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## Editor's comments

Sounds like the Vegetable and Produce Show went well. Something to look forward to next year and start planning the vegetable for 2015/2016.

I think everyone agrees that it has been a great summer since Christmas. Town has been really busy with accommodation providers full up. I hope the restaurants and shops have also had a bumper season and that it continues into March and April.

There are still memories of the storm prior to Christmas. My feijoa tree must have had a bashing as I haven't noticed the usual flowers and I assume I therefore won't be getting much fruit. Others report the same on their plum trees. On the plus side we still have water in our water tank despite a full house for 6 weeks over summer and little rain.

Enjoy the rest of the summer. Not long til Easter.

*Debbie*

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## Letters

Dear Editor,

Early last year I had five people from an Auckland fishing club motor over here, they hired a mooring in the harbour and rented a motel from us. They were here for a fishing competition out of Whitianga but preferred to stay in Coromandel town. I mentioned to them that there was "talk" of all tide access to Coromandel town. They responded that if that happened their club would be here on a fairly regular basis.

This is just one small example of what a tremendous asset such a facility would be to our town which largely relies on tourism, mussel and oyster farming for employment.

We all know how congested the Sugar Loaf ramp access gets and the lack of parking (now, I believe, people are being "ticketed" for roadside parking).

There were a couple of meetings last year re developing Furey's Creek for all-tide access but alas, there seems to be little or no progress at all. I would love to be corrected on that! Barry Brickell's proposal is also good but let's at least get Furey's Creek or any other preferred option underway if it is feasible to do so. We need such a facility sooner rather than later. The spinoffs would be very beneficial to the whole town.

Perhaps it is time for us to put pen to paper and ask our mayor just what is happening before any proposed Council funding possibly disappears elsewhere.

Is anybody able to enlighten me of where it is at?

Hopefully it's not just all "talk".

Steve Walters, Coromandel town

Hi Debbie,

I would like to say a big thank you to Martin Edwards for all the effort he plus helpers put into the Vegetable and Produce Show last Saturday. It was a most enjoyable day and had 397 entries! Good going for a first attempt! Also great to see the children's section well supported.

Hope it's the start of many, as from the feelings I got there will be more entries next year if Martin is prepared to do it again. We need people like Martin to make us get out there and enjoy each other's company now and again. Well done!

Ann Walmsley, Coromandel

## Poetry SPOT

### Blessings

*By Beryl Van Donk*

I never trod through country lanes  
or walked a lonely shore  
without the healing of my soul,  
it makes my spirit soar.

To see a frond uncoil its frond,  
to see a baby smile,  
to know God's love will never fail,  
and surrounds us all the while.

I leave the rush, the noisy throng  
to set aside and find  
a quiet place to hide myself,  
renew and unwind.

Then back again I join life's hum,  
the days pass into years,  
joys and sorrows ebb and flow  
with happiness and tears.

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Dear members of the public,  
I am disappointed and saddened by sight of road-killed red-billed gulls.

Red-billed gulls are "Threatened species", with numbers decreasing each year.

Three eggs per nest, laid in September to November, and one or two fledglings per nest, with 6 to 10 years' lifespan for male red-billed gulls and 20 years' lifespan for female red-billed gulls. Red-billed gulls start to breed at 3 years old, but recently male gulls started breeding at 2 years old. Two banded female red-billed gulls reached their 30th birthdays, and are active and flying strongly.

Killing these red-billed gulls via running down these birds will cause sex imbalance, with too few males and too many females, forcing these 2-year-old sub-adult birds to start breeding one year too young, in order to build decreasing numbers.

This is the same as 16-year-old men becoming fathers, instead of waiting until 22 to 70+ years old in men.

Two-year-old male red-billed gulls are poor fathers and they can lose all of their chicks through inexperience.

The three-year-old male red-billed gulls are much better fathers, but are inexperienced in breeding, and do not rear two chicks per nest, to become flying young gulls, until 4 years old, so 2-year-old and 3-year-old male red-billed gulls rear one chick per nest.

Juvenile red-billed gulls need care and education from parent gulls for 1-2 months before fending for themselves. I have seen parent red-billed gulls feeding their juvenile birds during autumn and early winter. Red-billed gull chicks fledge at 6 weeks old and fly strongly at 7 weeks old. Male red-billed gulls' breeding seasons last 5 to 8 years and produce 8 to 16 chicks per 6-10 years' lifespan.

This rather low number of juvenile birds per nest do not make enough numbers of birds to increase faster.

Black-billed gulls are also "Endangered species". Being run down by cars is the main cause of death of these beautiful birds.

It is not acceptable to kill red-billed gulls and black-billed gulls via running them down with your cars.

This photo was snapped in Thames town centre. The dead bird was a 3-month-old male red-billed gull.

I am asking nicely...please do not kill these red-billed gulls and black-billed gulls.

Yours sincerely,  
Clinton Care, Thames

Hi Debbie,  
I am in awe of the beautiful flowers of the ginger plant.

Can someone please enlighten me?

1. Can any parts of the wild ginger plant be used? I have been told conflicting stories. From: "No use at all", to "Yes my mother used it instead of shop purchased ginger for all sorts of flavouring." Unfortunately mother is now deceased.

2. I am told the plant is common in Coromandel Peninsula because during the mining days there were several companies making and bottling aerated waters..

Naturally ginger ale and ginger beer was a star attraction. And the wild ginger plant was introduced as a source of the ginger. Can this be correct? Cheers, Don Goodall, Whangarei

Dear Sir,

My son and his two small children were holidaying at our bach in Tuatēawa. I received a photo of my son's ankle., "Mmm I don't think it's supposed to be on that angle" I say and drive immediately from Auckland to "take control". No way can he be transported by car so I call for an ambulance. Our very grateful thanks to the medics from Waikawau, Colville and Coromandel for their quick response which eventuated in a trip to Thames Hospital – not broken, just badly wrenched, you were all amazing, thank you once again. I would also like to thank our 9- and 7-year-old grandchildren for packing up the bach – what a fantastic job they did.

Grateful thanks,  
Julie Scherf, Tuatēawa

Dear Editor,

Recently I took my young family on the Kaipawa Trig walk. This is the second time I have walked this track and I am sure that this must be one of the most underrated and underinvested walks in New Zealand and I don't believe that would be an understatement. It has everything: regenerating native forest, old mine shafts, stunning views and a real sense of adventure. I have been coming to Coromandel for 37 years and it is pretty clear there has been a constant desire for economic development over this time and yet we ignore some really obvious gems on our doorstep. Tourism is one of the biggest contributors to the Coromandel economy and as long as walks like this remain underinvested and underpromoted then I can't really see tourists taking Coromandel too seriously compared with other parts of the peninsula. The Hauraki rail trail is a great example of how well thought out tourist attractions can really generate economic opportunities. With a modicum of thinking Coromandel could also develop such iconic opportunities. Are we going to hope mussels have all the answers while ignoring the natural "gold" that Coromandel already has?

When is someone going to invest in the Kaipawa Trig walk? Hamish Mackie, Te Kouma

## Events

### March

– see back page.

### April

**3-12** – Colville Arts Festival. (see ad pg 25)

**Saturday 4** – Coromandel Market – change from usual day (see pg 4)

**Saturday 11** – Gallipoli Family Day in Thames

**Saturday 11** – Ceramic Art exhibition starts (see pg 29)

**11,12,18,19** – Coromandel Arts Tour

**Saturday 18** – Kids' fishing competition (see pg 33)

**Sunday 19** – Coromandel Music Society present Sisters of Swing

**Saturday 25** – Anzac services (see pg 25)

### June

**Saturday 13** – Coromandel Music Society present GALS choir

### September

**Friday 25** – Coromandel Music Society present String Wizardry

### October

**Friday 9** – Coromandel Music Society present John and Amiria Grenell

**Saturday 31** – The Cranleigh K2 Road Cycling Classic

## Poetry SPOT

### Greenfingers

By Jocelyn Davey

February is half way through  
Valentine's Day gone.  
The vegetable and produce show  
Will have it all turned on.

And now's the time to think ahead  
To think ahead to plant  
Then we will have a bumper crop  
To show is next year's plan



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# Vegetable and Produce Show

By Martin Edwards

What a lovely day we had. I would first like to thank the Coromandel Senior Settlement Trust without whose financial assistance the show would not have happened. Second I would like to thank Carole and Brian Wilson from Beachamwell, UK for being our main judges for the whole of the vegetable



Brian and Carole Wilson judging the veggies

section, a massive task. They also contributed immensely in the planning and post-event evaluation. I would also like to thank all the other judges and helpers who all did a fantastic job and made the event run so smoothly. Thank you to the Information Centre for distributing the schedules over the last few months.

We had no idea how the day was going to unfold, but in the end we had over 330 entries, the sun shone and it was a lovely, country village atmosphere. So thank you everyone who entered and made the show a success. Wasn't it great to see so many children's very clever entries?

As a starting point we used an English schedule but from what we saw of all the entries, what happened on the day and listening to everyone's comments, we will be making quite a few changes next time to fit in with New Zealand gardening.

As well as 1st, 2nd, 3rd in each class next year we are going to have "Highly Commended" as there were so many excellent entries that needed a mention.



Some of the kids' entries

All being well next year's show will be on **Saturday 13 February 2016**, so start planning your gardening. I will put out the new schedules and rules sometime around early October.

Finally thank you to Father Phillip for opening the show and presenting the three prizes. The winners were those who had had the most wins overall and they were: 1st Linda Wright; 2nd Julie Jensen; 3rd Kit James.

Thank you everyone, see you next year and good gardening.

## Greetings From The Coromandel Market

By Liz Kershaw

I'm not quite sure what happened to our brilliant summer but it was great for the school holiday visitors. Hopefully we can look forward to lots more sunny days without too much wind.

As usual, we have enjoyed meeting folk from all over the world choosing the exquisite Coromandel for their holidays, and of course our trusty local customers, thanking you all for your custom.

If you've not yet made it to the market, here's what we have to offer:

- Glenda sells a range of woodwork finely crafted from native timber, bread boards, chairs, benches and wooden stirring spoons. She also sells fresh vegies from her garden, eggs and sometimes haloumi (goat cheese).
- Sabine sells organic and gluten-free treats such as sushi, dried fruit balls, divine chocolate as well as apple cake, and bread made from grain she and Micha have ground themselves, spelt, gluten-free and wheat.
- Sue sells onion and rosemary plaited breads, sweet and savoury pastries, plants, rhubarb and flowers from her garden as well as hand-knitted hats, scarves and children's jerseys.
- Liz offers a range of healing balms and herbal remedies mostly designed for first aid such as insect repellent, anti-itch cream, rescue remedy, etc. She also makes soaps, perfumed oils and samosas.
- Michelle offers an array of artistically crafted and delicious snacks, including sweet and savoury pies (some large enough for dinner), and cakes and biscuits. She also has a wide variety of

homemade pickles and jams.

- Ploania sells fresh local fruit and vegetables at reasonable prices, (plums, peaches, potatoes, courgettes, tomatoes and cucumbers, etc.) as well as preserves and crafts. She also offers rocks inscribed with uplifting messages for a donation.
- Teika has returned with a wide range of organic fruit, nashi pears, apples, grapes, peaches, etc., all locally grown and inexpensive.
- Mike, who has been selling his unique and ingenious guitars, handmade from cigar boxes, metal sieves and other organic bits and pieces! (yes, it's true).

Thanks Mike for bringing novelty and originality to the market. It was fun to hear visiting musicians trying them out.

- Jackie with her delicious and delectable cup cakes, topped with chocolate flakes and lightly dusted with colourful icing, each one a work of art, all the proceeds of which she has donated to help those with cancer.
- Also two new stallholders have recently joined the market crew: Karen selling organic garlic; and Christine selling organic oranges.

Two of our stallholders are leaving us soon and we wish them well.

All in all there's lots to choose from if you're looking for fresh fruit and vegies, yummy sweet and savoury food, or a handmade-in-Coromandel gift or souvenir.

Finally, at Easter, instead of holding the market on Good Friday, it will take place on **Saturday 4 April**.

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## The Gatland Family of Coromandel: 1870-1948

James Brown Gatland had married Ann Louisa Cadman, daughter of Jerome Cadman and sister of Sir Alfred Jerome Cadman.

At age 10 in 1850 he was working on the goldfields in Northern California, along with his married sister Charlotte.

James, son of a soldier in the Coldstream Guards, was known as Captain Gatland – he fought as a volunteer in the Waikato Wars of 1863-4.

James was appointed as representative of the Court in Coromandel about 1870. Later he was to fill various positions of Warden of the Court, Inspector of Mines, Registrar of Mines, Returning Officer for Elections, and Receiver of Gold Revenue, until his death in 1892. The family lived at Bellville, later along the Tiki Road. Most are buried at Buffalo Cemetery.

There were nine Gatland children, eight were boys. As in most families several children died very young.

Vincent Young Gatland married Sarah Buckton. He was a miner – tragically killed in 1905 in an avoidable accident at Komata Reef Mine near Paeroa. He had gone there when there were few jobs in mining at Coromandel. They had five children.

Howard Gilbert Gatland married his brother's wife Sarah, and took charge of the children. He was at various times compositor,

journalist, newspaper editor, manager, and part leasor of the Coromandel County Mail newspaper for many years. Imagine the discussions around the family dinner table, with a reporter present pouncing on the news.

Edward Francis Gatland emigrated to Australia. He joined the Queensland Mounted Rifles Infantry and went to the Boer War in South Africa. He stayed on fighting in the Zulu War, then returned to Australia with his wife and child in 1914. Again he pursued mining as a career.

Alfred Hildyard Gatland was a teacher and head of the secondary school at Coromandel. Like several of his brothers he sat exams and qualified from the Coromandel School of Mines – in those days a type of Mining University. He committed suicide in 1912, shocking the community and his pupils.

Charles Geoffey Gatland became assistant clerk of the County Council, secretary of the local Acclimatisation Society and was involved in the decision about importing rainbow trout to Coromandel.

Arthur James Gatland was also a miner. He married the local hospital matron.

The family were involved in community affairs, held prominent positions on various local boards, committees, church, local bodies, and were high up in the affairs of the Lodge.

The boys were prominent in local sports. Most of the sons also belonged to the Coromandel Volunteer Rifles. Several were

exceptional shots and won events around the North Island. They excelled at cricket, tennis, athletics, and rugby, in the days when Coromandel teams played and could beat Auckland and Thames, as well as Manaia, Colville and Kuaotunu.

Warren Gatland, former rugby coach of Waikato, now of Ireland, possibly of the British Lions, is a direct descendant.

History kindly researched by Don Goodall. Did you know of them? Can you add to the knowledge? Do you have any personal letters, memories, or photos you could share? If so please email info to [corochronicle@gmail.com](mailto:corochronicle@gmail.com)

## Coromandel Patchwork and Quilters

The winner of the Coromandel Patchwork and Quilters Raffle Quilt is: Ticket #356 Lorraine Courtney of Coromandel.

Lorraine is a relatively new member and she is so thrilled with her win.

We thank everyone for their support.

# Coromandel - Auckland Ferry



## Departs Auckland Pier 4

	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
5 Jan - 25 Jan	8.45am	8.45am	8.45am	8.45am	6.00pm	8.45am	8.45am
26 Jan - 1 Feb	8.45am	8.45am	8.45am	8.45am	6.00pm	8.45am	8.45am
2 Feb - 8 Feb	8.45am	8.45am	8.45am	8.45am	8.45am	8.45am	8.45am
9 Feb - 29 Mar	-	8.45am	-	8.45am	6.00pm	8.45am	8.45am
30 Mar - 5 Apr	-	8.45am	-	6.00pm	8.45am	8.45am	8.45am

## Departs Waiheke (Orapiu) to Coromandel (approximate times)

	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
5 Jan - 25 Jan	9.50am	9.50am	9.50am	9.50am	7.05pm	9.50am	9.50am
26 Jan - 1 Feb	9.50am	9.50am	9.50am	9.50am	7.05pm	9.50am	9.50am
2 Feb - 8 Feb	9.50am	9.50am	9.50am	7.05pm	9.50am	9.50am	9.50am
9 Feb - 29 Mar	-	9.50am	-	9.50am	7.05pm	9.50am	9.50am
30 Mar - 5 Apr	-	9.50am	-	7.05pm	9.50am	9.50am	9.50am

## Departs Coromandel: Hannaford's Wharf

	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
5 Jan - 25 Jan	3.00pm	3.00pm	3.00pm	3.00pm	8.15pm	4.30pm	4.30pm
26 Jan - 1 Feb	4.30pm	3.00pm	3.00pm	3.00pm	8.15pm	4.30pm	4.30pm
2 Feb - 8 Feb	3.00pm	3.00pm	3.00pm	8.15pm	4.30pm	4.30pm	4.30pm
9 Feb - 29 Mar	-	3.00pm	-	3.00pm	8.15pm	4.30pm	4.30pm
30 Mar - 5 Apr	-	3.00pm	-	8.15pm	4.30pm	4.30pm	4.30pm

## Auckland - Coromandel

	Adult	Child	Family
One way	\$55.00	\$35.00	-
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	Adult	Child	Family
One way	\$35.00	\$22.00	-
Open return	\$60.00	\$35.00	-

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## Library News

By Raewyn McKinney

This month I concentrate on several non-fiction additions to the library:

*The Intriguing Story of Coromandel Granite* by Lindsay Garmson, with an introduction by Barry Brickell. Obviously a book with strong local interest, this is the untold true story of Coromandel's granite industry. Buildings built from Coromandel granite include the Old Parliament Buildings in Wellington, Auckland Museum and Auckland Railway Station; monuments include One Tree Hill in Auckland and the Seddon Memorial in Wellington.



We are very grateful to both Lindsay and Barry for donating a hard copy edition of this book to the library. This book has been added to our "Coromandel Heritage" section of the library and will be available for use in the library by any members of the community. An area with a chair and table has been set aside for the use of anyone wishing to use these books to read or study. As we had many members of the library keen to read this book, it has been decided to purchase an additional copy of the book so it can be issued to members of the library in the usual manner.

*The Distance Travelled* by Jocelyn Davey. This is the story of Jocelyn's life, in particular concentrating on journeys she has undertaken; the journey from childhood to grandmother, and her travels throughout the world. We are sure this book will prove most

popular with our members and are most grateful to Jocelyn for donating the book to the library.

*Tangata Whenua – An Illustrated History* by Atholl Anderson, Judith Binney and Aroha Harris. Charts the sweep of Māori history from ancient origins through to the twenty-first century. Through narrative and images, it offers a striking overview of the past, grounded in specific localities and histories. A parallel commentary is offered through more than 500 images, ranging from the elegant shapes of ancient taonga and artefacts to impressions of Māori in the sketchbooks and paintings of early European observers, through the shifting focus of the photographer's lens to the response of contemporary Māori artists to all that has gone before.... The many threads of history are entwined in this compelling narrative of the people and the land, the story of a rich past that illuminates the present and will inform the future.

This book has also been added to our Heritage section, and will be available for use in the library only.

*If This Is A Woman* by Sarah Helm – This focuses on a concentration camp that is often forgotten: the Ravensbrück camp. It was the only Nazi camp built exclusively



for women. The majority of women incarcerated in Ravensbrück were Polish. Although some had been sent there because they were Jewish, most were political enemies.... In the 21st century Helm was able to speak to survivors who were finally keen to record their experiences. Their voices are clearly heard.

*The Bletchley Girls* by Tessa Dunlop. The women of Bletchley Park have a unique story to tell. Although critical to the success of the project to break the German and Japanese codes in the Second World War, their contribution has been consistently undervalued and under-appreciated. Now we hear their voices as they tell how life at "The Park" and its outstations was far removed from the glamorous existence usually portrayed. Tessa Dunlop captures their extraordinary journeys into an adult world of war, secrecy, love and loss... it's the story of the girls behind Britain's ability to consistently outsmart the enemy.



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## Coromandel Town Information Centre

By Sandra Wilson

I have just finished tallying up the yearly numbers for those through the centre in 2014. We have had 29,602 tourists and locals visit us. This is up by 33% from the previous year.

It seems the busy season has not stopped. The second wave of tourists is arriving in droves, quickly filling up accommodation providers. Our team have worked extremely hard to assist with clients' requests.

On another note I would like to reinforce the need for cleaning your shoes when you walk the Kauri Grove, Kauri Block, Long Bay or any walk that has kauri trees. Some have permanent cleaning stations set up. If no cleaning stations are available please scrub/clean your shoes before you head off on the next bush walk. This is to help stop the spread of kauri dieback disease, which is believed to



be spread in the soil that is trapped on the soles of our shoes. Your commitment to protect our native bush for future generations is appreciated.

With the lovely fine weather why don't you reacquaint yourself with the local attractions? Many, like the walks, waterfalls and beaches, are free.

We have a new town map which shows all the walks in and around town, streetscape, the northern peninsula and the 309 Road, all in a more manageable, A4 size. And good news to report is that we again have free wifi available. Just pop in to get the code.

You can also pick up your passport applications; get A4, black-and-white, one-sided photocopying done; and book your travel on InterCity, all at the Information Centre.

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# Coromandel Bowling Club Newsletter - March 2015

**New Zealand (Coromandel) V Australia** – at the tournament held in early February, 8 bowlers from Huskisson, New South Wales, played against 8 Coromandel players. The tournament was 2 games of fours, lasting most of the day. After some outstanding bowls from both sides the matches were drawn and so it was decided by points scored, and New Zealand won by just two points. The Aussies were absolutely thrilled with the day's bowls and the friendship shown to them by the Club. So much so that we have been invited to a return match in Australia as soon as can be arranged. The Aussies came again the following week to join in a Club match.



**Film Club 2015** – The Film Club will be starting again this month. If you wish to find out what's coming on please email Martin so I can put you on the mailing list. I will need your name, phone number and email address. Films are generally every fortnight and we run until the end of October. You are very welcome to join our friendly and informal film nights.

**Seafood Tournament** – We will be holding our annual Seafood Tournament on the 7/8th March bringing together 128 bowlers from all over the country. It is a great fun weekend, but very competitive with excellent prizes at stake. If you want to come along and see what's going on, come and watch the bowls and cheer on our 3 Coromandel teams.

## WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS - OF THE PENINSULA

Our Coromandel ladies' fours team have reclaimed the Scott-Baker Cup from Paeroa. Irene Goss, Maureen Kimber, Dianne Burton and Vi King were the only team to win their four games to take the Cup outright. Well done, ladies.



Left to right  
Vi King,  
Dianne  
Burton,  
Maureen  
Kimber and  
Irene Goss.

## Contacts

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**Grey Power Coromandel Inc.**

By Mac Welch



Greetings to one and all. We finally got a real summer, long hot days with no wind just like the summers I remember when I was a kid and it looks like it's set to continue; here's hoping. I trust you had all read our January article regarding the Annual Xmas Party which once again was a roaring success. It really is becoming the high point of our year.

Your Coromandel Grey Power committee members are now organising themselves for the tasks ahead of us in this New Year. We begin by informing our members that if you wish to attend any of our meetings at the St John Ambulance Rooms and are unable to drive, please contact one of your committee members and we will arrange transport for you. Obviously you do not have to commit to attending every meeting but why not make at least one meeting as there will be varied and interesting guest speakers on our agenda, giving you an opportunity to participate within that forum. Also, our focus this year is to reach a wider part of our community to ensure that all seniors in our region are aware of the policies that Grey Power represent. What can Grey Power do for you? What do they do about issues? Who do they speak to regarding these? What does it mean to join Grey Power? So come along to our next meeting; details below.

Our guest speaker for the March meeting is the Mayor of TCDC, Glenn Leach. He will give us a brief update on Council progress within the wider region but focus mainly on the Coromandel/Colville Ward. So mark the date on your calendar and prepare your questions for Mayor Leach. If you have a question or a comment this is your chance to get an answer straight from the horse's mouth, so to speak. Welcome all Grey Power members and their guests.

Next Meeting: **Thursday 19 March**, at 1.30pm. Where, St John Ambulance Rooms, Tiki Road, Coromandel. See you there. A plate for afternoon tea is appreciated.

Contact Committee Members: Claire Stewart (07) 866 8553; David Lunn (07) 866 7220; Pat Williams (07) 866 7922

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

By Felix O'Carroll, Station Manager Coromandel.

St John Coromandel Ambulance Station (AS) is a small but important community based station made up of volunteers and one paid officer (Station Manager). Colville First Response (FR) is a smaller station yet is made up of a dedicated team of volunteers who cover the northern part of the peninsula from Papa Aroha across to Kennedy Bay North. The Coromandel station covers Wilson Bay to the south across to Whangapoua and to the north tip of the Coromandel Peninsula. This is a large area to cover yet made more challenging with winding roads, some of which are unsealed. Coromandel (AS) acts as a transporting vehicle and backs up Colville FR when a call is made to the north. When Coromandel is unavailable (out on a call or is unable to have a service due to unavailability of volunteers), backup comes from Thames and/or Whitianga, some 45 to 60 minutes away.

The ambulance service in this area is made up of community people doing the job for the community, yet most people take it for granted that an ambulance will turn up when we dial 111. But due to unavailability of volunteers we in Coromandel struggle to maintain the service and some days are reliant on outside ambulances to cover the short fall; for example: Thames/Whitianga ambulances.

**So how can we fix this situation?**

We need more volunteers (double what we currently have) and community funding to help with costs to fill vacant rosters. Funding is a big issue which requires more planning, however having more of the right people increasing our volunteer ranks is where we need to be now.

**Volunteers**

We desperately need people now so training can be done to get people on the ambulance as soon as safely and practically possible. We need your support and help now. If you think this is for you we welcome your application which can be found on the St John website: [stjohn.org.nz](http://stjohn.org.nz) or volunteer applications. Call the station and talk to the duty officer or leave a message on (07) 866 8279 to find out more.

**Operations**

Both Coromandel and Colville have come off a very busy period with workloads peaking around mid-January flowing into late February.

Westpac helicopter was used numerous times, more so further north than locally in Coromandel, however this service was utilised well where the need arose.

**Training and advanced learning**

Station Training has commenced and we welcome all members of the public to come along and learn new skills that can be lifesaving. We have changed our training schedule to Thursday evenings starting at 7.00pm; all welcome. Be safe out there, stay well.

**Clive Mortuus Est**

By John Irvine

At 3.16 pm today,  
Clive the cricket passed away.  
His body's quiet on the sill,  
no more I'll hear his happy trill.

I stare at him in mourning sorrow –  
here today, and gone tomorrow.  
His tiny soul has flown away...  
Clive the cricket died today.

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## Animal Rescue Thames

By Alice Parris

Thank mews to everyone for the donations of cat and kitten food, bedding and the awesome support shown to us. Also for the \$25 Pak'nSave voucher which is a massive blessing to us.

Two days prior to my hospital trip we had three little kittens brought in from high in the Coro hills, which meant the trio came with me and we stayed with my mum and went first week as day patient and working with four frail kittens. Over long weekend we all returned, and after discussion I returned to Rotorua for the last two weeks in hospital, leaving them in his care. Returning home an experience, my little babies were big, fat and looking awesome. John had followed everything written to a T! Huge thanks to him for all he did, as when I returned all the kittens spat at me, I smelt foreign and not da mumma they knew. Week later all forgiven. Catching up on deflea, desexing, and paper work, is something we are slowly managing. I am fine and coping well just doing everything at a much slower speed.

We had another come in, an adult Kera. She found a lovely home in Tairua two weeks after coming in, Sophie our highland fold also was homed. That was a miracle home for her!

Another newbie is a steel grey 3-month-old purrball. How this boy can be so smoochy after his previous



home is a mystery but he is another due for neutering. All in all we face over \$750 worth of desexing over the next couple of months. Our funds are on the low side, and with flea and worm treatments also due we are set to head over a grands worth of treatments.

Next fundraiser is to be our Easter Garage sale. Sadly our usual hall we have always had has been prebooked by someone selling rugs, so nothing we can do but try to book another hall which we are in process of doing. As yet unsure where we will be however we are aiming to have one at **Easter Saturday 5 April**. We have loads of neat things, but always welcome donations to help us raise funds.

Wanted – homes still sought for four older felines needing rural properties. We have four 12 week tabby girls, needing homes but in pairs! No small children but quiet loving home. They will be shy to start with but will be awesome pets given time to settle in.

Kitten and cat food, tinned, sachets and biscuits purrlease.

Any enquiries contact Animal Rescue Thames, 532 Thames Coast Road, RD5, Thames 3575. Phone (07) 868 2907

## Coromandel Contract Bridge Club

By Judy Bronlund

We welcome David as our new president and we thank Ischelle for her time and work as our outgoing president. March is our second bridge competition and there are 11 more competitions during the year. Like a lot of clubs, our membership is down, and we encourage you and your friends to join us on a Monday evening. Lessons will be given to learners so please make contact. We play each Monday evening at the St John rooms.

Contact Val (07) 866 8730 or Lyn (07) 866 858

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**Contact:** Patricia Mikaere/Annette James

**phone:** 07-866-7050

**visit:** Education Training Centre (ETC),  
90 Tiki Road, Coromandel

**email:** [ace@cilt.org.nz](mailto:ace@cilt.org.nz)



**We are back!** Enrolments for up and coming courses are rolling in, so register your interest with us now. Please note the changes in course start dates that are different from those advertised in the February Chronicle.

## Future Courses

We have future courses on the horizon so register your interest with us now.

> **Electronic Music Production**

> **Day Skipper's Certificate**

> **VHF Radio Operation**

> **Xero Online Accounting**

## March Courses

### Incredible Years Parenting

This course is aimed at parents of children aged 3-8 and 6-12 years. It focuses on preventing and managing difficult behaviours and uses role play, video clips and discussions in a group setting.

Venue: Whitianga

Start date: To be confirmed

Days: To be confirmed

Times: 9:30am - 12:30pm

Duration: 14 weeks

Cost: Free

### Te Reo Maori

Enrol onto this very popular course that starts with the basics of pronunciation, language structures and vocabulary. Emphasis will be on cultural understanding so you will feel comfortable in a Māori environment.

Tutor: Peg Harrison

Venue: ETC - 90 Tiki Road

Start Date: 2 March 2015

Day/Times: Mondays 1 - 3pm

Duration: 5 weeks

Cost: Gold coin donation

### Introduction to Computing (P.C.1)

Learn the absolute basics of how to use a computer at home or in the workplace.

Please note: if you want to use your own laptop, let us know before the start date.

Tutor: Kaye Anderson

Venue: ETC - 90 Tiki Road

Start date: 9 March 2015

Day/Times: Mondays 10-12pm

Duration: 4 weeks

Cost: \$20

### Digital Photography

Back by popular demand. Maximise the use of your point and shoot or SLR digital camera and learn how to take professional photos.

Tutor: Deborah Hide-Bayne

Venue: ETC - 90 Tiki Road

Start date: 5 March 2015

Day/Times: Thursdays 10 - 12pm

Duration: 4 weeks

Cost: \$20

### Defensive Driving

Recommended for all drivers. Equip yourself with the skills to drive safely on our roads. At the end of this course you will be awarded a certificate that will reduce the time required to sit the restricted/full licence from eight months to two months.

Tutor: Ron Agnew

Venue: ETC - 90 Tiki Road

Date: Starts 18 March 2015

Days/Times: 10am - 2pm

Duration: 4 sessions

Cost: \$50

### Heavy Traffic (HT) Licence Preparation

This course will prepare you to sit the test for the high demand licence to drive trucks. To sit this test you must have held a full car licence for more than 6 months.

Tutor: Ron Agnew

Venue: ETC - 90 Tiki Road

Date: Tuesday 10 March 2015

Times: 9am - 2pm

Cost: \$50

### Recruiting and Retaining Volunteers

Register for this unique workshop that will support your initiatives to recruit and retain the right volunteers for your organisation.

Facilitator: Lorraine Hooper

Venue: TCDC Council Chambers, Coromandel

Date: Wednesday 25 March 2015

Time: 10am - 2:30pm

Cost: \$30 per participant (lunch provided)

## April Courses

The delivery of these courses is subject to participant numbers, so please register your interest now.

### Restricted/Full Driver Licence Preparation

This course will thoroughly prepare you to sit the test for your restricted or full driver's licence. To sit this test you must have held a learner's licence for more than 6 months.

Tutor: Ron Agnew

Venue: ETC - 90 Tiki Road

Date: Wednesday 1 April 2015

Times: 10am - 3pm

Cost: \$20

### Learner Driver Licence Preparation

This course will thoroughly prepare you to sit the test for your learner driver licence. To sit this test you must be at least 16 years old. This course is highly recommended for high school students.

Tutor: Ron Agnew

Venue: ETC - 90 Tiki Road

Date: Wednesday 2nd April 2015

Times: 10am - 3pm

Cost: \$10

### Website Design

Design, create and publish your own website. This course will introduce you to HTML and web authoring software: KomPozer, Photoshop, web browsers, CCS and JavaScript.

Tutor: Stephen Hutton

Venue: ETC - 90 Tiki Road

Start date: 7 April 2015

Times: Tuesdays 10am - 3pm

Duration: 6 weeks

Cost: \$30

### First Aid Full Certificate Level 2

Become a fully certified first-aider. Build the knowledge, skills and confidence you need to deal with emergencies at home and in the workplace. School students over the age of 16 years are welcome to attend.

Provider: St John

Venue: St John Room, Coromandel

Dates: To be confirmed for April 2015

Duration: 2 days

Time: 9am - 4pm

Cost: \$187

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## Coromandel Independent Living Trust (CILT) Resource Centre

By Rebecca Toon, Resource Centre Co-ordinator

### New face at the Resource Centre

Hiria Tukerangi is now the friendly face you will see when you enter the Resource Centre. Hiria has been working at our Education and Training Centre and has a wealth of knowledge about CILT's projects and local and national community services. Rebecca is still overseeing the Resource Centre but this year is becoming more involved with other CILT projects and report writing, marketing and fundraising.

### Travel assistance to hospital appointments

If you are a Community Services Card holder and have an appointment at Thames or Waikato Hospital, we can give you funding to help get there. We also have a great team of volunteer drivers for those not able to drive themselves. To access this service bring in your appointment letter and Community Services Card between 9am and 3pm Monday to Thursday. If your card has expired or a new card has not been sent in the post, call 0800 999 999. To see if you are entitled to a card, check out the Community Services Card section on the Work and Income website: [www.workandincome.govt.nz](http://www.workandincome.govt.nz). We have two free computers to use to have a look if you do not have your own.

### Weekly Mobility Van to Thames

This fantastic service collects people from their homes on Thursday mornings around 9am for the trip to Thames for shopping and appointments. Everyone meets at Pak'nSave at 2pm to come back to Coromandel. Koha for a return trip is \$12 and half price for children. Call or come into the Resource Centre to book a spot before 1pm on Wednesdays.

### Heartlands Centre visits for 2015

IRD and Maori Land Court visits for the rest of 2015 are below. Call or come into the Resource Centre to book an appointment.

IRD: **20 May, 19 August, 18 November.**

Maori Land Court: **13 May, 24 September, 25 November.**

Other agencies also use Tiki House such as Probation Services, lawyer Brenda Flay, osteopath Gabriel, counsellor Brigitte, medical herbalist Anne Kerr-Bell and the WDHB nurses. Contact them directly for all appointments.

Other great services available at the Resource Centre:

- 2 fast computers FREE for locals to use between 9am and 3pm
- Lots of info on health, disability and community services
- Photocopier, printer, scanner, laminator and fax for public use

Contact: Hiria Tukerangi (Community Transport Services Coordinator) and Rebecca Toon (Resource Centre Coordinator). Tiki House, 45 Tiki Road. Hours: 9am- 3pm Monday-Thursday. Ph/Fax: (07) 866 8358 Email: [cilt@cilt.org.nz](mailto:cilt@cilt.org.nz) or website: [www.cilt.org.nz](http://www.cilt.org.nz)

### Himalaya shop : Colville

Hi there, The Himalaya shop will not be open every day in March month. If you are thinking of coming up to Colville to see us then its best to text or phone first to see if we are open that day!

We will be open over the Easter period before closing for the winter months

phone us on 021 139 7838/ 021 064 5155 or our landline at home 8666 865. e mail: [robnnet@yahoo.com](mailto:robnnet@yahoo.com)

## Coromandel Lions Club

By Lion Lyn



Greetings everyone. As we come into the cooler months of autumn, our time is spent more on firewood than mussel fritters! The Colville Connection bike race has been and gone with all proceeds from mussel fritters going to the Colville School. Always a great day out! Coming up this month is the Beach Hop in Whangamata. Also a great day out for us. We join forces with Whangamata Lions for some friendly fundraising rivalry on the Saturday, in our usual spot beside the Post Office on Port Rd. Come and check it out although it pays to get in early as parking is always at a premium on that day. Our usual club happenings for February kicked off with the annual BBQ held this year at Lion Jean's beautiful piece of paradise on the Colville hill. Thanks again Jean. Another one for the memory book. On the home front, we are still taking orders for firewood on (07) 866 7722. It will go to answer phone and I will call you back as long as message is clear with name and number! We have been very lucky to have expert help with tree felling and cutting up of firewood over the last few months. A huge thank you to Peter – your blood's worth bottling. It is with sadness we say goodbye to Brian who passed away suddenly in January. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Lion Mary from all of your family here in the club. R.I. P. Brian. Till next month, be a kind to each other...

If you need to get in touch with Lions for any reason then numbers to ring are president Bruce (07) 866 7495 or secretary Jayne (07) 866 7687

## Coromandel Walking Group

By Irene Dunn

Whew it's been hot – well done ladies, continuing to walk in the hotter temperatures; it sure is sapping! We always enjoy the walk whether it's in the bush, around the footpaths or by the sea. We have such a wonderful spot in paradise!

Our access through the old dump is closed now due to heavy machinery working there, however with very many thanks to Keith Stephenson we now have a track off the Harray Track through the bush and down the hill to Hauraki Road. It makes for a very pleasant walk and we appreciate the effort Keith has made to make this track for all the walkers.

If you are new to town or just fancy getting out there and doing some exercise, do come and join us. We meet every Tuesday and Thursday, to do an hour's walk, presently starting at 8.30am outside the Lotto Dairy, then of course it's back to Success Cafe for that welcoming cup of coffee.

Starting time will be reviewed at the end of February, so please check with the number below if you are not sure what time we are walking.

Thank you Elspeth for doing the next few reports.

Happy walking everyone.

Contact Ruth (07) 866 7246

### Quiz Night

Last Thursday of every month, teams of 4, \$20 per team. Book your team in now.

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## Coromandel Flavour

Extract from the "March" chapter of local cookery book  
by Deborah Hide-Bayne

### Tarte Tatin

For 4-6

85g butter

55g caster sugar

675g apples, cored

½ tsp ground cinnamon

225g shortcrust pastry

Preheat the oven to 220°C.

Grease a heavy pan (suitable for both cooktop and oven) with butter. Sprinkle with a little sugar.

Cut the apples into thin slices. Arrange them around the dish, overlapping one another. Sprinkle with cinnamon and sugar, dot with butter and repeat the process until all the ingredients are used up.

Put the pan over a medium heat and cook for 10-15 minutes until the sugar has caramelized. Use a sharp knife to gently lift a slice or two up to check. Don't let the slices burn. (Drain off excess liquid if necessary into a small saucepan, which you can reduce down and add it back to the apples later on.)

Roll out the pastry about 1cm thick into a circle slightly larger than the pan you cooked the apples in.

Fold in the edge of the dough to make a border and flatten it slightly. Put over the apples, folded side down, crimp the edge and pierce with a fork all over. Bake in the oven for 25 minutes, covering the pastry with foil if it gets too brown.

Remove the tart and turn it out using a plate. If one or two of the apple slices dislodge, don't panic, just use a knife to slip them back into place. Serve with cream.

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## Christ Church News

By Barbara O'Reilly

Summer continues and along with all the other highlights in Coromandel was the Vegetable and Produce Show on 14 February. At Christ Church we carried on the spirit of that event by having our Harvest Festival in the 8am Eucharist on Sunday 15th. The church looked splendid with all the colours of fruit and veggies placed in front of the Altar. It was a fitting and lovely way to farewell the Season of Epiphany that followed Christmas.

Now it's Lent and we think about what we could give up; a discipline to remind and prepare ourselves for the commemoration of the sacrifice Jesus made for us on Good Friday, and His glorious resurrection on Easter Day (5 April this year), giving us all the hope of new life everlasting. An alternative approach to giving up is to take on something new, something that will lead us into a deeper appreciation of the meaning and power of that sacrifice and triumph over sin and death. Lent began on Wednesday 18 February, Ash Wednesday; every Wednesday through to 1 April, there will be a service at Christ Church of the beautiful office of Compline, evening prayer at 5.30pm. As Lent proceeds we will be exploring a new (for us) approach contemplative prayer using Anglican prayer beads. If you feel you need to refresh or develop your spiritual life, this is an interesting and rewarding direction to take. All are welcome.

Speaking of new things we are pleased to report that the All Ages Drop In at Christ Church Hall on Tiki Rd Thursday at 10.30am continues to grow. If you feel like a good cuppa, have a friendly chat and meet new people, do come along. For more information ring Glenda (07) 866 7031.

As always, times to meet and speak with Fr Philip on pastoral matters or for weddings or baptisms etc., may be made and his contact details are on the website at [www.christchurchcoromandel.org.nz](http://www.christchurchcoromandel.org.nz) and the noticeboard of the church.

### March – April Services

Wednesdays 5.30pm Compline – Evening Prayer.

**8 March** – 8am Holy Communion, Fr Philip.

**22 March** – 10am Parish Eucharist with hymns, Fr Philip.

**29 March** Palm Sunday – 10am combined Churches (venue and time, please see Church noticeboard).

**2 April** Maundy Thursday – commemoration of the Last Supper, washing of feet (venue and time, please see church noticeboard).

**3 April** Good Friday – venue and time, please see church noticeboard.

**5 April** Easter Day – Mass of The Resurrection, Archdeacon Sue McCafferty.

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Therefore, during March, we will run an amnesty on all overdue books.

### NO FINES WILL BE CHARGED FOR RETURNED BOOKS IN MARCH

Please double-check all bookshelves, storage boxes or other book collections and return all library books found. If the library is shut, books can be returned through the slot in the door.



# Our Coromandel

## News from Thames-Coromandel District Council



MARCH, 2015

### Formal closure of the old landfill site

The Council landfill on Public Conservation Land in Hauraki Road, Coromandel, is now formally closed. Capping of the rubbish has begun and the 600mm of spoil excavated elsewhere on the site will prevent surface water leaching into the rubbish creating any new leachate. The existing leachate is being pumped to the wastewater treatment plant.

Bike tracks are being proposed as a potential activity on the landfill site. A concept plan is being developed for consideration by the Board.

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### COROMANDEL WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADE STAGE 3

The wastewater treatment plant upgrade stages 1, Floating wetland treatment including installation, and 2, Inlet works installation to improve influent quality of waste water entering the treatment plant, have been completed.

Stage 3 is flood protection works namely re-forming, re-sealing and re-configuring the ponds. The upgrades will add another 25 years to the life of the wastewater treatment plant and improve the handling of septage waste during Coromandel's peak period.

To find out more about the Coromandel wastewater treatment plant updates see our website [www.tcdc.govt.nz/corowastewater](http://www.tcdc.govt.nz/corowastewater)

### Coromandel Harbour Project March Update

The Coromandel Harbour Project is focused on the need to upgrade harbour facilities as we prepare for higher visitor numbers and increased use of wharf and boat ramp facilities by both recreational and commercial users. Developing infrastructure could allow for a fast ferry from Auckland that will have major economic benefits for Coromandel Town and the entire District.

#### WHERE WE ARE AT WITH THE PROJECT NOW:

##### *Sugarloaf Wharf*

Council has approved the concept of an expanded Sugarloaf Wharf and commencement of resource consent planning to address health and safety

concerns and cater for aquaculture growth in the short to medium term.

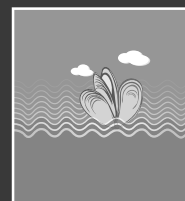
#### *Furey's Creek half metre channel and Coromandel Wharf Dredged Basin business case*

A business case is being developed to take to market and advertise for investment interest.

#### SO WHERE TO NEXT?

Complete the business case and obtain feedback from the Stakeholder Working Group and our Economic Development Committee prior to presenting to Council in March 2015.

Go to  
[www.tcdc.govt.nz/coroharbourproject](http://www.tcdc.govt.nz/coroharbourproject) for more details.



### Coromandel - Colville Community Board UPDATE

#### Recruiting and Retaining Volunteers Workshop

**Date:** Wednesday 25 March  
10am - 2:30pm

**Venue:** Thames-Coromandel District Council Meeting Room,  
355 Kapanga Road, Coromandel

**Cost:** \$30 per participant  
(includes lunch)

To register for this workshop contact the Coromandel Independent Living Trust – Education and Training Centre phone: **07 866 7050** or email: [ace@cilt.org.nz](mailto:ace@cilt.org.nz). Registrations close 18 March 2015.

This workshop is presented by Volunteering Waikato in association with Thames-Coromandel District Council and Coromandel Independent Living Trust.



### WW1 MEMORIAL FOREST PROJECT

New Zealand WW1 Memorial Forest working party members for Coromandel so far:

- Keith Stephenson (Community Board)
- Alison Henry (Kauri 2000)
- Asha Peppiatt (Coromandel Area School)

We're also now making contact with local RSA offices. If people want to be on the working party for Coromandel please get in touch with

[Ben.dunbar-smith@tcdc.govt.nz](mailto:Ben.dunbar-smith@tcdc.govt.nz) or call 07 868 0200 to be put through to him.

The planting sites for Coromandel have been confirmed as:

- Hauraki Road next to the waste water treatment plant.
- Waikato Regional Council reserve on Albert Street.

For more information on the WW1 Memorial Forest Project see our website [www.tcdc.govt.nz/ww1memorialforest](http://www.tcdc.govt.nz/ww1memorialforest)



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## Museum News

By Raewyn McKinney

This year the country has been focussed on the centenary of the First World War. In particular we remember the Anzac campaign at Gallipoli, and will mark the 100th Anzac Day in April.

In this connection, the museum has installed a new display, honouring all those from the Coromandel area who served and perished during World War 1. This display features photos of local soldiers and the names of all the local men who did not return. We thank committee members Sue Wright, who made the poppies, and Val Macdonald, who located the photos, for putting the display together and thank the local RSA for providing the names and service numbers of the local soldiers. The museum will be open every day during March, so all those locals with an interest will have an opportunity to call in and see the display.



On behalf of all members of the Society, I thank Jennie James for the excellent newsletter she has produced and sent to members over the last couple of months. I enclose an extract from this month's newsletter in case anyone in the community can help:

"The latest item donated for our collection is a Tilly Radiator, a kerosene heat lamp. The lamp is incomplete and is missing its mantle. Unfortunately the item was simply left on the front steps of the building so we have no idea of who left it or its provenance. We always appreciate new items but for purposes of cataloguing we really do need to know as much as possible about every item. If you know who left this lamp please let someone on the committee know so we can thank them and find out more about it."

Remember, if anyone can help man the museum, please contact Sue Wright on (07) 866 8039. The museum will be open from 1pm to 4pm daily throughout March

## MUSEUM MONTHLY COMPETITION "Who What Where When"



Please identify this photo and give us as much information as you can. Bring or post your entry to the Information Centre with name and contact details by **Friday 27 March**. All correct entries will go into a draw for a voucher from Coromandel Four Square.



Once again, we had many correct entries for our January competition. The correct answer was, of course, the Water Wheel

at the Stamper Battery in Buffalo Road. The winning entry for the grocery voucher this month was Pat Williams, who has now become our most consistent winner. It just goes to show the value of submitting an entry every month. Well done, Pat, and thank you for your loyal contributions. Pat's entry advises, "This facility was built in 1900 and was officially opened on 16 August 1900. The 5 Stamp Battery cost £1,050 and the facility £1080.50. Folk attending the opening ceremony paid £3 for a lunch and to watch Mrs Hodge start the engine. The facility had a checkered career. It temporarily closed sometime around 1910-1911 and this closure became permanent with the outset of World War One. Various attempts and plans over the ensuing years all came to nothing until the 1950's and by 1980 The Battery was the only one left on the Peninsula in its original position. It has the highest classification from the Historic Places Trust. Although it was again derelict, Rex Drinkwater and friend Rob Morgan spent years repairing the machinery and installing the waterwheel. The Battery is now a tourist attraction in the town and is run by Ash Franklyn."

Thank you to all who entered in the January competition and good luck for this month.

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## Coromandel Business Association

By Brenda Kelsey

What a fantastic summer, great weather, businesses doing well, tourists happy, properties selling and people feeling optimistic. It is great to get the feeling that the economy is improving for our small town.

We are very fortunate to have our Mayor and his team seeing the benefit of creating an all-tide access into our town. TCDC has allocated a large amount of money to this. The CBA feels very strongly that the Furey's Creek development proposal would boost the economy of this town, even in the winter months and aesthetically improve the town with landscaping and plantings.

Although there are other proposals out there, including Barry Brickell's concept; a marina and dredged basin; we, as an Association, want people to be aware that any disagreements or arguments about what proposal, where and/or what should or should not be dredged, will put a complete halt on anything at all occurring now or in the future. This has been in the pipeline for many years now and the time has come for us to move forward with a project that will enable economic and social development for our town.

It is time to get behind the Council's preferred option of dredging down 50cm in the Whangarahi Stream to allow all-tide access for recreational fishers and fishing charter operators. This will bring business

direct into the township and relieve the congestion/health and safety issues that currently exist at the Sugar Loaf with commercial operations from the mussel farmers.

For all of us who have concerns about the pollutants and heavy metals in the stream, Waikato Regional Council's regulations make it very clear there is no way consent will be issued if there is a risk of toxin release that will cause harm. At this point, as testing has not been done, we don't know if there are grounds for concern. We want to continue moving forward until such time as this happens or not; we want Council to proceed.

We say, let the Council do its due diligence – and let's unite as a town and say thank you, we want this development. We have so much

to gain by having boaties being able to stop in and enjoy our town, stock up on supplies, see the attractions without the fear of going aground and being stuck in the mud.

What the Coromandel Business Association asks is for everyone to keep an open mind, to support this first stage and stay united!

We need as many people as possible to write to Glenn Leach our Mayor, and tell him of your support for the Furey's Creek option.

I have heard that there is a chance that the funds allocated for this could go to Whitianga instead for a boat ramp for them.

So please put pen to paper and unite in your support for Furey's Creek option.

Brenda@cqc.co.nz

## SeniorNet

By Loes Beaver



We are into the second month of the year and A.G.M. is just around the corner.

Our tutor Peter is later in the year moving away from Coromandel, and we will all miss his sincere input, and without him we would not know as much as we do today about computing. We wish Peter and Helen all the best for the future.

We are now in the position of looking for someone who can assist us with the tutor roll, who can assist us with tutoring and

technical advice. If there is anyone out there that thinks they can be of assistance, please get in touch.

We are as our name suggests all senior citizens and not being brought up in the technology world have much to learn. Just keeping up with technology is a challenge, but we all strive to keep up to date.

We use all types of technology so anyone who has time that can assist us even if only at fixed times would be most welcome.

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## Coromandel Garden Circle

Garden Circle picnic meeting

By Ruth Pattinson

Well, who would have thought we would need cardigans and jackets in February! However we still managed to enjoy our February meeting outside, under a tree, in Jeanette Bailey's delightful garden. It did warm up in the afternoon as we wandered around Jeanette's extensive and very beautiful property. What a stunning vista, looking down her expansive lawn and garden from the house. We had a great turnout for our first meeting of the year (not counting our fun day out in January!) and lots of gossip (did I say that?!) to catch up on. I think our visitor Margaret, from England, really enjoyed the day and the friendship. It was interesting listening to Margaret tell us about her garden in England, quite different to ours in sunny Coromandel. A great tip for organic weed spray was shared: 1 litre of vinegar, 1 cup epsom salts and 1 tablespoon of dish liquid, mix up and spray the little blighters for a guaranteed(?) kill!

The competition winners this month were: Multi – Lyn Whitcombe, Single- Ruth Pattinson, Mini- Pam Sowden, Special- Ruth Pattinson, and Arrangement- Karin Lillis. Speaking of competitions, the turnout for the Coromandel Vegetable and Produce Show was really fabulous and two of our garden club members took awards of 1st overall, Linda Wright and 2nd overall, Julie Jensen. It was a lot of fun and hopefully will be repeated next year. Thank you so much to Martin Edwards for the idea and all his work in putting this together for us all.

Next meeting (AGM) will be held on **11 March** at 2083 Rings Road, Coromandel. Happy gardening everyone, keep up the watering!

## Ann's Good News Naturally

### Sleep and Your Health - Identify your sleep problems

Not sleeping well because you are unwell, or are you unwell because you are not sleeping well?

Do you have trouble going to sleep – initiating sleep? Do you have trouble staying asleep – sleep maintenance? Do you feel refreshed when you wake up – quality of sleep? Is your body producing the essential hormones and chemicals required for quality sleep?

The hormones cortisol and melatonin help us have healthy sleep and sleep cycles. The biochemical cellular production line for melatonin requires serotonin, tryptophan and also Vitamin B6 and magnesium, which you should get from foods, thus a nutrient dense diet is number one for going to sleep.

Don't expect optimum absorption of these and other essential nutrients if your gut, liver, gallbladder, pancreas, etc., are inefficient or half healthy.

70% of supermarket foods don't provide you with these essential nutrients, as they are too dead and toxic (preserved, processed, coloured, irradiated, not vital). They act as slow poisons (instead of fast medicine), as they are not bioidentical to the human cell.

Our circadian rhythm, or day/night pattern, intended us to settle for the day and sleep for the night when the sun goes down, then rise in the morning with the sun. Nighttime sleep is when we rest, recover and repair. It's when your liver rids your cells of toxins.

Now in this 24/7 age, we've adapted a great deal, slowly and seamlessly, without us really noticing the trend. Excessive light exposure or light toxicity deregulates the normal circadian rhythm, increasing the risk of hormonal imbalances, brain fog, impaired learning and physical or mental decline. Electrical appliances, cell phones, TV in the bedroom, all contribute to a lesser quality sleep. Sleep deprivation

or disturbances are some of the most common neglected causes of obesity, diabetes, cancer, heart disease, and depression. Sleep debt associated fatigue is a major factor influencing performance at school or work. You cannot heal or function without adequate sleep.

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Sleep related problems I've had great results with over the years: bed wetting; restless leg syndrome; sleep apnoea/ snoring; night sweats; nightmares and sleep terrors; teeth grinding; insomnia-hyper aroused or wired and tired; shift work/jet lag; delayed sleep phase syndrome; fibromyalgia; itchy skin; sleep related gastro oesophageal reflux. Get lasting results with common sense medicine!

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## Scott Simpson MP For Coromandel

### NZ advancing on all fronts

Cuvier Island has been pest free since the 1980s. It is one of the jewels of our region and I had hoped to visit over the summer. The

Moeau Environment Group in partnership with DOC was planning day trips out to the island. Alas although the sun was out the sea swells were up and the trips had to be postponed. I will just have to delay my visit until next summer and the wait will only heighten my enthusiasm to see first-hand an environment that has been free of predators and plant pests for so many years.

Sometimes the results of hard work and good planning in other areas of our lives take time as well.

Over the summer there was much talk of our growing economy and the benefits six years of careful, prudent management have brought our entire country.

New Zealand is in good shape and getting better. Nationwide we're making great strides towards building a stronger, more prosperous country – a country where we can have a great lifestyle and earn a good income that compares well with the rest of the world.

This is due to the hard work and positive



attitude of New Zealanders. It's also because of the stability, cohesion and confidence that has come from six years of strong, stable government.

We are continuing to target economic policies that encourage business investment here in the Coromandel and right across New Zealand, because it is only when businesses have the confidence to invest that we achieve the sort of strong job growth we are seeing now.

When people have jobs they can pay their bills and invest in their families' futures. Latest labour market data shows there was an increase of 28,000 more jobs in the past quarter and 80,000 more jobs over the past year. There are 217,000 more people employed than 5 years ago. Those numbers are huge and those numbers have a real, positive impact for thousands of real people, real families and real communities like ours.

Helping Kiwi families is a very important goal of the government. This year, on April 1, paid parental leave will increase from 14 to 16 weeks. Parental tax credits will also increase from a maximum of \$150 per week to \$220 a week.

Parliament is back in session and the government is working its way towards a surplus and repaying debt. There is much to do and we have three busy years ahead of us.

One of the big jobs Parliament will be tackling this year is further reform of the Resource Management Act (RMA).

A key objective of the reform is speeding

up the plan-making process. Currently the process is complicated, inflexible, and painstakingly slow. It currently takes on average six years to complete a Council District Plan. We need to reduce unnecessary bureaucracy while maintaining high environmental standards. There will be benefits for us all in doing so.

I'm very proud to be part of a government that has a clear plan for the future that will keep steering New Zealand in the right direction and continue building a stronger economy.

For more information from Parliament and around the electorate follow me on Twitter @scottsimpsonmp



## Te Korowai Hauora o Hauraki

By Jessica Henson

### Upcoming Coromandel clinics

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## Mana Update

By Penelope Carroll

The autumnal equinox on 21 March marks the day the sun shines directly over the Equator before moving north and bringing gradually shortening days and longer nights. March is my favourite month, the days generally crisp and sunny and the nights cool after the heat and humidity of midsummer. It is also harvest month.

At Mana the kitchen is taken over (in between preparing meals for course participants) with bottling and freezing the fruit from our 93 orchard trees and stocking the pantry with jams, sauces, pickles and chutneys. The plums and peaches have been picked and processed and now it's time for the apples and pears.

Cyril is in charge of the bottling. It was 12 years ago that he first drove in through the Mana gate, having driven past for many years, to see what Mana was about: "I came back shortly afterwards and spent a night up on the mountain, then came to a working bee, and I've been coming back ever since." Cyril volunteers his time several days a week at Mana, tending the orchard, generally caring for the land and ensuring a good supply of firewood.

GG (Glennis) first visited Mana nine years ago, then came for a working bee and to various community events before doing her first stint as a wwoofers three years ago. Now she is here "indefinitely", and putting a lot of energy into the garden as well as other wwoofing duties: "I love the land, the mountain, the community, the Mana family, being of service to people..." she says. GG has already made dozens of jars of jam, sauce, pickle and chutney from orchard and garden produce this year.

Here is her recipe for Marrow Chutney. It is both delicious and a great way to deal with those courgettes/zucchini's that have got away on you in the garden through the summer!

In a heavy-bottomed pot put: 3kg of marrow, peeled, deseeded and diced or grated; 1kg onions, finely chopped; 1kg brown sugar; 1.5lt of malt vinegar; 1c raisins or sultanas; 1tbsp each of curry powder, dried mustard and

turmeric; pepper and salt to taste. Bring to the boil and simmer for an hour or so with the lid off (allows the liquid to evaporate and the mixture to thicken). Mix 5 tbsp flour with a little water to make a paste and stir into the mixture. Simmer for a further 5-10 minutes. Adjust seasoning. Put into warm, sterilized jars, seal and enjoy!



Cyril and GG  
at work in the  
Mana kitchen

## Coromandel Marine Farmers' Association Comment

By Gilbert James, Chair, CoroMFA

Hallo everyone. After a tough spring it has surely been and looks set to continue as (another!) glorious summer in the Coromandel. Touring around in the last couple of months it shows what an excellent place to visit the Coromandel is, with its well laid out towns and facilities, all readily accessible on good roads, and plenty to do and see, such as fantastic scenery, beaches, parks, forests, walks, concerts, restaurants and pubs, accommodation, shops, museums and more, and all looking excellent. Congratulations to everyone and including the TCDC, for making the whole Coromandel such a fine place.

One possible learning for our town after looking at the excellent ferries that operate at Pauanui and Tairua plus Cooks and Whitianga is a ferry around Coromandel Harbour. It would ideally be purpose built with shallow draft and probably jet propelled, possibly with an access ramp as Abel Tasman ferries have. It could be surprising just how much business it could create.

In the January Chronicle, page 14, entitled Coromandel Pier + Rail Project, the article referred to marina expert Leigh Hopper being against a Coromandel marina basin but then ended up arguing for a form of deeper-water marina off the end of a long pier. The fact remains that a (Coromandel) marina basin with a channel into deeper water is not only technically do-able but a more practical and attractive option than a long pier and marina at the deeper water end. We do agree that Leigh Hopper has counselled that government-type agencies are not the ones to do marina developments, which simply means that the private sector should be facilitated to do them instead.

The January Chronicle article was also negative about a "Furey's Creek Dredged Channel" at \$9M and we would be too, however there are alternative and much cheaper options to improve boat access to Furey's that remain to be developed and considered and are very promising.

The January Chronicle article was also negative about the "idea of a commuter fast ferry" and TCDC support for that within its Harbour project. Just as a matter of terminology the current Cat ferries doing an average of 21 knots and with a baseline speed of 18 knots are already fast ferries. The trip is just under 40 sea miles thus taking just under 2 hours. Obviously a hypothetical ferry doing an enormous speed of 30 or 40 knots is still going to take 1 to 1.5 hours which is not a great gain on the current 2 hours. A non-fast ferry may do about 12 knots which is about 3 hours. So yes indeed there is not much to be gained in talking about slow, fast or even faster ferries but the January article misses the point. The issue which remains is that fast and slow ferry and other public wharf and ramp facilities are inadequate and mislocated, and need major works within the next decade. Good on the TCDC for identifying the Harbour's facilities need work and for trying to prepare a plan to improve them.

On behalf of all our marine farmers, best wishes to all.

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## Driving Creek Doings No.168

By Barry Brickell

By the time the next issue of the Chronicle is published, (this present one), the remarkable handcrafted iron chandelier should be hanging from the art gallery ceiling. Made by blacksmith Nate Savill, to a sketch I drew in 2012, it contains 150 small LED lights at the ends of many pendulous branches.

Equally unusual and startling is the new courtyard fence outside the art gallery. Made of alternating thick coloured-glass tiles and cut-out corten steel panels, provide protection for sculptural works in an outdoor setting. I have invited highly acclaimed sculptor Fred Graham to add his touch to the top in the form of metal bird shapes as seen in his splendid tall work at the Botanic Gardens in Mangere. I think that distinctive contemporary art works placed in Coromandel town's open spaces would be a year-round attraction, increasing visitor numbers especially over winter months. Although I have made a start with some school-based ceramic murals, we need large free-standing modern sculptural art works rather than yet more "statues" and monuments. I shall purchase Fred Graham's book and donate a copy to the library for readers' viewing. On the subject of the library, may I remind readers of the collection of books by local authors and Coromandel subjects that is being established in our community library. The latest acquisition is *The Intriguing Story of Coromandel Granite* by Lindsay Garmson.

Regarding the extended pile wharf concept we are applying for funding for a feasibility study then later, depending on the outcome of this, a business plan. There are government and some private funding sources for this work so that at no stage will taxpayers be called upon. There is still some local suspicion that taxpayers, you and I, will be required to help fund the wharf project. This is what we do not want.

The railway has enjoyed a very good season, no doubt, like our other local attractions, due to the dry, pleasant "holiday" weather. The drought is not likely to be broken properly until a depression of tropical origin sweeps down; fronts moving up from the south always seem to lose their energy by the time they arrive here. I recently suggested to a friend in Christchurch that a large pipe be put through the Otira rail tunnel to siphon water from the Otira and other West Coast rivers to the Canterbury farmers. Of course he laughed. Not a silly idea? Keep joking – there is no better a lubricant for communities than humour for solving problems.

Our Coromandel Easter Exhibition will open on **Saturday 28 March** at 5.30pm in Hauraki House Gallery, Kapanga Road. It will run until **6 April**, Easter Monday. All welcome.

Cheers,  
Barry

## Coromandel Budget Advisory Service

By John Gaffikin-Cowan

The long awaited summer has filled our gardens with abundance as shown by the groaning tables at last month's Vegetable and Produce Show. The Food Bank was the grateful recipient of many of the exhibits, as well as the offerings at the subsequent Harvest Festival at the Anglican Church – part of the ongoing support from all parts of the community and all the local churches.

At Budget we are constantly reminding people to make the most of the opportunities offered to them and this is never more true when we consider the fruits of the field. Not only can we prepare very economical fresh meals straight from the garden, but we can preserve so much for use in winter. Most produce can be turned into jams or relishes and chutneys even if you don't have access to a freezer. All of which follows one of Budget's guiding principles of looking ahead and preparing for the future.

And on a more mundane note, if you're not aware of it, the Licensing Authority plans to lower the car registration charges in July of this year. So if your Rego is due any time in the next three or four months, it is advised only to renew it until July in order to save yourself some money.

If you need help with this or any other financial problem, give us a call and make an appointment.

The Budget Service is an incorporated society belonging to the New Zealand Federation of Family Budget Services. If you wish to make an appointment, the Budget phone number is (07) 866 8351 where you can talk to Anna, Caro, Maureen, Leigh or John. The office at 950 Rings Road is open Monday to Friday 11am-2pm and other times by appointment. The Budget cell phone number is 022 018 0849 – we reply to texts and messages during office hours

## Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild

By Diann Cade

Dorset Feather stitchery is the style of this month's workshop. Started in 1954 by the Dorset Federation of Women's Institutes the designs incorporate the shape of the English Pine Cone or Greek Seed of Life. The stitches are simple but their combination, over whipping and the addition of appliqué and ric rac give the character to the style.

The first meeting of the year in February welcomed new members. The place was abuzz with activity, everyone embellishing a luggage tag, the President's Petite Project. No worry now recognising one's bag on the carousel or more subtly the tag can be attached to the interior of your suitcase; per chance the case should go astray, there is your address, discreetly held within the tag.

There was much enthusiasm for the planned workshops and many of us have already enrolled. Interest is being sought also for the biennial two-day retreat in July. That's not far away and not intending to be a silent one! This is when we go away together somewhere to do a stitching workshop for two days with much hilarity, no cooking, housekeeping or telephone if you wish!

For further information about the Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild contact our President Jill Wilson (07) 866 7484



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**RSA News**

By Ian Franklyn, President

It was with extreme sadness that we recently farewellled our Vice President and Patron Errol McNeil, who died on 6 February. Errol was a longtime member of Coromandel RSA and was president from 2004 to 2010. His wise counsel will be missed. Our thoughts are with his family. We will remember him.

Anzac Day is fast approaching. Remember the Dawn Service commences at 5.45am on **Saturday 25 April** when the parade marches on. The service commences at 6am. For The Citizens' Service the parade commences at 10am and the service at 10.15am. There will be a "Front Line" breakfast available in the Citizens' Hall after the Dawn Service, free to RSA members, donation from others. Sandwiches and savouries will be served after the Citizens' Service.

I hope you are gathering your memorabilia together for display in the exhibition to be held in the week prior to Anzac Day. Items from all conflicts are welcome.

Amalgamation talks are proceeding. The Executive Committee has been kept up to date with progress. Steve Walters will be replacing Errol on the sub-committee.

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Clubrooms at 2pm on **Saturday 28 March**. Any items for the agenda to Pat Williams please. Nomination forms available in the Club.

Military words of wisdom (any conflict): "Incoming fire has right of way." "If the enemy is in range, so are you." "Any ship can be a minesweeper... once."

**Coromandel RSA Women's Section**

By Loes Beaver

Our AGM will be held at the RSA rooms **Wednesday 25 March** at 1.30pm.

These are some of the things that we have completed and done over the past year. Some of the ladies have knitted poppies for our local Memorial Day, with over 100 being sent to Auckland for their memorial wall. You have probably seen us selling poppies for Anzac Day commemorations, and our local welfare fund. We visit ailing members, deliver gifts and support for live-alone members, and members in Phoenix House. We are also pretty good with the support for after-functions.

Like many organisations we would welcome new members.

Should you require more information Contact Betty Page (07) 866 8192

**Coromandel Family Health**

By Emma



Hello again. Although we are all still enjoying the summer warmth and making the most of the fantastic weather we have been having, we all need to remember that it will come to an end all too soon end, and with that comes the dreaded ills of winter. From mid March we will be offering the flu vax. Many of you will qualify for it free of charge so pop in and find out if you do.

More than a million Kiwis get annual influenza immunisation – why not join them?

Many people would be surprised to learn that more than a million New Zealanders get annual immunisation against influenza.

There are a number of common misconceptions about influenza vaccination. Some people believe that the vaccine can give them influenza, or that it's only useful for people with medical conditions.

The influenza vaccine cannot give you "the flu" as there is no live virus in the vaccine. It has an excellent safety record and has been proven to provide effective protection for most vaccinated people, including pregnant women and their unborn or newborn babies.

**Crutches**

We would really appreciate the return of any of our crutches that have been lent over the past year. This month we will be having an amnesty; please just drop them off at your convenience. Our supply is low and other people miss out who badly need them.

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## CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN



Ellie, Eden, Jade and Paris enjoying the new playground

### Te Rerenga School

#### Nurturing a community of life-long learners

By Anna Yates



We have had a great start to the school year at Te Rerenga. Our upgraded classrooms and new playground have certainly made it an exciting start. All of our learning programmes are underway across the school and we have so many rich experiences planned for the term both in and outside the classrooms. We have the Life Education bus visiting, a trip to Hahei with Dive HQ, the cross the river swim swimming sports at MBAS, cricket coaching sessions and our school triathlon all before the end of this energetic term.

Science is a focus for our school again this year as we were successful in gaining MOE PLD funding in this area. We have huge plans for our school gardens, school orchard, worm farm and school grounds to weave sustainability education into all our learning programmes. We are extremely grateful to our Room 4 teacher Fiona for organising her husband Wattsy, builders Graeme and Brian Tucker, and our school parent Mark Simpson to spend a day during the holidays constructing large, raised garden beds, providing the frame for our new gardens. We can't wait to put these into use growing all sorts of vegetables.

### Coromandel Youth Group

#### Term One opening hours

Saturdays & Sundays – drop in and social 1-4pm.  
Mondays – rooms closed. Tuesdays – 3.15-5pm.  
Wednesdays – rooms closed. Thursdays 3.15-5pm.  
Fridays – free choice time 2.15-4pm. We can collect children from school for this session. Please ring the youth rooms before 5pm on Thursday to ensure your children get collected. Friday night social is for years 7/8 & older students only – 6-9pm

Coromandel Youth Group is for any children aged 5-15 from Coromandel, Colville, Manaia, or Kennedy Bay. All sessions are free but we would really appreciate any donations of \$1 or \$2 for each session. You also need to fill out a membership form for each child attending.

#### Where are our scooters?

We had seven now we only have three. They can't be disappearing without a bit of help. We would like them back so that everyone can use them. If you have taken one or know where they have gone, we would like to know.

For more information call in at the Youth Rooms, Hauraki House or telephone us on (07) 866 7061

### Coromandel Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten, Nursery and Playgroup

We are fully up and running and ready to receive new children.

Our kindergarten is open five days a week for three- to six-year-olds, from 8.30am to 2pm. Our nursery group operates Wednesday to Friday for under-three-year-olds, from 8.30am to 2pm. On Mondays we hold a teacher led playgroup for babies and toddlers with their parents, from 9.30am to 12.30pm.

Longtime Coromandel resident, mother and early childhood teacher Moana Keyworth, who has already been with us for one year, will lead the playgroup morning and also be the nursery group teacher. Briar Van Dort will be her assistant. Kelly Watkin, who is new to Coromandel town, will be the new teacher in the kindergarten. She is a registered and experienced Steiner and state trained early childhood teacher. We also welcome Stephanie Buckner, a new teacher with Steiner training, who will be the kindergarten teaching assistant.

Children are delighted to be back at their kindergarten again. We are celebrating the fruits of the summer garden and preparing wooden boats to sail at our annual boat day. This is one of our four festivals throughout the year. Our curriculum interweaves with the seasons and is rich with story, song, art, craft, imaginative free play and meaningful work, such as cooking, gardening and caring for our kindergarten environment.

Set in a beautiful garden setting on the outskirts of Coromandel town, this purpose built, not-for-profit kindergarten and nursery is a special place for children and their families.

Please call 027 866 7794 or (07) 866 7794 or email [corokindy@xtra.co.nz](mailto:corokindy@xtra.co.nz) with any enquiries. We look forward to meeting you and your child

### Kiwi Can

"Kia Ora Tatou Katoa" from the Kiwi Can team. We hope you have all had a busy, wonderful holiday season.

First of all I would just like to farewell Shelley Stevenson, Shelley has left Kiwi Can as our coordinator and has now joined the team at the Coromandel Area School and will be teaching full time. I would like to thank Shelley for the awesome job she has done as our Kiwi Can coordinator and wish her all the best in her teaching position.

At the end of January, myself and our two of our new leaders attended the Kiwi Can National Training Camp in Auckland. This is a three-day intensive camp where we get to meet all the other Kiwi Can leaders from around the country, attend workshops and swap ideas with other Kiwi Can teams. This year Kiwi Can Coromandel was voted by all the Kiwi Can leaders from around the country with the best and most creative energiser... yay!

Our theme this term in Kiwi Can is Positive Relationships. We will explore this theme through our subtopics of positive communication, friendship and cooperation; always a great theme to start the year as the students move into different classes and in some cases with different or new students.

The Kiwi Can programme does not generate funds and because of this we are always looking for fundraising opportunities. So keep an eye out in the future for some of these. You are also now able to donate to the FYD Kiwi Can Coromandel Programme directly through the FYD website... go to [www.fyd.org.nz/donate](http://www.fyd.org.nz/donate) click on Kiwi Can and choose Coromandel as the region and know that your donation, no matter how big or small, is going to our Coromandel region for our local tamariki. Your donation will be invaluable in continuing this worthwhile and much-loved programme. We are still seeking interested parties to sponsor FYD Kiwi Can Coromandel.

Nga mihi nui from Marlene, Cody, Jamie, Nadia and Natalie.  
[kiwican@cilt.org.nz](mailto:kiwican@cilt.org.nz)

The FYD Coromandel Kiwi Can programme is managed by the Coromandel Independent Living Trust, officially sponsored by Sanford Ltd & supported by The Lion Foundation, the Grassroots Trust, Sky City Community Trust, Thames Community Board and Driving Creek Railway Ltd





## Coromandel Community Preschool

By Debra Attwood

Sorry I have missed a couple of months of reports. The time has just flown past so quickly and we are really back and into the swing of things again. All the children have returned after the school holiday break with a couple more joining the centre. There is still lots of water play with the weather remaining warm. This term we have a beach focus with trips to the beach, lots of water play and dramatic play setting up beach environments in the centre. We will also be having a focus on literacy and numeracy within the centre and we encourage children to explore literacy through the medium of books, so get in there and read along with or to your children. Another way to explore literacy is through media such as computers. Many of our children readily have access to ipads, tablets, mobile phones, leap pads and other devices.

We recently took a trip out to Long Bay to explore at the beach for a swim, exploring the rocks and to build sandcastles on the beach, remembering to be sun smart and wear our hats and apply lots of sunscreen. We are due to start back with our regular Thursday walks out in the community looking at the environment and how we can be more eco friendly. We have also started our regular visits to the Coromandel Area School new entrant class so our children can become more familiar with the school and the teachers assisting them during their transition to school.

Since our last report we have celebrated birthdays for Liam, Simon, Maxim, James, Emily, Te Kaha, Amelia, Toby, Mila M, Kelson and Larah and we wish them a very happy birthday. We said farewell to Liam, Kelson, and Larah who have headed off to school and also to Luka. We welcomed Caleb and Phoebe and their whānau to the centre.

Our rolls are now full but you are welcome to 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.

The centre operates Monday – Friday 8.30am-4pm. We are situated at 155 Pottery Lane. If you are interested call in for a visit or phone us on (07) 866 7570



## Coromandel Youth Project

By Ruby Powell

The Youth Centre will continue to be open on Fridays offering table tennis, basketball, pool and cooking activities for 13- to 18-year-olds. We will be open from 5-9pm and are looking for more adult volunteers to help run the evenings or offer activities.

Contact Ruby on 022 102 7414 or email coroyouthproject@gmail.com to sign up as a volunteer or if you want to keep up-to-date with other activities and trips for Coromandel youth you can follow us on Facebook: Coromandel Youth Project

## Good Clean Fun for children and their parents!

Playcentre Awareness Week is celebrated in March each year to promote the value of parent-led early education and community involvement. This year it is focused on getting out into the community and doing good for others – and teaching the children that they can have fun in the process!

“Parenting is the most important job any person will do in their life” said Playcentre Federation Co-president Marion Pilkington. “Playcentre provides a community network, plus free parent education, to help parents do this job as well as they can. We put our resources into building families, who then move out and strengthen their communities.”

“At Playcentre children and their families play and learn together, developing skills and relationships that last a lifetime” said Playcentre Federation Co-President, Viv Butcher. “We encourage all families to come along and join in the experience.”

Playcentre operates 471 early childhood education centres around the country for children aged from birth to school entry. In Playcentres, groups of parents collectively supervise and teach the children attending half-day sessions.

Coromandel Playcentre is planning a fun/sports day followed by a sausage sizzle in the park at Hauraki House on **Friday 6 March** and invite 5 years and under to join them.

Playcentre is for babies and children 0-6 years old. Sessions at Coromandel Playcentre are term time Wednesdays and Fridays from 9.45am-12.15pm, and Tuesdays from 10.30am-1pm at 80 Woollams Ave (beside the town pool). Playcentre provides a warm and friendly environment for you to play with your child (or grandchild) whilst enjoying the company of others



## Coromandel Area School

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E whai ana mō te wā heke mai nei

By Asha Peppiatt, Principal



Welcome back to all students, whānau, and our school community. This year is going to be, once again, a fast paced, jam-packed year with a lot of activities, and we are looking forward to it.

We start the year off, as usual, with many sporting events. We had the Swimming Sports on Friday 13 February, which included lots of good fun events that included all our swimming students, and it was an enjoyable day.

This year, we have introduced Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) for Years 7-13. We are bound to have teething problems; thanks for your patience. We will iron out these issues as we work towards a place where students can work at their pace on their individual learning pathways. The outcome of this will be successful learners. This does not take away from our regular writing, by hand, and reading and mathematics, all of which are important for all of our students as they become confident lifelong learners. Your support in this will be very much appreciated as we work towards a more in-depth home-school partnership.

The whole school will receive professional training from the Te Toi Tupu Consultation Group that work out of the University of Waikato. The training delivered will be about Information Technology, and will help to up-skill and update our teachers on the use of BYOD and on software that is available out there.

The Secondary School this year, has been divided into mentoring groups from Years 9-13. Parents will hear from the teachers on a very regular basis on academic and pastoral progress of their son/daughter.

The Primary School, on the other hand, will be having in-depth professional training on Accelerated Learning in Literacy. Their targets this year are on special needs, those below and well below the National Standards, and the gifted and the talented. We are addressing both ends of the Special Needs spectrum. All students will benefit from the intense teacher enquiry that will be practiced during this time.

We always welcome parent involvement in school, so if you have a spare hour or two, come and see us.

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# Arts

## Coromandel Writers' Group

By Lora Mountjoy

Our first meeting of the year was held at Lora's house, with almost all of our members in attendance. As a change from our usual format, Lora offered a creative writing workshop, consisting of a variety of short exercises. In one of these the writers explored metaphor; in another they were encouraged to write dialogue. From the feedback received, it seemed as if one of the most difficult, and also most rewarding, was writing about an incident which had happened that morning, including not just the narrative but a description of the things which surrounded it; the sounds, smells and sights.

Of course, we also shared our homework, with a wide variety of stories, some very touching, on the topic "Stars".

Finally, we wrote a poem, each writing a line without seeing the others. The result was an interesting picture of the day!

The sound of pens and rustling paper

Meets monthly at Thursdays around about noon

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Creative floods or creative desserts

Do I talk too much?

Stumbling, fumbling in the space of time

Searching for the elusive, new experiences and friends

And so much life brought to the table

Through the magnificent group of women.

The Coromandel Writers' Group meets monthly. Although at the moment we are all women this is not a criterion for membership! Right now we haven't room for new members but we do have a very short waiting list. Contact Lora on (07) 866 7176 for more information.

The next meeting will be on **12 March** at Jane Powell's place in Waikawau Bay. Meet at Lora's at 9.30am to carpool. Salad and cake will be provided.

P.S. Could the person who contacted me about joining the group please ring again as I seem to have lost your details.

## Colville Arts Festival – over 10 days in April

**Good Friday 3 April** – Opening night 7pm

**Saturday 4 April to Sunday 12 April** – Exhibition in The Colville Hall – 10am-4pm Free. All welcome!

**Saturday 4 April** – Felting workshop

**Sunday 5 April** – Harakeke workshop

**Easter Monday 6 April** – Family day, recycling art, origami, henna tattoo, archery, poetry

**Tuesday 7 April** – Songweaving workshop, songwriting workshop, movie – Lifestylers

**Wednesday 8 April** – Songwriting workshop, variety show

**Thursday 9 April** – Landscape drawing workshop, beading workshop

**Friday 10 April** – Mosaic workshop, movie - Z Nail Gang

**Saturday 11 April** – Clay workshop, improvising workshop, music and comedy

**Sunday 12 April** – Book launch, closing tea party

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## Coromandel Players

By Don Hughes

Having missed the February deadline I hope it's not too late to wish our supporters a happy new year. Better late than never?

In the enthusiastic afterglow of our last production there was the usual question – what next? At the sparsely attended AGM (hint to members!) we followed up the suggestions made in the course of the year and decided that we could pencil in two productions.

There had been a warm reception for the Victorian/Edwardian Music Hall and our participation in the Illume Festival and the first suggestion is that we move forward in time with our selection of music and present songs from the 1920's and 30's. There are some really great singalong tunes from that era and of course some "spiffing" dresses for the ladies. We hope that this too can coincide with Illume for 2015 and we can again entertain out on Coromandel streets.

Item two is just a pre Christmas pantomime, an entertainment I enjoy very much and one that will give an opportunity for the talented pupils of the Area School to join us on stage in the Little Theatre.

Liz Cameron and I have been reading some good, shorter plays that could be performed between now and end of April or even early May, but need a director or directors as we can't commit to the job in the way we would like.

So...hands up for either taking part in the Songs from the Flapper Age, or the Panto, or acting /directing in the plays we think possible for near future. Also one or more hands up for helping backstage if the footlights are not for you. We are particularly in need of someone to look after our costumes/props which are now quite extensive and require "re-organising".

Contact Liz at (07) 866 8508 or myself at (07) 866 8885 and come and join a cheerful and friendly bunch of thespians... look that one up!

## Coromandel Art Group

By Lindsay Nicholls

Another successful exhibition and thanks must go to Val Gray again for all her efforts she puts in to make this the success it is.

This is our twelfth annual exhibition and each year it is going from strength to strength. We had over 1200 people through the doors... I hope you didn't miss out.

We hold it every year at the same time so mark it on your calendar ready for next year.

Thanks to all our sponsors: New Image Hair Design; The Coromandel Lions; Coromandel Garage; Goldiggers; Coromandel Pharmacy.

The winner of the people's choice: 1st – Sue Hughes – Lake Wakatipu (no 26); 2nd – Lindsay Nicholls – Desert Road View (no 64); 3rd – Val Gray – Lake Dunstan (no 23).

Our raffle was a winner. All three winners were delighted with the prize they either chose or were given. The first place getter chooses their choice until third place getter has no choice.

1st prize – 115 – Val Boyd; 2nd – 272 – Heather Arthur; 3rd – 205 – Tiana Dobbs.

We sold many paintings and cards and of course we have shown the community the Art Group has lots and lots of talent. From now until the weather cools or gets us wet, we will be painting out at a different location each week. Do pop over to have a nosey. Otherwise we meet at St. Andrews every Thursday 9am-12pm. Unfortunately, we are still at capacity numbers so we are unable to take on any more members at this time. But if you are interested, feel free to put your name on the list for future spaces. Enjoy the summer and take five to really look at those colours in the sky. It's not just blue and white!



People's choice – Lake Wakatipu by Sue Hughes

## Coromandel Community Arts Council – Hauraki House Gallery

By Chris Stark

The summer exhibitions at the Gallery have come and gone now but we still have some things to look forward to before the season draws to a close: Biodynamic Gardening on **21 March**, The Easter exhibition from **28 March** and Te Whanoa and Tenahi Cobb, ceramic art, from **11 April**.

We had some stunning shows this year with the regular exhibitions as well as some new works we haven't seen before.

The Arts Council committee has lost a few members lately as people have moved out of town. We would really like to recruit at least another three members and quite probably someone who would eventually be prepared to become the chairperson as our current chair has indicated she would like to retire at the next AGM. If you are interested there is no need to wait for the AGM, just come along to our next meeting or call Sue at (07) 866 8039.

It would be wonderful to have a few more local Coromandel artists on the committee as the gallery is provided mainly for their use. It would be a great shame for the town to have the gallery close down for lack of people/users prepared to put in a small amount of time to keep it going. We were in this position a few years ago but the town rallied round and supported the committee so here's hoping it will again.

All being well, the "pop-in drop-in" UFO group will be starting up again after Easter. If you're interested in coming along to spend the day finishing off some of your forgotten handiwork, starting something new or sharing your expertise, please keep a lookout for details of the starting date.

For groups wishing to use the gallery next year, don't forget to confirm a booking if you want one as already next summer's calendar is looking full. We are considering restricting exhibitions over the summer holiday period to two weeks only but have not finalised this decision as yet - feedback is welcome. In the meantime, we suggest you think about booking for the following year if you are considering an exhibition over the summer of 2016/17.

Follow us on Facebook: Hauraki House Gallery



## Coromandel Music Society – Bella Kalolo

By Robin Münch

If you're not acquainted with Bella Kalolo, then you've not experienced New Zealand soul at its finest! This Samoan, Tongan and Maori (Ngati Porou) singer songwriter has been handpicked to work with artists as diverse as Fat Freddy's Drop, Hollie Smith, Don McGlashan, Dave Dobbyn, Nathan Haines, Aaradhna, and the New Zealand Symphony Orchestra, to name just a few.

Bella was awarded Best Female Vocalist at the 2012 and 2014 Vodafone Pacific Music Awards.

As well as much-loved soul classics, Bella will sing her own compositions on this tour, and will be accompanied by two of New Zealand's finest musicians – Andy Mauafua on guitar and Darren Mathiassen on drums.

Tickets are limited and we will offer preferential bookings to Music Society members a week before tickets are on sale to the general public.

It's not too late to join the Music Society. Contact Fran Edwards on [quail1352@gmail.com](mailto:quail1352@gmail.com) if you'd like to become a member.

Date: **Friday 27 March** at 7.30pm (bar open from 6pm). Venue: Coromandel Bowling Club, Woollams Ave, Coromandel. Tickets from Coromandel Town Information Centre \$25 full price, \$20 concession.

## Mercury Bay Art Escape Open Studio Tour

Renowned artist and printmaker, Dr Carole Shepherd is the guest speaker at the launch of the next Mercury Bay Art Escape Open Studio Tour at the "Taste of the Tour Showcase" exhibition. This event will be held at 5.30pm on **Friday 6 March** at Hot Waves Café, Hot Water Beach.

While she is in the area, Dr Shepherd has also agreed to facilitate an artists' professional practice workshop "Finding your Way" on **Monday 9 March** at Cooks Beach Resort. She is looking forward to seeing first-hand the work of local artists. The workshop is intended to support and encourage artists to have confidence in what they do, and to provide the opportunity to discuss development and career strategies. Bookings for the workshop can be made by phoning Marion Manson 021 116 1459 or see website (as below).

The Mercury Bay Art Escape Open Studio Tour is showcasing the outstanding artistic talent of 46 artists from Kuaotunu to Tairua on the Eastern Coromandel Peninsula. Artists' studios are open the first two weekends of **7-8 March** and **14-15 March** from 10am-4pm.

[www.mercurybayartescape.com](http://www.mercurybayartescape.com)



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# Environmental

## Carry on PEG

By Carol Sutherland

I hear that the PEG trap line has been done for me. Good thing about MEG, even if the line I do is not technically part of that group, there is the keen organisational bunny Raine that will rustle someone up regardless.

PEG stands for "Papa Aroha Environmental Group". The formality of the group no longer exists but the line does. From what I can understand a trap line was established using bits from various sources.

A handful of locals rustling up a bit of funding, stuff from Forest and Bird, bait from MEG, bit of borrow here and scrounge there and the keenness of Roy has kept it in place over the years.

PEG is a line out by itself, some distance from MEG's network of traps. It weaves through private land where owners have given permission for trapping. Some have possum bait stations as well. It requires the goodwill of local landowners, and I am quite happy to wander through dealing with pests on their land. Although I do not live in Papa Aroha I am kindly included into their community meals.

I hope to get some more traps in by extending it, and done in the same way the line was set up. Restore some old ones, source some new boxes and collar some keen soul to help carry them in. Scrounge around, make do and carry on. The good thing about a neo-anarchistic line answerable only to the landowners is that I don't have to fill out some Health and Safety assessment matrix and get it signed in triplicate before I head out. God, I get enough of those systems at sea, some of them so silly they defeat the purpose. (Ever seen a captain asleep at the helm because he is fatigued by the Health and Safety audit?) Common sense of informing someone I am going, and knowing how to set a trap without taking my fingers off is sufficient. There is the normal sensible stuff in a day pack which is relevant to all who venture out, and it can or cannot include chocolate depending on the level of "essentialness" you place on it.

However, on land, as at sea, a GPS can be a great tool. I know my way through the "not exactly well marked" line so all kudos to those who do it in my absence. I am sure there must be the odd mutterings of "where the ffffff is the trap?" or "why doesn't she hack that bush lawyer back?" (Much maligned plant; poor thing.)

Thus from the deep blue sea where albatross and blue whales roam, I thank the hardy souls that keep the PEG line going while I'm counting the beasties out here.

## CLAIM

By Ruby Powell

Another summer, another few thousand visitors to our precious corner of the earth. It is always great to hear the feedback and support from all the visitors.

We have sold lots of our beautiful new T-shirts. If you haven't got one yet you can find them in The Source and if your size isn't left you can email [claimcoromandel@gmail.com](mailto:claimcoromandel@gmail.com) to place an order. A huge thank you to Kirsch Studio and Cat's Eye Printing for the beautiful artwork and production.



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## Moehau Environment Group

By Natalie Collicott



### Track And Trap Upgrade Underway

Welcome to the newest members of our biodiversity field team: John Enright, Seamus Ebbs and Clinton Jackson. These guys have been employed full-time since December to help upgrade tracks and traps and undertake predator control. So far they have been busy clearing 40km of track, baiting rat and stoat traps and replacing stoat traps in our Kiwi Sanctuary. Next month they'll begin groundwork for possum control in our coast to coast buffer across the narrowest part of the peninsula north of Colville.

### Kiwi Sightings Increase Within MEG Kiwi Sanctuary

It was around 5pm and still light as MEG Chair Lettecia Williams was finishing one of her traplines. She had just closed the paddock gate when she noticed something moving in the tall kikuyu grass. She looked a bit closer and saw a huge female kiwi probing and feeding!! Oblivious to her audience the kiwi, which looked plump and healthy, continued to feed for about 20 minutes. More curious was the sight of the normally nocturnal bird, out feeding in the day.



Female kiwi spotted feeding in long grass at Port Charles  
(c) R Robinson

Further down the coast at Waikawau Bay, excited campers have spotted kiwi feeding in the campground at night. And for the first time since our Summer Programme began participants on our Nocturnal Walk have also heard kiwi call close by. Part of our original vision for our Kiwi Sanctuary was that the sounds of kiwi calling and snuffling around tents would keep campers awake at night. Looks like we're on track to making Coromandel Real Kiwi Country.

### Summer Visitors Encounter Nature

More than 500 people participated in our Summer Programme this year. Our volunteers ran 24 events during January, and managed to raise \$4000. This money will help us continue to protect biodiversity on the Coromandel. Special thanks to all our volunteers and supporters who gave up time over summer to run events: Raine and Jeff Williams, Wally Gilmore, Wailin Elliot, Doug and Jane Ashby, Pete Buddle, Lisa Kearney, Lettecia Williams, Kathi Parr, Wayne Todd, Ally Davey, Natalie Munns, Melanie Senn and Pernille Hellerud-Riseld, Tommy Herbert, Diane Prince, Terry and Dawn Whitehouse, Paul Denton and the Coromandel Lions (for supplying us with mussel fritters).

### Clearing The Way

We had a track-cutting working bee in our Coromandel Kiwi Project on Saturday 24 January. With seven volunteers, we managed to clear 1150 metres on the LUC stoat line, which will make a real difference for our volunteer trappers when they check their stoat traps each month. Track-clearing with MEG is not for the faint hearted... you need to brace yourself for dead rats, crazy volunteers and sharp tools. We still have more tracks to clear, so if this sounds like you, join us on our next adventure. You can email [Coromandel-KiwiProject@meg.org.nz](mailto:Coromandel-KiwiProject@meg.org.nz) for details.

Moehau Environment Group is a non-profit volunteer organisation dedicated to the protection and enhancement of the natural environment of the northern Coromandel. For more info or to get involved please get in touch with Natalie Collicott, MEG Coordinator (07) 866 5337. Email: [natalie@meg.org.nz](mailto:natalie@meg.org.nz) or go to [www.meg.org.nz](http://www.meg.org.nz)

### Bush Bites

"Having a lunch break in the bush while doing a trap line, with a ruru sitting only a few meters away."

"I caught three stoats on my line today."

"A kiwi burrowing just above the Waikawau swamp on one of my stoat lines."

"Incredible view from the ridge line above Colville."

## Zone Report

By Reihana Robinson

Reihana Robinson, your community representative on WRC's Coromandel Zone Committee, raised the issue of unfair targeted rates for the Coromandel. Council subsequently decided not to review any of its targeted rating for harbour management and services in the coastal marine area. However, the entire region pays equally to buy elite bicycle riders their super-flash \$25m velodrome in Cambridge. The entire region pays equally for the millions poured into the floundering pet project of the fenced Maungatautari. The entire region has been paying to clean up industrial dairy farmers' pollution of Lake Taupo. But when it comes to paying for the management of the region's and Auckland's #1 playground (Coromandel beaches and harbours), local residents get tossed the bill. Mining is alive and well on the Coromandel... Rates Mining by Waikato Regional Council, that is. So once again your community representative is aiming to find productive common ground at the Feb 17 meeting by presenting the following three recommendations.

As confirmed by staff (Doc #3186296), more than \$258,000 of targeted rates are currently collected to fund works, services and consents in the Coromandel Coastal Marine Area (CMA). In the cases of mangrove management in two of the region's most important coastal areas (Whangamata and Tairua), the region contributes a mere 15% to overall costs,

with the balance collected from local and zone-wide targeted rates.

A further \$60,000 of targeted rates are collected to fund management activities in the marine areas that impact upon the aquaculture industry, recreational and commercial fishing, and various policy development undertakings, including the Hauraki Gulf Marine Spatial Plan. Doc #3186296 reveals only 10% to 30% of costs for so-called "Peninsula Project" activities are funded regionally, with the remaining 70% to 90% of activities funded by targeted zone rates.

Recommendation: "That the Subcommittee request for its further consideration a report from staff detailing the comparative application of council rating and funding policies in respect of the following major regional assets and activities: Lake Taupo water quality improvement, Cambridge bicycle velodrome, Maungatautari Ecological Island Trust, and Coromandel harbours, catchments and CMA."

### Wild Animal Control: Support for Landowners

In an effort to achieve its strategic goals, council expends millions of dollars annually in contracted services and staff time to control what it calls "pest species". Council additionally grants tens of thousands of dollars directly to various community-organised wild animal control groups and schemes. Many landowners carry out direct control over wide areas entirely independent of council or any organised community group, and entirely at their own individual

expense. In the Coromandel catchment zone alone, such independent wild animal control by landowners is undertaken consistently on tens of thousands of hectares. These independent control activities extend the reach of council's own efforts and contribute positively toward meeting council's strategic biodiversity goals.

Recommendation: "That the Subcommittee request council to explore the potential costs and benefits of bulk purchase of Goodnature A12 and A24 traps and other efficient traps, with the intention of making these traps available to individual landowners for purchase at council's cost, less a further per-trap subsidy."

### Wild Animal Control: Bounty Schemes

Various forms of bounty schemes have historically proven successful in New Zealand to incentivise control of wild animals. Control by hunting and trapping is widely recognised as the best way to achieve reduction in possum numbers without increasing risks to non-target native and introduced species, compromising water supplies, or introducing potential risks to human health.

Recommendation: "That the Subcommittee request council to explore, in conjunction with other regional councils and the Department of Conservation, the potential costs and benefits of a bounty programme for brushtail possums, with the aim of enhancing control efforts and stimulating economic growth."

## Coromandel Kiwi Project

By Jeff Williams

An open letter to whomever is destroying our Coromandel Kiwi Project signs on Whangapoua hill – please email me so I can understand why you're against this signage. You've destroyed two of them now, so I know it's an important issue for you.

The sign's message is simple – and not even controversial – "Uncontrolled dogs can kill kiwi."

Kiwi are very susceptible to dog attacks: they have no breastplate and so are easily killed by any size dog; being nocturnal they sleep during the day often in burrows close to tracks; and with a strong smell they are easily found. Last year several Coromandel kiwi were killed by dogs in Kuaotunu, Tairua, along the 309, and even in Coromandel town near Old Colville Road. It only takes a few seconds for a dog to grab and kill a kiwi. The owner may not even know it happened.

This is well known among conservationists in New Zealand and a lot of effort and ratepayers' money has been spent on informing the general public about the issue. Here on the Coromandel we've made huge strides in reducing kiwi deaths due to dogs. From Port Charles to Waihi and from pig dogs to pets, owners have been having their dogs go through free kiwi avoidance training. These regularly-scheduled sessions held all over the peninsula have trained hundreds of dogs to avoid kiwi in the wild.

But still, there are a few people who aren't aware of the problem and so we put up signage at access points to the publicly owned lands in the Coromandel hills to inform and remind people of their responsibilities. We have to consider that not all the users of the local conservation estate are from here. Obviously a big tourist destination like the Coromandel attracts people (and their dogs) from all over New Zealand.

And so we put up signs.

Please help me understand your opinion on this. Write me at [CoromandelKiwiProject@meg.org.nz](mailto:CoromandelKiwiProject@meg.org.nz).

PS – Thanks to everyone who responded to my request for adding stoat traps around town! We're building them as fast as volunteer time and materials permit. Thanks for being patient.

PPS – If you want to consider a stoat trap but don't know if it will be effective or not, we've got a deal for you. We've got a couple "floating" traps and we'll put one on your property, bait, and check it for a few weeks. If nothing shows up, no worries, we'll take the trap away. If we do catch something, then that answers your question!

The Coromandel Kiwi Project is a group of volunteers that enjoy walking in the bush and socializing while slashing wild ginger and gorse. If that's your idea of fun, you're a little weird and we'd like you to join us. Email me at [CoromandelKiwiProject@meg.org.nz](mailto:CoromandelKiwiProject@meg.org.nz)



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# Sport

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

By Debra Attwood

During March we continue to offer our early morning swimming six days per week and this is proving to be very popular. It is a great way to wake up and get going in the morning, swimming or walking a few laps in the pool. The pool has been very busy with the local schools having their swimming sports then the Coromandel Swimming Club hosting their swimming carnival and their 24-hour Swimathon.

Swimming is a great recreational sport and learning to swim is vital. The drowning statistics in New Zealand are not good. Please make sure you learn how to survive in the water and make sure your tamariki and mokopuna know as well. Swimming lessons have finished for this season but get in early to register for the next session of lessons that will begin in November 2015.

Also if you are interested in private one-on-one learn to swim lessons these can be organised at a time to suit. Call in and see Debra for further information or give her a call on phone (07) 866 7660 or mobile 027 348 2400.

### Pool Hours for March

Mornings: Monday thru Saturday 6-8am

Afternoons: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 3-5pm

Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, 5-6pm, lane swimming only

Entry costs: Adults \$3.50, Students and Seniors \$2.50, Preschoolers 0-5yrs \$1.00, Spectators \$1.00. Concession cards are available as well. Call in to the pool and check out the great deals.

Check out our Facebook page (Coromandel Community Swimming Pool) for up to date information and upcoming events.

Remember we now have solar heating installed at the pool; this will greatly help to heat up the pool and to maintain that warmth.

If you are looking for a venue to hire for a day, night, afternoon our hall is available. Contact Debra ph: (07) 866 7660, mobile 027 348 2400 or email debmark62@hotmail.com

## Coromandel Gymnastics Club 2015

By Anne Loudon

Good news, we are on our way back!

We will be starting in week 2 of the second term of school. There may be a change of day but this is yet to be confirmed. The coaches have gone away and been involved in professional development in order to provide a much more cohesive and professional service for our gymnastics students. They are enthusiastic and full of new ideas and we will have some new helpers on board as well.

In order to provide a better service spaces will be limited and term fees will be expected to be paid by the second week of gymnastics. This year we will only be offering gymnastics in term 2 and 3 in order to keep the club viable and this will be reassessed near the end of the year for 2016. This year we will be offering an even better planned, well executed, quality product and we look forward to seeing you there.

At this stage the classes will look something like this but please be mindful that these may be tweaked slightly before the start; we will notify you of any changes.

Junior Recreational: Gymskills Approx 4-6-year-olds. Session time: 3.45-4.30pm

The focus here will be on fundamental skills, gymskills, circuits and games. The children will be constantly moving and involved in the action. The fees for this class will be \$6 for a casual session or \$45 for the term.

There will be family rates available. Please enquire about these at the club.

Senior Recreational/Awards programme: Approx 7+ years (possible exceptions); Session time 4.45-5.45 Groups 1 and 2, 4.45-6.15 for Group 3.

Group 1: Fees \$55 per term; Transition skills from the beginners' group into the senior group.

Group 2: Fees \$55 per term; Advanced gymskills and routines, recreational and competitive.

Group 3: Fees: \$65 per term; Incentive Awards and competitive skills and routines. We want to offer this group the extra half hour in order to up the student/coach ratio in order to do some advanced skill work.



## Coromandel Golf Club

By Peter Gray

The Club's Open Day was held on Saturday 14 February. Club Patron Ron Evans was given the traditional honour of teeing off first from the 1st tee. Ron didn't disappoint, despite the heckling gallery, hitting a great drive down the middle of the 1st fairway.

(Ron's playing partners later commented that it was his best shot all day!)

The Bob Riley Trophy, mixed pairs (played as a Bogey format) held on Open Day was taken out by Jim Davis and Shirley Rose from Ron Evans and Glenise Robertson.

On Sunday 15 February we had the Men's Championship Pennants team competing in the first round of the Div 4 Pennants at Pirongia. The Coromandel Team of C. Dudson, M. Burcombe, C. Fielding, K. Verner, P. Richardson and R. Blake got the season off to a flying start with a convincing win over Morrinsville 6 1/2 to 2 1/2.

The Annual Maori Tournament was held on Saturday 7 February. It was a very successful day with 60 starters taking part in the competition. Scores were very conservative for this tournament with local members Malcolm Stone and Graeme McGowan figuring in the men's prize giving and Jenny Coatsworth in the ladies'.

At lot of work was put in by many members especially Lyn Whitcombe and her band of helpers from the ladies' members.

Also a thank you must go to all the volunteers, especially Colin McNeil, Chris Fielding, Kevin and Bronwyn Verner (Coromandel Smoking Co.) and Jim Davis that made it both a successful and rewarding golfing and social day.

The Club had an opportunity to showcase its unique golf course to other golfers in the Waikato when it hosted the Goldfields Trophy on Sunday 22 February and is also hosting the Championship Pennants on Sunday 15 March.

The Club may have to check a copy of Allan Beaver's birth certificate as he plays to "better" than his age, carding a gross 80 off the stick on Opening day (+9 in the Bogey format). Allan picked the perfect day as his score will go up as the season opener.

Wayne Robertson had his glory a little early this year recording a Stableford round of 49 pts on 28 January with Zim Mareroa wondering what "he has to do" after carding 47 pts on the same day. Both will only have to "talk about it" as the scores do not qualify to go "under the light".

### Reminders

**Sunday 1 March** – Champion Pennants Rd2 @ Walton, Handicap Pennants @ Te Aroha.

**Saturday 7, 14, 28 March** – Rds 1,2,3 Hekter Cup.

**Sunday 8 March** – Prebble Cup Rd2 @ Huntly.

**Sunday 15 March** – Championship Pennants Rd3 @ Coromandel (course closed), Handicap Pennants @ Cambridge, Goldfields at Mercury Bay.

**Sunday 22 March** – Prebble Cup TBA.

**Wednesday 25 March** – Meat Pack/Laurie Olliff Trophy.

**Sunday 29 March** – Championship Pennants Rd 4 @ Hauraki.



## Fishing Club

By Lindsay Nicholls

Anniversary Weekend comp was great company and weather. We had good numbers and a lot of nice fish entered. Welcome to our new families who recently joined us.

### Results

1st snapper – Rob Davies 3 430kg; 2nd – Johanna Wyllie 2.675kg; 3rd – Peter Tribble 2.145kg; Heaviest kingfish – Sean Dent 4.840kg; trevally – Graham Rodden 1.945kg; kahawai – Shevana Davies 0.370kg.

### Juniors

Heaviest snapper – Savanna Bourke 2.450kg; trevally – Matthew Murphy 1.300kg; parore – Matthew Murphy 0.745kg; Average weight 0.978: closest winner was Shane Woodcock 0.975 kg; Mystery weight – 0.700kg – winner Matthew Murphy 0.700kg.

Our next big competition is Classy Chicks on **7 March**. Team prizes for best dressed with the theme as “F” Average Prize wins \$1500 in travel. Skippers’ prizes and spot prizes. Entries at Fish and Dive and Wyuna Studios.

Then the kids’ competition on **18 April**, but mums and dads can have a little fish as there is also a 1st, 2nd, 3rd in snapper only for them.

Fish of the month for February (still time) is snapper and March is kahawai. Fish of month for January went to Rob Davies with a snapper at 3.430kg.

Weigh stations are at Fish and Dive or Val and Max Larsen in 356 Wharf Rd, just down the drive. A courtesy call first would be good.

## Coromandel Yoga 2015

### Beginners’ Class

Classes with Becks are at the Coro Gym (2 Charles Street), every Tuesday from 5.20pm to 6.35pm and cost \$5. Mats, blankets and cushions are provided. All are welcome! Contact Becks on 027 407 0079 for any questions.

Becks has been practicing yoga for 19 years in Aotearoa and India and has a great passion for making these ancient techniques accessible for everyone. She is a 500 hour qualified yoga teacher and has specialised in yogic relaxation techniques. Becks aims to share her knowledge of postures (asana), breathing (pranayama) and relaxation techniques in an practical, open way, so students can gain tools for everyday life. This class is open to complete beginners (including pregnant women) and more experienced practioners and is catered to suit the needs of everyone. Come and enjoy the benefits of a stronger, more flexible body and calmer mind through yoga!

### Open Class

Classes with Jessica are held in the Events Centre (above the swimming pool, behind 4 Square) on Wednesdays from 7-8:30pm and cost \$8 per person (concessions available). All equipment is supplied.

Jessica brings a background of dance, pilates, movement therapies and sound anatomical understanding to her yoga classes. She is a 500 hour qualified yoga teacher and is passionate about the ability yoga has to change, heal and improve the body, mind and spirit. Her classes are accessible, fun and challenging. Each class includes a mixture of asana (physical postures to stretch, strengthen and reorganize the body systems), pranayama (breathing practices), meditation, relaxation and restorative postures (for deep restful rejuvenation). Jessica’s classes are suited to those who have an intermediate level of fitness and general health.

## Coromandel Croquet Club

By Judy Bronlund

It is so lovely playing croquet these summer days, so do come and join us on a Tuesday or Saturday morning at 9.15am, or if you prefer to try golf croquet come along on a Thursday afternoon at 1pm. If these days do not suit, other days can be arranged.

Contact Kaye (07) 866 8968 or Judy (07) 866 8637

## Coromandel Swimming Club March update

By Debra Attwood

Swimming Club has been going strong again this year with many swimmers attending regularly on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings.

Learn to swim classes have been very popular and are just finishing for the season. In fact they were so popular that many missed out on a place so remember if you want to learn to swim or for your child register EARLY for the lessons; don’t wait until the day they start or even later. Register by filling out a registration form from the swimming pool. Our next lessons will be in the new season starting around November.

Our competitive swimmers have been busy attending several meets including the Waikato Pre-Xmas meet. This is a long course meet held in a 50-metre pool and we had some great results. Tangaroa obtained 4 personal bests (PB’s) and 4 Club records: Briar 2 PB’s and 1 Club record: and Sheridan 1 PB and 5 Club records. The next meet they attended was the Matamata Sponsored Meet where Tangaroa achieved 6 PB’s and 6 Club records; Deveshh 1 PB and 1 club record; Kaiya 4 PB’s; and Hineariki 4 PB’s. The most recent meet was the Fairfield classic in Hamilton and another great day with Sheridan achieving 3 PB’s and 4 Club records: Anna 4 PB’s and 3 club records; Deveshh 3 PB’s and 1 club record; Hineariki 4 PB’s and 1 club record; Kaiya 5 PB’s; Daniel 3 PB’s; Briar 3 PB’s; Mia 5 PB’s. We cant ask more than that of our swimmers to be breaking their personal best times at meets; well done everyone.

As this goes to print our club will have hosted the Peninsula Combined Swimming Carnival and the 24-hour Swimathon so more about those events next month.

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

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# Coromandel Town weekly and monthly meetings

## Every Monday

Coro Gym – aerobics, Charles St, contact Peg (07) 866 8635.....8am  
 Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompaa..... 8.30-9am  
 Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten, Rings Rd, contact Kelly (07) 866 7794..... 8.30am-2m  
 Coromandel Hikers Group, Hauraki House, contact Don & Anne (07) 866 8885.....9am  
 Colville Social Services Collective, Colville Hall, contact (07) 866 6920.....9am-3pm  
 Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, contact (07) 866 8417.....9am-3pm  
 Rudolf Steiner Playgroup, Rings Road, contact Kelly (07) 866 7794..... 9.30am-12.30pm  
 Coro Gym – sit and be fit, Charles St, contact Peg (07) 866 8635..... 9.30am  
 Aerobics low-high xtrng KiwiCan rooms, contact Evy (07) 866 8242..... 5.15-6.15pm  
 Coro Gym – boxing/aerobics, contact Marty (07) 866 8635..... 5.30-6.15pm  
 Shrinking Violets, contact Betsie (07) 866 7076..... 5.30pm  
 Coro Contract Bridge, Coro Ambulance rooms, contact Natalie (07) 866 8422.....7pm  
 Four-part harmony singing, contact Sue (07) 866 8833.....7.30pm

## Every Tuesday

Homeschoolers gathering, contact Julene (07) 866 8005..... 8.30-9am  
 Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompaa..... 8.30-9am  
 Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten, Rings Rd, contact Kelly (07) 866 7794..... 8.30am-1.30pm  
 Colville Bay Early Learning Centre, rear Colville School, contact Alex (07) 866 8319..9am-3pm  
 Coro Walking Group, Hauraki House car park contact Ruth (07) 866 7246.....9am  
 Swissball Training – Hi-Tech Health & Fitness, contact Marlene (07) 866 8019..... 9am  
 Colville Social Services Collective, Colville Hall, contact (07) 866 6920.....9am-3pm  
 Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, contact (07) 866 8417.....9am-3pm  
 Music and Dance, Elm Church- Preschoolers Dance Group, contact Dawn (07) 866 8150.....9.30-11am  
 Coro Ladies Golf, Hauraki Rd, contact Peter (07) 866 7633.....tee off 10am  
 Yoga, Colville Hall, contact (07) 866 6612.....10am  
 Croquet, Woollams Ave, contact Judy (07) 866 8637.....9.45am  
 Coromandel Playcentre, Woollams Ave, contact Debbie (07) 866 7119..... 10.30am-1pm  
 Narcotics Anonymous meeting, Havalona Centre, contact 021 314 467.....12 noon  
 500 card session at the Bowling Club, contact (07) 866 8886.....1pm  
 Coro Cub Scouts, Scout Hall, Hauraki House, contact Abby Morgan 07 211 9790 .. 4-6pm  
 Aerobics non-impact cross training & stretching KiwiCan rooms,  
 contact Evy (07) 866 8242..... 5.15-6.15pm  
 Beginners Yoga with Becks, Coro Gym. Contact Becks 027 407 0079..... 5.20-6.35pm  
 Coromandel Ambulance training, Ambulance Station, contact Felix (07) 866 8279.....7-9pm  
 Coro Motorcycle Club, Star & Garter, contact John (07) 866 6776..... 7-9pm  
 Swissball Training – Hi-Tech Health & Fitness, contact Marlene (07) 866 8019..... 7pm  
 Badminton, school gymnasium, racquets available, contact Josh 021 0839 7825  
 or Nadine 021 0839 7824.....7pm

## Every Wednesday

Dharma Gaia, Meditation, contact (07) 866 7995..... 6-7am  
 Dharma Gaia, Sitting & Walking Meditation, contact (07) 866 7995..... 7.30-9pm  
 Coro Gym – aerobics, Charles St, contact Peg (07) 866 8635.....8am  
 Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompaa..... 8.30-9am  
 Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten, Rings Rd, contact Kelly (07) 866 7794.....8.30am-2pm  
 Rudolf Steiner Nursery (<3's), Rings Rd, contact Kelly (07) 866 7794.8.30am-2pm  
 Colville Bay Early Learning Centre, rear Colville School,  
 contact Linda or Alex (07) 866 8319.....9am-3pm  
 Colville Social Services Collective, Colville Hall, contact (07) 866 6920.....9am-3pm  
 Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, contact (07) 866 8417.....9am-3pm  
 Coro Gym – sit and be fit, Charles St, contact Peg (07) 866 8635.....9.30am  
 Coromandel Playcentre, Woollams Ave, contact Debbie (07) 866 7119 .. 9.45am-12.15pm  
 Coro Gym – body sculpt, Charles St, contact Georgia (07) 866 8635..... 10.15-11.15am  
 Tai Ji, Top Floor, Waikato Events Centre, contact Sol (07) 866 8971..... 10.30am  
 Coromandel Golf Club – mens, Hauraki Rd, contact Peter (07) 866 7633..tee off 12.30pm  
 Scramble Club, contact Joan for venue on (07) 866 7580.....1pm  
 Coro Tennis Club – club night, Tiki Rd, contact Gayle (07) 866 8063.....4pm  
 Wing Chun Kung Fu- Hong Kong Style, contact Chi Sau Club 027 283 0773.. 4.30-8.30pm  
 Aerobics – hi/low, KiwiCan rooms CAS, contact Evy (07) 866 8242..... 5.15-6.15pm  
 Running Group, meet at rugby club grounds..... 5-6.15pm  
 Contact Mark 027 338 6697 or (07) 866 7660..... 5.30-6.30pm  
 Coro Gym – step/LBT, Charles St, contact Georgia (07) 866 8635..... 5.30-6.30pm  
 Circuit Training – Hi-Tech Health & Fitness, contact Marlene (07) 866 8019..... 7pm  
 Yoga, Events Centre (behind 4 Square) \$8, contact Jessica (07) 866 8405..... 7-8.30pm  
 Discussion night-optional pot luck dinner, Mahamudra Centre, contact (07) 866 8651  
 .....dinner 6pm, meeting 7-8.30pm

Walking & sitting meditation, Dharma Gaia Centre, contact (07) 866 7995..... 7.30-9pm

## Every Thursday

Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompaa..... 8.30-9am  
 Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten, Rings Rd, contact Kelly (07) 866 7794.....8.30am-2pm  
 Rudolf Steiner Nursery (<3's), Rings Rd, contact Kelly (07) 866 7794.....8.30am-2pm  
 Coro Walking Group, Hauraki House car park contact Ruth (07) 866 7246.....9am  
 Coro Art Group, St Andrews Church, contact Val (07) 866 8911.....9am-12pm  
 Colville Bay Early Learning Centre, rear Colville School,  
 contact Linda or Alex (07) 866 8319.....9am-3pm  
 Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, contact (07) 866 8417.....9am-3pm  
 Meditation for Everyone, in Pyramid (behind Driving Creek Cafe)..... 10-11am  
 Coro Community Garden, Glover St, contact Louis (07) 866 8866..... 2-4pm  
 Service of the Word & Holy communion, St Colmans church,  
 contact Jocelyn (07) 866 7126.....5pm  
 Beginners Yoga with Becks, at Coro Gym, \$5, all welcome. Contact Becks 027 407 0079.  
 Last class for 2014 is 11 Dec, restart Feb 2015..... 5.15pm to 6.30pm  
 Aerobics – step only, KiwiCan rooms CAS, contact Evy (07) 866 8242..... 5.15-6.15pm  
 Swissball Training – Hi-Tech Health & Fitness, contact Marlene (07) 866 8019..... 7pm  
 Quiz Night, Admiral's Arms, contact (07) 866 7069.....7pm

## Every Friday

Circuit Training – Hi-Tech Health & Fitness, contact Marlene (07) 866 8019.....6am  
 Coro Gym – aerobics, Charles St, contact Peg (07) 866 8635.....8-9am  
 Colville Bay Early Learning Centre, 3-4 yr olds, rear Colville School  
 contact Linda (07) 866 8319.....9am-3pm  
 Rudolf Steiner Kindergarten, Rings Rd, contact Kelly (07) 866 7794.....8.30am-2pm  
 Rudolf Steiner Nursery (<3's), Rings Rd, contact Kelly (07) 866 7794.....8.30am-2pm  
 Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompaa..... 8.30-9am  
 Colville Bay Early Learning Centre, rear Colville School,  
 contact Linda or Alex (07) 866 8319.....9am-3pm  
 Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, contact (07) 866 8417.....9am-3pm  
 Yoga for everyone, Anglican Church Hall, contact Katie (07) 866 6612..... 9-10.30am  
 Colville Services Collective, Colville Hall, contact (07) 866 6920.....9am-3pm  
 Coro Gym – sit and be fit, Charles St, contact Peg (07) 866 8635.....9.30-10.30am  
 Coromandel Playcentre, Woollams Ave, contact Debbie (07) 866 7119..... 9.45am-12.15pm  
 Coro Tennis, Men's night, contact Gayle (07) 866 8063.....4pm

## Every Saturday

Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompaa..... 8.30-9am  
 Coro Tennis Club – juniors, Rings Rd, contact Gayle (07) 866 8063.....9am  
 Croquet, Woollams Ave, contact Judy (07) 866 8637.....9.45am  
 Coromandel Golf Club-club play, Hauraki Rd, contact Peter (07) 866 7633tee off 12.30pm  
 Coromandel RSA, contact Ian (07) 866 7138 (winter 1st, 3rd & 5th Sat only)..... 4-10pm  
 St Colmans Catholic Church-mass, Rings Rd, contact Frieda (07) 866 7872.....5pm  
 Prayers for dead and healing, Mahamudra Centre, contact (07) 866 6851..... 5-6pm

## Every Sunday

Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation-in Gompaa, contact (07) 866 6851..... 10-10.30am  
 Aerobics – step combo, KiwiCan rooms CAS, contact Evy (07) 866 8242..... 9-10am  
 Elim Church Services, Rings Rd, contact Steve (07) 866 6900..... 10am-12 noon  
 Coro Tennis Club-club play, Rings Rd, contact Gayle (07) 866 8063.....2pm  
 Swissball Training – Hi-Tech Health & Fitness, contact Marlene (07) 866 8019.....2pm  
 Circuit Training – Hi-Tech Health & Fitness, contact Marlene (07) 866 8019.....4pm  
 Prayers for dead and healing, Mahamudra Centre, contact (07) 866 6851..... 5-6pm  
 Alcoholics Anonymous meeting Anglican Church Hall, contact 021 314 467.....7.30pm

## Monthly

**1st Mon** – Coro Patchwork & Quilters Ambulance rooms,  
 contact Jill (07) 866 7484.....9am-4pm

**2nd Mon** – Friendship Group, contact Jocelyn (07) 866 7101

**3rd Mon** – Coro Patchwork & Quilters Ambulance rooms, contact Jill (07) 866 7484  
 .....9am-4pm

**3rd Mon** – Alzheimer's Carers' Group,  
 Retirement Village Hall, bring plate & koha,  
 contact (07) 282 0453, (07) 866 8653  
 .....10.30am

**1st Tue** – Coro Motorcycle Club general  
 business John (07) 866 6776.....7.30pm

**2nd Tue** – Coromandel/Colville Cmty Board,  
 Council Chambers, contact (07) 866 1001  
 .....9am

**2nd Tue** – Public Trust, Harcourts, contact  
 0800 368 620.....by appt

**1st Wed** – Coro Embroiderers' Guild,  
 Ambulance Station, contact Jill Wilson  
 (07) 866 7484.....10am-3pm

**1st Wed** – Lions Dinner Meeting,  
 Ambulance Rooms; contact Jayne Lister  
 (07) 866 7687.....6pm

**2nd Wed** – Garden Circle, ph Linda Wright  
 for venue, (07) 866 8440 .....1pm

**3rd Wed** – Lions Business Meeting,  
 Ambulance Rooms; contact Jayne Lister  
 (07) 866 7687.....7pm

**4th Wed** – RSA Women's Section, RSA  
 lounge, contact Betty (07) 866 8192  
 .....1.30pm

**2nd Thu** – Coromandel Writers' Group,  
 contact Margaret (07) 866 8862  
 .....10.30am-2.30pm

**3rd Thu** – Coromandel Poetry Group,  
 contact Jocelyn Davey, (07) 866 7101..6pm

**4th Thu** – Coro SeniorNet, Trust Waikato  
 Events Ctr, contact Loes (07) 866 8053...1.30pm

**3rd Fri** – Housie at Bowling Club, bar available,  
 contact (07) 866 8886..... doors open 6.30pm,  
 .....calling starts 7pm

**1st Sat** – Coro RSA, RSA Hall, contact Errol  
 (07) 866 8845.....4-10pm

**3rd Sat** – Luncheon Ladies, contact Lorraine  
 (07) 866 8144.....12pm

**3rd Sat** – Coro RSA, RSA Hall, contact Errol  
 (07) 866 8845.....4-10pm

**1st Sun** – Coro School of Mines & Historical  
 Sty/Museum, contact (07) 866 8711.....4pm

**1st Sun** – St Andrew's Union church service,  
 Rings Rd, contact (07) 866 8633.....10am

**2nd Sun** – Christ Church service, Tiki Rd,  
 contact Barbara O'Reilly (07) 866 8299.....10am

**2nd Sun** – Young Eagles, Tiki Rd, contact  
 Lisa (07) 866 2055.....9am

**3rd Sun** – St Andrews Union church service,  
 Rings Rd, contact Hilda (07) 866 8633  
 .....10am

**4th Sun** – Christ Church service, Tiki Rd,  
 contact Barbara O'Reilly (07) 866 8299.....10am

**5th Sun** – Christ Church/St Andrew's share  
 .....10am

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MON

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High tide 5.31am (2.5m), 5.55pm (2.4m)  
Low tide 11.43am (0.8m)  
►► Best bite 10.30am/pm

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Artists' professional practice  
workshop at Hot Water Beach  
(see pg 29)

High tide 10.26am (2.7m), 10.50pm (2.7m)  
Low tide 4.09am (0.5m), 4.33pm (0.5m)  
►► Best bite 2.30am/pm

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Coromandel Town Chronicle  
DEADLINE for April issue

High tide 3.38am (2.6m), 3.56pm (2.6m)  
Low tide 9.49am (0.7m), 10.16pm (0.6m)  
►► Best bite 9am/pm

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High tide 10.14am (3.1m), 10.39pm (3.1m)  
Low tide 3.52am (0.2m), 4.19pm (0.1m)  
►► Best bite 3am/pm

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High tide 4.01am (2.5m), 4.27pm (2.4m)  
Low tide 10.17am (0.8m), 10.39pm (0.8m)  
►► Best bite 9am/pm

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TUE

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High tide 6.24am (2.6m), 6.48pm (2.5m)  
Low tide 12.05am (0.7m), 12.34pm (0.8m)  
►► Best bite 11am/pm

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High tide 11.03am (2.7m), 11.27pm (2.7m)  
Low tide 4.47am (0.5m), 5.10pm (0.5m)  
►► Best bite 3.30am/pm

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High tide 4.42am (2.7m), 5.03pm (2.6m)  
Low tide 10.51am (0.6m), 11.20pm (0.5m)  
►► Best bite 10am/pm

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High tide 11.04am (3.1m), 11.28pm (3.1m)  
Low tide 4.42am (0.2m), 5.09pm (0.2m)  
►► Best bite 4am/pm

TUE

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High tide 7.11am (2.6m), 7.38pm (2.5m)  
Low tide 12.54am (0.7m), 1.21pm (0.7m)  
►►►► Best bite 12am/pm

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Garden Circle AGM (see pg 20)

High tide 11.42am (2.7m)  
Low tide 5.26am (0.6m), 5.49pm (0.5m)  
►► Best bite 4am/pm

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High tide 5.44am (2.8m), 6.07pm (2.8m)  
Low tide 11.51am (0.5m)  
►► Best bite 11am/pm

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Meat Pack / Laurie Oliff Trophy at  
Coromandel Golf Club (see pg 32)  
RSA Women's Section AGM  
(see pg 25)

High tide 11.55am (3.0m)  
Low tide 5.34am (0.4m), 5.58pm (0.3m)  
►► Best bite 5am/pm

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High tide 7.55am (2.7m), 8.20pm (2.6m)  
Low tide 1.38am (0.6m), 2.03pm (0.7m)  
►►►► Best bite 12.30am/pm

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High tide 12.07am (2.6m), 12.23pm (2.6m)  
Low tide 6.09am (0.7m), 6.30pm (0.6m)  
►►►► Best bite 5am/pm

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Grey Power meeting (see pg 10)

High tide 5.41am (3.0m), 7.07pm (2.9m)  
Low tide 12.21am (0.4m), 12.49pm (0.4m)  
►►►► Best bite 12am/pm

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Quiz night at Castle Rock Cafe  
(see ad pg 13)

High tide 12.18am (3.0m), 12.46pm (2.9m)  
Low tide 6.28am (0.4m), 6.49pm (0.4m)  
►►►► Best bite 6am/pm

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Last day Easter Art  
Exhibition (see pg 24)  
International Women's  
Day Champagne Breakfast at  
Pepper Tree

High tide 8.35am (2.7m), 9pm (2.7m)  
Low tide 2.18am (0.6m), 2.42pm (0.6m)  
►►►► Best bite 1am/pm

13

High tide 12.50am (2.6m), 1.07pm (2.6m)  
Low tide 6.50am (0.7m), 7.16pm (0.6m)  
►►►► Best bite 6am/pm

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High tide 7.37am (3.1m), 8.04pm (3.1m)  
Low tide 1.17am (0.3m), 1.44pm (0.3m)  
►►►► Best bite 1am/pm

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Coromandel Music Society  
presents Bella Kalolo (see pg 29)

High tide 1.11am (2.8m), 1.38pm (2.7m)  
Low tide 7.22am (0.6m), 7.42pm (0.5m)  
►►►► Best bite 7am/pm

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Classy Chicks' Ladies' Fishing  
Competition (see pg 33)  
Seafood Tournament at Bowling  
Club (see ad pg 7)  
Hekter Cup at Coromandel Golf  
Club (see pg 32)

High tide 9.13am (2.7m), 9.38pm (2.7m)  
Low tide 2.55am (0.5m), 3.20pm (0.6m)  
►►►► Best bite 1.30am/pm

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ARC Adventure Race  
24/12/8hr  
Open air cinema 7pm  
next to Patukirikiri reserve, hosted  
by the Coromandel Youth Project  
Hekter Cup at Coromandel Golf  
Club (see pg 32)

High tide 1.40am (2.6m), 1.57pm (2.5m)  
Low tide 7.48am (0.7m), 8.09pm (0.7m)  
►►►► Best bite 7am/pm

21

Biodynamic Gardening  
(see pg 29)

High tide 8.30am (3.1m), 8.57pm (3.1m)  
Low tide 2.10am (0.2m), 2.37pm (0.1m)  
►►►► Best bite 1.30am/pm

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Easter Art Exhibition  
opens (see pg 24)  
Hekter Cup at Coromandel Golf  
Club (see pg 32)  
RSA AGM (see pg 25)

High tide 2.06am (2.7m), 2.33pm (2.6m)  
Low tide 8.20am (0.7m), 8.39pm (0.7m)  
►►►► Best bite 7.30am/pm

SAT

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Family Fun Day Mahamudra  
Centre, Colville 11am-5pm

High tide 4.34am (2.5m), 4.57pm (2.5m)  
Low tide 10.47am, 11.10pm (0.7m)  
►► Best bite 9.30am/pm

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Seafood Tournament at  
Coromandel Bowling Club  
(see ad pg 7)

High tide 9.50am (2.7m), 10.14pm (2.7m)  
Low tide 3.32am (0.5m), 3.56pm (0.5m)  
►► Best bite 2am/pm

15

ARC Adventure Race 24/12/8hr  
Championship Pennants Rd3 at  
Coromandel Golf Club (Course  
Closed) (see pg 32)

High tide 2.36am (2.5m), 2.53pm (2.5m)  
Low tide 8.47am (0.8m), 9.10pm (0.7m)  
►►►► Best bite 8am/pm

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High tide 9.22am (3.2m), 9.48pm (3.1m)  
Low tide 3.01am (0.1m), 3.29pm (0.1m)  
►►►► Best bite 2am/pm

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High tide 3.03am (2.6m), 3.29pm (2.5m)  
Low tide 9.19am (0.8m), 9.39pm (0.8m)  
►►►► Best bite 8am/pm

SUN

**COROMANDEL**

**RUBBISH & RECYCLE  
TRANSFER STATION  
SUMMER HOURS**

Monday to Friday  
12.30pm-5.30pm  
Saturday 10.30am-5.30pm  
Sunday and public holidays  
10.30am-7.30pm