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Combined beach safety efforts make for a cruisy summer for most patrollers



Lifeguards Reed Neville-Smith (left) and Brad Kehoe on patrol at Waipu Cove

The combined efforts of the Bream Bay beach ambassadors, the Ruakaka and Waipu Surf Lifesaving patrols and the Police are providing some pretty thorough beach safety support on Bream Bay this summer. Bream Bay Police are undertaking twice-daily patrols along the beach in a four-wheel drive while the Bream Bay Beach Ambassador volunteers do daily patrols between the Ruakaka and Waipu estuaries at low tide. In addition Camp Waipu Cove has paid ambassadors at the cove each day from 9am - 3.30pm.

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Massed pipes; a highlight of the Waipu Highland Games



The massed pipe band marches into the arena at the 2018 Waipu Highland Games.

An estimated 7,000 people attended this year's Waipu Highland Games on Monday 1 January. Approximately 4,800 people bought tickets at the gates. This was up on last year's total of 4,200 paying attendees. Children get through the gates for free and, with competitors and invited guests also boosted the numbers. Bain McGregor said there were good numbers of entrants in the piping competitions this year. So many, in fact, he was called in to help with the judging. Bain usually likes to keep himself free to wander around to help where he is needed at the games. The B Grade section, in particular, was well subscribed and

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EDITORIAL

Can we change the name of Tip Rd.?

It's been a pretty good summer so far. Even the rain, which arrived on the afternoon of New Years Day, was well timed with the Waipu Highland Games almost over and all the wind and rain had mostly gone by Friday for the Whangarei Racings Clubs big day at the Ruakaka track.

The Highland Heavyweights never got to try for a planned national record attempt at the *Farmers Walk* but as Pat Couper commented to me, "Not many farmers would have minded. "

Around 80mls of rain fell at our place between New Years Day and Friday morning and I can already see green starting to show up on the hills. I have staked up all the corn and sunflowers that blew over in the garden. There wasn't too much damage. I think a good strong wind now and then might be good for trees, getting rid of all the weak twigs and branches.

I have done three Beach Ambassador duties so far: two driving up the beach on the Gator and one on foot at Tip Rd. on Boxing Day.

We need a name change for that road. Every time I go there I pick up a bag full of rubbish from the car park. I wonder if changing the name to something like *Beach Side Drive* would make a difference. A promised rubbish bin for the summer from the Whangarei District Council hasn't materialized.

The main concern at Tip Rd., though, is that crazy vehicle beach entrance. Vehicles are constantly getting stuck in the hollows or on the humps. Speed is needed

to get over the dune without stalling but this endangers the lives of pedestrians as well as the people down on their knees trying to dig their vehicles out of the sand. The Department of Conservation has provided a separate entrance for people on foot but most don't use it.

The crowds on the beach between the Ruakaka and Waipu estuaries have been pretty good. I don't think there are as many people here as last year, although Sharon Booth, who does Beach Ambassador duty at the Mair Rd. entrance, says things have been hectic there. Sharon could use some help if anyone has an hour or two to spare over the next few weeks.

A lot of crab fishers are getting the message and wearing life jackets. I congratulated one family group for having two life jackets but came back to find them in the water retrieving their crab pots and the jackets left on the beach.

I stood and watched a figure out beyond where the waves were breaking, wondering if he (or she) might be beyond his depth and unable to swim. After a time a boy of around 14 or 15 rode in on a wave to join his crab fishing family. He stood dripping on the sand. His face was aglow.

"It's so fun", he said.

"I know," I said. "I enjoy the waves too. But just don't go too deep. We don't want anybody to drown."

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Fiona Southorn named in New Years Honours for her services to sport, in particular cycling

When the announcement was made on New Year’s Eve that she had been made a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit, Fiona Southorn phoned her boss Alan Sheddan of Bream Bay Realty and said she would be needing some new business cards.

What was his reaction?

“He was pretty excited”, Fiona said.

She had known since October that she was in line for the honours award for her services to sport in particular cycling but had been asked not to tell anyone about it until the official New Year honours list was announced. A cycling friend in Wellington had nominated her for the honour.

Fiona, who was born without a left hand, represented New Zealand at the 2004, 2008 and 2012 Summer Paralympics and won a bronze medal in the C5 individual pursuit at the 2012 London Paralympics. She turned 50 years old last year and continues to compete in cycling and duathlon events at national and international levels.

She had a particularly good year in 2017 collecting three gold medals



Fiona Southorn MNZM

at the World Masters Games held in Auckland and Cambridge in April and winning two titles in the pursuit and time trial at the New Zealand age group championships held in Cambridge in May setting a record in the pursuit race.

Fiona, out training on her bicycle, is a common sight around the back roads of Bream Bay.

But Fiona wants to point out the award is for service to sport, in particular cycling.

“This wasn’t give just because I race and have competed in three Paralympic games. I was a SPARC (now High Performance Sport NZ) Ambassador for nine years travelling to high schools throughout NZ help-

ing elite school children set and achieve their goals.

“I have also ridden in numerous events for charity including the Wellington to Auckland Cycle challenge four times.

Over the last few years Fiona has visited numerous Northland primary schools speaking to and inspiring children and parents alike.

Fiona has been an active supporter of many local sporting events such as the Bream Bay Tides out Fun Run and Walk and Waipu clyce and walkway fund-raising events.

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Police Report



22 family harm incidents

Bream Bay Police attended 21 family harm incidents in the two weeks between 18 December and 2 January

New year's morning disturbance on Uretiti Beach

At 2am on 11 January Police were called to a fight on Uretiti Beach alongside the campground. It turned out to be an intoxicated couple engaging in a very public domestic dispute, which other campers from the packed out camping ground, got involved in. A man was taken into custody in the Whangarei Police station to detox and was released the next day with no charges laid.

Surfboard and golf clubs stolen from One Tree Point house

On 17 December a surfboard and two sets of golf clubs were stolen from a house in Barbados Way in One Tree Point. The surfboard was in a silver bag and is 9 foot long with the brand name *Stewart*.

More than four times over the limit

On 21 December a 55-year-old Whangarei man was breath tested at the scene of a vehicle crash in McCathy Rd., Ruakaka. He registered a breath alcohol reading of 1020 micrograms of alcohol per litre of breath which is more than four times over the legal limit of 250mcg of alcohol per litre of breath. He was remanded in custody to appear before his appearance at the Whangarei District Court.

Handbag stolen from Ruakaka house

On 22 December a handbag was stolen from a house in Karawai St., Ruakaka. Because of the heat, the home owners had left windows open while they were absent from the house.

A trouble free Christmas in Ruakaka but Police kept busy in Maungaturoto area

Sergeant Simon Craig said the Ruakaka area enjoyed a comparatively peaceful and trouble free Christmas / New Year holiday period. However the Maungaturoto area which is part of the Bream Bay Police territory has seen an upsurge in crime, with many newcomers moving to this area for cheaper rents.

In the past two weeks Police have dealt with 43 incidents in Mangaturoto, Kaiwaka, Pahi and Paparoa. By contrast Ruakaka which has a much larger population had just 23 incident.

Not so much agro on the beach this year

Sergeant Craig also reports a trouble free beach with none of the aggravation that occurred last summer between local people and Asian crab fishers. He attributes this largely to the work of the Bream Bay Ambassador Programme, with volunteers carrying out regular patrols encouraging crab fishers to wear life jackets and explaining beach protocol and bylaws to beach users.

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Dust problems at Dune Lake Place

The homes of people living in Dune Lake Place and Sea Dune Place in Ruakaka have been getting regular coatings of dust and grit, which they say is being blown across from excavated land on an 80 lot housing development belonging to John Keith, who is also the Director of the Lakeside Business park alongside Marsden Point Rd. Mr. Keith began earthworks on the property last year but the excavations have been halted for the past few months. During the hot dry weather up until the New Year rain, whenever a wind was blowing from a southern or easterly direction, clouds of dust could be seen rising over the subdivision. Residents say they have been unable to open windows even though the weather was very warm and have had to dust the grit from their windowsill on a regular basis.

"Everyone here is complaining about it," one woman said.

She said on several occasions grit had come through the bedroom window and settled on her duvet cover.

Another woman said when some house guests were due to arrive she thought she had better clean out the spare room and ensuite bathroom and found it black with dust.

Another said on a morning walk with her dog she saw a cloud of dust rising from the subdivision and drifting over the dune lake.

The residents are all wondering about Mr. Keith's plans and how long he will be leaving the area exposed to the elements.

The Bream Bay News reporter phoned Mr. Keith to ask him what measures, if any, he was taking to control the dust from his excavations but he cut off the call. The reporter then put the question to him in a text message to which he replied that the wind in the Tamure Rd area is blowing 100% of the time from the North in the opposite direction of Sea Dune Place and Dune Lake Place and the sand and dust the residents



Excavated land on the 80 lot subdivision development to the south of Dune Lake Place and Sea Dune Place

are complaining about is "probably coming from the beach."

He later sent a text messages claiming he had found the source of the dust at the now blocked off, but former vehicle beach entrance on Peter Snell Rd alongside the Ruakaka Racecourse.

He said "I would suggest you make contact with the community group who have made a poor job of the restoration."

However, the residents say they can see the dust swirling up from Mr. Keith's subdivision and the problem has only developed this summer after the vegetation was cleared from this site.

Advice from the Northland Regional Council is that the conditions of any subdivision consent contain a clause stating that the developer must take measures to prevent any offensive level of dust beyond the boundary of the subdivision.

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Afternoon rain not too much of a problem at the 2018 Waipu Highland Games

Bain said it was good to see so many young pipers coming through. He was particularly impressed by young pipers from the Manawatu Pipe Band who won all the prizes at the Helen McGregor memorial Open Medley Competition.

Over the lunch break the crowd was entertained by a series of battles with swords, shields and clubs between the Norsemen and The Scots. Bodies strewn over the field quickly revived once a fresh battle began.

People gathered around the centre field for what for many are the highlights of the day, the official opening with the massed pipe band marching into the arena and then a massed highland fling.

Although heavy rain started to fall at around 2pm, this did not have the disastrous effect of the rain at the 2016 games as most of the events were pretty much over and people could take shelter in the Celtic Barn.

Some of the competitions continued under cover. The A Grade piping competition, which was held in the band rotunda was able to continue as the rain was falling vertically and the pipers were sheltered.

The other piping competitions moved to Waipu Primary School where they continued until 7pm.

The Scottish Official Highland Dancing moved to the Coronation Hall and the New Zealand Highland Dancing competition was able to continue in the shelter at the southern side of the Celtic Barn.

The heavyweight competition continued in the rain with just the last event the Farmers Walk called off.

Don Ewen, who helps run the competition, said by this time the competitors were all soaked to the skin and the ground would have been a bit slippery to carry those big weights over.



The Scots and the Norsemen battled it out on the centre field during the lunch break.

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Celebrated piper Greg Wilson had the honour of opening this year's games

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Johnno MacFarlane, the overall winner of this year's Waipu games highland heavyweight competition, takes his turn at attempting hurl a sheaf from a pitch fork over an 8 metre high bar.



Hayley Ryan of Whangaparaoa competing in the Open Class Sword Dance competition in which she came third.



Highland dancers of all ages came together for a massed fling on the centre field.



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A unique insight into what it was like to live at Marsden Point in the 1800s

“Another Novie book” is how Bev Brett describes her compilation of the translated letters of John Munro, which was launched in the Waipu Presbyterian Church Hall on Sunday 31 December.

John Munro was a ship builder and harbour master who lived at Whangarei Heads and Marsden Point in the 1890s. Mr. Munro had come to New Zealand from Cape Breton on the ship the Ellen Lewis in 1860. He was a fluent Gaelic speaker and wrote a series of letters to the Gaelic language bi-monthly newspaper Mac Talla from Marsden Point between 1894 and 1902. He was a strong advocate for the Gaelic language and

in some of his letters laments that few of his fellow Gaelic immigrants to New Zealand continued to use their mother tongue.

Bev first learned of the existence of the John Munro's letters on a visit to the Waipu museum. She was interested as John Munro's father, John Munro senior had featured in a play The Margaret she had written for the 2004 150th anniversary of the migration from Nova Scotia to Waipu.

The letters include Mr. Munro's observations of what was going on all around him at that time: kauri log felling, gum digging, fishing, whaling and farming. As a former sea captain he had a particular interest in shipping and gives an account of the shipwreck of the Waiarapa in Waiarapa on Great Barrier Island with the loss of 125 lives in October 1894.

He also wrote respectfully about his Maori neighbours.

“Kind and affectionate neighbours lived close to me, and when we met we would press our noses together, women as well as men, beautiful and joyful bright eyed women who revealed the gentle kindness of their hearts in the old tradition of the country.”

And he wrote about the comparative ease of life in New Zealand.

“The people who cast their lots and came to this country were destined for easy circumstances and they will bless the day that they made the move. As I write this it is very cold: they have had snow around the city of Auckland but there was none in this part. We seldom have frost here.”

The book also has letters from people living in St.



Bev Brett signing copies of her book at its launch in the Waipu Presbyterian Hall on Sunday 31 December

Ann's expressing appreciation for the letters from John Munro, for example, this from Brown Duncan St Ann's April 18 1895:

“John Munro's friends are very happy to see letters from him now and again in Mac-Talla, giving an account of their acquaintances who went from here to New Zealand. Although it is close to forty years since John Munro left St. Ann's, it appears that he has not yet lost his Gaelic.”

The letters were translated by the late John Alick MacPerson.

Bev wrote in her introduction, “These letters are to anyone interested in history a totally unique view of New Zealand and the Maori people in the 1800s.

Unlike most immigrants to New Zealand, John Munro had prior experience with indigenous cultures of another country.”

“Also because John Munro was not only a Gael, but a Cape Breton one, his perceptions are filtered through the lens of that non-English culture and the experience of the wilderness of Nova Scotia and a freedom not experienced in Scotland.”

The book is illustrated with many photographs, some historical and others taken by Bev herself in Northland and St Anns.

Waipu Museum patron David Craig thanked Bev for her perseverance in hunting out and arranging for the translation of the letters, which otherwise would have been lost.

He wondered about how people in the future would be able to look back and gain similar insights into lives of today when instead of letters “everyone writes emails which are wiped soon after they are read.”

Bev Brett's book of translated letters to Mac-Talla from John Munro is on sale at the Waipu Museum, retailing at \$32.



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Stage two will run from Waipu Cove to Estuary View Heights, a distance of approximately two kilometres. An already completed section of trail runs for 2.5 kilometres from Waipu township to Riverview Place.

Funding is in place and the Waipu Cycle and Walkway group had hoped to begin work on stage two last October and is now working towards building the new section this approaching autumn. However, this will depend on the council's completion of the drainage work and it having the necessary easements in place.

Once stage two is completed there will remain approximately four kilometres of trail to be built to link the two end sections. The route for this final stage has not yet been decided.

Fundraising for the project continues with trail supporters selling tickets to another big raffle. First



People of all ages wearing Christmas decorations and riding bikes made up the Waipu Cycle and Walkway supporters entry to the Waipu Christmas Parade

prize once again is an electric bike; second prize is a child's bike and third prize a \$200 gift basket from Waipu Pharmacy. Tickets are on sale at the Waipu shops.

Lots of wet, soggy people

Last Saturday Bream Bay's camping grounds were starting to fill up again after a storm earlier that week had people packing up and heading home.

Brian and Berni Blair, the summer helpers for managers Ray and Cindy Hosking at the Uretiti Camping Grounds, said there were "lots of wet soggy people on Thursday night 4 January, when the full force of the storm hit.

Tents were blown over and some people ended up sleeping in a newly built cooking shelter. The next morning there was lots of rubbish to pick up.

Brian said he told people whose tents had blown away to just go home and dry out and that he would clean up the mess in the morning.

"It was carnage", said Bernie, "People were soaking wet and a lot of those light tents with the bending poles were blown inside out. By the end of the night pretty much the only campers left were in campervans. However there was no major damage and no-one was hurt and now everyone is starting to come back again."

The Uretiti camp can accommodate 1,030 people and from 29 December to the 1 January when the rain started to fall it was full up with a No Vacancy sign at the entrance.

Ann-Marie Able manager of the Ruakaka Beach Holiday Park said the camps 355 had been booked out since 27 December. Some people left early because of the approaching storm but over the weekend people had come back. On the night of the storm several families moved into the campground hall for the night and others packed up and went home.

"There were a few wrecked tents. It got pretty gusty for a couple of hours."

Krystal Ryan, on reception at Camp Waipu Cove last Monday (8 January) said it had been pretty hectic over the previous weekend as another big wave of campers had arrived. She said many campers had left early or waited for the storm to pass. By Monday the camp was back to near capacity with 658 declared campers on site.



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Pictures from the Waipu Christmas Parade



Above : The Waipu Cove Surf Lifesaving Club's Star Wars float took the first prize of \$1,000 at the Waipu Christmas Eve Parade



The Waipu Circool Circus took out a \$200 Prize as the best Community Group entry

A \$2,000 prize pool was handed out at the Waipu Christmas Eve Parade with the Waipu Surf Lifesaving Club taking the major \$1,000 prize with a vast collection of storm troopers, jedis and other Star Wars characters riding or striding down the street. Other \$200 prizes were won by the Northpine Float for the Best Business Entry, the Cardio Drunning Float for the Best First Time Entry and the Waipu Play Centre and Waipu Primary took runner up awards. Waipu's Circool Circus won the best community group entry prize. A large crowd turned out to watch the parade as it made its way down the street and into the Caledonian Park for a pipe band recital and prize giving.



Above: Waipu Primary School won a \$200 prize for this entry



The Waipu Rugby Club float was based on the Disney film Moana



Northpine won the best business class float.

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Combined beach safety efforts make for a cruisy summer for most patrollers

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Many crab fishers are now wearing life jackets.



Despite suffering a broken hip, Brent Cooper continues to go out on Beach Ambassador patrols

Brenna Aherns patrol Captain at the Ruakaka Surf Club said all the extra help has meant this has been “a very cruisy summer.”

“We have had a few minor first aid incidents but nothing major.”

There are paid lifeguards on the beach at Waipu Cove and Ruakaka from 10.30am to 6.30pm each weekday with volunteer patrols on duty over the weekends from 11am to 5pm. Patrols continue until Friday 2 February.

The Ruakaka Surf Lifesaving patrol has a rescue water craft, similar to a jet ski which it is using to patrol further south along the beach to the Uretiti camp and the vehicle beach entrance at Tip Rd.

Volunteer Beach Ambassador Brent Cooper said there also doesn’t seem to be the numbers of people on the beach as there was last year and the message seems to be getting through to the crab fishers about wearing life jackets in the water.

Brent is on crutches after falling two metres from a ladder and crashing through a skylight roof while water blasting an industrial property he owns in Kepa Rd. but still goes out on patrol on the Gator.

He finds if he approaches people in a friendly way he usually gets a good response.

“I’m not here as a law enforcer but I can just advise people about what the rules for the beach are.”

Sergeant Simon Craig also said the big crowds just don’t seem to have arrived this summer and there haven’t been incidents of aggravation between visitors and locals that there were last summer.

However, Sharon Booth who is doing beach ambassador duty at Mair Rd. is finding the situation there “overwhelming”. She said she spoke to around 30 groups on one two-hour patrol last week.

“Everyone was full of smiles but I just felt like we are losing the battle as there are just so many crabbers. I no sooner finished talking to them all on the beach, picked up more of their rubbish, went back to the car park and there was another 20 or so cars full of people coming to crab.”

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Sun 14 Jan	6.43	2.4	6.49	2.3
Mon 15 Jan	7.31	2.4	7.37	2.3
Tue 16 Jan	8.15	2.5	8.21	2.4
Wed 17 Jan	8.56	2.5	9.03	2.4
Thu 18 Jan	9.34	2.5	9.43	2.4
Fri 19 Jan	10.12	2.6	10.22	2.4
Sat 20 Jan	10.49	2.6	11.01	2.5
Sun 21 Jan	11.28	2.6	11.44	2.5
Mon 22 Jan	12.07	2.6	~	~
Tue 23 Jan	12.23	2.4	12.49	2.6
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Bream Bay girls compete at National Age Group Football Tournament in Wellington

Earlier this year Bream Bay College students Abby Wright and Teneille Hiki were selected from the Northland 14th Grade girls team to represent the Northern Federation Talent Centre at the National Age Group Tournament in Wellington from 13 to 17 December. The NAGT is the flagship event in NZ Football’s talent pathway. NZ Football representatives and staff were in attendance at every game, monitoring and identifying future All Whites and Football Ferns. There were seven teams from around NZ, and the tournament winners were Auckland FC, with the girls’ Northern Team finishing 2nd equal on points with Mainland/Christchurch, which was a huge achievement. Abby’s mother Maree said, “It was an amazing experience for both girls to compete at the highest level of age group football in NZ, and they performed well in torrential rain on day One and extreme heat for the remainder of the tournament.



Football stars left: Teneille Hiki and Abby Wright

Tickets on sale for the Bream Bay Sports Awards

Tickets are on sale for the Bream Bay Sports awards. These awards will honour the area’s sporting heroes of 2017 both on and off the field. There are categories for leadership, coaching and administration roles as well as for junior and senior sports teams and individuals with 48 nominations received. The awards will be held in the Waipu Celtic Barn on Friday 16 February starting at 6.30pm. Rugby Sevens legend Eric Rush will be guest speaker and there will be a catered buffet dinner. Tickets cost \$50 and can be purchased from Ken Moreland 432 0637 or Michelle Hallaron 027 555 4300.



Eric Rush



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The One Tree Point Art and Craft exhibition has grown

The One Tree Point Art and Craft Anniversary weekend exhibition has grown and this year will be held in the marquee at Marsden Cove.

The inaugural exhibition held last year in the Marsden Bay Yacht Club was made up of 12 exhibitors who formed a committee and invited interest from all over Northland. When 40 artists applied the committee decided to approach Hoppers Construction. The company has lent its support to the project by donating the venue for free.

The exhibition is a “working” one with artists invited to demonstrate their crafts.

Colin Coutts, the instigator said, “The Marquee is a huge space to fill and fill it we will. The exhibition will be colourful and vibrant. We have painters, sculptors, jewellers, potters, wood turners, weavers, photographers and a range of textile artists all keen to share their knowledge and passion”.

The event will be held on the Saturday and Sunday



At last year's exhibition

of Auckland Anniversary weekend, 27 and 28 January from 10am-4pm. Costumes from the 2017 Art 'n Tantan Exhibition will also be on display and food will be available for sale. Entry is by gold coin and there will be eftpos available for purchasing artworks.

Good cash prizes at the Waipu Raft

This year's Waipu River raft race is scheduled for Sunday 18 February from 12 noon at the Waipu Boat Club in Nova Scotia Drive.

This event was resurrected last year is run by the Waipu Boat and Fishing Club. Those who are planning to enter can register on the Waipu Boat and Fishing Club website.

There are some good cash prizes to be won - \$1,000 for the winner in the open raft section,

\$500 for the junior race winner and \$200 for the first paddle board.

The rules for rafts can be found on the fishing club website.

The boat club has also organized some extra entertainment including a model boat display, face painting and a bouncy castle. Waipu Hammer Hardware has once again donated a Weber BBQ for a raffle and tickets are on sale in Waipu.

The Great Waipu Car and Bike show even bigger and better this year

The Great Waipu Car and Bike show will be held this year on Sunday 4 February in the Waipu Caledonian Park from 10am to 2pm.

This is a Waipu Lions fundraising event with 25% of this year's proceeds pledged to the Northland Rescue Helicopter and the remainder going to other Waipu Lions causes.

There were 420 cars and 110 motorbikes at last year's show and organizer Ron Cave said this year he expects the show to be “even bigger and better.”

Please don't leave goods outside Scavengers while the shop is shut

The Kepa Rd. recycling shop Scavengers is closed until 17 January.

In the meantime owner Yvonne Judge asks people to please not leave donations at the shop door.

She said if there is a genuine need for items from the shop to please contact her on the number 432 7051.



BREAM BAY BRIDGE CLUB RESULTS

Anniversary Pairs

1. Mark Duffield & Gwyneth Scotland
2. Sharon McLean & Jean Tafa
3. Gerard Smedicus & Bill Adams

Championships

1. Sandra Hollis & Pat Costello
2. Liz Clayden & Philippa Ross
3. Roz Banbury & Alan Cripps

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2. Alan Cripps & Judy Grey
3. Tony Picketts & Andy Roberts

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• **DAVE DOBYN AND BOH RUNGA WAIPU ROCKS CONCERT** at the Waipu Golf Course on Saturday 13 January. Tickets \$95 at iticket.co.nz. Funds raised go towards the upgrade of the golf course.

• **LOCAL BAND SPIRAL** playing at the Waipu Hotel on Saturday 13 January. 8.30pm till late. Phone 432 0306 to book our courtesy van.

• **WAIPU BOUTIQUE SUNDAY MARKET.** In the Waipu Coronation Hall. Next on Sunday 14 January from 9am - 1pm.

• **MARSDEN COVE MARKET** Next on Sunday January 20 from 9am - 1pm. In the marquee at the Marsden Cove Marina

• **THE ONE TREE POINT ANNIVERSARY WEEKEND ART AND CRAFT EXHIBITION** In the Marsden Cove Marquee on Saturday and Sunday 27 and 28 January from 10am to 4pm. 40 Northland artists present. Entry by gold coin. Eftpos available for purchases.

• **THE GREAT WAIPU CAR AND BIKE SHOW.** Sunday 4 February in the Waipu Caledonian Park from 10am - 2pm. Entry \$5 for everyone over 10 years. Fundraiser for Northland Rescue Helicopter and the Waipu Lions.

• **SNAKE BANK REGATTA** Off the One Tree Boat Club. Saturday 10 February. Paddle race briefing at 11.30am race starts 12 noon. Sail boat race briefing starts at 2pm. Race starts at 2.30pm.

• **BREAM BAY SPORTS AWARDS** with guest speaker Eric Rush and a catered buffet dinner. Friday 16 February. Tickets available from Ken Moreland 432 0637 or Michelle Hallaron 027 555 4300.

• **THE WAIPU RAFT RACE.** Sunday 18 February from 12 noon to 4pm at the Waipu Boat and Fishing Club in Nova Scotia Drive. Registrations on the Waipu Boat and Fishing Club website.

A big day at the Ruakaka Racetrack



From left: Cathy Wildermok, Margaret Pelley and a niece Rachel Munro enjoying a day at the races. The women are from Auckland but have a holiday home at Waipu Cove

“Maybe not as big a crowd as last year but a good number of people never the less” was Rebecca Swords of the Whangarei Racing Club’s comment on the attendance at the club’s biggest day of the year, its Summer Carnival held on Friday 6 January at the Ruakaka track.

The slight drop in numbers was due to the storm the previous evening, which cleared people out of the local camping grounds. However, the weather cleared for the big day although it was still a bit too windy to put up the big screen.

A full compliment of seven races were held with

Race 4 entitled *Best wished Peter and Donna* in honour of Peter Woods and Donna Logan who have relocated to Singapore where Donna has been granted a trainer’s license.

There was a moment of tragedy when a horse had to be euthanized after pulling up suddenly in Race 2. A screen was erected to hide the stricken horse from view.

Entertainment between races included: live music by A2Stix, a tug-o-war, sack race and the Pulse dance group.



Sprinting to the finishing line in Race 5: Hatton Garden No 3 in front, followed by Walk’n By and third on the inside O’Sam.

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Ships expected at Marsden Point

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

- *Ansac Splendour* ETA 9 Jan ETD 11 Jan at 11am. Loading logs.
- *Island Chief* ETA 10 Jan at 7am. ETD 11 Jan at 7am. Loading LVL.

- *Matuku* ETA 11 Jan at 8am. ETD 15 Jan at 7am. Coastal tanker loading refined oil products at the Marsden Point Refinery for Auckland.
- *British Respect* ETA 12 Jan at 1.30am ETD 13 Jan at 5pm. Delivering crude oil to the refinery.
- *Gold Oak* ETA 12 Jan at 11am, ETD 16 Jan at 11pm. Loading logs.
- *Awanuia* ETA 13 Jan at 6am, ETD 13 Jan at 4pm. Bunker barge for Ports of Auckland loading with refined oil products.
- *Kokopo Chief* ETA 13 Jan at 3pm. ETD 14 Jan at 7am. Unloading containers.
- *Ocean Pegasus* ETA 13 Jan at 10pm. ETD 16 Jan at 1am. Loading woodchip for Japan.
- *Kokako* ETA 14 Jan at 7am. ETD 15 Jan at 12 noon. Coastal tanker loading with refined oil products.

- *Matuku* ETA 14 Jan at 7am. ETD 15 Jan at 7am. Coastal tanker loading with refined oil products.
- *Aotearoa Chief* ETA 14 Jan at 3pm. ETD 16 Jan at 8pm. Loading cement at Portland for Tauranga.
- *SPI Barge* ETA 15 Jan at 6pm. ETD 16 Jan at 6pm. Loading project cargo.
- *BBC Alberta* ETA 18 Jan at 12.01am, ETD 19 Jan at 11.59pm. Delivering project cargo.
- *Kokopo Chief* ETA 21 Jan at 5.30pm. ETD 22 Jan at 8pm. Loading cement at Portland for Tauranga.
- *Pan Edelweiss* ETA 22 Jan at 1pm. ETD 26 Jan at 11am. Loading logs.
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LIBRARY HOURS

WAIPU COMMUNITY LIBRARY HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday 10am - 1pm. Tuesday 10am - 4pm. The Waipu Coronation Hall and Library Phone 432 0372



CLASSES

LEARN TO SPEAK TE REO!

Come and join a small friendly group using the Te Ataarangi method on Monday evenings in Waipu, starting February 2018.

Great teacher; good fun and stress free! Some beginning exposure to te reo is an advantage but the main pre-requisite is enthusiasm.

Phone Claire 09 432 0018

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



Volunteers needed

Hours Monday to Friday 9am - 3.30pm

Saturday 9am - 1pm

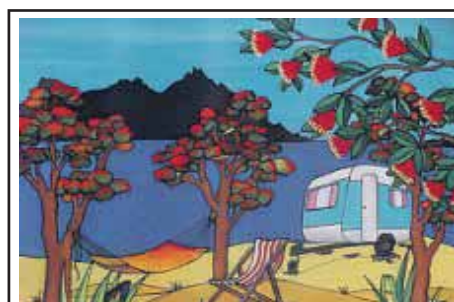
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Volunteers wanted for Waipu Shop

On call and over Christmas Monday all day Info from the Waipu shop Phone 432 1342.

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Marsden Cove MARKET

Sunday 21 January 9am - 1pm

in the marquee at the Marsden Cove Marina

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Bream Bay Medical Centre Ltd

New Patients Welcome!

Monday - Friday: 8.30am - 5pm Saturdays: 9am - 12pm
Please advise at time of booking if you require an extended consultation

*Dr John Chapman, Dr Sue Hancock, Dr Karin Hiemstra,
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Marsden Point Road, Ruakaka Town Centre, Ruakaka.
Ph: 432 8060 Fax: 432 8230



Bream Bay Community Support Trust

- Free medical clinic each Wednesday 9am - 12noon.
 - Free budgeting service by appointment - 432 7197
 - SPCA Free clinic next on Monday 1 September
- The Bream Bay Community Trust offers:
- A Family Centred support team.
 - Family violence Intervention advocacy
 - Advice and referrals to other agencies and relevant support services.

PUBLIC NOTICES

OPEN DAY
SENIORNET BREAM BAY

Visit our Learning Centre
Talk to our Tutors!

When: 9.30am – 11.30am

Monday 22nd January 2018

Where: 7 Kapa Road, Ruakaka

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Phone enquiries 432 7692
(leave a message)

NORTHPINE COMMUNITY
LIAISON COMMITTEE

This committee meets periodically to review the environmental performance of the Northpine timber manufacturing plant in Waipu, in consultation with representatives of the local councils. Any Waipu resident with concerns about the environmental effects of the Northpine plant should notify the Northpine office (432 1155). Concerns will be recorded, considered and subsequently reviewed by the liaison committee. The Independent chairperson of the liaison committee is Steve Goldthorpe (432 0532)

FAMILY NOTICES

Joan McGregor

The family of Joan Norwood McGregor wish to express a huge thank you to all the wonderful people who have shown so much support after the passing of our lovely Mum and cherished Granny Joan.

Many thanks to friends and family who visited, and to those who kindly sent food, flowers or made a donation to Hospice on Mum's behalf, or helped in any way. We really appreciated all the warm thoughts and memories expressed in messages, calls and cards.

Please accept this acknowledgement of our heartfelt gratitude for your support for our much loved

In Memory of Peter Cox 1927-2017

On behalf of Truus Cox and Family we would like to thank you for the cards and words of sympathy on passing of Peter on the 22nd of December 2017.

We also want to acknowledge and thank:

- the doctors and nurses at Whangarei Hospital
- the Geneva caregivers who cared for Peter
- the staff at Ranburn for the care and attention they gave

He will be sorely missed by us all

Ruakaka Christmas Parade
Prize Winners

Best first time entry the Making a Scene theatre group float.

Walking Category -

2nd Place was Charlotte & Troy (her horse)

1st Place was Lifepoint Church

Floats -

3rd Place Best 1st Time entry was Making A Scene

2nd Place was Marsden Play Centre

1st Place was Bream Bay Educare.

First prize was \$1,000 sponsored by Orrs Unichem Pharmacy Ruakaka.

BREAM BAY SUNDAY
CHURCH SERVICES

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

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

Anglican 1st and 3rd Sundays - St Paul's Ruakaka 2nd and 4th Sundays - St Peter's Waipu, 5th Sunday - St Nicholas Mission to Seafarers'. Marsden Point All services start at 9.30am.

Catholic Holy Family Church, Ruakaka, 10.30am. Mass
Lifepoint. 300 One Tree Point Rd, 10.30am.

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NEW LISTING



LIFESTYLE WITH MANY EXTRAS
This lifestyle property offers so much. There are 4.59 hectares with a cosy three bedroom home with ensuite and open plan living. Great outdoor entertaining area with a fabulous pool. A sleepout for the extra family members, a double garage and a utility shed. To top it all off, there is a substantial workshop with a concrete floor, amazing planting, a pond, room for ponies or some animals. The list goes on! Only 3kms to Waipu on the tarseal. Handy to beaches, golf club and fishing club.
Set Date of Sale - 4 p.m. on 31ST January 2018 (Prior offers will be considered)
Judy Guy 027 211 5623 or a/h 09 432 0486 **WPU10896**

NEW LISTING



STUNNING WATERFRONT PARADISE
First time on the market in 88 years. Rarely do you find a property of this calibre. Fronting onto the estuary where you can swim, kayak, boat, or cross over the sand dunes to the pristine white sand and surf of Bream Bay. 21.3368ha with a 3 brm home, double garage, nestled amongst pohutukawas. There is consent to subdivide into 5 lots so there are options. Purchase as one lot, or purchase separately subject to title. Set on 1115m², for sale separately is a 3 brm house with its own title. Great for a bach, so handy to the estuary, Waipu Cove and Township.
Set Date of Sale - 4 p.m. on 8th February 2018 (Prior offers will be considered)
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NEW LISTING



RUAKAKA SURF BEACH
A great opportunity to purchase a groovy bach while on holiday in a perfect spot within 100m of the patrolled surf beach. Three bedrooms with large upstairs area for all the teens or visitors and two good sized rooms downstairs. Private enclosed deck with outdoor fireplace. Fully fenced 903m² section.
\$699,000—www.bbrealty.co.nz #3840
FIONA SOUTHRN ph 021 317 775
Licensed Real Estate Agent REAA 2008

NEW LISTING



BEST OF BOTH WORLDS!
Situated between the surf beach and the newly renovated shopping centre. Invest in coastal property with friends and use as a weekend or make it permanent living. Both levels feature wooden floors and include two massive bedrooms and one double. Separate high-stud garage, workshop & storage area. Set on a large section sunny outside deck & sauna.
\$625,000—www.bbrealty.co.nz #3842
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NEW LISTING



YOUR NEW RIVER VIEW
What an opportunity... this roomy 718m² section is located across the road from Ruakaka River and the broad swathe of Esplanade Reserve that comes with it! A fantastic spot, a flat elevated section looking north down the river. Swimming, kayaking, paddleboarding or fishing to while away the afternoon in this inviting neighbourhood.
\$245,000—www.bbrealty.co.nz #3839
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NEW LISTING



DREAM HOLIDAY AT HOME
Tucked away in the heart of Ruakaka, a hop & a skip from the sand dunes, this 194m² home has so much going for it. Downstairs the kitchen, dining & lounge areas all with deck access. Separate laundry, full bathroom, 2 single bedrooms and main/double with its own WC. Upstairs, a parents retreat—bedroom, full ensuite, kitchenette & living area with balcony.—sea views with breakfast! A rare opportunity!
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A fabulous outlook, overlooking lakes and the private golf course with Mt Manaia as a backdrop. This 531m² section is nicely elevated above the road and is surrounded by quality homes which protects your investment in this highly sort after Estate. The OTP boat ramp and beach a few minutes walk away - Marsden Marina around the corner.
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MAGNIFICENT WATERFRONTAGE
Perfectly poised on this elevated landscaped site, moor the boat at the bottom of the garden and enjoy low maintenance living in this one year old home ... Clever floorplan allows the dining/living to open up completely to large undercover decks overlooking the water, perfect for entertaining friends and family!
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