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## Wind and tide helping recovery of the Waipū Estuary

Northland Regional Council staff found the health of the Waipū estuary had improved when they visited last Thursday 18 March.

Scientist Richard Griffiths said, "Dissolved oxygen levels in the lagoon area of the estuary were much higher than during our previous inspections, although there were still areas with lower readings. At our previous visits dissolved oxygen levels have been zero so

there has been a big improvement."

He said, "At most places we made measurements they were within the normal range you would expect for an estuary. The black colouration of the water and the strong odour, caused by anoxic conditions (lack of oxygen) had also dissipated. It appears that a combination of tidal flushing and surface aeration, which will have been helped by moderate winds have helped to re-oxygenate the water."

Residents living nearby and visitors to the estuary became alarmed a fortnight ago when they saw dead fish floating in the water. Rafts of slimy algal bloom had been washed into shallow water of the lagoon and as this died and decomposed it depleted the oxygen in the water so that fish were unable to breath.

On 13 March the Northland District Health Board issued a warning for people to avoid swimming or letting children or dogs play in the area and not to collect shellfish there.

Mr. Griffiths said the estuary seems to be recovering slowly without any intervention but that the NRC would continue to monitor the dissolved oxygen levels in its water.



## Sports Awards Winner



Carlisa McCarrol, who is the current New Zealand Ladies Clay Target Point-Score Champion, is Bream Bays Supreme Sports Award winner for 2020.

Carlisa has a shoot off against Olympic Silver Medalist and World Champion Natalie Rooney to win this title. She was just 17-years-old at the time.

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## EDITORIAL

## Bream Bay Sports Awards gives a glimpse of our community at its best

Sport is a big deal in Bream Bay. Every year when its time to get to work on the Bream Bay Sports Awards it astounds me just how many and what a diverse variety of sports clubs and sporting activity we have here.

The wonderful thing about the awards night is that it brings people in all these different codes together and helps them to recognize and celebrate one another. Next year I hope we can spread the net even wider and involve some of the sports clubs that weren't represented last Friday night.

I also like that the sports night celebrates coaches, referees and other sports administrators as well as our high achievers. The Bream Bay Sports Awards Night gives a glimpse of our community at its best.

This year's guest speaker was netball legend Bernice Mene. She told us how she grew up in a sporting family, both her parents having competed in athletics at the Commonwealth Games in Christchurch in 1974. The family was regulars at the Christchurch athletics club and Bernice and her siblings got to know the highly motivated people who belonged to and ran that organisation. She said the knowledge that her parents had been able to achieve at a high level and the examples they and some of the other adults at the athletics club set had helped her to go on to succeed on the netball court.

Her understanding of the importance for young people to have good role models led her to become manager of the Hyundai Pinnacle programme, which helps young people to overcome the barriers that might be holding them back from achieving their dreams.

The programme is not just about sport. Bernice told how it had helped a young man from Southland whose dream was to become an actor by putting him in touch with an Auckland talent agency and how a young aspiring artist had been set on the pathway to overcoming the shyness, which had prevented her from promoting her work. Applications to this fund can be made online at the Hyundai Pinnacle website. The Bream Bay Sports Awards Trust distributes the funds it makes from the awards night back into our clubs so that they can cover some of the expense, which may prevent young people from participating in sport. My hope is that the young ones who are able to join a team or learn a new skill because of this fund will benefit and learn from the examples set by the coaches, team managers and other good people involved in running our local sports organizations.

Marilyn

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## Bernice Mene at Bream Bay College



Netball legend Bernice Mene had an attentive audience when she spoke to Bream Bay College students in the school where prior to attending the Bream Bay Sports Awards where she was guest speaker on Friday 19 March. Bernice told the students the three items she believed would help them to have a successful life were to dream, take risks and to have a sense of humour. Bernice is 6 foot 2 and reached this height when she was twelve years old. She said, "When I started college in the third form I was the tallest person in the school. I was even taller than all the teachers."

She said she was shy and hated standing out so used to stand with her shoulders slumped to make herself shorter. Her mother however wouldn't have this. "She would come up behind me and pull my shoulders back and say, "Stand tall Bee and be proud of who you are and what you can do." Her father's advice: "If in doubt just smile", has also been helpful. Bernice manages the Hyundai NZ Pinnacle Programme, which supports young New Zealanders aged 15-18 years to achieve their dreams. Applications for this programme can be made online.

## A breakwater for the OTP boat ramp in 2025

"When are you going to finish the One Tree Point boat ramp?" asked Sue Forsyth at the Whangarei District Council's presentation of its 2021 – 2031 long Term Plan in the Ruakaka Recreation Centre on Tuesday 9 March. It is a question Sue has been asking for the past ten years. She was supported by Rex Roberts who told the gathered councillors and council staff that the ramp in its present state is dangerous and a 95-year-old man had fallen there last year. He said the boat ramp at Marsden Cove was so well used that it was difficult to launch a boat there so local boat owners were forced into using the steep, often

slippery and on an incoming tide treacherous One Tree Point ramp. Sue Hodge the WDC's Parks Manager told the meeting that funds for a breakwater around the One Tree Point ramp have been allocated in year 2 (2022-2023) of the Long Term Plan. She later explained that in the draft LTP there are funds for design and consenting of the breakwater in Year 1 and Year 2 (2021- 2023) with \$1,000,000 to build a structure in Year four (2025 -2026). She said, "This could be pulled forward if the project is ready to go earlier i.e. consenting, design and tendering completed."

## No funding in LTP for new Recreation Centre building

A contribution towards the proposed Ruakākā multi-purpose recreation building is a notable omission from the 2021 –2031 Whangarei District Council Long Term Plan.

The project has an allocation of \$2.5 million from the Covid 19 Shovel Ready Recovery Fund. In a press release sent to the Bream Bay News, the Recreation Centre committee said it intended to build stage one of the multi purpose centre with this money. This stage would see a "community gym and well being facility" built on the Tiki Place Park.

One of the criteria for the Shovel Ready Funding was "Construction Readiness" and that the project be ready for construction to begin within a 12 month time frame. The grant for the Ruakākā multi purpose centre was announced in July of 2020. Stage two, which needs an additional \$5million, involves a two-court indoor sports hall, event space and volleyball arena.

The Recreation Centre Committee and its project manager Paul McDonald had expected a \$784,000 contribution from the Whangarei District Council, which the press release states "had been planned by council staff."

There is no such allocation in the 2021 – 2031 Whangarei District Council Long Term Plan. At the presentation of the LTP by Council staff at the Ruakaka Recreation Centre on Tuesday night 9 March, Mr. McDonald asked those Councillors present at the meeting, to explain why this money was not in the plan. No councillor stood to reply but Simon Weston the WDC's General Manager of Infrastructure said it had been necessary to make some "difficult trade offs."

Mr. McDonald said the lack of Council money could jeopardize funding the Recreation Centre Committee hoped to get from the Lotteries Board and the ASB Community Grants Fund. He urges Ruakākā people to make submissions to the Long Term Plan asking the Council to commit to the project.

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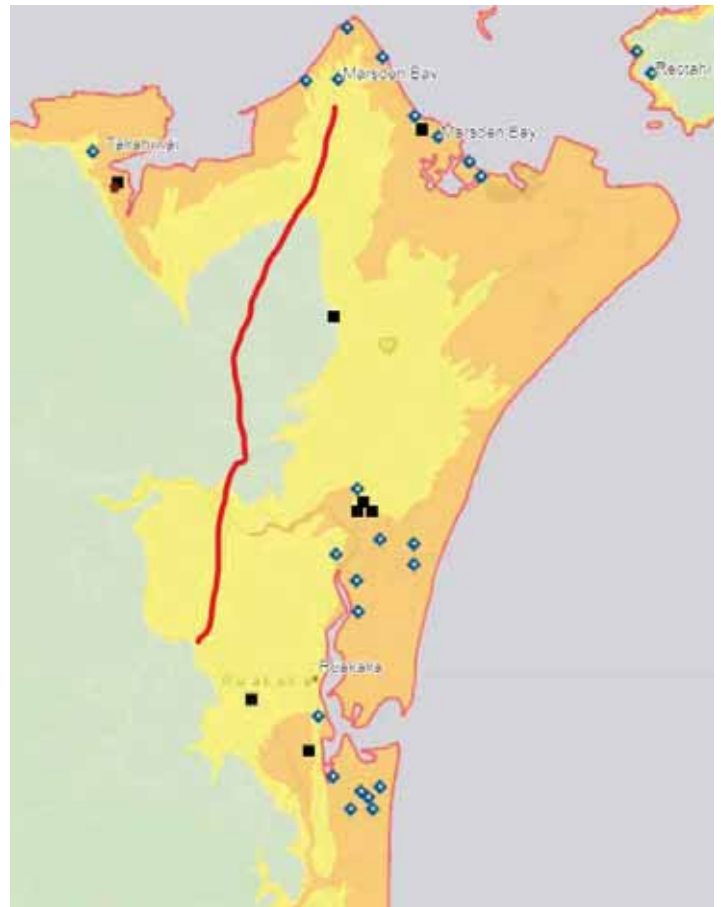
### Multiple safe areas that are much closer

I've just read the tsunami evacuation stories in the latest issue of the Bream Bay News, and I was shocked to read that our kids at the OTP School were supposed to be taken all the way out to Prescott Rd, when there are multiple safe areas that are so much closer. For example, the safe (green) zone for One Tree Point starts well before the One Tree Point Rd / Takahiwai Rd / McEwan Rd intersection, and most of Marsden City, particularly the part next to One Tree Point Rd, is also in the safe zone. I stayed there to wait out the evacuation, together with only a handful other cars and campervans, but most people tried to get high up into the hills, causing long queues to form on the main road and side roads, or drove on further along SH15, to reach SH1, which actually took them out of the safe zone and back into a danger zone – and that is exactly what happened to the kids, when their

buses got stuck there and had to turn into the private driveway.

Many people drove way too long, too far and too high up than they needed to be safe, instead of reaching the closest safe zone and fanning out to free up the roads. I guess most of us are unfortunately unfamiliar with or misinformed about the tsunami evacuation zones, or relying on old and outdated maps or hearsay or what the grandparents used to do.

I attached a snippet of the tsunami evacuation map, showing the One Tree Point / Ruakākā area, with the One Tree Point Rd / SH15 escape route highlighted in red. You can clearly see how it passes through a safe zone but then leads back into a danger zone on the way



to SH1. We shouldn't have put our kids at risk by trying to get all the way to Prescott Rd and getting stuck inside a yellow zone when they had already passed through a safe zone earlier.

I strongly recommend that we all familiarise ourselves with the current tsunami evacuation zones, which can be viewed on NRC's website at: <https://www.nrc.govt.nz/civildefence/tsunami-evacuation-zones/>

Olli Krollmann  
One Tree Point

More letters on pages 6 and 8

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## POLICE REPORT



### Suspect escapes out a window after scuffle in Police Station

A man who was being processed on suspicion of drink driving became belligerent and got into a scuffle with the Police officer, who was on his own with the man at the Bream Bay Station at around midnight on Wednesday 17 March.

The constable reached for his Taser and took a step backwards to take aim but the man locked himself in a back office and then climbed out a window and escaped. On Friday 19 March he was still evading Police although Sergeant Neil Pennington was confident he would be found.

"We know who he is and where he lives," he said.

The man had been driving in Tamingi Street with two passengers in the car when he was stopped by the Police Officer.

Sergeant Pennington said the incident shows how vulnerable his officers are when they are working alone at night.

While two officers usually work in Bream Bay through the night they work alone with one in based in Ruakākā and the second in Waipu. The Waipu based officer had been on the way to give assistance but arrived at the station after the man had escaped.

### Youth Aid dealing with young burglary suspects

Youth Aid is dealing with a group of young people suspected as being responsible for a string of burglaries in Ruakākā. The young people ranging in age from 13 – 15 were mostly from Whangarei but were coming to Ruakākā, often in stolen cars, to visit one of their number who had recently moved here. This young person had been placed in the care of Oranga Tamariki but had run away and on Friday 19 March was still missing.

### Fatal accident

A fatal accident occurred in Bickerstaffe Road in Maungaturoto on Thursday 11 March at 3pm when a vehicle left the road and rolled down a bank. A 17-year-old man who was a passenger was killed when he was ejected from the vehicle.

### Five family harm incidents

In the period 6 March to 19 March Police dealt with five family harm incidents: two in Waipu, two in Ruakākā and one in Maungaturoto.

### Another gang fight tournament at Takahiwai this weekend

Herbie Rata of the Head Hunters gang is organizing another of his fight tournaments in Takahiwai for this weekend on Saturday 27 March.

Mr. Rata is currently serving a term on community detention in relation to an assault conviction which he received after knocking a 60-year-old man unconscious outside the Ruakākā Tavern last June.

The conditions of his detention are that he remain at his home address in Takahiwai from 7pm to 7am and that he not associate with any gang members at his home.

This, however, leaves him free to associate with gang members outside his gate and the fight tournament, which has been billed as "The Back Yard Wars", will be held on land across the road from his home. Representatives of gangs including the Head Hunters, Black Power and Mongrel Mobs are expected to turn up to the event.

Sergeant Neil Pennington, Officer in Charge at the Bream Bay Police Station, said while there would be an increased Police presence in the vicinity of Takahiwai on Saturday, he was not expecting any trouble as there hasn't been trouble at previous fight events organised by Mr. Rata.

### Police can't act without a trespass notice

Acting on complaints from the public, Police have spoken a number of times to the man who has been camping on the Whangarei District Council reserve land at Princes' Road in Ruakākā. The man has erected a tent and has a United Tribes of New Zealand flag flying from his car. Sergeant Pennington said while he has talked to the man he cannot move him from the reserve until the Whangarei District Council issues a trespass notice against him.

Another man camping on the beach just south of the Ruakākā Surf Club has also been spoken to by Police.

### Crash in Mair Rd.

A vehicle ran off the road into some rocks on Mair Rd. in Marsden Point on Wednesday 10 March. There were no injuries to the vehicle's occupants but the vehicle needed to be towed away.

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## LETTERS

## No matter how you cut it, rates increase is still 6.5%

Council is proposing a 6.5% rates increase next year. This is a huge increase. The proposal is part of their public consultation process on the draft Long Term Plan for the next ten years.

At the public meeting held in the Ruakaka Community Centre on 9 March, Council staff began by explaining the increase comprises three elements.

The first is 2.5% basically for inflation. The 2.5% number is derived by BERL, an economic consultancy, as the level of local government cost increases over the past decade to deliver the same services. While this is designed to give it a sense of being scientific, no household, business or even central government allows its cost to grow by 2.5% a year. It simply reflects a lack of sound financial management by local government.

The second factor of 2% is described as a catch-up from last year's covid-induced reduction. Given WDC managed to live within this reduced budget last year, it is

hard to see why they need to take back what they didn't need.

The final 2% is based on the need to fund additional services.

No matter how you cut it, it's still 6.5% and it's still a lot.

Many Councils in New Zealand have falling populations. In places like Ruapehu and the West Coast of the South Island a falling number of ratepayers has to fund the same roading network and water infrastructure. It must be incredibly hard. Whangarei District has the opposite issue. As the population grows rapidly, there are more ratepayers. Yes, it's true that a growing population needs additional services. But it is also true that there are more ratepayers to spread the fixed cost of paying for libraries, maintaining existing infrastructure and the like.

The rates take from WDC is a bit over \$100 million. An increase of 6.5% represents an extra \$6.5 million coming out of ratepayers, farmers and businesses. Even if it all get spent within the district, it's still money you don't have.

Public submissions are due by 1 April with the consultation document and feedback form on the WDC website or available at libraries and service centres. But there's a sense that it's a done deal. On page 30 the consultation documents says council plans to spend \$370,000 pa addressing climate change. One option, to spend more on climate change, says the rates rise will then be even higher. Five pages later it says that if you don't want the beautification of John Street and James Street to go ahead the savings will be redeployed elsewhere.

It seems as though they have already decided to increase rates by 6.5% and we are only really being asked what they will spend it on.

Have your say.

*Richard Morris  
Ruakaka*

## Brooks Road gets 3 kilometres of new seal



Work on the preparation for the sealing of Brooks Road is well underway. Major earthwork to widen the road and cut back some really nasty bends is almost complete. The sealing will begin soon and the work should be finished early April.

When work is completed on the almost 3 kilometre section of the road we will have a much safer road. Residents are thrilled with the work so far and we can't speak highly enough about the contractor and their workers and the way they have dealt with us. While we are disappointed they are only sealing part of the road it will be beneficial for all residents. Better drainage, dust reduction, the safety aspect and the reduction of wear and tear on our cars will be worth any disruption we have had to put up with. Being on the school bus route the work will mean a much safer road for the children. We will strongly support any decision the District Council makes to include further road sealing as part of the next ten year plan currently under consultation.

*Garth Houltham  
Chairperson  
Braigh Area Community Group*

*Another letter on page 8*

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## Dandruff

Dandruff is the term used to describe the shedding of large amounts of flakes of skin from the scalp. It is particularly noticeable when we wear dark clothing because it shows as a shower of small white flakes. Normally a small amount of flaking of dead skin occurs and it is removed either by brushing or shampooing them away.



The increase in dead scalp flakes is usually caused by the scalp producing more layers of skin because it is affected by a fungal infection or from seborrhoeic dermatitis. Normally the skin covering the scalp falls off gradually and isn't generally noticed on the clothing. When someone has dandruff caused by a fungal infection, the skin produces more flakes and the scalp is often greasy and itchy. Seborrhoeic dermatitis is related to eczema or psoriasis but affects areas producing sebum, such as the scalp. People with eczema elsewhere on their body may also suffer from this inflammatory condition, which is also helped by antifungal treatments that treat dandruff.

Dandruff is generally worse in the winter months, as it appears to be relieved by exposure to sunlight. The condition may spread to other hairy areas, noticeably the eyebrows, eyelashes, face, armpits and groin. Dandruff is not a contagious condition, so is not transmitted from person to person, and is not a reflection of personal hygiene.

Flaking skin on the scalp should first be treated with antifungal shampoos containing zinc, selenium or a specific antifungal agent called ketoconazole. The shampoo should be applied to the scalp and left in contact with the scalp for several minutes before rinsing off. If used in the shower then the scalp should be shampooed at the beginning and rinsed off at the end of the shower to allow reasonable contact time with the scalp. Shampoo containing zinc or selenium may be used daily if required, but those containing ketoconazole should only be used twice a week. All dandruff treatment should be continued for four weeks after symptoms have cleared, then may be used each week to ensure the symptoms do not recur. Ongoing treatment with shampoo or conditioning preparations that contain tar as an antiseptic may also be helpful.

If you or anyone in your family is bothered by flaking scalp then consult your community pharmacist. They can help with treatment and advice for this embarrassing condition, or refer you for further treatment if the condition becomes severe or appears to be unrelieved by treatment.



## First sod turned for river walk



Turning the first sod, from left Gina Murray, Lydia Draper, Shilane Shirkey and Lucy Bowie dig the ground watched over by kaumatua Paraire Pirihi of Patuharakeke

A ceremony to mark the turning of the first sod for the Waipu River Walk was held in the Waihoi Park on a damp Saturday morning with Patuharakeke kaumatua giving their blessing to the project. Paraire Pirihi said it was good to see the involvement of some of the iwi's young people helping to create the new walkway, which would be enjoyed by many local people.

## Waipu or Waipū

Should there be a macron above the u in the name Waipu?

It depends on whose version of the origin of this name you accept.

On Saturday morning 13 March at the sod turning ceremony for the start of work on the Waipu River walkway, Paraire Pirihi of Patuharakeke said the name Waipu was given in honour of an ancestor, a great rangitira whose body when he died, was cut up with parts of it distributed around the rohe. Some parts were deposited in the Waipu Caves but his head was buried at the top of the Brynderwyn Hill so that he could keep watch over this place..

Later when asked where this story originated Heidi Pirihi said it was an old story told by tupuna.

"He was a rangitira of all the iwi who lived around here."

Another explanation of the origin of the name Waipu is that it commemorates the bloody battles of 1825 when, under the leadership of Hongi Hika, musket carrying Ngapuhi attacked and defeated Te Uri a Hou of Ngati Whatua at Kaiwaka.

In the Māori – English dictionary Te Aka, a translation of the suffix pū is that this is a modifier meaning reddened, so Waipū with a macron could be translated as reddened water, perhaps water red with blood..

This explanation of the name was given by a representative of Te Uri a Hou who was guest speaker at a Department of Conservation thank you BBQ for local volunteers held at the Waipu Cove Surf Lifesaving Club around ten years ago.

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### A pop up roundabout in Waipū

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Lynda Gibson  
Salt and Pepper Cafe

*Correction: Salt and Pepper Cafe is at the corner of The Centre and South Rd.. not St Mary's Rd as we said in an article in the 25 March issue of the Bream Bay News.*



### Bream Bay wide power outage

We had just watched Emirates Team NZ win its sixth race in the America's cup series on Auckland Harbour in an exciting back and forth duel that had us sitting on the edge of our seats. The next race, which with the score 6 -3 to NZ, could have been the clincher, was due to start in an hours time and then the power went off all across Waipū, Ruakākā, Mata and in some parts of Marsden Point. The power went out at 5.23pm and affected 3,924 households but luckily for us, the second race of the day on Tuesday 16 March was called off due to shifting winds.

Rachel Wansbone, Customer Experience Manager for Northpower explained: The power outage that affected Waipū, Ruakaka, Mata and some parts of Marsden Point was due to a fault at the Ruakaka substation – the fault caused both of the 33KV (high voltage) feeder lines to trip out.

She said, "Staff were dispatched straight away, and were on site at the Ruakākā substation within 30 minutes, meanwhile our control room went about switching the supply for the customers we could feed power to from other parts of the network. This meant that by 5.45pm we had 1,055 customer's power back on, and a further 1,142 customers back on by 6.10pm through switching the supply points.

"Once the cause of the fault was identified, we were able to isolate the faulty network asset and re-liven the Ruakākā Zone Substation," so that the remaining households got their electricity back on by 6.34pm

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## Waipū to Ruakākā cycleway gets top priority

A cycleway along the coast between Waipū and Ruakākā has been given a level 1 priority by the Regional Transport Committee in its recently published 2021 to 2031 Northland Regional Land Transport Plan. Councillor Rick Stolwerk who has been as chair of this committee after the resignation of Councillor John Bain last October, told a meeting in Ruakākā on Tuesday evening 9 March that a cycleway connecting the two Bream Bay towns had been given this highest of ratings.

The project had already been identified in Council's Walking and Cycling Strategy, which has a map showing the proposed route running along the coastline. Jeff Devine, the Northland Transport Alliance's Strategy and Planning Manager said public discussion on this proposal had already occurred when the Walking and Cycling Strategy was formulated but that "further consultation will be undertaken with the community and stakeholders once the detailed route design is completed."

The project is costed at \$729,728, with \$386,745 of this to come from the NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi, and the balance to from the coffers of the Whangarei District Council. Neither of these funding

sources is assured. Mr. Devine said the Regional Land Transport Plan is, in effect, a request to Waka Kotahi, the results of which won't be known until September 2021.

The remaining \$362,000 is subject to the Whangarei District Council's Long Term Plan process.

The draft LTP proposes to spend a total \$37.2 million on cycleways throughout the Whangarei District, some of this presumably earmarked for the Waipū to Ruakākā project but all of this funding subject to Waka Kotahi subsidies being made available.

Both the Northland Regional Land Transport Plan and the Whangarei District Council's Long Term Plan are currently open to submissions with closing dates: tomorrow 26 March in the case of the transport plan and 1 April for the Long Term Plan.

There are more cycle and walking routes in the offing. Plans for the four lane highway between Ruakākā and Whangarei include a separate walking and cycling path and the WDC Walking and Cycling Strategy also proposes a "byway" route around Ruakākā and One Tree Point linking to a ferry crossing of the harbour from Marsden Cove.



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## Broadcasting Authority upholds complaint about news item on Takahiwai farm road

The Broadcasting Standards Authority has upheld a complaint about a news item, which appeared on Te Ao Māori News in May 2020 about opposition by some Takahiwai residents to the alleged conversion of a farm road into a public through way by farmers Jim and Don Fraser. The authority found the news item incorrectly stated that the works undertaken on the roadway were unauthorized.

The authority found the item also had the potential to mislead by omission as it did not include comment from the farm owners "which may have altered viewers' understanding of the situation."

Don Fraser has said there was never any intention to turn the farm road into a public road but his voice was not included in the broadcast item.

The authority also found that broadcast footage supplied to Te Ao Māori News by a third party was "a highly offensive" intrusion of the privacy of the Fraser brothers.

Te Ao Māori News has been ordered to pay \$500 compensation to each of the two farm owners and \$1,000 in costs to the Crown.

### THE NEXT PUBLICATION DATE

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## Bream Bay Sports Awards winners



The nominees were piped into the Celtic Barn and onto the stage at the Bream Bay Sports Awards held in the Waipu Celtic Barn on Friday night

Clay target shooter Carlisa McCarroll won the Trigg Construction Supreme Sportsperson of the Year award at Bream Bay's annual celebration of sporting achievement in the Waipu Celtic Barn on Friday night, 19 March.

Carlisa who is the current NZ Ladies Clay target Point Score Champion was also named Sportswoman of the Year.

Swimmer Rebecca Reade was named the Cowleys Hire Junior Sportsperson for 2020, from a hotly contested field. Rebecca won a bronze medal at the New Zealand Secondary School Championships for her 200m backstroke along with five other top 10 finishes.

NZ representative volleyball player Sonia Tompkins, who had a key role in bringing the National Beach Volleyball tour to Ruakākā won the Waipu Vet Centre Masters Sportsperson award.

Jesse Epiha, captain of the Takahiwai Rugby League Premier Team is Northpine Sportsman of the Year and his team was named as A1 Homes Senior Team of the Year. The team won the Rugby League Northland Premiership for the second year in a row, going through the entire season unbeaten.

The Takahiwai League Club had a very successful night with its under 7s team named as Cowleys Hire Junior Team of the Year and under 9s coach and all round club fundraiser and helper Shane Wassell getting the McLeod's Brewery Services to Sport award.

Legendary swimming coach Richard Dunkerton was Freshchoice Coach of the Year for his work preparing the young members of the Bream Bay Swimming Club for national competition.

Another Bream Bay Swimming Club nominee Julie Paton took the Barfootsand Thompson Referee of the Year award. Julie is Swimming Northland's technical officer training and overseeing the work of timekeepers and referees.

George Mutch, of the Waipu Bowling Club, won the Ray White Bream Bay Sports Leadership Award for his work as club secretary and bar manager for four years and for the effort he put into organising the club's centennial celebration as well as taking on the time consuming task of filling our funding applications to pay for a new synthetic bowling green.

The Waipu Surf Lifesaving Club was awarded the Rothbury's Community Impact



Clay target shooter Carlisa McCarroll won the Trigg Construction Supreme Award as well as the ITM Sportswoman award.



Sponsors of the various categories were invited to the stage to make the presentation to their award winner. Pictured above: Malcolm Norton of Ray Whites Bream Bay (right) presents George Mutch of the Waipu Bowling Club with the Services to Sport trophy.

trophy for fostering local young people, providing a safe place for people to swim and educating people in water safety in Bream Bay and throughout the wider Northland community.

And Jess Andrews who at the age of just 14 played for the Bream Bay United Senior women's Team and even volunteered to be in the goal when the team's regular goalie was unavailable received most online votes to win the Marsden Maritime Holdings Peoples Choice Award. Jess also helps set up for games and practices, referees and coached the club's first ever all girls team.



Tim Manning receives the Rothburys Community Impact Award on behalf of the Waipu Surf Lifesaving Club





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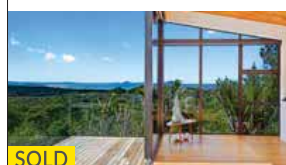
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Sun 28 March	7.58	2.7	8.26	2.7
Mon 29 March	8.48	2.8	9.16	2.8
Tue 30 March	9.36	2.9	10.06	2.9
Wed 31 March	10.25	2.9	10.56	2.9
Thu 1 April	11.14	2.9	11.46	2.9
Fri 2 April	~	~	12.04	2.8
Sat 3 April	12.38	2.8	12.57	2.7
Sun 4 April	1.33	2.7	12.52	2.6
Mon 5 April	1.31	2.6	1.51	2.5
Tue 6 April	2.33	2.5	2.54	2.4
Wed 7 April	3.37	2.5	3.59	2.4
Thu 8 April	4.38	2.5	5.02	2.4
Fri 9 April	5.34	2.5	5.59	2.4
Sat 10 April	6.24	2.6	6.49	2.5
Sun 11 April	7.10	2.6	7.35	2.5
Mon 12 April	7.52	2.6	8.16	2.6
Tue 13 April	8.31	2.6	8.55	2.6
Wed 14 April	9.07	2.6	9.31	2.6
Thu 15 April	9.43	2.5	10.07	2.6
Fri 16 April	10.20	2.5	10.44	2.5

## Waipu success at regional IRB Championships

Waipu Surf Life Saving Club's IRB teams had a successful run at last weekend's Northern Region IRB championships held at Ruakaka Beach.

Each of the club's four teams won at least one medal each as they competed with eight other clubs from Auckland and Northland, plus a team from Waihi.

"They did very well," says club captain Kath Manning. "It's really awesome for our youth, the IRB racing really engages them and even after they've left school they want to come back. We're stoked really."

As well as keeping the youngsters keen, she says, the added bonus from racing IRBs means their life-guards rescue skills are fine tuned.

Pink Zinc (Emily Stolwerk, Georgia McKay, Zara Jacobson) won two silvers in under-19 women's single rescue and assembly, and bronze in the tube rescue.

Shark Bait (Grace Kemp, Alyssa Flanagan, Ruby Dickinson-Yeoman) won bronze in under-19 women's assembly



The Pink Zinc team: Emily Stolwerk and Georgia McKay heading out to rescue their "patient" Zara Jacobson.

Waipu Cover under-19 men (Toby Hudson, Henry Jeffrey with female "patient" Manaia Wairua kahui-ariki Watson) won silver in assembly and Waipu JB (Bailey Hudson and Tyler Flannagan, also with Manaia) won bronze in the under-23 men's tube rescue.

Waipu will field five teams in the upcoming National IRB championships at Ruakaka Beach on 10 and 11 April.

## Boost for BB College cricket from former student

Cricket at Bream Bay College just received a boost from a former student.

Nicholas Albrecht was captain of the Bream Bay College Cricket first XI in 1993 and 1994 is now Chairman of the Auckland Cricket Association as well as a trustee/director of the Eden Park Trust Board.

He recently donated a trophy to the college for the most improved cricketer each year – either boy or girl, along with \$500 per year for the next five years towards cricket gear.

"I hope this cup – the most improved cricketer – and donation encourages boys and girls at Bream Bay to continue to play cricket," he said.

Sports coordinator Megan Carran said: "This is an amazing gesture from one of our past pupils. It is extremely (well) appreciated."



Nicholas Albrecht (left) handing the trophy over to teacher John Cunningham, who coaches the school's cricket teams. Photo by Meagan Lea

## WHAT'S ON IN BREAM BAY

- **NEW EXHIBITION RED DOOR GALLERY** 7 The Braigh, Waipu. Opening Saturday 27 March 5pm - 8pm. All welcome.
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- **WAIPU EASTER CARNIVAL** Easter Saturday 3 April 9am - 2pm in the Caledonian Park. Admission free. Fundraiser for the Waipu Primary PTA.
- **MEN IN KILTS RUGBY** Friday 9 April at 7pm in the Caledonian park. Waipu Men in kilts vs The Parliamentary Rugby Team

- **PUKAPUKA PARTY** Fun, educational activities for children. Saturday 10 April from 10am to 1pm. at Bream Bay College.
- **THE WAIPU SUNDAY MARKET** next on Sunday 11 April. 9am - 1pm in the Coronation Hall
- **THE MARSDEN COVE MARKET** Next on Sunday 18 April from 9am - 1pm. In the big marquee at Marsden Cove.
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## New owners of Waipū Hammer Hardware

Alana and Dean McCarthy are the new owners of Waipū's Hammer Hardware store. They are moving here from Orini, which is a small town just North of Hamilton.

Dean is a commercial diver. His job laying and maintaining pipe lines, checking on jetties and ships involved long trips away to far corners of the globe. He has worked in Russia, the Middle East and the United Kingdom and in Australia where he and Alana lived for six years.

Dean said he was often away for two or three months at a time and since the Covid 19 pandemic took hold those times



Dean and Alana McCarthy

away have extended out to eight or nine months which helped to persuade him he needed a career change.

Alana is a nurse and had returned to work after raising their five children. At Orini she and Dean and their children had lived in the farmhouse she grew up in with her parents in a smaller purpose built house nearby. Alana moved to Waipū at the start of the school year with four of their children. Their oldest son who is a keen rower will be staying with relatives in Hamilton. She has been working in the Waipū store since then to get a handle how it all runs.

Dean grew up in Kaitaia. His parents owned the Placemakers store there, which has now been taken over by his brother so the hardware business is something he is familiar with.

He said, the support of his family would make it a little bit easier for him and Alana to move into their new occupation.

Alana says she and Dean and their children are moving from her family base to be closer to Dean's family roots. He is descended from the Albertlanders who settled around the Kaipara Harbour in the 1860s

Both Alana and Dean have many relations living in Northland and Alana's parents are moving to Waipū with them and are building a new home in the Nova Scotia Estate.

Asked if they have any plans for their new business Dean said they will be finding their feet to begin with. "Coralie and Bruce (Roberts) obviously run a very good business. I am sure there will be some changes in the future but first we have to find out how it all works.

## Millers Meats buy the Ruakākā Butchery

Cameron Miller and Chloe Evans of Millers Meats in Waipū have now purchased the Ruakākā Butchery.

Cam said they always planned to expand the business but hadn't intended to make the move quite so soon.

"We saw the Ruakākā Butchery was for sale on Trade Me and we thought if someone else took it over, it might be a while until it came up again."

He said he understands his Ruakākā customer base is a little different from that of Waipū.

"It's a much more diverse population, so



Butcher Cameron Miller in the Ruakākā shop

we will be working to get our pricing right. We will be maintaining the high quality of our products but now that we have two stores to supply we should be able to make some savings which we can pass on to our customers."

Cam has some deep roots in Ruakākā. He is the grandson of Ivan and Robyn Papich, who lived in Ruakākā until they moved to the Jane Mander retirement village in Whangarei. The Papich family once farmed the land where the Marsden Point Refinery is located. Papich Rd. is named in their honour.

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Darrell Trigg of Trigg Construction presents the supreme Award to Cherie McCarroll, mother of award winner Carlisa McCarroll



Bruce Larsen of Northpine Ltd. presenting the Sportsman of the Year award to Jesse Epiha, captain of the Takahiwai Premier Rugby League Team.



Master Sportsperson of the year Sonia Tompkins receives her trophy from Sarah Briggs of the Waipu Vet Centre.



Jess Andrews won the People's Choice Award and was presented with her trophy by Gavin Carroll of Marsden Maritime Holdings.



## New water taxi service



Greg Stansfield and his water taxi - Dolphin Endeavour

There is a new business running out of Marsden Cove. It's a water taxi which can run people across to McLeod's Bay and back, take scenic tours of the harbour and go out on short two or three hour fishing trips.

Greg Stansfield said he has been on boats all his life. He moved to Marsden Cove from Tinopai on the Kaipara three years ago and saw the opportunity. It has taken him around 18 months to get organised. He obtained his Skippers licence from the Manukau Institute of Technology and hunted down an in-survey boat and found one which had been custom built as a water taxi.

The 28-foot Dolphin Endeavour can take a total of 13 people, including the skipper. Greg needs at least four people to make a trip viable although sometimes there is space for one or two extras on a pre-arranged trip.

Greg believes his taxi service will be good for the Marsden Cove businesses with people catching a ride from McLeod's Bay to enjoy a meal at Land and Sea, grocery shop, once the new supermarket opens up, or get their hair cut.

Limestone Island is a popular destination with passengers able to disembark to have a look around the old limestone quarry.

The wharf at McLeod's Bay is right next to the starting point for a number of walking trails and Greg hopes, as word gets around, people will book his water taxi to cross the water and try out some of these.

Fishing trips from two to four hours are another option.

Greg says that many people who own boats don't really go out in them often enough to justify the expense.

"Some people might decide that it is much easier just to come out fishing with me now and then."

## First practice tonight for Men in Kilts Rugby

The first practice night for the Men In Kilts rugby team will be tonight on Thursday March 25 at 6.30pm at the Waipū Rugby Club. There will be another practice on 30 March and match night is scheduled for Friday 9 April at 7pm in the Waipū Caledonian Park. Any man over the age of 35 and still able to find his rugby boots is welcome. This year's opposition is the Parliamentary Rugby Team.

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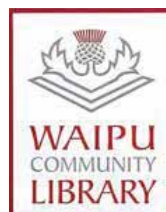


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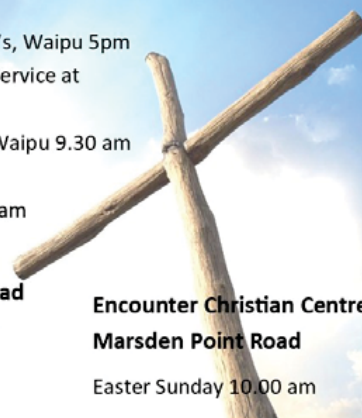
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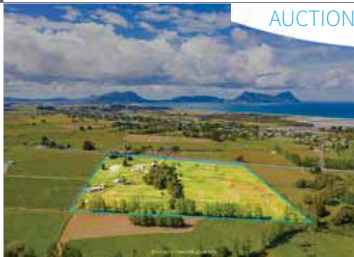
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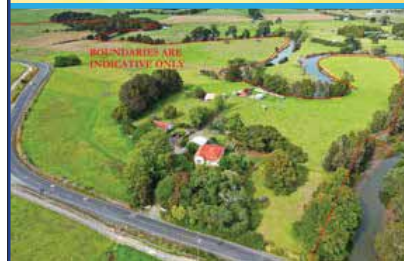
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