO Box 148, Coromandel. There is limited space available and will be published subject to space availability, with preference to not-for-profit groups. |  |
| <b>1</b><br>Start Term 1<br>Coromandel Area School<br>(see Pg 26)<br><br>Free Community Lunch,<br>Mahamudra Centre (see Pg 10)   | <b>2</b><br><br>High tide 6.19am (2.6m), 6.32pm (2.5m)<br>Low tide 11.23am (0.8m), 11.57pm (0.7m)  |
| <b>3</b>   | High tide 7.09am (2.6m), 7.23pm (2.5m)<br>Low tide 12.48am (0.7m), 1.10pm (0.8m)   |
| <b>4</b><br><br>Start Term 1<br>Te Rerenga School  | <b>5</b><br> RN+TC  RN+TC  |
| <b>6</b><br><br>Waitangi Day<br><br>Free entrance to the museum<br>(see Pg 15)   | <b>7</b><br> RN+TC  CT |
| <b>8</b><br><br>Diann Cade exhibition at Hauraki House starts (see Pg 29)  | <b>9</b><br> RN+TC + glass RN   |
| <b>10</b>  | High tide 11.46am (2.7m)<br>Low tide 5.22am (0.6m), 5.52pm (0.6m)  |
| <b>11</b><br><br>CHRONICLE DEADLINE<br>- March issue content - 4pm   | <b>12</b><br> RN+TC  TC        |
| <b>13</b><br><br>Coromandel Marine Gateway<br>- opportunity for getting your questions answered<br>(see Pg 6)  | <b>14</b><br><br>Valentine's Day   |
| <b>15</b><br><br>Free Community Lunch,<br>Mahamudra Centre<br>(see Pg 10)  | <b>16</b>  |
| <b>17</b><br><br>Diann Cade exhibition at Hauraki House ends (see Pg 29)   | High tide 11.46am (2.7m)<br>Low tide 5.22am (0.6m), 5.52pm (0.6m)  |
| <b>18</b>  | High tide 12am (2.6m), 12.25pm (2.6m)<br>Low tide 6.01am (0.7m), 6.32pm (0.6m)   |
| <b>19</b><br> RN+TC  RN  | <b>20</b><br> Full moon   |
| <b>21</b><br><br>CAS Primary school camp Year 1-6 starts (see Pg 26)   | <b>22</b>  |
| <b>23</b><br><br>Classy Chicks Fishing Competition<br>(see Pg 31)  | <b>24</b>  |
| <b>25</b>  | High tide 6.29am (2.8m), 6.55pm (2.8m)<br>Low tide 12.07am (0.4m), 12.38pm (0.5m)  |
| <b>26</b><br> RN+TC  TC  | <b>27</b><br> RN+TC +  CT      |
| <b>28</b>  | High tide 9.13am (3.3m), 9.42pm (3.2m)<br>Low tide 2.53am (0.0m), 3.24pm (0.1m)  |
| <b>COROMANDEL RUBBISH &amp; RECYCLE TRANSFER STATION &amp; E-CYCLE HOURS UNTIL 24 FEBRUARY</b><br>Mon-Fri 11am-4.30pm<br>Saturday 10.30am-5.30pm<br>Sunday & public holidays 10.30am-6.30pm<br><b>AFTER 24 FEBRUARY</b><br>Tuesday and Thursday 11am-4.30pm<br>Saturday and Sunday 11am-5.30pm   |  |
| <b>Upcoming events</b>   |  |
| <b>March</b><br>Friday 1 - Free Community Lunch, Mahamudra Centre (see Pg 10)<br>Friday 8 - International Women's Day Charly Breakfast (see Pg 15)<br>Saturday 9 - Mockingbird - a comedy about mental health (see Pg 16)  |  |



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