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## New Auckland ferry terminal made in Ruakākā

On 5 December, the last of nine modules to make up a new ferry terminal on the Auckland waterfront were carefully lowered into the Whangarei Harbour at Northport and towed by tugs down the coast to Auckland.

The modules were built at the SPIIND engineering workshop in Marsden Point Rd., Ruakākā.

They were transported one by one at night on specialized heavy haul transporters to purpose built shed at the port where they were painted and prepared for their voyage down the coastline. In order for the big loads to enter some of the boundary fencing around the port had to be removed.

Northport's mobile harbour cranes were used to lower the modules into the water. A carefully coordinated tandem lift by both cranes was needed to lower the two biggest pontoons into the water on a slack tide in the morning of 30 November.

SPIIND Managing Director Paul Heberd said some of the pontoons are already in place and are being used by the public. SPIIND tradesmen are carrying out the final fit out on the newest pontoons in Auckland, which they hoped to have completed before Christmas.

Mr. Heberd said the build started on 18 April 2020 so the project has taken eight months.

He said SPIIND has a number of large new projects "in the melting pot", many of these for overseas customers.

## Christmas tree display at Lifepoint Church



Rochelle Brownlie decorates a Christmas Tree for the Lifepoint Church display. Businesses and community groups were invited to bring trees along to the church to decorate for the public to view. Rochelle's tree was sponsored by her and husband Shane's Northland Cleaning Solutions business. Entry to view the Christmas tree display is free with morning or afternoon tea provided.

For viewing times see the Bream Bay News *What's On* guide on page 19 of this issue.



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### Understanding how to be Sun Smart



### Become Sun Smart

New Zealand has some of the strongest levels of UV radiation in the world. Making the right choice regarding sun care is important for you and your family's health. Your Pharmacist can provide you with the right care + advice to help you be sun smart with your everyday sun care choices.

**What is SPF?**  
SPF stands for Sun Protection Factor. It gives an indication of how much protection a sunscreen has against the burning rays of the sun. If used correctly the higher the number, the greater your protection.

**What are UVA and UVB rays?**  
UVA rays are responsible for wrinkles and premature aging as they penetrate deep into the skin. UVB rays penetrate the skin's top layer causing sunburn. Both can cause skin damage.

**What is a broad-spectrum sunscreen?**  
A sunscreen product that shields against both UVA and UVB rays.



### Tips for treating sunburn

It is best to prevent sunburn with good sun care protection but if you do get burnt:

- **Act quickly.** As soon as you see a touch of pink or feel any tingling of a burn on yourself or a child, get out of the sun and start treatment.
- **Cool down.** Apply a cold compress or immerse the affected area in cool water.
- **Moisturize.** Gently apply a cream or lotion to soothe the skin.
- **Hydrate.** Drink water, juice or sports drinks with electrolytes to replace body fluids.
- **Shade.** Stay out of the sun until the burn fades.
- **Get expert advice.** Talk to your Pharmacist if the blisters break, you are in severe pain or discomfort or the sunburn is accompanied by chills, fever, nausea or vomiting.
- **Be smart and get checked.** If you are concerned about a mole or funny looking skin spot get it checked by a Doctor straight away.

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## EDITORIAL

### Too much stuff!

Last week it was announced that the volume of man made stuff on this earth had overtaken the biomass of all other living things. That means that the volume of concrete, plastic, metal, bricks and asphalt is now greater than all the trees, plants and animals.

As with most news items on TV or the radio this assertion leaves you asking a few questions. Are the plants I grow in my garden and the fields of maize I drive past on my way into Waipū or Ruakākā considered man made or of the natural world? On which side of the man made versus plant made divide is the wooden house I live in?

Scientists at the Weizmann Institute in Israel say that at the beginning of the 20th century the mass of human produced objects was equal to about 3% of the world's total biomass but in 2020 this figure is over 50%.

The researchers say "The face of Earth in the 21st Century is affected in an unprecedented manner by the activities of humanity and the production and accumulation of human made objects"

They say that on average every person in the world is responsible for the creation of human made matter equal to more than their bodyweight each week.

Look at those 12,000 containers off the Constantinos P being trucked to Auckland to stock up retail outlets in time for Christmas sales.

And what about all those storage facilities we now have in Bream Bay – five by my count? Brent Casey, who operates a container storage depot in Ruakākā and is opening another with 58 units in Waiwarwara Drive, said there is plenty of ongoing demand.

I heard a sad and salutary story recently about a woman who had moved from her house to a care home and had stored all her surplus belongings in a storage unit. Over the years this had cost her in excess of \$22,000. Upon her death her family had asked the local Lions Club if it would like to sell of the goods in the storage unit as a charity fundraiser. The Lions looked the goods over and came to the conclusion that none of it was worth the effort.

I am as guilty as anyone of buying too much stuff at Christmas. I have a big pile of presents ready for my three grandsons. I keep buying them books, which I don't think they read. They are more interested in computer games.

On page 21 of this issue is an article by Sue Welford about Waipū's Opp shops. Buying second hand is one way to enjoy some guilt free shopping.

Next week I am heading down to the Central Plateau for a four day hike. Inside my pack will be some packets of food, a raincoat, some warm clothes and a sleeping bag. I will also take a book to read, something not too bulky as between hikes I am likely to have more free time than I usually get. I am looking forward to this and know how good it will be just for those four days to have nothing to worry about except putting one foot in front of the other and to be liberated from the burden of all my stuff.

*Marilyn*

Happy Christmas to all Bream Bay News readers, advertisers and contributors.

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## Ruakākā School withdraws letter of support for satellite station

Ruakākā Primary School has withdrawn a letter of support it had provided to Great South the company proposing to build a satellite ground station in Ruakākā. In a message on its facebook page the school said the letter was withdrawn after the public meeting held at the Ruakākā Recreation Centre on Monday evening, 30 November.

The notice on the school facebook page said Ruakākā School would be watching developments with interest and acting in the interests of its tamariki.

Representatives of Great South had been invited to the meeting but at too late notice to organize flights from Invercargill. The company plans to hold a round of public consultation meetings on the proposal in the New Year.

Great South Strategic Projects Advisor Chantelle Subritsky said the proposed satellite station site has not yet been purchased as the company is still undergoing investigations into its suitability. The site is around 400 metres from the intersection up Sandford Rd. on the opposite side from the school, has

Great South is Southland's development agency akin to the Northland Regional Council agency Northland Inc.

It has ground stations in Invercargill, which pick up signals from passing satellites and now wants to establish a ground station at the other end of the country.

Great South had proposed opportunities for Ruakākā School children to learn about satellite technology at the proposed station.

But neighbouring residents have concerns about the station, which has a collection of dome shaped structures and satellite discs compromising their outlooks and potentially lowering their property values.

Great South Chief Executive Graham Budd said, "We will be continuing our community engagement with a public meeting either late January or early February 2021 when we will have more information available to share."

"As soon as we have a date confirmed we will be sure to inform the community."

## A critical time for shorebird chick survival



Photo by Jacob Ball

A pair of fairy tern parent birds watch over their newly hatched chicks on the Mangawhai Sandspit.

Members of the public are asked to keep away from fairy tern breeding sites at both the Waipū and Mangawhai estuaries over the next few months to allow for the successful fledging of this year's batch of chicks. In particular, dogs should be kept well away from these places.

The fairy tern or tara iti is New Zealand's most rare breeding bird with only around 40 birds remaining. They nest on the ground camouflaged on shell covered sandy areas close to estuaries and are very vulnerable to predators. Each spring and summer a team of dedicated Department of Conservation rangers and volunteers attempt to protect fairy tern nests from a host of dangers including: dogs, humans, rats, stoats and weasels, hedgehogs, black backed gulls, storm surges and spring tides.

By Wednesday last week (9 December) six eggs had hatched so far this season, four at Mangawhai and two on the Waipū sandspit. Sadly three of the Mangawhai chicks had since died and their bodies were undergoing necropsies. The two Waipū chicks were reported to be doing well. More eggs were close to hatching in additional nests at Mangawhai.

Abigail Monteith, a media spokesperson for the Department of Conservation, said, "The situation is

very changeable. We are continuing to move eggs and work with our partners at Auckland Zoo. A big effort is being made by our rangers and volunteers in this wild weather."

Last month nine fairy tern eggs were moved to Auckland Zoo and kept in incubators until they were ready to hatch to keep them safe through a period of stormy weather. The eggs were then returned to nests where parent birds had been kept sitting on dummy eggs.

There are also oyster catchers and dotterels nesting at both the Waipū and Ruakākā estuaries. Lucina Cummings reported four oyster catcher and five dotterel chicks in nests at Ruakākā, with more eggs close to hatching. She and other members of the Bream Bay Coastal Care Trust will have a busy time over the summer trying to protect the nests from disturbance.

There are also dotterel and oyster catchers attempting to nest at the northern edge of the Waipū Estuary. Despite the best efforts of dedicated shore bird advocate David Lourie, with vehicles driving into the wildlife reserve and dogs romping through it, these nests have very little chance of success. David recently found a critically injured oyster catcher chick there, that appeared to have been run over by a vehicle.

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 Deadline for letters is Friday 8 January

**LETTERS**

**An example of the “Who cares?” attitude**

This photo of a burnt out car at the metal dump on the corner of Te One St. and Station Rd. was emailed to the Bream Bay News with the caption: “Yet another example of the “who cares, no-one does anything” attitude.



**To deny others the right to have a say is arrogant and very dangerous**

You know what I hate most about those who say the contentious issue of race-based seats on local councils should not be put to a vote. They think my opinion doesn't matter. Guess what. It does matter. My opinion matters - no less and no more than anyone else's opinion.

To deny others the right to have a say in a democracy is arrogant and very dangerous.

What's worse, our very own Northland Regional councillors, have not only voted against the public having a say, they have written to the Local Government Minister asking that she take away our right to demand a poll.

It seems our elected councillors trusted us to be wise when they were elected last year, but they don't trust us when they know the public challenges their decision about Maori constituencies.

I encourage everyone who is equally as disgusted as I am about this to sign the petition calling for a referendum on race-based seats. That way everyone can have a say and councillors will be reminded who they work for.

*Raewyn Messham  
 Ngunguru*

**The meaning of democracy?**

I support John Bain in his stance against Maori wards. Also I am very concerned at Ken Couper's support of a Maori ward. That is not what I gave him support for, does he not know the meaning of democracy?

Surely if Maori want to be represented on the Regional Council they like any other ethnic persons can put their names forward. Ken Couper, it seems to me does not understand the principle of the Council, It will be interesting in three years time.

*Russell Foster,  
 Takahiwai*

**Democracy - the best way to arrive at the least unpopular solution**

It was Winston Churchill who said, “Democracy is the worst form of government, except for all the others.” While democracy has its failings, it is the best way to arrive at the least unpopular solution.

That's why divisive issues like race-based seats on local councils should be put to a popular vote. A vote gives voice to those who would otherwise remain silent and returns power to the people. It's the essence of democracy.

*Frank Newman  
 Whangarei*

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# How much land will the four lane highway take?

Affected landowners along the route of the proposed upgrade of the 22 kilometres of State Highway One between Whangarei and Ruakākā have been sent some initial letters from Waka Kotahi advising them that some of their land may be required for the project.

Bruce Paton, who has a farm just north of the Ruakākā roundabout, said it looks as though he could lose around 20 hectares of land along with two farm houses. The Whangarei District Council’s pumping station serving the town water supply would also be swallowed up in the highway widening.

Bruce acknowledges these are early days and things could change as negotiations continue but from the early indicative map the road carriage seems to be much wider than necessary.

What he is really worried about though is the amount of time it will take to build the new four-lane highway. “Look how long it took to build that new roundabout at Portland. At that rate it could take around 15 years to complete this project.

He thinks Waka Kotahi should take all the lost productivity with hold ups on the road while the work is in progress when they calculate the benefits of an upgrade such as this one.

Ilia Petro who owns the commercial centre alongside the roundabout said it is too early to say yet how much of his land will be affected. He said as this is public work there is little he can do about it.

“The only thing you can have any influence over is the valuation of the property and the compensation you will receive for it.”

After a round of public consultation in October Waka Kotahi has decided on a route following the existing highway with some sections built on a new alignment to straighten out curves as the “emerging preferred option” for the four lane upgrade project. The project will also provide a walking and cycling path.

The project will also include a separated walking and cycling path.

A business case confirming the preferred corridor is due for completion in mid 2021.

Waka Kotahi project manager Andrew Thackwray said.

“The width of the emerging preferred corridor currently varies between 25 – 250 metres and will be refined over the coming months through ground investigations, landowner consultation and design work.”

He said the road design is at a very early stage with details such as the form of intersections, access points and location of the shared path still to be decide.

# Spruce up for transmission towers



The electricity transmission towers around Ruakākā have been getting a spruce up over the last six months.

Charlotte Haddon a communications advisor for Transpower said contractors have been carrying out routine replacements of steel parts and vibration dampers.

She explained the dampers stop the vibration of the earthwire, which extends the life of both earth wire and earth wire hardware.

Ms Haddon said the crew working on this particular maintenance project comprise “skilled international linespeople who are highly-trained for conducting this work at height”.



## Properties sold since opening

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## A Bream Bay Filipino Christmas celebration



The burgeoning Filipino community in Ruakaka and One Tree Point got together in a Ruakaka Village back yard for a Christmas Party on Saturday 3 December. There were Christmas themed dress ups, a big blow up Santa, children's games, dancing, lots of laughter, prayer before dinner and a magnificent Christmas feast with the centre piece, a pig slow cooked on a spit.

The party brought together Filipino people from a range of work places including local farms, North Sawn Lumber, the Carter Holt Harvey LVL plant, the Ranburn Rest Home and Hospital and the Marsden Point Refinery. There are also a number of women who have married local men some of whom now have New Zealand born children and grandchildren.



Little Kate Abigail Batir, aged 10 months, wore her best dress to the Bream Bay Filipino Christmas party.

## What does the Marsden Point Road bridge upgrade entail?

There is a sign on the Marsden Point Rd. bridge on the western approach to the Ruakaka Towncentre, which advises that bridge is undergoing an upgrade.

People living nearby received letters last week advising that the construction period would run from 12 December to 23 December and if necessary from 19 January to 19 January 2021.

The letter said that the majority of the work would be on the underside of the bridge but for a short period traffic management would be needed when some work was undertaken on the top. So what exactly is happening here?

Zander Cutang, Renewals Project Manager for the Northland Transportation Alliance explained that, "The project's principal purpose is to undertake heavy maintenance of the bridges piers by jacking of the selected piles to ensure a continual level of service to users".

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of the Bream Bay News will be Thursday 14 January

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## POLICE REPORT

### Twenty infringement notices in just two days for container truck drivers

By Monday morning 14 December Police Commercial Vehicle Safety Teams working at the Uretiti truck stop had issued 20 infringement notices to truck drivers transporting containers to Auckland from the ship Constantinos, which was diverted to Northland to help with Ports of Auckland congestion problems.

The infringements ranged from not having the trailer brakes connected on one rig, tyres not up to regulation standards and drivers exceeding permitted working hours without taking a break.

The operation to move 1200 to Auckland began on Friday 11 December at 6am stopping at midnight and resuming on Saturday 12 December at 6am until 3pm that afternoon with no loading at Northport until Monday morning.



Police check trucks at the Uretiti testing station

Extra Commercial Vehicle Safety Teams from around New Zealand have been brought to Northland to assist with the Police operation.

### Extra Police

There will be extra Police working in Bream Bay from 21 December to help with the expected holiday crowds. Senior Sergeant Simon Craig said Police officers from Whangarei would be assisting with patrols of the campgrounds and beaches. There will also be extra patrols out stopping vehicles and testing drivers' breath alcohol levels. Sergeant Craig asks people to be careful on the roads with all the extra traffic about and to keep fishing and boating gear and other items that might attract thieves, somewhere secure.

### Nine family harm incidents

In the fortnight from 30 November to 14 December Bream Bay Police dealt with nine family harm incidents.

### Charges after Brynderwyn crash

At 2pm on 8 December a vehicle crashed into barriers on the southern side of the Brynderwyn Hill. The driver was uninjured but has subsequently been charged with careless driving, with failing to comply with a zero alcohol court order and with exceeding the legal alcohol-driving limit. The man returned a breath alcohol level of 499 micrograms of alcohol per litre of breath. The legal limit is 250 micrograms.

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## Children sing for retirement village residents



Rooms 6 and 7 children from One Tree Point School put on a Christmas concert for the residents of the nearby Anchorage Retirement Village last Thursday. The children sang some New Zealand themed Christmas songs and then presented each of the residents with a little posy of flowers picked from their own gardens.

## Lots of development in OTP and Ruakākā

There is a lot of commercial construction going on at present at Marsden Point and also on the North Holdings Land near the intersection of Port Marsden Highway and One Tree Point Rd..

Marsden Maritime Holdings Ltd. has two developments underway on both sides of Marsden Bay Drive. On the eastern seaward side of the road a12 unit commercial building is under construction and expected to be completed by late April or early May 2021.

Gavin Carroll, Financial Controller for MMH said nine of the units have already been tenanted and that there is space available to build another block with another 12 units if the demand continues.

On the other side of the road a facility to cater for businesses, which need more space is being built. This will comprise four units of 650 square metres each in size. Mr. Carroll said three of these four units have businesses ready to move in.

There is also a lot happening on the mixed use residential and light commercial near the intersection

of Port Marsden Highway and One Tree Point Rd. Paul Gray, the owner of this development said he is pretty happy about the uptake.

The large building at the One Tree Point Rd entrance to the subdivision will house a restaurant, cooking school, bakery and coffee roastery.

Alongside this a workshop is under construction for a vehicle certification company. A new larger gym is soon to be built as the current gym is now too small for its number of patrons.

Towards the highway on Waiwarawara Drive a number of new commercial buildings are under construction including a 58-unit storage facility with garage space for eight tradespeople, a commercial kitchen, bathroom facilities and a meeting space available for hire.

The retirement village, located on this development, will have 40 occupied homes by Christmas with another 15 underway. A bowling green and clubhouse have been built with a swimming pool planned for the new year.

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# Another section of the Waipū cycle/walkway opens

Photo by Ann Neill



Waipū Cycle and Walkway Trust Chairman Tim Manning tries out the new section of the trail with daughters: Lucy, Laura and Taylor

Another section of the Waipū to Waipū Cove cycle and walkway has been built with the trail now rideable from Waipū Cove to McLean Rd.

There is a warning though for people to take care crossing the road and when using the one lane bridge where the Whangarei District Council will be installing a culvert to allow a separate cycle and pedestrian path across the stream.

Planning is underway for the next section with Waipū Cycle/Walkway trust members talking to landowners about where this could go.

There remains approximately three kilometres of trail still to build to connect the section from Waipū town to Riverview Place with the Waipū Cove to McLean Rd. section.

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# Patuharakeke signs Resource Management agreements with local councils



Whangārei Mayor Sheryl Mai, (seated left) and Northland Regional Council Chair Penny Smart sign the Manawhakahono ā Rohe agreements at Takahiwai Marae at the weekend. Standing beside them are Juliane Chetham, Patuharakeke Trust Board's Environmental/Taiao Unit Manager, left, and the board's Interim Chair Gilbert Paki.

Representatives from both the Whangarei District Council and the Northland Regional Council signed an agreement at the Takahiwai Marae last week 5 December, to give assurance of Patuharakeke involvement in resource consent decision making in the hapū's rohe which stretches from north of Mangawhai Heads to the entrance of the Mangapai River just south of Whangarei and inland to include the Brynderwyn (or Piroa) and Kakanui Ranges.

Manawhakahono ā Rohe (MWR) agreements were introduced into the Resource Management Act (RMA) in 2017 by the Crown as a way of providing more opportunities for tangata whenua involvement in RMA processes.

The Patuharakeke agreements are among some of the first to be endorsed nationally and come just weeks after New Zealand's first MWR was officially signed by the West Coast Regional Council and Poutini Ngāi Tahu in late October.

Patuharakeke Trust Board's Acting Chair Gilbert Paki says while legally the decision-making respon-

sibilities under the RMA remain with councils, MWR agreements provide an additional, important opportunity for tangata whenua to influence and have their say on resource management issues generally.

NRC Chair Penny Smart said much of the MWR agreements formalise processes the two councils are already undertaking.

"In this case, they'll set out how the Patuharakeke Trust Board will be involved in planning and resource consent processes, and how councils will provide support through training, providing in-house expertise (such as GIS mapping), and access to some funding." Funding/resources would be available to help tangata whenua develop – or in this case renew – their Environmental Management Plans and open the door for potential regional council support of mātauranga Maori-based environmental monitoring.

The regional council says its MWR agreements will last for six years from signing but will be reviewed and can be extended by mutual agreement.

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## Beach ambassadors needed for Gator patrols

Volunteer beach ambassadors are needed for this summers beach safety patrol. Senior Constable Martin Geddes of the Bream Bay Police said, "We are looking to recruit Beach Ambassadors for this summer season which begins around the 23 December running for a couple of months."

Shane Rouse, Rouse Motorcycles Hikurangi, has offered a beach gator for the program this summer. The Gator will help to patrol over 8 kilometres of beach where drownings have been occurring.

Ambassadors will be trained in the use of the Gator, in identifying dangerous sea conditions and responding to emergencies. Ambassadors are not encouraged to enter the ocean to save lives but rather to be the point of contact at the scene relaying vital information to emergency services.

Constable Geddes said, "The key roles of the ambassadors are around prevention and education. To assist with this we have safety pamphlets in Chinese, English and Korean but the hands on personal approach is what makes this initiative work."

A typical patrol begins with logging on at the Ruakaka Surf Club where the Gator is kept. From there you will drive along the beach stopping and talking to groups and individuals, handing out pamphlets and advising on beach safety and etiquette. The patrol morning shift begins around 9.00am and ends at 1.00pm and in the afternoon from 1.00pm through to about 5.00pm in the afternoon with some flexibility around these times.

Constable Geddes said, "We are looking for a commitment of four to six shifts over the summer season. Some patrollers may be able to contribute more than that. You will need a current drivers licence or be willing to double up with another beach ambassador if you do not have a licence

If anyone wishes to become a volunteer you can do so by contacting Graeme MacDonald at: Phone 021 024 40972 . Email: gmacdonald@gmail.com or Graham Hadlee at: 021 960011. Email: ghadlee72@gmail.com or Senior Constable Martin Geddes at martin.geddes@police.govt.nz

The Beach Safety Ambassador initiative is in its fifth year. The District Coroner has mentioned the initiative as part of the answer to the drowning fatalities which he has investigated over a number of years.

## New storage facility opening soon in Ruakaka



Brent Casey in front of his new 58 unit storage facility

A new storage facility with 58 units of various sizes is nearing completion in Waiwarawara Drive, Ruakaka.

The complex is the latest project of Brent Casey, who already operates a container storage facility in Mokohinau Street in the Kepa Rd. light industrial area. Brent says there is strong demand for storage space.

The Waiwarawara Drive storage facility also has a commercial kitchen, toilets, office space for rent and a meeting room.

At the back of the complex is a line of eight single garages with roller doors, which Brent thinks might appeal to trades people to use as a base. They could use the kitchen and bathroom facilities at the front of the building and perhaps also the office space and meeting room, if these are required.

The new facility should have been completed by now but was held up by the Covid 19 lockdown. Last week however it was all go with tradesmen putting in the final touches.

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**Christmas in the City 2020**

**Event guide**

**Friday Dec 18**  
**Santa's Workshop - Northland Youth Trust & WDC**  
 25 Bank Street  
 4pm - 6pm  
 Free entry. Face painting, photobooth, Christmas cards, hanging ornaments and photos with Santa

**Saturday Dec 19**  
**Artisans Christmas Market**  
 Reburn House Lane  
 9am - 1pm

**Whangarei Central Baptist Church Christmas Carols**  
 Cameron Street Stage  
 10am - 11:30am

**Santa's Workshop - Northland Youth Trust & WDC**  
 25 Bank Street  
 10am - 12pm  
 Free entry. Face painting, photobooth, Christmas cards, hanging ornaments and photos with Santa.

**UV Winter Wonderland, Stories in the snow cave - Northland Youth Trust**  
 25 Bank Street  
 6pm - 8pm  
 Free entry

**Sunday 20 December**  
**Northland Branch IRMTNZ Student Concert**  
 Cameron Street Mall Stage  
 11am - 1pm

**Beats in the Basin**  
 Town Basin Raised Stage Area  
 11am - 2pm  
 Free live music from two-piece band A2stix

**Tuesday 22 Dec**  
**Carols @ the Town Basin**  
 Town Basin Raised Stage Area  
 8pm - 8:30pm  
 Christmas Carols and other pieces by the Whangarei Brass Band

**Thursday 24 Dec**  
**Christmas Eve Growers Christmas Market**  
 Water St Carpark  
 6am - 9am  
*The Water St carpark will be closed for parking during this time and will reopen at 9.30am*

## Celebrate summer



### Driving on beaches

To help keep everyone safe on our beaches, Council controls vehicles on beaches in the Bream Bay area through a Bylaw. Driving on Beaches is strictly prohibited at Ruakaka between the Surf Club and a point 500 metres north of Marsden Village (including the Ruakaka River Mouth area). Importantly this includes the areas in front of the Ruakaka Wildlife Refuge. Driving on beaches is also prohibited at Langs Beach on the north-western part of the beach from a point 20m north-west of the vehicle accessway off Cove Road (near the public toilets). Council's aim is for everyone to have a safe long summer, including those driving vehicles on beaches. Key to safety is remembering that some beaches are spaces with people in vehicles as well as people fishing, swimming or just enjoying being on the beach. If they collide, everyone loses so it is important to know the rules and follow them.

- All road rules apply on beaches
- The beach belongs to everyone - share with care.
- Drive slowly and carefully near other beach users.
- Check speed limits - most beaches are 30km p/h.
- Watch out for vehicles, and supervise children closely.
- Drive to the conditions - they can change rapidly.
- Keep vehicles off dunes.
- Avoid shore birds and other wildlife.

If we each follow the rules and drive safely, we should all have a safe summer.

If someone is being unsafe report it to **\*555**.

### Camping in public places

Our bylaw allows campers whose vehicles are not self-contained to stay in 18 areas, and tenting is allowed in six of those. People who use these sites must move on after one night (except at Bascule Carpark). Each of these places has a 24/7 public toilet and a designated site for vehicles (and tents), to make sure there is room for other users. These sites are very popular so ensure you have a back-up plan in place in case the site is full. Staying outside the designated area can result in a \$200 fine. Vehicles that are certified self-contained may stay for up to 3 nights at many of the 18 designated sites specified above, as well as any other public place in the district where camping and parking are not prohibited. They must use their onboard facilities and be considerate of other road users and residents. This year the prohibited areas include the grass over flow carpark at Ocean Beach between 19 December 2020 and 15 January 2021. During this time the designated site in the main Ocean Beach carpark remains open. Our ambassadors and enforcement team will be monitoring our priority sites, which are mainly coastal, to ensure people are aware of the rules and to move campers on if required. Visits will be early morning and late evening to support compliance. Remember: camping is prohibited in 38 places, make sure you don't stay at one of them! They are sign posted, and more information is available on our website at:

[www.wdc.govt.nz/camping](http://www.wdc.govt.nz/camping)

### Dogs

Feeling like taking your dog for a swim or for a walk along the beach? Just remember to do it before 9am or after 5pm between 20 December and 31 January at most beaches in our District, and to stay away from areas where dogs are banned. For all-day outdoor exercise Bream Bay has two year-round dog exercise beach areas. These are well sign-posted. There is also a dog park at William Fraser Memorial Park on Pohe Island, where dogs can run off the leash, play with other dogs and enjoy play equipment. To keep wildlife safe, dogs are banned year-round from nine beach and estuary conservation areas in our District, and from all bush reserves. Many of these places are habitats for kiwi and other endangered birds. Keep an eye out for the signs about them. Remember:

- clean up after your dog and follow all the usual good safety measures
- don't leave dogs in cars, the temperature can rise to a terminal point in a very short time even when windows are cracked
- always take water and a bowl for the dog to drink from
- breaching a dog control bylaw can result in a fine of \$300.

To find out more about the rules applying to dogs and animals go to:

[www.wdc.govt.nz/Dogs](http://www.wdc.govt.nz/Dogs)



### Alcohol bans

Drinking alcohol in public places is banned on all beaches and public land within 300 metres of the coast (including Whangārei Harbour) and Whangārei's central business district. There are also bans in place for six suburbs within the urban boundaries of our District as well as six coastal villages. Have a look at our Alcohol Control Bylaw on our webpage for more information.



### Alcohol Control Bylaw

For many, alcohol is a traditional part of relaxation and celebration, but overindulging and failing to eat sensibly when drinking can lead to a wide array of problems. Council has an Alcohol Control Bylaw that aims to keep the community safe.



### Horses

If you want to take your horse for a swim at the beach, make sure it is early morning or late evening and make sure it is in an area where horses are allowed. Bream Bay has two year-round horse exercise areas and two areas which are horse-free (no horses) year-round. These are well sign-posted at the access-points to the beach. Have a look at the Public Places Bylaw page on our website, it has information about nine beach and estuary conservation areas in our District. Remember: horses are banned on beaches (except at the year-round exercise areas) between 9am and 5pm from 20 December to 31 January and there are nine no-horse areas in our District.



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## Rubbish and recycling guide

### Key information and things to remember

### Extra coastal collection

Extra coastal area collections start on 1 January 2021 and will continue until 6 February 2021. Collections scheduled for Friday 25 December will occur on 26 December.

**Northern Coast areas:**

- usual collection on Mondays
- second collection Fridays in beach settlement areas.

**Bream Bay Coast:**

- usual collection on Tuesdays
- second collection on Saturdays in beach settlement areas.

**If you live on a rubbish collection route:**

Please ensure you have your rubbish bag and recycle bins at the kerbside by 7.30am on rubbish day. The recycle bins will be emptied and returned to the kerbside – take them in and start filling for your next collection.

**If you DO NOT live on a rubbish collection route:**

Please take your rubbish bags and recycling bins to the nearest intersection with a collection route by 7.30am on rubbish day, or you can take them to your nearest rubbish and recycling station.

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Uretiti			8am-1pm			8am-5pm	
Tauraroa	Closed	1pm-5pm	Closed	Closed	1pm-5pm	8am-5pm	
Kokopu	Closed	Closed	7.30am-4.30pm	Closed	Closed	7.30am-4.30pm	
Ruatangata	Closed	7.30am-12.30pm	Closed	7.30am-12.30pm	Closed	12pm-5pm	
Oakura			8am-12pm			10am-4.30pm	
Re:Sort Centre			7.30am - 5pm			8.30am - 4.30pm	

All our transfer stations are closed on Christmas day

### Christmas Eve Growers Christmas Market



A special Christmas edition of the Whangarei Growers Market will be held on Thursday 24 December in the Water St Carpark from 6am - 9am

**PLEASE NOTE**  
The Water St carpark will be closed for parking during this time and will reopen at 9.30am

# Bream Bay College junior prizegiving

Bream Bay College's end of year junior prizegiving for year 8-10 students ran with a different approach this year, in a nod to potential Covid alert level changes. Each year level's prizegiving was held separately throughout the day with the youngest students starting at 9am. A 20-minute buffer between prizegivings allowed groups time to leave and arrive without mingling. It was a long haul for staff and head students having to sit through four hours of prizegiving, but a breeze for each year level of students and their supporters, just having to come along for their allotted hour. The focus was firmly on the students and their achievements, with no formal speeches. Principal Wayne Buckland says results show that Year 10 students appeared to be most affected by the Covid-related lockdown earlier in the year. "Half came back really well, the other half dropped off significantly," he said to assembled students and whanau. "I'm still confident we can pick them up next year." He told students they were old enough to know everything has changed "but not old enough to know so many more opportunities are coming up for you."

**Special award winners:**

**Year 7:** All-round Sportsperson: Mahko Linton, Junior Dux Ludorum (top achievement in sport): Kaiser Jacoby, First in Year: Gracie Cross and Kaiser Jacoby; 2<sup>nd</sup> in year: Phoebe Cookson, Lincoln Ewers. Citizenship Cup: Sophie Pram, Kaiser Jacoby, Adara Lunjevich, Ciaran Metcalf

**Year 8:** Junior All-round Sportsperson: Rhyder Harrington. Junior Dux Ludorum: Jamie Greatorex. Maori Leadership Awards: Toa Tahana and Pippi Panui-Park. First in Year: Lexia Maunder, Ethan Carroll; 2<sup>nd</sup> in year: Jade Fox and Henry Pirihi. Citizenship Cup: Lexia Maunder, Ethan Carroll, Korte Hita-Duval, Henry Pirihi

**Year 9:** All-round Sportsperson: Ebony Antony Connor. Junior Dux Ludorum: Liam Thornhill. First in Year: Hannah Cross, Harris Lymburn; 2<sup>nd</sup> in year: Hannah Nayyar, Vincent Carter. Citizenship Cup: Emer Lea, Vincent Carter, Ebony Antony Connor, Harris Lymburn

**Year 10** Cross curricular project trophy: Jess Andrews, James Lewis, Caitlin McCullough, Connor Williams. Sports All Rounder Year 10: Jess Andrews, Jess Stephens. Junior Dux Ludorum: Lily Matenga, Fidel Poulson. Maori Leadership Award Year 10: Michael Doak. First in year: Madison Dackers, James Lewis; 2<sup>nd</sup> in year: Nyria Pullen, Bailey Whitelaw. Citizenship Cup Year 10: Anna Pirihi, James Lewis, Ciaran Kay, Emma Gorrie.



Madison Dackers and James Lewis were the top academic achievers in Year 10



Elbow bumps replaced handshakes at prizegiving this year, as an extra anti-Covid measure. Here Emma Gorrie receives her Citizenship award from board chair Selina Gordon.



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## Waipu gets in behind New Years Day festival

The Waipū Community Festival due to be held on New Years Day is shaping up with many local businesses making donations of cash, goods or services to help with the event.

The festival starts in the Caledonian Park at 9am. Entry is by a gold coin donation or koha with all profits going to local charities.

Music on the Variety Stage begins at 9am and includes Celtic band Twisty Willow, the Flamin Ukeleles, Duo Monroe, Grant Murray, local band No 8 Wire (up-tempo country-rock), Kellie McLean and friends and a Scottish Country dancing demonstration.

Kids fun games start at 10am with running races, egg and spoon, sack, wheelbarrow and obstacle races and plenty of prizes to hand out.

There will also be Steampunk fun games from 11am and 2pm, Scottish dancing through the day, a kids colouring in competition, quick fire raffles, a smash-alley where children can smash plates and get rewarded with prizes and a display of trucks, vintage cars, classic cars, motorbikes etc.

The Waipū Market with more than 50 stalls, including food and drink stalls, will run alongside. Waipū Museum, Art'nTartan, St Johns and the Waipū Surf Club will all have stands.

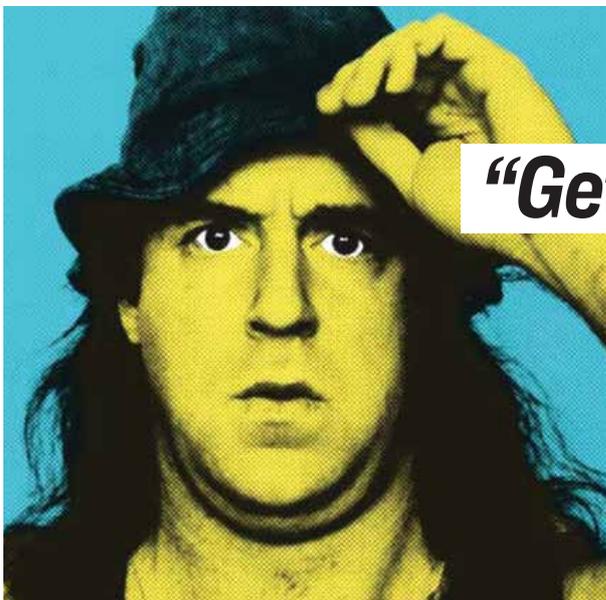
The community festival replaces the traditional Waipū Highland Games, which will not be held this summer due to uncertainties caused by the Covid 19 Pandemic and the difficulties of bringing international competitors into the country. Piping competitions are going ahead regardless and will be held in the park throughout the day.

# WHAT'S ON IN BREAM BAY

- **PANACHE** classical ballet neo classical and jazz dance. Presented by Bream Bay Ballet at the Bream Bay College Auditorium on Saturday 19 December at 2pm. Tickets from Bream Bay Ballet or at the door.
- **THE MARSDEN COVE MARKET** Next on Sunday 20 December from 9am - 1pm. In the big marquee at Marsden Cove.
- **CHRISTMAS TREE DISPLAY AT LIFEPOINT CHURCH.** 300 One Tree Point Rd. View times Tuesdays 15,22 December 2.30-5pm. Wednesday 16,23 December 10am -11.30am. Thursday 17 December 2.30pm - 5pm. Friday 18 December 10am - 11.30am. Saturday 19 December 10am - 11.30pm.
- **RUAKAKA/OTP CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION.** Register at: [sandra.currie8174@gmail.com](mailto:sandra.currie8174@gmail.com)
- **CAROLS AT LIFEPOINT** Sunday 20 December Free dinner at 5pm and music programme from

- 6.15pm. At Lifepoint church 300 One Tree Point Rd.
- **HELEN MCGREGOR MEMORIAL TROPHY PIPING COMPETITION** in the Waipu Celtic Barn from 7pm 31st December 2020 .
- **THE RUAKAKA CHRISTMAS PARADE** Saturday 19 December at 10am outside the Ruakaka Recreation Centre. Family fun afterwards at the Ruakaka Towncentre with facepainting, funny money, raffles, circus performance, bouncy castle.
- **THE WAIPU CHRISTMAS PARADE** On Christmas Eve, Thursday 24 December. Starting at 7pm outside the Pizza Barn. Prizegiving afterwards in the Caledonian Park
- **NEW YEARS DAY COMMUNITY FESTIVAL & MARKET** in the Waipu Caledonian Park. From 9am to 2pm on Friday 1 January 2021. Entertainment and stalls Entry by gold coin donation.

- **MANGAWHAI GALA** 2 February 9am - 2pm Mangawhai Domain. 150 stalls \$4 entry. Kids \$2.
- **RUAKAKA RACES** Thursday 7 January. Gates open 11am. Adults \$10 entry. Children 17 years and under free. Thoroughbred racing. Free Kidz Zone activities. Live music. Food court.
- **THE WAIPU SUNDAY MARKET** next on Sunday 10 January. 9am - 1pm in the Coronation Hall
- **WAIPU MUSEUM** 36, The Centre, Waipu. Open seven days 10am - 4pm
- **KAURI MUSEUM.** Open daily 9am - 5pm. 5 Church St. Matakoho. Current exhibitions: Heritage Decorations Display: 1 December - 5 January 2021, Creating with Kauri - Contemporary jewellery exhibition: Finishes 28 February 2021, Up in Smoke: A collection of old world pipes, tins, cases and associated items.



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James McDonald (left) and Fidel Poulsen worked on a small corner of the school gardens, trimming a tree and planting around it, painting a fence and laying pavers.

For the second year running, Year 10 students at Bream Bay College spent the last few weeks of the school year working on improving their school environment. This year's chosen projects included cleaning up the school crest and sign at the entrance to the office, some murals, tidying up garden areas, making decorative mirror frames for the mirrors in the school's gender neutral toilets on a three D printer and cleaning out the changing shed, painting a mural and scrubbing green

mould from the wooden benches around the school pool. Paige Comer and Ella Jacques who took on the pool project said the changing rooms had "smelt bad." Gwyneth Cooper, the school's Head of Science who oversees the projects said it was good to get the student's perspectives on what needed improving around the school.



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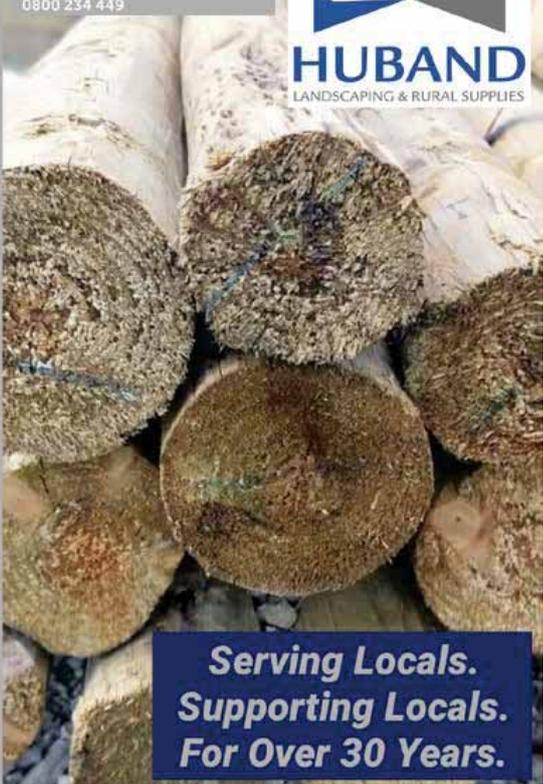
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# Waipū a mecca for opshop lovers

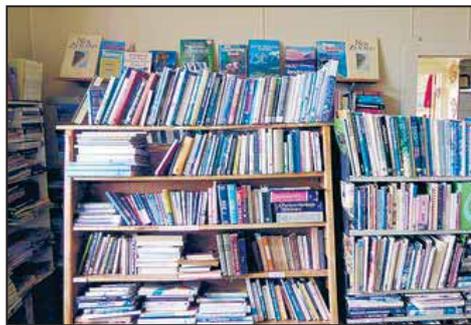


By Sue Welford

Inside the Waipū Hospice Shop

Waipū is fast becoming a mecca for those interested in not only finding a bargain, but those keen on recycling goods to stop them from going into landfill sites.

Waipū's Anglican Opportunity shop is housed in the historic school mistress's house close to the Presbyterian church. The shop has been there for many years and has become a valuable part



The Bric a Brac shop specialises in books

of Waipū's history. A whole host of volunteer ladies keep the shop open five days a week raising around \$20,000 a year. Proceeds are distributed between many Northland worthy causes including the Waipū Surf Club, St John and the Women's Refuge. Dubbed the "Waipū Boutique", customers come from all over for their winter and summer wardrobes, often with designer labels, as well as a small variety of books, magazines and bric-a-brac. Everything donated is sorted and only clean and fresh garments are sold. Any clothes unsuitable for sale are cut up for workshop rags or go for recycling.

The Bric a Brac shop next to the Waipū library is open most days from 10am and on street market days. The shop specialises in second hand books, from whodunnits, to romance, mystery and fantasy as well as a huge range of non-fiction books and magazines. Money raised goes towards the upkeep of the Waipū Coronation Hall. Completing the trio is the Waipū Hospice Shop. Opened in 2013 the shop is well known for its high quality and large variety of donated goods. Artworks, household items, kitchen ware, books, glassware, ornaments and jewellery are just a few of the items on sale. The shop also sells a range of small furniture. All electrical goods are tested before they go on to the shop floor.

All three shops are happy to welcome new volunteers, so if you have few hours to spare each week and would like to be part of a friendly team, pop in and leave your details. With Christmas looming it's likely all three will be busier than ever.

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## Men's Reserve cricket team makes the final in Northland wide competition



Bream Bay Reserve Men's cricket team

Bream Bay Reserve Men's cricket team lost only one game in the eight-week Northland 40-over competition, and it was against Maungakaramea, who they met again in the final last weekend.  
Played at Maungakaramea's home ground, Bream Bay batted first and was at one stage 135 runs for five wickets, before collapsing at 145 all out. This was never going to be enough against a strong Maungakaramea batting line-up. However, Bream Bay made Maungakaramea work hard for their runs, claiming five wickets before they achieved their target. It could have been a more even game if Bream Bay had made the most of their catching opportunities. The team will now focus on making it into the playoffs for the 20/20 competition.

## Time to get nominations in for the Bream Bay Sports Awards

Nominations have opened for the Bream Bay Sports Awards and can be made on the website: [breambaysportstrust.co.nz](http://breambaysportstrust.co.nz)  
If you wish to contact the trust running the awards you can email: [info@breambaysportstrust.co.nz](mailto:info@breambaysportstrust.co.nz).  
Nominations can be made in 11 categories: Junior Sportsperson of the Year, Junior Team of the Year, Masters Sportsperson of the Year, Senior Team, Sportsman, Sportswoman, Coach, Referee, Leadership, Service to Sport, Community Impact.  
The recipient of a 12 category – the People's Choice Award is chosen by the number of votes each nominee receives in an online poll.  
The awards dinner will be held in the Waipū Celtic Barn on Friday 19 March 2021. Former Silver Ferns captain and sports commentator Bernice Mene will be guest speaker.  
Tickets will go on sale in the New Year.  
In preparation for awards night, the Bream Bay Sports Trust asks that all trophy holders please hand these in at either the Waipū or Ruakākā pharmacy.

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# Plenty of tennis left this summer

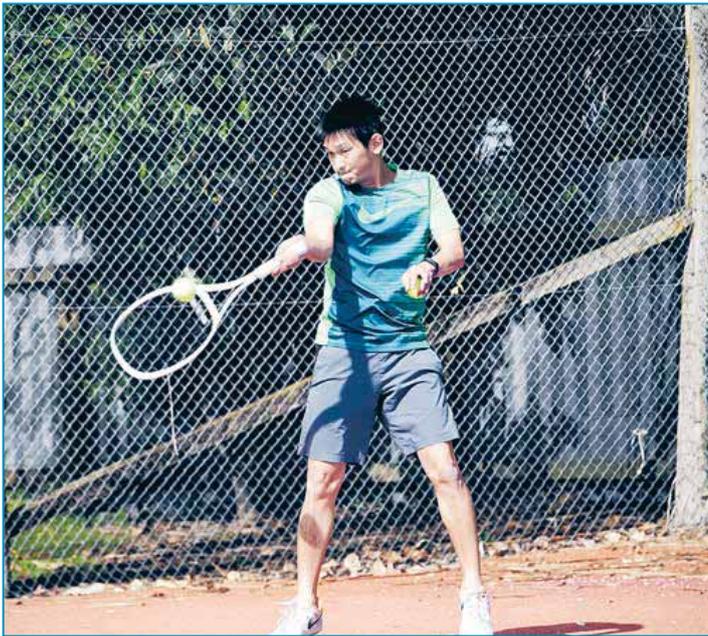
By Julie Paton

Waipu Tennis Club has bounced along for 118 years and while the current season is on hold for a holiday break, there is still plenty of tennis left this summer.

While seniors battle it out on the court throughout this month for club championship titles, some of the club's younger players shone at the recent Northland junior interclub competition held at the Thomas Neale tennis centre in Kamo.

Ben Donaldson (11) won the under-12 competition while Harshinni Nayyar won the under 14s, with her twin Hannah Nayyar runner up.

Club member James Donaldson who runs the junior side of the club says numbers are good



Alvin Setiawan playing in the men's singles championships at Waipu Tennis Club

with 33 youngsters aged between four and 14 years turning out for the club, but there is always room for more. Grant van Dalsum runs coaching sessions for juniors from 9am to 12pm on Saturdays – these will start up again in February, with junior club championships held in March.

Senior tennis starts up again on 19 January on Saturday afternoons with a 10-week business house competition and a masters tournament on 20 February.

If you would like to start your child/ren playing tennis, call James Donaldson on 0276014559 or if you would like play tennis yourself, phone Paul Ramsay 0274416542.



Waipu junior tennis coach Grant van Dalsum helps Lily Donaldson (5) with her forehand.

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Fri 18 Dec	11.14	2.6	11.31	2.6
Sat 19 Dec	~	~	12.03	2.7
Sun 20 Dec	12.20	2.5	12.51	2.6
Mon 21 Dec	1.09	2.4	1.40	2.5
Tue 22 Dec	1.59	2.3	2.29	2.4
Wed 23 Dec	2.52	2.2	3.19	2.4
Thu 24 Dec	3.47	2.2	4.09	2.3
Fri 25 Dec	4.45	2.2	5.00	2.3
Sat 26 Dec	5.41	2.2	5.49	2.3
Sun 27 Dec	6.33	2.3	6.38	2.3
Mon 28 Dec	7.20	2.3	7.24	2.3
Tue 29 Dec	8.04	2.4	8.09	2.3
Wed 30 Dec	8.45	2.5	8.53	2.4
Thu 31 Dec	9.26	2.5	9.37	2.4
Fri 1 Jan	10.07	2.5	10.21	2.5
Sat 2 Jan	10.49	2.7	11.05	2.5
Sun 3 Jan	11.33	2.7	11.51	2.5
Mon 4 Jan	~	~	12.18	2.7
Tue 5 Jan	12.39	2.5	1.05	2.7
Wed 6 Jan	1.29	2.5	1.55	2.6
Thu 7 Jan	2.24	2.4	2.48	2.6
Fri 8 Jan	3.24	2.4	3.44	2.6
Sat 9 Jan	4.28	2.5	4.44	2.5
Sun 10 Jan	5.33	2.5	5.45	2.5
Mon 11 Jan	6.35	2.6	6.47	2.5
Tue 12 Jan	7.33	2.7	7.46	2.6
Wed 13 Jan	8.27	2.7	8.42	2.6
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 1ST TICKET NO 0074, 2ND TICKET NO -1253  
 3RD TICKET NO - 0799 4TH TO 10th TICKET NOS. 0801, 0814, 0196, 1549, 1926, 2151, 2364  
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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

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**THE NEXT PUBLICATION DATE**  
 of the Bream Bay News will be Thursday 14 January  
 The deadline for all copy is 4pm on Wednesday 6 January

**PUBLIC NOTICES**



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**Ruakaka Recreation Centre**  
**Christmas opening hours:**

**Normal hours until Tuesday the 22nd of December.**

**The Rec Centre will be closed from Wednesday the 23rd of December to Friday the 8th of January 2021! Reopens on the 11th of January!**

**Gym and squash only available for members with updated keys! Online gym payments will be updated.**

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, thank you for your support!**

**BREAM BAY ANGLICAN CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

24th December Midnight Mass St Peter's Waipu 11.30pm Carols start at 11.00pm

25th December Christmas Day, St Paul's Ruakaka Holy Communion 9.30am

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**PRESBYTERIAN CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

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 And at Ruakaka, 27 Camellia Ave - 8.45 am

Christmas Day Service at 50 The Centre Waipu, at 10.15am

**BREAM BAY SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES**

**Presbyterian** Camellia Ave, Ruakaka: 8.45am. The Centre, Waipu: 10.15am. Prayer Service: 7pm

**Encounter** 223 Marsden Pt. Rd, Ruakaka, 10am.

**Anglican** 1st and 3rd Sundays - St Paul's Ruakaka 2nd and 4th Sundays - St Peter's Waipu. All services start at 9.30am.

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**Bream Bay Community Support Trust**

Takutai Place, Ruakaka Phone 09 432 7197

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 This year was Lyndie's fourth time taking part in the annual event. She trained extremely hard and at times trained in her fire-fighters uniform which can weigh up to 20-25 kgs. She achieved a personal best and is very much looking forward to next years' event. We are very proud of Lyndie's accomplishment and admire her immense drive, positivity and can-do attitude!



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