



PARADISE COAST

Whangamata NEWS

ISSUE 42 - 23 APRIL, 2021



War and Conflict study educates students

PAGE 24



Photo: Mark James

BY LOCALS, FOR LOCALS, ABOUT LOCALS.

 LIKE US!

WE WELCOME YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!
EMAIL WHANGAMATANEWS@GMAIL.COM
FACEBOOK [@WHANGANews](https://www.facebook.com/whanganews)

SEE ALL OUR EDITIONS LIVE AT
WWW.WHANGAMATANews.NZ
EDITORIAL & MEDIA SALES:
JENNIE BLACK - 021 0232 1661

Welcome to the second April 2021 edition of *Whangamata* NEWS

- a magazine By Locals, For Locals, About Locals



INDEX

- 4 Confusing Easter trading rules
- 4 Rescue helicopter March missions
- 5 Liquor King gives generously
- 5 Welcome Whanga Physiotherapy
- 6 Plan submissions top 1400
- 6 Locals keen on bus service
- 7 Could you live without your car?
- 7 Anzac Day events
- 8 Fun-loving theatre group
- 8 Update on Nea's ballet dream
- 9 Park concerts could make a comeback
- 10 Lions Lodge receives generosity
- 10 Everyone deserves a great leader
- 12 Ella amped for Olympics
- 12 Tribute to Nobby
- 12 Obituary: Coral Mackwood
- 13 Kiwi Whisky Smugglers swim a first
- 14 Inaugural Neon Surf competition
- 15 School students braving it all
- 16 Is a retirement village right for you?
- 16 Nail biter rugby game
- 16 Pickleball in a pickle
- 16 Classifieds; Reader photo
- 24 Whanga Area School's Anzac service

Whangamata NEWS

www.WhangamataNEWS.nz

EDITOR & SALES DIRECTOR

Jennie Black
Phone 021 0232 1661
whangamatanews@gmail.com

PHOTOGRAPHER

Mark James
Phone 021 668 469

ART DIRECTOR

Anna Gledhill
whangamatanewsart@gmail.com

FREELANCE JOURNALIST

Cameron Scott

REGISTERED OFFICE

2666a Waihi Whangamata Road
Whangamata 3691

PUBLISHING

Printed by Inkwise NZ
Published by
Whangamata News 2021 Ltd

All content featured in *Whangamata NEWS* Limited is subject to copyright in its entirety and may not be reproduced in any form without permission from the Publisher. Any material supplied for publication is at the submitter's risk. All information is believed to be true by the Publisher at the time of printing. Views expressed in *Whangamata NEWS* Limited are not necessarily those of the Publisher.

Emergency numbers

For all genuine emergencies requiring Whangamata St John Ambulance, Fire Brigade, Coastguard, Surf Life Saving or Police, **DIAL 111 immediately.**

Other useful numbers:

MENTAL HEALTH HELPLINE
1737

WHANGAMATA SURF CLUB
07 865 8401

WHIRITOA SURF CLUB
07 865 9045

ONEMANA SURF CLUB
Laurie 021 2666 114

WHANGAMATA POLICE
07 865 0300

ST JOHN AMBULANCE
07 865 9011

COROVETS - VET CLINIC
07 865 8109

WHANGAMATA MEDICAL CENTRE
07 865 8032

COASTGUARD
07 865 8800

HARBOURMASTER
021 594 563

THAMES-COROMANDEL DISTRICT COUNCIL, WGM
07 865 0060

We welcome your letters, articles, photos, news tips and advertising enquiries.

- We ask that articles be no more than 250 words although exceptions can be made.
- Photos should be at least 300dpi and in focus.

For editorial or photographic matters, phone Lesley on 021 664 784 or email WhangamataNEWS@gmail.com

For advertising & advertorial info, phone Jennie on 021 0232 1661 or email jennieablack@gmail.com

For advertising queries contact **Jennie Black**
Sales Director

Ph 021 0232 1661
jennieablack@gmail.com



WICKED
THE UNTOLD STORY OF THE WITCHES OF OZ
MUSIC & LYRICS BY **STEPHEN SCHWARTZ**
BOOK BY **WINNIE HOLZMAN**
Starring **TINA CROSS**

LIMITED PLACES LEFT

THURSDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER, 2021
SKYCITY THEATRE

Small Group Escorted Tour
Return coach transfers ex Whanga,
1 night 4 star hotel (incl breakfast),
wine tasting tour, dinner & show
Twin share per person \$493
Single cost \$572
T & C's apply

Kay Gregan
TAANZ BONDED Travel Broker &
CLIA Accredited Cruise Specialist
AWARD WINNING TAANZ BONDED TRAVEL BROKER
Travel Broker & CLIA Accredited Cruise Specialist
Whangamata 07 865 9568 | Hamilton 07 854 4023 | M: 027 337 6222
Kay.Gregan@thetravelbrokers.co.nz thetravelbrokers.co.nz/kaygregan

THE TRAVEL BROKERS
helloworld

ROOFING

LOCALLY OWNED & OPERATED

For: **New roofing | Re-roofing**
Continuous spouting | Metal fascia
Downpipes

CALL US FOR YOUR FREE QUOTE
Geordie Walden: 022 396 4143
ccspouting@gmail.com | www.ccspouting.co.nz

Scott Simpson

MP for Coromandel

Contact me anytime
0800 550 330
mpcoromandel@parliament.govt.nz
scottsimpson.co.nz
scottsimpsonmp

Authorised by Scott Simpson,
614 Pollen St, Thames.



We welcome your letters! Email to: whangamatanews@gmail.com

Lions acknowledge

The Whangamata Lions Club wishes to publicly acknowledge the invaluable contribution made by the "Lions for the Day" volunteers from our local community as they worked alongside our members to ensure another resounding success for the Lions Easter Market.

Likewise, the generous assistance offered from local Clubs and the business community of Whangamata must be recognised.

The Market has grown, with the community's help, to become an eagerly awaited long weekend focal point for locals and visitors alike.

The next Whangamata Lions Market will be at Labour Weekend 23/10/21, come along and join in the fun.

John Hares

Get behind Resource Centre

On the 4th of May 2020 a submission was made to the TCDC through the 2020/21 annual plan to request council support for a not for profit Whangamata project to install and run a resource recovery centre to reduce the dumping of reusable and recoverable items at our transfer station and landfill.

Following favourable feedback from our elected council and community board, the Whangamata Resource Recovery Trust was formed in order to progress. We set our priorities and researched some appropriate locations for the centre and have begun discussions with TCDC council managers in November 2020.

We welcome contact from all interested persons, organisations

and business owners to share skills and resources and support for this local whangamata centre.

We can be contacted by email 2020wsrrt@gmail.com or through our trust secretary Helen McCabe 027 286 5709.

Helen McCabe

Carbon Propaganda

One of the stated key objectives of our young climate action demonstrators is to address the sins of our largest emitters with particular focus on farming. This should come as no surprise to any of us. For the whole of their young lives they have heard Russell Norman and friends drone on about farming being responsible

for 48% of NZ emissions. The message conveniently omits the other side of the equation. For farming to reach this high proportion of emissions it must also be our best performer in carbon capture from the atmosphere.

If Russell is not being deliberately disingenuous, he must have a poor understanding of how the carbon cycle works to produce the food we consume every day.

The only explanation must be that the young Russell must have been absent from school the day they studied the carbon cycle in elementary General Science.

George Williams
WHANGAMATA

WE WELCOME YOUR LETTERS. Your letters must be no longer than 250 words and must be signed (no nom de plumes). Whangamata NEWS reserves the right to edit, or to not print, submitted letters.

FLOORINGXTRA.CO.NZ

FLOORING TO SUIT YOUR STYLE

CARPET • VINYL • TIMBER • LAMINATE • RUGS

Phone or email us! We're measuring & laying! View samples instore!

WHANGAMATA FLOORING XTRA

Whangamata | 636 Port Road | 07 865 8562 | whangamata@flooringxtra.co.nz

Tango's

Whitianga 07 866 4465 | Whangamata 07 865 8088
See more Giuseppe styles at WWW.TANGOSSHOES.NZ

OxiPay, Zip & Laybuy welcome.

fusion LANDSCAPE DESIGN
Creating Your Sense Of Place

For a free no obligation discussion contact Lynn 021 123 5650 or visit fusionlandscapedesign.houzz.co.nz to view some of our previous work, discover more about Lynn, her company and read previous client comments

Your local and the only Registered Master Landscaper based on the Coromandel Peninsula

Strictly Time

Rod Styles Watchmaker and Jewellers

Will be CLOSING DOWN

from Wednesday, 12 May, 4.30pm and re-opening Monday, 24 May.

The first break Rod has had in two years and he's going on a roadie!

640 Port Road, Whangamata
Phone 865 6477



Confusing Easter trading rules need an overhaul

New Zealand's confusing, outdated and inconsistent Easter trading rules should be reviewed, National's Workplace Relations spokesperson Scott Simpson says.

"The rules are out of step with the world we live in. It makes no sense that some businesses can trade but others can't, depending on what they sell and where they sell it."

Online businesses can trade without restriction over Easter but many traditional bricks and mortar retailers cannot. The rules governing which retailers can and can't open vary from district to district, and are also different on Good Friday and Easter Monday.

This is confounding for businesses and consumers alike, Mr Simpson says.

"The Government's review of the Holidays Act must take a sensible look at Easter trading rules, which are confusing and regionally inconsistent.

"We need to have an informed discussion as a nation about what businesses can and can't do during public holidays. Changes need to have public input and support.

The Labour Government has had nearly four years to do something about this, and every Easter we are reminded how little it has actually done, Mr Simpson says.

"Apart from setting up a working group and receiving a report, nothing has happened. We don't have a clear sense of what the Government wants to achieve or change.

"It's typical of a Government that doesn't have a plan, doesn't understand business and doesn't understand that how and when people want to shop has changed.

Mr Simpson says he is worried the Government is still being influenced too much by trade unions, which only represent a fraction of the total workforce and seem determined to take New Zealand back to the 1970s.

"After the tough year New Zealand businesses have just had, they need some certainty and an understanding of what the Government's plans are. So far they have neither."

- Media contact: Michael Forbes
021 829 804



Coromandel Missions: March 2021

3 MAR: Crew tasked to Whitianga to assist a female patient in her 30's in labour. She was flown to Waikato Hospital in a serious condition.

3 MAR: Crew tasked to Matarangi to assist a baby boy suffering a medical complaint. He was flown to Auckland City Hospital in a critical condition.

4 MAR: Crew tasked to Hukuai to assist a female patient in her 60's involved in a motor vehicle accident with multiple patients. She was flown to Waikato Hospital in a serious condition.

8 MAR: Crew tasked to Shelly Beach to assist a male patient in his 60's suffering a medical complaint. He was flown to Thames Hospital in a serious condition.

12 MAR: Crew tasked to the Pinnacles to assist a female patient in her 30's suffering a walking injury. She was flown to Waikato Hospital in a minor condition.

12 MAR: Crew tasked to Whitianga to assist a female patient in her 80's suffering a medical complaint. She was flown to Waikato Hospital in a critical condition.

12 MAR: Crew tasked to Coromandel to assist a female patient in her 60's involved in a head on collision. She was flown to Auckland City Hospital in a critical condition.

12 MAR: Crew tasked to Whangamata to assist a female patient in her 80's suffering a medical condition. She was flown to Waikato Hospital in a serious condition.

13 MAR: Crew tasked to Whitianga to assist a girl suffering a medical complaint. She was flown to Thames Hospital in a moderate condition.

13 MAR: Crew tasked to Colville to assist a female patient in her 30's suffering a medical complaint. She

was flown to Waikato Hospital in a moderate condition.

13 MAR: Crew tasked to Waihi to assist a female patient in her 60's suffering a medical complaint. She was flown to Waikato Hospital in a critical condition.

14 MAR: Crew tasked to Thames to assist a boy suffering a medical complaint. He was flown to Waikato Hospital in a moderate condition.

14 MAR: Crew tasked to Whitianga to assist a male patient in his teens suffering a medical condition. He was flown to Auckland City Hospital in a moderate condition.

14 MAR: Crew tasked to Tairua to assist a male patient in his 70's suffering a medical complaint. He was flown to Waikato Hospital in a serious condition.

14 MAR: Crew tasked to Cooks Beach to assist a female patient in her 60's suffering a fall down some stairs. She was flown to Middlemore Hospital in a moderate condition.

20 MAR: Crew tasked to Pauanui to assist an elderly female patient suffering a fall from standing height. She was flown to Tauranga Hospital in a moderate condition.

25 MAR: Crew tasked to Whitianga to assist a female patient in her 30's suffering a medical complaint. She was flown to Waikato Hospital in a serious condition.

26 MAR: Crew tasked to Hahei to assist a male patient in his 60's suffering a medical complaint. He was flown to Thames Hospital in a serious condition.

26 MAR: Crew tasked to Matarangi to assist a female patient in her 20's suffering a medical condition. She was flown to Auckland City Hospital in a moderate condition.

28 MAR: Crew tasked to Whitianga to assist a female patient in her 50's suffering a medical complaint. Unfortunately, the patient died and Westpac 1 returned to base.

Building in the Coromandel?



Start your journey with Urban Homes

Loving the beach this summer? Why not take the next step and build your own dream home or beach holiday house on the Coromandel Peninsula.

Visit our stunning new show home at the Whitianga Waterways or our design centre in Whangamata to start your journey with Urban Homes.

With an abundance of design inspiration and expert advice to match, our Coromandel team is perfectly placed to help you take ownership of your new home. Come see us today.

Visit urban.co.nz for more information | 0800 MY URBAN | sales@urban.co.nz

Coromandel Design Centre

608 Port Road, Whangamata

Opening hours

Weekdays 9am – 4pm | Saturday 10am – 4pm

Whitianga Show Home

7 Awatea Drive, The Waterways, Whitianga

Show home open hours

Wednesday – Sunday 12pm – 4pm

urban
HOMES BUILT WITH INTEGRITY

Whangamata Liquor King gives generously

A generous \$3000 was given to Westpac Corporate Fundraising last week.

Shaye Lever, store manager of LK Whangamata raised the generous contribution by letting differing food outlets over Summer and Beach Hop 2021 utilise the companies forecourt.

Shaye thanked "The Lemonade Shack, Big Smoke BBQ Co. and Georgia's Goods for supporting the initiative, I wanted to give back to our community and recognise the essential service of Westpac Helicopter Rescues, they have helped friends of mine even as recent as last Saturday with a friend's child suffering a seizure".

Ros Denton from Westpac Corporate

Fundraising said " I cant thank you enough - this makes a huge difference to our missions here". Ros told Whangamata News that each rescue mission costs on average \$7,500 and sees a deficit of \$5,000, so this sort of support is extremely welcome.

2020 saw 1187 rescue missions across Auckland and the Coromandel - a record year. With 217 of those in the Thames and Coromandel area and 134 for the Franklin and North Waikato regions.

Another wonderful community story of giving to an essential service - well done Liquor King Whangamata - legends.

- Jennie Black



Welcome Whangamata Physiotherapy!

Whangamatā Physiotherapy officially opened the new clinic on April 6th at 512 Port Road Whangamatā (just along from Challenge Service Station.)

Tracey Cameron, director, Physiotherapist, and sole owner of the new clinic grew up in Matamata and has been coming here to the family bach since 2005. Tracey is excited to call her "favourite place" home and get to know the community after working in clinics in the United Kingdom and New Zealand since graduating from the University of Otago in 2012.

The clinic is open Monday to Friday with a late night on Tuesdays, but it is essential you book your appointment either by phone, website, or email. Tracey can 'see' you online with a virtual appointment and is also able to accompany you to the gym or pool for rehabilitation. She is also happy to see you at home if needed.

Tracey has many skills in her resume including Pilates Instruction, training in Doctor Vodders manual lymph drainage, dry needling, and a special interest in clients with concussion and fatigue related conditions.

Tracey loves a good challenge and works hard to not only alleviate symptoms but to establish the root cause. Doctors' and specialist referrals are welcome but not necessary. She can treat ACC and private clients. Most appointments start at 45 minutes for the initial consultation before the plan to wellness is completed.

'Mauri tū Mauri ora' - an active soul is a healthy soul.

**Contact Tracey on 022 126 4170
hello@whangamataphysio.co.nz
whangamataphysio.co.nz**

- Jennie Black



LOUNGE in comfort



NORD
Chaise settee
Was \$2495
NOW \$2095



DIXIE
5 piece corner setting
Was \$3995
NOW \$3595



HAMPTON
Feather & down
2-seater
\$2499
3-seater
\$2799



BELLUNO
3 + 2 seater
Was \$3995
NOW \$3495



SLOANE
Chaise settee
sofa bed & storage
Was \$2995
NOW \$2695

Visit our website www.whangamatafurniture.com

Whangamata Furniture & Bedding



419 Port Rd, Whangamata P. 865 9027 FREE DELIVERY

"You'll be surprised how far we go for our customers"

Long Term Plan submissions top 1400

The Thames Coromandel District Council has received more than 1,400 submissions on its proposed Long Term Plan 2021-2031.

A council spokesman said while the council didn't have figures for how many submissions had been received from each ward or community board area, there would be an opportunity for the public to look at them "pretty soon," in time for hearings on the Long Term Plan from May 5-7.

The deadline for submissions was April 12 and was preceded by strong calls at a public meeting for Whangamata residents to make sure they had their say.

In a newsletter, the TCDC said all five of the district's community boards had agreed on the details of their submissions to the council's Long Term Plan for 2021 at their recent meetings. The Long Term Plan would not be finalised until the TCDC had considered all the feedback received, the newsletter added.

In its submission to the Long Term Plan, aired at its March 30 meeting, the Whangamata Community Board said it supported the TCDC's "no frills" budget option.

On the issue of a proposed upgrade for the Whangamata Real Estate Community Pool, it submitted in favour of Option 2, for a one-off grant to Whangamata Community Swimming Pool Inc of \$500,000 - the full cost of proposed improvements.

A council report on the board's submission mistakenly said it was in favour of Option 1. This proposed a grant of \$330,000 but depended on the community first raising \$167,000 - one third of the total cost.

Pool committee chairman Rob Boston said the error appeared to have been made in the process of putting the report together and had since been retracted.

Boston said he was "reasonably optimistic" that Option 2 would be adopted.

"We'll just have to wait and see what people have come back with in their submissions. I'm hoping that there will be at least 50-80 submissions in favour."

On the issue of the proposed sale of council land in Lindsay Road, valued at around \$3 million, the board submitted in favour of Option 3, requesting that a community trust be given five years to raise the funding required to construct a community hub, including a community marae.

If the community could raise the funds in that time, the council should then consider an appropriate lease to the Trust. If it did not raise the required amount, the TCDC could reconsider the future of the land the submission said.

- Cameron Scott
Freelance Journalist to
Whangamata News

Locals keen on bus service plan

A proposed once-a-week bus service between Tairua and Thames and Tairua and Waihi has drawn lots of positive feedback since it was aired at a public meeting in Whangamata several weeks ago, says Whangamata resident Carol Smith

The service was proposed by Waikato Regional Councillor Denis Tegg, who is working with Thames Coromandel District Councillor Terry Walker to advance the idea.

Smith, an enthusiastic supporter of the plan, says it is getting plenty of traction among local people.

"There used to be a service here years ago using the school bus to Waihi, but now there's nothing for Whangamata residents at all."

Writing in the RSA newsletter, Smith says bus transport is sorely needed by ageing residents who are no longer able to drive over the winding gorge roads to travel out of town.

She says anyone can be hit by medical conditions that make driving difficult - and it can happen unexpectedly.

"We do have shuttles available only for medical appointments, but no bus service if you fancy a day's shopping, or wish to travel further afield to places such as Auckland or Tauranga by meeting Intercity buses."

Tegg, who was instrumental in establishing the Thames town bus system, is keen to get the proposed service going, Smith says.

"He says it will be well subsidised by central government as well as local government, adding only \$3 - \$4 dollars per household to our annual rates.

"But to achieve this service, we need to let our local councillors know that we would like it to happen, either by phone calls or emails. Attending the May Whangamata Community Board meeting to show your support would also be helpful. It won't happen if we don't show support for it!"

Smith says the service could take a year to establish, but a shuttle vehicle could possibly be used temporarily to start it earlier.

Tegg has come up with four public transport options for the Coromandel, including a subregional hub which would use one vehicle to commute between towns.

NZTA would provide 51 per cent of costs, and ratepayers the remainder. It would be up to the councils involved to work out how funding would be divided, Tegg has said.

Last month he told Whangamata residents at a meeting to discuss the Thames Coromandel District Council's long term plan that a subregional hub option could include a flexible booking system with passengers able to book a trip online or by phone up to 15 minutes before the bus departed.

- Cameron Scott
Freelance Journalist to
Whangamata News



KAYAK

- Whenuakura Donut Island
- Country 2 Coast river kayak
- Whangamata Harbour



RENTALS

- E-bikes • Kids E-bikes
- Dual suspension
- Beach cruisers



www.explorewhangamata.co.nz

'A locals guide to their backyard'



CYCLES, HIRE, SALES & SERVICE

• E Tours

Pedal & Paddle

700 PORT RD, WHANGAMATA

P. 865 8096

www.pedalandpaddle.co.nz
pedalandpaddlenz@gmail.com

Saving our Planet #15: Living with a better purpose

Could you live without your car?

Rearrange your life, where you live, so you use your car less? We did survive without them but somewhere along the way we decided the car is an essential item. It's even ironic how some people drive to the gym - yep. However, they are still one of our biggest consumers and polluters. The whole point is that thousands of cars are thrown away before their time, simply through lack of care. Really, though, it's like your teeth - floss every night, eat less sugar and they'll last for ages.

When the proverbial hits the fan your car is your second home - a shelter when things go pear shaped. You can sleep in it, elope in it, rise bread in it. Dry knickers on the wing mirrors and charge devices in the ciggy lighter. Despite our reliance on the car, however, we're often not bothered looking after them.

Don't panic, though, it's pretty simple!

Tyres. Just like hubby, they need regular checking for bald spots, wear and tear - if the wires are showing through, it's well beyond dangerous.

Windows. Don't be blinded by the light - clean the insides as well. And, if moss is growing on the rubbers, what can we say?

Bodily fluids. Oil is the engine's



Under the bonnet with hammer and posh glove, knickers on wing mirror

blood - use the right one for your car and change it regularly. Antifreeze - not just for frosty mornings but also radiator rust prevention. Most neglected - brake fluid, power steering fluid, wiper water. Find out where they are and keep an eye on the levels.

Rust. Get those tiny dings fixed before your car and your bank account turn to Swiss cheese. Get the junk out of your garage and put your car in there. Whatever's in there is not worth the same as your car!

A final tip - always clean your car before the WOF. You wouldn't go to the physio with stinky feet, would you?

So, give your car some love, leave it in the garage and you will be living with a better purpose!

- Two Mad Old Girls



WHANGAMATA RSA - ANZAC DAY EVENTS

Dawn Service

6.30am

Assemble at Surf Club for Sunrise Flag raising.

Service starts at 6.50am. Medals to be worn. Everyone welcome.

7.15am

Breakfast at Blackies. \$15 per person. Bacon & eggs, toast, tea & coffee. Please bring cash.

Parade/Service

9.30am

Meet at Whangamata RSA for Mix & Mingle and Tea/Coffee.

10.20am

Move to Street March point of assembly at the TCDC Building, Port Road, Whangamata.

10.45am

Fall in behind the Bay of Plenty Pipes & Drums and march to the Whangamata

War Memorial Centre.

Medals to be worn (yours worn on the left, medals belonging to relatives on the right)

Parade Marshall - Geoff March.

11.00am

Service in Whangamata War Memorial Centre.

Welcome by RSA President Geoff March.

Service to be taken by RSA Padre Terri Sorensen.

The Guest Speaker is Wing Comdr Diana Woods RNZAF.

Further Speakers on the day will be: MP Scott Simpson.

Whangamata Area School Representatives Head Boy Keegan Pace and Head Girl Kaysha Lawson

At the completion of the service, the laying of wreaths and floral tributes will take place at the Wall of Remembrance, followed by the Last Post, Ode and Reveille. Special mention of the names on the WW1 Honour Roll.

Following the wreath laying, a light lunch and an afternoon of entertainment by Ebonivory and a performance by The Bay of Plenty Pipes & Drums and Highland and Irish Dancers at Whangamata RSA.

WHANGAMATA

Open 7 Days from 11am

Live shows & entertainment | Anyone can join | Families welcome!



We have it all

- Tai Chi
- Line Dancing
- Euchre
- Busy Fingers
- 500 Cards
- Ukulele Group
- Snooker
- Golden Oldies Snooker
- 8 Ball
- Darts
- Fishing
- Indoor Bowls
- Mah Jong
- Gaming Machines
- Housie
- Quiz Night
- Joker's Wild
- Member Draws
- Raffles

SUN 25 APR

ANZAC DAY

Entertainment by **EBONIVORY**



SAT 9 MAY

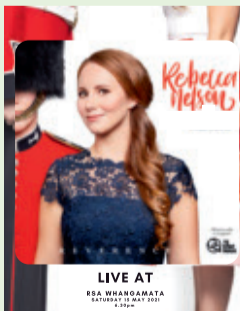
Mother's Day
DOC JEFFRIES
Amazing one-man band!



From 4pm

SAT 15 MAY

REBECCA NELSON



From 6.30pm

SUN 30 MAY

KEVIN GREAVES



From 4pm

Activities

All adjuncts are up & running again!

RAFFLES

Wednesday, Friday & Saturday nights

MEMBERSHIP DRAWS

Wednesday, Friday & Saturday nights
6.00-6.30pm

TREV'S

JOKERS WILD
Wednesday, Friday & Saturday 6.30pm



LUNCH, DINNER & TAKEAWAYS

Everyone welcome

Thai & European Cuisine
OPEN 6 DAYS
Tuesdays to Sundays

P. 07 865 9419

@whangamatarsa

www.whangamatarsa.com

Fun loving group



Therese Dixon acted in this Hunua Theatre Club Production.

What are you doing on Wednesday, 28th April, at 7.30pm?

Therese Dixon is going to direct a New Zealand Comedy for the society for late September. The photo shows her acting in the play. What is it? Come and find out all about it. Come and learn about recent shows.

On Wednesday 28th April you will meet the members of The Whangamata Theatre Society and people like you who are just having a nose.

We are a fun-loving group of people who enjoy bringing theatre alive for Whangamata. Due to Covid 19 we have had a rocky year but now is the time to regroup and get back on track.

You do not have to be an actor or even step on the stage, as people with varied skills and interests

are needed. There are many roles to fill backstage. You might like to assist with props, build a set, do actors makeup or hair, create programmes, work front of house or any manner of things.

We are looking for people just like you to join us. You might like to help in some way with Therese's play or simply come along as an audience member. There is no pressure but we know you will be thankful you got involved.

Although it is an AGM and some executive roles need to be filled we are also wanting new people to come along and join us. After a brief meeting we will focus on hearing from Therese and getting to know each other over wine and nibbles.

- Aisne Edwards, Acting President of The Whangamata Theatre Society

Update on Nea's ballet dream

A huge thank you to everyone who has generously donated to Give A Little for Nea. Special thanks to Sue Blanchett for creating the page and looking after the funds account for Nea's ballet. To date the donations total \$2,035.

Nea is having a very busy term and enjoying every moment of her dancing.

Nea dances in Ngatea on Tuesdays and Turua on Fridays with Pauline Germon from Thames Hauraki Ballet Theatre. Each time Nea dances for 3.5 hours in Royal Academy senior level ballet and is working towards sitting her exams later in the year in RAD Intermediate foundation and level 3 NZAMD Contemporary.

Mrs Germon comments " We are delighted to have Nea as part of our school and she is making excellent progress. Nea is enthusiastic, talented and a fast learner and I look forward to being part of her continuing progress."

On Wednesdays, Nea is delighted to be assisting teaching 2 Junior Jazz classes alongside Jo Cullen



from Whangamata Dance Studio. Jo has inspired Nea in her dance classes since she was 5 years old and continues to study Jazz with Jo, learning level 4 American Jazz this year. Nea is also enjoying a Thursday night Contemporary group dance with Belinda Lima from Whangamata Dance School.

- Trisha Stokman

the lincoln

WOODSTOCK
BOURBON PORK RIBS

HAPPY HOUR EVERY DAY 5 - 6PM!
\$6.50 TAP BEER, TAP CIDER & HOUSE WINES

KIDS EAT FREE
DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS WITH
ACCOMPANYING PARENT!
(T&CS APPLY)

flock
KITCHEN & BAR

Drive to Tairua for the day... scramble up Mt Paku, build sandcastles at the beach, spot fish from the wharf, then...

...end up at our place...
Flock Kitchen & Bar for delicious kai!!

At Flock, we have used our love and passion for Asian cuisine to create a Tapas style menu taking inspiration from Japan, Thailand, Vietnam, China, Korea, Malaysia and a few touches from our own backyard, using ancient recipes while throwing in a modern Flock twist.

Mealtimes are always an important time of the day to share stories and engage with one another. At Flock, you can gather to experience this.

Come and be a part of our Flock Family.

OPEN: THURS TO MON 12PM - LATE

Park concerts could make a comeback

New Year's Eve concerts in Williamson Park could make a comeback next summer as a means of keeping a lid on bad behaviour by teenagers.

The Whangamata Community Board has called for expressions of interest from experienced event managers interested in organising a "family friendly" event.

The call follows this year's late night incident which saw drunken teens rampage through the park, hurling bottles at police and bystanders and vandalising property.

The board said interested parties would take on the overall operational and financial responsibility for organising the event, with administrative and communications support from the Thames Coromandel District Council. It is understood that if no-one steps up to organise an event, basic security will still be provided in the park to stem trouble.

The call for expressions of interest is likely to be greeted as good news by Whangamata resident Susan Coffey, who told the board at their March 30 meeting that the community should stage entertainment on December 30 and 31 aimed at 14 to 17-year-olds.

Coffey suggested hiring a DJ who



could "read the crowd and play whatever the kids want to play".

She claimed most of the trouble on New Year's Eve had been caused by one group of youngsters who had become bored and frustrated because their older friends and relatives were attending a concert at Joe's Farm.

Meanwhile, the Whangamata Ratepayers' Association supports the "reinvention" of the former Holiday Festival Committee to organise entertainment over the Christmas-New Year period.

At the March meeting of the community board, the Whangamata Ratepayers Association called for community consultation over where entertainment should be held. An association spokesman suggested a concert for teens could be held at Joe's Farm where all the necessary infrastructure

was in place for security and management of the sale of alcohol and transport.

Thames Coromandel District Councillor Terry Walker says holding a concert at Williamson Park could be problematic due to consent conditions.

"No fenced or ticketed events are allowed over New Year's Eve. But an open or sponsored event is allowed as long as noise, rubbish are managed and no alcohol is permitted.

"The day before and New Year's Eve at Williamson Park are the key nights and it's mostly the 12-17 year olds who gather in the park to mix and mingle and don't create any problems.

"When there is no entertainment for the majority of kids, they react to the few bad eggs, resulting sometimes in some small damage or 'kid fights'."

In the past, the community board had also funded a "safe zone" away from the park where any alcohol affected young people can be taken to sober up and parents contacted, Walker added.

Entertainment in the park on New Year's Eve has caused controversy in the past, with nearby residents expressing concern about the behaviour of teenagers since the early 2000s.

At a community board meeting in early 2018, residents noted evidence of young people pre-loading on alcohol and "behaving badly" after a concert on New Year's Eve had finished.

In earlier years, despite a heavy police presence, there have been reports of teens as young as 12-14 turning up drunk and causing trouble.

However, TCDC District Events Coordinator Kirstin Richmond said police were keen to reassure the public that although there had been a "blip" last year, the number of arrests was going down and serious assault incidents had also decreased over the past three years.

- Cameron Scott
Freelance Journalist to
Whangamata News

Mothers Day

High tea by WOSC

SAVOURIES

smoked salmon blinis
sausage rolls
mini quiche
crab & prawn bruschetta
sandwiches

SCONES

orange and date
smoked cheddar

SWEETS

victoria cupcakes
blueberry friands
maple & walnut melting moments
raspberry & chocolate lamingtons
mini brulee
macarons
choux au craquelin

May 9th | \$40 pp | available between 2pm & 4pm | for 2 people and up to 4 people per platter | glass of bubbles on arrival | limited spaces available, contact Phil to book yours | manager@oceansports.co.nz



[@whangamataoceansportsclub](https://www.facebook.com/whangamataoceansportsclub)

The Club with the million dollar view!

BRING THE FAMILY

We are open for members & guests!

LOCALS NIGHT

Starts up again from Thursday 6 May for raffles, Spin the Wheel and food! ALL WELCOME!

\$10 LUNCHES
are back from Monday 3 May



\$20 DAILY MEAL DEALS!
with FREE house beer, wine or non-alcoholic drink

BREAST CANCER HIGH TEA

1-3pm Sunday, 23 May

BOOK YOUR TICKETS AT THE CLUB



*Restrictions may apply due to capacity



Lions Lodge receives generosity

A very special moment last week when we presented a healthy cheque of \$14,000 to the Lions Cancer Lodge in Hamilton to thank them for their support while we stayed there over 3 months from December for Andrea's treatment.

We couldn't have done this without Repco, Ron, Monty, Ian & Leigh, Julia & Jason, Stoney, and Verne & Michelle for their parts in raising the money. Thank you!

- Noddy Watts

Everyone deserves a great leader: Goal setting

A few issues ago, I promised to unpack the Four Core Conversations needed to be an effective leader. This week I want to share the Goal Setting conversation. Goals and tasks need to be both clear and compelling.

For goal or task to be clear, it needs to have a start, and an end, and the quality of the goal or task needs to be explicit. The individual needs to know what a good job looks like, and it needs to be short and sharp. The Action Plan or "how" the goal or task is done, need not be included in the written goal or task statement - that is a separate conversation.

Compelling, means the person needs to be enthusiastic about getting it done or at the very least, know why it is important to both the organisation and them



Nicky and Tessa from Little Latte exceed the goals set for greeting customers.

as an individual. This may need some thoughtful input around aligning the goal or task with the individual's purpose. For example, they may need to know that their contribution by completing the

task to the required standard enables the business to turn over a profit, which in turn enables them to have a job!

Lastly, it vital to check for

understanding. Get the person to repeat the goal or task back to you to ensure you were clear in explaining it. If you ask, "Do you understand the goal?", and they reply "Yes", neither person actually knows if effective communication took place.

Leadership is something you do with people not to them. With any goal or task, it is critical to discuss it with people ... not just tell them.

A full One Day Blanchard Management Essentials Course is scheduled for 25th May right here in Whangamata. We are offering a special Covid Business Recovery Promotion of 50% off the normal enrolment fee.

If you are interested check out www.blanchard.co.nz or call 027 507 4363



WE KNOW BUSINESSES ARE DOING IT TOUGH

and we'd like to help.

We're on a mission to help our fellow Kiwi businesses affected by Covid. For the month of May 2021, we will be offering a series of **Public Workshops around New Zealand at a 50% concession.**

"BLANCHARD® MANAGEMENT ESSENTIALS"

WHANGAMATA 25TH MAY 2021

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION & TO BOOK WWW.BLANCHARD.CO.NZ/SPECIAL-EVENTS/

or ph Dave on 027 507 4363

SMOKY PALLET FREEHOUSE

DAILY DEALS

STARTS 26 APRIL 2021
DEAL SPECIFIC T&CS APPLY

<p>MONDAY</p> <p>\$25 ALL YOU CAN EAT RIBS</p> 	<p>TUESDAY</p> <p>\$15 FISH N CHIPS</p> 	<p>WEDNESDAY</p> <p>EVERY \$25 SPENT GETS AN ENTRY TO WIN A WEBBER BBQ</p> 
<p>THURSDAY</p> <p>\$20 BURGER & DRINK</p> 	<p>FRIDAY</p> <p>HAPPY HOUR 4-6 PM</p> 	<p>SATURDAY</p> <p>WINE BOTTLE SPECIALS</p> 
<p>SUNDAY ROAST NIGHT</p>  <p>SCRUMPTIOUS HOT ROAST</p>		

* T & C 'S
DEALS START MONDAY 26 APRIL
All Promotions for patrons 18+
Dine In only
1+ drink must be purchased to qualify for daily deal (per person)
Further T&C's for specific promotions apply

OUR COROMANDEL



News from Thames-Coromandel District Council

23 April, 2021

ANZAC Parades and Memorial Services

The public are invited to attend ANZAC Parades and Memorial Services on Sunday 25 April at the following locations:

Whangamatā:

6.30am Sunrise Flag Raising & Service – Assemble at Whangamatā Surf Club. Following the service, cooked breakfast will be available at Blackies in Williamson Park.

10.20am Civic Parade from the Council offices on Port Road led by the Bay of Plenty Pipes & Drums.

11.00am Civic Service at Whangamatā War Memorial Hall, Port Road, followed by a light lunch and entertainment at the RSA Clubrooms.

Pauanui:

6.00am Dawn Service – Pauanui Surf Lifesaving Club, Pauanui Boulevard. (Pauanui Sports and Recreation Club if wet)

11.00am Civic Service, assemble at Pauanui Garden Centre at 10.45am, marching off to Pauanui Sports and Recreation Club, Sheppard Avenue, for 11am service.

All descendants of returned service personnel are welcome to participate in the parades. Returned service personnel are asked to wear their medals and decorations. Descendants of returned service personnel marching in the parades are asked to wear medals on the right upper portion of their apparel.

For the full list of ANZAC Day parades and services in the Coromandel, go to tcdc.govt.nz/anzacday



What's next in the Long Term Plan process?

The submission period for our proposed Long Term Plan (LTP) for 2021-2031 has now closed. Thank you to everyone who took the time to put in a submission and who joined our drop-in sessions and online forums.

The submissions are now being sorted and hearings will be held from 5-7 May. Council will then deliberate and adopt the final LTP at the end of

June. The LTP sets the budgets, projects and levels of service for the next 10 years. The LTP will not be finalised until Council has considered all feedback.

For more information on the LTP, go to tcdc.govt.nz/longtermplan2021



Recreational Services is our new parks and reserves management contractor

After a competitive tender process, Recreational Services has been awarded the contract to manage and maintain our District's parks, reserves, playgrounds and cemeteries.

Recreational Services is a Kiwi-owned and operated family business founded in 1992 and now tends more than 5,532 parks and reserves around New Zealand and has contracts with 12 other councils. Their contract will begin on 1 July 2021. rs.kiwi.nz

TSUNAMI ALERTING METHODS

Thanks to everyone who attended our public forums on tsunami and other emergency alerting methods on the eastern seaboard of the Coromandel last week – they were well attended.

Similar forums will be held in west coast communities in May. Dates and locations will be announced soon.

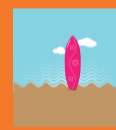
For anyone who missed the forums and would like more information, you can find the tsunami sirens FAQ document at tcdc.govt.nz/tsunamisirens

The existing tsunami warning sirens in our district are being disconnected in September 2021 from the pager system that activates them. They are not compliant with national standards and the National Emergency Management Agency has told our Council to disconnect them or install compliant sirens. These would come at an estimated cost of \$5-\$11 million.

Our current sirens reach fewer than 43 per cent of the district, and are often inaudible due to wind, location or double-glazing on windows.



Red Cross Hazard App



Whangamatā Community Board UPDATE

A word from our Whangamatā Community Board Chair Ken Coulam

"It's been a busy few weeks in our District. Repco Beach Hop brought in the masses and it was awesome to see the streets of Whangamatā filled once again with the classic cars. Projects in our town are all on track, the flying fox at Island View Park has been replaced and you'll notice that the streetlight renewals work is on track with the replacement of old concrete poles."

ken.coulam@council.tcdc.govt.nz



Next Community Board meeting – 9am, Tuesday 11 May at the TCDC Board Room on 620 Port Road, Whangamatā. Agendas are published two working days before meetings on tcdc.govt.nz/meetings

Anzac Day Kerbside Collections

Kerbside rubbish and recycling collections are one day later than usual following the Anzac Day (Observed) public holiday on Monday 26 April. If you're leaving town before your collection day, please take your rubbish and recycling to one of Refuse Transfer Stations. Kerbside collection schedules are available at

tcdc.govt.nz/kerbside

Our Refuse Transfer Stations are open 1-5:30pm on Anzac Day (Sunday 25 April) and are open to their Sunday hours on Anzac Day Observed (Monday 26 April).

www.tcdc.govt.nz/rts



KERBSIDE PLASTIC RECYCLING CHANGE

LOOK FOR THE NUMBER

Only plastics 1 & 2 are collected for recycling

Plus tins, paper & cardboard as usual



Government Freedom Camping Consultation

The Government is consulting on four proposals to improve freedom camping. Details are on the Government website at beehive.govt.nz/release/better-rules-proposed-freedom-camping

The consultation closes Sunday 16 May. There are two public meetings:

Thames:

Wed 28 April, 10:30am-12:30pm, Council Chambers, 515 Mackay St

Whitianga:

Wed 28 April, 4-6pm, TCDC Board Room, 10 Monk St



IT'S TIME TO CHEQUE OUT



NZ Banks are phasing out cheques and after Thursday 20 May we'll no longer be able to accept cheques as a form of payment – tcdc.govt.nz/paymentoptions



Get our free eNewsletters!
www.tcdc.govt.nz/subscribe



www.facebook.com/ThamesCoromandelDistrictCouncil

www.coromandel.govt.nz

customer.services@tcdc.govt.nz

Private Bag, 515 Mackay St, Thames

Phone: 07 868 0200

Ella amped for Olympics



Whangamata News had the distinct pleasure of catching up with local champion surfer Ella Williams recently.

The 26 yr old has a very professional approach to all she does, both in her surfing and her overall attitude which will put her in good stead for the upcoming Olympics.

WN asked about the likely conditions at Tsurigasaki Beach in the Chiba Prefecture, to which Ella replied 'it's a little beach very similar to Whanga in a way, so surfing here has been great practice for me leading up to Tokyo'.

Ella has been to Japan a couple of times and is looking forward to returning, telling WN that 'the people in Japan are really lovely, kind and happy, generous people'.

The competition will be full on from the start with only four days of surfing to complete the event. With four person heats to start with, and only the top two progressing pressure will be on. Ella admits to still feeling nervous before competition, but feels that it's a good thing, it shows that you care and that she can channel the nerves and use them to compete at her very best. The Americans have an impressive team, with Honolulu surfers John Florence and Carissa Moore (current World champ), but watch out also for Aussie Stephanie Gilmour (seven-times World champ) and

a strong Brazilian presence with Gabriel Medina and reigning world champ Italo Ferreira.

When asked about choice of equipment Ella says she is taking a range of sizes to cover all possible conditions, and while she doesn't have a favourite board there is one that may be saved for this special occasion.

Williams confesses that not being able to have any family or friends at the event as support is a big blow as she had planned to have a big team attending.

Ella is very aware of the history of this occasion, how unique it is and the importance of enjoying the moment. She feels that all that she has done in the past is leading to this momentous time in her life.

While realising that these Games may be known as the Covid Games, Ella is still working through the need to consider having the Vaccine before leaving. Like all top athletes she is very aware of the possible impact of any foreign substance entering her system, but is also aware that a vaccine is most likely to be better than contracting Covid. A tough call.

After chatting with Ella, WN feels that this young woman will do her town and country proud. A remarkable ambassador indeed.

Go Ella!

- Photo & story: Mark James, Whangamata News

A tribute to Gavin 'Nobby' Coxhead

With the recent passing of Nobby, it is timely to reflect on his significant contribution in the establishment and early development of our local Coastguard unit.

He joined Whangamata Coastguard as a volunteer in 1991 and was an influential member of the team through to 2011. He served as President in 2002 and 2003 and as a Committee member for many years. His operational roles were, radio operator, duty officer and many will remember his voice on the air in the evenings from his "home-base" station monitoring trip reports.

In 2008 he was awarded Honorary Life Membership in recognition of his valuable service.

With his vast technical knowledge, Nobby was a key player in the establishment and maintenance of our current marine radio repeater site and for years he was our radio service guru. Any communications issues that arose were always referred to him. "Nobby will know how to fix that" was the usual response. His influence in the



decision making surrounding the purchase of our first Rescue Vessel in 1998/99 was a strong part of discussions at the time.

It is important that our current volunteers and members recognise that the well-established Coastguard unit that we have today is built on the efforts of volunteers such as Nobby whose earlier work set the foundations.

Our thoughts and condolences to Pat and family.

- George Williams, on behalf of Coastguard Whangamata

OBITUARY

Coral Olive Mackwood (nee Bouzaid)

December 16, 1925 to 11 April 11, 2021

Coral was born on 16 December 1925. She lived through the great depression, World War 2, a house fire, the 1987 crash, the GFC and the COVID pandemic.

She idolised her father Francis Bouzaid, and always aspired to be a grandmother like her Dad's mum - a reportedly generous warm hearted hospitable soul. The family think it is safe to say she achieved that!

Coral had four children and miscarried one with the love of her life, Harry Mackwood who she met when he returned from the war.

They in turn produced 13 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren, two great great grandchildren and was also de facto "3G" to three more.

She outlived her husband, who passed aged 46, and three of her children.



The requiem mass, the catholic ritual for bringing closure to the catholic community and repose to the soul was held in Whangamata on Thursday, April 15th.

Many of the family spent the last night with Coral and celebrated this gracious and delightful lady with food and stories.

Hospitality, friends and family were so important to Coral.

And Coral so very important to the Mackwood family and friends.

GLAUCOMA

A progressive vision condition that can lead to blindness.



Risk factors for developing glaucoma:

- Myopia
- Diabetes
- Thyroid disease
- Migraine
- Eye injury
- Family history of glaucoma

Glaucoma is known as the sneak thief of sight.

To be sure that you, not your guide dog, are seeing what is important to you book your appointment today.

Visique O'Hagan Vision Care

612 Port Road, Whangamata • Phone 07 865 0007



See the difference

Kiwi Whisky Smugglers the first to swim to Slipper Island

Alex and Nick Ravenhall are two Kiwi brothers who have been holidaying in the family bach in Opoutere since 1961, now based in the United Kingdom, and both have careers in the Scotch Whisky industry.

Nick is the Managing Director for Holyrood Distillery which is the first single malt whisky distillery to operate in Edinburgh for a century. Alex is the Head of Events for Atom Brands which includes the famous independent whisky bottling brand Boutique-y Whisky Company.

The brothers are keen open water swimmers and on Friday 16th April 2021 swam from Ohui (northern end of Opoutere Beach) to Slipper Island. The swim was approximately 6km in distance and was completed by the brothers in a time well under two hours.

The brothers most recently swam The Corryvreckan, the world's third largest whirlpool, which is situated between the Isles of Jura and Scarba in the Scottish Hebrides. During this swim, they smuggled scotch whisky samples on their person and upon completing the swim the smuggled whisky was blended into a limited-edition scotch whisky called Storm Kelpie. Storm Kelpie was released as



a fundraising bottling to raise funds for Sea Shepherd NZ and support Sea Shepherd's efforts in protecting Maui and Hector's Dolphins in NZ. The 2000 bottles that were released were sold out in

a week, with \$11,000 raised for Sea Shepherd.

The Slipper Island swim was a preparation swim for their next whisky smuggling swim event which will be a crossing of the English Channel on June 20th with a second crossing of the Corryvreckan planned for the 1st August. Both swims will be completed with smuggled whisky with the intent to release further fundraising bottlings for Sea Shepherd as part of a new ocean awareness campaign that they are launching called Whisky and Waves.



For updates on their next swimming challenges please follow Nick and Alex on Instagram via [whisky_and_waves](#).

Updated swims, how to donate will be posted via Instagram. If you would like to get involved in a swim or find out more please make contact via: nick@whiskyandwaves.com and alex@whiskyandwaves.com

C'mon readers... support Sea Shepherd NZ to Protect Maui and Hector Dolphins in NZ.

- Whangamata News; Jennie Black.



Join Us AT THE WHANGAMATA CLUB



COME & WATCH ALL THE BIG SCREEN SPORT!



Join us every Thursday this April for Quiz Night. Get your teams in by 6pm for a 6.30pm start.

WHERE THE GOOD TIMES ROLL OPEN 7 DAYS

Great traditional comfort food for you and your family. A warm, friendly, caring & spacious atmosphere.
 Bistro: Monday to Friday from 3pm
 Saturday & Sunday from 11.30am
 Open 7 days for dinner from 5.30pm
 Snack menu from 3pm
 Restaurant: Friday & Saturday from 5.30pm
 Carvery from 5.30pm

JOIN US NOW
 New Members welcome.
 Instant Membership \$35
 Membership through to 30 September 2021

ANZAC ENTERTAINMENT

SATURDAY 24 APRIL, 6.30PM - EMMELINE & CORILIN PLAYING ALL THE HITS



SUNDAY, 25 APRIL & SUNDAY, 9 MAY - GERRY LEE



Gerry Lee
 PREMIER ROCK 'N' ROLL PIANIST

Inaugural Neon Surf competition

Mount Maunganui surfer Jack Hinton has been competing nationally for years through the age groups and on Sunday 11th April his relentless persistence paid off with a win at the inaugural Neon Surf Comp at Pauanui.

Hinton has been in exceptional form this season placing in the past four finals, three of those finishing runner-up. But today was Hinton's day as he took out the Under 18 Boys Division with a big win.

Hinton posted 13.53 points out of a possible 20 in the final edging out his closest rival by just under a point.

"Pauanui is kinda like home at Mount Maunganui so I am pretty used to surfing those conditions. All the boys were ripping and I am pretty stoked to beat them" he added of the 1.0m - 1.5m beach break conditions on offer.

"I am not sure what the difference is between this win and all my others finals this year, I got a bit lucky with the waves in the final. I have never won a national event before."

Hinton didn't secure the win until after the final hooter had sounded when closest rival Tom Robinson (Whangarei) surfed a nice late wave. The wave concerned Hinton but it ultimately came up short of the 6.94 required to win.

Robinson, who surfed to the highest heat score of the event in the semifinals (17.1 points) and singled highest wave score (8.83 points), had to settle for second place in the final after his explosive semifinal performance. Josef Jungwirth (Rag) surfed in his second consecutive final finishing in third ahead of Ari D'Anvers (Whangarei) in fourth.

Natasha Gouldsbury (Tara) found herself winning her second event



Taj Millar Dal Bosco

Photos: Cory Scott / NZ Surfing Magazine

in as many weekends in the Under 18 Girls Division. Gouldsbury left her best surfing for the final and secured the highest single wave score of 8.1 in the final, going on to finish with a 12.37 point heat total.

"I am finally getting it done this season with two wins in two weekends" Gouldsbury said.



Ash Rogers

"It is hard against all of these girls, they are all ripping but I am happy to get some wins and an 8.10 in the final, I felt like that was a good wave" she added.

After two trips to the South Island

this season, Gouldsbury has opted to stay home next weekend with her next outing in home waters at the start of the next month.

Finishing runner up in the final was Piha's Liv Haysom surfing to a 10.83 point heat total. Haysom edged out Brie Bennett (Rag) who finished in third on 10.13 points with Anna Brock (Mnt) finishing in fourth.

The day started out with dense sea mist and drizzle but the sun soon broke through mid-morning as forecast and delivered a stunning afternoon with a 1.0m - 1.5m swell and light variable onshore winds.

Beau Woods (Mnt) took his first win at national level in the Under 16 Boys Division. The win comes off the back of a finals berth at the South Island Championships last weekend. Woods completed a big forehand close-out turn, momentarily disappearing in the white water before re-emerging to the surprise of everyone. The one turn netted the natural footer a 5.67 point ride and differentiated him from his opponents who were all within touching distance for the win. Tai Erceg - Gray (Whangarei) finished up in second less than a point behind Woods with Tai Murphy (Whaka) in third

and Cooper Ashill (Whangarei) in fourth.

Ava Henderson (Chch) claimed her third straight win in the Under 16 Girls Division with a comfortable victory. Henderson pushed the boundaries on several waves coming unstuck but still managed to post an 11.36 point heat total. Leia Millar (Piha) tackled the final with the same approach hitting big oncoming sections and finished runner up ahead of Skylar McFetridge (Tara) in third and Asia Braithwaite (Gis) in fourth.

Tao Mouldey (Mnt) stepped back down into his age group in the Under 14 Boys Division for this event and found himself in the tightest final of the day. Tairua surfer Zeke Wyper exchanged the lead with Mouldey several times before Mouldey clinched the win with a long running left for a 6.83 point ride. Wyper finished 0.1 points behind Mouldey on 13.1 points. Dale Cromhout (HBay) finished in third despite starting the final with an interference and Gabriel Lobb (Gis) finished in fourth.

Maya Mateja continued her run of wins making it four on the trot in the Under 14 Girls Division. Mateja looked like the form surfer all weekend and in the final she posted an 11.33 point heat total for the win which comes on the back of a hat-trick of wins in the Grom Series leading into this event. Alani Morse (Orewa) finished in second with Indi-Lee Ruddell (Whangarei) in third and Talia Da Silva (Whangarei) in fourth.

The day was completed with several major spot prizes being handed out to participants before the winners were announced.

Please see www.surfingnz.co.nz for all the final results from the inaugural 2021 Neon Surf Comp completed at Pauanui Saturday and Sunday 10 - 11 April.

Need a rubbish bin for home?



3 SIZE OPTIONS

Contact us today!

PHONE **0800 4 MY BIN (0800 469 246)**

EMAIL **sales@smartbins.co.nz**

ONLINE **www.smartbins.co.nz**



smart
environmental

WE ARE LOCAL - proudly 100% Kiwi owned & operated



Braving it all

Opoutere School's Year 5 - 8 senior students, TK Hub, braved the weather conditions to participate in one of their four Adventure Learning days based around Te Moana.

After kayaking in the Wharekawa Harbour earlier in the term, TK Hub prepared for their Fishing/Surfing excursions. The Year 5/6 students explored marine life of Te Moana through some fishing off the wharf and the Year 7/8 students explored Te Moana through surfing lessons provided by Whangamata Surf School.

The plan was to meet back together in the afternoon to participate in a beach cleanup as a pre-exercise before embarking on the Sustainable Coastlines Litter Intelligence Programme in Term 2. However, mother nature had other ideas and threw down some torrential rain which cut the day short.

Spirits were held high with students able to skimboard on flooded grass areas and enjoy themselves in the pouring rain before heading back to their kura and using their experiences to be creative with some writing.

Nga mihi mahana.

- Matt Sheales, Deputy Principal, Teacher Year 7/8

- Photos Mark James, Whangamata News



Surfing at Whanga

I can see the peeling waves crashing against the sandy shore and exploding with power.

I can smell the salt dissolving in the ocean.

I can feel the waves slapping my face as I try to paddle over them.

I can hear the power of the waves smash against the salt water and the rain dropping onto the grains of sand.

I can taste the salt water running into my mouth.

- Ezra Honeycombe, Year 7

CATALOGUE IN-STORE NOW!



CHAINSAWS FROM \$299[^]



120 Mark II
14" - 38.2cc - 4.85kg

[^]Refers model 120 Mark II

FREE!

GARDEN EARMUFFS*

Valued at \$49



*Free with Husqvarna Blower models: 125B and 125BVX only.

FREE!

CARRY CASE, CHAIN & FILING KIT*

VALUED AT OVER \$220^x



*Available on models: 435E II, 440E II, 445E II, 450E II, 455R, 460, 340i only.

FREE!

TOOLBOX, CHAIN & FILING KIT#

VALUED AT OVER \$335[#]



#Available on models: 565-AT, 572XP

Your local authorised Husqvarna Dealer:



Shaun Prescott, Sales Manager: 021 285 4870 or 07 864 7801
1 Hikui Settlement Road, Hikui | www.prescottsgarages.co.nz

Offers valid 01/04/21 - 31/07/21 at participating Husqvarna Dealers only, while stocks last.

WWW.HUSQVARNA.COM



ASK US ABOUT OUR INTEREST FREE FINANCE DEALS

Is a retirement village the right choice for you?

Many older people ask me whether they should go into a retirement village to live. There is no right or wrong answer but people need to look at the advantages and disadvantages so I will set out some of the main points to consider.

Advantages

1. Less worries and responsibilities with one weekly payment covering rates, building insurance, grounds maintenance and upkeep of the buildings.
2. Weekly payment is often fixed for life so no concerns about future price rises.
3. Opportunities to share in village life and using common facilities such as gym, pool, on site restaurant and the like depending on the village.
4. Group outings and new friends to be made.
5. You can get priority for greater care if you need to transfer to a hospital type facility.

Disadvantages

1. You do not own a title to the unit or villa but you purchase a licence to occupy.
2. If you don't like living in the village and want to sell up it can take a while to sell.
3. You can typically lose up to 30% of the entry cost so that for example if you paid \$900,000 for a right to occupy and after 3 years decided the lifestyle is not for you the amount you receive on sale would only be \$630,000. It might then be difficult to rehouse yourself.
4. Your community consists only of old people
5. Residents may expect you to join in with activities that you are not interested in.

Whatever you decide, the decision is a big one and you need to think it over carefully.

- Neil Evans, Keam Standen Lawyers
neil@keam.co.nz or 021 859 303

Nail biter in game of two halves



The Waihi rugby team came to town on Saturday, and by half time the score had blown out to 22-3 to Whanga.

Any thoughts of a rout were put to bed as Waihi stormed back into the game with two late tries and the score was levelled nearing full time.

A last minute penalty to Whanga was slotted over nicely to eke out the win. Final score: 25-22 to Whanga... phew!



Pickleball in a pickle

Gail Gilbertson is reaching out in our community to keep the Pickleball Club going with the continued use of the Memorial Hall for weekly Monday games.

The TCDC one - off grant of \$600 for 12 games of hall hireage at \$50 per game is due to expire on Anzac Day this week.(Being February to April end).

Players are required to pay only \$2 per game to offset equipment

and tape charges, but this will not cover the \$50 a session for the hall each week that the TCDC insists they pay. The club can not withstand the fee.

So, in essence Gail is hoping that perhaps only four local business firms could assist with only \$50 per month to keep this popular sport alive.

Pickleball is a hybrid racquet sport that uses large paddles and

a hollow, plastic perforated ball known as a wiffle. These bats alone can cost from \$55 to \$170 each, the club only has 4 at present so the need for equipment is dire.

Can anyone help ? it's a wonderful sport for boomers and retirees and the game can be as hard or fast as you want it to be!

Contact Gail Gilbertson on 0272 848 530.




BOOF BOLAND
PAINTER & DECORATOR

P O Box 410, Whangamata 3643
M: 0274 367 254
E: jenboof@outlook.com




fairview
EXCEPTIONAL WINDOWS & DOORS

FAIRVIEW WHANGAMATA
304 CASEMENT RD,
WHANGAMATA
07 865 8919
WWW.FAIRVIEWWHANGAMATA.NZ

Love your view

CLASSIFIEDS

WANTED TO RENT

Professional couple in full time employment seeking to rent, long term 1-2 bedroom flat/house or apartment, \$350-\$450 p/week.
Both very house proud. References available including Whangamata News. No pets, non-smokers. **Call Alan 0279 496 514.**

PUBLIC NOTICES

WHANGAMATA ROADRIDERS

New riders, old riders all welcome.
Day riders, evening rides, annual trips, rider training by PRORIDER.
Club meeting 1st Sunday each month, 4.00pm Bucks Bar.
Contact Bryce 027 282 057



Billy and Jim –
St Pat's foolery!
- Jennie Black



Mortality: A fading butterfly on a fading dahlia.
A gentle reminder that life is short.
Photo: Brian Pittams



Colossal pumpkins at the Julian Family Orchard... so heavy they needed a forklift to shift them!
- Jennie Black

Whangamata NEWS welcomes readers' photos and contributions.
Email them to: WhangamataNEWS@gmail.com



WHANGAMATA THEATRE SOCIETY INC.

**DO YOU ENJOY STAGE PERFORMANCES?
DO YOU BELIEVE WHANGAMATA DESERVES LIVE THEATRE?
WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO HELP ACHIEVE THIS?**

Annual General Meeting at Cornerstone House 100 Ocean Road on Wednesday 28th April 2021 starting at 7.30pm.

Come along and hear about some of the recent successful shows, and learn about future plans. You may be able to offer a little time to ensure the society is able to continue its proud involvement in our community.

After the brief formalities there will be a talk by Therese Dixon, who has produced a number of successful performances in other centres, about a planned show later in the year. This will be followed by a light supper.

FOR SALE

HORSE FLOAT:
Fieldline Sprinter double axle. Good condition useful for all jobs! \$7000 ono.
Phone Peter to view 027 291 2703.



WHANGAMATA TIDES 2021

April 2021

☾ New Moon: 12th ☀ Full Moon: 27th

Date	High tide AM	Height (m)	High tide PM	Low tide AM	Height (m)	Low tide PM	Sun rise	Sun set
23	Fri	3:04	1.8	15:29	9:14	0.5	21:36	06:48 17:39
24	Sat	4:00	1.8	16:30	10:12	0.5	22:35	06:49 17:37
25	Sun	4:56	1.9	17:29	11:09	0.4	23:32	06:50 17:36
26	Mon	5:51	2.0	18:25		0.4	12:04	06:51 17:35
27	Tue	6:45	2.0	19:19	0:27	0.3	12:58	06:52 17:34
28	Wed	7:38	2.1	20:12	1:21	0.2	13:50	06:53 17:32
29	Thu	8:31	2.1	21:05	2:14	0.2	14:41	06:54 17:31
30	Fri	9:23	2.1	21:57	3:07	0.2	15:32	06:55 17:30

May 2021

☾ New Moon: 12th ☀ Full Moon: 26th

Date	High tide AM	Height (m)	High tide PM	Low tide AM	Height (m)	Low tide PM	Sun rise	Sun set
1	Sat	10:16	2.0	22:51	4:01	0.2	16:23	06:56 17:29
2	Sun	11:10	2.0	23:46	4:55	0.3	17:16	06:56 17:28
3	Mon		1.9	12:06	5:51	0.3	18:10	06:57 17:27
4	Tue	0:43	1.9	13:03	6:49	0.4	19:07	06:58 17:26
5	Wed	1:41	1.9	14:02	7:47	0.5	20:06	06:59 17:25
6	Thu	2:38	1.8	15:02	8:46	0.5	21:06	07:00 17:23
7	Fri	3:34	1.8	16:00	9:43	0.5	22:05	07:01 17:22
8	Sat	4:26	1.8	16:55	10:36	0.5	22:59	07:02 17:21
9	Sun	5:16	1.8	17:45	11:26	0.5	23:48	07:03 17:20
10	Mon	6:02	1.8	18:31		0.5	12:12	07:04 17:20
11	Tue	6:45	1.8	19:14	0:33	0.5	12:55	07:04 17:19
12	Wed	7:27	1.8	19:54	1:16	0.5	13:35	07:05 17:18
13	Thu	8:07	1.8	20:34	1:57	0.5	14:14	07:06 17:17
14	Fri	8:46	1.8	21:13	2:36	0.5	14:51	07:07 17:16
15	Sat	9:25	1.8	21:51	3:16	0.5	15:29	07:08 17:15
16	Sun	10:05	1.7	22:31	3:56	0.5	16:08	07:09 17:14
17	Mon	10:45	1.7	23:13	4:37	0.6	16:48	07:10 17:13
18	Tue	11:28	1.7	23:58	5:20	0.6	17:32	07:10 17:13
19	Wed		1.8	12:15	6:07	0.6	18:20	07:11 17:12
20	Thu	0:46	1.8	13:07	6:57	0.5	19:12	07:12 17:11
21	Fri	1:38	1.8	14:03	7:50	0.5	20:08	07:13 17:11

Sport results

GOLF CROQUET

Don O'Sullivan: 21 points
Joy Ross: 20 points
Alison Todd: 19 points

MAH JONG

16 April: We had 50 players at Mah Jong. "The Bigwood Prize", sponsored by Smoky Pallet, was won by Beryl Barr. The Mah Jong Winner for the day was Philippa Dennison with 43 points. Second was Daphne Inglis with 42 points and third was Bev Kerr with 40 points.

POKER

14 April: A busy night with about six new visitors amongst us so nice to see them enjoying our Poker scene.

1st: Steve (cool hand) Latta
2nd: Leanne Rymil
3rd: Jilly Witehira

Steve has been playing a consistent game in last few weeks coming up with a good result tonight well done. Leanne was like a dog with a bone but coming in a good second. Congratulations to all money winners another great night at the hub.

RSA 500 CLUB

31 March: 12 people enjoyed a good afternoon. Winner on the day was Helen Tebbutt and Rex Osbaldiston won the chocolate bar. Robert Watson won the raffle.

7 April: 12 People enjoyed a good afternoon. Winner on the day was Denis Stowe and Jill Thomas won the chocolate bar. Colette Slack won the raffle.

14 April: 10 people enjoyed a good afternoon. Winner on the day was Linda Harris and Wacker Payne won the chocolate bar. Marge Hodgson won the raffle.

DEADLINE SALE



113A PIPI ROAD



Sharon Laurenson
027 662 3164
sharon@whangamatarealestate.co.nz

- Walk across the road to beachfront
- Views of ocean and outer islands
- Multi levels provide three bedrooms and a guest space, total of four toilets and two bathrooms
- Large kitchen, open plan living area
- A deck to the north east takes in the view while the private patio is sheltered
- Wide frontage with plenty of parking
- Internal access garage with auto door
- View by appointment

Deadline Sale: 4pm, Thursday 29 April 2021
www.whangamatarealestate.co.nz ref# 7948

PRICE BY NEGOTIATION



23 HERBERT DRIVE



Sharon Laurenson
027 662 3164
sharon@whangamatarealestate.co.nz

- 4000sqm freehold land parcel, with north facing aspect and elevated semi rural views
- Stylish and well finished minor dwelling, open plan living with mezzanine bedroom
- High stud boat garage with auto door
- Sunny decks and outdoor living area
- Power and water to building site
- Geotechnical Report available
- House plans available (Diana Blake design)
- Quality plantings with many native and fruit trees
- View by appointment or via open homes

www.whangamatarealestate.co.nz ref# 7956

PRICE BY NEGOTIATION



UNIT 6/100 WINIFRED AVENUE



Wendy Jeffs
027 4219 482
wendy@whangamatarealestate.co.nz

- Enjoy being within proximity to town and beach and within an easy stroll of cafes and the surf.
- Spread over 3 levels you have 3 double bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, modern kitchen and dining area which leads out onto the north facing deck
- From the master bedroom the balcony overlooks the complex's swimming pool, plus there are views of the ocean
- Internal access double garage plus additional outdoor secure parking makes it complete and convenient
- All the furniture will remain for the successful purchaser. Just move in and enjoy, there are no lawns to mow!

www.whangamatarealestate.co.nz ref# 7954

ENQUIRIES OVER \$850,000



241A OTAHU ROAD



Pete Sheppard
027 609 4955
Pete.chris@whangamatarealestate.co.nz



Chris Speedy
021 747 901

- This very tidy bach could be your own island-style retreat in Whangamata
- Recently renovated and featuring a new kitchen and large covered deck/living space
- Great indoor/outdoor living with bi-folds and outside fire
- Compact and easy care but with great facilities with 2 bathrooms plus outdoor hot shower in the rear garden
- Office and utility room, heat pump
- Fully fenced and gated with mature gardens
- Good location with estuary close by

www.whangamatarealestate.co.nz ref# 7959



100 TUI ROAD



Colin Thompson
021 723723
colin@whangamatarealestate.co.nz

- This classic single level holiday home is ready for its next owners to enjoy and add more happy family memories to its history
- Positioned on a north facing level 809sqm section
- Walking distance to the local swimming pool, 9-hole golf course and clubs
- Ample parking for extra cars, boats, caravans, motorhomes
- With the bonus of being sold fully furnished this property offers you the opportunity to move in and start enjoying as soon as possible
- Make an appointment to view today

AUCTION: 1pm, Saturday 15 May 2021 at 607 Port Road (will not be sold prior)

www.whangamatarealestate.co.nz ref# 7960

AUCTION



409 ACHILLES AVENUE



Pete Sheppard
027 609 4955
Pete.chris@whangamatarealestate.co.nz



Chris Speedy
021 747 901

- Here is a 3 double bedroom property with plenty on offer
- 890sqm site on the golf course
- The vast open plan living space incorporates a large modern kitchen and dining – all with the beautiful outlook to the ninth green and beyond.
- Custom-made kitchen features quality appliances
- Family room with office nook, 2 heat pumps + HRV system
- Internal access double garage and loft storage
- Great outdoor living on the golf course side
- Many features to enjoy here. A superb family or retirement home or mega-holiday home

Deadline Sale 4pm, Thursday 12 May 2021

www.whangamatarealestate.co.nz ref# 7961

DEADLINE SALE (ENQUIRY OVER \$1,800,000)



102 WILLIAMSON ROAD



Sharon Laurenson
027 662 3164
sharon@whangamatarealestate.co.nz

- Ideal holiday lock and leave, first home or rental property
- Located in the Surf Club & Golf Course zone
- 2 generous double bedrooms, updated bathroom
- Spacious open plan kitchen, dining and living
- Great indoor/outdoor flow to private deck & yard
- Separate single garage
- Fully fenced and gated rear yard, freehold 388sqm site

www.whangamatarealestate.co.nz ref# 7962

ENQUIRIES OVER \$875,000



126B TAMAKI ROAD



Pete Sheppard
027 609 4955
Pete.chris@whangamatarealestate.co.nz



Chris Speedy
021 747 901

- This easy care property sits on a 1/2 Int in 921m2 rear flat site
- It has been recently renovated, with a new kitchen, carpet, heat pump, interior paint and decking
- Make this your permanent home or an easy lock up and leave holiday home
- Three double bedrooms, open plan living with a north facing deck off the lounge
- Located close to town, clubs, school and the beach

www.whangamatarealestate.co.nz ref# 7958

ENQUIRIES OVER \$900,000



Whangamata

REAL ESTATE LTD
Licensed under (REAA 2008)

MREINZ

Visit us at 411 Ocean Road & 607 Port Road, Whangamata
Call us on 07 865 8499

[@whangamatarealestateltd](https://www.facebook.com/whangamatarealestateltd)
www.whangamatarealestate.co.nz



first national
REAL ESTATE

Paradise Coast

0800 868 439
www.corofirstnat.co.nz
enquire@corofirstnat.co.nz
1/237 Main Road, Tairua
31 Wilson Road, Waihi Beach
501a Port Road, Whangamata
Licensed Real Estate Agents (REA 2008)



Whangamata



New Price

Whangamata

Web# FNPC1007

Web# 11908100995

Your Ideal Holiday Bach

Beautifully presented, 2 bedrm home or bach. New kitchen, laundry & bathrm. Big dining & kitchen area opens to the deck for breakfasts in the sun. Spacious lounge opens to a private barbecue area.

\$775,000
Gordon Turner
021 385 385
Lisa Thomas
027 697 9688



Your Next Holiday!

Great starter, 1 bedrm home on a 389sqm site. Just a stroll from clubs & town centre. Stacker doors from the huge lounge to a private deck. Big open plan living w mod kitchen. Lined gge carport. Perfect getaway - perfect location.

\$769,000
Lisa Thomas
027 697 9688
+lisa@
corofirstnat.co.nz



Whangamata

Web# 11908100987

shows approximate location of the property



Whiritoa

Web# FNPC1006

Idyllic Isolation - 31.1Ha

Magnificent Coastal Property, outstanding views of Pacific Ocean, islands & Whangamata. Tasteful 2 bedrm home & a huge shed, 25 acres grazing & fruit trees. A rare find, breathtaking scenery on the coast, development options.

\$By Negotiation
Call Gordy
021 385 385
gordon@
corofirstnat.co.nz



Beach Perfect

You said you wanted a bach. Ideal entry into Whiritoa Beach property. With its 2 bedrms, huge lounge opening onto the deck for entertaining & located within easy walk to beach & Estuary, the start of your beach dream.

\$575,000
Chris Scott
0274 500 022
Liz Griffin
0274 500 882



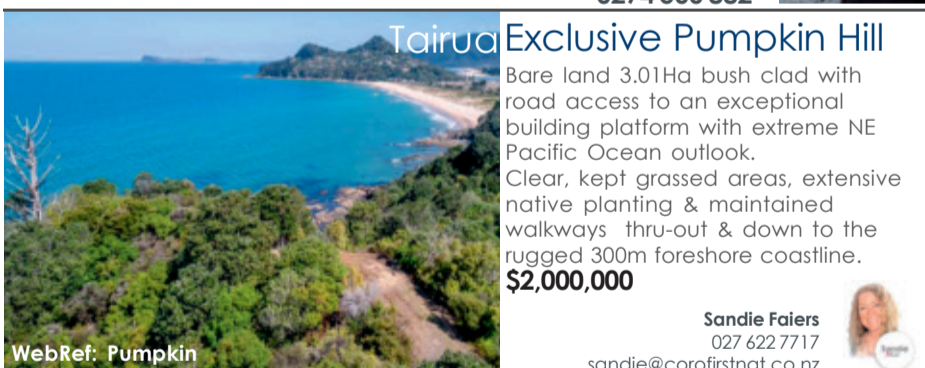
Tairua

Web# 11908151458

Hear The Call Of Nature

5.14Ha (approx 12 acre) lifestyle block. Abundant native bush. Level cleared building platform - completely private & secluded. Meander along your own bush track which leads to a scenic stream flowing through the property.

\$ PBN
Sandie Faiers
027 622 7717
sandie@
corofirstnat.co.nz



Tairua Exclusive Pumpkin Hill

Bare land 3.01Ha bush clad with road access to an exceptional building platform with extreme NE Pacific Ocean outlook. Clear, kept grassed areas, extensive native planting & maintained walkways thru-out & down to the rugged 300m foreshore coastline.

\$2,000,000

Sandie Faiers
027 622 7717
sandie@corofirstnat.co.nz



WebRef: Pumpkin



Tairua

Affordable Investment

The Most Affordable Investment In Tairua. A Polynesian inspired Villa on a Freehold Title right in the pulsing heart of town. Includes one car park adjacent to Villa. Easy living or the ideal holiday escape. With 3 main city centres only 2 hrs drive this would be the ideal rental investment.

SPBN

Call Sandie
027 622 7717
sandie@corofirstnat.co.nz



Web Ref: 11908151423



Friday Night Quiz at the RSA - 6:30pm each Friday!

Come along & have some fun!

Proudly sponsored by First National Paradise Coast

Selling? Call us for a quote! **0800 868 439**



Our business is getting You to the Beach!

Only the BEST TRADIES will do! Use Locals... For Locals... Support Locals!

IT SUPPORT



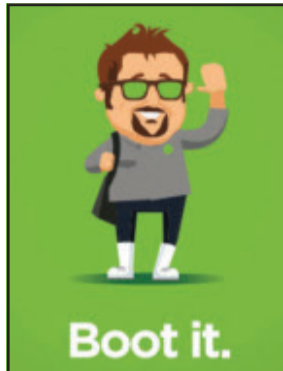
MAINTENANCE ON PROPERTIES

- Decks & retaining walls
- Fences & handyman work

No mess, no stress

PHONE REX: 021 997 428

IT SUPPORT



FIBRE INTERNET now available to order from Boot I.T.

We are the Coromandel's only local Fibre Internet Provider, and the ONLY provider that offers 7 days per week support.

Call us on 0800 242 266 to find out more.

HIRE / SUPPLIES

Bubba's



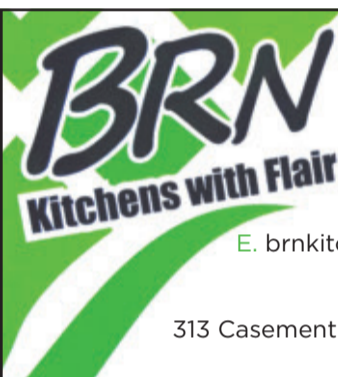
Outdoors & Hire
321 Casement Rd,
Whangamata

OPEN 7 DAYS

- LPG Refills • Ice • Bait • Rods • Reels
- Tackle • Chandlery • General Hire

P. 07 865 7464

KITCHEN



ROD ROUTLEY

P. 07 865 8988
M. 027 285 6959
E. brnkitchens@gmail.com

SHOWROOM:

313 Casement Rd, Whangamata

LANDSCAPING

Beach Contractors
& Landscape Supplies

LANDSCAPING SUPPLIES:

Bark, mulch, compost and topsoil	Sand, lime chip, river stones and pebbles	Cement, builder's mix and a range of metals
----------------------------------	---	---

Delivery service available

Whangamata Yard
2546 Waihi Whangamata Rd
M. 027 261 1262

Waihi Beach Yard
691 Waihi Beach Rd
P. 07 863 5340

CONCRETE

BROWN MORE CONSTRUCTION
CONCRETE CONTRACTORS

Any Concrete Requirements: Slabs, driveways, patios, paths, etc
All types of concrete - colour - finish
Council Permits for Vehicle Crossings
Excavation to finished product • Saw cutting & drilling

We take pride in doing a quality job at a competitive rate

REX: 027 285 5489
P. 07 863 3364 • office@brownmoreconstruction.co.nz
www.brownmoreconstruction.co.nz

PLUMBING

Russell CHOAT
GAS & Plumbing
Whangamata

FOR ALL YOUR GAS-FITTING, PLUMBING, DRAINAGE & ROOFING REQUIREMENTS
Registered craftsman & member of Master Plumbers

M. 0274 714 869 E. CHOATS@XTRA.CO.NZ

LAWNS

Coastal lawns & landscapes
PROFESSIONAL • QUALIFIED • RELIABLE

- FULLY INSURED
- FRUIT TREE CARE
- LAWN MOWING
- IRRIGATION
- TREE PRUNING
- LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE

GREG FOSTER 021 0278 6990
E. info@coastallawns.co.nz

PAINTER

Coastline Property Painters

Protecting your investment Communication is everything
■ Interior ■ Exterior ■ Roofs ■ Updates & photos as your job progresses

Call Richard Upton: 0274 884 881 / www.coastlinepropertypainters.com

CLOTHING

Marty's
Clothing Alterations and Repairs

LADIES - MEN - CHILDRENSWEAR
Open Tuesday to Saturday 8am-1pm
105 Aickin Road (just off Port Road),
Whangamata | M. 027 253 5515

CURTAINS / BLINDS

Specialising in:

- Curtains
- Roman Blinds
- Cushions
- Duvet Covers
- Roller Blinds
- Shutters

croft design

306 CASEMENT ROAD, WHANGAMATA
M. 0274 481 957 | E. bethlord12@gmail.com

EARTHWORKS

D.M. EARTHWORKS LTD

- Driveways
- Retaining walls
- Augering
- Concrete prep
- Floor pads
- General digger & truck work
- 3.5 ton digger
- 6 ton tipper truck

Damian Martin: 027 353 2599
damomartin863@outlook.com

HEALTH

FOOT CARE

- Corns & calluses removed
- Pedicures
- Nails clipped & tidied

Men & women welcome

Enhance Me Beauty Enhance Me Whangamata
EnhanceMe.NZ

4 Hunt Road, Whangamata
For appointments contact Hayley: Ph/txt 021 0850 7317

PAINTERS

Gerards Painting Services

Small jobs are my specialty!

PHONE: **021 108 5996**

PAINTER

HAURAKI REGIONAL PAINTERS

Interior • Exterior • Roofs
Over 10 years experience,
reliable and punctual.
Free quotes and references available.
Phone Graeme 020 485 1312

Use Only the Best Services in our Community!

Use Locals... For Locals... Support Locals!

BUILDER

HBL HANSEN BUILDERZ
BUILDING & LANDSCAPING

COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE
Contact us to Discuss your project & a free estimate today



ADRIAN 0274 263 895 | hansen.builderz@gmail.com | HBLHomesnz.co.nz
Residential | Commercial | Alterations | Additions

LOCKSMITH

Homesafe Locksmiths & Services

ONE key to fit ALL doors!
FREE advice on your lock requirements

Ian McAuley (Macca) Owner/Operator
• 126A Tamaki Rd, Whangamata
• P 021 719 495 or 07 865 7092 • E imacca2003@yahoo.co.nz

CLEANING



- Carpet Cleaning
- Pest Control
- Flood & Fire Restoration
- Stain Removal
- Upholstery Cleaning

07 863 8358 or 0800 225 552

whangamata@jae.co.nz



AUTOMOTIVE & BOATS

WE HAVE REBRANDED!
WE ARE NOW



SAME GREAT TEAM! SAME GREAT SERVICE!

ONLY Repco STOCKIST IN TOWN!

ONLY HONDA AGENT IN TOWN!

JCD CUSTOMS & MARINE

Aickin Road, Whangamata (next to Bunnings)
P. 865 9073 | E. office@jcdcustoms.co.nz
Mon-Fri from 8am, Sat 9am-3pm

INDIAN CUISINE



LUNCH SPECIAL
\$10 takeaway
or \$12.50 dine-in

Dine-in, takeaway or delivery. Barista coffee available all times.
Seating up to 70 people. Come & experience the new decor.

Order online: kafalindiancuisine.co.nz or menulog.co.nz
- all menus are available on website

Dinner open 7 days, 4pm-late • Lunch Fri to Sun, 11.30am-2pm
800 PORT ROAD | PHONE 07 865 8870

LAWYERS



Skill, Reliability, Efficiency, Relationship, Affordability

These are the key ingredients that we believe clients are seeking in a law firm. At KEAM STANDEN we all strive to deliver these ideals every day.

Further, our commitment to the community is underlined by our motto:

'FOR JUSTICE AND INTEGRITY'



Email Neil@keam.co.nz | Phone 021 859 303

BUILDER

Keith the Builder LBD

Need something done?

For maintenance, decking, fencing, repairs, interior work and all enquiries



PHONE FOR FREE QUOTE
Keith phone 0272 262 039

FUNDRAISING SHOP

KITSCHY CAT

KITSCHY CAT FUNDRAISING SHOP
for 'absolutely shabulous' new & used



Located in Whangamata Furniture & Bedding
OFFERING FREE NEUTERING SERVICES SINCE 2015

HAIRDRESSER

KRISSY
MOBILE HAIRDRESSER
P. 865 6917 / 027 272 1942

DOING YOUR HAIR IN YOUR HOME

- ✓ Good rates
- ✓ Convenient
- ✓ Professional

Whangamata-based



FIREWOOD

**FIREWOOD
FIREWOOD
FIREWOOD**

Call Kyley 027 922 2469

FREE delivery, great dry mix! Great value!

ELECTRICAL

Electrical Laser
"Totally Dependable"

AVAILABLE 24/7

Residential | Commercial | Heat Pumps
Fire Systems

P. 865 9309 | whangamata@laserelectrical.co.nz
Visit our Aickin Road Showroom today!



PLUMBING

Plumbing Laser

- ✓ Plumbing
- ✓ Gas fitting
- ✓ Drainage
- ✓ General maintenance

Phone 865 7151 | Whangamata
whangamata@laserplumbing.co.nz



LAWNS

Lawn & Order

Full workshop facilities for ride-ons & mowers:

- LAWNMASTER
- OLEO MAC
- MASPORT

Stockists of NZ's leading products, mowers, trimmers & chainsaws. Parts, accessories & great expertise!

NEW LOCATION: 101 Casement Rd, Whangamata
(Opp. Bucks Bar) P. 07 865 6681

KITCHENS



Specialists in design, manufacture & installation of kitchens, wardrobes & custom cabinetry

108 Lindsay Rd, Whangamata P. 865 7947 whangamatawoodworks.com

MASTERCRAFT KITCHENS

BUILDERS

MJC BUILDERS
Building with pride

- FENCING
- DECKS
- PERGOLAS
- ROOFING
- ALTERATIONS
- BUILDING REPAIRS
- CONCRETE DRIVEWAYS
- FULL LANDSCAPING



MIKE CUNNINGHAM M. 021 0677 555
E. mjc.builder.whangamata@gmail.com

Only the BEST TRADIES will do! Use Locals... For Locals... Support Locals!

BUILDER

LOOKING FOR EXPERT CRAFTSMANSHIP FOR YOUR NEXT BUILDING PROJECT?

Over 40 years of building expertise

- ✓ DESIGN & BUILD
- ✓ PROJECT MANAGEMENT
- ✓ ESTIMATING
- ✓ RENOVATION & REPAIRS
- ✓ CONSULTING
- ✓ COUNCIL LIAISON
- ✓ ADVICE



**ONEMANA
BUILDING CO**

CONTACT US TODAY: 027 526 4414

hello@onemanabuilders.co.nz | www.onemanabuilders.co.nz

DOG GROOMER



MUTTCUTZ
DOG GROOMING IN WHANGAMATA
FOR GOOD BOYS & GIRLS

OPEN ALL CHRISTMAS! Win a CHRISTMAS HAMPER!

Free pick up & drop off for local SuperGold card holders

Full range of expert, professional services, including:

- Off the beach wash & dry
- Mini & deluxe full grooms
- Spa services
- A la carte services

Call Dawn 021 090 33092 or visit www.muttcutz.co.nz

TREE SPECIALIST



QUALIFIED ARBORIST

30 years experience in all aspects of tree work

- Pruning
- Hedge trimming
- Debris chipped
- Felling
- Confined space
- Free quotes
- Storm damage dismantling and more

Professional and reliable service – fully insured

Phone Greg Nicholson on 07 865 6769 or 021 133 0937

email: nicholsontreeservices@hotmail.com

ELECTRICIAN

PITCHER ELECTRICAL



SERVICING WHANGAMATA
FOR OVER 50 YEARS!

THREE GENERATIONS

**NO JOB TOO BIG OR
TOO SMALL**

Electrical Installations and Service Repairs
for all your Home Appliances

Authorised F&P Service Centre

P. 865 8848

M. 0274 589 571

WINDOWS



Ecofriendly
window & house
washing, shower
glass restoration
PLUS
Roof spraying &
waterblasting

**FAMILY
BUSINESS**

Nathan Midwinter
WHANGAMATA

M. 021 501 324
W. www.purenclean.co.nz

HEAT PUMPS



REFRIGERATION &
AIR CONDITIONING
LTD

We Sell and Service all Major Brands

Your heat pump specialist

On site marine & commercial refrigeration

Call today for a hassle-free quote

027 933 8599

www.reefrefrigeration.co.nz

VEHICLE REMOVAL

GET CASH FOR YOUR UNWANTED VEHICLE

We buy all vehicles: used, mechanical damage, old,
any condition. No rego, no WOF... no problem.

**TOP DOLLAR PAID
INSTANT CASH 0800 333 398**

Cars, vans, 4WDs, utes, trucks -
CARS WANTED DEAD OR ALIVE

Call 0800 333 398 or text 021 344 449

Conditions apply

BINS

Skip Bins, Wheelie Bins, Front Load Bins

Contact us today!

*We can
help!*



0800 4 MY BIN - www.smartbins.co.nz

Proudly 100% Kiwi owned

BOARDING KENNEL / CATTERY



Quality care and facilities in a rural setting

Office hours: 9am-12 noon and 3-5pm daily

INSPECTION WELCOME

Ph 07 865 8242 or 027 624 3890 – Annette Gillatt

4km south of Whangamata on the main road

PERSONAL



Manufacturer of
Environment Friendly
Washable Products

- Incontinence underwear
- Mattress protectors
- Comfy's
- Meal-time protectors
- Aprons
- Nightwear & special needs products
- Limb protectors

318 Casement Rd, Whangamata | P. 07 865 9647
www.staydry.co.nz | products@staydry.co.nz

TREE SPECIALIST



- Tree felling & removal
- Tree pruning & reducing
- Hedge trimming
- Stump grinding
- Fully insured
- Qualified arborist

**TREECARE
WHANGAMATA LTD**

Contact Ben 021 827 355 treecarewhangamata@gmail.com
(Formerly Greig Milne Tree Specialists)

HEAT PUMPS

TRUSTED LOCAL EXPERTS

**WHANGA
COOL**

HEAT PUMPS
VENTILATION
AIR CONDITIONING
REFRIGERATION

07 865 9061

IQP CERTIFIED

TYRE & BATTERY SERVICES



Car tyres / Wheel alignment

4WD tyres / Tyre repair

Wheel balance

Small implement tyres

Batteries - car & marine

KUMHOTYRES 7

Phone Simon
865 7698

CHALLENGE

Cnr Port & Ocean Rd,
Whangamata
www.challenge.net.nz

UPHOLSTERY



For all your upholstery needs

• Home • Office • Boat • Caravan

Available 6 days for your convenience

Free quotes • Free pick up and delivery



**07 865 8774
021 066 5788**

For your tomorrow - we gave our today

- John Maxwell Edmunds 1916

Whangamata News was delighted to attend the Whangamata Area School student body of 70 students who biked to the Whangamata Memorial Forest Park (1918 Battle of Le Quesnoy) to plant poppies made in class to recognise Anzac Day 2021 and their project of the term "War and Conflict" on Thursday 15 April.

Amy Webb, teacher at Whangamata Area school, and her 11 and 12 year old students invited the Whangamata RSA to be involved with the students project and fortunately Veterans Des Harrison (Vietnam War) and Bruce Moore (South East Asia) attended the small ceremony which was absolutely fitting for the planting of 'poppies' made in the classroom. The privilege of their presence was essential to the meaning to us all and students.

The bravery, the respect.

Piping in over the bridge by Lyall, extremely moving for those of us present and set the scene for students unaware of what was to come...

The student body absolutely spoke so well with various speeches and one in particular said "I'm so pleased I wasn't a child of war".

Impressively, Last Post was played, then the Ode was delivered faultlessly by an Area School student, followed by 'reveille' in standard tradition.

Keep in mind...

15,200 NZ soldiers and nurses died far away, in Gallipoli and on the Western Front, others died at sea, in training or following their return.

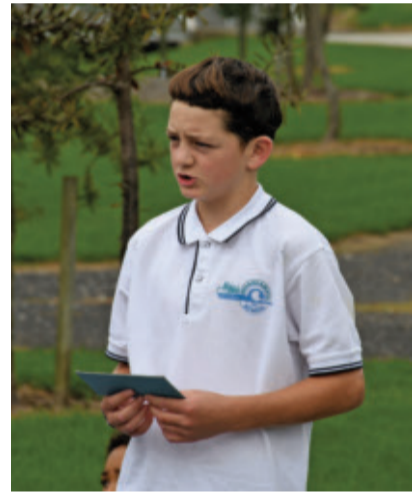
- Jennie Black



Des Harrison and Bruce Moore reinforce the learning.



Crosses for Crosses at Waihi remembrance.



Photos: Mark James Whangamata News



MIKE & MICHELLE

6-9AM WEEKDAYS



LISTEN NOW ON rova