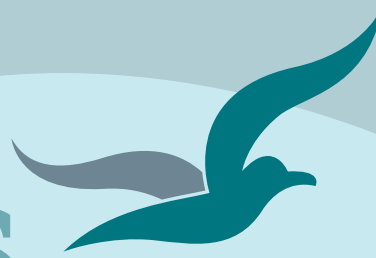


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Land purchased for Ruakākā cemetery

The Whangārei District Council has purchased 9.6 hectares of land at Ruakākā for a cemetery.

The purchase finally went through after several years of negotiations in mid April. The land was purchased from Bruce and Gaye Cann and is located high on a hill to the west of Marsden Point Rd. opposite the Marsden City development.

The Cann's have the land leased out until the end of December 2023 so development work on the ground is unable to begin until after this date.

Funding has been allocated in the Council's 2023-2024 budget for design work for the new cemetery. Development will be carried out in stages with money allocated in the Council's 2023/2024 budget for stage one.

Gaye explained that the cemetery land purchase was complicated by a Kiwi Rail requirement for the rail spur to Marsden Point.

Gaye and her husband Bruce had originally thought a piece of land that would be cut off by the railway line route was an ideal place for a cemetery but the Kiwi Rail position was that the railway route might need to be re-aligned and ended up purchasing this along with the designated land – a total of 24 hectares.

A cemetery for Ruakākā was first proposed in the 1980s when the late Mary Wassel told the Ruakākā Residents and Ratepayers Association that the Patuharakeke Iwi Trust Board was having to decline many requests for people who wanted to bury their loved ones at the Takahiwai Marae cemetery which has limited space and is reserved for people who belong to the Patuharakeke hapu

ANZAC Day in Waipu 2023



Eloise Grieve and Elisha Strong step forward to lay a wreath at the cenotaph on behalf of the Bream Bay Scouts

More ANZAC Day pictures on page 7.



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EDITORIAL

Building of the new Origin Northland shop in Waipu not helped along by Council

I am looking forward to the opening of Jennifer and David Rodrigue's Origin Northland shop in Waipu. The shop will sell food produced by local growers and manufacturers. Most will be sourced from Bream Bay with some more widely from Northland. I hope this is a roaring success and will receive lots of support from Bream Bay residents. David and Jennifer have put a lot of their own money and effort into this project, which I believe will have benefits for us locals and for visitors to this area.

It has taken a year for them to gain resource and building consents so the project hasn't been helped along very much by the Whangārei District Council. One frustrating hold up and added expense for the Rodriguez was being required to establish the existence of a sewer line, which the Council had no record of.

I can't help but contrast this example of an enterprising, new development, funded entirely by private individuals with the Oruku Landing Conference and Events Centre proposal. After 80% of 5,000 people who took part in a referendum opposed the Council granting \$57 million to this project its proponents have come back with a downsized plan. This will still need \$60 million of central government funding along with a further \$11 million from the Whangārei District Council, which includes: \$5 million for the building's fit out, an upgrade of roading and wastewater drainage to accommodate the development - \$3 million, and \$650,000 for each the first six years of its operation if the Council deems this to be necessary. I think we can assume it would be.

Knowing a bit of history can enrich our experience of living here

A phone conversation with Rudy Papich, who was a small child when the road over the Brynderwyns was first built has stirred my imagination and I have been doing some delving in the Papers Past website to find out more.

Rudy remembers some big horse drawn graders or scoops that were used to cut out the road being lined up on some vacant land in Ruakākā. I found a photograph of one of these machines but need permission of the Alexander Turnbull library to publish this. I filled out the form and sent it off but got a message that it typically takes 14 days for a reply so, unfortunately, I can't use this image in this week's issue of the Bream Bay News. I found another photo which does give some idea. Reading through those old papers it struck me that some things haven't changed much since 1938. When the Brynderwyn Deviation as the new road was named was opened, Waipu Gorge Rd was downgraded from a state highway to a local road. One of the biggest advantages of the deviation was that traffic would no longer have to negotiate the "tortuous twists and turns" of the Gorge Rd. connection.

In the winter of 1939 the Brynderwyn deviation had to be closed due to a slip. I hope to sit down with Rudy some time soon and talk about his childhood memories on the farm his parents owned at Marsden Point, where the refinery and port were built. Knowing something of its history will help to enrich our experience of living in this place and make us more appreciative of what we have.

Marilyn

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Two lane bridges needed

The Waipu Riding Residents and Ratepayers Association has asked that priority be given in the Whangārei District Council's 2023-2024 annual plan to four local projects: the replacement of the one way bridges on Cove Rd between Waipu and Mangawhai with two lane bridges, the sealing of McLean Rd., sealing of the top of Helmsdale Rd. and the completion of the Waipu to Waipu Cove Cycle and Walkway.

With Cove Rd between Mangawhai and Waipu being used as a bypass for State Highway One while the highway over the Brynderwyn Hills out of action the one lane bridge out of Waipu, and at Langa Beach have caused some major holdups.

The Ruakākā Residents and Ratepayers Association has written to politicians asking that the coastal route from Wellsford to Waipu be upgraded and given State Highway status. The Waipu RRRRA has requested that one of the bypass routes be given this upgrade.



Right: The bridge over the Waienuhu River out of Waipu

Waka Kotahi to look at ways to make route into Northland more resilient

The Waipu Riding Residents and Ratepayers Association has received a reply from Ministerial Services Te Waka Kōtahi which said that the immediate focus is on restoring access, but went on to explain that in 2018 Waka Kōtahi completed a Program Business Case for the Whangārei to Auckland corridor, which included identifying two possible routes for a bypass of the Brynderwyn Hills.

The email stated that this project is not funded in Waka Kōtahi's current National Land Transport Programme, the agency is "looking into opportunities to fund the next stage of investigations into long term solutions for this section of SH1, which would also include surrounding detour routes.

"We acknowledge that this stretch of road is particularly susceptible to adverse weather conditions. As we move from the response phase to the recovery phase, we will consider ways to ensure this critical route can be more resilient. In the meantime our crews are hard at work on the immediate recovery works in response to the recent weather damage."

Both the Ruakākā and Waipu resident and ratepayer associations had written to the Honorable Michel Wood, Minister of Transport asking for a more resilient road route into Northland.

The Waipu RRRRA asked that "a secure route over, around or through the Brynderwyn Hills be built."

"The current situation where large trucks carrying products such as milk for Auckland supermarkets have to travel via Dargaville is placing enormous strain on our local industries."

The Ruakākā Residents and Ratepayers Group asked that a more secure road route into Northland be provided.

"State Highway One north of Auckland is not, as it is often portrayed, a holiday highway to enable Aucklanders to head to Northland's beaches (although it is that too). Rather, it is a key economic lifeline for Northland. The recent closure of the highway at the Brynderwyns and then also at Mangawai has caused huge disruption and economic cost. It has also damaged alternative routes not designed as such."



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An illegal rubbish dump and a graveyard for stolen cars

Department of Conservation and some Treaty Settlement Land is being abused by people who use it as a convenient rubbish tip

Trish Russell had her car stolen from outside her home in Tiki Place in the Ruakākā Village on 2 March this year 2023. She found it a few days later driven into the metal pile on Sime Rd. There was a young man leaning up against the car drinking from a bottle of Bourbon, which Trish surmised he had purchased with \$20 cash she had left in the car. When Trish's friend who had driven her to the site attempted to take a photo of the car and the young man he threatened to break the windows of her vehicle. Trish informed the Police she had located her car but before they could get down to gather evidence it had been set alight.

Trish is aged 72 years. She works three days a week at the Fresh Choice supermarket in Ruakaka to subsidise her superannuation and to help with the expense of feeding and de-sexing abandoned cats she rescues. Her car wasn't insured as she had urgently needed to pay a veterinarian bill for the de-sexing of four cats and had put off the insurance renewal.

Trish has since borrowed a car from a niece and tells herself there are people a lot worse off than she is. She is concerned about how the parcel of land behind the metal pile being used as a dumping ground for abandoned and sometimes stolen cars and about the amount of general rubbish that is deposited there. She regularly walks along the pipeline track with her two dogs and says the rubbish problem has got worse in recent times. She has counted eight vehicles that have been set alight there over the past few years. She finds it a bit upsetting to come across her own belongings including favourite books that had been in car boot strewn about in the bushes.

The land close to the metal dump is held by the Office of Treaty Settlement with Colliers International NZ currently having the contract for its maintenance. Bain McGregor, who regularly gets the job of clearing away rubbish on the Treaty Settlement land says it is a never-ending job. Further along the pipeline trail the duneland is part of the Department of Conservation estate.



Trish Russell had her car stolen from outside her home in Tiki Place, Ruakākā. She later found it alongside the metal dump in Sime Rd. She informed the Police but before any inspection by Police was made the car had been set alight. Trish regularly walks her two dogs along the Pipeline Track on Department of Conservation and Treaty Settlement land and has counted eight burned out vehicles there over the past few years. She said the land is also being used as a general rubbish dump and showed the Bream Bay News reporter many piles of old furniture and household rubbish that had been left there.



The most recent vehicle to be burned out abandoned in the Ruakākā duneland



Just one of the many piles of household rubbish left in the dunes north of Sime Rd.

Highway One over Brynderwyns re-opens

Photo supplied by Waka Kotahi



The highway over the Brynderwyn hills re-opened on Monday 1 May 2023 after being closed for two weeks while Waka Kotahi contractors worked on three over slips where the hillside was reformed and loose material was removed. Extra drainage was also installed to help to future proof stormwater resilience. Under slips were stabilised and pavement repairs were completed on other sections of the road, hydroseeding (planting) over slip areas and general maintenance was carried out.

Waka Kotahi will continue to closely monitor the road and weather conditions, and the road may be closed at short notice should conditions become unsafe for road users.



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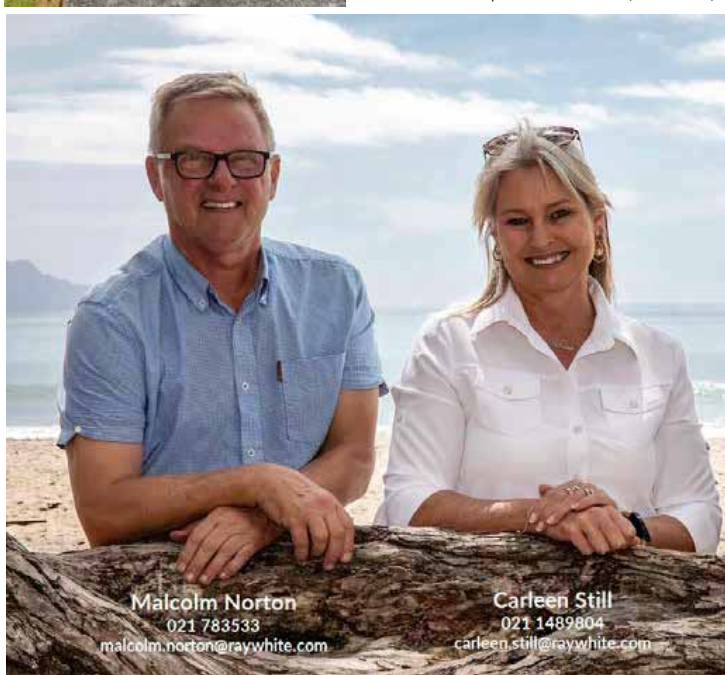
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New shops in Waipu to open in August



Jennifer and David Rodrigue

Jennifer and David Rodrigue are planning to open their new block of shops currently under construction in Waipu in August.

The front shop which they will operate themselves will be called Origin Northland and will sell local food and table products mostly from Waipu and Bream Bay but if they can't find a local supplier for something they would like to stock they will look a bit wider around Northland.

Jennifer and David own Belle Chevre Creamery producing award winning goat cheese products made from the milk of their own flock of floppy eared Nubian goats. The local producers who are part of Bream Bay's Roving Market will be supplying the new store.

They are open to enquiries from local people who have products to sell and from retail specialists interested in a job.

Jennifer and David are looking for a hospitality business will move into the larger store space at

the back of the complex.

"A bistro or café – something upscale using the same local products we will be selling in the store."

They have received lots of interest for the other four stores – amongst these Shiree Tapper who will be moving her Bleu florist and gift business into one of the shop spaces. An osteopath is interested in one shop space and a boutique clothing store in another.

Getting this project through has been a long and difficult process and cost a lot more than David and Jennifer had planned. It took over a year for the Council consent's to come through with many complications.

However they stuck with it. The construction has been more straightforward taking just four months but it makes Jennifer wonder about the Whangārei District Council's commitment to supporting local business.

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“Remembering the dead, let those who are living be humble”



Trumpeter Luke Benson helped to enhance the ceremony. Luke's father-in-law Neil Davies was Parade Commander



The pipe band leads the parade back up the main street to the Waipu RSA. The parade was in doubt this year with State Highway One over the Brynderwyns closed and Cove Rd. in use as a bypass. However, the Whangārei District Council came to the rescue agreeing to pay for professional traffic management.



Anahera-Maia Rangi and Kevin Kim of Otamatea High School come forward to lay a wreath on behalf of their school.



Alan Smith of the Waipu RSA recited *The Ode to the Fallen*



A flyover by the Whangārei Aero Club during the ceremony

Commander Roger Saynor of the Royal New Zealand Navy was this year's NZ Defence Force representative at the Waipu ANZAC commemoration.

He told an estimated several hundred people gathered around the cenotaph that it is our sacred obligation to honour those who sacrificed their life for this country.

“We remember the fallen and the grief of those left behind.”

He quoted the words written on a plaque at Thames High School under the names of 27 servicemen and women from that area who were killed in the WW1

“Remembering the dead let those who are living be humble.”

Waipu Presbyterian Minister The Reverend Tom Waite exhorted those present to think of the people who continue to serve in armed conflicts around the world. He prayed that the people who live in Waipu and surrounding districts maintain “the high ideals that were won on the field of battle” and that we should not take the freedoms we enjoy for granted but strive so that all people can enjoy these benefits.



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Police Report

Tools stolen from construction site in Bream Bay Drive

Over last weekend, 28 -31 April, a construction site
was broken into on Bream Tail Drive and a quanti-
ty of builders' tools were stolen

BMW stolen from South Rd., Waipu

Over night on 27 April a vehicle was stolen from
South Rd. in Waipu. It is a black BMW 525 with the
number plate NZH482

Passports and cash taken in Tamure Rd. burglary

On 26 April a burglary occurred at an address in Ta-
mure Rd., Ruakākā. Cash and some passports were
taken.

Nine family harm incidents

Police were called to nine family harm incidents in
the fortnight 17 April to 1 May.

Road accidents keep Police busy

Bream Bay Police attended eight vehicle accidents
in the past fortnight.

On 22 April at 6pm there was a two-car collision
on Cove Rd. One of the drivers breath tested at the
scene returned a reading of 808 micrograms of alco-
hol per litre of breath. A 60-yea- old Whangārei man
will be appearing in the Whangārei District Court
on drink driving charges. The legal alcohol limit for
drivers 20 years and over is 250 micrograms of al-
cohol per litre of breath.

At 11pm on 22 April there was a single car crash
on The Golden Stairs Road. The driver was breath
tested and Police are awaiting the result of the blood
test.

Other accidents included a car being flipped over in
Te One St. in the Ruakaka Village while a young
person was doing donuts on the road there.

A car crashing into another parked car in St. Marys
Rd., Waipu

A car sliding off the road on Nova Scotia Rd.

A single car driving off State Highway One and into
a ditch near the Prescott Rd. intersection.

Civic Honour nominations open

The Whangārei District Council is inviting nomina-
tions for its annual Civic Honours awards.

The invitation reads "Do you know of someone who:
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mal voluntary work.

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ideas and inspiration to our District or someone who
has worked to promote and celebrate our District's her-
itage.

"Or has contributed in any other way to the commu-
nity?"

To find out more and to make a nomination visit [www.wdc.govt.nz/Civic Honours](http://www.wdc.govt.nz/Civic_Honours) or phone 09 430 4200 to
arrange to pick up a nomination form.

Nominations close on 1 June 2023.

Search on for Menzshed site

The Waipu Menzshed is in search of a new site for
its workshop after being given a year's notice by the
Waipu Museum Committee to vacate the Masonic Hall
on Heritage Precinct behind the museum where it is
currently based.

The museum wants to use the hall to store some of
the historical artifacts it currently has in private sheds
around the Waipu area.

Gordon Walker of the Menzshed said he would like to
hear from anyone with an idea about a new location.
He said the shed needs to be in central Waipu as some

of the men who regularly come along to the Tuesday
workshops no longer are able to drive.

The Menzshed's members make boxes to hold rat-
traps, trellis for local gardeners, and wooden seats for
public spaces.

To quote founding member John Noakes "There is
nothing like making things to make you feel you are
doing something worthwhile."

Please phone Gordon Walker 027 493 4030 with any
suggestions.

A timely reminder from Fire and Emergency NZ

With the weather getting colder Fire and Emergency
New Zealand is urging householders to get chimneys
swept, make sure fireplace or burners are in good
working order, and check that smoke alarms are work-
ing.

Fire and Emergency Group Manager Wayne Martin

said, "Every whanau and household needs to have an
escape plan for their home, and make sure everyone
knows what to do in the case of fire. That includes get-
ting out quickly, going to the pre-arranged safe meet-
ing place, and not trying to go back inside."

Building the Skyline Boulevard - Picks and shovels, horse drawn graders and at lease one mechanical excavator were used to carve the road over the Brynderwyns

Rudy Papich remembers when the road over the Brynderwyns was built. He was around six years old and he and his classmates would walk from Ruakaka School down to the beach for a swim. They walked past a collection of giant scoops mounted on big carts which had been used to cut the road.

Rudy never saw them in action.

"In those days everyone, even us kids were working hard. There was no time to go and look at things. We hardly travelled anywhere. We just stayed home and worked."

Rudy said a Dalmatian man named Matty Babich won the contract to cut the road. The scoops were pulled by draught horse. He is not sure how they were lowered from the carts to scrape out the earth, vegetation and rock to form the road.

The Brynderwyn Deviation (as the road was called) was opened by Sir Walter Nash the then Minister of Transport on September 27, 1938. Ministr Nash later became the 27th Prime Minister of New Zealand from 1957 - 1960 in the second Labour Government.

There was a lot of excitement about the opportunities the new road, which took 20 minutes from the old route via Gorge Rd, would bring to Northland.

Trevor Davis Vice chairman of the Auckland Junior Chamber of Commers suggested it be named "the

Skyline Boulevard" which he said was a name that would appeal to the imagination and be an encouragement for people to come north.

Work had begun on the deviation in 1936 with up to 200 men recruited from the Whangarei Labour Department. The sum of 1,000 pounds was allocated to get the work underway.

The workers were housed in camps constructed for the purpose.

During the Depression years of the 1930s unemployed men left their families to stay in work camps on projects such as this. They were provided with food rations and in the case of those who were married, their wages were sent directly to their wives.

Don Ewen said although he cannot remember the Brynderwyn Deviation being built he remembers the remains of the work camp at the southern base of the hill where the Atlas Quarry is located.

Much of the work was carried out with picks and shovels with the horse drawn scoops used on the more difficult sections. Don said he once tried driving a horse drawn scoops and operating it was "quite tricky".

Don, who worked in earth moving from the age of 16 years, was told by a Mr. Bellingham that he had operated a mechanical excavator on the job as well. When the Brynderwyns Deviation work was complete Mr. Bellingham and his machine transferred to the Hunua Quarry.

Don was once called in to clear a slip from near the top of the hill just below the Sky Line restaurant in the 1960s. He recalls how there were trees underneath where clay and rock had been cut away to form the road.

"They had just pushed it all over the side which is why we get so many underslips. The following winter the road over the Brynderwyns was closed once again due to (you guessed it) a slip. There is a photograph from the NZ Herald at that time of a row of men with picks and shovels working to clear the rock and earth from the road. A supervisor in a white coat is directing proceedings. Apparently they had the road open again in a matter of days.

Don remembers a large kauri tree on the roadside which was named after the Ministry of Works District Engineer Mr. DH. Packwood who had designed the deviation a Mr. Packwood. According to a report in the Auckland Star Mr. Packwood had been concerned to save some of the kauri alongside the new section of road. The tree became a landmark and when it was removed in 1965 because it was considered dangerous it was reported in the pages of the Christchurch Press. the tree was estimated to be between 400 - 500 years old and had a girth of 21 feet.

A writer for the Auckland Star September 1938 on the date of the Deviation opening waxed lyrical about the new section of highway

"A future generation of motorists sailing serenely oer the easy gradients of the Brynderwyn Deviation and pausing ot admire the magnificent view from the topp, will never know the ugly twists and turnd of the old road and excpet for those whose business takes them to Manungaturotom the Waipu Gorge will be just a legend."



A horse drawn grader or scoop as used to construct the road over the Brynderwyn hills in the late 1930s



Rudy Papich entertaining at a Waipu Lions senior citizens dinner.



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Learning how to test the health of our local streams and rivers

By Melinda Butt

On 24 and 25 April the Whitebait Connection held a water quality assessment course at Langa Beach and Waipu providing information on how to test the health of streams, rivers, lakes, and wetlands.

Using one of the SHMAK (Stream Health Monitoring Assessment Kits) one can establish basic water quality parameters like water clarity, temperature, and conductivity as well as biological indicators like macro invertebrates. More comprehensive kits also include tools for measuring nitrates, phosphates and E. Coli.

Over the course of the two days a group of interested local people learnt how to monitor and restore local waterways.

Patricia Clark, who ran the course said, "It's important for communities to be empowered to monitor their own local waterways and to be aware of the overall health of the water."

Graham Mathews, the local Bream Bay River catchment coordinator for the Piroa Brynderwyn Landcare Trust (PLC) said, "I want to find out how to get a base line data. These education days are a great way for communities to assess this information and create an ongoing testing system for the future."

The Northern Regional Council has provided funding for this action based environmental education programme. It is available for schools and communities who are interested in the health of the local waterways. Assessing a stream or river's health can help identify damage from water pollution and other human activities upstream. Early detection of problems in rivers is the key to quick repair, before larger damage might occur.

Analysing the fish and invertebrates in a stream is a good indicator of the overall health of the water as each species responds differently to changing environment and pollution.

Ron Haynes, coordinator for Weed Action Piroa-Brynderwyns and one of the participants of the course, said, "The reason for monitoring rivers is to find out how healthy they are. Rivers are the breeding ground for fish and eels, the healthier they are the more fish end back out in the ocean."

"It's interesting to note that locals assumed there would be very little life in the water after the floods – but things can be restored pretty quickly due to the fast life-cycle of insects. They lay larvae many times a year and fish are drawn in to eat them, and so the reconstitution of river life goes on."

Over one evening nets laid caught two eels – one long fin, one short fin. Many bullies and a variety of invertebrates were caught in other smaller nets. The testing was taken at the stream that flows down to the beach just off Taranga Road at Langa beach.

A test in the same location showed interesting results for nitrates and phosphates. Near the storm water outlet the nitrates level was 0.4 mg per litre, above the storm water drain however the result was 0.2. The phosphates reading was 0.15 mg per litre. The workshop team also tested the Waionehe Stream on South Rd for E.coli. The result recorded was 600 CFU per 100ml of water, which is dangerously high - At 550CFU the NRC needs to be informed immediately. In microbiology, CFU- colony-forming unit is a unit which estimates the number of microbial cells in a sample that are viable, able to multiply via binary fission under the controlled conditions. A Bream Bay Catchment project has been started by Waipu Waters who have teamed up with NRC to conduct an extensive water quality-monitoring program of all the rivers in Bream Bay. A base line of data will be established to show the state of water quality of the rivers, which will be compared to on going results following riparian planting and possible improvements of land use. It can take around ten years to show definitive results.

Waipu Waters now has a SHMAK test kit available to use for the Bream Bay community, which will allow you to identify sources of water degradation - E.coli, nitrate, sediments, and phosphate.

Waipu Waters are welcoming new members to assist with water quality testing and to do riparian planting. For more information visit www.pbl.org.nz

If a land owner is interested to know the quality of the water flowing through their land they can get in touch with Waipu Waters via Paul Grace - paul@nzhotrodmag.co.nz

For more information around future courses contact, www.whitebaitconnection.co.nz



Carey Hablous conducting a water assessment test



Patricia Clark demonstrating how the nets should be placed

At the age of 80 years Rob Aydon has completed his last Round the Bays fun run



Rob Aydon handing over the \$610 he raised in sponsorship by completing the Round the Bays fun run to representatives of North Haven Hospice: Hayley McBeath and Lyn Cheyne

At the age of 80 Rob Aydon reckons he has completed his last competitive run. He recently took part in the Round the Bays run/walk finishing second in his 80 to 90 years age group all the while raising \$610 in sponsorship for North Haven Hospice.

"I thought if I was going to put myself through all that discomfort I would do it for someone else, not just myself so I went around the village (Bream Bay village where Rob lives) and I got lots of donations. His daughter in Auckland and son in Christchurch also supported his effort.

Rob began running at the age of 32. He was training for his first marathon and thought he was in with a chance to go under the qualifying time needed to compete in the Commonwealth Games. However this wasn't to be. He started getting chest pains and it turned out needed heart surgery.

On his recovery he would go on to run three more marathons, the first in Wiri on a flat course where he did a very respectable time of three hours and 22 minutes, the second, the second The Rotorua Marathon 3.26 minutes and the third in Auckland on the year the Harbour Bridge was available to runners – 3hours

and 40 minutes. In those days he was addicted to running.

"It's like being addicted to smoking. If for some reason you can't go out and you see someone running along the street you just want to join them." Rob attributes that Harbour Bridge race to some ongoing spine problem he has experienced. The run was out and back on opposite sides of the road so he was running for all that time on a camber which put pressure on the same side of his body. He believes other people who participated in that event suffered similar problems.

However he had some unfinished business with Round the Bays. He had competed in this race twice before – the first time coming 136 in the 70-80 years age group and the next time moving up to 16th place. I would have liked to have got first but then there were two years when Covid intervened and the event was cancelled.

These days Rob walks rather than runs and he thinks the Round the Bays event will be his last. He has purchased an electric bike so will try getting out and about on that instead.



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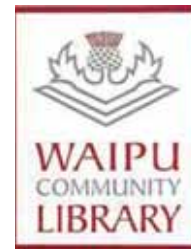
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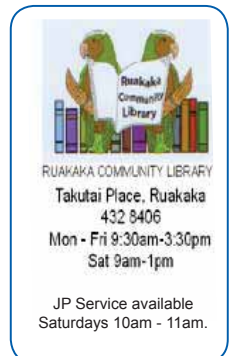
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Wednesday 10 May

KAIWAKA KNITTING GROUP NEEDS YARN FOR WHANGAREI HOSPITAL



We are running out of yarn to knit. Do you have wool, synthetic, cotton or any yarn tucked away that you will never use and could give to us?

We are a small group who meet every second Tuesday of the month at 10am at the Apple Basket shop in Kaiwaka. We knit various items for the children in Ward 2 and dialysis patients at Whangarei Hospital.

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

Should you be able to help please phone Gale 09 431 4827 or leave donations at the Apple Basket on SH1 at Kaiwaka.

MARSDEN POINT HIGH TIDES

	AM		PM	
Thu 4 May	6.17	2.5	6.52	2.5
Fri 5 May	7.00	2.5	7.36	2.6
Sat 6 May	7.44	2.6	8.19	2.7
Sun 7 May	8.29	2.6	9.04	2.7
Mon 8 May	9.15	2.6	9.50	2.7
Tue 9 May	10.03	2.6	10.38	2.7
Wed 10 May	10.54	2.6	11.30	2.7
Thu 11 May	11.47	2.6	~	~
Fri 12 May	12.24	2.7	12.43	2.5
Sat 13 May	1.22	2.6	1.44	2.5
Sun 14 May	2.23	2.6	2.48	2.5
Mon 15 May	3.23	3.6	3.53	2.5
Tue 16 May	4.22	2.6	4.55	2.5
Wed 17 May	5.18	2.7	5.53	2.6
Thur 18 May	6.10	2.7	6.46	2.7
Fri 19 May	7.01	2.7	7.35	2.7

Rum Race Series prizegiving covers two seasons of yacht racing



Attendees at the Rum Race series prizegiving

The prize giving for both the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 Marsden Cove Rum Race series was held at The Porthouse Bar and Grill on Saturday 29 April 2023. Covid 19 regulations had prevented a prize giving being held at the conclusion of the 2021/2022 season. Bob Glen on Speedwell II took both line and handicap honours in the 2021/2022 season. Bob also won the 2022/23 season's line honours but Phil Scott on Imag-

ine took out the handicap honours for 2022/2023.

Rum race series convener Brett Parker thanked the local businesses, which have sponsored the series for the past six years. These are Westmoreland Homes, Porthouse Bar and Grill, Miller's Meats Bream Bay Butchers, Marsden Cove Marine Engineering Supplies, Bream Bay Realty and Ruakākā Liquor.

Live longer, play tennis

By Paul Ramsay

A new study from Denmark, published recently shows that playing tennis may extend your life by nearly 10 years. That's a remarkably big benefit, one that even the study authors were surprised at. Eight different sports were compared but tennis was a clear winner with a 9.7-year increase in life expectancy. Badminton was next at 3.4 years.

Locally Summer tennis is over so it is time to change into winter mode. Tuesday night will continue to be a club night starting at 6pm for keen members. Players who attend will be put into teams to allow all a competitive game. This night is also open to anyone new to tennis, or wants to live longer, to come and have a go.

Club competitions have been completed with the Sawmill Team beating Tem McLeod in the final to win the Sawmill competition.

Most club champs have been completed. Winners were:

Mens Doubles – Stephen and Stuart Abercrombie
Runners Up – Peri Woods and Tuck Waaka

Womens Doubles - Brenda Christian and Dulcie Leech. Runners up – Melissa Wong and Joanne Reid

Mens Singles and Womens Singles –Peggy Huntly Cup (Service to Club) –Peri Woods

Leech Cup Senior Men Peri Woods. Runner Up Steve Abercrombie (the game was very close 7-6, 7-6).

The senior women's game was delayed by weather

yet again.

Committee Cup for Most Improved Senior – John Chalk

Miller Family Cup Intermediate Boys Winner - Harris Lymburn. Runner Up - Kaiser Jacoby

M and S McKay Cup Intermediate Girls Winner - Emily Stuart. Runner Up - Ebony Conner

Jones Cup Junior Boys-Winner- Lachlan Stuart. Runner Up -Ewan Penz

Jones Cup Junior Girls Winner - Emma Donaldson. Runner Up - Kara Jacoby

Northpine Endeavour Award Girls - Ella Watts. Endeavour Award Boys - Lachlan Stuart

Junior Sportsperson -Emma Donaldson won this award for being the best overall player

A good effort throughout the season saw Waipu Raiders finish 7th out of 15 teams in the Whangarei Inter-club competition.

Northland Seniors start their season on Sunday April 30, 10am at the Thomas Neale Tennis Centre in Whangarei. They play every Sunday a 10am weather permitting. The sub is cheap and there is a small daily charge for balls. Members of Northland Seniors are eligible to play for the Northland Senior Team who play against teams from Auckland, North Harbour, Counties and Lower Northland.

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



Bream Bay Community Patrol

Working with the Police to reduce crime in the Bream Bay area.

To inquire about joining, contact Senior Constable Martin Geddes
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Winter sport gets underway

Bream Bay United football teams get some early practice in on their Ruakākā fields



The 12th Grade coached by Mark Chapple from left to right: Barley Overton, Bailey Shepard, Isaac Chapple, Kai Tomes and Bailey Warburton



The 16th Grade gets some tips from coach Warren Greene

Waipu Resident and Ratepayer group, after a long discussion, opts to support the 10.9% rate rise

After a long discussion at its monthly meeting held on Wednesday evening 26 May The Waipu Resident and Ratepayers Association has opted to back the 10.9 % rate increase as muted in the Whangarei District Council's 2023-2024 annual plan over the 7.9% increase as was prescribed in the Long Term Plan.

Councillor Phil Halse said after all the road damage caused by cyclones and storms sticking with the lower rate increase would result in a drop off of services.

Councillor Ken Couper said the Council is facing some large cost increases, including a bigger wage bill as it needed to pay more to retain staff.

Neil McLeod, who is a member of the Council's Positive Aging Advisory Group, raised concerns over the effect the larger increase would have on home owners but said retired people like everyone else needed to have safe roads and proposed the group support the higher rate increase.

Questions were raised about some of the items the Council is spending money on including its support for the Oruku Conference Centre. Councillors were asked why the WDC was giving funding to this project when 80% of people who took part in a referendum said they were opposed to the Council granting \$57 million to this.

Councillor Halse said this was a different proposal with the WDC now asked to provide just \$5 million for the new centre's fit out plus an annual running costs grant for five years if this is needed. This is on top of an earlier decision to put \$3 million into roading and infrastructure upgrades needed for the new development.

Councillor Couper said Whangarei needed more facilities of this nature if it is to attract industry. He said Kelly Tarlton's Underwater World could have been built in Whangarei if the Council of the day had supported it.

People wishing to make a comment on the Whangarei District Council's 203/2024 annual plan have until 4.30pm on Friday 5 May. A consultation online form is available on the Whangarei District Council website

OTP Primary PTA to hold a Pink Ribbon brunch

One Tree Point PTA is hosting a Pink Ribbon Brunch for the Breast Cancer Foundation of New Zealand.

"A cause we hold dear to our hearts" said organiser Tania Papera

"We will be raising funds and awareness to fight against the deadly disease that has affected so many of us [either directly and/or indirectly] in our little community and abroad.

"We aim to educate, create connections, share experiences. And with your help in media coverage, the potential to reach further, is heightened.

The PTA will be holding a cheeky 'Bedazzle that Bra' competition, which will include the said bra being modeled and some local women will be sharing their personal journeys.

The Pink Ribbon Brunch will be held on Sunday 7 May in the One Tree Point Primary School Hall

The doors will open at 10am. Tickets cost \$40 per person. One hundred per cent of the proceeds will go to the Breast Cancer Foundation.



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- **WAIPU BOUTIQUE SUNDAY MARKET** Next on Sunday 7 May from 9am - 1pm in the Coronation Hall.
- **PINK RIBBON BRUNCH** Sunday 7 May at 10am in the One Tree Point School Hall Fundraiser for the Breast Cancer Foundation of NZ
- **ONE TREE POINT ARTISAN MARKET** Fundraising for Whangārei Hospital Children's Ward. Sunday 14 May from 9am-1pm. One Tree Point School field.
- **PAPAROA ARTISAN MARKET** Next on Sunday 28 May from 12 noon to 4pm, In the Paparoa Memorial Hall
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Silver medal and an invitation to train with High Performance Squad for Ruakaka Surf Lifesaving IRB team



The Ruakākā Rippers team from Ruakākā Surf Lifesaving Club raced in the Open Women's event at the Nationals IRB Championships in Waihi held on the weekend. They came a close second to Sunset Beach who are the current world champions, winning a silver medal and an invitation to the high performance squad for international competition.

The conditions were so rough they only completed the mass rescue. The rest of the events were cancelled.

The team members were Alesha Ahrens and Jess Andrews with patients Emily and Ava Dainty and Jade Jennings.



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Fundraising events successful despite road closures and stormy weather

Despite all the stormy weather and impassable roads into Northland, fundraising events held recently in Waipu have been successful.

The Waipu Car and Bike Show, organised by the Waipu Lions Club, returned a profit of \$20,000, the bulk of which will go towards completion of the Waipu to Waipu Cove

Cycle and Walkway Trail.

The Car and Bike Show had to be cancelled twice due to the water-logged condition of the Caledonian Park before it was able to be held on Saturday 11 March. Davinia Field, of the Waipu Easter Carnival Committee said, "We were very pleased with the turn out. The weather was perfect and visitor numbers to Waipu were amazing. We're pleased to have run an event that not only benefits the school but the Waipu community as well. We don't have a final amount yet as we're still waiting on invoices but it was very successful and not too far off what we made in 2021 despite increased costs across the board."

In 2021 the Waipu Carnival profits were just short of \$60,000. The Easter Carnival is a fundraiser for the Waipu Primary School PTA. It was unable to be held in 2022 because of Covid 19 crowd restrictions.



Crowds at the Waipu Easter carnival

BREAM BAY Link



MORNING

9.00am	Departs	Kaiwaka Kaiwaka Hall
9.15am	Departs	Mangawhai Village Village Shops Bus Stop (by restrooms)
9.20am	Departs	Mangawhai Heads I-Site
9.35am	Departs	Langs Beach Corner of Wairahi and Cove Roads
9.40am	Departs	Waipu Cove Beach Car park
9.50am	Departs	Waipu Monument Bus stop
10.10am	Departs	Ruakākā Peter Snell Road (opposite Takutai Place)
10.50am	Arrives	Whangārei Rose Street Bus Terminus

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AFTERNOON

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



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Ruakākā	\$5.00	\$7.00

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