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Editor's comments

September means the start of spring. I think we have all been waiting for it to come after what has been a cold winter, though I must say we have had some spectacular sunny days too.

Start planning what you are going to plant in your garden this spring as the Coromandel Vegetable & Produce Show is on again in February (see pg 4).

Theme nights at the Pepper Tree Restaurant finish at the end of this month, the Coromandel Mussel Kitchen is reopening and Bowling season starts as town starts gearing up for summer once more.

Also I would like to apologise for any offence caused by pluralising with an "s" my article on the planting of pohutukawas last issue – which in hindsight could have been written as "pohutukawa trees".

Have a good month,

Debbie

Letters

Maori language

Kia ora Coromandel,
NZ was reminded via the media that the Maori Language be used as often as practicable with emphasis on pronunciation. And I applaud those non-Maori who tried.

However, I wish to point out that there is no letter 's' in the Maori language. Yet I see Maori words being pluralised by the inclusion of the letter "S". This is wrong. One would never say, "I saw all those sheeps". Yet this is how it sounds when the "S" is included after a Maori word. It is not good English and equally bad Maori.

The Sports Channels for TV have made progress in this direction. One will hear that they refer to the NZ Maori All Blacks team as the Maori team. In the past they were called the NZ Maoris.

I now see in writing and hear these mispronunciations about me and I find them, like so many other good Maori speakers, offensive. I would like to see it discouraged.

The following words are used ad nauseam and I suspect they have been adopted by non-Maori after hearing Maori use them. Maori elders who should know better and many of these elders are imitated by others – not a good example to follow: Marae(s) for marae; poupou(s) for poupou – the carved posts that adorn the inside of a whare nui; kaumātua(s) elder; rākau(s) sticks; ika(s) fish; moko (s) for mokopuna or grandchild (moko is a tattoo).

I applaud the actions of the people who planted pohutukawa trees but not their planting of pohutukawas as published recently in the Chronicle.
Kingi Ihaka,
Kennedy Bay

Poetry SPOT

Words, only Words

By Jocelyn Davey

When I was young, dad said "Strike me pink!"
My Aussie nana caled us in, "Cooee!"
The six-o'clock swill was a great way to drink
And a whole lot of gossip was bound to be hooley.

You could get shirty or just rip shit and bust,
Go out with your sheila for love or for lust.
If you went to a dance, it was "ladies a plate".
You often wallked home, be it ever so late.

You could be a pearler or trimmer or grouse
You could get the pricker or be micky-mouse.
More recently cool or neat's what they say
And almost certainly... Back in the Day...

If you want to know what people are really like,
ask them:

1. What makes them angry.
2. What makes them weep.
3. What makes them laugh.

– Albert Einstein

Acknowledgement

Dear Editor,
The Coromandel Area School Board of Trustees wish to acknowledge that the Board has received, and accepted, the resignation of Asha Peppiatt. She is not only leaving us as principal, but also the New Zealand teaching service, to take up a position at an overseas education agency.

There are many things that can be attributed to her efforts at Coromandel Area School, notably the introduction of International Students, the Trades Academy, the drama exhibitions, and her vision and enthusiasm toward 21st century learning.

The Board of Trustees would like to wish her well in her new venture. We acknowledge that Asha states she has left due to a breakdown of relationship between herself and the Board of Trustees. We would like to express our apology for any stress the Board unknowingly caused.

As Asha is on sabbatical, she has decided not to come back to attend any farewell.
Coromandel Area School Board of Trustees, Coromandel

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Anti-1080 misinformation

Dear Debbie,

Surely it's time for John Veysey's column "Peninsula Project Update" to be discontinued or improved. The repetitious anti-1080 misinformation and the anti-DOC comments denigrate a government department that is peopled with workers who are doing their best in their vocation.

Mr Veysey has every right to expound his conspiracy views and claim incompetency by a group looking after the massive public forests; but is it the CTC's job to give him a platform to repeat his concerns in every issue? Is article balance missing?

There have been full-page advertisements, including a map, informing readers throughout the peninsula about what's going on, where and why. Thank you DOC.

Sincerely,

Peter H. Wood, Thames Coast

Editors comment: I am bound by the terms of my agreement with the CBA to publish both sides of any debate – which I do – publishing all letters and articles I receive. Everyone can have a say in the Chronicle.

Combined Clubs of Coromandel

Dear Editor,

From the perspective of someone fairly new to RSA activity I am happy to see the amalgamation of the Coromandel RSA and the Coromandel Bowling Club is underway. From my point of view, apart from the obvious financial benefits of this move, RSA members can enjoy the atmosphere and social enjoyment at a purpose-built venue and surroundings.

It has been stated that more or less 17% of paid up members of the Coromandel RSA (inc) use the club. Perhaps the view out of the windows and the poky confines of the lean-to attached to the Community Hall was not what members wanted. Perhaps that is why members stayed away and opted to socialise and take their "out of town" visitors elsewhere.

We can now look forward to a club where entry is restricted to persons who have been nominated, seconded and approved by existing members. You can not just walk in off the street.

This club will have a constitution and rules to ensure a reasonable standard of behaviour is upheld.

It will be somewhere we can meet people that are positive, and see the "glass half full". A social venue available to club members, where they can relax and enjoy themselves. There may even be a time for a game of bowls, 8 ball or darts. Members will have access to RSA clubs, cosmopolitan clubs, working men's clubs, bowling clubs, and any other affiliated club throughout the country.

A president and governing committee is to be democratically elected, with representatives from both clubs, on Saturday 5 September.

Whether Coromandel people are members or not, as a community, let us all get behind the duly elected governing body and make the Combined Clubs of Coromandel thrive.

Cheers,
John Twidle, Papa Aroha

Post Shop

Dear Debbie,

I would just like to acknowledge the support from Lesley and Peter Pritchard in including the Post Shop in the new Four Square and ask that everyone is patient and pleasant to Fran and her staff. They are doing their best to serve our community.

We all know that it's not the perfect scenario but if it weren't for these people we would all have to travel to Thames or Whitianga for our Post Shop services.

NZ Post are closing down branches all over NZ and many of their staff have been made redundant. Coromandel is lucky that, for now, we still have a Pos Shop and Kiwibank outlet and that the staff still have their jobs. So next time you are waiting in the queue count your blessings and support these lovely people with thanks and a smile.

Jane Warren, Coromandel

Keeping Up With The Web News

To the editor,

Over the last few years and more so this year there has been a gradual world-wide awakening to the catastrophic events that will bring major changes to the way we live. Some of these are the fall of the US dollar; the effect of the Fukushima disaster upon animals, birds and fish; the introduction of the New World order and the real goal behind Jade Helm 15 military exercises in the USA.

We live in a fast-moving technical age where press releases can be quickly verified by internet research, particularly for information from within the USA. Governments have a propensity to withhold details to deflect public inquiry into their true intentions. This behaviour makes our personal analysis about what is really happening more difficult to decipher. Not knowing its effect of the outcome upon our nation could leave us all unprepared.

Therefore many have been turning to ancient biblical writings, seeking for clues to understand the times and seasons we live in, with the hope that comfort can be found from divine inspiration, but a difficulty remains – interpretation.

With the internet today many of us can tap into some of the most up-to-date and outstanding writers such as Jonathan Cahn with his books *The Harbinger* and *The Mystery of The Shemitah* and Perry Stone with his *Deciphering End Time Prophetic Codes*. Many other informed people such as USA congressman Ron Paul and presenter Alex Jones of Info Wars, boldly publicise feedback they have gained from insiders and whistle-blowers.

But more startling, is understanding the implications that surround the Jewish festivals and their coinciding with the solar and lunar eclipses over 2014 and 2015 which from history, has always been the mark of some major world event. According to NASA, these back-to-back eclipses will not occur for another 500 years.

Ms Editor, my recent leaflet drop has some helpful websites intended to inform us, without engendering fear, about events, some of which are happening right now.

Garry Prime, Whitianga

Events

September – see back page

October

Sunday 25 October – Coromandel Fishing Club Labour Weekend Competition (see pg 33)

Sunday 25 October – Kiwi Spring Festival at Tangiaro (see ad pg 26)

Saturday 31 – The Cranleigh K2 Road Cycling Classic

November

Sunday 1 – Coromandel Music Society present Miho's Jazz Orchestra



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50 Years of The Bizarre

By Carlene Carmichael

Our Bizarre has turned 50 years old, and what a remarkable journey it has been to reach that milestone.

From that first small shop, in 1965, set up by Betty Rabarts and Freda Cherrington (the then Anglican minister's wife), to raise funds to build the Anglican Church Hall. As the business grew and flourished, the shop and business had to move to bigger buildings, bringing us to the shop we know and love today.

The original name "Anglican Bazar" was changed around about 1971 to the "The Bizarre", the idea of the local vicar of that time because of the weird and wonderful things the shop sold, and in 2015 we are still stocking such items.

In 1989 The Bizarre was purchased by the Coromandel Senior Settlement Trust, with many of the goods sold on commission, up until 2009, when reluctantly through changes to government policy, commission selling was discontinued, and the Trust changed its status to become a "registered charity". This change in direction has enabled all funds generated from the sale of donated goods, after shop expenses have been paid, back to the community through the donations

programme which will again be available to groups and organisations later this year.

The original principles of those earlier times still apply today; we accept donated goods and on sell. Our gratitude and sincere thanks must go to all who have supported the shop either with donations or purchases. The Bizarre has had an amazing year and we regularly hear from or see people who have come back, time and time again, sometimes covering generations of families; an awesome endorsement of just how popular The Bizarre is.

The Bizarre is fortunate to have Jackie, Debbie and the band of regular volunteers, who keep the shop running so efficiently. Debbie, your window displays are a marvelous invitation for people to go inside to shop. Our sincere thank you to you all; your dedication, commitment and willingness



to be available and your friendliness and happy smiles all assist towards making The Bizarre a wonderful place to shop.

In conclusion, do take the opportunity to look at the profile, by photographs, of The Bizarre over the last 50 years that Jackie has put together. It's a wonderful record of the shop's progress and history, and is in the shop for all to see.

As Trustees we feel privileged to be involved and able to support our community, and in turn we thank you for your support.

Coromandel Vegetable & Produce Show

By Martin Edwards

Once again we are holding the Vegetable and Produce Show. It will be on **6 February 2016** at Coromandel Bowling Club, so start planning and buying your seeds. We are expecting a severe El Nino, so we may have severe drought conditions, so take that into account in your planning. On the actual day, in the morning between 8.30-11am, you are invited to bring your vegetables, flowers, jams, pickles and cakes and enter them in a competition. The entries are judged 11am-1.30pm. At 2pm everyone can come along and view the exhibits, and see who has come first, second or third in each class. The winners get a small certificate. The winners of each section will receive a \$10 prize. There will be a Best in Show winner, second and third, for the people who have won the most prizes and will receive \$50, \$30 and \$20 respectively.

Prizes will be announced at 3pm. Refreshments will be available, and a quartet band will be playing, with the event closing around 3.30- 4pm when entries can be taken home.

Please read the rules for entries to avoid disappointment. The entry rules and schedule are available from the Coromandel Town Information Centre.

Once again I will ask Father Phillips, vicar from the Anglican Church, to open the show at 2pm.

The classes you can enter are: Onions, Spring onions, Potatoes, Round beans, Longest runner bean, Runner beans, Beetroot, Cucumbers, Tomatoes red, Cherry tomatoes, Heaviest tomato, Courgette, Fresh herbs, Carrots, Capsicums, Chilli, Garlic, Corn, Rhubarb, Any other vegetable, Apples, Plums, A selection of different fruit, Collection of vegetables, Rose, Cut flowers, Bowl of flowers for all-round effect, Multiple bloom, Flower arrangement, Miniature flower arrangement, Sunflower, Bottled fruit, Chutney/relishes, Sauces, Decorated cupcakes, Muffins, Fruit scones, Children's section – miniature garden 300mmx300mm.

You can only have one entry per class, but as many classes as you like. 50 cents per entry to a max \$5.

Afternoon entry is free. There will be small charge for refreshments.

Entry form/schedules/rules are available from the Coromandel Town Information Centre or email quail1352@gmail.com for more info

Colville Market Day

Colville Market Day will be held on **Saturday 19 September** and is shaping up with tables being booked by people from Coromandel, Port Charles, Kuaotunu, and Colville.

There is still some space available; if you have something to sell, contact Lena on (07) 866 6687. There will also be a Community Table for people who have just got a few things, i.e. three bunches of silverbeet, or parsley, or a couple of bags of lemons, or a few dozen eggs. If you have got something to sell – just bring it along.

A big thank you to Rebekah Pearson for the lovely poster. Anyone needing any artwork done – we have a new artist in the area – you can contact Rebekah via email rbkhpearson@gmail.com.

Come and visit Colville and help us support our Community Hall – looking forward to seeing lots of people there.

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Coromandel Lions

By Lion Lyn



A very quiet month for Lions with only club happenings to report.

Our dinner meeting was the usual sumptuous affair, with guests Peter and Leslie enjoying the evening with us. The Lion Rock award went to Lion Jill for her five years of dedicated service as treasurer. Many thanks and hope you enjoy your time out with family over the next couple of months.

Welcome back to Lion Peter who is out of hospital again and Lion Nigel who is back from holiday although on crutches. Our prayers must go out to Lion Ngaire who is very unwell and away with family at this time. Get well soon – we miss you.

With better weather and the days drawing out, we will be starting firewood for next season. To avoid disappointment ph (07) 866 7722 and leave a clear message. I will call back to confirm.

After many months, we have finally installed the much needed seat outside the Citizens Hall on Kapanga Road. Thanks to all who helped with this project. It is already well utilized!

Our major fundraiser project for St John is progressing well with over \$6000 already in the fund. If you wish to donate, please contact our treasurer Lion Mary (07) 866 7672 or secretary Jayne (07) 866 7687.

That's it for this month – see you in the spring.

As a service club, we are always looking for like-minded people to join our merry pride of Lions. For more information, talk to any Lion – we don't bite!

Te Ahi Kaa Social Services

By Jacquie Hamon



He aha te mea nui o te Ao? He Tangata! He Tangata! He Tangata!

Nga mihi nui ki a koutou.

“Naku te rourou nau te rourou, ka ora ai te iwi.”

There has been much publicity regarding the diverse groups in our cities who supply lunches to schools, the soup kitchens run from the streets, vans that deliver food, and more. All to the vulnerable.

There are also those among us who believe that the need is there because it has been created by the supply. Duh? It is easy to make judgement calls about such concerns when it is not happening directly in front of our noses.

Food, shelter, clothing – the very basics of survival. Thank God for those groups who see, really see, suffering by whatever cause and act in accordance.

One day a granddaughter scrambled out of the vehicle at the school in a mad dash to get through the gate. When asked what the hurry was, she said, “I don't want to be late or I'll miss out on the Milo” Eh? When reminded that she didn't need it, she looked at me as if I were slow. “Everyone has Milo” was her parting shot. The argument against providing free school lunches for kids goes in various forms like this: “All parents can afford a loaf of bread and Marmite.”; “Parents are too lazy”; “They waste their money”; “In my day..”.

Well in my day we had free, warm milk (in winter) at school. Did I like it? No, we had better milk at home. But I lined up with the rest for it. And even with the free milk, and the fact we were taught to share our lunch, I saw kids surreptitiously eat from rubbish bins. It stayed with me all my life. Vulnerable children. Still with us today.

And yeah, my granddaughter certainly didn't need the Milo. But you know what, on reflection I'm glad she showed as much enthusiasm for it as anyone else. If it removed the stigma away from only one or two children that did, then it was worth it. And yes, she was taught to share her lunch too.

“With my basket and your basket the people will live.”

Call in to chat or make an appointment Mon – Fri, 9am-3pm Tiki House, 45 Tiki Road. Ph (07) 866 8558, email: takss@xtra.co.nz



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Kirtan and Meditation with Swami Mukti at Mana Retreat Centre

By Rebecca Leaker

On **26 September** a special night of kirtan and meditation will be held in the beautiful Sanctuary led by Swami Mukti, from 7pm to 9pm. Proceeds for the night will go towards helping rebuild Nepal after the devastating earthquake in April.

On the night, Swami Mukti will explain the ancient practices of kirtan and meditation and to get an idea of what they involve before then, read on....

So what is kirtan?

Kirtan is a very uplifting practice involving chanting different mantra in Sanskrit, an ancient Indian language. Each chant is led through a process of call and response. Chants usually begin gently and gradually build momentum with drums and different percussive instruments joining in. Sometimes people will feel drawn to dance at the peak of a chant or may fall into a more internal space. Each chant generally ends again on a quieter meditative note before the next one starts. After a night of kirtan it is common to feel a great sense of release or to have gained a new gem of insight.

What is meditation?

The incredible range of meditative techniques available remind me of the saying by the famous Sufi Rumi, "There are as many paths to god as there are souls on the earth". Different techniques also work for different people at different stages in their life.

In my experience meditation is not a process of forcibly stopping thoughts or images that incessantly flow through the mind like a river, but rather learning to observe them as if watching the river from its banks. With practice and time, the body and mind learn to relax into

a calm and receptive state and spaces between thoughts naturally occur than may last 10 seconds to start with and build up to minutes or hours. It is within these spaces that deep rejuvenation of the body's systems and profound experiences happen and true meditation occurs.

Yogic postures (asana), breathing techniques (pranayama) and kirtan are helpful practices that prepare the body and mind to experience deep meditative states with much greater ease.

Swami Mukti

The night will be led by Swami Mukti, a modern day yogi, international speaker and spiritual mentor who shares yoga as the art and science of positive living. He received direct training living in India for 16 years and has been based in New Zealand since 1996 when he co-founded Anahata Yoga Retreat.

Combining 40 years of experience, Swami Mukti draws from an ancient wisdom and adapts it to suit the needs of contemporary living. His holistic approach to the modern human being is scientific, yet practical and comprehensive. In a direct, fun and compassionate way he encourages individuals to trust their potential and tap into the wisdom of life.

For more information check out his website www.light-mind.org.

Where: Mana Retreat Centre, Sanctuary

When: 26 September, 7-9pm

Cost: \$20, for earthquake recovery in Nepal

Please note: There is limited parking at the sanctuary. One option is to take a gorgeous 30 minute walk through the bush to get there from the main centre with a torch and good walking shoes. After the kirtan the Mana van will be available to drop people back at the centre. If you need to drive up, please park at the lower car park and walk up from there.

Animal Rescue Thames

By Alice and John Parris

Firstly thank mews for the donations of cat and kitten food, biscuits and tinned foods, a huge blessing to the unit; also for the bedding and pillows, comfort for the kitties.

Rehomed – nothing whatsoever; we remain completely as we are, the kittens growing up here at rescue, the felines people want are the wee ones, the little, these once were small, and now are in that teen kitten sizing being half grown. They are adorable, gorgeous and playful, they can cause loads of mayhem in short spaces of time. They only know us but we have found their antisocial behaviour to visitors is only short-lived and they chill out and become civil in a short space of time so we do know that they will accept and adapt to a new forever home. It is just waiting now for that home to become available to them.

Milady, our farmie, is progressing very well. We couldn't comb out the tangled knots in her coat and with her being feral

this was only able to be done in extremely short bursts of one minute each sitting. So to get her coat clear we simply cut the things out and her coat is now combable and lovely again without the horrible matted knots attached. She is typical farm feral – pick up carry is met with fear and tense kitten, sit on lap it's purr smooch and happy. Sometimes she gets over-excited and bites but that is just as she is relaxing and becoming more at ease with things.

Toys are things they learn as they go – Foff our ex-feral farmie watched as I showed her the ball 'n track game. Then he watched her, then thunked the ball to show her how, again very typical for the farmies – they too have been shown by a predecessor and go on to teach the next one in. She in turn will teach the next.

She has slowly figured how to tap and push, also to pat at a dangling string. This is for her huge steps and her education in her new world continues every day even playing with my knitting yarn and knitting as I knit, which is not exactly the most helpful game.

Being in a complete standstill has major drawbacks, that being we still have the 30s to feed and care for, flea and worm treatments, and with out funds in a diabolically low state, fundraising on internet is now priority. We saw a cat food special at awesome price yet couldn't stock up as we would normally. Hopefully another special will surface and we will have funds to go and buy it.

Wanted – urgently seeking homes for our beautiful teen kittens – shy at first yet lovable and more once they get to know you and your environment. Also cat food, tinned and biscuits. We mainly use the Whiskas, Purina One and Chef, Cat Chow and Friskies. The others are lower grade but we use them in amongst the others. More out of necessity than anything else. Also blankets and towels are welcomed too.

Meow furr now.

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Coromandel Walking Group

By Irene Dunn

Get that "spring" in your step and come walking! This is a great time of year to be out walking – not too hot and not too cold. Our group are pleased that the Long Bay Kauri Walk is re-opened now. It's a good track especially around the big kauri – so many locals and tourists alike enjoy this walk. Well done to the workers!

Have you thought of doing a bit more exercise? We welcome new walkers – come and join us each Tuesday and Thursday. We meet at 9am at the Lotto Dairy.

Happy walking everyone.

Contact Ruth (07) 866 7246

Coromandel Contract Bridge Club

By Judy Bronlund

The September competitions are the Te Kouma Pairs followed by the Moe Hau Pairs. Please let Lyn know who your partner is for each competition. We play every Monday evening in the St John rooms and visitors are most welcome to join us, as are new members.

Contact Val (07) 866 8730 or Lyn (07) 866 8858

Free Hepatitis Community FibroScan Clinic in Coromandel

By Scott Bolam

Free FibroScan clinics are being held in Coromandel in September. This one-off clinic is an opportunity for people with chronic hepatitis B or C to have a highly sought-after FibroScan (a type of ultrasound) assessment. This new technology evaluates the health of a patient's liver and allows timely interventions to prevent further liver damage.

The Hepatitis Foundation of New Zealand, in partnership with general practices, will be holding free hepatitis clinics in September at Coromandel Family Health Centre (80 Kapanga Rd, Coromandel).

What is hepatitis B and C?

Viral hepatitis causes inflammation, cirrhosis and cancer of the liver. Approximately 100,000 New Zealanders live with chronic hepatitis B and 50,000 with chronic hepatitis C. Over two-thirds remain undiagnosed or not in proper assessment.

There are likely to be around 60 people living in the Coromandel with undiagnosed chronic hepatitis.

Who is at risk of hepatitis?

People at risk of hepatitis B are those:

- Over 25 and of Māori, Pacific Island, or Asian ethnicity
- Whose mother or close family has hepatitis B
- Who live with someone who has hepatitis B

People at risk of hepatitis C are those who:

- Have injected drugs (even if only once)
- Have received a tattoo or body piercing using unsterile equipment
- Lived or received medical attention in a high-risk country (Southeast Asia, China, eastern Europe, including Russia, or the Middle East)
- Had a blood transfusion or received blood products prior to 1992
- Have ever been in prison
- Were born to a mother living with hepatitis C

"This is a great opportunity to pick up people with hepatitis who will benefit from treatment and find those who have early fibrotic changes before it becomes a fatal disease," said Dr Sandra Flooks, GP at Coromandel Family Health Centre.

If you think you may have hepatitis or have any questions, please free phone The Hepatitis Foundation on 0800 33 20 10 or speak to your doctor

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29 Aug - 20 Sept	-	-	-	-	6.00pm*	8.45am	8.45am
21 Sept - 18 Oct	-	-	-	-	6.00pm	8.45am	8.45am
19 Oct - 25 Oct	-	8.45am	-	8.45am	6.00pm	8.45am	8.45am
26 Oct - 1 Nov	8.45am	8.45am	-	8.45am	6.00pm	8.45am	8.45am
2 Nov - 20 Dec	-	8.45am	-	8.45am	6.00pm	8.45am	8.45am
21 Dec - 27 Dec	-	8.45am	-	8.45am	Xmas Day	8.45am	8.45am

Departs Waiheke (Orapiu) to Coromandel (approximate times)

29 Aug - 20 Sept	-	-	-	-	-	9.50am	9.50am
21 Sept - 18 Oct	-	-	-	-	7.05pm	9.50am	9.50am
19 Oct - 25 Oct	-	9.50am	-	9.50am	7.05pm	9.50am	9.50am
26 Oct - 1 Nov	9.50am	9.50am	-	9.50am	7.05pm	9.50am	9.50am
2 Nov - 20 Dec	-	9.50am	-	9.50am	7.05pm	9.50am	9.50am
21 Dec - 27 Dec	-	9.50am	-	9.50am	Xmas Day	9.50am	9.50am

Departs Coromandel: Hannaford's Wharf

29 Aug - 20 Sept	-	-	-	-	8.15pm*	4.30pm	4.30pm
21 Sept - 18 Oct	-	-	-	-	8.15pm	4.30pm	4.30pm
19 Oct - 25 Oct	-	3.00pm	-	3.00pm	8.15pm	4.30pm	4.30pm
26 Oct - 1 Nov	4.30pm	3.00pm	-	3.00pm	8.15pm	4.30pm	4.30pm
2 Nov - 20 Dec	-	3.00pm	-	3.00pm	8.15pm	4.30pm	4.30pm
21 Dec - 27 Dec	-	3.00pm	-	3.00pm	Xmas Day	4.30pm	4.30pm

Auckland - Coromandel

	Adult	Child	Family
One way	\$55.00	\$35.00	-
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Waiheke Island (Orapiu) - Coromandel

	Adult	Child	Family
One way	\$35.00	\$22.00	-
Open return	\$60.00	\$35.00	\$155.00

Child definition is 5-15 years inclusive.
Family definition is 2 adults + 2 children.

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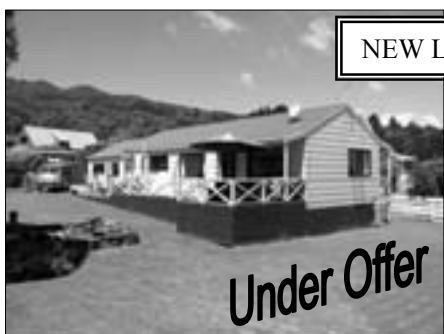
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The Senior Settlement Village... 2 brm Lockwood, garage. **\$265,000**



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Long Bay – get ready for summer, 2 brms, open-plan living, garage. **\$430,000**

My Vegan Month

By Deborah Hide-Bayne, author of local cookery book, *Coromandel Flavour: A Year of Cooking at the Bach*

Did I manage to eat 100% vegan for a whole month? Honestly, not quite (more about this later)...

However, there have been some very big plusses. I have:

- moved away from "meat and two veg" with my cooking which makes eating at my house a bit more interesting;
- a better understanding of protein other than meat: vegetables, beans, grains, nuts, and seeds;
- learnt how to cook tofu in a number of delicious ways;
- found several really great recipes (see the recipes at coromandel-flavour.blogspot.co.nz); and
- widened my carbs from potatoes, pasta and rice to include leafy greens, whole fruits and legumes (such as sprouts).

Being vegan isn't necessarily easy though. Restaurants and cafés don't offer much vegan (or if they do it is "a pizza without the cheese" or 'Eggs Bene without the egg and the Hollandaise'). I would have to have a very good health reason or an absolute commitment to animal welfare to change permanently, but I now know that I could if I had to, and I would enjoy some great food.

In this experiment, I didn't do enough preparation or stock up on ingredients that I don't normally have in my pantry. So for now, I will be reverting to be a meat eater, although I will continue to be conscious about how that meat is raised and where it comes from.

Spring is nearly here and I hope that the warmer weather will bring better health and more food inspiration...

P.S. Actually, I came a cropper mainly with eggs... they are in so many of the things I cook: not only on their own but also mayonnaise, cakes, baking, egg wash and crumb, to name a few.

More info at www.coromandel-flavour.co.nz or www.coromandel-flavour.blogspot.co.nz

Coromandel Senior Settlement Trust

Donations Programme 2015/2016

As in previous years the Trust has a limited amount of funds available to support groups and organisations involving and assisting Coromandel people, especially, but not exclusively, those of interest to senior citizens.

Applications for donations in 2015/2016 are now invited and will **close on 30 September 2015**.

For information on the Trust's guidelines and the application procedures refer to the information booklet obtainable by writing to CSST Donations Programme Coordinator
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or go to our website
www.coroseniortrust.org.nz

Free after-hour clinics for cervical screening



Te Korowai Hauora o Hauraki Coromandel is

offering free after-hours "pop-up" clinics for cervical screening during September.

The clinics are part of national Cervical Screening Awareness Month, the aim to raise awareness of the importance of regular cervical smear tests to prevent the onset of cervical cancer.

Many women are unable to make appointments during regular clinic hours and it is hoped the "pop-up" clinics will make it easier for them to have their smears.

The cervical screening is free for Te Korowai Hauora o Hauraki enrolled clients until **30 September 2015**.

Te Korowai Hauora o Hauraki Clinical Team Leader and practice nurse Esme Moloney says cervical screening can pick up any abnormalities many years before they are able to turn into cancer.

"But the effectiveness of this relies on regular screening."

She says no one likes having a cervical smear. "We have to have them too, so we can definitely appreciate that. However here at Te Korowai, our highly trained female nurses will ensure having a smear is a quick, dignified and pleasant experience"

Esme says clinic staff will "bend over backwards" to accommodate a patient's needs and relieve any fears that may prevent them from having regular smears.

"We advocate this so strongly because we know that regular cervical screening could save your life!"

Cervical cancer refers to the abnormal, uncontrolled growth of cells in the cervix, the lower part of the uterus (womb).

Without cervical screening, about 1 in 90 women will develop cervical cancer, with 1 out of 200 dying from it. With cervical screening, 1 out of 570 will develop cervical cancer and 1 out of 1280 will die from it.

Te Korowai Hauora o Hauraki Coromandel after-hours cervical screening clinics: **Thursday 3 September** 7am to 8am, **Saturday 26 September**: 9.30-10.30am. Free to enrolled clients during September, phone: (07) 866 8084 to make an appointment.

National Cervical Screening programme

The National Screening Unit (NSU) provides health screening programmes in New Zealand. The programme aims to prevent cervical cancer. All women who have cervical smears are part of the programme unless they say that they do not want to be. The benefits of recording cervical smear test information include:

- Ready availability of records to you, your smear taker and the laboratory reading your tests.
- Automatic reminder letters when you are overdue for having a cervical smear test.
- Checks to ensure the right follow-up after an abnormal smear test
- Planning for the needs of different ethnic groups.

The programme is checked regularly to see that it is working well and it is measured against National Quality Standards to help all women get the best possible screening and treatment.

Colville Community Health Trust

Colville Community Health Trust is holding its 2015 Annual General Meeting on **Wednesday 23 September** at 1pm at the Colville Medical Centre. All welcome!

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Coromandel Garden Circle

By Jane Warren

July and August meetings

Our July meeting was a midwinter Xmas dinner. The weather was totally perfect for the occasion with a chilly southerly blowing our way. Our midday dinner was held at the Coromandel Bowling Club and with the heaters on and mulled wine served at the door we were soon warm and ready to enjoy the afternoon. The meeting segment of the afternoon was short and sweet so that we could get on with the food and entertainment. There was a competition for the best fascinator and with the tables decorated with competition arrangements there was a very festive atmosphere. The committee presented two comedy skits with absolutely no rehearsals. The first was a version of Little Red Riding Hood and the second was the Three Little Pigs, both narrated by Glenise and performed by Julie, Dianne, Marie, Karin and Jane. After the hilarity a full Xmas dinner followed, complete with ham, turkey, roast vegetables and Xmas pudding, trifle and pavlova for dessert.

The winners of the Christmas table arrangement were 1st – Lorraine Lang, 2nd – Shirley Stohl and 3rd – Jos Davey. Winner of the best Fascinator – Linda Webb.

Our August meeting was held at the home of Kath and Graeme Denize at Oamaru Bay on a lovely fine afternoon. We visited Kath's home two years ago so it was great to see the results of her and Graeme's hard work over that time.

We had a great turnout with 37 members and guests. After the usual meeting formalities we enjoyed a walk around the garden and up the hill to enjoy the gorgeous views over Oamaru Bay.

The prizewinners were Miniature Bloom - Ruth Pattinson, Single Bloom - Pat Williams, Multiple Bloom - Sherryn Cepulis, Arrangement - Lyn

Whitcombe, and the special category of Brassica - Julie Jensen.

The next meeting is a trip to Whangapoua and Matarangi on **Wednesday 9 September**.



The Little Red Riding Hood Skit starring Julie Jensen, Karin Lillis, Marie Mead and Dianne Dobson

Community Gardens

By Louis Kittleson

Spring is coming. The first kowhai blossom has been spotted! We have been busy making over the community gardens with new adobe cairns, gateways, raised beds, and footpaths. Thanks to the many volunteers who have helped us with this project. Also thanks to the Quarry for donating the clay mud for the adobe, Kohanga Reo for their support with power access, and to Henery Mackeson (the adobe in situ genius who just happens to live in our town). Thanks also to the esteemed members of the Coromandel Budget Advisory Service who continue to work behind the scenes, to gather funding, and manage books. It is reassuring to know that there is at least one service in this town, which has not been cut by the National Government and is looking after the everyday needs of the humble local and advocating for their rights as a human being.

Now is the time to start planting seeds for the spring and early summer gardens. Plant lettuce, peas, carrots, beetroot, and artichoke. If you have an indoor space or someplace warm you can start looking at sewing early tomatoes, aubergines, and chilli peppers. Get them growing so you can transplant them in late September, early October. Now that the frosts are hopefully behind us you can plant potatoes. Plant them in trenches of seaweed, comfrey, and/or animal manure. Weed and feed your garlic. You can use liquid manure teas (seaweed, grass, comfrey, or compost).

Remember, if you can't plant a garden, plant parsley. Just get it in the ground. We meet every Thursday afternoon from 1.30pm onwards. Please come and join us.

RSA Ladies' Section

By Loes Beaver

In July we celebrated midwinter with a lovely afternoon tea at the home of Marie, where she had delightfully decorated her lounge with even a Christmas tree. Thank you Marie and Frank.

Our next meeting will held in the club rooms on **23 September**; all members welcome.

For enquiries contact me anytime.

Loes Beaver, President, Ladies' Section RSA
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View from Kath's garden

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phone: 07-866-7050

visit: Education Training Centre (ETC),

90 Tiki Road, Coromandel

email: ace@cilt.org.nz

Learner Driver Licence Preparation

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

Tutor: Ron Agnew

Venue: ETC – 90 Tiki Road

Date: Wednesday 30 September

Times: 9am-3pm

Cost: \$10

Don't forget about

ADULT LEARNERS' WEEK

- He Tangata Mātauranga

including:

- Street Scrabble
- Business House Scrabble
- Amazing Race
- Random Puzzle Drop

7 - 10 September

September Courses

Restricted/Full Driver Licence Preparation

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

Tutor: Ron Agnew

Venue: ETC – 90 Tiki Road

Date: 3 September

Times: 10am-3pm

Cost: \$20

First Aid Full Certificate

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

Provider: St John

Venue: St John Station

Date: Tuesday 15 September

Days/Time: 9am-4pm (1 day)

Cost: \$185

First Aid Refresher

Refresh your current certificate that reinforces the skills and confidence you need to deal with emergencies at home and in the workplace. Your current certificate must be not be older than 2 years, 3 months.

Provider: St. John

Venue: St. John Station

Date: Wednesday 16 September

Time: 9am-4pm (1 day)

Cost: \$105

VHF Radio Operations

Learn how to operate a VHF radio from your vessel to call rescue services so you, your family and friends may have a safe and enjoyable time out on the water.

Tutor: Matt Collicott

Venue: ETC – 90 Tiki Road

Date: Thursday 17 September

Times: 9am-4.30pm

Cost: \$100

The delivery of these courses are subject to enrolment numbers.

ADULT EDUCATION SURVEY

We value our community's voice so your feedback would be greatly appreciated.

1. What courses would you like us to deliver more of?

- ☐ Arts ☐ Environmental ☐ Digital/Computing ☐ Horticulture ☐ Maori
☐ Workplace/Industry

Other

2. Are you likely to attend one of our courses? YES/NO

3. If yes, what is your time preference?

- ☐ Morning ☐ Afternoon ☐ Evening ☐ Weekends

4. Would a local pre-employment training programme be beneficial for you or your business?
YES/NO

5. Would an employment recruitment service be beneficial for you or your business? YES/NO

6. What would be the best use of CILT services to further strengthen our community?
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7. If you would like to be kept informed of our upcoming courses and events, please provide us with your email address.

Please return to CILT at 45 Tiki Rd, PO Box 25, Coromandel or by visiting cilt.org.nz or emailing us at ace@cilt.org.nz. Thank you.

Coromandel Independent Living Trust (CILT) Resource Centre



Travel assistance to hospital appointments

If you are a Community Services Card holder and have an appointment at Thames or Waikato Hospital, we can give you funding to help get there. Just bring in your appointment letter and Community Services Card between 9am and 3pm Monday to Thursday.

Weekly Mobility Van to Thames

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

Heartlands Centre visits (Maori Land Court and IRD)

Maori Land Court visits for the rest of the year are on **24 September** and **25 November** and IRD will next be here on **18 November**. Call or come into the Resource Centre to book an appointment.

Other great services available at the Resource Centre

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

CILT is developing some new plans for 2016 for education and training in Coromandel

After 15 years delivering Adult and Community Education in the district, funding from the Tertiary Education Commission (TEC) will cease in December 2015. However, this provides an exciting opportunity for CILT to deliver a different range of programmes in the future which may be more appropriate for our community's needs, which have changed over time. CILT has been fairly restricted in the past in regard to the type of courses we have been able to provide due to the TEC funding requirements.

CILT will be consulting with the community, in particular employers, youth, the Coromandel Business Association, the Coromandel-Colville Community Board, various agencies, the local schools, iwi, potential funders, tutors, and anyone else with an interest, to determine the future of adult and community education for the district.

Possibilities are endless and include running pre-employment training courses and working closely with employers and the under-employed to mentor and match candidates to equip people to enter the workplace with confidence; running arts and craft courses; environmental training (such as pest eradication); providing conservation awareness programmes; financial literacy; personal wellness (including drug and alcohol), to name just a few. Training courses can be short and fun, yet offer practical work-related skills training.

CILT also intends to continue working with other organisations to ensure they deliver courses in our area. WINTEC is currently delivering a 15-week horticulture course in Coromandel at CILT's request. This is the first time a course has been delivered by WINTEC in the upper Coromandel.

Please also keep in mind that our Community Resource Recovery Centre at Hauraki Road will be another venue for community education, skills building and conservation awareness when it is completed in 2016.

In particular, we will be looking at models from other successful community initiatives and best practices, and finding suitable funding to enable these changes to happen.

We encourage you to complete our community survey and provide us with ANY ideas for the future of adult education here. (Drop in to Tiki House or the Education & Training Centre at 90 Tiki Road or email us at ace@cilt.org.nz.) Let us know what you will miss from the ACE (Adult and Community Education) programme, what you would like to continue, and what new initiatives you would like CILT to facilitate on your behalf in the community.

Contact: Rebecca Leaker (Resource Centre Coordinator). Tiki House, 45 Tiki Road. Hours: 9am-3pm Monday-Thursday Ph/Fax: (07) 866 8358. Email: cilt@cilt.org.nz or Website: www.cilt.org.nz



Monday Walkers

By Irene Dunn

Looking out at Shakespeare Cliff in Whitianga

The weather ruled out one walk last month – but three great walks in the month were great. Our group is growing with enthusiastic folk who enjoy walking. It's fun getting to know our own area. Sometimes we don't make the effort to go out walking on our own but it's great to be out in the bush or on the beach walking with others. We are learning of more different tracks – so don't miss out on a Monday walk. Everyone is welcome, including dogs.

If you are interested in joining us, please phone the number below with your email address so I can send you walk details, place and time to leave.

Happy walking everyone.

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Grey Power Coromandel Inc.

By John Rabarts

We welcome several members to the committee who were elected at our June AGM. We look forward to a full year of bringing relevant information to our membership and keeping them up-to-date with ongoing changes, in particular the health sector and economic climate. Many thanks to Pat Williams, for her work on the committee, who resigned this year. Special thanks to Mac Welch, long serving President, for his contribution, and commitment to Grey Power Coromandel over several years. Mac remains as ex-officio member of the committee as Immediate-Past President to assist the new committee as and when he is required.

John Rabarts is the elected President. The committee will give John all the support he requires as we know he will get very busy throughout the year.

Challenge Fuel Discount

Challenge Fuel Discount of at least eight cents a litre is available to all Grey Power members from any branch. Checking this with a Cambridge Challenge service station I was welcomed as a Grey Power customer by very friendly staff who not only filled my car but suggested I check tyre pressures as one looked a bit low (which it was). The closest Challenge service stations are in Cambridge, Hamilton (Killarney Rd, Naylor St and Frankton), Matamata, Putaruru, Tokoroa, Turangi, Taupo, Rotorua, Napier. Several in Auckland and Northland as well as Taranaki, Manawatu, Wellington and many through the South Island from Blenheim and Nelson to Southland, including three stations in Invercargill. Ask for a list from a Challenge service station when you fill up.

Grey Power Discounts

For Grey Power discounts for full members from businesses in Coromandel town check out our discount booklet for shopping at



the new Four Square, Coro Meatkeepers, Goldiggers, Beady Eyes, ITM, Morrissey Auto, Coro Motors. Visit Driving Creek Railway and Waterworks on 309 Road. Plus many motels and accommodation and even meals at the Success Café. Our booklet also lists many businesses in Whitianga and more in Thames who recognise and give Grey Power members discounts. Check each time you visit to make sure discount is still valid. Owners may change and not carry discounting forward.

Opposition to TPPA

Grey Power supported marches against TPPA held on 15 August.

Critics agree the TPPA is not a "free

trade" deal. This secret investors' agreement is really a Mega Cartel Deal. Vast transnational corporations seek to create huge economic blocs to dominate markets up the ante in economic warfare and construct corporatised totalitarian superstates. Almost fully operational the deal has stalled in negotiations earlier this month – but is still "on the table" and will be back again soon. The deal will be set up between nations around the Pacific Rim, including trading giants China and the USA, will dominate and restrict our economy, costs of medicine and even outlaw the use of natural herbs and medicines.

Membership

Membership Secretary – David Lunn reports a steady increase in membership numbers due to the Grey Power electricity and gas discounts offered but you need to join Grey Power to receive the discounted electricity rates. To date up to 10 new applications have been received.

Our next general meeting is on **Thursday 17 September** at St John Ambulance Hall, Tiki Road, Coromandel at 1.30pm.

Our guest speaker is yet to be announced. Come along to our next meeting and find out. All members and visitors welcome. Members a plate please. See you there.

Tribute to a Conservation Leader

By Catherine Delahunty

Last month we farewelled a true conservation leader and remarkable woman, Mary Hovell of Harataunga/Kennedy Bay. I had the privilege of knowing Mary for many years and like her brothers George and John she was an inspiration to me. The Hovell family at the Bay were renown for their knowledge, love of natural things, talents and warmth. Mary was also well known for her fierce protection of the nesting birds on the foreshore and her commitment to native forests. As someone who spends my life in meetings and political action I have been really inspired by Mary for her adherence to a simpler life and a practical demonstration of conservationism.

Mary also expanded my perception of what a country woman does. She made a living from cracking a stock whip and catching crayfish while also creating a native tree nursery and teaching many people how to gather native tree seeds to restore the forests she loved about all things. Mary was softly spoken and generous but did not hesitate to challenge anyone who trampled on the natural world. I have no idea how many trees Mary planted in her lifetime but her spirit will certainly inhabit those northern coastal forests.

There are many ways to make the world a better place for our grandchildren and one of them is to walk the walk. It is not simple to live a simple life in an age of extreme consumption but people like Mary Hovell show us that we can be highly educated and knowledgeable while practising the values of living with the land rather than taking from the land.

A generation of conservation leaders in our midst have passed us a gift of practical action but also uncompromising care of the places in our backyard. The Hovells did more than nurture land, they also spoke out on issues like mining and Wainuiototo/New Chum beach and they gave people like me a strong sense that some elders with a deeper knowledge stood behind me in my work for this place. Everyone is unique but the quiet leaders in the remote places are precious to a community and when they pass away there is a great sense of loss. Will their like live amongst us again?

HAMILTON HEARING ASSOCIATION

Marianne Braithwaite the Thames District Adviser will be at the hall in the Elizabeth Park Complex, Coromandel on Thursday 17th September 2015.

Please ring 027 753 8792 for an appointment for all hearing related advice.





What's on in September

Sunday 6th
FATHERS DAY - Dads Breakfast and Beer \$15 (When accompanied by a paying adult)

Thursday 10th
SPANISH TAPAS NIGHT - \$30 includes first drink (Bookings essential)

Saturday 19th
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Library News

By Raewyn McKinney

The 2015 Annual General Meeting was held in the Coromandel Community Library on 13 August.

We were pleased to have a good turnout of library volunteers and other interested members of the community.

The new committee was elected and is: Chairperson/Librarian – Carlene Carmichael, Secretary – Raewyn McKinney; Treasurer – Sharon Currie; Committee members – Diann Cade, Ann McNair, Stuart Nairn, Don Pearce, Pat Sharp, Jim Sharp, Peter Sowden and Tahi.

We thank those returning for another year, and welcome Don to our committee. Sadly, we farewell Mary Hickman and Anna Rauch; both have been hard working members of the library, who have now moved on to new challenges. We thank them both for their previous service, and wish them well for the future.

We feel we have a very good and well balanced committee, and are looking forward to another busy year.

As usual at the AGM, the setting of subscriptions was discussed. The library is currently in very good shape financially, thanks to many years of careful, diligent management. In view of this healthy position, it was decided to further reduce the annual subscription, as a way of thanking the community for their support. The new

subscription is now \$10.00 per family per year, effective as from the AGM. The committee hopes this reduction in subscription will allow everyone in the community to join the library, should they so wish. Subscriptions for children remain free, as at present.

In her report, Carlene advised; “We wish to thank the Coromandel Colville Community Board for their ongoing support in acknowledging our library’s valuable role within our community and for extending our Service Agreement and grant.

“Our library is blessed with an awesome group of people. My sincere thanks to all the librarians and to the committee, who work tirelessly behind the scenes... We believe strongly that our community has a positive future, as has the library and we do thank all our supporters and users. Please continue to do so; our future as a library rests in your hands.”

Now that the new heaters are in place, the committee is proceeding with the installation of the new floor covering. It is planned to have the new carpet installed in the library in the middle of September. Unfortunately, there is no way we can remove the shelves and lay the carpet while the library is open, so we will be shut for a few days at this time. We hope the work will be completed in four days, but in order to minimise the impact on our members we will allow people to borrow double the usual number of books as from the beginning of September, to carry them

through the time the library is shut.

Dates and times of this closure will be confirmed on the library door.

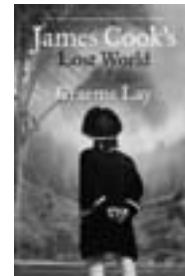
As usual, we have introduced a collection of new books during August. Featured among these are the latest offerings from popular writers such as Tilly Bagshawe, Linwood Barclay, C.J.Box, Barbara Delinsky, Peter

James, Stephen Leather, Tony Parsons, Matthew Reilly and Daniel Silva.

Other new acquisitions of note are:

James Cook’s Lost World by Graeme Lay – A stunning conclusion to the trilogy that began with the critically acclaimed *The Secret Life of James Cook* and continued with *James Cook’s New World*.

Tightrope by Simon Mawer – The follow-up to *The Girl Who Fell From The Sky* – this is another compelling novel about identity and deception.



Library Hours are 10am to 1pm on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday; 10am to 4pm on Wednesday and Friday; and 10am to 12 noon Saturday

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I have had numerous approaches of late, but feel these guys are perhaps the best fit for the community and my existing clients. This will become effective on 1st September 2015.

I wish to reiterate that this only affects the LAWN MOWING SERVICES part of my business. The Garden Centre and Garden Maintenance etc. will be retained and carry on separately.

I would like to thank my existing clientele for their past and present support and wish the new team of ‘Coro Lawns’ the very best and your valued support.

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Thank you, Karyn.

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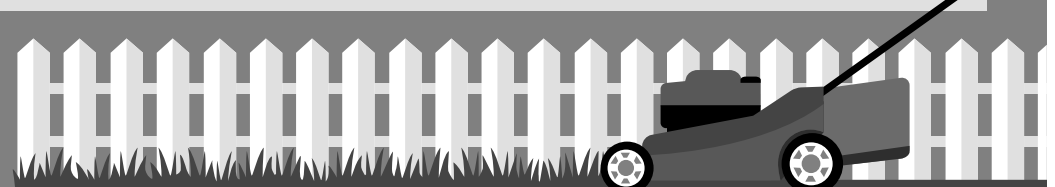
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Firstly we would like to thank Karyn Davies for all her help and patience during this transitional period. We will continue to provide a high quality service and will be introducing some extra services such as spraying, tree work and more. We hope that the existing clientele will be more than happy with our work and they feel free to contact us if they have any further requirements or questions.

Please feel free to contact us for a free no obligation quote & once again thank you Karyn. Mike, Steven, Nikki



Coromandel Budget Advisory Service

By Caro from the Foodbank

Our Foodbank

Fundraiser, The Waiters' Revenge, held on Saturday 8 August was a fun night (we've been told), plus it made money – \$5,000. It has been suggested a dinner in the hall could be held around the same time every year; it's such a good opportunity for a large number of the community to meet up and enjoy each others' company. A different organisation could hold it each year, with a different theme. Let us know if anyone's interested to do the work for next year's – we have typed notes that could help with the framework of the event.

As always with a do like this there are lots of people to thank: Leigh Harding, for putting so much in to organising this event – and putting up with me throughout it!; The Waiters – Gemma Lee, Peter Hepare, Cody Richardson and Leigh; The Barstaff – Alex, Giovanni and Varz; The Chef – Melody Penton, who we trusted totally to come up with an awesome menu, cost it well, and keep calm from beginning to end, and her crew, Gina, Kimberley, Nicoli and Tai – we have Mel's contact details if you want them; The Production Crew – Simon Kuriger with the aid of John McCaughan on lights, DJ Dougy on sounds, Matt Sephton for the great beach pictures on the ceiling; Carla Waara Designs, for her beautiful table centrepieces and trees – we have her contact details if you want to talk hireage with her; Coromandel Independent Living Trust for its dataprojector; Coromandel Area School – for the hall; Coromandel Refrigeration for their chiller trailer; Whitianga Party Hire for their reduced rate for crockery and silverware; Shaune and Aaron for their spit and the fact they stayed on and helped cook the pork – above and beyond; Barry Brickell for money toward the food; Coromandel Meatkeepers for such lovely pork; Coromandel Mussel Kitchen for the donated Mussel Brewery Beer – yum; Su at Goldiggers for all her hard work putting together a good booze package for us and donating the Lindauer and the glasses; Coromandel Fire Brigade, for setting up the curtains and lights – especially the monkey, Humma (and Nat!); Harcourts for photocopies; the clean-up crew who helped me: Leigh, Alex and his Scottish mate Danny, Jill Ellis, Peter Hep; Coromandel Town Information Centre staff for taking all the bookings – feedback was they were very helpful and pleasant to ticket buyers.

Most of all, thanks to you, the people in the community, who came along, and came with a smile on your face and a dance step ready. Awesome.

The Budget Service is an incorporated society belonging to the New Zealand Federation of Family Budget Services. If you wish to make an appointment, the Budget phone number is (07) 866 8351 where you can talk to Anna, Caro, Leigh, John or Robynne. The office at 950 Rings Road is open Monday to Friday 11.00am - 2.00pm and other times by appointment. The Budget cell phone number is 022 018 0849 – we reply to texts and messages during office hours.



Coromandel Town Information Centre

By Sandra Wilson



It certainly has been an eventful July with 1244 visitors through our centre. This is a 20% increase on last year's figures.

Add to that the excitement of the Southern Right whale visiting Long Bay; the "nearly snow" at Wilson Bay (it was graupel, a type of hail caused by the freezing of water on a snowflake); and the sighting by the local walking group of a Spoonbill in the stream along Hauraki Rd. Lots of things have been happening in and around town. If you happen to see something of interest or have an update on roading give us a call or send us an email; we appreciate being kept up-to-date and sharing the news. And thanks to Ernie for sharing his wonderful whale photos with us.

The best news is that the Long Bay walk through that amazing native bush has re-opened. The tree in question does not have kauri dieback, thank goodness. Precautions have been put in place by means of a boardwalk and fence around that area so that people are not walking on the tree roots. This again is the perfect time to remind everyone taking the opportunity to walk through our native bush to make sure that they clean their shoes and the paws of our four-legged friends. It is said that the disease is carried through the soil. Make sure that your shoes are clean before you go from one walk to another, e.g., Long Bay out to the Kauri Grove on the 309. We all need to be proactive to keep our beautiful bush free from disease. If you would like some more information on kauri dieback, pop into the centre; we have some free literature to share.

If you enjoy meeting people and would like to volunteer at the Information Centre, please stop by to discuss what we do. Most volunteers work for three hours once a week or fortnightly, and with a busy summer approaching, we'd love to have you join us.

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Biodynamic Gardening Workshop

By Gill Bacchus

The next meeting will be on **Saturday 5 September** at Peter and Gill Bacchus's orchard, 2628A Rings Road, Coromandel town. We will make a weed tea for weed management, discuss the compost preparations and demonstrate making and using the silica preparation.

The meeting will be from 9.30am until lunch time, followed by shared lunch – please bring a plate. There will be time for questions and discussion. Open to all, whether or not you are familiar with biodynamics.

For further info please ring Gill or Peter Bacchus (07) 866 7077

Ten Years from Now

By Claire Bengé – homework read at August Writers' Group meeting, inspired by Barry Brickell's article in the last issue of the Chronicle

She watched with pleasure her teenage grandchildren whooping from the big wheel as they dropped on the downward curve. Barry Brickell had been so right in his prediction for Coromandel town ten years ago that the extension of the Coromandel Wharf and the construction of the railway from its end into the centre of town would make Coromandel the destination in the Hauraki Gulf.

Eddie and Hattie were so excited when she picked them up from Auckland Airport. A free bus to Downtown Auckland and a fast ferry from there across the Hauraki Gulf saw them in Coromandel town barely two hours from the airport. As they passed the fairground in the railcar into town where she had left the car, she had difficulty persuading them to go straight to the house. The promises of a slow roast and one of her famous desserts waiting plus a return the next morning to the fair with all the stalls and fairground rides open for the weekend only just worked.

The next morning they were up early; the teenagers excited to be holidaying with their grandparents, the grandparents delighted their grandchildren still wanted to visit. They were in the car and parked in town by ten o'clock then onto the railcar and back at the station at the beginning of the wharf to enjoy the delights of the Queen's Birthday Weekend Fair. Apart from the normal fairground rides there was a profusion of food stalls; hamburgers, sausages, kebabs, toasted sandwiches, salads, rolls, fruit, toffee apples, ice creams – you name it – they sold it. And then there were the stalls of beads, brooches and bangles, scarves, saris and shirts for the women, gadgets, games and goodies galore for the men.

Eddie and Hattie didn't know where to start so the grandparents gave them some spending money, instructed them to stick together and to meet in the middle clearing in an hour. They then followed the odour of fresh coffee to a group of tables, ordered themselves a long black and a muffin each, then sat back on their chairs to watch the excited crowd. People they knew stopped for a chat, children of all ages ran about. The air was throbbing with excitement, with gossip, with general pleasure and community spirit.

After the hour, other meeting places were set, and they crossed paths in between, waved, compared purchases and fit in lunch at the new fish restaurant around the corner. Moving through the crowd smiling, greeting, encouraging everyone was a single figure: Barry Brickell, now in his 90s, enjoying the marvellous success that his original idea had spawned.



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Coromandel Marine Farmers Association

By Gilbert James

Our Coromandel Marine Farmers' Association Incorporated (CoroMFA) has as membership every mussel farm, and many of the oyster farms, within the Hauraki Gulf. That is at Coromandel, the Thames Coast, Waimangu Point, East Auckland, Waiheke Island. We work closely with the Mahurangi Harbour's oyster marine farmers who constitute the rest of the aquaculture industry in the Hauraki Gulf. Our members produce Greenshell Mussels and Pacific Oysters for export and for North Island markets.

Economic impact assessments of the aquaculture industry in the Waikato region, was done by Covec Limited in 2007 (available on EWRC website/publications/ community and economy) and the Sapere Research Group in 2011. Highlights are that the industry adds:

- \$31.4 million annually to the region's GDP, and a total of \$77.4M in GDP to NZ
- by 2025, \$95 million to the region's GDP, and \$195M to NZ's
- approx 430 people directly employed (as FTEs) in 2011
- approx \$10 million paid in wages in 2011

2014 Greenshell Mussel production was approx 26,000T. The significant new areas of water now in development, eg at Wilson Bay, will allow increased production by approx 50%, to approx 40,000 tonne annual production of Greenshell Mussels. There are also opportunities to invest in other forms of aquaculture development such as finfish farming.

2014 Oyster output from Coromandel/ Waiheke was approximately 1M dozen approx (800T). There is a large oyster processing facility in Coromandel which receives Northland product for further finishing and processing, to complement local production. The estimated total sales value of Coromandel/Waiheke Oyster production is approximately \$10 million.

The Hauraki Gulf offers aquaculture opportunities for:

- More mussel and more oyster (inter-tidal, and sub-tidal?) farming
- Some finfish (fed) farming, eg groper, kingfish &/or fattening eg tunas & snapper.
- Some shellfish (fed) farming, eg crayfish, abalone
- More enhancement eg Greenshell Mussels (public program)

Hauraki Gulf marine farming's contributions

- Fully sustainable production with low environmental impact
- Significant exports and wealth creation, with most inputs sourced locally
- Healthy, delicious, available and reliable

seafood products for many consumers

- Significant employment, notably for Maori and also in more remote areas where other employment opportunities are few and/or seasonal
- Significant regional economic returns, including for Maori as significant investors in the industry
- Fishing at mussel farms, enhancement of opportunities
- Ensuring shellfish harvests from growing waters are always clean (annual cost >\$250,000), to meet our stringent industry agreed standards, to prevent microbiological and biotoxin contamination. This data is also important to the Ministry of Health for protecting the public interest in safe shellfish.

Marine Farming's Potential Adverse Effects on the Environment

Production is fully sustainable. Ecological effects are typically positive or if adverse are no more than minor, small-scale and reversible. Fed (eg finfish or crayfish) aquaculture, would however require careful siting, such as to mitigate effects of fish feed nutrients. Other environmental (eg visual) effects of the Gulf's well-sited shellfish farms are minor. Once established fish farms are seen as part of the landscape, like pastoral farming and its structures. Some litter and floats are lost from farming and Industry has programs in place to both minimise that and to recover these and other shoreline debris. There are very considerable positive socio-economic effects, from jobs, income and excellent seafood, and from associated support businesses and other symbioses, eg, tourist charter fishing.

What the industry needs

In general, industry needs;

- Quality sheltered water
- Secure tenure, so as to allow the considerable investments needed
- Nearby landing/wharf and nearby shore facilities and workforce

Key Issues facing the Gulf's aquaculture industry

- To ensure the Gulf's waters support the expanding cultivation of excellent quality shellfish.
- The need for farm tenure security (eg Controlled Activity status). Many farms will require consent renewal within the decade, yet collectively face undue uncertainty and cost (eg approx \$7 million to renew consents). Councils will also ideally minimise unnecessary cost imposts, eg nil bonds on mussel farms (approx \$2+M lost equity).
- The need to significantly improve the Sugar Loaf Wharf in Coromandel Harbour.

Coromandel Patchwork and Quilters

By Sharon Currie

Recently a group of us journeyed to Whangamata for a gathering of quilters called Peninsula Day. This is a yearly event and an opportunity to catch up with other quilters in the area. The day started with morning tea and then continued with "Show and Tell" with a great variety of quilts large and small. One of the highlights was the quilt made to commemorate the HMS Buffalo which was wrecked at what is known as Buffalo Beach.

We have two other excursions planned before the end of the year to The Craft Fair in Hamilton and to The Auckland Festival of Quilts.

The last part of the Mystery Quilt designed by Lorraine Abernethy has been revealed so now these quilts can be completed before our end of the year Exhibition. We also have days planned for making items to sell at our exhibition and for completing works in progress.

So if you would like to join us our details are as follows.

Our meetings 1st and 3rd (& 5th) Monday 9.30am-4.00pm, St John Rooms, Tiki Rd, Coromandel. President Margaret Sinclair (07) 866 7104, Secretary Mary Hickman (07) 866 8898



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Scott Simpson MP for Coromandel

From small beginnings 16 years ago, Coromandel Independent Living Trust (CILT) has become an integral and much valued part of life in the Coromandel. I was delighted to see CILT mainstay Michael Noonan, who has made such a great contribution to the Trust's success, recently travelled to the USA on a Winston Churchill Fellowship. Congratulations Michael.



Aquaculture is a significant contributor to our local economy. Coromandel mussels and oysters are famous around New Zealand and internationally. It's estimated by Aquaculture New Zealand that 24% of national mussel production comes from our waters and that 20% of the oysters harvested nationwide do too. When measured for its value to the national economy, our Coromandel aquaculture sector contributes \$77.4 million in GDP to New Zealand's total economy. It employs hundreds and is very important to Coromandel town itself.

New Zealand has one of the longest coastlines of any nation on the globe so it comes as no surprise that aquaculture has been identified as a key growth industry. With an increasing world population there is a growing international demand for quality food protein. Aquaculture holds great potential.

Already the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation has identified it as the fastest growing primary sector in the world.

I'm confident there is plenty of opportunity for further expansion along with the benefits that come from that for both Coromandel town and the entire Peninsula.

For those opportunities to be realised further investment in infrastructure will be required. I've been following closely the plans presented by Thames Coromandel District Council for wharf facilities at Sugar Loaf and the wider concept plans for Coromandel Harbour development. There is no doubt in my mind that fast ferry access from Auckland would open up the town and our region to economic benefits. The real challenge is how best to accommodate that access and how best to fund the capital investment that would be required.

In the past, access to the Peninsula was only available by water. Road access has been only a relatively recent development in terms of our region's total history. I'm pleased Council is looking to the future and talking about an issue that has vexed us for years. Solutions are not easy or inexpensive but they are matters we do need to address both as a community and a region. I know people have a range of ideas and views so please do take the opportunity to engage with Council to express those. Please also never hesitate to touch base with me about issues of concern to you or to let me know your thoughts on Coromandel's future.

Authorised by Scott Simpson MP, 614 Pollen Street, Thames

Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild

By Diann Cade

Bookmaking this month. Embroidery? Yes! We have prepared a piece of embroidery that will embellish the cover of the book. Bookmaking has many techniques to make a bound volume. Apart from learning new skills this workshop was planned to give another use for a treasured piece of embroidery.

And it is our last workshop for the year as it is time to complete and prepare items for the end of year exhibition. Before items go on display they must be neatly finished off, pressed and often require stretching, lacing and framing. It takes time, care and attention to detail for the protection of the embroidery, the lie of the fabric and the presentation of the item.

Last month members sent work for display at the northern North Island Regional Exhibition at Orewa. We strive to be represented at such occasions, proud to show what we achieve. In several years our members' work has been acknowledged with an award.

The intensity of stitching is seen in the photo of a group completing a Petite project. Each month there is a small item stitched to give experience in various types of embroidery. This year they have taken the form of a series of Christmas decorations. Others of us sit and chat and continue with our own personal projects in hand.

For further information about the Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild contact our President Jill Wilson
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By Barry Brickell

Last issue, I painted a "word picture" in the Chronicle of what Coromandel town and the northern half of the peninsula could be like ten years from now once the long harbour pier is completed, but I failed to mention Whitinga and the east coast settlements. Rest assured that they would benefit as well, in the long term in the face of increasing motor fuel running charges and maritime costs.

On Monday 17 August those of us involved with the Coromandel Pier working group met with Mayor Glenn Leach and councillors. Also present was Michael Hall from Jacobs International Consultants. While the Mayor expressed optimism towards the pier concept, councillors needed to question all aspects of its viability financially, environmentally and socially. Michael Hall from Jacobs, whom I personally engaged to present a Business Case, had done a considerable amount of research and work with his team and the concept, and furnished a comprehensive report which the Council accepted with interest, following the previous ratepayer costly one provided by Cranleigh Consultants. In Jacobs flow chart, the procedures which need to be gone through in the near future, Michael identified engagement with Iwi for their level of support. I will keep readers informed of progress.

On the railway front, John Gurney our new general manager is replacing Tom Elliott who is retiring and looking forward to getting back to his woodcarving. John is determined to bring DCR up to the highest standards of any other tourist railway in the world. Bless him, and thanks to him and our Directors, I have been gently retired so can now spend full-time in my studio getting on with the "art", including much humour, writing about my life in Coromandel town as a city-slicker during the 1960s. How things have changed!

Cheers,
Barry

Heart Beat – St John Ambulance Coromandel/Colville

By Felix O'Carroll – Station Manager Coromandel.

We commented on how cold and wet it was in our last write up and looked forward to better weather, how wrong I was trying to predict the weather, August was very cold with ice, hale and snow in the area making driving at times difficult. Let's hope spring brings finer and warmer temperatures leading into September and November.

The weather hasn't affected our call outs with number of call outs up slightly against the same period last year.

Stolen Gas cylinders

Don't want to keep on about these, but we had one cylinder returned having found it over the side of Kennedy Bay Hill by road workers. Our thanks to Transfield Services staff for returning the cylinder which will be returned to Nova Gas in Kopu where we hope we can recuperate some of our costs.

We still have no word on who was

responsible for stealing these cylinders in the first instance, but appreciate any information that may come forward.

Training

Reminder to all trainings every Thursday 7.00 pm public also invited.

Recruitment

Spring is upon us and and shortly summer, for Coromandel ambulance our busy season is over the summer months hence we need your help to help our volunteers.

St John Coromandel is a volunteer station made up of people from the Coromandel Town and area who need your help to support them, so they in turn can service your community.

We are currently recruiting for more volunteer ambulance staff to join our fantastic team.

If you want to make a positive difference to people's lives then this may be for you.

Be safe out there, stay well.

Felix

For more enquiries call the station and talk to the duty officer or leave a message on (07) 866 8279 to find out more

Billy Webster and Whanganui Island

By Don Goodall

The English naval supply vessel Coromandel arrived in 1820, and stayed several months to fell spars for the English navy supplies. Captain Downey was the first to take soundings of the sea bed, and make a chart of the harbour. When he arrived the district was called Waiau, and the inlet was called Waihou Harbour. Soon after the name of the harbour changed again, from Brampton, to Dunlops, then Waiau and for the final time, to Coromandel.

The island guarding the northern flank of Coromandel Harbour has also had several name changes. Initially Webster's Island, so called by Europeans, then Beeson's Island, then it became Waiau Island, and is now known as Whanganui Island.

This was the home base of Billy Webster, an American entrepreneur, with his headquarters called Herekino (today we know it is Woolshed Bay) for a saw mill, shipbuilding, hotel and boarding house, store; he even opened and operated New Zealand's second post office, a branch of Russell Post Office. He had had the great fortune of marrying the daughter of a prominent chief, and her dowry set Webster up for business.

Webster had a small fleet of trading vessels, and they roamed to Waiomio, Thames, Auckland, as well as Waiheke and Motukorea Islands. The Gulf was ruled from Waiau Island in the 1840's, by the iron hand of Billy Webster.

Timber loading techniques used at Webster's camp, and probably followed elsewhere on the Peninsula, were to cut off the rear of the ship and load the squared off logs and spars in from the back.

Then the back would be refastened. For that reason they probably wanted only one stopover. Then, when loaded, the ship was ready for the 3-6 month sail back to English ports, hoping all the way they did not have a following sea.

Sarah Mathew, wife of Auckland surveyor Felton Mathew, visited the Coromandel Harbour and stayed at Webster's hotel in May 1840. She reported "an assemblage of adventurers of all kinds". Locals were a "motley throng ... it is difficult to imagine a more extraordinary assemblage of characters." Others she met she held in poor regard, "many degrees below those of NSW in apparent respectability... half horse, half alligator, with a touch of the earthquake."

She was very difficult to impress.

I wonder how Sarah Mathew would have judged modern Coromandel residents?

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Council moves forward on Coromandel Harbour Facilities Project

A move to secure title for the reclaimed land at Sugarloaf has been supported by Council along with work to formally seek potential funding partners for the Inner Harbour Development.

The expansion and development of the Sugarloaf Wharf (Te Kouma) and longer-term, the development of inner harbour facilities closer to Coromandel Town, are two work strands within the Coromandel Harbour Facilities Project.

"At the Sugarloaf we need to resolve land ownership title for reclaimed land and that will need iwi input and consultation," says Council Chief Executive David Hammond, who is also the project sponsor.

In terms of ownership interests, both our Council and iwi have stated positions to the reclaimed land which is currently vested in the Crown as a result of the passing of the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act in 2011. Our Council owns infrastructure upon the reclamation while iwi have signalled their proprietary interests in the foreshore and seabed, and therein the footprint upon which the reclamation sits, via various Treaty settlement-related processes including the current Hauraki Claims.

At its meeting last month Council also supported finalising contract negotiations with the Coromandel Marine Farmers Association (CoroMFA) regarding consent application for future Sugarloaf wharf developments, along with finalising contract negotiations regarding ownership of the wharf assets.

"Our initial path had been working towards a draft MOU (memorandum of understanding) with the CoroMFA," says Mr Hammond. "However, in our negotiations with them we now see a more formal, contractual approach will be required if we're to progress a resource

consent application for future expansion at this facility."

The proposed development at the Sugarloaf Wharf is to ensure it is fit-for-purpose for aquaculture industry expansion as well as suiting the needs of other users including recreational fishers and charter boat operators.

There is also the potential within a future expanded facility to consider accommodating the 360 Ferry from Auckland, which currently comes in at Hannaford's Wharf.

"Every time we look at Coromandel harbour facilities issues we know Sugarloaf is central in the project, but that longer-term the Inner Harbour concept would be better," says Mr Hammond. "However the price tag on that could be up to \$50 - \$60M. We know we can't fund that ourselves and so it's gearing up towards taking a package to central government, regional government and the public to see if there's investor interest."

To find out more about purchasing a tree go to our website:

www.tcdc.govt.nz/coroharbourproject



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WW1 Memorial Forest thank you

So much community effort went into the planning and planting of the trees for the WW1 Memorial Forest at Hauraki Road.

The Board would like to acknowledge the following for their support:

- Coromandel Area School
- Coromandel RSA
- James Drainage
- Steve Greaves
- Wayne Brooks
- Department of Corrections
- Department of Conservation
- Waikato Regional Council

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Coromandel Town Streetscape

A Streetscape Working Group has been established to assist the Community Board to develop a document that will provide clear reference and direction for the on-going preservation and development of Coromandel Town's unique CBD environment and heritage character. This exercise provides the opportunity for members of various sectors of the community to contribute meaningfully and creatively to the future of Coromandel Town.

www.tcdc.govt.nz/corostreetscape

World War 1 planting at Coromandel

Children from the Coromandel Area School have joined with RSA members to launch the first plantings of the World War 1 Memorial Forest site for Coromandel at Hauraki Road.

The Children helped to plant more than 100 specimen totara and kahikatea trees, which are the first of some 1000 specimen trees that will signify the "Supreme Sacrifice" forest.

In addition, the children planted a host of companion plants such as smaller hebes and flaxes which they had grown themselves as part of an environmental education project.

"What we are planting here today is something living that will acknowledge those who died," said Cr Tony Brljevic, who opened the ceremony. "Those who sacrificed in order to save the society we live in."

The Coromandel RSA will be planting their memorial trees at the Hauraki Road site at a later date.



Coromandel Area School students, Chaelyn Croft (right) and Kaiya Kerrison standing with RSA president Ian Franklyn, Councillor Tony Brljevic and RSA members Frank Mead and Kevin Stone at the Hauraki Road planting site.



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Mana Update

By Penelope Carroll

*If we listen from the mind of
silence, every birdsong and every
whispering of the pine branches
in the wind will speak to us.*

- Thich Nhat Hanh

With the arrival of spring there is birdsong and new growth everywhere – blossom on trees, fresh leaves unfurling, seedlings pushing up through the earth.

Any day now we will hear the distinctive whistling call of that harbinger of spring, pipiwharau, the shining cuckoo. No bigger than a garden sparrow, pipiwharau makes the long and arduous journey across the Pacific from the Solomon Islands and the Bismarck Archipelago every spring, returning to the same small patch of New Zealand bush. Once here, the birds feed on caterpillars, ladybirds and other insects, mate, and lay their one olive-green egg in the nests of unsuspecting grey warblers. These hatch and feed the pipiwharau chick along with their own.

Although often heard, these beautiful birds, with their iridescent green wings and white and dark green-banded bellies, are rarely seen. You could try attracting them into your garden by planting kowhai and cinerarias – apparently pipiwharau is particularly partial to the caterpillars that eat the leaves of these plants.

All this spring growth means lots of work to be done in the Mana garden, planting, weeding and mulching. But it's work that doesn't really feel like work says Tony, who manages the garden: "It feels like fun and play. And there's such joy working with all of our wonderful wwoofers. Often it is the first time they have worked in a garden, and they love it."

At present we are harvesting an abundance of winter vegetables from the garden, including broccoli and cauliflower. Below is one of Melody's favourite spring recipes from the Mana kitchen.

Broccoli, Cauliflower and Blue Cheese Soup.

Ingredients: a knob of butter; 1 onion, diced; 1 large head of broccoli; ½ a cauliflower; 2 cups vegetable stock; 100g blue vein cheese; salt and pepper to taste; and 100ml cream (optional).

Heat the butter in a saucepan and sauté the onion. Chop the broccoli and cauliflower into equal-sized florets and add, along with the stock. Simmer until florets are cooked through and soft. Blend the soup, crumble in the blue cheese, season to taste with salt and pepper and re-heat the soup to melt the cheese. Before serving, stir in the cream for extra richness and garnish with more crumbled blue cheese.

Enjoy the soup – and the birdsong!

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Coromandel Sea Rescue AGM

Coromandel Sea Rescue Inc. will be holding their annual AGM on the **17 September** at 7.30pm at 1825 Tiki Road.

All paid up members of CSR are encouraged to attend as some extremely important decisions have to be made regarding the future of CSR. Please make sure you are there to cast your vote!

Ann's Good News, Naturally

By Ann Kerr-Bell

**Healthy old age**

Married couple, mid 90's, looking forward to a future of holidays in their new campervan: While many of their friends and relatives have been suffering from pain, inflammation, heart disease, blood pressure, high cholesterol, dementia, cancer, diabetes, depression and no energy, this young couple in their mid- 90's, have just picked up a new campervan which they traded their caravan in for. They plan to continue their adventures and weekend excursions, free from pain and discomfort, free from hospital appointments, drug free.

Question: What's their longevity and vitality secret? Why are their younger siblings (aged between 60-80), paralyzed from a stroke, debilitated with chronic fatigue or needing more knee or hip surgery?

Answer: A lifetime of eating real natural foods, free from toxic preservatives flavourings or colours, has been my clients medicine.

Choices of correct, healthy, yummy foods ensure the best digestion and gut function possible. This ensures daily repair and maintenance of tired, damaged cells and optimal cellular energy.

Live Blood Analysis: Over the many years of doing the Live Blood Analysis, I can see that this couple in their 90's have invested wisely in their health. Their investment has paid off. We see that their white blood cells (immune system), are far healthier and more viable than many of my younger clients, as are many of their other parameters seen on the screen. They haven't needed the flu or shingles vaccination, as they have been building a strong natural immunity through a lifetime of common sense eating and living.

Supplementation: Minerals are our core base nutrient, enabling other nutrients to be more easily absorbed and assimilated. We can accurately monitor our mineral status by doing this questionnaire online: www.activeelements.com username: 259077 Password: 579819.

Herbal Medicine: Aware of the fact that our body systems become depleted and worn in the ageing process, my clients may occasionally take a beautiful preventative and tonifying herbal tonic to address any concerns like anxiety, cramps, spasms, sleep issues, or for more energy.

Mostly they love their occasional immune support with the herbs that have the natural medicinal chemicals in them that are specific for boosting, strengthening and calming the white blood cells.

But most of all, they love their food to give them the medicinal boost they need and so enjoy spending time in the kitchen doing what nature intended us to do – be mindful about everything that goes into our mouths (and thus can easily come out the other end, daily).

Cooking classes: coming soon; watch this space.

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Museum News

By Raewyn McKinney

Here is an article from "The Coromandel Sun", 4 September, 1897:

"Brodis Tramway Hotel Upper Town"

The above hotel which has been in the hands of the builders, is now rebuilt and on a more lavish scale. The front appearance is neat and solid, not over pretentious but speaking of comfort within. Such, and cleanliness indeed reign there. The spacious passage, like the hall of an English home, with its spiral staircase, speaks quaintly to the visitor. The commercial room, with its three large windows, and modern artistic mirror, furniture, stained panelling, fire place, and pictures (just waiting to be hung and representing such scenes as 'Napoleon rebuking his officers at Bassano', 'Wellington and Blucher', 'An English Home' and so forth) is the first retreat. Then comes the sitting room, which with equally splendid mirrors, fire place and lighting boasts a magnificent piano (Strauss). The dining room (29ft x 17ft) has four large tables in array with ample room to move, and a most beautiful side piece in mottled kauri. The passage even to the steps leading to the bedrooms at the back is covered with linoleum. The spacious kitchen, pantry and immediate storeroom are to the right early in the passage way.

"Upstairs, stained windows in green, orange and pink subduing the passage light, and with wallpaper of soft bluish-white, the same comfort is apparent. The drawing room is most sumptuously furnished, and adjoins the bridal chamber, which is also replete in its furnishings. The whole of the bedrooms are lofty and sweet, and the balcony commands the Kapanga mine and township, and the wooded slopes of the Tokatea. The bathroom with all lavatory fittings is supplied in 'hot, cold and shower'.

"Ventilation has been attended to with care.

"Without, the same intention of a desire to complete holds good. The out-houses, lavatories, drainage, water supply and stabling are all first factors. Indeed, not less than twelve taps supply water in abundance which (equally with oxygen) means health and cleanliness, to say nothing of its added safety from fire. This water supply is secured and run into elevated tanks from Copeland's Creek by a 'ram' self-acting pump, for the splendid fitting of which, together with bath and plumbing works attached, the firm of F. Dorran is responsible. A thousand gallons a day can be supplied.

"The chimneys of the building are all brick.

"The bar is near, and easily accessible and not overdone, has auxiliary parlours, and is ministered to by a fitted cellar (in concrete) 15 x 15 x 7.

"Taking the whole hotel in review, and remembering that it is a legitimate licensed house, supplying the best accommodation, and fulfilling all requirements, its utility and adaptability are undoubted qualities.

"It only remains to congratulate the builder (Mr John Rowe, Onehunga), the architect (Mr Currie), the plumber (Mr Dorran) and the painters (Messrs Kaye & Co) and the completeness in which the new premises have been left at their hands."

MUSEUM MONTHLY COMPETITION "Who What Where When"

Identify the photo and give us as much information as you can. Bring or post your entry to the Information Centre with name and contact details by **Friday 25 September**. All correct entries go into a draw for a voucher from Coromandel Four Square.

The July competition was won by Shirleen Notman, who correctly advised "This is the north end of the old Coromandel Hospital, known for many years as the Women's Ward; with the Maternity Ward to the left of the photo. It was opened in 1898...Sadly, it was closed in 1994."

Thank you to all who entered the July competition. Good luck for this month.

The museum is now closed for the winter, and will reopen at Labour Weekend.

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SeniorNet Coromandel

By Loes Beaver

SeniorNet Coromandel is moving to the School Music Room. We thank you Coromandel Area School acting principal, deputy principal, and music teacher for previous discussions, and with the outcome that we now have.

We held our first meeting last month in the music room, and now have the task of transition from our club rooms in the Trust Waikato Events Centre, which had been our home for some 12-13 years, to our present rooms.

We seem to be gaining more new members each month so welcome to these people. I hope that we are able to assist you with your IT requirements.

Our monthly meetings are on the last Thursday of each month, and we welcome any enquiries.

Do not hesitate to contact me with any enquiries Loes Beaver Secretary/Treasurer (07) 866 8053

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CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN

Coromandel Community Preschool

By Debra Attwood



Our main centre focus at the present time is all about the land of dinosaurs. This is an inquiry-based learning topic that has come from the children's interest in dinosaurs: what types of dinosaurs were there, how did they die out, how big were they, and what did they eat. This has opened up interesting conversations with the children, and we find that many of the children have an interest in and know a lot about dinosaurs. We would welcome any families to bring in interesting dinosaur games, books and activities that we can share with the children.

We are currently looking at extending our building and are in the process of applying for resource consent. This will allow us to have a purpose-built area for teachers to conduct their planning and assessments, a private area for parent discussions, and a larger staffroom and storage areas.

Our older children are continuing their excursions into the community every Thursday and we are on the lookout for a place where they can regularly go to explore and learn. This can be in bush

areas and can be by a creek, where they can learn more about nature, making huts, building an outside fire and many other outdoor learning experiences. If you have a place that you think might be suitable please give us a call. It would need to be within walking distance from the preschool.

Since our last report we have celebrated birthdays for Caira, Taine, Mahurea, and we wish them a very happy birthday. We welcomed Bayleigh, Nuriya, Delsjaia, Tamati, and Brooklyn and their whānau to the centre.

At present our rolls are full on both sides but if you are looking for a quality early childhood centre come along and see if this is the right place for you and your child to begin their lifelong journey of learning. You can put your child's name on the waiting list if required. Check out our latest education review on the website: <http://www.ero.govt.nz/Early-Childhood-School-Reports/Early-Childhood-Reports/Coromandel-Community-Preschool-18-11-2013>.

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

The Coromandel Youth Project

By Ruby Powell

We are excited to announce our refurbishment project is complete and the youth centre (the old netball club) is looking fabulous!

The refurbishment project was led by a wonderful group of youth leaders – Hinemoa Harrison, Jodie Edwards, Te Okiwa Biddle and Jackie Wikaira – who have shown great leadership skills, including impressive commitment and vision for the project.

We would like to thank the kind individuals who have volunteered their time or given us gear, and businesses that have supported us with discounts or freebies: ColourPlus Thames, ITM Coromandel, Gaia Decorators and Smart Environmental.

The youth centre will continue to be open on Friday evenings, 6-8.30pm, throughout September and free to all 12-18 yr olds living in Coromandel and surrounds.

We will be running our first workshop on **Saturday 26 September** called Making Beats – Music Production 10am-3pm. The youth will learn how to make electronic beats, record sounds and samples, and synthesize bass lines with Matt from Coro Sonic Lab. Registration essential as places limited.

Youth centre is volunteer run and relies on funding grants and donations to provide meals, run workshops and general functioning. If you have time, skill or funds you would like to donate please get in touch with Ruby on 022 102 7414/ rubbypowell@gmail.com or the Coromandel Budget Advice team on (07) 866 8351



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Te Rerenga School

Learning, it's what we do...

By Anna Yates



Our in-school elective programme is underway for our second year due to popular request! Our students have selected four weeks of Wednesday afternoons involved in masterchef, gardening, te reo Maori, craft and ro-gaining. This is a great way to bring our school together working with all classes, at all levels, in areas of interest and passion. Our ro-gaining group learned how to use compasses last week and are off on an out-of-school mystery adventure course next week, so they are really excited. Our craft group have made incredible artworks using nails, string and boards and are hard at work to ensure they are completed. The gardening group have been planting seedlings, organising the school gardens and have plans to make our school environment even more amazing. The group in te reo Maori have been learning lots of new phrases and are utilising some aspects of Maori art to create a kaitiaki/guardian for our school. The masterchef group have made their own dishes as a group, using a recipe for some aspects, learning some important skills along the way. This week they put their skills and creativity into action with a mystery box challenge.

Our school community came together for cross country on 6 August and it was a fantastic day. We were fortunate to have the use of the Sonny Acres farmland and our students were attracted to the mud-like



Beth and Marco working hard on their slipper designs

magnets. The course was a little longer and a little more challenging than usual so we were so proud of all of our students giving it their best on the day. A few of our students will now head through to the next stage of competition at the Waterways in Whitianga, representing our sports cluster.

Our Room 4 learners had an exciting Friday session last week when our school parent, Ina Franke joined us for the day to teach us the skill of felting. Our students spent the day making their own pair of cosy, warm slippers and enjoyed every moment. The school whare was filled with bubbles, the smell of sheep wool, and excited voices wanting to know the next step. It was a great day with fantastic results for our children.

Our learning conversations have just concluded in all classrooms. This was an opportunity for our families and teachers to touch base about student midyear reports and those incredibly important next learning steps. Our teachers always enjoy this opportunity to also celebrate the fantastic progress their students are



Some finished slippers lined up to dry

making. As a school we are really happy with the way our midyear student achievement data is tracking for the year with such high numbers expected to meet the National Standard across reading, writing and maths. We have set high achievement targets for 2015 in our Charter and look set to meet them.

Cross Country writing from Mason Grice (Room 4)

Ready, steady, go!

My feet sprint past the start line, I'm coming second. I hear room 3 saying "go you can do it!"

I paced myself slowly catching up to Jac. We run through mud puddles. Breathing, slipping and sprinting. Dodge. Stumble. Roll. Run, run, run! Isobel is on my tail. She's stretching her legs longer and longer. My shoes nearly fall off but I keep them on.

I run faster and faster until I couldn't feel my feet. I was running through the paddock. I felt like I was going to collapse. Donald was on my tail and I could see his small black shadow right behind me. I get to the finish line I collapse like I just got shot at war. I feel like a good, good sleep.

Coromandel Playcentre

By Jenna James

Recent weeks have seen an increase in new and returning families to our centre, which is very exciting for us. Nau mai!

Face painting has been a popular activity and we've seen children transform into cats, cheetahs, superheros and even blue tigers, to name a few! The children can opt to choose from a book, design something themselves, paint themselves or even paint a parent (for the more daring of caregivers!). Darrell and Rose, our star face painters, have had some obscure and tricky requests, challenging their skills to the max!

This term our theme is "music and movement" and we have enjoyed a revival of the musical instrument trolley. The cymbals have been particularly popular, and loud, but popular... We are interested in exposing our children to a diverse range of instruments and sounds, so if you can play an instrument we would be honoured to have you play for us and/or share your musical knowledge. Please contact our centre or drop in during one of our sessions on a Tuesday or Friday.

I leave you with an inspiring quote from Plato the philosopher: "I would teach children music, physics, and philosophy; but most importantly music, for the patterns in music and all the arts are the keys to learning."

Email Claire Swindlehurst at secretary.coroplaycentre@gmail.com to find out more or drop into a session on Tuesdays 10.30am-1pm or Fridays 9.45am-12.15pm. We are next to the Area School on Woollams Ave carpark – with bright cutouts on the fence



Chloe Adams leading the runners



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Kiwi Can

"Kia Ora Tatou Katoa" from the Kiwi Can team.

As I mentioned in my last Chronicle article our theme this term is Resilience.

So far our students have discovered what our catchphrase is.....

"Don't shout and stomp about, tell a friend and let it out."

We have been exploring our Emotions and Feelings and finding out that we quite often have more than one emotion at a time. We have also been learning to identify emotions and feelings in other people so we can be aware of how our friends and family may feel.

New Zealand World War 1 Memorial Forest

On 30 July our leaders had the pleasure of joining Rooms 3, 4, and 5 from the Coromandel Area School in the planting of trees at the site of the New Zealand World War 1 Memorial Forest down Hauraki Road. A very special day.

Illume Festival Raffle winners

Our winner for the Umu Voucher and Bottle of Te Hana wine was Abby from the Lions Den. Winner for the box of wine was Jean Ashby. Congrats to you both and thank you for supporting our valued Kiwi Can Programme.



Kiwi Can leader Gemma with CAS kids at WW1 forest

Want to help out Kiwi Can Coromandel?

You are now able to donate to the FYD Kiwi Can Coromandel Programme directly through the FYD website.....go to www.fyd.org.nz/donate, click on Kiwi Can, choose Coromandel as the region, and know that your donation, no matter how big or small, is going to our Coromandel region for our local tamariki.

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Room Five's Technology Project

Room Five have been planning a chicken coop for Coromandel Area School. The reason for this is, Mrs Kennedy sent us a letter asking us to produce eggs for our school. We have been working on this for two terms. So far, we have made a design for the chicken coop and have consulted the Board of Trustees for advice. We are excited about building our chicken coop. First, we'll have to make some small adjustments to the design and then, before we start, collect materials. If we pay for all the materials, the cost would be approximately \$3,000 for our original, elaborate design. However, we can make a profit if we cut costs as much as possible, e.g. using secondhand materials and tools for the job as well as using food scraps as the main food source for the chickens.

Our class has decided to keep six chickens in a free-range coop. We are not going to have a rooster because of the noise they make and also, we don't want any more chickens. We have decided to have Brown Shaver Chickens because of their long life span and their egg production, which is 305-315 each year.

The amount of space in the run will be roughly 6 x 7m. Currently, we have found out where we are going to put our coop, how we are going to look after the chickens/feed them, how to properly clean the coop, and how to keep the chickens safe.

We will put the chicken coop behind the Physical Education shed. We chose this location because it is shady in some places and sunny in others. As well, it is away from the classes so it will not disturb students. It will be partially on concrete so it will make it easy to clean.

There are also some other benefits to building this chicken coop, e.g. we will be cleaning up the school by using the food scraps from student lunches to feed the chickens rather than putting our food scraps in the litter bins around the school.

This will also be a great learning experience for the Primary School. Hopefully, the chicken coop should be finished around Week Four, or even sooner. If you would like to help by donating supplies and/or helping with the building, please contact us on (07) 866 8893, or email our teacher, Mr Kuriger, at s_kiruger@coroarea.school.nz

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Arts

Coromandel Music Society

By John Gaffikin-Cowan

String Wizardry

The Music Society continues its season of splendid concerts by offering a great evening of music for Celtic harp and guitar. Featuring the top Celtic harpist in NZ (who also happens to be principal harp with the Christchurch Symphony), and one of NZ's most versatile Celtic accompanists on guitar and bouzouki, String Wizardry is a glorious instrumental combination. The international stars Helen Webby and Davy Stuart have a repertoire which ranges from the traditional music of Ireland and Scotland to newly composed material from NZ and elsewhere. In this concert we expect a varied selection of music – reels to polkas, airs to waltzes and, where appropriate, a few songs of definite Scottish accent. There'll be plenty of foot-tapping, hand clapping and probably some dancing.

Join us on **Friday 25 September** at the Anglican Church Hall on Tiki Road. Doors open at 7.00pm with the concert beginning at 7.30pm.

Tickets on sale at the Coromandel Town Information Centre: \$25/\$20 seniors.



Writers' Group

By Jane Powell

The setting: happy writers gathered on a sunny deck up the Coromandel coast, occasionally drowned out by curious ducks. Our spontaneous writing exercise involved imagining asking a question of a personal friend/relation and then recording "their" answer. All thought it was an interesting experience; it is surprising how much information we have stored subconsciously about people close to us, what insights this exercise gave us and that. It could be a way to develop characters in our writings.

Our book and poetry reviews showed how much we appreciate the Coromandel Library; it is very handy to be able to borrow recommended books.

Following lunch and the delicious cake and coffee ritual we read what we have written on the previous month's set topic. This time we had tried out prescribing an exact context: where, when, who, and the variety of stories was astonishing, from allegorical to sci fi to futuristic visions of life in Coromandel after the Barry Brickell wharf rail concept has long been realised (see Claire Bengé's "Ten Years from Now" story on pg 17).

I'm sure we are all looking forward to see what unexpected twists and turns come out of the topic "the worst thing we did as a child".

If you want to contact the Writers' Group, please ring Barbara O'Reilly on (07) 866 8299

Coromandel - Colville Art Group

By Christine Lunn

Our group continues to attract new members and inquiries from potential new members. At the present time our meetings are held in Colville on Thursdays but we are very flexible on this and it may change if the majority suggest a different venue or date. We can pool from Coromandel town to Colville on meeting days.

Our planning for several projects continues and we hope to have further information in our next newsletter.

There is an opportunity for members to exhibit their work on a permanent basis in a small gallery in Colville. It is pleasing to see that even in the depths of winter the gallery still receives a number of visitors from both New Zealand and overseas. Even more pleasing is that several of our groups work has sold from this gallery.

We still have room for any interested artists (or budding artists, or first timers) to join us. Our members use a wide range of mediums and they are always willing to share their knowledge.

Contact President Sue Hughes on 07 211 9774 or mobile 021 142 1124 or Secretary Christine Lunn on (07) 866 7220 or mobile 021 484118

Coromandel Art Group

By Lindsay Nicholls

We have had a busy month working on our group project. This year, again, we have an individual canvas to collate to create one stunning piece. Again it will be ready for our annual exhibition in Jan/Feb next year. We have to start it now, with so many of us, it takes a while to get us organised. The new members have also a canvas to work on and it's nice to see them get stuck in and contribute as part of the group already. Our next tutor is Peter Nicholson. We will be dealing with watercolours and sunsets. This is something many of us are looking forward to. In October, we will have a month of exhibiting at Success Cafe, so don't forget to pop in and check out the range of artists' works while having a yummy muffin.

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Environmental

Report on WRC Coromandel Liaison Committee

By Reihana Robinson

It's been an uphill effort this year making progress at Waikato Regional Council through official channels.

That's because the Coromandel Catchment Liaison Subcommittee, formally constituted to facilitate communication and feedback between our communities and the council on a range of environmental management issues -- and officially scheduled to meet just four times per year -- had both its May and its August meetings abruptly cancelled by management.

Chronicle readers will recall that this writer and like-minded committee members introduced several new initiatives last year, including proposals for a region-wide bounty system for possum trappers, direct subsidies for possum and rat multi-kill trap purchases and starting up an Enviroschools bush skills training programme. The committee has been awaiting council action and response on these and other issues since last summer.

However, the May meeting was dropped in favour of an optional, informal "field trip" (with no business transacted), and the committee's formal August meeting was simply jettisoned. Council managers now supposedly plan to report back on issues of concern to our community at the October meeting.

In the meantime, there have been several developments at regional council of interest to the community and the committee.

Despite repeated requests to management starting a year ago, the Coromandel Catchment Subcommittee was not afforded an opportunity for formal consideration and input into the recently adopted WRC long-term plan. Other catchment committees in the Waikato did provide official input. This was a major missed opportunity, all put down by staff to "scheduling" and "overcrowded agendas". As a result, the latest long-term plan (2015-25) once again fails to adequately reflect our community's preferences and aspirations, especially regarding wild animal control.

Eager staff beavers have also been at work gnawing away at the scant few administrative checks and balances that remain on 1080 toxin use. In a very disappointing development in late July, WRC without any public notice issued blanket resource consents for the first time ever to both the Department of Conservation and to TbFree New Zealand to drop 1080 from the air onto land and into waterways throughout the Waikato.

While some observers might think this is nothing new, the DOC/TbFree consents mean that, in the future, helicopter poison contractors will no longer be required to tick all the critical boxes to obtain troublesome individual consents. They will simply be able to operate under the umbrella blanket consents to be held by the two major nationwide 1080 users, with WRC no longer directly assessing accident records and other critical data of contractors as part of the individual consent process.

Worse still, at the time of this writing, WRC management has indicated to this writer that it may soon consider applications by DOC, TbFree, and the regional council itself for ultra-long-term resource consents of an unbelievable 35 years duration for dropping 1080! How the council can remotely consider decades-long consents concerning a toxic substance with very limited scientific data available simply beggars belief. Concerned residents are encouraged to share their views with WRC on this frightening prospect. 0800 800 401.

While the above news is less than encouraging, our own Coromandel constituency WRC representative councillor Clyde Graf, along with Taupo rep Kathy White, has been making some progress on plans for more hunting and trapping. Progress is slow and opposition is constant. Just last month, the chief executive of WRC refused to provide Cr Graf with requested information on council's planned aerial poisoning operations. Working at WRC can be like going down the rabbit hole and through the looking glass at the same time.

Animal Cruelty

By John Veysey

A friend said to me, "John, DOC is spreading so much rat poison around this year you need to increase the size of your column and cover it all."

Although it is a very reasonable ration, 600 words can never "cover it all".

It is unfortunate that we cannot get past the use of rat poison. Every month we learn of more rat poisoning happening in our area.

History shows there can be no improvement in our ability to manage wild animals until the use of rat poison is finally discontinued.

2015 sees another dose of rat poison over more than one third of the peninsula area. Over 80 tonnes of it. From Sandy Bay via Colville and Papa Aroha and all points down to Thames.

Plenty to look out for but this month: the issue of the cruelty inflicted by these poisons. The level of suffering is well understood by those who have seen animals die from rat poison.

They wonder how anyone could be so heartless as to distribute rat poison. There is never any justification given.

Those spreading rat poison are apparently comfortable with a high level of cruelty.

Not a very Kiwi trait, I would say.

DOC's idea of ground control is to walk in and distribute poison baits; in a bait station, around a tree or chuck them all around and then walk away and never stay to witness the poisonings left behind. Worse, they later try and belittle the level of suffering by quantifying it.

Each brand of rat poison now carries a cruelty rating in its advertising blurbs. Only medium cruel. Not as inhumane as "X" and way better than "Y" brand. Ooo "Y" brand!!!

DOC has continually pushed us into rat poisoning and DOC staff have demonstrated that it is possible for them to ignore the animal distress their poisoning inflicts. It is not everyone who can adopt this disdain for animal suffering. By inferring that a degree of suffering is OK, DOC has frequently been the subject of my columns.

How can such seemingly nice people organise and carry out rat poisoning without a qualm of conscience?

Some say it's money. It's a good job. Look at MEG. Hundreds of thousands of dollars a year. You could successfully trap an area twice the size for that money and, instead, they spread rat poison!

The spreading of rat poisons in the wild effectively offends my every principle. While it continues in our part of the world I will oppose it.

My prime concerns are human safety and animal welfare. These concerns are not allayed by 5%RTC figures and poison advertisements in the local weekly.

Next time we will talk about rat poison and the last word here comes from Arthur Schopenhauer:

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A Time To Plant

By Natalie Collicott

Wintertime heralds the season for planting, and we always look forward to our annual outing with Colville School. Organised chaos reigned at our July tree planting day in the MEG Children's Forest. Dirt and spades flew, as the children raced to dig holes and sink plants into the retired pasture beside Waikawau Estuary. A bus load of local school children planted 150 native trees with a mix of cabbage trees, flax, kowhai and coprosma donated by Waikato Regional Council.

Our committee also planted another 100 natives into areas in the Waikawau Bay wetland where the council has been undertaking weed control, targeting pampas and saltwater paspallum. We hope these plants will crowd out their unwelcome weedy competitors.

Raising The Visibility Of Local Biodiversity

I have lost count of the number of times a tourist has stopped to ask me where they can see a kiwi on the Coromandel. Unfortunately, their chances of spotting a wild one are slim. Despite being the poster child of conservation, kiwi have a real PR problem. They are very difficult to see, particularly in areas like the Coromandel, where they have become almost mythical thanks to their nocturnal nature.

Moehau Environment Group want to tell the story that Coromandel is real kiwi country. To do this, we are progressing the development of three visitor sites within our project area. The sites will be used to highlight local biodiversity often missed by passers-by. They will offer members of the public positive and inspiring glimpses of nature in our backyard, and hopefully increase awareness of local conservation efforts. Interpretive signage will be installed at Waikawau Bay wetland and



Port Charles to tell the story of what lives in these special places and how we are working to protect them.

We've also commissioned a giant corten steel kiwi sculpture as an iconic photo point of interest at Port Charles. Lastly, we are working with TCDC to build a kiwi-listening platform at Quarry Corner on the Port Charles Rd. It's a well-kept local secret that "Quarry corner" offers some of the best kiwi-listening in the northern Coromandel. Just off the Port Charles Road and within the DOC Moehau Kiwi Sanctuary, the site is elevated above three valleys, and has one of the highest densities of kiwi calls in the area. MEG has used this site regularly to take interested groups to hear kiwi. The platform will come equipped with an audio installation so visitors can learn to recognise the calls of the kiwi. We hope this initiative will creatively engage a wider audience, encourage further community participation and enhance appreciation for conservation values. Wish us luck!

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

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CLAIM AGM is on **Sunday 6 September** from 10.30am at Hauraki House.



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Sport

Coromandel Golf Club

By Peter Gray



Mark Burcombe took out the Neilsen Cup after he fired a third round 42 points to finish with a combined two round total of 78 pts from Peter Gray 74, Robin Attwood 73, Malcolm Stone 71. Unfortunately for Malcolm the rescheduling of the final round meant that he could not build onto his 42pts second round as he was across the Tasman burning up the Sydney courses.

The Captain's Trophy was played on Saturday 25 July, under a net format. Kevin Verner won on count back from Craig Dudson and Zim Mareroa all carding 70 net with Ed Buckett and Tony Edgar both finishing on 71 net.

The first round of the Golconda Cup, best net aggregate 2 out of 3 rounds, was played on Saturday 8 August in cold but near perfect conditions. Jim Davis set the pace with a first up 67 from Ron Evans a 70 net with six members carding 72. The final two rounds are to be contested during August.

The ladies competed in the Thames Valley Match Play Competition with Te Aroha winning the competition with the Coromandel Ladies finishing a creditable midfield in the ten team competition.

Saturday 22 August will have seen the annual mixed Daffodil Day in support of the Cancer Society contested. This mixed event continues to be one of the most popular events on the Club's Calendar, with all proceeds going to the Cancer Society.

September will also see the Club Champs Seedings and the first two rounds of the Club Champs.

Reminder

Saturday 5 & 12 September – Club Champ Seedings

Saturday 19 & 27 September – Rd 1 & 2 Club Champs

Wednesday 30 September – Meat Pack, Laurie Olliff Trophy

Coromandel Recreational Fishing Club

By Allison

There have been some very nice winter fishing days. Don't know if there are many fish around, have heard that the fishing is quite patchy, but with the coming of spring the water should be starting to warm up so here's hoping that the bigger fish will start moving around the cape and into the gulf to spawn. Here's to tight lines.

The Fish of the Month for July was cod and won by Sean Dent – \$100 going to him.

Fish of the month for September is trevally, October kahawai, November John Dory, December trevally, January 2016 snapper, February kingfish, March kahawai, April gurnard, May snapper, June John Dory. Join up now and you could also be in to win \$100 with the heaviest fish of the month caught – weigh in is at Fish & Dive, ph (07) 866 8797 or Val and Max Larsen, ph (07) 866 7656.

Our next competition is on Labour Weekend **Sunday 25 October** – Prizes – Senior Division: Heaviest Snapper 1st 2nd 3rd, Heaviest Kingfish, Trevally, Kahawai, John Dory, Average Weight and Mystery Weight. Junior Division: Heaviest Snapper, Parore, Kahawai. Most unusual.

Watch this space for up and coming dates for club tournaments and events.

Once again anyone interested in joining the Club can pick up a subscription form from Fish & Dive or Wyuna Studio Kapanga Road or email us coromandelfishingclub@gmail.com and we will send one to you

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Coromandel Bowling Club

By Martin Edwards

Sunday 6 September, our Opening Day, starts the 2015/16 bowling season. Always an exciting time as we embark on another year of fun and challenges. We have another full programme but we also have opportunities for quiet non-competitive bowls on a Saturday afternoon. Now is the time if you have been thinking you might have a go, to contact us and join the club. Whether you are brand new to the game or a lapsed seasoned champion, we would love to see you and you would be made most welcome. If you are new to the game, you will be shown how to play the game on your own with one of the members, so absolutely no pressure. There is a fundamental rule in bowls, that you never criticise someone's bowling, only positive helpful advice is ever given. So do not worry about showing yourself up as members do it frequently. The idea is to have fun, enjoy the game and play to whatever level you decide. So please contact any of the names below and come and join us.

Our amalgamation with our friends in the RSA is going ahead full speed, and on **5 September** we will be holding the Inaugural Meeting of the Combined Clubs of Coromandel, C.C.C., the parent club. What will this mean to the bowling club and playing bowls? Not a lot. The year's programme and matches will be played as normal. If we play on Saturdays, the RSA members will have the opportunity to watch the game whilst having their get together and drinks and join in with their bowling club friends. So we can see only positive things coming from the amalgamation.

Our green is looking superb. This is due to the diligent work of our green keeper Eamonn and his team over the winter months (and before in fact), so a big thank you to those guys. It is great to start the year's bowling on such a great playing surface.

Our winter events, the cards and film club, are coming to a close, and I would like to thank those who supported them. All being well we will see you all next autumn. Quiz Night continues to mid-October and again your support has been tremendous, so thank you and I am sure we will see its return next year with a whole set of mind numbing, "I should know this" questions. We mainly look forward to seeing you on the green.

Contacts: Martin (07) 866 8886, Graeme (07) 866 7931, Dianne (07) 866 8509 or any Bowling Club member



Coromandel Croquet Club

By Judy Bronlund

Our croquet lawns are beside the bowling green in Woollams Avenue. We play croquet on a Tuesday and Saturday morning and also on a Thursday afternoon, weather permitting. It has been good to have the regular players turn up all through winter. Some days have been quite chilly; warmer weather is coming. We welcome new players and the visitors who have called in.

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

Coromandel Tennis Club

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Coromandel Gymnastics Club

By Teresa Brownbridge



This term our senior classes have been concentrating on the NZ Gymsports Incentive Awards Programme with gymnasts being graded within levels 1-4. They have all had routines and individual skills to learn and now that we are an affiliated club with Gymsports NZ it has been wonderful to be able to offer this awards system.

We can also confirm that we will be attending the Peninsula clubs combined challenge, held this year at the Whangamata Gymnastics Club on **20 September**. Our club currently holds the Challenge Trophy for the highest points and we are practicing our routines once again for this competition. We will be encouraging as many children as possible to compete. It is a great day to meet and be with other gymnasts from around the Peninsula and for coaches and judges to network. As small clubs we often find ourselves with similar issues that we can help each other with.

Several coaches have recently attended the storybook yoga workshop for young children in Auckland. We went with a view to seeing how it could be adapted or helpful with the junior session especially but also in its application to other classes. This was a very inspiring class in which we all participated as we would expect our students to. Yoga as an aid to strength, stretching, flexibility, body and spatial awareness is invaluable at gymnastics. It also encourages social skills by working together in a circle. The course itself was fun and playful and certainly encouraged communication and collaboration.

Having another fantastic gymnastics term; see you at the club.

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MAINTENANCE. Qualified Joiner. Contact Tony Burton 021 337 484.

KEY CUTTING SERVICE now available at Rob's Small Motor Repairs Ph (07) 866 7865.

LOG SPLITTING. 10-15 cubic metres an hour. Minimum 4 hours. Phone or txt Paul 027 967 1401.

MEDICINE WOMAN PLANT SPELLS available available at Abby's Healing Haven 021 352 486, (07) 866 8157. Formulations for personal transformation by medicine woman Franchelle Ofsoko-Wyber, a genuine matakite.

ORGANIC SKIN COMPANY. Calendula cream and face care products for sale at Abby's Healing Haven. Stockist for River Veda organic perfumes, lipsticks, make-up and organic skincare. Organic facials available. 126 Te Tiki St, Coromandel (07) 866 8157.

PAIN RELIEF: Therapeutic Massage Call Peter (07) 866 7077 or 027 263 2521.

PAINTING AND WALLPAPERING: Neat tidy work. Free Quotes. Vaughan Udall (07) 866 7969.

PENINSULA MIDWIVES. Experienced Midwives Available. Fiona Kingston 021 743 717 or (07) 866 0413, Jocelyn Yates 027 912 4104. Free pregnancy tests.

PIG HUNTERS I can bone & roll your pork your pork. Plain or seasoned \$30. Phone Ernie 021 0261 7945.

PRUNING & GARDEN CARE: help & advice Peter & Gill Bacchus (07) 866 7077.

RANCH SLIDER WONT SLIDE? Call Mike Coromandel Glass (07) 866 8869.

SOIL SOLUTIONS: Need help with soil testing and interpretation? Call Peter (07) 866 7077 or 027 263 2521.

SPRING IS HERE get in early for your lawnmower service or we have the parts for the DIY. Robs Small Motor Repairs Ph (07) 866 7865.

SPRING IS HERE: Jobs to be done! Phone Vaughan Udall for a free quote (07) 866 7969.

THE LIGHTHOUSE STUDIO: Joinery/custom woodworking, furniture, Persian rugs and LOCAL ART. Between Coro Pies and Morrissey Automotive, down the green lane. 75 Wharf Rd 021 038 0923.

TILING: Wall and floor tile laying service. High standard of work. Free quotes. Vaughan Udall (07) 866 7969.

TREESHAPES. Qualified Arborists for all treework, chipping, stumpgrinding, hedges, section clearance, free quotes. Phone 0274 726 627.

WINDOW CATCH BROKEN? Call Mike Coromandel Glass (07) 866 8869.

YOGA WITH JESSICA Wednesdays 7-8:30pm at the Events Centre (above the swimming pool, behind the Information Centre). All welcome, equipment provided, \$8 per class. Ph: (07) 866 8405 or 021 884 518 for more info.

SITUATIONS VACANT

COROMANDEL MUSSEL KITCHEN

Do you love and understand the hospitality industry? Contact us today!

CHEF – application deadline 21/09/2015

We are seeking a qualified and experienced chef to join our team, with a minimum of 3 years' experience working as a chef in the restaurant industry.

Preferred competencies: National Certificate (Level 4) in Cookery, or equivalent. Use your experience creatively. Hard working, reliable, enthusiastic and passionate about food and beverage. Organisation, communication, motivational, training and leadership skills. Ability to work competently under pressure.

Ability to follow instructions. Experience with catering for events, weddings etc... If you possess all of the above, please send a resume and cover letter to Kate Chapman (Manager) info@musselkitchen.co.nz *fixed term contract (seasonal work)

Oct 2015 – May 2016.

HEAD WAITER/MAITRE D'

- application deadline 14/09/2015

We are seeking an experienced Head Waiter/Maitre D' to join our team. Must have 3 years' experience working in the restaurant industry. Preferred competencies: Hold Duty Managers Certificate (Sale of Liquor Act). Good knowledge of wine and food.

Organisation, communication, motivational, training and leadership skills. Polite, friendly and helpful.

Ability to work competently under pressure. Ability to follow instructions. Experience with events, weddings etc... If you possess all of the above, please send a resume and cover letter to Kate Chapman (Manager) info@musselkitchen.co.nz

*Seasonal work Sept/Oct 2015 – May 2016.

EXPERIENCED COOK

– application deadline 30/09/2015

Seeking an experienced and talented Cook to join our team in delivering excellent service to our customers. Must have 2 years' experience in the cafe/restaurant industry recently. Reliable and enthusiastic. Organisational and communication skills. Team player. Ability to work competently under pressure. Ability to follow instructions.

If you possess all of the above, please send a resume and cover letter to Kate Chapman (Manager) info@musselkitchen.co.nz

*seasonal work Oct 2015 – May 2016.

WAITER/WAITRESS

– application deadline 30/09/2015

Seeking an experienced, talented, outgoing and friendly Waiter/Waitress to join our team in delivering excellent service to our customers. Must have 2 years' experience in the cafe/restaurant industry recently.

Reliable and enthusiastic. Customer skills. Organisational and communication skills. Team player. Ability to work competently under pressure. Ability to follow instructions. If you possess all of the above, please send a resume and cover letter to Kate Chapman (Manager) info@musselkitchen.co.nz

*seasonal work Oct 2015 – May 2016.

KITCHEN/DISHHAND

– application deadline 21/09/2015

Seeking an energetic, fun and hard working person to fill this position, no experience needed. Must be 16yrs+. Reliable and enthusiastic. Positive attitude. Team player. Ability to work competently under pressure. Ability to follow instructions. If you possess all of the above, please send a cover letter to Kate Chapman (Manager) info@musselkitchen.co.nz or ph: (07) 866 7245

*seasonal work Sept/Oct 2015 – May 2016.

Coromandel Town weekly and monthly meetings

FOR SALE

1 PAIR QUEEN SIZE Dromorne Pure Wool Blankets, sold singly if wanted. Ph (07) 866 8192 for further information.

2M MAXXON INFLATABLE. Excellent condition. Oars, pump, carry bag. \$450. Phone (07) 866 888.

COROMANDEL FIREWOOD SUPPLIES quality wood at affordable prices t-tree and pine free local delivery phone or txt ezra on 022 0860 927.

DOUBLE BUNKS (red) tubular steel, near new with mattresses \$200. Ph (07) 866 6885 (Maria).

FIREWOOD – PINE, 2.2 cubic metres delivered \$150. Phone Jeremy (07) 866 0118.

FIREWOOD T/TREE, PINE, GUM \$100 hotmix nice and dry. Txt or phone Paul 027 967 1401.

NOW SELLING NATURAL INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR OIL for wood. Made in NZ by the Naturalhouse Company. Excellent product, easy to use. Available from The Lighthouse Studio, 75 Wharf Rd ph 021 038 0923.

SHEEP MANURE \$8 bag, delivered Coromandel town. Food for your garden. Fundraiser for CAS Yr7/8 camp. Ph (07) 866 8081.

YACHT - UNFINISHED PROJECT - Classic Gulf Cruiser Design - Wright Variant 22ft Bilge Keeler, sleep two plus. Twin keels and draws 3ft which means you can park up on the beach, mangroves or creek. Has standard yacht accessories including VHF, set of sails, motor is 15hp mariner outboard, needs a service. Hullspeed five knots. Currently moored Coromandel Harbour. Get on the water for summer for under \$1000 negotiable. If you are interested in the to do list and photos please email abushy@yahoo.co.nz

TO RENT

COTTAGE TO RENT. Studio style, 1-2 bedrooms. Beautiful, private, retreat location just 3 Km from town. Insulated, wood fire, recently redecorated. Option for organic vegetable garden. Lawns and maintenance by landlord. Suit single person or couple, no children, non-smoking. Long term. \$260pw. Phone 027 483 5867 or 06 857 808.

WANTED

CARAVAN WANTED, late model, 4-6 berth in tidy condition, cash buyer. Phone 0274 950 224.

HOUSE WANTED 5-6 bedrooms, Responsible tenant, long term. please phone Mike ph (07) 866 8358.

WORK WANTED

TREESHAPES. QUALIFIED ARBORISTS for all treework, chipping, stumpgrinding, hedges, section clearance, free quotes. Phone 0274 726 627.

PUBLIC NOTICE

HAURAKI HOUSE AGM 30 September 5pm Hauraki House. Please come along, we welcome your input.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Coromandel Business Association will be held on 14 September at the Coromandel Chambers at 5.30pm.

Every Monday

Coro Gym – Step/aerobics, contact Peg (07) 866 8635 8am
Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
Coromandel Hikers Group, Hauraki House, contact Colin & Elspeth (07) 866 7137 9am
Colville Social Services Collective, Colville Hall, contact (07) 866 6920 9am-3pm
Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, contact (07) 866 8417 9am-3pm
Coro Gym – Sit and be fit, contact Peg (07) 866 8635 9.30am
Coro Gym – Fitness and Fun, contact Judy (07) 866 8637 10.30am
Coro Gym – Kick fit with Christajo, 155 Pottery Lane, contact 021 033 9329 5.30-6.30pm
Shrinking Violets, contact Betsie (07) 866 7076 5.30pm
Coro Contract Bridge, Coro Ambulance rooms, contact Lyn (07) 866 8858 7pm
Four-part harmony singing, contact Sue (07) 866 8833 7.30pm

Every Tuesday

Homeschoolers gathering, contact Julene (07) 866 8005
Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
Colville Bay Early Learning Centre, rear Colville School, contact Alex (07) 866 8319 9am-3pm
Coro Walking Group, contact Ruth (07) 866 7246 9am
Swissball Training – Hi-Tech Health & Fitness, contact Marlene (07) 866 8019 9am
Colville Social Services Collective, Colville Hall, contact (07) 866 6920 9am-3pm
Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, contact (07) 866 8417 9am-3pm
Music and Dance, Elim Church- Preschoolers Dance Group, contact Dawn (07) 866 8150 9.30-11am
Coro Ladies Golf, contact Peter (07) 866 7633 tee off 10am
Yoga, Colville Hall, contact (07) 866 6612 10am
Croquet, Woollams Ave, contact Judy (07) 866 8637 9.45am
Coromandel Playcentre, Woollams Ave 10.30am-1pm
Narcotics Anonymous meeting, contact 021 314 467 12 noon
500 card session at the Bowling Club, contact (07) 866 8886 1pm
Coro Gym – Fitness and Fun, contact Judy (07) 866 8637 1pm
Coro Cub Scouts, Scout Hall, Hauraki House, contact Abby Morgan (07) 211 9790 4-6pm
Beginners Yoga with Becks, at Coro Gym, \$7, all welcome. Contact Becks 027 407 0079 5.20pm to 6.40pm.
Ambulance training, contact Felix (07) 866 8279 7-9pm
Coro Motorcycle Club, Star & Garter, contact John (07) 866 6776 7-9pm
Swissball Training – Hi-Tech Health & Fitness, contact Marlene (07) 866 8019 7pm
Badminton, school gymnasium, racquets available, contact Josh 021 0839 7825 or Nadine 022 174 55 24 7pm

Every Wednesday

Dharma Gaia, Meditation, contact (07) 866 7995 6-7am
Dharma Gaia, Sitting & Walking Meditation, contact (07) 866 7995 7.30-9pm
Coro Gym – Step/aerobics, contact Peg (07) 866 8635 8am
Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
Early Learning Centre, rear Colville School, contact Linda or Alex (07) 866 8319 9am-3pm
Colville Social Services Collective, Colville Hall, contact (07) 866 6920 9am-3pm
Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, contact (07) 866 8417 9am-3pm
Coro Gym – Sit and be fit, contact Peg (07) 866 8635 9.30am
Coro Gym – Fitness & Fun, contact Judy (07) 866 8637 10.30am
Coromandel Golf Club – mens, Hauraki Rd, contact Peter (07) 866 7633 tee off 12.30pm
Scrabble Club, contact Joan for venue on (07) 866 7580 1pm
Coro Tennis Club – club night, contact Gayle (07) 866 8063 4pm
Wing Chun Kung Fu- Hong Kong Style, c contact Chi Sau Club 027 283 0773 4.30-8.30pm
Running Group, meet at rugby club grounds. Contact Mark 027 338 6697 or (07) 866 7660 5-6.15pm
Coro Gym – Pump with Betty, (07) 866 8635 5.30-6.30pm
Circuit Training – Hi-Tech Health & Fitness, contact Marlene (07) 866 8019 7pm
Yoga, Events Centre (behind 4 Square) \$8, contact Jessica (07) 866 8405 7-8.30pm
Discussion night-optional pot luck dinner, Mahamudra Centre, contact (07) 866 6851 dinner 6pm, meeting 7-8.30pm
Walking & sitting meditation, Dharma Gaia Centre, contact (07) 866 7995 7.30-9pm

Every Thursday

Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
Coro Walking Group, contact Ruth (07) 866 7246 9am
Coro Art Group, St Andrews Church, contact Val (07) 866 8911 9am-12pm
Colville Bay Early Learning Centre, rear Colville School, contact Linda or Alex (07) 866 8319 9am-3pm
Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, contact (07) 866 8417 9am-3pm
Meditation for Everyone, in Pyramid (behind Driving Creek Café) 10-11am
Tai Ji, Top Floor, Waikato Events Centre, contact Sol (07) 866 8971 10-11am
Coro Gym – Fitness & Fun, contact Judy (07) 866 8637 10.30am
Coro Gym – Ukulele group practice for beginners, contact Peg (07) 866 8635
Bowling Club House, contact Sharan (07) 866 7760 from 1pm

Coro Community Garden, Glover St, contact Louis (07) 866 8866 2-4pm
Service of the Word & Holy communion, St Colmans church, contact Jocelyn (07) 866 7126 5pm
Last class for 2014 is 11 Dec, restart Feb 2015 5.15pm to 6.30pm
Coro Gym – Kick fit with Christajo, contact 021 033 9329 5.30-6.30pm
Swissball Training – Hi-Tech Health & Fitness, contact Marlene (07) 866 8019 7pm
Quiz night, at the Bowling Club, contact John (07) 866 88417pm

Every Friday

Circuit Training – Hi-Tech Health & Fitness, contact Marlene (07) 866 8019 6am
Coro Gym – step/aerobics, contact Peg (07) 866 8635 8-9am
Colville Bay Early Learning Centre, 3-4 yr olds, rear Colville School, contact Linda (07) 866 8319 9am-3pm
Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas 8.30-9am
Colville Bay Early Learning Centre, rear Colville School, contact Linda or Alex (07) 866 8319 9am-3pm
Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, contact (07) 866 8417 9am-3pm
Yoga for everyone, Anglican Church Hall, contact Katie (07) 866 6612 9-10.30am
Colville Services Collective, Colville Hall, contact (07) 866 6920 9am-3pm
Coro Gym – Sit & be fit, contact Peg (07) 866 8635 9.30-10.30am
Coromandel Playcentre, Woollams Ave 9.45am-12.15pm
Coro Gym – Fitness & Fun, contact Judy (07) 866 8637 1pm
Coro Tennis, Men's night, contact Gayle (07) 866 8063 4pm
Coro Gym – Crazy Horse Productions, contact Natalie 021 048 9772 4.15pm

Every Saturday



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

Every Sunday

Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation-in Gompas, contact (07) 866 6851 10-10.30am
Elim Church Services, Rings Rd, contact Steve (07) 866 6900 10am-12 noon
Coro Tennis Club-club play, contact Gayle (07) 866 8063 2pm
Swissball Training – Hi-Tech Health & Fitness, contact Marlene (07) 866 8019 2pm
Circuit Training – Hi-Tech Health & Fitness, contact Marlene (07) 866 8019 4pm
Prayers for dead and healing, Mahamudra Centre, contact (07) 866 6851 5-6pm

Monthly

1st Mon – Coro Patchwork & Quilters Ambulance rooms, contact Jill (07) 866 7484 9.30am-3.30pm
2nd Mon – Friendship Group, contact Jocelyn (07) 866 7101
3rd Mon – Coro Patchwork & Quilters Ambulance rooms, contact Jill (07) 866 7484 9.30am-3.30pm
3rd Mon – Alzheimer's Carers' Group, Retirement Village Hall, bring plate & koha, contact (07) 282 0453 10.30am
1st Tue – Coro Motorcycle Club general business John (07) 866 6776 7.30pm
2nd Tue – Coromandel/Colville Cmty Board, Council Chambers, contact (07) 866 1001 9am
2nd Tue – RSA, club rooms, contact Ian Franklin 07 866 7138.
2nd Tue – Public Trust, Harcourts, contact 0800 368 620by appt
1st Wed – Coro Embroiderers' Guild, Ambulance Station, contact Jill Wilson (07) 866 7484 10am-3pm
1st Wed – Lions Dinner Meeting, Ambulance Rooms; contact Jayne Lister (07) 866 7687 6pm
2nd Wed – Garden Circle, ph Julie Jensen for venue, (07) 866 7546 1pm
3rd Wed – Lions Business Meeting, Ambulance Rooms; contact Jayne Lister (07) 866 7687 7pm
4th Wed – RSA Women's Section, Club rooms, contact Loes Beaver (07) 866 8053 1.30pm
2nd Thu – Coromandel Writers' Group, contact Margaret (07) 866 8862 10.30am-2.30pm
4th Thu – Coro SeniorNet, school music room, contact Loes (07) 866 8053 1.30pm
3rd Sat – Luncheon Ladies, contact Lorraine (07) 866 8144 12pm
1st Sun – Coro School of Mines & Historical Sty/Museum, contact (07) 866 8711 4pm
1st Sun – St Andrew's Union church service, Rings Rd, contact (07) 866 8633 10am
2nd Sun – Christ Church service, Tiki Rd, contact Barbara O'Reilly (07) 866 8299 10am
2nd Sun – Young Eagles, Tiki Rd, contact Lisa (07) 866 2055 9am
3rd Sun – St Andrews Union church service, Rings Rd, contact Hilda (07) 866 8633 10am
4th Sun – Christ Church service, Tiki Rd, contact Barbara O'Reilly (07) 866 8299 10am
5th Sun – Christ Church/St Andrew's share 10am

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
<div>COROMANDEL RUBBISH & RECYCLE TRANSFER STATION & E-CYCLE HOURS Tuesday and Thursday 1.30pm-5.30pm Saturday 10.30am-5.30pm Sunday 11.30am-7.30pm</div>	1	2	3 Te Korowai Hauora o Hauraki Coromandel after-hours cervical screening clinic (see pg 10) Spanish night at Pepper Tree Restaurant (see ad pg 28)	4	5 Biodynamic Gardening Workshop (see pg 17) Inaugural Meeting of the Combined Clubs of Coromandel (see pg 33)	6 Father's Day Opening Day at Coromandel Bowling Club (see pg 33) Father's Day at Castle Rock Café (see ad pg 14) CLAIM AGM (see pg 31)
High tide 8.40am (3.2m), 9.07pm (3.2m) Low tide 2.23am (0.0m), 2.44pm (0.00m) ►► Best bite 2am/pm	High tide 9.31am (3.2m), 9.56pm (3.2m) Low tide 3.14am (0.0m), 3.35pm (0.0m) ►► Best bite 3am/pm	High tide 10.22am (3.1m), 10.50pm (3.1m) Low tide 4.04am (0.0m), 4.26pm (0.1m) ►► Best bite 4am/pm	High tide 11.14am (3.0m), 11.43pm (3.0m) Low tide 4.56am (0.0m), 5.21pm (0.2m) ►►► Best bite 5am/pm	High tide 12.08pm (2.9m) Low tide 5.48am (0.2m), 6.18pm (0.4m) ►►► Best bite 6am/pm	High tide 12.38am (2.8m), 1.06pm (2.7m) Low tide 6.44am (0.3m), 7.19pm (0.5m) ►►► Best bite 6.30am/pm	
7 Adult Learners' Week starts (see pg 12)	8	9	10 Taco night at Castle Rock Café (see ad pg 14)	11	12	13
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14 Deadline: Coromandel Town Chronicle October issue Coromandel Business Association AGM (see pg 35)	15	16	17 Coromandel Mussel Kitchen reopens (see ad pg 17) Grey Power meeting (see pg 14) Coromandel Sea Rescue AGM (see pg 24) Wine/food matching at Pepper Tree Restaurant (see ad pg 28)	18	19 Colville Market Day (Suffrage Day) at the Colville Hall (see pg 4)	20 Coromandel Tennis Club AGM (see pg 33) Gymnastics Club challenge (see pg 33)
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21	22	23 Colville Community Health Trust AGM (see pg 10)	24 Roast dinner at Pepper Tree Restaurant (see ad pg 28) Quiz night at Castle Rock Café (see ad pg 14)	25 Museum Monthly Competition closes (see pg 25) Coromandel Music Society present String Wizardry (see pg 29)	26 Kirtan and meditation (see pg 6) Making Beats – Music Production for Youth (see pg 26) Te Korowai cervical screening clinic (see pg 10)	27
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28	29	30 Applications close for donations programme (see ad pg 10) Meat Pack/Laurie Oiliff Trophy at Coromandel Golf Club (see pg 32) Hauraki House AGM (see pg 35)	Make sure your event gets listed To get your event listed, email the details, your name and contact phone number to Debbie at corochronicle@gmail.com with the subject "event". Or post to Jude Publishing, PO Box 148, Coromandel. There is limited space available and will be published subject to space availability, with preference to not-for-profit groups.			
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