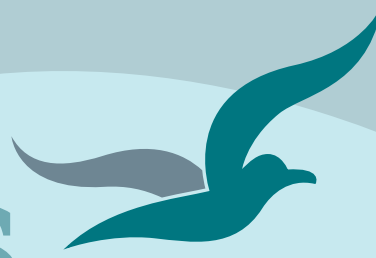


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## Does the vehicle access onto Ruakākā Beach need to be reopened?

“We had to risk our lives because the vehicle entrance alongside the Ruakākā Surf Lifesaving Club has been closed,” says Thomas Rickey.

On Monday 27 April fisherman Errol Shoemark was chatting to a fellow fisherman when this man’s wife came up “in a state of panic” to tell them that their daughter had swum out to sea and was in “serious trouble.”

The girl’s father ran down the beach and tried to get out to where his daughter was but Errol was concerned that he wasn’t up to swimming out that far.

“Not being a competent swimmer myself and not knowing what else to do I rang a friend of mine who lives in Bream Bay Drive. I said to Tom ‘if you don’t get down to the beach right now someone is going to drown.”

“Thomas and his son in law arrived in record time and started to swim out. They passed the point where the girl’s father had got to so he didn’t need to struggle to get out further.

The son in law, the second hero in this story, is Harley Harwood.

Thomas and Harley were able to get out to the girl and bring her back to shore.

Thomas said if he had been able to get through the gate with a vehicle towing a boat or a jetski the rescue wouldn’t have been much easier and safer

He said the Ruakākā Surf Lifesaving patrol is only present for a few weeks of the year and the gate needs to be opened up once again to prevent further situations where people are put in danger.

The vehicle access at Ruakākā Beach operated on a locked gate system with local fishers given keys to drive through the gate and onto the beach. This entrance was made available after negotiation with the Department of Conservation for access across DOC administered land as a concession when vehicle access over the dunes in front of the playground and grassed area north of the surf club was blocked by a fence built by the Whangārei District Council out of concerns for children’s safety. However, last year the Department of Conservation withdrew its access consent

The Ruakākā Surf Lifesaving Club has equipment designed for water rescue however Thomas said he has lived at Ruakākā Beach for 55 years and has no idea who

## Way out in front



Evie Webb was the first sub junior girl home in the Bream Bay College cross country event held over the hills of the Finlayson/ Holden farm on Thursday morning 30 April

*Full list of race sinners on page 8*



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**EDITORIAL**

**Now is a good time to get down to the beach with a plastic bag**



A pile of plastic rubbish picked up on a kilometre of beach at Uretiti on Sunday 3 May

There is a lot of plastic tangled in the piles of seaweed on the beach this morning. Most times when I walk along the beach there isn't that much. A couple of weeks ago when there was a beach clean up at Ruakākā to mark Conservation Week the volunteers who took part hardly found any. But this morning there is heaps. We weren't the only ones picking it up and it is good to know there are other people concerned about this.

Along with plastic bags, old shoes, bottle tops etc. are tiny bits of brightly coloured red, blue, yellow, pink, purple and green plastic mixed up in the sand. There is lots of white plastic as well but this is harder to spot amongst the shells. All of this toxic stuff is about to be washed back out to sea in the next few high tides some likely to be ingested by fish and other animals. I urge anyone with a free hour or two to get down to the beach with a plastic bag.

I picked up seven of those squishy fish shaped lures and wondered if someone had just emptied a bag full into the sea. I ask myself who would do such a thing but then there are many instances when I ask this question.

Who, for example, would steal planks of timber from the bridge on the Wairahi Tracks shared walking and cycling trail between Bream Tail Rd. and Langs Beach? Who are the people who throw all that trash out their car windows onto our roadside verges?

A fellow beach cleaner this morning told me he lived in the South Island where he said there is some but not as much roadside and beach litter as there is here. He said around the whole country the roads north of Kaiwaka were by far the most littered. Why are so many Northlanders lacking in environmental awareness and pride in the place they live? What can we do about this?

There are some retired people; Geoff my husband included and Mike King from down the roads, who regularly go out with their grab sticks picking up roadside rubbish. It should make all those people who gaily turf rubbish out their car windows ashamed to see older people cleaning up their mess.

I think there needs to be more focus on this problem – perhaps a big community clean up with lots of publicity would help. I will suggest this at the next Waipū Residents and Ratepayers meeting.

*Marilyn*

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# Does the vehicle access onto Ruakākā Beach need to be re-opened?



Emergency flotation buoy at the Ruakākā Surf lifesaving Club

to contact at the surf club. He said the girl could have drowned if he had waited for the Police and Surf Club to respond.

Tania Aherns President of the Ruakākā Surf Lifesaving Club said in response, "Thank you for raising this important question."

"There is public rescue equipment available at Ruakākā Beach, this is a rescue buoy located on the fence line next to the public toilets. If there is any doubt about personal safety, this equipment should not be used to attempt a rescue."

"If anyone witnesses a person in difficulty in the water, the safest action is to call 111 immediately and ask for Police, who

have a direct line to activate local Surf Lifesaving Search and Rescue Squads and coordinate an emergency response.

"Ruakākā Surf Lifesaving Patrol has an active Search and Rescue Squad, trained and equipped to respond to emergencies outside of standard patrol hours. In the incident you refer to, our Search and Rescue team was activated and responded quickly alongside other emergency services.

We encourage everyone visiting the beach to: swim within their capabilities and conditions, never swim alone, be aware of hazards such as currents, know where emergency equipment is located and call 111 and ask for Police if someone is in trouble in the water."



Sign alongside the Ruakākā Surf Lifesaving Club

## Tsunami sirens failed to activate

At least two tsunami sirens installed around Bream Bay failed to fire up in the latest round of siren testing at 10am on Sunday 5 April at the end of daylight saving. Sirens in the Waihoihoi Park and at Langs Beach failed to activate.

At that appointed time the 90 plus sirens installed at coastal locations in Northland were supposed to sound for up to two minutes followed by a voice message "Test only, test onl . This is a test of the Northland tsunami siren network. No action required."

Waipu's Civil Defence Coordinator Maryann Huisman said the same sirens didn't work during the previous testing six months earlier. She had informed Civil Defence Northland about this but no action was taken.

Maryann said as there is no requirement for people to listen and report on the testing there may well be more malfunctioning sirens.

"It is only because of a few very conscientious people in Waipu who make a point of listening out for them that we know about these two."

New "state of the art" talking sirens with solar panels so they are not reliant on the electricity grid replaced sirens around the Northland coastline from 2023. The sirens were imported from Denmark were funded by the four Northland Councils at a cost of \$60,000 each, compared to \$2,000 each for the sirens they replaced. Councillor John Hunt who represents the Coastal South area of Northland on the Northland Regional Council has taken this up with the General Manager of the NRC's Community Resilience Team and has said he will report back ASAP.



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### LETTERS

#### With reference to the Memorandum between MBL and Te Parawhau ki Tai

Prompted by a late reading of the Bream Bay News dated 23 April 2026, but chary of a sensationalist tenor of review, I paused to consider what might go wrong responding to the news item on the decision on McCallum Brothers Ltd on page 3; specifically, the reference to the Memorandum between MBL and Te Parawhau ki Tai Resource Management Unit.

Interestingly, the “wider Te Parawhau hapu” does not include those of us residing closest to Te Akau, Bream Bay, namely Takahiwai kaenga. And when an exception is misrepresented as a rule, our individual misfortunes, instead of seeming to us quasi-inevitable aspects of tribal life, weigh down on us like curses. In denying the tribal place reserved for those of us who ‘keep the home fires burning’ at Te Akau Bream Bay, Te Parawhau RMU denies us the possibility of collective consolation for our fractious ‘marriage’ and condemns us instead to solitary feelings of ignominy and infamy for stubbornly refusing to support the Memorandum between MBL and Te Parawhau ki Tai RMU.

*Mere Kepa,  
Te Parawhau Hapu, Takahiwai*

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# A new design for an interim interchange at Waipu from the Northland Corridor Expressway

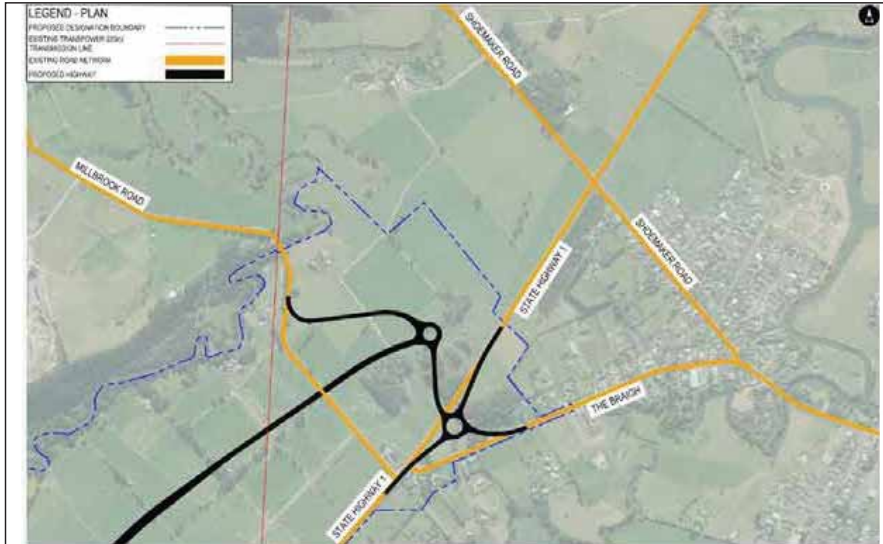


Figure 6: Waipū interim tie-in to the existing SH1

From page 42 of [VOLUME A -FTAA Substantive App - Main Application 1 \(PDF, 3 MB\)](#)

<https://www.fasttrack.govt.nz/projects/alternative-to-the-brynderwyn-hills/substantive-application>

Some Waipu home owners who were told by NZTA (The New Zealand Transport Agency) early last year that their land might be needed for the construction of the proposed four lane expressway have been in a celebratory mood believing their land is no longer required, since this map was circulated on facebook. The Bream Bay News asked NZTA what this map signified and was told by an NZTA spokesperson the map is "just out of a report."

"The proposed designation for the Alternative to the Brynderwyn Hills section of the corridor has been informed by a concept design which demonstrates how the new road could be built within the proposed designation footprint (subject to statutory approvals conditions). The corridor will be built in stages and this application provides for a safe and efficient interim connection from the Alternative to the Brynderwyn

Hills section to the current SH1 near Waipu SH1. The final interchange layout at Waipu is being considered as part of the application for the rest of the corridor and will be progressed as design work, investigations and landowner engagement continues in the Waipu area of the Northland Corridor.

There are still places the road could go within the proposed designation. The design will continue to be developed over the coming years as the project progresses."

Perhaps what the map showing an interim interchange at Waipu does indicate is that NZTA is now considering there could very likely be a considerable time lapse between the construction of the alternative route around the Brynderwyn Hills and the four-lane expressway from Waipu into Whangārei.

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The foundation families and students had an opportunity to shape the culture of Mangawhai Hills College through the development of a foundational vision and values. The culture of the college will continue to evolve as it grows, and as future families join for the journey.

The aim of the trust is to tailor the delivery of the curriculum and the activities of the school to the needs of the students and the community. As a small school, it can offer a quality educational experience with low teacher/student ratios. Each year, as the teaching staff and facilities grow, what can be offered on site will be enhanced, but the trust also values the skills and expertise available in the community that the college has been able to access. Strong links have been made with the Piroa Conservation Trust, Shorebirds Trust and Mountains to Sea Trust, with students actively involved in conservation programmes and community service projects.

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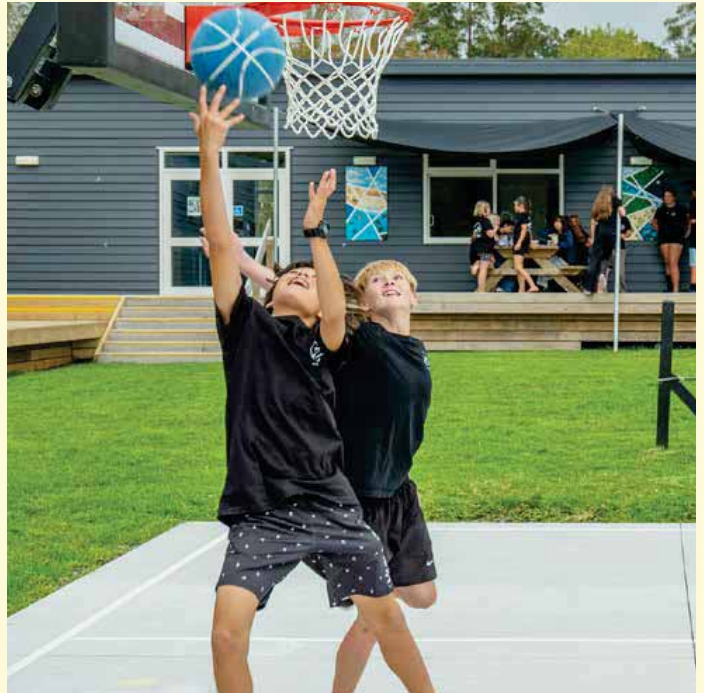
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*Mel C. Parent of a Year 10 student*

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*Sophie W. Parent of a Year 7 student*

## Theft of planks from trail bridge endangers children



Fixing the bridge are: Mike Yeoman, Graham Goodall and Mike Tapper.

Walkers on the Wairahi Tracks trail between Bream Tail Road and Langs Beach were dismayed to discover that two sections of side railing had been unscrewed and stolen from the trail bridge leaving space for small children to fall through.

The two stolen pieces were long lengths of six/two timber, which would have been handy in a building project.

They have since been replaced by Wairahi Tracks volunteers, but this time with shorter lengths that are likely to be less desirable for thieves to steal.

The 1.5 kilometre length of cycling and walking trail was opened in December 2024 after The Wairahi Tracks Trust raised \$150,000 for the project

## Police Report

### With duck shooting season upon us firearms owners warned not to mix firearms with alcohol or drug use

Bream Bay Police have dealt with several firearms incidents in the past few weeks and Sergeant Andrew Glendinning said with the duck shooting season starting last weekend, this is a good time to remind firearms owners to ensure they use them safely and responsibly and to ensure they don't mix firearms with alcohol or drug use.

Sergeant Glendinning said he could not elaborate on the incidents as they are still under investigation.

### CCTV system expected to be operational in Ruakākā and One Tree point within two weeks

The community led CCTV installation for Ruakākā and One Tree Point is well underway and Phase One of this system is expected to be operational within the next two weeks.

## Fast track Approvals panel invites information from a wide selection of local organisations on Bream Bay sand excavation proposal

After concerns that the panel considering the Fast Track application by McCallum Brothers Limited to dredge sand from Bream Bay might not even hear the evidence of the Bream Bay Guardians who have conducted a lot of work on this subject, the doors have been opened wide and information has been invited from a wide variety of sources.

A minute published on the Environmental Protection Authority website by Catherine Sommerville-Frost – Bream Bay Sand Extraction project Expert Panel Chair explains the thinking behind this decision.

“The Panel has expressly noted and considered the Fast Track Approval Act section 10 direction to take all practicable steps to use timely, efficient, consistent, and cost-effective processes that are proportionate to the functions or powers being exercised. Widening the number of persons invited to comment invariably increases the workload for both the Panel and the Applicant. The Panel considers “ It is fair also to reflect that, across the projects before fast-track panels to date, there has been a range of approaches to determining persons to be invited for comments. See for example the absence of invitations under section 53(3) by the Expert Panel assessing the Bledisloe North Wharf and Fergusson North Berth Extension Project (involving development of port facilities within an operating commercial port), and the much wider group identified by the Expert Panel for the Taranaki VTM Project. The Panel has determined that it is appropriate to sit towards the wider end of the spectrum for this project.”

In addition to The Bream Bay Guardians invitations to provide information have been sent to a number of local organisations including: Patuharakeke Rohe Moana Kaitiaki, Channel Infrastructure, Northport Ltd., Whāngarei Volunteer Coastguard, The Whāngarei District Council, both the Waipu and Ruakākā Ratepayer and Resident Associations, The Bream Bay Coastal Care Trust, The Waipu Cove Reserve Board, the Langs Beach Society Inc. the Ruakākā Surf Lifesaving Patrol, Ruakākā Beach Holiday Park and The Shorebirds Trust. Comments need to be sent to the panel by 26 May.

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## Electric bike donation supports the Waipu Primary Easter Carnival fundraising effort



Whangārei Mayor Ken Couper makes the presentation to raffle winner Marianne Green – third from left. Also in the photo are Hayley Mrsich, who coordinated the raffle, and on the right are Karina and Michael Oliver of Smartpower Electric Bikes.

Karina and Michael Oliver of Smartpower Electric Bikes donated an electric bike to the Waipu Primary School to auction at the Easter Carnival, the school's big annual fundraising event.

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## Drone helping with enforcement of beach Vehicle Exclusion Zones

After repeated vandalism of signs informing beach drivers where the boundary into the vehicle restriction area is located, the Northland Regional Council has made the decision that it will not be installing a replacement.

It will however be continuing with enforcement and has begun using a drone to take photographs of vehicles illegally entering the Waipu Wildlife Refuge north of the Waipu Estuary. The drone is able to capture the registration plate numbers of these vehicles.


Tamara Lee a Communications Manager for the NRC told the Bream Bay News, "Where sufficient evidence has been obtained by the council showing a vehicle within or close to a vehicle exclusion zone (VEZ) which enables the council to identify the vehicle owner. The vehicle owner is written to informing them of the relevant regional rule and requesting them not to use/drive their vehicle in the zone. We have been issuing abatement notices to those vehicle owners whose vehicle is observed in a VEZ after they have been advised of the rule. So far, the council has issued 14 abatement notices, with one of those pertaining to the Bream Bay VEZ."

Under the Northland Regional Plan adopted in

December 2023 vehicles are not permitted to drive within two kilometres of the northern side of the estuary.

While the NRC exclusion zone extends only up to the mean high water mark, at the beach area above this point and the dunes behind are a Department of Conservation reserve where, under The Northland Reserves Bylaws 2007 Section 13(1) it is illegal to operate any vehicle with a fine of up to \$5000 applying.


Asked if the Department of Conservation would be able to use drone photography to enforce its ban on vehicles driving in the dunes Tamara said, The council (NRC) is trialing the use a drone for surveillance in the coastal marine area because the council has jurisdiction over this area. As the coastal marine area is not owned by anyone, no landowner approvals are required to fly over the area. This avoids inadvertent use of a drone over privately owned land or land another public authority owns/administers without the necessary approval, which would breach the Civil Aviation rules for drone use. DOC or WDC could use a drone for surveillance purposes in the land they own/administer in the same way.



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## Summerset Mount Denby Open Weekends in May

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# The Waipu ANZAC Parade 2026

The crowd waiting in the carpark alongside the war memorial looked a bit thin on ANZAC day Saturday 25 April 2026 however when the parade came down the street it became evident that most people had fallen in behind the pipe band to take part in the march. Dave Wistrandt President of the Waipu RSA welcomed the crowd to the service

Guest speaker Lieutenant Commander Noel Davies ONZM RNZM told the crowd how when World War 1 broke out in July 1914 Waipu had a population of just 300 people, with 600 living in the wider district. Never-the-less 90 people had volunteered for war service representing, one of the highest levels of engagement from communities throughout New Zealand.

A long list of Local organisations laid wreaths on the memorials and Alan Smith Waipu RSA Secretary read out the list of the fallen.

The Waipu Aero Club conducted a flyover formation display just as this was ending.

The Ode to the Fallen was read in English, Gaelic and in Māori and the WK Choir sang the national anthems of both Australia and New Zealand. Bream Bays Anglican Vicar Mark Henricson conducted a prayer.

After the ceremony the parade returned through the centre of Waipu to finish at the Waipu RSA in Nova Scotia Road.



The Waipu Pipe Band heads the parade



Trumpeter Luke Benson and Waipu RSA President Dave Wistrandt. to the right are Robyn Ruha who recited the Ode to the Fallen in Māori and Heather Jacobson who spoke in Gaelic.



Geoff Grey, a former President of the Waipu RSA, lays a wreath on the Waipu mermorial. He is supported by Lorraine Murray of the Women's Section of the Waipu RSA



The KW Singers sang the National Anthem of Australia and then of New Zealand



People of all ages joined the parade

# Many and varied responses to survey on Control of Vehicles on the Beach bylaw review

Predictably there has been many an varied responses to the Whangarei District Council's survey on its review of its Control of Vehicles on the Beach bylaw. The survey received 1247 responses. Here is a sample of what some of these said.

"4WDs are destroying Ruakākā Beach. Drivers ignore bylaws, driving on dry sand, dunes and bird nesting areas, crushing threatened dotterels and toheroa. Ruts accelerate dune erosion; rubbish, oil and illegal dumping are left behind.

Enforcement has failed — the beach is too big to patrol effectively and fines are rare. Continuing the current rules simply isn't working.

- "A full vehicle ban (except emergency/services) is the only solution that has proven successful elsewhere in Northland. Our wildlife, dunes and family beach experience are worth far more than a few joyrides. Please close Ruakākā Beach to all private vehicles now."

- "A family friendly beach impacted by fast unmonitored sometimes erratic drivers whose numbers are increasing. The shellfish beds are being compacted and less available as a result. Dunes are being destroyed creating erosion by drivers driving on them, which has lead to some areas of total dune loss which will not reform and leads to beach erosion in the future. Looking after the beach for future generations. Historically pakeha and Māori did not drive on beaches to go fishing.

Only in recent times. Just because we did something in the past does not mean it should continue. It is having an impact on the habitat and the ability in the future for our grandchildren to enjoy the beach safely and collect shellfish and fish from the beach without fear of being hit."

- "I feel Strongly about having Vehicle access to Bream bay and spend time most weeks accessing the beach With my 4WD for Fishing and recreation. There is a minority who access the beach and indulge in bad behaviour I think the Police Should have 4WDs and hold these people responsible. The locals shouldn't be punished for the Said minority Mainly young people and non locals. Many elderly enjoy access as walking is not a good option for them. Please leave the Bylaw as it is.
- "As a ratepayer, I feel that local residents should be able to access the beach in order to enjoy being able to take torpedos/fishing apparatus to the water. In the 12 odd years we have resided in Ruakaka there have been no accidents regarding vehicles on the beach, and one complaint from a resident who doesn't even live permanently in Ruakaka. A lot of older residents have moved here to enjoy fishing etc and now because of a "minority" there is talk of closing yet another access to our beautiful beach, and therefore ruin it for everyone." The Whangārei District Council now needs to sift through all these responses and come up with a proposal, which will go out to public consultation

## MARSDEN POINT HIGH TIDES

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Thu 7 May	11.07	2.4	11.40	2.5
Fri 8 May	11.50	2.3	~	~
Sat 9 May	12.25	2.4	12.37	2.3
Sun 10 May	1.13	2.4	1.28	2.3
Mon 11 May	2.04	2.4	2.23	2.3
Tue 12 May	2.57	2.4	3.21	2.3
Wed 13 May	3.50	2.5	4.20	2.4
Thu 14 May	4.43	2.5	5.18	2.5
Fri 15 May	5.36	2.6	6.14	2.6
Sat 16 May	6.29	2.7	7.07	2.8
Sun 17 May	7.23	2.8	8.00	2.9
Mon 18 May	8.17	2.8	8.52	2.9
Tue 19 May	9.11	2.8	9.45	2.9
Wed 20 May	10.06	2.7	10.38	2.9
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# Waipu winter FESTIVAL JUNE 2026

<b>FREE</b>	<b>MAY</b>	<b>MON</b>	<b>\$30pp</b>	<b>TUES</b>	<b>\$150pp</b> Almost sold out!	<b>SAT</b>	<b>FREE</b>	<b>SUN</b>	<b>\$100pp</b> 1st of 2	<b>TUES</b>	
<b>King's Birthday Markets</b> Street and park market. Plenty of food, crafts, clothing, garden supplies and more! <b>9.00am - 2.00pm</b> Caledonian Park, Waipu Promote Waipu for details	<b>31</b>	<b>Kings Birthday Holiday</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Aerial Yoga Class</b> Suitable for beginners and more experienced. More info online. <b>5.00pm - 6.15pm</b> Heritage School, 41 Halifax Dr breambaypilates.co.nz/aerial-yoga. Book: breambaypilates@gmail.com	<b>2</b>	<b>Waipu Celtic Barn Gala</b> A Met Gala inspired evening out. Fundraising event for Waipu Volunteer Fire Brigade. <b>5.30pm until late.</b> \$1300 for a table of 10. Tickets from Lauren Jo'al Hair or Modiste, Waipu.	<b>6</b>	<b>Charity Market</b> All stall proceeds go towards Claire Nicholls. Incl clay, firings and glazing on 30th June. <b>9.30am - 1.30pm</b> New Ruakaka Rec Centre, Ruakaka Charity Market Days	<b>7</b>	<b>Adult Handbuild Clay Workshop</b> Build a clay Coral Reef with Claire Nicholls. Incl clay, firings and glazing on 30th June. <b>6.00pm - 8.00pm</b> Black Shed Artspace 7 Cove Rd Email: claire@sculpturenz.com or visit Black Shed Art Space to book.	<b>9</b>
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<b>Adult Handbuild Clay Workshop</b> Build a clay Night Creature with Monique Wheat. Incl clay, firings and glazing on 1st July. <b>6.00pm - 8.00pm</b> Black Shed Artspace 7 Cove Rd Email: claire@sculpturenz.com or visit Black Shed Art Space to book.	<b>10</b>	<b>Adult Handbuild Clay Workshop</b> Build clay Dipping Bowls with Claire Nicholls Incl all clay, firings and glazing on 2nd July. <b>6.00pm - 8.00pm</b> Black Shed Artspace 7 Cove Rd Email: claire@sculpturenz.com or visit Black Shed Art Space to book.	<b>11</b>	<b>Fertiliser and Compost Workshop</b> Want to save money and grow your own food in this crazy world economy we are in? Wine and nibbles provided. <b>5.00pm</b> Waipu Hammer Hardware Bookings not required	<b>11</b>	<b>The Razza Riddler Pop Quiz</b> Teams of 6. Fundraising for Bream Bay College exchange trip to Japan in 2026. <b>6.30pm</b> Waipu Citizens & Services Club To book ph/txt 021782662	<b>11</b>	<b>Adult Handbuild Clay Workshop</b> Handbuild clay mugs with Monique Wheat. Incl all clay, firings and glazing on 3rd July. <b>6.00pm - 8.00pm</b> 7 Cove Rd Email: claire@sculpturenz.com or visit Black Shed Art Space to book.	<b>12</b>	<b>The Great Debate</b> Topic "Kilts are more appropriate than Board shorts in Waipu." Come along for a laugh and a drink. Suggested attire: Board shorts or kilts! <b>6.00pm - 7.30pm</b> Waipu Hotel, South Rd.	<b>12</b>
<b>\$5pp</b>	<b>SAT</b>	<b>FREE</b>	<b>WED</b>	<b>\$50pp</b>	<b>WED</b>	<b>\$50pp</b>	<b>THUR/FRI</b>	<b>\$50pp</b>	<b>SAT</b>	2nd of 2	<b>TUES</b>
<b>More Seafaring &amp; Shipwreck Stories</b> Speaker: Alistair Robinson Organised by the Waipu Scottish Migration Museum <b>1.00pm - 2.00pm</b> Heritage School, 41 Halifax Dr More info: Waipu Scottish Migration Museum 09 432 0746	<b>20</b>	<b>Community Bingo</b> A local favourite at the Razza Bar & Kitchen. Last Wednesday every month. Bar and Kitchen open from 5.00pm. <b>Bingo starts 7.00pm</b> Waipu Citizens & Services Club More info: ph/txt 021782662	<b>24</b>	<b>Stars in Your Eyes</b> 16 local singing talents will sing, look and perform like their chosen superstar/s. <b>7.30pm</b> Coronation Hall Tickets from Harcourts Waipu or www.trybooking.com/nz/BCWP	<b>24</b>	<b>Stars in Your Eyes</b> 16 local singing talents will sing, look and perform like their chosen superstar/s. <b>7.30pm</b> Coronation Hall Tickets from Harcourts Waipu or www.trybooking.com/nz/BCWP	<b>25/26</b>	<b>Stars in Your Eyes</b> 16 local singing talents will sing, look and perform like their chosen superstar/s. <b>2pm - 5pm and 7.30pm</b> Coronation Hall Tickets from Harcourts Waipu or www.trybooking.com/nz/BCWP	<b>27</b>	<b>Glazing Session Coral Reef</b> Glaze your Coral Reef sculpture with Claire Nicholls <b>6.00pm - 7.30pm</b> Black Shed Artspace 7 Cove Rd Email: claire@sculpturenz.com or visit Black Shed Art Space to book.	<b>30</b>



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Although we have had generous amounts of yarn already we need more in any quantities

Should you be able to help

We also need donations of cotton or cotton blended fabric to make items for children.

Please phone Gale 09 431 4827 or leave donations at the Apple Basket on SH1 at Kaiwaka.

## Update on the Ruakākā Solar Farm construction. 27,000 piles installed 60,000 more to go in



An aerial view of rows of solar panel piles at Ruakākā

Solar panels are starting to be installed at the Meridian Ruakaka solar farm. The panels are fitted into mounting structures that are attached to metal piles. At last count, approximately 27,000 piles had gone in, with 60,000 left to go.

Removal of weeds in the wetland habitat restoration area in the northernmost site is also in progress, in preparation for native planting over the winter.

The rain events over the past few months have caused some surface flooding on site. Though this poses challenges for construction, the structures themselves have been designed to cope with flooding in major rainfall events, given the low-lying nature of the site.

The solar farm will be completed in 2027, though it is expected to start generating power from later this year

## Big discounts on power bills for Northpower electricity consumers

Northpower electricity consumers will collectively receive \$16.8 million through this year's Northpower Pricing Discount, a \$1 million increase on last year and marks the seventh consecutive year the discount has grown.

The Pricing Discount is made possible through the support of the Northpower Electric Power Trust, which owns Northpower on behalf of electricity consumers connected to the Northpower network.

Most residential and commercial customers connected to the Northpower electricity network will receive a discount linked to their individual electricity usage. The amount will differ for each customer and will be paid to electricity retailers in May 2026, who will then pass it on through customer bills. A high proportion of customers will receive a discount near the cap for the discount scheme - \$277.10 (plus GST).

Northpower Trust Chair Phil Heatley says the discount directly benefits local electricity consumers.

"It's always rewarding to see the discount going straight back to people in Kaipara and Whangarei. Ultimately, they own the Northpower business, and so this discount provides a direct return from that ownership.

We regularly hear from consumers in the community just how much they value it," Mr Heatley says.

The discount will appear as a credit on customers' May or June electricity bills and will benefit more than 60,000 active connections on the Northpower network. To be eligible, consumers must have an active network connection as at 1 May 2026. Full eligibility criteria and details on how the discount is calculated are available at [www.northpower.nz/for-home/pricing/northpower-pricing-discounts/](http://www.northpower.nz/for-home/pricing/northpower-pricing-discounts/).

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# New white crosses and poppies for the Waipu Cemetery service personnel graves



Members of the Waipu RSA Women's Division braved some heavy showers on Tuesday 21 April to lay some new white crosses each with a red ANZAC poppies on all the graves at the ex service personnel section in the Waipu Cemetery. Rod Lindop of the Waipu Lions made the crosses. Paula Goodhue said this was something she has wanted to do for some time. The crosses would be left for a few days after ANZAC day on 25 April for the benefit of family members who might come to visit but then would be gathered up to put out again before ANZAC day 2027.

In the photo from left: Lorraine Murray, Irene Jarrett, Pauline Bryant, Noelene Ross and Paula Goodhue.

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Waipu Cove (Opposite Beach Car park)	9:40
Waipu (Vet Centre Bus Stop)	9:50
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Waipu (Vet Centre Bus Stop)	4:00
Waipu Cove (Opposite Beach Car park)	4:10
Langs Beach (Corner of Wairahi and Cove Roads)	4:15
Mangawhai Heads (The Club)	4:30
Mangawhai Village (Village Shops Bus Stop Opposite Bennetts)	4:35
Arrive Kaiwaka (Bus stop below St Paul's Church)	4:50

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Kaiwaka	\$7.50	\$11.00
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Mangawhai Heads	\$7.50	\$11.00
Langs Beach	\$7.50	\$11.00
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## Cross Country at Bream Bay College



Kobe Malota puts in a good effort in the senior boys race

Bream Bay College held its annual Cross Country event on Thursday Morning 30 April with students from year 7s to year 13s running and walking over the hilly and in some places muddy course.

The school's sports coordinator Megan Carran said, "It was a fantastic day for our school cross country. We run the event on the Holland/Finlayson Farm and have done for over 20 years, which is incredible. We are so appreciative of them letting us use it, as it truly is a gruelling traditional cross country course.

"This year we had a record number of students running, just under 200 along with 12 marshals and the PE staff to help run it"

## Results

Sub Junior Boys - winner - Nathan Davis-Kahui, Sub Junior Girls Winner - Evie Webb, Junior Boys winner - Jayden Bradburn Junior Girls winner - Kaylia Fieldhouse, Intermediate Boys winner - Ely Cotterill, Intermediate Girls Winner - Kohana Pirini, Senior Boys winner - Aleks Zajac, Senior Girls winner - Koda Wilson

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### Is food a challenge for you? You're not alone.

Overeaters Anonymous (OA) is a fellowship of people who share experiences, strength, and hope as they work towards recovery from compulsive eating, undereating, and other food-related challenges.

A free public information meeting will be held in Whangārei:  
Date: Saturday May 23rd 2026  
Time: 11.00-12.00, followed by tea/coffee chat  
Venue: Whangārei Care Centre, 1 Mill Road, Regent, Whangārei 0112

This informal session is open to anyone who may be struggling with food, as well as those concerned about a family member or friend.

The OA programme (based on the principles of Alcoholics Anonymous) will be introduced, with members sharing their experiences. There will also be time for questions and informal conversation over tea and coffee.

For more information contact:  
Adrienne 021 648 601 or visit [www.oa.org](http://www.oa.org)

## Bream Bay Sports Trust Winter Have a Go Festival a major success

The Bream Bay Sports Trust's Winter 2026 "Have a Go" Sports Festival proved a major success, uniting 18 local clubs and energising the community. People of all ages embraced the opportunity to try new sports, sparking fresh interest, increasing club participation, and promoting active lifestyles across the region.

The Bream Bay Sports Trust extends its sincere thanks to its sponsors, whose support made the event possible.

Building on this momentum, a July workshop featuring Gordon Noble-Campbell, Chairman of the New Zealand Amateur Sport Association, is set to further support community engagement.

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## Lots to look forward to in Waipu Winter Festival

The Winter in Waipu events June calendar is out and features several big events.

The first of these is a Met Gala inspired evening out in the Waipu Celtic Barn.

Price is \$1300 with funds going to the Waipu Fire Brigade.

Then from 24 – 27 June there will be four Stars in Their Eyes performances when 16 local singers take on the challenge to look, sing and perform just like their favourite super stars.

The Waipu Museum gets into the act on Sunday 20 June with Seafaring and Shipwreck stories in the Heritage School

This year's Great Debate topic is "Kilts are more appropriate than board shorts in Waipu." Suggested dress code for this event in the Waipu Hotel on Friday 12 June from 6 -7.30pm is, of course, board shorts or kilts.

There are also markets, workshops in compost making, clay handbuilding and glazing, Yoga, bingo and quiz nights at the RAZZA (the Waipu Citizens and Services Club).

Coming up in July will be the annual Vet Centre Pet Parade and the Waipu Volunteer Fire Brigade shortbread completion.

Also an original musical performed by Bream Bay primary school children - Rock the Rules - "no Teachers, No Rules, Just Rock" in the Waipu Coronation Hall on Friday 3 and Saturday 4 July.

## Stories of old Waipu

The Waipu Scottish Migration Museum is hosting a series of afternoon sessions where people can hear stories of "Old Waipu".

The next of these will be held in the Heritage School (behind the museum) on Saturday 9 May from 2pm. Speakers will be retired veterinarian John Troost who will talk about The Vet Club, Don Ewen will talk about the history of cricket in Waipu, Alistair Robinson will talk about a local shipwreck and Paula Alexander will talk about being Maori in Waipu with brief reflections of what this was like in the 1940s, 1970s and in 2025.

## Fifty Years ago in the Bream Bay News

*From the Bream Bay News April 1976 edition*

The Waipu sub branch of the Plunket Society are holding their AGM in the lounge of the Waipu Motel on Thursday 8 April at 8pm. Guest speaker is Constable also be showing a film on child molesting.

Waipu has fine entrants in the Whangārei Baby Photo contest. Three photos are on display in Waipu at Pousina's Drapery and at the Farmers Trading Company in Whangārei.

A morning tea was held at Rosie Cookson's garden, Glenmohr Road on 25 March. The proceeds of this garden party were donated for the sponsorship of the entrants.

The Bream Bay News is to be run in the future by a committee of Bream Bay College teachers and pupils. Headed by teacher Mr. Kevin McQuillan according to College Principal Mr. W Aston in an interview last week.

However, any views expressed in the "news" will not necessarily be those of the Board of Governors, myself or staff of the College said Mr. Aston.

"We will try to present a balance between feature articles, advertising, news and other items of interest.

We want it to mirror activities and opinions of the communities in the Bream Bay area.

Therefore we ask the people of the area for their continued support as was given to Mrs. Stevens.

Mr. Aston went on to pay tribute to the initiative, work and dedication of Mrs. Stevens in bringing the news sheet to the Bream bay community over a number of years.

"It is our wish to carry on in the same way, using the resources of the people in the area and school to continue to provide an extremely valuable service," Mr. Aston said.

## WHAT'S ON IN BREAM BAY

- **STORIES OF OLD WAIPU** Saturday 9 May from, 2pm in the Heritage School behind the Waipu Museum.
- **WAIPU VILLAGE MARKET.** In The Waipu Coronation Hall. 9am to 1pm Second Sunday each month. Next on Sunday 10 May
- **KINGS BIRTHDAY MARKET.** Street and Park Market Caledonain park Waipu. 9am - 2pm Sunday 31 May.
- **CHARITY MARKET.** Sunday 7 June 8.30 - 1.30pm in the New Ruakaka Recreation Centre. All stall proceeds to North Haven Hospice.
- **FERTILISER AND COMPOSTING WORKSHOP. FREE** At Waipu Hammer hardware from 5pm Thursday 11 June at Waipu Hammer Hardware.
- **RIDDLER POP QUIZ** at the RAZZA Waipu Citizens and Services Club Thursday 11 June from 6.30pm. Fundraiser for Bream Bay College exchange trip to Japan.
- **THE GREAT DEBATE** Friday 12 June from 6. - 7.30pm at the Waipu Hotel., South Rd. Topic: kilts are more appropriate than board shorts in Waipu.
- **SEAFARING AND SHIPWRECK STORIES** By Alistair Robinson on behalf of the Waipu Scottish Migration Museum. Saturday 20 June 1pm to 2pm in the Heritage School, 42 Halifax Drive.
- **STARS IN YOUR EYES.** 16 local singing talents looking, performing and singing like their chosen superstars. Tickets from Harcourts Waipu or trybooking.com.nz. performances sold out on 25 - 27 June. Only seats left on Wednesday 24 June. \$50pp. in the Waipu Coronation Hall
- **BREAM BAY MUSIC GROUP** First Monday of every month starting at 7pm At the new Rec Centre in Peter Snell Road, Ruakākā. Contact Ross or Fulco on 0274 410 584
- **COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS** Fridays 10.30 -12noon, Bream Bay Community Trust Hall, Takutai Place, Ruakākā
- **COMMUNITY BINGO** Last Wednesday each month (except December) Every one welcome. Raffles, restaurant and Bar open from 5 pm. Calling starts at 7pm 15 games and 2 jackpots open to the public. At the Waipu Citizens and Services Club - The RAZZA
- **WAIPU MUSEUM** 36, The Centre, Waipu. Open seven days 10am- 4pm

## Waipu Volunteer Fire Brigade needs you !

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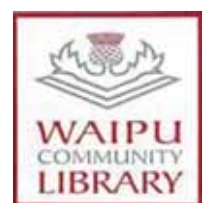
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