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Editor's comment

It is starting to finally feel like summer! So nice to have a bit of sun and see town filling up.

Check out the calendar on the back cover for everything that is happening this month and start planning your float for Santa Parade in December – yes we are now on the countdown to Christmas and the summer holidays.

For those that get this issue in time, I have reprinted the K2 road information from last issue – so refer to that if you are travelling on Coromandel Peninsula roads on 29 October.

I have had to withhold a letter and an article this month due to the inappropriate putting down of others. The Coromandel Business Association (CBA) are backing me up on this decision. Please see below statement from the CBA for clarification.

Have a great month.

Debbie

The vision of the Coromandel Town Chronicle is to positively promote our region. While it can be a forum to stimulate debate on local issues, we reserve the right to refuse to publish articles and letters that denigrate people, groups or organisations.
Jan Autumn, Chairperson, Coromandel Business Association

Letters

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank all the people who took the time to vote for me in the 2016 local body elections.

I am very grateful for the overwhelming support and I will endeavor to represent you with the utmost transparency.

I will uphold my campaign promise to create regular forums, that will enable you to bring your issues and initiatives and receive information to help me to help you get your needs met; I will listen to the views, represent the interests of all residents and continue to campaign on matters that affect our community.

Once again, thank you for your support and kind words; I look forward to working with you.
Jan Autumn, Coromandel

Dear Editor,

While it is entirely understandable that local residents are concerned about the disposal of arsenic-rich dredgings from Furey's Creek in a clean landfill on the 309 Road, I would again remind everyone of the other hazardous heavy metal contaminant of Coromandel Harbour sediments – mercury.

Although mercury is relatively harmless when buried in mud or soil, when released into the water column, it is transformed by natural processes in the aquatic environment to dimethyl mercury – one of the most toxic compounds known. In this form, mercury is highly toxic not only to the marine ecosystem, but is also to human health. Most notoriously, this resulted in almost 2,000 deaths in Japan last century around the city of Minamata, in an outbreak of mercury poisoning now known as Minamata Disease. Mercury is so toxic that there is an international convention, the Minamata Convention, which was negotiated specifically to promote its safe use.

Although our local council has been downplaying the hazards potentially posed by the release of mercury into our harbour from dredging, the inconvenient truth is that the levels of mercury in Coromandel Harbour sediments are amongst the highest in New Zealand. Despite the confirmation by a succession of scientific studies of elevated mercury levels in the seabed of our harbour, some of them commissioned by the TCDC itself, our elected representatives and appointed officials seem to be in denial.

For the protection of our harbour and our community, the prudent course of action is to minimise all further disturbance of the seabed in Coromandel Harbour.

Yours truly,

Mike Donoghue, Coromandel

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Stamper Battery gets new lease of life

By Debbie Morgan

Repairs are underway at the Coromandel Stamper Battery in preparation for summer tourists. There have been repairs made to the waterwheel which drives the berdans (grinding bowls). When the upgrade of the wheel is completed, it is hoped to have enough horsepower from the wheel to also operate the stamps. Currently, the stamps are powered by a Lister stationary diesel engine which will remain operational as a backup power unit.

A new pinion gear wheel for the waterwheel has been made by A&G Price in Thames – the same company who made the original 116 years ago. The pinion gear wheel is made of cast iron and is extremely heavy. The pattern for this could not be located at A&G Price, so the new one has been fabricated from three pieces of 50mm thick steel plate welded together and machined.

The repairs to the waterwheel were carried out by James Drainage Ltd. New owner Paul Barlow would like to thank Hunchy, Bryce and Jack Little for the fantastic job they did replacing the horizontal support beam; “they were a pleasure to work with,” Paul said. He is aiming to give as much of the work as he can to local companies. Darryl from Breaker Services Ltd, a Coromandel Town company, has carried out the work to lift the wheel, replace gears and realign bearings. There are some more repairs to be made to the waterwheel now the wheel is able to turn again.

The Stamper Battery is a Category 1 building and is the largest waterwheel in

New Zealand. All work therefore has to be approved by Heritage New Zealand. Local man Paul Barlow has purchased the building off TCDC and it sits on crown land with a 35-year lease. The adjacent reserve is part of that lease so will be tidied, improved and maintained by the Stamper Battery but the public will still have access.

The structure of the Stamper Battery building is in pretty good shape, however some wall and roof panels are being repaired and replaced along with installation of translucent light panels in parts of the ceiling. The building will also be repainted externally.

The equipment is in working order too – two stampers are in working order and Ash is working on the others to get them running too. A big WHITE engine from 1904 (approx) is being restored. Gating will be added to separate the public from the machinery and the electrics will be upgraded including adding uplighters to highlight the machines. Paul and Ash would also like to get the forge working and could possibly have a blacksmith in the future. The Stamper Battery houses the last original Retort Furnace functional in New Zealand.

Paul would like to pay tribute to Rex Drinkwater who saved the building in the 1970s. He and a group of locals carried out a lot of work which is why the building is in such good shape today and we owe them for having this piece of history and tourist attraction in our town.

There are no tours at present while the upgrade work is being done, but Paul aims to complete it all by late November – look out in the future Chronicles for more details.



The repaired waterwheel – just waiting for the new pinion wheel to be added



The sign above the door honouring the volunteers that saved the Stamper Battery in the 1970s



The pinion gear wheel has been beautifully remade to be the same as the old broken one used to be

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Making their mark on Wyuna Bay

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Father and son Steve and Kris Wilson have worked together to transform the architectural landscape of Coromandel's Wyuna Bay Road, designing and building more than 40 homes together on the street.

Steve has been running Steve Wilson Design and Build for 20 years in the Waikato, bought a bach on Wyuna Bay Road in 2001 and ended up moving in permanently.

Kris worked as a builder with his dad but decided architecture was his future and formed Design House Architecture in 2007. He has since worked on projects throughout New Zealand, the majority in the Waikato and particularly Coromandel Peninsula, upgrading baches to houses and demolishing and rebuilding where baby boomers come to settle.

Steve and Kris have won several regional and national design awards. Kris does some very technical plans for the cliff and coastal location.

This year's entry in the 2016 ADNZ Resene WBOP Design Awards was a new home which included a corten steel spine. Inspired by the Wyuna Bay ridge line topography and the client's career in complex industrial engineering and steel fabrication, the spine both anchors the home into the natural contour of the site's ridge line and also acts as a continuous southern rain screen and wind break. The corten house was commended in its category (new homes between 150-300m2) and also won the people's choice award at the award ceremony in Rotorua in July.



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Coromandel Patchwork and Quilters

By Sharon Currie

On 14 October ten of our group had a trip to Thames to see the Thames Turua Quilt Group's Quilt Show. Lots of lovely quilts were on display. It is always inspiring to see what other quilters are working on. A very enjoyable day out with lunch and shopping and home again. There are only three more quilting days and then we finish our year with a Christmas lunch at Pepper Tree Restaurant. At the end of December

we have our Quilt Show at the Citizens' Hall where any work that has been finished this year will be displayed.



Quilt made by Barb Excell

Our meetings are held on 1st and 3rd (& 5th) Monday of the month 9.30am-4.00pm, St John Rooms, Tiki Rd, Coromandel. President Margaret Sinclair (07) 866 7104, Secretary Barb Excell Ph (07) 866 7493

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Theme: Masquerade
KT will be performing followed by DJ Corz

Xmas Party – for those with big or small businesses out there that are to busy during this time of year to organise a Christmas party, we have already done it for you.

Date: Friday 16th December
Tickets go on sale 31st of October –tickets include 3 course meal, more info to come.

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Coromandel Grey Power

By John Rabarts

Grey Power is not a political party. Oh yes – we do talk to politicians of all parties, and do our best – often with good results – to influence them to our point of view in support of our over-50 years age group. Oh no – we are not associated with any political party in government or opposition, but they all listen to us. Heaven help them if they don't! That's why Grey Power was started and that's what we do best. Likewise we are not associated with or support any political party that is not in Parliament. So if you hear of any political party – new or old – that is claiming to represent the older age group, or senior citizens, be assured that is NOT a Grey Power political party. We are happy to lobby and influence politicians – but we don't want to be politicians, heaven forbid! Politicians love running the country – we would like them to run it as much as possible to our advantage – that's what we think they are there for – never mind what they think they are there for. So you see politicians do heaps for us – and long may they do so. BUT if some political party comes along saying they support our age group and you think you would like to join them, or vote for them – you are welcome to do so. But you are joining on behalf of yourself, your cat and dog and the fence post, NOT on behalf of Grey Power, and you are NOT joining a Grey Power political party – because there is no such thing. Any Grey Power member is welcome to stand for Parliament – for any political party that chooses them, or even as an Independent. But they are not standing for parliament for Grey Power.

Now having said what Grey Power is not you may like to come along and see what we are. Over 50 and got your wits about you? Come along to our next members' meeting. **Thursday 3 November** at the St John Rooms in Tiki Road, Coromandel at 1.30pm. Listen to our guest speaker and hear what else we have to say. We offer savings on electricity, health and other insurance, discounts at some local shops, free bus rides in some big cities, discount petrol when you are away from home and other stuff – but we do no political speeches, I can assure you. Afterwards have a cup of coffee or tea with a biscuit or a piece of cake and we will all be happy. See you there then. John Rabarts. President, Coromandel Grey Power Association, ph (07) 866 8068. For membership and a smile contact Dolly Welch, ph (07) 866 8852.

Next members meeting. **3 November**, 1.30pm, St John Rooms, Tiki Road, by the Fire Station. Free entry. Members please bring a plate. Visitors welcome. Politicians may come and listen only.

Heart Beat – St John Ambulance Coromandel/Colville

By Julie Morris, Station Manager, Coromandel

“Do you know where you live?” Answer: yes. “Do we know where you live?” Answer: maybe no. Is your property clearly identifiable from the road? The ambulance service on many occasions has difficulty finding a residence or location due to poor or nil numbering identification. This can delay a patient receiving the immediate assistance potentially necessary. In a rural community letterboxes on roadsides need clear numbering for all the emergency services. If shared accesses are in place each individual property should have their number again at their own entrance.

Perhaps if a bystander or member of the public is available you could have them stand on the roadside to indicate to the ambulance crew the correct location.

Mr “Google” is not always the best to do this job for us; you are!

St John would like to express a sincere “Thank You” to Lyn who provides donations of preserves which are sold at Coromandel Meatkeeper to raise funds. Already this has resulted in an impressive contribution to local funding. You may also like to call into Coromandel Meatkeeper and make a purchase towards St John.

During September the workload has continued to be very steady with a total of 24 callouts. The weatherbomb week had us on alert with plans implemented and a 72-hour coverage put into place. Fortunately no major issues eventuated.

Our current service continues running at below 50% with evenings and weekends often uncovered due to insufficient volunteers. If you are interested in helping your community by becoming a volunteer with St John please do call in to the station and I will most willingly introduce you to our recruitment pathway.

STAFF PROFILE

– DONNA JIMMY

Why did you join St John Ambulance service?

I was working as a registered nurse at Phoenix House for two years when I decided that I wanted to do something more for myself, gain some new skills, knowledge and assist the community. I was invited along to the ambulance weekly training night, which I thoroughly enjoyed.



How long have you been a member of St. John?

18 months already.

What do you enjoy most about being an ambulance officer?

I really enjoy the moments when I can help someone in the community using all the skills and knowledge that I have learnt here at St John.

Would you recommend joining St John to others, and why?

Yes, absolutely! I know people have busy lives but if you have a spare day and are interested, please come along and join the friendly team.

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Coromandel Garden Circle

September meeting by Jane Warren

Our September meeting was held at Te Kouma based at Phillipa Brown's home on Kowhai Drive but included visits to the gardens of Elspeth Campbell, Janine Attwood, Sherryn Cepulis and Glenda Robinson.

Thankfully the weather stayed fine so that we could enjoy the special views. I realised how unfit I was walking up and down Kowhai Drive between the different homes and certainly felt in my calf muscles the next day.

The flower and arrangement winners were: Multi Bloom – Jane Warren, Single Bloom – Ruth Pattinson, Miniature Bloom – Karin Lillis, Vegetable – what to do with parsley – Glenda Robinson, Special Arrangement with the theme Dancing Queen – Dianne Dobson.

October meeting by Glenise Robertson

The formal October meeting of the Coromandel Garden Circle was held in the Village Hall – as formal as you will get a group of 30-plus like-minded ladies meeting in one room!

There was an animated discussion of progress around individual gardens with interesting solutions to problems with invaders, e.g., white butterflies – being territorial they will, apparently, not approach a planting protected by suspending white butterfly shapes, like plastic cut-outs above the planting. And the traditional night torch lookout for snails, beware.

We then responded to an invitation to visit Harmony Gardens. What a credit to the owner and its caretaker – delightful riverside plantings, many just coming in to flower, with mossy paths and quirky structures – bridges and out buildings. A thoroughly enjoyable, instructive outing.

Competition winners: Arrangement – Pat Williams, Multi Bloom – Jenny Mudgway, Mini Bloom – Karin Lillis, Single Bloom – Pat Williams, Special – Glenda Robinson.



Harmony Gardens

Coromandel Contract Bridge Club

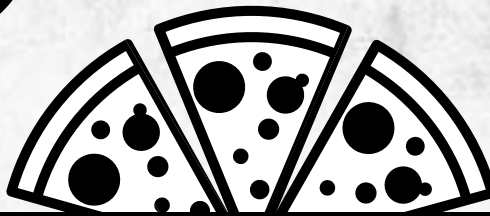
By Judy Bronlund

It is so good to have four tables of bridge players on a Monday evening. November is our Championship Pairs competition. This is a five-week competition. December is a two-week competition for the Kereta Pairs, and this is our final competition for 2016. Please contact Val or Lyn if you would like to enter in either of these competitions.

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Coromandel rail/pier response boxes

By Marni MacDonald

All the responses this month were very enthusiastic.

I read through them remembering the extraordinary vision, courage and determination of Barry Brickell who has left us this legacy. Now what will we do with it?

An information leaflet has been prepared and is ready for printing. \$1000 is needed for the printing costs. Who in this community is good at fundraising? If you have that skill, would you please contact me at (07) 866 7790 or text 027 351 6653.

Once the leaflets have been distributed and people are updated and informed, it may be time to have a second community meeting, where some of you who have shown such enthusiasm can put forward your suggestions and hopefully become involved. Some comments over the past three months have indicated the writer's areas of understanding and expertise, such as noting this is a concept worthy of further cost/benefit analysis. Don't be shy. Your participation and support will be welcomed.

As one person wrote this month, "This is a must have."

I have now removed the response boxes from Umu, Te Korowai and the Library. Thank you to those hosts. I forgot that CILT is not open on a Friday, so that response box remains in place. If you forget to have your say or to ask your question in that one remaining response box, then watch out for an advertised community meeting in the summer.

Thank you to you all who took the time to participate.

Coromandel Town Information Centre

By Sandra Wilson

Over the past month during that rather wet spell, I have appreciated the information about the state of our unsealed roads from some locals. As the main highways are covered by NZTA, we check that website throughout the day. Trying to get up-to-date info on our unsealed roads is a little harder. We do check TCDC's Facebook page also throughout the day but like us it's only if somebody advises them that we find out there are slips, trees down, etc. Many people ring in here to find out if the roads are open so having up-to-date info is paramount. Of course we then post any updates on our Facebook page. So thank you to all those who kept, and keep, us informed. Let's hope we don't have another weather spell like that.

We also occasionally get calls from locals about other unusual things, such as whale sightings. We are most appreciative that they take the time to do so, and to occasionally send us photos that we can then share with "the world".

Summer is just around the corner; time to get out and explore our beautiful town: Kauri Block walk, Long Bay walk, Harray Track, Success Track, Taumatawahine track and Waiau Falls and the Kauri Grove walk out on the famous 309 Road. Just a reminder to make sure you clean your shoes, bikes, dog's paws, walking sticks, etc., before and after walking through any of our native bush walks. Let's do all we can to stop the spread of Kauri Dieback disease.

We are now able to book Hobbiton tours along with InterCity travel and 360 Ferry bookings, so stop by if we can help you.

Volunteers are needed for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday mornings and afternoons, 10.00am-1.00pm or 1.00-4.00pm. If you have three hours available once a week, do come and see us and we can explain what it entails.

Coming up this month we have the Embroidery Exhibition on **3-13 November** at Hauraki House. The Fireworks Display will be on **Saturday 5 November**, with food stalls and music at 5.30pm and fireworks at 8.30pm.

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is slightly soft to bite. Cook the broad beans in a little water for a
minute or two. Drain.

Set aside the vegetables. Fry the bacon until crispy.

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By Alison MacKinnon-Carter

The Re-Use Centre

Despite bad weather, the 8m piles for our Re-use Building at the Refuse Transfer Station have been driven and thanks to a grant from the TCDC construction is on track for the building to be finished by Christmas. So if you are clearing out the bach for the summer holidays instead of unwanted items filling up our landfill we will be able to store them and help find them a new home.

Guy Macindoe, the project manager for the Coromandel Community Re-use Centre, is looking forward to an official opening in the New Year after having been in the planning stage for nearly four years. The resource recovery centre will have a retail sales shop, repair workshop and a storage facility. The on-site workshop offers opportunities for local youths to do work skills training, learning from the expertise of others. The new centre will appeal to families seeking low cost items and DIYers and artists looking for something special for their latest projects.

It will also offer employment opportunities. If you look in the situations vacant at the back of the Chronicle you will see that CILT is looking for a co-ordinator for the new re-use centre. So if you are interested contact Joanne Scott at CILT.

Resource Centre

The Maori Land Court will be at Tiki House on **Thursday 24 November**. To make a booking to see Hori Tutaki please phone the Resource Centre, (07) 866 8358 or just call in and see us.

Just a reminder that the weekly community mobility van leaves for Thames every Thursday; call or come in and book a seat before 1pm on Wednesdays. The cost is a \$12 koha for adults and \$6 for children for a return trip. It's available to everyone and is an ideal way to get to a dentist appointment, visit the WINZ offices, meet a friend, or just do some shopping.

The Work Co-op

Vanessa from Progress to Health calls in at the Work Co-Op monthly to provide advocacy services for people with a mental health issue and their families. If you need to help in dealing with Government departments, WINZ, your local school or any other area of your daily life she is there to assist you. Phone Jean Ashby on (07) 866 8905 to make an appointment. Vanessa will be next visiting us on **16 November and 8 December**.

Artists in the Making

They are still smashing the china over at CILT's Artists in the Making program in Whitianga, where the mosaic-making group is doing splendid work. Artists in the Making is a group of 17 artists with disabilities who come together to do mosaics, china painting or just work on their own art projects. Last month their co-ordinator Anne Bowden, who is herself a noted mosaic artist, took seven mosaics to the National Mosaic Body's national exhibition at Orewa. The following week Anne was back in Orewa taking six Artists in the Making participants (and Fergie the guide dog) to visit the exhibition and to spend a night at the Top Ten Holiday Park. Claudine McMillan entered a mosaic in blue and white china of a stag's head called Boris the Stag. Recently the Mercury Bay Community Centre awarded a \$500 grant to Artists in the Making to purchase a microwave kiln for fusing glass and a new drill.



Claudine McMillan with some of her mosaics

Contact: Tiki House, 45 Tiki Road, Coromandel 3506.

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Departs Coromandel: Hannaford's Wharf

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24 Oct - 30 Oct	4.30 pm	3.00 pm	-	3.00 pm	8.45 pm	4.30 pm	4.30 pm
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Thank You Coromandel from the Chai Tea House

By Sol Petersen



One rainy evening in late September, I took another look around the empty cafe and then closed the door of the Chai Tea House for the last time as janitor, caretaker and owner. It was a nostalgic moment, remembering the stream of events and people that passed during more than five-and-a-half years. The moment was made sweeter for me as I am confident that the next owners will do something very special with the cafe, and I wish them every success.

Like many practical idealists I decided to start a vegetarian cafe with an organic direction and supporting local live music, because I could, and I hoped it would be good for Coromandel, rather than as a result of a common sense business feasibility study – which undoubtedly would have convinced me not to! And of course, in typical number 8 wire fashion, I had no experience in cafes or starting a small shop.

My family questioned my sanity in starting a cafe, then supported me nobly. Some friends gave me important advice (some too much advice!), some loaned me money, some even donated money to the venture. Some friends would come to visit me in the summer, then come into the cafe every day and do two or three hours of dishes just to help out and hang out there with me. Over the years many talented people from all over the world shared their skills as barista, baker, cook or waiter. Some helped carry the Chai Tea House for a few months and some special ones even for years. Their heartfelt support and work made it all worthwhile. Quite a few of them are still in touch as friends.



All of these people contributed to create something unique and special. Many people said this place feels like a “real Coromandel” cafe and I liked that.

I would like to thank all the people who participated in so many ways – attending and participating in quality homegrown poetry evenings and some fabulous open mic nights. We held many memorable concerts with groups like the Pipi Pickers, the Chaps, Nigel Gavin, Ukumania and many more. The DJ nights with Matt and his tribe of talented artists became a regular event and felt more like a neat party for locals.

I would like to say thanks to the local tradesman who were often heroes in emergencies, coming in on a Sunday or on an evening to repair a broken window, an electrical fault or a water leak. On the Friday of a holiday weekend one of the bank staff may kindly come across just to make sure we had enough change for the Monday. The information centre was always super helpful. I enjoyed putting energy into the cafe for festivals like Illume,

welcoming travelers into our town and telling them about the beauty in our peninsula. Some sweet people would just drop off their extra silver beet or lemons regularly to our kitchen. Even the health inspectors impressed me with their intention to come in and support and educate us to get it right, rather than to act like tough health police.

It was interesting and at times fun to be part of the townspeople’s morning or afternoon rituals of a coffee, fresh juice or kombucha, and knowing what kind of beautiful cake this person likes. Some friends would ask – are you enjoying having a cafe? I would say, “It is a lot of work for the moments of fun and sweet enjoyment, but yes it feels like a good contribution to be part of.” I remember saying to one pilgrim, “If you ever start feeling a little close to enlightenment (I hadn’t been) open up a cafe in a small town and that will bring you back down to earth.”

Thank you Coromandel for a great adventure.



Guitar workshop in the Chai Tea House garden with Nigel Gavin

Coromandel Walking Group

By Irene Dunn

Dodging the showers while walking the streets each Tuesday and Thursday morning and having coffee with the “girls” is a great way to exercise - would you like to join us? You are most welcome. We meet at the Lotto Dairy at 9am then walk for an hour with coffee afterwards.

Tie up those shoelaces and let’s get walking.

Contact Ruth (07) 866 7246

Coromandel Writers

By Lora Mountjoy

There was a good attendance at our October Meeting and we continued to use creative writing exercises from a book produced by Victoria University’s School of Modern Letters. Our free writing, based on an African idea that babies can remember their previous life, stimulated writing both imaginative and personal and led to discussion about memory and childhood.

Members brought poetry to share, including an original one by Jane Powell, and Barbara introduced the idea of writing “poetry as you go”.

It is always good to hear what members are reading, and to note those books we might like to look for in the library.

Finally, everyone read their “homework”, which was to write a job interview from the perspective of both prospective employer and employee. Jobs described included an audiologist’s assistant, pole dancer, secretary, housekeeper and social worker (two of these!). Altogether an enjoyable and rewarding meeting. Homework to be brought to the next meeting on **10 November** is “Writing the landscape.”

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Ann's Good News, Naturally

By Ann Kerr-Bell

Healthy Bones Last a Lifetime

Bone is a living tissue and is in fact one of the most active tissues in the body. The formation of bone begins when the bone cells use proteins and other building blocks to form collagen. Collagen fibres develop quickly to form an organic mesh, or net, that calcium, phosphorus and other minerals attach to. It is constantly being broken down and rebuilt in a process called remodelling and, like any other living tissue, needs nourishment to stay strong and healthy.

Over a period of days and weeks, the mixture of different minerals attaching to the mesh or net changes, producing the finished product called hydroxyapatite crystals. These crystals are what make bones so hard. Bone is much more than just calcium.

There are three ways bones are dependent on proper nourishment.

1) To keep the bone cells healthy and active. 2) To supply the variety of important nutritional building blocks needed to form the organic matrix of bone. 3) To supply the complexity of minerals needed to be placed on that organic mesh or net, making up the finished, hardened component of bone known as hydroxyapatite crystals.

With proper nourishment, a healthy lifestyle, and favourable genetics, healthy bones can last a lifetime!

There is no doubt that calcium is essential for healthy bone formation. However other organic factors and trace minerals are also important. Because bone is a complex, highly mineralized tissue, deficiencies of the trace minerals can impair bone formation and remodelling.

Up to 80% of Australasians have a mineral deficiency due to sub-optimal mineral intakes from the typical western diet, poor food choices, poor digestion, stress or choosing a poor quality supplement. Minerals are required for many biological processes other than bone formation, such as hormone production, cellular energy production, red blood cell development and much more. Most of us have mineral deficiencies without realizing it. As we age the ability to absorb nutrients declines. Certain forms of supplements are difficult to absorb and are not carried efficiently into the cells. Others are incorrectly made or are not a complete bone food. Are you producing the hydroxyapatite crystals to make your bones hard and healthy? Can you ensure your children normal development of bone and teeth and enhanced skeletal strength? Do you have good bone density and are preventing osteoporosis?

Which calcium are you requiring? Is it calcium sulphate, calcium phosphate or calcium fluoride? (Note that the fluoride used in toothpaste and in some council water supplies are the toxic sodium fluoride.)

Do you need magnesium with your calcium supplement or one of potassium forms?

By doing this online questionnaire you will know where your imbalances and deficiencies are: www.activeelements.com Username: 259077 Password: 579819.

More good news:

Cramps/joint pain/prolapsed tissue: This 38-year-old man is now getting great sleep after six weeks on his programme. As a bonus his wrist ganglia and connective tissue cysts have also gone. He's surprised he feels so great. Total "common sense medicine"!

Growing pains/itchy bottom: This 7-year-old boy was even becoming disruptive in class. Growth spurts need vital nutrients from nutrient dense foods. His mum is no longer struggling with getting yummy, healthy foods, his herbal tonic and nutritional supplements into him and his teacher says he's now an angel in class. No more scratching either!

Also good news about turning around these health issues: gouty arthritis, nasal polyps, sciatica, breast nodules, irritable bowel syndrome, acne rosacea.

Optimise your cellular health – bones and all!

**Coromandel Lions**

By Lion Lyn



Hello once again. Where is this year going? Yesterday was Easter and now it's nearing Christmas!

And just for the record, Lion Peter is about to Celebrate 80 years of misspent youth, or were you just born trouble? Happy birthday Peter and may you enjoy many more. Also congrats for ten years as a Lion as well! On a sadder note we farewell Bruce and Jill who have decided to move south for more than just the winter. Your down to earth, can-do attitude, integrity, sense of fun, and ability to motivate others, fritter flipping skills, and mouth-watering dishes on dinner nights; our Lions family will miss you both so very, very much, as will the rest of the community. You have become a big part of a small town and we can only wish you all the best for the future – take care, travel safe, and keep in touch.

Club news: The street appeal for The Foundation for the Blind raised over \$1200, and last Friday (14 October) was the annual Pink Ribbon appeal which raised over \$570. Absolutely amazing for our little town. Well done and thankyou everyone. Dinner meeting was a great success as usual, although the Lion Rock has not been passed due to Lion Katrina being unable to attend due to ill health. Hope you are feeling better! Our working bee for firewood went extremely well on Saturday 15 October, so we are starting to squirrel it away now for next season. A good effort, and thanks everyone, especially the non-members who helped, and Jocelyn for the lovely scones and pikelets for morning tea. Scrumptious! Spring has definitely sprung.

Numbers as usual: Pres (07) 866 8045;
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Mr. Penguin

By Beryl van Donk

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Museum News

By Raewyn McKinney

A lot of work has been done over the winter in rearranging and refining the museum displays. If you haven't been to the museum for a while, make a point of popping in one weekend before the Christmas rush. I am sure everyone will be thrilled with the improvements, and proud of their local museum. The museum is a credit to the hard work of a small team of committee members; in particular Val, Judy, Frank, Denise (and Denise's husband). On behalf of the committee, and the community, I thank them all very much for their efforts. We also thank the Go Girls, who have recently come and given the museum its annual "spring clean". Work is still progressing on the enhancement and digital storage of all of our photos, but it is expected that this work will soon be completed.

Unfortunately, through the winter, Sue Wright decided to resign as chairperson of the Coromandel School of Mines & Historical Society Inc. The society thanks her for her very many years of service on the committee, the last few as chairperson. The rest of the committee will continue unchanged in the meantime.

Following the recent Local Body Elections, I thought the following article was quite interesting:

From "Thames Star", 10 November 1899:

"Neglected Coromandel

Why Not A Member Of Her Own

Under the above headings this week's Observer has the following: Mr. McGowan will find his hardest nut to crack in the coming fight for the Thames seat when he gets to Coromandel. The people of that district are by no means satisfied with their treatment by Mr. McGowan. True, their vote went largely against him at the last election, but that fact did not justify his neglect of their interests. He was their member – the only member they had – and if they could not expect help from him, where were they to look for it? But why, after all, should Coromandel always be compelled to lose her individuality in the bulk of the Thames? "Why should Coromandel not once in a way elect a member of her own? With three candidates out for the Thames, there is an opportunity just now, but possibly Coromandel is not looking for opportunities."



A party of gold prospectors in the Coromandel Range

Here are a couple of items about the various fortunes of gold mining in Coromandel from newspapers over the years:

From "Daily Southern Cross" 5 November 1872:

"Latest from Coromandel Specimens from the Bismarck Gold from the Tokatea (from our own correspondent)

Coromandel Monday 7.50 pm

Bismarck – 15lb of splendid specimens were taken out of the stopes today.

Tokatea – 10 oz of additional retorted gold has been banked.

The Harbour View lode is looking splendid.

Royal Standard – A crushing of specimens will commence at Whakaroa battery tomorrow"

From the New Zealand Herald, 13 November 1935:

"Subsidised goldminers

Thames and Coromandel returns for October [by telegraph – own correspondent]

A return of gold won at Thames and Coromandel during October under the Unemployment Board's subsidy scheme shows that 102 or. 12dwt. of gold, valued at £410, was won. In the Thames district the total was 770z. to £313, and in Coromandel 250z. 7dwt., equal to £97. In addition to this, bonuses totalling £94 were paid out on gold won in September. The certifying officer, Mr. S. Smith, stated that the Unemployment Board has now taken over the insurance on the men employed on the scheme and the men will now receive their full weekly allowance."

The museum reopened on Labour Weekend and will be open from 1pm to 4pm on weekends only from Labour Weekend to Boxing Day

Poetry SPOT

Elderlyness

By John Irvine

I am old
although my brain works
with an unforgetten passion
parts of me are only a memorial
to that which I once was
and I have ceased caring.

In my head I make wild love
in the sunshine
in the rain
under burgeoning stars
without nervousness
or anxiety.

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Mahamudra Centre's November: Back in Full Swing!

By Sarah Brooks

After being closed for a month-long retreat, we're excited to be inviting visitors to our lovely retreat centre again and back out in the community with new courses. We kick off the month with a visit from feng shui expert Venerable Jampa Ludrup on his teaching debut in New Zealand during his 2016-2017 world tour. Known as the "lucky monk", Ven. Jampa gives courses and consultations in many different countries on choosing and decorating homes and offices for health and success. Hopefully you didn't miss our special event on **30 October** at the Anglican Church Hall in Coromandel, Wind and Water – The Wonderful World of Feng Shui at 2-4pm. If you did, there's still a great chance to learn the basics of feng shui from Ven. Jampa at our weekend course on **4-6 November** at our Centre. You can also hire him for a private on-site consultation for your home or business – a really rare opportunity! Contact us at spc@mahamudra.org or (07) 866 6851 for more information.

We'll be closing again from **17-29 November** for a very special retreat from a Tibetan Geshe (which is the highest degree awarded in a monastery), Thupten Wangchen, who teaches at our sister centre in Auckland. He'll be giving a Medicine Buddha empowerment and leading this special Buddhist practice that benefits mental and physical health for all sentient beings.

We're offering a series of Discovering Buddhism courses with our teacher in residence Venerable Lozang Yönten, who you may have met last year. We're kicking it off with Mind and Its Potential, a beginner's course on the Buddhist psychological view of our consciousness, and how to develop a happy mind. It will run on Tuesday afternoons from 2-4pm at the Anglican Church Hall for four weeks, starting **29 November**.

Ven. Yönten will also be coming to the Anglican Church Hall for a special day-long course on **12 November**, We're All Addicts – It's Just a Matter of Degree. This course explores the Buddhist view of attachment that is at the heart of any type of addiction, coming from a deep sense of dissatisfaction that life, people and/or ourselves somehow aren't enough, and we need something "out there" that will make us happy. The course provides positive tools to transform these kinds of beliefs into a happier mind.

Of course we also continue our Thursday morning guided meditations at Havalona Pyramid on Driving Creek Rd. from 10-11am, followed by a social coffee/tea outing for anyone who has time. If you haven't tried it, don't be shy about dropping in. There's no experience necessary, and it's on a donation basis. We also have similar daily guided meditations at our Centre at 8.30-9.00am and the Colville area community when courses and retreats aren't running for visitors.

If you'd like more information about what's happening during the month, and our entire dynamic summer program, please visit our website. We hope to see you very soon!

www.mahamudra.org.nz, (07) 866 6851



Community Garden

By Tai Fair

As we move forward into spring new growth and change is happening. I'm excited to be taking over from Louie as the new coordinator of the community garden. We all want to say a big thank you to Louie, Tracy, and Koru for their hard work and enthusiasm and wish you all the best with the move to Hastings.

We gathered to celebrate the new gates and thank local legend Tony Calsaferrri for his work. We also did a bio stir which went really well. It was great to have such a big turnout with everyone feeling positive and excited for the next stage. I really enjoyed meeting some of the people who have been working there and I am looking forward to seeing some new faces in the coming weeks. We are open on Thursdays from 2pm if you feel like coming down.

In the last few weeks, we have been busy weeding while the ground is soft. We turned over beds that have had cover crops in them and added more richness to the soil with compost from our bins. The weeds get turned into more compost for later use.

We have planted 66 beetroots, lots of tomatoes, courgettes, beans, kale, white radishes and more. We are currently trialing some blue kale. All of our fruit trees have responded well to their winter prune.

New projects and ideas are welcome; come down and give me a hand.

SeniorNet Coromandel

By Loes Beaver

The purpose of SeniorNet is to support and serve members in the 50+ age group in our communities with IT and computer tuition. We have been doing so since July 2001. We have seen members come and go, new technology, much to keep up with. We meet every Thursday at the Area School Music Room 2.15pm. Tom is a very patient and understanding tutor. We would like to see more members or prospective members attend especially now that the weather is on the change. We can help with desktop computers, laptops, iPad, smartphones. I wonder at times what would we do without our electronics – online banking, Trade Me, Facebook, and just keeping up with family. So let's see more along at our meetings and training sessions. If you have a special skill that you think would assist our members, do get in touch. Our monthly meetings are the last Thursday of each month before our usual classes.

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Coroarea Market

By Debra Dickson

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Upcoming market dates are: **Sunday 20 November** and **Sunday 11 December**.

Our objective is to trade local organic produce, fruit, vegetables, eggs, plants, cheeses, nuts, crafts, holistic healing, clothing and car boot sale.

For a stall spot or car boot call Debra 027 866 8722 or Murray at the school on (07) 866 8893, or arrive 7.30am to set up. Donation of \$10/stall. This will go towards helping to set up a secondhand uniform shop and reading projects.

A big thank you to all the stalls and car booters that did the market in the rain in September. We had fun. Hope to see you all in the summer markets to come. Come along and find that bargain you are looking for and taste the wonderful treats to be had.



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This month it seems timely to remind everyone that library subscriptions are \$10 per year. Each subscription is due for renewal at the end of the same month in the following year. Any sub unpaid after a further month is deemed to have lapsed. Whenever possible we remind members that their sub is coming due, as we realise not everyone carries much cash these days. We do accept payments via internet banking, so if that is a better option for you, please ask for the bank account number. If you are not sure when your sub will become due, just ask the duty librarian when you are in the library. Anyone who is planning a long holiday can pay the sub early, thus ensuring their membership does not lapse in their absence. Unfortunately, we cannot send out reminder notices to members, so we hope everyone can follow the guidelines above. Junior members of the library do not have to worry, as their subscriptions are free.

This month's new books include:

***Beneath the Neem Tree* by Kaye Anderson**

Kaye is another of the many talented people who live in our community. Her new novel is, on one hand, the story of Hashini, following her fortunes from a small village in Sri Lanka to the United Arab Emirates and New Zealand. However, it is also a challenging look at the very nature of human emotions such as love, tolerance, prejudice and the ability to endure and forgive. Hashini has many hurdles to overcome in her life, and it is her Buddhist beliefs that enable her to cope with the difficulties imposed by life; whether inflicted by nature or the rules and regulations applying in different cultures. Her life is a testimony to the ability of people to rebuild hopes and dreams through love and friendship. This book will appeal to everyone who enjoys a book that stimulates thought, and challenges commonly accepted ideas. We are very pleased that Kaye has donated a copy of her book to the library.



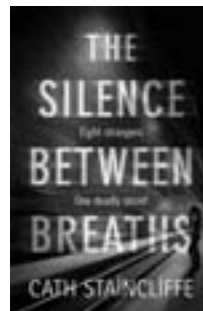
Kaye hands a copy of her book to Robyn in the library

***Queen Bees: Six Brilliant and Extraordinary Society Hostesses Between the Wars - A Spectacle of Celebrity, Talent, and Burning Ambition* by Siân Evans**

Written with wit, verve and heart, *Queen Bees* is the story of a form of societal revolution, and the extraordinary women who helped it happen. In the aftermath of the First World War, the previously strict hierarchies of the British class system were weakened. For a number of ambitious, spirited women, this was the chance they needed to slip through the cracks and take their place at the top of society as the great hostesses of the time. In an age when the place of women was uncertain, becoming a hostess was not a chore, but a career choice, and though some of the hostesses' backgrounds were surprisingly humble, their aspirations were anything but. During the inter-war years these extraordinary women ruled over London society.

***The Silence Between Breaths* by Cath Staincliffe**

Passengers boarding the 10.35 train from Manchester Piccadilly to London Euston are bound for work, assignations, reunions, holidays or new starts, with no idea that their journey is about to be brutally curtailed. Holly has just landed her dream job, which should make life a lot easier than it has been, and Jeff is heading for his first ever work interview after months of unemployment..... And in the middle of the carriage sits Saheel, carrying a deadly rucksack.



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Adult Literacy Rural Trust

By Christine Ramsey

"Exercise your vote – and remember to post those voting papers on time." Thousands of Kiwis did just that during the recent local body elections. Thousands opted not to. Yet what of those who badly wanted to have their say but couldn't? The form was on the table; so were the candidate information leaflets. The pen was handy for ticking the boxes. But how can someone vote if they can't tell which name is which? Yet again, not knowing how to read becomes a barrier to participation – and not just at local and national election times.

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Coromandel School Sporting Heroes

By Don Goodall

Here are just some of the high achievers who arose from Coromandel, or settled here.

Around 1949-1950 two figures could be seen training on the Coromandel sports field, and the adjacent rugby ground. They were "Mossie" Marshall, a teacher at Coromandel school, and his good friend "Dutch" Holland from down the line. They trained together. Their efforts were not in vain. They were both selected for the New Zealand team to compete in the Auckland Commonwealth Games. "Mossie" won a bronze medal on the track, and "Dutchy" won a silver medal in the hurdles.

History repeated itself in the mid 1980s and later. Sean Sullivan was seen, night after night, training on the Coromandel Area School grounds. Under the coaching of Bill Chadderton, Principal of the school, Sean was building up the kilometres. He was selected for the NZ Commonwealth Games team, which also competed at the 1990 Auckland Games. Sean's distance was the 30 kilometre walk which he duly completed very creditably, but outside the medals. The walk was always a contentious event with several competitors always disqualified for "running".

Sean Sullivan was also a prominent boxer. There were seven titles available for New Zealand competitors in his day, and he held five of these seven, all at one time. The only titles to elude him were cruiser and heavyweight. He attained world rankings, and boxed against champions including Anthony Mundine and Danny Green. His highest ranking was 3rd in the world. He fought for a world title in England. Because of his dual NZ representation this could make him one of New Zealand's most versatile athletes.

Hari Makiri played rugby for the chiefs, then went to Japan where he became eligible and represented Japan.

Paula Hill learned her water confidence and swimming at Coromandel Area School, before her parents shifted to Australia. She subsequently competed for Australia, and was named the best swimmer ever to come out of Tasmania.

Susan Swan, former teacher at the school, has competed in many long distance Masters events.

Basketball became a sporting option when the CAS hall and gym was constructed. The school entered a boys team and a girls team in the North Island Inter-Secondary School Competition in the mid-1980s. They performed very creditably, given they were competing against single sex schools with over 1000 pupils. The girls made the finals, while the boys team went into the semi-finals. They were very talented, and Dick Harris, the assistant caretaker to Murray Beech, was their coach. He assured me he had a bag full of psychological tricks. Like what? As he explained it:

1. No one was to have a hair cut.
2. Every one had to back comb their hair so they looked 10cm taller.
3. No one was to smile at the stadium.
4. They should speak Maori whenever they could at the stadium.

It is hoped that an organisation like the Coromandel Museum will assemble a complete roll of Coromandel's sporting heroes, but it all depends on people entering names to compile this illustrious list. We Coromandel-ites have a lot to be proud of.



Monday Walkers

By Irene Dunn

We have felt short-changed by the weather this past month, with two walks cancelled. I'm going to book-in "rain free Mondays" from now on!

We have been keeping to the beaches during this lousy weather but soon we'll do some bush tracks. You are most welcome to join us each Monday – meet at Woollams Ave car park for carpooling as we travel all around the Coromandel area. Ring the number below to get put on the email list so you can have weekly details of our walks.

Happy walking everyone.

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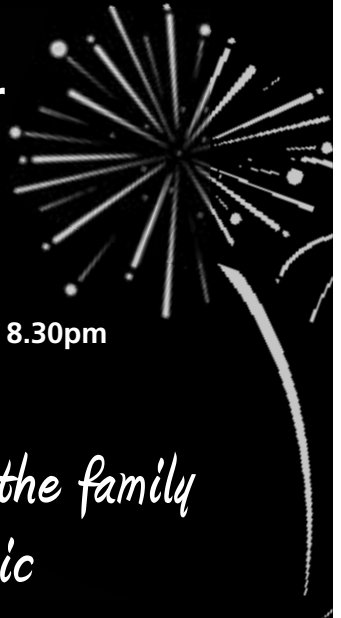
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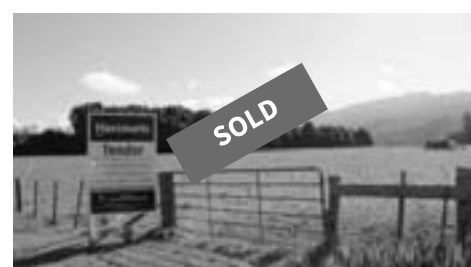
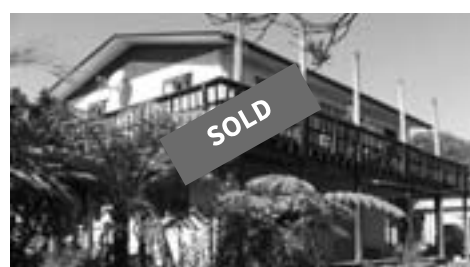
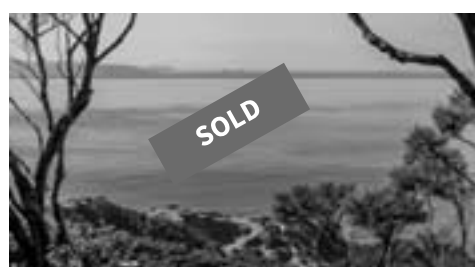
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Miscarriage

By Debbie Morgan

Six year after suffering a miscarriage I feel the time is right to talk about it and share some facts about miscarriage and share the poem I wrote at the time (see bottom). It doesn't seem to be a subject talked about unless it is happening to you. After one successful pregnancy, I didn't have a clue that it could happen to me. I didn't know it was actually quite common.

A miscarriage is a pregnancy that ends on its own within the first 20 weeks of gestation. You'd be surprised how many people you know have had a miscarriage and you never knew. Talk to your mum, aunt and friends for support. Having a miscarriage doesn't mean you won't go on to have healthy full-term pregnancies in the future. At the time, though, it can be devastating and many women experience grief over their loss.

Some miscarriage statistics:

- One in every four women have a miscarriage.
- 70% of fertilized eggs die before they are six days old.
- 99% of miscarriages occur in the first 12 to 14 weeks of pregnancy (first trimester).
- In all, 82% of conceptions do not result in the birth of a live baby.
- 75% of women who have had three or four miscarriages will go on to have a successful pregnancy.

If you have any bleeding during pregnancy, talk to your lead maternity carer. Bleeding is not necessarily a sign of miscarriage; less than half of women who bleed miscarry.

Statistics and advice from
www.healthnavigator.org.nz

Short life

To my tiny baby, who I'll call Joe,
Boy or girl, I'll never know.

A bundle of cells, a piece of tissue they say,
but I want you to know, I don't see it that way.

Alive, growing, inside of me.
The way I see it you're family.

Your short life was oh so fleeting,
I'll never hold you, we'll never be meeting.

But you and I will never part,
For I love you with all my heart.

REMINDER ABOUT CYCLISTS ON OUR ROADS – for those of you who see this before 29 October

By Rita Stephenson –
repeated from what was
printed in October issue

K2 Cycle Event

Saturday 29 October 2016

The Flight Centre K2 is an annual cycling event that takes place on SH25 going anti-clockwise around the Coromandel Peninsula. Each year it is based around one of four Coromandel townships. This year Tairua will be hosting the 15th anniversary of the event.

There are three distances: K2 – 200km – starts and finishes in Tairua; K1 – 100km – starts in Coromandel and finishes in Tairua; Nicholas Browne Challenge – 50km – starts in Thames and finishes in Tairua.

There will be close to 1,500 riders taking part in the above event from all over New Zealand, with a number of riders coming from overseas.

It would be a great help if people would avoid unnecessary travel on the day, or avoid the roads when they are at their busiest with cyclists. The following notes will give you an idea where the main bunches of cyclists will be traveling throughout the day on the peninsula.

The first race off the blocks is the K2 Elite Men. This starts from Tairua at 7.45am on Saturday. It is followed by the main field of 600 riders which start in groups of 60 riders, 4 minutes apart, from 8-8.30am. These riders will be on the road between Tairua and Whitianga for the next two hours with the first riders coming through Whitianga at around 9.00am and the last riders coming through around 10.30am.

They carry on to Coromandel and will be on the Whitianga/Coromandel road from 9.00am till around 1.30pm.

The front runners in the K2 will arrive in Coromandel at around 10.30am and will be heading over the Kereta Hills to Thames. They will be joined by the K1 riders who start from Coromandel in a staggered formation between 11.45am and 12.30pm.

The Coromandel to Thames Road will be busy with cyclists from around 10.30am till around 3.00pm.

The last stage of the race, Thames to Tairua, sees the start of riders in the Nicholas Browne Challenge from 9.30am. Expect to see riders from 9.45am on the Kopu/Hikua road. The first of the K2 riders will arrive on the Kopu/Hikua from around 11.45am, with the remaining riders in the field coming through until 5.00pm.

The first riders will start to arrive at the finish line in Tairua from around 11.15am onwards.

If you have any questions regarding the event please check the K2 website at www.arcevents.co.nz. There will be live web coverage on the day. Alternatively ring Rita Stephenson on 027 210 3734, Keith Stephenson on 021 671 172 or Andy Reid on 027 492 1348





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Animal Rescue

By Alice and John Parris

Firstly thank mews to every one who has donated cat and kitten food, bedding and for the garage sale items. We appreciate your support to the felines. Huge thanks to Goldfield's Womens Institute whose September roll call was for the rescue kitties and they were blessed with food and bedding from the lovely ladies who we talked to about the rescue unit

Cattery mews – we still remain completely as we are. We had two enquiries about pairs of cats which sounded brilliant on all fronts – one farm home and one on the other side – sadly neither amounted to anything at all which was deeply disappointing. The TradeMe enquiry was lost due to us being without internet for five days which was highly frustrating and the company we are with were totally shocking to deal with. To get in touch with them was more than hopeless, and the staff we dealt with were almost impossible to hear let alone understand. We are grateful to have that issue resolved thanks solely to the technician that was sent out to trace the fault. If nothing else over those five days we got lots of the garage sale work done, lots of crochet done, so we were kept busy.

Garage sale – we were blessed by the Hauraki Herald and Coromandel MoreFM for promoting our garage sale. The article and video were lovely, we had an enquiry about one of our kittens who sadly was highly offended when the gentleman arrived to view her. Archie refused to be miss nice and lovely and frowned at the guy, remaining aloof and totally acting like a brat with a bad attitude. Cats – one just loves them – not.

We had a wonderful couple who turned up with a trailer load of furniture late on a Sunday afternoon – we had absolutely nowhere to put the furniture. Dear husband declined this furniture and by the time I was able to get down they had driven down drive and off. Which left me feeling really upset that I couldn't speak with them and try to find a solution. Unfortunately for us big furniture is something we have no room for, but to that couple we do appreciate their time, effort to bring it to us. This is why we ask people to ring us when they have bigger items they wish to donate. We have some avenues to sell these items but we need a little time to be able to deal with it.



Fundraising raffles – One week, one team selling Christmas raffles outside Pak'n Save – **Monday 21 November to Saturday 26 November**. Scratchie raffle, Christmas cake, groceries, and hamper raffle.

This is the second of our fundraisers to raise funds for the rescue kitties over the Christmas/New Year period. Again another awesome line-up of raffles. We had one issue last year that a person who won one of the raffles was less than impressed with what was in the raffle. We heard this from people who knew the lady but the person never spoke to us but at least we can ensure

everything is crystal clear and wonderful and make the raffles even better. The Christmas cakes will have a list of ingredients and the grocery raffle a list of what is in it. Hopefully that will sort all the PC issues we had from last year. Things have changed over the years with fundraising and well we have to keep the PC brigade happy and ensure everyone is happy – hmmm.

Cats – we still hold over 20 beautiful felines, most in pairs being siblings all waiting for a new forever home, aged from six months to two years. They will be awesome companions once they adjust to a new lifestyle and new humans. Special humans are wanted that will allow them to transition from life with us to life in a forever home.

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COROMANDEL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

The start of the Coromandel Business Association (CBA)

"Growth is never by mere chance; it is the result of forces working together." James Cash Penney

With infrastructure such as the sewage system complete, developers were able to invest in new buildings and upgrade the existing ones throughout the central business district of Coromandel Town. But these were risky dreams, it was all well and good having shops, cafes, bars and restaurants, but would there be sufficient trade to support them?

Barry Brickell's Driving Creek Railway was well established and bringing much needed tourists to town but winter trade was weak and there was unused capacity for more people to visit year round. It was clear to the visionary entrepreneurs of the time that by joining forces they could harness each other's strengths to address their common problems and so the Coromandel Business Association (CBA) was revived and strengthened in 1996.

The primary goals of the CBA then were to support new and existing businesses and in so doing stimulate the economic activity needed to support the year-round employment that sustains a healthy community. These goals remain the same today, and CBA members from a variety of industries, including education, the arts, tourism, hospitality, infrastructure, aquaculture, services and environmental protection, enjoy great camaraderie with each other.



Pictured: An early edition of the Chronicle

"The Chronicle is a true community magazine, I have great pleasure in being the publisher on behalf of the CBA since 2008"

– Debbie Morgan

The CBA started the Coromandel Chronicle in 1996 as a vehicle to inform the community of what was happening locally, to give the community a voice in issues that concerned them, and to give members a place to advertise locally. From early beginnings this has evolved into the professional publication that we enjoy today.

Making sure tourists get the information they need

Fearing that the town would be full of floundering visitors the CBA acted swiftly to establish an Information Centre in November 2013 when the previous i-site closed. With the hard work of staff and volunteers this has evolved into a business in its own right, providing information and a booking service

to locals and visitors alike, and promoting Coromandel Town as a great place to visit and do business. The Coromandel Town Information Centre staff maintain a website and Facebook page packed full of information about local attractions, events and businesses. They send quarterly newsletters about the region to an ever-increasing mailing list and have developed a brochure that is placed in North Island i-sites as well as in local businesses promoting our local events.

Stimulating growth

To stimulate business activity in the quiet season and to give the community the opportunity to have fun together, the CBA embarked on an ambitious programme to develop and grow the Illume: Winter Festival of Light until it becomes known as a "must see" event throughout the country. By working creatively with the strengths of the region, including the superb artistic talent,



"The Seafood Fest is a great, fun, family-friendly day"

– Gail London



"The CBA is about building great businesses that underpin the health of the community – Membership gives people a strong voice in local business affairs"

– Jan Autumn, Chairperson



"The Information Centre partners with businesses to help visitors have an unforgettable experience in our region"

– Sandra Wilson, CTIC Manager



"Illume for us is to bring lights, stories, wonder and joy in winter"

– Brenda Kelsey and Karen McMillan

the variety of resident entertainers and the beautiful historic buildings, over the last three years the CBA have staged a magical event that is enjoyed by people of all ages and from all cultures.

Seeing that more needed to be done to showcase the local seafood and marine environment, the CBA hosted its first Seafood Fest in May 2015. With oyster and mussel opening, food demonstrations, fish filleting demonstrations, seafood on sale, marine art, stalls, a cook-off between local restaurants, and live entertainment, this annual family fun day is positioned to become a popular event for cooks, food lovers, fishers and art lovers from around New Zealand.

Community

The community is at the heart of the CBA and with the generous sponsorship of members, including the Coromandel Four Square, the CBA often host a free November Fireworks Celebration. In 2016 members have also agreed to take on the management

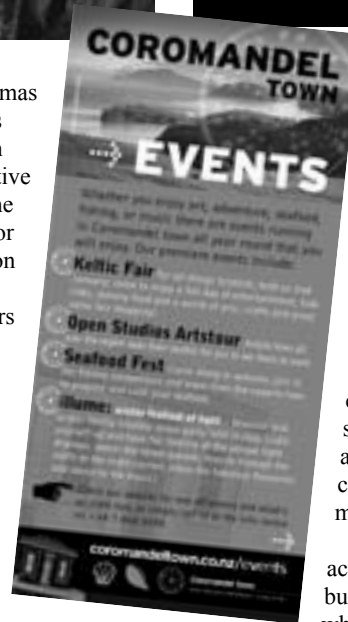
of the annual town Christmas Parade when the previous organisers withdrew from the event. To create a festive feel, members decorate the central business district for the summer holiday season with colourful hanging baskets of flowers, banners and ribbons.

Many visitors are attracted to Coromandel Town because of its rich history. While being committed to the development of the region, the CBA and its members work to promote this history by retaining the heritage theme in many businesses and in CBA initiatives such as the Heritage Phone Box and the Welcome to Coromandel Town sign on Tiki Road. The CBA has also assumed responsibility for the production and printing of the popular historic places brochures for tourists that highlight places of interest in the area for history lovers.

And through all of its life, the CBA has been respected for its ability to be a strong voice for its members on the regulatory and policy issues that affect them. Concerns are

"We are delighted to be giving our locals a safe and fun fireworks experience"

– Lesley Pritchard



discussed at meetings until consensus is reached and CBA members routinely represent the organization on matters such as roading, streetscape design, tourism initiatives, and harbour facilities.

The CBA is proud to launch its new logo which is modelled on the Welcome to Coromandel Town sign. Utilising heritage colours, the logo depicts the shape of the heritage buildings and will be used on CBA correspondence and promotional material in the future.

There is no doubt that the CBA actively works for the benefit of businesses and the community as a whole in the region. It is honoured to have both the Coromandel Area

School and the Coromandel Independent Living Trust as members and all organisations work together to deliver joint initiatives so that people can reach their potential.

Why not join in?

The number of successful initiatives the CBA has undertaken has grown exponentially over the last four years and this has only been made possible with the support of people and businesses donating time and money. For those involved, there is much fun to be had with new and old friends while achieving common goals.

In recognition of its growth and the fact that people who are not business owners have often wanted to join the CBA, a new membership category has been established called "Friends of the CBA". For a minimal fee of \$35 including GST these members will be supporting the work of the CBA and will receive regular updates about their work.

If you would like to become a member or a friend of the CBA or would like to be in touch with us on any matter, please send us an email on corobusiness@gmail.com. We'd love to hear from you.



Scott Simpson MP For Coromandel

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As a government we have made real progress over the past eight years delivering jobs and higher incomes for New Zealanders.

The outlook for our economy is positive, the government's books are in good shape and we are addressing our toughest social problems. However, we also need to bear in mind that there are a lot of risks globally and that is why it is important to get our debt levels down.

Health

Health continues to be the government's number one funding priority. Taxpayer investment in health will reach a record \$16.1 billion in 2016/17 – that's an extra \$568 million this year, the biggest single increase in seven years. Claims that health funding has been cut are incorrect. Under this government health expenditure share of GDP has averaged 6.5 per cent – that's up from the previous government's level of under 6 per cent. Over the last eight years, health funding has kept up with demographic pressure and inflation.

Renewable energy

I am very pleased with some progress the country is making towards the use of renewable electricity. In 2000, 75 percent of New Zealand's electricity was renewable, but after nine years that had dropped to only 65 percent. In the last eight years it has significantly improved from 65 percent to 81 percent which is now at the highest level of renewables that our country has ever had.

Local government elections

Congratulations to the successful candidates in this year's local body elections. In particular I would like to acknowledge our new mayor Sandra Goudie. Representing our community requires commitment, energy, and leadership.

I'd also like to thank those who were not successful for standing and offering themselves to their community. Democracy relies on people putting themselves forward and doing so means that we voters have choices. Thank you one and all.



Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild

By Diann Cade

The Exhibition is on at Hauraki House each day from 10am to 4pm from **3-12 November** and 10am-2pm on the last day **Sunday 13 November**.

While the year seems to race by it is amazing what we can achieve. We now see this in the work displayed at the exhibition. It is our occasion when we can share with you what we love to do. Coromandel is so fortunate to have such a great exhibition venue.

This month we also have the formalities of the AGM. The new President will be announced in the December issue. Meantime there will be a lot of thanks bestowed on Jill Wilson who has led us for the last three years. While equally involved in the Patchwork and Quilters, she has made the bond even stronger between these two groups. In a small community it is important to support one another and that we do, always sharing outcomes and the excitement of achievement!

Even with the Christmas season approaching you will find that these groups continue meeting. The embroiderers will ensure that their informal Sit and Stitch day

is still well attended. Time can always be made for this occasion.

Formal monthly Guild meetings and workshops will resume again in February.

For further information about the Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild and related activities contact Jill Wilson (07) 866 7484



Manaia Volunteer Rural Fire Force

We have been lucky recipients of an extremely generous \$5000. We would like to thank the Coromandel Senior Settlement Trust for this generous donation. With the funds we have managed to purchase a defibrillator, a life-saving instrument we have been fundraising for. We are very happy and can't express our gratitude enough.

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NOVEMBER, 2016

Thanks Coromandel for backing me, says incoming Mayor

"Thank you to the people of the Coromandel. It's so great to be back," says incoming Mayor Sandra Goudie.

"I loved the campaign and getting out and about to meet everyone. Thank you for believing in me. This is a clear win for the people of the Coromandel, and I will do my darndest to make sure the people of the Coromandel are the focus. Because that's what it's all about."

Mayor Sandra also thanked those who put their names forward for election and those who were unsuccessful, for taking an active part in our democracy that was hard won by our forebears.

"My congratulations to the successful candidates and I know we will all strive to work hard and represent our people with dignity and respect," she says.

The promise to hit the ground running has been kept with Mayor Sandra catching up with constituents and attending an exhibition at Hauraki House in Coromandel with returning Councillor Tony Brljevic.

The new Mayor's immediate priorities for her first few weeks on the job include talking with key staff and to get the diary cracking so she can keep track of all the meetings and up and coming activities she will be attending in the district as our Mayor.



Mayor Sandra is looking forward to bringing together a fresh mix of newly elected people with a range of experience and to enhance the role of community boards within Council.

"So, folks, don't forget, my door and my mind are open. And if I forget... remind me! I want this to be a time we can all enjoy," says Mayor Sandra.

You can email Mayor Sandra on sandra.goudie@tcfdc.govt.nz

Free fishing calendar helps to promote Coromandel's west coast boat ramps

If you're looking for fishing and boating tips for the Coromandel's west coast – then look no further than your wall if you have your FREE copy of our Fishing Calendar.

Covering November 2016 to October 2017 the Fishing Calendar contains a profile of boat ramps on the west coast of the Coromandel, from Kopu, south of Thames through to Amodeo Bay, north of Colville.

The purpose of the calendars is to try and alleviate pressure on some of our busier boat ramp facilities (Waikawau and the Sugarloaf/Te Kouma ramps), during peak summer times and to spread the recreational fishing load across facilities.

The calendar was produced in-house and 3000 copies have been printed and are available at our Area Offices or you can download a copy on our website.

www.tcfdc.govt.nz/boatramps



Other Coromandel Harbour Project news

Jack's Point/Furey's Creek – An Annual Plan submission has been made to upgrade and realign the Jack's Point boat ramp. The proposed ramp upgrade which could cost approximately \$700k will include a new ramp and pontoon and improved access to existing mooring holders. The previous Coromandel-Colville Community Board approved \$70k towards the project – which will now need approval from Council as part of the Annual Plan process.

Park and Ride Facility – Planning for a Park and Ride facility to service the Te Kouma Road harbour facilities and the 360 Ferry which docks at Hannaford's Wharf is continuing. A resource consent application for a privately funded and operated facility has now been lodged with our Council and a hearing was held in late October.

To find out more go to www.tcfdc.govt.nz/coroharbourproject



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Mana Update

By Penelope Carroll

Our first November workshop is Geordie Jahner's three day "Bare Bones" dance retreat, **3-6 November**. Geordie has been offering dance classes and workshops exploring conscious movement at Mana since 2000.

She first came to Mana in 1988 to train in structural integration bodywork with international teacher Joseph Heller. That training, organised by Mana co-founder Sol Petersen, took place at Dharma Gaia (then our Retreat Centre, as the present complex further up the hill had yet to be built). Geordie went on to study 5Rhythms with Gabrielle Roth in the United States.

Twelve years later she returned to the Coromandel and bought a property adjacent to Mana. She was soon offering 5Rhythms dance classes in the Octagon when teaching commitments allowed.

After 5Rhythms founder Gabrielle Roth died, Geordie helped establish Open Floor International, a complementary school for conscious dance practice. Conscious dance is a field which has exploded in the past 15 years, she says, and there are now hundreds of different forms flourishing in many parts of the world.

"People love to dance. It is so healing, can be deeply therapeutic, and is just plain good fun – dancing to great music, having the opportunity to follow your own movement in fine company... what's not to like?"

Geordie's mission is to support the arising of more Open Floor dance teachers in New Zealand and Australia and we at Mana have been reaping the benefits, with our local community able to dance right through the winter most Tuesday mornings in the Octagon with local dance-teachers-in-training, Jacqui Chan and Lisa Corston-Buddle.

Says Geordie: "I feel so fortunate to have been able to offer classes and workshops at Mana all these years, and now to be offering the Open Floor Teacher Training at Mana. Passing on knowledge to the next generation of movement teachers is a deeply satisfying culmination of a teaching career, which Mana has been a big part of."

She also feels fortunate "to be able to live in one of the most beautiful spots on Earth, right next door to this wonderful extended community that is Mana; an extraordinary community of people choosing to live mindful, creative, sustainable lives.

"I love to walk up to Tara Sanctuary, wander through the well-tended veggie gardens, enjoy the Wednesday night meditations at Dharma Gaia, and to visit dear friends by wandering over the hills rather than having to jump in my car. It's a sane life on the hill, and a deeply rewarding one."

For more information about Open Floor International, go to www.openfloor.co.nz.

Geordie Jahner

Coromandel Budget Advisory Service

By John Gaffikin-Cowan

People sometimes ask me how our Budget Service is funded. The answer is both simple and complicated: we are a charity and proudly raise every penny to fund our operation by ourselves. We are very careful not to enter into any arrangement that would put us under an obligation to any other organisation, private or public. This means that we are not beholden to any government agency such as Inland Revenue or Work and Income and consequently are able to maintain total independence and so ensure that the confidentiality of our clients' details is absolutely sacrosanct. That being said, the Ministry of Social Development enters into contracts with most members of our Federation to fund their operations. In recent years we have come to depend upon this support as a major portion of our income. Sadly, this year MSD has changed its policy and cut back right across the board. In basic terms this has meant that Coromandel Budget has had its government funding by about fifty per cent. If we are to continue offering our service to the community on a daily basis, we will be obliged to seek alternative funding. However, rest assured, we are not going to desert our posts and will endeavour to continue as comprehensively as possible.

Now, a word of warning. Beware! The door-to-door salesmen are coming to Coromandel! At present several of our clients have told us of a company called Easydeal which is persuading them into, what seem to us, over-priced and unreasonable credit arrangements. There could be others on their way. If you get caught into a deal which on consideration you realise is unwise, come into us at Budget and we'll try to sort you out. However a simpler solution is to drop in to our office and get a "Do Not Knock" sticker to stop these people in their tracks.

Finally I can't close without saying a heart-felt farewell to Louis and Tracy for all their wonderful work at the Organic Garden. In the past four years they have made such a change there and made a splendid contribution to our community. We wish them, and Koru, all the best in their new life in Napier, and look forward to welcoming them back on many occasions in the future. And of course, good luck to Tai: it's a big act to follow, but we know he's up to it.

As always, if you have any financial problems or worries feel free to pop in to the Budget Office for a chat. We're here to help.

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, or John. The office at 950 Rings Road is open Monday to Friday 11.00am - 2.00 pm and other times by appointment. The Budget cell phone number is 022 018 0849 – we reply to texts and messages during office hours.



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CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN

Coromandel Community Preschool

By Debra Attwood



We have just started a new chapter of professional development working on literacy in our centre, what does literacy look like and mean to us in our centre environment. The teachers will be reviewing their practice regarding literacy and how our play-based curriculum incorporates literacy in our daily programme.

As part of our monthly report we are including parts of our centre philosophy for your information. This is part two:

"There are six key pou that strengthen the foundation of our preschool philosophy; these are Whanaungatanga; Our programme; Playfulness; the Environment; Well-being and Belonging; and Turangawaewae - our standing place.

Our programme; We believe relationships shape pathways to higher learning and future success in life. Our curriculum, Te Whaariki, prioritises social competence which is woven through our emergent curriculum. We view children as capable, competent learners and with this in mind, provide an environment that allows them to "drive" their learning through whatever their current interest might be. We see a child's interest as a blend of skills, knowledge and dispositions, including self-motivation, curiosity, resilience, collaboration and persistence. We believe the learning is more meaningful when real materials, hands-on experience and time to construct ideas is available to the child. The key curriculum components for Te Whaariki vary for infants, toddlers and young children so early literacy, numeracy, physical skills, science, relationships and the arts are interwoven throughout our learning environment. We believe that by listening

to and observing children as they play, we are able to prepare the environment and provide resources that promote curiosity which leads to inquiry. As a teaching team

we are always reviewing and refining both our practice and the environment in order to promote successful learning.

We will once again be holding our centre Christmas party at Long Bay. This will be on **Friday 2 December** so lock in that date for a great evening. Then we will be closing the centre for the Christmas break on **Thursday 22 December**.

Since our last report we have celebrated birthdays in October for Quinn, Phoebe, and Ava, wish them all a very happy birthday. We welcomed Zoe we look forward to learning more about you and your whānau.

At present we have spaces available in our under 2's area so if you have a child this age and are looking at preschool options come along for a visit. We are full on the over 2 years side but if you are looking for a quality early childhood centre come along and see if this is the right place for you and your child to begin their lifelong journey of learning; you can put your child's name on the waiting list if required. Check out our latest Education review on the website: <http://www.ero.govt.nz/Early-Childhood-School-Reports/Early-Childhood-Reports/Coromandel-Community-Preschool-18-11-2013>

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

Coromandel Area School

School Ball

A splendid event! Congratulations to Tamsyn and crew who did such a fabulous job of arranging ... "Casino Royale".

The young ladies all looked like movie stars, the young men were James Bond clones!

COROMANDEL AREA SCHOOL



Our hall was transformed into a glittery palace for the excellent evening entertainment.

Fruit Trees

Our school has joined with the Avis Gleeson Fruit Tree Trust and as a result, we have been given a number of pear, peach and nectarine trees to plant around our school.



We believe it is an essential part of sustainability to show children how the land can provide. (I wonder how many fruit make it to ripe?) Rose Turner has planted these at strategic points near my office and annually, we will receive some quality young trees to plant out.

Student Representative Election, Board of Trustees

Nominations are invited for the election of one student representative to the Board of Trustees. Nominations close at noon on **4 November** and may be accompanied by candidates' statements.

Voting closes at noon on **18 November**.

Term Four

Always busy – the countdown to Christmas break. There is a lot on at the school.

Dates

Wednesday 7 December – Junior prizegiving and final assembly.

Friday 9 December – Senior prizegiving and final assembly in the school hall.

10 December – Christmas Parade at 2pm

A boomer this year ... looking forward to lots of floats and Santa!

Sunday 11 December – Next Market Day. Check Facebook for any cancellations due to weather.

Good fishing on Mussel Farms

The industry requests that all boaties taking advantage of better fishing inside Coromandel Mussel farms, please:

- Tie up to the farm and never anchor
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Rangatahi

CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN continued

Coromandel Youth Group – Hauraki House.

By Nadine Smith

For all children aged 5-15yrs.

Term Four Opening Hours:

Sunday 1-4pm; After School Tuesday and Thursday 3-5pm, Friday 2.15-4pm. Please phone the Youth Rooms before 5pm Thursday if you would like us to collect your child for the Friday afternoon session.

Friday Night Social 6-9pm (for 11-14yrs). Upon arrival all students must let staff know that they are attending.

To help with running costs we would really appreciate a gold coin donation for after school sessions.

Opening times are subject to change.

We would like to thank those who make this programme possible: Lotteries Waikato, COGS, Trust Waikato, Coromandel Senior Settlement Trust & Coromandel Community Board.

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

Te Rerenga School Learning, it's what we do...

By Anna Yates

This term we have our biennial Pet Day and Art exhibition and we have begun term 4 preparing for this fun-filled day. If you would like to come along and join us for some fun activities, a look around our classrooms, to see some friendly pets, eat some delicious food and to enter a raffle or two, please come along from 10am on **Saturday 5 November**. Pet Day is always a day of fun and excitement for our school and we would love to have lots of visitors as well as our school whanau.

Our school hens are continuing to lay and enjoy their home within our school. We are gathering about seven eggs a day so if you are ever passing you are most welcome to stop in and see if we have any for sale. Our chickens feel so safe with our students they now eagerly follow them around inside their spacious enclosure. We have some further development of our school gardens this term with them spreading down into one of the paddocks alongside our hens. The Whangapoua Ratepayers Association kindly donated a shed which is situated in this new area and this will allow us vital storage for our tools and other gardening items....thank you! We have been utilising the New World "Little Gardens" in all of our classes to grow seedlings to plant in our garden also.

We were thrilled to have some of our students excel in the ICAS exams this year. Each year we select some students to sit these Australasian exams as it is an opportunity for them to compete and learn a little more about their areas of strength. This year the following students achieved these excellent results:

Maths: Jac Forsyth – Credit Award – Top 33% in NZ results for year 7; Donald Holzgang – Credit Award – Top 23% in NZ results for year 7; Turi Williams – Merit Award – Top 42% of in NZ results for year 5; Anna Mikkelsen – Merit Award – Top 38% in NZ results for year 6.

Science: Jac Forsyth – Merit Award – Top 44% of NZ results for year 7.

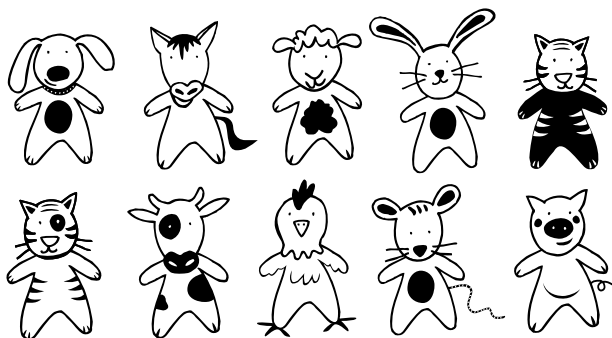
Writing: Isobel Mikkelsen – Credit Award – Top 28% of NZ results for Year 8; Luscha McMiken – Credit Award – Top 36% in NZ results for year 6.

English: Teague McMiken – Credit Award – Top 13% of NZ results for Year 8; Marco Baylis – Credit Award – Top 20% of NZ results for year 7.



Albey and Marco planting out some of the New World "Little Garden" seedlings

Te Rerenga School PET DAY Saturday 5 November 2016



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Arts



Banners Bunting and Bootprints The Arts Tour Artists Dress the Town

By John Eaglen

The opening of the Spring Arts Tour Exhibition on 7 October was a festive affair. Banners through the town, bunting through the park to Hauraki House and a trail of chalk boot-prints leading to artworks in shop windows the length of the main street. The gallery was packed, and with 25 artists represented there was something for everyone – reflected in thirteen sales “on the night” and a further nine during the following week.

Each artist provided free tokens which were given as gifts to visitors to the exhibition. These were matched by donations in cash or kind from Coromandel businesses that enabled the extra touches – a free, full-colour catalogue, and a table groaning under the weight of food and liquid refreshments.

Special thanks to: Richardson's Real Estate, Coromandel Meatkeepers, Tina's Takeaways, Goldiggers, Coromandel 4 Square, Harcourts, James & Turner, Raine Williams, Success Café, Unichem Coromandel, Weta, and all who hosted artworks for the week.

Raffle Winners – October 7 (Arts Tour Exhibition Opening) Proud winners of the meat and wine raffles were Robyn Lawrence (meat) and Laraine Coley (wine). Thanks to Coromandel Meatkeepers, Greg Taylor (plum winemaker extraordinaire) and Pete Sephton (custom screen-printed collector's wine label).



Coromandel Art Group

By Lindsay Nicholls

The Art Group had a wonderful day with our local artist Barbara Von Seida who manages to inspire us all with her wonderful enthusiasm and colour.

It was particularly great to see Gill finish three great little paintings, totally out of her comfort zone but in with the freedom and flow of the day's instructions. I think even Gill was surprised at the finished works she produce for the day. Well done to you! We all worked on landscapes and what a great colourful display we had at the end of the day. It was like a gallery line up. Such fun and the lunch was so yummy as usual. Thanks again Barbara.

Since then, several more paintings have been produced using similar techniques learnt on the day so the tutor days make us all think differently and try new things.

We welcome Shirley back to the group and Miriam as well as our new member Shelly. Hope your time with us is enjoyable.

I heard a wonderful little story the other day...one of our members won our raffle prize at our exhibition and thought she would like to give it a go. Now she is a full-time member and does amazing work, quite unique to our group. Thanks Tianna for sharing your story with us and keep up the lovely work.

Our next tutor is a new one for us, as our regular one is ill. So we are having a pen and wash day with the tutor from Bay of Plenty. He hopes to venture us outdoors for some instructional work, but that totally depends on the weather. Glad it is not this week with the unsettled rainy days. Still, if you look closely between the showers you may see the rainbows of colour or a hint of blue skies.



Barbara enjoyed explaining the colour combinations in her paintings with the group



Raffle winners Laraine Coley and Robyn Lawrence


Himalaya shop : Colville

In November month the Himalaya shop will be open most days but not every day. If you are thinking of coming up to Colville to visit ;it would be best to phone/text to check if we are open that day.

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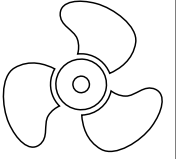


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Arts continued



Alpaca rocking

The Alpaca Social Club – Coromandel Music Society

By Robin Münch

Musical adventurers Craig Denham (on accordion, piano, whistles, vocals and percussion) and Jon Sanders (bouzouki, guitar, ukulele and vocals), join up with celebrated jazz and funk singer Caitlin Smith for our final event of 2016

Jon and Craig, both members of pioneering NZ world/folk/jazz group Beyondsemble, are something of a live phenomenon. They tour extensively in Europe as they share similar eclectic musical tastes and are usually in the same hemisphere at the same time! This year has seen them tour in Germany and the Czech Republic as well as headlining a number of festivals in Ireland.

Caitlin Smith is a magnetic and intimate performer who entices and beguiles with her brave, original writing (of poetry and song) and the intelligent interpretations of great songs from the greatest songwriters. She teaches voice and songwriting and has toured internationally for the last two decades. Smith ignites a deep passion for creativity, expression, music, poetry and “the miraculous” in audiences, listeners and students.

Now touring with Arts On Tour, Jon and Craig are playing “the music they love from wherever that comes from”, including influences of Celtic, Balkan, Middle Eastern, Reggae, Soul, Americana and Gypsy swing origins. Special guest Caitlin Smith provides them with even more scope for artistic licence and musical alchemy.

Come and be beguiled!

Date: **Wednesday 2 November** at 7.30pm

Venue: The Club, Woollams Ave, Coromandel

Tickets: Coromandel Information Centre, ph (07) 866 8598 and door sales.

Full price \$25, gold card holders \$20.



Caitlin Smith



This portrait of a zebra is one of the pastels exhibited at our show

Pastel Artists Coromandel

By Christine Lunn

As I write this note, final planning for our exhibition “Mainly Pastels” at Hauraki House in Coromandel Town over Labour Weekend 2016 is completed and we are looking forward to welcoming both locals and visitors to town to our show.

The weather over the past weeks has been just the type that encourages artists to stay inside and finish the artwork that they have been “going to finish for the past few month,”. It did not stop us getting together every Tuesday, though, for our weekly meetings.

Pastel Artists of Coromandel meet Tuesday mornings 9am-2pm at the Coromandel Aero Club rooms on Tiki Road. Visitors and potential new members are very welcome to call in and meet members of the group.

Our membership numbers continue to grow but we will always welcome more people to our group.

Our members have considerable experience and still work in other media but they dedicate Tuesday mornings to pastel, pencil and coloured pencil work.

If you are reading this newsletter after our exhibition has closed and you would like to view some pastel art, please give Allan or Christine a call and they will be able to arrange a visit to some of our group’s studios.

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WTS Coromandel

By John Eaglen

Wonderful Highlights: On the Thursday before Labour Weekend 20 Coromandel artists visited Gibbs Sculpture Farm in Kaukapakapa. What an inspiration – monumental works from many of the world's greatest contemporary sculptors in 1,000 acres of rolling Kaipara hills and valleys. Then before that there was "Secrets Gifts and Memories, Spheres of Connection" – an artistic collaboration with the Coromandel Players; and an illuminated installation filling the former "Wild Spirit" shop for Illume.

WTS Shared Studios: From June to September pairs and small groups of artists worked together in the Hauraki House Art Room on painting, ceramics, installations, textiles, screen printing – even old sewing patterns and collaborative experimental sound recording and editing. Then last month the beautiful and sometimes quirky results were shown to the public in the Shared Studios Exhibition. With a twist – Shared Studios is all about fresh inspiration and experimentation, so visitors to the exhibition had a chance to: copy an object in clay by touch – without ever seeing it; make a giant wall hanging from shreds and scraps; "Tell me my name, tell me my story" – help the scarecrows find their lives and identities.

"This is our favourite place in town – we've been here an hour and a half and we'll be back tomorrow!"

Shared studios are planned again for Winter 2017 – open to artists and creatives in all genres. We'd love to pair a painter and a poet! Contact us at info@wtscoromandel.org. WTS Coromandel wraps up a busy winter "For Artists, By Artists"



Coromandel Community Arts Council

By Loes Beaver

Hauraki House Gallery has been very well supported over the winter months with workshops, exhibitions, and really good feedback about the condition of the gallery and art room.

We are receiving enquiries for booking for next year already. The next exhibition will be Embroiderers' Guild **3-13 November**. The 28th Exhibition of Coromandel Christmas Exhibition will be from **18 December to 6 January**; Coromandel Artisans **8-16 January**; Coromandel Art Group **Friday 20 January to Sunday 5 February**.

The AGM for the Arts Council will be held on **Wednesday 23 November** at Hauraki House Gallery 5pm. All welcome. Bring a plate for a get together after the AGM.

Booking officer and contact
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Environmental

School holiday blues

By Carol Sutherland

The weather has been frightful. Wet, wet, wet and all rather tiresome. The thought of clearing traps in the rain is enough to make one find indoor tasks that suddenly become imperative.

Others adapt according to the weather.

Tinkering around in a garage was a couple of lads who were quite constructive over the school holidays. Crunchie and his grandson Travis set to work to make boxes for little blue penguins. Woodwork skills imparted, some design modifications and a willingness to be creative resulted in two very sturdy penguin housing units being built.

These homes are actually preferred by blue penguins in areas where they have been deployed. The openings are large enough for a fat penguin but small enough to keep out dogs. Penguins face the same problems as other ground nesting birds in New Zealand: mammalian predators. Even though the boxes stop dogs, stoats can still wreak havoc and thus boxes are best paired with traps or other predator control means.

The coast around the Coromandel should have penguin nests in them, we should be able to see little blues trundling ashore in the evenings, but we don't. They are on the islands, battling with rats with a few trying to set up in the peninsula, but they are generally doomed unless they get help.

Communities around New Zealand have embraced the penguins with practical means, and with various anti-predator tools (poisons and trapping), those areas have experienced increased numbers. You can even see them in the capital.

Cunchie and Travis have built some true eco houses for Coromandel that might encourage some serious nesting in an area supported with rat and stoat traps. Hopefully penguin spotting might be on the cards over some school holiday in the future.

Penguins need not just trappers; they need blokes like Crunchie and Travis.

Moehau Environment Group

By Natalie Collicott

CAS traps installed on Harray Track

The group (already looking a little bedraggled) had volunteered to help carry traps into the bush. These traps were built by Coromandel Area School's Year 6 technology class to help us protect kiwi around the township. Today was the day selected to place the traps along the Harray Track in Coromandel Town, and nobody was going to let a little rain put them off. Each child got the opportunity to carry the trap they had built and decorated into the bush. Some adults carried two, huffing and puffing their way up the steep steps on the Harray Track. A big thank you to the 23 volunteers who took part.

We have caught our first stoat already, which is fantastic as now is the time when young kiwi chicks are most vulnerable to being eaten. The traps will be checked monthly as part of our Coromandel Kiwi Project.

These traps are true works of art. Check them out next time you walk the Harray Track. Just try and choose a day it's not raining! Oh, and if you see something in the trap, please let us know. You can text Raine on 021 0295 5725.

The scent of stoat may make best bait

In September we began trialling stoat bedding as a lure in our Coromandel Kiwi Project. Scientists have discovered that the bedding material from captive stoat enclosures at Lincoln University is very attractive to stoats. We have placed the lure in every second trap so we can compare it to our regular bait (egg or rabbit meat). Each trap will get 0.5g of this smelly material, placed alongside the usual bait (egg or rabbit meat).

While it's too early to tell how effective the lure is, it has helped us catch our first ferret. Ferrets are rare in the northern Coromandel. We don't want them here as they pose a big threat to our wildlife. While stoats usually prey only on kiwi chicks, a ferret can easily kill an adult kiwi.

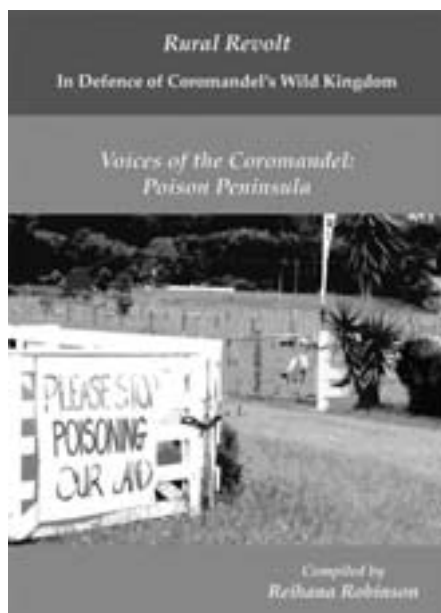
Do you have a problem with feral cats?

MEG has a live cat trap available for loan. It can catch cats, possums, stoats and ferrets. Comes with instructions. If interested, contact Carol on 0274 864 043.

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 or go to www.meg.org.nz



Alex King places a stoat trap made by him and Devesh



New book

While representing the upper Coromandel landowners on the Waikato Regional Council Coromandel Catchment Subcommittee, local conservationist Reihana Robinson published book four in her series *Rural Revolt: In Defence Of Coromandel's Wild Kingdom*.

Bush Bites

"Did you know that gorse flowers taste like beans? Here try one." (a conversation between two children on the Harray Track)

"One of our male kiwi has successfully hatched a chick! And two others are sitting on eggs."

"I've been attacked by a robin! It flew into me and around me - very annoyed I was playing a robin call on my phone. Then sang non-stop for the next 20 minutes."

Jokes

What do hungry golfers eat for lunch?

Their sand wedges..

What is served but never eaten?

A tennis ball.

What sport do shoes like to play?

Socket.

Why is an umpire like a telemarketer?

He is always making calls.

Sport



Cake and Croquet

By Kaye Anderson

Spring is a wonderful time to start something new, so we're inviting you to come and try out the great game of

croquet at an open day.

When? **Tuesday 8 November**, 9.45am

Where? Coromandel Croquet Club, Woollams Ave, next to the Bowling Club

Croquet is suitable for people of all ages with a moderate level of fitness.

Casual dress only is required – trousers and tops and trainers.

We'll provide the tea and cake and all necessary equipment.

We look forward to seeing you on **Tuesday 8 November**.



School Athletics

By Geoff Horton, Sports Coordinator, Coromandel Area School

Coromandel Area School Junior and Senior Athletic Days signal the end of the school major sports events for the year. The Junior School holds their athletic event at the school grounds on **8 November**, in conjunction with other local schools, as part of the North Peninsula cluster to qualify athletes for the Thames Valley Primary School Athletics Meet, later in November.

The seniors have their day on **Friday 11 November** and if the practice sessions are anything to go by, competition promises to be fierce as students look to gain as many points as they can to get, as they vie to get their house top of the standings for 2016. Tokotea has accumulated a small advantage going into these events but only a handful of points separate the other three.

The cross-country earlier in the year showed the colourful lengths students will go to, demonstrating their undying devotion for house and Coromandel. Both athletics events will no doubt reflect the ongoing pride in house competitions as any one of the four houses could take top spot for 2016. It is quite possible, the friendly rivalry of truth in debate, will inevitably represent the dimensions of a good Coromandel fishing story. The 4 x 400m house relays end of the day will be, without doubt, the most hotly contested events of the year.

An internal school tennis competition this term will determine the remainder of the sports awards categories with prize-giving set for **Friday 9 December**. Last but not least, a Year 9-10 girls' volleyball squad will head off to the Thames Valley Junior Tournament on **16 November** to be held at the Katikati College. The girls only missed by one point to make it into finals at the senior tournament held during the third term, so early indications are, they have the skills to do well at this event.

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

By Debra Attwood

As I write this the pool is still waiting to open. We need the weather to clear up so the pool can be painted before the season starts.

When we do open come along and give swimming a go. It is a great wake-me-up exercise in the mornings, either swimming or walking. We are also having some other changes as well. We will be heating the smaller toddlers' pool, painting the changing rooms and building a shaded area. Over the summer holidays it is a great place for the children and adults to spend the day, swimming and enjoying the company at the pool complex. As soon as the pool is painted the solar heating will warm up the water nicely.

Pool Hours During School Term

Mornings: Monday – Friday 6-8am. Afternoons: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 3-5pm. Saturday & Sunday: 12-5pm

Entry costs: adults \$4, students and seniors \$3, preschoolers 0-5yrs \$1, spectators \$1.

Concession cards are available as well. Call in to the pool and check out the great deals.

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Sport continued

Coromandel Golf Club

By Peter Gray



The run of wet weather postponed the Club Champs Day for the men and ladies on Sunday 2 October. Due to the continuing weather conditions the Division Finals have been mostly played on a day, with a break in the weather and also players' availability.

In the Men's Senior Division, Chris Fielding and Mark Burcombe actually played their 36-hole final on the nominated day in torrential conditions, with Chris Fielding winning the Senior Club Championship over Mark Burcombe 3/2.

Colin McNeil took out the Intermediate Championship from Allan Rose, while Graeme McGowan won the Junior Championship from Kevin O'Keefe, again in a close match 3/2 after 27 holes. The Junior B match between Ron Brooking and Bruce Fitzpatrick is yet to be played.

The ladies were able to complete their Club champs on Saturday 15 October, with Eugene Weimer taking out the senior (Silver Division) while Glenise Robertson won the Intermediate (Bronze One Division) from Gina Carr. The Junior (Bronze Two Division) was taken out by Jenny Coatsworth with Philippa Medlock runner up. The Junior B (Bronze Three Division) was won by Sue Davies from Carol Carson. Lyn Whitcombe took out the Ladies' Nine Hole Division.

The September Meat Pack/Laurie Olliff trophy was also delayed, not taking place until Wednesday 13 October. Ross Mudgway won the day with 39pts from Ed Buckett, Craig Dudson 38, and Allan Rose 37.

Clarification from the October issue: Ron Brooking has approached me on numerous occasions with his concerns that my reference to Ron (Birthday Boy) Brooking 37, may have confused some readers and I needed to clarify that 37 was a reference to his golf score, not his age – "Yeah Right"!

Ross Mudgway needs to park his cart a little further forward in the shed as a few of us have a little trouble getting our "six pack" past.

Calendar November

Saturday 5 November – Top Dog Rd1/Pratt Family Day

Sunday 6 November – Auckland Eagles (C) 11.00am Tee

Saturday 12 November – Top Dog Rd2

Saturday 19 November – Tom Daniels Shoot Out 11.00am tee

Wednesday 30 November – Meat Pack/Laurie Olliff Trophy

Coromandel Swimming Club November update

By Debra Attwood

As I am writing this report the pool is yet to open. We hope it will open in early November but it is dependent on us getting some fine weather. We are taking registrations for both swimming club and learn to swim. We have several different groups. Firstly the junior group is for swimmers who can swim one length of freestyle, and need help to develop their other strokes. Last year this group was very popular, with many of them progressing on to join the main club group. These junior swimmers attend two nights per week. The club and competitive swimmers attend three nights per week.

This year we had four swimmers (Hineariki, Kaiya, Deveshh and Charlotte) attend the three-day swim camp in Rotorua. The camp was attended by 56 swimmers from the outlying clubs in the Waikato and King Country areas and organised by Sport Waikato SportsForce. Over the three days there were four 2-hour pool swim sessions, and at other times team building with a Project Energise ran some team building sessions.

Learn To Swim Classes

Learn to swim classes will be starting in late November so get your registrations in. The price is \$60. If you would like to book your child in, contact Debra either at the pool on club nights or by ph (07) 866 7660 or 027 348 2400 or email debmark62@hotmail.com. We will also be holding classes in February when school starts again for children aged four and over.

We also require learn to swim instructors. If you are interested give me a call and we will find a training day for you to attend.

Coromandel Recreational Fishing Club

By Allison Browne

Hi to all,

We'll need I remind you Xmas is really creeping up on us? I can't believe where this year has gone.

We had a belated AGM last month. Thanking all who came to support the Club. It was greatly appreciated.

We are still looking for, and would welcome, new members. Join now to enjoy our free Club Xmas Dinner for adults and children who Santa comes to visit with presents.

Raffles for Meat Packs are selling every Friday night at the Admirals Arms for the Club.

Club members Fish of the Month for September was Trevally. None were weighed in so \$100 goes begging.

Club members Fish of the Month for November is John Dory.

Weigh-in-stations remain the same at: Max & Val Larsen, phone (07) 866 7656; Fish & Dive phone (07) 866 8797.

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BOWLING CLUB NEWS

Despite the inclement spring weather, and the postponement of many early bowling fixtures, all praise to Eamonn Walsh our greenkeeper and his band of helpers who made the greens available for half of the scheduled days.

The Open Optional Triples sponsored by Niagara Health was won by Lindsay Grant's team with Dolly Welch and Dianne Burton and the drawn Coromandel Cup triples saw Miha Matthews and Peter Herbert carry off the brand new cup, organised by Dianne, to be presented to Club competition winners during the season.

The Four Square Open Optional Triples was won by Colin Gawith's team with Vi King and Ernie Groucott. Our Under 8 years men and women played strongly in the Thames Valley competition with Reg and Jason making the semi-finals. Well done.

Tuesday 18 October saw the start of our Twilight Bowls competition, so do come along and enjoy these entertaining evenings played over the next 6 weeks. Friday 28 October is our Test Match against the Australian team from Huskisson NSW – again this will be a most enjoyable afternoon/evening and well worth your support!!

The World Bowls Tournament is to be held in Christchurch this year, commencing on Tuesday 29 November, so watch out for the television broadcasting and see how the game is played by champions from all over the globe, many of whom are in their early 20's, debunking the idea that bowls is only a game for "elderly" people.

Although the quiz and film nights have ended, the Music Society is presenting the final concert for the year on Wednesday 2 November. The Alpaca Social Club features Caitlin Smith with Jon Sanders and Craig Denham – a great fun evening to end the music year.

We welcome all our new playing and social members and look forward to seeing everyone as the weather settles, so here's to a great summer.

RSA NEWS

In November the Royal New Zealand Navy will celebrate its 75th Anniversary.

On 17 November Naval ships from all over the world will arrive in Auckland to help us celebrate this significant milestone. The highlight will be the International Review on 19 November, conducted by the Governor General in Auckland Harbour.

Some ships will be open to visitors and there will be a special exhibition at The Cloud on Queens Wharf. A 1000 sailor street parade will take place on Queen Street on 20 November. Google "Operation Neptune NZ" for exact details. See you there.

RSA WOMENS NEWS

At the RSA Womens Section Special September Meeting Loes welcomed our Area President Mary Gadsby and Vice President Judith Steele who had travelled from Te Awamutu. After taking part in our ordinary meeting with suggestions and updates, Mary presented Life Membership certificates and badges to Shirley Fenwick and Dulcie Pepper – really well earned. Photos were then taken and the meeting closed with lovely afternoon tea.



Left to right: Dulcie Pepper, Mary Gadsby, Shirley Fenwick and Judith Steele

Contacts: Maureen Kimber 866 8282 (Bowls) or Ian Franklyn 866 7138 (RSA)

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Coro Gym – Fitness and Fun, Judy (07) 866 8637 10.30am
Scouts and Cubs, Scout Den, Hauraki House,
Abby Morgan (07) 211 9790 3.30pm
Coro Gym – Kick fit with Christajo, 155 Pottery Lane,
021 033 9329 5.30-6.30pm
Shrinking Violets, Betsie (07) 866 7076 5.30pm
Coro Contract Bridge, Coro Ambulance rooms,
Lyn (07) 866 8858 7pm
Four-part harmony singing, Sue (07) 866 8833 7.30pm

Every Tuesday

Homeschoolers' gathering, Julene (07) 866 8005
Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
Pastel Artists Coromandel,
Coromandel Aero Club Rooms (07) 866 7220 9am-mid day
Colville Bay Pre-School, rear Colville School, cr
(07) 866 8319 9am-3pm
Coro Walking Group, Ruth (07) 866 7246 9am
Colville Social Services Collective, Colville Hall,
(07) 866 6920 9am-3pm
Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, (07) 866 8417 9am-3pm
Music and Dance, Elim Church- Preschoolers Dance Group, Dawn
(07) 866 8150 9.30-11am
Coro Ladies Golf, Peter (07) 866 7633 tee off 10am
Yoga, Colville Hall, (07) 866 6612 10am
Croquet, Woollams Ave, Kaye (07) 866 8968 9.45am
Coromandel Playcentre, Woollams Ave 10.30am-1pm
Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 021 314 467 12 noon
500 card session at the Bowling Club, (07) 866 8886 1pm
Coro Gym – Fitness and Fun, Judy (07) 866 8637 1pm
Ambulance training, Felix (07) 866 8279 7-9pm
Coro Motorcycle Club, Star & Garter,
John (07) 866 6776 7-9pm
Badminton, school gymnasium, racquets available bring non-marking
sports shoes contact Lorraine (07) 866 7606 6.30pm

Every Wednesday

Dharma Gaia, Meditation, (07) 866 7995 6-7am
Dharma Gaia, Sitting & Walking Meditation,
(07) 866 7995 7.30-9pm
Coro Gym – Step/aerobics, Peg (07) 866 8635 8am
Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
Colville Bay Pre-School, rear Colville School,
(07) 866 8319 9am-3pm
Colville Social Services Collective, Colville Hall,
(07) 866 6920 9am-3pm
Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, (07) 866 8417 9am-3pm
Coro Gym – Sit and be fit, Peg (07) 866 8635 9.30am
Coro Gym – Fitness and Fun, Judy (07) 866 8637 10.30am
Coromandel Golf Club – men's, Hauraki Rd,
Peter (07) 866 7633 tee off 12.30pm
Scrabble Club, Joan for venue on (07) 866 7580 1pm
Coro Tennis Club – club night, Gayle (07) 866 8063 4pm
Wing Chun Kung Fu- Hong Kong Style,
Chi Sau Club 027 283 0773 4.30-8.30pm
Running Group, meet at rugby club grounds.
Mark 027 338 6697 or (07) 866 7660 5-6.15pm
Coro Gym – Pump with Betty, (07) 866 8635 5.30-6.30pm
Yoga, Events Centre (behind info centre) \$8,
Jessica (07) 866 8405 7-8.30pm
Discussion night-optional pot luck dinner, Mahamudra Centre,
(07) 866 6851 dinner 6pm, meeting 7-8.30pm
Walking & sitting meditation, Dharma Gaia Centre,
(07) 866 7995 7.30-9pm

Every Thursday

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

Coro Gym – Fitness & Fun, Judy (07) 866 8637 10.30am
Coro Gym – Ukulele group practice for beginners,
Peg (07) 866 8635
Croquet, Woollams Ave, Kaye (07) 866 8968 12.30pm
Bowling Club Housie, Sharan (07) 866 7760 from 1pm
Coro Community Garden, Glover St,
Louis (07) 866 8866 2-4pm
Coro Gym – Kick fit with Christajo, 021 033 9329 5.30-6.30pm

Every Friday

Coro Gym – step/aerobics, Peg (07) 866 8635 8-9am
Colville Bay Pre-School, rear Colville School,
(07) 866 8319 9am-3pm
Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, (07) 866 8417 9am-3pm
Yoga for everyone, Anglican Church Hall,
Katie (07) 866 6612 9-10.30am
Colville Services Collective,
Colville Hall, (07) 866 6920 9am-3pm
Coro Gym – Sit & be fit, Peg (07) 866 8635 9.30-10.30am
Coromandel Playcentre, Woollams Ave 9.45am-12.15pm
Coro Gym – Fitness & Fun, Judy (07) 866 8637 1pm
Coromandel RSA, Woollams Ave, Ian (07) 866 7138 3.30pm
Coro Tennis, Men's night, Gayle (07) 866 8063 4pm
Coro Gym – Crazy Horse Productions,
Natalie 021 048 9772 4.15pm

Every Saturday

Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
Croquet, Woollams Ave, Kaye (07) 866 8968 9.45am
Coromandel Golf Club-club play, Hauraki Rd,
Peter (07) 866 7633 tee off 12.30pm
Coromandel RSA, Woollams Ave, Ian (07) 866 7138 2pm
St Colman's Catholic Church-mass,
Rings Rd, Frieda (07) 866 7872 5pm
Prayers for dead and healing,
Mahamudra Centre, (07) 866 6851 5-6pm

Every Sunday

Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation-in Gompas,
(07) 866 6851 10-10.30am
Elim Church Services, Rings Rd,
Steve (07) 866 6900 10am-12 noon
Coro Tennis Club-club play, Gayle (07) 866 8063 2pm
Prayers for dead and healing,
Mahamudra Centre, (07) 866 6851 5-6pm

Monthly

RSA Women's Section Coromandel, Loes (07) 866 8053
1st Mon – Coro Patchwork & Quilters, Ambulance rooms,
Jill (07) 866 7484 9.30am-3.30pm
2nd Mon – Friendship Group, Jocelyn (07) 866 7101
3rd Mon – Coro Patchwork & Quilters, Ambulance rooms,
Jill (07) 866 7484 9.30am-3.30pm
3rd Mon – Alzheimer's Carers' Group, Retirement Village Hall, bring
plate & koha, (07) 282 0453 10.30am
1st Tue – Coro Motorcycle Club general business
John (07) 866 6776 7.30pm
2nd Tue – Coromandel/Colville Cmty Board, Council Chambers,
(07) 866 1001 9am
2nd Tue – Public Trust, Harcourts, 0800 368 620 by appt
1st Wed – Coro Embroiderers' Guild, Ambulance Station, Jill
Wilson (07) 866 7484 10am-3pm
1st Wed – Lions Dinner Meeting, Ambulance Rooms;
Pres. Nigel Strongman (07) 866 8045 6pm
2nd Wed – Garden Circle, ph Julie Jensen for venue,
(07) 866 7546 1pm
3rd Wed – Herb Federation NZ.
Contact Ann Kerr-Bell 021 046 1647 9.30 to 11am
3rd Wed – Lions Business Meeting, Ambulance Rooms;
Pres. Nigel Strongman (07) 866 8045 7pm
2nd Thu – Coromandel Writers' Group,
Barbara (07) 866 8299 10.30am-2.30pm
4th Thu – Coro SeniorNet, school music room,
Loes (07) 866 8053 1.30pm
3rd Sat – Luncheon Ladies, Lorraine (07) 866 8144 12pm
1st Sun – Coro School of Mines & Historical Sty/Museum,
(07) 866 8711 4pm
1st Sun – St Andrew's Union church service, Rings Rd,
(07) 866 8633 10am
2nd Sun – Christ Church service, Tiki Rd,
Barbara O'Reilly (07) 866 8299 10am
2nd Sun – Young Eagles, Tiki Rd, Lisa (07) 866 2055 9am
3rd Sun – St Andrew's Union church service, Rings Rd,
Hilda (07) 866 8633 10am
4th Sun – Christ Church service, Tiki Rd,
Barbara O'Reilly (07) 866 8299 10am
5th Sun – Christ Church/St Andrew's share 10am

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Calendar of events

Coromandel Town **November 2016**

MON		TUE		WED		THU		FRI		SAT		SUN															
<div>COROMANDEL RUBBISH & RECYCLE TRANSFER STATION & E-CYCLE HOURS</div> <div>Tuesday and Thursday 11am-4:30pm</div> <div>Saturday and Sunday 11am-5:30pm</div>		<div>1</div> <div>Melbourne Cup Day at Admirals Arms (see ad pg 17)</div> <div>High tide 9:06am (2.7m), 9.16pm (2.6m) Low tide 2.45am (0.4m), 3.02pm (0.5m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 1.30am/pm</div>		<div>2</div> <div>Coromandel Music Society Present Alpaca Social Club (see pg 32)</div> <div>High tide 9:43am (2.7m), 9.54pm (2.6m) Low tide 3.22am (0.4m), 3.39pm (0.5m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 2am/pm</div>		<div>3</div> <div>Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild exhibition starts (see pg 26)</div> <div>Grey Power meeting (see pg 6)</div> <div>High tide 10:20am (2.7m), 10.32pm (2.6m) Low tide 3.58am (0.4m), 4.18pm (0.5m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 3am/pm</div>		<div>4</div> <div>Nominations close for Student Representative Election, Board of Trustees CAS (see pg 29)</div> <div>Feng Shui Fundamentals weekend course starts at Manamudra Centre (see pg 16)</div> <div>High tide 10:57am (2.7m), 11.10pm (2.5m) Low tide 4.35am (0.4m), 4.57pm (0.6m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 4am/pm</div>		<div>5</div> <div>Pet Day at Te Rerenga School (see ad pg 30)</div> <div>Guy Fawkes Fireworks sponsored by Four Square (see ad pg 19)</div> <div>Top Dog Rd1/Pratt Family Day at Coro Golf Course (see pg 36)</div> <div>Hopetoun Brown (see ad pg 39)</div> <div>High tide 11.36am (2.6m), 11.50pm (2.5m) Low tide 5.13am (0.5m), 5.59pm (0.6m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 4.30am/pm</div>		<div>6</div> <div>Auckland Eagles at Coromandel Golf Course (see pg 36)</div> <div>High tide 12.18pm (2.5m) Low tide 5:53am (0.5m), 6:25pm (0.7m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 5am/pm</div>															
<div>7</div> <div>Cake and Croquet (see pg 35)</div> <div>CAS Junior School athletic event (see pg 35)</div> <div>High tide 7.13am (2.4m), 1.04pm (2.5m) Low tide 6.37am (0.6m), 7.14pm (0.7m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 6am/pm</div>	<div>8</div> <div>Cake and Croquet (see pg 35)</div> <div>CAS Junior School athletic event (see pg 35)</div> <div>High tide 1.20am (2.4m), 1.55pm (2.5m) Low tide 7.26am (0.7m), 8.07pm (0.7m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 7am/pm</div>	<div>9</div> <div>High tide 2.13am (2.4m), 2.51pm (2.5m) Low tide 8.23am (0.7m), 9.04pm (0.6m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 7.30am/pm</div>	<div>10</div> <div>First Aid Certification at Colville Hall (see ad pg 39)</div> <div>High tide 3.11am (2.4m), 3.49pm (2.5m) Low tide 9.23am (0.7m), 10.02pm (0.6m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 8am/pm</div>	<div>11</div> <div>CAS Senior School athletic event (see pg 35)</div> <div>High tide 4.14am (2.5m), 4.48pm (2.6m) Low tide 10.29am (0.6m), 11.1pm (0.4m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 9am/pm</div>	<div>12</div> <div>Top Dog Rd2 at Coro Golf Course (see pg 36)</div> <div>We're All Addicts – It's Just a Matter of Degree, Anglican Church Hall (see pg 16)</div> <div>High tide 5.17am (2.6m), 5.45pm (2.8m) Low tide 11.29am (0.5m), 11.57pm (0.3m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 10am/pm</div>	<div>13</div> <div>Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild exhibition finishes (see pg 26)</div> <div>High tide 6.17am (2.8m), 6.41pm (2.9m) Low tide 12.26pm (0.3m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 11am/pm</div>	<div>14</div> <div>CHRONICLE DEADLINE – December issue content – 4pm</div> <div>High tide 7.13am (3.0m), 7.36pm (3.0m) Low tide 12.52am (0.1m), 1.19pm (0.2m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 12am/pm</div>	<div>15</div> <div></div> <div>High tide 8.07am (3.1m), 8.30pm (3.1m) Low tide 1.46am (0.0m), 2.12pm (0.1m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 1am/pm</div>	<div>16</div> <div>High tide 8.59am (3.2m), 9.24pm (3.1m) Low tide 2.38am (0.0m), 3.04pm (0.0m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 1.30am/pm</div>	<div>17</div> <div>Medicine Buddha Empowerment and Retreat starts at Mahamudra Centre (see pg 16)</div> <div>High tide 9.51am (3.2m), 10.17pm (3.1m) Low tide 3.30am (0.0m), 3.57pm (0.0m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 2am/pm</div>	<div>18</div> <div>Voting closes for Student Representative Election, Board of Trustees CAS (see pg 29)</div> <div>High tide 10.42am (3.2m), 11.10pm (m) Low tide 4.20am (0.0m), 4.50pm (0.1m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 3am/pm</div>	<div>19</div> <div>Tom Daniels Shoot Out at Coromandel Golf Course (see pg 36)</div> <div>Crystal healing training course (see ad pg 38)</div> <div>Pizza and Darts at Tangiaro Kiwi Retreat (see ad pg 10)</div> <div>High tide 11.35am (3.1m) Low tide 5.11am (0.0m), 5.45pm (0.2m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 4am/pm</div>	<div>20</div> <div>Coroarea Market (see pg 17)</div> <div>High tide 12.03am (2.9m), 12.28pm (3.0m) Low tide 6.03am (0.2m), 6.41pm (0.3m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 5am/pm</div>	<div>21</div> <div>High tide 7.13am (2.7m), 1.23pm (2.8m) Low tide 6.57am (0.3m), 7.38pm (0.5m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 6am/pm</div>	<div>22</div> <div>High tide 1.52am (2.6m), 2.19pm (2.7m) Low tide 7.55am (0.5m), 8.37pm (0.6m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 7am/pm</div>	<div>23</div> <div>Arts Council AGM (see pg 33)</div> <div>High tide 2.49am (2.5m), 3.16pm (2.6m) Low tide 8.55am (0.6m), 9.35pm (0.6m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 8am/pm</div>	<div>24</div> <div>High tide 3.48am (2.4m), 4.12pm (2.5m) Low tide 9.58am (0.7m), 10.30pm (0.6m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 9am/pm</div>	<div>25</div> <div>DJ Tuku at Admirals Arms (see ad pg 17)</div> <div>Masquerade Cocktail Party at Coromandel Mussel Kitchen (see ad pg 5)</div> <div>High tide 4.46am (2.4m), 5.05pm (2.5m) Low tide 10.54am (0.7m), 11.23pm (0.6m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 9:30am/pm</div>	<div>26</div> <div>Looking For Alaska – exclusive house concert. more info at www.corosoniclab.co.nz</div> <div>High tide 5.41am (2.4m), 5.55pm (2.5m) Low tide 11.46am (0.7m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 10am/pm</div>	<div>27</div> <div>High tide 6.32am (2.5m), 6.42pm (2.5m) Low tide 12.12am (0.6m), 12.33pm (0.7m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 11am/pm</div>	<div>28</div> <div>High tide 7.18am (2.6m), 7.26pm (2.5m) Low tide 12:57am (0.5m), 1.16pm (0.6m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 12am/pm</div>	<div>29</div> <div>Discovering Buddhism – Mind and its Potential (4-week c course), Anglican Church Hall (see pg 16)</div> <div>High tide 8am (2.6m), 8.08pm (2.5m) Low tide 1.38am (0.5m), 1.56pm (0.6m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 12.30am/pm</div>	<div>30</div> <div>Meat Pack/Laurie Olliff Trophy at Coromandel Golf Course (see pg 36)</div> <div>High tide 8.40am (2.7m), 8.49pm (2.6m) Low tide 2.17am (0.5m), 2.36pm (0.6m) ▶▶▶▶▶ Best bite 1am/pm</div>	<div>Make sure your event gets listed</div> <div>To get your event listed, email the details, your name and contact phone number to Debbie at corochronicle@gmail.com with the subject "event". Or post to Jude Publishing, PO Box 148, Coromandel. There is limited space available and will be published subject to space availability, with preference to not-for-profit groups.</div> <div><div>New moon</div><div>Full moon</div><div>Tide times and heights from Land Information NZ for Coromandel Harbour. For Thames times -15min High and -18min Low. Note: Tide heights are different for Thames.</div><div>Bite times and good fishing ratings supplied by Ken Ring. www.predictheather.com</div><div>▶▶▶▶▶ = Average fishing, ▶▶▶▶▶ = Very good fishing, ▶▶▶▶▶ = Excellent fishing</div></div>		<div>UPCOMING MONTHS</div> <div>DECEMBER</div> <div>Saturday 10 – Christmas Parade</div> <div>Sunday 11 – Coroarea market day</div>	