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## Sand dredging would destroy Bream Bay's recovering scallop fishery

If McCallum Brothers bring their sand dredge into Bream Bay it will put an end to the scallop fishery here say several commercial scallop fishermen.

Brad and Dagny Leggott of the Whangārei based company Fish to Fish said after having been prevented from trawling for scallops here when a moratorium was placed on the fishery two years ago it would be very annoying to say the least if an Auckland company is now permitted to come in and excavate sand.

Patrick Chaplin, who has been a fisherman for 45 years, supplementing his west coast wet fish catch with trawling for scallops between Bream Head and Mangawhai said after the McCallum sand barge went to work off Mangawhai there were no longer any scallops to be found there. He saw in his boats depth sounder where the dredge had made huge rectangular holes in the seafloor sometimes around half a kilometre long and leaving logs that had been buried exposed on the sea floor. Mr. Chaplin has made a huge personal sacrifice in the interests of saving the fishery. His own surveys and those of other scallop fishers had indicated the fishery was healthy and capable of sustaining continued commercial harvest. Based on this evidence, which was supplied to the Ministry of Primary Industry Mr. Chaplin took out a loan to purchase a second trawler and lost

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## Who will be Miss Christmas 2024?



Partygoers from left: Tess Hanson, Ana Marie Disu, Angie Webb, Perlita Smith, Carmen Arnold, Gigi Agustin, Caitlin Agustin and Apple Sutherland.

Its Christmas party season and very few celebrations could be as fun filled or as colorful as the annual One Tree Point Filipino party organised by long time OTP residents Tess Hansen and Pelita Smith to help more recent arrivals feel welcome.

This year the party was held in the Mata Hall as the numbers of Filipino people living locally has grown to such an extent that the party can no longer be held in private homes as it has been in the past.

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### **EDITORIAL**

# What's wrong with the assertions made in The Treaty Principles Bill?

Did I hear this correctly? I was cooking dinner while watching, or mostly just listening, to the TVNZ news one night last week and thought I heard the results of one of those text in polls being announced. The question that had been put was, "Do you support the Hīkoi mō te Tiriti? The result was 56% "no" and 44 % "yes".

I have been trying to hunt this down but can't find it anywhere. Perhaps I was mistaken but I wouldn't be surprised if this was the result of such a poll.

David Seymour's Treaty Principles Bill might have more support than it would seem from listening to or reading media reports. This is certainly the impression I get with my ear to the ground around here.

When it comes time for public submissions on the Treaty Principles Bill those of us who follow the TV news and read the mainstream newspapers might be taken by surprise as we were by the re-election of Donald Trump as President of the United States.

What's wrong with the assertions set out in principal 3 of Mr. Seymour's bill: "Everyone is equal before the law. Everyone is entitled, without discrimination, to the equal protection and equal benefit of the law; and the equal enjoyment of the same fundamental human rights"?

Or those set out under Principal 1:"The Parliament of New Zealand has full power to make laws, in the best interests of everyone; and in accordance with the rule of law and the maintenance of a free and democratic society." Are these ideas so terrible?

I am not sure though that they need to be articulated under the heading of *The Treaty Principles Bill.* This is neadlessy antagonistic. Couldn't we just have a set of principles about the rights of all New Zealanders without making it seem like a challenge to Māori rights under Te Tiriti or are these two sets of presumed rights incompati-

ble? I sincerely hope they are not I heard Nick Smith, the Mayor of Nelson and a former Minister of Conservation in the John Key Government, on Q and A a few weeks ago. He said he could appreciate that many New Zealanders hold strong and sincere beliefs in democracy and equality of opportunity. Then he said we also need to recognize and adhere to the Treaty of Waitangi. He commented that this debate needs to be toned down a peg or two with more respect for opposing viewpoints.

Marilyn

#### Apology

I need to apologise to Nerissa Barton whose name I inadvertently left off the list of Bream Bay College students who were presented with Junior Citizenship certificates by the Waipu and Marsden Lions Clubs recently. Congratulations on receiving this recognition Nerissa. Being recognised for good citizenship is something to be very proud of.

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## Who will be Miss Christmas 2024?

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The evening begins with everyone standing to sing the national anthems of both the Philippines and New Zealand followed by feasting, dancing and singing, this year the music led by the Pinoy Filipino Northland Band

A evening is the naming of Miss Christmas 2024 the title going to the woman with the best Christmas themed outfit, although it would be hard to outdo last year's Christmas Queen: Carmen Arnold in her multi coloured sequined shift and red spangled stockings. There also sashes for "The Muse of the Night", the "Tiktok Queen" and "Miss One Tree Point".

Carmen Arnold wearing her Miss Christmas 2023 sash



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out big time when the fishery was closed. He said the popular view that commercial scallop fishers are "rapists and pillagers" is a false one. "More than anyone else we want the fishery to be retained. Our livelihood depends on it." He said scallop fishers working in Bream Bay had voluntarily made substantial reductions in their catch take in order to keep the fishery going. McCullum Brothers Ltd. a sand dredging company based in Rosebank Rd. in Avondale, Auckland is applying under the Coalition Governments Fast Track legislation for a 35 year consent to dredge sand from the seabed of Bream Bay



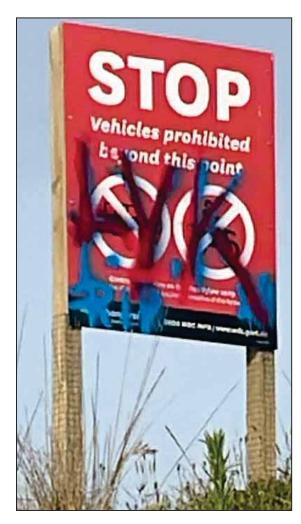


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## **LETTERS**

## More senseless vandalism but its not all bad news



More senseless vandalism on a no vehicle past this point sign, up the beach. Interestingly I read recently about similar issues in various spots around NZ.It seems local or regional councils pass great by laws but never debate or think about how they will be enforced, meaning they never are enforced!



A local person arranged for one of the local timber companies to build a new seat to replace the one anonymously made and installed out of pallets, that had been "stolen" recently. It turns out the pallet seat was moved by persons unknown, up the dunes a 100 metres or so, to the spot local young persons use, for get togethers, fires, drinking and who knows what. Well done to the donators of the seat that allows less mobile persons to sit and enjoy the beach because they cannot get onto it, thanks to Department of Conservation refusing to replace the stairway!

Eric Woodward Ruakākā

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## This is a good year to be a farmer

Graham Hargreaves who runs a dairy farm in Helmsdale Rd. said this year its been good to be farming. "We had a good autumn followed by a mild winter without too much rain in sharp contrast to the previous two years. His maize crop is up and he has cut the first and second crop of silage and is confident he has enough feed put away for whatever happens this summer and the following winter.

#### Others agree with him

Dairy farmer Neil Troost was glad off last week's rain as he had maize seed in the ground which needs some moisture to germinate and he was starting to get a bit worried. He agrees its been a good year with not too much rain but just enough to keep things going. Richie Guy who runs beef cattle on his farm east of Waipu said after two crap years years this last year has been unbelievable.

"I have grass growth coming out my ears." While it was starting to get a bit dry at the beginning of November Richie has kept a good cover over his pasture so was "quite OK without the rain."

I ask for an inch of rain a week but I don't always get it. "

"After those two terrible years we will take this good weather while its here."





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## Replacement of decaying Kepa Rd sewer pipes an unexpected multi million dollar expense for the Whangārei District Council

The replacement of leaking sewer pipes in Kepa Rd. has turned into an unexpected multi million dollar expense for the Whangārei District Council. A major project is now underway to replace 300 metres of decaying concrete pipes with new 450cm PVC pipes. The old pipes are 300cm in diameter.

There have been a number of sewer spills in the Kepa Rd. area over the past few years due to the condition of the pipes and manholes. The high water table in the area due to the heavy and constant rain of 2022 and 2023 hasn't helped the situation.

Simon Charles, the Council's Waste and Drainage Manager, attended the Ruakākā Residents and Ratepayers meeting with Council wastewater engineer Paul Alexander on Tuesday 12 November to explain what was happening.

He said a Silverdale Based Company CDS had been granted the contract for the job. A fenced off worksite alongside the new Ruakākā Recreation Centre contained a directional drilling rig which would be used to prepare a tunnel to pull the new pipes through. He explained the project is a challenging one, as the Kepa Rd. area is very flat and it is critically important to get the gradient right.

Mr. Alexander said there had been several attemps to break into the site and he asked local people to keep an eye on the situation and to report any suspicious behaviour to the Police. He said a major concern is vandalism of the work in progress.

The pipes would be coated in a clay mixture to make it easier for them to be pulled into the prepared tunnel.

Mr. Alexander said the expected life of concrete sewer pipes is 100 years and the Kepa Rd pipes are only around 50 years old. He showed photographs of the pitted interior surface of the old pipes and said it is possible that this might be due to some prohibited substance being flushed through them.

However Keith Newey, who owns and operates a truck depot in the area, said he thought a more likely cause was the quality of the product used.



Ruakākā Resident and Ratepayrers Chairman Jules Flight and Keith Newey, who owns a truck depot in Kepa Rd. inspecting a sewage spill there in May 2024.

## Ruakākā Wastewater Treatment plant approaching its consented capacity

Mr. Charles also spoke about the upgrade of the Ruakaka wastewater treatment plant.

He said due to rapid development in Ruakākā and One Tree Point the plant is reaching its capacity at a faster rate than was anticipated and it is necessary for the

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Whangārei District Council to start work on the design and build of the plant's upgrade including new treated wastewater disposal option if it is not to breach the plant's resource consent.

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There are some measures we can take such as putting in some additional aerators to increase the plant's capacity but disposal of the treated wastewater is an issue.

The proposed new plant with an ocean outfall disposal system already has consents in place and this is the basis that Ruakākā and One Tree Point Development has been permitted to continue. However the consent has 106 conditions attached to it, one of these being to explore every alternative

means of treated wastewater disposal before opting for the ocean outfall.

Mr. Charles said it would be difficult to find a necessary 300 to 400 hectares of land in the vicinity, which would be needed for a disposal site. He said discussions are being held with Meridian energy, which has land nearby for the development of its solar farm but after the closure of the Marsden Point Oil Refinery the Council is wary of relying on an industry "which 25 years down the track may be out of vogue."

Asked about the quality of the wastewater that would go into the ocean, Mr. Charles said it would be treated to a very high level, although not to the level of drinking water, which has a very high requirement He said it would be a treated to a higher level than what comes out of the Kioreroa Road plant.

Councillor Couper said the water would be treated to a higher level than that in most domestic water tanks. The sum of \$80 million has been allocated in the Council's Long Term Plan for the new plant and treated wastewater disposal system.

Asked how this amount would be raised, Councillor Halse said the Council holds considerable funds raised from development contributions and the largest part of the \$80million would come from this source.

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## Keeping Channel Infrastructure oil recovery systems clean the best way to protect seagulls nesting nearby

Channel Infrastructure is making an effort to keep seagulls from getting coated in oil in its oil interception pond.

Laura Malcolm of Channel Infrastructure said, "Despite having tried different options over many years, there isn't much we can do to stop the gulls nesting in sensitive areas on our site. However we have a standard cleaning protocol to keeping the oil recovery systems clear and free of oil, which is an ongoing process and can be impacted, among other things, by inclement weather.

"The birds are protected so there is only so much we can do – and we have tried all of the usual mechanisms, from scarecrows through to water spray, to discourage them from nesting on our site. At one point, we even received permission from DOC to remove their nests and eggs but even that didn't work. The most effective thing we can do, and what we are now focused on, is keeping the oil interceptors clean.

She said,"It's worth remembering that they (the seagulls) have chosen to nest in our stormwater basin due to how clean, well maintained, and safe the area is for their breeding."

Department of Conservation's senior Whangārei Ranger Nigel Miller commented,"We appreciate



Seagull coloured brown with oil, photographed last month at Marsden Cove

the complex nature of the situation, and the efforts Channel Infrastructure have taken to try and fix the problem. As Channel Infrastructure has noted, the birds are protected, and we are working through our compliance / legal process. In the meantime, we will continue to monitor the situation and the birds"

## Closure of Sime Rd dump station causes problems for motor home travellers Council staff considering a temporary station at Marsden Bay

The temporary closure of the Sime Rd. dump station while the sewer lines there are being replaced is causing problems for motor home users.

Alan Alcock said at the Ruakākā Resident and Ratepayers meeting last week that driving his motorhome north the recently he had found the Warkworth dump station to be out of action, leaving him no alternative but to drive up to the Kioreroa Rd. station in Whangārei to empty his motorhome holding tank.

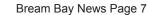
Mr. Alcock said a solution to this problem would need to be found before the busy summer holiday season

#### begins.

Peter Hope commented that the access into a dump station at Langs Beach was so narrow that anything larger than a pram would not fit.

Andy Keith, the Whangārei District Council's Wastewater and Stormwater Operations Manager, has meanwhile proposed setting up a temporary caravan disposal alongside the public toilets in the Marsden Bay reserve.

Mr. Keith said, once he gets a green light he could have this set up in a week.





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## Request for Share the Road signs on Waipu rural roads



The Waipu Residents and Ratepayers Association has asked the Whangārei District Council for Share the Road signs like the sign on Takahiwai Rd. for Shoemaker Rd. and South Rd., both of which are well used by cyclists and occasionally by horse riders.

## Any progress on the Ruakākā Cemetery?

When will the Whangārei District Council get to work on the establishment of the Ruakākā Cemetery?

This question was put to Councillors Phil Halse and Ken Couper at the Ruakākā Resident and Ratepayers November meeting last week.

Warren Daniel said from the latest census figures there are now 8,000 people living in the Ruak $\bar{a}k\bar{a}$  and One Tree Point areas and a community of this size should have a cemetery. Councillor Halse pointed out that 75% of people opt for cremation rather than burial.

Mr. Daniel replied that there really should be some simple facility for local people The Whangārei District Council purchased land alongside One Tree Point Rd. near the intersection with Port Marsden Highway from Bruce and Gay Cann in 2023. The then Manager of Parks and Recreation Sue Hodge told the Bream Bay News in May 2023, "Yes, we now own the land. I have scheduled a design meeting for stage 1 next week so I can't say what is being developed or how much it will cost. Budget in 2023/2024 is \$374,000. This will fund detail design and any un-spent budget will be carried forward. We will complete the works in the 24/25 financial year ready for burials we hope in 2024."

The Councillors told the meeting the hold up was because of NZ Rail, which had not determined the route of the rail spur to Marsden Point. They gave assurances that money for this project is allocated in the Council's Long Term Plan

The sum of S970,000 has been allocated in the WDC's Parks budget for development of the Ruakākā Cemetery so we asked the Council's new Parks and Recreation Manager Louis Rattray about how the establishment of the cemetery was going.

He said the landscape architecture firm Littoralis and an engineer have been engaged to undertake the design, however progress has been delayed while the Council negotiates with Kiwirail, which requires a portion of the land for the rail corridor. However he said, "We should still have design completed by end of this financial

year. There is capital budget in Year 2 of the Long Term Plan (2025/2026) for construction to start. We anticipate the first burials from 2026/27."

The Whangārei District Council's current financial year will end on June 30 2025.

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## Home owners frustrated at lack of justice over what they see as theft of part of their land by Eb Developments



The homeowner came home from work to find topsoil from their land was scrapped away, to leave it below the level of the road and car parking area alongside



The owners of a house alongside a subdivision in Marsden Bay are feeling frustrated by a lack of justice over what they see as theft of part of their land by Eb Developments, which has a 20 lot subdivision underway alongside their home in One Tree Point.

One of the owners (whose jobs in the public sector prevent them being named in this article) returned from work in February 2023 and was stunned to find the fences along their southern and north western boundary had been removed and top soil from 3 metres of the land inside their southern and 1.5 metres of land on the northwestern boundary had been scraped away to a level below their garage foundations to allow for Eb Developments to construct the new private road and concreted parking area alongside. There had been no consultation with the homeowners prior to this happening.

With the land now falling away sharply at the end of a wooden deck the homeowners can no longer use this area as part of their garden. In heavy rain, stormwater floods onto their property and under their home. Eb Developments has built a small bund adjacent to the southern boundary in an attempt to mitigate this problem.

Eb Developments are now proposing to build a 1.8 metre high fence to replace the

fencing, which was removed, but the homeowners say this will hem them in and block light and sunshine. One of the homeowners uses a walking frame and the deck is important to her being able to access the outdoors.

The couple, ask what is the difference between stealing a bicycle and stealing the topsoil from our land? However when they made a complaint to the Police they were told this was a civil matter and Police could not get involved. While in an email from the Whangārei District Council acknowledged in an email "Earthworks have been undertaken across the boundary of your section to create a level section," but then further advised the couple, "This is not an RMA issue, but a civil matter." The homeowners point out that building consents for the Eb subdivision were issued by the WDC

The Eb Developments website claims that the company "builds communities."

Property owners living alongside the One Tree Point development say that the company's lack of consultation and consideration for neighbours belies this claim. The Bream Bay News phoned and emailed Eb Developments inviting the company to comment on this article and advising of the deadline but had not received a reply at the time of sending the paper to the printer on Monday afternoon. 18 November.







## Bream Bay Community Patrol

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## Update on Meridian Energy's Ruakākā projects



The almost completed Meridian Energy Battery Farm at the corner of Mair Rd. and Marsden Point Rd Drone shot supplied by Meridian Energy

Rebecca Knott, Meridian Energy's Head of Renewable Development:

Has advised, "Work on Meridian Energy's battery energy storage system continues at pace. Operations will commence in early 2025 and in preparation for this we now have a full-time site manager in place.

now have a full-time site manager in place. She said, "We hope to begin construction of the solar farm and to enhance the resilience of Northland's energy system. While we are currently addressing two appeals in the Environment Court first, we are hopeful of a positive outcome."

The Northland Regional Council granted resource consent for the 172 hectare solar farm to be built alongside State Highway 15, McCathie Road, Marsden Point Road and Rama Road in September. • The Royal Forest and Bird Society's has lodgedan appeal on the grounds that the solar farm should not be built within a wetland area and that there is no functional need for the solar farm to extend into this area. Meridian has proposed to create 18.86ha of wetland across the three sites to offset the permanent removal of these wetlands

• Shaun Erikson has lodged an appeal concerned that there will not be proper monitoring or mitigation of a "heat island" the solar farm could generate.

## More than 4,000 more people now living in Bream Bay since 2013

Its pretty plain to most of us who live here that the population of Bream Bay has beengrwoing quite a lot.

The 2023 census figures for areas such as Waipu and Ruakaka are now available and show the population over the whole of Bream Bay has increased by 1818 since 2018. Based on 2013 census figures there are now an additional 4,179 people living here.

. Waipu's population (as measured by the 2023 census) was 3,261 with 1,392 living in the Waipu urban area and 1,892 living in what is termed Rural Waipu but includes Waipu Cove and Langs Beach. The 2023 census counted 8,407 people living in the rest of Bream Bay including Ruakākā and One Tree Point.

The proportion of those over the age of 65years

was 19%, which is a just above the national average for which is 16.6%. However in One Tree Point the proportion of people over the age of 65 years was 30.4% and in the Waipu urban area the proportion or retirement aged people was 41.4%.

The 2023 census found 28.9 % of people living in the Waipu rural area were over the age of 65 years and, in Ruakākā, the proportion of people in this age group was 26.5%.

Looking at the figures for those under the age of 15 years Bream Bay and One Tree Point recorded 18.6 % in this age bracket, Ruakākā recorded 17.8%, the Waipu urban area 13.8% and Waipu Rural -13.6%. The Infometrics website gives the qualification that these figures only measure the people who filled out their census forms or were able to be imputed from other administrative data sources.

## Top students at Bream Bay College for 2024



The Doctor McBirney Memorial Award presented to the best all-round student, based on their character, application and ability this year went to Lila McEvoy

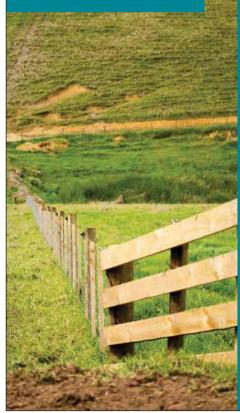


Gardner Cup - Proxime Accessit Award, for s the second highest achieving academic student in Year 13 went to Abby Thompson



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Ben was already self-employed running his own fencing business, but that didn't mean there weren't things to learn.

"The tutors were great. They had great insights into the industry and a lot of experience to pass on. It was also great to meet others that are in the same industry to connect and network."

"The course is mostly online and that made it easy to fit in around my work and family. I'm not really a computer person, but I managed to figure it out so I think it would be pretty accessible to most people."



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## Softball revival in Ruakākā Four teams in district wide competitions



Tanekaha Jakobs is catcher and Nikora Rakena is batter. at a Wednesday afternoon practice session on the Ruakākā sports fields

After school from 4pm on Wednesday afternoons there is softball practice at the Kepa Rd end of the Ruak $\bar{a}k\bar{a}$  sports fields.

Hera and Mau Cotton Briggs revived the Ruakākā Softball Club last year after being in abeyance for around 35 years.

This year the club is fielding four teams an under 11s and an under 13s team both coached by Cory Collins as well as a men's and a women's team teams. As well as Wednesday night practice there are weekend games at the Onerahi Rugby Club against four other Whangārei District based clubs. Cory said his junior teams are doing well and showing improvement each week. Last week the Under 13s had their first win in a game against Hikurangi. The season will run to a week before Christmas and resume for another six weeks at the end of January.

## WAIPU TENNIS CLUB REPORT

By Paul Ramsay

Our summer social tennis group consists of eight teams of five. All teams play each other and we are nearing the end of the first round. Team 8 (John Bird, Bart Peters, John Chalk, Peter Gibb and Kirk Johnston) are leading the competition at the moment narrowly in front of Team 4 (Sean McCombe, Matt Watts, Connor Taylor, Louise Wickham and Gavin Carter). It is never too late to join this group on a Tuesday evening at 6.30pm as there are usually spots to fill due to illness and injury.

Our quiz night was a great success with funds raised that will go towards Junior and Intermediate coaching. Winners were the Hansen Earthmoving and Drainage team. Second were Vital Signs and third was Waipu ITM. Many thanks to these sponsors and all the others who helped make the evening a success.

Our professional coach, Grant van Dalsum, has a huge group of Juniors and Intermediates every Tuesday evening. All are getting valuable tuition from Grant at no cost. This tuition will help them become better players and strengthen our club for the future. A growing number of ladies are taking the opportunity to get out and enjoy some social contact and fitness each Wednesday at 6pm. It is never too late to join them. You don't have to be an expert but it helps if you are keen to learn and want to give tennis a go.

Our interclub teams are going along nicely. For each match in interclub won the team earns a point with the winning team getting two bonus points. Our A grade team are second after 6 rounds just 3 points adrift of the leaders. A solid win over the third placed Kamo team in their last game will help them maintain this place and put pressure on the leaders. Waipu Black are in third position in the B grade. A close fought 4-2 loss to the leaders Ngunguru Coasties recently will help them stay there. Waipu Yellow are in position eight in the same competition but only six points behind the fifth team. Their last win was 5-1 over Kamo so depending on other results this should push them up a couple of spots on the points table.

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

## St. John volunteer Rocky Powell - Its rewarding to be able to help people on the worst day of their lives By Carole Munford

Rocky (Rochelle) Powell's family couldn't be prouder of her – and for good reason.

In 2021, Rocky found herself as a bystander at a roadside cardiac arrest.

The following day, one of the responders reached out to check in on her. Though Rocky has always had a strong drive to help others, she expressed her frustration at not being able to assist that day.

Sensing her genuine desire to make a difference, the responder suggested she consider joining Hato Hone St John as a volunteer ambulance officer. The invitation resonated with Rocky.

With four young boys at home, Rocky had thought about volunteering in the past, especially with her neighbour – already a Hato Hone St John volunteer – encouraging her. However, it was this cardiac arrest experience that became the true catalyst for her to take action.

"Having my family's support was essential," says Rocky.

"Knowing my boys are in safe hands allows me to fully commit to the job."

After completing her training and studies, Rocky was partnered with experienced ambulance officers and took her first shift.

Her first call-out was unforgettable: responding to a patient trapped in a difficult situation.

"Being able to comfort, reassure, and ultimately transport that person safely to the hospital was incredibly rewarding," she recalls.

Rocky finds profound fulfillment in helping people "on the worst day of their lives." The look of relief on a patient's face when the ambulance crew arrives is immensely satisfying, she says. The role requires both mental and physical resilience, and Rocky appreciates

the unwavering support from her team to maintain that strength.

"We have the most amazing team here," Rocky says, with clear admiration.

"Everyone understands the highs and lows of the job, and we all support each other. Working through challenges together is so gratifying."

Rocky usually aims to complete two shifts a week, though there's no pressure if she can't. She and her team also deliver the 3 Steps for Life programme in the community, a free, one-hour workshop that familiarises the public with CPR, defibrillator use, and ways to assist an ambulance crew in an emergency.

If you are inspired by Rocky's story and would like to learn more about joining this supportive and dedicated team, please contact shelley.trigg@stjohn.org.nz

## Ray White picnic day

The Ray White Family Picnic Day at the Marsden Cove Marina is scheduled for Saturday 30 November from 11am to 2pm. It's billed as "an inclusive fun filled event where the whole family can enjoy a day out together."

The event is a fundraiser for Parafed Northland and a family pass costs \$20for a maximum of four children and two adults from the same household. A series of challenges designed for all abilities are set up around the marina and when these are completed there is a shared picnic for all.

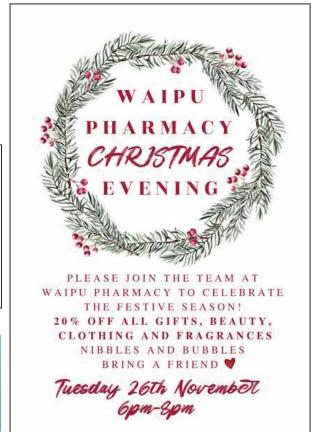
Registration starts at 10am. Tickets cam be purchased on the Parafed Northland website or by phoning 027 705 9 520.

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Hato Hone St John volunteer Rochelle (Rocky) Powell



#### ARTISAN JUNCTION

#### **POP UP YULETIDE ART SALE**

SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 9.00 AM – 2.00 PM THE CHRISTIAN CAMP HALL, 89a ONE TREE POINT RD, OTP

Mark Sunday 24th November, 2024 in your calendar. The Artisan Junction Yuletide Pop up Sale is not to be missed! It will be bigger and brighter than before.

We will showcase artists from the community in various painting mediums and other genres including wood turning, sculptor, 3D creations, bespoke jewellery, hand crafted leather pieces, ceramics, scarves, greeting cards, cushions and much, much more.

A wonderful opportunity to source your Christmas gifts. We will have a unique range of locally created products, together with original items constructed from recycled materials and natural fibres made by our visiting friends from The Papermill Charity.

Once again there will be a raffle including artisan gifts from the exhibitors. The Papermill Charity will be the recipients of all monies received from the raffle.

Definitely something for everyone. Come and join us for a coffee and enjoy the live music.

The Artisan Junction Team



## Kids bring your bikes to the Villy Day Out this Saturday

This Saturday 23 November it's the Villy Day Out when the people of the Ruakaka Village invite the people of Bream Bay to a free whanua fun day in the from 10am to 3pm in the Tamingi St Reserve, behind the Bream Bay Ambulance Station.

There will be live music with Sharmel Cook and Hiriwa Rikihana, a Cook Island performance, free hangi for the first 400 adults and sausage sizzle and botled water for the kids. The local Police and Fire Fighters will be there, there will be bouncy castles and mini rods rides, hair braiding, food stalls and a kaumatua and kuia tent.

The Shared Path group working towards establishing an off road cycle way between Ruakākā town centre and Marsden Cove will be there gathering public support. Keith Newey will be there with his big log truck to show how dangerous it is for riders to get too close and Bike Northland will set up a bike skills course and there are some bike helmets to give awayas prizes - so kids bring your bikes.

## Marsden Yacht and Boat Club's 50th Anniversary

By Warren Daniel



Members past and present cutting the two cakes

Celebrated on 27 October, the day was extremely well attended. Well over 100 past and present members attended, cramming full the Clubhouse for the Celebration Dinner.

It was a day that included sailing for keelers and centreboarders though the winds were rather fickle.

Live musical entertainment and scrumptious food were provided.

A large Birthday Cake was cut in 2 sections – one by David Dawes,(first commodore), Peter Stevens (first secretary) and Deric Dawes (original "P-Class" skipper) and Don Watt (representing Onerahi YC, our sponsor Club). The second cake was cut by the modern members, Commodore Helen Caskey, Life and original Member Kevan Walker, and junior member Matthew Clarkin-de Boer. The main emphasis was for attendees to meet up again, to reminisce (lots of tall stories!!) and to socialise. This was successfully accomplished.

Past members, and their huge contributions to the Club, were remembered and honoured.

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## An update from the Waipu Bridge Club

At the AGM of the Bream Bay Bridge.Club on Tuesday 12 November, newly elected President Kim Thomas presented a cheque for \$1,500.00 to Linking Hands Inc. This donation was the proceeds of the Club's Tartan Tournament held earlier in the year.

A longtime resident of Waipu and successful member of the Bridge Club, Janet Nops, was farewelled at an afternoon tea after play on Thursday. Janet will be moving to the South Island and we're sure she will find a



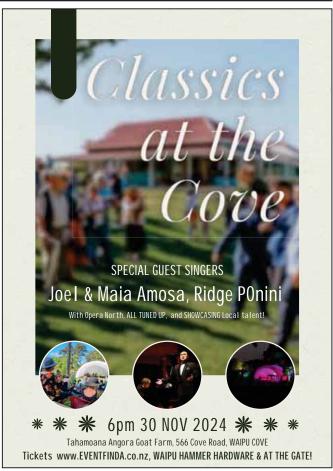
Newly elected Waipu Bridge Club President Kim Thomas presents Helen George of Linking Hands with a 1,500 cheque

Bridge Club to continue her love of the game. Also farewelled was Stephan Hunt who has moved to Whangarei. Stephan was known in the Club for his strategic doubles that kept all players on their toes.

Elizabeth McCabe has retired as Club Captain after giving many hours of service to the Club. At the AGM she was made an honorary life member in recognition of her contribution. Elizabeth is pictured on the right with Janet Nops (middle) and Judy Grey, at the farewell.

Anyone interested in playing Bridge please contact Heather Harmes, Ph. 027 636 5796. Play is on Tuesday nights at 7 pm in the Coronation Hall. Likewise on Thursdays at 1pm we play informal bridge, where the hands can be discussed and learnt from.

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10.10am	Departs	Ruakākā	Waipu Cove	\$6.00	\$8.00	
		Peter Snell Road (opposite Takutai Place)	Waipu	\$6.00	\$8.00	
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## WHAT'S ON IN BREAM BAY.

• **COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS** 10:30am-12 noon every Friday in the hall.at the Bream Bay Community Trust in Takutai Place, Ruakākā. Light refreshments available.

• VILLY DAY OUT Saturday 23 November In the Tamingi St. Reserve 10am to 3pm.

• **POP UP ART SALE** Sunday 24 November 9am -2pm at the Christian Camp 89a One Tree Point Rd.

• **RAY WHITE** Family picnic day at Marsden Cove. Saturday 30 November 11am to 2pm. Fundraiser for Parafed Northland. See advert page 8.

• CLASSICS AT THE COVE 30 November from 6pm at Tahamoana Goat Farm, 566 Cove Rd . With Joel and Maia Amosa, Ridge Ponini, Kawati Waetford, Opera North, All Tuned Up men's choir and Bream Bay Children's Choir - Te Kōhini o te Tui.

• WAIPU BOUTIQUE SUNDAY MARKET Next on Sunday

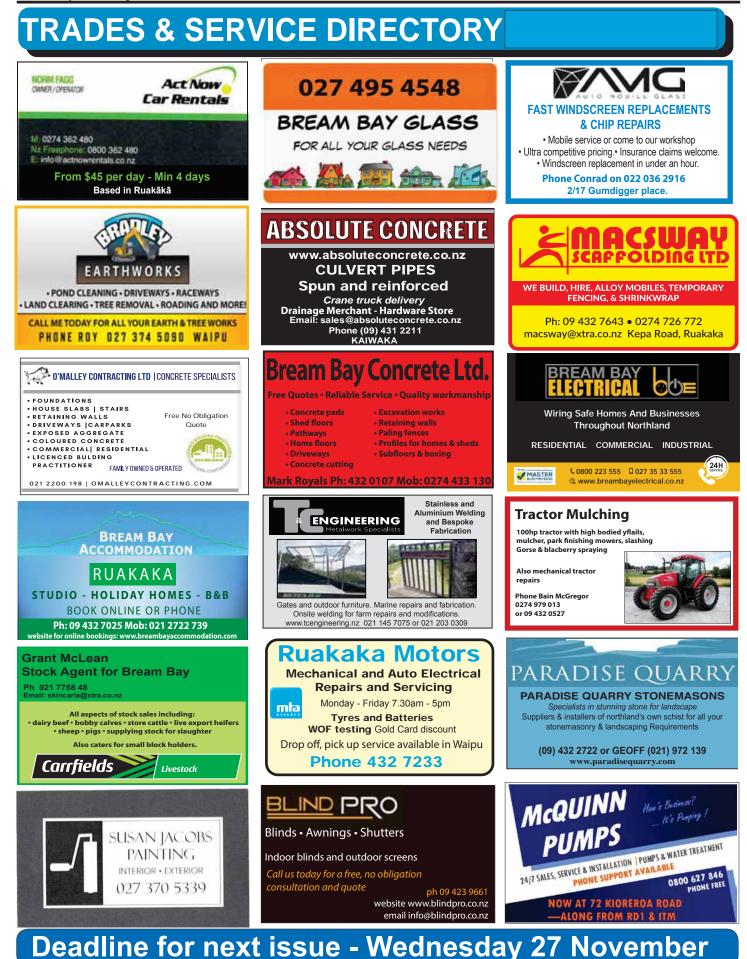
8 December . From 9am to 1pm in the Coronation Hall

• RUAKĀKĀ CHRISTMAS PARADE Saturday 14 December at 10.30am leaving from alongside the Ruakaka Library. Also raffles and funny money to spend at the Ruakākā Shops. There are cash prizes on offer for best floats.. Phone Maree Gutry 027 322 6385 to enter.

.• ONE TREE POINT ARTISAN MARKET Next on Sunday 15 December 9am - 1pm. One Tree Point School quadrant and field. Fundraising for Whangārei Hospital Children's Ward.

• WAIPU CHRISTMAS PARADE. Tuesday 24 December. Christmas Eve. Go to the Promote Waipu website to enter a float. .

• **BREAM BAY MUSIC GROUP** All welcome every first Monday of the month from 7.00pm at the new Ruakaka Recreation Centre building at 3 Peter Snell Rd.



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### SOCIAL SERVICES

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

The services we provide are as follows:

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

opportunities

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#### **Bream Bay Community** Support Trust

Takutai Place, Ruakaka Phone: 09 432 7197

#### Services we provide:

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

(Connecting community to various services)

· Free Whanau Ora Medical Clinic with Ki A Ora Ngatiwai. Wednesday mornings 10am-12noon, by

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## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

#### SUPPORT WORKERS - WAIPU

#### About us

We are a leading provider of support services for individuals with diverse needs, including disabilities, health conditions and elderly individuals requiring our assistance.

We are seeking Support Workers in the Waipu area. Casual & permanent positions are available with flexibility to cover day, night, and weekends, 12 hrs shifts.

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• Competitive hourly rate ranging from \$24.08 per hour up to \$29.98 per hour

- · Ongoing training and development opportunities
- · Supportive work environment with a focus on staff wellbeing

#### How to Apply

If you are interested in joining our team as a Support Worker, please submit your resume and a cover letter outlining your relevant experience and why you are passionate about this role. We look forward to hearing from you! Please contact recruitment@tlc4u2.co.nz for further information.

As you will be working with vulnerable people, a police check will be carried out.

Applicants should also have the right to work in New Zealand.



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Come and hear the pros and cons of the different types of Hearing Aids and how technology has advanced over the years

Open Meeting-All Welcome Date - Thursday 28th November at 1pm. Bream Bay Community Trust Building, Takutai Place, Ruakaka.

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Make contact with a Justice of the Peace (on any day) and make an appointment to have your documents completed. A service desk also operates 10am to 11am on Saturdays in the Ruakākā Library.

## **PUBLIC NOTICES**

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### Marsden Cove Medical Centre 1A Ngawaka Lane, One Tree Point

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We will be closed from 3pm - 5pm on Thursday 05 Dec for staff training.

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New patients welcome

TAKAHIWAI RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB

AGM

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All Welcome.

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BREAM BAY SUNDAY

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Ruakaka, 10.30am. Mass or Liturgy of

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## THE NEXT PUBLICATION DATE

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