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Editor's comment

Winter has set in and the calendar on page 34 is looking a bit empty! If you are holding an event over winter then please make sure I know about it in advance so I can get you on the calendar. The Open Floor Dance Classes look like a lot of fun for those wanting to try something new (pg 17) and children's dance classes have started too (pg 32).

Time for a winter clean up! As of next month I am cleaning up the weekly/monthly meeting page (pg 33) – to make sure everything is up-to-date. Sometimes I find out years later that a meeting no longer takes place! I want to make sure all the listings are relevant today. Therefore, to make sure your meeting continues to appear, email details to corochronicle@gmail.com or txt/ph 021 235 6648. I'll try to do this yearly from now on.

Keep warm.

Debbie

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Letters

Coromandel Business Association policy:

The purpose of the Coromandel Town Chronicle is to showcase the region and its people. The Coromandel Town Chronicle is open for everyone to contribute, however the editor reserves the right to select the articles, advertisements and letters that are published in line with the Coromandel Town Chronicle's publication policy.

Kia ora,

Thought I'd reply to the UCLA article in the May edition. It was stated that "it's time all conservation-minded groups and residents... in our community get together to support trapping and hunting on our maunga". Well the community are getting together, again. But it's to trap and discuss methods of slowing down the massive re-infestation of possums, etc. (a massive problem) and thus reduce the ongoing need for poisons which no-one likes.

There have been several articles in the Colville Panui regarding a wide buffer or fenceline of traps across the peninsula to prevent re-infestation (a huge problem). I contacted U.C.L.A. (Upper Coromandel Land Care Association) but they were too busy. It was good to see locals and Moehau Tangata Whenua representatives come to the well advertised open day to show their support. Perhaps U.C.L.A. should get together with the local community, then we will know who they all are.

This buffer (hopefully) will help halt the invasion. This area has been under the 5% kill rate twice (DOC monitoring) and re-infested.

Perhaps all the groups catching them south of Colville should employ some decent trappers because that's where they are all coming from.

As DOC Ranger Fin Buchanan once said when the count was up around 10,000, "It doesn't matter what you catch; it's what you leave behind that does the damage and re-populates."

For once I agree with him.

Yours Sincerely,

Kelvin Mouritsen, Colville, Advisory Committee for Regional Environment (ACRE)

What is Going On!

In case you missed it, 11 May was a watershed day in NZ. As reported by TV1, temperatures all over NZ reached extreme levels. But on what or whom can we place the blame – those who warn of global warming, the climate change deniers, Federated Farmers and their cows, foreign hackers, Wikileaks or is it simply TVNZ finally joining the band of worldwide news fashionistas spreading fake news? You can make up your own mind.

Regards,

Ernie Le Heron, Coromandel



Coromandel residents,

Department of Conservation has announced an intention to spread the manufactured poison 1080 over the Moehau, Papakai, Otahu, and Mataora forests of Te Whai o te Ika, the Coromandel Peninsula, during July and October 2017.

The Society is recording signatures for an open letter to the Minister of Health stating, We, the undersigned tangata whenua, members of local hapu and local marae, landowners, and local community groups, have not been consulted and have not been offered alternative methods.

Please email w.swallow@clear.net.nz if you are willing for your name to be published in support of this statement. Please state name, occupation (farmer, landowner, hapu member, resident), and location.

Regards,

Wendy Pond, Coromandel

Secretary, Manu Waiata Restoration & Protection Society

I would love to commend Sarni and Willie and the team at Coromandel Adventures for taking on the bus run from Coromandel to Thames. A large number of our guests and wwoof team arrive by bus. With many thanks and gratitude, as I feel it is such a great service for locals and visitors to Coromandel.

Sarah Ford, Mana Retreat

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Seafood Fest

By Gail London

What a great day for the 2017 Seafood Fest, held at the beginning of May, with an estimated 2500-3000 people attending throughout the day. The weather played nice, with a lovely sunny day.

We started the day at 9:30 with the Royal New Zealand Navy's 25-piece band putting on a stellar performance; woke everyone up and got the toes tapping! Also their 7-piece Dixie Jazz Band put on another performance later in the morning. Local musicians Gemma Loudon and the band Bits and Pieces played during the day, adding to the family friendly atmosphere.

Derek the Chef did three cooking demonstrations during the day and then the "Cook Off" between Umu (last year's winner), Pepper Tree and Success Cafe started early afternoon. This year they were

given a "mystery box" which contained oysters, paua, snapper, bok choy, fennel, edamame beans and an orange. Sounds good to me! The winner was Pepper Tree! The challenge is on for next year.

Gold Ridge Marine Farms sponsored the junior fishing competition, with all children registered getting a prize. The four major winners, Hawaiiki Povey, Phoebe Bromwich, Luke McCauley and Ruby Bromwich, all received Shimano Rods and Reels.

We had a good number of stall holders, with all sorts of goodies on offer. Plenty of food available, something for everyone's taste buds!

We would like to thank our major

sponsors, as well as businesses in town and locals who helped out with prizes, time and effort, as without their support the Seafood Fest couldn't happen. Thanks to: Gold Ridge Marine Farm, Harcourts, Richardsons, TCDC, Fishing and Outdoors, Colonial Cottages, Coro Cowboy Fishing Charters, Coromandel Fish and Dive, Strongman Diesel Supplies, Coromandel Four Square, Coromandel Takeaways and Fresh Fish, Facility Workx, More FM.

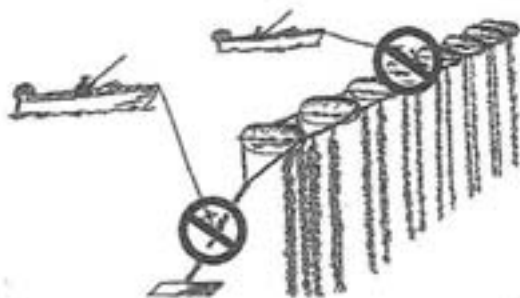
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Coromandel Lions

By Lyn Rose



Hello again. June is the last month of our Lions Year. I'm not sure why, but now having brought it up, I will have to find out! July will bring in a change of officers, although at this stage we are still looking for a new secretary and treasurer, also new members, as our numbers are dwindling with members leaving the area and also illness playing a part. If you feel you would like to know more about Lions and help in our community, then call any of the numbers below.

The Seafood Fest was for us, a success story, selling out before noon. The weather played nice and many locals and visitors were in town on the day. A great effort and good for school and town!

Another success story is the sailing club for students at Colville. We were approached before Christmas to help and help we did. With the full support of the Colville community, the enthusiasm of everyone involved and a little help from us, the kids are learning great skills and quite frankly, I'm a little jealous. I would love to learn to sail!

Another project happening now is the painting of the church steps, weather permitting of course! Some days we need divine intervention. This is also needed when it comes to our firewood deliveries. We are almost out of dry wood so we're not taking any more orders at present.

On to club stuff. Our annual wild and homegrown dinner night was, as usual, a roaring success, I have been assured. I was away that week for family reasons so I missed out big time... The Lion Rock was passed to Lion Rick for always fronting up and getting on with whatever it is that has to be done! Many, many thanks Rick, we know we can count on you.

June this year is the worldwide celebration of Lions as 100 years is worth celebrating! Will have facts to share next month or check out the website for yourself!

Till next month – keep warm and well.

Contacts: President Nigel (07) 866 8045, Sec David (07) 866 7104, Firewood Lyn (07) 866 7722



Coro Rocks

By Debbie Harvey

I had seen on Facebook, these painted rocks that people in Palmerston North were hiding all over their town. They had a group called Palmy Rocks which I joined to find out what it was all about. It looked like a lot of fun. A friend from the group talked me into starting it up in Coromandel, so I thought why not let's give it a go. So Coro Rocks was formed. We now have 140 members and more joining every day.

So what we do is paint rocks. Once painted and sealed, we hide them in the public gardens, tracks and walks around Coromandel Town or wherever they are travelling to. The idea is that the kids will go out rock hunting, they take a photo to post on the Coro Rocks page; they can then re-hide them or take them home.

It can be quite an addiction as some of us painters have found out; it's also great exercise and gets everyone out having fun as a family.

Coro Rocks is about creating art, spreading happiness and exploring our community.

If you feel like joining in the fun, go on Facebook, search out Coro Rocks, join the group and have some fun with us.



The disgusting mess of fish carcasses left on Oamaru Bay beach by fishermen two days in a row near the end of April. No offences occurred under the Fisheries Act but it is certainly not a very nice way to leave a beach! A written apology from those concerned has since been received – info sent by Chrissy Boyd, Oamaru Bay



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Coromandel Garden Circle

By Jenny Penman

The weather bombs and cyclones of March and April reeked not only havoc on our gardens but to our Garden Club Programme also with

postponements

two months in a row. The March meeting was our AGM with the appointment of a new committee and the eagerly awaited awarding of cups to the overall competition winners for the year in the various cup categories. These cup competitions are the more traditional part of our meetings, with one cup in particular being first awarded in 1950 – WDFD Deeble Cup for Best Arrangement.

Our meetings often take place at the homes of members where we enjoy being able to hear and see their garden achievements and works in progress for ourselves. Usually neighbours can also be persuaded to allow us a poke around their garden paths which has shown the wide variety of garden styles and plants thriving (or otherwise) around the Coromandel area. May's meeting saw us further afield at the home of a member's family in Whangapoua with stunning views out to sea and a fascinating shared history of the land's ownership.

Our programme for the year will also include talks, demonstrations and day trips to places of interest and events.

We meet the second Wednesday of the month usually at 1pm. For more information please contact Jane Warren (07) 866 8927 or 021 232 2905



Coromandel Town Information Centre

By Sandra Wilson, Manager



We certainly have been hit with some rotten weather that has affected our roads and walkways. Latest update we have is that the north end of the Coastal Walkway is closed and so is Fletcher Bay DOC campground, at this stage until 11 June. The Pinnacles walk is also closed.

That still leaves Matamataharakeke Walk, Muriwai Walk, Long Bay, Kauri Block, Harray Track, Kauri Grove, Kaipawa Trig, Success Track and Taumatawahine walks open. Amazing views and/or walks through native bush can be seen on these. Walks to suit all levels of fitness and time frame, from 20 minutes to 6 hours return.

Planning a trip down south? Let us take the hassle out of arranging transport. We can now book you from Coromandel Town down to and including the South Island with InterCity and Bluebridge Cook Strait Ferry service. Give us a call or pop in and see us. Book now, especially if you are looking at travelling over the busy summer period.

We can help you experience the wonder of Hobbiton, and then step back in time at Mitai Maori Village in Rotorua.

Arts on Tour present "Gloria's Handbag" at Hauraki House at 8pm on **Saturday 27 May.**

Homegrown Market takes a break over winter and will return later in October.

Remember when sending cards overseas, we have our own unique blank greeting cards. There are four scenes depicting the Star and Garter Hotel, Meatkeepers, Information Centre and looking down from the Pharmacy to Pepper Tree. Price \$3.80 per card.

Over the Fence: Life in Miniature is open every day except Wednesdays, from 11am-3pm over winter.

The Museum closes after Queen's Birthday weekend in June until Labour weekend in October. Keep warm and dry and safe on the roads.

We are open from 10am-4pm 7 days a week, have Eftpos available and my friendly team are here to help with enquiries and bookings

Coromandel self-build house wins at the New Zealand Institute of Architects Awards



Ken, Deborah and Duncan

Deborah Hide-Bayne and Duncan Bayne, from Coromandel Construction Ltd., are celebrating after winning two awards for their self-build project at the New Zealand Institute of Architects 2017 Waikato/Bay of Plenty architecture awards.

The awards ceremony and dinner were held at the Tauranga Art Gallery on Friday 28 April, and saw them with architect Ken Crosson, win a Regional Housing Award and a Resene Colour Award.

Their project, known as Sentinel House, has a bold sculptural form that, combined with its white painted brick cladding has made it quite a well known building in Coromandel Town. The judges said that the house, "plays beautifully with scale, texture and light to create spaces that are a delight to inhabit." About the Resene Colour Award, the judges said, "Designed as an object in the landscape, this crisp white house contrasts

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The Work Co-Op

The Work Co-Op are very creatively working at Jo McNeil's twice a week, producing a wide range of sewing and fabric art. Some are enjoying painting on fabric, some are making toys and fabric picture books for babies and toddlers, others are helping the cook in the family by sewing oven mitts. They are working towards having a range of their work to sell as presents before Christmas. You can buy some of the Work Co-Op's work on the CILT website.

The Work Co-Op always plays a big part in community events, helping set up for festivals, concerts and other local activities. They look after the lawns at the urupa at Manaia and volunteer at The Goldmine as well as having an ace catering team that caters for community groups and will also cater for family events like reunions, weddings, funerals and tangi. They do all this on a donation basis.

Contact Jean Ashby: 021 503 148 Email: workco-op@cilt.org.nz.

Career Navigator Program

If you are getting ready to look for work CILT can help you with all of the things that you may need to get to be ready.

CILT's Career Navigator Program helps with preparing CVs, advising on career choices, and even helping you get a driver licence. The program is holding a number of workshops that will help you feel confident in your job applications and give you the tools needed to succeed in your new job. If you are nervous about attending interviews, we can give you tips on presenting well and focusing on your answers. If you think this could help you please contact Marlene Johnson: 027 223 2629 or email: operations@cilt.org.nz.

Computers in Homes Program

Ten families have signed up for Computers in Homes. This program was designed for people who don't have an internet accessible computer at home. Participants come to the area school for two hours every week for ten weeks to do basic computer training with Matt Sephton. This gives parents a chance to improve their computer skills and be up to date with what their kids are doing, what their interests are and to be able help their children with things like their homework.

So many forms and applications require them to be filled in online now and they can be daunting if you are not confident on your computer. At the end of the course the participants get a free laptop.

Harry Track

We have had very positive feedback regarding the upkeep of Harry Track, which is in great condition thanks to the Community Board and to MEG who recently helped us clear the track and provided us with stoat traps that have been made and decorated by Coromandel School children. The new directional signs have also been gratefully received, especially by neighbouring property owners.

CILT Volunteers

Carol Sutherland, our volunteer co-ordinator, says volunteering for CILT is fun and has a great team atmosphere. Whatever your skill, background or interests, CILT can help you find a volunteer role. It might be helping people with a disability express themselves in art, driving people to medical appointments or being part of the new hands-on team creating a community workshop up at The Goldmine. The Goldmine team has room for artists, builders, electricians and those who like to tinker with engines. And if you want to work in the shop and give Benjamin a break so he could do other things, that we would be great.

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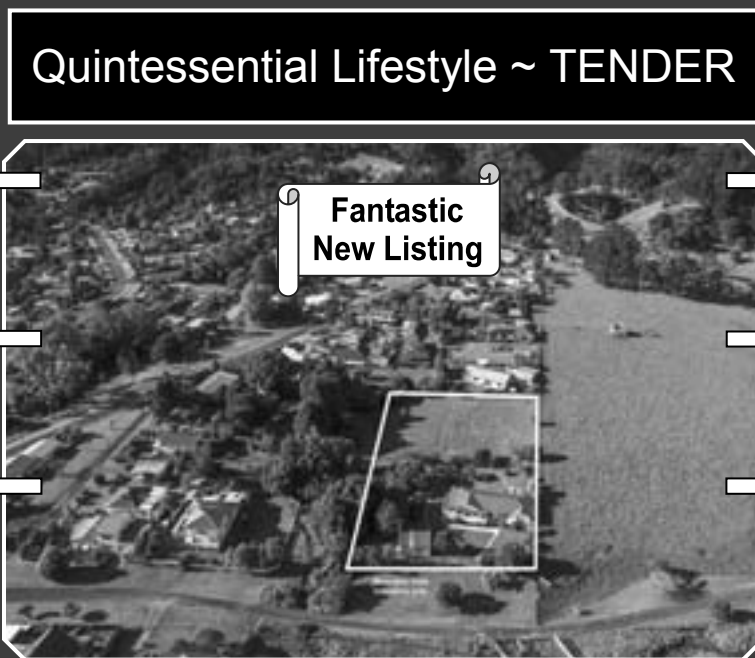
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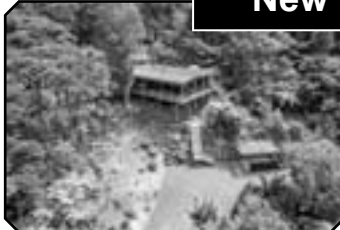
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By John Irvine

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of fresh meat for Christmas Day.
It's coming from Taranaki
a long way to the west
and I'm anxious for its safety.
Meanwhile I'm gazing across the road
at a squad of five poplar trees
all wearing their summer uniforms
of fresh green leaves
their heads nod in time
and their bodies sway
to the silent symphony
of the North Wind.
What makes this moment so special
is that I'm still wearing reading glasses
very short range
so what I see is a smooth and edgeless
dance without sharp definition
synchronised in a provocative blur
and I make a plan to wear these specs
every time I do this.

Coromandel Contract Bridge Club

By Judy Bronlund

June starts with a fun night on Queen's Birthday Monday. The club competition for June is the Tokatea Pairs. We thank our sponsors for our tournament prizes, which was held in May after the Chronicle went to print. New members and visitors are welcome to join us. We meet at the St John rooms each Monday evening.

Please contact Val or Lyn for further information Val (07) 866 8730 or Lyn (07) 866 8858

Coromandel Patchwork and Quilters

By Sharon Currie

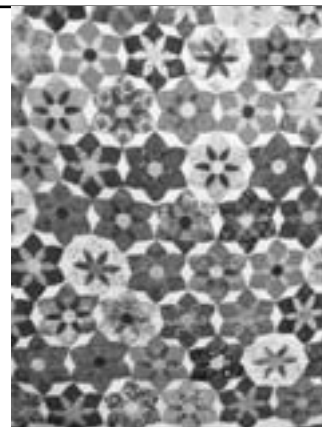
May began with a visit to an Exhibition of Modern Quilts in Auckland for six of our members. The day included retail therapy and lunch. Thank you to our drivers Jill and Lorraine for a lovely day out.

In June we look forward to a class with Shirley Sparks. This class was postponed due to the bad weather and slips on the coast road which made travelling difficult. Also in June the entries in the President's Challenge will be revealed at the Midwinter Christmas dinner. This was such a success last year we have decided to make it a yearly event.

Visitors are welcome on our meeting days. If you would like to learn about patchwork and quilting, call in on our meeting days and see what we are working on.

Our meetings are held 1st and 3rd (& 5th) Mondays of the month 9.30am-3.30pm, St John Rooms, Tiki Rd.

President Barb Excell Ph (07) 866 7493 Secretary Raewyn Penrose Ph (07) 866 8880



A scrap quilt made by Robyn Dudson

A successful start for Coromandel Adventures's new Coromandel-Rotorua Shuttle Service!

Our new weekday shuttle from Coromandel Town to Rotorua has been operating for over a month and servicing the critical need for travel between Coromandel Town and Thames for students and locals. Most days this sector is close to full capacity, making pre-bookings essential. Many Thames Coast residents are utilizing the service as well, along with increased bookings for residents travelling from Thames to Paeroa return.

The passenger numbers to and from Rotorua are quite noticeably growing as more people find out about the service, and with an especially enthusiastic Rotorua i-Site staff leading the way. On Monday 8 May Sarni and Willie took the shuttle on an "Official Opening Tour" of all the towns we stop at throughout the normal schedule. After being seen away in Coromandel by Deputy Mayor Tony Brljevic and Community Board Chairperson Peter Pritchard, we first met Mayor Sandra Goudie and MP Scott Simpson in Thames, then Mayor John Tregidga in Paeroa, Mayor Jan Barnes in Te Aroha (and later again in Matamata), and finally we were welcomed in Rotorua by Mayor Steve Chadwick and cast! Thanks to Sandra Goudie and staff for organising this as it resulted in publicity in social media and newspapers throughout the region.

The enthusiasm of Sandra, Scott and John we knew about because of the encouragement they've given us on the journey so far, but the excitement expressed by Mayor Steve Chadwick and Rotorua folk generally about the improvements the new service will make to Rotorua travel options was both surprising and highly confirming. Similarly Mayor Jan Barnes was confident we would see more and more people using the shuttle for travel within and beyond her district.

From Coromandel Adventures's point of view, any increase in visitor numbers during the quieter winter season will be to the benefit of all Coromandel people and help to redress the seasonal imbalance in tourism we experience in Coromandel Town.



Deputy Mayor Tony Brljevic, Community Board Chairperson Peter Pritchard with Willie and Sarni from Coromandel Adventures and some of the school children who use the service



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Singing and Taizé

By Vivianne Flintoff

The beautiful, four-part harmonies we sing week by week when we gather at the Christ Church hall on Tiki Road, originate from the Taizé monastic order in Burgundy, France. This order is unique in that the community is made up of more than one hundred brothers from across the globe.

While we come from different backgrounds, have varying levels of musicality and may or may not have a faith tradition, we join in singing the spiritual harmonies that can transport us, individually and collectively, to a place of peace, unity, joy, and fun. I love that singing and listening to the others – to be a participant in the blended harmonies – incorporates so much more of me than just my voice. My whole being is focused on the music and the harmonies we create together.

As a newcomer, I was warmly welcomed and included. No one has been negative about my mistakes, but have supported my efforts to blend my voice in with the whole. I was challenged when I learnt I was expected to learn my part by listening and trusting the flow of the music. Quite a hurdle for one who likes to read music before attempting to sing it. I am learning not only new songs, but trust in the journey of our shared music making.

Our group, ably facilitated by Sue, is growing and is still open to new singers.

For more information phone Sue (07) 866 8833

Goings On at Mahamudra Centre

By Sarah Brooks

We'd like to thank all of the people who came to our Pop-up Art Show and Shop at the Hauraki House Gallery last month, and especially our kind helpers who baked, donated books and goods, manned the desk, shared the news on social media, and lent a hand with set up and clean up. We could not have done it without you! Also a special thanks to Hannah White for bringing her beautiful jewelry and being there the whole weekend. Our shop is always available at Mahamudra Centre so feel free to stop in if you need a gift, card, or want to see some of my Coromandel photography.

We'll continue to have Thursday guided meditation this month in Coromandel but in a new venue – the community centre in Elizabeth Park on Allman Drive. This new setting for the winter is warmer and closer to the heart of town, so we encourage people to join in. We have meditation from 10-11am and then whoever has time goes out to a local café for a coffee or tea and discussion. No experience is necessary to join, and it's on a drop-in and donation/koha basis.

Our program at the centre this month is over Queen's Birthday weekend (3-5 June), when we welcome back Geshe Thupten Wangchen from Dorje Chang Institute in Auckland. He'll be leading an intermediate weekend teaching course on The Mind's Buddha Nature: The Tathagata Essence. This explores the logic behind the idea that all sentient beings have the potential to become enlightened, and is recommended for students who already have a familiarity with the basic philosophy of Buddhism.

The centre is closed in July, so all of our programs and the shop will take a break until we return in August. Then watch for news about the exciting things we have planned for the new season!

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Heart Beat – St John Ambulance Coromandel/Colville

By Julie Morris, Station Manager, Coromandel

It is for real – Coromandel now has a new ambulance!

Coromandel station has been very fortunate to have received one of the latest model “turnkey” newly decal coloured ambulances. It has a superior spacious layout internally with an extra side door entry available. The staff is very excited to be able to work in a modern up-to-date technological vehicle with all of the latest gadgetry.

The new ambulance now reflects our fluorescent donation boxes placed in town.

If you see us in the community please do approach us for a guided tour of our ambulance.

Our second vehicle on station is a health shuttle which transports renal patients to Waikato Hospital dialysis unit three days a week.

National Volunteer Week is 18-24 June

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

Stay safe, keep well.

Editor comment:
To get true effect
colour ambulance
picture above in with
a fluorescent yellow
highlighter!

Coromandel Budget Advisory Service

By John Gaffikin-Cowan

Big move

By the time you read this, Coromandel Budget Advisory Service should have moved, along with its associate organisations, the Community Organic Garden and the Coromandel Foodbank, to Tiki House. This brings us to the heart of the town, and perhaps it is more fitting that we should be closer to the other local community support groups. It will certainly be easier to refer clients between these other agencies.

The move makes no difference to the service which we offer to the community, and it may even raise our profile a little bit. Certainly in these fund-strapped days we have to do everything we can to justify our continued existence. One thing however has always been a constant, and that is the enormous support which we receive from the community, and for this we are very grateful. The widespread concern in recent weeks about where we were going to re-locate, and if we were going to be able to continue to operate, has been most gratifying. So it is good to be able to report that we have found a new home and, yes, as the song says, “we will survive”.

With the change, we have reconsidered our opening hours. At the moment we only have enough qualified staff, and funding, to open for three hours a day, four days a week. We feel that realistically those hours should be from 9.30am to 12.30pm, Monday to Thursday. Children will be at school, and most people can manage a morning meeting. As always, we will arrange sessions with clients at different times, where possible, to suit their needs. We’ll keep the Foodbank pick-up on Thursday too. We presently have two wonderful candidates going through the training process, so when they’re fully qualified we may be able to extend our hours. Of course, if it seems that those office hours aren’t working, we’ll have another re-think. Budgeting is all about adapting to the situation, and we hope that we follow that precept.

Meanwhile, if you want to discuss some of your problems, or wish to make an appointment, the Budget phone number is still (07) 866 8351 and you can talk to John, Anna, Caro or Lynda. The Budget cell phone number is 022 018 0849 – we reply to texts and messages during office hours.

Once again, the new office hours are now Monday to Wednesday, 9.30am-12.30pm for Budget Advice. Food-parcel pick-up is still on Thursday 10am-12pm

Coromandel Embroiderers’ Guild

By Diann Cade

Last month saw a group of Guild members eager to learn how to do bobbin lace. It was another very successful workshop held here in Coromandel by Catherine Musgrave of the Auckland Embroiderers’ and Lacemakers’ Guild.

Using Catherine’s words of her time here...

“But it wasn’t all about passing on lace making skills; there were homemade morning teas, dinner out at a local restaurant, a walk to the beach, a visit to the bead shop and lots of chatting. Thank you Coromandel, for a wonderful two days – I hope the class enjoyed themselves as much as I did and that at least a few of you become addicted to this new craft like I am.”

The friendship is strong among all members of the Guild; a delightful group of women sharing their like interests and skills.

We welcome new members. For further information about the Coromandel Embroiderers’ Guild and related activities contact Jill Wilson (07) 866 7484



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Changing Times

By Catherine Delahunty, Green MP

A few years ago nobody wanted to discuss medicinal cannabis except those who really needed pain relief, but times have changed. Part of that change has been the international evidence on the safe use of cannabis products for pain relief. The evidence has been growing for a while but was positively highlighted by the extraordinary leadership of Helen Kelly, who campaigned for medicinal cannabis in her dying months and gave the issue huge profile and greater respect. The Greens have always seen the cannabis issue as a health issue and been mocked for this but we really want to see medicinal cannabis options properly managed rather than existing on the black market and we want to stop making sick people who use cannabis, into criminals. Therefore we have a Members Bill from our health spokesperson Julie Anne Genter to provide for medicinal cannabis to people in chronic pain and with terminal illness. The time has come for a proper debate on medicinal use of cannabis and the Bill is that opportunity.

Other signs of changing times include the Edgcombe situation. We have friends whose house was badly damaged by the collapse in the stop bank and I am in contact with them and their incredibly stressful roller coaster ride as they try and rebuild their lives. This feels like the first community in Aotearoa where climate change has really and literally struck home. There are issues around the Council management of this issue, but the bigger issue is the terrifying new normal suddenly in our eastern community. The Pacific has suffered this for some time. I met a filmmaker in Auckland this week just returned from filming a Fijian village forced to move further inland as climate impacts have undermined their lives. We have more resources than Fiji but with the earthquakes in recent times there have been huge disruptions to some people's lives.

It's very important that we join the dots and hear the stories as well as look at the evidence so that we can face up to the changes we need to make. Both of these issues speak of changing times but one local threat keeps coming back. After 30 years, it's pretty frustrating to hear that New Talisman Gold at Karangahake and Oceana Gold behind Whitianga to Tairua are still trying to develop toxic gold mining in the heart of our communities. However I have great faith in a new generation of Coromandel young people who work with their elders to keep up the campaign. We love this place and after 30 years we will not hand it over to the holes in the ground, tailings dumps and industrialisation of our forests and mountains.



Library News

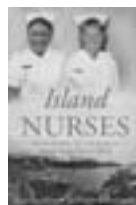
By Raewyn McKinney

The library remains busy, and our new heaters are keeping everything nice and warm in this colder weather. So, come in and browse through our collection for entertainment and information to while away the hours during the inclement weather to come.

As ever, we have many new titles in the library this month, including the latest from Rachael Herron, Greg Isles, Jo Nesbo, Katherine Scholes, Wilbur Smith, and Karen Swan, among others.

Titles that caught my eye this month include:

***Island Nurses* by Leonie Howie and Adele Robertson**



A story about the simple life on isolated Great Barrier Island; a story about two remarkable women and how they forged their careers in a remote place; a story of community and the births and deaths that shape the ups and downs of that community; a classic story of making do and overcoming adversity; and a story of hope and new life.

***No Place to Lay One's Head* by Francoise Frenkel**



Francoise Frenkel was a Jewish woman born in Poland. In 1921 she set up the first French-language bookshop in Berlin, recognising the craving for French culture in that city in the wake of the First World War. Her business was a success – attracting diplomats and celebrities, authors and artists. But life in Berlin for a Jewish woman and a foreigner soon became untenable. Frenkel was forced to flee to Paris and compelled to keep moving as she attempted to survive in a world disintegrating around her.

***The Midsummer Garden* by Kirsty Manning**



In 1487 Artemisia is in charge of the kitchens at Chateau de Boschaud but, having been taught the herbalists' lore, her knowledge of how food can delight the senses is unsurpassed. In 2014 Pip Arnet is an expert in predicting threats to healthy ecosystems. Trouble is, she doesn't seem to recognise these signs in her own life. What Pip holds

dearest right now is her potential to make a real difference in the marine biology of her beloved Tasmanian coastline. Two stories come together in a rich and sensuous celebration of family and love, passion and sacrifice.

The library is open from 10am-1pm on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday; 10am-4pm on Wednesday and Friday; and 10am to 12 noon on Saturday

Monday Walkers

By Irene Dunn

The past month has seen our walkers enjoying a coastal walk, beach and bush walks. Also a walk on Wanganui Island by kind invitation of Colin from the Coromandel Hikers Group. This walk is always a good one – amazing views all around from the tops of the hills we climbed, and good company. It's interesting to walk to different places and explore this part of paradise.

As winter approaches it's great to get outside in the fresh air and go walking - if you would like to join us and come walking on a Monday contact the number below for more info. Welcome to new walker Denise. Happy walking everyone.

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Homemade sausages

By Deborah Hide-Bayne

Thanks to everyone who came to visit my stall at the Seafood Festival... what a great day! Thanks, too, to the organisers who created another successful event of which our town can be proud.

The colder weather has been making me think of autumnal dishes to cook for the family, and it reminded me how much I love sausages! This year I got to make my own sausages with my brother-in-law Mark and I have to say it was a lot of fun. The end product tasted delicious and I felt good about eating them because I knew exactly what had gone into them. So here is a recipe for homemade sausages (with step-by-step photos on my website). You'll need a meat grinder and a sausage stuffer attachment too. If you don't have a stuffer attachment, you could just make meatballs.

Sausages are so versatile and can be used in pasta sauces, casseroles, toad-in-the-hole, or just plain grilled or fried with plenty of mashed potato... enjoy!



Homemade sausages

This is the recipe that my brother-in-law and I followed... we kind of made it up as we went along, but we also had a great reference book called, *Sausage Making, The Definitive Guide* by Ryan Farr, which was excellent. Makes about 20 sausages.

Ingredients

2.25kg fatty cuts of pork/beef 50/50 (lots of recipes say pork shoulder is good)
100g spice mix from Smoke and Spice – which contained salt, smoked garlic, shallots, coriander seed, mustard seeds, chilli flakes, soy sauce
2 good handfuls of fresh herbs – sage and oregano
salt and freshly ground black pepper
natural salted hog casings/sausage skins (approx. 5.5m)

Method

Set up the meat grinder ready for use. If you have different settings you may want to do a coarse grind first, then a finer one later. It also depends of what kind of sausage you like. I prefer leaving it at the coarse stage myself.

If using frozen casings, put them in warm water to defrost and to make them less salty. We also ran water through them (weird but fun!) to check they had no holes.

Chop all the meat into small chunks and put into the fridge until you need to use it. Cold ingredients are crucial.

Chop herbs and add with seasoning to the meat mixture. Put the mixture back into the fridge.

Working quickly, push the meat mixture through the coarse grind. Mix it thoroughly with your hands. Refrigerate the mixture whilst you get yourself ready to make sausages. You can fry up a little of the mixture in a frying pan at this stage to see how it tastes – you could always add a few more ingredients if you thought your sausage was a bit bland (extra ingredients could be alcohol (wine or sherry), vinegar, bacon, garlic, rosemary, thyme, fennel seed, smoked paprika or harissa paste depending on which countries' sausages you want to be inspired by). You also want the mixture to bind well and you may need to experiment with the amount of fat and liquid/meat ratio. Ours were a bit crumbly but the flavour was so good we didn't mind.

Add the sausage stuffer attachment to your machine. Take your warm casings and ease them onto the attachment, leaving a bit unfilled at the beginning. Then, you will need two people for the next part, one to push the mixture through and one to make sure the sausage skin gets well-filled with no air holes. Don't be discouraged if the first ones don't come out that well. Your technique will improve with practice!

Lastly you can either skewer a big round together and cook it whole, or you can twist them into individual sausages or links (harder than it looks, there is a real technique to this – YouTube videos are available if you want a go!).

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1 May - 4 Jun	-	-	-	-	-	8.45 am	8.45 am
5 Jun - 11 Jun	8.45 am	-	-	-	-	8.45 am	8.45 am
12 Jun - 15 Oct	-	-	-	-	-	8.45 am	8.45 am

Departs Orapiu to Coromandel: (approximate times)

17 Apr - 23 Apr	9.50 am	9.50 am	-	9.50 am	7.45 pm	9.50 am	9.50 am
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17 Apr - 23 Apr	4.30 pm	3.00 pm	-	3.00 pm	8.45 pm	4.30 pm	4.30 pm
24 Apr - 30 Apr	-	3.00 pm	-	3.00 pm	8.45 pm	4.30 pm	4.30 pm
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5 Jun - 11 Jun	4.30 pm	-	-	-	-	4.30 pm	4.30 pm
12 Jun - 15 Oct	-	-	-	-	-	4.30 pm	4.30 pm

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In a recent article in Northland's Northern News, Richard Nahi reveals family and friends also benefit when one person is able to overcome low literacy. You can read his story on the Trust's website, <http://www.adultliteracy.ac.nz> or access the full article at <http://www.stuff.co.nz/auckland/local-news/northland/89985511/reading-proves-key-for-gangster-turned-pastor> As the pastor says, "Anyone can do it, it's just how much you want to do it."

Contact the Adult Literacy Rural Trust on Freephone 0800 891 339 or email admin@adultliteracy.ac.nz for further information on how we can help you or someone you know to change their life

Coromandel Walking Group

By Irene Dunn

Dodging the rain showers while walking the streets each Tuesday and Thursday morning and having coffee with the "girls" is a great way to exercise – would you like to join us? We meet at the Lotto Dairy at 9am and walk for an hour – do as much or as little as you like.

We have been out to Te Kouma for a stroll along the beach front and then to Pam's for a welcome coffee. Thanks Pam – we enjoyed seeing your garden too!

In June we look forward to having our midwinter Christmas lunch – no walking that day!

Looking forward to seeing you all – laces tied and rearing to walk.

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New roles

I am delighted and excited to have been sworn as the Minister of Statistics as well as Associate Minister of both Immigration and Environment. It was a thrill to get the phone call from Prime Minister Bill English inviting me to become a member of his executive team. I have inherited important and topical policy portfolio responsibilities and I'm very much looking forward to getting my teeth into these important roles.

It's been a long time since we've had a Cabinet Minister from our electorate. I will work even harder to ensure our region is well represented in Wellington.

New Bus Service

Full marks to Coromandel Adventures for setting up the new daily return bus service from Coromandel Town to Rotorua via Thames, Paeroa, Te Aroha and Matamata. I enjoyed the chance to catch up with the bus on its first day as it passed through Thames.

Many of our visitors, especially from overseas, start their New Zealand adventures from Auckland. Obviously they don't want to go back to Auckland to continue on after they've visited the Coromandel. This new service means people will be able to depart from here and make their way directly to the tourist meccas of Hobbiton, and then on to Rotorua, without the need to go back to Auckland. The afternoon return trip will bring people from those visitor hotspots up our way so they can spend time and money in our patch. Perfect arrangement.

New Tourist Infrastructure Funding

We know how much tourists love the Coromandel and we love having them.

But we want to make sure their experiences will leave them with the right memories of our beautiful Peninsula while leaving our landscape looking as pristine as when they arrived.

So the announcement of a \$178 million tourism infrastructure package is a huge step towards that perfect balancing act. It'll go a long way to meeting the need for more tourism facilities.

We've already had some funding for local projects from a previous government initiative, but this new money will mean there are more to come in our patch.

Spreading Out

Congratulations and thank you to all involved with the latest production from the Coromandel Players. Roger Hall's Spreading Out was absolutely first class. I thoroughly enjoyed the show. Great night out!

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Open Floor Dance Classes in Coromandel Town

By Jacqui Chan and Lisa Corston

Open Floor is a fun and fulfilling dance practice. Because there are no set moves to learn, there's a great feeling of freedom in discovering our bodies' own unique ways of moving. As one of the founders of Open Floor, Lori Saltzman puts it, "We don't come to learn to dance, we come to learn from our dance." And what we learn is movement skills that expand our ability to move on the dance floor and through life. For example, we might explore the skill of centring ourselves. On the dance floor this might involve finding, feeling and moving from a centred place in our bodies. And this, in turn, helps us find our centre in the throes of daily life. We also practice "moving and including" whatever's arising in the moment (and in our lives). This means, be it emotions of excitement or sadness, our busy creative minds, or our soul longings, we welcome them all into our dance. The magic and medicine is that with movement these energies can shift and change.

So going to an Open Floor session is nothing like ballet, rock n roll or tango class. You can't get it wrong – so you won't end up embarrassed about being uncoordinated. You're free to move in whatever way fits the moment – walking, rolling, stretching, gliding, skipping... As teachers we play diverse and beautiful music to inspire

creativity and fun. And rest assured we give plenty of guidance along the way. Classes begin with a gentle warm-up to arrive in our bodies and prepare for movement. The music usually gathers energy to help us let go deeper into our dance. Then we introduce a specific theme or inquiry to explore, followed by time to do your own dance.

Sadly the label "dancing" has connotations of performance and what looks like "dance". So we suggest newcomers instead focus on the internal feeling of moving. Hence people often describe Open Floor as a type of movement meditation. Of course it's natural to be self-conscious the first time – since we don't usually move this way in normal life – but soon you'll feel the joy of coming home to your body, amidst a friendly group.

Dancing on the Open Floor builds a beautiful sense of community. There's something powerful about gathering with others and giving full expression to ourselves without words. It's a caring space of inclusivity, without judgement. We sometimes dance alone, we sometimes dance with others. And through this we learn about our changing needs for connection in our lives.

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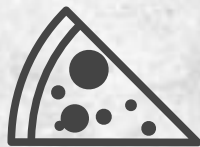
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Museum News

By Raewyn McKinney

The month of June signals the time, yet again, for the AGM of the Coromandel School of Mines and Historical Society Inc. This year's meeting will take place at 2pm on **Sunday 11 June** at the Elizabeth Park Village Hall, and we thank the village residents for allowing us to use their hall.

We welcome everyone who has an interest in the Society, the museum or local history in general. Do not feel concerned that your attendance at the AGM will result in automatic election onto our committee. Our committee is established, and we are not looking to nab unwilling volunteers. However, we do welcome all members of the Society to come along and meet the committee, give some feedback on the museum displays, or the running of the museum and share afternoon tea. We also welcome people who have an interest in helping in the museum. Perhaps you have a particular skill that you would be willing to share with us to assist with the conserving, restoring, displaying or storage of artifacts or keeping records; be it carpentry, painting, archiving, typing, model making or display design, or something similar. We also issue an invitation to anyone who thinks they may like to join the museum roster at sometime in the future. After Queen's Birthday Weekend, the museum will be closed until Labour Weekend, so we have no immediate need for new volunteers, but expressions of interest are always welcome.

We appreciate that many people are too busy to assist with the running or administration of the museum, but are still interested in, and perhaps proud of, the local museum. We invite these people to come to the AGM and join the Society. Membership of the Society does not carry any obligations, but does bring the benefits of a monthly newsletter, and free entry to the museum throughout the year.

While the museum is closed, work will continue behind the scenes. We have lots of work still to do on our archives, plans to redecorate some of the interior of the original School of Mines building, and have new and exciting displays planned. We have been fortunate to have been visited recently by Kate Elliott, Waikato Museum Regional

Collections Advisor, and a team from Mercury Bay Museum. They were all impressed with our current displays and have offered to help with our new projects. It is great to have this ongoing support.

Here are a few news articles of events from June in years gone by.

Thames Star, 25 June 1901:

"Coromandel Notes.

Coromandel's Loyalty

At a meeting last night it was decided to erect a tablet to the memory of Queen Victoria in the Coromandel district school with the funds in hand."

Thames Star, 24 June 1898:

"Damage at Coromandel

Coromandel 23 June.

Heavy rain and a gale prevailed here last night. A telegraph post on the Tiki

Road was blown down, and a shed on the wharf capsized. Two plate windows in the Bank of New Zealand were smashed, and a number of trees were blown down. Telegraphic communication between here and Kuaotunu is interrupted. The steamer "Coromandel", which left Auckland at 4.30pm yesterday, had not arrived at 11am."

Thames Star, 16 June 1902:

"Fire at Coromandel

Per Press Association, Auckland, 16 June.

The Digger's Rest Hotel at Coromandel, owned by Mrs R. Campbell, was totally burned. It was insured for £250 in North Queensland."

The museum will be open throughout Queen's Birthday Weekend, and will then close for the winter. We will re-open at Labour Weekend



The War Memorial monument in front of the then Court House in Coromandel was unveiled in June 1926 by Mr. T. W. Rhodes, M.P. for the district. About 70 members of the Coromandel Old Boys Association were present

Preparing To Let You Go

By Vivianne Flintoff

Soon you will exchange the mortal for the immortal
No more will you feel pain or shed any tears
Your soul, ever young, will join spirit to weave mystery
In our loss
Your presence will ever be with us
Reaching out from the place
to which you have always belonged.

Go easily when you are called
Pray for those us who remain behind
Trapped in our bodies of clay
Laugh until you can laugh no more
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Indians in Coromandel

By Gail Wilson

Members of the Indian Owners Register NZ (IORNZ) this February 2017, gathered for their annual soiree – this year in the stunning Coromandel.

40-plus Indians and their riders enjoyed the coastal vistas and winding roads that the Coromandel is famous for.

On the Friday the quiet seaside campground at Tapu had its solitude shattered with the arrival of tribes Indians from early.

The next morning it was up the coast to Coromandel

Township for the Barry Brickell experience and a lunch stop at the Star & Garter.

Our next stops were Whitianga, Coroglen Tavern and then Top 10 Hot Water Beach Motor Camp. The Saturday night meal, AGM and prize giving were held at Hot Waves Café.

Our thoughts are already turning towards Blenheim in 2018.





Grey Power Coromandel

By John Rabarts,
President

Grey Power continues to grow in Coromandel and surrounding area. Helped somewhat by spreading news of the benefits of Grey Power Electricity – lower and protected power prices, no markup on network services, direct debit discount, etc. Grey Power families with households headed by under 50's (our normal joining age) can also take advantage of electricity savings but become associate rather than full members of Grey Power Coromandel.

All Grey Power members are covered by an Accidental Death and Dismemberment Policy for the sum of \$2000. This automatic membership benefit with AIL Insurance is provided at no cost and provides cover for as long as the person remains a financial member of our association. Ask for details at our next meeting.

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Coromandel Bowling Club

By Linda Wright

Our bowling season has come to a close, after hosting the Thames Valley Ch/Ch Triples. The men's were won by the Thames Coast team and r/up Thames. The women's were won by Thames and our Coromandel Team, Lindsay Nicholls, Dolly Welch and Dianne Burton were r/up.

There was some great bowling to watch and much praise was given to our greens staff on the condition off our greens, from the bowlers around the Thames Valley who played in both events.

Mercury Bay won the Summer Cup in a close battle.

Dianne Burton and John Fowler won the last Coromandel Premiere League event with David Wheatherly and Patrick Corcoran coming 2nd.

We held a very enjoyable presentation day with David Wheatherly winning the most improved player of the year. Christine Lunn won first year most improved player. Well done to both of you. Also to Graeme Goss and Lindsay Nicholls, who were both r/ups in their events of the Thames Valley Ch/Ch Men's and Women's Singles. Well played by you both.

It was great to have Skine and Alan competing in the 1st Casual Championship game at Mt Maunganui. They came in 3rd and had a great time competing. Well done guys.

So don't forget our Wednesday night Quiz and Film night. Doors open at 6pm and start at 7pm.

Contact Linda Wright [07] 866 8440 or 027 651 3477



RSA News

By Pat Williams

The Anzac Day Service went off very well. Thanks to all those who attended. A big thank you also to the many school pupils who were present. I believe we had a visiting school rugby team as well.

Winners of the Anzac Day Welfare Raffles were Lena Darling, Gloria Williams and Lyn Williams.

Thanks also to all who made donations on Poppy Day. Total for our town and Colville was \$1963.50.

For the second year I got up early and attended the Colville Dawn Service. Once again it was a winner.

A morepork was calling, the mist was rising in the valley, the roosters started a chorus and a clear sky with a sliver of a moon set the scene. The Memorial was lit with many candles and two of the Colville School students placed a wreath that the students from the school had made.

President Kevin is back from his sojourn to the South Island; from all accounts it was a very happy time.

We are so blessed to live in this country.

Our AGM was held on 18 February. Office holders are: Kevin Stone – President; Alan Stewart – Vice President; Secretary – Lyn Williams; Treasurer – Pat Williams; Support persons (welfare) – F Mead, A Franklyn, P Williams; Committee members – S Fenwick, S Walters, B Page, L Beaver, J Robbie, M Mead, P Thompson, M Stone; Padre – J Gaffikin-Cowan.

Till next month, take care and be happy.



Our RSA Women's Section ladies preparing crosses for Anzac Day. One of the many ways we assist our local RSA

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Ann's Good News, Naturally

By Ann-Kerr Bell

Human Microbiome

In June I am attending the International Congress of Natural Medicine in Australia.

Speaking at the three-day seminar will be the world's leading doctors and specialists presenting the latest information on the human microbiome and related topics, such as cardio metabolic disease and obesity, microbiology and immunology, women's health – e.g. gut, breast, heart, and detoxification of the hormonal mimickers, children and paediatric health issues and immunology. Also being covered is the area of genetic susceptibility to chronic inflammation, healing chronic illnesses using evidence-based natural medicine and pragmatic approaches to healing and treating gut and general disorders.

I am excited to be seeing all the latest research and updates in this fast-paced field of the microbiome, creating an even deeper layer on how I already work as a naturopath, nutritional bio therapist and a medical herbalist, using functional, integrative and traditional medicine, and to be sharing it with you in my clinical practice.

What is The Human Microbiome?

If I were to ask you the question, "What are we?" you would be correct to answer "human".

But in fact it is now known that only 10% of the cells in our body are human! We are more microbe than human. For every one human gene a person has, they have 100 associated genes within their microbiome.

This second genome, as it is often referred, has a fundamental influence upon our physiology - i.e., how we work. It is constantly being linked to conditions affecting every system within the human body, making it one of the most popular and rapidly growing areas of health science, helping us to perform life-sustaining functions that we couldn't perform without their help.

Trillions of microorganisms living on us and inside us are connected with everyday clinical presentation such as allergies, immune dysfunction, digestive disorders, and chronic health issues, including cardio-metabolic disorders, obesity, cancer and psychological disorders.

These communities exist in unique complementary blends, and inhabit everything from our skin and genitals, to our mouths and eyes, and of course our intestines. The cluster of bacteria from different regions in the body are variously known as microbiota, including for example your skin microbiota, oral microbiota, vaginal microbiota, and gut microbiota, also known as "gut flora".

How Does the Microbiome Benefit Us?

They carry out a variety of functions which are vital to our health and well-being, but also our very survival.

Where Does Our Microbiome Come From?

As infants, we (and our guts) come into this world with a blank slate of sorts, awaiting our first contact with the microscopic organisms which surround us. Our first exposure via the birth canal, followed by the gut nurturing (and immune boosting) concoction of mother's breast milk, is nature's way of establishing the foundation on which we build our microbiome.

Why is the Microbiome Important?

Antibiotics and an obsession to sterilize our environment and over-process our food have resulted in a significant rise in gut-related illnesses. We know that an intricate web connects our gut flora to virtually every process in our body. Consequently, imbalances in our microbial communities have been implicated in countless health issues, including immune health, psychological well-being, and some of the deepest chronic health issues of our time.

Naturally, with all of the above, preventative medicine, nutrition and gut health is the common denominator, which has been my speciality for over 20 years.



SeniorNet

By Loes Beaver

What a great finish to an afternoon of tuition for Shirley, Ruth and tutor Tom. What we have been able to learn over the years of SeniorNet. I used my Ipad to take the photo and then forwarded it with our monthly article. We are always ready to help members and prospective members, so do keep in touch.

We will be holding our AGM at the school music room, 2.15pm on **Tuesday 6 June**. Do come along and support us.

Watch out for any scams such as a phone call telling you that your Microsoft has a virus. I know of at least two people who have received this call and they do not own a computer.

For further information contact Loes (07) 866 8053



Writers Group Meeting

By Claire Bengue

The May meeting was held at Claire's home at Te Kouma. There was a good turnout for a wet day, with seven attendees. The morning session started off the impromptu exercise; "the day that Grandma tripped over the cat". The 20 minutes passed quickly and produced a great variety of accidents from various grandmothers, and one where Grandma avoided any accidents because she did not like cats.

Poems were then discussed, including one in the style of a ghazal (a poetic form, originally Arabic, with rhyming couplets and a refrain, each line sharing the same meter). Books of other writers' poems were also discussed including *Dancing with Joy*, an American book edited by Roger Housdon and a poem from a book by Edgar Allan Poe about the Abeldard and Heloise, the French equivalent of Romeo and Juliet, whose graves are side-by-side at the famous Pere Lachaise Cemetery in Paris.

Books recommended included *Meeting the English* by Kate Clanchy, *Playing with Water* by Kate Llewelyn, *A Year of Space* by Eric Linklater, covering his visit to New Zealand in about 1952, and *Jewel by the Sea* by Phyllis Cory-Wright, starting a discussion on the absence in our local library of historic books on the Coromandel area with several other local books mentioned.

After lunch the homework was read: a cutting from a newspaper was to be reinterpreted in another manner. It is always amazing how one subject can be dealt with so differently by each member. We had a young girl at a ball, a photo of a whale's tail in Cook Strait, and John Key with the CEO of Air New Zealand taken in 2014, just 3 of 7 different subjects. A very enjoyable day!

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Our Coromandel

News from Thames-Coromandel District Council



JUNE, 2017

Join our beach house at the Auckland Food Show

Coromandel-based food producers and establishments are being offered the sought-after opportunity to showcase their fare at the biggest food show in the country in late July.

Our Council will once again set up its hugely popular Coromandel Food Collective 'Beach



Hot Water Breweries was one of the participants in our Coromandel Beach House exhibition.

House' stand at the Food Show in Auckland and it's not too late to be involved.

As well as media, potential business investors and people from the hospitality and food industry, tens of thousands of the general public flock to the Food Show, with many passing through our beach house stand last year to get a taste of Coromandel.

The Coromandel's appeal as a foodie destination will be marketed at the Food Show, which is New Zealand's premier event for foodies and draws crowds of 35,000 including media, chefs and buyers.

This will be the third year that our Council has featured local food and beverage producers with a targeted campaign aimed at promoting niche products that are grown or produced on the Coromandel.

Can't make it to the Auckland Food Show but want to taste the best of what the Coromandel's food producers have to offer?

Go to www.tcdc.govt.nz/foodtrail or www.thecoromandel.com/dine

Searching the District Plan made easy

We now have an easy way to search our Council's District Plan and obtain property specific planning information using an address or a zone as a starting point – it's called Line of Enquiry.

When you've found your property or zone on Line of Enquiry through the simple search function, the relevant District Plan rules are extracted and provided in a printable

document. This includes, for example, rules for building a house, subdividing a property or rules that apply to a zone or overlay in the District Plan.

Line of Enquiry is available through our main District Plan web page www.tcdc.govt.nz/dpd

Dog registrations

If you have a dog registered in our district, you will soon be able to renew their registration online.

The annual fees and charges scheduling is coming up in June, which means dog registrations are not far away. To make things easier this year, we are moving to an online payment system for dog renewal registrations with options to pay either bank to bank or by credit card. Online renewal eliminates the need to fill in a Dog Maintenance form and your tag will be mailed out to you.

This online service will be available from early July this year. To avoid sending renewal notices for dogs that are deceased or have transferred ownership, we are asking that dog owners update their dog's details.

Call our Customer Services Team on 07 868 0200 to update your details.



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UPDATE

Coromandel Sportsville – Tiger Turf is the successful tenderer for the resurfacing of the current netball courts at Coromandel Area School. The turf is a multi-sport compound made in NZ which is durable and requires little maintenance. The turf has a seven year warranty and the maintenance plan in the first three years is covered and undertaken by Tiger Turf. The facility maintenance after that will then be up to Council/School (yet to be confirmed) for approx. \$900 annually. The school/community board will work out design details (colour etc) then work can begin. Work is expected to be completed by the end of June.

Park and Ride at Hannafords Wharf –

A concept design for improving the parking and bus turn around at Hannafords Wharf is under development and once approved internally and discussed with stakeholders, will go to Council to seek the funding approval for the project.

Jacks Point Boat Ramp – The boat ramp has silted up over the past few months and is currently now only usable one-hour either side of high tide. The Board will discuss the next steps around the dredging programme at its next meeting.

Board Tribute –

The Board offers their condolences to the family and friends of Anne Ward, former Community Board member and stalwart supporter of the northern Coromandel communities. "We would like to acknowledge her years of service, and her commitment to the community and to our Council," says Board Chair Peter Pritchard. Her passing has been deeply felt by past and present Board members, and she will be dearly missed.



Anne, fourth from left during her last tenure with the Community Board back in 2012. L – R Tony Brljevic, Kim Brett, Keith Stephenson, Anne and John Walker.

Queen's Birthday Kerbside

Kerbside rubbish and recycling collections will be one day later than usual the week



following the 5 June Queen's Birthday public holiday. And remember, that week is Week 1 of our fortnightly recycling schedule. If the sticker near the top of your wheelie bin has a 1 next to the day of the week of your Kerbside collection (eg Tue 1), then put out your wheelie bin and crate for glass with your blue Council rubbish bag. For the full Kerbside schedule for your area go to

www.tcdc.govt.nz/kerbside

All seven of our Refuse Transfer Stations will be open on the Queen's Birthday public holiday until 5:30pm. Opening times vary between 10am and 11am, so check the full schedules at www.tcdc.govt.nz/rts



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Mana Update

By Penelope Carroll

When Sarah Ford and Simon Stigner came to wwoof at Mana for six weeks in 2009, never in their wildest dreams did they think they would be living and working here – that this would become home, and the Coromandel community would become their community.

But eight years later Sarah is the centre manager – responsible for the smooth running of the centre, the well-being of staff and guests, and planning courses and coordinating with presenters – and Simon is financial manager and oversees centre maintenance.

“We were living in Worthing and I was working for British Airways. I could have a free ticket to anywhere in the world for myself and partner so suggested to Simon (born in New Zealand) we come to New Zealand for a holiday.”

They drove past the Mana gate on their 2007 whirlwind tiki tour but didn't venture up the drive. Back in the UK, making plans to move here, they saw details about Mana in the wwoofing guide and remembered seeing the sign.

Their first wwoofing stint at Mana was one of several during two-and-a-half years exploring and wwoofing around New Zealand. The last time they returned it was to stay, and to take on various roles at the centre. For Sarah these have included reception, gardening, housekeeping, the wwoofer programme, cooking and duty manager – along with teaching yoga.

“I feel so blessed to be here in such a beautiful place, to be part of an incredible vision, to be nurtured by such a wonderful community,” she says.

She is very involved with the Mana and wider Coromandel community, including singing with Tara choir and the Taize singing group; sailing with the Manaia Yacht and Boating Club; helping in Bine's community garden which provides seedlings and vegetables for Mana; checking traplines for the Moehau Environmental Group; and part of Kuaotunu Search and Rescue.

And Sarah's favourite recipe from the Mana Kitchen:

African Beans

Ingredients: 1 cup cooked white beans; 1 large onion, chopped; 2 cloves of garlic, crushed; thumb-sized piece of ginger, grated; a little oil for frying; 400gm tin of chopped tomatoes; 3 cups coconut milk; 1 tbsp each curry powder and paprika; 1 tsp each cinnamon, dried basil, cumin; dash cayenne pepper; freshly ground sea salt and pepper to taste.

Saute onion, garlic and ginger in oil until soft. Add spices and sauté a few more minutes. Mix in tomatoes, coconut milk and beans, then add basil, salt and pepper, and simmer for 10 minutes.

Great served with rice, millet or quinoa or a root vegetable mash with garlic and olive oil. It's vegan and gluten free and serves 4-6.

Animal Rescue Thames

By Alice and John Parris

Firstly thank mews to everyone who has donated cat and kitten biscuits, sachets and tinned food; for the donations of items for us to sell at the garage sale; and for a bag of gorgeous handknitted blankets for the cats. We truly appreciated these donations. We had an amazing lady arrive with three cat cave beds, two flat pet bed, some gorgeous fleece blankets, box of assorted tinned foods, and fresh meat for our rescue kitties, which was a true blessing and the cats were spoilt and have some gorgeous new warm beds to snuggle into.

Nothing rehomed this month – for the classic tabby that was pending a home, we have heard nothing from the people as to whether they will be adopting him or not but for now he and the tabby girl he bunks with are having a lovely time together.

Newbies – yes, we gained a delightful torbie that had no ideas what other felines were and Miss Grumpy bum hissed and spat at all of our rescue kitties, even our Neeva got a ginger tabby paw not so lightly placed 'round his ears, which left him totally confused at this misbegotten small package with bad manners. Thankfully Mymy, as we named her, has settled down and is less grumpy and more social. Very sweet girl who is all purrs. She is yet to be desexed, then can be released for adoption.

Two malnourished, sickly kittens came in and we held grave fears for the black one even making it through that night. We did everything and more for both of them and the black one has packed on weight and is doing very well. The tabby, scruffy thing we call Worzel – is still gaining condition slowly. Following those two we had one ginger and white and two others come in – the ginger is okay and the other two are also very, very slowly gaining condition. Really sad to see kittens so young, so frail, but these are all second litter kittens and always more frail, and require more intensive treatments and we work with them to ensure they receive the best care and more, plus the extra specialist foods for them. To have six kittens under eight weeks come in was not as we had planned but they were in crisis and for their well-being and welfare we took them and will continue to work with them and get them up to condition, fat, fit and healthy, desexed and rehomed. That is really the basic plan for their furry lives.

Winter cold upon us has seen wheat bags and hot water bottles brought out for the smaller kittens so they have a warm bed to snuggle into. They also enjoy the polarfleece bedding and pillow cases we had donated, as these are so cosy and warm they love them.

Wanted – homes for our older kittens and cats who still wait for that forever home to go to – they will make awesome lap warmers and mouse patrollers, all desexed, wormed and deflead. Also winter bedding, wheat bags, blankets, hot water bottles. Donations of cat and kitten foods, biscuits, tinned, sachets all appreciated.

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Rangatahi

CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN



Coromandel Community Preschool

By Debra Attwood



We are nearly half-way through the year; where has the time gone? We recently entered a competition run by Keep New Zealand Beautiful, called "Wall Worthy", to design a mural for our centre. We were very fortunate to win this competition. We would like to thank Genevieve Morley for her beautiful design. This mural has been dedicated to our friend and colleague Pete Buddle and it depicts our unique environment here in Coromandel. Once the design has been drawn onto board we would like to invite local artists to assist us with its completion. If you can help us in this endeavour, please contact Belinda.

June is "be a tidy kiwi month" and we would like to challenge everyone to do

their bit by reducing the amount of waste they produce, reuse, and recycle where possible and to help to clean up our beautiful towns, schools, parks, beaches, walkways and anywhere else in the area. Please be responsible. Pick up rubbish if you see it around and place it into bins.

Since our last report we have celebrated birthdays for Hannah, Carter-Jay, Kyron W, Zianna, Jack, Mary-Mei, George, Reid, Te Onetu, Juan-Kaito, Zoe and Amira and we wish them a very happy birthday. We said farewell to Carter-Jay and Hannah, who begin their learning journey at school.

We have spaces available in our under 2's area so if you have a child this age and are looking at preschool options, come along for a visit. We are full on the over-2 years side but the waiting list is now short so if you are looking for a quality early childhood centre come along and see if this is the right place for you and your child to begin

their lifelong journey of learning. You can put your child's name on the waiting list if required. Check out our latest Education review on the website: <http://www.ero.govt.nz/Early-Childhood-School-Reports/Early-Childhood-Reports/Coromandel-Community-Preschool-18-11-2013>.

Thank you

We would like to thank Karen and Michael of Star & Garter for their support of our centre as we were the recipients of their Pizza Sundays community fundraising scheme, this is a great initiative to help community groups in Coromandel so we would like to encourage everyone to support the cause. (*Editor's note: see ad on page 17 for details of Star & Garter latest pizza/fundraising deal.*)

The centre operates Monday – Friday 8.30am-4.00pm. We are situated at 155 Pottery Lane. If you are interested call in for a visit or phone us on (07) 866 7570

Coromandel Area School

By Emma Blake

An insider's look into our Outdoor Education programme, led by Sam Blake

Term One has come and gone. As we head into the busy Term Two timetable, let's take a look back at what the Outdoor Education class has been up to.

It has been a busy term with the class being made up of year 11, 12 and 13 students. This has made for a lot of hard work by the students to get things done. The primary focus of the first term focussed on tramping, camping and bush-craft. This saw the class taking part in a number of field trips which ranged from walking up the Success Track and along the main divide, to some summer swimming at the Waiau Falls pool. These excursions laid the foundations for our Tongariro camp. As we all know, Mother Nature had different plans and our alternative tramp inside the Pureora Forest Park was where we ended up cutting our teeth on all things tramping. The camp proved to be a very successful trip, with many of us performing much better than we had first thought possible.

Once the tramping was out of the way we switched our focus to preparing for the ARC Kauri Classic. The training that was required for this helped the class to better understand our body's short- and long-term responses to exercise and many of the students are displaying some outstanding levels of fitness. Again,



the training for this run has been varied, with students taking part in various circuits, mountain runs and lab tests.

By far the most impressive lesson was watching the students take part in a sweat lab. This requires each member of the class to weigh themselves, and then take part in one of Sam's circuits. The catch was that Sam chose to run the circuit in the small foyer area of the hall. He had also closed all of the windows and was running two heaters flat out to bring the room temperature up to a minimum of 36 degrees. At the end of the lab each student then re-weighed themselves to investigate how much weight they had lost. To say that everyone was exhausted is an understatement.

One of the more memorable day trips was over to Whangapoua, where the students took part in a boot-camp style fitness training.

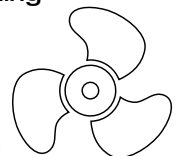


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Kiwi Can

“Kia Ora Tatou Katōa”

Term Two is well underway and our tamariki have found out what this term's Theme and Catchphrase are. Our Theme is Resilience, and we all know that resilience means “Coping with challenges and bouncing back”.

Our Term Two Catchphrase is “Keeping calm and in control, helps us all to reach our goals”.

Kiwi Can says “Stop...Think...Go!”

This is about teaching our tamariki that when they are faced with a problem or a challenge to Stop! Take a breath or take time out and Think! about what has happened or what the challenge is, make a plan and when you are comfortable with what you have decided Go! Act on your plan with confidence.

In June we are looking at having an open day at all of our schools when parents and family members are welcome to come into the classroom and observe or join in on a Kiwi Can Lesson. This will be held in week eight on **Tuesday 20 June** at Colville School, **Wednesday 21 June** and **Thursday 22 June** at the Coromandel Area School and **Friday 23 June** at Thames South School.

A note will be sent home in week six with your child's Kiwi Can class time.

Details will also be posted on our Kiwi Can Coromandel Facebook page www.facebook.com/kiwicancoromandel/

Heads up: Kiwi Can Disco **Friday 7 July**.

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

Want to help out Kiwi Can Coromandel? Contact Marlene Johnson 027 223 2629 email: kiwican@cilt.org.nz.

The Coromandel Kiwi Can programme is managed by the Coromandel Independent Living Trust, officially sponsored by Sanford Ltd and supported by The Lion Foundation, CSSC (Colville Social Service Collective), Trust Waikato



Albey was chopped in half by Elgregoe this year

Te Rerenga School

Learning, it's what we do...

By Anna Yates

School has resumed at Te Rerenga for Term Two and we have had a visit from Elgregoe, the magician. We have Elgregoe every year and he still manages to surprise us every year with his fascinating illusions. This year he split one of our students in half, much to the amazement and gasps of our children.



Excited faces watching Elgregoe

A group of our senior students attended the National Young Leaders Day in Hamilton this year, where they were entertained as well as inspired by some amazing people. Our Board of Trustees fund these experiences to build leadership within our school and to reinforce all of those important messages around how to be amazing people.

Elgregoe tells us how to be a hero and treat others the way in which we want to be treated. NYLD utilises role models who speak about how they have overcome challenge and setbacks to succeed in their lives. The NYLD this year was based around the whakatauki “e kore au e ngaro he kākano I ruia mai I rangiātea” (I am a seed born of greatness). Some of the speakers at NYLD that stood out for our students were...

“I think all the speakers were amazing and inspiring but the one that I liked the most was Daniel Flynn because he was just a normal kid with a normal life until he had an idea. From that he turned his idea into a reality.” Luscha

“Zane Scarborough stood out for me. He had a good sense of humour and what he said was ‘my friends aren't responsible for my actions’.” Hamish

We have certainly started the term with some strong messages and experiences that help us be the best we can be.



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Environmental

Save the birds?

By John Veysey

This winter there will be a fourth 1080 drop over the Papakai reserve between the 309 Road and the Tapu/Coroglen road.

Previous drops were to mitigate the damage caused by flooding. 12 years of 1080 drops and still no reduction in the damage caused by flooding.

This year there is no longer any pretense that the 1080 drops are for the purposes of reducing flood damage. This time we are being told the 1080 drops are to "save the birds". Just what birds these are and how in need of saving they are has not been revealed. There has been no bird monitoring done and the only evidence of bird numbers now comes from individual observation. After the last 1080 drop in 2013 I noticed a severe depletion of our hawk numbers which are only just recovering four years later.

On the peninsula 1080 has been given plenty of opportunity to justify the promise of its sales talk but as yet we have not observed any birds being saved nor any reduction in the flood damage when it rains. I question whether 1080 is producing any benefit to the environment.

Under the new RMA rules regional council will have no power to oversee DOC's 1080 drops. Through their interpretation of the RMA regional council used to enforce the usual standards and regulations associated with 1080 drops. That power was removed on 1 April.

Climate Change: Is it real?

By Chris Ogilvie

For far too many years the tobacco industry knew that scientific studies had shown that smoking was bad for health, and often lead to a premature death. But admitting this was not in their interests, so they worked to support those who preferred to deny these facts, and they kept publishing dubious reports and disinformation saying that "Nothing has been proven yet", etc, etc.

And so it is with Climate Change. There are tens of thousands of scientists worldwide, working in so many different but related fields, funded by numerous different sources, whose research is virtually all pointing to the same conclusion: green house gases from man's activities are trapping more heat in our atmosphere. This is causing changes in weather patterns: ice, glaciers and permafrost are melting, oceans are warming, droughts are getting worse, as are both freezing and tropical storms, along with numerous other problems such as sea level rise, coral and plankton loss, desertification, extinctions, you name it.

But this does not suit big oil, big coal and various other big businesses who rely on the status quo. So, sadly, they are in denial, pushing doubt ("It's just weather"), distorting facts, persuading people that surely this can't really be happening. And ignoring the terrible damage to our kids' futures being done by not addressing the problem right now.

The United Nations has set up the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change to provide an objective scientific view of climate change, with 195 member countries working on its political and economic impacts. They all contribute scientists who study the reports from the worldwide scientific research being done, and draw conclusions from the masses of information they have access to. They are clearly a reliable source, and they err on the side of caution. Their website has a lot of reports, a relatively easy one to follow is on this page; http://www.ipcc.ch/pdf/assessment-report/ar5/wg1/WG1AR5_SPM_FINAL.pdf. It has brown boxes with short conclusions throughout and these make alarming but very important reading.

If you see climate change being a bit like fairies, something you may or may not believe in, then you should read this and understand that it is scientific fact and not something to argue about. There is no longer any question as to whether it is actually real, and man-made. The questions now are what more can we do to bring it under control, to mitigate the inevitable bad effects, and how can we make those things happen fast enough to be in time, if not too late already.

You can also check out both IPCC and Climate Change on Wikipedia if you want to know more about it.

MEG winter lecture series

Our next lecture is "Conservation projects – motivations and pitfalls" with Dr Chris Lalas from Penguin Rescue, Moeraki, North Otago. It takes place on **Monday 12 June** at 7pm – free. At Moon (rear of Wharf Rd Cafe), warm fireplace, warm drinks.

Penguin Rescue is a charitable trust created to intensively manage a population of endangered yellow-eyed penguins.

Chris is a scientist who has been involved here for 35 years and is now one of three volunteers who each work the equivalent of full time.

His specialties here are population dynamics, diet, plant propagation, chainsaws, and battling weeds, bureaucrats and bozos.

Chris will cover a variety of topics outlining the pleasures and frustrations of conservation management: motivations for involvement by volunteers; saving species versus saving ecosystems; facts versus beliefs; experience versus knowledge; competition for funds among NGOs; conflicts in judging success; cost-effectiveness of management practices; regular assessments of progress; adopting changes; disturbance by tourists; relevance of land ownership; ensuring succession of personnel.



Dr Chris Lalas



Waikato Regional Council Catchment meeting

By Reihana Robinson

By the time this reaches your eyes the WRC Coromandel Catchment meeting held in Coromandel Town will have discussed the following issues of concern to Coromandel residents. While the editor publishes the Chronicle on behalf of the Coromandel Business Association to "showcase the region", it behoves your representative to report on issues of consequence that reveal a Coromandel that is not quite the paradise we all yearn to share.

For example, tourism development goes hand in hand with adequate infrastructure. How to share those costs within a finite landscape?

The "One Peninsula" Chris Lux instigated should mean a state of the art sewage facility built outside the flood plain could definitely benefit Coromandel ratepayers. As your representative on the WRC Coromandel Catchment Committee I have raised issues of soil conservation and organic practices and the public use of glyphosate, with no appreciable impact. The resistance of the status quo, whether to government policies such as the dirty industry of finfish farming in the Hauraki Gulf, or the ongoing poisoning of our wilderness, finds our voices are muted. The Coromandel Catchment Committee will be discussing:

- public notification of any tenders for cage fish farming in the Coromandel Marine Farming Zone;
- monitoring of all streams on the Coromandel, used for recreational purposes, for swimmability ratings;
- the posting of complete information (on WRC website) regarding pest control grants that involve use of toxins;
- support of (Ngati Hei committee member) Joe Davis's request that trappers be employed ahead of any poison drop.

Ten years ago in June, Coromandel Town gathered forces and around 350 people marched in the street in support of humane wild animal control. 1400 signed a petition. TCDC and the Coromandel/Colville Community Board supported trapping, hunting and cyanide (non-residual) poison to help protect our biodiversity. And still we raise our voices as we learn of DOC's planned poison drop with no non-target species monitoring and no concern for the explosion in rat numbers that Landcare researcher Graham Nugent has documented, nor any attempt to replicate the outstanding success of Goodnature traps over landscape trials in Te Uruwera.

Arts

WTS Coromandel

By Lora Mountjoy

A creative space, time away from distractions, time to let something new emerge.

This is the promise of the Shared Studio concept, and as the first poet to participate, it more than lived up to expectations. Uli had mentioned that WTS was not just open to visual artists, but to poets too. Encouraged, I contacted Sally Tennent-Brown, and we discussed maybe working together.

Then I got a phone call, "Could you do it next week?" A quick look at my diary and "why not"? So Monday morning found me setting up a desk in the sunny room in Hauraki House as Sally unpacked paints and paper onto a large central work table.

To make a picture she selects colour, contemplates
Then moves across the wide board stippling paint
Old patterns transformed

To make a poem I creak and crank out a word or two
Just the present sits with me; a cough, white walls
Floor the colour of honey.

To get my creativity going Sally suggested I pick up a brush. The physical act of swooshing colour on paper released words from my brain. Sometimes she took up a brush and I gave her words to respond to in lightning sketches. I walked down to the river, returning with small nature poems urgently seeking pen and paper. As the week went on I had written a number of these, but more importantly had rediscovered the delight of allowing creativity to flow.

I wholeheartedly recommend this experience to anyone with a passion to create art of any sort.

This was one of the small verses which sprung into life that week:

Bad Advice

Before you try to fly
Imagine the landing
That way you will never
Get off the ground

To contact WTS email: info@wtscoromandel.org. The Open Studios continues through winter, and there is still space for others to join. Why not?



Coromandel Art Group

By Barbara Peddie

We held our AGM early in May, and Val Gray remains our president, Ross Dixon vice president and treasurer, Barbara Peddie becomes secretary and Ruth Whall stays as librarian. We thank Lindsay Nicholls for her work as secretary for many years.

Sharon Whittle then regaled us with the story of her valiant efforts to take photos, from a secret rural location, of what may well become a group panoramic painting for the next Art Group Exhibition. In this quiet, bucolic setting, calmly capturing the views, she became aware of the earth moving – it was hoofbeats. A herd of enormous cows shared the same paddock, and were galloping towards her! She held her ground and continued photographing, even while they cavorted and frisked around her. But finally it all got too much and she grabbed camera and tripod and proceeded, with dignity she said, to the nearest fenceline, only to find it was electric!

It all ended well, no animals or humans were injured, and Sharon got the photos. The things we do for art!



Sharon sketching – cows?

Coromandel Players

By Don Hughes

A very brief contribution from the Players this month as, at the time of writing, we are all focused on presenting Roger Hall's play "Spreading Out".

However, I would like to remind you about our mid winter celebration of our 40 years of productions. The aim is to perform, after an introductory commentary, a few key scenes from a handful of the 70 plays we have presented since 1977. Last year I wrote asking theatre-goers to let us know of any plays that they had particularly enjoyed and would like to see an extract from. To date we have received only two requests, so we have decided to include a couple of our favourites that are "doable". I'm sure you can see that we are constrained by the sad loss of many past performers.

Along with the snippets from the plays (well we are after all a "theatrical group") we will have a static display of photographs and programmes from all of our performances together with some personal memories and costumes. We will also play a recording we made for the concert programme of J K Baxter's "Jack Winter's Dream". This was sadly not broadcast because of intrusive wind sound introduced into the effects.

We are aiming for mid-August and what should be a fun couple of evenings and look forward to you joining us for our celebration.

The Lighthouse Studio

We would like to thank all of the locals who have supported us over the past season. The studio will be closed from 1 June and open for the new spring season in mid October with new art from Carolyn Bayliss, new rugs to ponder over, and new energy after having spent some quality time with my new granddaughter.

Thank you all, and see you in October.

Cheers, Tom.

Artists' Friday

Join WTS in the Art Room at Hauraki House on **30 June** 5.30-7pm. Meet up with fellow "Coromandel Creatives", enjoy a talk, creative video, see what's happening in "Shared Studios". Open to all artists and creative people, BYO refreshments.

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Gibbs Farm visit

By Debbie Morgan

At the end of April I went to visit Gibbs Farm as part of tickets that WTS Coromandel had arranged. Gibbs Farm is a sculpture park located near Kaukapakapa north of Auckland.

I went with no idea of what to expect except that there were large outdoor sculptures there. I found the place quite surreal – cross between farm and country park. There are 20 sculptures dotted across a vast, immaculate landscape which overlooks the Kaipara Harbour. To appreciate the size of each sculpture you have to get close up and this involves a lot of walking up and down. It is hard to choose my favourite sculpture as they are all so different, but these are two that come to mind: one by George Rickey which has two rectangles that move in the wind; the other is by Anish Kapoor which forms a red “horn”. A twist was that along with sheep and alpacas roaming about there were also giraffes there!

On the day I was there I estimate there were over 1000 people walking the hills but there is so much space it doesn't detract from the experience.

If you appreciate thought-provoking sculpture then you'll love this place, but be prepared to do lots of walking.

Gibbs farm is open monthly by prior appointment. You have to go to their website www.gibbsfarm.org.nz and make a request to visit. That fact added to the mystery of the place.

Other comments from those that visited Gibbs Farm with WTS Coromandel

“Wow! – I want one at home!” . . . “We enjoyed renaming the art - Loved the Cinnamon Sticks, The Leaf, the Water Spouts” . . . “Enjoyed the brick serpent at the water's edge, came back to revisit Steve Carson's tyre serpent in the Colville shallows” . . . “The so alive corrugated iron giraffe, his so sculptural friend – until he perked his ears upright and stared fixedly at me and moved to chew on the leaves children were tempting it with” . . . “To visit the place Great-Papa Wally left for ever, to please his wife who was homesick for the Thames. Thanks WTS. The reconnecting was marvellous. Absolutely, repeatable!”

Accolade for Colville Easter Festival

By Catherine Leniston

Steve Carson said in his opening speech to launch the Colville Easter Festival, “Cook (Cyclone) nearly stopped us in our tracks, yet here we are” – or words to that effect. Sure, the numbers were down, yet the whole thing was a resounding success.

The first public performance was “Colville Sings Leonard Cohen”, an evening of his songs by the people and friends of Colville. If you missed that, kick yourself. I must admit I expected a mediocre assortment of versions trotted out but was instead, blown away by the prodigious talent we were treated to.

Not only did the selection encapsulate Leonard's vast pallet from old favourites such as “Bird on a Wire” to the poignant “Leaving the Table”, his last ever composition, but every single song was polished and thoroughly individualised by its artists, as the man himself would have expected.

And I saw Leonard in every one of them, even the young boy, Luke McCauley, sang and strummed “The Partisan” with uncanny maturity, accompanied by (I assume), his proud Dad on the harmonica.

I think the crescendo was delivered by Johnny Cookson who had us all heartily chorussing “Hallelujah”.

Later the faithful drummer swapped his sticks for a guitar and sang “Light as the Breeze”. I was transported to some timeless place, then brought back to earth by it.

There was poetry, there were album covers and a wonderful slide show with voice-over.

I haven't mentioned every contributor but surely, by their efforts, each one will have deepened their understanding of Cohen's life's work.

Leonard would have been proud of the way he inspired these people.

He would have enjoyed the supper, too.

Oh, and by the way, no-one has asked me to write this article. I am just a random member of the public. However I did hear it said that “Colville Sings” again in September so if I am around, I will definitely be picking up a ticket. Might see you there.

Pastel Artists Coromandel

By Christine Lunn

The last month has been quiet because the wet weather and road closures prevented our out of town members attending. The locals who had only short distances to travel did manage to make it to the weekly meetings.

We are delighted to welcome three new members to our group. One is very keen to explore what is a new medium to her and the other two have already worked with pastels.

All three were pleased to learn of the pastel group as it has helped them in their quest to expand themselves and they are enjoying the camaraderie of the group.

We look forward to welcoming any interested local or visiting artists (or beginners) to our club days. Morning tea and bikkies at 10am.

Pastel Artists of Coromandel meet Tuesday mornings 9am to 12pm at the Coromandel Aero Club rooms on Tiki Road.

Initial contact with Allan Beaver (07) 866 8053 or Christine Lunn on (07) 866 7220

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Sport

Coromandel Recreational Fishing Club

By Allison Brown & Committee CRFC

We have by now had "The Take a Kid Fishing" competition.

The day of the competition was not too flash, wouldn't you know it the next day was absolutely beautiful (Murphy's law). A great day was still had by all and, as you can see by the weigh-in, the fish are still in the harbour in good sizes. Val Larsen was saying Max always fishes in the harbour and catches nice pannies. As the old saying goes, "fish your feet first".

We did not enter this year as all our kids are too old but took visitors for a fish around in the Gulf. The fishing was quite hard but we got a few nice size snapper and the biggest one was caught in the harbour. We did not get south to the mussel farms which I believe at the date of the competition, 23 April, really good catches were being caught.

We also had prizes for all the kids entered and a gift voucher kindly donated by Mischel Pakau at the Ice Cream Parlor for a free ice cream.

Results for "take a kid fishing" competition

Juniors:

Snapper: 1st – Chase Davies 2.420kg; 2nd – Aaliyia Preston 2.200kg; 3rd – Layke McNeil 2.140kg. Trevally: 1st – Ihaka Harper 1.445kg. Parore: 1st – Asavia Brown 0.945kg. Kahawai: 1st – Khiana Masters 1.920kg; 2nd – Kororia Wirihana 1.575kg; 3rd – Kelson Wirihana 0.750kg. Unusual: Mitchell Crum caught a yellowtail.

Seniors: Snapper only

1st – Corey Moore 3.480kg; 2nd – Rob Davies 2.370kg, 3rd – Allen McNeil 1.975kg.

April Fish of the Month for club members was gurnard. None were weighed in. Fish of the Month for June is John Dory. Weigh-in stations remain the same, at Max and Val Larsen's phone (07) 866 7656 and Fish & Dive phone (07) 866 8797.

Here's to tight lines and hope you can get some fishing in over the coming winter months.

Our next event is the AGM. I will confirm the date which will be in July.



Coromandel Golf Club

By Ed Buckett

A busy month for the lady golfers in Coromandel.

On 20 March at Paeroa, the team of Eugene, Glenise, Gina, Philippa and Joan won the third Association Pennant and in so doing won the overall Zone competition. Jenny and Marilyn also played in earlier rounds. The District final of this nett event is in Rotorua on 15 May. Also at Paeroa the team won the Karin McGirr trophy, a stableford competition.

Off to Waihi on 5 May where the team of Eugene, Philippa, Gina and Greta were 5th from 21, in the Club Teams final, a best ball nett competition.

May 8 saw Glenise, Philippa and Sue at Tairua playing and defeating Whangamata in the first Matchplay round, also having the best zone score.

Meanwhile at home, the ladies continue rounds of multiple competitions, winners decided later in the year. Sue won the 18-hole and Teri the 9-hole May medal.

Entries are starting to come in for our popular Soup and Tinned Food tournament to be held on **Saturday 27 May**. See you there

The Men's pennant team of Mark, Chris Richie, Kevin, Peter, Bruce with reserves Jim and Calvin had mixed fortunes in a season affected by bad weather. They ultimately finished 3rd in their division and missing the final knock-out round by 1 point.

The weather has affected club play to the extent that in April we played two meat-pack competitions. The first was won by Jim Davis and a week later Warren Taylor came down from Port Charles and went home with the top prize.

The autumn has seen a lot of work completed around the greens and the course in general, parts of the 9th green have been reshaped to improve drainage, trees are being pruned and Ross Mudgway is working on improvements to some tee blocks.

There was to have been a potluck dinner on 24 June but for obvious reasons this has been cancelled and will be rescheduled so that the All Blacks can attend.

A final note for this month is that Ron Brooking demonstrated that he can erect fences that are far straighter than Peter Gray's drives. Also the club would like to thank Ron for donating some digger time to put a temporary drain across the bottom of the slope up to the first green.

STOP PRESS

Coromandel Ladies played in the Bay of Plenty Association Pennant final at Lakeview in Rotorua and finished 3rd with a score of 386, only 7 shots adrift from the winners Te Puke. This is a commendable result bearing in mind that there are 34 clubs with ladies divisions in the BOP.



Coromandel Croquet Club

By Kaye Anderson



We have been enjoying balmy autumn days and will continue to play throughout the winter months. A few hours of gentle exercise in the fresh air, even on grey overcast days, is an excellent tonic for body and soul.

The game of croquet ends when one player has made all of the hoops in both directions and then pegs out, which is what the player is attempting to do in the photograph. To be successful, she must make the ball in front hit the peg and then do the same with the other ball.

If you would like to learn to play croquet, we'll give you plenty of support while you get to grips with skills and understand what the game requires. We play on Tuesdays and Saturdays, meeting at 9.45am for a 10 o'clock start.

For more information you can phone Kaye on (07) 866 8968. The Croquet Club is in Woollams Avenue next to the Bowling Club



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The Great Cranleigh Kauri Run

By Rita Stephenson

The morning of Saturday 13 May was crisp and clear, a wonderful day for a run, which is exactly what 200-plus people did. They had four options to choose from; 32km, 23km, 12km or the fun run 5km.

The day was a huge success, with many smiling faces crossing the finish line having achieved their personal goals. Coromandel was well represented with over 50 locals taking part in the four distances on offer.

Peter and Lesley from Four Square, along with Matthias and Elena from Jolly Bikes in Thames, generously donated a giant bike as well as a helmet for the young ones taking part in the fun run 5 kilometer – which was won by local girl Sophia-Rose Paarman-Tenboom. There were also spot prizes for the fun run, kindly donated by local businesses. We are extremely fortunate in Coromandel, having support not only from the local businesses, but from the many marshals who give up their valuable time to help along the course. As one of the organisers of the event I would like to thank both the business community, the school, and the marshals who contributed in making the day such a successful one. We are extremely grateful and proud of the ongoing support we receive from our amazing community. We would like to share some of the feedback we received via email from a grateful competitor.

"I just wanted to say that today's Kauri Run was one of the most well-organized, genuinely enjoyable and fun (yes, also incredibly challenging) trail runs I have had the pleasure to participate in. Despite this race being on a smaller scale, it was put together so well. The marshals were excellent, the pre-race details clear and concise and the race day was just so organized and enjoyable for everyone. The weather certainly helped! Please give my thanks to your marshals for a wonderful experience and let them know that as runners, we felt so cared for today. All the best for planning next year! Cheers!" – Brenna (32km).

The event is run by homegrown Adventure Racing Coromandel, a not-for-profit organisation, with proceeds from events going to The Spirit of Coromandel Trust. If you are interested in assisting with any of our events or you would like information regarding the trust, you can contact Rita Stephenson, arceventsrita@gmail.com. Thanks again, Coromandel, for your support; we cannot do it without you!



Sophia-Rose Tenboom-Paarman who won the bike at the Fun Run



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COROMANDEL HARBOUR AND BOATING ASSN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Saturday, 10 June at 10am Thames Coromandel District Council meeting room Rings Road, Coromandel. Because no council staff will be present no toilet facilities will be available.

Coromandel Town weekly and monthly meetings

As of next month I am cleaning up this column – deleting any meeting I don't know is happening any more – to make sure everything is up-to-date. To make sure you continue to appear, email details to corochronicle@gmail.com or txt/ph 021 235 6648.

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Every Monday

Coro Gym – Step/aerobics, Peg (07) 866 8635 8am
 Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
 Coromandel Hikers' Group, Hauraki House,
 Colin & Elspeth (07) 866 7137 9am
 Monday Walkers, Irene 021 157 8408 9am
 Colville Social Services Collective,
 Colville Hall, (07) 866 6920 9am-3pm
 Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, (07) 866 8417 9am-3pm
 Coro Gym – Sit and be fit, Peg (07) 866 8635 9.30am
 Scouts and Cubs, Scout Den, Hauraki House,
 Abby Morgan (07) 211 9790 3.30pm
 Coro Gym – Kick fit with Christajo, 155 Pottery Lane,
 021 033 9329 5.30-6.30pm
 Shrinking Violets, Betsie (07) 866 7076 5.30pm
 Coro Contract Bridge, Coro Ambulance rooms,
 Lyn (07) 866 8858 7pm
 Four-part harmony singing, Sue (07) 866 8833 7.30pm

Every Tuesday

Homeschoolers' gathering, Julene (07) 866 8005
 Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
 Pastel Artists Coromandel,
 Coromandel Aero Club Rooms (07) 866 7220 9am-mid day
 Colville Bay Pre-School, rear Colville School, cr
 (07) 866 8319 9am-3pm
 Coro Walking Group, Ruth (07) 866 7246 9am
 Colville Social Services Collective, Colville Hall,
 (07) 866 6920 9am-3pm
 Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, (07) 866 8417 9am-3pm
 Music and Dance, Elim Church- Preschoolers Dance Group, Dawn
 (07) 866 8150 9.30-11am
 Open Floor Dance Classes at Mana (this month – 6, 13, 20 June)
 Mana Retreat Centre, \$10, music starts 9.15am.
 Jacqui 022 3928588 or Lisa 021 1754741 9.30-11.30am
 Coro Ladies Golf, Peter (07) 866 7633 tee off 10am
 Yoga, Colville Hall, (07) 866 6612 10am
 Croquet, Woollams Ave, Kaye (07) 866 8968 9.45am
 Coromandel Playcentre, Woollams Ave 10.30am-1pm
 Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 021 314 467 12 noon
 500 card session at Elizabeth Park Village, (07) 866 8886 1pm
 Coro Gym – Fitness and Fun, Judy (07) 866 8637 1pm
 Beginner Yoga with Becks, at the Anglican Church Hall,
 170 Tiki Rd, \$10. Contact 027 407 0079 5.30-6.45pm
 Badminton, school gymnasium. \$2. Racquets available, wear
 non marking sports shoes. Lorraine (07) 866 7606 6.30pm
 Ambulance training, Felix (07) 866 8279 7-9pm
 Coro Motorcycle Club, Star & Garter,
 John (07) 866 6776 7-9pm

Every Wednesday

Dharma Gaia, Meditation, (07) 866 7995 6-7am
 Dharma Gaia, Sitting & Walking Meditation,
 (07) 866 7995 7.30-9pm
 Coro Gym – Step/aerobics, Peg (07) 866 8635 8am
 Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
 Yoga with Tina at Waikato Events Centre 8.40-9.50am
 Colville Bay Pre-School, rear Colville School,
 (07) 866 8319 9am-3pm
 Colville Social Services Collective, Colville Hall,
 (07) 866 6920 9am-3pm
 Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, (07) 866 8417 9am-3pm
 Coro Gym – Sit and be fit, Peg (07) 866 8635 9.30am
 Coromandel Golf Club – men's, Hauraki Rd,
 Peter (07) 866 7633 tee off 12.30pm
 Scrabble Club, Joan for venue on (07) 866 7580 1pm
 Coro Tennis Club – club night, Gayle (07) 866 8063 4pm
 Wing Chun Kung Fu- Hong Kong Style,
 Chi Sau Club 027 283 0773 4.30-8.30pm
 Running Group, meet at rugby club grounds.
 Mark 027 338 6697 or (07) 866 7660 5-6.15pm
 Coro Gym – Pump with Betty, (07) 866 8635 5.30-6.30pm
 Discussion night-optional pot luck dinner, Mahamudra Centre,
 (07) 866 8851 dinner 6pm, meeting 7-8.30pm
 Walking & sitting meditation, Dharma Gaia Centre,
 (07) 866 7995 7.30-9pm

Every Thursday

Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
 Coro Walking Group, Ruth (07) 866 7246 9am
 Coro Art Group, St Andrew's Church,
 Val (07) 866 8911 9am-12pm
 Colville Bay Pre-School, rear Colville School,
 (07) 866 8319 9am-3pm
 Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, (07) 866 8417 9am-3pm
 Tai Ji, Top Floor, Waikato Events Centre,
 Sol (07) 866 8971 10-11am
 Guided meditation at Elizabeth Park
 Community Centre, Allman Dr 10-11am

Coro Gym – Ukulele group practice for beginners,
 Peg (07) 866 8635
 Croquet, Woollams Ave, Kaye (07) 866 8968 12.30pm
 Coro Community Garden, Glover St,
 Tai 022 601 7081 2-4pm
 Coro Gym – Kick fit with Christajo, 021 033 9329 5.30-6.30pm
 Yoga with Tina at Waikato Events Centre 5.30-6.40pm

Fortnightly Thursday

Open Floor Dance Classes (fortnightly – 1, 15, 29 June) Anglican
 Church Hall, \$10, music starts 6.45pm. Jacqui 022 3928588 or
 Lisa 021 1754741 6.45pm

Every Friday

Coro Gym – step/aerobics, Peg (07) 866 8635 8-9am
 Colville Bay Pre-School, rear Colville School,
 (07) 866 8319 9am-3pm
 Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
 Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, (07) 866 8417 9am-3pm
 Yoga for everyone, Anglican Church Hall,
 Katie (07) 866 6612 9-10.30am
 Colville Services Collective,
 Colville Hall, (07) 866 6920 9am-3pm
 Coro Gym – Sit & be fit, Peg (07) 866 8635 9.30-10.30am
 Coromandel Playcentre, Woollams Ave 9.45am-12.15pm
 Coro Gym – Fitness & Fun, Judy (07) 866 8637 1pm
 The Club, Woollams Avenue, ph (07) 866 8813open from 3.30pm
 Coro Tennis, Men's night, Gayle (07) 866 8063 4pm
 Coro Bowling Club Roll Up 4-5pm
 Coro Gym – Crazy Horse Productions,
 Natalie 021 048 9772 4.15pm

Every Saturday

Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
 Croquet, Woollams Ave, Kaye (07) 866 8968 9.45am
 Coromandel Golf Club-club play, Hauraki Rd,
 Peter (07) 866 7633 tee off 12.30pm
 Coromandel RSA, Woollams Ave, ph The Club (07) 866 8813 2pm
 St Colman's Catholic Church-mass,
 Rings Rd, Frieda (07) 866 7872 5pm
 Prayers for dead and healing,
 Mahamudra Centre, (07) 866 6851 5-6pm

Every Sunday

Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation-in Gompas,
 (07) 866 6851 8.30-9am
 Christ Church, 180 Tiki Road, Holy Eucharist,
 Fr Philip Sallis 021347794 10am
 Elim Church Services, Rings Rd,
 Steve (07) 866 6900 10am-12 noon
 Coro Tennis Club-club play, Gayle (07) 866 8063 2pm
 Prayers for dead and healing,
 Mahamudra Centre, (07) 866 6851 5-6pm

Monthly

RSA Women's Section Coromandel, Loes (07) 866 8053
1st Mon – Coro Patchwork & Quilters, Ambulance rooms,
 Jill (07) 866 7484 9.30am-3.30pm
2nd Mon – Friendship Group, Jocelyn (07) 866 7101
3rd Mon – Coro Patchwork & Quilters, Ambulance rooms,
 Jill (07) 866 7484 9.30am-3.30pm
3rd Mon – Alzheimer's Carers' Group, Retirement Village Hall, bring
 plate & koha, (07) 282 0453 10.30am
1st Tue – Coro Motorcycle Club general business
 John (07) 866 6776 7.30pm
2nd Tue – Coromandel/Colville Cmty Board, Council Chambers,
 (07) 866 1001 9am
2nd Tue – Public Trust, Harcourts, 0800 368 620 by appt
1st Wed – Coro Embroiderers' Guild, Ambulance Station, Jill
 Wilson (07) 866 7484 10am-3pm
1st Wed – Lions Dinner Meeting, Ambulance Rooms;
 Pres. Nigel Strongman (07) 866 8045 6pm
2nd Wed – Garden Circle, ph Julie Jensen for venue,
 (07) 866 7546 1pm
3rd Wed – Herb Federation NZ
 Contact Ann Kerr-Bell 021 046 1647 9.30 to 11am
3rd Wed – Lions Business Meeting, Ambulance Rooms;
 Pres. Nigel Strongman (07) 866 8045 7pm
2nd Thu – Coromandel Writers' Group,
 Barbara (07) 866 8299 10.30am-2.30pm
4th Thu – Coro SeniorNet, school music room,
 Loes (07) 866 8053 1.30pm
3rd Sat – Luncheon Ladies, Lorraine (07) 866 8144 12pm
1st Sun – Coro School of Mines & Historical Sty/Museum,
 (07) 866 8711 4pm
1st Sun – St Andrew's Union church service, Rings Rd,
 (07) 866 8633 10am
2nd Sun – Young Eagles, Tiki Rd, Lisa (07) 866 2055 9am
3rd Sun – St Andrew's Union church service, Rings Rd,
 Hilda (07) 866 8633 10am

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Calendar of events
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Saturday and Sunday 11am-5:30pm

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<div><div>5</div><div>Public Holiday – Queen's Birthday</div><div>SeniorNet Coromandel AGM (see pg 22) Greensomes at Coromandel Golf Club Open Floor Dance Classes at Mana Retreat Centre, 9.15am (see pg 17) High tide 4.31am (2.6m), 5.09pm (2.6m) Low tide 10.49am (0.7m), 11.11pm (0.7m)</div></div>		<div><div>7</div><div>Movie night at The Club (see pg 21)</div><div>High tide 5.20am (2.6m), 5.57pm (2.6m) Low tide 11.38am (0.6m), 11.56pm (0.7m)</div></div>		<div><div>8</div><div></div><div>High tide 6.06am (2.6m), 6.42pm (2.7m) Low tide 12.19am (0.6m)</div></div>		<div><div>9</div><div></div><div>High tide 6.51am (2.6m), 7.23pm (2.7m) Low tide 12.38am (0.7m), 1pm (0.6m)</div></div>		<div><div>10</div><div>Coromandel Harbour and Boating Assn AGM (see ad pg 32) Presidents Cup at Coromandel Golf Club</div><div>High tide 7.33am (2.6m), 8.03pm (2.7m) Low tide 1.19am (0.7m), 1.40pm (0.5m)</div></div>		<div><div>11</div><div>AGM, Coromandel School of Mines and Historical Society Inc 2pm Elizabeth Park Village Hall (see pg 20)</div><div>High tide 8.13am (2.6m), 8.41pm (2.7m) Low tide 1.58am (0.7m), 2.18pm (0.5m)</div></div>			
<div><div>12</div><div>CHRONICLE DEADLINE – July issue content – 4pm MEG Lecture: Conservation Projects – motivations and pitfalls" with Dr Chris Lalas from Penguin Rescue (see pg 27)</div><div>High tide 8.53am (2.6m), 9.19pm (2.7m) Low tide 2.39am (0.7m), 2.55pm (0.5m)</div></div>		<div><div>13</div><div>Open Floor Dance Classes at Mana Retreat Centre, 9.15am (see pg 17)</div><div>High tide 9.33am (2.6m), 9.59pm (2.7m) Low tide 3.20am (0.7m), 3.24pm (0.6m)</div></div>		<div><div>14</div><div>Quiz night at The Club (see pg 21)</div><div>High tide 10.13am (2.6m), 10.39pm (2.7m) Low tide 4.02am (0.7m), 4.13pm (0.6m)</div></div>		<div><div>15</div><div>Open Floor Dance Classes Anglican Church Hall 6.45pm (see pg 17)</div><div>High tide 10.54am (2.6m), 11.22pm (2.7m) Low tide 4.45am (0.7m), 4.55pm (0.6m)</div></div>		<div><div>16</div><div>Garage Sale (see ad pg 32)</div><div>High tide 11.38am (2.5m) Low tide 5.30am (0.7m), 5.40pm (0.7m)</div></div>		<div><div>17</div><div>Garage Sale (see ad pg 32) Darts and Pizza night at Tangiaro Kiwi Retreat (see ad pg 12)</div><div>High tide 12.08am (2.7m), 12.25pm (2.5m) Low tide 6.18am (0.7m), 6.30pm (0.7m)</div></div>		<div><div>18</div><div></div><div>High tide 12.57am (2.6m), 1.17pm (2.5m) Low tide 7.09am (0.6m), 7.27pm (0.7m)</div></div>	
<div><div>19</div><div></div><div>High tide 1.58am (2.7m), 2.15pm (2.6m) Low tide 8.03am (0.6m), 8.27pm (0.7m)</div></div>		<div><div>20</div><div>Kiwi Can open day at Colville School (see pg 26) Young Cup at Coromandel Golf Club (see pg 30) Open Floor Dance Classes at Mana Retreat Centre, 9.15am (see pg 17) High tide 2.45am (2.7m), 3.17pm (2.6m) Low tide 9am (0.5m), 9.29pm (0.6m)</div></div>		<div><div>21</div><div>Kiwi Can open day at Coromandel Area School (see pg 26) Movie night at The Club (see pg 21) High tide 3.43am (2.8m), 4.19pm (2.7m) Low tide 9.58am (0.4m), 10.29pm (0.5m)</div></div>		<div><div>22</div><div>Kiwi Can open day at Coromandel Area School (see pg 26) High tide 4.42am (2.8m), 5.20pm (2.9m) Low tide 10.57am (0.3m), 11.27pm (0.4m)</div></div>		<div><div>23</div><div>Pot Luck Dinner at Coromandel Golf Club High tide 5.42am (2.9m), 6.17pm (3.0m) Low tide 11.54am (0.2m)</div></div>		<div><div>24</div><div><div></div><div>First round Nielsen Cup at Coromandel Golf Club</div><div>High tide 6.40am (3.0m), 7.12pm (3.2m) Low tide 12.23am (0.3m), 12.49pm (0.1m)</div></div></div>		<div><div>25</div><div></div><div>High tide 7.37am (3.1m), 8.06pm (3.2m) Low tide 1.18am (0.2m), 1.43pm (0.6m)</div></div>	
<div><div>26</div><div></div><div>High tide 8.32am (3.1m), 8.58pm (3.2m) Low tide 2.13am (0.2m), 2.35pm (0.6m)</div></div>		<div><div>27</div><div>Medal LGU at Coromandel Golf Club High tide 9.26am (3.1m), 9.51pm (3.2m) Low tide 3.07am (0.2m), 3.27pm (0.1m)</div></div>		<div><div>28</div><div>Meat Pack at Coromandel Golf Club Quiz night at The Club (see pg 21) High tide 10.19am (3.0m), 10.43pm (3.1m) Low tide 4.01am (0.2m), 4.18pm (0.2m)</div></div>		<div><div>29</div><div>Open Floor Dance Classes Anglican Church Hall 6.45pm (see pg 17) High tide 11.11am (2.9m), 11.35pm (3.0m) Low tide 4.55am (0.3m), 5.10pm (0.3m)</div></div>		<div><div>30</div><div>Artists' Friday, Art Room at Hauwaki House 5.30–7pm (see pg 28) High tide 12.21pm (2.8m) Low tide 5.49am (0.4m), 8.05pm (0.5m)</div></div>					
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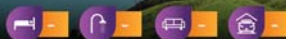
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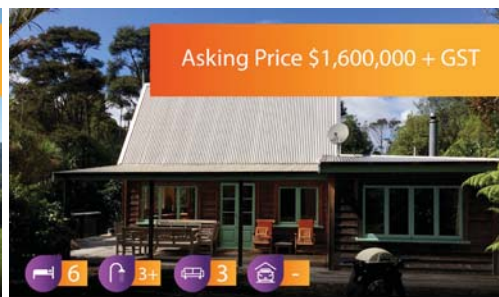
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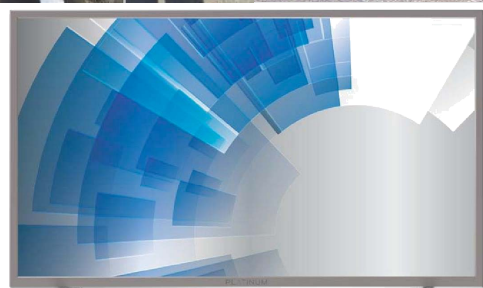
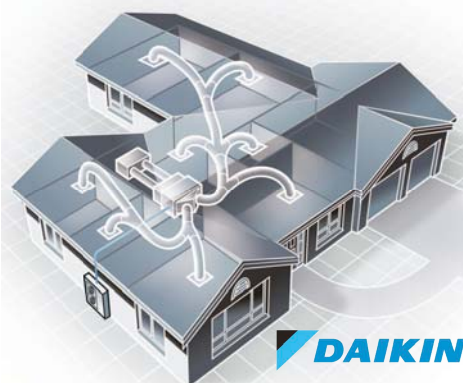


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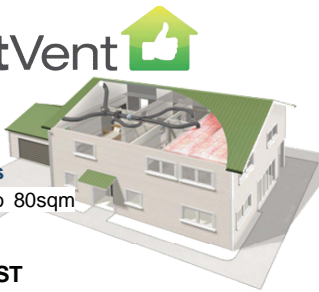
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