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# September is the start of spring!

Need I say more after the wet winter we have had? Debbie, Editor

## Letters

### Response from July issue

Dear Debbie,

When is an apology not an apology? When it's an excuse to spread misinformation and gather votes from the hunting fraternity for this year's Waikato Regional Council election. Clyde Graf's open letter to Paula Southgate (Chair) in the July issue of the Coromandel Town Chronicle shows me that despite a handsome salary as the Coromandel electorate representative he still has anti-1080 as his sole claim. He ignores the expert evidence to two government enquiries that determined further 1080 was needed to protect our shrinking and degrading forests.

The world is more polluted and humanity's pressure on the remaining natural environment is exemplified by the farming of our public forest by our pig hunters who ignore the devastation of the forest floor by pig rooting in their hunt for wild pork. (I hope their pig-savaging dogs have had kiwi-aversion training.)

Many of the words in this "apology" mimic the propaganda words used by John Veysey in his columns, ie poison, waterways, inhumane, and hinted-at conspiracies etc. To add "children" and "pets" is efficiently alarmist.

I question whether a person who does not care for the health of the forest should be representing me on a council that has the care and protection of land, water and air as its prime *raison d'être*.

Sincerely,

Peter Wood, Thames Coast

### Responses to previous letter to the editor

Dear Editor,

In your last issue Dal Minogue appears to be totally convinced by government's pro-poison propaganda which makes him unusually misinformed for a Coromandel resident. If elected I believe Minogue would heartily support council's present widespread animal poisoning policy.

In this letter Minogue has displayed an unashamed lack of understanding of the real environmental issues on the Peninsula and an apparent disinterest in the concerns of outlying communities - which may explain why he was left a distant third in the last elections.

We are very fortunate that Clyde Graf is standing again for re-election.

John Veysey, Coromandel Town

Dear Editor,

In response to Dal Minogue's comments regarding the use of 1080 poison across the Coromandel...

WRC issues the resource consents that permit the contractors to aerially distribute the deadly baits directly into water. In the recent aerial operation across 22,000 hectares of the Peninsula, no streams or waterways within the operational area were buffered. The toxin flight charts reveal this fact. In other words, 166 x 12 grams baits were dropped directly into every hectare of land and water. Two baits are enough to kill a deer. All carcasses of poisoned animals were left to decompose where they fell, be that on land or in the water.

When the operation was undertaken many locals were drawing water the day of the operation, without being informed that the baits were laying a few hundred metres upstream from their intakes. The DOC notification they did receive stated that the drop would take place sometime within a three-month window. Although my previous requests have been declined, I am meeting next week with the Medical Officer of Health to present these concerning issues.

On a lighter note, I am happy to say that after advocacy and deliberation, the formation of a new Aquaculture Forum has resulted in the draft terms of reference being written for consideration.

In closing, I have put my hat into the ring for another term at Waikato Regional Council. As a member of the Rates Control Team, my promise is to continue to achieve good outcomes for the District while ensuring rates are kept down, as they have been for the last three years.

Kind regards to all, Clyde Graf - Waikato Regional Councillor

### Response to the above two letters

In my letter in the August issue I was referring to the use of poisoning across the Waikato, not the Coromandel, and it was in reference to the claim that tens of thousands of acres of Waikato land has been poisoned, when in fact what happened was tens of thousands of acres of pests were poisoned (there is no scientific evidence linking 1080 poisoning to the poisoning of land as it breaks down very quickly in water and soil).

Also, like most people, I don't like 1080. However also like most people, I accept that in some circumstances it is the only option we have to protect our environment given the constraints of very difficult land terrain and economic cost. That reasoning is in fact why both major political parties in NZ adopt exactly that philosophy.

I do have great interest in the outlying communities of the Peninsula - I am, after all, a property owner in a remote part of the Coromandel ward as well as Ferry Landing.

Regards,

Dal Minogue, Whitianga

### Hire of Coromandel Area School Hall

Dear Debbie,

We would like to advise organisations that if you hire the school hall in Coromandel you cannot get heating turned on outside of school hours. Apparently it is controlled by computer in Hamilton and therefore it is too difficult to reset, or the powers that be do not wish to. Unfortunately our club only found this out today (Friday 12th), a day before we plan to use it on Saturday 13 and Sunday 14 August. Therefore it seems that if you plan to rent the hall in winter you also need to be prepared to use it cold or find an alternative way to heat it.

Regards

Margaret Sinclair, Coromandel Town

### Waikato Regional Councillor

Dear Debbie,

Apart from the fact that we have the best ever councillor working for us now, ie. Councillor Clyde Graf, I feel that if we didn't have John Veysey and Reihana Robinson keeping us all informed of the goings on of DOC and their ilk – the Coromandel Peninsula would become nothing more than a toxic dumping ground.

Clyde Graf has been a passionate and hardworking councillor prepared to put in many extra hours responding to concerned residents and their problems. I am thrilled that he has agreed to stand for a second term.

Go Clyde...

Yours sincerely,

Diana Halstead, Te Mata

### Thanks to Waikato Regional Council

Dear Editor,

On behalf of Aradia and the flora and fauna within, I would like to thank Waikato Regional Council for their grant of \$4903 for us to buy Goodnature traps for a year's possum control. They will be installed and monitored by Sue Smith, our conservation manager. We would also like to thank Dave Byers for facilitating this.

Tahi Eynon, Papa Aroha

### ZIP and predator control

Dear Editor,

Readers who have been "treated" to the usual derision of predator control by Mr. Veysey in August might want to read up on what the ZIP organisation is actually all about themselves. Their website [zip.org.nz](http://zip.org.nz) is well worth a look. From their website I quote two of ZIP's objectives: "Carry out predator control in terrain where it is neither desirable nor possible to construct predator fences; reduce our dependence on the repeated wide scale application of toxins at chosen sites." It would appear that Mr Veysey should in fact laud their objectives if he had read them.

MEG: [meg.org.nz](http://meg.org.nz) and DOC maintain traps over thousands of hectares of conservation and private lands on the Coromandel Peninsula with very positive community involvement from school children making traps to volunteers and workers from our community running the lines. But trapping with current trap technologies alone, while highly important to give our native fauna and flora a fighting chance, is unable to eradicate pests, is largely ineffective against rats, and can barely keep up with the onslaught of the predators, particularly during the nesting season, of our birds. The research that ZIP and the scientists involved undertake is very much needed in order to work towards a better pest control technology for our precious ecology. Readers of Mr. Veysey's monthly column are encouraged to investigate his wild claims for themselves by reference to reliable sources.

Thomas Everth, Whitianga

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### Coromandel Business Association

By Christine Petrie

We heard recently that some people think the Coromandel Business Association (CBA) is like a secret society! Not so! The CBA is a group of volunteers working for the good of the community of the Coromandel region. Any business owner in any industry is welcome to join the CBA and have a say in what this work looks like. If you want to know more, send an email to [corobusiness@gmail.com](mailto:corobusiness@gmail.com) and we will arrange for a member to meet with you to answer your questions. As Sam Walton, the founder of Walmart said: "We're all working together; that's the secret."

#### Upcoming Events

Be sure to mark the following dates in your calendar for some fun time with your community: **5 November** – Guy Fawkes Fireworks generously sponsored by Four Square. **10 December** – Christmas Parade.

CBA members are working hard to deliver these events and would welcome the assistance of anyone who enjoys organising huge parties.

#### Sponsorship Opportunities

The CBA is committed to delivering the Seafood Fest and the Illume: Winter Festival of Light in 2017 and teams have already started work to plan events that will be even better than they were in 2016. To make sure that everyone can attend we are raising funding to pay for the events. Sponsorship packages are available from \$400 and would suit businesses who see value in partnering with the chosen event to support the local economy.

#### Other Important Dates

There will be a business networking event on **20 September** at Success Café and Bar at 5.30pm. Cost \$5. RSVP to Success by **16 September** and go into the draw to win a \$20 voucher. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

The AGM will be held on **12 September** at 5.30pm at the Coromandel Chambers. All members are encouraged to attend and have their say on the future work of the CBA.



## Let us showcase your business

**Sponsorship packages are available for the 2017 editions of the Seafood Fest and the Illume: Winter Festival of Light.**

These professionally run events attract visitors to our region in the quiet season; showcase the fantastic natural resources and artistic talent of the Coromandel; and give the community the opportunity to have fun together. Sponsorship funding ensures that there are minimal entry fees so that everyone can attend.

If you would like to support the growth of the Coromandel region; and align your business with brands that speak of fun, creativity, collaboration and community well-being we have valuable sponsorship packages available starting at \$400 plus GST. They include 12 months of publicity through print, radio, social and online media.

**Want to know more?**  
Contact Christine today at [corobusiness@gmail.com](mailto:corobusiness@gmail.com)

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[www.coromandeltown.co.nz/seafood-fest](http://www.coromandeltown.co.nz/seafood-fest)



# Local Elections

Supplied by Thames-Coromandel District Council

Nominations for Council and Community Board positions for the Thames-Coromandel District Council are now closed. Here is the list of candidates.

**Final Candidate List (listed in alphabetical order)**

<b>MAYOR</b>	
Peter French	Sandra Goudie
<b>COUNCIL - Coromandel-Colville WARD (1 position)</b>	
Tony Brljevich	
<b>COMMUNITY BOARD - Coromandel-Colville (4 positions)</b>	
Jean Ashby	Jan Autumn
Kim Brett	Colin Caldwell
Peter Lawrence Pritchard	Chris Stark
Keith Stephenson	Nigel John Strongman
John Allan Walker	
<b>Waikato Regional Council Candidates</b>	
<b>Thames-Coromandel general constituency (1 position)</b>	
Mark Alloway	Clyde Graf
Brian Habberfield	Liam Kedzlie
Dal Minogue	Dirk Sieling

Everyone enrolled on the Residential Electoral (residents) and the Ratepayer Electoral (non-resident) rolls will receive their voting papers in the mail between **16 and 21 September**. Voting papers must be received back by midday on Election Day, **Saturday 8 October 2016**.

## Goudie Goes For Mayor

Current TCDC Councillor and former 3-term MP Sandra Goudie, who is standing for the district mayoralty, is both a Thames and northern Coromandel property owner.

Sandra and her husband Bernard currently farm just south of Thames. They started out in Colville on the family farm, then moved to their own dairy farm on the Hauraki Plains in 1980. They love escaping to their other home on the water's edge at Colville.

They bought the house back in 2007 as a holiday home for their growing but now adult, family. Now it's their bolt hole too – everyone loves it.

A self-confessed workaholic, Sandra has over decades held numerous positions with rural, farming and community organisations as well as local and national government.

Most probably know of her not only as a Councillor but also as Coromandel's Member of Parliament between 2002 – 2011 when she gained the 10th highest majority for a NZ Electorate MP.

Her portfolios included senior citizens, internal affairs, and disabilities. She chaired the Law and Order Select Committee and was a Member of the Primary Production Select Committee.

"I've come to know the district pretty well from both a council and business perspective as well as being a resident and absentee ratepayer," Sandra says.

Her previous TCDC roles included Representative for Rural Communities, rural drainage and water committees, women's centre, Thames Coast reserves and communities, audit, roading, airfield, harbour, and Iwi Liaison Committee.

She says that while the present Council has initiated a lot of good things, it needs to deliver more of what people actually want and need.

"That means saying no to some 'pet' projects and focusing more on core business.

"One ward should not be favoured over another when we need good services right around the Peninsula. Funding should be more evenly spread," she says.

Sandra also advocates more realistic charges for rate payers faced with hefty development and consent costs.

"As individuals, we can't afford and shouldn't be expected to fund everything. I want to lead a change for the better."

***This election you have two choices. More of the same.  
Or vote for me.***

*Most of us know what needs to improve around our Coromandel.*

*Your vote will help me lead the change.*

*I believe Council can do better: by focusing more on what we actually need and controlling spending with more balanced distribution between wards.*

*I want to be the one who leads that improvement.*



**MAYOR: SANDRA GOUDIE**

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**[www.sandragoudie.co.nz](http://www.sandragoudie.co.nz)**

Authorised by Sandra Goudie, 185 Kopu-hikuai Rd, R D 1 Thames.

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## Support For Our Present Regional Councillor

By John Veysey

I have killed numerous wild creatures to protect trees, crops and pastures and each one of the creatures I have killed I have met face to face. I know exactly what I have done. Everything I catch is always safely eaten and we are all grateful for the eating. My catch is not restricted to predators. I catch a few possums. These are the Coromandel bushtails which are strict herbivores. Possum species, like the brown kiwi, alter in minor ways from region to region. There is an omnivorous variety of possum which has never been sighted on the Coromandel and another type, the BTB-infected possum which has also never been sighted on the Coromandel, though the AHB did drop some 1080 around our solitary TB outbreak at Tairua - just in case. Now we have DOC busily preparing poison operations against one type of possum or another. We mustn't forget the millions of dollars which have already gone into controlling the flood-inducing possum. This flood-inducing possum has only ever been targeted on the Coromandel Peninsula and formed the reason behind the millions of dollars already spent on the Peninsula Project since 2004.

The poisoning of DOC land provides good jobs on the peninsula for the DOC managers Nic Hamon and Leon Pickering in Thames, but all the rest of the 1080 money goes to people who do not live here. DOC's 1080 operations over our peninsula have so far cost in excess of \$10 million and we have not seen a single one of those dollars north of Thames.

Through the authority of Regional Council DOC has spread its campaign against the omnivorous possum onto private land.

Landowners have been bullied into allowing DOC's contractors to spread poisons onto their lands. The first of these joint operations in 1991 began with DOC staff threatening that either he allow DOC to distribute poison all over his land for free or the landowner would have to pay the cost of any control method which did not use DOC's preferred poisons. Many landowners who could not afford DOC's threatened extra charge resigned themselves to the poisoning. What choice did they have?

This display of Council and DOC's complete disdain for landowner rights saw the appearance of Coromandel's first landcare group.

Since then, landcare groups have sprung up all over the peninsula in response to unwelcome intrusions and threats from councils. While the enforced poisoning of private land was the first such intrusion to raise an eyebrow, we have seen a succession of attempts by both regional and district councils to take control of the management of private lands. At first Regional Council moved in and, more recently, district council has proposed to take over management of wetlands and any area which they say is of significant national importance. These threats continue and landowners need to unite and pull together to protect themselves and their lands. There are still some landowners out there who think they are powerless to resist. You are not. Council staff will not come and ask you first. Before they will even talk to you you have to assert your landowner rights and not allow yourself to be bullied.

It is proving a protracted process but there is hope that government staff will eventually accept their roles as public servants so council and ratepayer, DOC and taxpayer can pull together in the same direction for the sake of the environment.

No one understands this hope better than our current Regional Councillor, Clyde Graf. We have never had a regional councillor who understands local issues the way Clyde does. What is more he has not hesitated to bring these issues to council's notice. Clyde is willing to speak up for us again for another three years. He has already opened doors into the minds of council staff and if, during the coming three years, he can manage to get our concerns through those doors and discussed, there is a real possibility we could see some policy changes in Hamilton which will allow landowners to relax a little more easily on their own lands.

# VOTE Dal Minogue Regional Council

I have owned property and paid rates on the Coromandel for over 30 years after my family established a connection with the Cooks Beach area in the late 1950's, building one of the first bachs there.

Since that time, I have witnessed the slow recovery of our bush and birdlife alongside successful farming operations and significant subdivision, which have not proved incompatible elements.

I am passionate about seeing that recovery continue and if elected will actively support any individual or community group with that as its goal.

I do not own tracts of subdivisible land next to one of our major settlements, nor am I a legal consultant on the tout for business. In short I have no personal reason for standing for election other than wanting to serve the Coromandel and improve our environment.

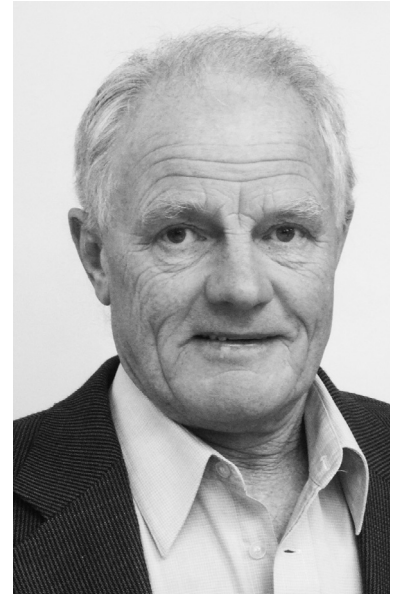
Over the past three years, we have become a laughing stock at the WRC Council table. I am also standing for Regional Council because there is an urgent need to restore our severely damaged reputation. We need to quickly become a respected and influential contributor on all important matters.

I have 6 years previous experience in local government at the District Council level. I am a past Chairman of the TCDC's Policy committee as well as having been a Resource Management Act Hearings Commissioner. I understand local government process and how to get things done. In short, I have the desire and the ability to move the Coromandel community forward in a balanced and positive way.

I respectfully ask for your support so that we can quickly start working together to achieve a better future while maintaining tight control over rates that are levied.

**Vote for balanced, positive leadership this time!**

Authorised by Dal Minogue 21 Panorama Ave RD1 Whitianga



## Heart Beat – St John Ambulance Coromandel/Colville

By Felix O'Carroll, Station Manager, Coromandel

18 August was my last working day as Station Manager for St John Coromandel. I have been in the role just under six years and feel it's time for me to move on to another challenge. I applied for and have been offered a position in Whangamata as a Blue Watch Paramedic Ambulance Officer, doing what I enjoy most (ambulance frontline response work). I've grown to love Coromandel and the people in the area. However, I needed to look at what's best for me and, with limited opportunities to get onto a 4 X 4 shift and concentrate on ambulance response work, I had to take the opportunity when it arose.

May I take this opportunity to thank the people of Coromandel for welcoming me into your community. I have met many of you directly, others indirectly, and it has been a very humbling and enjoyable experience. Speaking at meetings during our recruitment programs or as a guest speaker has also resulted in me meeting a large number of people in the area. I wish you all well for the future.

My association with Coromandel Family Health and, in particular, all their staff has been a very good and professional one, and I'm thankful for the support they have given me and my team. The same can be said for Te Korowai Medical Centre and Phoenix House, where our paths crossed on many occasions. Coromandel Fire Service has been a huge support and on many occasions we have met on the road to help people in need. However, it's the friendships we have made that has meant the most. And for the professionalism both on the job and as a station.

Moving away from Coromandel has been a very hard decision to make. I'm leaving a great, dedicated team who are committed to helping out the Coromandel/Colville

community and beyond. The staff and the Area Committee of St John Coromandel/Colville will always be part of me. It's been a privilege to be part of that team and I hope you all continue to do what we do well – helping support your community. Thank you again for your friendship and professionalism.

I leave St John Coromandel with new recruits currently on the learning pathway. I ask that others continue to join them to enable Coromandel/Colville ambulance to cover the area with a 24/7 ambulance, for without people we currently struggle to maintain a local service 24/7.

### STAFF PROFILE

**Name:** Felix O'Carroll

**Position:** St John Station Manager (Coromandel Station)

### Why did you join St John Ambulance service?

I was managing a meat processing and exporting plant in the Thames Valley/Waikato area. Having worked in the industry all around the country for over thirty years, I needed to renew my First Aid Certificate. Thames being the closest First Aid centre in the area, I attended the session and was asked if I was interested in becoming an ambulance volunteer. I attended their training/meeting session and was so impressed with what I saw, I joined up as a volunteer.

During my time as a volunteer I gradually gained my EMT certification and decided if an opportunity arose I would like a full-time job with St John. Six years ago I resigned as plant manager in the meat export industry to take up a station manager's role with St John Coromandel. During my time with St John I gained my authority to practice as a paramedic my



Felix enjoying what he loves; attending to the sick and injured

current position.

**How long have you been a member of St. John?** Almost 12 years.

**What do you enjoy most about being an ambulance officer?**

Making a positive difference to someone's health and wellbeing, and being available to help people in need.

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

Absolutely 100% I wish I knew about this organisation when I was a year or two younger. It's a role where you get the best out of life: Keeps the body and mind fit, has huge satisfaction and we have an opportunity to make a positive difference to people's lives.

You too can be part of Coromandel/Colville Team: For more enquiries call the station and talk to the duty officer or leave a message (07) 866 8279 to find out more

## Clarification of Ambulance Charges

By Ray Hintz, Chairman, Coromandel St John Area Committee

At this point in time, other than the Wellington free ambulance, Coromandel is unique in New Zealand, having free ambulance service. This service is for residents and ratepayers living north of Wilson Bay and Whangapoua north to the Cape. This arrangement was set up as a result of an act of Parliament, passed on 14 October 1981, and costs are supposed to be covered by an annual grant from the Thames Coromandel District Council. However, over the years the number of call-outs has increased, and the actual cost of running the service has also increased. This year the grant from council will be \$11,000, but based on the call-out numbers from last year it is estimated that St John will charge the Area Committee over \$18,000.

Transport to Thames is still at no charge, but outside of this area a charge will be made. How long this free transport can continue remains to be seen.

St John have a supporters' scheme available which gives free transport anywhere in New Zealand. If you are travelling outside our area, or for an extended period, I believe it is a good option.

Regrettably, as we are short of local volunteers, paid staff and volunteers brought in from other areas, are not aware of the no charge service. If you receive an account and are covered by the no charge criteria, just drop the account into the letterbox at the front of the Ambulance station with a covering note and it will be credited.

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## Coromandel Patchwork and Quilters

By Sharon Currie

On 14 August Coromandel Quilters hosted Peninsula Day and celebrated their 30th birthday at the Coromandel School Hall.

Groups travelled from around the peninsula to share this day and their quilts. They were greeted with tea, coffee and scones and given a number for lucky draw prizes which were drawn throughout the day. Each group talked about what they were doing and displayed their quilts. Over lunch provided by the club we were entertained by the Ukemania group. After lunch there was a demonstration of felting by local felter Raewyn Penrose and a fashion parade of her garments. Natalie from the Moehau Environment Group gave a slide presentation about their work in protecting kiwi and other birds on the peninsula. The day finished at 3pm so people could travel home.

I would like to give a big thank you to Robyn Dudson and her committee for all the work they did in organising this day. We discovered at the last minute that there was no heating in the hall so brought quilts and throws for people to wrap themselves up in as the hall was very cold. This was just one of the many problems Robyn encountered in hiring the school hall.

All in all it was a very enjoyable day bringing together patchwork groups on the Peninsula and having them share our 30th birthday.

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



## It is not all bad

By Jocelyn Davey

Five months gone of this new year  
My inspiration went.  
The visitors came, the sun shone,  
An autumn heaven sent.

And many folk who came to stay  
Were, to say the least, impressed.  
Our scenery and friendly folk;  
A village truly blessed.

And very good things happen here,  
I recall some years ago  
I put my purse on the back of the car,  
Drove off my lights aglow!

And the next morning please believe me  
My handbag was returned.  
Now just today from my coin purse,  
I scattered coins as I turned

I picked up those that I could see  
Then went into the store  
When I came out to my scooter  
Two lads were waiting for me

They had picked up the rest of the coins  
And gave them for me to see.  
Coromandel is a fine place  
Come visit and you will see.

The shining star of the western gulf  
Tucked underneath the hills.  
The pace is slow, the sea is blue  
And everyone will welcome you.

Poetry  
SPOT

# COROMANDEL & AUCKLAND FERRY

TIMETABLE EFFECTIVE TO 30 OCTOBER 2016



### Departs Auckland: Pier 4, Quay Street

	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
6 Jun - 12 Jun	8.45 am	-	-	-	-	8.45 am	8.45 am
13 Jun - 9 Oct	-	-	-	-	-	8.45 am	8.45 am
10 Oct - 23 Oct	-	8.45 am	-	8.45 am	6.00 pm	8.45 am	8.45 am
24 Oct - 30 Oct	8.45 am	8.45 am	-	8.45 am	6.00 pm	8.45 am	8.45 am

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

	M	T	W	T	F	S	S
6 Jun - 12 Jun	9.50 am	-	-	-	-	9.50 am	9.50 am
13 Jun - 9 Oct	-	-	-	-	-	9.50 am	9.50 am
10 Oct - 23 Oct	-	9.50 am	-	9.50 am	7.05 pm	9.50 am	9.50 am
24 Oct - 30 Oct	9.50 am	9.50 am	-	9.50 am	7.05 pm	9.50 am	9.50 am

### Departs Coromandel: Hannafords Wharf

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6 Jun - 12 Jun	4.30 pm	-	-	-	-	4.30 pm	4.30 pm
13 Jun - 9 Oct	-	-	-	-	-	4.30 pm	4.30 pm
10 Oct - 23 Oct	-	3.00 pm	-	3.00 pm	8.15 pm	4.30 pm	4.30 pm
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### Auckland - Coromandel

	ADULT	CHILD	FAMILY
ONE WAY	\$55.00	\$35.00	\$145.00
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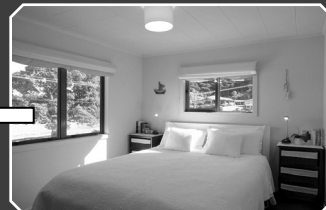
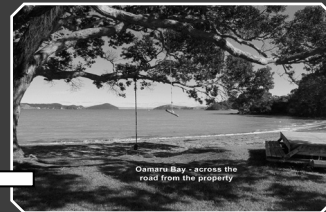
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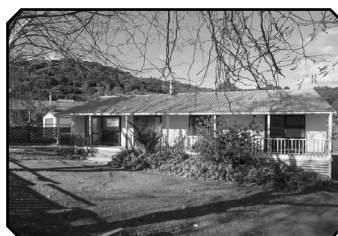
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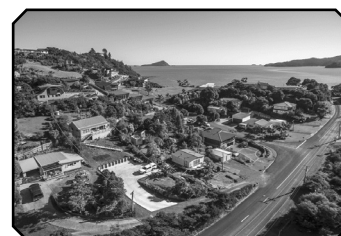


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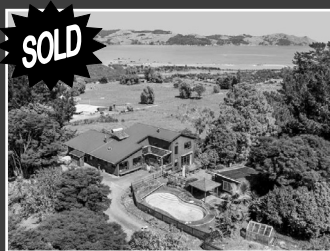
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### Coromandel Walking Group

By Irene Dunn

It's time to get that spring in your step and come walking - the warmer days are just around the corner and the rain - well - we are a hardy lot and take the odd shower or two in our stride while walking each Tuesday and Thursday around Coromandel Town. Soon the spring flowers will all be out which is a lovely sight as you walk by. We meet at the Lotto Dairy at 9am - feel welcome to join us.

Tie up those sneakers and let's get walking!

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## Coromandel Town Information Centre

By Sandra Wilson, Manager



Hello everyone. The Centre has experienced a busy July, with a visitor increase of 11% through the centre compared with same time last year. Also, the Illume weekend figures were up 66% on last year.

We have created a new Facebook page which is more user friendly. So check it out and like us. Also our website [www.coromandeltown.co.nz](http://www.coromandeltown.co.nz), has had a facelift.

Getting ready for the busy season ahead and we need you. Yes, we are again looking for volunteers to help at the Info Centre. If you have a couple of hours to spare once a week, like engaging with people, and have knowledge of our town's attractions, give me a call. Training and support are provided and there will be a staff member on with you during your shift.

The Seafood Fest committee are looking for people to co-ordinate the Wearable Arts and the Art Exhibition for the festival on **6 May 2017**. Do you think this could be you? Maybe you and a friend would like to help. Pop in and see me at the Info Centre or give me a call.

This, again, is the perfect time to remind everyone taking the opportunity to walk through our native bush, to make sure that you clean your shoes, walking sticks, and the paws of your four-legged friends. Yes, your dogs can carry the soil organisms on their paws, as kauri dieback disease is carried through the soil. Make sure that your shoes are clean before you go from one walk to another, eg, Long Bay out to the Kauri Grove on the 309. That means cleaning your shoes both before entering, and when exiting, an area with kauri trees. We all need to be proactive to keep our beautiful bush free from this fatal disease. If you would like some more information pop in to the centre; we have some free literature to give away.

The InterCity bus to Hamilton runs every day, departing 7.30am and arriving in Thames at 8.40. If needed you can then connect with the Auckland bus that departs Thames at 9.50 and arrives in Auckland at 11.35am. The 11.15 InterCity bus ("loop bus") goes via Whitianga to Thames, arriving at 2.00pm, then connecting with the 2.20 to Auckland, arriving at 4.30pm. The loop bus does not operate on Saturdays during winter.

The 360 Ferry from Auckland to Coromandel operates Saturdays and Sundays only through September, leaving Auckland at 8.45am, then leaving Coromandel at 4.30pm. A free shuttle bus is provided between the wharf and town.

Bookings for InterCity and 360 Ferry can be made at CTIC during our working hours. A booking fee of \$5.00 is payable and we have Eftpos available. No cash taken.

Our opening hours are 10.00am-4.00pm daily. Phone (07) 866 8598; email: [coroinfo@xtra.co.nz](mailto:coroinfo@xtra.co.nz); website: [www.coromandeltown.co.nz](http://www.coromandeltown.co.nz)

### Coromandel Contract Bridge Club

By Judy Bronlund

Our September competition is the Te Kouma Pairs. We only have three more competitions for the year. New members and visitors are most welcome to join us on a Monday evening at the St John rooms.

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## Monday Walkers

By Irene Dunn

Spring is here! It's time to leave that cosy armchair beside the fire and come walking in the fresh air to our beautiful beaches and the many bush tracks around our area. At this time of the year we like to walk the long beaches before it gets too hot. We are in awe of the wonderful scenery that we enjoy and the things we find – like the puffer fish shown in the photo below at Otama Beach.

We meet each Monday at 9am at Woollams Ave car park – information of our walks is sent out in weekly emails – phone

the number below if you would like to receive these emails. You are most welcome to join us.

Happy walking everyone.

Contact  
Irene 07  
2119 758 or  
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## Mahamudra Centre's News and Events for September

By Sarah Brooks

We hope September continues to dry out a bit and brings some sunnier days for our Coromandel community. Maybe we could all kick off our gumboots for a while! Either way, Mahamudra Centre will be offering a special course at the Havalona Pyramid in Coromandel Town on **Saturday 10 September**, 10am-4pm on Making Peace with Death and Dying. The day-long workshop will be co-presented by Venerable Lozang Yönten, an American nun who brings a Buddhist point of view on developing a happy mind and what happens to the body and mind at the time of death, along with Christine Murphy from Amitabha Hospice in Auckland, who brings experience working with the bereaved and logistical issues at the time of death. We never know when our life might end, and being prepared for illness and death can bring tremendous peace of mind for ourselves and our family. This will be a wonderful opportunity to learn some new perspectives and have open discussion about facing our mortality. Offered on a donation basis, and the group will walk down to the Driving Creek Café for a lunch break.

Mahamudra Centre also continues our weekly Thursday guided meditations at 10-11am at Havalona Pyramid. Offered on a donation basis and drop ins are welcome – no experience is necessary. Afterwards those who have time go to a local café for coffee and enjoy time to get to know each other and discuss ideas in more depth. The meditations are universal in nature, on topics like developing a good heart, working with difficult emotions, and mindfulness and concentration. The Havalona Pyramid is on Driving Creek Road – just follow the driveway up behind Driving Creek Café (you'll see a large sign that says "Havalona").

At our centre up in Colville, we'll have more advanced practices and a retreat geared specifically towards Buddhists this month. On **2-4 September** we'll have an intermediate course on Practising Tantra. Then from **13 September – 19 October** we'll be closed for a special retreat based on a female Buddha called Vajrayogini – during this retreat the property will be in silence and closed to guests and visitors. However for the first half of September we welcome anyone to drop in and we offer accommodation, free morning meditation, meals, and a newly improved shop. We also invite you to come meet our new centre manager, Scott Rennie, who joins the full-time live-in staff at the centre. We hope you'll help him become part of the Coromandel family!

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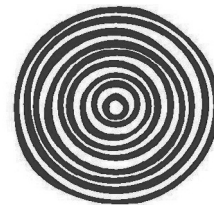


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## Museum News

By Raewyn McKinney

I am pleased to be able to report that the 'opening' of the Masonic Lodge display went very well, with a good number of people attending and a lovely afternoon tea to follow. The display is very interesting, and is a credit to all who were involved, particularly Ian Franklyn, who arranged the display, and Denise Campbell, who typed all the labels. No doubt most readers saw the article in the Hauraki Herald showing Brian Boyle, immediate past master of the Coromandel Lodge, standing in front of the display with Ross Agnew, who compiled the history of the Coromandel Lodge. The Coromandel Museum has been given a few copies of the book available for purchase; anyone interested should contact a committee member.

While the museum has been closed, work has been progressing well on scanning all of our historic photos into the computer, and enhancing them. This work will ensure we have high quality copies of all photos available in the future, and will also enable us to replace our display photos with much better quality photos. We thank Matt Sephton for undertaking this work, and the small, hardy band who have assisted him each day.

The excessive rain we have experienced lately made me wonder about past winters and what hardships were experienced in our town.

Here is a report detailing an accident resulting from flooding in the mines, from The Evening Post of 20 September 1876:

"An extraordinary accident occurred at the Union Beach mine, Coromandel, which is flooded out through the defect in the pumping gear, throwing sixty men out of employment. A man named Ecclestone, not a diver, had volunteered to go down the shaft and remove an obstruction which prevented the plunge working. He had seventy feet of water to pass through in utter darkness. The professional diver had charge of the air pump, and instructed Ecclestone as to signals. Ecclestone signalled for more



air. Again he did this, and again for the third time, when the air pipes burst with a report as of a pistol-shot. Ecclestone was hauled up, and was found to be swollen to three times his natural size, the features of his face not being distinguishable. In his ignorance of diving, he thought he wanted more air when in fact he was overcharged with it. He was blown out like a bladder. Dr. Hovell was sent for. The man was insensible, and blood came from his mouth. He was treated for several hours, and the pulsation of his heart was again discernible. Ecclestone is still in a precarious state."

Floods and slips are nothing new in our area as this report from the Ohinemuri Gazette of 18 September, 1909 shows: "**Damage In The Thames County** In conversation with Mr J. M. McLaren, Thames County engineer, a reporter obtained some information as to the damage caused by the recent floods. The most damage was done to the Thames-Coromandel Road. Mr McLaren stated that several large slips had occurred, but the matter had been given prompt attention, with the result that sufficient portion of the slips had been cleared away to enable vehicular traffic to be resumed. Application had been made to the Government for a grant, and the completion of the work would have to be delayed until a satisfactory reply was received. The road was now open on the Thames side, from Thames to Waikawau and from Waikawau to Coromandel as persons had made the journey in fairly good time. He estimated the total damage at £500."

The museum is now closed, and will reopen at Labour Weekend

## Coromandel Rail Pier Response Boxes



By Marni Macdonald

Over the last two weeks you may have noticed Response/Question boxes around town (The Library, Umu, The Information Centre, Te Korowai, Family Health). If you want to have your say about the proposed Rail/Pier concept (Barry Brickell's vision) please make use of one of these boxes. Some of them will be moved to new venues this week.

Thank you to the people who have already made comment.

Eleven responses have been received. Of these, nine have been positive, supportive and/or encouraging. Comments included: "It's brilliant, a huge asset for the town." "...fits into the area very well. I appreciate that it is environmentally sensitive." "Let's do it Coro, the Pier will cater to everyone." "...will give Coromandel a huge lift, both to locals and visitors." "A great idea."

One response expressed concern that the tranquillity of the area would be disturbed and the ocean ecologically damaged.

And there were questions about the placement of diesel tanks and mussel barge facilities. Scott Wynands provides answers to those questions. First, a clarification. The drawing on the outside of the Response Boxes is a Concept Plan. Concepts change as ideas are exchanged and developed. The current concept for the Rail/Pier is that it would not be attached to the current wharf as shown in the concept plan on the response boxes. So, the answer to the question about the placement of diesel tanks is that the existing diesel tanks would stay where they are at the end of the current wharf. The Rail/Pier would be 20 metres south of the existing wharf, giving plenty of room to get in and fill up. If at a later stage it became economically and environmentally feasible, new diesel facilities could be a possibility, but are not included in the concept at this stage. New mussel barge facilities are being developed at Sugar Loaf and so are not included in the Rail/Pier proposal.

All responses are welcome. Have your say about the Rail/Pier proposal.



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CILT's values are: Kaitiakitanga/Our responsibilities, Whakawhanaungatanga/Respectful relationships, Manaakitanga/Care for all people.

Welcome to our new staff members Carol Sutherland, in the new role of Volunteer Coordinator, and Eric Strauss, who is a new RTS Site Operator. Carol is the person to contact if you would like to volunteer your services to help CILT achieve their mission. You will see Eric up at the Refuse Transfer Station site in Hauraki Road. Eric is sharing shifts with Andre.

We are also pleased to have had some government contracts extended this year. This enables CILT to provide more support for families in the region. Julie Douglas, a qualified social worker, is available for referrals. Julie was one of the facilitators of our recent Incredible Years parenting course and she already works with several local families.

A big thank you and shout out go to Ben Leaker and the team from the Work Co-op who did an awesome job moving CILT out of 90 Tiki Road last month.

### Resource Centre services

- Transport funding and volunteer drivers for holders of Community Services Cards to attend hospital appointments in Thames or Hamilton. We can also organise volunteer drivers for ACC funded patients.
- The weekly mobility van to Thames every Thursday; call or come in to book a seat before 1pm on Wednesdays. \$12 koha for adults and \$6 for children for a return trip
- Fast computers free for locals to use between 9am and 3pm
- Lots of info on health, disability and community services
- Photocopier, printer, scanner, laminator and fax for public use

Contact: Tiki House, 45 Tiki Road, Coromandel 3506. Hours: 9am - 3pm Monday-Thursday Ph/Fax: (07) 866 8358. Email: [cilt@cilt.org.nz](mailto:cilt@cilt.org.nz) or see [www.cilt.org.nz](http://www.cilt.org.nz)

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## Adult Literacy Rural Trust

By Christine Ramsey

How true is this!

The better you are able read, the more you understand and the greater can be the influence you have with your children. Do you secretly feel that you just can't understand what your child is doing at school? Do you know that your neighbour, your cousin, your workmate is desperately wanting to help with their children's school work but just doesn't have the skills?

If so, we can help. Call us, or better still, get them to call us on 0800 891 339 and we can set them on the road to giving them a stronger voice and being the parent they want to be.

It's free, it's anonymous and it's fun.

If you feel that you could help an adult to gain that stronger voice and would like to become a volunteer literacy coach, we'd also love to hear from you.

We are in desperate need of unused laptops, computers, keyboards, mice, monitors and any other computer accessories. It does not need to be going as we have a volunteer that is a wiz at fixing!

The equipment is sent to students so that they can access practice material on line and for a more reliable way of communicating with their coach.

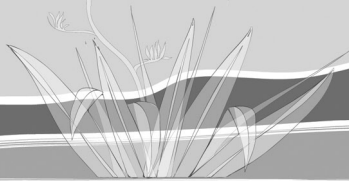
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## Career Navigator

CILT in conjunction with the Coromandel Business Association and the Coromandel Area School are working together to bring the Graeme Dingle Foundation Career Navigator programme to our community. This is a ready for work programme involving a series of workshops in subjects such as:

- self awareness
- work ethics and attitude
- leadership at work
- culture and values in the workplace
- career choices
- communication and positive relationships

The first community based programme is to be facilitated by Marlene Johnson and involves the business community sharing real-world knowledge and offering mentoring & active learning opportunities.

**Career Navigator**

Date	Time	Cost
Thursday & Fridays 4 weeks from 1 September	9.30am – 3.00pm	\$Nil

Venue: Tiki House

## Aquaculture Courses

These are scheduled to commence in February 2017.

To register your interest or to enroll for these programmes please phone: (07) 866-8358.

## Natural Healing Solutions For Winter Coughs & Colds

By Liz Kershaw, naturopath

Oh what a wet winter so far! Hopefully by the time you are reading this, we will be experiencing more sunny days.

Here are some ideas to relieve the symptoms of coughs and colds; hasten recovery; and strengthen our immune systems at the same time.

Causes of ailments can include a weakened immune response, often due to: toxic system from eating junk foods; excess dairy foods, wheat and sugar; stress and tiredness; getting cold and damp.

### Treatment

Keep warm, especially head, neck, feet and kidneys (around your waist); rest; drink water and plenty of fluids, preferably warm or hot. Freshly-squeezed lemon, orange and grapefruit juices with honey are soothing, delicious and full of vitamin C.

If desired, add powdered or sliced fresh ginger, cinnamon sticks and/or chilli. Some brave people add a little raw garlic to their mix!

### Diet

If you are feeling really unwell or in the early stages of coughs, colds or flu, a light diet is recommended, low in mucus-forming foods to speed recovery and avoid complications such as chronic nasal catarrh (snotty nose), bronchitis and earaches.

Fruits – raw or cooked, such as apples, pears, kiwi fruit, berries, grapes, and bottled peaches, plums and feijoas if you are lucky.

Soups – such as chicken or vegetable including onion, garlic, fresh ginger, chilli, carrot, pumpkin, broccoli, beetroot, silverbeet, spinach, celery, puha, watercress, parsley, thyme, marjoram, bay leaves and a little sage. Smmer and add a little butter, soya or tamari sauce, miso, salt, etc., to taste yummy.

Avoid: bread, milk, cheese, fatty foods, sugar and excess meat at this time; also lollies, fizzy drinks, pies, cakes, and take-away junk food.

Keep bowels open with kiwi fruit or prunes.

The following herbs may soothe your symptoms: thyme and sage are both antiseptic and good to gargle with or drink for sore throats. Salt water is also good to gargle with.

Chamomile is calming and anti-inflammatory, easing fever and pain. Kumerahou is specific for treating infection in the whole respiratory system and helps expel mucus from the lungs. Kawakawa has a tonic effect on digestion, kidneys and lungs.

Ease congestion with 1 or 2 drops of essential oils of lavender, peppermint, or eucalyptus in warm water and inhale whilst placing a towel over your head to prevent vapours escaping. Be careful not to burn/irritate a child's eyes and test the inhalations yourself first. Herbs such as kumerahou tea (nice and hot) may also be used as inhalations.

Putting a few drops of essential oil on a handkerchief or a pillow are an easy way to inhale their vapours. Also helpful is mixing a few drops of essential oil with a teaspoon or two of ordinary oil and rubbing chest, neck and back.

### Breaking hard, croupy coughs.

My son used to get these and someone suggested I rub Vicks or Tiger Balm on the soles of his feet before bed, and put his socks on over the top.

In the morning the cough had broken every time!

### Ideas to treat infection

Include echinacea root tincture and raw garlic. Finely chopped garlic on toast and in refried potatoes is delicious...if you like garlic! However, some people find garlic upsets their stomach.

### Preventing colds, etc. and strengthening your immune system after illness

A little echinacea and garlic daily for a while. If you've taken antibiotics, a course of probiotics will help restore and maintain good gut bacteria. Ensure you are getting enough foods rich in vitamins A and C, iron, and zinc. Take a teaspoon of organic cider vinegar and a squeeze of lemon in water a couple of times a day. Consider taking cod liver oil. A great tonic, gentle enough for children and easily assimilated is Floradix. Try and get some sun!

### Caution: Beware really sore, sore throats!

If not treated properly, they can lead to serious consequences. If your extremely sore throat doesn't improve in a day or two max, always seek professional help.

Also if you or your loved ones are recovering well and then develop fever, pain, increased coughing, etc., again it is probably a sign that you need professional help to avoid further complications.

Finally, if you are taking medication from your doctor, it is recommended to check with them that your herbal/complimentary remedies will work well with your prescription drugs, to avoid any unwanted herb/drug interactions.

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## SeniorNet Coromandel

By Loes Beaver

With the bad weather we have been having there seems to be a drop in members attending our Thursday courses. Now the weather has broken we are back to full swing. Reminder: lessons and tuition every Thursday afternoon 2.15-4pm at the Coromandel Area School Music Room. Our monthly meeting is the fourth Thursday of each month followed by question and answer, and tutor's selected subject. It is really nice to see new members and this we hope will continue.

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## Library News

By Raewyn McKinney

The AGM of the Coromandel Community Library was held on 28 July and we thank all who came along. Carlene Carmichael was re-elected Chairperson, and librarian, and the rest of the committee was also returned for another year.

In her Annual Report, Carlene noted that the Coromandel Library is a special place for its subscribers. Throughout the past year new carpet and heaters have been purchased. Carlene paid tribute to the committee for its prudent financial management, and the volunteer librarians for their continued great service, and thanked the Coromandel/Colville Community Board for their ongoing support.

Recently, the library committee also arranged for the tinting of the end windows, enabling the removal of the old sheer curtains. The result is a cleaner, tidier look which will soon be enhanced with new paint.

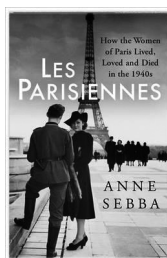
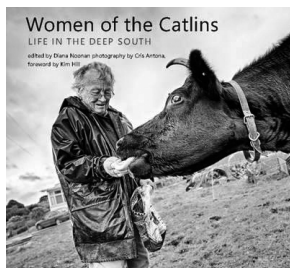
Thursday 11 August was "National Book Lovers Day". On this day, The New Zealand Herald printed a report from The Washington Post about a recent study by Yale University researchers, which concluded that "book readers experienced a 20 percent reduction in risk of mortality over the 12 years of follow-up compared to non-book readers." "In other words, just like a healthy diet and exercise, books appear to promote a 'significant survival advantage' the authors concluded."

So, a trip to the Coromandel Library offers friendly service, all the local news, great selection of good books, and a life enhancing experience.

As usual, we have a range of new fiction this month, by a large variety of popular authors.

Other new purchases include:  
***Women of the Catlins – Life in the Deep South* by Diana Noonan**

A haunting, off-the-beaten-track destination, the little-known Catlins region of New Zealand is as mysterious today as it ever was. In this first in-depth look at the lives of its inhabitants, award-winning writer Diana Noonan and photographer Cris Antona collaborate to capture the thoughts and feelings of 26 women from this remote outpost. As the subjects speak for themselves on topics as diverse as family, work, isolation and their relationship with the environment, there is, at last, an opportunity for readers to enter into the heart of this rugged, unknown landscape where few venture and only the strongest make it home.



***Les Parisiennes: How the women of Paris lived, loved and died in the 1940s* by Anne Sebba**

What did it feel like to be a woman living in Paris from 1939 to 1949? These were years of fear, power, aggression, courage, deprivation and secrets until – finally – renewal and retribution. Even at the darkest moments of Occupation, glamour was ever present. French women wore lipstick. Why?... By looking at a wide range of individuals from collaborators to resisters, actresses and prostitutes to teachers and writers, Anne Sebba shows that women made life-and-death decisions every day and, in an atmosphere where sex became currency, often did whatever they needed to survive..."

***To The Islands – Exploring, remembering, imagining the Hauraki Gulf* by Kerry Howe**



Insightful, quirky, poignant, cheeky, thoughtful, amusing, lyrical and highly informed... This book is an intriguing account of nature, culture, history and politics in the Hauraki Gulf islands from the time of first human settlement until today. The narrative is laced with personal anecdotes, sailing experiences and myriad maritime matters. Running throughout the many and fascinating short chapters are key themes of Maori and Pakeha use of the islands, their historical interaction, and more recent

attempts at cultural restitution, environmental restoration and wildlife preservation.

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

## Alzheimer's Waikato

By Rex Brett

On 29 July Alzheimer's Waikato held an annual appeal in Coromandel.

Thanks to BNZ supplying sausages, bread, etc., and receiving two donated prizes, a total of \$652.90 was raised, with both prizes going to local people.

Sincere thanks to all of our collectors and the folk of Coromandel who supported us.

Special thanks to both Jody McCall from BNZ and Kim Brett who donated a raffle prize and braved the wind and rain to help make the day a success.

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## Nurse Practitioner brings passion and skills

Te Korowai Hauora o Hauraki welcomes Nurse Practitioner Ashleigh Battaerd to its Coromandel practice.

Ashleigh, who is employed by the PHO, brings both passion and a wealth of experience to the newly-created position, which will help create sustainability of service at the Coromandel clinic, ensuring access to a prescribing expert five days a week.

Ashleigh grew up in a rural setting in mid Canterbury in the South Island and when she is not working, she spends a lot of time in the outdoors, pursuing activities such as mountain biking, diving and skiing.

She realised early on in her nursing career that she wanted an advanced nursing role in rural primary health care and she has focused on that goal ever since she graduated from Christchurch Polytechnic Institute of Technology. She went on to complete her Masters in Nursing (First Class Hons) in 2014 before registering as a Nurse Practitioner this year in Whitianga, where she has lived and worked as a Practice Nurse for the past seven years.

"I love the challenge and diversity that nursing in rural communities offers and enjoy being part of this community also," she says.

Nurse Practitioners are registered nurses who are authorised to practise in an expanded nursing role in clinical settings. They can practise both independently and in collaboration with other healthcare professionals to promote health and prevent disease and to diagnose, assess and manage people's health needs, including services that may have traditionally been performed by other health professionals, such as prescribing medicines and ordering diagnostic tests and X-rays.

They can work in a wide range of settings such as GP practices, hospitals, aged care facilities and out in New Zealand communities, rural and urban.

Ashleigh says in some isolated communities they are the frontline of our health system, helping to improve access to primary healthcare and address persistent health inequalities.

"They have a crucial role to play in helping New Zealand meet the challenges facing its health system such as providing a sustainable solution to ongoing workforce shortages. New Zealand doesn't have enough doctors, so fresh thinking in workforce planning and new employment models is needed."

She says Nurse Practitioners are a new and smarter way of making the best use of our healthcare resources, freeing up doctors so they can work on more complex cases.

"They have the ability to make complex decisions on care for individual patients and populations and can provide a 'one-stop-shop' service – streamlining a patient's journey through the health system and providing better coordination of care and ensuring our communities can access expert healthcare.

"They can fit anywhere in the delivery system and span the service continuum – they are a flexible resource and a key component of New Zealand's future health and disability workforce."

Te Korowai Hauora o Hauraki CEO Riana Manuel says that she is very excited to welcome Ashleigh to Te Korowai Hauora o Hauraki.

"We look forward to the support this position will give the service in terms of meeting our vision of Hauraki as a healthy nation. We have long discussed the employment of a nurse practitioner and this marks another milestone as we ensure high quality services for the people of Hauraki."

Nau mai Haere mai Ashleigh.

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## Animal Rescue Thames

By Alice and John Parris and Archie

Firstly thank mews to everyone who has donated winter bedding, pillows, sheets and towels, the cats adore the warmth of the winter sheets and arrange it to their furry liking! Thank mews to all those who have donated tinned cat food, sachets and cat biscuits which is truly appreciated.

We had a wonderful guy arrive with nine cans of Chef which has been a big blessing to us.

Nothing has been rehomed which is beyond us as to why as they are all fit, fat, fine and healthy, desexed and waiting for their forever homes. Our two Coro boys are just delightful. The tabby boy almost turns himself inside out to be cuddled and hugged. His brother loves cuddles but is more reserved. These two are both semi fluffy and adorable and really need to be in a forever home that will love them and dote on them and humans that will give them all the love in the world that they crave so much.

Nothing new in but we have no room. We have some up in house with us that really need to be in the outdoor units but with those full we are running on a major stand still. Highly frustrating to have gorgeous felines waiting, growing up in care here. Only knowing my husband and I, they are a wee bit shy on strangers. We forgive them for that, it isn't their fault there are few visitors here so they only know and trust us. They will easily adjust given a little time. We purchased four trays of tinned food which will help us through the next three weeks and with the Butch roll, that helps us get through a bit longer.

Fundraising – lots on the go being made right now – which include rag rugs that I have crocheted, super sized granny squares to make brilliant bathroom mats – which will be in our Labour Weekend Garage sale in October. Currently we are short on books, puzzles, craft magazines, craft supplies, things like that, knick-knacks and bric-a-brac, so if anyone is dejunking purrlease give us a call, we would love them – they need to be in good, clean, saleable condition.

Wanted – forever homes for our felines. Winter bedding, flanelette sheets, garage sale items, tinned cat food, sachets and biscuits.

Meow furr now.

All enquiries purrlease call Animal Rescue Thames, 532 Thames Coast Road, RD 5, Thames 3575, (07) 868 2907



## Daffodil Day 2016

By Robyn Dudson,  
Coromandel co-ordinator for the BOP-Waikato Cancer Society

We would like to thank all the folk who supported the worthwhile cause of Daffodil Day.

This year's Daffodil Day was especially important to our family as we lost a much loved niece to melanoma cancer just three weeks before Daffodil Day.

We would also like to thank Marie and David Kieve, Karen Davies and the girls from Aradia for allowing us to pick their daffs, and the loyal bunch of Walking Girls who turned up at Evelyn Green's garage to make up the bunches we sold on the day. Of particular mention to Rex Brett for his donation of one of his distinct garden ornaments, he even gave us the raffle book to go with it...now how good is that!

A big apology to the BNZ for my boo boo in last month's article. Normally I double check my facts before sending my articles in but omitted to confirm with BNZ they would be doing the sausage sizzle for us on Daffodil Day. However Marie and Frank Mead, their daughter Lyn, and Irene Dunn stepped in to do the job and BNZ provide the sausages.

Thank you to all the stall helpers on the day in their new blue and yellow vests, but our biggest thanks go to all you lovely folk of Coromandel for your loyal support. It is so very humbling.

## Coromandel Writers

By Kaye Anderson

Writing a letter to god was how we began our August meeting. We were instructed to choose a person other than ourselves, for example, a gambler, a prostitute, a politician or a teacher. This produced epistles both serious and funny, one from Pope Francis, one from a sex worker and another from Donald Trump, all seeking help in their own distinctive voices as imagined by the writers.

We are making excellent use of "The Exercise Book", a compilation of creative writing tasks from Victoria University's Institute of Modern Letters. Thus our homework was an exercise in plagiarism, the idea being to steal a published writer's plot and change the characters, location and historical time. Barbara had suggested taking a nursery rhyme for the purpose, with the result that we had a very modern Miss Muffet sitting on a stone wall at the seaside, when along came her ex-husband; a cautionary tale about Jack and Jill, now Jason and Jacinda, protesting about our polluted rivers on the steps of Parliament; and a modern fable of three young women dealing with Mr Wolf, based on "The Three Little Pigs".

One of our members, Kaye Anderson, announced the launch of her first novel, which will happen at Hauraki House on 2 September. See the advert on page 30.

For our next meeting we must interview someone we know about a specific incident in their life and then use that to write a short piece in the first person from the interviewee's perspective. Poetic licence to change details is allowed.

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## Sri Lankan Curry

By Deborah Hide-Bayne

When I was up in Auckland recently I went out for a curry, but this was one with a difference. I went to 7 SIRI Taste of Sri Lanka in Sandringham and had a wonderful Sri Lankan meal. I recommend the place to you if you are heading up that way.

I ate "Lump Rice", which doesn't sound that appetizing I know, but it was a dish of spicy rice served on a banana leaf with six small servings of different curries. It was incredibly good and the stand out part for me was an aubergine curry that had a great texture, was beautifully flavoured, but was not too spicy.

If you want to have a go at home, here's the recipe. You shallow fry the aubergine first, but don't worry, it doesn't end up being all greasy... if the oil is hot enough, the aubergine flesh is sealed straight away and you get all these lovely toasted crispy bits.

### Aubergine Curry

Serves 6-8

- ½ cup of cooking oil
- 1 large aubergine
- small piece of fresh root ginger, grated
- 3 cloves of garlic, peeled and chopped
- ½ tsp mustard seeds
- 1 fresh green chilli, finely chopped
- ½ onion, very finely sliced
- ½ tsp ground turmeric
- ½ tsp chilli powder
- ½ tsp curry powder



- 1 tbsp vinegar
- ½ cup coconut milk or water
- 3-4 curry leaves (optional)
- 1 tbsp sugar
- salt

Heat the oil in a deep-sided frying pan. Wash the aubergine and cut it into thin strips.

When the oil is hot, deep fry the eggplant in small batches until golden brown. Put the aubergine on kitchen paper to remove any excess oil and set aside.

Crush the ginger, garlic and mustard seeds into a paste. Mix this paste together with the remaining ingredients (except the fried aubergine and sugar) and cook in a pan over a medium heat for another few minutes until the onion is soft.

Stir in the deep fried aubergine and sugar. Cook for another minute or two, then season to taste and serve with rice (and five other curries if you want authentic Sri Lankan style!)

## Coromandel Lions

By Lion Lyn

As we welcome spring, orders for firewood have slowed considerably, which will give us time to stockpile, maybe? The weather has been really fickle this year and it's not over yet!

Our August dinner meeting was enhanced by a visit from our current district governor, which was perfect timing for him to induct two new members into our Lions family. Welcome back Nadia and welcome Troy, wishing you all the best for your journey ahead as Lions. Good to have new blood and fresh eyes and ideas!

The Lion Rock award passed to Lion David for stepping up as secretary before the change of officers dinner, which has kept the club on track and books in order. Thank you very, very much David. The evening ended after raffle draw, fining of wayward members' offences, real or imaginary, and many complaints of "I ate too much!" A really good night and we were home before 10pm!

See you in the spring...

As usual contacts are Pres Nigel (07) 866 8045, Sec David (07) 866 7104, Firewood (07) 866 7722



## Coromandel "Bizarre" Charitable Trust

### Donations Programme 2016/2017

This newly formed Trust will be continuing in a modified form the Donations Programme formerly run each year by the Coromandel Senior Settlement Trust.

Finalising of its procedures and its priorities is taking a little time, so the process will be delayed somewhat. We expect to place an advertisement in the October issue of the Chronicle calling for applications with **a closing date of 31 October.**

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## Coromandel Embroiderers' Guild

By Diann Cade

One has to say "we had another enjoyable day together at Guild last month". The formal meeting turned into a mine of information and sharing of the great time each had at Conference. Obviously we all should have been there. The workshops were very much enjoyed and many of the works in progress were on the Show and Tell table. Ann Brocas is seen here sharing her experiences. She was one of the judges of the Conference Exhibition.

We have two more local workshops to attend this year. This month it is counted work, on what will be an "heirloom" hussif, by one of our members Trish Hill. Then next month is going back in time for some of us as we did it at school, Huck Embroidery. The thread is always on the front surface of the fabric only passing under the raised weave of the huckaback material. I am sure the designs will be an advance on our early experiences.

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



## CoroMFA Comment

By Gilbert James, Chair, CoroMFA

Hello all. We wish to talk about stray mussel floats and float recovery

Coromandel mussel farmers use a lot of floats. At 50 floats or more per longline as a farm nears harvest, plus floats being repaired and maintained, means there are tens of thousands of floats in total in the Hauraki Gulf. Some of these floats unfortunately come adrift and are lost from the mussel longline despite farmers' best efforts to secure them in place. Farmers always regret losing these floats as it is both a loss to the farm, as floats are important for all of floating and spacing the gear and crop, and also as farmers don't want them floating up onto local beaches. However despite best efforts this does happen, especially after a storm.

Importantly, the law does not provide for "finder's keepers" but rather this adrift float does remain the property of the farmer. All floats are marked with the identity code of each farmer although these codes are too numerous and varied to describe here.

If you find a float or floats, whether at sea or on the beach or onshore, please hold them and contact a representative of the Coromandel Marine Farmers Association. The contact is by email CBarr@niml.co.nz or at phone (07) 866 8853. The Association will collect the float/s and make a \$15 per float donation on your behalf to your charity of choice. (We currently pay to schools, fire brigades, and more.) Thank you for your support for this float recovery system.

On behalf of all our marine farmers, kindest regards to all.

## Coromandel Community Garden

By Louis Kittleson

*"It's spring fever. That is what the name of it is. and when you've got it, you want - oh, you don't quite know what it is you do want, but it just fairly makes your heart ache, you want it so!" - Mark Twain*

What a wild, wet, late winter we have had. The blossoms on the cherry trees are coming out as well as the budding magnolia. Spring is here people. Time to start sowing seeds for the summer like lettuces, tomatoes, parsley, peas, beet root, cabbages, and broccoli.

We are busy mulching our beds by turning over our green crops and covering with black plastic to let the worms do the work for us. To dig or not to dig? This question always comes up. Let the worms do the digging if you can, especially when the ground is so wet anyway. The citrus trees we planted a couple years back are really paying off. We planted a dwarf variety to create a wind break. Amazing to see all the beautiful citrus just a few years after planting.

You may have noticed our new mural. Thanks so much to Tony Calsaferrri for his beautiful work. Thank you to Creative Communities for supporting this project. We would also like to thank Gaia Decorators for helping us get the paint and also Henery Mackeson for his help mounting the mural. Please look out for our spring opening and mural dedication coming in early September.

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## Coromandel Harbour Project update

### Sugarloaf Expansion

A proposal to expand the Sugarloaf Wharf by the Coromandel Marine Farmers Association (CoroMFA) has been put on hold for now.

"Through Council's Proposed New District Plan, there has been an appeal about the zoning of the Sugarloaf Wharf and because of that, we will pause our expansion plans while the nature of this appeal is being clarified," says CoroMFA spokesperson Gilbert James.

That means we are at this stage implementing a pause of approximately 6 months while we gather further information. However the entire Appeal process could take 12 to 18 months to fully and finally resolve.

The new zone being proposed for the Sugarloaf is a marine service area which Mr James says is preferable to leaving it unzoned as under the system of the new plan that would have meant Mussel farming wharf operations there would mostly have non-complying activity status.

Meanwhile the CoroMFA and our Council will continue to implement some of the commitments made in a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to work together on operational and compliance improvements to help alleviate health and safety and congestion issues at the Wharf.

### Future demand for Coromandel Harbour boat ramps and wharves

Work is continuing on developing a District

"Demand Management Initiative," which looks at spreading the recreational fishing load across the Coromandel to help alleviate pressure on our most busy facilities during peak times (this includes Sugarloaf Wharf and Waikawau Bay boat ramp). A profile of each boat ramp have been developed and we're developing a marketing strategy of ways to promote alternative ramps during the peak period to the public.

### Jack's Point/Furey's Creek

The budget for dredging Furey's creek (\$26,000) to continue to improve access to Jacks Point Boat Ramp at the August Council meeting.

The Community Board has approved \$70k towards an upgrade of the local boat ramp (Jack's Point) in Coromandel Town and is seeking support from Council for this project. The next step is a report going to the September Council meeting requesting the upgrade of the Jacks Point facility be brought into the district harbour project scope within the 2016-17 financial year. The Council report will also outline the additional budget requirements.

### Park and Ride Facility – Hannaford's Wharf

Planning for a Park and Ride facility to service the Te Kouma road harbour facilities is continuing. The initiative once delivered should help to further alleviate congestion on Te Kouma Road and parking issues at Hannaford's Wharf. A resource consent application for a privately funded and operated facility has now been lodged with our Council.

[www.tcdc.govt.nz/coroharbourproject](http://www.tcdc.govt.nz/coroharbourproject)

## REFUSE TRANSFER STATION HOURS EXTENDED

The new hours take effect on Monday 5 September.

We've increased the hours our Refuse Transfer Stations are open and changed opening and closing times a bit to make them more convenient for users.

The Coromandel Town RTS on Hauraki Road will be open 11am-4:30pm on Tuesday and Thursday and 11am-5:30pm on Saturday and Sunday.

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## YOUTH VOICE REPRESENTATIVES CHOSEN

Six outstanding young people in the Coromandel are taking on their new role as the Youth Voice in each of our Council's community board areas.

We are pleased to introduce you to the Coromandel-Colville Ward representative Kaihau Paitai.

"My name is Kaihau Potiki Tauke. I am Coromandel born and bred. I am in my last year of school at Te Wharekura O Manaia. My school life started at Te Kura Kaupapa Maori O Harataunga (Kennedy Bay). I have been learning Te Reo Maori for many years. I love te reo and plan on continuing my studies at Victoria University next year. It is an honour to be the first voice for youth in my community and I would like to thank the people who have made this position possible. It would be good to have more recreational stuff to do. Tihei Mauri Ora!"

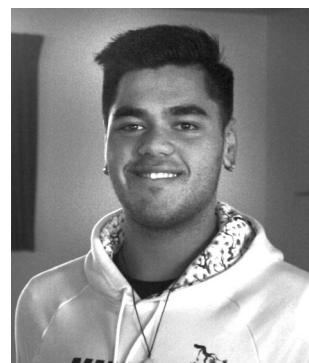
A Youth/Council partnership was established during 2014/15 to explore how Council could facilitate an initiative that would not only accommodate a youth voice, but would also encourage it.

This year the Youth Voice Model was proposed to youth and elected representatives to enable engagement and regular input by youth into Council matters.

Funding for the project was secured from Ministry of Youth Development (MYD) and the proposal presented to the Council. All five Community Boards and Council endorsed the project which shows a real dedication to giving youth a voice in our communities.

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Coromandel-Colville Ward representative Kaihau Paitai.

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## Local Elections

See the official list of candidates running for Council and Community Boards on the Coromandel at

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Voting papers are mailed out in mid-September and you've got until midday on 8 October to return your vote by post or in person. Property owners who live outside the Coromandel can also vote here.

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## Poetry SPOT

### It's Raining Again!

By Vivianne Flintoff

It's raining again  
So we all say.  
Gone are the "hellos"  
The, "how are you today?"  
All replaced and exchanged with  
It's raining again.

It's raining again  
"It's winter" you say.  
The storage tanks are full  
The water table is high  
Surely we do not need  
It to be raining again.

It's raining again  
My coat is worn out  
The beanie's all stretched  
Scarves and gloves are threadbare.  
Gumboots are muddied  
My mood is right glim  
As I look out to see  
It's raining again.

It's raining again  
O where is the sun?  
I miss the sea sparkle  
The birdsong at dawn.  
The wind is a bully as it whips  
At the trees  
Surely, surely the rain  
That persistent rain  
Will stop,  
Soon.

### Scott Simpson MP for Coromandel

#### Predator Free New Zealand

The aspirational goal of New Zealand being predator free by 2050 is a great BHAG. What's a BHAG? It is a Big Hairly Audacious Goal. I'm really excited about the prospect of us ridding our beautiful natural environment of the rats, stoats and possums that do so much damage to our native flora and fauna.

Yes, achieving the goal will be an enormous, expensive job and yes, it will take many years and no we don't have all the answers yet as to exactly how it can be achieved. But none of those are reasons not to embark on the journey towards getting rid of the rats, stoats and possums. It will require a massive team effort across public, private, iwi and community sectors but will have major positive impacts for all of us and for the generations to follow.

Here on the Coromandel we have many private initiatives and community groups who have been plugging away for years and have made a huge contribution in saving more of our native birds by trapping and predator eradication programmes. Our region is the better for their wonderful and relentless work. But just imagine what the Peninsula would be like if we were completely free of predators.

The experts say the goal is achievable. I think they are right and I'm going to do everything I can to support it.

I think our region and the Peninsula in particular have probably the most to gain from becoming predator free of any region in the country. We are already world renowned for our natural environment and to have our area predator free could only enhance our attractiveness to local and international visitors. Maybe we can do it sooner here than in other parts of New Zealand given the geographic make-up of the Peninsula. The aim of the programme is to concentrate on setting up predator free areas of the mainland that are geographically defensible and then to eventually extend out. A quick look at the map of the North Island and it is obvious that our Coromandel Peninsula sticks out like the proverbial as an obvious and defensible geographic location.

The "predator free New Zealand" story has made headlines around the world and especially in Europe. However it won't come without more sophisticated technologies and tools than we're using now. I am very excited that our generation could be the one to save our precious but declining populations of kiwi and other endangered native birds. What a great legacy to bequeath to our children and future generations.

## Poetry SPOT

### Short poems/ senryu

By John Irvine

Barefoot mind  
walking on the ordinary  
feeling the extraordinary

Bright light shines ahead  
I close my eyes  
and follow my heart

Only in silence  
can you hear the music  
of your own heart

The road ahead forks  
having no expectations  
I choose both

In the almost silence  
I dance madly  
inside my head

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## History – what would have happened?

By Don Goodall

Have you ever wondered what things would have been like today, if some things had happened, or had not happened?

### Whanganui Island

Whanganui Island has also been known as Beeson's Island or Websters Island. Billy Webster, a black American entrepreneur, had established a timber milling and shipbuilding camp, complete with hotel, there before 1840. Just after 1840 the second Post Office in NZ was opened on the island, in Webster's settlement, but as a branch of the one at Russell. The island was surveyed into house lots, educational and recreational reserves, with lots of sections for housing, pre-sold to adventurers in London.

Can you just imagine what if this had to become the new seat of government in New Zealand, replacing Russell? It was high on the list. Instead they chose Auckland, but it was a close decision.

### Coromandel Farms

Immediately after WW2, the Coromandel Ranges was opened up and surveyed, land balloted off for returning soldiers to establish farms. If farmers could clear the land and farm it for five years the land became theirs, for free. The easiest way to clear the land was using a match. Already the large kauri trees had been extracted. But the re-growth would be nicely up to 40-80 years old, when fire again devastated the hills. What would these mountains behind Coromandel Town have looked like if the government had withheld the land? Did any one gain any long-term advantage? How many years of vegetation development had been lost?

### Harold Ion

Harold Ion was a teacher during the Great Depression of the 1930's. He was dual posted, one being at Awakanae School, where he spent half of his time. He cycled out along Tiki Road and turned up the 309 Road. The other school was near Marge Moore's old house on Te Kouma Road. The roads were basically earth (mud in winter).

With few gravel spots, a lot of the time he walked his bike. His pay depended on the average number of students who attended his schools each month.

So Harold picked up children on his way, one on the handle bars, one on the bar, one on the rear carrier holding his school bag with marking, lesson plans and lunch. The more they coughed, the more he was determined they would attend school and add to his pay packet. When he coughed, tough luck for the children. How many of today's generation could cope with these hardships? These children, and their parents were determined to learn. And the teacher was determined to spread both his education and his germs, to boost his wallet so he and his family could survive the Depression.

### Fertile Land

The fertile land around Marge Moore's old house on Te Kouma Road was known to have grown wheat and tobacco in early days. Before the road was constructed, the wheat and tobacco were harvested and shipped to Coromandel and Auckland.

Where exactly was the port? Or did scows run up the beach? Can this be regarded in the history records as an early export port?

### Beach mining

The beaches were mined. In very early days Auckland needed concrete for development – ports, buildings, even roading. They needed cement, gravel and sand. Where better to mine the sand and gravel than from the Hauraki Gulf – safe, close by, and less vulnerable to capsizing than voyaging through open water.

So Coromandel beaches were fair game. I wonder how Coromandel tourism would look today. If it had the wide stretches of open sand as found on the eastern seaboard.

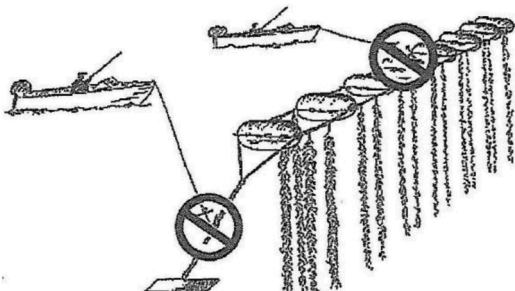
### Maori Pa site

At the end of Te Kouma Road is a Maori Pa site. This is almost unique. The walls apparently were not palisaded, but constructed of stone. Sure, the trenches are there, and all is visibly OK, but was this a most impregnable fortification? How many man-hours were spent in its construction?

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**Mana Update**

By Penelope Carroll

*We celebrate spring's returning  
and the rejuvenation of the natural world.  
Let us be moved by this vast and gentle insistence  
that goodness shall return,  
that warmth and life shall succeed,  
and help us to understand our place in this miracle....  
— from Leunig's A Spring Prayer*

I am definitely celebrating the return of spring and the "rejuvenation of the natural world"! Whether spring is officially here – or only almost – depends on whether you define the start of spring meteorologically (**1 September**) or astronomically (**23 September**, at the equinox). Whichever, spring is in the air and there is new growth everywhere: seedlings pushing up through the earth, fresh leaves unfurling, the scent of spring flowers – and clematis, beautiful puawhanga, once again wreathing the bush canopy around Mana.

Any day now the shining cuckoo, or pipiwharau, will arrive, too. Their distinctive call (several ascending notes followed by one or two descending "whistles"), is another unmistakable sign of spring.

Here is a recipe for a Spring Seaweed-Sprout Salad, from Jacqui in the Mana kitchen:

2 cups of finely diced cabbage (sprinkled with salt and let sit in vinegar for 2 hours to soften); 1 cup of sprouted mung beans; ½ cup of arame seaweed (soaked for 2 hours in water); ¼ cup toasted sesame, sunflower or pumpkin seeds. Combine with a dressing of sesame oil and rice or cider vinegar, and a dash of tamari.

Enjoy the salad – and the "vast and gentle insistence" of spring, helping us "understand our place in this miracle".

Donna, our Centre manager, photographed this early puawhanga flower at Mana



# Rangatahi

CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN



Stella and Grace make use of the DCR grounds!



Anaru, Bella, Phoebe and Dana get train stamps

**Coromandel Playcentre**

By Jenna James



Our centre enjoyed a fabulous outing recently, with thanks to the discounted rates offered by the Driving Creek Railway. For many of the children it was their first time and it was magical watching the expressions on their faces as the engines turned on and we slowly started to move! We discussed how the trains moved along on tracks and how the hills got so steep that we had to use a zig zag switch back to get all the way to the top! A highlight for some was running up and down the spiral ramp at the Eyeful Tower.

On our return the children refuelled and some took a walk through the Driving Creek Sanctuary and tried to spy the geckos on display! Thank you to Conor and Danielle for their contributions to making this day happen.

As always we invite any members of our community with pre-schoolers to come along and experience our amazing centre. Our fees are only \$20 a term for as many sessions as you like! Contact us with your questions; we can't wait to meet you!

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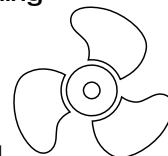


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## CELEBRATING OUR CHILDREN

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

By Anna Yates

Our long awaited chickens have finally moved into our school and the 10 chickens are much-loved and thriving in their new home. We have children enthusiastically rushing off the bus each morning to feed and water the chickens and search for those precious eggs. In the words of year 6 student Luscha McMiken...

"Our chicken coop is beyond brilliant, compared to some of the coops I've seen. From what I've seen on videos our chickens

live in luxury. We have a whole lawn-sized grass area for them to explore and discover. We have an open slather hutch for them to have peace and quiet if the main laying house is too loud. Every morning when we get off the bus they get fed a decent amount of food and every chicken gets enough in their bellies to last a day. We feed them one more time during job time in the afternoon but sometimes they get the odd bits of scraps too. Our chickens each have comfortable five star beds in their caravan. Outside they have direct sunlight on their dirt bath! How spoilt are our chickens?"

We have ERO visiting for their review in week 6 of this term and we are looking forward to having them with us at our school. Our confident students love to talk about their learning so they will enjoy the opportunity to talk to people about our great little school and the fantastic progress they are all making in achieving their learning goals.

We are fortunate to have two student teachers completing their teaching practicums at our school this term. We have Mrs Mikkelsen in Room 4 and Miss Maxwell in Room 1 and our students are enjoying the extra one-to-one time with a teacher in their classes.



Luscha and Quinn with the very first egg that our chickens laid

Our in-school music sessions have re-started with our new music teacher, Anita Prime. This means that we have scheduled whole-class sessions with Anita each week as well as the option for families to have their children learn a musical instrument in paid lessons taken throughout the school day. This is enormously popular with so many of our children signing up to learn guitar, piano and vocal training. It is always exciting to hear the music coming out of our school where and we are so fortunate to have Anita join us here at school for two days each week.



Travis, Luka and Maddie enjoyed their special visitor to Room 1 and 2

### Coromandel Community Preschool

By Debra Attwood

Things have been a bit quieter than last month and it has given us time to regroup. With the Olympic Games on in Rio we decided to celebrate by having a sports day with Coromandel Area School and Colville School and what a fantastic event it was. The children all joined together to participate in some really fun relay races that were all about manaakitanga, caring, and cooperation as all the children were encouraged and helped along by others.

This was a great event and we would like to thank Jocelyn and Sandy from Coromandel Area School for a fun-filled morning. Also



a big thank you to all the parents and grandparents who came along to help out on the day. Without your participation we would not be able to take our children along to events like this.

This term we are working on learning through play and the disposition of kindness, displaying photos of what kindness look like in our centre, encouraging all children to work alongside others and being kind and respectful of people, places and things.

Since our last report we have celebrated birthdays in August for Caira, Taine, Oliver and Elsa we wish them all a very happy birthday. We said farewell to Caira who begins her learning journey at school. We welcomed Kayah and we look forward to learning more about you and your whānau.

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

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



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## Kiwi Can

Kia Ora Tatou  
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In Kiwi Can during the last few weeks we have been super busy finding out what our Theme and Catchphrase is for this term.

Our Theme is Integrity. We all know that Integrity is doing the right thing - even when no one is watching, and our Catchphrase is:

"Kiwi Can says.....Use integrity and you will see the goodness in you, shines through me."

Over the term we will be exploring this theme through our sub-modules of Making Good Choices, Being a Role Model, and Accountability. So far we have been learning that we all have choices that we need to make everyday and that making good choices is important to ourselves and others. We have also been discovering that we are all role models to someone and that to be a good role model we need to show and live by certain qualities and behaviours.

Our Kiwi Can team would like to say a big thank you to Z Whitianga for doing Good in the Hood for our Kiwi Can Programme. On Tuesday 26 July Gemma went to Whitianga and was presented with a cheque for \$440. This money will be used towards resources to use during Kiwi Can lessons for our tamariki. Thanks, Z Whitianga. We think you're ka mau te wehi.

Kiwi Can Coromandel are lucky enough to be one of three charities that the Thames Warehouse are supporting in their Customer Choice programme. When you shop at the Thames Warehouse between August and January 2017 you can grab a token at the checkout that you can place in the voting unit. The more tokens placed in our unit, the better. Please vote for us.

Nga mihi nui from Marlene, Jamie, Gemma, Emma and Natalie.

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

The Coromandel Kiwi Can programme is managed by the Coromandel Independent Living Trust, officially sponsored by Sandford Ltd and supported by The Lion Foundation, Thames Community Board, Driving Creek Railway Ltd, Colville Social Service Collective and DV Parent Trust.



## Coromandel Area School

### New Board of Trustees

Congratulations to Sonia Wirihana, Abby Morgan, Debra Hide-Bayne, Daniel Kirsch and Yvette Storey on being elected for the next three years to work with Coromandel Area School Management in the main – Murray, Joan, Vicki and Victoria, as well as all staff in the school, and our school community. Sonia Wirihana has been re-elected by the Board as Chair.

We are looking forward to an exciting time with consolidation of the great legacy left by the outgoing Board. Please do not hesitate to contact a Board member (the school can help) if there are things pertaining to the school and its operation you wish to know about or discuss.

### Professional Development in the Primary School

Following current trends and stated Ministerial directions in New Zealand Education, the Year 1-8 teachers are investigating personalised learning for all students. As educators we are acutely aware that all development is not parallel and students need personalised learning journeys to a greater degree than in the past.

We are being supported by Vivienne Russell, a facilitator from Te Toi Tupu who has experienced success both in her own school and working with others in developing teacher capability in establishing successful programmes we believe will enhance learning opportunity for all students, at whatever stage of learning, to realise the fullest of their potential.

We will be trialling a pilot group of students from Year 1 to Year 8 over the rest of the year, with a view to developing processes and procedures for students who have been identified as having specific learning, cultural, social and emotional, or spiritual, needs.

We are planning to hold a community hui to report on progress with the pilot. At this stage, we anticipate that this meeting will be held in the last week of this term.

### Gateway at Coromandel Area School (CAS)

CAS has invested time, energy and resource into enabling

Gateway to be an effective tool for student placement in the workforce.

A snippet from MOE sources: Gateway is a school-run work experience programme for Years 11-13 students involving one day a week in an industry work

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placement. Students undertake assessments for National Qualification Framework credits (which also count towards NCEA). To get into the programme students need to go through interviews with the school (usually the Gateway co-ordinator) as well as the employer.

The essential element for us in Coromandel is placement. Rather than send them to Thames or Whitianga where they would possibly end up living, etc., we would like the local community to be enriched by our own students contributing and participating in local workplaces.

Anything considered – from mechanical opportunity to food service industry – reception, typing, accounting, engineering, medical, pharmaceutical experience, retail, wholesale, labouring, building, plumbing – anything and everything considered. While we would obviously not be able to take everything offered, we would make best fit options for our students.

The employer gets a free, enthusiastic student for a period of time (variable) and often these placements end up with the student securing a place in the company they have work experience with. Succession planning is strategic and sensible – the world offers more opportunity every day for our young people. I would like to anchor them as much as possible to community as well as employer.

Contact Joan Hart (Deputy Principal), Victoria Field or myself Murray McDonald for further information on (07) 866 8893 – Karen, our secretary, will direct you to the right person.

### Room Seven Writing

#### Winter Storms by Lily-May Taoete

Cold winds barge across the sky sending shivers down our spines. Mist stands guard silently sneaking along gravel roads. Rain spears its way to the ground, the pitter patter invades our thoughts, annoying us to the max. Mr Wind finds his way throughout my house, creeping up my bedroom wall slightly brushing against my skin.

#### Innocence by Tarry Hooper

Cold weather visits, in no hurry to leave. Powerful wind picks up the stray leaves. His cold breath numbing the tips of my fingers. Trees stand guard watching the furious storm above, while wind yells at innocent people below.



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# Arts

## Pastel Artists Coromandel

By Christine Lunn

Our 2 August meeting was a full day workshop conducted by highly acclaimed pastel portrait and rockscapes artist Raewyn Helms Davis.

Raewyn chose rockscapes as her theme for the workshop and the full group had a very enjoyable day and left with a greater knowledge of the intricacies of portrait and landscape painting.

Raewyn lives on the peninsula and she enjoyed her visit so much that she is planning to join the group and attend the weekly meetings when her commitments permit. She also plans to exhibit at our Labour Weekend exhibition at Hauraki House.

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

We welcomed another new member to our group this month and after her first day she commented on how pleased she was to have joined such a helpful and happy group.

Planning for our upcoming exhibition "Mainly Pastels" at Hauraki House in Coromandel Town over Labour Weekend 2016 is now well advanced, with our members putting final touches to their exhibits. The exhibition will be open to the public **20 October** from mid-day to 4pm, **21 October** through **24 October** from 10am to 4pm, and on **25 October** from 10am to midday. This exhibition will show the visitors how versatile pastel painting is.

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

We still have room for a few more people to join our group.

Initial contact with Allan Beaver (07) 866 8053 or Christine Lunn on (07) 866 7220



"Rosa and her rabbit" by Raewyn Helms Davis



Raewyn working on her rockscape



## Coromandel Artists Open Studio Event moves to Spring

By Fran Campbell

A spring date has been decided to revitalise interest in the artists Open Studio event which was held previously in May.

The artists will be in town for an exhibition at Hauraki House next month with a return to the full Open Studio event in Spring 2017.

This year's exhibition, "The Artists are in Town", runs from **7-16 October** and features new works from all 28 artists.

The opening will be a festive occasion with drinks, food, and entertainment. The artists will be there to present their work and everybody is welcome. We would love to see you at 6.00pm on **Friday 7 October** to kick-start the spring format.

## Coromandel Music Society

By Robin Münch



An enthusiastic audience of almost 30 people were treated to the classical talents of flautist/pianist Helen Lee and pianist Maarten van Es in mid-August. I think I can safely say that we all enjoyed the warm atmosphere of a private lounge combined with a diverse and delightful programme.

After the concert, it became apparent that other people would have come if they'd known about it. We do our best to inform the community via the Coromandel Town Chronicle, posters, flyers, the radio, Facebook, emails and word of mouth, but still people say they haven't been told. Please tell us how we can best advise you of upcoming performances. And if you're not on the emailing list and would like to be, please let me know – [rkmunch@gmail.com](mailto:rkmunch@gmail.com)

### Klezmer

The Kugels, a klezmer band will be appearing at the Club on **Thursday 20 October** at 7.30pm. Klezmer is the musical tradition of Eastern European Jews. It is noted for its expressive melodies, reminiscent of the human voice, complete with laughing and weeping.

Mark it in your diary now, tell your friends and read more about this event in the October Coromandel Town Chronicle.

## Art Group

By Lindsay Nicholls

The group project is coming along nicely with everyone doing their bit to make it a great success and a masterpiece to be proud of.

We have had great response to our last three projects. Each one sold within a few days of presenting it and I'm sure this one will be just as popular, it may even feature your place!

It will be ready for display for our annual exhibition at Hauraki House held during January and February.

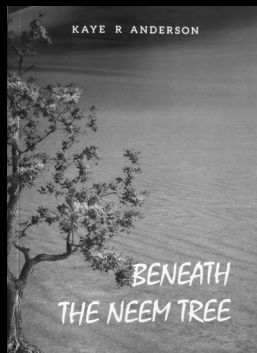
In meantime, we are working on our own projects with several tutors still to come this year.

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# Environmental

## Moehau Environment Group

By Natalie Collicott

### Can New Zealand Really Be Pest-Free?

Our government recently announced that it aims to make New Zealand predator-free by 2050. This has sparked much debate. Whether you are cynical or enthusiastic about this target, the experts agree that eradicating stoats, possums and rats from the mainland is technically feasible. Anyone who has ever visited an offshore island like Tiritiri Matangi will understand the benefits of creating pest-free havens where wildlife can thrive. Right now, our government and the private sector are looking to invest in large-scale predator control on the mainland. With so much predator control already happening here, the Coromandel Peninsula could be a logical place to start. So, could New Zealand really be pest-free? Ultimately, it will be up to local residents to decide. But isn't it time we started the conversation?

### Tallying Our Kiwi Calls

Our 2016 kiwi monitoring was completed over May and June. Kiwi calls counted within our kiwi sanctuary have remained stable the past few years, with a mean call rate of 3.05 calls/hr recorded (similar to what we heard in 2015). Our newly finished kiwi listening platform on the Port Charles Rd is a great place to hear kiwi on dusk, with 33 kiwi calls heard over two hours there. Since trapping began in 2005 kiwi numbers have gone up at all listening sites. But kiwi appear to be doing better in some areas than others. We suspect this may be due to roaming dogs, which can decimate localised kiwi populations when left to roam in the bush. We're also hearing kiwi more consistently in our Coromandel Kiwi Project, with male and female kiwi heard this year up Flays Rd and near the Kennedy Bay lookout.

Big thanks to our 2016 kiwi listeners who dedicated many evenings to sitting quietly in the dark: Kathi Parr, Katharina Hecht, Lisa Kearney, Tommy Herbert, Nathan McCauley, Sarah Ford, Simon Stigner and Richard Webster. We are looking for volunteers to help analyse electronic sound recordings. If you are computer literate, and want to help tally kiwi calls, please contact Natalie on (07) 866 5337 to find out more. Training would be provided.

### Want To Protect Your Place?

We've been swamped with requests for traps from landowners over winter, many who were recent recipients of the Waikato Regional Council Small Scale Initiatives funding. This fund aims to support landowners wanting to restore biodiversity, with grants up to \$5000. If you missed out, the next funding round opened 15 August. It is fantastic to think about all the individuals around Coromandel working to keep pest numbers low on their blocks. We can supply stoat traps for \$85 and rat trap-boxes for \$25. We're also happy to loan out stoat traps and live cat-traps if you have an issue with a feral moggy or a visiting stoat. If you would like a trap, please email [info@meg.org.nz](mailto:info@meg.org.nz).

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

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### Bush Bites

You've all heard of "sound bites"; now our MEG trappers want to share some "bush bites" – inspiring encounters with nature they've had while out in the bush.

"Our kiwi listening went super well – the weather has been pretty shocking but mostly we managed to do it without getting wet... and we saw a shooting meteor one of the nights!... Always heard male calls and sometimes a female."

"Last month we got 6 stoats from 50 traps! Scary."

## Upper Coromandel Landcare Association Conservation Report

By Reihana Robinson

**Animal Control Products (ACP) government poison business** UCLA discovered, when researching the latest toxin literature, our local Moehau Environment Group (MEG) stars on ACP's news briefs page on their website touting use of a poison that has a "secret ingredient" ([www.pestoff.co.nz/news-briefs/possum-blitz-1-7-rtc-achieved-in-ground-based-decal-operations/](http://www.pestoff.co.nz/news-briefs/possum-blitz-1-7-rtc-achieved-in-ground-based-decal-operations/)). Illustrated with a photograph showing five dead possums adjacent to a bait station, the news brief states, "Hats off to the Moehau Environment Group (MEG) for taking a 31% RTC down to 1.7% over 1200 hectares! This impressive result was achieved in a ground-based possum control operation carried out by field staff using DECAL in bait stations. Their secret weapon? Adding extra power to the MEG team's skill and hard work was the new, improved DECAL (cholecalciferol) formulation, with a secret, new ingredient that has dramatically added to the bait's efficiency. The results speak for themselves."

Apart from the "secret, new ingredient" being of immense concern to neighbours where this has been spread on the Coromandel, it is timely to remind residents of the resolutions adopted on two occasions by the local Coromandel/Colville Community Board which read:

1. Invite the Minister of Conservation and the local Coromandel Member of Parliament to attend a meeting in Coromandel to discuss the use of 1080 and other residual poisons on the Coromandel Peninsula with a view to seeking a Policy review.

2. Advocate on behalf of the Coromandel-Colville community that all animal pest control be undertaken by trapping, hunting and non-residual poisons.

3. Advocate that the Coromandel-Colville Ward be used as an example of how effective animal pest control can be using hunting, trapping and non-residual poisons.

We can support the trapping work MEG carries out and their education work but spreading poisons where they can find their way to the food chain is not to be supported. The basic responsibility to neighbours and the community is to be totally clear and upfront about the poisons MEG are using and where. Maybe the "secret ingredient" is just Weetbix or Marmite or steamed pudding. If so, not a problem and thanks for letting us know. We appreciate it. But if it is something else, especially if toxic, then the community should know. And while we are on the subject, the widespread use of cholecalciferol seems to be a regular thing. It's time to have a discussion about the issues on this, including inhumane control methods and to remind poisoners that the community does not want this stuff.

The maps UCLA was sent indicated there would be many affected neighbours. It's not just an "environmental" issue we are talking about. It's the community's social, cultural, and economic wellbeing that needs to be considered as well.

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# Sport

## Coromandel Golf Club

By Peter Gray



The Coromandel Ladies' Team finally played the third round of the Thames Valley Match Play on Monday 15 August at Paeroa. The Team of Eugene Weimer, Glenise Robertson and Joan Evans (Brownyn Verner was also a member of the team in the earlier rounds) won the Zone 2 competition. The winners of Zone 1, Thames, and Zone 2, Coromandel, then had to play off on two "sudden death holes". Unfortunately, the Coromandel Ladies could not continue on with their winning form, with Thames going on to win the Thames Match Play Trophy.

The Men's Neilsen Cup (Best 2 of 3 Rounds Stableford) was won by Kevin Verner 82, from Ron Brooking 77, Allan Rose 76, Mark Burcombe 74.

The Captain's Trophy was won by Tom Folwell 42, from Captain Jim Davis 40, Mark Burcombe 38.

The Monthly Meat Pack/Laurie Olliff Trophy was won by Craig Dudson 40, Ron Brooking 39 and Kevin Verner 37.

Members are looking forward to some sunshine to dry out the course, especially with the Mixed Daffodil Day Tournament coming up and also The Golconda Cup to be re-scheduled. September also has the seedings for the Club's Champs and the first two rounds of the Club's Championship.

The course has been rated for men to play off the Yellow Tees. The first round was played on Wednesday 20 July, which was well received by all who played as it gave a different aspect to the course from the normal Men's Blue Tees.

How to confuse the Coromandel Men Golfers – try something different and play off the Yellow Tees – even confused the course superintendents Ed and Jim. Watch for the confusion with two handicaps posted on the Board for Blue and Yellow ratings.

### REMINDER – September

**Wednesday 28 September** – Meat Pack/Laurie Olliff Trophy

## Coromandel Croquet Club

By Judy Bronlund

Spring is in the air so come along on a Tuesday or Saturday morning and join us for a game of croquet. Our croquet lawns are situated in Woollams Avenue; new members and visitors are most welcome.

Contact Kaye (07) 866 8968

## Coromandel Tennis Club

AGM 2016-17 to be held at the club house. Date: **25 September**. Time: 1.00pm. All welcome.

## Coromandel Recreational Fishing Club

By Allison Brown

Just looking back thru my last year's diary as to date I think the weather has been quite mild. Plenty of rain though so far this year (massive slip on Wilson Bay hill). Last year it was very patchy, had some very nice days as well as a few good frosts and heavy rain, even ice on the Coast Road and Wilson Bay Hill from a massive hail storm from Huntly to Coromandel. However we managed to go out fishing on 22 and 23 August and got six big blue cod and 19 snapper. Also saw whales swimming in Gulf not far from us, so maybe this August will be similar. If you do go out fishing this August, hope you have good fishing.

The charter boats have been quiet but have still been getting the odd good catch.

The AGM meeting planned for 24 July was postponed to **25 September**. As we didn't have the numbers present to hold an AGM meeting, we also didn't realize it was the end of the School Holidays, so if you can, please come along on the **25 September** at 1.30pm Admirals Arms Hotel.

We do need some new Committee members. Anyone able to help out please contact Chris at 021 100 8653.

If anyone would like to join the Club please let us know and we will send you a sub form and info about the Club and up and coming events.

August Fish of the Month for Financial Club Members is paore. The largest one weighed in wins \$100 so come on board and join the Club.

## Spirit of Coromandel Trust Update

By Debra Attwood



### Flight Centre K2 Cycle Race 29 October

Yes, get out your lycra shorts, dust off the bike and get out and start the training as next month, October, the K2 cycle race hits the peninsula again and there is a distance for you all, starting with the Nicholas Browne challenge, a 53km ride from Thames to Tairua. Next up is the Cervelo K1 at 106km starting in Coromandel Town and finishing in Tairua and the most challenging event on the card is the Flight Centre K2, 196km. This is perhaps the most challenging and scenic ride in the Southern Hemisphere.

This year Alastair Borwick lines up on the start line again for the 15th year. He has competed in every K2 since it started in 2002 including finishing the K2 eleven times and the K4 (twice around the K2) three times. In a previous NZ Herald article he stated, "I've been coming to the Coromandel for holidays with Mum and Dad since I was about 6. I love to visit the place. The K2 is a big effort – training for about six hours or more of continual hard riding gets you really fit for summer. It's not over-sized like some events. The K2 has great scenery all the way with some nice hilltop views. Keith, Andy, and Rita – the organisers of ARC Events – are outstanding people who work hard putting on these races and giving back to their Coromandel community. They deserve our support."

### Bike Park in Coromandel

The Trust is actively involved in developing an off-road bike park in Hauraki Road. We are still in the development stages and have been working with Southstar Trails from Rotorua to design and build mountain bike tracks. So keep an eye out for the progress at the old dump site. We have received some funding from the TCDC Community Grants to help with resource consents and to help laying down some ground work for the formation of four tracks.

### Upcoming events

**29 October** – The Flight Centre K2 Road Cycling Classic

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## THE CLUB

### BOWLING CLUB NEWS

The bowling season is almost on us again, and what a winter it has been. The Club has been so busy, with film and quiz nights seeing the formation of the Wednesday Club, which now has over 70 members of the community, quite apart from the Bowling Club and RSA members, so we are certainly reaching out to our residents. The 500 card afternoons have been extremely popular, providing yet another attraction during the winter months. The Club room has been used for birthday parties, remembrance celebrations and many local and outside groups now utilise the facility for monthly meetings.

It became apparent, particularly with our amalgamation, that the ladies' toilet room required another cubicle and, with enormous thanks to a grant from the Coromandel Senior Settlement Trust, this has been installed, complete with new hand basins.

We are awaiting the installation of blinds for the windows in the Club, and new ceiling lights are in place. We are also the proud owners of the new Bowling Club flag. You can tell that it has been a very busy time and we thank our local tradespeople who have made this all possible at short notice in time for the 2016/17 season.

Which leads me very nicely into the Bowls Opening day on **Sunday 4 September** at 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome to come along, have a game (or not!) and renew last season's camaraderie. There will be 4 short games with a shared lunch, and the contest is between Top and Bottom town teams - of course the bar will be open! We have a lot of exciting tournaments coming up, not the least of which is the return visit of the Huskisson team from Australia on **Friday 28 October** and a new contest with a team from Mooloolaba in January - these "internationals" will be worth supporting. Our first open triples tournament is sponsored by Niagara Health on **Saturday 24 September**. Of course we have our own Twilight Bowls starting in October for 5 weeks, so get your teams ready.



Subs are now due and we will be presented with a named membership card as a full paid up member of the bowling club - \$100 for full membership and \$20 for social members. We look forward to seeing you all over the coming months.



Would you trust this hippie as TV Bowls President!

### RSA NEWS

By the time you read this Chronicle Coromandel RSA will have held our own service to honour the 3000 NewZealanders who served in South Vietnam from 1963 to 1975.

The Vietnam War led to enormous political and public debate about New Zealands foreign policy and place in the world.

Initial assistance to Vietnam was a civilian surgical team based at the Bihn Dinh Provincial Hospital. The first team deployed as part of New Zealands aid programme in 1963.

New Zealands contribution was always modest. The first NZ troops in Action were the gunners of 161 Battery. At its peak in 1968 New Zealands military force in Vietnam numbered only 548. 37 men died on active service and 187 were wounded. Two civilians working with the Red Cross teams also lost their lives.

For those who served in Vietnam the war left a searing legacy. NZ veterans had to adjust to the various consequences of fighting an unpopular war. There has been much resentment within their ranks at perceived official and public indifference to the physical and psychological problems experienced by many veterans. They also had the sense that unlike WW2 veterans they did not receive adequate recognition for their professional service in a demanding theatre of operations.

Most of these concerns have now been addressed and in 2006 the NZ Government signed a memorandum of understanding with veterans and their families.

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

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**LAWNMOWER SERVICE AND REPAIRS:** And all the parts for your DIY's. Wanting to change your car oil? We now have oil and filters. Call Rob's Small Motor Repairs (07) 866 7865.

**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 Ofsoke-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 Kington 021 743 717 or (07) 866 0413, Jocelyn Yates 027 912 4104. Free pregnancy tests.

**PHOTOGRAPHER:** Interest welcome. Family. Children. Occasion. Visit www.facebook.com/PhotographybyKylieRose.

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

**PROFESSIONAL QUALIFIED COROMANDEL ARBORIST.** Fully equipped & insured. Dynamic Tree Care - Contact us now 027 451 2224 or (07) 866 8177.

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

**RANCH SLIDER WON'T SLIDE?** Call Mike Coromandel Glass (07) 866 8869.

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

**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.

**TREE WORK. DYNAMIC TREE CARE -** Coromandel 027 451 2224 or (07) 866 8177.

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

**YOGA WITH JESSICA** – Wednesdays 7-8.30pm school term time only 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.

## FOR SALE

**3 BEDROOM HOME @** 295 Lillis Lane. Phone owner on (07) 866 8606.

**DINGHY FOR SALE** 10 feet long \$250 Thames Coast ph (07) 868 2623.

**SANSAI 2000W HEATER.** unopened. \$25. Excellent bench cooker. \$50. Ph (07) 866 8593..

## WANTED TO BUY

**CASH PAID** for your unused or unwanted chainsaws call in and see Rob at Robs Small Motor Repairs or phone 021 618 601.

**WANTED ALL LIVESTOCK.** We inspect in the paddock. Also we transport every Thursday to Waikato's largest saleyards in Morrinsville. Phone Dave Coatsworth 0274 817 100.

## WORK WANTED

**EXTRA WORK WANTED** – gardening, windows, cleaning etc ph Jo Notman 027 248 5254.

**"FOR TREES" PETER NOVIS,** climbing specialist, felling, topping, pruning, chipping and wood splitting. Fully insured. Phone (07) 866 7128, 027 636 3253.

**TREE SERVICE.** Dismantling or pruning. Free quotes. Call Jeremy Haszard 027 421 0603.

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

## PUBLIC NOTICES

**ELIZABETH PARK BODY CORPORATE** gratefully acknowledges the generous grant of \$10,000 from the Coromandel Senior Settlement Trust towards footpath and road maintenance in the village.

**THE COROMANDEL BUSINESS ASSOCIATION AGM** will be held on 12 September 2016 at 5.30 PM at the Coromandel Chambers.

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## Every Monday

Coro Gym – Step/aerobics, Peg (07) 866 8635 ..... 8am  
 Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas ..... 8.30-9am  
 Coromandel Hikers' Group, Hauraki House,  
 Colin & Elspeth (07) 866 7137 ..... 9am  
 Monday Walkers, Irene 021 157 8408 ..... 9am  
 Colville Social Services Collective,  
 Colville Hall, (07) 866 6920 ..... 9am-3pm  
 Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, (07) 866 8417 ..... 9am-3pm  
 Coro Gym – Sit and be fit, Peg (07) 866 8635 ..... 9.30am  
 Coro Gym – Fitness and Fun, Judy (07) 866 8637 ..... 10.30am  
 Coro Gym – Kick fit with Christajo, 155 Pottery Lane,  
 021 033 9329 ..... 5.30-6.30pm  
 Shrinking Violets, Betsie (07) 866 7076 ..... 5.30pm  
 Coro Contract Bridge, Coro Ambulance rooms,  
 Lyn (07) 866 8858 ..... 7pm  
 Four-part harmony singing, Sue (07) 866 8833 ..... 7.30pm

## Every Tuesday

Homeschoolers' gathering, Julene (07) 866 8005 .....  
 Mahamudra Centre, guided meditation in gompas ..... 8.30-9am  
 Pastel Artists Coromandel,  
 Coromandel Aero Club Rooms (07) 866 7220 ..... 9am-mid day  
 Colville Bay Pre-School, rear Colville School, cr  
 (07) 866 8319 ..... 9am-3pm  
 Coro Walking Group, Ruth (07) 866 7246 ..... 9am  
 Colville Social Services Collective, Colville Hall,  
 (07) 866 6920 ..... 9am-3pm  
 Kohanga Reo o Kapanga, (07) 866 8417 ..... 9am-3pm  
 Music and Dance, Elim Church- Preschoolers Dance Group, Dawn  
 (07) 866 8150 ..... 9.30-11am  
 Coro Ladies Golf, Peter (07) 866 7633 ..... tee off 10am  
 Yoga, Colville Hall, (07) 866 6612 ..... 10am  
 Croquet, Woollams Ave, Kaye (07) 866 8968 ..... 9.45am  
 Coromandel Playcentre, Woollams Ave ..... 10.30am-1pm  
 Narcotics Anonymous meeting, 021 314 467 ..... 12 noon  
 500 card session at the Bowling Club, (07) 866 8886 ..... 1pm  
 Coro Gym – Fitness and Fun, Judy (07) 866 8637 ..... 1pm  
 Coro Cub Scouts, Scout Hall, Hauraki House,  
 Abby Morgan (07) 211 9790 ..... 4-6pm  
 Ambulance training, Felix (07) 866 8279 ..... 7-9pm  
 Coro Motorcycle Club, Star & Garter,  
 John (07) 866 6776 ..... 7-9pm  
 Badminton, school gymnasium, racquets available bring non-marking  
 sports shoes contact Lorraine (07) 866 7606 ..... 6.30pm

## Every Wednesday

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

## Every Thursday

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

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

## Every Friday

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

## Every Saturday

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

## Every Sunday

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

## Monthly

RSA Women's Section Coromandel, Loes (07) 866 8053 .....  
**1st Mon** – Coro Patchwork & Quilters, Ambulance rooms,  
 Jill (07) 866 7484 ..... 9.30am-3.30pm  
**2nd Mon** – Friendship Group, Jocelyn (07) 866 7101 .....  
**3rd Mon** – Coro Patchwork & Quilters, Ambulance rooms,  
 Jill (07) 866 7484 ..... 9.30am-3.30pm  
**3rd Mon** – Alzheimer's Carers' Group, Retirement Village Hall, bring  
 plate & koha, (07) 282 0453 ..... 10.30am  
**1st Tue** – Coro Motorcycle Club general business  
 John (07) 866 6776 ..... 7.30pm  
**2nd Tue** – Coromandel/Colville Cmty Board, Council Chambers,  
 (07) 866 1001 ..... 9am  
**2nd Tue** – Public Trust, Harcourts, 0800 368 620 ..... by appt  
**1st Wed** – Coro Embroiderers' Guild, Ambulance Station, Jill  
 Wilson (07) 866 7484 ..... 10am-3pm  
**1st Wed** – Lions Dinner Meeting, Ambulance Rooms;  
 Pres. John Rabarts (07) 866 8068 ..... 6pm  
**2nd Wed** – Garden Circle, ph Julie Jensen for venue,  
 (07) 866 7546 ..... 1pm  
**3rd Wed** – Lions Business Meeting, Ambulance Rooms;  
 Pres. John Rabarts (07) 866 8068 ..... 7pm  
**2nd Thu** – Coromandel Writers' Group,  
 Barbara (07) 866 8299 ..... 10.30am-2.30pm  
**4th Thu** – Coro SeniorNet, school music room,  
 Loes (07) 866 8053 ..... 1.30pm  
**3rd Sat** – Luncheon Ladies, Lorraine (07) 866 8144 ..... 12pm  
**1st Sun** – Coro School of Mines & Historical Sty/Museum,  
 (07) 866 8711 ..... 4pm  
**1st Sun** – St Andrew's Union church service, Rings Rd,  
 (07) 866 8633 ..... 10am  
**2nd Sun** – Christ Church service, Tiki Rd,  
 Barbara O'Reilly (07) 866 8299 ..... 10am  
**2nd Sun** – Young Eagles, Tiki Rd, Lisa (07) 866 2055 ..... 9am  
**3rd Sun** – St Andrew's Union church service, Rings Rd,  
 Hilda (07) 866 8633 ..... 10am  
**4th Sun** – Christ Church service, Tiki Rd,  
 Barbara O'Reilly (07) 866 8299 ..... 10am  
**5th Sun** – Christ Church/St Andrew's share ..... 10am

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## Calendar of events Coromandel Town September 2016

**COROMANDEL  
RUBBISH & RECYCLE TRANSFER  
STATION & E-CYCLE HOURS**  
**FROM 5 SEPTEMBER**  
Tuesday and Thursday 11am-4.30pm  
Saturday and Sunday 11am-5.30pm

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
<div><div>New moon</div><div>Full moon</div></div> <div>Tide times and heights from Land Information NZ for Coromandel Harbour. For Thames tines -15nm High and -18nm Low. Note: Tide heights are different for Thames. Brie times and good fishing ratings supplied by Ken Ring. <a href="http://www.predictweather.com">www.predictweather.com</a> ► = Average fishing, ►► = Very good fishing, ►►► = Excellent fishing</div>	<div><div><b>Make sure your event gets listed</b></div><div>To get your event listed, email the details, your name and contact phone number to Debbie at corochronicle@gmail.com with the subject "event". Or post to Jude Publishing, PO Box 148, Coromandel. There is limited space available and will be published subject to space availability, with preference to not-for-profit groups.</div></div>		<div><div>1</div><div></div></div> <div>High tide 6.46am (2.7m), 7.07pm (2.9m) Low tide 12.29am (0.4m), 12.49pm (0.3m) ►►►► Best bite 12am/pm</div>	<div><div>2</div><div>"It's a Double Act" starts at Hauraki House (see ad pg 30)</div></div> <div>Intermediate course on Practising Tantra starts at Mahamudra (see pg 11)</div> <div>High tide 7.34am (2.8m), 7.52pm (2.9m) Low tide 1.17am (0.4m), 1.34pm (0.3m) ►►►► Best bite 12.30am/pm</div>	<div><div>3</div><div></div></div> <div>High tide 8.18am (2.8m), 8.34pm (2.8m) Low tide 2am (0.4m), 2.15pm (0.3m) ►►►► Best bite 1am/pm</div>	<div><div>4</div><div>"It's a Double Act" ends at Hauraki House (see ad pg 30)</div></div> <div>Coromandel Bowling Club opening day (see ad pg 33)</div> <div>High tide 8.59am (2.8m), 9.15pm (2.8m) Low tide 2.42am (0.4m), 2.55pm (0.3m) ►► Best bite 2am/pm</div>
<div>5</div> <div>High tide 9.39am (2.7m), 9.54pm (2.7m) Low tide 3.21am (0.4m), 3.34pm (0.4m) ►► Best bite 2.30am/pm</div>	<div>6</div> <div>High tide 10.17am (2.7m), 10.32pm (2.6m) Low tide 3.59am (0.4m), 4.13pm (0.5m) ►► Best bite 3am/pm</div>	<div>7</div> <div>High tide 10.55am (2.6m), 11.11pm (2.6m) Low tide 4.38am (0.5m), 4.54pm (0.6m) ►► Best bite 3.30am/pm</div>	<div>8</div> <div>High tide 11.36am (2.5m), 11.52pm (2.5m) Low tide 5.17am (0.6m), 5.38pm (0.7m) ►►►► Best bite 4am/pm</div>	<div>9</div> <div>High tide 12.21pm (2.4m) Low tide 6am (0.7m), 6.27pm (0.8m) ►►►► Best bite 5am/pm</div>	<div>10</div> <div>Making Peace with Death and Dying workshop at Havalona Pyramid (see pg 11)</div> <div>High tide 12.36am (2.4m), 1.11pm (2.4m) Low tide 6.47am (0.7m), 7.20pm (0.8m) ►►►► Best bite 6am/pm</div>	<div>11</div> <div>CLAIM AGM 11am at Hauraki House</div> <div>High tide 1.25am (2.4m), 2.08pm (2.4m) Low tide 7.41am (0.8m), 8.17pm (0.9m) ►►►► Best bite 6.30am/pm</div>
<div>12</div> <div>CHRONICLE DEADLINE – October issue content – 4pm Coromandel Business Association AGM (see pg 3)</div> <div>High tide 2.20am (2.4m), 3.07pm (2.4m) Low tide 8.40am (0.8m), 9.15pm (0.8m) ►► Best bite 7am/pm</div>	<div>13</div> <div>Mahamudra closed till 19 October for a special retreat (see pg 11)</div> <div>High tide 3.19am (2.4m), 4.05pm (2.4m) Low tide 9.40am (0.7m), 10.10pm (0.7m) ►► Best bite 8am/pm</div>	<div>14</div> <div>High tide 4.19am (2.4m), 4.58pm (2.6m) Low tide 10.37am (0.6m), 11.03pm (0.6m) ►► Best bite 9am/pm</div>	<div>15</div> <div>High tide 5.16am (2.5m), 5.48pm (2.7m) Low tide 11.29am (0.5m), 11.54pm (0.4m) ►► Best bite 10am/pm</div>	<div>16</div> <div>High tide 6.08am (2.7m), 6.37pm (2.9m) Low tide 12.19pm (0.3m) ►►►► Best bite 11am/pm</div>	<div>17</div> <div></div> <div>High tide 7am (2.9m), 7.26pm (3.0m) Low tide 12.44am (0.2m), 1.07pm (0.2m) ►►►► Best bite 12am/pm</div>	<div>18</div> <div></div> <div>High tide 7.50am (3.0m), 8.15pm (3.1m) Low tide 1.33am (0.1m), 1.54pm (0.1m) ►►►► Best bite 12.30am/pm</div>
<div>19</div> <div>High tide 8.39am (3.1m), 9.04pm (3.1m) Low tide 2.22am (0.0m), 2.42pm (0.0m) ►► Best bite 1am/pm</div>	<div>20</div> <div>Business networking event (see ad pg 14)</div> <div>High tide 9.28am (3.1m), 9.54pm (3.1m) Low tide 3.11am (0.0m), 3.32pm (0.0m) ►► Best bite 2am/pm</div>	<div>21</div> <div>High tide 10.18am (3.1m), 10.46pm (3.0m) Low tide 4am (0.0m), 4.23pm (0.1m) ►► Best bite 3am/pm</div>	<div>22</div> <div>High tide 11.10am (3.0m), 11.40pm (2.9m) Low tide 4.51am (0.0m), 5.18pm (0.3m) ►►►► Best bite 4am/pm</div>	<div>23</div> <div>High tide 12.06pm (2.9m) Low tide 5.44am (0.2m), 6.17pm (0.4m) ►►►► Best bite 5am/pm</div>	<div>24</div> <div>Open Triples sponsored by Niagara Trust at Coromandel Bowling Club (see ad pg 33)</div> <div>High tide 12.36am (2.8m), 1.05pm (2.7m) Low tide 6.41am (0.3m), 7.19pm (0.5m) ►►►► Best bite 6am/pm</div>	<div>25</div> <div>Daylight saving starts (clocks go forward 1 hr) AGM's for Fishing Club and Tennis Club (pg 32) Coromandel Mussel Kitchen reopens (see ad pg 15)</div> <div>High tide 1.35am (2.7m), 3.08pm (2.7m) Low tide 8.43am (0.4m), 9.24pm (0.6m) ►►►► Best bite 8am/pm</div>
<div>26</div> <div>School holidays start</div> <div>High tide 3.37am (2.6m), 4.12pm (2.6m) Low tide 9.48am (0.5m), 10.27pm (0.6m) ►► Best bite 9am/pm</div>	<div>27</div> <div>High tide 4.40am (2.5m), 5.11pm (2.6m) Low tide 10.51am (0.5m), 11.26pm (0.6m) ►► Best bite 10am/pm</div>	<div>28</div> <div>Meat Pack/Laurie Oliff Trophy at Coromandel Golf Club (see pg 32)</div> <div>High tide 5.40am (2.5m), 6.07pm (2.7m) Low tide 11.50am (0.5m) ►► Best bite 10.30am/pm</div>	<div>29</div> <div>High tide 6.36am (2.6m), 6.57pm (2.7m) Low tide 12.20am (0.5m), 12.42pm (0.5m) ►►►► Best bite 11am/pm</div>	<div>30</div> <div>Beer &amp; Wine Evening at Coromandel Mussel Kitchen (see ad pg 15)</div> <div>High tide 7.26am (2.7m), 7.43pm (2.7m) Low tide 1.09am (0.5m), 1.28pm (0.4m) ►►►► Best bite 12am/pm</div>	<div><div><b>Upcoming events</b></div><div><b>October</b> 7-16 – The Artists are in Town (see pg 30) Saturday 8 – Local election closes 20-25 – Mainly Pastels exhibition (see pg 30) Thursday 20 – Coromandel Music Society present The Kugels (see pg 30) Saturday 29 – The Flight Centre K2 Road Cycling Classic (see pg 32)</div></div>	