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Sandmining in Bream Bay on the Fast Track projects list

Bream Bay residents were startled to find last week that one of the 149 fast track projects announced by the Coalition Government is a proposal to excavate sand from Bream Bay.

Sand dredging company McCullum Brothers Ltd is seeking a 35-year consent to operate its sand extraction barge in Bream Bay.

The Bream Bay News contacted the company, which is based in Rosebank Rd. in west Auckland, and spoke to Chief Operations Officer (COO) Shane Elstob. He said the company would be undertaking a lot of complex planning before submitting a final application.

It would be talking with iwi, looking at migration patterns of marine mammals and the benthic life on the sea floor.

Mr. Elstop said the dredging would be in certain locations yet to be determined and would be at least 4.5km off shore, which he said would not impact the dune dynamics of Bream Bay's beaches.

In reply to a question about how far out the proposed dredging would need to be not to interfere with the natural storm cutting and then tide rebuilding operation of the dunes and received the reply that the NRC consents team have advised that "as this has been approved under the Fast Track Bill, Northland Regional Council is not involved in the process and would therefore not be providing expert opinion in this case."

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Cutting the ribbon on the new Ruakākā Recreation Centre building



The Minister of Regional Development Shane Jones was given the ribbon cutting honour at the official opening of the new Ruakākā Recreation Centre building on Saturday October 5. Mr. Jones was instrumental in securing the initial \$2.5million grant for the project from the Shovel Ready fund established by the Labour, Greens and New Zealand First Co-alition to kick start the New Zealand economy after the Covid 19 pandemic on 2020.

Standing behind Mr. Jones are: Helen Bennett from Foundation North, which contributed \$900, 000 to the new building, Project Manager Paul McDonald, Councillor Phil Halse, Recreation Centre Manager Christine Thirling and Mayor of Whangārei Vince Cocurullo. The Whangārei District Council made a \$1million contribution for a carpark and landscaping.



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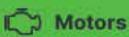


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McCullum Brothers sand extraction vessetll - The Wailliam Fraser

Because this is a Fast Track Project the Northland Regional council's consents team understands it will have no part to play in assessing the environamental effects of the proposed sand extraction operation in Bream Bay

This company has been carrying out offshore dredging at Pakiri for 40 years and attempted to extend its consent thereback in 2022

In April the Environment Court upheld a decision by an Auckland Council hearing panel to reject a renewal of McCallum Bros. dredging permits at Pakiri.

The judge's conclusion said there were "clear benefits for the building and construction industry from the continued extraction of high quality sand from Pākiri, but the demand for high-quality sand didn't outweigh environmental concerns."

Opponents argued sand mining wrecks the dunes, unfairly affects mana whenua, destroys the seabed and puts a wide variety of wildlife at risk.

At the time of the Auckland Council decision

McCallum Bros managing director Callum McCallum

said the sand needed for the construction industry must come from somewhere.

"Without this sand, the construction market could be hit with a major supply shock, seriously impacting housing, transport and other infrastructure developments.

He said, "I understand many Kiwis naturally have questions about sand extraction. Anything to do with New Zealand's natural resources should be carefully considered. This is exactly why we want to progress the case to the Environment Court where experts can analyse all the evidence, including our research that indicates our sand extraction at Pakiri is sustainable and has minimal impact on the local environment." McCallum Brothers continues to dredge sand at Pakiri,



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EDITORIAL

The Fast Track sand mining proposal for Bream Bay is unlikely to get careful scrutiny. We should be very concerned.

There is a bit of irony here. McCullum Bros Ltd wants to extract sand in Bream Bay to make concrete for the construction industry. Meanwhile demolition work on at the Marsden Point Refinery by Channel Infrastructure is resulting in truckloads of concrete being hauled up windy, dusty, steep Prescott Rd. to be dumped in what was once a pristine native bush, clad valley.

Will us humans ever learn?

I am wondering is there a way to grind up demolition concrete for reuse. I did a search on the Internet and found that this is a real possibility. A recycling company called ETM in the UK has a webpage describing how this works. The recycled concrete aggregate needs to be carefully checked to make sure it doesn't contain any other materials such as wood or metal and still needs to be mixed with some sand to ensure the new concrete it produces is sound.

But recycled concrete aggregate has these advantages:

- It's a cheaper alternative to quarried stone
- It's a very durable material and particularly suitable for wet or soft ground.
- It uses less energy in production than traditional concrete
- It does not require mining and so preserves natural environments
- It offers potential tax rebates for companies investing in fuel-efficient technology (I wish)
- It is more penetrable (average water absorption value of 7.5%) than standard concrete (average water absorption rate of 3.7%), resulting in increased protection from seepage.

McCullum Brothers Ltd. proudly states that it has been in business extracting sand from the seabed for the past 75 years. Perhaps it is time to have a rethink.

If the costs seabed mining inflicts on the environment were factored in and charged to the operator perhaps the pendulum would swing in the direction of the recycling option.

When walking on the beach I am enjoy watching the slow but sure recovery of the sand dunes along the length of Bream Bay since they were eroded by the violent storms of the summer of 2022/2023. I have learned about how this works with the sand taken out by the storms forming a bank off shore and then gradually washing in again. In places where there is healthy dune vegetation with lots of spinifex and pingao it is held in place and the dune rebuilds.

My concern is that if 35 years of sand excavation is allowed to go ahead the store of sand will be depleted and the dunes, our last line of defence against a rising sea, will collapse.

There are many other concerns. Last week I came across a big fur seal lying on the sand flicking sand over its belly while far offshore a pod of whales went by. How will this operation impact on these animals whose home is the ocean?

Mr. Elstop the Chief Operating Officer of McCullum Brothers assures me that the company will be carrying out lots of investigations on what the impacts of its sand excavation in Bream Bay would be. But as they say 'He who pays the piper calls the tune." I don't think I have ever known an "expert consultant" working for a company applying for resource consent advise that the consent should not be granted.

Apparently there will now be a panel of just three people assessing the 149 Fast Track applications. As this is Fast Track, the Northland Regional Council's consents team will not be involved. Will there be enough scrutiny of what the effects of 35 years of sand extraction will be? There is so much at stake here!

Marilyn

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More loads of refinery concrete rubble being trucked to the

Prescott Rd private tip

The trucking of concrete from a demolition operation at Marsden Point into a private tip in Prescott Rd. stopped temporarily but resumed last week.

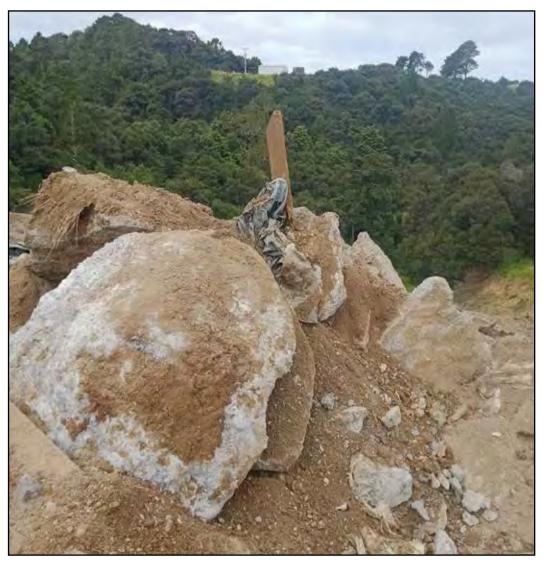
Whangārei District Council's Senior Communications Manager Ann Midson said, "The person operating the tip site has been highly cooperative with Council and dumping at the site has stopped. Formal enforcement action is not currently necessary in this instance and the operator and Council are ensuring everything complies with the rules in the Whangārei District Plan."

However last week trucks sign painted with the name of Whittakers Engineering, the company from New Plymouth which has the contract from Channel Infrastructure for demolition work at the refinery import terminal, began making early morning trips up the steep, winding, mostly gravel road to dump more material in the privately operated tip.

Colin Dall, Group Manager Regulatory Services for the NRC told the Bream Bay News last week, the NRC had received a further complaint about the dumping of demolition material, which had been logged as an environmental incident and was under investigation.

Robyn Armstrong, one of the residents of Prescott Rd. who raised the alarm about the dumping said she had come out of this experience feeling "that inept bureaucrats tend to hide behind a litany of misinformation. This over rides any consideration for the health and welfare of communities even down to excessive dust levels and damage to the road created by trucks travelling at speed to and from the dump. It is also contrary to the Ministry recommendations. I think we have to accept that they have found a way to avoid formal enforcement, as that could be very expensive and messy.'

Robyn said, "I don't really blame the contractor he has only been given the opportunity to pollute the environment by ignorant people who claim to be very knowledgeable."



Concrete rubble etc, from the demolition of the Marsden Refinery import terminal in the Prescott Rd. Tip



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What is a 3 Steps for Life awareness session?

A 3 Steps for Life awareness session is for members of the community to introduce them to life saving skills for people in cardiac arrest. The awareness session will cover basic CPR and AED skills, and runs for approximately 45 minutes.

Who can participate and is there a cost?

Anyone can attend a 3 Steps for Life awareness session. 3 Steps for Life awareness sessions are free to attend. These sessions are delivered in a voluntary capacity by your local St John staff.

About 3 Steps for Life

3 Steps for Life is designed to give all New Zealanders the confidence and awareness to take action when somebody suffers a cardiac arrest by:

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Asked to leave hapu only meeting on implementation of the Waipu Placemaking Plan

David Lourie, who owns 23 acres of land on the corner of Cove Rd. and Cullen Rd. in Waipu, is proposing to gift this land to local iwi, members of whom held a meeting at the Whangārei District Council on Wednesday 16 October to discuss how this land would be administered and utilized once it had changed hands.

Peter Blanch who shares a driveway with Mr. Lourie in Cullen Rd., got wind of this meeting and went up to see what was going on. He sat and listened for a while and heard about plans to build papakainga, a marae, a whare nui and a Maori Arts Centre on the block.

When Mr. Blanch stood to speak, identifying himself as a Waipu resident and affected adjacent landowner he was told this was a meeting for hapu only and asked to leave. He asked to be sent a copy of the minutes of the meeting but this request was denied.

Mr. Blanch said all the meeting attendees each had a copy of a red covered booklet entitled Waipu Placemaking Plan in front of them and he asked why as a long time Waipu resident he could not participate in a meeting on this plan.

He was told the meeting was only concerned with the section of the plan relating to raising the status and profile of a Māori presence in Waipu including the establishment of a Waipu marae.

The meeting was facilitated by the Council's Strategic Planning Manager Bernadette Aperahama. who followed Mr. Blanch outside and told him the decision to exclude him from the meeting was to protect Mr. Lourie.

Mr. Lourie, was away working at a shutdown at the Glenbrook Steel Mill, and did not attend the meeting at the Council. On his return he told the Bream Bay News the proposal was at a very early concept plan stage. He had put the idea to Te Parawhau and Patuharakeke and it had been favourably received.

Sime Rd campervan dump station will remain closed over summer as work on sewer line renewal is carried out

The Ruakākā Dump Station in Sime Rd. has been closed down temporarily due the work that is now underway to replace the sewer line in Kepa and Sime Roads.

Andy Keith the Council's Wastewater And Storm Water Operations Manager said, 'This has been a very complex project with a lot of moving parts. We have installed signage along Sime Road and notified the caravan association, we have also communicated with the residents and ratepayers association and there are notes for our call centre staff to refer to." Asked where the nearest disposal facilities were for campervans to access Mr. Keith said these are in Kioreroa Road, Whangārei and by the toilets in Langs Beach. There is also the DOC camp site in Uretiti.

Mr. Keith said, "It's not our place to advise on availability of this facility but I can reach out to DOC if I need to."

The dump station is expected to be out of action until late March 2025, which is the expected final handover date for the sewer line replacement project. A blessing was due to be carried out on the worksite for the sewer replacement on Monday morning 21 October and "enabling works for the drill shot to pull the new 450mm HDPE line 280m in length through are well underway." Material and equipment are on site and a site office has been set up with project signage.

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CPR rescue effort revives man who collapsed on the sidelines at Kerikeri cricket match

Ravi Singh, the owner of the Kebab and Pizza Factory shop in the Ruakākā Towncentre, helped to save the life of a man who collapsed with a cardiac arrest at a cricket match in Kerikeri on Saturday 11 October.

Ravi, who plays cricket for Bream Bay, said they were about half an hour into a three-hour match, the second game of the day when a man sitting on the sidelines with the opposing team collapsed having suffered a cardiac event.

Ravi is also a volunteer ambulance officer with Bream Bay St. John and with the help of three other players, performed life saving CPR for over 10 minutes until help arrived in the form of the local fire brigade.

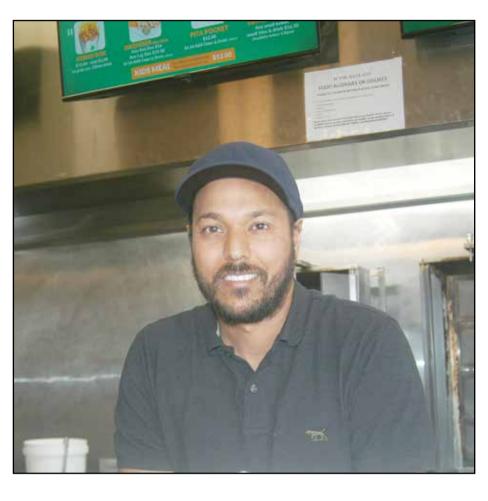
The man was revived with the use of the AED (Automated External Defibrillator) before the ambulance arrived and a decision was taken to call

on the emergency helicopter to fly him to hospital.

Ravi understands the patient is now doing well but wonders what the outcome would have been if he had collapsed on his own at home.

As a result of the medical emergency the two games underway on the field were abandoned.

Northland Cricket named the rescue effort "The performance of the week" on its website stating: "Not all outstanding performances occur on the field and we are so proud of the swift and selfless actions of our cricketing whanau, demonstrating the true spirit of



Ravi Singh, whose training as a volunteer with Bream Bay St. John, enabled him to help save a man who collapsed at a cricket match in Kerikeri

community and care."

The two members other members of the Bream Bay Cricket team who helped with the CPR were Syam Sasidharon and Vaisakh Bijukumar, who are both registered nurses. Aaron Wendt-Smith of the Maungakaramea team belongs to the Maungakaramea Fire Brigade and also helped with the CPR effort.

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Bream Bay St John offers 3 steps to Life programme

Bream Bay St John is offering the nation wide Three Steps to Life programme, which aims to give all New Zealanders the confidence to take effective action when someone suffers a cardiac arrest.

The programme takes around an hour and either St. John instructors will come to your workplace or home or you can go to the Bream Bay St. John Station in Tamingi St., Ruakākā.

Jeff D'Ath, community educator with Bream Bay St. John, said groups of between 10 to 20 people are best but sometimes smaller groups are OK.

He said it makes all the difference to the survival chances of someone who suffers a cardiac arrest if they are immediately given CPR before the ambulance has time to arrive.

If you would like to arrange a Three Steps to Life programme for your family, work place or community group please phone Rocky Powell – 021 1038 468.



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Tree planting ceremony at the new Recreation Centre building opening

Photo by Nora Butler

After the official speeches, the ribbon cutting and food served from the kitchen in the new building a tree was planted in the grounds of the new building to mark the occasion.

From left. Isabel Marsh, Gina Murray and on the right Ari Carrington of Patuharakeke with Ruakaka Recreation Centre Chairman Andreas Thirling planting a tree in the grounds of the new building.

Most of the activities from the old Recreation Centre have now moved across to the new building. The old gym is now closed with gym members needing to call in at the new centre during opening hours - Monday to Friday 8am to 2pm and Thursdays 8am to 6pm. to get new key tags to access the new building.

User groups such as the Ruakākā Residents and Ratepayers and Bream Bay Coastal Care now hold their monthly meetings in the new facility.

The various fitness and wellbeing classes are now spread between the two centres while Bream Bay United Football and the Bream Bay Squash Club remaing based in the old building.

The lounge in the new building can accommodate 134 people, while the new meeting room can fit 15 people around a board table. Both these rooms are available for hire with the new kitchen is available for events









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Touch tournament season has arrived

The wonderful annual Bream Bay Touch Tournament, organised by Lisa and Dylan Jones on behalf of the Waipu Rugby and Squash Club is up and running once again.

Each Thursday afternoon from 4pm for the junior grades, and from 6pm to 8pm for the seniors forty-four teams of Bream Bay children and young people are running around on the Caledonian Park, getting time away from their phones, gaining exercise, fresh air while learning ball handling skills and about team dynamics.

This year there are 28 junior teams, which is a record.

I urge Bream Bay's older citizens who tend to complain about "young people of today" to go along and watch a few games. I guarantee you will come away feeling uplifted.

The tournament runs until Thursday 5 December when the winning teams in the various grades will be announced.

This is the ninth touch tournament organised by Lisa and Dylan, with one year off due to the Covid pandemic.

Lisa has played with the North Harbour Open Women's and New Zealand Barbarians Open Women's touch teams.

Right: Lisa Jones who with her husband Dylan organises Bream Bay's annula touch tournament on behalf of the Waipu Rugby and Squash Club





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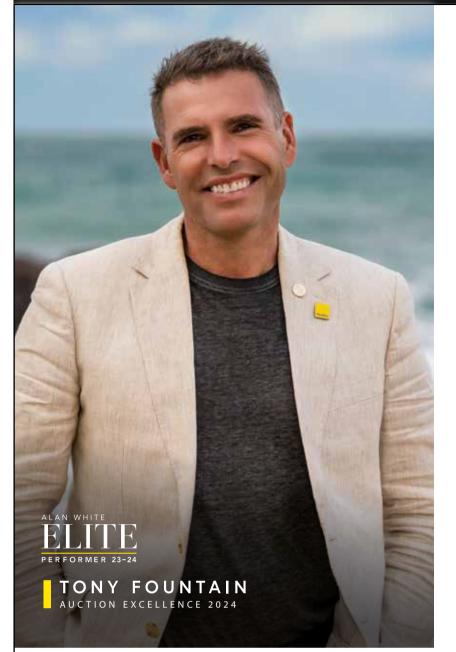
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New Golden Glove Award at Bream Bay United Junior and Youth Prizegiving



Golden Glove winner Ha Young Kang, flanked by his 15th Grade coach Warren Greene and K.J Halliday whose family donated the new trophy

"It takes a special person to be a goal-keeper that's for sure and especially when you are in the junior grades. You need to be pretty brave and ready to put your body on the line" K.J. Halliday said as she made the first ever presentation of the Bream Bay United Football Club's Golden Glove Award to Ha Young Kang of the 15th Grade team. The Halliday family presented the new trophy to the club.

Ha Young's coach Warren Greene had earlier presented him with the team's Player of the Year award. Warren said that he was an exceptionally good goalkeeper and the opposing teams often made comment on his skills. Bream Bay United held its junior and youth prize-giving on Saturday 19 October under the canopy at Bream Bay College. The formalities were preceded by some Futsal games in the school gymnasium and lunch.

In addition to the team prizes pins were handed out to players who had been with the club for upwards of five years, with three players gaining 10 year membership pins.

Club Captain Hayden Green concluded the prizegiving by telling it all the players whether they planned to be back next season or not, ti had been good to have them as members of the Bream Bay United family.

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- James Alexander

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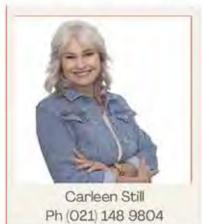
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Taking on the daunting job of running the big Waipu long weekend markets

Young couple Makayla Lings and Elijah Purnell have taken on the daunting job of running the big Waipu Street and Park Market from Graham and Judy Boult who have run the market for the past eight years.

They shadowed Graham and Judy for the past two markets to get an idea of how things were done and say they will be trying to run the Labour weekend market on Sunday 27 October similar to past markets to ensure that we have everything under control. But with future markets they will be looking at improvements to make the market more enjoyable for the local community.

Makayla said, "It has been tricky finding our footing, and we have been creating new systems which has taken a bit of time to put in place, but we are hoping that this pays off by making future markets easier. For three months leading up to the day, we are answering emails, organising advertising and booking stalls."

Asked if there were any particularly interesting new stalls amongst the 165 already booked Mayayla said there is one offering braids and henna tattoos.

She said they are actively seeking more stalls to appeal to the male crowd as well as activities for the little ones.

"We want to increase our database so are reaching out to the community seeking people or groups who are interested in attending future markets. Whether you are an artist or a baker, a crafter or a retailer, a photographer or salesman, we want to hear from you if you are interested in selling your wares at the street markets. We also are looking for local musicians to provide en-



Elijah and Makayla with their little son Beauden

tertainment, and we also offer free stalls to community groups. Get in touch at markets@promotewaipu. co.nz and we will send you a form to fill out to join our database."



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Keeping it Local, a pop up exhibition by eight Waipu artists opening Labour weekend in the Waipu Junction

Keeping it Local, a 'pop-up' exhibition of work by eight local artists: Viv Blackshaw, Tracey Coakley, Penny Goodall, Pat Hadlee, Christine den Hartogh, Deb Hunter-Whitlock, Denis McCartain and Jill McIntosh will open in the Nova Scotia Junction building from Labour weekend running from 10.00am to 4.00pm each day through to Sunday 3 November.

Painting, ceramics, weaving, print-making and wood turning all feature in the exhibition. "It will be a wonderful celebration of local landscapes and botanicals, natural textures and materials, the abstract, quirky and whimsical" said exhibition coordinator Clare Wells.

"It's exciting to showcase our talented Waipū community - there's something for everyone" said artist Pat Hadlee.



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A survey to establish if we would like more and different types of public bus transport services

The Northland Regional Council is conducting a survey to see what kind of public bus services people in Maungaturoto and Bream Bay would like to

At present there is just one weekly service each Thursday, leaving Kaiwaka at 9am and calling at Mangawhai Village, Mangawhai Heads, Langs Beach, Waipu Cove, Waipu and Ruakākā then heading to the Rose Street Bus Terminus in Whangārei. The return trip leaves Whangārei at 3pm.

Natalia Geddis, who working on this for the NRC

said, "There's potential to extend the bus service to include Maungaturoto and One Tree Point. We're exploring whether it would be more feasible to introduce a shuttle bus that picks up from a designated point in Maungaturoto or One Tree Point and connects to the Ruakākā stop for the Bream Bay Link into Whangārei, or to extend the bus service to another day and include these areas. I'd like to gather feedback from the community to understand their needs and whether there is a clear preference for an option."

You can find the survey by scanning the barcode on the

advertisement on page 9 or go to: www.buslink.

As an incentive there are four \$50 prezzy cards to be won by those who take part.

Natalia will also be taking the survey to various community events. She was at the One Tree Point Artisan Market last Sunday and at the Waipu Street and Park Market on Sunday 27 October

She will also be attending Waipu, Ruakākā and Maungaturoto Resident and Ratepayer meetings.

Nominations sought for up coming Bream Bay **Sports Awards**

The Bream Bay Sports Trust is seeking nominations for the upcoming Bream Bay Sports Awards, to be hosted on Friday 21 March 2025.

Do you know of a person/team/club/ volunteer who has a residual address in the Bream Bay community, who is doing amazing things in or for sport in our Bream Bay Community, Nationally or Internationally?

Please start nominating now! This is our opportunity to acknowledge these people who are contributing positively to sports clubs/groups or have made an inspiring individual achievement.

Go on line at Bream Bay Sports Awards, Bream Bay Sports Trust and start nominating

Seniornet Bream Bay 2025 scenic calendars now on sale

The 2025 Senior Net Scenic Calendars of Bream Bay are back from the printer and on sale in local shops, Including Ray White Real Estate in Waipu, Waipu Hammer Hardware, Waipu Library, One Tree Point Store, Bream Bay Merchants and the Westpac Bank in Ruakākā

The calendar features some of the best shots taken by the Senior Net camera club over the past year including a stunning shot by Stephen Hunt of a big orange moon rising over Taranga Island, a colourful action shot by Dotrothy Kelly of horses and jockeys heading to the finish line at the Ruakākā races, the cruise ship Seven Seas Navigator leaving port with Mount Manaia in the background by Nancy Edge and a pohutukawa framed evening view of the One Tree Point Boat Ramp by Barbara Reynolds.



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In the memory of Alan and Marjorie McKenzie



Members of the McKenzie family with representatives of Waipu Lions unveiling a memorial bench to Alan and Majorie McKenizie on the Waipu Coastal Trail

The Waipu Lions, along with members of the McK-enzie family unveiled a memorial bench to Alan and Majorie McKenzie, the driving force behind the establishment of the coastal trail between Waipu Cove and Langs Beach.

David and Marjorie's four children had come to their late parents Langs Beach home for the occasion on Saturday afternoon 5 October.

A son David read a prepared speech telling the story of how his parents had come to live at Langs Beach and how they had worked to re-establish the native bush and to make the trail a public asset.

Alan had recognized how valuable the coastal walk with is scenic views, ancient pohutukawa and unusual limestone rock formations would be as a public asset and worked doggedly to achieve this.

His efforts were given a boost when the Waipu Lions got behind his project establishing the trail with formed steps and pathways.

In more recent years the Wairahi Tracks Trust has maintained the track and made many improvements to make it safer and more accessible.

But without Alan McKenzie's determination the trail would not be widely known or able to be enjoyed by residents and visitors to Waipu today.

"For me the Waipu Coastal trail will always be the McKenzie Trail", said long time Waipu Lions member Malcolm Norton.

Bring along your prize roses and cauliflowers to the Marsden Bay Garden Club's spring show

The Marsden Bay Garden Club invites members of the public to enter the schedule of classes at its spring flower show on Friday 1 November.

If you email:marsdenbaygardenclub@gmail.com, the club's secretary Glenn Nicholson will forward you the schedule, which includes vegetable as well as decora-

tive and best bloom categories.

Entries need to be brought to the Ruakākā Hall at the corner of Sanford Rd and State Highway One before midday on Thursday 31 October. Judging will take place on Thursday afternoon.

New Meridian EV charger at Marsden Cove

There's now a Meridian Zero EV charger at Marsden Cove, where the Northpower EV charging boxes used to be. While it still says "under repair", there's already a photo of it, and it's live in the Zero app, too. I've asked PlugShare to remove the "under repair" status. There are now a number of slow charing options in

Bream Bay but only one fast charger alongside the Waipu museum.

Slow chargers are: at the Cove Café , the Pave and Mike Stacey (EV enthusiasts) Alpaca Farm, the Ruak \bar{a} k \bar{a} Holiday Park and now one again at Marsden Cove

David McKenzie tells how his parents worked over many years to resgenerate native bush near their home and to establish the Waipu Cove to Langs Coastal Trail

It's the summer of 1972, and the McKenzies are off to Mangawhai Heads on a camping holiday.

A neighbour tells us we must visit a very lovely spot nearby while we're there, so one rainy day we drive over to Langs Beach. We're in the car heading for the main road when Dad spots a shack on a gorse-covered hilltop, and a For Sale sign. He pulls over at once and persuades Mum to get out and take a look. As soon as she sees the view, our future is sealed. Lots of fun and hard work is to come, and eventually Mum and Dad build the big house that stands here now.

After they retired, Mum and Dad moved to live here permanently. Dad helped Mum realise her wish to nurture and regenerate the native bush on the property, and as a family we enjoyed walking along a roughly formed path from our home to Waipu Cove. Dad and Mum would take visitors along the path, who enjoyed it too. Both were convinced that the trail should be made known to more people.

The views were spectacular, the terrain featuring unusual limestone rock layering – the same as that seen at the very well-known Punakaiki Rocks. Huge gnarled pohutukawa, seemingly

Alan and Majorie McKenzie

defying gravity, lean out over the rocks, with roots in and around limestone caves. It is a dramatic and very rugged piece of coastline.

Mum and Dad discovered that most of the path was within the coastal reserve, or Queen's Chain, except for two properties which had riparian rights.

Dad approached the owners, who generously agreed to have the trail made better known.

There needed to be a public access way at the Langs Beach end of the trail and happily there was a piece of public land opposite Waterman Drive, which looked suitable. So Dad approached the Parks and Reserves manager for the Council, who was also enthusiastic. In typical Dad-fashion, he quickly erected handwritten

signs at the top of the public land to mark the start of the trail by the roadside.

Some of the owners nearby were concerned – they didn't want it widely known that any sort of walkway existed. There was strong resistance – they were worried about loss of privacy and possible burglary. They also argued about the positioning of the reserve in relation to their own private properties. Agreement had to be reached.

It took years to sort it all out.

A local councillor, Shelley Deeming, set things in motion by suggesting an application to the council for funding to establish the boundaries of properties adjacent to the reserve.

Throughout these lengthy negotiations Dad continued to maintain and improve the track, spraying and removing weeds, carefully placing trail markers to assist with navigation. A real labour of love.

The council later allocated funding for surveying and the Lions Club members spent many weekends clearing and re-establishing the trail through the bush. The trail is now much better known – it is shown on Google Maps and local real estate agents use it as a selling feature for properties along the trail!

Dad and Mum's perseverance and tenacity, along with bucket loads of hard slog and enthusiasm has ensured they leave a wonderful legacy in the beautiful regenerating native bush and the Waipu Coastal Trail.



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The new Black Shed art workshop and gallery



Artists Evan Heasman, Laura Currie, Claire Nichols and arts administrator Laura Currie in the new workshop and gallery

A new art workshop and gallery has opened in the Black Shed on Cove Rd. in Waipu Three professional full time artists: potter - Claire Nichols who has previously run pottery workshops at her home, painter - Laura Currie and Evan Heasman, who makes colourful collage and hand painted pieces a combination of collage share the space with arts administrator Sarah Crowe coming on board to organise workshops, artists talks and other events.

The gallery and studio is open from Tuesday to Sunday from 10am to 4pm. You can view the artists at work, while collections of finished pieces are on display and for sale.

Waipu Tennis Club

Report by Paul Ramsay

Summer tennis is underway with eight teams of five competing on the social night. If you still haven't got your racquet out it's never too late as there are always spaces due to injury and sickness. Three rounds have been played but as yet no clear leader has emerged.

Great to see a good number of people come along to a working bee to spruce the clubhouse and courts up prior to the start of the season. A good volunteer base makes for a strong club.

By the time you read this our Quiz night will have been held. Many thanks to all those who attended and helped raise funds for our Junior coaching programme. Special thanks to Hayley who put all this together.

Juniors and Intermediates start their season on October 17. This is a Tuesday night so that we are able to have our professional coach. Juniors start at 3.30pm and Intermediates at 5pm.

Ladies nights are on Wednesdays at 6pm. These have already started but it is never too late to come along and join in. Wednesday can be the night your partner looks after the kids and cook's tea while you head out for some exercise and socialising!

Interclub is into the third week. We have one A grade team and two B Grade teams this season. Our A grade team have had a win and a draw and are fourth on the points table at the moment. In the B grade the Waipu Black team are also fourth after a win and loss, while Waipu Yellow, who are in the same division, are 7th with a loss and a draw.

Remember to check our Facebook page for what is going on at the club.

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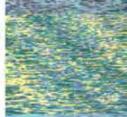














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9.20am	Departs	Mangawhai Heads I-Site	
9.35am	Departs	Langs Beach Corner of Wairahi and Cove Roads	
9.40am	Departs	Waipu Cove Beach Car park	
9.50am	Departs	Waipu Monument Bus stop	
10.10am	Departs	Ruakākā Peter Snell Road (opposite Takutai Place)	
10.50am	Arrives	Whangārei Rose Street Bus Terminus	

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AFTERNOON

3.00pm	Departs	Whangārei Rose Street Bus Terminus	
3.40pm	Departs	Ruakākā Peter Snell Road (opposite Takutai Place)	
4.00pm	Departs	Waipu Monument Bus stop	
4.10pm	Departs	Waipu Cove Beach Car park	
4.15pm	Departs	Langs Beach Corner of Wairahi and Cove Roads	
4.30pm	Departs	Mangawhai Heads I-Site	
4.35pm	Departs	Mangawhai Village Village Shops Bus Stop (by restrooms)	
4.50pm	Arrives	Kaiwaka Kaiwaka Hall	



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- **COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS** 10:30am-12 noon every Friday in the hall at the Bream Bay Community Trust in Takutai Place, Ruakākā. Light refreshments available.
- KEEPING IT LOCAL Pop up exhibition by eight Waipu Artists. Nova Scotia Junction, 1 Cover Rd. Saturday 26 October 10am - 4pm. Runs daily to 3 November.
- KITE DAY Saturday 26 October 10am 2pm in the Caledonian Park, Waipu Free event.,
- KIDS FISHING DAY 27 October as the Waipu fishing Club. 12 noon to 3pm. Free event, Prizes, arts and crafts - make a sea creature. 12 years
- WAIPU STREET AND PARK MARKET Labour Weekend Sunday October 27th 9am - 2pm. Caledonian Park & Celtic Barn,
- MARSDEN BAY GARDEN CLUB SPRING FLOWER SHOW. Friday 1 November in the Ruakaka Hall on the corner of Sandford Rd. and SH1, Ruakaka. Public viewing hours 9am - 3pm.
- WAIPU BOUTIQUE SUNDAY MARKET Next on Sunday 10 November . From 9am to 1pm in the Coronation Hall
- .• ONE TREE POINT ARTISAN MARKET Next on Sunday 17 November 9am - 1pm. One Tree Point School quadrant and field. Fundraising for Whangārei Hospital Children's Ward.
- VILLY DAY OUT Saturday 23 November on Now in the Tamingi St. Reserve 10am to 3pm.
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- . WAIPU MUSEUM 36, The Centre, Waipu. Open seven days 10am-4pm
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From the Bream Bay News of 50 years ago

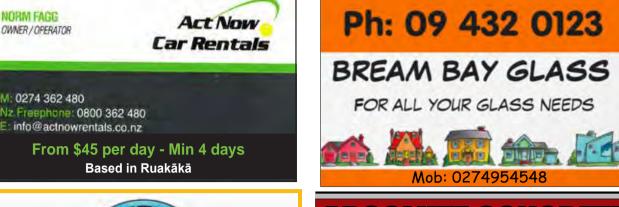
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Excerpt from an editorial entitled "Development Problems"

The Residents and Ratepayers of Ruakaka plainly showed their concern for the types of industries they want for this area, in fact, many expressed the opinion that that we already have enough pollutant type industries in the Refinery and the Power Station and that new heavy industries should go where already fertilizer works and the glass industry are situated in Whangarei. In spite of determined efforts by some to keep the area for industry, Marsden Bay and One Tree Point are rapidly becoming built up with homes of people seeking to get away from noise and bustle and enjoy a life closer to nature. Marsden Point is a residential area yet a heavy industrial area is zoned right Bream Bay News Page 20 24 October 2024

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Safeman Safefamily offers a safe place for men to talk privately without judgement and with complete confidentiality.

We are peer led and professionaly supported and offer a range of services and support for men and their families.

The services we provide are as follows:

- **Advocacy Navigator**
- Court support
- **FGC Support**
- **Probation Community Service Provider**
- Legal Advice
- Marriage Celebrant
- House and property blessing
- One to one counselling
- Drug and Alcohol support
- Anger management group sessions
- Supervisor for court ordered access
- Work brokers/ help with employment

No appointments are necessary, we have an open door policeu - if you need help or know someone that does just come on down to: 9 Takutai Place, Ruakākā. We are right next door to Jimmy's Barber Shop or I can be reached by phone 021 121 0763 - Phil Paikea

Bream Bay Community Support Trust



Takutai Place, Ruakaka Phone: 09 432 7197

Services we provide:

- Registered Social Workers
- Family Support Workers
- Youth Workers
- Youth Holiday Programme
- Counsellors
- Community Connectors

(Connecting community to various services)

- Free Whanau Ora Medical Clinic with Ki A Ora Ngatiwai. Wednesday mornings 10am-12noon, by appointment only phone 09 435 4586
- Free Budgeting Service –fortnighly on Thursdays 10am-1pm, by appointment
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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

7.00pm **MONDAY 4th NOVEMBER 2024** @ the CLUBROOMS.

ALL WELCOME

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 - ST PAUL's Church, 25 Karawai St, Ruakaka 1st and 3rd Sundays 9.30am

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, 8 Nova Scotia Dr., Waipu 2nd and 4th Sundays, 09.30am

Catholic Holy Family Church, Ruakaka, 10.30am. Mass or Liturgy of the Word

Lifepoint. 300 OTP Rd,10.30am.

MARKETS

Waipu Street Market Labour Weekend Sunday October 27th 9am - 2pm Caledonian Park & Celtic Barn, Waipu Get in touch at: markets@promotewaipu.co.nz and we will send you a form to fill out to join our database."



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