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# Former Head Hunter boss operating a rehabilitation programme in Takahiwai

A programme entitled Gateway to Recovery is being run in Takahiwai at the same property, which was subject to a Police raid back in 2021 in connection with the manufacture, importation and distribution of methamphetamine by members of the Head Hunters and Mongrel Mob gangs.

The owner of this property Herbert Rata was sentenced to a 12-month home detention for his involvement in this operation in August of 2024. Some of the other members of this drug ring were given lengthy prison sentences but Justice Christian Whata said Mr. Rata had undergone a most "extraordinary rehabilitation" and gave him credit for his establishment of the programme and the support this gave to other men.

A facebook site about the Gateway to Recovery programme shows photographs and short videos of participants preparing to take part in "fight nights", working on a building project, perhaps on one of the cabins which house some of the participants, out on fishing and diving trips, running races.

Asked about the fight training Mr. Rata said it took a lot of discipline training to prepare for a fight He said his late mother had visited him while he was in prison on remand and told him to "take another look at life."

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# Special Person day at Ruakākā **Primary School**



Ruakākā School held a Special Persons' Day last week on Thursday 28 August. Children were able to invite a Special Person to a mihi whakatau (welcome), morning tea and then into the classrooms to join in on a range of activities such as making paper flowers, reading story books or making Happy Special Person Day cards. Above six-year-old Eva Crego Bourne reads from a picture book to her Special Person mum

More Special Person photos on page 13



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# **Candidate NRC Coastal South**

# What is **TICK RICK** up to this week?

Following a visit to the Mangawhai Tavern and School Markets last Saturday I held another DROP IN session at the Mangawhai Village Hall, followed by:

- MONDAY September 1st
  - 5.30-7.30pm Meet the Candidate evening at the Mangawhai Club
  - 12.00 2.00pm Dune Restoration Planting at Waipu Cove
- TUESDAY September 2nd
- 10.30am Civil Defence Emergency Management Group https://northland.infocouncil.biz/
- 1.30pm Meeting of NRC Investment Committee agenda at the above link
  - 6.00pm Waipu Cove Reserve Board AGM
- WEDNESDAY September 3rd
  - 2.00pm DROP IN @Waiotira Hall
  - 5.00pm DROP IN @ Marsden Yacht Club
- THURSDAY September 4th -
  - 10.00am Visit to Saorsa Village
  - 11.30am Visit to Bream Bay Village
  - 3.00pm DROP IN @Mangapai Hall
- FRIDAY September 5th -
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# **EDITORIAL**

# Is this a genuine rehabilitation programme or has *Teflon Herbie* escaped retribution once again?

I have been sitting on this story about Herbie Rata's "Gateway to Recovery" programme for a month or so. I don't really want to be instrumental in unraveling something that is doing some desperately needed work helping people to move away from lives of addiction and crime.

Is this a genuine rehabilitation programme?

The truth is I really don't know. It is easy to put up a whole lot of video clips on Facebook to make something look good. During my brief visit a few weeks ago I spoke to one man who it seemed to be working for. On the other hand our community has suffered and still suffers from the presence of methamphetamine. Bream Bay Police tell me many of the family harm incidents we list in Bream Bay News Police Reports are methamphetamine related.

Parents and grandparents have told me about their sons, daughters and grandchildren whom they had fixed so many hopes and dreams on becoming embroiled in the underworld of methamphetamine addiction.

Children are neglected and sometimes harmed when their parents become focused only on getting their supply of this drug. There are grandmothers, at an age when they should be able to put their feet up, now having to take on sole care of their often traumatised young grandchildren because the parents of those kids are lost in this horrible drugged up wasteland.

You can point to the sky Herbie and say its between you any your Atua. Actually it's also between you and this community.

Herbie once said to me that all the biggest criminals don't get locked up. I wondered if he was talking about himself. I have heard people refer to him as *Teflon Herbie* because, although many suspected his involvement in the local drug supply chain, while people around him were charged, convicted and sentenced he remained at large until, that is, the big Police and Customs operation back in November 2021.

Between March 2020 and June 2021, Customs intercepted 15 separate air cargo or mail consignments, with drugs hidden in books, clothing and framed art. Search warrants took place across Northland including at Herbie Rata's Takahiwai address. Twelve people were arrested, including 56-year-old Herbert William Rata.

Seventeen kg of methamphetamine, 5.44kg of MDMA and a kg of pseudoephedrine were seized, with a combined street value of \$8 million.

When facing lengthy prison terms people frequently turn to Christianity.

A big contingent of people turned up to support Herbie at his sentencing. Amongst them Phil Paikea who was admitted to The Kings Service Order earlier this year for his work in family violence prevention. Phil continues to support Herbie in his transformation. The Gateway to Recovery Programme was already in place and Judge Christian Whata was convinced.

"The ability to group these men and do something positive, it is an extraordinary rehabilitation not just for himself that requires a degree of recognition that perhaps others don't get," Justice Whata said.

Let's hope the judge was correct in this assessment.

Marilyn



# Te Kauika o Patuharakeke hosts its first race day



The winners of the women's race Mahuru Hokianga

Te Kauika o Patuharakeke Waka Ama hosted its first ever race day on Saturday 30 August with 20 waka taking to the water of Whangārei Harbour from the launching place at the end of Ralph Trimmer Drive in Marsden Bay.

Teams were divided into four categories: Wahine, Rangitahi, Tane and mixed teams with the Rangatahi and Wahine heading out on the first 10 kilometre race at around 9.30am with a starting siren and water cannons

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The first waka returned around an hour later with the team Mahuru Hokianga (Echoes of the Hokianga) taking the winning honours followed by Mitimatanga, a club based near Ngunguru.



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# Deb Harding at the Waipu election meeting

Deb said she wanted to reach out and extend manakitanga (care and respect) to all the people of Bream Bay.

"My vision is to see all the people living here like you people of Waipu thrive."

"While I support economic growth I think we need to make sure that development doesn't erode what makes Waipu special."

After listening to various candidates to the Bream Bay Ward and the Mayoralty



say they would be voting against the retention of the Whangārei District Council's Māori Ward Deb held her hands to her chest with a wry smile and said she felt "wounded".

She said she had previously stood for election to both the Whangārei District Council and the Northland Regional Council on the general role and had missed out both times.

She said she felt privileged to be a Councillor (she was the highest polling candidate on the Māori ward in the 2022 Local Government elections) and enjoyed being part of the decision making process for the district. Deb chairs the Patuharakeke Trust Board.

# "TAUMATA AROWAI"

This is the name of the Government entity responsible for the monitoring of drinking water, wastewater and stormwater standards across NZ.

This year, Whangarei District Council will pay Taumata Arowai \$526,000 just for this monitoring but Council will retain control of how these assets and services will be delivered under the "Local Water Done Well" legislation.

WDC has joined Kaipara and Far North District in the development of a new council controlled organisation that will pool resources across all 3 councils to manage these services. The hope is for better efficiency and a reduced bureaucratic burden presently loaded upon elected councillors.

One major concern is that Whangarei ratepayers may eventually subsidise our neighbouring councils who have smaller rating populations and inferior infrastructure in need of major upgrades. The bigger concern I see is that this new entity will levy a specific rate for these services and further rating increases or "creep" will likely occur if not properly monitored by council.



# **BALDWIN**For Bream Bay

Facebook: "Baldwin for Bream Bay"

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# **LETTERS**

# In response to lan Duffield's "informative" letter

Why do we as Rate Payers have to wait for an election to hear how Whangarei Distict Council is planning to spend our highly exhorbitant rate money. What about after we have our newly elected Councillors in office provide editoria once a month in the Bream Bay News, giving us The Rate Payers that pay to keep them an update of their discussions, decisions at Council as not all of us can attend personally?

Sue Forsyth Waipu

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR ARE WELCOME

**Email them to:** 

breambaynews@xtra.co.nz or drop them off at either the Waipu or Ruakākā Post and Lotto Shops

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# Our ocean, our future: a call for solidarity

Call me a greenie if you like, I don't care. But before you do, consider this. There is one thing that transcends politics. One thing that impacts every single one of us. Whether we choose to accept it or not. And that is, to be healthy ourselves, we need a healthy planet. Specifically a healthy ocean (70% of the planet is ocean, after all). It's not rocket science. We all learnt about the water cycle when we were kids. Rain falls, ice melts, water collects in the ground, the ocean, other low lying places, the sun evaporates the water, it condenses into clouds, clouds grow heavy, rain falls, and so on and so forth...

Water is a necessity for life. If waterways become polluted, the ocean becomes polluted, then, yup you guessed it, we become polluted. The water cycle connects all things. Every single living being on the planet is connected through water. Our own bodies are made up of an average of 60% water.

So why on Earth, why on Ocean, are people still kicking up a fuss about climate change and questioning whether or not it exists? That argument has become null and void. It is a mere blip on the radar. A fatal distraction that diverts from and avoids the most important point: the stone-cold fact that humans are killing the ocean, and with the same brushstroke, we are killing ourselves.

Our innate greed is sending trawler after trawler into an already over-cooked ocean and raping the seafloor for all it's worth. Bottom trawlers use indiscriminate nets, killing all life, be it shellfish, octopus or whale. Nothing survives. It is mass-murder genocide and it's happening right under our noses, right under the water line.

Ocean change is happening.

Who cares if you, living in your relatively stable country (weather and politics wise) deem climate change to be a myth. Who cares if you question it every time the news comes on. Who cares if you laugh about it with your mates over a beer (which just so happens to be 90% water). The simple fact remains that your life – all life – is temporary. None of us are getting out of here alive. You may not live to see the full-blown effects of a dying ocean. But what about those who come after you. And those after that. Do you want a dead ocean to be your legacy?

Living and working in Mozambique for the Marine

Megafauna Foundation taught me many things. But the most important lesson was simple. We need to realise our connection to the ocean. We need to realise it, learn about it and celebrate it. In my view, Earth should be called Ocean. It is the life-blood of all things. Life crawled out of the ocean and ultimately became human. We cry salty tears. We look to the ocean when we are contemplating. We splash in it as children. As adults. We eat from it. We float in it. Get baptised in it. It calms us. Heals us. Washes and rocks us. Feeds us. Transports us. Helps us breathe.

How in Ocean's name, can we turn away and pretend everything is okay?

I implore you to watch David Attenborough's swansong 'Ocean'. Whether you "believe" in climate change or not, you are connected to the ocean. Your family. Your friends. Your children. Their children... Every single one of us is connected. Listen as David wraps up a lifetime's worth of work with one simple message: the ocean is our future.

We must, each and every one of us, do something. No matter how small. The theory of marginal gains is tried and tested and it works. You may have heard or read the quote from Sir Dave Brailsford, Head of British Cycling, who attributed the team's unprecedented success to the 1 percent theory:

"The whole principle came from the idea that if you broke down everything you could think of that goes into riding a bike, and then improve it by 1 percent, you will get a significant increase when you put them all together."

We just need to be slightly better – 1 percent better—than those who came before us. We need to help our children do the same. Protest against sandminers, pick what you eat carefully, lay down your weed-eaters and let your lawn grow for the birds, the butterflies, the bees and biodiversity. The ocean is our future. So let's all do something. Anything. Please? How can I help our ocean? An easy first step is to sign this petition to protect 30% of Aotearoa's waters by 2030: https://wwf.org.nz/our-moana-our-future

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# Former Head Hunter boss operating a rehabilitation programme Continued from Page 1.

At Mr. Rata's invitation I visited his home, which operates as part of the Gateway programme. I was introduced to a man named Tilli who has been living there for two years. He had been released on bail from Waikeria Prison and is awaiting sentencing for dealing in and possession of methamphetamine. He was referred to the Gateway to Recovery programme by the judge who presided over his hearing.

Tilli said from the time he was in prison and the time he has been living in Takahiwai he has not touched any drugs. He weighed 150 kilos when he came out of prison but has lost many kilos and is feeling fitter and healthier than he has for a long time.

He said his father was a gang member and he had grown up thinking selling and taking methamphetamine was the right thing to do. He is now a team leader looking after a group of six at the Takahiwai recovery centre. As well as participating in activities organised by Gateway to Recovery he regularly attends programmes run by Safe Man, Safe Family, The Salvation Army drug addiction services.

He hopes one day to go back to his hometown of

Rotorua to work with drug recovery programmes there. He said methamphetamine addiction is a big problem in Rotorua, with many of his friends regular users.

There were 22 participants in the Takahiwai Gateway to Recovery programme including women and some couples with plans to build more accommodation.

Asked how the programme was funded Mr. Rata said most of the participants were on sickness benefits. A man named Sinclair, who runs the programme as a kind of lieutenant, said people pooled their resources "as we did in the old days."

Asked if he was still a member of the Head Hunters gang Mr. Rata said he wasn't sure, as he hasn't been able to talk to any of the members of this gang for some time. One of his bail conditions is that he has no contact with the gang.

"I have to go back and ask them if I am still a member", he said.

In reply to a question about if he had considered the harm he had caused by distributing methamphetamine into the community Mr. Rata pointed skywards indicating this was between him an his Atua.



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# Candidates record video messages

If you missed the local election meetings candidates in the Whangārei District Council elections have recorded short two minute videos which can be viewed on line. Go to <a href="www.wdc.govt.nz?candidates">www.wdc.govt.nz?candidates</a> and click on the name of the candidates you wish to hear from





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# Concerns for college students safety at dangerous McCathie Rd. intersection



Vehicles converge from all directions at the McCathie Rd./Port Marsden Highway/ One Tree Point Rd. intersection. Bream Bay College Deputy Principal Mark Bayer is concerned for the safety of students who cross here on their way to swim training or to the gymnasium.

Bream Bay College Deputy Principal Mark Bayer is concerned for the safety of the school's students who walk along McCathie Rd. to get to swim training at Tiana's Pool or sessions at a popular gymnasium in the Marsden City complex. There is not even a verge to walk on the right side of the road where pedestrians are supposed to be and the left side, which has some off road space is pretty patchy. Just over a kilometre of footpath runs along One Tree Point road alongside the Marsden City development but this is not continued across the intersection onto McCathie Road towards the college and the Ruakākā Towncentre.

The biggest danger though is getting across the intersection with the 100 kph Port Marsden Highway separating McCathie Rd. to the south and One Tree Point Road to the north.

The school has provided a letter of support to the Bream Bay Shared Path group which has long term plans for an off road link bypassing the McCathie Rd. intersection.

# A new business support group in Ruakākā

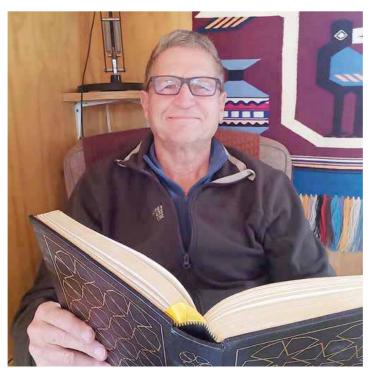
A new business support group is taking shape in Ruakākā. An inaugural meeting took place on Thursday afternoon 21 August in the Two Birds Café at the Ruakākā Towncentre. Around 20 business people attended and discussed ways to bring more customers into the towncentre and to generally support Ruakākā business. One concern was that there is no signage on State Highway One letting travellers know of the existence of Ruakākā.

All agreed to hold regular get togethers.

Carl Morley of the Ruakākā Lotto and Post, the instigator of the new support group, invites other Ruakākā business people to call into his shop to register their interest in joining the group.

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# **Expressions of interest invited** in a Gentlemen's Book Club



Carey Hablous

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He says, "If you are a gentleman with a love of reading and thoughtful conversation then the club would love to hear from you.

Carey said, "We are seeking expressions of interest from men who would like to meet monthly to share in the discussion of books, both contemporary and classic, any works that inspire, challenge, or simply delight. These could be a newly discovered book or a gem from years past that has never been forgotten.

"If you would enjoy engaging conversation in the company of like-minded readers, the Gentlemen's Book Club would love to hear from you."

Carey got the idea from an interview that Jesse Mulligan did on RNZ.

He liked the idea and thought it might be something applicable to Waipu.

"I imagine there may be a fair few men in our area that find themselves socially isolated if they work from home or have stopped working altogether. Of course there are sports clubs and volunteering like the Menzshed or trapping, but it's a bit limited for more cerebral stimulation.

Asked about why this club is just for men Carey said, "My understanding is that there already are women's book clubs, some more serious and others an excuse for a glass of wine, but not for men. I visualise monthly get together of up to 15 gentlemen and we have a chance to discuss books. It's not so much about excluding women as making a space for men."

For further information or to register your interest, please email:

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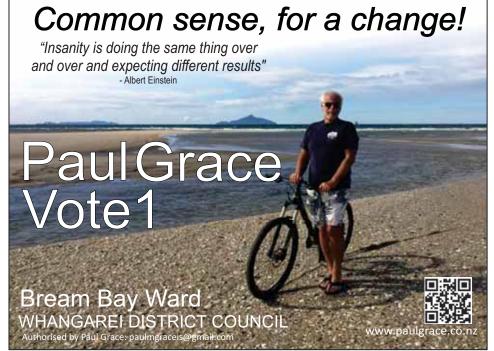
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# Inter school cross country competition brings together the best distance runners from six local schools



The starting line up for the 10 and 11 year old boys' race

The best runners from: Maugaturoto, Mangawhai Beach, Kaiwaka, Waipu, Ruakākā and One Tree Point Primary Schools came together for the zone school cross country races held at Maungaturoto School on Wednesday 20 August.

Results

8-year-old girls: 1st Jessica Hansen – Ruakākā, 2nd Alexis Lawrie - Mangawhai, 3rd Evie Wech - Mangawhai and 4th Annabelle McGee Scott- Mangawhai. 8-year-old boys: 1st Hunter Jones - Ruakākā, 2nd William Buchener – Ruakākā, 3rd Cody Norris – Mangawhai, 4th Archie Hund – Kaiwaka.

9-year-old girls: 1st Phoebe Hampshire - Maunga-

turoto, 2nd Harper Ferguson – Mangawhai, 3rd Amelia Wheatley – Mangawhai, 4th Elle Jones – Waipu.

9 - year- old boys: 1st Torben Smean-One Tree Point, 2nd Lennix Hurihanganui – Ruakākā, 3rd Harry Gatefield - Waipu Primary, 4th Ryan Hansen - Waipu Primary

10/11 year old girls: 1st Alva Dane Van Coller – Maungaturoto, 2nd Faith Paul – Mangawhai, 3rd Jasper Holah - Mangawhai, 4th Indie Blaney – Waipu.

10/11 year old boys: 1st Tyler Wright - One Tree Point, 2nd Braxton Williams – One Tree Point, 3rd Noah Sloane – Ruakākā, 4th Julian Cammell - Mangawhai.



A Real Vision for Whangarei

# The Pipeline

# Ruakākā Wastewater Treatment Plant Update

September 2025

The project to expand the Ruakākā Wastewater Treatment Plant is well underway. In this issue we'll update you on the four key workstreams.

### Interim solution

The existing plant is nearing the limits set out in the consent for discharging treated wastewater. Council has been exploring options for adding to the areas available for discharging treated wastewater. This will allow consenting of new connections to restart.

Through May, June, July and August we engaged with key stakeholders including immediate neighbours, agencies who operate in the area, hapū and the local Ruakākā community.

Based on the technical investigation outcomes and feedback from the community we are now preparing the consent application for our preferred option; addition of Zones 6B & 7 to the available discharge areas.



# Treatment plant

The professional services contractor PDP investigated location and technical options. The preferred option at this stage is to locate the new treatment plant at the Rama Road site already owned by Council. The new plant would use a technology known as Multi-stage Biological Nutrient Removal (BNR) reactor and Membrane Tanks which uses a lot less space than the existing treatment plant and processes the wastewater much faster and to a much higher end-quality.



The new treatment plant is also planned to include a reed bed facility which will convert the waste sludge from the treatment plant into a compost like material (biosolids) suitable for beneficial reuse (e.g. horticulture or forestry).

# Ocean outfall

Contractors, Aecom have completed a range of investigations to recheck the findings that informed the original consent from 2012.

The investigations confirmed that there are no obstacles to proceeding with ocean outfall as consented. Based on this evaluation work the location has been confirmed and the preferred design is being finalised.

### Alternative discharge

The project team and its design partner WSP are working on alternative discharge options to the ocean outfall. Their investigations include evaluating possible locations, ecology, hydrogeology and construction options. More detailed investigation into the shortlisted options are now underway. One of the potential options is working with Channel Infrastructure. Options include areas of land owned by Council with discharge into either the Ruakākā River or to the refinery area via an existing pipeline for harbour discharge or future re-use options. A preferred option will likely be identified over the next few months.

### Land contact

Both the ocean outfall and alternative discharge options include a land contact facility which passes the treated wastewater over and/or through natural materials such as rocks, vegetation, and cascades to mimic a natural process and reinvigorate the health of the water. This process restores the Mauri of the water before it is returned to the environment.





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Bream Bay area?

# John Hunt for NRC Coastal South



Hi I'm John Hunt and I'm standing as a candidate for Coastal South on the Northland Regional Council.

Working for the community is what I do. My community experience includes 15 years as CEO of Harbour Basketball, NZ's top basketball association, active involvement in the environmental protection of Bream Tail and as treasurer of the Waipu Tennis Club for the past four years.

Public bodies should always be responsible with other people's money. I will bring sound money management skills to the Council, enthusiasm, and a strong commitment to protecting our environment.

The NRC is addicted to spending and is fueling that addiction with our rates. In 2016 NRC rates totaled \$20 million. Nine years later in 2025 they hit \$55 million. Their staffing levels increased by 15 percent in 2024 during a recession. They now have 345 staff members earning an average of \$87,000 per person. They also have a large number of consultants doing work for them. Why do they need consultants if they have so many staff?

The NRC needs to spend our money effectively and must live within its means. I am proposing a three year NRC rates freeze and a hiring freeze.

I will also fight to have outstanding local community groups like the Mangawhai Harbour Restoration Society, the Piroa Conservation Trust, the Mangawhai Trackies, Bream Bay Coastal Care and the Wairahi Tracks Charitable Trust receive reprioritized funding from the NRC. These organisations are highly effective and deserve our support.

The Bream Bay ecosystem is one of the most extraordinary in the world and needs to be protected for future generations. We owe this to our children.

That's why I am asking for your support. I am asking for one tick of your time so I can give you three years of mine.

# Aquatic facility for Bream Bay being explored for feasibility

Whangārei District Council and Sport Northland are working with the Bream Bay Aquatic Committee on a feasibility study focused on understanding the demand and potential site options for an aquatic facility in Bream Bay in the future.

While no funding has been identified for a facility of this nature, the study comes after 'Kōkiri ai Te Waka Hourua', a strategy for play, active, recreation and sport in Northland, identified shortfalls in aquatics provision across the region in 2021.

Sport Northland Spaces and Places Manager, Stu Middleton, said the strategy found a need for a 'regional aquatics facilities plan' to provide a pathway towards improved provision across the region, and that this plan was developed in 2023.

"Investigating the feasibility for new aquatic facilities in Whangārei is the first step in the roadmap, and we are starting in Bream Bay where there is already significant support among members of the community.

"Once we have an understanding of what's possible, the next stage would be to identify funding sources and develop a series of detailed options for consultation with the community," said Mr Middleton.

# New Committee for a Bream Bay aquatic centre

In late 2023, Mary Sinclair and Tania Costello from Mohr fitness in Waipu conducted a survey to understand what level of support there would be for a community pool. The original plan was for a heated swimming pool alongside the SHrED gymnasium in South Rd., owned by Tania and her husband Gilbert.

Feedback from over 1,000 people was strongly in favour of such a facility in Bream Bay. Respondents said the area is fast growing and with over 20 kilometres of coast-line, water safety is a major concern. They also listed the health and wellbeing benefits of aquatic fitness.

A Bream Bay Aquatic Committee has been formed, focused on the potential development of an aquatic facility for the Bream Bay community. Along with Mary and Tania, the Committee now includes Steph Gordon, Andy Dalton, David Lewis (all from Waipu), and Sandra Gillooly and Denise Jensen (both from One Tree Point). After an approach by this group the Whangārei District Council and Sport Northland have commissioned a feasibility study by the Sport and Leisure consultancy firm RSL.

A number of local community organisations have been sent questionnaires t by RSL asking: "If improved aquatic facilities were provided in Bream Bay. What type of facilities would you use, how often and how many people would this involve? "Which location do you think is most suitable for an aquatics facility to serve the

RSL has also placed a notice in this issue of the Bream Bay News see below left.

# Bridge club donates to the Waipu Menzshed



Before the Bream Bay Bridge Club members began their Tuesday night play on 26 August, they presented a cheque for \$1,800to the Waipu MenzShed.

Each year the Club runs a charity Tartan Tournament and the proceeds go to a local entity. This year the club chose the MenzShed to help with the build of t new premises. Pictured is the Bream Bay Bridge Club President Kim Thomas presenting the cheque to the MenzShed Chairman Gordon Walker, together with Edwn Smith, the Menzshed Donations Co-ordinator.



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# Sand mining company now focused on its application to dredge in Bream Bay

McCallum Brothers Ltd. has said it will now focus its attention on its proposal to dredge more than eight million cubic metres of sand from Bream Bay after last week abandoning its legal challenge to the Environment Court to continue its sand extraction operation in Pakiri.

Auckland Council refused to renew McCallum Bros'

resource consent application in 2022, citing unacceptable environmental impacts but the company has continued to operate its dredge there while it pursued various legal challenges.

The company is expected to file its application to sand mine in Bream Bay under Fast Track legislation within the next few weeks

# Where do our local government election candidates stand on climate change?

Candidates in both the Whangarei District Council and Northland Regional Council elections have been invited to a series of public meeting by Climate Action: Tai Tokerau where they will asked to state their positions on: climate action, renewable energy, biodiversity and Māori representation. The Bream Bay meeting will be

held on Thursday 11 September from 7-9pm in the Ruakākā Recreation Centre in Peter Snell Rd.

The climate action group is also surveying candidates on these issues with responses posted on the website northlandclimatechange.org/advocacy.

# **Local Government Election voting** papers will be sent out next week

Voting papers for the 2025 Local Government Elections will be sent out from Tuesday 9 September and need to be returned by Saturday 11 October.

This year the Whangarei District Council is using a Single Transferable Vote system where you number candidates 1-6 or 1-5 in order of your preference.

The Northland Regional Council retains the First Past the Post system so you just put a tick beside the name of your favoured candidate. Preliminary results will be announced on Saturday October 11.



# Special Persons at Ruakākā School



Isabelle Hobson who is almost eight years old making a Happy Special Person Day card for her grandfather Bain McGregorbream Baysr reknowned piper



Chloe Slagter, aged 11, with her mum Sarah Slagter



Kendall Ford, aged 6, with her Nan, Jenny Ford.



Mabon Ross makes paper flowers with his Dad Jarred Ross



Brelle Kenobi, aged 7, with her Grandma Sue Wright..



12-year- old Tanya Patel with her Mum Roshi Patel

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Sue Welford, of the organising committee, said there are a "good number of entries" which are divided equally over the five categories, which are: Flash Trash, Crazy about Culture, Legends of Land and Sea, Fabulous Flora and Fauna and Climate Catastrophe.

Entrants include Maggie Wistrand who created for the show and Sandra Guest who won the first ever Art'n Tartan award with her entry Gathering of the Clans .

Debi Waters Brown has taken on the role of leading artistic director. Designers need to complete their entries for a preview later this month. The designs will be matched with music and lights and in between the category presentations there will be performances by local entertainers.

Tickets cost \$45 and are available from www. trybooking.com/nz

The show is a fundraiser for NEST The Northland Emergency Services Trust, which operates the Rescue Helicopter.



Maggie Wistrand's Honky Tonk Girl entry in the 2022 Waipu Art'n Tartan awards

# No shortage of candidates for school board elections

While schools around New Zealand were a few weeks ago reported to be struggling to find enough candidates for the tri-annual Board of Trustee parent elections in Bream Bay enough people have put their names forward to ensure elections at all four of our local schools.

There are ten candidates for six places on the Bream Bay College Board. They are: Bronson Aperahama, Mackenzie Ashby, Sarah Ashby, Aaron Bird, Porscha Brown, Jules Dewhurst, Shaun Grieve, Hailee Heta, Pat Inglis and Benjamin Marsh.

Ruakākā Primary has eight candidates: Matthew Yovich, Cherith McLennan, Shaun Grieve, Anna Wetere, Laura Chapman, John Westlake, Daisy Sievewright and Jade George for five vacancies.

One Tree Point School also has eight candidates for five parent representative places on its board. One Tree Point School board candidates are: Kerri Gibson, Shana Hopper-McCully, Daniel Massey, Michael O'Dell, Lucina Kau Kau, Bronson Aperahama, Benjamin Marsh and Katrina Kendall.

Waipu Primary has six nominations for three vacancies on its board. They are: Chris Townshend, Dion Egan, Hayley Mrsich, Jon Proffitt, Rachel Fowler and Stephen Abercrombie. Waipu Primary has a staggered (mid-term) election cycle. This enables a board to have half of its parent representatives elected in a triennial election year and the remainder at a mid-term election. Mid-term elections are held approximately 18 months after triennial elections. The three successful candidates in the Waipu board election will join Amos Cook and Dave Field who were elected in the previous mid term cycle.

Voting in school board elections is well underway and

# Beats by Bingo for a One Tree Point school bike track

A fundraising effort has begun to build a bike track at One Tree Point School

Serena Leonard of the school's PTA said, "One Tree Point is the only school in Bream Bay without a bike track so we are putting on a Beat by Bingo fundraising event." On Sunday 19 October from 7pm in the school hall

For the uninitiated, this is a game played with cards, which have musical artist names in the squares that will correspond to music played by a DJ. You win by knowing your music and covering five squares in a row.

Serena said, "It's a lot of fun "and this year we are getting fancy"

"People always say there are not many opportunities to

dress up in Bream Bay" so bingo players are invited to wear cocktail attire (or their Sunday best!), masks, and the food will be more gourmet.

Cocktails will be served and there will be a fully stocked bar.

Tickets cost \$59, which will give you a welcome drink, grazing platters, five rounds of Beats by Bingo and a chance to win prizes. There will be an auction and dancing.

Tickets can be purchased individually or you can buy a half table -6 or a full table of 12.

They are available from the school office or at www. eventbrite.co.nz/e/1633089748399

# Whangārei Adventist school adopts a Uretiti beach entrance

Children from the Whangārei Adventist Christian School have taken over the care and maintenance of a pedestrian beach access through the dunes at Uretiti.

On Wednesday 20 August Northland Regional Council staff fenced a popular track to the beach just outside the southern boundary of the Uretiti campground. Then thirty children aged from 5 to 13 years from the Adventist school along with parents and teachers got to work planting 15 trays - 1,460 pīngao



Twelve-year-old friends Daniella Wharerau and Kyra-Jean Clarke work together to help repair the damaged dune with spinifex and pīngao.

and spinifex plants on the damaged dunes on either side. Some of the senior students will be returning early next month to do some more planting.

The track is used both by campers and day visitors to the beach.



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Mangawhai Heads (The Club)	9:20
Langs Beach (Corner of Wairahi and Cove Roads)	9:35
Waipu Cove (Opposite Beach Car park)	9:40
Waipu (Vet Centre Bus Stop)	9:50
Ruakākā (Peter Sne <b>ll</b> Road - opposite Takutai Place)	10:10
Arrive Whangārei (Rose Street Bus Terminus)	10:50

### Whangārei to Bream Bay (Afternoon - PM)

THURSDAY ONLY	
Depart Whangārei (Rose Street Bus Terminus)	3:00
Ruakākā (Peter Snell Road - opposite Takutai Place)	3:40
Waipu (Vet Centre Bus Stop)	4:00
Waipu Cove (Opposite Beach Car park)	4:10
Langs Beach (Corner of Wairahi and Cove Roads)	4:15
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Mangawhai	\$7.50	\$11.00
Mangawhai Heads	\$7.50	\$11.00
Langs Beach	\$7.50	\$11.00
Waipu Cove	\$6.50	\$9.00
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# Waipu Tennis Report

By Paul Ramsay

It's not often you get offered a free day out for all ages but Waipu Tennis are offering this on Sunday 7 September with the National Love Tennis promotion day. Bring your family to our courts in the Caledonian Park between 10am and 2pm for lots of free tennis based activities, free food, giveaways and the opportunity to join the club on the day for a 20% discount. Everything you need will be available including racquets and balls.

Believe it or not it is time for our summer tennis activities to get under way. Throughout September on a Tuesday at 6pm we will be running a come and try evening. Adults are invited to attend these social nights and we will support you into playing this great game and maybe help extend your life! It has been proven that tennis players live 9.7 years longer than others. Badminton is next at 3.2 years. Come and join the 20 or so members who have played through the winter.

After these nights' players will be put in graded teams up until Christmas for our pre-Christmas competition This competition will start in early October. Make sure you let Sean and Jeff know you are keen to play particularly if you are a returning member.

Juniors and Intermediates will start in Term 4 on Tuesday afternoons from 3.30pm. Contact Hayley Pyle (0210593438) if you are keen.

The club AGM was held on Sunday 24 August and was well attended. While President, Secretary and Treasurer remained the same it was great to see some new faces on the committee to guide us into the future. Subscriptions have remained the same bar one reduction. That reduction is for all school age players. Your sub will be \$80. Not bad for about 20 weeks of professional coaching.

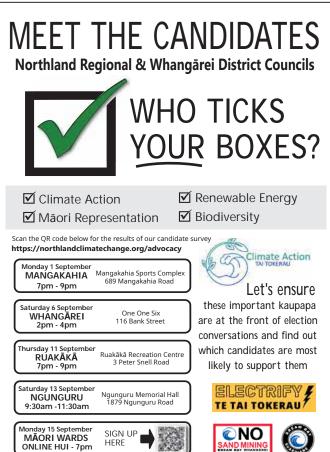
New to the area or already here and want to play Interclub this season contact James Donaldson (0276014559) or Sean McCombe (02108895693) as soon as possible. Interclub is played on Monday nights at 6pm both here and in Whangarei so you must be available most weeks at this time.

Exciting news for tennis in Northland is coming up in 2027. The Tennis New Zealand Masters Teams event will take place over Easter. This is a massive tournament with 70-90 teams of 4-5 taking part in various age groups. Over 40 courts will be needed and Waipu may be one of the venues. Want to know more or take part talk to Paul Ramsay.

Remember to check our Facebook page for what is going on at the club and who put their hands up to help out on the committee.



e address 3 Peter Snell Road Ruakaka Old centre address 9 Takutai Place Ruakaka We are also home to Bream Bay Squash club and Bream Bay United Association Football club - old cen



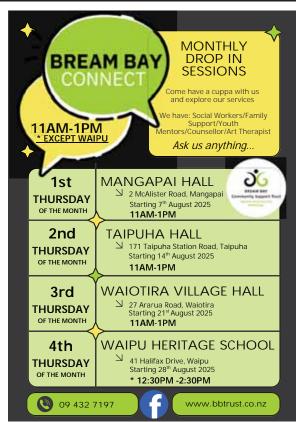
# WHAT'S ON IN BREAM BAY

• **RUAKAKA RACES** Next on Wednesday 3 September.. Gates open 11am. Lion Red Pubs and Clubs Punters Challenge.

- WHANGAREI CHORAL SOCIETY singing Folk Songs To be followed by Afternoon Tea. Sunday 21 September, 2.00pm. St. Peter's Anglican Church, Nova Scotia Drive, WaipuDoor sales only. FOTO members \$5; Adults \$10; Children (13 and under) free. All proceeds to the organ fund.
- WAIPU PRIMARY CALF CLUB Saturday 18 October 9am 2pm . Fund family day.
- WAIPU ART IN MOTION (WAM) Wearable Art and short video show, which will be held in the Waipu Coronation Hall on October 31 at 7pm as well as on 1 November at 2pm and 7pm. Tickets cost \$45 and are available from www.trybooking.com/nz\_The show is a fundraiser for NEST The Northland Emergency Services Trust, which operates the Rescue Helicopter.
- BREAM BAY MUSIC GROUP First Monday of every month starting at 7pm At the new Rec Centre in Peter Snell Road, RuakakaContact Ross or Fulco on 0274 410 584
- **COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS** Fridays 10.30 -12noon, Bream Bay Community Trust Hall, Takutai Place, Ruakākā coming up: .
- **COMMUNITY BINGO** every last Wednesday each month (except December) Every one welcome. Raffles, restaurant and Bar open from

5 pm. Calling starts at 7.pm 15 games and 2 jackpots open to the public. At the Waipu Citizens and Services Club

- WAIPU MUSEUM 36, The Centre, Waipu. Open seven days 10am- 4pm
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# For the love of basketball



Wendy with her whistle at Tuesday night basketball in the College gym

Basketball is growing in popularity with young people throughout New Zealand including in Bream Bay and is played in the Bream Bay College gym every Tuesday afternoon. Teams from four local primary schools: Waipu, Ruakākā, One Tree Point and Maungakaramea compete followed by three intermediate teams from Bream Bay College and one from Maungakaramea.

Wendy Rowsell, who oversees all this said, "I really



Rehua Martin, aged 10 years of Ruakākā School challenges 9 year old Levi Gibbs of One Tree Point School at a Tueday night basketball game in the Bream Bay College gymnasium



# September EVERY THURS

(see over for more events)

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# Waipu **Squash Club**

Cove

Waipu

Whether you're new to squash or keen to get back on court, this friendly evening for adults is the perfect chance to give it a go. from 5.30pm

WED

Nikki Mrsich 027 663 6703 Waipu Rugby Squash Club, 9 St Marys Rd

**TUES** 

# 10 **Health and Wellbeing**

Stretch class suitable for everyone of all ages. Every Thursday in Sept, from the 11th, 18th, 25th.

8.30am - 9.15am

Sandra Lucas 021 677 356 The SHrED Gym, 270 South Road, Waipu

## Waipu **Croquet Club**

Come and try out a game of croquet with members available to support. Flat shoes required. Equipment provided. Ages 12 years old and up. from 9.00am

Kerry Godkin 021 170 7211

Waipu Croquet Clubroom, entry through Caledonian Park, off St Marys Road

# 16 Hold Down Brazilian 16 **Walking Crew**

Beach walk at Waipu Cove, followed by coffee and socialising at Cafe. Anyone (especially newcomers) looking for fresh air and friendship. 9.00am

Lvnette 021 170 7550

Waipu Cove Beach, opposite Cove Café

# Jiu Jitsu and MMA

Great way to have fun while building confidence, coordination and fitness.

**TUES** 

Ages 4-7 3.30pm - 4.15pm Ages 8 + 4.15pm - 5.00pm

Ages 16 + 5.30pm (incl. adults) Rebecca Woodhead 0277799564 3 Princes Street, Ruakaka

# **One Tree Point Bowling Club**

Coach new players to use bowls, followed by a few games. Gear is provided. Flat sole shoes to be worn. All welcome. 16 year olds and up.

1.00pm - 3.00pm

Liz Tregidga 027 435 9421 35 Pyle Road West, One Tree Point

# **CONTACT FOR DETAILS**

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**Bowling Club** Introduction to bowls and games. Gear supplied. Flat soled shoes required. All non bowlers welcome. Ages from 16 to 85 year olds.

10.00am - 1.00pm

Shelley Morison 021 115 0726 Waipu Bowling Club, 4A South Road

### **Bream Bay Tramping Group**

Join us on a day tramp at Langsview track. Need to wear good walking shoes/boots. Bring daypack, rain jacket, lunch, snacks and water.

Glynis Smith 022 046 1994 DOC carpark, Cove Road, approx. 200m on right, south of Bream Tail Road

### Te Kauika o **Patuharakeke** Waka Ama

Rangatahi and Taitamariki who want to have a go at Waka Ama.

### Date and time TBA (weather dependent)

Hollie Kereopa, 021 082 66998 Ruakaka River, Princes Road





















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One Tree Point Motel

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Waipu Liquor Centre

enjoy sharing my love of basketball with all the local kids, and seeing them improve each week. We have some excellent young talent in Bream

Wendy has played basketball most of her life. Her parents were involved in Northland Basketball way back in the 1970's and helped to build what is now McKay Stadium.

The family moved to Wellington in 1978 and Wendy grew up playing basketball there, representing Wellington in age grade teams.

She last played competitively in 2017 when she won a bronze medal at the World Masters Games with her old Wellington club Morehu. Her mum Gladys also played in the Over 60's division with some old

Whangārei teammates and also won a bronze medal!

The Bream Bay Tuesday night competition began in 2022, initiated by Josh Port from Northland Basketball. Wendy helped out as a volunteer referee and, when Josh had to move on last year, he asked Wendy to take over. She runs the games now with support from Josh and lots of parent help.

This week she is in Tauranga at the AIMS games with a Bream Bay College team.

She has plans next year to hold some skills sessions for primary school players and to form a Bream Bay College year 9 and 10 team to take part in either the Kaipara or Whangarei schools' competition.



The Bream Bay College Year 7 and 8 basketball team at the AIMS Games in Tauranga this week. Bream Bay College has also sent a netball team, two swimmers and a gymnast to the games, which is an annual sporting event for intermediate or middle school students



# October MON

### Waipu Senior **Athletics**

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Summer twilight mixed netball. 8 week competition. Every Wednesday starting October 1st. Males and Females aged 10 years old and up.

WED

from 6.00pm

**Netball Club** 

Waipu Cove

Sunny Jones 021 231 3894 Celtic Barn, Waipu

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Kath Manning 09 432 0564

Waipu Cove Surf Lifesaving Club

## **Bream Bay** Run, Jump and Throw!

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Golf Club

Give athletics a go!

Ages 3 -18 4.00pm - 5.30pm

Ages 18+ 5.30pm - 6.30pm

Jon Renes 021 606 746 Bream Bay College fields

# **EVERY THURS**

Cirfit Health and Wellbeing Stretch class suitable for everyone

of all ages. Every Thursday in Oct from the 9th 16th, 23rd, 30th.

Sandra Lucas 021 677 356

The SHrED Gym, 270 South Road, Waipu

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19/26 **Bream Bay** Ocean Swimmers Swim in a group or small groups along the beach. Suitable for anyone with the confidence and ability to swim a reasonable distance. These

events are both weather dependent.

9.00am Jessica 022 090 4261

or Marg 021 525 315

Waipu Cove Surf Club

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# Waipu **Fishing Club**

Have a go fishing from the pontoon and areas around the clubhouse. Fishing focused art activity. Prizes, free sausage sizzle and drinks for children attending.

Time TBC (tide dependent)

Linda Glibbery 027 666 6371 100 Nova Scotia Drive, Waipu

# Ruakaka Surf Lifesaving Patrol

10.00am - 12.00 noon

Vic Martick 09 432 0259

Meet the crew, land based activities and registration day. Junior Surf (5 -13 year olds) Lifeguards (14+ year olds)

Practice range will be available with mentors on site to provide advice and tips. Beginners and those new to golf welcome.

10.00am - 12.00 noon Charlie Davies 021 832 936

Ruakaka Surf Lifesaving Patrol, Ruakaka Beach Road

# Marsden Yacht and Boat Club

Open Day. Have a look around. Anyone interested in learning to sail is welcome. Family friendly.

10.00am - 2.00pm

Grant Crombie 027 2262599

Marsden Yacht and Boat Club, One Tree Point Boat Ramp



























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Thu 4 Sept	3.55	2.2	4.47	2.3
Fri 5 Sept	4.55	2.2	5.39	2.4
Sat 6 Sept	5.52	2.3	6.28	2.5
Sun 7 Sept	6.45	2.4	7.14	2.6
Mon 8 Sept	7.34	2.6	7.59	2.7
Tue 9 Sept	8.22	2.7	8.44	2.8
Wed 10 Sept	9.09	2.7	9.30	2.8
Thu 11 Sept	9.57	2.8	10.17	2.8
Fri 12 Sept	10.46	2.7	11.06	2.7
Sat 13 Sept	11.37	2.5	11.57	2.6
Sun 14 Sept	~	~	12.31	2.6
Mon 15 Sept	12.53	2.5	1.31	2.5
Tue 16 Sept	1.53	2.4	2.36	2.4
Wed 17 Sept	2.58	2.3	3.42	2.4
Thu 18 Sept	4.06	2.3	4.46	2.4
Fri 19 Sept	5.10	2.3	5.42	2.5
Sat 20 Sept	6.08	2.4	6.33	2.5
Sun 21 Sept	6.59	2.4	7.18	2.6
Mon 22 Sept	7.45	2.5	8.00	2.6
Tue 23 Sept	8.27	2.5	8.39	2.6
Wed 24 Sept	9.06	2,5	9.15	2.5
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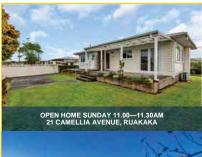
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