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28/12/20 - 3/1/21	9.50 am	9.50 am	9.50 am	9.50 am	9.50 am	9.50 am	9.50 am
04/1/21 - 10/01/21	9.50 am	9.50 am	9.50 am	9.50 am	7.45pm	9.50 am	9.50 am
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DEPART COROMANDEL: Hannaford's Wharf

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chest compressions/calling 111 takes
priority.

Editor's comment

October already. Start of the summer season – though this year it is unclear how that summer season will play out. There is plenty on – the end of September is Illume Festival including the Sailors and Loggers Ball – all which still plans to go ahead even if Level 2 is extended. The ArtsTour kicks off the first weekend in October and the Coromandel Players are putting on a play which celebrates the role of working class women during the 1951 Waterfront Lockout, which will be good – I've read the script. Also the ferry is starting up for Labour Weekend. So get out there and enjoy – albeit with social distancing and masks maybe!

As I put this issue together it is Māori Language Week. I seem to be getting more and more articles with Māori words in which when I import into my design software become boxes in the type showing a missing character. In order to accommodate Māori macrons in Chronicle articles going forward I have therefore had a slight change of font. So hopefully the articles all show as the authors' intended now. And if you are supplying articles with Māori in them please keep it to basic words and phrases so that people can understand.

So as an English girl turned New Zealander please be understanding if I make mistakes with Māori, and if anyone has some Māori words or phrases that you think would be appropriate for me to use in the Chronicle, then I welcome your suggestions.

Kia kaha,

Debbie

Letters and opinion

Great cab service

Dear Debbie,

Here in Coromandel we are truly grateful for such a top class cab service. Due to a medical condition and earlier back injury I use cabs regularly. To walk outside my home I always have to use a walker. I am always served with pleasant and top class help.

However, I should like to mention one driver who is both kind and extra caring. I am well aged and this driver is young, vibrant and flamboyant. When we reach the shops he will not take out my walker but insists on leaving his cab and holding my arm and accompanying me to be served where he waits until I am ready to leave, then helps me back to the cab (the staff at James and Turner will endorse this).

Once when we reached my home I was unable to find my keys! Panic! However, I recalled the hiding place. He was delighted and gave me a big hug.

I should like people to know what a kind, thoughtful man we have serving us all. He has a heart of gold and his name is Paddy from Coromandel Cabs. Bless him.

Warm wishes,

Beryl van Donk, Coromandel Town

Thank you to the Waikato Regional Council

We would like to acknowledge the support we received from the Waikato Regional Council for our conservation project at Tukituki Bay Farm in Colville.

We applied for and received a grant from the 2019 Small Scale Community Initiatives Fund.

We used the money to purchase 70 Kamate rat traps which we installed in some of our newly fenced blocks of beautiful old native bush.

We removed a significant number of rats, then after the rat numbers reduced, we caught a lot of mice. This effort, together with the possum trapping that was already underway, is showing significant improvements in the quality of native bush and the bird populations.

We are also hugely grateful to Nicole McCauley, whose passion for NZ flora and fauna, knowledge of pest control, and tireless work on our steep terrain has made all the difference to our project.

Regards,

Mark Struthers and Annette Windross, Tukituki Bay Farm

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Opening of BBQ in Hauraki House Grounds

By Lion Lyn

Many months ago, I mentioned a project that was in the making, and asked that you watch this space. Well, it has finally come to fruition. With the cutting of a ribbon and a little cookup, our very own public BBQ will be available for use in the front end of the Hauraki grounds playground and park. We hope this will be a well utilised area for all. Many thanks to the council for helping this all happen. Isn't it great how things can be achieved when we pull together as a community? Thank you to everyone, enjoy!



Other Lions News

It seems like the countdown to Xmas has begun. Orders are coming in for Xmas cakes, which is great, as we have been informed that there will only be one batch made this year due to Covid-19. If you wish to order please do so soon as we ran out last year by the end of November (and we didn't have the virus then). Although we have a price rise, meaning we the Lions are paying more, hopefully the sale price will remain as last year! Personally, I bought four cakes last year and gift wrapped for presents. Easy presents for someone so busy as myself. Hopefully we will have a few to raffle as well. See contact details at bottom of article for number to order them on.

On to club doings: last dinner meeting, we hosted our new district governor and his wife, Brian and Marilyn McMillan from Ngatea. Brian has been a guest many times before for many reasons and enjoys every visit. (Can't be to do with the nice food, could it?) Was great having them and hearing about the National President's aspirations for this term and how possible everything can be if we all work together. It really does make you proud to be involved with this worldwide family! On the last dinner meeting the Lion Rock was passed to Pam for all of her hours in Lions when she is not a member



(hint, hint), and I'm sorry that I did not record it last month, so belated congratulations. Pam has now passed the rock on to Lion Bill, who has taken on the job of treasurer. Thank you Bill. You are already doing a great job and we thank you. Cheers till next month.

Coromandel Lions
President Sue
Hughes and
Coromandel-Colville
Community Board
Chairman Peter
Pritchard cutting
the ribbon at the
new public BBQ

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Open Studios Coromandel ArtsTour October 2020

Gala Opening at Hauraki House Gallery is on **Friday 2 October**

5.30-7pm. Visitor numbers will be controlled to comply with applicable Covid-19 rules.

Start the tour by visiting the ArtsTour Exhibition at Hauraki House Gallery, 230 Kapanga Road. Pick up an Artist Guide, check for last minute changes, and view works from each artist – open daily 10am-4pm from **Saturday 3 October to Sunday 11 October**.

Individual studios and studios at the old Coromandel Hospital are open from 10am to 4pm **Saturday and Sunday 3-4 and 10-11 October**. Watch out for the colourful flags, gate signs, and studio numbers. For more information visit www.coromandelartstour.co.nz.

Amy Rogers, who is new to the ArtsTour, talks about her work

"My artistic journey shows distinctive aspects of discovery for finding my expressive nature and voice. Verbal communication was not easy and fluid for me and "I had a heartfelt desire to feel more connected. The garden path was leading towards exploration, abstract ways of thinking and vibrating through creative work and movement. It was not till much later in my life, I would discover how the arts in various forms would reveal my chosen expression and a discrete agenda of escapism.

"For me, the art form would provide somewhere safer to channel various emotions, liberating the feeling of being free, and sparking excitement of wonder.

"Now in the spiritual land New Zealand, settling in the Coromandel, the extraordinary energy which vibrates through the



tranquillity and pure nature here is very special and is being captured in my own art work as vibrational movements of elemental substance and emotional connection to them. The practice of channelling this way rather than concentrating on realism and technique is what I prefer but I'm opening up to other ideas."

Raewyn Penrose by Kaye Anderson

Raewyn is very good at getting excited about new things. A fibre artist for more than 25 years, she constantly re-invents and enhances the designs and styles of the garments she makes.

Her latest innovation is reversible jackets. One side is silk fibre screen-printed with one of her designs, while the other side is wool. The addition of silk fibre on top gives a soft sheen as well as creating swirling cloud-like patterns.

Her perennially popular scarves and neck collars are also receiving the screen-printed treatment, a skill Raewyn acquired last year with her designs first appearing on T-shirts.

Something else new is "boro" stitching, a traditional Japanese technique used for mending clothes. Raewyn has introduced it to her felted garments, either when half-felted so that it merges into the wool or at the full-felted stage where it sits on top.

She is also adding bands of crochet and sections of knitting to her coats and tunic tops, giving them shifts of texture and highlighting the subtle colours of the silk and wool.

Call in to her gallery on Tiki Road any time her flag is out and see her range of unique, one-off garments for yourself!



Monday Walkers

By Irene Dunn


Get those boots on folks and let's get walking. Spring has sprung and the beaches and bush are great at this time of the year. We will start going onto longer bush walks soon as the tracks will be drier. We will be doing some new tracks too – so don't miss out. Join us each Monday at 9am at the northern end of Woollams Ave car park. For further information phone me on number below.

Happy walking everyone.

Ph 021 157 8408

The Coromandel Community Arts Council

The Coromandel Community Arts Council, Management Committee AGM is set for **Thursday 29 October**, 3pm in the Gallery.

Rob's 
Small Motor Repairs
Come along and see me at
18 Kapanga Road

Rob 866 7865 or 021 618 601



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CANDIDATE PROFILES – ELECTION IS ON SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER

Pamela Grealey

Green Party candidate
for Coromandel
electorate

I live in Coromandel
Town with my partner
Bob, several chickens
and an elderly cat. I enjoy
quizzes, country music and
exploring our beautiful
peninsula, amongst other
things. I am a strong
supporter of local initiatives and charities and a keen
volunteer on local projects.

I've been a longtime Green member and the
shared values of care for community and the planet
are foundational for how I try to live my life.

My main purpose in taking up this candidacy
is to encourage voters to tick Green for their party
vote at this year's election. I'm honoured to be the
Coromandel candidate and am excited about the
achievements of our Green MPs over the last three
years.

The resurgence of Covid-19 is again testing our
strength as a country but we cannot afford to stop
progress on tackling climate change; restoring the
health of marine and fresh water; protecting our
environment from damaging extractive industries,
like mining; and providing healthy homes for
everyone. These things will not disappear due to the
pandemic.

Using the three pillars of Green policies – Healthy
Nature, Clean Economy and Fairer Communities –
we can stop the juggernaut of destruction and start to
build a more equitable whenua where all can thrive
and grow.

I know there are people in the Coromandel
electorate who are struggling and who are living
in sub-standard homes. I know there are some
concerning practices around forestry and agriculture
that are damaging our waters and native flora and
fauna. We also need public transport to help people
stay connected with whanau and access services, and
to reduce carbon emissions.

As an experienced business consultant and mentor,
I believe we have a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity
to create vibrant green businesses and green jobs
that leverage and enhance our extraordinary natural
environment and that look to the future as well as
address our society's immediate needs.

I urge you to cast your party vote for the Green
Party to ensure that our next Government supports
you, your whanau and our whenua.

Kia kaha Aotearoa.

**Nathaniel Blomfield**

Labour Party
candidate for
Coromandel
electorate

Kia ora
koutou katoa.

Kō
Nathaniel
Blomfield
tōku ingoa.

I'm delighted to have this opportunity
to introduce myself as your Labour
candidate in the 2020 General Election.

My views and values come from
a lifetime living and working in rural
communities. Raised at Te Puru down the
coast, I now live in Tairua, raising four
great kids with my wife Mel.

I believe that our House of Repre-
sentatives should be just that – a place
representing New Zealand's diverse
cultures, communities, regions and
social demographics. I think Parliament
needs people like me. With my diverse
work experience – chef, restaurateur,
landscaper, deckhand, hospital orderly – I
can truly represent Coromandel's varied
communities and people.

My commitment is to working hard on
kaitiakitanga – responsible stewardship of
our natural resources, action on climate
change, a living wage, access to high-
quality healthcare and education, and
decent affordable housing.

It was exciting during my recent
walk around businesses in Coromandel
Town to get positive feedback about the
Government's investment in this area's
mussel farms and related businesses
through the Provincial Growth Fund. It's
also great to see this initiative linked up
with the PGF-funded re-development
of the marine-servicing infrastructure
at Kōpū, all bringing a wealth of new
opportunities for people in our local
coastal communities.

Looking ahead, Labour's plan to
rebuild from Covid-19 is positive. We
are in a strong position to bounce back
from the pandemic disruptions, stronger
than most other countries. We have
challenges, but also the opportunity



to achieve a smarter,
safer, even better New
Zealand, with our
trusted leadership and a
commitment to investing
every dollar wisely.

Please vote for me
to bring a genuine local
voice to Parliament, and
vote for the Labour Party
for a Government that
cares about you and your
community.

Scott Simpson

National
Party
candidate
for

Coromandel
electorate

National has
the plan and
the team to
create more

jobs and a better economy to get New
Zealand and the Coromandel electorate
out of this current crisis.

I'm Scott Simpson, National's
Candidate for the Coromandel Electorate.

I live in Thames and my great
grandparents arrived on the Coromandel
Peninsula at Kuaotunu in the 1880s, so
this electorate is very much a part of
my history. Since being elected the MP
for Coromandel in 2011, I've worked
passionately to deliver on the issues that
really matter to our communities, like
returning the emergency rescue helicopter
to Whitianga.

Your vote has never been more critical
to the future of our communities from
the top of the Coromandel Peninsula,
down the eastern seaboard to Omokoroa,
across the Hauraki Plains and on both
sides of the Firth of Thames. With nearly
80,000 more people unemployed than in
March, our country needs a strong team
that is absolutely focused on growing the
economy and creating jobs.

My priorities are local priorities.
Easing congestion on our roads by
committing to deliver three new
two-lane bridges at Tairua on SH25,
a new SH2 highway from Waihi to
Tauranga including the Katikati bypass,
championing upgrades to our local
schools to cater for roll growth, creating
a Coromandel National Park north of the
Kopu-Hikuai Road on the existing DoC
estate, and supporting local jobs and
businesses to succeed in a post-COVID
world. While good progress has been
made on extending ultrafast fibre
broadband around the Peninsula there are
still too many places with poor quality
and sometimes no connectivity. I'll keep
fighting for further improvements.

The delivery of emergency health
services has been much reduced during
the last three years. St John and rescue
helicopter services have been cut back not
for want of financing but purely because
of policy decisions made to prioritise
Auckland ahead of Coromandel. That's
not good enough and I will continue to
push for not just the reinstatement of lost
services but for improvements.

Please Party Vote National and Scott
Simpson for Coromandel.



Think ahead.

Party Vote Green.

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Grey Power Coromandel

By John Rabarts, President

Aspiring Politicians

Grey Power met on 3 September for a lively and interesting presentation from six candidates hoping to persuade us to vote for them, or give them our party vote, in the **17 October** election. We heard from: Greens – Pamela Grealey, candidate Coromandel, known to many members present; Labour – Nathaniel Blomfield, candidate Coromandel, raised Thames coast, now lives in Tairua, has stood in past elections; National – Scott Simpson long term MP, Coromandel candidate, descended three generations from 1870's settlers in Kuaotunu; New Zealand First – Erika Harvey, candidate Tauranga, Coromandel connections, interests in fishing industry, and children with disabilities; Outdoors Party – Steve Hart, candidate Coromandel, lives near Thames, organic farmer, recognises that 90% of our Kiwi way of life is focussed on the outdoors; Social Credit – Chris Leitch, Party Leader, candidate Whangarei, recalling strong Coromandel-Hauraki support for the party in the 1970s-80s, presented an economic and safe financial way ahead for our region and the country.

Speakers had 10 minutes to present with questions to all from members at the end. Each had two paragraphs in our newsletter putting their case and their correspondence with the editor. They were asked to positively tell us what they and their party would do for us if elected and not to deride other parties. Disappointingly one speaker breached this in raising a matter far removed from the Coromandel. Our moderator, Mac Welch, let the representative of the party attacked respond accordingly. Questions were interesting, thoughtful and well replied to by all presenters.



Votesafe Campaign

Members will recall from our March meeting hearing speaker Heather Major with information to help us make a decision on the October election binding referendum "Should the End of Life Choice Act 2019 come into force." She encouraged us to weigh up the issues around choice and public safety. I came across a video of Heather and her daughter Rachel on the votesafe.nz site which coincidentally also features the Hibiscus Coast Grey Power president. While Grey Power does not take a position on this I encourage you to go to www.votesafe.nz/quiz and see what you know about the act before you vote.

Heather Major speaks again at a public meeting **28 September** 2pm and 7pm, Twentymans Function Centre, Thames. All welcome.

Pests

Get rid of cockroaches! Spray them with hairspray. Cockroaches won't be able to move their legs and wings, since they stick together. They suffocate and die. If you find this too cruel, you could still use the spray and then squash the cockroach once it's immobile. Cockroaches detest the smell of bay leaves. Crumble some up and scatter around your house especially if you know where the cockroaches have their nest. They will up and leave to find a new home without a bay leaf smell. Sticky tape traps: simple, but effective. Use good quality tape, like duct tape. Put pieces of the tape around the house with sticky side up, near openings the roaches use to enter the house (cracks, floorboards). Cockroaches come out at night, so do this before you go to bed. Clean with ammonia: The smell is unpleasant - you might want to try the other tricks first. But if you don't mind the smell, try cleaning your bench tops and cupboards, by mixing two cups of ammonia in a bucket of water and use as a cleaning solution. Cockroaches hate it. Don't splash on your clothes though, it takes the colour out.

Coromandel Grey Power membership is \$15 single member, \$28 for two at same address. Phone Carol Carson, (07) 866 7172 to join



✓ **Nathaniel Blomfield**
for Coromandel



Labour

Let's keep moving

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New
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Rethink Rubbish Coromandel Town

By Judy Rooney



Bring Your Own Cup Day on 30 October

Did you know that New Zealanders throw away a staggering 295 million takeaway coffee cups per year? The majority of cups are lined with plastic and cannot be recycled, so they go to landfill. Even the compostable cups will not break down unless they are composted at a specific composting facility.

As part of our mission to reduce waste to landfill in our town, the Rethink Rubbish team are planning to have a Bring Your Own Cup Day on **Friday 30 October**.

What does this mean?

- All cafés in Coromandel Town have agreed to participate by not giving out any takeaway cups on that day. So, hopefully this will help you to remember to bring your reusable cup when you want a takeaway coffee. Rethink Rubbish will be offering alternatives if you forget your cup.
- We will provide jars which the team have been jazzing up with felt holders. We will also provide some ceramic cups. Both can be taken away and brought back.... or you can keep them for next time.
- We have some amazing glass reusable cups with our logo, which you can buy for only \$10 (see picture). You may also be able to win one of these cups as a spot prize in a café.

Bringing reusable bags to the supermarket is now normal for us. So try and use the same strategies for bringing your own cup to town. Keep a clean one in your car, or always have one at work.

Do your bit to reduce waste in Coromandel Town.



Use this...



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Writers Group

By Lora Mountjoy

Five members met at Te Kouma for our September meeting on the 10th of the month. As usual we started with spontaneous "speed" writing and the topic Megan gave was "A most unusual winter". Most, like the story below, covered our and our community's Covid-19 experiences, but Jane transported us to the ice and snow of an exceptionally cold German winter.

Later we shared our homework on the topic "A sacred text". Megan based her interesting story on centuries-old family history, and Selah, who couldn't join us for family reasons, emailed a vivid story set in our winter of lockdown.

A Most Unusual Winter by Megan Mackie

The autumn in the Coromandel was magical: calm sunny days, the sun lower in the sky glistening on the waves like diamonds dancing – a tranquil seascape.

The land and humans seemed to be suspended in time, collectively holding breath for the approach of the inevitable storms of winter.

Instead the storm that arrived was not of the weather but that of a tiny virus that turned lives and communities upside down.

In a short space of time we had adjusted our thinking to working/staying at home, not visiting dear friends. Gardens, cooking and many phone calls became the new normal.

Older people deemed at risk were harassed by families to do the right thing – not for many years had the time been given to such family communication.

The town changed with silent streets and shuttered shops. Stresses from businesses getting their systems in place to support staff and ultimately reopen – who knew when.

We have lurched through winter – good news, bad news, even worse news from across the Tasman.

A compensation was a milder winter – almost as if nature has sympathized and withheld horrible storms.

We have managed through this most unusual winter. The time seemed eternal but on the other hand passed in a flash. Spring is at last here and with it the eternal wish that next winter will be predictable and normal.

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Kia ora koutou.

As we put together this article it is the beginning of Te Wiki o te Reo Maori. Te Reo Maori is considered a national taonga and is one of our three official languages in Aotearoa, alongside sign language and English. Although Te Wiki o te Reo Maori will be long past when this edition comes out it is a good reminder that even if we do not speak fluently we can very easily substitute Maori words in place of English words in sentences. There are many that we already use without even thinking about it: "oh no I'm late for mahi!, what am I going to have for kai today?".

By using simple words and phrases in everyday conversation and making an effort to get pronunciation right we can contribute to keeping this beautiful language alive.

Speaking of mahi, one of our most valued staff members is leaving us at the end of September, Marlene Johnson is off to ride the countryside on her Harley with husband Paul and find new adventures.

Marlene has been an important part of the CILT team since 2011 when she joined us as coordinator of the Community Max programme – working with 16-24-year-olds undertaking work experience in the community. Inspired by the positive social impact that this role had on the community, Marlene moved on to other roles within CILT – today she is the Kiwi Can Coordinator, Operations Manager and also keeping us safe as the Health and Safety manager.

Marlene's aroha and mana, and her straight talking, straight up manner is a real asset when there are a lot of people and projects to juggle, and essential to keeping our more than 15 programmes on track.

Ka pai Marlene, tēnā rawa atu koe. You will be very missed around the office. We wish you all the best on your next adventure.

Tūao Hiahia - Volunteers Wanted

We are looking for keen tūao – volunteers – to help in both of our stores: The Bizarre, our wonderful community re-sale shop, and The Goldmine, Coromandel Reuse Centre.

Tasks include such things as assisting customers, creating displays, cash handling, general tidying, and greeting people with a smile! Hours can be set to suit you, although we are especially hoping to fill some Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon slots. Just pop in for a chat, all welcome, smiles guaranteed!

Volunteering in either of our stores is a great way to meet interesting people, gain new skills and contribute to something that has a hugely positive impact on our environment. We are a fun team of positive people that enjoy making someone's day.

If you have time to give – anything from a full day to even just a couple of hours per week – do get in touch. Phone (07) 866 8358.

Transport Services

Our transport services will resume under Level 1, so please check our website for updates: www.cilt.org.nz/covid-19.

If you would like to know more about our mahi in the community, then please check out our website or come in to see us at The Resource Centre in Tiki House and pick up a copy of our excellent Annual Report.

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Ann's Good News, Naturally

Toxins, Immunity and Detoxing

Toxins, either from the environment or made within your body, automatically move to your fat cells. By doing this, they actually lock in your fat cells, making it harder to be toxin-free or lose weight.

A healthy liver can rid toxins from your body.

After leaving fat cells, toxins go through the liver, converting to be water soluble for safe excretion through your kidneys or bowels in your urine or bowel motions.

Dysfunctional liver? – Toxins recycle, enter any part of your body, causing illnesses.

Circulating toxins activate and overwork your immune system. Ultimately, your immune cells become over sensitive or inefficient, compromising immunity.

A high toxic load makes your immune system defenceless and open to attack from viral droplets such as influenza and corona viruses.

Toxins – two types

1) Exotoxins – “Exo” means from the outside, e.g., drugs – prescription, over the counter, recreational, including ethanol /alcohol; chemicals – agricultural, food additives, household cleansers, pollutants; microbial – bad bacteria/microbes.

2) Endotoxins – “Endo” means from the inside, e.g., end products of metabolism; bacterial endotoxins – bad bugs.

Signs you need to do a detox – I can help

Viral infections, cholesterol and cardiovascular disease, great thirst, shitty livered, unrefreshing sleep, hyperactive reactions, poor digestion, body odour, coated tongue, smelly feet, itchy or dry skin, yellow whites of your eyes, allergies, aches, pain – any health issue!

More good news

• Gout/fatty lump/lipoma – After seeing the TV programme Dr Pimple Popper, this 68 year-old man said no to surgery to remove a two-inch lump from his back, and decided to try my natural medicine. After three months on his programme to clean out toxins, re-nourish his fatty cells, and focus on a liver support programme, his lump dissolved. Minerals from his Active Elements prescription not only helped his cellular fat intolerance, but also got rid of his gouty arthritis.

• Shitty livered/mood swings/acne – This teenage boy can't believe how happy he feels now. His symptoms and cravings for chocolate indicated his liver needed help with detoxing, while his salt cravings



Haiga

By Chris Wornall

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overhead



were cleared after a gentle gallbladder cleanse within a full detox. His higher intelligence has clicked in – he now eats as nature intended – no more Frankenstein food!

• Endometriosis – This 39-year-old woman had years of menstrual issues, pain and inflammation due to a high toxic load, which was revealed in the pre-treatment investigative tests we did for her. The liver balances hormones, so her detox programme was essential. She feels grateful her life is finally back to normal – no pain, and normal periods.

• Tired/wired/anxious – After just two days on his herbal tonic and Active Elements minerals, this 37-year-old man is not all intense and sad, feeling no hope for happiness.

• Obese/on lots of pills – Years of taking pills for arthritis in hips, back pain, depression, ovaries with many cysts, is aiming to be a thing of the past. We are addressing the real cause of her need to take medication – her weight. Already this 28-year-old woman is enjoying her fat loss programme, is doing gym classes and is again smiling. Loves her tasty foods.

Healthy Liver = Healthy Immunity

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Library News

By Robynne Jones

In anticipation of encouraging younger members to join the library we have recently purchased some new titles for the young adult and junior readers. We now have the Warriors series by Erin Hunter. The Warriors series is considered one of the best series in the history of Children's Literature and is based on the adventures and drama of several clans of wild cats. This series is for readers of eight and up.

We also have a couple of new James Patterson novels written for the young adult and the Philip Reeve novel *Mortal Engines*. More books for younger readers have been ordered and are also on the way to our shelves. Membership for children at the library is free. If there is something that you think that your children may enjoy reading and we haven't got it, please come in and let us know.

This month, many new books have arrived for the adults as well. There are some new titles from the well-known authors like Val McDermid – *Still Life*, Ali Smith's new book – *Summer*, thrillers by Michael Connelly – *Fair Warning* and Lynda La Plant – *Blunt Force*, an Anthony Horowitz mystery – *Moonflower Murders* and a new James Patterson – *Private Moscow*. For Agatha Christie fans there is even a new Hercule Poirot mystery by Sophie Hannah – *The*

Killings at Kingfisher Hall.

There are many new authors on the shelves like Xiaolu Guo – *A Lover's Discourse*, Richard Osman – *The Thursday Murder Club*, S R White – *Hermit*, Megan Goldwin – *The Night Swim* and Fredrick Backman – *Anxious People*, to name a few.

Here are a couple of reviews:

***Shifting Currents* by Joanna Orwin**



Joanna Orwin is a writer of fiction and non-fiction for adults and children. Several of her books have been shortlisted for or have won awards.

In *Shifting Currents*, it is 1853 and a widowed Lydia Boulcott has remarried, hoping to escape her shameful past. An isolated new life in the kauri forests of New Zealand's Far North offers the chance of a respectable future for her and her five-year-old daughter, Hannah. To her dismay, Lydia discovers that one of her new neighbours is someone from her past who has the power to reveal her guilty secrets to the world. The book is inspired by the lives of two real women, set in the challenging world of remote pioneer New Zealand.

If you like this new novel by Orwin, we have also found one of Joanna Orwin's earlier novels, *Collision*, to add to the shelf. A story set in New Zealand in 1772 which saw a French expedition led by Marc-Joseph Marion du Fresne collide with the local Maori in the Bay of Islands. Marion misun-

derstands the interactions with the local Maori and each day the French unwittingly transgress further and the local chiefs find their mana increasingly compromised and their spiritual wellbeing threatened.

***State Highway One* by Sam Coley**



Sam Coley was the winner of the 2017 Richell Prize for emerging writers with his debut novel, *State Highway One*. His two favourite things in the world are taking photos and dancing. He has called New Zealand, Australia and the UK all home at some point.

State Highway One is entertaining, sometimes tense and written with a sense of humour. It's been years since Alex was in New Zealand and he has seen his twin sister Amy. When he comes home after their parents die in an accident, he tells her, "This is what I want to do. I want to go home. I want you to come with me. I want to go from here..." finger on Cape Reinga, "to here." Finger at the bottom of Stewart Island, right at the bottom of the map. As they reconnect with this country they call home and journey the length of State Highway One, they will scratch at wounds that have never healed – and Alex will be forced to reckon with what coming home really means.

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Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild

By Jenny Penman

On 2 September we found ourselves back under Covid-19 Alert Level 2 rules however, with the appropriate precautions in place once again, our Guild meeting was able to be held to the relief of us all. Especially so those that have been eagerly awaiting the next installment in Helen's Mystery Stitchery. The last piece in the puzzle was distributed this month with Helen showing the completed sample runner that has taught many new stitches to those up for the challenge.

Perhaps the spring weather had enticed many of our stitchers out into their gardens as our Show and Tell table was not covered with completed projects as it usually is. Two pieces were particularly breath-taking however. Win took honours in being the first to display her completed "Honesty Kit" from the Jenny Adin Christie workshop held in July. The exquisitely fine stitching elevated this commonly perceived weed to a much higher standing. On a similar theme Margaret had worked her way through a sampler of Meadow Flowers in which newly learnt stitches brought a wonderful three-dimensional effect. For some light entertainment our President Lettecia was challenged to put a member's name to the displayed, as yet uncompleted, pieces from the Bargello workshop held just the week prior. Usually

as stitchers we find we all gravitate to our own particular colour range. The Bargello work with its bold geometry had obviously encouraged us to branch out however, as Lettecia failed to make even one proper matchup. The photo of tutor Trish's completed work will show what great purpose all that whisky drinking went to! (Confused? – the cardboard tube those special malts come in, when covered, makes a beautiful container.)

While our meeting was able to be held, Covid-19 has unfortunately struck another blow to the embroidery calendar. Our planned Regional Day on 17 October has regrettably been postponed – hopefully just until a new year. This is usually a day when fellow stitchers from Guilds, in the upper North Island largely, visit our Guild here in Coromandel and enjoy a communal day of stitching and sharing the love of all things embroidered. The uncertainty behind Covid-19 Levels and travel restrictions, along with the organisation of such an event, made this decision. All is not lost however. We are still at this stage looking forward to our Annual Exhibition in Hauraki House on **5-15 November**. With the President's Challenge



theme being the all-encompassing "Pulling Thread Through Cloth", I wonder how many ways Covid-19 will have an influence on the subject choice. We've yet to see an embroidered face mask on the Show and Tell table

Our next Guild Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 7 October**.

For further information about the Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild and related activities contact Lettecia Williams (07) 866 6626

A Dog's Life

By John Irvine

Poetry
SPOT

A cold wet nose
slithers up under my armpit
as I sit absorbed at my PC
stops a millimeter
short of my chicken sandwich

I swivel my head left
and see his amber eyes
gazing beseechingly at me
pleading
soliciting

I take a sip of wine
then eat the sandwich
slowly
deliberately
without breaking off eye contact

A long sigh
and he turns away with a final
accusing look over his shoulder
licks his lips
and settles for yesterday's dog biscuit

Coromandel Garden Circle

By Trisha Whimp

Our meeting on 9 September started at the Coromandel Club with a short meeting. We then carpooled to an organic garden at the top of Kereta Hill. Sabine and Misha Wellnitz showed us around their organic garden, discussed transplanting carrots, told us about the sad state of the dome (damaged by storm) where they grow tropical fruits, and gave us hints about using tomato leaves as a good way to deal with white butterfly.

We returned to the club and Rada Williams (dressed in a sari) spoke about her journey from Fiji, to New Zealand to England and back to Coromandel. Rada and family developed their garden to grow many things that she uses in her kitchen.

This was followed by afternoon tea and results from the competition table of "Spring has Sprung" arrangements – lots of beautiful spring flowers, and "Your Herb Bouquet" - great to see mint and parsley in stunning arrangements!

Next month's meeting is on **14 October** at the Coromandel Club, starting 1pm. Arrangement is "Off the Side of the Road" and the Special is "Salad Delight".

Convenor of the Circle is Jeni Mudgway – 021 022 75341

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Animal Rescue Thames

By Alice and John Parris and Cinders

Firstly thank mews to everyone who has donated tinned cat food and sachets for the cats. These are much appreciated and needed right now. Also to those who have donated bedding to help keep them cosy and warm. Thank you to two amazing ladies who donated financial blessings to the unit to help us to feed and care for our furry guests in care. Also to Goldfields WI and Kerepehi WI who through their roll call donated biscuits and cat food. These donations are a massive blessing.

Homed – our TradeMe listing has little flurries of interest and one of those was a lovely couple from Papamoa who wanted a couple of kittens – being hit and miss you quietly go through all the processes of adoption and hope like heck. Sunday 2.30pm arrives and they turn up, cages in hand and view the two tablet brothers, who behaved so well and off they went. This is almost speed dating in a way as they arrive then leave with two lovely kittens. They absolutely adored the twins and

how identical they were. So those two are blessed with a whole new life adventure. Wonderful ending to that chapter of rescue.

Tortietudes – Cinders came in from being trapped, and has shifted from one small unit to the next and now resides in the one the two tablets resided in. She is most vocal and adjusting to being in the lower unit with more human contact. She would ideally suit a farm/rural lifestyle without pressures of being a lap cat. Our other tortie Lizzie is a darling girl that has loads of love and totally lost without the two rambunctious boys to beat up morning and night and has chosen to smooch'n purr to husband and pat his head and be a totally cute bundle of tortie furr. So we have those two spayed, ready to go to very special homes.

Fundraising – Labour Weekend Garage Sale – **Saturday 24 October**, Grahamstown Hall, Pollen St, Thames. 8.30am until midday-ish. We were unable to do our Easter one so this one will go ahead as we urgently need the funding to get us through Christmas/New Year. Covid-19 is really impacting everything and we know we can safely do so in Levels 1 and 2.

Wanted – homes for our older teen desexed kittens, wormed, deflead.

Any financial blessings would be a massive help to us right now. Donations of tinned cat food, sardines, salmon, pet milk all appreciated. Or for cash donations credit Thames Animal Rescue Team 06 0457 0095150 01 (we had a lady who rang us to ask us to put this in our article).

Meow furr now.

Any and all enquiries to Animal Rescue Thames ph (07) 868 2907 (afternoons best time), 532 Thames Coast Road, RD5, Thames 3575

Coromandel Contract Bridge Club

By Judy Bronlund

Yay, I think that I heard that we are to go down to Level 1 soon. October sees the end of the Moehau Pairs and the start of the Club Championship Pairs. We will also be having a fun night on Labour Day. Visitors and new members are most welcome to join us. We play bridge on a Monday evening at the St John rooms.

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Mahamudra Centre

By Jennifer Coyne

Whoever we are supporting in the upcoming election, one cannot help but notice Jacinda's tenacity and strength in these uncertain and turbulent times. She is seriously challenging the misperception that compassion equals passivity or weakness. As Jacinda herself said, "One of the criticisms I've faced over the years is that I'm not aggressive enough or assertive enough, or maybe somehow, because I'm empathetic, I'm weak. I totally rebel against that. I refuse to believe that you cannot be both compassionate and strong."

New Zealand's leading example in this global pandemic seems to come from the attitude that we are all in this together. This kind of compassion, openness, and genuine concern for others brings with it a strength and resiliency in the face of challenge. Very different to the passive, weak misconception of compassion.

It is interesting how in little ways we can bring this attitude into our own lives. This looks different for each of us. Some of us express our compassion by simply smiling at a neighbour, by really listening to a friend, or by not giving in to anger. Sometimes it can be an act of compassion just to get through the day. We all find our own way, and even the tiniest act of compassion can have surprising results. As the Dalai Lama says, "The more you are motivated by love, the more fearless and free your actions will be."

What could you do today?

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25 October – 10.30am-12pm: Free meditation and community lunch – for everyone!

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Bowls

By Cherrie Rokela

Our opening day on Thursday 10 September was a great success, with 30 players on the day, including three new bowlers.

We had a beautiful shared lunch, and the weather was kind to us.

The winners of the Bridge Trophy were the Bottom Town team.... see photo above.

Our club rooms are currently under refurbishment, and will not be completed for approximately three months. Meanwhile we will continue to bowl as usual, keeping out of the builders' way.

Anyone is welcome to join us, with a view to becoming a social member, or a playing member, on a Friday night 4.30pm onwards for a drink, raffle and chat, and in the warmer weather when daylight saving begins, an informal Corner to Corner competition.

All good fun.



Battle of the Bridges winning team

RSA News

By Pat Williams

Last-minute rush as usual. Our Vietnam commemoration went off well, it was followed by a very nice afternoon tea and the film "The Battle of Long Tan" was screened. War, it's horrible.

A Money Board the same as ours was taken back to Rarotonga by my brother for their RSA. It's never been used! Why? The Cook Island \$2 coin has square sides and they don't roll! Bugger. When, if ever, we can travel to Raro, all take NZ \$2 coins for their Money Board.

I have been to two RSA Women's Section meetings. One was the District AGM held in Mount Maunganui. I just could not get over how that part of the country has grown. I think it must have trebled in size since I lived there. Next was the AGM for NZRSA National Women's Association in Hastings. I stayed with a niece and caught up with nephews and a cousin of my late husband, an extra bonus. At this meeting Ron Mark, our Minister of Defence and Veterans Affairs, was the main speaker. He was accompanied by his Military Assistant for Veterans LTCDR Andrew Lincoln. Go Navy.

Our trip to Whangamata was cancelled due to this rotten virus. Shame as it is an outing we all enjoy.

On **Saturday 17 October** (Election Day) there will be a Social Evening at 5pm. Chicken and Lamb will be provided. Those attending please bring a salad, vege or a dessert.

Hugs – A hug is "Welcome back again" and "Great to see you" or "Where've you been". A hug can soothe a small child's pain and bring a rainbow after rain.

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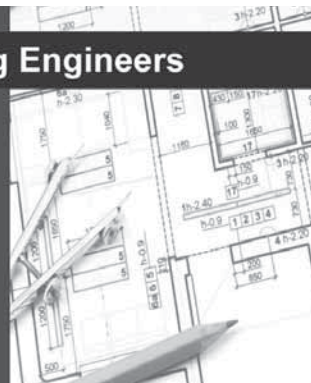
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Wild things



Chris Wornall supplied this photo and writing about tui.

We are well into tui season with Taiwanese cherry trees and bottlebrush and eucalyptus around our yard.

This juvenile male spent ages chatting up a female a meter away in the eucalyptus tree,

Amazing guttural sounds enhanced with his tongue.

For the record... she wasn't that impressed.

McGregor Bay Wetland Society welcomes wildlife photos from our region.
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Coromandel Town Information Centre

By Sandra Wilson, Manager



Spring is certainly in the air and you know what that means – summer is just around the corner.

We are still living and working in different times. There is a New Zealand Covid Tracer booklet available for those who do not have the app. Copies are available from the Information Centre; pop in and collect one.

If you're an organisation with a wide reach to New Zealanders who may need this booklet, you can order copies to distribute to your communities.
Email Covid19Response@dpmc.govt.nz.

How to use the NZ Covid Tracer booklet – Keep your booklet with you so you can record your movements whenever you leave your house. The booklet can fit in your pocket, handbag or backpack.

Write in the booklet where you have been, what time you were there, how you got there and who you met there – if you met someone you know.

Use your booklet when you come into contact with other people, like in a shop, or when you cannot keep two metres away from others.

Speaking of Covid-19, check with us if you still need to wear a mask on public transport, i.e., InterCity and 360 Ferry.

Bus timetables may still be a little different due to scheduling changes, so again check with us.

360 Ferry – Service resumes as follows: Labour Weekend **Friday 23 October through Monday 26 October**; Friday nights, Saturdays and Sundays from **Friday 30 October through Sunday 20 December**; daily service from **21 December through 17 January**; Friday, Saturday, Sunday sailings through Easter Monday at this stage.

If you are new to town and want to get a little background/history of your new home, talk to us about our Boom, Bust & Beyond guided heritage walking tours. Morning tours are \$20pp (children free) and take approximately 90 minutes; as we move into longer days, late afternoon tours will be an option also. All tours are delivered by our enthusiastic and knowledgeable local guides. Tours need to be pre-booked with a minimum of two adults.

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The Open Studios ArtsTour will be happening on the first two weekends in **October (3rd, 4th, 9th, 10th)**, so stop by our office to pick up a free guidebook to all of the participating artists.

Our major fundraiser for the centre this year is "The Informers" art exhibition. It will be at Hauraki House Gallery, with a gala opening **Friday 20 November** (time tba), then **Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 November** from 10.00am-4.30pm.

Just a heads up that from **Tuesday 1 December** we will have a letterbox for children to post their letters to Santa. The letterbox will be situated near the archway in the garden at the front of the Samuel James Reserve and taken in each night. It will be cleared every day and all letters with a return address or email address will receive a reply. This will run through **Tuesday 22 December**, as Santa and the elves will then be busy packing the sleigh and checking on the reindeer.

Mark this date in your diary: Christmas in the Park and Santa Parade **Saturday 5 December** at 3.00pm. If you would like to have a float or take part in the parade please contact Rita 027 210 3734.

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Coromandel Budget Advisory Service

By Caroline Dunn

October has arrived. It seems odd we are so far into 2020 already. At the time of writing it has been announced today we should move back to Alert Level 1 next week; good news for the upcoming Illume Festival.

Things have been ticking along nicely for us. It is great to see people making the most of our service and coming in to get some advice and assistance. It is totally free and confidential; we are not here to judge or dictate to you but to work alongside you to achieve your best results.

If you need to speak with a Budgeting Mentor to see how we can assist you, please contact us to make an appointment. We can help you with WINZ applications, KiwiSaver Hardship Withdrawals, contacting debtors to negotiate repayment amounts and more. If you are receiving a food grant via WINZ and don't have a green card, we have them in our office to save you a trip to Thames.

Our office hours are: Tuesday 9.30am-3pm, Wednesday 9.30am-3pm, Thursday 12pm-3pm.

If you are receiving a food parcel via the Foodbank, please remember you will need to provide your own boxes/bags to take your groceries home.

Time slots in the pantry will need to be booked by contacting Budget Services prior

to midday Tuesday on (07) 866 8351 or 022 018 0849.

You will need to book in with a budgeting mentor if you need assistance over a couple of weeks.

It's that time of year when everything is going full swing in the garden, the produce is growing rapidly, along with those pesky weeds. We would love to have a few extra pairs of hands to give us a helping hand over this busy season. If you would like to help, the volunteer's drop-in is on a Wednesday morning between 9am and 11am. This is for anyone who would like to help in the Community Garden. The community garden benefits numerous local families throughout the year by way of food parcels through the Foodbank, and volunteers are welcome to share in the produce.

The community garden appreciates donations of seeds or excess seedlings to keep our plot producing. Any mulching material is also gratefully received. Just drop off to the garden, located next to Hauraki House, or send us a message to organise a pick up.

Pop on over and like our Facebook page to keep up to date with what is happening in the garden.

Also don't forget the sharing shelf is there if you have spare produce you would like to share with the community.

AGM – The Annual General Meeting of the Coromandel Budget Advisory Service will be held at Tiki House, 45 Tiki Road on **Wednesday 28 October** at 2.30pm.

A Clothesline – How Bizarre

By Mike Mann, CILT

Community Worker Chaun Zachariasse and Paul Baylis from Steelcraft installed a clothesline that Paul engineered and kindly donated the two welded poles to the Work CoOp.

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I have been working with Chaun on this as a community project.



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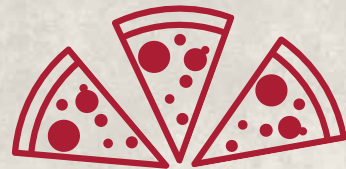
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Museum News

By Raewyn McKinney

I am writing this after several small earthquakes have occurred in the Coromandel area over the past two weeks.

I have been asked if this is unusual for Coromandel, so I decided to consult the newspapers to see what history has recorded.

My investigations suggest this is a regular occurrence to be expected every few years, at least.

Here are some of the results of my search.

New Zealand Herald, 14 November 1890

“Earthquakes At Coromandel.

Two shocks of earthquake, one at eleven minutes past five and another at twenty-two minutes past five, were felt here last night. This morning at a quarter past seven another slight shock was felt.”

Thames Star, 8 May 1894

“Earthquake Shocks. Felt At Thames.

No less than five earthquake shocks were experienced at Thames this morning. The first took place a few minutes after 4 o'clock, and from that time until 6 o'clock four other shocks were felt, one being exceptionally severe, and lasting 15 seconds. Doors and windows rattled, but no damage was done.

New Zealand Herald, 8 October 1914

“A sharp shock of earthquake was felt in Coromandel at fifty minutes past six o'clock yesterday morning. It is many years since Coromandel was visited by an earthquake.”

New Zealand Herald, 20 June 1923

“Earthquake Recorded. Tremor At Tauranga.

It is reported by Colonel G. A. W. that the earthquake-recording instrument at his residence sounded, between 12 and 1 o'clock to-day, and that that the tremor appeared to come from Thames or Coromandel Peninsula.”

Thames Star, 19 August 1930

“Earthquake shock. Felt in Thames. Just about lunch-time.

A most unusual experience for Thames was a short, sharp earthquake shock about twenty minutes to one to-day, when windows and crockery were rattled, and people sitting at their lunch tables wondered what had happened. It is so long since anything of the sort was felt in Thames that most people did not recognise it as a



Damage caused by earthquake at Inangahua 1968



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‘quake, but to those who had been in ‘quake areas before the feeling was unmistakable. Thames is not on the fault line, so it was a distinct novelty.

No damage was done locally. The shock was felt at Coromandel, Mercury Bay, Waihi, and all over the Plains, but no damage is reported.”

Thames Star, 19 May 1931

“Coromandel Notes. An earthquake was felt in Coromandel by a number of local residents about 6 o'clock on Saturday morning.”

New Zealand Herald, 10 September 1931

“Earthquake Shocks.

Two distinct earthquake shocks occurred at Thames at 11.27 a.m. to-day and were followed by a general tremor lasting about two minutes. The shocks were felt most by those on the upper floor of two-storey buildings, but they did not occasion any alarm.

As far as has been ascertained, no damage was caused, although in one grocery shop a quantity of goods were shaken from a shelf. The earthquake travelled from north to south and was recorded in Coromandel at 11.25am.

It was also felt throughout the Hauraki Plains and the Thames Valley. No damage is reported.”



Damaged nurses' home, Napier earthquake 1931

The museum will be open from 10am-4pm for the first two weekends of October, and from 1pm-4pm every day of Labour Weekend, and every weekend following

CoroLocalLegend with Coromandel Four Square

Congratulations to Tuku Renata of Coromandel, who is the recipient of a gift hamper from Coromandel Four Square. Tuku has been nominated by Raewyn McKinney who wrote, “For several years Tuku has been one of the main strengths of the Coromandel Rugby Club. He has served as senior team manager for many years, including this year, and has run both the senior and junior touch competitions through the summer seasons. He also uses his DJ skills down at the club after the game!”

Thanks for your community spirit Tuku, you are a true CoroLocalLegend!

Do you know someone who deserves recognition for their amazing community spirit?

Drop us a line telling us and they will receive acknowledgement in the Coromandel Town Chronicle as well as receiving a \$50 gift hamper from Coromandel Four Square.



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News from Thames-Coromandel District Council

October 2020

Progress on Sugarloaf Wharf redevelopment

2020 brought an exciting development for the Coromandel as we received \$19.95 million from the Provincial Growth Fund (PGF) to expand the Sugarloaf Wharf/Te Arika Tahi at Te Kouma, near Coromandel Town.



Since the funding announcement was made in August this year The Wharf Company has been established with a board of directors. Our Council's representatives are Mayor Sandra Goudie and Coromandel-Colville Ward Councillor John Morrissey. There are two representatives from the CoroMFA and an independent chairperson, Ian McNabb – former Port Marlborough chief executive. The first tranche of funding from the government has been received and

the project team is working on detailed design and preparations towards lodging a resource consent in 2020. Stakeholder engagement is ongoing, with conversations with iwi and local residents and key stakeholders. Construction is anticipated to start mid-2021.

Meanwhile, new barrier gates are currently being installed to separate the areas for commercial and recreational users to meet health and safety requirements. This project is separate to the Sugarloaf Wharf redevelopment mentioned above. The trial will be carried out during the month of October ahead of Labour weekend. A monitoring programme will manage the trial to address the effects of the installation. The wharf and boat ramp will remain open to the public.

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Our fresh new edition of our popular Council magazine *Our Coromandel* is out now, sharing all our news from the last 12 months, which have given us an interesting new normal.

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UPDATE

Note from the Coromandel-Colville Community Board Chair Peter Pritchard



"I was fortunate enough to be shown around the site of the proposed Coromandel Bike Park pump track on Hauraki Road. Construction is planned for 2020 once all the paperwork is in order and I'm truly excited by what this has to offer our town recreationally and economically. I can't wait to see it up and running."

Albert Street Reserve – The Reserve has been cleaned and the new sign to commemorate the Coro 200 Commemorative Forest has been installed.

Hauraki House Reserve – Works have finished on the new BBQ facility at the Hauraki House Reserve.

Coromandel Bike Park – This bike park is to meet the growing community needs as more people look to enjoy local recreational activities in Coromandel Town. Construction of the bike park will begin in November 2020 and progress can be watched at ridecoromandel.com or on their social pages @ridecoromandel.



2020 Waikato
Sport & Active
Recreation Awards

Nominations close Friday 30 October 2020. Public voting for People's Choice categories is open from

2 November to 30 November 2020 – sportwaikato.org.nz

Kerbside Collections

There will be no Kerbside rubbish and recycling collection on Monday 26 October because of the Labour Day public holiday, so collections for the rest of the week will be one day late. Check our website for the schedule for your area:

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Mana Update

By Jade Ferrière

Having a daily practice is something we can all do to help maintain a sense of balance and equilibrium, especially in these uncertain Covid times. Simply put, a daily practice is a routine of things that we do every day to maintain or improve the relationship we have with ourselves and life.

There are many ways that we can do this, from more structured practices like meditation and yoga, to having a conscious awareness of the food that we eat and making sure we get some form of exercise each day. Generally speaking, it helps if we can incorporate practices that support the physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual aspects of life.

It never ceases to amaze, how a small amount of practice applied regularly can help to create a sense of stability in a time of uncertainty.

By creating time to pause you are creating more time in your day. It is great to inspire a rhythm where moments of pause frequent your day. A pause can be 3 breaths, 10 minutes or a quick cuppa. Multiple pauses throughout the day, even if they are short, interrupt the busy-ness of the mind. Therefore, it's more efficient, as you can approach everything you do with more presence and attention – getting your to-do-list done with more ease and focus.

When you move your body, you generate more energy. It is simple biology when you exercise you release endorphins which make you feel happy and energised. Small regular moments of movement will fill up your cup throughout the day, and may even replace that piece of chocolate that you crave at 3pm! It is easy to get overwhelmed or demotivated by trying

to fit an hour of exercise into each day. Sometimes 5 or 10 minutes is all you need.

Progress may not be noticeable in the first week, but it will be after a couple of weeks. If you're just getting started with a daily practice or you are in the process of establishing more consistency, you may not see any difference at first. That's OK, keep doing it. After a couple of weeks, you'll notice some solid progress, and a month into it, you'll be aware of a significant difference in your energy levels and general state of equanimity. Keep at it.

Small doses make it easy to do daily. If you want to dive straight into hour-long meditations, yoga, gym sessions or walks morning and night, you may find that it is only sustainable for a while. Life has a funny way of getting busy. Maybe you miss 2-3 days in a row – then you lose motivation, and become discouraged. It's better to do it in small doses because it's easier to get started when you know you're just doing 10-15 minutes; and it's easier to find the time and motivation for small sessions.

Make sure it's fun. Doing a chore is boring and hard, and you'll put it off, even if it's just a 10-minute session. Instead, don't make it a chore that you have to get through. Make it a gift that you look forward to giving yourself, or a moment of magic and loveliness.

With the help of our online community, we have created a lovely little offering with 5 Free Daily Practices To Restore Balance And Awaken Vitality. If you are interested in exploring something new in your day to day routine, we invite you to visit manaretreat.online for some inspiration.

Te Ahi Kaa

Te Ahi Kaa team would like to thank all of our sponsors throughout 2020. Thanks to Trust Waikato funding, their vision for “vibrant and resilient communities” helps keep our doors open.

The ups and downs of the Covid-19 pandemic brought in a new level of mahi for Te Ahi Kaa to help and support our community and extended areas, enabling us to offer essential services during these tough times with the help of Te Runanga o Ngati Porou, Trust Waikato, DV Bryant Trust, Len Reynolds Trust, Gallagher Foundation, NZ Lottery Grants, DIA and Te Korowai Hau Ora – a huge thank you from us and the community.

Our community education has grown with the help of MoE alongside Te Runanga o Ngati Porou ki Hauraki, plus our ongoing support from Te Runanganui o Ngati Porou; Daniel Edmonds of Primary Industries, Seafood Sector; Goldridge Marine Farm Ltd; Wakame Fresh. Thank you funders; this year has been a new journey for Te Ahi Kaa and one we are excited to be a part of.

And of course, our community driver licence courses would not have been a success without the support of DV Bryant and our local business owners and private donations made by Moana NZ, Coromandel Pharmacy, Coromandel ITM, Gulf Mussels, Richardsons Real Estate Ltd, James Drainage, PM Grealey, SH Ngaman and CP Reid.

Thanks to Waikato DHB – Bridget Pakinga for her strategic and pathway mentoring; you're amazing.

Lastly thank you to John Tamihere for the laptops which will no doubt help us in many more ways through the lines of communication and plus his ongoing support.

We wish you all the best in future endeavours and look forward to working with you all in the future
Nga Mihi Nui, Te Ahi Kaa Team.





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In these uncertain times due to Covid-19 our numbers may possibly be quite limited – make sure you register early to avoid possible disappointment.

We look forward to sharing a delicious Christmas lunch with you – Damian, Lyn and Rita.

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Linda Roll from Kids In Need Waikato receiving drawstring bags made by the Coro Patchwork Group



Patchwork & Quilters

By Bev Mayhead

Our group project with Jill sewing drawstring bags for "Kids In Need" Waikato was a fabulous day for all of us... and so much laughter and chatting made the day pass so quickly! We donated over 100 drawstring bags of assorted sizes for this amazing charity. Linda spoke and told us her story of how this charity came about. It was a real eye-opener and I'm sure it touched the hearts of all of us. Thank you for sharing and thank you also for allowing us to assist you on this massive and sensitive venture. I'm sure we will continue to make more bags to support you.

Our Coromandel 200 quilt is being quilted by Michaela Green of DreamCatcher Quilts, Kuaotunu and will be ready for unveiling at our Town's Celebration. It is a stunner! The room was full of "wows" when this quilt was shown to our group. A fantastic team effort led by Sharon Currie and thank you to everyone who has been involved in this creation.

Our next project day is felting with Raewyn. Call in and see what we are up to.

Our meetings are held on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month 9.30am-3.30pm at St John Room, Tiki Road, Coromandel. President Raewyn Penrose (07) 866 8880, Secretary Sharon Currie (07) 866 8762

Santa Parade and Christmas in the Park 5 December

Christmas in the Park is an extension of the current Santa Parade. Christmas in the Park will include the following:

- 3pm Santa Parade (of course – you cannot have Christmas without the parade). Be in line by 2.30pm on Watt Street. Floats will then finish at the bottom school field. From here the fun begins.
- Colouring competition
- Photo opportunities with Santa
- Live music
- Decoration/card making/face painting

This is some of what's on offer, but not all – this is an amazing opportunity for Coromandel community to come together and celebrate Christmas in the Park. We are encouraging families to come and have a fun-filled afternoon followed by an early dinner, enjoying the music provided by locals.

Local business people, cafes, schools, arts and crafts people, home-baked/made goods, anyone interested in having a stall at this year's Christmas in the Park – book your stall now – there is no fee. Fill in the form below. Stalls accepted will be at the discretion of the organising committee – it will be a first in, first served basis... we don't want three sausage sizzles, or more than one coffee vendor. So get your form in quick to avoid disappointment – this is going to be a fantastic day.

Also we are having a competition for the best decorated shop window in town. Rebekah Pearson is available to paint your windows in festive style. Please consult with her to arrange your Christmas window decorating and discuss the cost: rbkpearson@gmail.com 021 108 5632 or 07 211 9892. Windows need to be completed by **7 December** in order to enter the competition.

If you have lights fitted for the Illume festival, why don't you leave them there for Christmas?



☐ Yes I would like to have a stall at the Christmas in the Park

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Te Rerenga School

The Year 6 students at Te Rerenga School have spent this term refining a piece of writing to enter the Intermediate Writers' Awards. They had to choose an event or situation marked by adversity that also revealed great compassion, kindness or bravery. They had to discuss the circumstance around the event and what it says about us as people. This piece of writing is by Maddie Corles about her hero, Chris Deacon, and how he helped to save her father Andy's life.

Chris Deacon by Maddie Corles

Do you have a hero? What makes a hero?

There are many types of heroes such as the ones in comic books, myths and movies, but the type of hero I am talking about is the everyday ones. Like if someone stands up for someone when they are being bullied. Heroes are role models and they're people that we



look up too. They all have unique and special qualities that make one another different from each other.

I met a hero on Tuesday 1 July 2014, at 5pm. My dad was on his way to pick me up from my friend's house in Coromandel. He went around a corner and hit a pothole of water and lost control of the car. The ambulance took him to the Coromandel airfield where they met the rescue helicopter. On board the helicopter was paramedic Chris Deacon.

What is a paramedic?

Paramedics are people that respond to 111 calls that help sick or injured people because they are trained medical experts. They work indoors and outdoors and in all types of weather. They work in helicopters and in ambulances. Paramedics are important to us as they help save lives. To become a paramedic you need to have trained as an ambulance officer and then further training advancing your skills in medical intervention.

Who is Chris Deacon?

Chris Deacon is a kind, caring and helpful person. He has worked on the Auckland Westpac Rescue Helicopter since 1997. He worked as a St John ambulance officer before moving to work on board the helicopter.

My dad spent 30 days in the intensive care unit in Middlemore Hospital and then 2½ months in the Otara Spinal Unit. After my dad left the spinal unit as a tetraplegic and came home, his focus became riding his hand cycle in the K2.

The K2 is a cycle race that starts in Tairua and travels in an anticlockwise direction through Whitianga, Coromandel, Thames and then back to Tairua. As a part of his fundraising for the Auckland Rescue Westpac Helicopter Seven Sharp did a TV segment on the race build-up. Chris came to talk to my dad and we chatted as well. He felt like my dad was a hero, just like I felt he was a hero for me. Then he came to the race. He waited with me at the finish line for my dad to cross. It was so cool. Later on we were invited to a Rescue reunion. I hung out with Chris and we had lots of fun.

Then we started to talk on the phone, and he was interested in the same things as me. He came to stay and took me surfing and swimming and ended up coming to stay often. That's how we have become friends. Now he loves it when he hears how great I'm doing at school and also how great my dad is doing. He also took me to my swimathon at the Coromandel Swimming Club and took part. He swam 50 laps!

Chris Deacon is important to me because he saved my dad's life. He has become a good friend of my family and I am grateful for him. That is why he is my hero.

Coromandel Playgroup

By Julene Wake

Poipoia te kākano kia puawai (nurture the seed and it will blossom).

We have been up and running again since June. We have been busy with the children, print-making, painting and enjoying songs and stories about kiwi and other birds that have been heard all around, getting themselves ready for spring – and of course enjoying our famous honey buns. We had our spring festival on 21 September, celebrating with song, dance and food.

New families are always welcome – every Monday from 9.30am at St Andrews Church hall. Our playgroup receives funding from the Ministry of Education, but we still very much appreciate donations to our group. We are here helping and supporting our local community/whānau.

Please contact Angela on 021 255 0399 for more information



Kiwi Can

Kia Ora Koutou,

Our theme for this term is Integrity (Pono) and our catchphrase is "Kiwi Can says... use integrity and you will see the goodness in you, shines through me".

Since the last Chronicle article, our tamariki have been discovering accountability, and what that looks like to them. Room 1 and 2 acted out Goldilocks and the Three Bears. There were discussions after about how Goldilocks was not being accountable for her actions, and what she should have done instead... The tamariki quickly pointed out that the entire story isn't that accountable! The other classes had an "Accountability Debate". This was very interesting as the topic was Covid-19 and how we needed to be accountable over the lockdown period to minimise the spread of the virus. We are now getting ready for the end of Term and prizegiving! So will let you all know our winners in the next Chronicle.

After eight years of being a part of the Kiwi Can team, Marlene has decided to move on. We wish her all the best in her future adventures. Marlene has been a big part of the Kiwi Can programme. We will miss her competitiveness, her sense of humour and the energy she brings to the team.

Ka kite ano from the Kiwi Can Team!

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Coromandel Area School

By Jamie Rose Brown

We hope you enjoy reading these lovely stories by some of our amazing students at CAS!

Love That Cat by Tyler Henson

Love that cat,
Like a woman loves her hair.
I said I love that cat,
Like a woman loves her hair.
Love to call him in the evening,
Love to call him,
"Oh hello, Bear."

He walks like my poppa,
Purrs like his sister.
I said he walks like my poppa,
And purrs like his sister.
Purrs when he's happy,
when he's scared he purrs again.

His mother liked to clean him,
Liked to feed him bird pie.
I said his mother liked to clean him,
Liked to feed him bird pie.
But she's gone now,
She's gone right by.

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He's got long days to sleep,
Before the setting sun.
I said he's got long, long days to sleep,
Before the setting sun.
He will be a strong walker,
And a good cat before he's up there with his mum.

Writing by Brooklyn Williams

I made a house with the straws and connectors. I am an engineer. I am making a table to go inside. The table is blue. I can't count the pieces there are too many. Two hundred I reckon.

Writing By Genesis

The best pet is a cat because it is cute, fluffy, and adorable.

Writing by Kaleb

The best pet is a dog because it is cuddly, playful, and funny.

Writing by Ihaka

Once upon a time there was a white block of Lego, it's name was Winkle. It sat all alone on the corner of the box. It fell down and landed upside down but with the help of Ihaka it got back up on the box. Then it got some friends; now there were 14 Lego blocks in a big tower on the corner of the box. But a meteor came and blew them all up.



Brooklyn with his straw house

The Falcon by Ryan and Juan-Kaito

They gobble up rabbits, sometimes they look for fish. They eat rabbit scraps. They swoop down with their knife beak they get into possums and gardens. They fly in the sky. The falcon is looking at fish.

The Falcon by Max

I want the falcon to have sharp claws and trained to go on humans arms, trained to eat food and pick up my bag when it is on the floor. And I want it to give me a hi 5 with his claws in. Finally, I also want it to give me a wing hug.

Storms by Violet

I was going to the beach but then the stormy weather came down on us. We had to go back home but the next day we went and the trees had fallen down. Then we found a bird nest with eggs, so we put it up in a new tree.

Writing by Jacob

The dinosaur is eating me.

That is all for now, take care and keep well.

Coromandel Youth Group at Hauraki House

We open again on **Monday 28 September**, after being closed two weeks for a much needed paint job. This was kindly supported by Thames Coromandel District Council, Coromandel ITM and friends from our incredible community; thank you so much!

Our hours remain the same as below:

School Holiday Times

Mon, Tues, Wed & Thurs 11am-4pm, \$2 per child, Sunday 1-4pm for 5 years and over, just fill in a membership form and bring your child along with a packed lunch.

School Term Times

Tues, Thurs & Fri 3pm-5pm, Sunday 1-4pm – please make a gold coin donation.

Friday Night Social

6.30-8.30pm for school years 6-10.

All students must come inside and sign in upon arrival.

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

*We are closed for public holidays.

This programme is made possible by the kind donations received & grants from: Lottery Waikato, COGS, Trust Waikato, D V Bryant Trust. Thank You!

Everyone knows the best place to go fishing is near a mussel farm. Please follow these guidelines to keep everyone safe.

-  **Keep 30 meters** from working mussel barges at all times
-  **Don't tie-up** to a line being worked on
-  **Never cast your line** towards a mussel barge – farmers have been injured from flying hooks and sinkers
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Environment

CLAIM

By Matt Sephton, Chair, CLAIM

Protecting What Matters and notice of AGM

At the 2017 opening of Parliament, the Government made a promise to ban mining on Department of Conservation land. Regrettably, there has been no progress on this promise, but at the same time, mining activities in forests and mountains has been continuing all over the country. When pushed for an explanation of this failure last week the Prime Minister said that they wanted to reassess and reclassify "stewardship land" first. Contrary to what is often alleged by mining companies and other developers, stewardship land is not low value in ecological terms; it's simply land that had not been fully assessed when DOC was established in 1987. Some of it is in fact of very high value. About 300 thousand hectares of the DOC estate in our Hauraki region is currently classified as stewardship land. This includes parts of the Tokatea ranges behind Coromandel Town and around the iconic Motutere/Ngutu Tu (Castle Rock). For many years now, we have been under the mistaken belief that our local area around the Coromandel township is safe from mining. It is not.

While DOC is "reassessing and reclassifying" all of this land, mining companies seem to have no barriers to expanding their exploration and promoting mining throughout the region.

Coromandel Watchdog of Hauraki and the local group CLAIM are asking for an immediate moratorium on all mining permits while the Government tries to decide which conservation land is valuable enough to protect. The truth is we need to protect all of our mountains, rivers, catchments and recovering forests. We need buffer zones around what is known as high value land so that we have viable ecosystems.

CLAIM is promoting a petition calling on the newly elected government to prohibit all gold-mining activities on conservation land. It's time to stop mining the earth and start mining the landfills and e-waste to extract gold and other valuable minerals. Add your name to the online petition and please circulate <https://our.actionstation.org.nz/petitions/moratorium-on-mining-permits-for-conservation-land>.

CLAIM is holding its AGM on **Saturday 30 November** at 4pm at Hauraki House. The election of officers and Chair and Treasurer Reports will take place between 4pm and 5pm, followed at 5pm by Catherine Delahunty updating us on the current situation. Prospects, the classic documentary made in the 1980s, will be shown on the big screen and there will be nibbles and drinks. All very welcome.

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Forest & Bird

By Alison Carter



Inspirational Raglan

Last month I went to Raglan for a few days, a town only slightly larger than ours in size with a population of just over 4,000 in the ward, 3000 of whom live in town. I used to go to Raglan for holidays as a child back in the day and in those days a weekend in Raglan was certainly nothing to write home about. Now, passionately committed local environmental groups have transformed Raglan into a town everyone is writing about.

Its plastic-free group, Raglan Plastic Free, has achieved a 95% reduction in plastic shopping bags from 94% of the town's businesses and is now focusing on encouraging the community to use reusable cups, bottles, straws and containers. I felt good that Coromandel, too, has a Plastic-Free group that is working hard to reduce plastic use.

Raglan's Xtreme Zero Waste is a nationwide success story. It has diverted 78 per cent of waste from landfill in Raglan and, amongst many other inspirational activities, mentors other communities to help them do likewise. Their work is on such a scale that it would take many pages to do it justice but I feel good that in Coromandel the journey has started with a community organisation (CILT) managing the local transfer station and developing a Re-Use centre, even though it is on a much smaller scale.

But for the visitor, it's Raglan's sparkling clean Whaingaroa Harbour with its many walkways and easy accessibility that is the jewel in the crown. It wasn't always so. Back in 1995, every time it rained the harbour would turn brown with sediment and stay that way for weeks. That year, a Minister of Fisheries survey determined it took recreational fishers 18 hours to catch a single fish. Whitebait catches were low. It was a picture of an ecosystem in decline.

After a community meeting the community responded by setting up Whaingaroa Harbour Care to assist local farmers with planting around streams, harbour edges and wetlands.

The Whaingaroa Harbour Care Project has, over the last twenty-five years, grown well over a million trees. Put very simply, they collected local seed and planted them densely alongside waterways to create clean waterways.

Riparian planting reduced run-off of silt, livestock manure from adjacent pastures into streams and the harbour, and improved water quality. There are additional benefits for wildlife, landscape values, employment and recreational tourism for the local community.

Fishers can now catch their limit in an hour.

Coming home I found I didn't feel so good about the Coromandel Harbour. I wished our harbour was more accessible for local people who don't have a boat. I wished that like Raglan we too had a nine-kilometre developed walkway for locals and tourists alike to use and I wished that we as a community had an organisation committed to reducing silt and improving water quality.

Thumbs up to our neighbour Colville for starting The Colville Harbour Care Group and to Ngati Whanaunga and Ngati Pukenga who, with the Waikato Regional Council, are planning riparian plantings and the restoration of the the Manaia Harbour. Let's hope that in 2020, which marks 200 years since HMS Coromandel arrived, we see our future not still as extractive industries, but as restoring our greatest asset, our harbour.

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Sport

McGregor Bay Wetlands Society Update

By Carol Sutherland

The tidal gate on the bridge by the wetland was removed around 22 August by persons unknown. A replacement gate, in the same style as the unconsented and (according to TCDC) unauthorised flood gate, has been installed by the TCDC under emergency RMA provisions. (All consents are determined by the WRC as they have the power to decide these things.) We feel that if a gate is determined as a cost and commitment in perpetuity for the TCDC, then it would be better to have one that allows more water into the wetland than the illegal gate and its copy, and preferably abide by the fish passage regulations as well. To keep the same old style of the illegal placement is not progress; we hope it is a temporary measure only, for restricting water is injurious to longterm viability.

The TCDC earlier this year proposed a different style of gate to the one that was allowing water in to a desired point before closing. We imagined and hoped for it to be more akin to a normal, natural high tide in the wetland. Natural flow in is important for fish passage. Working with the natural environment as opposed working against it is a more sustainable option and the Society's wish.

Due to the gate removal we saw changes in the wetland. Most noticeable was the yellowing of the flaxes at the rear of the wetland. On closer inspection the noxious weeds such as honeysuckle (that have intertwined around the flax) have also been affected. The flaxes were planted by members of Forest and Bird some years back in an area that was not estuarine at the time, due to the tidal gate, but became naturally estuarine after the gate removal. In time it is likely the spreading Tasmanian blackwoods and wattle will also show signs of increased salt water influence as plants not suitable for estuarine areas were affected. As this occurred during spring high tide the effects are more noticeable than what one would expect over a gradual adjustment. We saw no water in paddocks when tides were in the normal range. The Society's traps were affected, with a couple closer to the bridge floating off. These have now been replaced.

Meanwhile, spring is here and you might have already heard the sound of kingfisher's mating calls. The earliest breeding starts for banded rail is September and it will go through until March, so we hope they will be sussing out nesting spots. There are still areas suitable for them and they usually head out into the bay's mangroves at low tide to forage but during a recent sighting one was seen hanging out in the wetland during low tide. Locals report more white-face herons than usual as water coverage increased. Predator trapping will continue throughout the season to help protect these taonga.

MEG

By Nat Munns

Save Kiwi Month

October is Save Kiwi Month and there are so many ways to get involved: become a MEG member, sponsor a stoat trap, sign up as a MEG volunteer, buy a trap for your backyard, buy a MEG tee-shirt, make a donation, or, if you own a business, you can become a MEG corporate sponsor – drop us a line.

We're also running a Save Kiwi Month Colouring Competition. Collect a copy for your child to colour in from the Coromandel Town Information Centre. Drop completed pictures back there by **20 October**.

Weed of the Month – Pampas Grass

This month's weed of the month is pampas grass. Not to be confused with our native toetoe, pampas also grows in large clumps up to 4m tall with fluffy flower heads. However, there are a few ways to distinguish between the two. The older leaves of the pampas curl at the base of the clump and tend to look like wood shavings. Pampas has a central rib on the underneath of the leaves whereas Toetoe has secondary ribs. Pampas leaves are easy to tear and the fluffy pinkish-white flower head is produced from January to June.

Pampas rapidly dominates disturbed sites, preventing native regeneration, and provides habitats for mice, rats and possums. The seeds are copious and spread long distances on the wind. You can remove the seed heads to prevent spread, then dig or grub out small plants; remove sizable plants where possible. You can compost, or leave on site to rot down. Burn or bury any flower heads; cut and apply herbicide to base and leave plants in the ground till the roots have died.

Pampas has become very popular with wedding decorators and florists in recent years, but did you know that because it's listed as a noxious weed it's actually illegal to use and transport the plant? And just remember, pampas is not a native!

Trap Building Equipment Stolen

Unfortunately some lowlife broke into the MEG workshop in Waikawau in early September and helped themselves to our drop saw, battery drill, pneumatic nail gun and a fresh box of stainless steel screws.

If you've been offered any of the above, or have information that may help in its return, please contact us or the local police.

The positive to come out of this incident is the generosity and concern shown from our community – a huge thanks to everyone who's been in touch.

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Coromandel Croquet Club

By Kaye Anderson



With daylight saving starting on 27 September we will be switching to an earlier start of 9.30am from **Tuesday 29 September**.

The grass is green, the tuis are flirting and now's a great time to start a new activity. If you want to try out croquet, just come along. Wear soft-soled shoes, casual clothes and we'll provide the equipment and tuition.

We meet on Tuesdays and Fridays at 9.15am for a 9.30am start. If you are keen to join us and need more information, call Kaye on (07) 866 8968. Otherwise just come along on a Friday. The club is situated in Woollams Ave next to the Bowling Club.

Coromandel Recreational Fishing Club

By Sharon Toms & CRFC Committee

Labour weekend is fast approaching and our next fishing tournament is on **Sunday 25 October**. Entry forms can be picked up from Wyuna Studios or Fish & Dive, or email coromandelfishingclub@gmail.com. Looking forward to a great day out on the water.

Just a reminder our Meat Pack raffles are held on Friday nights at the Admirals Arms; only \$2 per ticket, with proceeds going towards Club prizes and the general running of the Club.

The Club "Fish of the Month Competition" for the \$100 prize is for the August 2020-July 2021 current members only. Fish of the Month for October is kahawai.

There are a lot more boats out on the water now that scallop season is open. There have been reports of some lovely snapper being caught off the rocks north of Coromandel and lots of gurnard in the Firth of Thames. Fishing can only get better as the warmer weather arrives!

Here's to tight lines as always.

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WANTED

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED CILT is looking for volunteers to fill a range of roles, including but not limited to positions at both the Goldmine and the Bizarre. Phone (07) 866 8038 for more info.

WANTED ALL LIVESTOCK We inspect in the paddock. Also we transport every Thursday to Waikato's largest saleyards in Morrinsville. Phone Dave Coatsworth 027 481 7100.

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Coromandel Town weekly and monthly meetings

Every Monday

Step Aerobics at Coro Gym 8am
 Coromandel Hikers' Group, Hauraki House, Colin & Elspeth (07) 866 7137 ... 9am
 Monday Walkers, Woollams Ave car park north end, Irene 021 157 8408 9am
 Gold Fit at Coro Gym 9.30am
 Coromandel Playgroup, St Andrews Church Hall, Rings Road.
 Contact Angee 021 255 0399 9.30am-12.30pm
 SeniorNet Coromandel contact Loes (07) 866 8053 4pm
 Bridge, St John rooms 7pm
 Four-part harmony singing, Sue (07) 866 8833 7.30pm

Every Tuesday

Croquet, Woollams Ave, Kaye (07) 866 8968 9.15am
 Pastel Artists Coromandel, Coromandel Aero Club Rooms (07) 866 72209am-12pm
 Coro Walking Group, Lotto Dairy, Ruth (07) 866 7246 9am
 Open Floor Community Dance, Citizens' Hall
 (*come 15mins early if you're new or would like a longer warmup) 9.30*-11.30am
 Yoga for everyone, Colville Hall, Kate 021 125 3152 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

Step Aerobics at Coro Gym 8am
 Coromandel Community Organic Garden volunteers' drop-in time 9-11am
 Gold Fit at Coro Gym 9.30am
 Ballet Class For Adults, Coromandel Citizens' Hall, \$10 per class.
 Contact Marilyn 027 336 5263 9.50-11.20am
 Wing Chun Kung Fu. Internationally recognised Sifu. Waikato Events Centre.. 4pm

Every Thursday

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
 Yoga, Move & Relax at Trust Waikato Events Centre (upstairs Swimming Pool) contact Tina 021 201 9750 5.10-6.20pm
 Zumba class every Thursday (school term only), Coromandel Area School Hall, Claire 021 653 650 5.30-6.30pm
 Sunset Yoga with Vanessa, Colville School Hall, \$10. School Term only.
 Contact 021 124 7267 5-6.15pm

Every Friday

Step Aerobics at Coro Gym 8am
 Yoga for everyone, Anglican Hall, Kate 021 125 3152 9am
 Croquet, Woollams Ave, Kaye (07) 866 8968 9.15am
 Playcentre, Woollams Ave 9.45am-12.15pm
 Coromandel Home-school group, Julene (07) 866 8333 10am
 Coromandel Tennis Club "club day" 4pm
 Coromandel Flying Club social gathering, all welcome 5.30pm

Every Saturday

RSA Coromandel, RSA Club Rooms Woollams Ave. Courtesy van available.
 President Kevin Stone (07) 866 7576 3.30-7pm

Every Sunday

Anglican Church Service 10am
 Coromandel Tennis Club "club day" 1pm

Monthly

1st Mon – Coro Patchwork & Quilters, St John rooms,
 Jill (07) 866 7484 9.30am-3.30pm
3rd Mon – Coro Patchwork & Quilters, St John rooms,
 Jill (07) 866 7484 9.30am-3.30pm
1st Wed – Coro Embroiderers' Guild, St John rooms,
 Win McMinn (07) 866 7508 10am-3pm
1st Wed – Lions Dinner meeting, St John rooms.
 President Lyn Rose (07) 866 7722 6pm
1st Fri – Gay Social Group, ph Roz 022 308 8975 7pm
2nd Wed – Garden Circle. Jeni Mudgway 021 0227 5341 1pm
2nd Tues – Meditation Discussion Group, ph Roz 022 308 8975 7pm
3rd Wed – Lions Business Meeting, St John rooms.
 President Lyn Rose (07) 866 7722 7pm
Last Thurs – Green Drinks at Star & Garter 5pm
1st & 3rd Sun – Church Service at St Andrew's Church, Rings Road 10am

If your meeting has been omitted, please email Debbie at
 corochronicle@gmail.com with the subject "meeting" or
 txt/ph 021 235 6648. Please include contact name and phone number.

MEG Save Kiwi Month

Coromandel Recreational Fishing Club Fish of the Month

- Kahawai






Calendar of events

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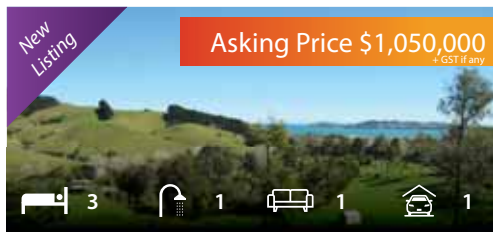
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MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
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<div><div>COROMANDEL RUBBISH & RECYCLE TRANSFER STATION & E-CYCLE HOURS</div><div>Tues and Thurs 11am-4.30pm</div><div>Saturday, Sunday & public holidays 11am-5.30pm</div></div>						
1		2 Coromandel ArtsTour Gala Opening (see pg 5)	3 Coromandel ArtsTour (see pg 5)	4 St Andrews Union church service – John Rabarts Coromandel ArtsTour (see pg 5)	5	6
2 Public Screening of the Dalai Lama's live teaching at Mahamudra Centre (see pg 16)	3 Public Screening of the Dalai Lama's live teaching at Mahamudra Centre (see pg 16)	4 Dalai Lama's Public Screening at Mahamudra Centre (see pg 16)	5	6	7	8
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Recognizing Natural Awareness Retreat with Hedwig Bakker starts at Mahamudra Centre (see pg 16)	Pass It On play (see ad pg 15) Coromandel ArtsTour (see pg 5)	Coromandel ArtsTour (see pg 5)	St Andrews Union church service – John Rabarts	RN+TC RN	RN+TC RN	RN+TC TC
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Emotional Intelligence Workshop starts at Mahamudra Centre (see pg 16)	Election Day (see pg 6)	St Andrews Union church service – John Rabarts	School – term 4 starts	RN+TC TC	Guided Meditation and Chat on Transforming Problems into Happiness. Kōha, At the Coromandel Citizens' Hall (see pg 16)	High tide 5.08am (2.5m), 5.37pm (2.7m) Low tide 11.21am (0.5m), 11.51pm (0.5m)
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23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Ferry restarts (see ad pg 2)	Animal Rescue Thames Labour Weekend Garage Sale in Thames (see pg 15)	Labour weekend fishing tournament (see pg 27) Free meditation and community lunch at Mahamudra Centre (see pg 16)	Labour Day Public Holiday	MEG Save Kiwi Month Colouring Competition closes (see pg 27)	Coromandel Budget Advisory Service AGM (see pg 19)	The Coromandel Community Arts Council, Management Committee AGM (see pg 5)
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Bring Your Own Cup Day (see pg 10)	High tide 7.11am (2.5m), 7.27pm (2.6m) Low tide 12.53am (0.6m), 1.16pm (0.6m)	5-15 – Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild Annual Exhibition starts (see pg 14)				
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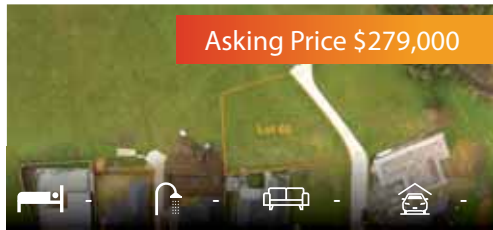
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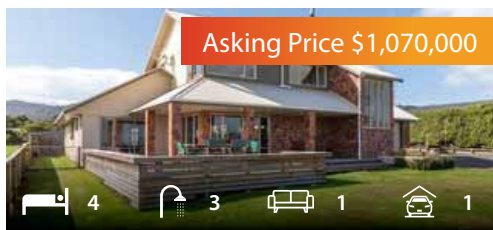
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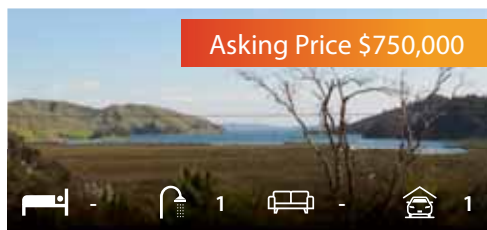
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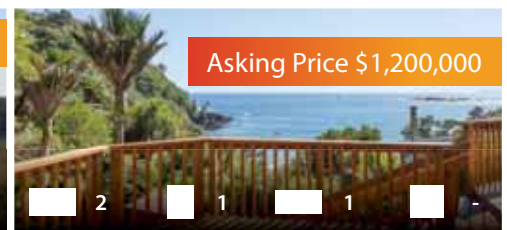
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