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Liquor licence granted despite Police and District Health Board concerns

Despite concerns raised by the Police, the Northland District Health Board and the Whangarei District Council licensing inspector about the dangers of people consuming alcohol while driving on the state highway and the proliferation of alcohol outlets in Ruakaka, the Whangarei District Licensing Committee granted an off license to K and N Retailing Ltd., which operates the Bream Bay Superette and the roundabout on State Highway One in June 2018.

The licensing authority also received a letter from Chris Elavia, who owns the Bream Bay Service Station alongside the superette saying that the granting of a liquor license at this location was likely to increase the number of burglaries and hold ups at the service station endangering the safety of his customers and staff.

However, this letter was received part way through the hearing and for this reason Mr. Elavia's concerns were not taken into consideration.

Doctor Kyle Eggleton, who runs a weekly clinic at the Bream Bay Trust, and who opposed the liquor license at the Ruakaka Liquor Store which was granted in 2017 on the grounds that Ruakaka already had sufficient liquor outlets and that a high percentage of his patients suffer from alcohol related illnesses said he is

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Lots of exciting activities for children at Waipu Easter Carnival



Nga Wiki Nelson -Taka (aged 6) enjoyed a ride on Yogi a little black pony led by Daniel Ablett. There were plenty of activities for children at the Waipu Easter Carnival held in the Waipu Caledonian Park on Easter Saturday 20 April. The Carnival in its tenth year, is a fundraising event for the Waipu Primary School PTA.

More carnival pictures on page 7



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EDITORIAL

Ruakaka now has eight liquor outlets Is this too many?

Reading through the decision to grant yet another liquor off license in Ruakaka, I am wondering is there a problem with the liquor licensing process? In these cases the applicant usually stands to gain a lot financially and is willing to pay for some good legal counsel, while the authorities charged with looking after the well being of the public appear to be under resourced. The lawyer who acted for K and N Retailing Ltd., which last year won its case before the Whangarei District Council's Liquor Licensing Authority for an Off License at the Bream Bay Superette, alongside the Ruakaka State Highway One roundabout was John Young. An online search shows him to be a partner in the Auckland based firm Brookfields Lawyers. On this company's website is the statement "There cannot be many lawyers who have appeared before the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority and its predecessors, as frequently as John Young and Andrew Green" (Andrew Green is another partner at Brookfields).

It is clear from reading through Whangarei Council Authority's decision notes that the police, the Northland District Health Board and even the Whangarei District Council's Licensing Authority could not match Mr. Young's knowledge of case law in the area of liquor licensing.

In fact, the police submission was disallowed because, due to a new officer taking on the job of reporting to the licensing authority, it was submitted late.

Is the public wellbeing and indeed the purpose of the Act well served by this imbalance?

The lack of public consultation on these applications is also a concern.

Where was this application notified? I try to keep an eye out for applications relating to Bream Bay and I didn't see it.

The owner of the petrol station alongside the superette wrote a letter to the licensing authority explaining that he believed granting the license would increase the

security risk to his customers and staff. He explained his concerns such as the fact there is usually only one staff member at the superette in the evenings and the increased likelihood of holdups with thieves demanding cash at his own business. His concerns were not considered as they were submitted while the hearing was already in progress.

I think these concerns are all valid ones. Late night petrol stations and liquor stores are subject to aggravated robberies with alarming frequency. As someone directly affected by this application, I think the owner of the gas station should have been notified in person and shown the steps and time frames he needed to work to if he wanted to comment and have his concerns taken into consideration.

Dr. Kyle Eggleton, who made a formal objection to the liquor license application for the Ruakaka Liquor Store, was not told of this application, even though as a medical practitioner who runs a weekly clinic in Ruakaka he has an interest in preventing harm to his patients. His special interest in this area was, in fact, acknowledged when he appeared at the Ruakaka liquor store hearing.

We all know about the harm the misuse of alcohol does to people. Is there a family anywhere who doesn't have someone suffering from its ill effects? There is no doubt that when alcohol is readily available the harm increases. If your brother, uncle, sister, son, father, grandfather etc. hadn't been able to top up their supply just down the road late on a Sunday evening, they might not have had the hangover that led them not to turn up at work the next day for the umpteenth time so that they lost their job, be facing a court appearance and losing their license for drunk driving, become violent towards their partner or some other family member, driven over a bank or into a tree and killed themselves or killed someone else while driving under the influence. Take your pick or add your own experiences to this list. The negative effects of the misuse of alcohol go on and on and on.

By my count in Ruakaka alone there are now five liquor off-licenses. There is also the Ruakaka Tavern and I can think of two restaurants, which have on licenses. In the 2013 census the population of Ruakaka and Marsden Point was 3,543. Even given the fact the population is now likely to be closer to 4,000, this seems a lot of liquor outlets for this town.

Marilyn

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Do it ourselves community spirit alive and well in Waipu



This makeshift traffic isle appeared in Waipu town overnight on 20 -21 April. Wendy Boyd of the Waipu Residents and Ratepayers said the roundabout at the Cove Rd., Nova Scotia Rd., and South Rd. intersection was "working a treat" in handling all the Easter weekend traffic. A request by the ratepayer group for a second pedestrian crossing at the Nova Scotia Rd. end of the town was turned down by the Whangarei District Council.

Work on One Tree Point Rd. footpath due to begin this financial year

Peter Hope, the chairman of the Ruakaka Residents and Ratepayers Association is celebrating a victory. For many years the association has been requesting a continuous footpath between the Marsden Boat Club and One Tree Point Primary school. Some sections of footpath along this route already exist and the Whangarei District Council will begin work on new footpaths to fill in the gaps sometime this financial year. Jeff Devine, Strategy and Planning Manager for the Northland Transport Alliance said, "the Council's objective is to have a continuous footpath connection from Marsden Yacht Club (where the existing footpath terminates) to One Tree Point School. Sections of

the route have existing footpaths this project is intended to fill in the gaps. He said that next to the school where there is a development underway, the developer is required to construct a section of the new footpath on the northern side of the school as part of their development works and the council will construct the remaining missing lengths. The Council plans to commence the construction of sections of this footpath in the current calendar year. The works may span over two years based on the costs of constructing this footpath and the funding available for the work.

Waipu Primary BOT hopes to have appointed a new school principal by Term three

The Waipu Primary Board of Trustees is inviting interested members of the public to help with the appointment of a new school principal. Board of Trustee Chairwoman Catherine Munro said that it would be good to have "a few extra pairs of eyes" to help with the interview and appointment process and Board Member Anthony Uphof said it would be particularly good to have the help of someone with experience in the human resource field. The board has also engaged the services of a professional recruitment company. An advertisement has been placed in the Education Gazette and by 11 April the school had sent out 19 application packs to interested people, with 18 more days to run until applications close on 29 April. An interview date is set for 12 May and the board is hopeful the new principal will start work at the school by day one of Term 3, 22 July. Jo Brown, who was appointed as Principal of the school in May 2018, resigned earlier this year after her home was raided by Police who found drugs including methamphetamine, a quantity of jewelry and illegal firearms on the property. Three people living at the house were charged with a variety of offences including: burglary, possession and sale of illegal drugs and illegal possession of a firearm. They appeared in the Whangarei District Court on 18 February and pleaded not guilty to all these charges. No charges were laid against Ms. Brown. The Bream Bay News understands she has since found another job at a school in Auckland. Paul Ramsay had served as Waipu Primary Principal for 18 years.

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Understanding Sleep



What is Sleep?

Sleep is essential for good health. It refreshes the mind and repairs the body. Lack of sleep, or sleep deprivation, can cause fatigue, poor concentration and memory, mood disturbances, impaired judgement and reaction time, and poor physical coordination.

The body's internal clock regulates when and how we sleep depending on the amount of light around us. When the sun sets, your brain releases hormones to make you sleepy. In the morning, exposure to daylight suppresses these hormones and releases brain chemicals to keep you awake.

Why is getting enough Sleep important?

Sleep deprivation is common in developed nations, with the average adult sleeping for only six or seven hours each night.

Most of us feel fatigued at least some of the time. Studies show that a common distraction from sleep is the internet and late night texting. Other common sleep stealers include; illness, parenthood, poor sleeping habits, shift work, some medications and travel across time zones. Stress, anxiety, or worry about recent or upcoming events also impact on sleep.

Different stages of Sleep

Sleep isn't a static state of consciousness. The brain moves through distinct stages of sleep, over and over again, every night.

Rapid eye movement (REM) sleep

Rapid eye movement sleep occurs about once every 90 to 120 minutes. It makes up almost one quarter of your total night's sleep. The brain in REM sleep shows significant electrical activity. The sleeper's eyes tend to dart about under closed lids, hence the name.

Non-rapid eye movement (NREM) sleep

Non-rapid eye movement sleep is what you would experience for the remaining three-quarters of your sleep time. The amount and type of NREM sleep varies with age and degree of sleep deprivation.

The four broad stages of NREM sleep include:

- **Stage 1** - Dozing or drowsiness. You hover between being asleep and awake.
- **Stage 2** - You lose awareness of your surroundings. Body temperature starts to drop. Breathing and heart rate slow down.
- **Stage 3 and 4** - Deep sleep, also known as 'delta sleep'. Your blood pressure, heart rate and breathing become very slow and your muscles relax. Growth and repair processes occur during this stage.

Do's and don'ts for a good night's sleep

Do

- Go to bed only when you feel tired, not before
- Save the bed and bedroom just for sleep, and relaxation
- Maintain a regular sleep routine - have a regular bedtime and waking time
- Exercise daily but avoid exercising too late at night

Don't

- Consume products containing caffeine after 6pm or 7pm (e.g. coffee, tea, cola, guarana)
- Have other stimulants late in the evening (e.g. alcohol and nicotine)
- Eat a meal or large snack just before going to bed
- Go to bed too early (unless you need to wake up early)
- Take naps during the day (especially elderly people)

Talk to your Pharmacist if you are having issues with your sleep. They will be able to recommend products and lifestyle changes that may help.

Sleep Disorders

Insomnia is the term used to describe a person's inability to sleep. Common conditions that can affect a person's sleep include:

- circadian rhythm disorders due to things that affect our internal sleep-wake cycle such as jet lag and shift work
- depression
- narcolepsy (excessive, uncontrollable daytime sleepiness)
- nightmares or sleep walking
- restless legs syndrome
- snoring and sleep apnoea

It is important to talk to your Pharmacist if you think you are experiencing any of the above conditions



LETTERS

Appalling that one absentee landowner has stopped progress on Waipu to Waipu Cove cycle and walkway

I was extremely saddened by the news of the change of route for the Waipu to Waipu Cove Cycleway/Walkway. That one absentee landowner whom I understand did not even know he owned the land required for the easement, has been able to stop progress on the track for over 18 months is appalling.

As a member of the fundraising committee which has raised considerable local funds and made submissions to Council plans to successfully enlist their support, I am saddened to think the power one person can have over a whole community.

I would like to thank all those people who have generously supported us in our efforts, sponsors, local families and many from further afield who love our area like us, fundraisers, local contractors, landscapers and many more.

I also want to acknowledge the Cycleway/Walkway Trust which has negotiated with the Council and other authorities to develop the route and work with the other landowners who have generously supported the track. Whilst I acknowledge there are some advantages to the change of route and a track from Marsden Cove to Mangawhai will be fantastic, our own part of that route could have already been completed were it not for the intransigence of this one landowner.

We will keep working to get the track completed and hope the community will continue to support our efforts.

Jan Francis
Waipu

Opportunity coming to vote for candidates who support a bigger rural road sealing budget

How wonderful to see the plight of the rural ratepayer highlighted in the Bream Bay News.

We have come through a long dry, dusty summer and are now cleaning out our water filters, homes and lungs from the road dust.

Rural ratepayers pay millions of dollars in rates and levies every year to the Whangarei District Council and the New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA). We see very little returned to us in the way of road sealing and maintenance.

With the local elections coming up, we have the opportunity to vote for candidates who will support a bigger rural road-sealing budget.

Brian Cowley
Brooks Road
Waipu

To all Saturday junior football parents

This note is from the Ruakaka Community Library.

There is a special area in the car park outside the library designated for library parking. It even has a sign saying "Library Parking"

I know it is hard to find a parking space sometimes, but you should not park in that area.

We open on a Saturday morning from 9am -1pm and have library readers who regularly change their books on Saturday. We also have a Justice of the Peace service at the library for an hour each Saturday.

The older people, who like to park close to the library front door for health reasons, become very upset when these car places have been taken. We are asking you to please be more considerate and leave this parking area free.

Essie Leech
Chairperson
The Ruakaka Library Committee

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Liquor license granted despite Police and District Health Board concerns

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“disappointed that the District Licensing Committee has continued to extend the sale of alcohol in Whangarei despite the overwhelming evidence that increasing the density of alcohol outlets increases the harmful consumption of alcohol.”

Dr. Eggleton said, “A number of councils have established a ‘sinking lid’ policy in which no further alcohol licenses will be given and WDC is failing in protecting its rate payers. I only found out recently that the Bream Bay Superette had been granted a liquor license and was disappointed that other interested parties and the general population are not notified in a meaningful way, unless they happen to read a small notice in a newspaper. This indicates, along with the failure of the District Licensing Committee, that there are significant issues in the Sale and Supply of Alcohol.”

From a record of the Bream Bay Superette decision available online the committee members considering the application spent a lot of time mulling over whether or not the Gas Alley petrol station 20 metres away from the superette could be said to be part of the same premises as the petrol tanks for the station are located under the car park and concluded that it did not. Section 36 f of the Sale of Liquor Act directs the licensing authority not to issue alcohol licenses for any premises where the public can reach them directly from premises where the principal business carried out is

the sale of automotive fuels.

The evidence of the sergeant who attended the hearing on behalf of the NZ Police was ruled inadmissible as his brief evidence had been submitted short of the 10 working days required and was not circulated to any of the parties prior to the hearing.

The concerns of the DHB and the licensing inspector were dismissed as not being specific enough.

Counsel for the applicant argued that the objectors did not provide evidence about the density of alcohol outlets in the Ruakaka area rather relying on a general statement that this was the case.

The hearings committee upheld this argument quoting in their decision several cases where District Licensing Committee decisions had been overturned because they had relied on general statements.

Ruakaka already has off license alcohol outlets: at the Spot On liquor Store in Marsden Point Rd., at the Ruakaka Liquor Centre at the Ruakaka Town Centre, at Big Fresh Ruakaka and at the Oasis Dairy.

Counsel also submitted that no data had been produced by any of the objectors to high accident rates on the roads in the vicinity of the application site and instead produced a report prepared by a transportation consultant, which identified high risk intersections and corridors on the Northland network pointing out that the section of SH1 adjacent to licensed premises does not feature in this report.

Piroa Brynderwyn weed action co-ordinator holds a market day information stall



Weed action co-ordinator Nancy Chaves

Nancy Chaves has been appointed co-ordinator of the Piroa-Brynderwyn weed action group and she ran a stall at the Waipu Easter Saturday market with some potted up examples of the weeds she is out to exterminate from the hills.

The Piroa – Brynderwyn weed action target area runs from Waipu town east to the coast, west to the highway and south to Mangawhai.

Nancy is happy to give people advice about the best way to get rid of weeds on their private property if it lies within this area and invites people to phone her 021 321 017 - if they would like to be part of the Piroa/Brynderwyn email network.

In the photo above she is holding a rhizome of a wild ginger plant. In front of her on the table is an example of African club moss also known as selagimella. Also in the photo are climbing asparagus, jasmine and tobacco weed. Other weeds on Nancy’s stall were giant agapanthus, honey suckle, moth plant and German ivy.

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Caledonian Society asks Council for a maintenance grant

The Waipu Caledonian Society has asked the Whangarei District Council for a \$31,667 maintenance grant to cover its expenses in maintaining the Waipu Caledonian Park and its facilities. The society's submission to the Council's annual plan points out that the Whangarei District Council currently do not own or operate any sports facilities in Waipu. The Caledonian Society receives an annual mowing grant of \$3,000 and another of \$5,000 to run the Waipu Highland Games but as it pays

rates of \$6,226 this only leaves a balance of just \$1734. The park was purchased by the society 113 years ago primarily as a place to hold the annual highland games. It is now used by around 50 different organisations including the Waipu Rugby and Squash Club, the Waipu Tennis club and the Waipu Croquet Club. Last year the Caledonian Society made a profit of just over \$25,000 from the Waipu Highland Games but Society Chairman David Moon said this insufficient to maintain the park let alone to build up any funds to invest in capital works.

Massey Rd residents attend annual plan hearings in force

Massey Rd. residents sent in submissions and attended the hearings, held last week on the Whangarei District Council 2019/2020 annual plan, in force complaining about the state of their road.

A sample of comments made in some of their submissions:

• Graeme Bowler – I wish to thank you for collecting our rubbish as this seems to be the only service we as ratepayers living in the Waipu area get.”

Valerie Ussher said over the five years she has lived there the maintenance of the road has become less and less frequent and less and less effective.

• Peter Van Den Berg - “The road sealing allocation of 2km per year is for too low. Based on the existing annual plan. It would take 350

years to seal the council's rural roads.”

Come on tar seal our road before an accident occurs causing injury or death.”

• Pat Hadlee – “The Council spends a lot of ratepayer money on “fixing “ the road with bulldozers and metal to no avail. Within a week it is back to its rutted, dangerous condition. There are many more houses in the road now so it does get a lot of use. It is certainly time that Massey Road is sealed.”

• Brian Hamlin - “I have lived on Massey Rd for 14 years plus and the state of the road is absolutely disgusting. With the rain after the last few days the road is full of potholes, rocks, mud and very uneven surfaces – an accident waiting to happen! With winter approaching it will only get worse. Contractors that work on the road are doing a very shoddy job indeed! The road is the worst I have seen it. Action needs to be taken.

Progress on the Tip Rd. tidy up.

The Department of Conservation is progressing with its plans to tidy up the Tip Rd. beach entrance area.

Some rocks have been placed strategically around the car park and along the vehicle entrance to prevent pedestrians and vehicles straying from their defined pathways. The rocks also prevent vehicles parking directly in front of the pedestrian entrance and obscuring it from view.

Further up Tip Rd. Mark Deacon of Waipu Diggers and Cartage has cleared space for an

additional car park.

Laura Meade, the supervisor of the Historic and Recreation Team in the Whangarei Department of Conservation office said a public planting day will be held over the winter to supplement native trees and shrubs which were planted there around ten years ago. She is also organizing a solid concrete picnic table for the space between the rocks and the pedestrian entrance and some more orange posts to better define this entrance.

The roadway down to the beach will be graded to take out some of the bumps.

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Having fun at the Waipu Carnival



Braxton Williams, aged 3, of Maungakaramea did some target practice with the help of his mum Kayla and Amber Stolwerk, who ran the *Target Shoot* stall.



Five-year-old Mila Tonkin of Waipu shared her candy floss with her little brother.



Shirley Warner - Summers and her pony Drena take Isla Sharpe, aged 2 from Auckland and Nathan Ujdur, aged 4, from Whangarei for a ride in a pony trap.



Nick Wigram taking paying customers for a ride in a tractor trailer.

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Explanation from the Northland Roothing Alliance Asset Manager as to why Bream Bay's rural roads are in such poor repair

In reply to some questions put to him about the state of Bream Bay's rural roads, Jeff Devine, the Strategy and Planning Manager for the Northland Roothing Alliance sent through the following explanation.

"The Northland Region especially the Southern Area has experienced a very dry season this summer.

Sections of unsealed roads often unravel over summer because there is not enough moisture in the fines to bind the larger stone together. This unravelling causes rutting and corrugations. Loose metal arising from this damage migrates to the sides of the road creates bare spots in the middle of the road. These bare areas will need to soften up with the first sign of showers and before the surface can be remetalled. Applying metal to hard dry roads will cause even more problems.

"Grading in the dry only provides temporary relief for a few days and then the ripped up surface is worse off than before. This is because the grading creates loose marbles on the hard surface and the loose aggregate does not compact if the surface is not soft and cohesive.

"Grading and metalling will be programmed once there is sufficient moisture is in the ground to make this activity effective. The grader will on each successive grade bring the loose metal from the sides for it to be pressed into the softer surface. Additional metal will be placed where necessary.

"Even if there has been some rain, often it is not sufficient for our contractor to initiate the full grading maintenance programme.

"However, when rutting, corrugations and potholes reach dangerous levels and the road become impassable, even when driving to the conditions, a minimal amount of grading will be carried out to the affected areas. This will only provide temporary relief.

"Grading is timed to take place after a good period of rain and there is a high moisture content in the upper 50mm of the road surface. As not all roads can be done in the short period available before they dry out again,



Pot holes,corrugations and mud on Brooks Rd.

they are prioritised according to their condition. Mr. Devine said the Whangarei District Council currently has 700km of unsealed road to look after. He also explained that the Council has had a restructure recently and his title, which used to be Manager of Roothing with the Whangarei District Council is now "Stategy and Planning Manager with the Northland Transport Alliance."

Asked if his job had changed along with the title Mr. Devine said it had.

"We previously we had three Roothing Managers, each looking after one Council. Now in the Northland Transport Alliance we have in the Roothing area:

1 Me looking after Asset Management - planning and strategy

2 Greg Monteith looking after Capital projects

3 And a yet to be appointed Manager looking after road maintenance.

"We all work across the three Councils, Kaipara District Council, Whangarei District Council and Far North District Council. In addition the transport section of the Northland Regional Council is also included in my area."

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Was this wetland worth preserving?



On Monday 22 April when this photograph was taken, it appeared that earthworks had already begun and no pond or wetland remained

The Whangarei District Council has been presented with a petition to save what has been termed a wetland at the end of Plover St. in One Tree Point.

Sixty three people signed the petition headed "Save our beautiful wetlands before it is too late," which was presented at the Council's annual plan hearing last week.

The petition was also given to Northland Regional Councillor Rick Stolwerk.

The land the pond or wetland is on is owned by Fulton Hogan and is zoned in the Whangarei District Plan for commercial and residential development.

The petition was accompanied by some comments from NRC ecologist Lisa Forester, who said that historically there would have been a wetland or shallow pond at this location but this had been drained for farming purposes. She said the current wetland appears to have resulted from earthworks undertaken for the Kowi Lakes subdivision and, as it is an artificially created pond, it would not trigger any of the NRC's regional plan rules.

Ms. Forester said, however, in her opinion, the wetland does have habitat values for birds and native plants,

which could be enhanced by some marginal planting. She said the wetland could possibly be an important feeding site for the critically endangered bittern. She understood that there was a recent observation of a bittern at the wetland. She suggested a resident group form, which could apply for some NRC funding to plant appropriate native species around the edges of the pond.

However, Greg Dewe, Land Operations Manager for Fulton Hogan said, "Its not a wetland. It's a hole we created when we were moving some sand around, which has subsequently filled up with water."

He said Fulton Hogan intends to continue with its plan to prepare the site in for commercial and some residential development.

He said Fulton Hogan built subdivisions but did not construct buildings so how quickly commercial development occurred here would depend on the uptake from

He said a nearby stormwater pond, which has plantings around it is a much better habitat for birds and, if there are birds using the Plover St. pond, they can easily hop across to the stormwater pond.

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Camp Waipu Cove Annual Site Holders invited to "put their thinking caps on"

Louisa Gritt, the Department of Conservation's Whangarei Operations Director had the unenviable job of facing up to a room of disgruntled Camp Waipu Cove annual site holders, who had recently been told that in five years time there will be no more annual tenure of sites at the campground and they will, like every other camper be allowed to stay at the camp for no longer than four weeks over the peak summer season from 1 November to 31 March. At a meeting held at the Waipu Cove Surf Lifesaving Club on Friday evening 12 April, Ms. Gritt said a directive to stop the annual site holding practice had come from the Minister of Conservation, Eugenie Sage.

She said people needed to understand that the camp sits on reserve land and there is an important principle that everyone should have equal access to it.

The meeting was arranged by the Waipu Cove Reserve Board to give the campground's annual site holders a chance to put their concerns to the Department of Conservation,

Maureen Bell, a former Waipu Cove Reserve Board member said the mix of annual site holders and casual campers worked well and it was only a few agitators who had complained to the Department of Conservation who had decided the site holders were a problem. Marie Ackland, a Waipu Cove bach owner, said there were, in fact, only six days a year when the camp was at capacity. "You are causing all this disruption for just those six days."

She said the camp prices had gone up and is was only affluent people who could afford to stay there anyway. Asked why can't you just make more sites?, Ms.

Jay Hughes, an annual site holder, said she used to manage the Paparoa Beach Resort, which relied heavily on its permanent site holders. She estimated the income from the Camp Waipu Cove site holders would be around \$400,000 and asked what the camp would do without that money.

She predicted the standard of maintenance at the camp would fall.

There are 77 annual site holders remaining, down from 160 twelve years ago. They are each charged the sum of \$5,180 and \$5,870 for six premier sites, which adds up to the sum of \$403,000.

Ross Melville said the annual site holders helped to keep order in the camp and on the beach telling other campers when they were out of line.

"Where is that going to come from once we are no longer here?"

One woman said she had three children and five grand-children and camping at the annual site the family held at Camp Waipu Cove was the time once a year they all spent together.

Ms. Gritt said the family could continue to use the site but just not for more than four continuous weeks over the summer.

Another woman said some of the annual site holders let their caravans out to casual campers.

Ms. Gritt said she was interested to hear about this and there might be a solution here for some of ASH families who, under the current ruling, will need to remove their caravans or cabins from the camp when they are not using them.

She said there would be no change in the decision that after five years, sites would not longer be let out on an annual basis but there might be a way to make this more workable for some of the ASH families.

"Put your thinking caps on and see what you can come up with," she told them.

Gritt said the Department of Conservation's campground land was at capacity.

"There isn't any more space."

BOT election term change for Waipu Primary

Waipu Primary School's Board of Trustees opted to change from a three year election system to a mid-term system with elections of half the board occurring every 18 months at a public meeting held in the school's Northpine Hall on Thursday evening 11 April.

Prior to the board voting to confirm the change people attending were invited to ask questions and make comments.

Belinda Weber an advisor from New Zealand School Trustees Association (NZSTA) was present to help with queries.

Board member Anthony Uphof said the change was seen as a way to keep continuity in the board while allowing for renewal. He said within the education act there was provision for boards to be elected in this way.

Rick Stolwerk said he had served on the Northland Conservation Board which has a mid term election system and he had found it a difficult system to operate in.

"You just got to know all the other board members and then there would be an election and half the members would change."

He asked how easy it would be for the board to change back to the three year system should they find the mid term system didn't work out.

Ms. Weber said it would be easy to reverse the decision.

She said the mid term election system "Works well in schools that are committed to governance and have a good reason for changing."

Asked what the downsides were to the new election system board member Nick Wigram said there would be a bit more expense in running the extra election.

Janine Boulton asked if people who did not have children at the school could be members of its board of trustees.

Ms. Weber said that the board members represented the schools parents and were elected by them but did not necessarily need to be parents.



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Police Report

Two truck accidents on SH1 in the space of four days

State Highway One south of Waipu was closed to one lane on the morning of Wednesday 10 April after a truck and trailer unit tipped over into a ditch near some road works on the highway.

Then on Saturday April 13 at around 3am a big curtain sider truck ran off the road at Mata jumping a ditch and smashing into some trees. St John Ambulance attended but the driver was unhurt. Police are investigating

Five-vehicle pile up at Nova Scotia Drive/SH1 intersection

A school bus, a campervan, a ute towing a trailer and two cars were all involved in an accident at the State Highway One/ Nova Scotia Drive intersection at 2pm on 11 April.

No one was injured but three people are facing driving charges as a result.

A northbound car had stopped in the centre of the road, indicating that it would be turning right and got shunted from behind by another car. The driver of a campervan following behind the two cars attempted to take evasive action but lost control and steered the camper into the southbound lane colliding with a school bus, which had no children on board at the time as it was on its way to pick up passengers for the after school run. A ute towing a trailer then ran into the back of the bus.

The drivers of the ute, the campervan and the second north-travelling car are all facing charges.

Sergeant Tai Patrick, who is Officer in Charge at the Bream Bay Station while Sergeant Simon Craig is relieving in Whangarei, said a tip to remember is when you are making a right turn from a busy road, keep the wheels of your vehicle straight until you are actually making the turn. He explained that if you get hit from behind with your vehicle's wheels turned to the right you will get shunted into the opposing lane.

Seven family harm incidents

Between 8 April and 22 April, Bream Bay police attended seven family harm incidents.



Traffic on State Highway One was reduced to a single lane after this truck overturned into a ditch on Wednesday 10 April.

Wiring stolen from building sites

Two homes under construction at Marsden Cove have had their electric wiring pulled out and stolen. Police are following some leads but would welcome any information to help them track down the culprits.

Adding insult to injury: thieves appear to have used caretaker's stolen trailer to dump more rubbish

I am doing my best to keep this place tidy. I am picking up all the rubbish that gets dumped here and this is what they do to me", said Bain McGregor who had the trailer he uses to pick up rubbish dumped on the Office of Treaty Settlement land around the Ruakaka Village stolen twice in the space of a fortnight.

On Wednesday 27 March the trailer was stolen from where it was parked in Sime Rd. Bain found it the next day in Station Rd. minus a brush cutter.

He returned to do some mowing and to pick up more rubbish on Monday 15 April and the trailer was stolen again.

He returned the following day to see if he could find it and discovered even more rubbish including some large items like fridges and old mattresses had been dumped in the Te One St. pine forest. To add insult to injury, he suspects his trailer may have been used for this purpose.

Bain has a contract with Colliers International to mow the almost 23 hectares of treaty settlement land, which formerly belonged to the New Zealand electricity corporation.

Bain purchased the trailer from a local farmer who had built it himself, so it is easily recognisable.

It has 15 inch 1936 Chevrolet wheels with aluminium guards.



The stolen trailer

RUAKAKA PARISH RESIDENTS AND RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

The next meeting of the Ruakaka Parish Residents and Ratepayers Association will be held on Tuesday 14 May at 7pm in the Ruakaka Recreation Centre, Takutai Place, Ruakaka.

If you have a topic you wish to bring to the meeting please email the association's secretary Warren Daniel 48 hours prior to the meeting. Mr. Daniel's email address is: wjddaniel39@gmail.com

WAIPU RESIDENTS AND RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

Waipu Residents and Ratepayers Association meetings are held at 7.30pm in St Peters Church, Nova Scotia Drive on the last Wednesday of each month.

A meeting was due to be held this Wednesday 24 April and then on Wednesday 29 May.

Committee member Wendy Boyd invites Waipu residents who have a topic they would like to bring to the meeting to come along and present it to the committee.

SPORTS RESULTS

Ruakaka Indoor Bowling Club

9.04.19 1st R. Roberts, R. Finlayson. 2nd P. Finlayson, A. Finlayson. 3rd S. Smith, G. Roberts. Cons P. Ivory R. Ivory

16.04.19 1st M. Bennett, P. Ivory, F. Burke. 2nd B. Worrell, S. Smith, R. Ivory. 3rd P. Finlayson, R. Finlayson, Vicki. Cons B. White, A Finlayson

Waipu Men's Wednesday Golf

10.4.19 16 played stableford. 1st Alan McIntosh 41, 2nd Roger Ogle 40, 3rd Napo Henare 39, 4th Des Wooster 39.

Twos : R Robertson, Roy Law.

17.4.19 26 played stableford. 1st Andre Sua 41, 2nd Gordon Christensen - 41, 3rd Brennan Wyllie - 40, 4th Mason Smith 39, 5th Roger Ogle - 36, 6th Dave Wistrand - 36, 7th Mark Draper - 35, 8th Des Wooster - 35, 9th Grant Weston - 35.

Twos: Mark Draper, Gary Price

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Waipu Cove Surf Lifesaving Club wins bronze at national IRB national championships



Waipu Cove Dinoco - Hayden Bartlett, Jake McClure and Callum McKay (Photos by Trev Hill Photography)

Marsden Point High Tides

	AM		PM	
Thu 25 April	11.55	2.5	~	~
Fri 26 April	12.28	2.6	12.43	2.4
Sat 27 April	1.18	2.5	1.33	2.3
Sun 28 April	2.12	2.4	2.28	2.3
Mon 29 April	3.07	2.4	3.25	2.2
Tue 30 April	4.01	2.4	4.23	2.3
Wed 1 May	4.51	2.4	5.16	2.3
Thu 2 May	5.38	2.4	6.05	2.4
Fri 3 May	6.21	2.5	6.49	2.5
Sat 4 May	7.03	2.5	7.31	2.5
Sun 5 May	7.44	2.6	8.13	2.6
Mon 6 May	8.26	2.6	8.55	2.7
Tue 7 May	9.10	2.6	9.38	2.7
Wed 8 May	9.55	2.6	10.23	2.7
Thu 9 May	10.42	2.6	11.11	2.7
Fri 10 May	11.32	2.6	~	~

The Waipu Cove SLSC had 2 teams competing in at the BP New Zealand IRB Championship in Dunedin on the 6 and 7 April. The racing was held at Waikouaiti Beach, which is about 20 mins drive north of Dunedin

The Waipu Vikings and Waipu Dinoco teams both competed in the U19 Mens competition, except for the Teams Race where they combined together into one team and raced in the Open Mens grade, where they made the Semi-Finals.

Despite a spectacular flip of the IRB in the Tube Race earlier in the day, the Vikings went on to win their Heat, came 3rd in the Semi Final and then won Bronze in the Final of the U19 Men's Single Rescue.

The conditions were very cold with -1 degree starts on the beach on both Saturday & Sunday morning and sea temperatures of 11-13 degrees. The teams had mixed results over the weekend but the Bronze medal was the highlight for the Vikings and backed up the 4 medals they won at the Northern Region IRB



Waipu Cove Vikings - Bailey Hudson and Josh Bake

Champs at Ruakaka.

The teams were: Waipu Vikings - Bailey Hudson (driver), Josh Baker (crewman) & Emma Baker (patient)

Waipu Dinoco - Jake McClure (driver), Callum McKay (crewman) & Hayden Bartlett (patient)

Supporting patients for the Mass Rescue: Vikings - Toby Hudson, Alyssa Flannagan, Dinoco - Georgia McKay, Emily Stolwerk

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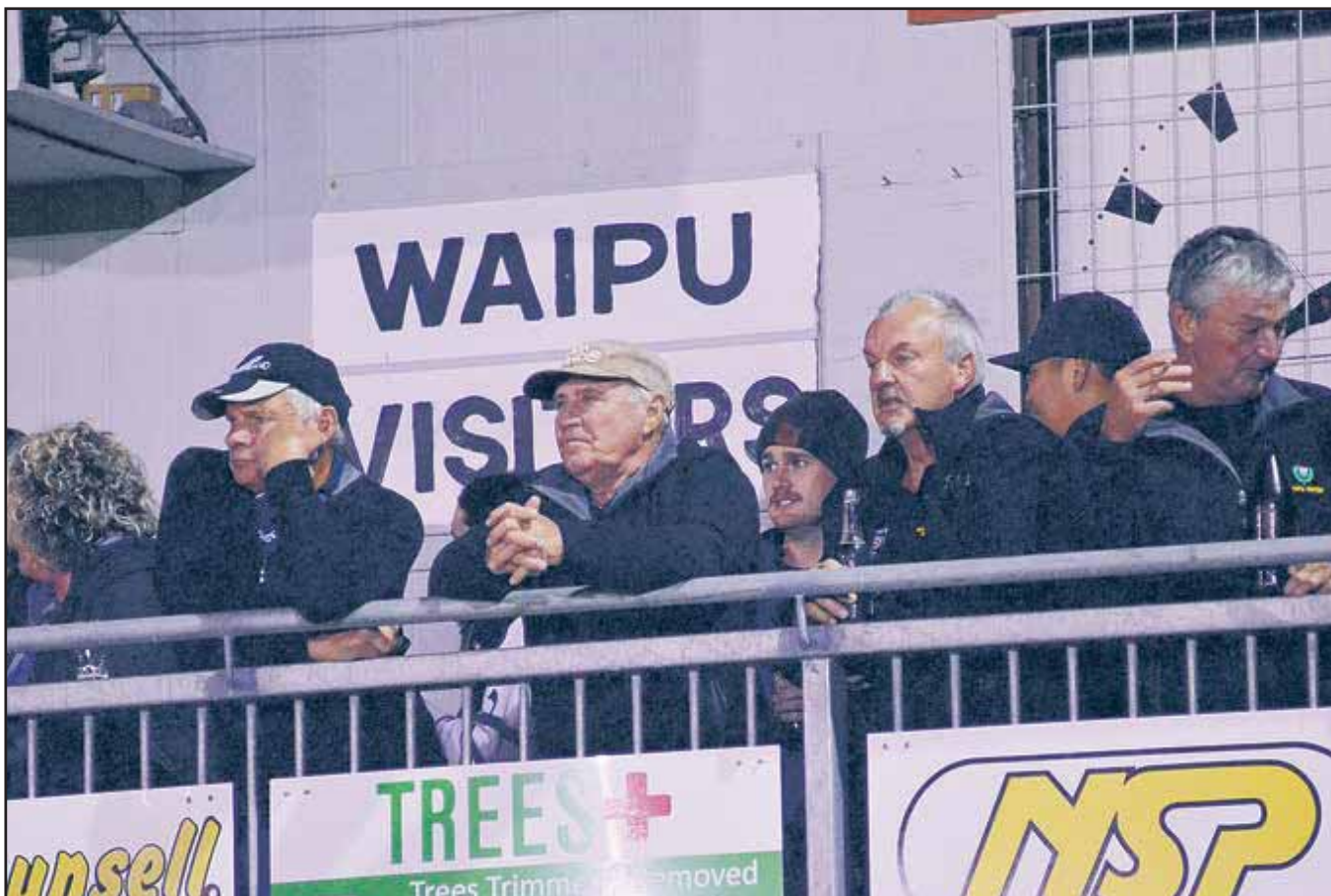
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A close fought battle between Waipu and Wellsford with Waipu coming out on top



Wellsford players stand guard as Waipu tries to get through to the try line.



A tense time for Waipu supporters in the stand.

The Waipu and Wellsford Premier teams held an equal ranking at the top of the table in the Northland Bayleys Club Rugby competition, so it was always going to be a close fought battle when the two sides met under lights in the Waipu Caledonian Park on Thursday 18 April

Wellsford scored first with a penalty which was answered late in the first half with a Waipu try. Wellsford held the lead half way through the second half until Waipu scored a try and finally a penalty right on full time to take the game - 22 -18.

Early in the day the Waipu Reserve team was beaten 22 to 30 by the Wellsford Reserves



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- 12.00 - 1.00pm Waipu - Deli Cafe
- 1.30 - 2.30pm Kaiwaka - Kaiwaka Hall entrance
- 3.00 - 4.00pm Mangawhai - Mangawhai Museum

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Northland Regional Council and Department of Conservation on the look out for koi carp and rudd

The Northland Regional Council and the Department of Conservation want to know the whereabouts of koi carp and rudd in Northland. Amy Macdonald DOC Freshwater Technical Advisor said, "In Northland we've still got the opportunity to protect our waterways from pest fish and stop their spread. We don't want to end up with koi carp in every pond and river like the Waikato, so now is the time to act."

Pest fish upset the balance in our freshwater systems, affecting ecological, cultural and recreational values. Koi carp and rudd are both bad news for water quality so they are also a problem for our agriculture and tourism industries - we've all got a reason to work together to stop them spreading and taking over."

"The immediate task is surveillance making sure we know where populations of these serious pests are. We will also be getting expert advice on our options for eradicating and controlling these pests and where to focus our efforts,"

About Koi Carp

Koi carp superficially resemble goldfish except they grow much bigger and have two pairs of whisker-like feelers, also called barbels, at the corner of their mouth. They are highly variable in colour, often blotchy shades of black, red, gold, orange or pearly white. Koi carp can often be observed during summer months in ponds and slow flowing water, active during the day

swimming close to the water surface. When koi carp feed they stir up the bottom of ponds, lakes and rivers, muddying the water and destroying native plant and fish habitat. They are opportunistic omnivores, which means they eat a wide range of food, including insects, fish eggs, juvenile fish of other species and a diverse range of plants and other organic matter. They feed like a vacuum cleaner, sucking up everything and blowing out what isn't wanted. Aquatic plants are dislodged in the process and are unlikely to re-establish. Koi carp cause habitat loss for plants, native fish, invertebrates and waterfowl and degrade water quality.

Rudd are stocky fish with distinctive red fins and large, shiny scales that range from silver to pale or burnished orange in colour. Rudd normally grow to about 25cm, and about 500g. As they are the only herbivorous freshwater fish they are the 'possums of the waterways', as the adults feed voraciously on native aquatic plants. They are found in ponds, lakes and slow-flowing streams, they build up to high numbers quickly and destroy the food and habitat for native species.

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Waipu ANZAC Parade and Service to go ahead

The Waipu ANZAC Parade and Service will go ahead as usual on Thursday 25 April. A number of services, particularly in Auckland, won't proceed due to concerns over adequate Police cover being available due to the heightened risk after the Christchurch terror attack.

However, after consultation with Police the Waipu RSA has been informed that there is no perceived threat to the Waipu Service and Police are happy for it to proceed.

On 25 April the Waipu RSA will open at 9.30am. The parade will form adjacent to the Pizza Barn in Cove Rd at 10.40am. The parade

commander will call the marchers to attention and the parade will step off at 1-45am.

The service at the cenotaph will begin at 11am.

On completion the parade will march back to the RSA in Nova Scotia Drive where a light lunch will be served.

In the event of bad weather a decision will be made as to whether the full service continue or an abbreviated service be held at the Waipu RSA clubrooms.

What's On in Bream Bay

- **THE WAIPU ANZAC PARADE** On Thursday 25 April. Parade forms adjacent to the Pizza Barn at 10.40am. Service at the cenotaph begins at 11am.
- **VILLANI PIANO QUARTET AT BLACK SHEEP FARM** Sunday May 5 at 2pm. Tickets \$45 includes light refreshments and a chance to meet the musicians. No door sales. Book on line www.blacksheepfarm.co.nz or phone 432 0435.
- **WAIPU BOUTIQUE SUNDAY MARKET.** In the Waipu Coronation Hall. Next on Sunday 12 May from 9am - 1pm
- **MARSDEN COVE MARKET** Next market Sunday 19 May from 9am - 1pm. In the marquee at the Marsden Cove Marina
- **TE REO CAFE** at the Waipu Pizza Barn. Held on the fourth Thursday of each month. Anyone who wants to practice speaking Te Reo welcome. Next on Thursday 23 May from 6pm to 8pm. PLEASE NOTE There will be no Te Reo Cafe on Thursday 25 April as this is ANZAC day.

Activities at the Ruakaka Recreation Centre

Activity	Day and Time	Cost	Contact
Bream Bay Music&Play	Tuesday 9.30am to 11.30am	gold coin	Deidre 0211761760
Light Circuit Fitness class	Monday 10am to 11am		\$4 AnnMarie 0211693115
Light Circuit Fitness class	Wednesday 11am to 12pm		\$3 AnnMarie 0211693115
Tai Chi	Monday 11am to 12pm		\$2 Annette 4327897
Chi Kung	Wednesday 9am to 10am		\$8 Alice 02102480569
Aerial Yoga	Wednesday 5.30pm to 6.30pm, booking essential	starts 24.04.2019	Barbara 0212998840
Stretching classes	Thursdays 11am to 12pm		\$3 Lu 4328914
Karate	Thursdays 4pm to 7.00pm		\$5 Pam 4320760
60's up	4th Friday of month 10am to 4pm	\$10 annually fee	Robbie 4327329
Music club	1st Monday of month 7pm to 10pm		\$2 Holly 021 842 060
Squash casual	Weekdays-booking essential 8am to 1pm	\$5 p/h	Rec Centre 4327962
Bream Bay Walking club	Wednesday 10am to 10.30am	enquire now	Jeanette 4327971
Pilates	Tuesday 5.15pm to 6.15pm booking essential	\$12, concession(10x)	Barbara 0212998840
Pilates	Thursday 8am to 9am booking essential	\$12, concession(10x)	Barbara 0212998840
Yoga	Mon 6pm-7pm	\$10	Mirella 0211643572
Yoga	Thursday 9.15am-10.15am	\$10	Mirella 0211643572
Cardio Drumming	Friday 9am-10am	\$10	Nadya 0278660334
NinjaFitness	Mon,Wed,Fri - booking essential 9.15am to 10.15am	enquire now	Eily 021956545

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Ships expected at Marsden Point

Photo by Peter Grant



The coastal tanker Kakariki loading refined oil products on Jetty 2 at the Marsden Point Oil refinery.

- *Viyada Naree* ETA 23 April at 1.30am. ETD 28 April at 12.30pm Loading logs.
- *Awanuia* ETA 23 April at 3.30pm. ETD 24 April at 5am. Bunker barge for Ports of Auckland loading refined oil products at the Marsden Point Refinery.
- *Aotearoa Chief* ETA 23 April at 8.30pm. ETD 25 April at 1am. Loading cement.
- *MSC Banu* ETA 25 April at 2pm. ETD 29 April at

- 11pm. Loading logs.
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- *Arawana* ETA 25 April at 6pm. ETD 28 April at 6pm. Loading logs.
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- *Yangtze Pioneer* ETA 27 April at 2am. ETD 29 April at 8am. Loading logs.
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- *Matuku* ETA 30 April at 3.30am. ETD 1 May at 5am. Loading refined oil products for Timaru.
- *British Century* ETA 30 April at 3pm. ETD 2 May at 4.30am. Delivering crude oil to the refinery.
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- *Nord Yilan* ETA 8 May at 5am. ETD 9 May at 7am. Loading logs
- *Cronus* ETA 8 May at 5am. ETD 9 May at 8pm. Loading project cargo.
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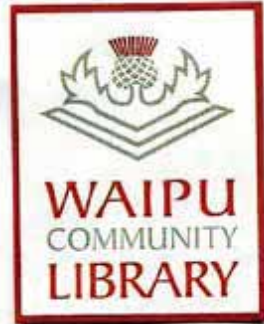
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Being built in the sought after Marsden Cove subdivision. Expected completion July/August 2019. Brick and Linear, top quality interior. Kitchen granite bench tops, walk-in pantry, white cabinetry, stainless steel appliances and more. Bathroom with double vanity, quality tiles and carpets throughout. Four good size bedrooms. separate dining & lounge with a gas fireplace.

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ENTERTAINERS DELIGHT NEAR BEACH

Boundary garden gates open onto DOC land & an easy walk to Ruakaka surf beach. One level living with massive kitchen and deck with spacious wings either side. Walk to beach, Bach café, river & camping ground. Contact me anytime to make an appointment to view and to request your information pack.

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49 Ata Mahina Way, Ruakaka Beach



LIMITED EDITION

There are few sections available in the area, and fewer that look out to the sea. No minimum house size covenants but the owner wishes to protect his view, so there will be height restrictions. Located in Dune Lake Place, developed around a natural Dune Lake this 630m² section is in a great neighbourhood. A flat 2km's from the Town Centre and all amenities as well as our East Coast sand and surf.

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Rare opportunity to secure a blank canvas and create a lasting legacy.

STAGE 1 SELLING NOW!!
Karawai Street, Ruakaka
LOT 1 approx. 560m²
& LOT 2 approx. 565m²

Town water, sewerage & power at the boundary. Ruakaka surf beach a flat walk only minutes away. Ruakaka Town Centre and amenities also close by.

\$300,000 EACH www.bbrealty.co.nz #3906
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