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Lucy Kuchlein – new artist to the Coromandel ArtsTour

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Editor's comment

What a full issue! I've gone to 40 pages but still having difficulty squeezing in all of the articles. Groups and individuals are writing such long pieces. Everyone has so much to say! Please remember that article limit is 600 words, but shorter articles are preferable. I may need to reduce the word limit in the future if I continue to get so many long articles. Also please respect my deadline for material and let me know before deadline if you need a bit of an extension. On the plus side it is great that everyone is contributing to make the Chronicle the awesome town magazine that it is – filled by the community.

Have a great spring,

Debbie

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Letters

Coromandel

Coromandel is a small, unique, beautiful town on the Coromandel Peninsula. To reach it, you travel along the glorious coast road from Thames. The ocean rises and falls on its left side, and occasionally you are overjoyed to see a pod of dolphins. This leaves you with great long term memories.

It has a top class medical centre and pharmacy. We have four churches to serve many denominations. The shops are varied and some quite unique. One thing that stands out is that whichever shop you visit the staff are not only friendly, but patient and willing to help in every possible way. Now where else can you find a town like that?

It is most fortunate that a hard-working young woman named Debbie produces a magazine monthly. It is entitled The Coromandel Town Chronicle. So whatever your tastes and interests are, there is an article to cover the many and varied aspects.

The people are friendly with a smile or greeting as you pass each other. Beauty surrounds it with magnificent sea views from many homes which are varied in type and size.

Holidays are the ultimate destination for hundreds of visitors who enjoy every minute and their laughter and happiness is obvious. To live in Coromandel is a blessing. It is indeed a challenge to find a town like that.

Warmest wishes,
Beryl van Donk, Coromandel

Goodbye

I have enjoyed twenty very good years here in Coromandel Town and am now moving closer to family. I would like to say goodbye and thank you. Exceptional memories are coming with me.

Sincerely,
Marni Macdonald, Coromandel

Sale of business

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported me and given me tree work over the years.

I have sold the business to Dynamic Tree Care, Coromandel, contact phone (07) 866 8177 or 027 451 2224.

I am still able to support family and friends for up to \$200 per day on the smaller jobs, so hope to still see some of you from time to time.

I wish Dan Redfern all the best in the expansion of his business.

Peter Novis, For Trees, Coromandel

Library thank you

I would like to thank the Library committee members for their kind gifts for being a volunteer at the Library for twenty years: some lovely paintings by Barbara Peddie and a voucher for the Pepper Tree. Ann and I have moved over the hill to Whitianga after 22 happy years in the lovely town of Coromandel, but will remember the good times and the great people we met while living here. I enjoyed my stint at the Library and got to know a lot of people even if I sometimes forgot their names.

Thank you again from Ann and me.

Mike Walmsley, Coromandel

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Letters continued

Quiz nights and movies

I am sure that I speak for many locals when I express thanks to Maureen Kimber and John Gaffikin-Cowan for their fantastic contribution to our winter entertainment in Coromandel Town. The fortnightly quiz nights take a lot of preparation and are always fun and challenging. And movie nights help to clear away any cold winter blues. To both of you and to Geoff Kingsmill for his contribution, heartfelt appreciation.

Regards,
Robin Münch, Coromandel

Explaining landfills

I am writing to correct some content from the Plastic-Free Coromandel Town article in your Sep 2018 edition. Let me be clear that I support reduction in waste plastic use and commend the efforts of everyone involved in the promotion of plastic-free Coromandel. As an environmental scientist having worked in industry for over a decade, however, I would like to set the record straight about landfills.

The article states, "Foodwaste that goes to landfill...does not compost or biodegrade due to a lack of oxygen...". Although it is correct that the landfills exist in a low/no oxygen state, this does not mean that there is lack of biodegradation. In fact the opposite is true, and landfills are an efficient bioreactor alive with happy microorganisms (like bacteria).

When waste is buried in a landfill oxygen levels decrease and these clever little microbes switch their metabolism to digest organic material without oxygen. These microbes are so effective that landfills can reduce in size by one third over their lifetime.

One of the byproducts of this "no-oxygen" digestion is methane, just like we mammals (humans, dogs, cows, etc.) produce. There are many ways to control methane emissions and increasingly strict expectations for landfills to do so.

All landfills are required by Resource Consent to cover over areas not actively being filled. This means that there are not big areas of open waste around the landfill, but only the area that is being worked that day. The cover controls the gas emissions and the plants and microbes living close to/at the surface "eat" the methane gas, effectively scrubbing it out of the air so that it does not escape the surface. Some large landfills capture the methane and convert it into electricity which is fed back into the power grid.

Without a doubt, waste reduction, recycling, education and elimination of littering/illegal dumping are still the best protection for the environment but modern landfills in New Zealand have come a long way in the last 20 years and are not the "big bad" that they once were. Sincerely,
Jodie Olson

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Memorial

Hi, I don't know who to thank for the memorial to Mere Te Tai Mangakahia at Whangapoua (by the playground).

It is wonderful to see local people recognised for their incredible contribution to our laws, policies and our society – it is especially wonderful if they are women as Colonial history and European history doesn't typically celebrate broadly across our demographics.

I think there must be many notable pioneering female characters within Coromandel's rich history – I would love to know more about them. I believe Catherine Delahunty wrote a book about Women of the Coromandel – I'd love to get my hands on a copy.

I'd love the Chronicle/history society to have a special project – maybe one notable person a month? Happy to help the historic society if they are keen and not necessarily gender specific. It all enriches the tourism factor on which we so depend.

Thank you,
Rachel Stansfield, Whangapoua

Transport options

Does anyone else feel let down and isolated by the removal of practical transport services to and from Coromandel?

Since InterCity (and more recently Coromandel Adventures) stopped the morning bus to Thames and the afternoon bus back, there is no practical way to go to Hamilton or Auckland without driving, getting a lift or hitchhiking at least some of the way. The only bus seems to be targeting tourists, doing a loop round the Peninsula, but visitors too want to be able to get here and back sometimes without doing a grand tour.

Not everybody has a car, or is able or wants to drive. City transport systems are subsidised by councils. Given that we have to travel out of town for many services, should the TCDC or Regional Council take some responsibility here? What can be done?

Regards,
Lora Mountjoy, Coromandel



Lions news

By Lion Lyn



Spring has sprung,

I do believe, so let us make the most of the fine weather while we have it; three days so far so we must be due for inclement soon! However Saturday 15 September saw Lions out enjoying the sun with logsplitters and chainsaws and other big boys toys – all to get a scrumptious morning tea and, as the photo indicates, a really good effort by the team. Thanks to all involved on the day and also to those behind the scenes. The wood is nearly dry so can be used this year but we are now taking orders for next season; also a truckful will be raffled again this Labour weekend alongside our mussel fritter stall outside Coro Four Square. See you there for breakfast, brunch or lunch, or maybe just a snack.

On to club happenings. Lion Phillip passed the Lion Rock onto Lion Kerry for much needed assistance to get to and from the working bees and without you only half would have been achieved. These words were passed on from another Lion on many days – so many thanks to you both. Our monthly dinner was, without a doubt, one of the best yet. The variety of dishes was awesome. Made us all wish we had bigger plates. Our visiting zone chairman Bruce Foster and his wife Ros from Ngatea were both very impressed with our many and varied dishes and enjoyed the whole evening very much (as did we all). I'm sure they will visit again soon. Our night concluded with the usual "shinnanagans" and three lucky winners of the raffle, a little twisting of stories and all good fun. The only sadness of the evening was the handful of apologies that came from those who could not make it on the night – your loss – you missed a great night!

Till next month, keep smiling – it is less stressful than frowning!

Contact President Jean 021 208 7576, firewood (07) 866 7722

Open Studios – Coromandel ArtsTour



Experience a personal side of Coromandel Town this October. Explore studios that are found in exhibition galleries, work spaces with magnificent sea and landscape views and rustic workshops surrounded by bush, filled with bird song.

See works in paint, pastel, ceramics, pottery, printmaking, weaving, felting, metalwork, woodwork, glass, jewellery, sculpture, textiles and mixed media.

Gala Opening (free entry)

Artists, art lovers and friends are invited to celebrate the opening of the Open Studios Coromandel ArtsTour. Meet the artists, see their work and enjoy a drink and nibbles. **Friday 5 October** – 6.00pm (yes, 6.00pm, this is right!), Hauraki House Gallery, Kapanga Rd.



Lucy Kuchlein likes to bring into to her paintings the enjoyment of colour, harmonious shapes, simplicity and a sense of calm



Fran Campbell, in her images of Coromandel, experiments with the use of clay as a medium and the combination of charcoal and gold leaf

Hauraki House Gallery Exhibition – free entry

From **6-14 October**, between 10am and 4pm, a work from each artist will be displayed at Hauraki House Gallery, the artistic hub of Coromandel Town. The Gallery is a great starting point to pick up the Artist Guide and plan weekend studio visits.

Open Studios (free entry)

Over two weekends (**6/7 and 13/14 October**), from 10am to 4pm, 35 local artists will welcome visitors to their studios.

See Artist Guide for studio locations.

Pictured are some of the new artists joining the ArtsTour.



Letticia Williams's work is irrevocably connected to the whenua, whether it be through colour, texture, fibres, patterns or natural, found items from her surroundings



Sam Ireland finds the unbricking of his wood-fired kiln exciting as it reveals the uniqueness of each pot or sculpture, transformed through the lick of the flame and the caress of its heat

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Introducing Coastal Marine Surveys Ltd

By David and Lindsay

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David, Lindsay and their young family shifted from Auckland to Coromandel Town in 1999.

After serving an apprenticeship as a fitter and turner, David then started his sea-going career of 30 years as a Marine Engineer, achieving the rank of Chief Engineer. This involved maintaining and operating some of the world's largest ocean-going ships at that time. However his passion for the sea and anything to do with boats continued whilst on shore leave.

In addition, David is a qualified commercial skipper with an Inshore Launch Master qualification and has owned and operated charter boats in Coromandel on a part time basis. He has also worked as engineer/mate on tug and barge operations. He strongly believes his varied maritime experience gives him the attributes and skills required to be a successful marine surveyor.

In 2014 the existing commercial vessel safety system transitioned into MOSS (Maritime Operator Safety System). MOSS is a new system to improve safety in maritime transport operations. MOSS also required the existing marine surveyors to re-apply to Maritime NZ for their surveyor recognition to be revalidated.

After hearing of some frustrations being expressed by some local operators regarding lack of surveyor availability causing costly delays to their business, David started the process of becoming a Maritime NZ recognized Marine Surveyor. After obtaining a Lloyds Diploma in Marine Surveying, surveying at least 50 vessels under training, passing written and oral exams, this goal was achieved during 2017.

David also has experience carrying out regulatory safety inspections of ships' cranes, tower and mobile cranes. He is presently going through the process to become recognized for inspection and certification of lifting equipment on commercial vessels, however this service can still be provided with associates to Coastal Marine Surveys Ltd.

The role of a marine surveyor is very challenging and a high degree of responsibility is undertaken. It is also rewarding. Developing trust and respect between surveyor and client is very important to achieving the common goal of improved safety onboard a vessel. By engaging David to survey your vessel, equipment and operational procedures, you can be ensured you are in good hands with the added value that comes with his extensive experience.

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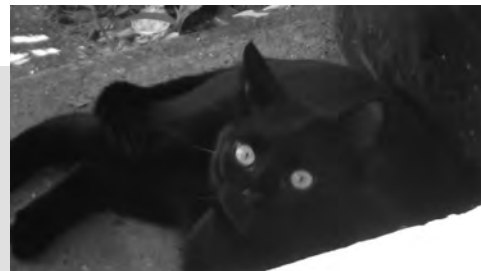
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Animal Rescue Thames

By Alice and John Parris and Wikki



Purrs and thank mews for the donations of bedding, towels, cat food and garage sale items. Also to Goldfields Women's Institute who donated a bagful of varied cat food and bag of towels/bedding from their roll call. We truly appreciate this generosity. The cats were also blessed with a donation of \$100 worth of Jimbo's meat – this is luxury dining for the cats who thoroughly enjoyed a change from canned foods.

Nothing in and no one rehomed. We have our trio of blacks who are now almost adults at 10 months, with the most amazing natures. Very loving, endearing and hard case cattitude purrluss! Their escapades at times are hilarious. One big white chook out wandering and two black kittens, both kittens stoop low, bottoms wavering, they were on the hunt – this big white bird was dinner! Wiggly butts and patience would win this game until chook flaps wings, stomps feet and saunters off cackling and the two black cats took off not to see head nor hide of the pair. Humans left laughing fit to bust at ridiculous cats who have no clue what-so-ever on hunting. They have much to learn.

Sitting outside enjoying the sun, we look up the magnificent Ginkgo biloba tree and in the middle of this big tree is black. Initially thinking it's the tuis enjoying the kowhai blooms around it and NO, it's a black cat up tree watching the native bird life who had sense to keep distant to cat. One tui swoops down and cat ducks and decides that getting out of tree may be the best option. Definitely not the quickest or easiest, after six failed attempts to climb down, he realised forwards wasn't the way to go down and backwards was more than perilous as well. The native birds carried on feeding and cat unceremoniously lands on lower branch of neighbouring tree to escape further embarrassment to his purrsonal self.

All the rescue kitties are so incredibly unique in purrsonality and all just quietly wait for that perfect loving furrever home. In the mean time we stay status quo, and our budget diminishes rather quickly.

Fundraising – Labour Weekend Garage Sale **Saturday 20 October** 8.30am – noonish, Grahamstown Hall, Pollen St, Thames. Our major fundraising in October, always an awesome day. We are currently needing good, clean, saleable items – books, puzzles, toys, household wares, craft stuff, knick knacks, bric-a-brac, tools, linens etc. – small items of furniture as we have no storage for large furniture or man/woman power to deal with it – purrlease contact us if you have something you are dejunking.

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Combined Clubs Of Coromandel THE CLUB

Coromandel Bowling Club

By Linda Wright

We had a great turnout for our Opening Day; thanks Eunice and Bruce for delivering the 1st Jack and Bowl. It was good to see our new bowlers on the greens. We played in cooler conditions in the morning; the winners were Sue and Lindsay. We all enjoyed a shared lunch.

Then a new draw, but only one game played in the afternoon as the rain came down.

So Thursday Club days have started; names in by 9.30am. All welcome to come down and join in.

We are having coaching sessions on Fridays at 2pm.

Sponsors Evening last Friday was great with 50 folk there. It was a great evening with much laughter and chatter, with no one able to win the "pot the black competition". It was jackpot to the next Friday night, when we had five winners: Cherrie, Graeme, Colin, Jason and David.

We have held our first Championship Event, the Men's U/8 Singles. We had seven entries, and great bowling with close matches. Jason Dickison won all of his six matches, to win the championship.

Our Winter Wednesday Quiz and Movie Nights have come to an end. Great to see so many locals enjoying the nights. Thanks John, Maureen, and members, a great club effort.

Twilight Bowls starts on **Tuesday 30 October**, sponsored by Star & Garter. Get your teams entered, forms available.

Our first tournament on Wednesday 19 September Open Optional Triples, sponsored by Liquor King, has been played. Next one is **Wednesday 10 October**, Open Optional Triples, sponsored by Coromandel Four Square.

We are hosting the Thames Valley U/8 Open Men's Pairs on **6 and 7 October**.

Club Social Friday and Saturday Nights are open from 3.30-7pm.

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



Life members Eunice & Bruce opening our bowls season



Jason Dickison winner of Men's 8 years and under Championship Singles

Coromandel Patchwork and Quilters

By Jenny Till

With the recent bout of cold, wet weather making outdoor projects unpleasant, creative sewing has been popular with many of our members.

A number of our members have an ongoing longterm project they work on that can take many, many months to complete, e.g. a quilt.

In addition we sometimes have smaller projects that can often be finished in a day. These projects are usually led by one of our more experienced patchworkers, who kindly explain how to make the item and give assistance where needed.

Recent examples are the making of a "sew tidy" and a Jacob's ladder needle case.

Every year our Coromandel group have held a display of works finished during the year. This has usually been held in December/January, however the decision has been made to trial holding it next October (2019) in conjunction with the "Arts Tour".

We were sad to farewell a number of our members who have now moved away from Coromandel to live.

So we would be pleased to welcome new members. We invite you to come along to one of our meetings held on the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month and have a look at what we do and see if it's something you would enjoy.

President Raewyn Penrose ph (07) 866 8880.

Secretary Sharon Currie ph (07) 866 8762

RSA News

By Pat Williams

Missed the deadline last month. Another black mark! We had a very enjoyable get together and meal on Sunday 12 August.

Arranged by our President as a thank you to the committee and our very valued volunteers. As usual the tables looked very festive, thanks to Lyn our little Pocket Rocket, and helpers. Big thank yous to all for the great effort on the day. This day afforded us the chance to farewell Graeme and Gloria Ready who have left their lovely spot in Waitete Bay. They have been a great asset to our Club and we will miss them.

Attendance at The Club remains steady with many members bringing family and friends along to enjoy our RSA.

Sadly on 14 June we lost one of our longtime stalwarts, Charles Little. On Saturday 1 September a memorial service was held at Christ Church and Charles's ashes were interred with his parents and brother Brian. The service was followed by a gathering at our RSA Club Rooms. RIP Charles.

Last September I wrote in the Chronicle how we had helped a stroke victim by supplying him with a mobility scooter. We have now purchased another for use by another member.

On Sunday 6 August several members travelled to the Whangamata RSA for their Annual Combined Services Day. It was a lovely sunny spring day, enjoyed by all. I think this is the third year a group from our Club has attended.

Untill next time, "Don't Worry, Be Happy."

Quote for the month "If you live in the past, it will cost you the present."



Your favourite café/restaurant re-opens for the summer from Friday 5th October

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Enjoy the antics of our multi-coloured ducks.

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Enjoy a 'Dam' good Allpress coffee or an organic herbal tea and home-baked delights.

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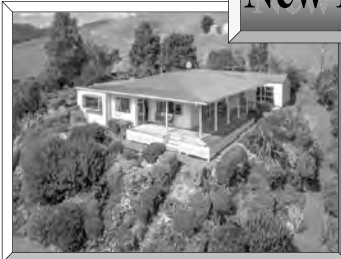
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New Listing



New Listing



We are proud to offer a property that features all the attributes of true 'Lifestyle' living on the southern outskirts of town. Set on 20.7ha, the block offers the prospect for an ex-farmer or a future small rural enthusiast the ability to graze a multitude of different animals for income or hobby. The spacious home features a large kitchen/dining/lounge (fireplace), sun-drenched verandah, 3 dble brms (master en-suite), office and internal access garage. Adjacent double garage with an attached spa room; large barn and stock yards. **\$1,595,000 + GST (if any)**



We have the utmost pleasure in offering for sale, this hugely admired and magnificently positioned 2,179m2 property. The wonderful setting has the traditional hallmarks of a family estate that holds a lifetime of fun & laughter! The classically styled homestead features an open-plan lounge/dining area that opens out to an extremely private north facing terrace, separate kitchen, master bedroom (en-suite), 2 dble guest brms, 4th brm/office, bathroom, a brilliant outdoor gardening/wood/storage building, and double carport. Magic!!! **\$710,000**



New Listing

Do you have a farm and need a run off block, or just need plenty of space away from neighbours? We have the perfect property that may just suit your requirements. Set only a few kilometres south of Coromandel Town, this 10.88ha pasture block is an ideal size to graze a selection of animals on a rotational basis. There is a small pine plantation of approximately 27 year old trees and basic stock yards. The Vendors have enjoyed the use of an adjoining property for grazing purposes in return for paying the rates. **\$755,000 + GST (if any)**



New Listing



Living the lifestyle on the harbours edge is what dreams are made of. Mangrove Manor is operating as an upmarket Bed and Breakfast (Trip Advisor - Hall of Fame), with the home featuring 4 well-appointed dble brms, (3 with en-suites and master with walk-in-robe), an office/5th bedroom, 2 lounges (1 with gas fire place), kitchen, separate dining room with Bi-fold doors to a covered deck area and internal access garage. Well-maintained lawns, gardens, large 3 bay garage and extra car parks for guests or visitors. **\$1,250,000 + GST (if any)**



New Listing

Is it your dream to own a waterfront holiday retreat? We can make this dream a reality with this very affordable cottage located at the mouth of the Port Charles Harbour. Sitting on an 812m2 level section there is plenty of room for cars, boats, beach toys and camping for family and friends. The well-presented 2 bedroom home features open plan living opening onto a deck with expansive views of the harbour, up the peninsula to the pinnacles and over to Great Barrier Island. This is the perfect location for weekend/summer holidays. **\$370,000**



New Listing



Positioned to capture an excellent northerly aspect, this well-presented corner property affords great proximity to the township, while capturing views to the bush clad ranges. The section is well fenced and offers established grounds, lawns and vege gardens. The Initial home features an open-plan kitchen/dining/lounge (heat pump), sun porch, large private rear deck, 2 double bedrooms, bathroom, separate toilet, laundry, and a single garage. There is a separate large garage with plenty of room for another vehicle and your boat. **\$439,000**

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Be a part of Coromandel's thriving business community. This 'prime cut' business is looking for new owners to carry on the good name and high quality that is Coromandel Meatkeeper. With a loyal client base, the butchers could continue to operate as the great business it is now, with the option to include new products that complement what is already there. If you need a change of pace or a working lifestyle, get your teeth into Coromandel's only stand-alone butchery. Don't be left on the chopping block. **\$130,000 + SAV + GST (if any)**



New Listing

Positioned between Big Sandy Bay and the Port Charles Wharf, this 811m2 sloping section is nicely protected and private, with a small cottage situated to take advantage of the native bush and Port Charles Harbour views. There are 2 single brms, an open plan kitchen/dining/lounge area and a large covered deck. The bathroom/toilet/laundry/storage area is accessed off the deck. Small studio, 2 garden sheds and a covered wood storage area. This beach home invites relaxation on the deck while watching the antics of the local bird life. **\$365,000**



New Listing



LOCATION, LOCATION... A common catch phrase in real estate, but in this case, the saying could not be truer! This brilliantly positioned 9.6692ha property is arguably the largest privately owned landholding adjacent to the heart of Coromandel Township. The property affords a great sense of privacy and seclusion, with the Whangarahi and Kapanga Streams acting as a fantastic habitat for an array of birdlife. The Rural Lifestyle zone allows possible development options, or you may elect to retain as your own private lifestyle ranch. **\$949,000**



New Listing

This 2,200m2 sheltered property with its own small stream and beautiful native bush as a backdrop is located in popular Tuatua. Using the local boat ramp, fresh seafood could be your staple diet. Large graveled area for the car, boat and holiday toys and power points strategically placed for camping/caravanning when extra family and friends arrive. Small cabin, private outdoor shower and kitchenette with partial views to the Pacific Ocean. Your family would be comfortable glamping here until such time to build a holiday home. **\$315,000**



New Listing



Have you been searching for a great central location that would be perfect as your new home, a rental proposition or as an ideal holiday base? The original cottage has been substantially renovated over many years, and now features a light and airy interior with the front lounge currently utilised as a craft studio, an open-plan kitchen/dining/family room, 2 dble brms, bathroom and a large laundry/storage room. The secret garden/courtyard at the rear offers a mix of lawn and decking for intimate social gatherings around the BBQ. **\$390,000**



New Listing

Elevated with views to the ranges, over farmland and distant views to the inner harbour of gorgeous Kennedy Bay, are what will greet you at this property. Throw a line in off the nearby sandy beach to catch dinner for the evening or just relax at the property and watch the sun go down behind the hills. The property offers 3 tiers with an established driveway accessing the first and second tiers. Small cabin for sleeping and an older styled garage. There's a fantastic spot for a BBQ area or as a great sitting space to take in the views. **\$275,000**

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Coromandel Independent Living Trust

CILT has received the fantastic news that Trust Waikato have agreed to support the Community HUB project by providing funding towards construction of the building. Thank you Trust Waikato! We are in communication with the local schools, Manaia and Coromandel, for a student interested in design to become involved in the project. The Community HUB concept continues to be developed and building design ideas are being sought from three architects. For any inquiries or suggestions, please contact Mike Noonan (021 414 896) or Pete Sephton (027 242 4090).

The day when the role of the Treasurer could be filled by an enthusiastic volunteer is gone. The challenge of complicated tax laws, GST, trust funds, financial reporting standards for charities and other compliance issues means a level of financial expertise is required. The CILT Finance team can provide accounting and payroll services to the community as needed. If you're interested contact Joanne Scott CA, CILT Financial Controller at finance@cilt.org.nz.

CILT would like to congratulate The Goldmine worker Benjamin and his partner Jacqui on their beautiful baby girl born this past month. Wishing you both lots of joy and hopefully some rest, during this special time!

On Saturday 22 September, Te Patukirikiri, Moehau Environment Group,

Kauri 2000, Weedbusters, DOC, Coromandel Independent Living Trust and community volunteers came together for the Wild Ginger Bash. The group worked hard to exterminate wild ginger from the Harray Track. We had many enthusiastic volunteers working together to weed the area. CILT would like to extend a huge thank you to all of the team members and volunteers who attended.

This month the Work Co-op participants were busy making greeting cards, sewing and baking. As a reminder, the Work Co-op is still hoping for your extra paint and curtains. If you have any donations please drop them off at the Work Co-op, at 316 Wharf Road.

CILT is the only social housing provider in Coromandel Town and manages the Kapanga Road Pensioner flats. The seven front units were built in the 1970s and are ex-council flats. CILT has been giving three of them a complete makeover as part of its maintenance program. Brian Cowley has been fixing and painting things and providing advice on maintenance issues. Brian is a painter by trade but he also volunteers at CILT as a driver taking people to the hospital. He is a real trooper! In addition, new curtains have been kindly sewn by Annette Clark (who also helps out at the Work Co-op) and the end result is newly renovated flats that are economical, warm, safe and close to town. Thank you so much Brian and Annette! CILT would also like to welcome our new tenants. We hope you feel right at home.

Artists in the Making

ATM continues to provide its core service of facilitating art activities for disabled people in the Mercury Bay area.

The group has been asked to consider



Brian hard at work, painting the flats

two commissions – one for a Coromandel resident, and the other for a Coromandel organisation. Both commissions are of mosaic maps – one of NZ and the other of the Coromandel area. Watch out for the photos to come! More info about Artists in the Making can be found on our FB page – on FB search for @ATM.CILT.org.nz.

Vanessa Foster will be at Tiki House once a month assisting individuals' needs in dealing with agencies such as ACC and WINZ. She will be here on Thursday 11/10, Thursday 08/11, and Thursday 06/12 to help with any advocacy requests.

Did you know that if you have a community services card CILT may be able to help fund your travel expenses to your WDHB hospital appointments? Talk to our friendly staff at the Resource Centre for more information or call us on (07) 866 8358.

The final visit from the Maori Land Court for 2018 will be at Tiki House on **22 November**. Please contact the Resource Centre for further information and bookings please.

CILT resource Center Co-ordinators:
 Rochelle Still and Erana Marsters.
 Hours: 9am-3pm Monday-Thursday
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Another chat with Andy Corles

By Rita Stephenson

I'm always given a warm welcome, big smile, a man happy to be alive. A man who (like most of us) took walking and riding a bike for granted. As a kid he used to "muck about" on a bike, but never rode seriously.

Four years ago Andy had a horrific car accident, that left him paralysed. After many months of excruciating rehab he decided he wanted to ride in the K2. That's way out there, very left field considering he was never a cyclist. His bike these days a hand cycle.

Hand cycling is like doing bench presses constantly: it's twice as hard for a hand cyclist. Not that Andy's complaining. I don't think I've ever heard him complain other than perhaps when it's been too wet and he can't go out on his bike.

Last year Andy took part in the Flight Centre K2 when he hand cycled from Tairua to Whitianga, a distance of 43 kilometres. It was an emotional time watching when he crossed the finish line. What an incredible, invincible man. Looking around I noticed people wiping away tears of joy. There weren't many dry eyes as he finished, including my own.

Andy has been training for many months now so he can ride in this year's event on **27 October**. He will be hand cycling from Tairua to Coromandel, a distance of 86 kilometres "that's quite a leap from last year's effort Andy, I think you're punishing yourself" I told him. "I do too," he replies, "but what the hell, just get on with it" It's very doable, he tells me, and estimates it will take him up to eight hours. He has trained up to 6 hours so far. Ultimately he wants to ride the entire K2 distance of 192 kilometres. That won't be for a few years.

While chatting Andy recounts his recent accident. This is the only time his smile leaves. He was going too fast downhill, a momentary

lack of concentration tips the bike over. It could have been very serious. He came out with some skin missing, some major bruising and a busted bike. He was worried more about upsetting his wife Shelley than himself or the bike. His friend Karl who was riding with him that day phoned Shelley. Andy couldn't bring himself to call her and inform her of the accident.

The smile returns. "Everyone has to fall off. I've had my fall, I'm all good to go now, everyone falls off their bike at some stage, you just get back on and get on with it." The crash meant his bike needed rebuilding. While this was happening a major fault was found in the frame. Discovering the fault now rather than have the bike fall apart on a steep descent or at anytime was fortuitous. The recent accident really was a blessing in disguise.

There is nothing easy about hand biking. Twice as hard to use, many times heavier, costly to repair and maintain, new hand bikes cost between \$8,500 to \$24,000. Andy has a Give a Little page if you would like to donate towards a new bike (his current one really needs replacing). Without his coach John Rich, Andy tells me he wouldn't be where he is today in cycling, how much it's enriched his life. He found it difficult "not" being able to cycle while the bike was being repaired.

The very first time I met Andy I felt guilty being an able bodied person. In reality the guilt came from the realisation that I don't utilise my body to the extent that it's capable of. Whereas Andy, wheelchair bound, doesn't offer any excuses. He finds life a challenge and doesn't see being paralysed as an obstacle. He wholeheartedly embraces life and all it has to offer. Andy would have to be the most positive, happy person I have had the privilege to know. "Just do it, get on with it" seems to be his mantra. What an amazing, inspirational man. Thanks for chatting with me again Andy. Thanks to you I am getting on with it, I have been out riding more.

Coromandel Writers' Group

By Vivianne Flintoff

Writing by Lora Mountjoy

It wasn't until she was standing in front of the heavy wooden door, hand raised to knock, that it came over her how much she didn't want to do this.

Violet brought her hand down and lodged it in the pocket of her leather jacket. Through a window she could see Roimata seated at a piano, or at least she could see the thick black hair which fanned over the slender shoulders and could hear the music, lyrical and sweet.

Maybe she could just walk out onto the main road and stick out her thumb. But where could she go?

The old man who had found her dazed and confused by the wrecked motorbike had been kind and helpful, taking her to Tane who had welcomed her and treated her like a younger brother. He had shown her around the Marae with pride, taken her riding over the ancestral lands.

The only problem was, he thought she was male. It was true that she herself had been flirting with a change of gender identity, which was probably why Tane accepted it when the old man introduced her as "young Jeffrey". But now her feelings were changing and her masculine fantasy was beginning to look like just that, an adolescent phase.

Tane, she had discovered, was besotted, in love, obsessed with Roimata. He had poured out his heart to "Jeffrey", telling him how much he wanted the woman, how he had tried every way he knew to get her to take an interest in him. But the object of his desire was adamant; she would never marry but would spend the rest of her life mourning her stillborn child.

Now, as a last resort, Tane had sent his young friend to plead his case; to invite Roimata to the house perhaps, or to arrange an "accidental" meeting. But as Violet stood on the wide verandah, as the cicadas accompanied the music and the summer sun turned the grass in the surrounding fields golden, she had to admit to herself that she didn't want this mission to succeed.

"So," Roimata said, after her initial rebuffs had failed to drive Tane's messenger away. "So if it were you who was infatuated with me, how would you get me to change my mind? What would you say?"

Violet paused, made as if to walk away, then turned and spoke:

"There is a place beyond time and certainty, a state of grace which changes the mind of even the most firmly resolved. You want to know what I would do? I'd make a camp beside your gate, bring my lute and play duets with you. My poems of yearning and hope would appear hourly in your inbox,

skimming like stones across the lake of your resistance till they sank into your soul. I would teach the tui to fly alongside you, calling 'Roimata Roimata' and the wind to brush my name across your lips."

There was a moment of hesitation before the door banged closed.

Minutes of our September meeting

We met as usual on the second Thursday of the month. Our spontaneous writing exercise, "Everything but the Eyes" challenged us. We were asked to describe a place important to us using one or more of the senses excluding a visual description. We found our writing to be richer and more evocative of the place in the absence of any visual description. A learning for us all. Poems – including two to honour Te Wiki o Te Reo – were shared. Poetry, while not always well understood, evokes metaphor and therefore can only support our writing development. Books enjoyed were also shared. We retain this practice because to write well, we must read. Our homework, as usual, brings very varied stories despite being written to the same topic. In this case our flash fiction piece of 500 words began with the words, "I sat in the darkness watching..." This produced some dark pieces, others that made us laugh, while some were uplifting. Our next meeting will be on **11 October** and we travel to Karuna where we hope the hills, bush and birds will inspire.

FC Boats Coromandel Roadshow

The FC Boats Coromandel Roadshow was a great success.

They kicked it off with an informative evening at the Top Pub in Coromandel with brand partners Mercury Marine, Voyager Trailers, Minn Kota and Humminbird. This was followed by a Demo Day on the water out from Oamaru Bay. An FC Amphibious boat was ferrying everyone from the shore to their boats which allowed everyone to have a full FC experience in a range of boats they build! With a bit of wind (15-20 knots), people could see how well the boats handle in true New Zealand conditions. They launched their new FC 635HT Hard Top at the roadshow which was another highlight of the day, with this proving to be a very popular model.



Boom, Bust & Beyond

By Debbie Morgan

On 31 August was the launch of the Coromandel Town Information Centre Boom, Bust & Beyond tours. I was lucky enough to be invited along to the launch including a taster of the tour.

After walking up through town being fed little snippets of history from John Gaffikin-Cowan, we were told by Sandra Wilson about how the tours came around – it was the late Con Anderson, an Information Centre volunteer, who came up with the idea, Dulcie Pepper provided heaps of local info, and Judy Bronlund and Val Macdonald from the Museum also helped.

The taster of the tour certainly left me eager to hear more.

Tours generally take place on a Saturday morning. See the Coromandel Town Information Centre article on page 24 for dates and times.



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Welcoming in a new season of dance

By Lisa Corston (and Jacqui Chan)

We have been back dancing on Thursday evenings for two months now plus we are having a great run of Tuesday morning dances up at Mana. Such a good feeling to be movin' and groovin' again!

My beautiful colleague Jacqui and her partner Benjamin welcome their new daughter Xanthe into the world, into our community, and onto the Coromandel Open Floor. Gorgeous Xanthe was born at home in the wee hours of 16 August and just last week she came along to her first dance up at Mana retreat! Cosily snuggled up in her mum's arms, she got to flow with Jacqui's movements, bringing smiles of delight from us all.

Some words on this Open Floor dance practice. It is a Movement Meditation Practice. Being present for the unique movement of your own body, it's an opportunity to re-discover what it is like to be curious in how we can creatively extend, and

expand, our own body language. And these classes generally contain a couple of explorations to play with, opening new doorways and possibilities of creative movement...

"How does your spine want to move today?" will open up your dance in different ways than the initiation of "What would it be like to include the whole space of the room into your dance?" And of course there is no right or wrong way to do this. There is ample time to be in your own solitude. Perhaps you just feel like keeping to yourself, and yes there are opportunities for interacting with others as well.

There will be periodic classes where everybody gets to simply rest into their dance practice just as it is, with no new teaching offered, an opportunity to rest back into the embodied movement knowledge of all that you have already discovered. Whether there is teaching or not, each dance will be different. Being human means we happen to be rather complex animals. Moment to moment we are changing our physical body, our emotions, our thoughts... we are in constant change! Therefore, as in life, as on the dance floor. This practice has nothing to do with performing steps, and everything to do with coming home to your body, feeling comfortable in your own skin, just as you are.



Benjamin, Jacqui and their new daughter Xanthe

Our Thursday dance space is still being kept as deliciously warm as possible on these brisk, cool spring evenings. And up at Mana, for Tuesday morning dance, the fire is still being lit to ward off the fresh, crisp, spring chill in the morning air, so both dance floors continue to be cosy havens to relax into.

We extend to you a warm and welcoming invitation to come join us.

Weekly Thursday classes at the Anglican Church Hall, 7*-8.30pm; Tuesday morning classes at Mana Retreat Centre, 9.30*-11:30am; **2, 30 October, 6, 13, 27 November.**

(*Please arrive a few minutes earlier to settle in. Come up to 15min early to enjoy a longer warm-up. If you are new we invite you to arrive 10-15min early so we can welcome and orient you.)

Entry: \$15-\$10 (you choose based on what you can afford).

Contacts: Lisa 021 1754 741, Jacqui 022 392 8588. See www.wildbones.co.nz for more info

Coromandel Contract Bridge Club

By Judy Bronlund

A group of our members played in the Whitianga bridge tournament. Lyn and Ischelle were the overall winners on the day. Trish and Judy received a bottle of wine each and Trish and Val won a raffle each; a good day for us.

We have had Murray and Caroline Wiggins join us for a few weeks. Both are directors and as well as playing with us they held a night explaining the finer points of the new rules. The Moehau Pairs is the current competition; two more competitions before we take a break. We play each Monday evening at the St John rooms and we invite other players to join us. Contact either Val or Lyn if you would like to join in with us.

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

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Coromandel Youth MP

The search is on for an energetic, passionate young person to become the voice of Coromandel's youth in the 2019 Youth Parliament in Wellington.

Can you see a future for yourself as an MP?

Or are you just curious about how Parliament works?

Local MP Scott Simpson is asking 16- to 18-year-olds across the electorate who believe they have what it takes to become the Coromandel Youth MP, to get involved in the selection process. Make a one-minute video of "why you should be Coromandel's Youth MP", then tag him in your post on Facebook or Instagram.

"I want to hear from young people who are willing to get out and seek the views, opinions and ideas of their peers and represent them in Parliament. They need to be good communicators and passionate about youth issues," Mr Simpson said.

Application forms are available on my Facebook page or from my Electorate Office, 614 Pollen St, Thames.

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October 2018

LEAD THE WAY



SPRING DOG CONTROL CAMPAIGN

On the Coromandel we are lucky to be able to take our best canine buddies almost anywhere, whether it's down to the beach or for a stroll into town for a bite to eat. What you might not realise is that you need to have your dog on lead in most areas unless specified.

We have noticed an increase in both formal and informal complaints around dog issues in our district. Our bylaws team will be spending more time stopping and talking to dog owners about our local rules especially if dogs aren't on-lead where they should be. They will have information to share on our dog control bylaw and a free dog lead for you to take home.

This is to make sure everyone can enjoy our public spaces and there's a safe environment for dog and non-dog people.

We are running the 'Lead the way' campaign over spring so our local communities can help us set the scene for when visitors come over the busy summer period. The idea is if locals follow the rules and have their dog on a lead in public, then visitors will follow that lead.

Our Dog Control Bylaw: We have dog controls in place to strike a balance between our diverse community needs and preferences. We also have legal requirements under the Dog Control Act 1996 for community health and safety, and to provide exercise and recreational opportunities for dogs and their owners. We've also considered the need to protect indigenous wildlife such as New Zealand dotterel and kiwi. Dogs are usually prohibited from protected bird habitats from Labour Weekend to 1 March, which is during dotterel breeding season.

Dogs on beaches: In between 20 December and 31 January and public holiday weekends, most beaches have time restrictions for when dogs are allowed on the beach, if at all.

Walking your dog on-lead: It is important to remember that dogs need to be on-lead when walking around our local roads and town centres. We provide off-leash dog exercise areas which are sign posted and can be found on our website.

- If you're in doubt about when and where you can walk your dog, keep an eye out for signs and maps, pop into one of our Council offices or head to our website www.tcdc.govt.nz/dogrules
- For information on dog access to conservation land check www.doc.govt.nz

RATES BILL DATE CHANGE

We've changed our rates instalment dates so you will no longer get a bill just before Christmas.

The new dates are 15 Oct, 15 Feb and 15 May. Rates notices will be sent out in Sept, Jan and April.

www.tcdc.govt.nz/rates

Labour Day Kerbside reminder



Kerbside rubbish and recycling collection will be a day later than usual following the Labour Day public holiday on 22 October. And, it's Week 1 in our fortnightly recycling collection so if there's a 1 next to the day of the week of your usual collection on the address sticker on your wheelie bin, put that out along with your crate for glass.

Collections will be:

COROMANDEL RURAL NORTH:

Wednesday 24 October – no recycling pick-up

COROMANDEL TOWN & TE KOUA:

Thursday 25 October – put out your recycling

THAMES COAST & MANAIA:

Wednesday 24 October – put out your recycling

For Kerbside schedules for the entire Coromandel go to

www.tcdc.govt.nz/kerbside

Please don't overfill your glass crates beyond the rim of the crate. If you need more than one crate for recyclable glass, extras can be bought from any of our Council offices for \$25. And please don't put out broken crates – we'll replace them free if you bring them into one of our offices.

Our Coromandel Town Refuse Transfer Station is open every weekend 11am-5:30pm and on Labour Day Monday is open 11am-5:30pm.

For locations and hours of all our transfer stations go to

www.tcdc.govt.nz/rt



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Community Board
UPDATE

Coromandel Library will be trialling a change in opening hours for three months, starting from Monday 10 September. The Library will now be open 10am-1pm Monday –Friday and 10am-12pm on Saturdays.

Register Your Interest – Casual Harbour Wardens. We are currently looking for casual Harbour Wardens for the busy summer period to cover the Coromandel Harbour area. If you are interested or would like to know more, please contact Margaret Harrison, Community Manager, at the TCDC Office, 355 Kapanga Road, Coromandel or phone: 866 1002

Next Meeting. The Community Board will next meet on 6 November in the Coromandel Service Centre, 355 Kapanga Rd.



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Coromandel Arts Tour

Artists open their studios.
www.coromandelartstour.co.nz

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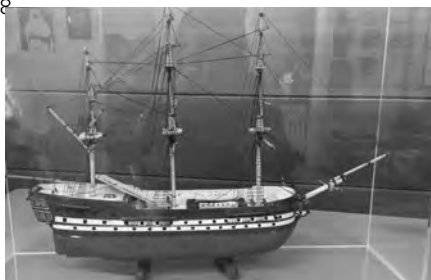
Museum News

By Raewyn McKinney

Work is progressing at a remarkable pace on new displays at the museum.

Our Maritime Display is looking great already, largely thanks to local artist Rebekah Pearson, who has designed and painted a great mural for us, and is currently working on models of birds to add to the display. We have received help from other local people; and we greatly thank Campbell Barr and Dave Harvey from N I Mussels, who have donated all sorts of great items for the display, from information posters to mussel ropes, as well as technical advice. We also thank Andrea Noble and Mike Martin, who have donated some paint; Murray Clarke, who has offered his expertise on a wide range of topics; and the Marine Farmers Association for the donation of posters. As I write this, more help is being sought and offered, and more great things are in the pipeline. Thanks also go to the committee members who have been working hard to get this all together. In time, it is hoped this display will be complemented by the installation of a display of mussel buoys on the front lawn of the museum.

This is a busy time of the year. On 19 September we celebrated the 125th Anniversary of Women's Suffrage in New Zealand; at the end of October we will mark the 166th Anniversary of Charles Ring's discovery of gold in Coromandel; and **11 November** will be the 100th Anniversary of the end of World War 1. Denise is currently hard at work on a display to commemorate the ending of the first World War. The existing artefacts held in the museum have been supplemented by new purchases; the whole display has been reconfigured on new shelving; and we hope to have it all highlighted by new strip lighting in the near future. Thanks to Denise's research, we have



Part of the maritime display

new information on the Coromandel men who fought and died during the war, and the areas of conflict they were involved in.

Further to the subject of mussel farming, here is an article from New Zealand Herald of 12 October 1912:

"Canned Mussels. A Coromandel Industry [Telegraph – own correspondent.] Coromandel, Friday.

Work is in full swing at the local mussel factory, and it is a veritable hive of industry. The mussels are raised from their ocean bed and supplied to the factory by contract. On arrival they are dumped into the cleaning vats and thoroughly cleaned of barnacles and other parasites attached to the outside of the shell, after which the bivalves are placed in an iron vat, screwed down, and steamed for a sufficient period to open the shells. The next process is that of placing the mussels in the cans, and they are then cooked by steam at a temperature of about 230 degrees. The time required for the cooking is a secret of the trade. The whole of the plant is worked by an engine of four horsepower, steam being supplied by a boiler of six horsepower. About 200 dozen cans a day can be manufactured. The output at present is said to be over 100 dozen cans of mussels per month, and it is expected that this amount will be considerably increased in the near future."

The committee has decided to open during the Coromandel Arts Tour between 10am to 4pm on 6, 7, 13 and 14 October. Regular weekend hours will apply from Labour Weekend until Christmas

Mahamudra Centre

By Sarah Brooks

Healing Body and Mind

There has been a great response to the Mindfulness as a Way of Life Retreat we're hosting the first weekend of November, and we're so happy to welcome back Hedwig Bakker as the facilitator. Hedwig offered years of kind service and mindfulness guidance at Mahamudra Centre, and she has been missed (although we're glad she's happily involved helping our friends at Mana Retreat now). We're almost totally booked for the weekend, but if you'd like to attend, give us a call – we might have a space left just for you.

Later in the month, Geshe Thupten Wangchen will be returning to lead a Buddhist empowerment and retreat of healing body and mind based on the practice of Medicine Buddha. Geshe Wangchen is a very special and qualified teacher, so we're thrilled to have him at our centre again. During these two special retreats, the centre will close to visitors to provide a quiet and private space for people to work on inner peace and meditation.

The free community lunches continue every other Friday at the centre. This month they fall on the 5th and 19th. It's helpful to call us and let us know you're coming so we definitely make enough food, and everyone is welcome regardless. When you come to the centre, head up to the main house – lunch is served in the lounge/shop room. We've had great weather to sit out on the porch and enjoy the meal and a chat with a beautiful view.

The Thursday morning meditation has moved back to the Havalona Pyramid for the warm weather season. If you haven't been to the pyramid, it's an amazing community space of peace and healing, so we've missed the good energy of the place. Anyone is welcome to join in and no experience is necessary. We meet from 10-11am and then anyone who has time goes out for a social cup of coffee at a local café.

November will be a focus on mindfulness in creativity, with workshops that include flow/circus arts and photography. If you are interested in details about any of our events or would like to register to attend a retreat or course, please go to our website or give us a call.

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

Pink Ribbon Appeal Coordinators Needed

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Daffodil Day Results 2018

By Robyn Dudson

Many thanks to everyone who helped with our fundraising this year, in particular Marie and Frank Mead for all of the amazing things you do for this day; what a pair!

The Coromandel Golf Club held their annual Daffodil Day Tournament with prizes donated by the local business community, making a total of \$1410. A great effort for such a small club.

The wonderful staff at BNZ provided everything for the sausage sizzle. Jody as usual was chief cook and entertainer, while Julie and Lorna tallied our takings. Amazing effort all.

The final banking on Daffodil Day was an incredible \$4882.10.

We cleared \$241.10 from the counter donation boxes around town Monday, making a grand total of \$5123.20... a truly great effort for such a small town and for such a worthwhile cause which we all can relate to.

Results of raffles were: Garden sculpture 46 yellow – Ngaire McCall, painting 24 – Sheryl Spraggs, goodies basket 73 – Teresa Treathaway, cheese board 10 – Sam Notman, carrot cake 3 – Stoney, fruit cake 7 – Terry Treversa, meat voucher 40 – Isobel Grant, iced fruit cake 35 – John G.C.

The photo is of the Walking Group ladies who turned up on a cold, wet, miserable Thursday morning to make all of the donated daffodils into bunches.

Thank you Coromandel; we could not manage without your fabulous support and this is such a rewarding total. \$5123.20, wow!



(l to r) Glenda Heath, Glenda Robinson, Irene Dunn, Marie Mead, Denise Stone, Thelma Nummy and Elspeth Campbell

Monday Walkers

By Irene Dunn

It's great to have those lovely spring days with the sun shining on us as we walk through the bush around our area and beyond. It really does make you want to get those boots on and explore the tracks and new places, doesn't it? Walking those extra kms each week is great.

During a recent walk in the Matarangi wetland we found lots of Pomaderris kumeraho flowering; a local resident doing work on the track to divert water; lots of wilding pines that had been cut down with more on the agenda; a possum that had met its fate in a trap; a fantail bathing in a little pool of water; a great deal of fragrance throughout the bush; and fabulous views from high above the beach.

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Natalie beside a lovely specimen of kumerahou



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Ann's Good News, Naturally

By Ann Kerr-Bell



Cell Health, Nutrigenomics and Broccoli

Your body has approximately 50 trillion cells. For your optimum health and longevity, each of your cells needs to be structurally strong and nourished. Be aware of your body at a cellular level. Just like your car, your cells have "parts" that need to be serviced and functioning efficiently, and each part of your cells has a specific role.

1) Cell membrane – Surrounds your cells for protection, to let in water, oxygen, food and other molecules. Some molecules "flow" into the cell, others need to be pumped in. In the same way the cell's membrane has a range of complex mechanisms for pumping waste materials out of your cells. If waste materials are not being removed efficiently, because your cells are not getting the specific food molecules they need, cancer and other chronic diseases occur. Ridding unwanted chemicals, or detoxification, is an essential function of all cells.

2) Mitochondria – Your cell's power station, for energy production, produces the energy your cell needs to perform all its functions. Foods you choose to eat will affect their function, thus your energy. Unprocessed, whole foods are essential for optimum energy production.

3) Cytoplasm – Like the soup of the cell and is a rich source of thousands of essential chemical substances all playing their own indispensable roles in maintaining normal cellular function.

4) Nucleus – Your cell's database, is a sack holding your genes. Genes are made up of long strands of DNA, storing your unique genetic information. Controlled by your DNA, cells replicate by dividing into two new identical cells at intervals. Healthy cells replicate to be healthy cells. But if your DNA has been damaged, defective cells are produced, carrying them to the next generation of cells. This predisposes chronic hereditary diseases, which can be difficult to reverse. Your DNA has a remarkable ability to repair such damage to a point, but a lifetime of accumulated damage can overwhelm the cell's natural repair process.

Nutrigenomics

Simply put, foods (nutrients) interact with genes (genomics), potentiating prevention and/or treatment of disease.

Real food and lifestyle choices send healthy messages to your genes. Poor choices of processed packet foods, sugar, chemical food additives, high temperature fried foods, agricultural residues found in food, prevent the cells from detoxifying. They damage delicate mechanisms, and the DNA, jamming up your cell's functions, clogging them with toxic byproducts. If this is ongoing day after day, disease will be the inevitable consequence.

Good News – New "cell protective qualities" have been found in certain foods. When you add them to your daily routine, you can maximize the benefit these compounds have on your cells.

A small protein in cells has been discovered which "switches on" the cell's own defense system, activating more than 200 different genes, all of which code for different aspects of cellular defense. Even more exciting is the identification of substances that can activate this new protein. The most powerful of these substances comes from broccoli.

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Coromandel Garden Circle

By Jenny Penman

Our September meeting took place on a beautiful spring day at the Combined Clubs of Coromandel. We had some new members, some returning members and some visitors swell our numbers. Once the formalities of the meeting were over we carpoled up to the Greenhills Estate and had a ramble around the gardens of five of our members.

These relatively new gardens surprised us all with their well established beds full of a wide variety of flowering and fruiting plants. The freesias were especially eye-catching, being in a variety of colours, and in one case using a shrub for support to reach near the top of the fence and better sunlight. At one home the male gardener of the house explained the intricacies of getting a good kumara strike to some of us and the cunning contraptions to exclude birds and rabbits from the vegetable beds demonstrated the problems of living in a more rural location.

Spring is obviously a popular time for garden festivals and the Garden Circle have several on offer coming up for members to carpool and attend. In October there is the Waikato Home and Garden Show (4-7 October) and on 18 November the inaugural Cambridge Festival with 10 gardens on offer to visit.

Our Tip of the Month for September was a DIY bug repellent candle which will come in handy as these lovely evenings lengthen. Into a jar you decoratively pack a selection of sliced citrus, thyme and rosemary sprigs, lavender seed heads and cinnamon sticks. Add a few drops of citronella oil and then fill the jar with hot water. Screw on the lid, shake then open and place a floating tea candle in jar and light. Presto, a bug blocker!

Our programme for the year includes talks, demonstrations and day trips to places of interest and events. We meet the second Wednesday of the month, usually at 1pm.

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Alone At Christmas?

By Damian Langley
and Rita Stephenson

We have had an amazing response to our appeal to provide a Christmas lunch to those that have no one else to share with.

The lunch is available to couples or single people who have no one else, people that would otherwise be alone on Christmas Day. Thank you to CILT and Returned Services for offering their vans to pick people up for lunch and bring them safely home again.

To date we have had a couple of monetary donations. We do need more, and if you can contribute financially we would be most grateful. Monetary donations can be dropped off at Four Square. There will be a box on one of the counters. We also need food contributions.

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday 11 October** 5.30pm, at TCDC board room.

If you are able to help with a monetary contribution, fill in the form below or email directly to Damian on coromandelchristmaslunch@gmail.com and he will touch base with you.

Library News

By Raewyn McKinney

I am pleased to report that there was a good turnout at the recent Library AGM. The library committee thanks all those who came to the meeting and those who offered verbal and written support for the library.

The library committee of the past year was re-elected unopposed. The office holders are: Chairperson and librarian – Carlene Carmichael; Secretary – Raewyn McKinney; Treasurer – Sharon Currie. The committee is: Diann Cade, Ann McNair, Stuart Nairn, Don Pearce, Barbara Peddie, Raewyn Penrose, Jim Sharp, Pat Sharp, Peter Sowden and Tahi.

Following the AGM Carlene paid tribute to Mike and Anne Walmsley, who are moving to Whitianga after over 20 years' volunteer service to the library.

On behalf of the members and the committee Evelyn Green presented Mike and Anne with a voucher for the Pepper Tree, and two miniatures of Coromandel, painted by Barbara Peddie. In reply Mike thanked everyone and said he had enjoyed his time in the Coromandel Community Library.

As most people now realise, at the AGM it was agreed to reduce the library hours for a trial period of three months. The new hours are therefore 10am-1pm Monday to Friday, and 10am-12 noon on Saturday.

A report was presented at the AGM on the future of the library systems. Jim has been investigating the TCDC library computer system to find out how



Evelyn makes presentation to Mike Walmsley

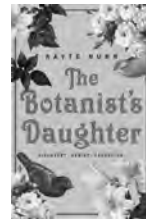
it works and whether the Coromandel Community Library is able to join it. His final report will be presented at the next committee meeting at the end of September, and a decision will be made at that time. As always, the best interests of the members of the Coromandel Library will be the deciding factor.

Recent additions to the library include:



Testament by Kim Sherwood

Of everyone in her complicated family, Eva was closest to her grandfather: a charismatic painter – and a keeper of secrets. So when he dies, she's hit by a greater loss – of the questions he never answered, and the past he never shared.



The Botanist's Daughter by Kaye Dunn

In Victorian England, headstrong adventuress Elizabeth takes up her late father's quest for a rare, miraculous plant. She faces a perilous sea voyage, unforeseen dangers and treachery that threatens her entire family.

In present-day Australia, Anna finds a mysterious metal box containing a sketchbook of watercolours, a photograph and a small bag of seeds. It sets her on a journey that will force her to face her own demons.

Our Homesick Songs by Emma Hooper



When all the fish vanish from the waters, and the cod industry abruptly collapses, it's not long before the people begin to disappear from the town of Big Running. 10-year-old Finn Connor suddenly finds himself living in a ghost town. And then Finn's parents announce that they too must separate if their family is to survive.

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By Julie Scampton, Station Manager, Coromandel

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Coromandel Budget Advisory Service

By Caroline Dunn

Budget Advice

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AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Coromandel Budget Advisory Service will be held at Tiki House, 45 Tiki Road on **Saturday 6 October** at 10am.

Foodbank

At the time of writing, we are gearing up to our Quiz Night fundraiser in less than two weeks. We are so grateful for the response and support we have had in organising this. All of our funds received through the year are by way of fundraising, donations and funding applications. These events are so important to our service, we are lucky to have a supportive community that helps make these events achievable.

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Also we would like to thank the Star & Garter Hotel for supporting us in June and July through their Sunday Pizza nights. All I can say is yum, I tried every flavour.

If you require a food parcel please make sure Foodbank requests are with us before 12.30pm on a Tuesday, otherwise you will have to wait until the following week. Pick-up time is at 2.30pm on a Wednesday. You will need to book in with a Budget Advisor if you are going to need assistance over a couple of weeks.

Again we would like to thank everyone who has dropped off donations for the Foodbank over the last month; it's greatly appreciated.

Community Garden

Spring is here and we have a lot of new seedlings planted in the garden. The place is looking fabulous, and a massive thank you must go out to Brooke, our garden coordinator, and our small but growing team of volunteers.

In case you missed it we have set up a Community Sharing Shelf at the garden. Thank you to the Goldmine Re-Use Centre for donating us the fridge. Make sure you follow our Facebook page to keep up-to-date with what we are putting in there from the garden and who is dropping what off. It's for

the whole community and we are so happy to have it up and running. It will be as great as our community wants it to be.

If you are keen to help, the volunteers' drop-in is on a Wednesday morning between 9am and 11am. This is for anyone who would like to help out in the Community Garden.

Our office is at 45 Tiki Road (Tiki House) down the hallway. Office Hours – if you need to make an appointment or organise a food parcel the Budget phone number is (07) 866 8351 or 022 018 0849 where you can talk to one of our staff or leave a message. Phone messages are checked and replied to Mon-Fri. Foodbank – Pick up time is 2:30pm Wednesday. We close at 3pm so don't be late. Please make sure Foodbank requests are with us before 12.30pm on a Tuesday

Colville Community Hall Fundraiser

Colville Community Hall are having another fundraiser for our hall. We are working on getting funds to upgrade the kitchen.

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Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild

By Jenny Penman

Talk at our September guild meeting mainly centred around the last of the workshops for this year and a look towards those to be offered early in 2019. The September workshop is a less structured one based around the concept of the pouch/purse/chatelaine that was worn around the 5th and 6th centuries. This workshop promises collaborative work that will grow our repertoires of stitch application, textural additives, layering, embellishment and colour combinations with various materials – even those tea bags that have been carefully saved.

At the October workshop we will stitch a small blue hussif. A hussif (or hussy or housewife) is based on the 18th century sewing kit that women used at home and soldiers used to mend their clothing in the military. The design we will work on, by one of our own members, uses beautiful shades of blue thread accented with yellow worked in a cross stitch design based on old Portuguese tiles.

Early in 2019 Alys Middelgouw Marsden, an English tutor now living in Matakana, will take a workshop. Alys works with embroidered textiles using a wide range of contemporary textiles and mixed media techniques. Although she works primarily in metal shims, her work also includes dyeing, painting, piecing and burning fabrics and often features embellishment by hand and machine.

In the rundown to this year's end, we are reminded that our Exhibition entry pieces need to be finished and the last stitches made in our President's Challenge "Time Warp" piece for showing in early November. A group of stitchers will also be making the journey north to Warkworth for that Guild's Regional Day (and some escape time!) on **6 October** following the glowing reports from those that went to Doubtless Bay back in May.

The next Guild meeting will be on the first **Wednesday 3 October**. Interested new "members" are always welcome.

For further information about the Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild and related activities contact Margaret Burgess (07) 866 5769



Beautiful pieces from our September Show and Tell Table

Grey Power Association – Coromandel

By John Rabarts. President

**Reader feedback**

Last issue I had some advice about using oats to deter ants. It must work as one reader kindly advised me he had used the method and the ants are gone but in came the mice looking for the oats. So what is the answer to the mice problem? Not sure, but in my house the oats got rid of the ants and Maggie the cat looks after any mice that are unwise enough to come in. But no – you can't borrow Maggie, you will need to find your own cat, or train a kitten.

Bicycle Safety

I have an old friend who tells me he went to the liquor store last week and bought a hip flask size bottle of Johnny Walker. He put it in his bicycle basket and was about to ride home. Then he thought what if he happened to fall off his bicycle on the way home? The bottle might fall and get broken. So to prevent such an unfortunate incident, the bottle being broken and the whisky lost he drank the Johnny Walker right there and headed off. It was just as well that he did that as on the way home he fell off his bicycle not just once – but seven times. Luckily not a drop of whisky was wasted!

Retirement

Coming to or reached retirement age and still working? Almost a quarter of New Zealanders continue to work past the age of 65. With our experience and skills we still have a lot to offer employers. Unfortunately 40% of workers face age related discrimination when we indicate we wish to continue working or look for new employment when in our 60's or older. We face a range of age related stereotypes around adaptability, physical ability and resilience, or shortfalls in our computer and other electronic technical skills. Many feel we are "shunted out" when coming to retirement age so younger workers can be promoted into our positions. Employers and fellow employees must move past these stereotypes and appreciate that older workers are not to be "pushed out to pasture", or seen as having "done our bit" or of "being too old" to work. In fact in 2014 the Crown Entities Workforce Survey showed that we older workers prefer challenging and rewarding work roles. The key to harnessing the experience and reliability of older workers is through open and supportive consideration and communication. If you are thinking of staying in the workforce after 65, some changes that can be talked about to mutual benefit are: shorter or flexible working hours; reducing demanding requirements such as extensive travel; retraining; or rearranged duties. The Human Rights Act protects older workers from age discrimination, including the right to ask for changes to suit slowing physical abilities. It is not OK for a potential employer to ask questions about age, general health and disabilities unless it is essential to the job. You can complain to the Human Rights Commission if you feel you have experienced age-related discrimination at www.hrc.co.nz.

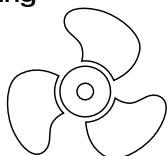
More handy tips.

Store your opened chunks of cheese in aluminium foil. It will stay fresh much longer and not go mouldy. To really make scrambled eggs or omelettes rich add a couple of spoons full of heavy cream, sour cream, or cream cheese to the mix, before beating. Enjoy the difference. Coffee grounds are high in nitrogen and make good plant fertiliser.

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Town Sponsors Teens to Drive

By Caro Reid



Coromandel Town businesses and locals have gone all out for the youth of their town. In the last two years 36 youth have gained their learner's licences thanks to the support of local agencies and the generosity of locals, local business owners and emergency services. The youth have had the opportunity to attend properly constructed courses to educate them around safety on the roads, and to give them the information needed to pass their learner's licences. The cost of the course, venues, licences, transport, food and refreshments was kindly donated. A 100 percent pass rate has been achieved in each of the three courses in Coromandel Town. The first two courses were provided by Te Korowai Hauora and this year Gavin Buchanan from Thames Driver Training, an ex-licence tester who now teaches rather than tests, was generously sponsored by Harcourts Coromandel and Caro Reid from Harcourts (cost of trainer's time and travel); St John Ambulance (donation of meeting rooms); CILT (supplying the Community van); Coral Clark and the Youth Support Committee who co-ordinated it all so beautifully; NZTA (Road Code books).

The learner licence itself costs just under \$100, so Coral and Caro approached locals to "Sponsor a Teen". Sponsors included James Drainage, Coromandel Pharmacy, Sue Ngamane, Anchor Lodge, James and Turner, Julie and Bruce Douglas, CAPS Hauraki, Coromandel Hotel, Larry and Joan Knudsen (ITM), Coromandel Family Health Centre, Admirals Arms, BP Coromandel, Jan Autumn Celebrant Services and Coromandel Super Saver. Food was supplied by Pepper Tree, Top Town Takeaways, Coromandel Four Square, Coromandel Bakery and BNZ. Thanks to Sid Waara and Tina Peterken for transporting the students to Thames. Past sponsors for last year's two courses also include Sheryl Fitzpatrick (CANDO), The Coromandel Community Board, Wharf Road Café, Success Café, Coromandel Takeaways and Coromandel Butchers.

Now after the success of three learner's courses, funds are being sought to take the next step to train the participants of the courses to gain their restricted licences. The town is on the hunt for suitable driving instructors and cars for the teens to practice in. The goal is for more competent, safer and legal young drivers on our roads which for some will also lead to greater opportunities in employment.

Gavin the trainer summed it all up when he said "hats off to Coro Town community. This community came together, backed their kids with community time and money and wow, look at the amazing result. I can't wait to get cracking on those driving lessons now!"

Plastic-Free Coromandel Town

By Kate James



Plastic plastic plastic. Stories about the damage and pollution being caused by plastic seem to be everywhere at the moment. It's a big deal. Getting rid of single-use plastics like bags, coffee cups (they are lined with plastic and not recyclable) and straws is a great way to start turning the tide on plastic pollution. Coromandel Town is ahead of the game. So many business owners are reducing or giving up their use of plastic bags and making great efforts to stop using other single-use plastic products. We can all help with this and try to remember our re-usable bags, coffee cup, and water bottle whenever we go out. And don't forget to take your own containers to put meat in at the Coromandel Meatkeeper or takeaways from our very own Zagnos Turkish Kitchen and Coromandel Kebab House (yes, they are more than happy to use your container). If you happen to forget your re-usable bag when going to town, we now have a stand in Four Square where you can grab a "Plastic-free Coromandel Town" bag for a koha.

Looking ahead...

- We have made it into the finals for the community group category in the Keep New Zealand Beautiful awards to be announced on **26 October** – watch this space.
- We have received some funding from Waikato Regional Council, with support from our Coromandel Forest and Bird branch, to supply local people with jute shopping bags. These bags will also go out with food parcels from the Coromandel Foodbank.
- We will be showcasing what local businesses are doing to reduce plastic use. Let us know what you are doing!
- We will host a beeswax wrap workshop in November to teach people how to make and use beeswax wraps instead of gladwrap or clingfilm.
- We are thrilled that Four Square is going re-usable by **1 December** this year.

We would love to hear your ideas for how we can help or how you can help us! Contact us at: Plasticbagfreecoromandel@gmail.com or search for "Plastic-Free Coromandel Town" on Facebook

Poetry SPOT

JUDGING

By Beryl van Donk

Never judge your neighbour
if you rarely see them smile.
You do not know their background
so just go that extra mile.
We all have inner longings and
genes that drive us on.
Events that shaped our beings
from childhood nor long gone.
We often hear just laughter
but seep down and within
Your neighbour's often weeping
and longs to hear the hymn
That tell them that their Maker
has trod that path before,
That instead of scorn and judgments
they are loved and cherished more
Than we can ever measure through
God's ever open door.

Beryl van Donk has a book of her poetry now available. Her niece published the book with a photo beneath each of Beryl's poems. The book is for sale from the stationer shop in Coromandel Town and Carsons in Thames. Proceeds from the sale of the book will go to The Salvation Army to help the homeless.



STAFF WANTED

CHEF/COOK – PERMANENT PART TIME

We are looking for a person to assist the Head Chef in the kitchen. Must have past experience in a commercial kitchen and must be able to work on their own and under pressure. Position available immediately.

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We are looking for a cleaner to help with the maintenance of the chalets and main restaurant area. Willing to train if no previous experience. Position available immediately. Flexible hours to suit your lifestyle.

These positions would be more suited to local people as hours can vary in relation to the seasonal nature of the business. We are looking for people who are willing to be part of our small team and help with the success of Tangiaro Kiwi Retreat. If this looks like it could suit you please call Jeanette on 866 6614 to discuss.

Mana Update

By Penelope Carroll

The less you open your heart to others, The more your heart suffers. – Deepak Chopra

The Mana schedule is mostly filled with workshops and retreats facilitated by teachers who regularly present at Mana. We – and those who come as participants – are blessed by their presence and teachings. Some, like Tony Backhouse, Edna Levy and Stephanie Dowrick are well into their second decade of presenting at Mana and Stephanie's annual Spring Retreat begins the October schedule. But we are also blessed to welcome new teachers running transformative workshops, like Chopra Center certified educator Trish du Temple and Peace Foundation facilitator Lisa Gibson, who will run their first meditation and purposeful living retreat – Awaken Within – at Mana next month (**8-11 November**).

"The peaceful, inspiring and uplifting environment of Mana is the perfect place to run it," says Trish. They have been involved for many years in coaching and meditation workshops in a range of settings, including working with youth through Project Wayfinder, with grief, in healthcare settings and the Peace Foundation, "but this will be our first retreat..."

Drawing on teachings from Deepak Chopra and the latest purpose development research, this retreat will help you awaken to your authentic self, discover how to live more purposefully in alignment with your deepest desires and empower you to express your unique talents in your work, play and relationships in a way that best serves the world, says Trish.

The death of her father from suicide when she was 16, and then later, the death of her two-and-a-half-year-old daughter, Mia, from cancer, were personal catalysts to explore practices which would help her find renewed purpose in her life and "helped me heal the heart" – including a four-year training through the Deepak Chopra Center. Mia, she says, "taught us a lot about what's most important and how to fully live with love, no matter the circumstances."

Trish says she is grateful to all the wonderful teachers she has had, and the rich toolbox of practices and strategies she now has to best help people rediscover their true self and step into a more purposeful life: "It's in sharing these tools and practices with as many people as we can, that we hope to cultivate a happier, more loving and compassionate world."

And here's a current favourite recipe from the Mana Kitchen to try out in this season of delectable cauliflowers.

Maria's Cauliflower Quinoa Balls in Coconut and Tumeric Sauce

The balls: combine 2 C of minced cauliflower, 1 C cooked quinoa, 1 C chopped parsley or coriander, ½ C flour, 2 beaten eggs, 2 tbsp olive oil, ½ tsp salt, ¾ tsp allspice, ½ tsp Vietnamese cinnamon, and refrigerate for 20-30 minutes. Roll into 22 balls and bake for 30 min.

The sauce: sauté 2 C diced onion, 4 cloves minced garlic, 3cm length of fresh ginger (grated) with ½ tsp turmeric and a little salt and pepper in 2 tbsp oil. Combine with 1 C coconut cream, 1 C broth. 2 tbsp lime or lemon juice in an oven-proof serving dish, add cauliflower and quinoa balls and heat through in moderate oven. Garnish with ½ C of chopped coriander.

Coromandel Santa Parade

By Daniel Smith

This year's Santa Parade is scheduled for **Saturday 8 December** at 2pm, from Watt Street to Jacks Point. The main street will be closed for 30 minutes while the parade passes through.

Come on out and join in the fun. This year's theme is Science Fiction Christmas, so put on your favourite costumes and get amongst it.

Jump in your fancy car, or on your tricycle, and join the parade. Turn up on the day at Watt Street by 1.30pm. Or give me a call to let me know.

Sponsorship also wanted for prizes: Best Commercial Float, and Best Amateur, as well as Best School.

Contact Daniel 020 4116 6877



Coromandel Town Information Centre

By Sandra Wilson



Boom, Bust & Beyond Guided Heritage Tours have certainly featured in the media over the last few weeks following our launch on 31 August. We are currently operating tours on a Saturday morning at 11.30am, although tours are available at other times by arrangement. The walking tour of town starts at the Information Centre and takes 1 to 1.5 hours.

Thinking of what to give as a birthday or Christmas present? How about a Boom, Bust & Beyond gift voucher? Yes, that's right – something a little different and perfect for someone who enjoys history, who loves Coromandel Town, or who you don't know what to get. The cost is \$10 per person. They can be for an individual or a group of people. Give us a call or email (details at the bottom of the article).

Saturday 15 September we had a good turnout for the Pick It Up Now event, which was part of World Cleanup Day. I would like to thank all those who participated: mums, dads, children and tourists! Between them they collected eight bags of rubbish from Jacks Point to Hauraki Reserve. Amazing what people leave or throw away. There are many bins in and around town and there is a recycling station at the Refuse Centre on Hauraki Road, so no excuses to trash our lovely town. I have also

noticed that there are a few proactive people who instinctively pick up rubbish when they see it along their walks.

InterCity service which departs Coromandel at 11.17am will resume Saturday service on **6 October**. At present it is Sunday through Friday.

360 Ferry resumes their Friday Auckland/Coromandel service on **19 October**. The Tuesday and Thursday services resume **23 October** when the ferry will then be operating five days a week. Bookings can be made at the Centre.

Along with the longer days and warmer weather we start to get out and explore a bit more. Just a note to remind you that we have over 11 walks in and around and far north of town. Pop in and see us to get a map or purchase a copy of the beautiful Colville Trail Cards.

We also have for sale four unique greeting cards depicting some of our iconic buildings: Samuel James Reserve, Meat Keeper and Star and Garter Hotel. They are \$2.50 per card and great as birthday or Christmas cards, especially if you are sending them overseas.

We love to help out our local community groups by promoting your activities, events, fundraisers and such. Do contact me if you would like us to help spread the word via radio and internet.

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2-4 NOV	November Relax Weekend	
8-11 NOV	Awaken Within: A Meditation and Purposeful Living Retreat w/ Trish du Temple and Lisa Gibson	

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Hon Scott Simpson, MP For Coromandel**Spring is here**

Like many folk I travel the Peninsula and around the entire Coromandel electorate very regularly throughout the year. One of the great joys of doing so is watching the change of seasons. I'm perverse enough to enjoy the wild storms we sometimes experience during winter months and of course there is no place better than our own Coromandel during the summer... but spring is special. It signals the start of something new but something also familiar. There's warmth in the sun and that leads to a sense of anticipation for what the summer will bring.

But as summer rapidly approaches there's still the dark cloud of unresolved questions about rescue helicopter services for the Peninsula. The tender for provision of a new nationwide service closed in back in May. We were excluded from the tender request.

The tender process is being led by the Ministry of Health but the Minister of Health has refused to meet with me or members of our local Coromandel Rescue Helicopter Trust.

Officials told me a decision would be made in early August. It's now late September and the silence is deafening. No decision has been announced about the future of services to our region.

An 8,500 signature petition has been delivered to Parliament and a select committee is currently considering it. The petition called for the government to maintain existing services.

I'm hopeful of a positive outcome to this whole issue. The consequences of there not being a satisfactory outcome don't bear thinking about. It will simply be unacceptable to local residents and to the hundreds of thousands of visitors we host each summer for the rescue helicopter service to be reduced. Doing so would literally put lives at risk.

So the message I will be taking to the Minister of Health this week will be ... make a decision soon... make the right decision soon.

Spring is here and summer isn't far away. Our community deserves certainty around this issue and we deserve to know sooner rather than later that our region will continue to have access to rescue helicopter services at no lesser level than we currently have.

Please never hesitate to make contact with me if I can be of assistance with any matter. For an appointment you can phone my electorate office on (07) 868 3529. email: mpcoromandel@parliament.govt.nz

**Wild things**

By Kate Donoghue

Kaka Beak (ngutu kaka) is a beautiful New Zealand native plant with red and/or white flowers. It is a member of the pea family so is a soil nutrient and is related to the kowhai. Sadly it is on the "Nationally Endangered" list. Only 150 plants are known to exist in the wild though many more are cultivated in home gardens. Introduced species, including rabbits, goats, pigs and snails, impede the regeneration of kaka beak. Communities around the country are working to reestablish these natives in their rohi. Coromandel was once home to these spectacular natives. Perhaps we could start our own seed bank. And if anyone knows of any growing in the wild please contact me at Forest & Bird. Kate Donoghue (07) 866 8543/027 692 6494.

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

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Rangatahi

CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN

Colville School

Written by Piri Pearsall,
Year 6 Student



Recently at Colville School we have done renovations on our school's hall (A.V. room). With lots of help from our teacher Matua Ra we were able to sand and polyurethane the floor. Now it's a clean and happy space to use for music, dance and Kiwi Can. We also painted and washed the whole room, as well as taking out old dusty cupboards and sorting out all of the musical instruments in the storage room. Lately we've been using the hall for practising performances for our end of term assembly. Stephanie Mckee has also been visiting to teach the year 4 to 6s music. We've loved practising with her and learning new chords and songs. The acoustics in the hall are now amazing!

Everyone had a blast at the Children's Forest at Waikawau as we replanted trees that pigs had ripped up and added a few extras. For some Colville School students

it was the third time planting there, so we were excited to see how much the trees had grown. With help from Moehau Environment Group (MEG) who provided lots of support including spades and 100 native plants, including kowhai, cabbage trees and coprosma. We were machines planting trees carefully and looking for worms to put in their holes. As well as planting trees we went for a bush walk to a big pohutukawa tree. The first time we got lost but on the way we found the tops of ice cream containers with Colville School students' names on them next to big trees, some now ten years old. We really enjoyed our big day out!

Two weeks ago MEG visited to teach us and help make our own stoat traps and tracking tunnels. Natalie and Terry showed us how to safely take the animals out of the traps without getting our fingers jammed. Plus a few days prior Nathan, a local conservationist, taught us how to set them as well. We ended up making three stoat traps and about fifteen tracking tunnels. Colville



School are very thankful to the MEG workers who helped us.

Finally, we have been choosing a new school logo. We launched a competition to see who could write the best persuasive paragraph about something that they would like to see in the new logo. The winning items to be incorporated in the logo were the cabbage tree, which represents Colville's historical name, and the kaka bird, for its many interesting attributes. After lots of thinking and designing we have created our new logo. It's great having a logo that combines our past with our future.

Coromandel Community Preschool

By Debra Attwood



With summer approaching we are having a spring clean of our playground and building a new garden area, if anyone would like to help out come along and see us.

We would like to thank Ross for making our new hooks for holding the children's bags; they look great.

We would also like to thank the McGregor Bay Wetland group for letting us explore their light tunnel and experience listening to our native birds, hearing their call and learning to identify them. The more our children are exposed to our environment the more they learn and engage. This gives them a sense of responsibility and they learn to care for nature both wildlife and the land.

We have recently celebrated birthdays for Lucy, Daniel, Ryan, Punehu, Amber, Indi-Lee, and Te Rakato we wish them a very happy birthday. We said farewell to Manawa who has moved on to Kura, and Te Kahika and Korra who have moved out of the area we wish them well. We welcomed George and we look forward to learning all about you.

Our rolls are currently full, but you are welcome to come along if you have a child this age and are looking for a quality early childhood centre and see if this is the right place for you and your child to begin their lifelong journey of learning. You can put your child's name on the waiting list if required. Check out our latest Education review on the website: <http://www.ero.govt.nz/review-reports/coromandel-community-preschool-25-05-2018/>.



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

Coromandel Youth Group at Hauraki House

Friday Nights at Youth Group

Parents please check in with us from time to time as this helps us to keep track of who should be at Youth Group and not wandering the streets!

School Holiday Hours

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Friday – 6pm-9pm evening social for student yrs 7-10.

Sunday – 1pm-4pm drop in and social.

School Term Time Hours

Tuesday and Thursday – 3pm-5pm.

Friday afternoon – 2pm-4pm.

Friday Night Social – 6pm-9pm for students yrs 7-10.

Sunday – 1pm-4pm drop-in social.

Coromandel Youth Group is for all children aged 5–15yrs; just fill out a membership form for each child attending.

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

Parents/Guardians

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

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

Along with the kind donations that we receive, we would like to thank those that make this programme possible: Lottery Waikato, COGS, Trust Waikato, "Bizarre" Charitable Trust, The Tindal Foundation, Star & Garter give a little Sundays – \$10 Pizzas and The Warehouse – Thames 'Customer Choice' programme

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Rangatahi CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN continued

News from Te Rerenga School

Learning, it's what we do...

By Mary Kedzlie



Runners from Te Rerenga School performed exceptionally well at the recent Thames Valley Primary Schools Cross Country event. There were children participating from all of the primary schools across the Coromandel Peninsula, Thames Valley and Hauraki Plains with up to 50 children in each race. We had seven top

10 places, including one age group winner, and four more runners who were in the top 20 of their age group. Congratulations to Ella Simpson who won the 9-year girls, and Ellie Mikkelsen who came 3rd in the 10-year girls.

Our Room 1 children (Year 1) wrote some great stories for Te wiki o te Reo Māori about the legend "Maui and the Sun." Here is a selection.

Maui did not have time to hunt and fish. They made ropes and hid and caught him. The sun went slow. – *Taylor Mullins*

Maui and his brothers had no time to hunt and fish. Then they wove the flax into ropes.

They hid where the sun came up. After that the sun went slowly. – *Ava Redfern*

Maui couldn't hunt for food and his brothers couldn't fish. The sun moved too fast. Maui and his brothers made flax ropes to catch the sun. They found the hole and put ropes over the hole and when the sun

tried to get up, Maui called to his brothers "now" and do you know what? The sun never moved fast again. – *Hunter Jones*

The sun was going too fast so Maui could not eat. So they caught the sun. They let the sun go and the sun went slowly. – *Mason Ward-Parr*

Room 4 students (Years 6-8) have been completing koru inspired pastel and paint art works. Above are two examples by Danyl Thompson-Hudig and Anna Mikkelsen.



Kiwi Can

Kia Ora Koutou,

Kiwi Can are now in the middle of our lesson planning, designing our lessons that we will deliver to our tamariki in term four. We will then take a break for the second week of the school holidays, so we are refreshed to tackle the last term of 2018.

Keep an eye out in the next issue of the Chronicle to find out what our new theme and catchphrase is for term four.

Did you see our Respect wings around town in September?

Don't forget to like us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/kiwicanoromandel.

We hope all of our tamariki have a meke holiday and remember: Be safe, Be awesome, Be you!

Ka kite ano from the Kiwi Can Crew.

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



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Coromandel Playcentre

By Jenna James

We've had a busy time at playcentre with events and visitors checking out our centre. Whoop whoop! We are super grateful to all of the businesses in our community that support our centre through various means and would like to thank these entities.

Rally NZ allowed us to make meals for all of the teams participating in the Coromandel rally in August. We are grateful that they make a point of supporting local businesses and groups and jump at the offer to be involved. Several PC mums got up bright and early and cooked up a breakfast storm.

Thank you also to the Coromandel Four Square for their large donation of food and supplies, which greatly helped boost our fundraising effort. We were also fortunate enough to be able to borrow gear from the Success Cafe which made the operation way more efficient; thank you.

The day went really well and was exciting for the children who turned up during the course of the day to watch the cars go through the service pit!

Coromandel Playcentre would also like to thank the Star and Garter for sponsoring us with their "Give a little Sunday" pizza initiative. We are so lucky to have such great support from local businesses, thank you so much! We may very well be fortunate to do this again and can hopefully let you know when it will be happening again so you can go down to the Star and Garter and eat your guts full!

Lastly, thank you to NIML for their donation of rope to the centre. We are still in the process of hatching a fundraising plan that will suit.

Our theme for the term has been construction and outer space. The children have been working on a rocket and painting space helmets to simulate their own out of space experiences! We'd love you to bring your tiny baby, toddler or pre-schooler to come down and have a look at their handy work, maybe take a quick tour of Venus or Mars while you're here!

Look forward to meeting you!

Coromandel Area School

How animals are affected by plastic pollution – By Finn

I believe plastic should be banned because animals are being terribly affected by discarded plastic. Plastic is going through the food chain. Baby birds are eating plastic and millions of tons are getting dumped in the ocean. So that is why I am here today talking about all these terrible disasters.

Firstly, I will talk about how the plastic is going through the food chain.

Micro plastic will be floating around the ocean, plankton will eat the micro plastic, small fish will eat the plankton, bigger fish will eat the small fish, even bigger fish will eat the big fish and so on ... until we catch the fish and eat it, then the plastic ends up in us!

You could be eating loads of plastic and not know it!

Secondly, I will talk about how baby birds eat loads of plastic. The reason the birds eat so much plastic is because they can't tell the difference between plastic and fish, they think the plastic is little fish bobbing up and down in the water. The amount these birds carry inside them is the equivalent of 10 kgs of plastic in us. Imagine carrying around 10 kgs of plastic in your stomach! Ouch! These birds need to fly to the breeding grounds but

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can't because there's so much plastic in them, then these birds end up dying!

Finally, I will talk about how millions of tons of plastic gets dumped in the ocean.

Plastic is ubiquitous today, found in many consumer items. But once these products are thrown away, they often end up in the world's oceans, where they make their way through the ecosystem and – perhaps – back to us.

Imagine filling up five grocery bags with plastic – soda bottles, toothbrushes and shampoo sachets, for example – and lining them up side by side. Then do the same on every 30 cm of the world's coastlines.

Now dump all of that into the ocean.

Scientists estimate that's the average amount of plastic waste making its way into marine waters each year.

In the latest study of plastic debris in oceans, researchers estimate around 8.8 million tons of plastic finds its way into the world's oceans every year.

In conclusion, I think all this plastic should be banned!

For the sake of humans, baby birds and all the rest of the animals in the world!

Raglan sports exchange

At the end of August 26 students travelled to Raglan for the first ever sports exchange.

The competition was tight across the two days, with all students playing basketball, netball,



volleyball and soccer. The weather was a mix of all four seasons, making for difficult conditions at times. Although this pushed some students outside their comfort zones, everyone participated admirably and were excellent role models for Coromandel Area School. Standout results were a win for the senior boys team in volleyball, the senior girls won both of their netball and basketball games, and the junior boys team won their volleyball game. A big thanks to Geoff and Kelly who spent countless hours organising the exchange. Coromandel Area School looks forward to hosting Raglan Area School in the future.

School Holidays

Thank you to all of our students and whanau for an enjoyable term. We hope you have a restful break, set to go for Term Four.



Student led expedition

We are a team of students from Coromandel Area School fundraising towards an expedition in India (Himalaya and Rajasthan).

We are extremely grateful for all of the support the community has given us at our school-run events.

We will be having a cake stall on **5 October** outside Coromandel Four Square. We have also been sponsored by the Star & Garter for November pizza nights.

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Arts

Tutor
Bernadette
Parsons



Coromandel Art Group

By Val Gray

16 August was greeted with a buzz of excitement as we had Bernadette Parsons coming to take a watercolour workshop. We hadn't had Bernadette before, so we had great expectations. Some of our members who had not done watercolour before felt trepidation!

We weren't disappointed. Bernadette's enthusiasm and passion for her chosen medium were evident.

Colour – Water – plus Gravity! And don't be afraid to give it a go. We gave it our all and there were some surprising results. We may even have some converts!

It was great to be doing watercolour again as acrylic seems to be taking over because of its convenience, but the transparency and movement of the watercolour paint make it an engrossing and mesmerizing medium.

We are already looking forward to "next time".

Impressions exhibition

Exhibition of
recent paintings
by Richard de
Pomare Chrisp at
Salt Restaurant
Gallery,
Whitianga.
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daily until **5
November**.

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A Coromandel Community Arts Council

By Chris Stark

The 2018 Coromandel Community Arts Council AGM will be held this year on **21 November** at 4pm in Hauraki House Gallery. All those with an interest in the Coromandel art scene are invited to attend.

The Council is thinking about changing some of its internal structures and responsibilities so would welcome more opinions and ideas.

Together with TCDC, we have recently updated our evacuation procedures and would like to make sure that all gallery users are up to date with these new instructions. To this end we will be having a gathering of users in the Gallery at 2.30pm on **2 October** to present the new plans.

After being secretary for well over 10 years, I will be retiring at the AGM which means that I will also be retiring from the Peninsula-wide, He Mana Toi Moehau Trust, Creative Coromandel. Coromandel will, therefore, need someone to step forward and take over as our representative on that committee. They can be from any form of artistic endeavor. Creative Coromandel is doing great work in getting the message about the Coromandel out to the public with both a Facebook site and a website. It's up to us as a community to make sure we are fully represented and fully participate. I'm happy to provide more information to anyone who thinks they would like to take on this role.

Back at home, the gallery itself will be repainted shortly, in time for another exciting summer season and we are looking at purchasing some new furniture to give the old place a bit of a spruce up.

For information about what events will be on over this summer please check out our Facebook page: Hauraki House Gallery.

Pastel Artists Coromandel

By Rosemarie Murphy

Our members are home from their travels with a heap of photographs, some of which will be used as inspiration for new pastel paintings.

Another group are currently in Australia at the inaugural Australian Pastel Convention on the Sunshine Coast. There they are attending workshops and demonstrations by renowned pastel artists.

Our annual Labour Day Exhibition will be at Hauraki House from **19-25 October**. Look for the ad on page 26 of this month's Chronicle.

We welcome visitors at our weekly meeting at the Coromandel Aero Club Rooms on Tiki Road on Tuesday between 9.00am and 12.00 noon. Around 10.00am is always a good time when we break for morning tea.

Contact Allan Beaver (07) 866 8053 or Christine Lunn (07) 866 7220

Environment

Wellington BAN1080 Rally 8 September 2018

By Wendy Pond

Nine people from Upper Coromandel travelled to Wellington to join the BAN1080 rally on Saturday 8 September. None of us was interviewed, so here are some impressions.

The Wellington rally had some thrilling moments. I was standing outside the railway station, the traffic tooting in response to our banners, when the South Island Hiikoi came into sight along Waterloo Quay, the flag bearers followed by a line of marchers. We formed up in a group to receive them and a young kuia stepped out onto the footpath to deliver a karanga. Who was Maori and who was pakeha didn't matter, we were part of two bodies coming face to face in a common cause. The meeting of the two groups was powerful and emotional, though we were a ramshackle collection of people who didn't know each other. The hiikoi swept through the station, and we fell in, chanting in call and response as the march lead up Molesworth to government grounds.

Here we were received not by DOC wanting to hear what the public has to say about the management of public conservation lands, but by a line of police dressed up as road workmen in lurid safety jackets, standing along the top of the wall. There was an interesting effect from this. Instead of giving our attention to the hierarchy of those who govern us and their boring speeches, we turned to each other, exchanging news of what we are doing in each part of the country, joining in chanting, listening to our own speakers, discussing strategy. Coromandel's Four Square had donated a carton of tinned soup for the Hiikoi marchers, so I walked around the grounds handing out cups of hot soup from thermoses.

It was both a rally and an ad hoc conference and I came home encouraged that good minds are at work amongst us. Coromandel can be proud of its trappers and hunters who are urging humane predator control.



The Curse of the Quartz Reefs – Tiakina Nga Maunga

By Catherine Delahunty

The other day I was standing beside the open pit gold mine in Waihi town staring at the huge slip on the north wall and visualising what might have happened if the people of Coromandel Town had not stood up and protected the Tokatea. The pit down there in Waihi was Pukewa, the sacred maunga of the tangata whenua. It's a hole in the ground which could have been replicated from Harataunga/Kennedy Bay to Whangapoua but for the dedicated effort of many people over many years.

Our much loved mountain range, the Hauraki waka, Te Aroha the prow, Te Moehau the stern, is threaded with quartz reefs which contain gold and silver and other heavy metals which obsess geologists and draw the multinationals here like flies to meat.

There are hot spots in Coromandel Town region such as the prospect behind the old Coromandel Hospital and the Coromandel Harbour where we most recently protested against a sampling for gold in an area which cannot be mined due to Schedule 4 of the Crown Minerals Act, but the miners will keep trying.

The curse is not the gold itself, or the reefs which run through this the hills behind Coromandel Town. The curse is the value some humans have chosen to put on this metal and the profound mythology of wealth and security invested in it. We could have chosen some other remarkable treasures and assign great power to them, water for example, which is the life giver, and which some cultures revere and cherish. Gold has a place in the earth and a unique functionality in our world, it can be endlessly reused and remade, we have enough of it in banks and

jewellery to meet the needs of the electronic industries, especially if we extract it from waste. It is one of many remarkable resources on a planet which gives us all we need but is being trashed faster than I can type these words.

Few people talk about the sustainability of gold in the earth, what its function in the earth might be, only what wealth we can extract from it. I am grateful to tangata whenua people such as Betty Williams from Manaia who have educated me to consider this deeper perspective, these issues of mauri, ihi and wehi.

The other curse for us is that the mining of gold has left a toxic legacy here and that toxic legacy is still being built. The cycles of the international gold market link to the cycles of company efforts to prospect, explore and mine in these mountains. If I look back at 35 years of working on this issue I am proud that Coromandel Town is not a gold town. The mussel farms and low key tourism, Driving Creek Railway, The Waterworks, the forests, the walkways and the beaches are far more valuable to the community than an industry that produces toxic waste and industrialises the landscape. In 1852 Charles Ring started a gold rush in Coromandel

and along with the milling of most of the kauri this helped strip the landscape, leaving tailings that washed into Fureys Creek, heaps of mullock and a layer of contaminated sediment in the harbour with some very concerning levels of mercury,

antimony and lead. This layer is now sealed by subsequent sediment and we disturb it at our peril. The reputation for clean food production relies on not disturbing this toxic legacy. Some people have said why not vacuum it up and dump it somewhere? This is not workable and would cost a fortune for a very long time. You cannot safely "vacuum" a tidal marine environment and if you create a toxic waste dump on land it will cost you to maintain and monitor it forever.

The curse of mining the reefs can be healed and if you look at the Tokatea today you see a growing forest which covers the scars of the mine shafts and the previous milling. It's not the original forest, it's not possible to go back, but nature is generous and prolific if we do not disrespect her. That is why the strategies to protect remaining kauri from dieback disease matter, and restoring wetlands and offshore islands near Coromandel. Much respect to everyone working on these issues; future generations will benefit from their efforts. The gold we need above the ground is your hard work, relationships and love of whenua, awa, moana!

**All persons interested in the care of our environment
are cordially invited to the
A.G.M.
of the McGregor Bay Wetland Society (Inc)
at the Coromandel Aeroclub
at 4 p.m. on Sunday October 28th 2018.**

After the election of officers and general business guest speaker Kathi Parr will describe the restoration of the Waikawau Wetland. The occasion will be concluded with a b.y.o. bar-b-que. Please join us. Enquiries to Karen Marshall 027 728 2098.

Nominations for Chair, Secretary, Treasurer & committee please send to: mcgregorbaywetland@hotmail.com

Environment continued

Forest & Bird

By Karen Marshall
and Kate Donoghue



Forest & Bird
GIVING NATURE A VOICE

We have a small but exceptionally committed and active committee working for the Upper Coromandel branch of Forest & Bird. We are affiliated to the national organisation, and offer local support to many national campaigns, including supporting measures to stop the spread of kauri dieback, and opposing the Mangrove Management Bill currently before Parliament that would give local councils the ability to remove large tracts of mangroves from coastal areas without an appropriate process, which would not be in the national interest. Forest & Bird sees mangroves as valuable ecosystems that offer a natural buffer for coastal communities against storm surge and also provide some protection against sea level rise.

Locally, we are aware of the high concentrations of mercury and other heavy metals in the deeper sediments of Coromandel Harbour, and we are keeping a close eye on dredging proposals. We also have a strong affiliation with the McGregor Bay Wetland Society, and have successfully applied for funding to make public access to the wetland a reality.

We strongly believe that we need to do all we can to control the numbers of rats, stoats, possums, mice and wild cats that have such a huge impact on our native fauna and flora. We have recently secured funding for traps and bait stations to support local pest control.

We also lobby on issues that are directly relevant to our Coromandel environment, including clear-felling on steep hillsides; and we support initiatives by regional and local government to promote sustainable catchment management and erosion control. Forest & Bird is also proud to be associated with new local groups such as Plastic-Free Coromandel, who add a vital dimension to our community, and we look forward to working with this group in the future.

The time, money and effort available for all this work is often stretched, so if you would like to join us and become involved in making a difference, please contact Kate on 027 692 6494 or Karen on 027 728 2098

Corolandcare

By John Veysey

It is sad to read that dogs have killed some kiwi on the peninsula.

What we do know is that these kiwi-killers are not hunting dogs, because hunting dogs have all passed through the kiwi-aversion therapy courses before they are allowed anywhere near a kiwi reserve.

The kiwi killers are most likely pet dogs, animals which have come to spend the weekend at the family "bach" where they revel in the unusual freedom to roam wherever they like. Where they come from no one has ever heard of kiwi aversion therapy for dogs.

The government business of protecting birds such as kiwi by spreading animal poisons has exploded through our environment. The poisons which are being spread persist long enough to find their way into public places and onto private properties thus putting many domestic animals at risk.

Since animal poisons were first introduced over the Coromandel Peninsula, literally hundreds of dogs have been poisoned. Practically all of these poisonings have occurred some distance from the initial location of the poison.

You will find bait-stations along the town's foreshore. Every month these bait-stations are reloaded with poison pellets waiting for a nosy rat to extract a couple and carry them away. Small wonder that some of these waxy cubes of death are left lying around to be found by the unwary dog on its daily walk along the beach. The dog takes a sniff and a lick and, a short time later, finds itself in the throes of death, its owner bewildered and grief-stricken.

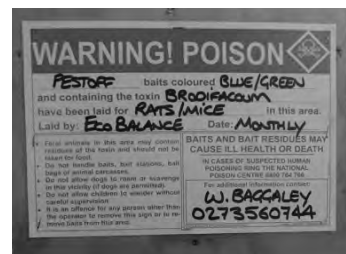
The particular poison in use today is an anti-coagulant. They bleed to death. Anti-coagulants are known to persist in the environment and accumulate in sub-lethal doses throughout our wildlife. It has been found in landbirds and sea birds, even in penguins.

It may not be a blue/green cube on the beach that kills your dog; your dog might find the rat which ate some of the bait and that rat may have wandered into the dog's backyard. The dog which ate the deadly rat is said to have died from "secondary poisoning" because the same amount of poison has killed twice. These poisoned rats or birds or possums can travel some distance before they die.

The lives of our animals that are put at risk by this poisoning policy.

The kiwi can be protected without the use of any poisons. There is no possible long-term benefit to the environment or the community from all this animal poisoning on the peninsula. Not a glimmer.

Congratulations to all those locals who marched on Wellington to register our disgust at the government's wild animal poisoning policy. We keep hoping that sanity will eventually prevail.



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The next Green Drinks will be at the Star and Garter on
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McGregor Bay Wetland Society

By Carol Sutherland

Rail crossing

It is with sadness that the McGregor Bay Wetland Society reports that one of the few banded rail in the McGregor Bay Wetland has been killed by a car. The problem is that the banded rail cannot migrate safely between the wetland and the seaward tidal flats as there is no access under the bridge because an existing flood gate blocks their path, so they have to go up and over the road by the bridge.

The Society is in the process of obtaining authorisation to put in signs along Long Bay Rd to alert people to this wildlife crossing. We hope to have the signs that Pete Sephton kindly made put in when TCDC authorisation comes through.

It is a 50km zone but sometimes you

wouldn't think it by the speeds some chose to do. A sign is not total protection but it lowers the odds of another rail being bowled if people are aware. So please look out for the last rail crossing as you travel down Long Bay Rd.

On happier notes, the McGregor Bay Society had an enjoyable shared meal to celebrate the Society being in existence for a year. It has been a year of data collection, investigation, lobbying and planning. We are now at the stage of boardwalk plans going ahead.

Also there is a competition among schoolchildren to design a bird hide. Input by children is important as the criteria for the hide is that it should be engaging for children. Once the entries are in, the call for designs will be opened up to the wider community, with adult designers hopefully



Dead banded rail

taking their cue from the kids.

Some of the preschool kids had an outing to Liz and Neville Cameron's place to look at marine snails and crabs in the tidal zone and at the birds that depend on them. Bird spotting and mudlarking were the order of the day.

We welcome all to our AGM in October and it should be straight forward so we can then hear Kathi Parr speak on the success of Waikawau wetland restoration. Shared BBQ and social scene **28 October, 4pm**, at the Aero Clubrooms. Nominations for committee and officers, mcgregorbaywetland@hotmail.com.

Moehau Environment Group

By Nat Munns



Weed of the Month

You may have noticed our Weed of the Month display in the Liquor King window recently. We will select a different weed each month to help raise awareness about how destructive these pest plants are to our native species. The weed for September was wild ginger. Wild ginger has large glossy leaves on stems up to 2m tall with long yellow flower heads. Wild ginger is a "super-weed" as it is shade tolerant, long lived and fast growing. It forms dense mats of tubers stopping anything growing through and native regeneration. Seeds are spread by birds and new plants grow from rhizomes which can be spread by flooding, people and contaminated machinery. You can't compost it as the rhizomes survive indefinitely. The best method is to dig out small plants, dry out and burn or cut down larger plants and paint the stump with a herbicide.

Conservation Week 2018

Along with DOC, WRC, Kauri 2000, Te Patukirikiri and Weedbusters, we hosted a Wild Ginger Bash on the Harray Track as part of our Conservation Week efforts. Really good to get so many groups and volunteers together to work on this area. We hope that this will be the start of an intensive effort to remove pest plants from the Kauri Block Track also.

October is Save Kiwi Month!

We have a few things in the planning stage for Save Kiwi Month. Make sure to keep an eye on our Facebook page to see what events we will be holding.

MEG Coromandel Kiwi Project (CKP) August 2018

Predator and pest catch data from our CKP for August 2018.

Species	August 2018	Total to Date
Hedgehog	-	48
Possum	-	1
Rabbit	-	4
Rat	23	2560
Stoat	1	457
Weasel	1	43
Ferret	-	1

Catch numbers are down a bit compared with the last few months, but are similar to this time last year. With the arrival of spring, and all the bounty that has to offer, I'm sure numbers will be on the rise again.

A Trap for Your Backyard

MEG have a range of different traps for sale, including boxed Victor rat traps, boxed (wood or plastic) DOC 200's for stoat, weasel, rat, hedgehog and NZ AutoTraps AT200 possum self resetting traps. Get in touch with us at info@meg.org.nz for prices. Have a great month everyone.



Preschool kids in mud

Colville Market Day

Saturday 20th Oct 2018

9am - 1pm

Free Entry

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Arts & Crafts, Sellers of Curios

\$10 fee for Sellers anything goes! **All Welcome!**

Sport

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

We will be getting the pool ready for the season with a working bee on **Saturday 29 September** from 9am. If you can come along and lend a hand it would be appreciated.

Pool lifeguards required for season

We are looking for lifeguards for this season so if you are into swimming, being out in the sun and think that being a lifeguard could be your calling, give me a call. This involves ensuring the safety of all patrons in the swimming pool complex. Keen observation skills are a must as well as being able to swim, and having a 1st aid certificate. This is a fixed term, part-time/casual position, and involves weekend work. We operate from approximately October through April. Applicants must be 18 or over. Training is available for the suitable applicant: you can complete the National Pool Lifeguard Training or the National Certificate in Aquatics. We like to have a group of lifeguards who can work shifts. If you think this could be you, contact Debra; contact details are listed below.

Opening date for the pool has yet to be confirmed but it will be approximately mid October, so keep an eye out. Check us out on Facebook for further updates; look for Coromandel Community Swimming Pool.

Pool Hours during the school term – 15 October to 17 December

Mornings – Monday to Friday 6-8am. Afternoons – Monday to Friday 3-5pm. Weekends – 12-5pm.

Entry Costs

Adults \$4, students and seniors \$3, preschoolers 1-5yrs \$1, spectators \$1.

Remember if you are looking for a venue to hire for a day, night, afternoon, our hall is available.

Contact Debra ph (07) 866 7660, mobile 027 348 2400 or email debmark62@hotmail.com

Coromandel Croquet Club

By Kaye Anderson

Switching play to Fridays, instead of Saturdays, has been very successful, with the number of members playing much higher than before. It's more informal than Tuesdays with those who want a game turning up and organising the draw. This is the day to come if you would to join us on a casual or permanent basis. Coaching is provided for all new members.

We play on Tuesdays, meeting at 9.45am for a 10am start.

If you are keen to try out this great game and need more information, call Kaye on (07) 866 8968. Otherwise just come along on a Friday at 9.45am. The club is situated in Woollams Ave, next to the Bowling Club

Coromandel Golf Club

By Ed Buckett



The Annual Daffodil Charity Golf Day again proved a popular event of the Club's program with our members. A good field teed off, with David winning the Men's Division from Allan Rose and Ron Evans, while Eugene Weimer had the first pick of the Sponsors table in the Ladies' Division from Elaine Everitt and Peg McLean. A big thank you must go out to the local businesses and individuals for their continued generous sponsorship and also to Ed Buckett in his tireless effort in putting the day together.

A donation of in excess of \$1410 was presented to the Cancer Society.

Sponsors: Coromandel Mussel Kitchen; Admirals Arms; Star and Garter/Pepper Tree; Coromandel Hotel; Umu; Liquor King; Success Cafe; Coromandel Liquor; Coromandel Garage Ltd (GAS); Coromandel Four Square; BP service station; Coromandel Meat Keeper; Morrissey Automotive; Coromandel Smoking Company; Paul Kasper; Coromandel Fish and Dive; Mussel Barge Snapper Safaris; James and Turner; Coromandel Pharmacy; Weta Design Store; Coastway Cutters; Wyuna Studio; New Image Hair Salon; Star Gallery; Positive Vibe; Coromandel Garden Centre; Coromandel Timber and ITM.

The following club members made cash donations: Paul Kasper, Allan Rose, Paul Mounsey, Glenise Robertson, Ron Brooking, Peter Gray, Ron Evans, Shirley Rose, Jenny and Dave Coatsworth.

The final round of the Neilson Cup (Best 2 of 3 Rds. Stableford) was played on Saturday 25 August with Max McLean (38, 44) maintaining his lead to take out the Cup from Jim Davis (39, 40)

The Club Champs Seedings and The Golconda Cup (Best net aggregate 2 out of 3 Rds) are programmed for September.

The August Meat Pack/Laurie Olliff Trophy was delayed due to bad weather and was played on Wednesday 5 September. Ron Brooking came home in first place with 44 points, a disappointed leader in the clubhouse, Ron Evans was relegated to 2nd with Max McLean in 3rd. Ed Buckett was last so it's a good job Diann has some good mince recipes.

Golfing Couple – Wife – "If I died would you remarry?"

Husband's muffled reply – "Probably would".

Wife – "And would you let her be your golfing partner?"

Husband – "Yes sure"

Wife – "But surely you would not give her my clubs, would you?"

Husband – "Nah.....she's left-handed."

Peter Richardson, our Club Captain, has worked hard over the winter to keep our golf interesting and varied. This has resulted in club comps being different from usual with more members on the course when the ground has been wet and heavy.

October Calendar

Saturday 6, 13, 20 October – Rd1,2,3 – Club Champs. 1st

Sunday 28 October – Final Club Champs (P)

Wednesday 31 October – Meat Pack/Laurie Olliff Trophy

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Coromandel Tennis Club

Coromandel Tennis Club AGM will be held on **Sunday 14 October** at 1pm at the club rooms. All welcome.

Coromandel Swimming Club

By Debra Attwood

Learn to swim instructors and coaches needed

We have lots of registrations for learn to swim lessons rolling in, however we can always do with more instructors. So if you believe that it is important for children and adults to learn the lifesaving skill of swimming and you have a couple of afternoons to spare (Monday and Wednesday), please consider becoming a swimming instructor.

We are also looking for people who can help out with our Swim Club programme. Swim club operates from 4pm to 6.30pm Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

If you would still like to help out but do not feel you can be an instructor we are also looking for people who can help out in the office, signing people in, etc. For more information or you would like to be a part of our programme contact me (Debra) either by phone, email or via our Facebook page.

We are taking registrations for both learn to swim and swim club; contact Debra for a registration form.

Interested in swimming? Come along and check out the programmes available. Swimming will start around mid October, after the school holidays and sessions will be available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons.

Learn to swim classes

Learn to swim classes in the small pool will begin in October and in the main pool mid to late November (dependant on instructor availability), so get your registrations in early. These classes will be limited so be quick, payment must be made before classes start. Registration price is \$60.00 for 8 x 25-minute lessons. If you would like to book your child, in contact Debra for a registration form either 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.

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

Coromandel Recreational Fishing Club

By Allison Brown & CRFC Committee

Spring is here so fingers crossed that October is going to be the start of a great fishing season. The signs are all looking good as the fishing over the winter months has not been too bad with reports of quite good fishing around mussel farms and in and around the gulf. If anything is to go by, coming back to Coromandel on 16 September the boats out along the coast were incredible. Plenty of birds working and saw a lovely big pod of Dolphins in close at Wilson Bay.

We are finalizing the dates for our fishing competitions starting with:

- Labour Weekend Fishing Competition – **Sunday 21 October**. We had a good turnout last year, so hope the weather is fine this year and you can join us.
- Anniversary Weekend Fishing Competition – **Sunday 28 January 2019**

- Classy Chicks Fishing Competition – date to be confirmed but looking at **24 February 2019**.

- Take a Kid Fishing – **20 April 2019** (mid school holidays).

We are keeping our subs the same as last year. So if anyone would like to join the Club please contact us on coromandelfishingclub@gmail.com or call into Chris at Wyuna Studio for a sub form.

Here's to tight lines as always and do hope you can get out for some good fishing.

Flight Centre K2 Road Cycle Classic – 27 October

By Rita Stephenson



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 in one of four Coromandel townships. This year Coromandel will be hosting the event. This year there are five distances for riders to choose. This year sees the introduction of the Dirty K, which is a gravel ride.

- K2 – 192km – Starts and finishes in Coromandel.
- K1 – 96km – Starts in Tairua and finishes in Coromandel.
- Nicholas Browne Challenge – 43km – Starts in Whitianga and finishes in Coromandel.
- Dirty K – 72km – Starts in Coromandel – Colville – Kennedy Bay, finishes in Coromandel.
- K4 – 384km – Twice around K2 circuit.

There will be close to 1,500 riders taking part. Please avoid unnecessary travel on the day, or avoid the roads when they are at their busiest with cyclists. The following will give you an idea where the main bunches of cyclists will be traveling throughout the day.

The EnergyclubNZ K4 starts at 10pm on Friday from Coromandel. There will be around 50 starters in the K4. They will ride through the night. The front runners will come through Coromandel at around 5am, with the last arriving at around 8am.

Flight Centre K2 Elite Men starts from Coromandel at 7.45am on Saturday. It is followed by the main field of around 700 riders which start in groups of 60, 4 minutes apart, from 8am. These riders will be on the Thames Coast Road with riders coming through Thames from 9.20am to 11.00am. Riders carry on to Tairua and will be on Kopu Hikuai Road from between 9.30am to 1.30pm. The Tairua to Whitianga Road will be busy with cyclists from 10.30am till around 3pm.

Around 100 riders will be in the Nicholas Browne Challenge. They will be on the road from 9.30am till around 12.30pm between Whitianga and Coromandel. The first of the K2 riders will arrive on the road between Whitianga and Coromandel from around 11.45am, with the remaining riders coming through till 5pm.

Dirty K Riders will start at 9.00am with the first riders in Colville around 10.30am. They will then ride to Waikawau and Kennedy Bay with the front riders expected back in Coromandel around midday and the slower riders finishing around 4.00pm.

For more info check the K2 website at www.arcevents.co.nz or ring event organisers Rita Stephenson on (07) 866 8613 or 027 210 3734, Keith Stephenson on 021 671 172 or Andy Reid on 027 492 1348



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Coromandel Town weekly and monthly meetings

Every Monday

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

Every Tuesday

Mahamudra Centre, Free Guided Meditation	8.30-9am
Pastel Artists Coromandel, Coromandel Aero Club Rooms (07) 866 7220.....	9am-midday
Coro Walking Group, Lotto Dairy, Ruth (07) 866 7246	9am
Open Floor Dance at Mana Retreat Centre, (2, 30 October).....	9.30-11.30am
Croquet, Woollams Ave, Kaye (07) 866 8968	9.45am
Yoga for everyone, Colville Hall, Kate 022 071 8470	10am
Playcentre, Woollams Ave	10.30am-1pm
Beginner Yoga with Becks, at the Anglican Church Hall, 170 Tiki Rd, \$10. Contact 027 407 0079	5.30-6.45pm
Coro Motorcycle Club, Star & Garter, John 027 234 1013	7-9pm

Every Wednesday

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

Every Thursday

Mahamudra Centre, Free Guided Meditation.....	8.30-9am
Coro Walking Group, Lotto Dairy, Ruth (07) 866 7246	9am
Coro Bowls club day.....	9.30am
Coro Art Group, St Andrew's Church Hall, Val (07) 866 8911	9am-12pm
Free Guided Meditation, Havalona Pyramid	10-11am
Body Balance & Yoga Classes at Waikato Trust Events Centre (upstairs Swimming Pool) contact Tina 021 201 9750	5.10-6.20pm
Candlelit Yoga, Colville War Memorial Hall. School term only. Contact Vanessa 021 124 7267.	5.30-6.45pm
Open Floor Dance, Anglican Church Hall	7-8.30pm

Every Friday

Step Aerobics at Coro Gym.....	8am
Mahamudra Centre, Free Guided Meditation	8.30-9am
Yoga for everyone, Anglican Hall, Kate 022 071 8470	9am
Playcentre, Woollams Ave	9.45am-12.15pm
Coromandel Home-school Group, Julene (07) 866 8333	10am
Coromandel Tennis Club "club day"	4pm

Every Saturday

Mahamudra Centre, Free Guided Meditation	8.30-9am
Croquet, Woollams Ave, Kaye (07) 866 8968	9.45am

Every Sunday

Mahamudra Centre, Free Guided Meditation	8.30-9am
Anglican Church Service	10am
Coromandel Tennis Club "club day"	1pm

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2nd Wed – Garden Circle. Contact Jane Warren 021 232 2905 1pm |

3rd Wed – Lions Business Meeting, Ambulance rooms.
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Rings Road..... 10am

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15 School term 4 starts	16 RN+TC RN High tide 12.24pm (2.7m) Low tide 6.01am (0.4m), 6.28pm (0.6m)	17 CT High tide 1.29am (2.4m), 2.04pm (2.4m) Low tide 7.34am (0.7m), 8.13pm (0.8m)	18 19 Labour Day Pastel Artists Exhibition opens (see pg 26 & 30) Medicine Buddha Empowerment and Retreat begins, and 12pm free community lunch, Mahamudra Centre (see pg 14) Spring Relax weekend starts at Mana (see pg 24) High tide 3.15am (2.3m), 3.58pm (2.3m) Low tide 9.31am (0.9m), 10.07pm (m)	20 Colville Market Day (see ad pg 33) Club Champs at Coromandel Golf Course (see pg 34) High tide 4.14am (2.3m), 4.52pm (2.4m) Low tide 10.32am (0.9m), 11pm (0.8m)	21 Spring Festival at Tangiaro Likiwi Retreat (see ad pg 15) Labour Weekend Fishing Competition (see pg 35) High tide 5.12am (2.3m), 5.42pm (2.4m) Low tide 11.27pm (0.8m), 11.49pm (0.7m)	
22 Labour Day public holiday	23 Tuesday ferry service resumes for summer (see pg 24)	24 RN+TC TC High tide 6.52am (2.5m), 7.11pm (2.6m) Low tide 12.35am (0.6m), 12.58pm (0.6m)	25 Labour Day Pastel Artists Exhibition finishes (see pg 26 & 30) Thursday ferry service resumes for summer (see pg 24) High tide 8.18am (2.7m), 8.35pm (2.8m) Low tide 2am (0.4m), 2.19pm (0.4m)	26 K2 pasta at Star & Garter (see pg 15) High tide 8.59am (2.8m), 9.19pm (2.8m) Low tide 2.42am (0.3m), 3.01pm (0.3m)	27 K2 Road Cycle Race (see pg 35) Colville Harbour Care Native Plant Nursery Potting Day (see ad pg 25) High tide 9.42am (2.9m), 10.03pm (2.8m) Low tide 3.25am (0.2m), 3.44pm (0.3m)	28 Final Club Champs at Coromandel Golf Course (see pg 34) McGregor Bay Wetland Society AGM (see ad pg 31) High tide 10.26am (2.9m), 10.50pm (2.8m) Low tide 4.08am (0.2m), 4.30pm (0.3m)
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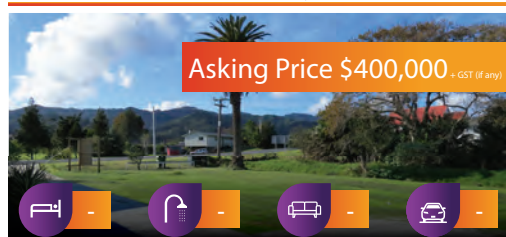
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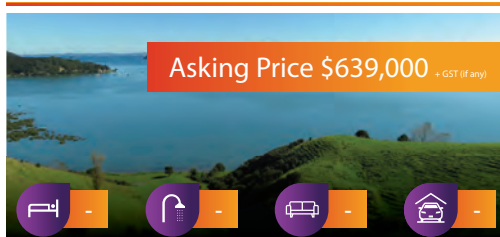
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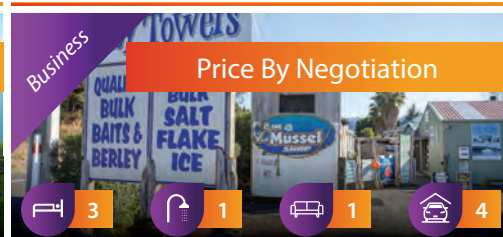
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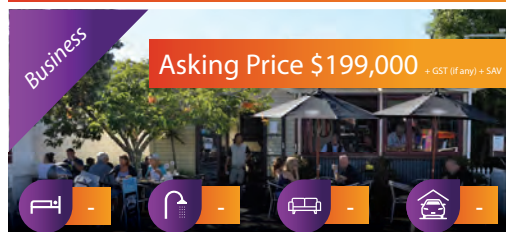
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 Cooling 5.2 (0.65-6.0) kW



Fully Installed Price:

\$2850

Incl GST*



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FTXS50LVMA
 Heating 6.0 (1.7-7.7) kW
 Cooling 5.0 (1.7-6.0) kW



Fully Installed Price:

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