

Mentors invited to work with children finding innovative solutions to real life problems

A new programme, which in the words of One Tree Point School Principal Shirley Winters "will provide more children with an opportunity to be extended in their learning" is being launched this week in Bream Bay.

The programme, which is funded by Northpine, is called *Growing Stronger Minds*. Ten children from the year seven and eight classes at Bream Bay College as well as ten from each of the three local primary schools will spend two days at a conference at the Lifepoint Church in One Tree Point Road.

They will be divided into groups with a mix of ages in each and invited to pick a problem and then to come up with solutions. They will be guided in this process by a programme called Inventionator which was developed by the education support organization CORE.

To quote from the CORE website "Inventionator is a team based challenge designed for students to cocreate innovative solutions to real-life problems."

The students are already doing some online preparation for the conference with the help of thier teachers. The programme will run for two days each term so 160

children will be given this opportunity each year. Mentors from the community are invited to each spend 45 minutes working with one of the teams giving guidance and helping to keep them on track.

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Marsden Bay legend Ivan Dyer celebrates his 100th birthday



Ivan Dyer turned 100 on 28 May and celebrated the occasion with a big party on the front lawn of his waterfront home at Marsden Bay.

"If it wasn't for the Covid pandemic the Queen would have come," jokes Ivan.

He has a card from Her Majesty pinned on his sitting room wall.

"She looks pretty good, doesn't she," said Ivan.

His 96-year-old sister from Waiuku did attend, as did his four daughters as well as many friends and neighbours.

Ivan and his sister are the last survivors of a family of seven who grew up in the Hokianga.

"It was a tough life in those days", said Ivan. His mother died when he was just eight years old.

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EDITORIAL

Solving our own problems

There was a wild thunderstorm above our house last night. The loud thunder and big flashes of lightning seemed to be just above our heads. I rushed to turn off my computers just moments before the power pole at our gate was hit and we lost electricity.

This is the second time this has happened this year. We used to just think, 'That's the weather' and be awed and thrilled by it all. But now there is always this nagging doubt: "Is this a consequence of global warming?" Who knows?

Once again Northpower were right on the job. A linesman arrived at first light to put back the fuse that had popped out on the pole so I am back in business.

There were around 30 people and lots of empty seats at the Neighbourhood Support meeting called at the Bream Bay Community Trust last night, so a bit disappointing for the organisers. They were even offering a free BBQ meal to everyone who attended. The Neighbourhood Support organization could be having a bit of a problem shaking off its old Neighbourhood Watch reputation, and people are wary of the accusation they are busy bodies spying on their neighbours. But at least one new Neighbourhood Support group has formed in the Ruakaka Village, which perhaps makes it all worthwhile.

A few good ideas came out of the meeting though, as they always do when people get together to discuss common problems. Also it needs to be recognized there is already a good amount of informal neighbourhood support going on in most Bream Bay communities.

I am about to meet a few people in the Ruakaka Village where there is a problem with cars driving at speed down the long straights of Tamure, Peter Snell and Tamingi Roads. The solution this group of neighbours has come up with is to place wooden cutouts of children on the road berms and footpaths reminding drivers that there are likely to be little ones playing nearby. Shing Lum, who has funded this initiative out of his own pocket, says he has noticed a reduction in reckless driving since the figures went up.

I think this is a great idea, non-confrontational and friendly but effective. It shows that solutions don't always need to come from authorities such as the Police or the Council. Sometimes the best ideas come from local people.

Marilyn

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Covid Vaccination Update:

As per Ministry of Health guidelines – "Patients must be living in the Northland DHB area to be eligible to receive a Covid vaccine in Northland".

Bream Bay Medical Centre is currently vaccinating (by appointment only) the following groups:

Group 1. – Border and MIQ workers Group 2. – High risk frontline workers Group 3. – At Risk people e.g. 65yrs and over, chronic health conditions etc. For further information go to www.govt.nz

Here at BBMC we will be running 2 morning clinics per week. Please ring for an appointment.



Marsden Bay legend Ivan Dyer celebrates his 100th birthday

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"Our Dad was pretty hard on us but he was a good Dad all the same" Ivan remembers

Ivan is a World War 2 veteran and during his time as mechanical support with the New Zealand army travelled to many parts of the world.

"I got around a bit. In the army you just go where you are sent."

His time in Italy had a big impact on him. He answers his front door with the greeting "buongiorno" and he likes to drink red wine.

"Its good for you you know."

Ivan is a legend in Marsden Bay. He calls at his neighbour Ron and Bev McCracken regularly to ask how they are.

"And we are 20 years younger than he is," said Bev. If you visit he will make you a cup of tea and offer you

a biscuit along with a few of his best jokes.

He lives alone and independently with a little bit of help from Genera home care.

Someone calls in each evening to check he is OK and once a week he gets a few hours help with housework and shopping. His eyesight is still good enough for him to read and he always has a book on hand.

He cooks his own meals – "Spuds and meat and vegetables – whatever I feel like."

He spent around six years as a scallop fisherman and still keeps a keen eye on the boats coming and going from his living room window.

Mission to Seafarers welcomes its first guests in fifteen months



Mission to Seafarers volunteers Keith and Carolyn Newey with sailors Min Hein Htet and Moe Min Naing, both from Myanmar.

For the first time since March 2020 the Marsden Point Mission to Seafarers centre has welcomed a crew from a visiting ship.

The centre has been closed due to the risks of Covid 19 but with this ship operating under the same Level 1 conditions as the whole of New Zealand and all crew members tested and approved for shore leave by the relevant New Zealand authorities, it was deemed safe by the mission to open its doors for these sailors.

On Monday evening the Northport van picked up crew members from the log ship M.V Bulktec and transported them through the port to the Mission to Seafarers centre nearby in Ralph Trimmer Drive. The crew consisted of several young men from Myanmar anxious to contact their family members back home with the remainder from China.

Mission volunteer Gail Roberts had baked muffins for the occasion and the seafarers spent the evening playing pool, taking advantage of the free Wifi service the mission offers to contact family and friends and buying food and personal supplies from the mission shop. The shop did a roaring trade in jars of manuka honey, which the seafarers purchased as presents to take home to family.

With tight border restrictions around the world it has been six months since the some of the seafarers have been able to disembark from their ship.



Mission volunteer Nancy Sheary helps sailor Liu Hai Jun of China find a cable so he can charge his I phone



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Bruce Matheson sent through the above photo taken on McLean Rd. several weeks ago with the caption"McLean Rd., "What a

mess!. I think we deserve better than this."

The road has now been graded and the pot-

holes filled in but since last weekend's heavy rain more have formed including a deep puddle that stretches halfway across the road and forces traffic to the right side around a blind

Bruce said there have been many subdivisions along McLean Rd. and lots of new driveways have been put in. However no culverts or drains have been established-

along the sides of the road and water from the driveways just washes across the road. He sent some photographs of the potholes to the Whangarei District Council and received

a reply from a representative of the council's

roading contractor Downers, who informed him that some major maintenance work

would soon be undertaken on McLean Rd.

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McLean Rd - What a mess!



McLean Rd. prior to some recent grading. The puddles are back, however, after recent rain.

Collecting cans for Kidney Kids

The Waipū Lions have made an arrangement with Marsden Metals to have a cage placed outside the Waipū Citizens and Service Club to collect aluminum cans. The Lions are building a crusher to flatten the cans and the proceeds of what they sell to Marsden Metals will be donated to the Kidney Kids - a not for profit organisations that supports children with kidney disease and their families.

Cans should be dropped off in daylight hours before 4pm when the club's restaurant opens so as not to take

Women's health talk in Waipū

Rural Women New Zealand is holding a Women's Health Talk Day in the Waipū Celtic Barn on Thursday 8 July from 9.30am to 2.15pm.

Speakers will be Tash Crosby, a survivor of ovarian cancer, Julie Jonker who will reflect on her time with the Rural Support Trust with an emphasis on mental health in the rural sector as up parking space of restaurant patrons.

Dave Bell, of Waipū Lions, asks that cans only be left inside the cage and said that if people abuse the service and leave rubbish in the cage it will be removed. As the price for can tags has dropped the Lions are discontinuing this collection.

"Leave the tags on the cans" said Dave.

Wine bottle tops, however, still have some value and these can be dropped off at Ray Whites, Waipū.

well as therapists and practitioners from the Waipu Natural Health Centre.

The price for the day is \$5 for Rural Women NZ members and \$10 for non member. A light lunch will be provided.

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An innovative approach to slowing traffic



Shing Lum (at the back on the left) with his mother Tui Roman enlisted the help of local children: Tahuhu Marsh - aged 4, Hemi Gage - aged 9, Maia Marsh - 8, Isabel Marsh -5, and Shing Roman - 6, to help cut out and paint the figurines and signs urging driverss to slow down in their street. Khan Nopera Lum Shings son, who also helped with the signs, was away at a tangi with his mother when this photo was taken.

The residents of Tamingi Street in the Ruakākā Village have come up with a novel way to slow the traffic down in their road. They have made wooden cut out figurines to remind drivers that there are likely to be children playing nearby.

Shing Lum, who bought the materials for the cutouts out of his own pocket and cut them out and then painted them with the help of local children, said he believes the new signs have had an effect and there are fewer speeding cars.

He intends to make more signs for Peter Snell and Tamure Roads, which also have a speeding traffic problem.

Sarah Simperinghsm, who grew up in the village and now lives there with her own family said her children don't enjoy the same freedoms she did as a child. The traffic has become so heavy that she cannot let them play outside unsupervised and even needs to escort

them across the road to and from the school bus stop. John Bennett, a new resident of the street, said the long straight roads lend themselves to speeding traffic. "It's a little gem this village. We have parks and walkways and are close to a beautiful beach. People need to be more aware of what we have got."

His wife Cherie, a retired school teacher, is planning to gather local children together for a demonstration with signs reminding drivers to slow down on Peter Snell Road. Some new speed restrictions are about to come into force so she will time the demonstration around this.

With Tui Roman (Shing's mother and another long time village resident) she has set up a facebook page called Ruakākā Road Safety Collective and, after attending the meeting at the Bream Bay Trust on Saturday afternoon 19 June, they have formed a local Neighbourhood Support Group.

Fulton Hogan grades State High One roundabout car park

The roading construction company Fulton Hogan has upgraded the roadway and car park area at the GAS Bream Bay station near the State Highway One Ruakākā Roundabout. Kerb and channel along the roadway in from the south and along the highway side of the site has been upgraded and the roadway through the area on the highway side of the pull off area has been graded and resealed.

However, the balance of the land, at the northern entrance to the service station, is privately owned by Ilia Petro, who also owns the site of the shops and gas station. Mr. Petro allows this area to be used by truck drivers, inter-city coaches, school buses as well as mums and dads doing the school run. The pot holes that form there each winter from all this use have long been the subject of complaints to the Whangarei District Council by local people who consider that this is not a good look at the entrance to Ruakākā. But the Council has been unwilling to upgrade this privately owned land.

Astrid Fisher, a stakeholder manager for Fulton Hogan in Northland, said, "While outside of the scope of our contract with Waka Kotahi, Fulton Hogan graded this area while we were undertaking the contracted works."

She said as recent wet weather has caused some further problems Fulton Hogan is hoping to get back later in the year when the weather dries up a bit to do some more to improve the surface of the car park.

Fulton Hogan is also investigating a culvert under the northbound slip lane entrance to the site, which may need remedial work in the near future.

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Ms. Winters said she regards mentor involvement as one of the most valuable aspects of the programme as these people will contribute their real world experience.

The mentors for this week's programme have already been chosen but enquiries are welcome from people who have been or are currently involved in industry, scientists, sportspeople business owners and entrepreneurs. If you would like to become a Growing Stronger Minds mentor please email: shirley@otp. school.nz

Northpine has been funding educational initiatives in Bream Bay for the past 15 years

Mrs. Winters said, "We are very grateful for this ongoing support."



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Covid related delays but things getting back on track for new Marsden Cove supermarket

In response to the article in the last issue of the Bream Bay News asking when the new Marsden Cove supermarket which has been standing empty for some months, with no visible activity going on inside would be opening. we received a letter from Felix Richter, Chief Executive of Marsden Maritime Holdings, which owns the Marsden Cove Marina and the commercial area alongside.

Mr. Richter said, "Noone is more keen than my team and I to see the new supermarket at Marsden Cove open, other than perhaps the franchisee!

"Our understanding is that there have been significant, COVID –related delays in the importation of equipment needed to operate the supermarket. This, in turn, has held up other aspects of the internal finishing.

"We are further advised that things are getting back on track and you should start to see store-fitting activity at the site within the next few weeks. At this stage we are told opening is scheduled for August. Like you we are really looking forward to it."



We also received an email from Ella Marelich, Corporate Affairs Co-ordinator for Foodstuffs.

Ms Marelich was a little less specific about the new supermarkets opening date. She said, "We look forward to bringing Four Square's fresh and grocery essentials and local service to the community when Four Square Marsden Cove opens in the second half of 2021. We can't wait to share more info when we get closer to the time!"

LETTERS

Rec Centre update on the fire safety upgrade

Thank you to all for your help! We are happy to announce that we have now raised all of the money we need for the actual fire safety upgrade that the Ruakākā Recreation Center will have to do. The total we have raised - for the upgrade and associated fees is \$114,000!

A big thank you to our funders and our community who helped us to achieve our goal: Whangarei District Council community funding, Pub Charity, Four Winds, Transpower, Whangarei District Council Parks and Recreation, Fresh Choice, Marsden Bay Garden Club, Bream Bay Anglican Church, and our community

Also a big thank you to Lottery Grants for the grant for upgrading the emergency lighting and signs.

We have already started the upgrade. The two new fire doors have been installed and the installation of the new fire alarm system is about to be completed.

Since we cannot apply for funding to cover any fees that we have still to pay, we cannot stop fundraising yet. At this stage, we have to raise a further \$3,000 to pay the fire engineer for his inspections he has to perform as we advance the fire safety upgrade. To do this we are holding more raffles.

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Christine Thirling Manager The Ruakākā Recreation Centre

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Salt and pepper shakers go under the hammer, or should that be a rubber rooster



Lynda Gibson holds up a salt and pepper set in the shapes of a flower and a bee while auctioneer Carleen Still drums up some bids. Carleen held up a bright orange, rubber crowing rooster to signify a final bid.

Lynda Gibson and Glenn Burgess put their extensive Lynda and Glenn have taken over the Waipū Golf collection of salt and pepper shakers up for auction on Club café and restaurant so will continue there as Salt Sunday 20 June, and donated the proceeds to Bream Bay St. John.

Lynda and Glenn have sold their Salt and Pepper Café business at the corner of The Centre Waipū and South Rd. to George Goffin and Amber Woods of Togs Togs Undies who will be re-opening in the new location time in early July.

and Pepper by the Sea. There is no room at their new location for all those salt and pepper shakers, so they asked Carleen Still of Ray Whites Bream Bay to conduct the auction.

The auction raised \$1,489 and Lynda said the remaining sets would be donated to the Mangawhai St. John second hand shop.

Neighbourhood Support Groups setting up in One Tree Point, Ruakākā and Takahiwai

Around 30 peo-

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Neighbourhood Support Co-ordinator in Te Tai Tokerau Hanna White

this was a bit disappointing for the organisers but Hannah White, the neighbourhood Support Co-ordinator for Te Tai Tokerau, phoned the Bream Bay News on Monday 21 June to say nine people from Takahiwai, One Tree Point and Ruakākā had registered an interest in starting a group in their neighbourhoods which was encouraging.

Hannah said the next step would be to hold small neighbourhood meetings to help set these up.

Constable Dean Gillingham, who is working with Hannah to encourage the establishment of groups in

the Ruakākā and One Tree Point areas, will be organizing a leaflet drop and anyone interested either in joining an existing group or starting one of their own could make contact by phoning 0800 4NEIGHBOURS or via the website: neighbourhoodsupport.co.nz Hannah told the meeting that belonging to neighbourhood support is free and doesn't take up a lot of time. "All we are asking people to do at the most basic level is to make contact with their four nearest neighbours." "Neighbours

She said. that know each other are more likely to offer, accept and ask for help when they need it."

Hannah has been appointed to promote Neighbourhood Support throughout Northland, as the organization is not as widespread here as it is in other parts of the country. Jane Maunder, the secretary for Neighbourhood Support in Whangarei said she was available to come along o initial neighbourhoold meetings to help with the set up.



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Jim Urlich 25 July 1936 - 14 June 2021 "A real community good sort"

The Celtic Barn, the largest public building in Waipū, was almost not big enough to hold the hundreds of mourners who attended the funeral service for Jim Urlich last Friday 18 June.

Jim came to live in Waipu in 1961 when he married Ivy Martinac, whose parents farmed in what is now Shoemaker Rd.

He had been born in Oratia in west Auckland where his parents, who were both from Croatia, owned an orchard. As a young man he played rugby for the Eden Rugby Football Club and on leaving school took up an apprenticeship as a plumber. What he learned there served him well when he and Ivy took over the Shoemaker Rd. farm and in the many community projects Jim has been involved in over the years.

Jim worked hard on the farm and upgraded from a 50-cow walk-through shed to a herringbone shed milking 250 cows.

In 1962 Ivy and Jim's daughter Mary was born and in 1967 their son Anthony (known universally as Mutch).

To begin with they lived in a small farm cottage with an outside toilet but as the farm prospered they upgraded to a fine new brick house.

Steve Jones, who conducted the service, described Jim as "a real community good sort."

Jim served on both the Waipū Primary and then the Bream Bay College boards of governors. He was on the college grounds committee and, as the school was newly built, there was a lot of establishment work to do.

He served on the board of directors of the Otamatea Vet Club, which was established by a group of farmers to maintain a local veterinarian service and he regularly lent his farm machinery to mow the Waihoihoi Park. He had a long involvement with the Waipū Rugby and Squash Club, managing the senior rugby team for five vears from 1980.

Rolv Brown spoke about how Jim would walk down the length of the bus transporting the rugby team to a game, talking to all the players and setting some strict boundaries around their behaviour.

"Sometimes there would be a funny smell towards the

back of the bus but Jim was having none of that." Roly reminisced about all the weekend working bees he participated in with Jim, who worked all day at the rugby club or in the Caledonian Park despite having cows to milk morning and night. Jim served five years as Waipū Bowling Club President and was bar manager for 25 years. and was a longstanding member of the greens committee. He has been club patron since 2009 and was a life member.



Jim Urlich, in action on the bowling green

He was a founding member of the charity Northland Kitty Hawks Bowling Club.

He regularly helped out at the Waipū Highland Games, collecting the gate takings and delivering them to Ivy who would be counting them out in a back room..

His long years of commitment to local clubs was recognized when he was awarded the Service to Sport Award at the 2018 Bream Bay Sports Awards.

Vince Mrsich spoke about the close friendship between his parents Paul and Sonja and Jim and Ivy, whose families had both come from the same area in Croatia. They formed a partnership with other nearby farming families working together to bale hay and they got together for social occasions playing Croatian music, cooking lamb on the spit, roasting potatoes and kumara, grown by Jim, and drinking some of his red wine.

Stephen Abercrombie, Jim and Ivy's eldest grandchild, said he grew up living close to his grandparents and their phone number was the first one he and his sister Tania learned.

"We would ring Dida to tell him about what we were doing and sometimes, if we had been naughty, to tell him that we needed to be picked up from home.'

His grandfather was interested in all his his sister's and his cousins' achievements and he taught them to drive with each in turn wearing out the clutch on the farm vehicle they practiced on.

A family tradition developed where they would all gather at their grandparents' house in Argyle Street on Thursday evenings after rugby practice for the two youngest grandsons, Jacob and Lucas, for a roast lamb dinner, with meat from the farm.

Jim was a keen gardener and taught all his grandchildren the secrets of growing tomatoes and enough potato, kumara and pumpkins to last through the year.

A little packet containing a few tomato seeds was stapled to the back of each funeral sheet.





POLICE REPORT

Five teenagers apprehended in connection with GAS station ram raid

Five young people aged 13 and 14 have been apprehended in connection with the ram raid on the Bream Bay GAS station at the Ruakākā / State Highway One roundabout on 25 May. A car stolen from One Tree Point was used to drive through the front window of the GAS station where upon the offenders filled a plastic bag with vaping equipment and confectionary before making off. The young people are from Whangarei and Auckland. Three have been remanded in the care of Oranga Tamariki and are facing significant charges. The two others are required to attend family group conferences.

Building materials stolen

Building materials and tools were stolen from a building site in Rauiri Drive, Marsden Cove over night on 16/17 June

Spate of burglaries in **Tamure Place**

On 31 May a number of addresses in and around Tamure Place suffered thefts and burglaries

Vehicle clocked at 151kph Drink driving charges on SH1 at Waipū

A vehicle heading north on State Highway One on 5 June at 8.30pm was clocked by Police as travelling at 151km per hour. A Police Patrol attempted to stop the vehicle at Ruakākā but it sped off and at that stage was traveling 134km per hour. Police later caught up with the driver, an 18-year- old young man from Whangarei who is facing charges in the Whangarei District Court of driving at a dangerous speed and failing to stop for Police.

25 family harm incidents

Bream Bay Police were called out to 25 family harm incidents

Police kept busy with road crashes

Police have had a busy time attending road crashes. There have been 17 of these over the past four weeks due to wet roads and poor driving behaviour. The majority of these crashes did not result in any serious injuries.

• A 56-year-old Whangarei man who returned a reading of 557 micrograms of alcohol per litre of breath when he was stopped by Police on State Highway One at Ruakākā on 20 May lost his license for six months and was fined \$800 when he appeared in the Whangarei District Court.

• On 1 June just before mid-night a 48 year old Ruakākā man was stopped by Police on State Highway One at Waipū. When breath tested he returned a reading of 600 micrograms of alcohol per litre of breath and will be appearing in the Whangarei District Court on a drink driving charge.

Over the four weeks from May 27 to June 17, Be wary of facebook scams

Bream Bay Police have received a number of complaints from people who have fallen victims to facebook scams. They have paid for items advertised on facebook and then have not received the goods. Senior Sergeant Simon Craig said people should be wary of paying for goods advertised on facebook until they actually seen the item they intend to purchase and that when goods seem to be much cheaper than normal that might be because they don't exist.



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JULY 11TH ON YA BIKE. Sunday. 9.30 - 12 noon Caledonian Park. Event sponsored by Bream Bay Glass

JULY 13TH BEER N BANGERS. Tuesday 6 pm. Pizza Barn. Entry by pre purchased ticket only Tickets available at Miller's Meats Event sponsored by McLeods Brewery & Miller's Meats

JULY 17TH VET CENTRE PET PARADE. 10am Pipes n pets to assemble 9.45am Pizza Barn. Event sponsored by Waipu Vet Centre

JULY 18TH TARTAN TWILIGHT WALK.Sunday 5pm WAIPU walkway. Meet at the NSP To register Event Sponsored by Waipu Realty

JULY 19TH WAIPU SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE With Twisty Willow Ceilidh Band Monday night from 7pm. Coronation Hall. Fun easy dances with beautiful live music and supper Door prizes for the best tartan outfit

JULY 22ND CAFE TE REO. Thursday 5.30pm Prize for the best tartan dress. Pizza Barn Event sponsored by Ray White Ltd

JULY 27TH THE GREAT DEBATE. Thursday 7pm - 9 pm

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TUESDAY 6 JULY 2021 - 7PM NORTHPINE HALL, WAIPU PRIMARY

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FRIDAY 9 JULY 2021 - 2PM WAIPŪ PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HALL

COME AND HEAR ABOUT MATARIKI AND MARAMATAKA (MAORI LUNAR CALENDAR)

GUEST SPEAKER VICKY-JEAN STEPHENS (NGĂ PUHI)

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WINTER IN WAIPŪ TE REO CAFE

Thursday 22 July 2021 6-7:30pm McLeod's Pizza Barn

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snacks of pizza and fries sponsored by Malcolm Norton **RayWhite** **Love** Waipu

RACING THIS TIME!



Hello It's Me, winner 2019 Northpine Waipu

We're counting down the days to Northpine Waipu Cup Raceday 2021 at Ruakaka racecourse – where the surf meets the turf! It's one of the highlights of Bream Bay's annual Winter In Waipu festival.

We probably don't need to remind you what caused the cancellation of the 2020 edition of our big day at the races!

So on Saturday 3 July, why not make a point of joining us "oncourse" as we celebrate many things – from our Caledonian heritage, our love of sport and recreation, Bream Bay's fantastic community spirit, and our gratitude that we are able to be together in groups large and small, when so many other places around the world are dealing with Covid and lockdowns.

To get into the spirit of this fun afternoon for the whole family, bring or wear something tartan to Northpine Waipu Cup Raceday at Ruakaka. As well as all the midwinter fun and frivolity there'a \$250 voucher from Camp Waipu Cove to be won! You'll find more information at: www.ruakakaracing.co.nz

See you there!



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Vanessa Martinovich is the project engineer overseeing the Princes Road seawall upgrade

Vanessa Martinovich is a project engineer with the Whangarei District Council's Infrastructure Planning and Capital Works Department and is overseeing the work underway building a new seawall and improving drainage on the public reserve in Princes Rd.

Vanessa is the daughter of Steve Martinovich, who operates Bream Bay Charters from Marsden Cove. She spent her early life in Bream Bay and was a pupil at One Tree Point Primary. She moved to Poroti with her mother when her parents separated but continued to visit Ruakaka often.

The Princes Rd. project therefore has a special significance for her, as this is a place she has fond childhood memories of.

Vanessa won a scholarship from the Whangarei District Council when she was in the second year of her engineering degree at Auckland University. This gave her a guaranteed holiday job and on completing her four-year degree she was bonded to the Council for two years. She is now half way through her fourth year with WDC and is enjoying the job.

She said with Whangarei being a smaller council she gets to work on a wide variety of projects. She has worked on: the upgrading of tracks on Parahaki, the Potter Park playground in Tikipunga, upgrading drainage for sports fields around the district and an upgrade of the Bascule Car park near the lifting bridge - Te Matau a Pohe.

Vanessa said, " Of course its not just me working on each of these projects. I am just part of the team."

She is hoping her next project will be the Waipū skate park but this will depend on how her workload pans out.

Change is on the horizon however, with Government moves to force local councils to hand over the management of water supply, wastewater and stormwater.

Vanessa is looking on the positive side. The change will bring new opportunities. With so much construction work underway throughout New Zealand there is plenty of work for a bright young civil engineer.

Asked about how she set of on the pathway to becoming a civil engineer, Vanessa said she had a primary school friend who had decided at that early age that this is what she was aiming for.



Vanessa Martinovich

"I didn't want to be doing the same as my friend so I decided I would be an architect."

It wasn't until she was halfway through Year 13 at Whangarei Girls High School that she decided on engineering. A teacher arranged for her to do some work experience with an architecture and engineering firm. Vanessa was just doing the filing but she got an insight into the kinds of projects the firm was handling and she found she was interested in the problem solving nature of what the engineers were doing.

Engineering has traditionally been a male dominated profession but things are changing. When Vanessa began her studies in 2014 for the first time 25% of the student intake were women.

Flexible working hours, which many workplaces are now offering, are also encouraging women into engineering careers.

The completion of the Princes Rd. seawall is not too far away. Work on the seabed side of the wall has been halted until July, as June is a time when shorebirds use the area for foraging. There is still some work on the stormwater lines, some tidying up to the top of the wall and around some of the stairways.



The Princes Rd. upgrade is nearing completion

Marsden Lions charity golf tournament raises over \$10,000

Marsden Lions gave away the proceeds of their charity golf tournament held at the Waipū Golf Club on 14 May at a dinner held in the Ruakaka Tavern restaurant on Tuesday night 15 June..

The tournament drew a record number of 93 players this year and raised in excess of \$10,000.

The recipients this year were: NEST - the Northland Emergency Service Trust (Which runs of the Northland Rescue Helicopter service), the Ruakākaā Surf Lifesaving Club, Ruakākā Volunteer Fire Brigade and St John Bream Bay.

Fire Chief Darrell Trigg, thanked the Marsden Lions for the donation saying the Lions and the Fire Brigade had "a symbiotic relationship" with the Ruakaka Fire Station available for the Lions to use for some of their functions.

Darrell said as the population of the Ruakaka and One Tree Point area has increased so has the number of call outs. In the years he has been involved with the brigade the call out rate has risen from 54 per annum to 150 last year.

Tony Morris of NEST said helicopters are "not cheap to run" and we are grateful for the support of our local community. He said in the 33 years it has operatied the emergency service helicopter has flown on 24,000 missions, which gives you and indication of how important it is to keep our aircraft operating."



Ruakaka Fire Chief Darrell Trigg, Fireman Warren Marshall and Tony Morris of the Northland Emergency Helicopter Service receive donations to from Maree Gutry of Marsden Lions.



MARSDEN POINT TIDES

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	AM		PM	
Thu 24 June	6.29	2.7	7.13	2.8
Fri 25 June	7.27	2.7	8.07	2.9
Sat 26 June	8.22	2.7	8.58	2.9
Sun 27 June	9.16	2.7	9.50	2.9
Mon 28 June	10.09	2.7	10.40	2.8
Tue 29 June	11.00	2.6	11.31	2.8
Wed 30 June	11.51	2.5	~	~
Thu 1 July	12.21	2.7	12.43	2.4
Fri 2 July	1.10	2.6	1.35	2.4
Sat 3 July	2.00	2.5	2.30	2.3
Sun 4 July	2.50	2.4	3.26	2.3
Mon 5 July	3.40	2.4	4.21	2.3
Tue 6 July	4.30	2.3	5.13	2.3
Wed 7 July	5.19	2.3	6.01	2.4
Thu 8 July	6.07	2.3	7.28	2.5
Fri 9 July	6.53	2.4	7.28	2.5

Bream Bay St John celebrates 50 years



Keri McNamara, Michelle Crayton-Brown, Gaynor Ruka and Mick Gadd were volunteers for Bream Bay St. John in the 1990s. Keri said she worked for the Marsden Power Station, which would allow staff who were St. John volunteers to leave work when there was a call-out. Keri said despite having no full time paid staff, the volunteers were on call out for a whole week at a time and between them they managed to keep the station open 24/7.

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• OTP ARTISAN MARKET One Tree Point School and Hall. Sunday 27 June 9am - 1pm. Proceeds to the Whangarei Hospital Children's Ward. • RUAKAKA RACING Saturday 3 July. Northpine Waipū Cup. Saturday 17 July ITM/GIB Whangarei Gold Cup.

• MATARIKI/MARAMATAKA Talk by Vicky-Jean Stephens (Ngā Puhi), well known and respected te reo speaker and teacher. on Matariki and Maramtaka - The Maori lunar calendar. 9 July 2021 at 2.00pm Waipu Presbyterian Church Hall. Followed by afternoon tea. Koha entry. All welcome. • THE WAIPU SUNDAY MARKET next on Sunday 11 July. 9am - 1pm in the Coronation Hall

• THE MARSDEN COVE MARKET Next on Sunday 18 July from 9am - 1pm. In the big marquee at Marsden Cove

• FUNDRAISING DINNER With guest speaker Eric Rush and MC Jenni Carr. In the Wapū Celtic Barn Friday 30 July. Tickets \$60 from Waipū real Estate. Proceeds to the Boult family to assist Janine and Evie while Janine undergoes cancer treatment in Auckland.

• WAIPŪ LIONS SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCH. Saturday 7 August from 12 noon. Please RSVP to Sharon Carroll on 027 265 3227 for catering numbers

• WAIPŪ MUSEUM 36, The Centre, Waipu. Open seven days 10am - 4pm • KAURI MUSEUM. Open daily 9am - 5pm. 5 Church St. Matakohe. Current exhibition Portraits of Our People An exhibition of portraits from the past, the present and the future, featuring Kaipara residents, made by Kaipara people. www.kaurimuseum.com

See pages 10 & 11 for Winter in Waipu events



Andrew Munford began his career with St John as a cadet at the Bream Bay Station when he was eight years old. Andrew ,on the left, is now manager of the Mangawhai Station and is pictured here with St John CEO Peter Bradley.



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Peter White, one of the founders of Bream Bay St. John pictured here with some of the current volunteers: Kay Carey of Mangawhai Station, Inga Knier, Kathleen Forsythe and Bart De Ruiter.

Current and former members of Bream Bay St. John gathered at the Waipu Celtic Barn on Saturday 12 June to celebrate the service's 50th anniversary. The luncheon began with a formal powhiri outside the building.



Long time Bream Bay St. John supporters Ron and Bev McCracken and Noel and Jean Roberts. Bev, a former nurse, helped to train early volunteers in first aid and Noel organised the *Calf Scheme* where local farmers donated calves and raised them on local farms to raise money for the ambulance service. Noel said that for many years the beef animals were "finished off" on Richie Guy's farm. He said the advent of the NAIT tracing system had made it too difficult to transfer cattle between farms and had put an end to the scheme.



Operates every Thursday from 1st August 2019

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	Whangarei Rose Street Bus Terminus

"For travel within Whangārei see CityLink Whangārei timetable www.citylinkwhangārei.co.nz or get your timetable from the Rose Street office.

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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Kaiwaka	\$7.00	\$10.00
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Mangawhai Heads	\$7.00	\$10.00
Langs Beach	\$7.00	\$10.00
Waipu Cove	\$6.00	\$8.00
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Ruakākā	\$5.00	\$7.00

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